

**Charnwood International Scout and Guide Camp
27 July - 3 August 2019
at Cattows Farm, Heather, in the heart of the
National Forest**



Want to #BePartOf? You can find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

You can register your interest on the website charnwood.org to be a member of staff or bring your unit.

Very soon we will be opening staff applications. We will be looking for members of the programme team to enthuse and support Scouts and Guides to get involved in the fun and we will need volunteers to support and reassure leaders in sub camps. If you are looking for catering experience or just enjoy food we'll have opportunities on the camp catering team. Or you might want to try something new like security or facilities? If you have any questions about Charnwood, contact me at sam.harrold@charnwood.org

We are also looking for Guides and Scouts to be part of our youth forum, if you have anyone interested please get in touch.

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BULLETIN

PANTASTIC!

This is a huge THANK YOU for all of your amazing collecting of pants and bras during our centenary year in 2017. I'm delighted to announce that together we have collected 2488 pairs of pants and 4099 bras.

Currently, they are carefully packed into a mountain of boxes and this Spring they will be making their way to Edinburgh, where the charity 'Smalls for All' have their base. From there, the pants and bras will be sent to Africa, to countries like Uganda, Malawi and Zambia.



Ashby Division get a special mention. With support from their local lingerie shop, 'Loubie Lou's Lingerie', they collected 839 pairs of pants and 1110 bras. Great work over in the west of the county.

Maria from Smalls for All discovered that many children miss out on school as they can't afford underwear. Underwear is seen as a status symbol and women with underwear are less vulnerable.

Last year we celebrated together and had lots of fun with our centenary events. We are a force to be reckoned with. By pulling together, we can bring about simple, effective changes for others. A huge well done to you all.

Rachel Webb-Jenkins
County Commissioner

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New programme resources launch 2018

To celebrate the revealing of the new programme the shop will be open on **Saturday 21 July** from 10am to 3pm, so come along and share the excitement. The new resources will be available to view and buy and we will be happy to answer questions.



On **Saturday 4 August** from 10am to 12 noon there will be an additional opening of the shop with another chance to view and ask questions.



The new resources will also be available on **Tuesday 7 August**, 6.30pm to 8pm, at Escape for leaders on site. Unfortunately there will be no credit card machine available on this occasion, so cash, cheques or invoice only please. Please note this is a special shop for leaders resources and not a gift shop for the girls!

The shop will open for the new term on **Thursday 30 August**.

We will also be at County Training Day on **Sunday 9 September** with the new resources. If you need substantial quantities then please let us know in advance.



This is a massive undertaking for our shop, if stocks run out we will be able to restock very quickly. Please be patient if we cannot meet your immediate needs.



County Weekend

26 - 28 October 2018

Netherurd, Blyth Bridge, West Linton EH46 7AQ

Bookings open: **Now** Bookings close: **13 July 2018**

Cost: £125.00

£60.00 deposit secures place, to be paid by 13 July 2018

See website www.leicestershireguides.org for flyer and booking form
Limited places



THE DUKE OF
EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Update

The Bronze Award has been very popular this year and girls from all over the county are participating. The Basic Expedition Training Weekend was postponed due to the heavy snow at the beginning of March. This will now take place 21-22 April 2018.

The Silver Walking team have completed their navigation training and look forward to completing their practice expedition in April.

Unfortunately there was insufficient interest in the Silver Canoeing expedition so that will not go ahead in 2018, but we hope to run it again in the future.

Silver walking
group navigation
training
at Bradgate Park



Expedition dates for 2018:

- 28-29 April Bronze walking practice expedition
In Leicestershire.
- 26-28 May Silver walking qualifying expedition
In Peak District.
Silver canoeing practice expedition on River Soar.
- 30 June-1 July Bronze walking qualifying expedition
In Leicestershire.

Registration forms and full details of how to apply for a place on trainings or expeditions are available on the Girlguiding Leicestershire website leicestershireguides.org.

Contact Lucy Faulds on 0116 2312875, 07970 827229 or lucy.guiding@gmail.com for further information.

