



## October 2019

### COUNTY CAPERS

County Capers in September had nearly 140 Guides, Rangers Young Leaders and Leaders enjoy a fabulous 24 hours of fun and laughter. It was encouraging to see girls from units with no residential qualifications held by their leaders taking part. Over twenty 14+ year old girls had their own separate mini camp with the opportunity to find out what Rangers and Young Leaders get up to!



### DO YOU WANT AN ADVENTURE? DO YOU WANT TO HAVE FUN?

It's not too late for Leaders of Brownies, Guides, Rangers and Young Leaders to apply for an expression of interest for a fabulous weekend camp at Warwick Castle on 19 – 20 September 2020 (these dates are an update on those previously shown on the flyer). An application form can be found [here](#)

### What else is coming up in Essex West?

**\*Update\*** 28/11/19 – Safe Space Level 3. A GO training is now being offered instead of Promise in the Programme. If you apply for this can you please put on your form what you would like covered to help the trainer tailor the session to your needs, 6.30pm-9.30pm, Harold Wood

17/2/20 – Safe Space Level 3/Promise in the Programme, 6.30pm-9.30pm, Thurrock East

Booking forms can be found [here](#)

If Divisions have any requests for training can you please email Jenny at [training.essexwest@gmail.com](mailto:training.essexwest@gmail.com).

## *Congratulations!*

Katy Stockill, 1<sup>st</sup> Theydon Bois Guides – Going Away With Scheme, Modules 1-8 (Guides)  
Fern Denyer, 1<sup>st</sup> Elm Park Brownies – Going Away With Scheme, Modules 1-7 (Brownies)  
Katherine Goodall, 1<sup>st</sup> Kelvedon Hatch Guides – Catering Scheme  
Lucy Folan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Hutton Guides – Going Away With Scheme, Modules 6 (Guides) & 8 (Camp)

### INTERNATIONAL

It's with great excitement that we can now confirm that the role of County International Adviser has been filled as a job-share.

Amy Jeffree has been in post for a while (supporting Fiona Fraser), but we are thrilled to be able to confirm that Claire Gilbert has agreed to 'share' the role with Amy.

Fiona will continue to support (in her capacity as Outdoor Activities Adviser) while the new team gets established.

Welcome to both of you Amy and Claire.

### **Awards Committee Vacancies**

There is a vacancy on the Essex West Awards Committee and we are looking for someone to fill this role. They can be a unit leader, assistant leader, or a District or Division Commissioner. Previous committee members have said they have really enjoyed being able to see what goes on across the County, as well as how satisfying it is to be able to recognise leaders' contributions to their unit and beyond.

The panel of 6 members meet once a term to consider applications for awards from within County. You would help to assess written applications against the appropriate award criteria, so the ability to maintain confidentiality is essential. You would also be asked to help promote awards in your District, Division and on behalf of County.

This is an excellent opportunity to be a part of the team who recognise and reward the fantastic work our leaders do in Essex West, and also our girls who have achieved that something special.

If you are interested, please contact Sheila Shuttlewood on [GGEWawards@gmail.com](mailto:GGEWawards@gmail.com) for more information.

## QUEEN'S GUIDE AWARD

Leaders, please try to encourage your girls to undertake this prestigious Award. Our Queens Guide Adviser, Sarah Vohmann, will offer full support to any potential candidates.



### Updates from the office

Disclosure Check update: The notification that volunteers receive when a DBS check is required is being automated and improved. The new process starts on Tuesday 15 October 2019 and further details on the changes will be October's 'Making Guiding Happen' newsletter.

## Anglia Updates

Region Leadership Qualification weekend at Hautbois 15-17<sup>th</sup> November cost £50

It is a weekend for any leaders that are undertaking their leadership qualification. They will have the opportunity to complete all the mandatory training aspects of the leadership qualification - First Response, Safe Space level 3, Basic GO programme, whilst getting to know Hautbois Activity Centre and networking with other leaders. You can book via the Anglia Girlguiding website link – [leadership-qualification-weekend](#)

### Safe Space Level 3 and 4 training

1 December 09:30 - 16:30, Holiday Inn, Brentwood, Brook St, Brentwood CM14 5NF

This Level 4 Safe Space training is aimed at Commissioners, designates, deputies and those sharing a role, trainers delivering A Safe Space, safeguarding leads and A Safe Space advisers. The day will also include Level 3 training so is not suitable for individuals that have already completed Level 3. Further details can be found on the Anglia website [here](#)

The following items  
can be purchased from the County Office – please make cheques payable to Guide  
Association Essex West



County Polo shirt - £15.00



County Full-Zip Sweatshirts - £25.00

Each of the above two items can be personalised at an additional cost of £3.00 per item (Right Breast – Max 2 Lines)



County Necker - £8.50



County Standard, either cloth - £1.50 or metal - £2.85

It would be much appreciated if District Commissioners and Level Contacts could pass on the information in this E-Bulletin to anyone in their District that does not have access to e-mail. Section Leaders are asked to cascade to Young Leaders and D of E / V-Volunteers. There are still some people not receiving their copy of the E-Bulletin as their email address on GO is incorrect. Please check and make sure that your details are up to date.