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Editorial

Editor's Note

Happy new year! I'm looking forward to a new year of reading about and seeing photos of the great Guiding adventures BC members embark upon across the province.

For example, what kinds of things will you do to celebrate World Thinking Day 2017? This year's theme, as set out by the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), is "grow"—inviting more girls and young women to experience the Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting Movement and giving more girls the opportunity to have exciting, relevant and accessible experiences.

And what kinds of camps and service projects will you be enjoying? Whatever events and projects you experience, I hope you share your stories, ideas and photos with other BC Guiding members through *Pipeline*!

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PC'S PAGE

by Leslie Bush, *Provincial Commissioner*



Welcome to 2017! I hope this will be a great year for all Guiding members in BC!

With Thinking Day soon upon us, I am so pleased to welcome our Chief Commissioner Pamela Rice to the province. She will attend the February BC Council meeting and our Thinking Day celebration at Guide House on February 19. The Thinking Day Open House in the morning is an opportunity for girls and leaders to tour Guide House, participate in fun activities and meet our area commissioners, provincial advisers, the PC team and, this year, the chief commissioner! The Thinking Day tea in the afternoon is an opportunity to celebrate Guiding with senior girls and adults. The event's theme mirrors the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) theme of Growing Guiding.

In 2017, we continue to implement structural change as recommended by the Governance Review Task Team (GRTT). This process began in 2013, when the national Board of Directors established a Governance Review Task Force (GRTF) to conduct an examination of Girl Guides of Canada–Guides du Canada's governance and operational structures, in consultation with stakeholders at the national and

provincial levels. The goal for the review is centred on Policy #4: Effective and Efficient Organization, which denotes that we will maximize our resources and increase our responsiveness to change. The outcome of this review was the recommendation of a common provincial council (implemented in June 2016), and the recommendation to move to common district and area council structures (to be implemented by June 2017).

As part of transition planning, in 2015, councils across Canada provided information on their structures. This information was provided to the Governance Review Implementation-Transition Team (GRITT) and, in their review of council models, they determined that many positions were committee or support activities that should not be considered positions on council, as they, by nature of what they do, are not in a direction setting or decision-making role. Moving forward, the district and area structures will have the following positions on council:

District:

- District commissioner (DC)
- Deputy district commissioner(s)
- Treasurer
- Secretary (activity role with voice, but no vote)
- Unit Guiders (one vote per unit)
- Camp Committee Chair (Optional: If the district maintains a camp, there could be a Camp Committee with a chairperson who reports to the DC. This position would be monitored through the committee's Terms of Reference, but the position is considered an activity. Consequently, there would be no set term, but it would be evaluated every three years for performance.)

Utilising short-term task teams or work teams will be helpful to districts, but these

are considered activities and do not have the term limit of position on council.

Area:

- Area commissioner
- Deputy area commissioner(s)
- Treasurer
- Secretary (an activity role with voice, but no vote)
- District commissioners
- Advisers (up to six, with the following portfolios: Program, Training, PR, Membership, Camping and International)

An area may choose to have some or all of these adviser roles, to support the consistent and ongoing needs of area council. If a council has a large camp or other property, they may also have a property committee with the chair invited to speak to council as required.

I am aware of the concerns that some members have in regards to these changes, especially those who feel that we are removing their voice on our councils. I have also heard about the challenge of filling all seats for those who have larger councils. Some councils struggle to get enough members to attend to have quorum. And I have heard from members who are happy that they will not have to attend monthly meetings, but instead can attend when necessary.

There are many different perspectives and reactions to this restructuring, but I encourage us all to support each other as we process these changes. Let us embrace the opportunity between now and June to consider how we will move forward.

"The way to make sense out of change is to plunge into it, move with it, and join the dance."