Lucy Faulds
County DofE adviser

DIARY 2018

APRIL

14	Spring county training day		Enderby
19	Annual review of the year	7.30pm	Birstall
20-22	Baden-Powell Challenge weekend		
21	DofE Basic training day 1	9.30am	County office
22	DofE Basic training day 2	10am	County office
27	A Safe Space levels 1 and 2	6.30pm	Earl Shilton
28	Camp skills workshop	11am	Topstones
28-29	DofE Bronze practice expedition		Leicestershire
28/29	Archives open day	2pm	County Office

MAY

5	Saturdays @97	10am	County Office
6	Brownies learning to lead training	10am	Bagworth
7	Shop closed for May Day		County Office
10	1st Response Refresher	7pm	Moira
12	Trip to Twin Lakes		Melton Mowbray
12	Full 1st Response	9.30am	Moira
14	A Safe Space level 3	6.30pm	Earl Shilton
18	eBulletin deadline	4pm	County Office
19	Food hygiene training	9.30am	County Office
20	1st Response Refresher	7pm	Long Whatton
22	1st Response Refresher	7pm	Melton Mowbray
25	Shop closes for half term	3pm	County Office
26-28	DofE Silver walking qualifying expedition		Peak District
31	Shop reopens after half term	12 noon	County Office

JUNE

2	Saturdays @97	10am	County Office
8-10	Baden-Powell Challenge weekend		
12	A Safe Space level 3	6.30pm	Melton Mowbray
13	County Exec	7.30pm	County Office
20	1st Response Refresher	7pm	County Office
24	A Safe Space levels 1 and 2	9.30am	County Office
24	A Safe Space level 3	1.30pm	County Office
30-1	DofE Bronze walking qualifying expedition		Leicestershire

JULY

2-4	Rainbow and Brownie campfires		Topstones
7	Saturdays @97	10am	County Office
7	A Safe Space level 3	10am	County Office
8	Full 1st Response	9.30am	County Office

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Would you like to help at ESCAPE 2018?



We have flexible jobs, so whether you are free for a day or the week, there is something to suit everyone!

If you are interested, please complete the form available on our website.

Week price: £30 (to include t-shirt, necker and badge)

Per night (for *single* nights): £5 to cover camp fee

Days only: free

Staff catering is available at additional cost
There is no child care option provided for staff

Girlguiding Leicestershire
County Camp 2018

ESCAPE 2018

There is still time (JUST!) to book your unit in either with, or without leaders

Sunday 5 August to Saturday 11 August 2018

Bookings will be closing at the end of April 2018.

It will be possible to add girls and leaders to *existing bookings only*

Any queries? Please email

Seonaid MchPhail on seonaidmchphail@btinternet.com

or

Sue Mayhew on meltondivisionguides@gmail.com

THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE - DON'T MISS OUT



Escape to Guides

An opportunity for Brownies 9+* to visit and take part in a range of activities and sleepover at the



Girlguiding Leicestershire County Camp

ESCAPE 2018

When? Wednesday 8 August 10.30am to Thursday 9 August 10am.

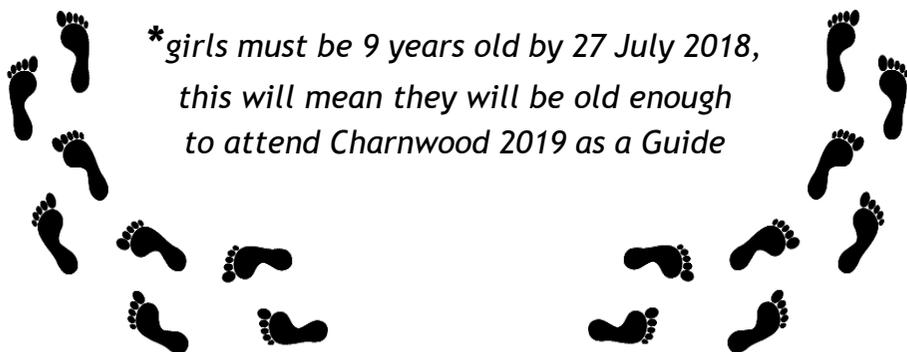
How much? £30 including meals and activities, £10 leaders, helpers and young leaders.

How do I book? The booking form is on the county website, leicestershireguides.org

Bookings open Now

Bookings close Thursday 31 May

For more information see the FAQs on the website.



**girls must be 9 years old by 27 July 2018, this will mean they will be old enough to attend Charnwood 2019 as a Guide*

Archives alive!

Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 April 2018

2pm - 4pm



What does the word 'archive' conjure up in your mind? Rows of dusty old books?

Not so!

Being a moving and growing organisation Girlguiding has a wealth of artefacts, photographs, log books which give an on going picture of guiding life over 100 years in Leicestershire.

Were you at Charnwood 2001?
At the centenary launch?
The Rainbow Roundup?

Come and explore the collection and take a trip down memory lane with our unique collection and maybe even take away a few old badges or other items to start your own collection. Girls working on Brownie or Guide Traditions badges will be especially welcome with or without their leaders.

Saturdays @97

Saturdays@97 will continue, on the first Saturday of each month, throughout the year. The next one will be 5 May. This is an opportunity for commissioners to come and complete their training (10am - 11am), for DBS checks to be done and for leaders in training to meet with a mentor.

