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Eilidh from
1st Sawbridgeworth
Brownies receiving her
Guiding Star award and
Gold award from
Anne Johns, Assistant
County Commissioner.

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Girlguiding Awards
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BAKERS



Meet our very own Star Baker

Meet Heather, a 23rd Watford Guide. Heather won the Great Parish Bake Off organised by St Peter's Church in Rickmansworth. Heather wowed the judge with her amazing autumn inspired cake.

Heather was previously a Brownie at St Peter's where her mum is Little Owl. She told us '*Baking and guiding have been a big part of my life and I am glad I could finally put the two together.*'

Hazel Carmichael
Guest Judge



Well done Mia

Mia from 8th Rickmansworth Brownies raised an amazing £200 for her local wildlife rescue centre as part of her Charities badge.

Mia decided to have a bake sale and created flyers to promote her fundraiser. She spent a whole day baking – and sold her cakes along with some homemade lemonade on a sunny Sunday morning.

Hazel Carmichael
Leader



St Peters Children's Baking Competition

These entries in the Children's category of the Great Parish Bake Off were all baked by 8th Rickmansworth Brownies...

and you might even recognise the guest judge (Hazel from Hazel's Cake Studio – aka Dusky Owl/ Comms and PR Adviser!)

- 1st – Delicious Chocolate Orange Hedgehog cupcakes
- 2nd – Amazing Ferris Wheel cupcakes, each with a different design
- 3rd – Cupcakes with yummy chocolate icing

Hazel Carmichael Leader





ANGLIA 50

How are you celebrating?

Anglia is 50 years old this year and units across the region have been celebrating by completing activities towards the Anglia 50 badge, swapping birthday cards, and hosting a unit birthday party on the 27th November.

More information about the party may be found [here](#).

We'd love to hear about how you are celebrating this milestone birthday! Please send photographs and stories to us here at Share (share@girlguidinghertfordshire.org.uk) for publication in our Spring issue.

Jenny Maskrey County Commissioner

99 years of history saved

At the beginning of 2021, one of our area's oldest units, 3rd Bushey Heath Brownies, looked like it was going to close.

Thankfully, thanks to a local social media campaign, a fabulous new team was found who would safeguard the future of the unit. Risk assessments were quickly completed and the unit is up and running!

Since September, the Brownies have been working on their Green Challenge badge. They had fun making paper aeroplanes, trash fashion and flying kites out of spare materials that would have otherwise gone to waste. Even the badge was reused from the district's collection of spare badges!

Hawa Sarwar Leader in Training



Emi completes every Rainbow interest badge!

Emi from 7th Welwyn Garden City Rainbows has completed the full set of Rainbow interest badges.

First up was Healthy Mind: her teddy helped with her breathing. She enjoyed a visit to the local library before completing the Construction badge.

On our first meeting back, Emi made a new Rainbow feel welcome and explained what we do.

In between all this, she finished the first stage of the Walking badge before finally completing the Recycling badge. Wow! I'm exhausted just reading about it!

Paula Hills Leader



8th Rickmansworth Brownies

8th Rickmansworth Brownies enjoyed a summer term meeting mostly outdoors – working on our Have Adventures Theme award, Aviation badge and the Buzz about Anglia 50th Birthday Challenge.

The girls loved making colourful butterfly bark rubbings, creating bug homes and launching their mice rockets. We also treated ourselves to a Zoom drawing workshop and a wonderful Laughter Yoga session.



AN
OUT OF
THIS WORLD
SUMMER!



Bushey & Oxhey District held their first ever Brownie and Rainbow District Revels in July, with one version on Zoom and the other face-to-face.

55 Rainbows and Brownies had fun with the Outer World Adventures theme: working on the Space badge and taking part in the Outer Space Adventure Challenge badge. Packs were delivered to those joining in at home. From alien bowling to making galaxies in jars and plate UFOs, everyone had a 'spacetastic' time.

Grace Bantin District
Commissioner, Bushey & Oxhey District



Bushey and Oxhey District thank you event

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers and 'goodbye' to those who have recently left the district.

Pictured is the team enjoying afternoon tea at the Bushey Metropolitan Club, where old friends caught up and new friends were made. It was lovely to see everyone coming together again.

