



FIRST FRIDAY FLYER 3rd July 2020

Welcome to the July edition of the First Friday Flyer. It is so hard to believe that we are soon to start the summer holidays and no face to face Girlguiding has taken place since March. At that point, I doubt any of us really believed we would not meet again face to face before the summer holidays. We still have no idea when we may meet face to face and what that will look like when we do.

I think the most important aim now is to keep the enthusiasm going for both girls and our adult members so that our membership want to return to face to face Guiding as soon as they can.

I would really like to know if adult members would like a Zoom social event organised by county, it could be anything from a “coffee and cake catchup” to a “bingo and a bottle bonanza” and anything in between, I am really open to ideas and any volunteers who fancy organising something! We need to think differently at the moment to keep everyone engaged. Please email Rachel.ccnynne@gmail.com with your ideas and offers of help. I am aware that there is lots going on within divisions/districts which is great but it would be good to open that up a bit further and try something at county level.

I am also aware that many leaders are reaching out to girls in lots of different ways and many leaders are currently not able to do this in any form at all, both of these are fine and there is no pressure on anyone to do anything currently. As a county we are concerned about retention of girls and leaders and at the end of the month we are launching our **Virtual Escapades** event – see further information below. I really hope you will all support county with this event and hopefully you will all take part as well!

Our spotlight this month is Sue Price, one of our disability and inclusion advisers. Emily Ahearn is our other disability and inclusion adviser and she will be our spotlight next month. Hopefully they will give you a better understanding of what their role in county is and how they can help leaders.

Look after yourselves and your families as we continue in these uncertain times and let's hope we are all able to meet up again soon.

Yours in Guiding

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Girlguiding North Yorkshire North East Virtual Escapades



Look out for our new county fun activity badge due to be released in July, designed to run from August 2020 until February 2021. As we have no idea when residential events can take place again, this is designed to fill the gaps. Members can have four “residential” at home and gain badges in the process. There will be an event in August, one for bonfire night, one for Christmas and finally one to celebrate Thinking Day. Each event will have a “sleep somewhere other than your own bed” element, a competition element and will also be a chance for people to earn North East England sleep away badges and North East England step out badges. We are aware that many leaders do not have much time to give to Girlguiding currently so this event will need virtually no leader

input. All we are going to ask is that leaders initially email/post the information leaflet and the first event information to every girl in their unit. After that they can contact us directly for badges and also for the next event information and this will also be available on social media and the county website, facebook page etc. The events will be open to any members from Rainbows to Trefoil Guild. The overall badge will still work if members only choose to do some of the events and the event can still run even if we are back to face-to-face meetings.

<https://www.facebook.com/Virtual-Escapades-NYNE-107827974322951/>

1st Bedale Brownies to Celebrate Centenary in November 2020

In November 2020, 1st Bedale Brownies will be celebrating their 100th birthday. Their first official meeting was held on 2nd November 1920. At this moment in time, we are not sure how we will be able to celebrate, but we would like to make a historical timeline of the adventures that the Brownie pack has had.

We are asking for anyone who has memories or pictures of 1st Bedale Brownies that they are willing to share with the current Brownie unit, to make contact with the unit leader Sue Price via the unit email 1stbedalebrownies@gmail.com in the first instance. Sue is also looking for the history of the county and how it has changed throughout this time in order to make the time line.

Any help will be appreciated.



A Campfire Competition July 2020

The Scout County Creative Activities Team is looking to run a different “creative” competition each month. For July, we would like entrants to get ‘musical’ and help us create a campfire singalong. The competition is open to everyone involved in Scouting and Guiding in the County of North Yorkshire (from Beavers and Rainbows through to adults).

All you need to do is record yourself performing your favourite campfire song. With the magic of editing we will make it appear like we are all singing together. This isn’t X factor or Britain’s Got Talent so enthusiasm most certainly does count. If you would like an extra challenge you could even make your own homemade props to help bring your version of the song alive. We’d prefer videos of your performance, but we will accept audio only.

The competition will be open for submission by 30 July 2020, any entry received beyond that date will not be judged. Entries must be submitted to the following email address only: creative@nys.org.uk. All entrants must come with a name, section, Scout and Guide group, District plus Guide County details. An email or postal contact and confirmation that it is all the entrant’s own work. Please note that by sending in entries you are giving permission for your performance to be used.

