



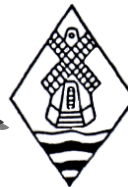
Girlguiding

Greater London West

girls in the lead



NEWSLETTER



March 2010

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Letter from our County Commissioner

What a memorable weekend Funtenary was! - in spite of the weather 4800 of us had an amazing experience that will last for a long time. From the excitement of riding up and down in the lift with our own private disco with flashing lights to walking on a pier for the first time, our Brownies were so full of excitement on their return they couldn't even describe it to the other members of the pack! After so much planning and preparation we can't believe it is over.

The next major event was Thinking Day - already I have joined Richmond Division where I was pleased to present a Good Service Award to Di Sharp in recognition of all that she does as Brownie Leader, District and Division Commissioner. Surbiton and Kingston & Malden Divisions held a joint service attended by the Mayor of Kingston, with music by the K & M Scout and Guide band and a presentation to Becky Edwards of her Queen's Guide Award.

Twickenham held a service actually on Thinking Day with a very good turnout and the presentation of a Division Award to Betty Elliot for all she has done as a Guider, Commissioner and for Registrations.

Many units have enjoyed One World One Beat with LaSER at Cobham which linked with the other eight events around the country. I was pleased to be able to visit and witnessed some amazing drama, dance and music opportunities. All of this after having started with our own District 'sleepover' and I am still looking forward to visiting Wimbledon Division and Belmont District as well as joining with our Division representatives at the reception at City Hall to celebrate the centenary of Girlguiding.

Many girls did remember to wear their uniform to school on Thinking Day - the response from schools was very positive and we hope to be able to repeat this on 20th October ready for 20:10 20/10 2010.

Thanks to all of your efforts we now have all units on Go! and census invoices have been sent out and should have been sent off with payment by now - if you have any queries speak to your commissioner or Janet Hill or Anne Reeves. Our next task is to 'tidy up' some of the entries especially leaders who show as 'active pending' due to missing references or CRB checks.

I am pleased that Joan Pearson has agreed to become Guiding Development Adviser and is actively encouraging Leaders in Training to attend the Section evening on 16th March and First Response on 20th March.

Our next County event is the Jack Petchey evening on 22nd April, all leaders are welcome to attend but you will need an admission ticket which you can request from Janet Hill.

Finally the County Mother and Daughter picnics on 9th May at Ham House and Morden Hall Park are intended as an opportunity to recruit more adult support by inviting girls to bring their 'mums'. We do need help from leaders with many jobs and Gill Gooding will be pleased to hear from you.

Best wishes,

Christine

COUNTY DIARY

MARCH

- 2nd Division Commissioners, Worcester Park, 8 p.m.
- 7th Queen's Guide Drop-In, Cheam, 2.30-4.30 p.m.
- 16th Adult Leadership Qualification Training, Wallace Fields Junior School, 7.30 p.m.
- 20th First Aid Trainings, Chessington, 10-4 p.m.

APRIL

- 22nd Jack Petchey Presentation Evening, Kings Centre, Chessington, 7.30 p.m.

MAY

- 9th Mother & Daughter Picnics

PR News

We may not be very successful at getting our stories and pictures in the local papers - well the printed versions - but we now have the ability to directly upload our stories onto the electronic versions. As an example see the following link for a report from Funtenary:

<http://www.kingstonguardian.co.uk/yoursay/yourneighbourhood/4862604>.

Bognor_Butlins_brave_Brownie_Invasion/

If you have any stories preferably with a photo, that you think deserves to be in your local paper, please send it to me and we'll get it uploaded into the paper.

PS - Distributions of all printed local papers seem to be drastically reduced so please view the electronic versions and look at 'Your local news' or 'your neighbourhood'.

Steve Wicks

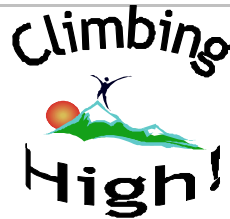
Celebrate! **Gala Evening**

Saturday 20th November 2010

Come for dinner and entertainment.