– Alan Watts



Upcoming Events

DATE	WHAT	WHO	WHERE	NOTES
March 3–5	Program Advisers' Workshop	One area program adviser and one district program adviser per area	<i>Vancouver</i>	
March 3–5	BC Camping Committee/Area Camping Advisers' meeting	All area camping advisers and BC Camping Committee members	<i>Vancouver</i>	Come prepared to work on 2018 camping events.
March 17–19	Safe Guide Assessors' Workshop	Safe Guide assessors	<i>Vancouver</i>	Registration is now closed.
March 24–26	Area Commissioners' Workshop	Area commissioners	<i>Vancouver</i>	Registration is now closed.
March 31–April 2	International Advisers' Workshop	International advisers	<i>Vancouver</i>	
April 2	BC Membership Day Canucks Game	All Guiding members	<i>Vancouver</i>	See page 7 for more details.
April 15–16	Girl Guides Go Hostelling Sleepover	Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers	<i>Vancouver</i>	More info to come.
April 22	Briefing for international trip participants	Guider and girl member invited participants	<i>Vancouver</i>	
April 28–30	Trefoil Guild Rendezvous 2017	All BC Trefoil Guild members	<i>Richmond</i>	Visit www.westcoastarea.com/trefoil.html or email tgrezvous2017@gmail.com for information.
May 13	BC Council AGM	All Guiders	<i>Vancouver</i>	See page 6-7 for more information.
May 13–14	GUEST on the Island	SVI and Pacific Shores Guide patrols	<i>Victoria</i>	More info to come.
June 11	Hands Across the Border	All Guiding members	<i>Peace Arch border crossing, Surrey</i>	Visit http://www.handsacrosstheborder.info/ for more information. Registration now open.
July 22–29	SOAR	Guides, Pathfinders, Rangers and Guiders	<i>Smithers</i>	Visit soarbc.com for application deadline and additional information.
September 22–24	Mix It Up Canada	Guide and Pathfinder patrols and US patrols	<i>Lower Mainland (TBA)</i>	See page 24 for details.
October (TBA)	Presentation and Communication Skills Workshop	Trainer candidates, Guiders wanting to improve these skills	<i>Vancouver</i>	More info to come.
November (TBA)	Training Advisers' Workshop	Area training advisers	<i>Vancouver</i>	More info to come.



World Thinking Day 2017



Celebrate and Grow on February 22nd with members of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS)!

Join WAGGGS members from around the world for World Thinking Day 2017. The 2017 theme is "Grow."

In 2017, we would like to grow the World Thinking Day celebrations and invite more girls and young women around the world to experience what it means to be part of the Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting Movement! The World Thinking Day Challenge will be a journey of growth, supporting Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting groups as we introduce our Movement to new members.

The theme and activity pack are designed to fit with the WAGGGS

strategy Connect – Grow – Impact. In 2016, we celebrated the meaningful connections we share as a Movement, and now it's time to GROW.

Using the World Thinking Day 2017 – Grow Activity Pack, you can earn your World Thinking Day 2017 badge by

- meeting new friends
- sharing the fun of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts with them
- planting a tree

The Grow Activity Pack will help you to grow your connections, footprint, dance moves, citizenship, creativity, character and so much more!

To download the activity pack, visit <https://www.waggs.org/en/resources/world-thinking-day-2017-grow-activity-pack/>.

Welcome Wagon Supports

Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada

Welcome Wagon and Girl Guides of Canada are working together to welcome newcomers and increase the awareness of Girl Guides in BC communities.

When a new family moves into your neighbourhood or a future Spark is born, contact Welcome Wagon (by phone or through their website) and let them know. The local Welcome Wagon representative* will personally visit the family and provide information about the local community and Girl Guides.



Start a Friendship Today
www.welcomewagon.ca



*Welcome Wagon representatives may not be available in all communities in BC.



Pipeline is available **online!**

A limited number of past issues of Pipeline are now available at www.bc-girlguides.org; select *Volunteers > Guider Resources > Publications > Pipeline*. Note: Issues are available as PDF files and are about 10 MB in size.



GROWING GUIDING



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Girl Guides of Canada - Guides du Canada BC Council Annual General Meeting & Dinner

May 13, 2017

HOLIDAY INN VANCOUVER CENTRE
711 West Broadway, Vancouver, BC V5Z 3Y2.

Reception - 5:30 p.m. Dinner - 6:30 p.m. Ticket Cost - \$35.00

LIMITED SEATING

RSVP to the Provincial Office at the address below no later than
April 28, 2017

*Please note: BC Travel Policy does not apply

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GROWING GUIDING

New at the 2016 BC Council AGM

Everyone has different food preferences, so we are going to try something different. There will be a choice of dinners as follows:

- 1) Roast beef with dijon red wine sauce, seasonal vegetables and roast potatoes
- 2) Salmon served with lemon tarragon cream sauce, vegetables and roast potatoes
- 3) Vegetarian dish

When you RSVP to the AGM, whether by email or telephone, you will need to indicate which dinner you prefer.

