



Girlguiding

Sir Morgannwg Ganol
Central Glamorgan county

December Newsletter 2024

Message from the County Commissioner

Happy New Year! Let's make 2025 a year of fun, friendship and laughter! This year let's Grow Girlguiding and tackle those waiting lists. Let's recruit more leaders to ensure Girlguiding is still one of the biggest female organisations in the UK. Girlguiding has a significant impact upon a young person, and you are part of their journey in life to which I thank you.

As we enter the new year, I know that you will be ensuring your census is up to date and that your accounts are ready to be handed to your commissioner or treasurer. Please liaise with them if you need support.

Girlguiding Cymru also has a Unit Support Grant to assist units with costs. This valuable funding has been made possible by Girlguiding and will be available from 6th January until 31st January 2025 or until the funding pot is empty. To apply for the Unit Support Grant, you will be required to provide copies of your unit's most recent bank statements as evidence of financial need. You will also need to provide an email address for the approval of your commissioner.

We kindly request that only units with financial need apply for this grant. Further details will be available on the Girlguiding Cymru website from 6th January.

Hope to see you during this year

Julie

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County Calendar

January – March 2025

Thursday 9th January – Singing Circle

Saturday 1st February – First Response (Gilliard Chapel, Bridgend)

Wednesday 5th February – Division Commissioner's meeting

Saturday 8th February – Duke of Edinburgh Bronze training

Thursday 13th February – Singing Circle

Friday 21st February – Silent Disco (Abercynon Community Centre)

Saturday 22nd February – Pyjama Party Sleepover weekend

March (date tbc) – County Training Day

Wednesday 12th March - Duke of Edinburgh Zoom Catch Up

Thursday 13th March – Singing Circle

Tuesday 18th March – Queen's Guide Zoom session

Saturday 22nd March – Welsh Trefoil AGM (Herenstone Hotel)



County information

Subscriptions

It is the time of year where we are starting to think about Girlguiding annual subscriptions which are paid every year in February. The levee for 2025 subscriptions will be £62.00.

Please find the information for the breakdown of the 2025 member subscriptions below:

Girlguiding UK = £33
Girlguiding Cymru = £20
Girlguiding Central Glamorgan = £9

Please check with your local commissioner for any further details or if you have any questions regarding paying 2025 subscriptions.



World Thinking Day 2025

Pyjama party



Are you ready to Celebrate World Thinking Day 2025?

When: 22nd–23rd February 2025

Where: With your unit

How much: Badges £1.20 per person

If you want to carry out a sleepover you will require a leader with or working towards the Going Away With Scheme and a **REN form must be completed.**

Please fill out the booking form (see website) by the first week of January to participate.



Get involved

Gorwelion Clean Up

It's that time of year where Gorwelion needs some Tender Loving Care for it to be a place where we can all enjoy. We need help with the jobs from counting our cutlery, to filling in holes and painting walls. If you can support, it would be appreciated. The more hands-on deck, the easier it is to ensure we have a place to be proud of.

Please contact Donna Jacka - donnajacka@hotmail.co.uk if you can support the month of cleaning. Mark topic as Gorwelion Cleaning

First Response Course

Saturday February 1st at Gilliard Chapel, Bridgend.

Every unit requires a minimum of 1 person who holds the first response qualification. Before you attend the course please complete the e-learning on My learning portal. To book your place please contact Bethan Williams - bethAN316@btinternet.com

Singing Circle

Do you enjoy singing? Do you want to learn new songs? Why not join singing circle!

They meet once a month - contact Annette Stoneham for more details divcom.garthmaelwg@gmail.com



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Silent Disco



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Silent disco event

Are you a Guide Leader or a Ranger Leader? Do you have Young Leaders? With World Thinking Day being on a weekend, and the theme being Pyjama Party it has been proposed that for Guides, Rangers and Young Leaders we hold a silent disco on Friday 21st February.

Venue: Abercynon Community Centre. Time 6:30 to 10:00. To know if this is viable, please email julie.girlguidingcg@gmail.com with possible numbers by 17th January, mark topic as Silent Disco.

Cost £10.00 per person includes badge, drink and crisps. Leaders if you want to participate the cost will be £5.00 with headset. If you would like the badge only it's £2.00. Extra refreshments will be available on the night.



Get involved

Becoming a Leader – Peer support

- Are you becoming a leader?
- Do you need a mentor?
- Do you have questions about the Leadership Qualification?
- Are you in need of support?



If you'd like to be added, drop Jayne a message.

07910 722065

Why not join the County peer support WhatsApp group?

A place to ask questions, get support and feel connected!

Beth, our County Leadership co-ordinator is also in the group along with County mentors too.



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What have you been up to?

1st Vale Guides and Rangers



Leading Remembrance



Izzy fundraising for her GGC international trip



Bell ringing practice for Christmas



Parliament week



Ice skating and Christmas Angel festival



What have you been up to?

7th Aberdare Guides



Local Member of Senedd, Vikki Howells, visited and spoke to the girls about her role as an MS and answered all their questions.

Fundraising at Cwmbach Christmas fate!



What have you been up to?

1st Abercynon Guides and Rangers

The Royal Navy came to visit 1st Abercynon Guides and Rangers, helping them to complete their helicopter challenge!



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