Grace Bantin District Commissioner, Bushey & Oxhey District



Bushey Trefoil Guild...

Over lockdown, the Bushey Trefoil Guild met over Zoom, which brought light to their members in dark and lonely times.

Summer opening allowed them to begin helping at district events again and in August, they walked the heritage trail at Leavesden Country Park joined by their new younger members, guests and friends, and four-legged companions. It was a very fun afternoon for everyone!

Grace Bantin
District Commissioner, Bushey and Oxhey District



...out and about.



1st Watton-At-Stone Guides

1st Watton-at-Stone Guides ended the summer term with an amazing Olympic-themed night complete with Japanese sweets.

Well done to Beth who won gold! The sky opened just as we had finished our cook your own burger night, and a very soggy Kitty made her Promise – it was a night to remember!

The new term started with blackberry picking, CPR refresher, a cookout and new Guides joining us. We're now looking forward to a mainly outdoor term: fingers crossed for the weather! Congratulation to Catherine, who was the first of us to complete the Herts Walking Challenge.

Nikki Smith Leader



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GIRLGUIDING AWARDS



Cheryl & Daryl

Celebrating Cheryl Wilson for 40 years' and Daryl Hopkins for 30 years' service shown receiving their awards alongside the girls from their unit, 22nd Welwyn Garden City Brownies.

Guiding Star for Eilidh

Eilidh from 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies received her Brownie Gold award and a Guiding Star award, presented by Anne Johns, Assistant County Commissioner.

The Guiding Star award is awarded by the Chief Guide of the UK to exceptional young members of Guiding.

Eilidh's citation reads "*Eilidh is an inspirational girl, much admired by all her Guiding friends for her enthusiasm for Brownies despite facing a challenging illness. Her determination to attend and work for her Gold award is outstanding. We are delighted to award her the Guiding Star.*"

We are all so proud of Eilidh, an inspirational, determined and dedicated young lady – congratulations from every single one of us.

Gillian Squire District Commissioner, Sawbridgeworth & High Wych District



OUR GOLDEN GIRLS

So many girls worked hard and achieved so much despite lockdowns and meetings on Zoom. Many received Gold awards over the past few months and we want to congratulate them all for their commitment and perseverance.

Here are the golden girls that we know about. If you have girls in your unit, please let us know as we'd love to congratulate them too.

Rainbows

Bella-Rose - 4th Adeyfield Rainbows

Eloise - 1st Bovingdon Rainbows

Lacey - 1st Bovingdon Rainbows

Mckayla - 1st Bovingdon Rainbows

Erin - 2nd Boxmoor Rainbows

Felicity - 2nd Boxmoor Rainbows

Poppy - 2nd Boxmoor Rainbows

Scarlett - 2nd Boxmoor Rainbows

Lucia - 1st Broxbourne Rainbows

Kimberley - 1st Chaulden (HHMC) Rainbows

Shi Shi - 1st Chaulden (HHMC) Rainbows

Anna - 1st Goff's Oak Rainbows

Elissa - 4th Harpenden Rainbows

Imogen - 10th Harpenden Rainbows

Isla - 10th Harpenden Rainbows

Amber - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Charlotte - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Chloe C - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Chloe O - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Daisy - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Grace - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Leah - 17th Harpenden Rainbows



Lucie - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Nancy - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Sophie - 17th Harpenden Rainbows