BC Guiding members who are planning to attend the BC Council AGM may wish to take advantage of the Girl Guide rate being offered at the Holiday Inn Vancouver Centre (same hotel as the AGM). Please call the reservations desk and ask for the Girl Guide rate for the BC Council AGM. This rate is not available when booking online. Buffet breakfast is included but there is an additional fee for parking.

NOTE: Deadline to make hotel reservation is April 21, 2017.

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A-Z of Diversity

Fiona Rogan, BC Program Committee

This is the second in a series of articles by the BC Program Committee to explain some commonly used terms regarding inclusivity and diversity. For the first article in the series, please see issue number 378, Fall/Winter 2016, of Pipeline.

If you have any questions about inclusivity and diversity in Guiding or need help finding resources, please contact Inclusivity-Diversity Specialist Fiona Rogan at inclusivity-diversity@bc-girlguides.org.

B Bipolar Disorder

Girls diagnosed with bipolar disorder (formerly known as manic depression) may experience periods of depression and periods of elevated mood. Most girls with this diagnosis will be on medication that should be declared on their health form.

It is important for girls with bipolar disorder to have a Guider they can trust and to feel safe at meetings. When depressed, girls may exhibit anxiety, appear very negative about events and people and declare suicidal tendencies. A trusted adult should be available to support girls at this time.

Blind

A term to describe a person with total or partial vision loss. Also known as visually impaired or partially sighted.

Adaptations and modifications:

- To accommodate girls with reduced vision, meeting areas should have sufficient clear space without hazards (stairs, tables, etc.).
- Rather than raising a hand to attract attention, Guiders should use sound (e.g., ring a bell, play a chime or have a ringtone on their phone).
- For hikes and outdoor meetings, pair a visually impaired girl with a sighted girl.

- When written instructions or information are provided to girls, ensure that another girl or Guider reads them to a girl with visual impairment. If a girl is partially sighted, she may be able to read large-print materials.
- Consider purchasing adapted game supplies such as a ball with a bell in it, a unit set of braille cards, dice, etc.
- Games that can be played by girls with visual impairments include Simon Says and other listening-based activities.
- If a unit enjoys cycling trips, a girl with a visual impairment may be able to participate by riding a tandem cycle.

Buddhism

A religion or philosophy that originated in India, is widely practised in Asia and is growing in practise in Western countries. Followers believe in living a mindful, moral life and using techniques such as meditation to reach a higher level of understanding.

C Cerebral Palsy

A neurological condition that affects gross motor function. Degree of ability may range from a minor limp to severe physical impairment and intellectual delay. Speech may also be affected.

Adaptations and modifications will depend on the level of impairment but may include:

- Providing instructions in simple language
- Giving no more than two directions at one time
- Allowing extra time to complete tasks
- Providing physical support when needed (e.g., walking poles for hiking)
- Giving abbreviated or adapted tasks when completing badge work

- Allowing a support person to attend meetings and camps to provide personal care and other needed aid.

Christianity

The world's biggest religion, based on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. Principal branches are Protestant (Presbyterian, United, Anglican), Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches.

Girl Guide origins included a Christian base; however, recent awareness of inclusivity has removed religious overtones from programming.

Although Christianity remains the most prevalent religion in Canada, many girls may have limited or no exposure to this or any other organized religion. Meetings should be non-denominational and secular, so that all girls feel comfortable and welcome.

Christmas

A major holiday celebrated worldwide. For Christians, this is a holiday based on the birth of Jesus Christ. Christmas is also celebrated by non-Christians as a time of gift exchanges and seasonal decoration.

When celebrating Christmas in Guiding, units are advised to focus on secular activities and songs (many carols are based on Christian religious beliefs).

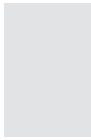
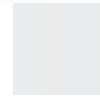
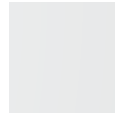
Culture

The history and traditions of a specific group, whether defined by religion, gender, ethnicity or another shared factor.

Girl Guides of Canada—Guides du Canada respects all cultures and encourages girls to share their unique backgrounds with others.

Cystic Fibrosis (CF)

A genetic condition that affects the digestive system and lungs. Symptoms may include a persistent cough with productive thick



mucous; wheezing and shortness of breath; and frequent chest infections, which may include pneumonia. Treatments may include daily massage or patting of the chest to clear the lungs, inhaled medications, taking enzymes to aid digestion and/or oxygen therapy. *A person experienced in these treatments may need to accompany a girl with CF to camp.*



Deaf

Also called “hearing impaired” or “hard of hearing.” Girls may have minor hearing loss or be completely deaf. They may or may not wear hearing aids or have cochlear implants to assist their hearing and they may lip-read.

