



Hello to you all,

For those of you taking your units away or holding events this summer we wish you success and lots of fun. We hope that you also find the time to relax and enjoy the holidays with families and friends.

### CAMP AND HOLIDAY

Can I remind all leaders who are completing a holiday or camp assessment form that their District Commissioner needs to sign it off before sending it to your relevant Division Adviser.

### MARRIOTT CUP

On Saturday 15 patrols from the County took part in the Marriott Cup Competition. They completed a number of challenges including making a chair, various team building activities and most importantly, building a shelter which was very useful whilst we were dodging rain showers! This year's winners were 1<sup>st</sup> Harefield Guides.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the guide leaders and other volunteers who came and helped on the day. It made my life so much easier and it was really nice to meet so many people and to put names to faces.

### CAMPERS GET TOGETHER

Just a reminder that we are holding a very informal get together at Willow Tree on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September from 7.30pm. This should give us the opportunity to have a chat about best practices and recommended campsites etc. Please let me know by Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September if you can join us, so I know how much wine to buy! Don't forget to bring along your camping team. Thanks.

Lin Gregory - County Camp Adviser  
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### TRAINING SESSIONS/EVENTS

There are lots of exciting opportunities for everyone in the coming year! If you want to be involved and have new ideas, look out for the flyer coming via your District Commissioners, for our COUNTY EVENTS ROADSHOW on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2007. Lara Seymour - Programme and Training Adviser [pandt.adv@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk](mailto:pandt.adv@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk)

### HOLIDAY LICENCES

Congratulations to Jessica Glasgow (Heathrow Division) for gaining her Brownie Holiday licence.

Please contact your Division Holiday Adviser before planning your holiday so that she can guide and help you through the procedure. Guiders who have evidence folders to complete, please let your advisers have them as soon as possible so that you can take your girls away this year. Liz Overall - County Holiday Adviser [holiday.adv@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk](mailto:holiday.adv@girlguidingmiddxnw.org.uk)

### ADULT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations to Alison Vaughan of Ruislip/Northwood and Janette Gillard of Wealdstone who have completed their Adult Leadership training, and also Claire Talbot who has finished her OCN file so has qualified for her warrant.

Gill Hodgson - Leadership Co-ordinator  
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### WILLOW TREE NEWS

Following our appeal in the last edition of the County Newssheet Mick Low from 9<sup>th</sup> Ruislip Brownies has offered to finish off the exterior wood treatment. We are extremely grateful to him and he is planning to get this done this month.

We have had little response for your views on the issue of 'Volunteer Work Days or Evenings!'

**Thank you** to Gill Douglas, Graham Le Gall, Paul and the Service Team for completing the campfire - it looks great!

**Thank you** to Willow Tree Trefoil Guild who have spent three sessions at Willow Tree removing the nettles and weeds in the Tranquil Area and the earth mound adjacent to the new compost and store area.

**Thank you** to Caroline Davis and Marjorie Brooks who have also been to the Centre and cleared weeds - they have worked very hard and 70% of the earth bund is now cleared. Any volunteers to help complete this work would be appreciated. If you visit the area you will clearly see the difference in the quality of the plants - some may still not survive as they are hidden in metre high thistles, dock leaves and nettles!

Wish List - we have been asked if we could circulate this list to units as not everyone visits the house.

Nationwide have donated £100, which will pay for one replacement mattress.

The Quiz Night held at Willow Tree in May was really great fun and all those who entered a team cannot wait for the next one in November. It was a really good evening!

Dawn Palmer (Chairman) Willow Tree Management - email  
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### OLD BROWNIE UNIFORM AVAILABLE

1<sup>st</sup> Uxbridge Parish Guides have come across lots of items of old brownie camp uniform while sorting out their equipment. They are happy to donate the following:

4 large bags containing khaki green jumpers with Brownies sewn on the front, brown jogging suits with yellow cuffs and brown tailored shorts.

There are approximately 30 of each item in various sizes

There is also a large box of newer old Brownie uniform (polo shirts, sweatshirts, jogging bottoms and shorts) which are being sold for 20p per item in order to raise funds for some new chairs.

If any unit is interested please contact Victoria Smith via

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

**PROJECT 50K** - Under Project 50K 10th Roxeth Rainbows opened in 2006 and in 2007 a Brownie Unit has followed. The start up grant helped considerably with basic equipment, badges and books. We operate at Roxeth Manor School and have FREE accommodation and use of facilities. The Units meet at the end of the school day and we often start the meeting with a warm up game or activity with both Rainbows and Brownies together. As a result of Project 50K we have now welcomed more girls into Guiding.

June Jones (Guider)

### BROWNIE GUIDERS

A thank you to the Brownie Guiders who came to the training evening in May at Rooks Heath. What a lovely, lively and enthusiastic group you were. I enjoyed being with you and sharing ideas. So thank you for making the occasion special for me. Caroline Davies proved to be an excellent hostess with drinks and nibbles, so thank you Caroline.

June Jones (Trainer)

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