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# NEWSLETTER

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## A message from your County Commissioner

A warm welcome to summer 2019 to you all. As we embark on the summer holidays many of you are about to go off on Holidays or Camps, have great fun and stay safe - please send us some photos to the County Facebook page.

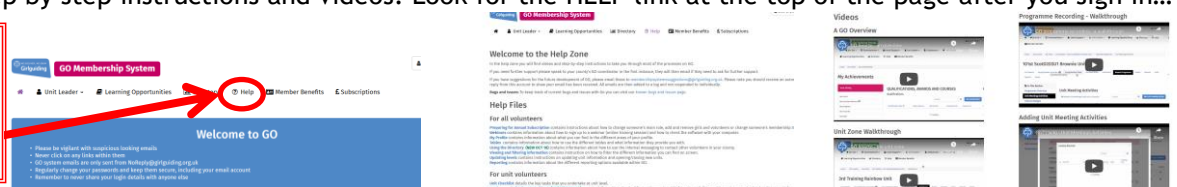
Both the County team and I would like to extend our thanks to you all for the work you have put into your units over the past year. It's been a challenge with all of the changes that are taking place. Have some summer fun! ~ *Caroline Harries*

**The New Programme** was revealed on 21st July 2018 and has been met with many different opinions. Some units gradually introduced the new programme as soon as it was revealed, some of us are yet to start! From September 2019 ALL units have to change over to it completely and 'old' resources will no longer be available from Trading shops. Yes, change can be scary but don't worry...there is lots of support! If you do use Facebook then you may already be a member of the 'new programme support page', there you will see a mix of positive & negative feedback. Some of the UMA's & Skills Builders cards may not suit your unit, but this Girlguiding [video](#) shows us how we can be flexible with the cards as long as the aim of the activity is met. You may have questions, lots & lots of questions! No question is a stupid question when you are learning something new, just ask for support. Click this link for more [New Programme](#) information.

You can also send any feedback you have to [ourjourney@girlguiding.org.uk](mailto:ourjourney@girlguiding.org.uk). They collate all the feedback and pass it on to the programme & development teams.

Many of the questions on the Facebook support pages are about using GO. There is a really useful help page with step by step instructions and videos. Look for the HELP link at the top of the page after you sign in...

Click on this help button to access all this support



## A Safe Space Training has been updated!

A *Safe Space* training will help you create an environment where girls can be safe and have fun. There are now four levels of training.

**All volunteers** will need to do Level 1 unless you've done *A Safe Space* training in the last three years. The previous *A Safe Space* training is equivalent to Level 1 and 2 of this updated training. Do you have the correct training? Check the training required for your role [here](#).

### A Safe Space, Level 1

- For all volunteers including occasional helpers, GO coordinators, home contacts, peer educators and young leaders.

### A Safe Space, Level 2

- For leaders, assistant leaders, unit helpers, leaders in training, young leaders, peer educators and those that are doing level 3 and 4.

### A Safe Space, Level 3

- For anyone leading a team of adults, at least one leader per unit must have level 3.

### A Safe Space, Level 4

- For all commissioners.

On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am - 1pm there is Safe Space level 3 training in Neath Guide HQ  
Contact [Sue Scott](mailto:brownowsue66@outlook.com) to book your place [brownowsue66@outlook.com](mailto:brownowsue66@outlook.com) or phone 01639 642201

If you have a safeguarding question or concern contact [safeguarding@girlguiding.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@girlguiding.org.uk).



## Hyperlinks

- ① The [Guiding manual](#) has been updated and is now only available on the Girlguiding website
- ① How to [contact](#) Girlguiding
- ① Confused about [ratios](#)?
- ① These [policies](#) ensure that guiding is a safe space for everyone.

### Dates for Your Diary

- ★ 6<sup>th</sup> July - Rainbows & Brownies activity day. Y Pant School, Pontyclun
- ★ 7<sup>th</sup> July - Safe Space training. Neath. 9.30 - 1pm.
- ★ 13<sup>th</sup> July - Traditional guiding skills day. Gorwelion
- ★ 14<sup>th</sup> July - Army Adventure Day (with the Royal Army). Gorwelion
- ★ 27<sup>th</sup> July - 1<sup>st</sup> Response training. 9.30- 4.30pm. Rhondda venue TBC
- ★ 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October - County Training Weekend. Rhondda Heritage Park. The training theme is STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics)
  - ① Book only Saturday's training 10-4pm for £25
  - ① Book only Sunday's training 10-4pm for £25
  - ① Or book **Saturday & Sunday** for an amazing ~~£50~~ and get:
    - 👉 Training on Saturday & Sunday!
    - 👉 Accommodation!
    - 👉 Meals!

