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Future Opportunities:

BIRMINGHAM COUNTY SCOUT & GUIDE WINTER

ACTIVITY TRIP TO KANDERSTEG, SWITZERLAND 2014.

See flyer and application form

Fantastic Price Reduction for Adult Non Activity participation.

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Weoley Trefoil Guild (Friends of Guiding) are having a talk on Digital Photography, if you have a free afternoon every one is welcome to join us. What: Miscellany - Tony Hill will give a power point presentation of Photography.

When: Monday 3rd June 2013 at 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Where: St. David's Church Hall, Shenley Lane, Shenley Green, Northfield.

Visitors £2.00 - Come for a Cuppa, Cookie and Chat.

Further Info: Janet Grice 01564 703315

GILWELL 24

Date: 12th-14th July 2013

Gilwell Park Scout Centre

info@gilwell24.info

SIMPLY LEADERS ONLY

Saturday 31st August 2013

At Blackwell Adventure From 5pm-10pm

ACTIVITY WEEKEND at Whitemoor Lakes, Arelewas
4th-6th April 2014—more details on page 2

BIG BROWNIE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Birmingham County Event—Saturday 21st June 2014

Full details next month.

YOUR COUNTY NEEDS YOU!

Are you interested in becoming a member of one of the County Teams? Would you like to help shape the future of Guiding in your County?

YES? Then you're in!! Yes You!!

Age and experience is irrelevant! You just need to be Enthusiastic and care about girls in our County. We'll support and train you.

Contact:

Maggie Jones on: ccguiding@btconnect.com

Or 07853 137 555 for more details and a chat!

Future Dates:

District and Division Commissioner Training

Date: Saturday 18th May

Time: 10am—3.00pm

See Training information on page 2

The Lord Mayor's Show Everyone is invited to attend the Lord Mayor's Show on Monday 27th May in Victoria Square and Chamberlain Square between 11.00 am and 5.00 pm. Girlguiding Birmingham is having a PR tent in the square and will also be selling GG merchandise. We also have an activity session in the Council House at 3.00 - 3.30 pm. **We need some girls of all ages to dress up in uniform from the 1960's—we can provide them—so if you can help please contact Ansley Stenning on astenning@blueyonder.co.uk**

Division Commissioner Training

Saturday 14th September GO and Join Us III Training

Meetings:

County Executive Meetings:

Tuesday 11th June—6.30pm—Trefoil House

Division Commissioners and Team Leaders

Tuesday 9th July—Trefoil House

Summer Social—information to follow

Forthcoming Meetings:

Administration Team

Friday 5th July 10am Trefoil House

ADVANCE NOTICE

Senior Section Leaders Evening on Tuesday 21st May

7.30-9.30pm Goodrest:

See flyer for additional information.

Property & Buildings meeting -

Wednesday 22nd May 6.30pm Goodrest.

Brownie Birthday Committee Meeting

Wednesday 5th June 7.00pm Trefoil House

Christmas Card Competition:

Entry date 8th June 2013 See flyer.

Future Editions:

June Bullet & Broadsheet Deadline:

Thursday 6th June 2013

July Bullet Deadline:



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Trainings:

Commissioners Training

Saturday 18th May
new Commissioners in the morning 10-12,
all Commissioners in the afternoon -

Safe Space Training 1-3.

Sectional Training all sections 'fun in the programme'
6th June 7-9 pm

Registration required email janice.price@gmail.com by
24th May with name, section, membership number and
a contact telephone number.

Go! And Join Us III Champions Training

14th September 2013
Details to Follow

Early notice date for your diaries

19th October 'Discover World Guiding' 9:30-3:30
more details and application form to follow



TUPTONIA TRAINING WEEKEND

There will be another Training Weekend on Tuptonia on
26th & 27th October 2013, this is open to anyone aged 18
or over whether you have any experience on the boat
or not. Cost is £40 for the weekend.

Please apply to Margaret Leigh at
margaretleigh9@btinternet.com

TUPTONIA IN BIRMINGHAM

Tuptonia is to be in Birmingham for about 2 weeks
from Monday 3rd June 2013 and will be available for
trips on the Monday to Thursday in each of those weeks
(though we realise this is in term time!). If anyone
would like to book taster trips on the boat during that
period please contact Lynne Alexander by via the Coun-
ty Office Email: girlguidingbham@btconnect.com

Trips can be morning, afternoon or evening, or even for
a full day, why not get a group together and bring your
lunch or have an afternoon trip and we will provide a
Cream Tea. You may want to bring a group of Guides,
Senior Section, Brownies or even Rainbows for a short
evening trip - there are lots of possibilities!!

Let us know what you would like to do, this is your
boat, come and have a trip out on it, we will provide
the crew!!!