BP CHALLENGE ADVENTURE WEEKEND

Blacklands Farm
28th-31st May 2010



This weekend we hope will be a weekend of fun and challenge!

You will be camping with activities mostly outdoors. The theme is 'Climbing High'.

Cost will be £40.

If you have any queries, please contact Christine Donovan: 020 8641 6112.

Flyer and application is being sent separately with this newsletter and available to download from our web site:

www.girlguiding-glw.org.uk/BP_Challenge_Adventure_2010a.pdf

Congratulations to the following girls, who have gained their BP

Award:

Katherine Elvin

Jennie Lake

Anna-Louise Lakey

all 1st Belmont Guides



Greater London West Centenary Celebrations

100 Challenges

As part of their Queen's Guide award, three South Wallington Rangers have created the Greater London West 100 Challenges for our Centenary year. The challenge book has 200 challenges and is open to all sections. The aim is to complete 100 of the challenges to earn your badge, which is the centre of our GLW Centenary badges.

You can download a copy of the challenges by going to:

www.girlguiding-glw.org.uk/GLW%20Centenary%20Challenges2.pdf

100 Challenges & Residential Badges

100 challenges and *Centenary Residential* are the fourth and final badges of our GLW Centenary badges. To understand how many badges I need to get produced, please can you let me know how many units and therefore girls are taking part in the 100 challenges. Also, how many girls will be taking part in a Centenary residential organised at District or Division level, other than GLOW 10 or Centenary Capers. The badges will cost 70p each if you order them for your girls. Details on how and when to order them will follow nearer the time. Contact Sarah Pink: centenary@girlguiding-glw.org.uk

2010 PROMISE BADGE

The special edition Centenary *20/10 20:10 2010 Promise badge* will not be issued at the finale, it is down to units to buy their own if they want them. N.B. THE BADGES CAN NOT BE WORN UNTIL THE FINALE.

MOTHER & DAUGHTER PICNICS

We need help at both locations with the following activities:

- Setting up gazebos, banners etc. before the start
- Taking everything down at the end
- Car parking - Ham House only
- Checking tickets on the gate
- Directing visitors to our area
- Helping Trefoil members with plants
- Supervising giant games /providing giant games and parachutes
- Supervising the recycling
- Manning the publicity and information stands
- Any other offers of general help

Green fingered Guiders - We will also need some small seedlings (vegetables or flowers) which we can pot up on the day

If you are able to help, please let me know which venue and what you would like to do. It doesn't have to be all day and you can help with a friend. Please contact Gill Gooding: centenary@girlguiding-glw.org.uk

Thank you for
all your help in
getting GLW
"GO-ing."



Census—did you manage to get your cheque returned in time for 22nd February? There were one or two units who did not receive their invoices—please let us know if you are still having problems or have any queries on this year's census.

Please don't forget to keep details up to date and if there are any more qualifications which have not been added please let your Commissioner or County Support Co-ordinator know full details and we will add them for you. Any missing or incorrect information, e.g. CRB or references—send us the details and we will add them.

CRB—If there are any outstanding applications to be completed we will be available during the training session at Wallace Fields Junior School, Dorling Drive, Ewell on Tuesday 16th March from 8 p.m. You will need to bring the necessary documents/information and I will forward a copy of these if you email me in advance. These applications are completed online and it is essential that the correct paperwork is provided.

GO—We will also be available on 16th March to offer any help or answer any questions to Commissioners and Leaders about the GO system, e.g. moving girls from one section to another (use membership numbers only for searching when adding to your unit), checking length of roles, or any other questions you may have.

Janet Hill
go@girlguiding-glw.org.uk

TRADING & BADGES

New Items

7627 "I made it happen" woven £0.66
7780 Sparkle biscuit tin due mid March
2181 Silver ball pen £0.60
7589 Centenary fluffy top pencil £0.50

Out of Stock

2603 Brownie bear in hoodie
7698 1st Rally mug
Both due mid March

Special Offer for March only

Adult Leader waterproof 5273-5283 is only £25 (instead of £30).