The entries will be judged in the appropriate section, all judging will be anonymous and the decisions of the judges will be final. The
Deadline; 31 July 2020

We will aim to have the video produced by September 2020

Song suggestions:

Head, Shoulders, Knees And Toes
If You’re Happy And You Know It
Taps
When The Ants Come Marching In

Ging Gang Goolie
Campfires Burning
Quartermaster’s Store



Further information or for any queries please contact;

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Return to guiding update - as of 2nd July email from HQ

As government lockdown measures change and ease in different areas of the UK, we've been reassessing the restrictions we also have in place. We want to give you time to make an informed decision about what's right for you and your unit but you don't have to do anything yet. We know that many of you have been asking about meeting your girls outside, so we want to be transparent even if all the detail isn't final yet. Senior volunteers and staff have now agreed a framework that will help us decide when we can return to face-to-face guiding - indoors or outdoors.

We're finalising the resources you'll need and the local process that we'll ask you to go through to get face to face guiding up and running again, watch this space. It will be possible for some members of Girlguiding to meet outdoors later this month if they are abiding by local government rules, have followed our new guidelines and process, observe social distancing and have two volunteers present if they are meeting young members. For those who can't, Adventures at home will continue and we're providing support and training for online guiding.

We'll also be sending a survey in next week's Discover, grow email to find out how you feel about returning and what more we can do to support you.

The changes in lockdown restrictions also mean that our Girlguiding activity centres are now exploring what opportunities they could offer members. More updates on this will be coming soon.

International Travel and REN forms

Important information to be aware of if you are planning an international trip:

International travel is a fun rewarding adventure for our volunteers and young people. In these difficult times, please follow the correct procedures around REN forms and insurance:

Adequate insurance is mandated on the REN form (and an insurance certificate should be seen by the commissioner) before any forms are signed.

If there is no adequate insurance, then REN forms will not be signed.

Insurance should be in place before any bookings or payments are made for any trip.

Careful consideration should be applied by the commissioner before giving permission to plan at this stage, due to the Covid-19 uncertainty.

A copy of all international REN forms must always be sent to your country or region office.

GDPR

General GDPR information:

www.girlguiding.org.uk/making-guiding-happen/running-your-unit/membership-administration/gdpr/

Photos: www.girlguiding.org.uk/making-guiding-happen/running-your-unit/membership-administration/gdpr/photography-hints-and-tips-for-counties-divisions-and-districts/

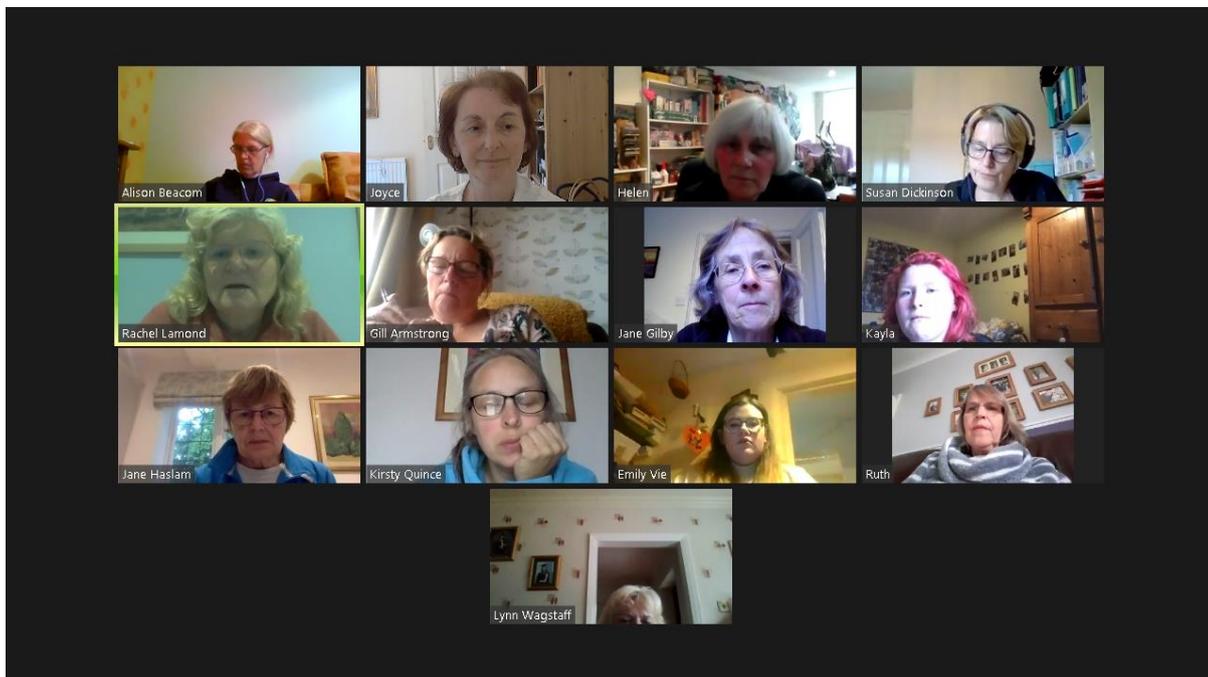
Using emails - the difference between marketing and service messages:

www.girlguiding.org.uk/making-guiding-happen/policies/girlguiding-policies/managing-information-policy/managing-information-procedure/

And if you want a general refresher, here is the e-learning:

www.girlguiding.org.uk/making-guiding-happen/running-your-unit/membership-administration/gdpr/keeping-info-safe-training/

County Exec have continued to meet, using zoom



The county executive team met recently via Zoom. For many, particularly the county commissioner, this was a huge learning curve!