We will give you a price when we know what you would

MESSGAE FROM LIN JENKS County Verifier;
Well done to all the mentors who are doing a
fantastic job in helping our new leaders to achieve their
qualifications.

In order to make the process more efficient could
mentors please notify me when they put a completed
folder in my box so that I can make sure it gets dealt
with and returned as soon as possible.

This should also apply to Outdoor qualification folders
as well.

Many thanks and keep up the good work.

Lin Jenks linjenks@btinternet.com

Advisers

Tracey Hill - Rainbow sleepover
Hazel Megahey - Brownie residentials/Camp
Mandy Quayle - Guide Residentials/Camp

Ruth Tanner new Inclusion Adviser

Cynthia Pidgeon new County Trefoil Guild Chair

ACTIVITY WEEKEND 2014

There will be a fun and activity packed weekend from
4th to 6th April 2014 at Whitemoor Lakes, Alrewas, near
Lichfield for Brownies aged 9 or over, Guides and Senior
Section.

Activities include Climbing, Abseiling, Fencing,
Zip Wire, High Ropes, Archery and many more;
accommodation is in small en-suite rooms and all meals
are included.

Cost is £125 for girls, including all meals and activities.
Adults will pay £75 on 1:4 ratio, extra adults pay full
price of £125. Licence Holders not necessary for any
section as these are covered.

More information next month!!! Watch this space!!!

BIG BROWNIE BIRTHDAY MERCHANDISE

Please ensure you get your advance order forms for **BIG BROWNIE BIRTHDAY MERCHANDISE** to the shop by the
end of May to ensure delivery for the new term in
September, this includes all the **BIG BROWNIE BIRTHDAY BADGES**. (The final date for advance orders
will be the end of June).

See brochure circulated direct from CHQ/Trading
Services.



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Cycling event for Guides

Places are booking fast for the cycling day arranged for guides on Saturday October 12th. The coach will leave Trefoil House at approx 8.30am and take the party to the Tissington trail at Derbyshire where cycles have been booked. After a picnic lunch there will be a short visit to Carsington Water nature centre and cafe nearby where there is a lake with walking trails and a large viewing area to see the vast number of birds and wild life there. Price approx £20. The coach will return at approx 6.15pm. It is hoped that leaders will accompany girls but it may be possible to accommodate a few girls on their own. Please book provisional places by e mailing r.g.plevey@bham.ac.uk. Please mark your e mail 'cycling'. The price will be confirmed in June and money will be required by September 16th.



Bullet and Broadsheet Distribution

We have over 1200 volunteers in Birmingham County but we only have email addresses for 886 of our volunteers. From the summer we are intending to use Go! to send out the Bullet and Broadsheet to everybody in the County. If you know of somebody who is not receiving emails from Girlguiding please do get them to contact us so we can add their email address on to Go! If you are a unit leader please can you double check that all the email addresses for your unit team (anybody age 14+) are on Go! If you know of somebody who doesn't receive the Bullet/Broadsheet and would like a postal copy, please ask them to contact us girlguidingbham@btconnect.com.

There will be a small annual charge to cover the cost of postage.

Please make use of our Girlguiding Birmingham Website for all your stories; dates and information.

www.girlguidingbirmingham.org.uk

Bullet and Broadsheet articles email:
news@girlguidingbirmingham.org.uk



Wanted:

Lego blocks or giant/garden games needed for "Poacher 2013 International Scout & Guide Camp". It doesn't matter what condition they are in but I can't guarantee they will come back so only if they are not needed anymore. So far I have a garden cricket and skittles set and possibly a draughts set. I am willing to collect in person or pick up from Trefoil House on a Thursday, just email brownowl18@gmail.com

Thank you

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Hayley Jones

Go! Top Tip

We are having membership cards returned to us in the office because they were sent out to members who do not have an up-to-date address on Go!

All members can check that their own details are correct on Go! Log onto Go! Select "update details" - you can check all your details here - and even run a report to show the length of your service (and see when you are due your next Long Service Award). If anybody is having problems doing this please contact Gaye in the office.

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"Strictly Leaders Only"

Saturday 31st August 2013

At Blackwell Adventure From 5pm-10pm

All adult members (aged 18+) from Birmingham Scout County and Girlguiding Birmingham are invited to come along for an evening of

FUN, FOOD and BHANGRA DANCING!!

All for the very reasonable cost of **£5.00!**

We start with a "Welcome Drinks Reception" at 5pm;

Followed by the famous **Bhangra Dancers** who performed at BrumJum. Join their fun and entertaining Dance Workshop, or just simply watch!

Then it's BBQ (included in fee paid) and time to chat and mingle;

More Bhangra for those who have the energy and the evening will finish at **10pm BUT....**

Why not make a night of it and camp overnight? (Camping places have been reserved for us in The park, normal camp fees apply and can be paid at the event- see

www.blackwelladventure.co.uk) for more information.