Freya - 3rd Hatfield Rainbows

Marnie - 3rd Hatfield Rainbows

Sevgi - 3rd Hatfield Rainbows

Jenny - 1st Knebworth Rainbows

Katie - 1st Leverstock Green Rainbows

Laura - 1st Leverstock Green Rainbows

Elsie - 1st North Watford Rainbows

Annie - 1st Pin Green Rainbows

Daisy - 1st Pin Green Rainbows

Aiesha - 2nd Pin Green Rainbows

Sofia - 2nd Pin Green Rainbows

Amelia - 1st Sawbridgeworth Rainbows

Darcie - 1st Sawbridgeworth Rainbows

Eleanor - 1st Sawbridgeworth Rainbows

Gracie - 1st Sawbridgeworth Rainbows

Lily - 3rd St Albans Rainbows

Chloe - 24th St Albans Rainbows

Eloise - 24th St Albans Rainbows

Emma - 24th St Albans Rainbows

Imogen - 24th St Albans Rainbows

Alba - 5th Stevenage Rainbows

Annabella - 5th Stevenage Rainbows

Lizzie - 5th Stevenage Rainbows

Lucy - 5th Stevenage Rainbows

Amelie - 1st Welwyn Rainbows

Abigail - 17th Welwyn Garden City Rainbows

Georgia - 21st Welwyn Garden City Rainbows

Chloe - 21st Welwyn Garden City Rainbows

Lily - 22nd Welwyn Garden City Rainbows

Grace - 1st Queensway Rainbows

GIRLGUIDING AWARDS

Brownies



Annabelle - 1st Birch Green Brownies

Ashley - 1st Birch Green Brownies

Lily - 1st Birch Green Brownies

Millie - 1st Birch Green Brownies

Ruth - 1st Birch Green Brownies

1st Birch Green Brownies had an amazing 5 girls achieve their Gold awards. We only met face-to-face for a few meetings at the end of the summer term but enjoyed a presentation campfire with hot dogs and s'mores. Most of their Theme awards were gained whilst meeting on Zoom.

Florence - 1st Boxmoor (St John's) Brownies

Dinuli - 4th Boxmoor Brownies

Elsie - 2nd Brookman Park Brownies

Rebecca - 1st Chipperfield Brownies

Simran - 7th Chorleywood Brownies

Isla - 2nd Grove Hill Brownies

Olivia - 2nd Grove Hill Brownies

Florence - 1st Harpenden Brownies

Ella - 2nd Harpenden Brownies

Gabriella - 2nd Harpenden Brownies

Poppy told us 'Being a Brownie has taught me so many things. I have learnt lots of new skills when I have done my badges. It has taught me to try new things and not be worried about going somewhere without a friend because you can quickly make new friends. I always looked forward to Fridays and going to Brownies and especially during lockdown – Brownies was the best part of my week!'



Hannah - 2nd Harpenden Brownies

Matilda - 2nd Harpenden Brownies

Florence - 1st Hertford Brownies

Zoe - 1st Hertford Brownies

Lucy - 3rd Kings Langley Brownies

Eloise - 1st Leverstock Green Brownies

Francesca - 1st Leverstock Green Brownies

Emily - 1st Little Heath Brownies

Gracie - 1st Little Heath Brownies

Sian - 1st Little Heath Brownies

Alice - 5th Potters Bar Brownies

Jasmine - 5th Potters Bar Brownies

Martha - 2nd Radlett Brownies

Jessica - 4th Radlett Rainbows and Brownies

Katie - 4th Rickmansworth Brownies

Poppy - 8th Rickmansworth Brownies

Abigail - 1st Rye Park Brownies

Eilidh - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Eleanor - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Emilia - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Georgia - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Hannah - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Isabelle - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Jessica - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Lillian - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Neve - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Niamh - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Poppy - 1st Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Darcy - 3rd Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Ella - 3rd Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Emilia - 3rd Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Erin - 3rd Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Isabella - 3rd Sawbridgeworth Brownies

Lyra - 13th St Albans Brownies

Paloma - 13th St Albans Brownies

Poppy - 13th St Albans Brownies

Lois - 29th St Albans (Abbey) Brownies

Elsa - 4th Stevenage Brownies

Isla - 5th Stevenage Brownies

Kenzee - 5th Stevenage Brownies

Alicia - 1st Thorley Brownies

Poppy - 1st Thorley Brownies

Tula - 1st Thorley Brownies

Evie - 2nd Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Charlotte - 4th Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Alex - 7th Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Anya - 7th Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Jessica - 7th Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Lily - 17th Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Poppy - 21st Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Amelia - 22nd Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Amilie - 22nd Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Katie - 22nd Welwyn Garden City Brownies

Guides

Anna - 3rd Berkhamsted Guides and Rangers

Zoe - 2nd Chaulden Guides

Isla - 2nd Hertford Guides

Merry - 2nd Hertford Guides



Olivia - 1st Little Heath Guides

Theologia - 1st Little Heath Guides

Isabelle - 5th Potters Bar Guides

Rebecca - 5th Potters Bar Guides

Emma - 8th Rickmansworth Guides

Rebecca - 8th Rickmansworth Guides

Ruby - 8th Rickmansworth Guides

Eloise - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Evelyn - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Imogen - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Katie - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides



Rebecca, who is now a young leader with 8th Rickmansworth Brownies told us 'I really enjoyed all the activities we did at Guides including going to Woburn Safari Park where I did my Promise in the Australian Outback enclosure, camp at Phasels Wood and doing lots of fun activities, learning about different types of confectionery for my Confectionery badge and creating an investigating kit for my Investigation badge.'

