

## Stop Press

**Hello** and welcome to the July 2024 edition of **DIGI-POST**, your monthly newsletter.

We'd like to introduce India Hollingworth, our new Young Leader co-ordinator for the county.

"I have been involved in Guiding since Rainbows where I wore a lovely blue tabard. I am now a leader at a Guide Unit in Chesterfield. I am really excited to be starting in this role, I see and understand the challenges that young people experience and the benefits that completing the Young Leader Award can have to skills but also, to employability and next steps in education. I will be here to hopefully help anyone who needs support but also to try and connect our young people together to make them feel a part of something bigger than just their unit.



So please come and say hello drop me an email and shout about the

great things your Young Leaders are doing".

To get in touch with India, please email [YL@girlguidingderbyshire.org](mailto:YL@girlguidingderbyshire.org)

## Learning & Development

### 1st Response

Please see the dates below for the various 1st Response, face to face, training sessions. All these training sessions can be booked online. Please [click here](#) to book your place.

Note- trainees must complete e-learning First Aid on the Learning platform prior to course.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October- Buxton- 8 SPACES

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November- Etwall- 5 SPACES

New training session: [Making the programme work for you and your unit](#)  
Practical and fun ideas of how to include unit meeting activities and skills builders. This training is for all sections and volunteers.

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, Girlguiding Derbyshire Ripley HQ- 7:30-9pm.

18 places- [click here to book](#)

Safe Space Lv3- Sat 27<sup>th</sup> July, Chesterfield, 9:30-12:30- 14 SPACES [click here to book](#)

Details coming soon!

Going Away with Training- for anyone wanting to gain the qualification to take their girls away. Details currently being finalized with more information to follow.

## Events

Date	Event	Venue	Booking link/more information
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August 2024	County picnic	Pax Hoh	Get together for any members of Girlguiding Derbyshire at Pax Hoh, Hlland Ward 12:30–2:30pm Bring your own picnic/chair/travel mug Cake and hot drinks will be provided
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Derby Pride	Markeaton Park, Derby	We will have a stall again at Derby Pride event. If you would like to volunteer please contact Rachel on <a href="mailto:accgrowth@girlguidingderbyshire.org">accgrowth@girlguidingderbyshire.org</a>
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024	Region adult international selection day	TBC	See Girlguiding Midlands website for more details: <a href="https://www.girlguiding-midlands.org.uk/whats-on/events/international-selection-for-volunteers/">https://www.girlguiding-midlands.org.uk/whats-on/events/international-selection-for-volunteers/</a>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Making the programme work for you and your unit	Girlguiding Derbyshire HQ- Ripley	See link to book: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/making-the-programme-work-for-you-and-your-unit-tue-15-oct-2024-ripley-tickets-901328406527">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/making-the-programme-work-for-you-and-your-unit-tue-15-oct-2024-ripley-tickets-901328406527</a>
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2024	County awards	The County ground, Nottingham Rd, Derby, DE21 6DA	More information to follow
Summer 2025	County adult trip to Our Cabana	Mexico!	Details to follow ASAP

## Commissioner Zone

### Commissioner Support:

Air and Share- 10<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm- a virtual call for all District and Area commissioners with a chance to have a chat, ask any questions and speak with the County team. More information about joining the call can be found by clicking [here](#).

### GGUK Commissioner call:

The next commissioner call is on 5<sup>th</sup> September 8–9pm. The topic of the call is TBC. More information about joining the call can be found by clicking [here](#).

### Coming soon- more details to follow soon

Look out for LDP mentor air and share support sessions coming soon - further details in September

An opportunity to understand how the new LDP works, ask any questions and 'meet' the three leader in training coordinators for our County.

## Leader support sessions

We would love to hold a mixture of virtual and face to face support sessions for leaders: new and experienced. Ideas of sessions are navigating around GO, recording the programme on GO, support with branding, social media, the online design centre and creating graphics.

If there is anything you feel would support you in your role, please get in touch. Contact Judith Glenn on [training@girlguidingderbyshire.org](mailto:training@girlguidingderbyshire.org)

GGUK All volunteer call is on 2 October 2024, 7.30–8.30pm Topic to be confirmed closer to the time. Please sign up [using this link](#).

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### County events team

Join the Girlguiding Derbyshire Event Team!

Are you passionate about planning and delivering exciting events for our members?