Why not come along with your unit/district/division team ~

a great opportunity for a 'child free' get together!

Bring your own deck chair / picnic rug / drinks

Non uniform

There won't be a bar but you are welcome to bring your own drinks.

Tea and coffee will be available at a minimum cost.

If you would like to attend please complete the booking form overleaf and return it to: Girlguiding Birmingham c/o Trefoil House, Brownsea Drive, Off Blucher Street, B1 1QL no later than 17th August 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: Linda Bateman or Pete Oldham

lindabateman517@btinternet.com (07973 835697

or

paulineoldham@talktalk.net (07833 044744)



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"Strictly Leaders Only"

SATURDAY 31st AUGUST 2013 ~ BOOKING FORM

Please book me a place at the **Strictly Leaders Only Event**:

NAME:

Email address: _____ Tel. No: _____

Unit/Group: _____ District/Division: _____

OR COMPLETE A GROUP BOOKING FORM IF YOU PREFER:

I require

Places

Contact Name:

Email address: _____ Tel. No: _____

Unit/Group: _____ District/Division: _____

PAYMENT: I enclose a cheque for £ (payable to "*Guide Association - County of Birmingham*") All payments must be sent with this booking form no later than 17th August 2013 to : Linda Bateman, Trefoil House, Brownsea Drive, Off Blucher Street, B1 1QL

CAMPING: I / We intend to camp overnight YES / NO (please indicate)

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS: Please indicate below any special dietary requirements for you or your group:



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KANDERSTEG 2014



March 2013

BIRMINGHAM SCOUT AND GUIDE TRIP TO KANDERSTEG 2014

Birmingham Scouts & Guides are organising another fantastic winter trip to Kandersteg during the February Half Term in 2014. The trip is open to all Scouts & Guides and their Leaders who will be twelve and over on the 13th Feb 2014. We're really keen to get a few more members and fill our third coach and have extended the deadline and can offer a non-active programme to interested adults too.

Dates – Friday 14th to Sunday 23rd February 2014 (including travel to and from UK)

Programme and accommodation - There will be a full programme of activities, including 3 days skiing, sledding, curling, snow shoeing and much, much more. The skiing will be organised in such a way as to cater for complete beginners and those who are really experienced. All the equipment will be provided; you will just need to bring your own clothing! We will be staying at the International Scout Centre in Kandersteg village. They will be providing all meals, bedding etc. There is a full daytime and evening programme for a fantastic week away!

The Costs - The price includes all the costs associated with the trip, so you should only need some spending money over and above the basic cost. Since the 2010 trip there has been an increase in the price of fuel and general inflation so we have budgeted the cost of this trip at £730. We have worked really hard to make sure this trip is as fantastic as it has always been for the lowest possible price.

Non-active programme – For adults only we are able to offer the fun of Kandersteg without the activities and sports that come with the active programme. The non-active price includes all transport, food and accommodation but no activities (however these can be organised on a pay-per activity basis if required). This option is for adults only and is a great way to enjoy Kandersteg without the winter sports! We are able to offer this programme at the reduced price of £580.

Transport - We will be travelling by coach from Birmingham, leaving on Friday evening (14th Feb) and returning on Sunday morning (23rd Feb), giving us a full week in Switzerland

Payments – To help spread the cost of this excellent trip we have tried to get this information to you as early as possible and provide the following payment schedule.

Payment Before	Amount	Note	Cheque Details
31 st December 2012*	£100	Non-refundable deposit	Make payable to: The Scout Association County of Birmingham
31 st March 2013*	£160		Posted to: Kandersteg 2014, 15 Homewood Close, Sutton Coldfield, B76 1JW
30 th June 2013*	£160		
30 th September 2013	£160		
30 th November 2013	£150	Final payment	

*As the original deadline for this trip has passed, we are able to offer the flexibility of catch up payments, provided that £420 is paid by 30th June 2013. The non-active participants do not need to pay in November 2013.

All participants are welcome to look at any fund-raising opportunities to help offset the costs. If a participant withdraws from the event they will lose their non-refundable deposit and will be liable for any fixed costs that the organisers have incurred up to the point cancellation is given.

Other information - We will be taking out overseas insurance cover and will send you details in due course. Should a claim be made, then the excess will need to be paid by the person involved, on their return home.

What's Next – Please return the Application Form (signed by the section leader if the participant is under 18) and the non-refundable deposit to the address above before the end of March. There'll be more information and pictures from previous trips on the Birmingham County Website at www.birminghamscouts.org.uk and from kander2014@birminghamscouts.org.uk

Simon Cardall
Event Leader

@brumkandersteg

Kandersteg 2014 - email kander2014@birminghamscouts.org.uk - facebook/groups/BirminghamDoesKandersteg - twitter.com/brumkandersteg
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APPLICATION FORM – KANDERSTEG 2014

Please read the accompanying letter (March 2013) and complete all relevant sections in CAPITAL letters.

