

Stop Press

HELLO and welcome to April edition of **DIGI-POST**, your monthly newsletter.

If you have any feedback about the newsletter please email accgrowth@girlguidingderbyshire.org.



County Team Baby News



We are so pleased to say a huge congratulations to our ACC Jo Hems and her partner Steve on the safe arrival of the gorgeous baby Alfie born on 21st March at 8.65lbs

As you can see from the lovely picture above, they are all doing really well! 😊



We are also really happy to tell you that Claire Pickard, our former County Recruitment lead and her partner

Gareth have also had a baby, the gorgeous Emilia Rose on 26th March at 7.11lbs. Welcome to the world!

Learning & Development

1st Response Training

Please visit our Learning & Development page on the County Website [CLICK HERE](#) for full details of all the 1st training courses that we are currently able to offer. Should you have any queries on which course to book please contact the County Office - office@girlguidingderbyshire.org

Safe Space Training

You can complete Levels 1 and 2 via e-learning (use the links opposite).

**CLICK HERE
LEVEL 1
TRAINING**



**CLICK HERE
LEVEL 2
TRAINING**

Safe Space Level 3

This training will continue to be run online at Region level and not at County level. Should you require this training please [CLICK HERE](#) to link to a booking form for you to complete with dates from Region.

NOTE: You cannot hold virtual unit meetings without someone who holds a Level 3 Safe Space present.

Events

Date (2021)	Event	Time	Venue	Booking Link/ More Information
Fri 28 th to Sun 30 th May	FESTIVAL FEVER (CAMPOVER III) 	All Weekend Event	Virtual	*SAVE THE DATE*
Sun 4 th July	*NEW DATE* Cityopoly 2021 	All day Event	Derby City Centre	Click Here (to book)
Fri 9 th to Sun 11 th July	Travel the World with Girlguiding Derbyshire 	All Weekend Event	Virtual	*SAVE THE DATE*
Fri 10 th to Sun 12 th December	 Christmas Event 	All Weekend Event	TBA	*SAVE THE DATE*



Festival Fever
TALENT SHOWCASE
Campfire songs - singing - dance - magic - acting and all other Derbyshire talent

Open to all sections including leaders.
Submit your video to events@girlguidingderbyshire.org by Saturday 15th May to be included!



30 April - 2nd May 2021
Friday evening to Sunday afternoon

Midlands Moot 2021

An opportunity for girls and adults to gain new skills, revisit old skills and challenge themselves to enjoy the outdoors wherever they live and whatever space they can access.

There will be all sorts of activities to enjoy over the weekend, either at home or with your unit, if COVID rules allow; camping skills, outdoor games, nature challenges and other fresh air adventures!

Save the Date - details to follow!

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Initiatives

CC TEAM CHALLENGE

We're excited to announce the next two sections in our series of challenges set by the CC team. As the nights get lighter, the weather warmer and we look forward to meeting face to face with our units then we hope that you enjoy these two challenges. As always the theme is broad to allow you to be as flexible as you want while having as much fun as possible!

STEM CHALLENGE

'Show a way you have engaged with science, technology, engineering and maths'
 Make sure that you share what you have done to inspire someone else.

OUTDOOR CHALLENGE

'Enjoy being outdoors with your unit'
 You could perhaps learn a new skill, take part in a new activity or adapt an indoor activity to work outdoors

RANGERS & YOUNG LEADERS BOOK CLUB

Calling all avid readers. World Book Night takes place on 23 April 2021. Girlguiding Derbyshire have been successful in securing 160 copies of "Stories to make you Smile". Please speak to your Leader who can [CLICK HERE](#) and fill in the registration form if you are interested in receiving one of these books and to join others sharing your thoughts on the stories. More information will be sent to those who register - Happy Reading!



THANK YOU



Alison Brown has been Girlguiding Derbyshire's County Social Media rep for the last 3 years. In that time, she has taken the Social Media channels for the county to new levels, whilst sharing her insight with many others across Derbyshire and further afield. She has recently been appointed as Membership, Growth and Retention lead for North East England Region - we know she will do a fantastic job of this and we wish her well.

We will be recruiting for a new County Social Media lead!

