

BORDERLINES



Notes from our county commissioner - Karen Cragg



A leader I know posted this picture recently and it struck a chord with me.

For me, the autumn term can be a blur of Harvest, Remembrance and Christmas activities. On top of that we are all beginning to get to grips with the new programme!

Having attended county, division and district meetings recently, I am constantly amazed at the range of experiences we offer the girls in our county.

We are all challenged to prioritise with the time we have so I want to say thank you to you all for choosing to make guiding one of your priorities.

1. Historic roles and qualifications on GO

As a reminder, as of **Friday 30 November 2018**, the membership systems team will no longer be accepting historic role and qualification requests. Any emails received by this date will be processed. If a volunteer believes they are missing historic roles or qualifications, then please ensure the following information is sent to memberships@girlguiding.org.uk, with the subject: Historic Roles/qualifications, before the deadline i.e. **30 November 2018**.

For historic roles send

- Role held.
- Name of unit/district/division.
- Level number
- Date from.
- Date to.

For historic qualifications send

- Qualification name.
- Module name (if any).
- Completion date.

2. A reminder about disclosure checks and renewal

You will have had a disclosure check when you first became a volunteer. Girlguiding ask for this to be rechecked every five years. You (and your commissioner) receive an email two months before the expiry to allow time for you to arrange a recheck.

Please be aware that if a disclosure check has not been completed in time;

- A volunteer's role will change to 'active-pending' on Go! and they will be unable to attend residential events, stay overnight or be left unsupervised with girls and young women until their new disclosure check has been completed. They will also be unable to access membership records relating to any level.
- If, after this, a disclosure check is still not completed, withdrawal of membership may occur. This could mean that the volunteer will not be able to re-apply to volunteer with Girlguiding for 3 years.

Do ensure you arrange a renewal as soon as you receive your reminder. If, for any reason, this is not possible, contact your commissioner for support as soon as possible.

Commissioners: more advice is available to you from compliance@girlguiding.org.uk

CONGRATULATIONS

Young Leader Qualification
Zara Tucker-French

1st Wilmslow Guides



Duke of Edinburgh's Award
GOLD

Emily Birch

Sandbach, Moreton

Caitlin Percy

Holmes Chapel Rangers, Moreton



Going Away With.....

Karen Taylor 1st Henbury (St Thomas') Rainbows modules 1 - 4.

Laura Chaffer 1st Chelford Guides modules 1 - 8.

Ann Barber 2nd Congleton West Rainbows has updated her Overnight licence into the GAW Licence modules 1-4.



County trefoil strollers

Ten strollers from around the county met on a beautiful day in October to discover more of the surroundings of Poynton. A walk around the lake, known as Poynton Pool, was a pleasure in the autumn sunshine. Crisp golden beech leaves covered the paths.

We studied the information board which explained where Lord Vernon's Mansion had stood at the end of an avenue of lime trees and learnt about the Lime Hawk moth. Green parakeets have also been seen in these lime trees. We hope they do not eat the moths!

Our walk continued along quiet paths through various fields across a brook until the atmosphere was broken by the sound of a dog, then several dogs and eventually we could see dozens of dogs, all yapping furiously in the distant field below. Our path eventually ran quite close and the kennel staff were relieved to see us disappear as we continued our walk allowing the dogs to calm down.



We investigated another bridge over the stream above which was the newly opened link road to Manchester Airport. In the distance we could see all the hills of Lyme Park. The path continued along the side of a blackberry hedge then we followed Poynton Brook until it disappeared under the road which brought us back to Poynton Park.

Our lunch at the local Kingfisher Wetherspoons proved popular before the journey home again.

Europe and Adventures in Prague 2018 - Cheshire Border County International group

Having attended a County Intops event, the group who would explore part of Europe became four leaders and nine girls across the sections, Guide, Seniors and Y.L.'s. Part of our preparations was to design our own badge.



Some highlights of the trip ([full report on our website](#))



On top of the Reichstag, with the Dome behind us. An amazing structure!

