

Birmingham Broadsheet



Girlguiding Birmingham January 2012

Tuptonia

Tuptonia Fund Raising is marching on a pace with £1,000.00 received from the Grantham Yorke Trust. The raffle raised just over £3,000. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets.

**TOTAL NOW STANDS
AT
£82,600.00**

February Events

Saturday 4th February
New Leader and Mentor Day
at Trefoil House
Monday 13th February
Thinking Day Activity Day see flyer
Sunday 26th February
Thinking Day Flags and Quiz

FLAG RAISING 2012

A REMINDER that we will once again be holding the Flag Raising Ceremony to celebrate Thinking Day on **SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY** at 10.45 outside the Council House. Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Senior Section, Adult members, parents and helpers as well as Trefoil Guild are invited to attend. The short ceremony will be followed by a fun **BRUM CHALLENGE** quiz - a team quiz around the City Centre (teams can be made up on the day) Finishing at 12.30pm. For more info contact Karen Edwards kazedwards@btinternet.com



Girlguiding Birmingham Take Over Foxlease

4th -6th May 2012
do you want to join us?
Want some new ideas to make your meetings go with a zing
Need to inject a bit more 'adventure' into the programme
Then this is the weekend for you.
please see the flyer

NEW NARROWBOAT FUND Now we're on a roll and definitely on the last lap, anyone who shops online at some of the most popular stores, including Amazon, John Lewis, the trainline, Waitrose, M & S to name but a few, can help. It'll cost you nothing in terms of money or effort!

Simply log onto easyfundraising.org.uk and choose

B&N Narrowboat as your cause, then shop. We'll receive a small percentage every time you do so, £500 has been raised since we started this, easy money!



A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS

Self Defence for Senior Section

**SENIOR SECTION
SELF DEFENCE EVENING**
Calling all senior section members and senior section leaders to come along to Trefoil House on Wednesday 21st March for an informative and fun evening of "SELF DEFENCE" learn how to increase your personal safety and how to defend yourself and get away from an attacker as well as boosting your confidence and self esteem. See attached flyer for more details.

2012

Special Events for 2012

Rainbows 25th Birthday Year

Kandersteg Trip February

Queen's Diamond Jubilee June

Olympic Games July-August

More information on all these events to follow

We wish
Bon Voyage to the Kandersteg Scout and Guide group

New to Leadership and Mentors Day

New to Leadership and Mentors Day
Mentors bring your new leaders along .
4th February @ Trefoil House
9:30 registration - 3pm

New Leaders

morning 10-12 Nuts and Bolts of Guiding

Afternoon 1-3 Training in your section

Mentors

morning 10-12 The Mentoring Process

afternoon 1-3 Mentoring skills

There will be a new to Birmingham session over lunch with a chance to look round and meet some of the County Team.

You will need to bring your lunch but we will provide drinks and cake.

This is a flexible day you can attend the morning or afternoon sessions or both. Please register by **22nd January**, there are a limited number of places. Let Janice Price know the following Name, contact number/email, which training and your membership number

either by email, janice.price@gmail.com

text or leave a message 07795511099 or 0121 373 6471

If you are not new to Guiding but would like to attend the programme training for your section in the afternoon of 4th February, please register as above.



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Sarah Trinder County Commissioner

Happy New Year everyone!

We hope you've had a chance of a break, to recharge your batteries, to spend time with family and friends.

In December over 80 people joined us at Trefoil House for our county social with teams from across the county for the quiz of the year! Thank you to Wendy and Rob Fear for making the evening such a success with a fun mixture of quiz questions, to Margaret Aiken for catering and to all who came along to join in.

Please see the notes in this Broadsheet about Subscriptions 2012 - it's really important that your unit (leaders and girls) are up to date on GO! and that you contact your Commissioner for local Girlguiding Birmingham instructions on paying your invoice. Make arrangements now to ensure that you have adequate funds in your unit bank account to pay your unit invoice. Thanks for your help with this process - we need everyone paid on time so we get paid our county money as soon as possible.

In the coming year we are looking forward to celebrating the Rainbows' 25th Birthday. Flags will be raised again for Thinking Day outside the Council House with the Scouts on Sunday 26th February, followed by a city quiz. See details elsewhere in the Broadsheet. Our County weekend away is 4-6 May at Foxlease - contact Janice Price, or Gaye in the County Office, for more details if you haven't yet booked your place! (Contact Janice at janilizi@gmail.com or Gaye at girlguidingbham@btconnect.com, 0121 643 3686)

Thanks to all who supported the Tuptonia Christmas raffle which raised over £3,000 for the New Boat fund, bringing the total to over £82,000. Girlguiding Birmingham and Northamptonshire plan to commission the new boat in spring 2012 ready for a launch in the summer - which would be amazing!

