

Service Mail



26 June 2025

You have received this mail because you are a volunteer with Girlguiding Buckinghamshire.

Hello {{ contact.FIRSTNAME | default : "Volunteer" }}

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their unit accounts to their Commissioner. If you haven't done so yet please do as soon as possible as the Commissioners have a deadline of the 30th June to meet for submitting the summary sheet for your area to county.

Rikki, Janet and I enjoyed showing many of you around Ellesborough during our drop-in sessions and to hear your positive comments about the changes that have been made together with some suggestions of items that would be useful to have in the house. It is a wonderful place to take your unit for a weekend away either in the house or camping on one of the camp sites.

I know many of you have been enjoying outdoor adventures with your units over the last couple of weeks. Fire lighting and cooking, nature trails, litter picks, whittling and making bug hotels are just a few of the activities that have featured on our facebook page. Please continue to post your pictures, we love seeing what you have been doing.

Thank you for choosing to volunteer for Guiding.

Best wishes

Sue

Girlguiding Bucks

Interim county commissioner

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Archivist

We are delighted to let you know that Paul Fleming has been appointed as our new County Archivist with immediate effect. Paul is a former sales and marketing professional who worked for Dulux Paints for over 30 years before taking early retirement. His daughter is a Rainbow leader and his wife a Division Commissioner. Paul is also a member of the Ellesborough Committee and has worked as a volunteer on the Paralympic collection at the Buckinghamshire Archives.

Caroline White is continuing to support our archives in a new role of County Historical Adviser.

We thank Caroline for all she has done while in the Archivist role over many years.

If you have any questions about our archives please contact Paul on

archivist@girlguidingbucks.org.uk

Bucks Big Day Out, 4 October 2025

Bookings are **NOW OPEN!** We are looking forward to seeing girls from all sections at Chessington World of Adventure with their leaders for a fun day out.

All the details are on the [county website](#) including cost and how to apply for a travel subsidy from county. Closing date for bookings is **1 August 2025**.

If you have any queries please contact: ggbucks@girlguidingbucks.org.uk

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday 8 November 2025

We're excited to announce our **NEW LOOK county day** will be on **Saturday 8 November 2025**.

Come along to:

- Meet the county team
- Learn how our Advisors can support you
- Try out some exciting activities
- Take part in training sessions
- Get help with GO system challenges and more!

We're shaping the day with you in mind — so if there's anything you'd like to see included, please let us know: ggbucks@girlguidingbucks.org.uk

Can't make the whole day? No problem! Whether you're able to join us for the full day or just part of it, we'd love to see you there!

Further details will follow soon, but for now, please save the date.

New Enquiries from girls

Please can I ask for your help. There are currently 163 girls listed as having enquired to join Guiding in Bucks but who have not been contacted within the 21 days required. I know we are all busy people but please can I ask that you contact new enquirers within the time limit. Some of these enquiries go back as far as 2019! If you have tried to contact a new enquiry three times over a period of time (say 3 weeks) using at least 2 different methods the girl can be deleted from the enquiry list unless, of course, there is a particular reason in which case a note should be put into their record. Please take a look at your new enquiries list and see if you have anyone who should be contacted or who can be deleted from your list. Thank you for your help.

Volunteering Storytelling Project

Would you like to be part of the High Sherriff's Storytelling project for Girlguiding Bucks? The idea is to talk to volunteers about their experiences and to highlight the positive benefits in order to encourage others to consider it. You would be asked to answer some questions in an interview and, if you are happy to, have your photo taken. The interviews will then be made into a road show which will be taken around the county. If you would like to be considered to be part of this project on our behalf please contact Sue countycomm@girlguidingbucks.org.uk

County Equipment

Did you know the county office has a range of equipment that units can borrow? Items include promotional materials like sails and bunting, as well as practical tools such as a glass engraving kit, badge-making machine, and a projector. Some items may incur a small charge to cover maintenance. For a full list of available equipment or to make a booking, please contact:

ggbucks@girlguidingbucks.org.uk

Training dates

Upcoming 1st response trainings

- **20 September** - Herons Lodge - **FULLY BOOKED** (please contact the [county office](#) to be added to the wait list)

- **11 October** - Beaconsfield - **FULLY BOOKED** (please contact the [county office](#) to be added to the wait list)
- **22 November** - Princes Risborough
- **29 November** - Herons Lodge

Please see the [county calendar](#) for details. Click on your preferred date and follow the instructions.

County office

The county office will be closed on Friday 27 June and will re-open on Monday 30 June. Office hours are 9.00am-1.00pm

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County connections

We would like all our members to feel connected through our communications. There are a few things that you can do to keep in touch with all that is going on across the county.

- You can change your settings on Go and **opt in** to marketing so that the county team can include you in future mailings.
- You can join or follow Girlguiding Buckinghamshire on Facebook and Instagram.

We have a special Facebook group just for Girlguiding Buckinghamshire members which you can join using the button below.

Join members group

We also have a public facing page called **GirlguidingBuckinghamshire** which replaces our old public page. This page can be viewed by anyone. You can follow us using the button below.

Follow the Facebook page

Use the button below to check out and follow us on Instagram.

Follow us on Instagram

If you have anything you would like us to consider for future mailings, please contact the county office : ggbucks@girlguidingbucks.org.uk

If you no longer want to receive these emails, please log onto GO and update your marketing preferences.



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