SECTION 1: EVERYBODY MUST COMPLETE:

Participant Name											
Gender	M	F	Date of Birth	D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Age on 14-Feb-2014	
Address:											
										Postcode	
Your position in Scouting or Guiding:	Scout					Guide					
	Explorer					Senior Section (under 18)					
	Scout Network (18 & over)					Senior Section (18 & over)					
	Leader in Scouting					Leader in Guiding					
Please circle one option.											
Scout/Guide Group/Unit						Scout/Guide District/Division					

SECTION 2: FOR PARTICIPANTS UNDER 18 ONLY:

By completing this section the parent/guardian is agreeing to the payment schedule and payment terms as set out in the attached letter (dated March 2013)

Parents Name:		
Parents Contact Number:		
Parents Email Address:		
Parents Signature:		Date:

By completing the section below the section leader is confirming the young persons suitability to attend the event.

Leader Name:	Signature:	Date:
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SECTION 3: FOR PARTICIPANTS OVER 18 ONLY

By completing this section the adult participant is agreeing to support the event as a leader in Scouting or Guiding and shall provide assistance to the effective running of the trip as required.

Adults ONLY tick this box to take part in the NON-ACTIVE programme (see March 2013 letter for info):		
Your Contact Number:		
Your Email Address:		
Applicant Signature:		Date:

This form should be sent with a non-refundable deposit of £100 to the address below:
 Cheques made payable to: The Scout Association County of Birmingham
 Posted to: Kandersteg 2014, 15 Homewood Close, Sutton Coldfield, B76 1JW
 Deadline for Applications: 31st March 2013
 Any questions to: kander2014@birminghamscouts.org.uk

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Craft Idea Market Place.

8th June 2013 at Trefoil House

Want ideas for your Unit or just to learn a new skill?

Then this is for you!

Come for a day: 10.00am to 3.30pm cost £4.00

Or a morning session: 10.00 am to 12.30pm

Afternoon session: 1.00 pm to 3.30pm

Half day sessions cost £2.00



Have a go at screen printing and making your own screens; jewelry making; cake decorating; card making. Simple music activities. Make your own posters for insect hunting; fun planting and lots more exciting ideas

We look forward to hearing from Guiders, Helpers, Young Leaders and Senior Section Guiders.

If attending for the whole day please bring a packed lunch.

Please send the booking form below to Patricia Broughton

with a stamped self addressed envelope to:

11 Moxhull Drive, Sutton Coldfield, B76 1 LY.

Tel: 0121 351 5327; email p.broughton@tesco.n

Names:

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Unit:

Tel:email:.....

We enclose cheque for £.....

Cheques made payable to Guide Association Birmingham.

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"A Spirit of Unity"

The best 10 days of your life before you are even 18!!!

Were you born between 28/7/1997 and 27/7/2001??

Would you like to attend the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan and represent Girlguiding Birmingham?



**The 23rd World Scout Jamboree will take place in:
Kirara-hama, Yamaguchi City, JAPAN
from the 27th July to 8th August 2015.**

If you are a guide or senior section member falling into the above age range and would like to find out more and be considered for this life changing event, you will need to attend the **'Jamboree Opportunities Day'** which will be held at Goodrest Campsite (Goodrest Lane, Kings Norton. B38 8HH) on:

Saturday 15th June 2013 (from 10-4pm) Cost £5.00

Please contact Claire Storrie c.storrie1@btinternet.com as soon as possible (and no later than the 31st May 2013) to register your interest in attending the Jamboree Opportunities Day; to obtain an application form and to find out more details.

At the Jamboree, 40,000 Scouts and guides from all over the world will camp, live and work alongside each other. They will all come from a variety of different cultures, backgrounds and religions. Together they will celebrate what unites them – Scouting and Guiding. The theme for the Jamboree is 'Spirit of Unity'. There will be opportunities to experience a vast range of fun and adrenalin based activities as well as participating in Community action such as the Global Development Village and Service projects.

For more information please contact: Claire Storrie, International Adviser, c.storrie1@btinternet.com 07813 280302



CHRISTMAS CARD

COMPETITION.

Could you design a card good enough to be an official
Birmingham County Girlguiding Christmas Card?

A card suitable for sale in the Birmingham Guide Shop?

Start designing your cards now as the closing date for entry
for this exciting competition is June 8th, 2013.

There will be categories for:
Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Senior Section.

Your design should not be larger than 18cms x 13cms (7ins x 5ins)



Please write your name and the name of your unit on the back.

Unfortunately, we are not able to return any of your entries to you.

Winners will be notified and announced at the end of July, 2013.

Your entries should be sent to:
Pat Broughton,
Trefoil House,
Brownsea Drive,
Blucher Street,
Birmingham B1 1QL.