

InforME April 2019

Welcome to your monthly update for 2019 from Girlguiding Middlesex East! This mailing goes to all County 18+ Unit Helpers, LiT's and Leaders

County Commissioner Unit Visits

Well, that is the first set of units visited - 10 in total! It has been great to see everyone so far. A reminder that annual accounts, unit risk assessment and a term's programme should be completed for visit.

You may have seen our County Commissioner in the most recent edition of Girlguiding Magazine talking about the Doing Our Best Standards! If not, hunt her out! For more information regarding Doing Our Best, please follow this link

https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/making-guiding-happen/how-were-being-our-best/doingour-best/

BIG ANNOUNCEMENT Brilliant Bird Day

Rainbows & Brownies event

15th June 2019 Chigwell Row Guide Camp Site

Come join us on the Middlesex East Field and complete the LaSER Brilliant Bird Challenge plus extra bird craft opportunities. (This is an outdoor event)

Flyer & Unit booking form and group list on the county website in the leaders area as well as attached below.

Baden Powell Adventure - Last Ever

<u>10 am 6th July to 3.00pm 7th July 2019 Fieldside, Northern Heights Cost £35</u> This is the last opportunity for an in County Baden-Powell Adventure. Are You Spy Enough? The flyer is on the county website as well as attached below.

County Training Day

<u>23rd June 2019 at Northern Heights. Cost £10.</u> Open to all volunteers in the county Old programme badge swap opportunity and fundraising stall for internationals over lunch. It will be the last opportunity for a New Programme Overview training - remember to claim your units £50 grant.

Flyer and booking form on the county website in Leaders area as well as attached below

County Rangers Overnight

Saturday 27-28 April 2019 at Northern Heights.

Information for this event has been circulated to Division Commissioners for further circulation on to unit leaders.

Please pass out to your Guides 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ + as well as Young Leaders and Rangers. Places still available to book contact Nicola <u>rangers@ggme.co.uk</u>

Camp 2020

24th - 27th July 2020 at Gilwell Park. Cost TBC.

Do you have a desire to let your creative juices flow? We're looking for a merchandise officer who will take the lead on sourcing merchandise and clothing for camp 2020. If you have any questions about what is involved please email on camp2020@ggme.co.uk and join our fabulous team!

Gilwell 24

13-14th July 2019 Gilwell Park

Do you have members in your unit aged between 14-17?

Would they fancy staying up for 24hrs whilst taking part in a variety of hi-octane adventurous activities? Cost £45 includes an event T-shirt and badge (but not food) Flyer and consent form on the county website in Leaders area.

Rainbows Sleepover 2020

Northern Heights 26th June 2020 and repeated 27th June 2020 further info to follow.

Northern Heights Updates

Task Force

<u>11th May, 8th June, 20th July, 14th September, 12th October, 16th November</u> Why not join us at Northern Heights for our monthly Task Force day? Pop along for all or part of the day where we have jobs for all abilities. Remember to bring a packed lunch. Hot drinks are provided and a warm welcome is guaranteed! All days run from 10am - 4pm

Hearts Of Oak

A lighter and more gentle version of the task force. <u>29th April, 20th May, 17th June, 15th July 2019</u> All days run from 11.00am-3.00pm

Calling all Archery enthusiasts

With the archery range at Northern Heights revamped and up and running we are looking for more volunteers to complete an instructors course to allow us to run more archery sessions.

County will pay for the Archery GB level 1 course on the proviso that you commit to running at least 10 sessions in the following 18 months.

The nearest course to our County is running at Phasels Wood Scout Camp WD4 9NA, 9am-6pm on Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th September 2019.

If you are interested please contact countycommissioner@ggme.co.uk

Social Media / Forum

Has your unit done something different, new programme activities or anything that just looks great in a picture?

If they all have photo permission then send your photos via email or WhatsApp to County Commissioner so we can share your stories and promote our successes!

Safe Space

Just a reminder every adult needs to have received Safe Space training by the end of 2020 appropriate to the role they hold.

As a County we can only provide so many trainings a year so please try and complete your training sooner rather than later especially the e-learning Level 1 and Level 2 which only then leaves a chat which can be completed by your DC or Safe Space trainers.

Division Commissioners have been given a list of Adults who don't have anything recorded so will be chasing you up very soon.

Unit Leader Responsibility

Please remember to submit your accounts annually to your Division Commissioner. This is a requirement by Girlguiding and HMRC as we are a charity. <u>https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/globalassets/docs-and-resources/managing-volunteers/commissioners--responsibilities-for-unit-accounts.pdf</u>

Awards

The awards committee will be meeting on the 8th May 2019 which will be your last chance to submit nominations prior to the awards evening which will be held on <u>Wednesday 3rd July 2019</u> so please send your nominations in ASAP to your Division reps or to the County Awards Chair-Alison Nugent. For more information on awards visit the Girlguiding website. <u>https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/making-guiding-happen/running-your-unit/managing-your-team/awards-and-recognition/</u>

Newly appointed County roles

Enfield North District Commissioners from 1st April 2019: Vicki Stratton-Stubbs, Sarah Harry, Jen Mattei Enfield East District Commissioner: Jacqueline Martyr International Advisor (joint role with Emily Keene): Tess Ayling

Do you fancy joining our enthusiastic team of advisors ??? In that case we have a some opportunities for you. Peer 4 Educator Advisor

18-30 Section Advisor

Commissioners/Advisors Unavailability (Away for more than 2 weeks)

| Enfield East Commissioner | - Away - | 29 th April to 15 th May 2019 |
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| Guide Advisor | - Away - | 17 th May to 2 nd June 2019 |
| Enfield East Commissioner | - Away - | 28 th May to 11 th June 2019 |

| Badge Secretary | - Away - | 6 th June to 18 th June 2019 |
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| Membership Growth | - Away - | 2 nd August to 21 st August 2019 |
| Outdoor Activities Advisor | - Away - | 10 th August to 24 th August 2019 |

Communications

If you have any news items or County Calendar events you would like to be shared with the County please contact us at <u>countycommissioner@ggme.co.uk</u> Check out the County website at: <u>www.ggme.co.uk</u> Keep up to date with our County Campsite at: <u>www.northernheights.org.uk</u> And don't forget our Social Media accounts:

| Facebook | Girlguiding MiddlesexEast |
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| | Northern Heights Residential Activity Centre |
| | Cherry Green Trees |
| | Girlguiding Middlesex East 18-30s |
| | Girlguiding Middlesex East: Rangers & Young Leaders |
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- Twitter@GirlguidingMdxE (Middlesex East County)@GGMdxE_TSS (Middlesex East Rangers and Young Leaders)@Nrthn_Heights (Northern Heights Residential Activity Centre)
- Instagram middlesex_east_rangers (Middlesex East Rangers)

Upcoming Trainings

<u>New Programme Training (overview)</u> 23/06/2019 County day, Northern Heights

New Programme (sectional training)

20/10/2019 Finchley Methodist Church Hall, Ballards Lane, Finchley, N3 1NB

First Response

23/06/2019 Refresher Course County Day

Safe Space

- 23/06/2019 Safe Space 2 County Day
- 07/07/2019 Safe Space 3 Union Street, EN5 4HZ
- 07/10/2019 Safe Space 2 Edmonton Baptist Church, N9 OLS