Lola - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Maahi - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Maddie - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Martha - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Maya - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Natalie - 17th Welwyn Garden City Guides

Listed are the girls who we believe won their awards between June - October 2021.

If someone from your unit is not listed, do let us know so that they can be named in the next issue.

GIRLGUIDING AWARDS

Marilyn Tozer – celebrating 50 years of service



A number of our volunteers have given extraordinary service for many, many years. We were so pleased to recognise this at a virtual awards ceremony this year, which will be followed soon by the publication of a special booklet detailing all the awards that were presented. A copy of this booklet will be shared with each award recipient.

Marilyn was one of the volunteers who were recognised and her story made it into the local press. Here's what was said:

Marilyn Tozer has been a Girlguiding volunteer for half a century. Her dedicated service was celebrated recently with the presentation of a special 50-year Long Service brooch and certificate.

Marilyn previously served as district commissioner and currently mentors new leaders as well as being a division secretary. She has no intention of hanging up her uniform quite yet, and recalls some of her favourite memories over the five decades:

'I started by becoming a leader with the unit where I had been a Brownie. In 1977, I moved to 17th Watford Brownies where I met Carole Robson. She went on to be the leader of 9th Watford Brownies and we took our girls away on unit holidays together for many years. I love this time away with the Brownies, having time to get to know the girls really well and seeing them develop their independence and confidence.'

Due to a lack of leaders, we amalgamated our units in 2018, and I am delighted Carole and I are working together again.

More recently, I was thrilled to visit the Guiding World Centre in Switzerland with some of my closest guiding friends.

I've seen so many changes during the 50 years, including several styles of uniform. The programme has changed with the times, but the fundamental principles have always remained the same, and are the reason why I have never wanted to give up guiding.'

Hazel Carmichael
County PR and Communications



County Good Service Certificate for Maureen



Congratulations to Maureen Fitzgibbons (Kestrel), who received a well-deserved and overdue County Good Service Certificate at this year's county virtual award ceremony.

Maureen has run 3rd Adeyfield Brownies for over 25 years as well as holding district roles as secretary and treasurer.

She has faced many challenges in her time as leader: negotiating new meeting places on 3 separate occasions, which has included loss of storage space so her spare room has been converted into a Brownie resource room.

Maureen is a force to be reckoned with, always putting the Brownies first. If they suggest an activity or event they would like to do, she will make sure it happens. During lockdown we have held weekly Zoom meetings and seen the unit grow thanks to Maureen, who as a key worker has continued to work full time throughout.

Maureen's enthusiasm rubs off on her leadership team. She encourages their development; showing and demonstrating the true spirit of Guiding and I feel honoured to be her assistant.

Congratulations Maureen on your achievements
Sue Mazzola Assistant Leader, 3rd Adeyfield Brownies

Hazel Carmichael

How would you describe your role in a nutshell?

As County Communications and PR Adviser I co-ordinate the work of the Comms & PR Team. This means writing stories, managing our photo log and permissions, liaising with commissioners, advisers and the county office – and running the Facebook page!

Other team members run our Instagram, produce SHARE, create graphics, design and promote our new county badges, advise on branding and take photos at county events.

Do you have any other roles?

Leader with 8th Rickmansworth Brownies and SW Herts Division PR Rep

How long have you been in guiding?

I loved Brownies when I was a young girl growing up in Dublin, and never wanted to leave! Highlights of being a Guide were summer camps and cooking over an open fire.

I re-joined guiding when my middle daughter wanted to start Rainbows, and the new unit in Rickmansworth needed adult helpers. That was nearly 20 years ago! I later moved up to Brownies...

What is your favourite guiding activity?

I love games, crafts and campfire songs – so I'm a perennial Brownie!

What is your Brownie name?

Dusky Owl

What do you do when you aren't volunteering?

I trained in Hotel and Catering Management, but my passion has always been baking. I have just launched my own cake business Hazel's Cake Studio.