Adaptations and modifications:

- Ensure all instructions and directions are printed as well as delivered verbally.
- Always face the girl when speaking and enhance diction (e.g., no chewing gum).
- Reduce background noise when addressing the girl (no cross-talk or secondary conversations).
- Repeat directions and check regularly for understanding.

Down Syndrome

A condition in which extra genetic material causes delays in the way a child develops, both physically and mentally. Youth with Down Syndrome may have weak upper spine and neck muscles and should avoid activities that put stress on these areas (e.g., trampoline, diving). Girls may have intellectual delays and require additional support when attending meetings and/or camp.



Ethnicity

An ethnic group or ethnicity is a category of people who identify with each other based on similarities, such as common ancestral, language, social, cultural or national experiences.

Girls are encouraged to share their ethnic identity with their unit. Guiders should be respectful of differing ethnic traditions, experiences and perspectives when planning meetings and incorporate those of all girls.



Faith

A belief in a deity or doctrine. Matters of faith are personal and meetings should remain secular and non-faith based. The exception here is when specifically discussing faith (e.g., celebrations and ceremonies) and all members are free to participate or decline as they are comfortable.

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)

Fetal alcohol spectrum disorders are a group of conditions that can occur in a person whose mother drank alcohol during pregnancy. Problems may include poor coordination, intellectual disability, behaviour problems and problems with hearing or seeing. General characteristics include a lack of focus, daydreaming and poor organizational skills and time management. Girls may be overly impulsive and/or slow to start a task. Additionally, girls may be unable to sit or stand still for extended periods (or even short ones) and need to be moving or busy at all times.

Adaptations and modifications:

- Give an estimated duration for each task.
- Limit instructions to three or four at a time; review often.
- Provide information in advance; build on directions over a period of time.
- Ensure important information is relayed to parents by Guiders. Do not rely on girls to pass on information.
- Provide regular “body breaks” during periods of listening.

Adaptations for games and activities:

- Memory games (e.g. Kim’s Game): Provide extra time or clues if needed.
- Observation games (e.g., Spot the Difference): Provide clues or extra time if needed.
- Maintain a regular order for meetings so that girls know what to expect.
- If girls need to move, ask them to assist with a task—for example, setting up the next craft.
- Present activities/crafts in stations so that girls move between steps (e.g., Step 1: Cut out circle. Step 2: Move to the next table and glue on googly eyes. Step 3: Move to next table, etc.).

First Nations

The First Nations (French: Premières Nations) are the various Aboriginal Canadians who are neither Inuit nor Métis. Within Canada, *First Nations* (most often used in the plural) has come into general use—replacing the deprecated term *Indians*—for the Indigenous peoples of the Americas. See **Aboriginal** in the first article in this series for more information.



Pathfinder Summit 2016

BC Program Committee

Pathfinder Summit was held from October 21 to 23 in Vancouver. It started Friday evening at the HI-Vancouver Jericho Beach hostel as girls from around the province were greeted by Guiders Becca and Audrey for a low-key evening doing the Hostelling Challenge and socializing over mug-up.

Saturday morning started with breakfast at the hostel before heading off to the provincial Guide House. The activities started with greetings from Deputy

Provincial Commissioner Colleen Kellner. Keynote speaker Lisa Wechzlberger then discussed the opportunities available to girls through the girl forum. A lot of questions were asked, resulting in animated and constructive discussions about what girls like and do not like about Guiding. The most important thing that was said over and over is that girls want to be heard and want to be a part of their program development!

Pathfinders and Guiders attended a

series of sessions focused on science, international, program, active lifestyle, service and just for fun! Scientists from Engineers without Borders and the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC (APEGBC) came to run engineering sessions. We also had an Hour of Code session where girls learned to write programs on iPads. Pathfinders experienced a variety of arts, crafts, games, songs and activities from around the world





and learned about Kusafiri, the fifth World Centre. Other sessions included Beyond Pathfinders, Living Well, Cupcake Decorating, Survival Bracelets and Accordion Scrapbook. All these sessions were well received by the girls.

As always, we had a service project. This year, the focus was on the less fortunate, which aligns with Girl Guides of Canada's National Service Project (NSP)—Action on Poverty. Pathfinders were asked to bring food, socks, toques, gloves, underwear and hygiene products, which were bagged during the service project session and resulted in more than 65 hygiene bags being assembled for the homeless. Several boxes of food and these bags were dropped off at Covenant House in downtown Vancouver, as well as distributed in Delta and Maple Ridge.

