



10 April 2025

Dear {{ contact.FIRSTNAME | default : "volunteer" }}

I hope you have been enjoying the sunshine. I know units are beginning to get out and about more now the evenings are longer and it is a bit warmer. Our Guides enjoyed a walk along the river this week with a visit to the chip shop!

I was also fortunate to see a performance of the High Wycombe Gang Show this weekend. The energy of the young people and adults alike was amazing, we really enjoyed the show and everyone taking part was obviously having a great time.

Thank you everybody for paying your subscriptions on time. We had 100% of our units paid by the deadline which is amazing and makes everything much easier for us as a county. Don't forget if anyone needs help with end of year accounts please contact the [office](#). The deadline for these to be with your Division Commissioner is the 30th May.

I hope you all enjoy a relaxing break over Easter.

Best wishes,

Sue Berry

Interim county commissioner

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Updated serious incident process

Girlguiding has updated the process for responding to serious incidents. If an accident or incident occurs at a Girlguiding event or meeting that requires emergency services - such as a life-changing injury or fatality - the new emergency health and safety line (**0207 592 1828**) must be contacted within 1 hour. Support is available 24/7. Please make sure you keep a note of this number so you have it if needed.

Updated unit accounts pack

Girlguiding have released a new updated accounts pack for all units for year end, please use the below links

- [Unit accounts pack guidance](#)
- [Independent reviewers checklist](#)
- [Unit accounts pack 2025](#)

Girlguiding Celebrates 2025

Nominations are now open. Do you know an incredible volunteer in Buckinghamshire who deserves to be recognised? Now's your chance to give them a moment in the spotlight! Nominate them for a chance to attend Girlguiding Celebrates — a special event to recognise the inspiring members who make guiding amazing. Nominations close at 9am on **6 May** - make yours [here](#).

Ellesborough re-opening

We are excited that Ellesborough will soon be re-opening after the refurbishment. Unfortunately, it isn't possible to invite everyone in the county to the re-opening as there just is not enough room! However, Sue, Rikki and Janet would like to invite you to join them for a cuppa and a look round the building on **Saturday, 7th June 2pm-4pm or Tuesday, 10th June 9.30am-12.30pm**.

Vacancies

Are you looking for a new challenge? Please visit our [website page listing all our role vacancies](#) to see if there is anything that interests you. Remember, our volunteer county roles are flexible and offer a great opportunity to extend and build skills in wide variety of subjects.

Could you be a Mentor?

The county is looking for leaders to become county mentors for the Leader development programme. What do you need?

- You need to be an active leader in a unit.
- Have a passion for Girlguiding
- Have time to inspire new leaders
- Be able to visit Leaders in training in their units (approx 4 times over the duration of completing the programme)

What can we offer?

Training, support and the answer to any concerns.

We have new leaders ready to start their Girlguiding adventure who just need a mentor.

If you can help or would like to talk it through please contact [Sheila Beales](#)

Events

We often have a number of exciting events running across the county. To find out what is happening, when and where, and to get further details please visit the [events page](#) of our website.

Competition Hikes & Rainbow Ramble - 10 May 2025

The 30th anniversary Competition Hikes entries are now open. Competition Hikes are open to Brownies, Guides, Rangers and adults. Rainbows can join a ramble from Ellesborough or take part with their units or family from Monday, 5th to Sunday, 18th May inclusive. Full details and forms are on our county [website](#).

Bucks Big Day Out - Saturday, 4th October 2025

Look out for exciting news at the beginning of next term. We are busy planning a fun day out for all sections so we hope you will keep the day free and come and join us.

Trainings

Upcoming 1st response trainings with availability 2025

26 April - Beaconsfield - Fully Booked

7 June - Herons Lodge - Fully Booked

28 June - Princes Risborough

20 September - Herons Lodge

11 October - Beaconsfield

22 November - Princes Risborough

29 November - Herons Lodge

Please visit the [county calendar](#) where you can book to attend one of the above mentioned trainings.

County calendar

Bookings have now opened for the adventure of a lifetime in Lincolnshire! Your group can join 5,000 Scouts and Guides from across the world for a huge range of adventurous activities, exciting entertainments and lasting friendships, from 1st - 8th August 2026.

- Participant fee: £300
- Leader fee: £30

Bookings are open until 31st October 2025, or until the event is full
More details can be found at www.poacher.org.uk

Candle Cash

Candle Cash is a family-run business helping Girlguiding groups raise funds for trips, events, and activities through a simple, flexible, and risk-free candle sale initiative.

- No upfront costs – no financial risk, no pre-payments
- Free delivery & flexible returns – unsold candles can be sent back at no charge
- Ethical, high-quality products – handmade, beautifully scented candles
- Skill-building benefits – develops financial literacy, teamwork, and entrepreneurship

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