It is certainly not the same as meeting face to face but the bonus was that at the end of the meeting, no one had huge miles to travel home, which is unavoidable in our county. One of our DC's joined us from Northern Ireland without having to step outside her parents' home!

Going forward, even when normal life returns, we are certainly going to look at Zoom meetings, particularly for the dark winter nights when travelling long distances is far from ideal.

First Friday Flyer Feedback

Just a thank you , I enjoy reading the flyer .

Thank you so much. This is all so positive in these challenging times

Love Friday Flyer - direct to the coalface

I think this is a great idea. I often wonder how to find out who the officers in the County are, and also constant reminders about upcoming training and events is very helpful for busy people.

I do like my regular emails

Spotlight on...Sue Price - Disability and Inclusion Advisor



Hello,

My name is Sue Price and I am one of the Disability and Inclusion Advisors for NYNE. I share the role with Emily Ahearn and we have been doing this for 2 years. My background lends itself to this role very well as I have always worked in health and social care and for the past decade or so as an Occupational Therapist (OT). I am very experienced in both physical and mental health fields.

As a leader I am a Unit Leader of 1st Bedale Brownies, which is a large and lively bunch of Brownies and I'm also the leader of Bedale District Rangers which was set up in 2013 we have achieved quite a lot in a short amount of time. Some of you will know me as the leader with the colourful crutches or a walker, as I am a disabled person myself. My challenge to myself as a Leader is to inspire girls to see that disability should not be a barrier to achieving your goals. Sometimes you have to take the long way around and several detours, but you can achieve your goals.

However, my role as a disability advisor is there to support you as leaders if you have girls or adults in your units who have disabilities or additional needs. As Girlguiding is inclusive no one should feel that they cannot join or should need to leave because of a disability. There are many different roles within Girlguiding and sometime we need to look at how the Guiding can work for them. Quite often the Disability / Inclusion advisor can be a fresh pair of eyes looking at a potential problem. One of my best skills is lateral thinking (thinking outside of the box) and problem solving.

Please do not be afraid to ask a question. It is much easier to ask and get an answer than worry. It could be about taking a girl on an outing, a pack holiday or camp, or a question about ratios if you have a leader with a disability or any extra risks you may need to think about. These are the things I can help you with. A problem shared is a problem halved.

If you would like me to come along to have a chat or do a session of disability awareness, please get in touch. I would much rather people knew who we are.

Safe Space Training

If you have not completed levels 1 and 2 yet why not take the opportunity now while Girlguiding is suspended and you may have a little more time.

Safe Space Level 1

https://training.girlguiding.org.uk/a-safe-space-module-1/?_ga=2.20777656.1446745953.1580679370-1071633433.1534847874#/menu/5c0fa48062cb836f2d73dc79

Safe Space Level 2

<https://training.girlguiding.org.uk/a-safe-space-module-2/#/menu/5c1b88888f2971c5fe4d881>

Not sure which level you need? See below, but you are all welcome to do the level above the one required for your role.

Level 1

For all volunteers including occasional helpers, GO coordinators, home contacts, peer educators and young leaders.

Level 2

For leaders, assistant leaders, unit helpers, leaders in training, young leaders, peer educators, those attending residential events and those that are doing level 3 and 4.

Level 3

For anyone leading a team of adults, at least one leader per unit (leader, assistant leader, leader in training), mentors, advisers, coordinators (except GO coordinators), licence holders on residential, trainers, tutors and those doing level 4.

Level 4

For all commissioners, designates, deputies and those sharing a role, trainers delivering A Safe Space Level 4, safeguarding leads and A Safe Space advisers.

Trainings

We currently still have the county leaders' day in the calendar for 4th October. We are not putting out any flyers for this yet until we have a better understanding of the situation. We have trainers booked, so perhaps pencil the date in your diary and keep your fingers crossed. We will update you as soon as we can.

The website and social media pages will be updated regularly with information.

<http://girlguidingnyne.org.uk/news/>

<https://www.facebook.com/GirlguidingNYNE/>

Look out for the next edition of the

First Friday Flyer on

Friday 7th August 2020