We're looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

Sarah Trinder
County Commissioner

Ruth Smith
Assistant County Commissioner

Challenges update!

The Deputy Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, Len and Gill Gregory, will be delighted to visit units who have completed the Deaf Awareness Challenge and present everyone with their badges. If you have completed the challenge in your unit and would like your badges presented, please contact Lena and Gill on gill.gregory@blueyonder.co.uk. Why not see if you can get some media coverage too of your unit's achievement - contact your Division PRA or Sue Burton (County PR adviser) for more help: sueburton62@blueyonder.co.uk.

Copies of the Deaf Awareness and the Football challenges and the Midland Region Get About Challenge are available from Gaye in the County Office, please call 0121 643 3686 or email girlguidingbham@btconnect.com

VIRTUAL BOUQUET

Thank you to Janice Price and all trainers and members of the adult support team for all you do to keep us up-to-date, encouraging us to offer the best guiding experience possible to our units.

For all helpers, volunteers, leaders, advisers and commissioners across the county - thank you for all you do!



Leadership Qualifications

Congratulations!!

Samantha Ferris	44th Birmingham Rainbows	Mod 1	Perry Barr	2011-11-29
Josephine Adams	50th Birmingham Brownies	Mod 1-3	Perry Barr	2011-11-29



Janet Nunn

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Digital Broadsheet

If you would like to receive the Broadsheet by email, please contact

Rachel McMaster: mcmasterrachel@gmail.com

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Land mail copies despatched 2nd Tuesday Monthly



Sarah Trinder County Commissioner

Subscriptions 2012

Yes, it's that time again! The timetable counting down to Subscriptions 2012 is as follows:

Now: All leaders need to make sure that girl records are correct for their unit on Go! Please check the leaders too - if any leaders are not correctly shown then contact your Commissioner who can amend leaders' roles.

At 12 noon on **Monday 9 January 2012:** trial invoices will be available. These reflect the number of members on Go!. This trial invoice updates every 24 hours as units update girl members, and Commissioners update adult members on Go!. So as you make your amendments you will be able to check that your changes have been made the next day. (To see your trial invoice click on the Subscriptions 2012 tab on the left hand side in Go! and follow the instructions)

All updates to member numbers must be made by noon on Monday 20 February 2012.

It is really important that everything must be correct on Go this year - no amendments to the official invoice will be accepted. You will have to pay the invoice for your unit as it is shown, so make sure all your girls and leaders are correct by Monday 20 February at the absolute latest.

The official, payable Subscription 2012 invoices will be available to download from noon on **Wednesday 22 February 2012**. Payment is due by **14 March 2012**. In Birmingham we will be collecting payments in Districts/Divisions and sending them in to Girlguiding UK together. Please contact your local Commissioner to find out details of how payments will be coordinated in your District/Division.

Help is available - A quickstart guide to subscriptions is included in the winter edition of Guiding magazine. More detailed steps and what you should do are available from the subscriptions 2012 Members' Area page:

https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/members_area_go/running_your_unit/finance_and_insurance/subscriptions/subscriptions_2012.

You can subscribe to this page to receive updates.

You can also visit the Help Using Go! page in the Members' Area of the Girlguiding UK website to read quickstart guides to assist you updating members. Remember that any member of a user group can update the members. This means girl data can be updated by the unit's Leader, Assistant Leader, Leader in Training and Unit Key User, while an Assistant, Key User or Secretary can assist the District/Division Commissioner. Full information about membership and recruitment is available in the Commissioner pages of the Members' Area.

If you are unsure where to turn for help with Go!, updating members or have any other queries, your first port of call should be your local Commissioner, who will be able to help you. Please ask for help if you need it or you are worried as we need to ensure every unit's records are correct. Or you can contact Gaye in the County office (tel. 0121 643 3686, email: girlguidingbham@btconnect.com) if you don't know who to contact and she will put you in touch with your local commissioner.

EDITOR'S NOTES

A Happy New Year to you all.

What an exciting and fun packed 2012 it is going to be!

Don't forget to book for the New Leader/Mentor Training on the 4th February at Trefoil House. We look forward to hearing from the Scout and Guide Trip to Kandersteg, Switzerland. A fun packed Thinking Day Activity Day on the 13th February—so book now for this event. Thinking Day Cards have gone to all Division Commissioners, please make sure your unit sends a card to arrive at it's destination on 22nd February. An email version is available, if you require this please let me know.

We will once again be promoting Girlguiding at the Sewing for Pleasure Show at the NEC in March.

I look forward to hearing about your Rainbow 25th Birthday celebrations this year.

Photographs for the AGM brochure to me Sue Burton please.

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Or Pigeon hole at Trefoil House

Properties

Get your bookings in now for 2012

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