We are also scheduling time slots for A Safe Space Level 2 e-learning follow-up conversations to take place (11.30am -12.30pm). Please make sure that your worksheet has already been sent into the office. If you wish to attend, please email or ring the office *before* 4pm on the preceding Friday.

Brownie residentials

We have been looking through all the questionnaire results and are now planning our next steps for residentials and trainings.



Some members mentioned they didn't know how to get in touch with us to get help with queries. So, if you are reading this, please can we ask you to share our details with all of your leadership team. Hopefully, anyone who is thinking of planning a residential of any size, at a new or existing venue, with their own unit or joining with others can then get in touch with their questions by contacting us on

Brownieresidentialleics@gmail.com

Emma and I will have both been away with our units by the time you read this Bulletin and we are looking into different ways of helping more girls and leaders to have residential adventures.

We were delighted with the number of experienced leaders who have offered their skills, to join with and support other leaders who have less experience. We will keep you posted with what we have planned as a result of your feedback.

Marika and Emma

County Brownie residential advisers

Have you been missing out?

Not getting your guiding magazine?

Then log on to your GO record and check!

Click on your name button, using the drop down, select 'My Guiding Preferences', scroll to the bottom of the page to Marketing Preferences and ensure that Guiding Magazine is ticked.

The closing date for the next eBulletin will be

Friday 18 May 2018

Please send any articles to office@leicestershireguides.org

Fifty Fantastic Females

Here's an exciting World Thinking Day project that the Guides from 5th Coalville and 1st Thringstone units have been involved with recently....

Having contacted Deana at The Hero Project CIC in Coalville whose next project is the 'Fifty Fantastic Females', creating decorated wooden cut outs of 50 inspirational women, linked to 'Votes 100', we were delighted to be given the opportunity to create the first two entries for this exhibition and launch a new set of skills workshops for children and young people, called THINK!

The Guides started working on the project in January. With the words 'Thinking Day' running through their minds, the Guides participated in a series of fun, yet serious 'thinking skills' sessions from which they drew up their shortlists of possible women to depict. 5th Coalville Guides decided to focus on a single woman: Agnes Baden-Powell because "she was not only influential in starting the Girl Guides but in persuading society that #GirlsCan, way back in 1910 when there was a lot of resistance to such things - without Agnes we probably wouldn't even be here" 1st Thringstone Guides took a slightly different approach and decided that 'Mums' were the most influential women they could think of.

The Guides, together with Deana, Kristina and Julie from The Hero Project CIC, then started to gather information and with help from their leaders, they planned a World Thinking Day event for the districts based on these concepts. During this event, all sections worked together to learn new thinking strategies, develop teamwork skills and help to decorate the cut outs, as well as having fun!

'Agnes' and 'Mums' are now proudly displayed in The Co-op at Coalville for everyone to see and we look forward to 48 more influential women joining them over the coming months.



Agnes Baden-Powell

Lucy Faulds (5th Coalville Guides)
Ruth Mountford (1st Thringstone Guides)



International fundraising nights



Campfires for Brownies and Rainbows
at Topstones County Campsite, Tilton Lane,
Cold Newton, Leics LE7 9FH

Monday 2 July
Tuesday 3 July
Wednesday 4 July

6.30pm - 8.30pm Cost - £5.00

Booking forms **now available** on leicestershireguides.org website

The international team are holding three Brownie and Rainbow campfire nights in July at Topstones. These evenings will raise vital funds to support those travelling internationally in 2018.

They will be fun filled evenings singing and learning new songs, as well as meeting up with old friends and making new ones.

Closing date: Friday 15 June 2018

Guiding Essentials Leicestershire 2018

May Day: closed Monday 7 May
Spring half term: close 3pm Friday 25 May
reopen 12 noon Thursday 31 May
Summer: close Friday 13 July
reopen Thursday 30 August 12 noon
New Programme Resources Launch: open Saturday 21 July 10am - 3pm
and Saturday 4 August 10am - 12 noon

For up to date information please check the shop page at leicestershireguides.org

or contact 0116 204 4902

or equipstore@leicestershireguides.org

Midlands Region Chief Commissioner's Award 2018



This award may be given to any member of Girlguiding Midlands, who has given outstanding service to guiding at a local level. Any other roles held by the nominee are not relevant to this award.

Recommendations for this award may be made by anyone within or outside guiding. The nominee's local commissioner and county commissioner must sign the application form. The date for the presentation in 2018 will be Sunday 2 December.

Please note: There is a new form to be used for this years award - please do not use old forms. Please contact Maggie Silver for advice, copies of the form and notes for those making nominations. Return completed forms to Maggie Silver via email maggie.silver@outlook.com or direct to County Office **to arrive no later than Tuesday 8 May.**

Nominations are encouraged for members who have really made a difference at a local level. A description of what makes them stand out and be different from others will be required on the new form. This recognition is not to be used as a long service award.