The highlight of the event was the photo scavenger hunt at Granville Island, not meant to be competitive, but always resulting in girls competing for the best photo. We ended the evening with a fierce competition of Minute to Win It.

When asked what they enjoyed most about the event, the Pathfinders had high ratings for: meeting new friends from around the province, participating in the photo scavenger hunt, having the hostel experience, decorating their own



cakes and eating the delicious food prepared by our talented quartermaster team. And when asked what they would be willing to take back to their units and districts, they replied that they were excited to take back the overall experience of Pathfinder Summit and the newly gained confidence to lead others with the variety of skills that they now have.

Guiders, remember, these are our leaders of tomorrow. They have experiences that they are excited to share with your units and districts—all you have to do is ask them!

Ranger Revolution 2017

October 20–22, 2017

Are you a Ranger or a Junior Leader? Are you interested in taking a trip to Guide House in Vancouver to take part in a provincial event designed specifically for you?

Ranger Revolution is a weekend of fun activities and workshops. It will have something for you, whether you are active in a Ranger unit or a Junior Leader working with younger girls!

You will have the opportunity to stay at the HI–Vancouver Jericho Beach hostel for the weekend and participate in the Ranger Revolution activities at Guide House in Vancouver. Don't miss out on this amazing event!

- Meet Rangers from around the province.
- Participate in activities and sessions that you choose.
- Experience hostelling.
- Have fun!



BC Council Bursaries, Grants and Scholarships

BC Awards Committee

Now is the time to consider applying for a BC Council bursary, grant or scholarship. Check out the Awards page of the BC Girl Guide website for information and application forms.

Adult Bursaries, Grants and Scholarships

Pat Drugge Adult Bursary

This bursary provides funding for a Guider 25 years or older who has a need for financial assistance to further and/or upgrade her education or job skills. The value is dependent on Guiding contributions and interest rates.

BC Trefoil Guilds' Education Grant

This grant provides funding to selected Guiders aged 19–30 who wish to further their education. The value is dependent on Guiding contributions and interest rates.

Aliza, Chaim and Tova Kornfeld Scholarship

This scholarship provides funding for an adult member entering or continuing in a professional post-graduate degree program (master's or doctorate) in any field, at a recognized Canadian University. The value is \$1,000.

Applications for all adult bursaries, grants and scholarships are due at the Provincial Office on or before February 15, 2017, by 4 p.m.

Youth Bursaries and Scholarships

BC Council Bursary and Bursary of Honour
These bursaries provide funding to selected Grade 12 students who are members of BC Guiding and are planning to attend a post-secondary institution (all fields of study are eligible). The value of the eight BC Council Bursaries has been increased to \$800 each and the value of the BC Council Bursary of Honour is \$1,500.

Eve Pound Scholarship

This scholarship provides funding to a Grade 12 student who is a member of BC Guiding and is entering a degree program at a Canadian university. The value is \$500.

Margery Dumfries Scholarship

This scholarship provides funding to a Grade 12 student who is a member of BC Guiding and is entering a college, technical school or university with plans for a career in the sciences, engineering or agriculture. The value is \$500.

Applications for all youth bursaries and scholarships are due at the Provincial Office on or before March 15, 2017, by 4 p.m.

Hats Off

To **Becca Stephen**, Lougheed Area program adviser. On November 15, 2016, Becca received the Bobbie Steen Award for the work she has done in Guiding, both as program adviser and in her work with girls, becoming the first woman in a non-sport-related field to have been a recipient of this award.

Bobbie Steen was a woman who left a lasting impression on the BC sports and recreation community through her passion for advancing girls and women in physical activity and recreation. This legacy award was created in her name to be awarded to an emerging leader whose dedication to girls and women in BC parallels that of Bobbie Steen.

Congratulations on this amazing accomplishment!



AWARDS

Bronze Merit

De Anna Romanick

Cranbrook

Note: The awards list is created from the iMIS database. If an award was presented but not entered in iMIS before the Pipeline submission date, it will not be included here.



So You've Almost Finished Your Chief Commissioner's Gold Award?

Carissa Konesky and Elizabeth Hardy, BC Program Committee

Are you a Ranger who has almost finished her Chief Commissioner's Gold award? Congrats! Achieving this award is a huge accomplishment.