We are looking to build a Girlguiding Derbyshire Event Team, which will be a group of volunteers who help to organise and run county-wide events for our members.

Angela, Rachel and Lucie would love to offer more sectional and whole County events but need help to plan and run these activities. They have some events in the planning stage and others that are just ideas that need to get started, but are also open to hearing your ideas on what can be offered.

We would like to have a core group who would like to get more involved with County, but without the ongoing time commitment of a dedicated role. You can choose how much time and involvement you want to have, depending on your availability and interests. We would love to have a mixture of those with experience and those newer in role, it's also an opportunity for those working on their Queens Guide Award to be involved in County.

If you would like to find out more please contact Lucie on [accprogramme@girlguidingderbyshire.org](mailto:accprogramme@girlguidingderbyshire.org)

### County mentors

We are always on the lookout for mentors in the County that could help new leaders along their journeys. We are particularly looking for anyone interested in mentoring in the following areas:

Leadership development

Programme

Commissioner support

If you are interested in finding out more please contact Angela on [cc@girlguidingderbyshire.org.uk](mailto:cc@girlguidingderbyshire.org.uk)

### Region Young Leader event:

14th-15th September, Elton Campsite, Nottingham.

[Click here to book](#)

A joint weekend with the Peer Education team. There will be discussions about the new young leader programme, learning new skills and meeting other likeminded individuals.

Yls will be taking part in fun and exciting activities during the day and meeting up with the peer education members in the evening for joint activities, such as an outdoor cinema and silent disco.

### Region Peer Education training weekend:

14th-15th September, Elton Campsite, Nottingham

[Click here to book](#)

A joint weekend with Young Leaders. Open to anyone interested in becoming a Peer Educator or any existing Peer Educators.

During the day, peer educators will be doing their training at Girlguiding Nottingham headquarters and will travel (via minibus) to Elton campsite to join in the evening activities with the young leaders.

### Denmark Dash

There is still time to register to take your unit to Denmark Dash next summer. Details for the event can be found at [Denmark Dash - Girlguiding Midlands \(girlguiding-midlands.org.uk\)](https://www.girlguiding-midlands.org.uk)

It could be a great opportunity to achieve the International module of your Going Away With licence. If you need any help or support, please contact Zoe on [international@girlguidingderbyshire.org](mailto:international@girlguidingderbyshire.org)  
[Taking girls abroad | Girlguiding](#)

### Out and About

Over the summer you may be getting out and about with your units. Please make sure that you follow Girlguiding guidance to ensure that you have the right consent, ratio's, home contacts and understand if your planned activity is permitted - [Guidance on activities | Girlguiding](#). It's also helpful to notify your District Commissioner if you are not going to be meeting at your usual location or are going on any trips. They can then be ready to support should it be required.

### Christmas

With only 25 Fridays until Christmas, we wanted to give a heads up on plans that will be launching in September. We will be holding a County Christmas card and badge competition for all members. The winning designs will be made into a card that will be used by County and a badge that will be available for units to purchase! If your unit would like to take part, further details will be provided in September, but in preparation for term planning, all designs will need to be received by 7<sup>th</sup> October.

### Easter Country trip to Isle of Man- 2025

Members of the County are currently planning a country residential trip to The Venture Centre, near Ramsey in the Isle of Man. This trip is for Brownies, Guides and Rangers and will run 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> April 2025. See flyer further on in digipost for more information

# Dash around Derbyshire!

Here we have our exciting new County challenge badge- Dash around Derbyshire!

This is a great opportunity to get out and about and explore our County- with your units or with friends.