**Book NOW to secure your place!**

Find more events and more details on the Central Glamorgan [events](#) page

**Nights away scheme** ~ Every time you spend one or more nights away at a recognised Guiding event, record it on your nights away record card. The scheme is open to all members from Rainbows to Trefoil Guild. Click [here](#) for more information or visit [girlguidingcymru.ork.uk](http://girlguidingcymru.ork.uk)

### 1st Response Training

- ★ Rhondda Division - 27th July 9.30am to 4.30pm
- ★ Venue to be confirmed
- ★ Email Beth Williams to book you place [firstaid.girlguidingcg@gmail.com](mailto:firstaid.girlguidingcg@gmail.com)

**Congratulations!**



**Chief Commissioners Award**

Anne,  
Donna  
&  
Rita  
receiving  
their  
Chief  
Commissioners  
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## THANK YOU!

For supporting the County Newsletter and sending in your news.

Thank you Anne, Donna & Rita for everything you have done for Girlguiding and well done on receiving the Chief Commissioners Award

## CONGRATULATIONS

**Congratulations** to Bridie of 2nd Pencoed Guides in becoming the new Mayor for Pencoed.

Bridie is an active member of her community and Pencoed are thankful to have her as an inspirational leader in their Division

## VOLUNTEER VACANCIES

- Section Adviser (Cross Sectional)
- International Adviser
- PR/Marketing - Social Media Co-ordinator
- Website Co-ordinator
- Additional Needs Adviser
- Queen's Guide Adviser
- First Response Trainers
- Peer Educator Co-ordinator
- Dyfodol y Ddraig (GGC Junior Council are looking for a rep from Central Glam, members ages 16-25)

## DID YOU KNOW?

Do you like the idea of a **sports educator** doing a session with your unit, or running a sports event in your unit or as a county? **Rhiannon Sheen De Jesus** co-ordinates the sports educators and can get this organised this for you. Contact her on:

[Rhiannon.sheendejesus@girlguidingcymru.org.uk](mailto:Rhiannon.sheendejesus@girlguidingcymru.org.uk)



**1st Abercynon Guides and Rangers** have done litter picking around their local community of Abercynon. The girls could not believe how much litter they found and said,  
*“It’s disgusting... why don’t people take their rubbish home?”*  
**Well done girls!**



**The Singing Circle.** In May, twenty one members from the singing circle travelled to Stockholm for five days. The highlight of the trip was the ABBA museum where we viewed memorabilia from the *Mamma Mia* films and the ABBA group. Next year we hope to join the National Singing Circles “Meet up” at Waddow. Some members will be attending a “Swiss sing” in Switzerland. What could be better than singing amongst the mountains?  
 If you enjoy singing (the only requirement) please come along to our monthly meetings on the **second Thursday of every month at 7.30pm at Gilead Chapel hall in Coity** for lots of fun, friendship and singing of old & new songs.  
 For more information email Annette Stoneham on:  
[annettesmadhouse1@sky.com](mailto:annettesmadhouse1@sky.com)



**Garth Maelwg** - A fantastic evening was had by all at the Garth Maelwg musical concert. £400 was raised for the seven girls who are off on International trips.  
**Thank you to everyone for their support.**  
**All the best to the girls on their adventures!**

## SEND ME YOUR NEWS!

- 🎯 Notice any errors?
- 🎯 What has your unit been up to? Send me your pictures.
- 🎯 Are you organising an event? Let everyone know your plans here.
- 🎯 What would you like to see in your newsletter?
- 🎯 Email Lisa Bryant: [newsletter.girlguidingcgc@gmail.com](mailto:newsletter.girlguidingcgc@gmail.com)

**It is the responsibility of the sender to ensure they have permission to share any photos given to the newsletter.**

**Quote of the Month**

Remember, it is not what you have but what you give that brings happiness



OLAVE BADEN POWELL