How did you become Comms and PR Adviser?

Jenny Maskrey asked me to join. I was very unsure, as I felt I didn't have the time or the skills. My only previous experience was writing press releases for SW Herts Division and sending stories to SHARE...



However, life often presents opportunities for a reason - so I took a leap of faith and have since been joined by a wonderful team with a variety of skills.

I have learned so much whilst finding my way in this role, that is now proving invaluable with setting up my own business. So, my hours spent volunteering are now paying dividends!

Only an hour a week?

NO!! At the start of lockdown I realised how important it would be to keep our members connected. I have been posting daily on the Girlguiding Hertfordshire Facebook page ever since, as a means to engage with and provide support and activities for leaders and parents. Our followers have almost doubled in that time!

Our team has run some big campaigns this year – promoting the Thinking Day badge, Promise Renewal, Marathon badge and later the Volunteer Recruitment Campaign.

Thinking Day events provided many opportunities for press coverage across the whole county, and we shared family stories of 'generations in guiding' on our social media.

Team members take on different tasks according to their skills and interests, which allows us to cover all that we do.

Did you know we are now on [Pinterest](#) and [LinkedIn](#)?

How would someone describe you?

As a perfectionist!

What is your favourite part of the role?

Sharing stories about the amazing things our members do and achieve.

What has been your biggest challenge?

Photo permissions – both understanding and implementing them! We hadn't previously shared photos of our members regularly on county social media because of what it involves – but I was determined to make it happen, and these posts have drawn huge engagement ever since.

What is your proudest moment?

Receiving a Certificate of Good Service for my PR work in SW Herts Division / Winning Free-from Cupcake of the Year at the National Cupcake Championships and being presented with my award by Mary Berry!



What is your top tip for future advisers/someone taking on a new role?

Have a good team around you – to spread the workload and bring different skills.

What is the biggest thing that you have learned?

How to use technology more effectively, as I'd never previously needed to use a computer in my work life!



Rickmansworth and Chorleywood District Day

Girls and leaders from across Rickmansworth and Chorleywood district enjoyed an action-packed District Day at Paccar Scout Camp.

The sun shone, and everyone enjoyed trying a variety of activities – from archery and go karting, crate stacking and abseiling, to high ropes and zip wires. We were delighted to have County Commissioner Jenny Maskrey join us to present four Gold awards.

When the girls had gone home leaders welcomed the chance for a catch up, and a few even tried their hand at tomahawk throwing!

Hazel Carmichael SW Herts Division PR



Rain and Rainbows

1st Bengeo Rainbows enjoyed playing games in the rain and sitting under the rainbow at a wet and sunny outdoor meeting.

Karen Searle Leader



Congratulations Becca!

Congratulations go to Becca on completing her YL qualification at 1st Great Ashby Guides.

From March 2020, the unit never stopped meeting, with weekly Zoom meetings and virtual sleepovers and Becca was a fantastic team player in organising meetings, running activity sessions and assisting in the activity pack drop offs. A fantastic leader in the making – we can't wait to see how far she will go.

1st Great Ashby Guides Leadership Team

The picture shows
Becca (left) alongside Karin Hunter



Kayaking Fun

The 1st Grovehill Brownies and Guides enjoyed kayaking along the Grand Union Canal in Hemel Hempstead.

Some, who hadn't been kayaking before, didn't want to get out of the water by the end of the session, and it wasn't just the girls who had fun, Brownie leader, Lauren had a go at paddle boarding too.

It was a great way to end the term and we are now looking forward to running this again next summer.

Lauren Whittaker
Leader



South East Herts Guild Canal Trip

There's nothing better than sitting back on a comfy chair, eating lunch and chatting whilst admiring the lush flora and fauna and watching the world go past as you meander slowly and gently down the beautiful peaceful River Stort on a canal boat in Harlow.

12 members of the South East Herts Guild did in mid-September, a lovely sunny day! The members also helped to man the locks and gates, as well as take over the helm and steer. I'm pleased to share that they safely navigated us through!

Sandie Robson
Treasurer



Lockdowns, outdoor meetings and beyond!

During the final meeting for 1st Flamstead Brownies before lockdown in 2020, the girls finished their First Aid Stage 2 for the Be Well Theme award.

