

# InforME April 2020 ~ "Our 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday year"

Welcome to your monthly update for 2020 from Girlguiding Middlesex East! This mailing goes to all County 18+ who have signed up to receive marketing communications.

### Annual Subscription

We made it to 98.2% paid, only two units were unable to get payments in on time which is great considering the last couple of weeks involved social distancing.

### **County Mexico International**

This has had to be postponed to April or August 2021.

All participants have been informed.

### County RAF Hendon sleepover

This has had to be postponed to 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

All units that had booked have been informed.

### County Rainbow Sleepover

This will probably have to be postponed but will confirm next month, If it is postponed the alternative dates are likely to be early in the New Year as Northern Heights is very busy with bookings

#### **County Thanks and Recognition Afternoon**

Postponed from 7<sup>th</sup> June to a date hopefully in the Autumn.

### <u>Camp 2020</u>

No doubt many of you have questions regarding whether or not Camp 2020 will go ahead in July.

We very much hope that Camp 2020 will be able to go ahead as planned, however we must keep abreast of rapid changes in relation to the UK's response to the Coronavirus. There are many complex parts to an event such as Camp 2020 and we do not know what the situation will be at the end of July.

Larger events like Essex Jamboree and Gilwell 24 have already cancelled or postponed to 2021, which is due in part to the scale of their planning, travel distances and financial implications. Camp 2020 is a much smaller local event, and it is possible for us to make a decision at a later point.

Our first priority is the safety of our participants and volunteers, parents, activity providers and staff at Gilwell Park, and must also be mindful of the financial liability of this event.

We are constantly reviewing the situation and will make a further announcement at the end of April 2020.

Bookings will remain open until a final decision is made.

Questions can be directed to <u>camp2020@ggme.co.uk</u>.

# <u>Training</u>

Sadly we have to cancel two A Safe Space 3 trainings and a First Response refresher so far.

I have asked Sandra Training co-ordinator to look into the possibility of doing the A Safe Space 3 as a virtual training, a number of counties have tried this and it has appeared to be successful.

# <u>DBS</u>

If you are due for a first time DBS or a renewal the system has been closed for the moment and we will be notified when we can re-start completing them. The dates will be extending on those due for renewal.