Discontinued

3567 Brownie neckerchief
All name tapes have now finished. Try school outfitters.

March 2010 Guiding magazine

Guiding magazine is now to be a quarterly, handbag size magazine with first issue due from 6th March.

Special Offer—Neckers

Assorted colours in small quantities are available at £1 each. Do not order without checking with Madelaine first.

Please can I ask Leaders for prompt payment, especially for the TD 2010 badges as the bill for these is HUGE and I would like to pay it as soon as possible. Also can I remind Leaders to write the number of my white slip on the backs of their cheques, it makes finding and matching payments so much quicker. Keep shopping!

Madelaine Reid

✉ trading@girlguiding-glw.org.uk



FIRST AID TRAININGS

SATURDAY 20th March 2010
10 a.m.—4 p.m.

The morning session will be for 1st Response and the afternoon session will be Health & First Aid for Camps and Holidays.

Cost £10 for single sessions or £15 for both (reclaimable from unit funds) and you will receive the relevant book and a goody bag!

Application forms can be downloaded from the website:
www.girlguiding-glw.org.uk/FIRST-AID-TRAININGS-20Mar10-w.pdf/

Ann Fairhall
firstaid@girlguiding-glw.org.uk

Jack Petchey Foundation

Achievement Award Scheme



Presentation evening 22nd April 2010 6.45 for 7.30 p.m. Kings Centre, Chessington

Invitations have been sent to all the Leaders and Girls who received Awards in 2009 via Commissioners and Leaders. Please ensure these are passed on to the girls. Invitations will also be sent to the winners in January and February 2010. They can bring up to 2 guests from their family and friends.

This is YOUR invitation. All Leaders and supporters are invited to attend this great evening to recognise the achievements of the girls and to enjoy some entertainment from our members. Those who came last year had a great time. Please let me know names of those who wish to attend and we will send out tickets as soon as they are available.

Tamar Beecham
Jessica Cooke
Katie Bourne
Ellen Roberts

Laura Simpson
Maggie Thornborough
Jennie Lake
Katherine Elvin

Anna-Louise Lakey
Rebecca Dove
Madison Hart
Ruby Shipton

Don't forget to keep nominations coming in. It has been a bit quiet lately! Some areas are getting a little behind. Have you sent in a nomination for your unit? How about making your own unit application form and asking the girls to complete one and then you can put this on a County form with the best nomination from your unit.

Janet Hill

✉ Jpawards@girlguiding-glw.org.uk

BP Award



Does anyone have any girls that have completed these that might like to do a piece for the L&SER website for us?

If so Chris at Region office would love to hear from them...
chrisg@girlguidinglaser.org.uk.

Lifeguards Please

If you hold the required life guard / savers qualification required for us to use the pool at Heyswood, and you would be happy to spend an hour with our Brownies on Saturday 26th June (time to suit you) the 1st Worcester Park and Old Malden Brownies would love to hear from you. Please contact me.

Julia Bell

enquiries@girlguiding-glw.org.uk

Adult Leaders

Have you been working on your Adult leaders qualification for over 2 years?

Have you got your first aid/first response?

Have you attended a sectional training, either at County day or one evening?

Answer yes to all these questions?
Bring your module book to Wallace Fields Junior school, Dorling Drive, Ewell, KT17 3BH, on 16th March anytime from 7.30 to 9pm and have it signed off!

Joan Pearson
Training@girlguiding-glw.org.uk

International

—any offers of home hospitality this Easter or summer to Sarah Penneck please.

International@girlguiding-glw.org.uk

Queen's Guide Drop-In



Sunday March 7th,
2-30pm to 4-30pm
Cheam Village Guide Hall,
Mickleham Gardens, Cheam SM3 8QJ
Come and find out more!

Items for the April Newsletter should be with me by 22nd March please.
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