Our trip became two nights in Berlin, two in Vienna and four in Prague accompanied by mascots, "Cheshire Cat", and Kristina Bear, who was sent by the NWE. organisers.

A challenge to all groups, who would take part in the Adventures in Prague, was to photograph your group mascot on as many forms of transport that we could find.

The Adventures Day was great, challenging and testing in the heat. We had stations to visit to complete tasks and QR codes to use. We became quite a competitive team, but at 4pm the opportunity to complete challenges

finished and it was back to our accommodation for showers and food before making our way to the evening celebration. A memorable evening with mock-tails, chimneys (a local sweet dessert), photo booth and a silent disco, voted by all as a memorable celebration.

In the words of a leader: "the group was amazing, they worked together, understood the strengths and needs of others, helped each other and took on all the varied challenges together.

The comments made after included; "I didn't know that I could achieve so much", "can't wait to tell my friends", "I've made great new friends".

The support given to the participants by units, districts, divisions and the county, for fundraising opportunities and donations was not only appreciated, but also motivating!

Two Fundraisers for Pym's Lane Headquarters in Crewe. All are welcome.



Saturday 10 November 2018 Annual Quiz Night

To be held at Crewe Post Office Sports Club, Sydney Road, Crewe CW1 5LU. (from Crewe Green roundabout turn onto Sydney Road - also signposted Leighton Hospital- passing Hunters Lodge on your right, then passing Bentley Drive, turn immediately right onto the driveway to the Post Office Sports Club)

7pm for 7.30pm start. £2.50 per person. Teams of four but teams can be made up on the night if you come on your own or a twosome. A relaxed, friendly atmosphere. There will be a raffle and also homemade cakes on sale.

Saturday 24 November 2018 Annual Christmas Fayre

To be held at Weaver Division Headquarters, Pym's Lane, Crewe, CW1 3PL 11am to 2pm.

Homemade soup and refreshments available, tombola cake / home produce and games.

Stalls available to hire at £5 - limited table space so first come first served. To hire a stall contact Janet Fallon 07929 581 836 or any committee member.



Safe Space Training

To book your place, (there is no charge), please email Dorothy Dentith on dorothy.dentith@gmail.com . There is a maximum of 25 places. Drinks will be provided before the trainings begin.

Thursday 22 November with a 6.30pm start - Level 3.

A reminder - you will need to have already completed the level 3 e-learning module for Safe Space. Please bring your certificates for levels 1, 2 and 3 with you.



Tickets are now on sale for the Bingo Night Fundraiser for Slovenia - 6.30pm on 26 November at Henbury Church Hall. £2 includes your first game of bingo and a cup of coffee/tea.

Let [Debbie Tomlinson](#) know if you want any.

Follow us on [Facebook](#).

Don't miss out.



Dates for your Diary

Further Details are on our [County calendar](#).

November 2018							December 2018								
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November

- 2-4 Senior Section Weekend
- Mon 5 country dancing
campfire circle
- Thurs 8 leadership get together
expedition training
- Mon 12 Border crafters
- Wed 14 finance meeting
- Sun 18 training walk
- Mon 19 trefoil strollers
- Tues 20 trefoil Christmas meal
- Thurs 22 safe space level 3 training
- Sat 24 first aid training
- Mon 26 bingo for Slovenia
- Thurs 29 county executive

Trefoil strollers meet again on Monday 19 November 2018 at Holy Trinity Church carpark on Reads Lane, Congleton CW12 3LL at 10.30 a.m.
Lunch will be at Congleton Garden Centre, Moss Road, Congleton CW12 3AP at 12.45 pm.
Trefoil members, family and friends are most welcome to join us to walk and/or for lunch.

December

- Mon 3 country dancing
- Thurs 6 expedition training
- Sun 9 training walk
- Mon 10 campfire circle

Copy date for next Borderlines is 31 November 2018 (NB no issue in January)

Articles for Borderlines should be sent directly by email to: borderlines@girlguidingcheshireborder.org.uk
Articles or photos for the website should be sent to Joan Wilson. webeditor@girlguidingcheshireborder.org.uk
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