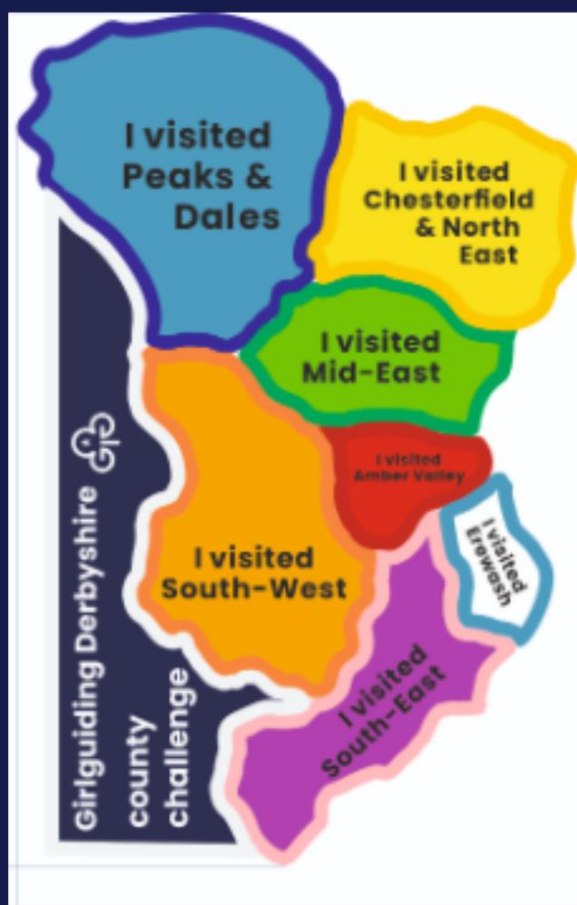
For each area you get out and visit you can collect a part of the County and once you sew them altogether, they make up the Derbyshire County boundary line- very cool!

We have worked with the Area Commissioners to put a pack together of suggested places you could visit around the County.

There are no limits to this badge- you can make it what you want, as long as you visit each area across our County.

The challenge pack is available from our website by clicking the link at the bottom of the page. Or you can email [office@girlguidingderbyshire.org](mailto:office@girlguidingderbyshire.org) to have a pack emailed out.

There are different prices for each badge (mainly based on size) so check out the challenge badge for more information. This challenge will run and be available until 2028





# MEXICO

## Fancy joining us to visit Our Cabaña?

### When?

During summer school  
holidays 2025

### How?

Express your interest on the  
eventbrite link.

Any questions email:  
international@girlguidingderbys  
hire.org

### What?

- Staying at Our Cabaña
- Sharing an international experience with fellow Derbyshire volunteers 18+
- Mexican traditions and culture opportunities;
  - Offsite trip to Tepoztlán
  - Las Estacas
  - Downtown Cuernavaca
- Global Guiding and Scouting Programme
  - Leadership development;
  - Community action activity

### What is included?

All meals  
Accommodation at Our Cabaña  
Flights  
Joining the Summer Friendship programme at Our  
Cabana  
Approximate cost £2500



### Las Estacas

- breathtaking natural park
- crystal clear turquoise waters of the river
- engage in thrilling adventures like snorkelling and river rafting or simply find tranquility on the picturesque banks

<https://forms.gle/qtP1wZ7HNtZtuUpa9>



# Voyage of Adventure to the Isle of Man



Come and join the adventure, explore the island and have fun

When are we going?	5 – 8 April 2025
Where will we stay?	The Venture Centre, near Ramsey
How will we get there?	Coach or train, and ferry
How much will it cost?	<u>£375</u> (£125 for Leaders)
When are payments due?	£100 non-returnable deposit by 30 November 2024 £200 by 1 February 2025 £75 by 1 March 2025 <u>Leaders</u> payment in full by 1 March 2025
What is included?	Travel from Derbyshire, all activities and entrance Fees, accommodation and food
What will we do?	Explore the island, find out about Manx culture, crafts and history, travel, take part in outdoor activities
Ratios	8 Brownies to 1 Leader. 12 Guides to 1 Leader
What should you do now?	

Please complete the booking form and return to the county office with your deposit by 30 November 2024 [Click Here for Booking Form](#)



# Midlands Inspire Events! Bookings open now for 2024 –2025 events



## Voice & action residential

National Justice Museum  
Nottingham  
16 – 17 November 2024  
£70 pp

For all members aged 18-30



## Leading the Way Thinking Day Residential

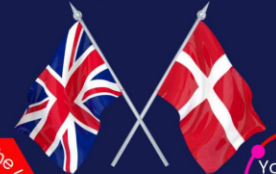
Pax Lodge, London  
15 – 16 February 2025  
£75 pp

For all members aged 18-30



## Join us for next year's Denmark Dash

We're looking for some Inspire groups to take part on this Midlands region event!



Join the Community –Your Inspire Hub

<https://linktr.ee/midsgginpire>

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## Walk Hadrian's Wall

## Save the Date!

24 May – 1 June 2025

Open to Girlguiding Midlands members age 16–30

