



We are looking for young people to become our ARC Explorers

Interested in ...

Local history? The early days of Girlguiding in Norfolk? Fact-finding? Working with others? Being hands-on?

Then we have a super opportunity for you!

Girlguiding Norfolk has received funding to learn how to conserve, catalogue and research the items donated by the family of Nora Williamson, a guide and leader in the 1920s/1930s in Gressenhall. We are running a project on this fascinating collection, and we are looking for young people to help us.

Nora's Collection: shining a light on Girlguiding then and now

How can I get involved?

Come along to our introductory day on Wednesday 29th October at the Archive Resource Centre and find out about Nora's collection – what mysteries do they hold and what stories can they tell us about Norfolk life and Girlguiding 100 years ago – help us to decide!

What will I do?

- Meet Nora's daughter, Patience, and hear memories about her mother.
- See items from 100 years ago, including badges, photographs, certificates, uniform and more.
- Learn new skills and connect with new people. There are lots of skills to develop – working in a team, discovering and checking information, communication, building confidence. If you are interested in History, Media, Psychology, Art, Textiles, then these are just some of the subjects that the project will relate to.
- Help put ARC on the map with its socials – help us create material for our platforms such as Facebook, Tik Tok and Instagram.

What is the plan for the day?

10.00 – 10.15	Arrival and refreshments
10.15	Welcome and introductions
10.30	Tour of the Archive Resource Centre
11.00	Find out about the links with Gressenhall
11.15	<i>Break</i>
11.30	See Nora's collections first hand
12.00	Meet Nora's daughter, Patience Elliott
12.45	<i>Lunch*</i>
1.30	What would you like to explore? Help us decide on the research questions
2.15	Socials – creating content (photography and videoing)
2.45	Deciding next steps – what would you like to do on this project?
3.00	<i>End of the session</i>

* Please bring a packed lunch, drinks will be provided

There will be a follow-up day on Saturday 22 November when the questions will be answered, with an expert to hand to support what we are doing and making sure we make the most of this treasure!

Any questions contact us at archivist@girlguidingnorfolk.org.uk

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