***GIRLGUIDING DERBYSHIRE FACE MASKS ***



Protect & Promote with Pride: Order your fantastic Girlguiding Derbyshire Facemasks [CLICK HERE](#) - Now in Three Designs - Proud to Volunteer, Proud to Support & I Volunteer...what's your superpower? Cost: £5 each plus £1P&P. Masks are 3 layer, 100% cotton, washable and have a bendy nose wire.

The selfie competition for April is pictures outdoors! Upload your selfie to social media with #teamderbyshire for a chance to win a prize! March's winner was Sarah Throup - your prize is in the post!



Other notices

GIRLGUIDING DERBYSHIRE COUNTY SHOP

We are excited to launch our own County Shop - visit the Website [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and look out for posts on the Online Market - Happy shopping!



***DERBY & CHESTERFIELD SHOPS RE-OPENING ***

Chesterfield Guide Depot - re-opening on 30th April, 4-6pm for Leaders Only. A suggestion: if you want to save time order before you visit us - either email chesterfielddepot@gmail.com or ring 01246 278336 (during opening hours) A reminder: orders can be posted out to Leaders.

Derby Guide Shop re-opening Thursday 22nd April 2021 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm for Leaders only!

Ideally we would prefer to receive your order in advance via the shop girlguidingderbydepot@gmail.com Fitting rooms are closed to try on uniform but returns will be accepted in the original bag with shop receipt.



Commissioner Zone

Safe Space - Please do make sure that the units in your districts are aware that they need to have someone with a level 3 Safe Space qualification on any unit meeting, even virtual ones. Please continue to monitor Safe Space compliance on a monthly basis to ensure no future sanctions.

DBS Checks - Please always check the latest guidance on the website but note that at present even during this Lockdown you can still do socially distanced ID checks if both parties are happy to do so. You can find the guidance here [CLICK HERE](#)

Our Area Growing Guiding Reps and Social Media Reps

G: Alison Hope	SM: Claire Wood	G: TBC	SM: Alison Brown
G: Dawn Hutcheson	SM: Sophie Mitchell	G: Karen Wilkinson & Maxine Payne	SM: TBC
G: TBC	SM: Rachel Bridge	G: Steph Hardwick	SM: Sarah Hammond
G: Alanah Miles	SM: Hannah Taylor	G: Aaliyah Skittrall	SM: Penni Seviour

Area Growth Reps are our main point of contact for DC's with respect to growth and retention and can help leaders too - through suggestions and direct support on recruitment initiatives. They interface with DC's, including at area meetings, but also at county growth meetings to ensure flow of support. They ensure a warm welcome to new volunteers and with DC's, ensure flow of new volunteers through Go. Growth reps also work closely with...

Area Social Media Reps, who engage the public on area social media pages; showcasing what we do and advertising for new volunteers and girls. They support districts and leaders with social media. They also contribute into county growth meetings and interface with the county social media rep.

Key Growth Resources

Promoting Guiding
[Our key messages | Girlguiding](#) Do you know the 4 key principles of Guiding which should underpin our comms
[Girlguiding Brand Identity Guidelines](#) How to use logos, colours, fonts and the Girlguiding brand
[Online design centre | Girlguiding](#) Creating your own posters, logos and other recruitment materials

Welcoming in Volunteers
[Toolkit for a warm welcome | Girlguiding](#) - Getting recruits off to a good start, including induction, volunteer roles and getting started as a volunteer webpage can be found above. Work with your Area Growth Reps to understand the resources available.

Exciting News

For anyone who's run a virtual meeting, you'll know we've been able to showcase to parents and guardians the broad range of activities that we do within Girlguiding. Some parents have become quite involved on the side-lines (or more prominently!) There's an opportunity to invite these parents to continue the Guiding they have enjoyed over the last few months. Why not take up the challenge to invite one parent from your unit to join as a volunteer? Resources will be added to the County Website when available.
[CLICK HERE](#)



Girlguiding Derbyshire opened our Spring Market this week. It's an opportunity to promote your business or fundraise for local units and charities. It is also an opportunity for us to reach a wider audience in sharing what we do in Girlguiding. Please invite your friends, family and unit parents to see the showcase of and support what we do. There's some really creative and unique products to buy from talented people! [CLICK HERE](#)
 There are still stall opportunities [CLICK HERE](#)