

Stop Press

Welcome to the May edition of Digipost

April has been a lovely month, full of activity and new opportunities, and it has been great to see so much going on across the county. As we move into May, we are very much looking forward to the summer ahead.

There's lots to enjoy over the coming months, including the Guides water weekend at the beginning of May, and groups heading off to make the most of Spring Bank, Unity, Poacher and more.

In April, leaders enjoyed a social weekend at Pax Tor, which was great fun. Keep an eye out for details of another social weekend coming soon, which will be open to all.

Finally, a reminder that award nominations will be closing soon. For more information and to send a nomination, please visit:

<https://www.girlguidingderbyshire.org/derbyshire-awards>

1st Response and other training opportunities

1st Response training dates

Sunday 14 June – Buxton Fire Station – 6 spaces

Sunday 5 July – Etwall Scout Hut – 8 spaces

Sunday 2 August – Sandiacre Scout Hut – 10 spaces

Saturday 19 September – The Den, Inkersall – 10 spaces

Saturday 10 October – Trefoil House, Ilkeston – 1 space

Sunday 22 November – Etwall Scout Hut

All bookings can be made by clicking the link [here](#), if the course is full, please join the waitlist.

Please be aware, the wait list system has changed – purchase a waiting list ticket, if a space becomes available, you will be notified to attend. If you are not invited to attend, your booking fee will be refunded in full.

Other training opportunities

LDP Mentors Zoom call – Thursday 7 May – 7.15pm

[Click here to book](#)

Subs Sums Support Zoom Session – Wednesday 20 May – 8pm

[Click here to book](#)

Gift Aid Support Zoom Session – Tuesday 23 June – 8pm

[Click here to book](#)

All members call details: <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/what-we-do/events-and-opportunities/events/all-member-and-volunteer-calls/>

Events

Date	Event	Venue	Booking link/more information
Various	Selection rides for Scout & Guide trip to the Netherlands 2027	Melbourne - 10 May Matlock - 6 June Wirksworth - 12 July	Selection rides in Spring 2026 for young people interested in the trip to experience what the days will be like in the Netherlands Click here to book
Thurs 7 May	LDP Mentors Call	Online	Opportunity for mentors to discuss the LDP and how it is going with their mentees
Mon 1 June	Commissioner support call	Online	See information in the commissioner support section
Sat 6th June	County Singing day	Gresley Scout Hut	More details to be confirmed but please save the date!

Commissioner support

Derbyshire Commissioner support zoom calls 2026 - for all ACs and DCs:

- Monday 1 June
- Tuesday 13 October

Please put the dates in your diaries- a good opportunity to share information and support each other in your role.

Wednesday 10 June – Chat with confidence

- There is no cost to this event. More details will be shared ASAP

UK Commissioner call

- Wednesday 9 June - 8 - 9pm
- Held on zoom. Tailored updates and insights to support you in your leadership

County Camp 2028

County Camp 2028 – Save the Date!

We are delighted to confirm that a County Camp will be held at Lea Green Activity Centre from 29 July to 2 August 2028.

There will be exciting opportunities for all sections to get involved, and we are really looking forward to working with the Lea Green team to deliver a truly fantastic camp experience for everyone across the county.

To make this camp a success, we'll be looking for support from across the county. A wide range of roles will be available, and at this stage we are particularly interested in hearing from anyone who may be interested in team leader roles for sub-camps, finance, car parking, Rainbow Day, and more.

If you'd like to find out more or are interested in getting involved, please contact Angela at cc@girlguidingderbyshire.org.

Fietskamp Netherlands 2027 update

Guiding members had a great time on our first selection ride for next year's Netherlands trip. The sun was shining as we covered 50km (30 miles) in the Erewash Valley. All the young people did amazing and there is a lot of excitement building for the trip. It also marks a milestone as the first time the Guiding side of the trip leadership team have ridden together.