Everyone was looking forward to decorating tiles for Mother's Day the following week, however, we now know that this was not to be!

Once outside meetings were allowed again, and being lucky enough to have access to some open space on a farm, we changed our meeting time to a Saturday morning. We had lost a lot of girls during lockdown so started with a little group of four but everyone had a great time.

Our maximum number all term was 6 but we still did lots of things in an outdoor environment. There was a barn to shelter in if the weather was not so kind, and we enjoyed flying paper aeroplanes as part of the Aviation badge.

We covered Planetary Puzzles and created the solar system in the field using natural materials. One Saturday was spent repairing the woodland shelter first made as

part of the Anglia Outdoor Challenge nearly three years previously, and then enjoying toasted marshmallows, after first discussing how to strike a match and stay safe. A rather damp day saw the group tackle the UMA Disaster Strikes and the plastic sheet strung in the hedgerow remained for many weeks afterwards!



A walk in the dark was also fun. This torchlight tour, complete with a romp through muddy puddles, hot chocolate, biscuits and sparklers was a super end to Autumn term adventures, as two days later we were back in lockdown!



It took until the Summer term for new Brownies to join us. Everyone very quickly gelled and became a friendly group. The original girls remembered how we did things pre-lockdown so we introduced a home-made toadstool and said our Promise at every meeting to help the new girls learn it ready for enrolment. We focused on two Themes this term – Have

Adventures and Make Change and have made good progress. At our final meeting the girls put their thoughts about the meetings into words and pictures. We've had lots of fun; the dynamic has been so different and we cannot wait to continue to meet again after the summer holidays!

Jenny Frampton Leader

Fundraising Brownies help their Unit



Caroline and Isabella from 1st Rye Park Brownies, raised over £55 to support their unit.

Caroline (left) made Christmas decorations out of clothes pegs to sell to family and friends and Isabella made loom band bracelets. They advertised their wares via posters and kept records of how many they sold and how much money they made. They wrote a letter to county and explained what they had done. The money raised went towards annual subscriptions.

Sarah Pollard Leader, 1st Rye Park Brownies



Donation for DENS

1st Little Gaddesdon and 9th Berkhamsted Brownies have been learning about DENS, a Hemel Hempstead-based charity providing support throughout the community to people and families in need.

The Brownies decorated shoe boxes and filled them with high need items. The impressive haul of donations will make a big difference to many in the local area.
Jo Bushe West Herts Division Commissioner

Meet Jo Bushe



– the new West Hertfordshire Division Commissioner

When I was approached by Jenny, our County Commissioner, about taking on the role of division commissioner I was initially a little hesitant as I didn't really know much about what the role entailed.

However, after a conversation with the outgoing division commissioner, I thought the role sounded really interesting and actually not too different to that of district commissioner, which was the role I held at the time (although with fewer risk assessments to deal with!).

I'm really looking forward to getting to know as many leaders as possible in our division as, up until now, I've really only come into contact with leaders in Berkhamsted. I'm also looking forward to providing support to the leaders and, when things are a little more 'normal', I hope to organise some division wide events for both the girls and leaders. Angela leaves big shoes to fill and I know she, and of course the county team, will be there to answer any questions I may have.

Jo Bushe West Hertfordshire Division Commissioner

DATES for your Diary

See E-newsletter
or website events page
for details.

2021 4-5 December

Level 1 Walking Scheme Training,
Buckinghamshire

12 December

Social Walk from Wheathampstead to
Hatfield Springs

2022 22 January

Virtual New Year Quiz

29 January

1st Response Course, Hemel Hempstead

26 March

Great Patrol Hunt 2022 Round 2

29 April - 2 May

Introduction to the Hills (ITTH), Peak District

24-26 June

Great Patrol Hunt 2022 Round 3, Letchworth

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Anne, Marion, Ruth, Lizzie, Anna, Linda,
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friends from Trefoil

JEAN BANKS for helping to secure equipment donations
to build an outdoor kitchen at HGC

TRACY FOSTER Region Chief,
ANDREA OUGHTON Deputy Region Chief
and THE TEAM AT ANGLIA for inspiring us all
with great ideas in this celebration 50th year



ELIZA from 1st Great Ashby
Guides, winner of the county's
Season's Greetings e-card
design competition

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