Maggie Silver
County awards adviser

Annual Review of the Year 2017

Thursday 19 April, 7pm for 7.30pm

Palmer-Tomkinson Centre,
(Cedars Academy), Wanlip Lane,
Birstall, Leicester, LE4 4GH

All welcome!

TRAININGS AND OPPORTUNITIES



AUTUMN COUNTY TRAINING DAY

Rolling out the new programme

Sunday 9 September

at Brockington College, Blaby Road,
Enderby, LE19 4AQ

new programme rollout, sectional trainings
and guiding shop

**Please book a place on the trainings of your choice by
completing the online booking form on our website**

- Bookings will be *provisional* until you have received an acknowledgement to your request and a confirmation of your place on the course, both by email from County Office.
- Please do not just turn up - courses could be full.
- Uniform is worn at all trainings.
- There is often a waiting list so PLEASE tell us if for any reason, you have to cancel.

Are you planning to bring your girls to **ESCAPE 2018** or to take them camping for the first time?

Would you like to develop your camping skills?

Camp Skills Workshop

Saturday 28 April 2018 11am - 3pm
Topstones county campsite,

Tilton Lane, Cold Newton
Leicester, LE7 9FH

Bring a packed lunch.

Book using the training booking form
on the county website

Fiona Clarkson

County Guide & Senior Section residential adviser

TRAININGS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Rearranged date

Brownies

Brownies learning to lead

Sunday 6 May 2018

10am to 3.30pm

Bagworth Community Centre, Station Road, Bagworth,
Coalville, LE67 1BH

Girlguiding offers girls an opportunity to try out leadership roles. Sixers and seconds develop their skills by taking on responsibilities. They can be great role models for the younger girls.

The day will be an action packed fun day for the girls, giving them lots of opportunities to develop their leadership skills, and work together with girls from other units, as well as their own.

Leaders will observe the girls in action and also take part in their own activities that can be used in the unit to inspire and continue to support the sixers.

It will cost £3 per girl and will include a badge.

Booking form and more details on the county website.

Food Hygiene - Level 2

Saturday 19 May

9.30am - 4.30pm

County Office, 97 Princess Road East,
Leicester, LE1 7DW

There is a cost of £20 for exam and certificate



Want more out of guiding? Want to take the next step?

Become a trainer!

If you would like to consider becoming a trainer, please contact
Sue Newman on 07597 119817 for an informal chat.

TRAININGS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Full 1st Response

This is a mandatory training for those new to guiding. The course is valid for three years and the full course is necessary if you have not completed a refresher within six months of your qualification expiring.



Saturday 12 May

9.30am - 4.30pm

Methodist Centenary Church,
Measham Road, Moira, DE12 6AA



Sunday 8 July

9.30am - 4.30pm

County Office, 97 Princess Road East, Leicester, LE1 7DW

1st Response Refresher

You have six months after your 1st Response expires to complete the 1st Response Refresher course. After that time you will then need to complete the full 1st Response course again—see above.

Thursday 10 May

7pm - 9pm

Methodist Centenary Church,
Measham Road,
Moira, DE12 6AA



Sunday 20 May

7pm - 9pm

Friendship Centre,
Main Street, Long Whatton,
Loughborough, LE12 5DF

Tuesday 22 May

7pm - 9pm

St Peter's Church Hall,
Welby Lane,
Melton Mowbray, LE13 0ST

Wednesday 20 June

7pm - 9pm

County Office,
97 Princess Road East,
Leicester, LE1 7DW

TRAININGS AND OPPORTUNITIES

A Safe Space

Levels 1 and 2

Introduction and Creating a safe space

Required if you have not completed a Safe Space training since January 2015.

Friday 27 April

6.30pm - 9.30pm

One Ash/Ash Lodge, Mill Lane, Earl Shilton, LE9 7AX

Sunday 24 June

9.30am - 12.30pm

County Office, 97 Princess Road East,
Leicester, LE1 7DW



Tuesday 7 August

1.30pm - 4.30pm

Topstones, Nr Tilton, Leicester, LE7 9FH (at Escape camp)

Level 3

Recognising, telling and taking action

Monday 14 May

6.30pm - 9.30pm

One Ash/Ash Lodge,
Mill Lane,
Earl Shilton, LE9 7AX

Tuesday 12 June

6.30pm - 9.30pm

Parish Hall,
24 Main Street, Asfordby,
Melton Mowbray, LE14 3SA

Sunday 24 June

1.30pm - 4.30pm

County Office,
97 Princess Road East,
Leicester, LE1 7DW

Saturday 7 July

10am - 1pm

County Office,
97 Princess Road East,
Leicester, LE1 7DW

More trainings available on our website