So far we have 10 Guides and Rangers signed up for selection rides, and room for plenty more. We aren't looking for pro-cyclists and it's not about speed - just that girls can ride a bike and are willing to put the training miles in to be able to cover the distances we will be cycling in The Netherlands. We want to make sure that young people with additional needs can access the trip - please do get in touch to discuss how we can support them. It's shaping up to be a really exciting trip and a unique opportunity for our girls. Please share the trip information with your units <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/tkuAvk4b6GRyjuCA?ref=Link>

You can also follow our adventures on www.instagram.com/fietskamp2027



FIETSKAMP

Fietskamp 2027
Cycling Netherlands

Region opportunities

There are several events and opportunities advertised on the Region calendar:
https://www.girlguiding-midlands.org.uk/whats-on/calendar/?cal_month=3&cal_year=2026

Coming up in June:

Growth Success Stories – Join us for this online session where we will share lots of practical hints and tips that have been successfully used across Girlguiding Midlands this year. They've worked for someone else... they could work for you too!

SAVE THE DATE: County singing day.

Come and have some fun, singing for pleasure, sharing campfire classics, and learning some new ones.

Saturday 6th June, Gresley Scout Hut, Park Rd, Swadlincote. More details coming soon

Race Across the Peaks- Challenge Pack


Helena, a young leader in the Amber Valley area, has created a fun challenge pack called Race Across the Peaks as part of her fundraising for her upcoming county international, Rome to Home.

If anyone is interested in the challenge pack please contact

Rome2Home2026@gmail.com

Service for Volunteers at Derby Cathedral

The Lord Lieutenant of Derbyshire is holding a celebration event for all volunteers on Sunday 7th June at Derby Cathedral. If any adult members or young leaders interested in attending, please contact Rachel on accgrowth@girlguidingderbyshire.org it would be brilliant to have as many Girlguiding volunteers in attendance as possible.



Derby Cathedral

You are invited by His Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Derbyshire and The Dean of Derby in partnership with Rural Action Derbyshire, Community Action Derby and Foundation Derbyshire to:

**All Shall be Well:
A Celebration of Volunteers,
Trustees and Community**

Sunday 7 June 2026 | 2:30 | Derby Cathedral

This annual service will celebrate the importance of all voluntary and community sector organisations and groups to our society.

This invitation is for all – including volunteers, staff, trustees, service users and supporters.

We will reflect on the importance of hope for the sector during difficult times.

Refreshments will be served after the service.

save the date!

Girlguiding Derbyshire
County Camp 2028

Saturday 29th July -
Wednesday 2nd August
2028

Lea Green Outdoor Activity
Centre

Opportunities for Rainbows, Brownies, Guides
and Rangers.

More information coming soon.

If you are interested in helping with
organising and running the camp, please
get in touch with Angela on
cc@girlguidingderbyshire.org



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MSF Carbon Explorer Badge (Girl Guides)



MSF is a nationwide highways contractor specialising in street lighting, traffic signs, technology, civil engineering, EV charging & independent connections (ICP).

[Events | Girlguiding Derbyshire](#) for further information



STREETS AHEAD

SHOOTING STARS

Are you looking for a fun, engaging activity to bring something truly memorable to your camp this summer?

Shooting Stars Circus Skills offers exciting circus workshops designed especially for Scouting and Guiding groups. Our sessions give young people the chance to learn a range of amazing skills in a safe, supportive, and laughter-filled environment.

During our workshops, participants can try activities such as: • Plate spinning • Juggling • Diabolo • Flower sticks • Unicycles • Mini Bikes and much more!

Our experienced instructors focus on confidence building, teamwork, perseverance, and creativity while making sure everyone has a brilliant time learning new skills.

Circus skills sessions are perfect for: • Summer camps • Activity days • Camp entertainment evenings • Skill-building workshops • Large group participation

We can work with groups of different sizes and ages, and sessions can be tailored to fit your schedule — from short activity slots to longer workshops.

Many leaders love circus skills because every young person can succeed, regardless of ability or experience. It's an activity where everyone can take part and leave feeling proud of what they've learned.

If you would like to add something unique and energetic to your camp programme this year, you can contact us by [clicking here](#).

If you want to read some of our amazing reviews then just [click here!](#)

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