



Girlguiding

MIDDLESEX NORTH WEST

# COUNTY NEWS SHEET

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Available to Guiders, Senior Section and Trefoil Guild members and Unit Helpers

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## *Hello everyone,*

With the cold weather that we are having at the moment it seems strange to be writing about summer evenings at Willow Tree, a day trip to Bruges and Out of Doors trainings, but now is the time to be booking these activities before all the places are filled. So stay indoors, sit yourself at the desk and email or write your application forms today.

### TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

#### BROWNIE GUIDERS :-

If you come down to Willow Tree

You'll be in for a big SURPRISE.

If you come down to Willow Tree

You'll hardly believe your eyes.....

'Cause every Brownie Guider that ever there was

Will gather there, for certain, because on 10<sup>th</sup> May

We are having some Fun Out of Doors.

Don't miss out – contact June Jones via

[countynews.ed@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk](mailto:countynews.ed@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk)

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that there are Six Trainers in Middlesex North West? All are ready and willing to offer trainings to meet your needs.

So have your say – it's as easy as that. How? Contact your Division Programme & Training Rep or via your District Commissioner at meetings – just say what you would like.

#### JOIN THE TEAM

Ever thought about joining the Count Training Team?

There are vacancies and we are ready to grow. If you are interested in coming to meet the Team, let me know (email address above). We will offer a 'no strings' informal evening. We are a friendly and welcoming group and would love to hear from you.

Finally don't forget the Safe from Harm and Work life Balance Training on 11<sup>th</sup> April. Please sign up as soon as possible.

#### ADULT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations to Natalie Kenworthy and Karen Brazier from Ruislip/Northwood Division, and to Carol Garland De Carvalho and Shadhana Patel from Harrow/Pinner Division on successfully completing their Adult Leadership Qualification.

### TRAINING SESSIONS/EVENTS

#### 2006 March

20<sup>th</sup> – First Response Renewal

#### April

3<sup>rd</sup> – Holiday Air and Share 8pm at Willow Tree

11<sup>th</sup> – Safe from Harm (7.30pm)/Work Life Balance (8.40pm) at Rooks Heath High School

#### May

10<sup>th</sup> - Brownies Out of Doors 7.30pm – 9.30pm at Willow Tree

18<sup>th</sup> – Guides Out of Doors 8pm – 9.30pm

Also on 18<sup>th</sup> Rainbow Out of Doors 8pm – 9.30pm

#### DAY TRIP TO BRUGGE

This is your chance to visit the beautiful town of Brugge on our day trip to Belgium. We will be going on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2006 journeying through the tunnel again and the cost will be £30 per person. Departure will be from North Harrow and Hayes about 6.00 to 6.30am and return approximately 10.30 to 11.00 pm. There are still places available so if you would like to come along please either email me your details and then send a cheque payable to Middx NW Guides, or send me your details with your cheque. Please let me have names and addresses of everyone going along with an email address or telephone number plus an emergency contact number for the day. Please include a stamped addressed envelope for your receipt.

If you have already booked a place, please ensure that I have your emergency contact details.

Karen Harrison

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further contact details in the Training folder.)

## WILLOW TREE NEWS TRANQUIL AREA

We were successful in securing a Paradigm Community Grant (London Borough of Hillingdon) and have completed phase 3 of the Tranquil Garden. It is really looking great and we hope that you will gain much pleasure from this area. We shall be having an official opening in June where family and friends who have sponsored this area will be invited, as too the sponsors.

## THANK YOU

An informal evening was held earlier this month for all the volunteers who help with the running of Willow Tree. During the evening Unisys presented the 'Service Team' with fleeces, Ruislip Lions presented a Microwave Oven and Uxbridge United Welfare Trust a commercial portable drill. All these items were on the Wish List and we are extremely grateful indeed to everyone, as we do need and rely on outside help.

## FAMILY WORKING EVENING

Please make a note of the date and perhaps put it into your programme. **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June.** Notices will be distributed this month and we should appreciate lots of help. If you need any further information contact Liz Overall at [holiday.adv@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk](mailto:holiday.adv@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk).

## BARCLAYS CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May.**

At the Battle of Britain Club. Uxbridge.  
Can you organise a District team and perhaps a team of Parents to take part at this charity event?  
Barclays are arranging another Quiz Night where they will match the funds raised.  
Application forms will be going out this month.

## MAIN SHUTTER ON ENTRANCE DOOR.

We have had a few problems here due to the shutter being over wound when closing. The operation of this is quite different from the other electrical shutters. Please stop when shutter reaches the bottom and not let the slats stack. To help with this we shall paint the top slat yellow so please do not continue winding down once you see the yellow slat!

## WANTED, NOW FOUND

In the December edition a request was made for a steel storage cupboard for Willow Tree to meet the requirements of the Fire Officer. Thanks to Jo and Doug Hockaday who responded with the perfect item.

It is rewarding to know that our Newsheet is read by so many.

## SUMMER EVENINGS AT WILLOW TREE

Why not bring your unit for a summer evening at Willow Tree campsite? You can use the site for picnics, nature evenings, campfires, outdoor cooking, sports, games and much more besides. Remember, in case of inclement weather there are shelters available with each campsite. To book an evening please contact Christine Mills on 01895 637609.

## HOLIDAY LICENCES

The County have three more Guiders who have been awarded their Holiday Licences. Congratulations to Leanne Gillett (Heathrow Division) for Senior Section, Jean Gregson (Wealdstone) for Brownies and Jacqueline Reid (Wealdstone) for Guides. We have five more Guiders planning to take their licences and if you would like to know more about taking your girls away do ask your Division Holiday Adviser for details (phone numbers available via Liz's email below).  
Heathrow Division - Julie Wilson  
Uxbridge Division - Susie Edwards  
Wealdstone - Gill Hoptroff  
Ruislip-Northwood - Sally Shipman  
Harrow & Pinner - Jackie Diamond (who is also DC so can email [pinner.dc@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk](mailto:pinner.dc@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk))

As mentioned in your training booklet 'The Holiday Swap Shop will be an inspirational evening for Guiders with Holiday Licences.' It is being held on Monday 3rd April 2006 8pm-10pm at the Willow Tree Centre. Why not come and join us and meet our Division Advisers who will have lots of fresh ideas for your next holiday? Contact Liz Overall at [holiday.adv@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk](mailto:holiday.adv@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk)

## WILLOW TREE '100 CLUB'

Have you subscribed to the '100 Club'? There are still shares available, so if you would like to apply please contact Corine Gliven via email below.

## FUTURE COPIES

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