However, we also recognize that there are some who will get stuck on one or two last items that are needed to complete the award. To help you with this, we've compiled a list of tips and tricks to work through ways that you can complete that award and have fun in the process!

Finishing up those last few challenges

As you probably know, the Chief Commissioner's Gold award requires 18 challenges from the book (nine for your Bronze award and another nine for your Silver) from at least four areas, so by now you're probably an expert! You've almost completed your award, so now is the perfect time to take some steps out of your comfort zone. Challenges are a great excuse to try something new, and who better to do them with than your fellow Rangers? If you've always been interested in videography, you could complete a challenge in Explore Your Creativity by inviting a documentary student to come to your unit and teach you about video editing. This could be the perfect way to remember those fun times you had in Rangers. If you're interested in women's rights and the law, or even think you may want to become a lawyer one day, you could reach out to a local lawyer or law student to come and speak to your unit or go visit them. If you're focusing on completing challenges individually, you could complete a challenge in the Leadership and Management area by deciding on a leadership skill you want to develop and finding opportunities that will help you develop that skill.

Completing the Ranger service project

The options for the Ranger service project are endless. You need to be the initiator of the project and spend at least 20 hours on the initiative, but besides that, there really are no rules for making your service project yours. Many of you are probably close to graduating high school, so this can be a cool opportunity to make a difference and plan a project that you've always wanted to do. If you're passionate about the environment, you could organize a shoreline cleanup with your friends. You could also reach out to the environmental club at your school or to the school's administration to brainstorm ways to make your school more environmentally friendly and then follow through in initiating that project. Or, if you have an interest in helping the food bank, you could challenge your classmates as to who will bring in the most non-perishable food items. If you create a project that you enjoy and do it for a cause that you care about, you will get a lot out of it and have a lot of fun!

If you have finished your Gold award and are looking for that extra Ranger challenge

Your Ranger program doesn't have to end when you've completed the Gold award! If you are interested in doing other challenges after you finish the award, consider the Commonwealth award. This award consists of three compulsory challenges, including learning about the history of Guiding, the Commonwealth, as well as 20 or more volunteer hours. You will also need to complete two more challenges from the same categories as the Chief Commissioner's Award Challenges. These could include public speaking, learning about health or learning more



about a system of government. Full details can be found in the Ranger program book.

Another challenge you may choose to complete is the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, which is available for anyone aged 14–25 to complete. Like the Chief Commissioner's award, there are three levels, Bronze, Silver and Gold. Many of the requirements overlap with what you may already have completed in your Ranger program or with school, as it consists of completing service, learning a skill, going on an adventurous journey and staying active! You can find the information at <http://www.dukeofed.org/>.

If you have any questions about the Ranger program, or would like some help brainstorming ideas for completing the program, feel free to send us an email at bc.rangerprogram@gmail.com.

Congratulations on all of your Ranger successes!

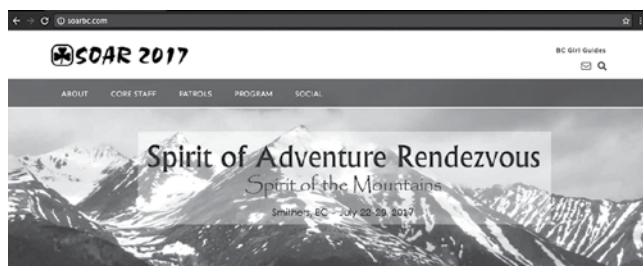


SOAR 2017

Connect with **SOAR 2017**

Although the SOAR team does our best to keep you up to date through Pipeline, the best way to keep current with changes or updates to our processes is to connect with us online. There are several ways you can do this:

The SOARBC.com Website



SUBSCRIBE TO NEW POSTS BY EMAIL

Enter your email address to subscribe to this website and receive notifications of new posts by email.

Join 23 other subscribers

The most up-to-date information will always be posted on our website at **soarbc.com**. You can visit the website to catch up on the latest information or subscribe to updates by email. Just enter your email address into the subscription box on the side or at the bottom of the page, and you will automatically be sent an email every time we publish a new post to the site.

Facebook

Connect with us on Facebook by “liking” our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/soarbc/> (you can also find this link on our website from the pull-down Social menu at the top of the page). Extended information (beyond what we post on the website) is shared on Facebook. The extra information shared on Facebook is “nice to know” but not necessarily “need to know” (we’ll always post the “need to know” on soarbc.com). If you are not a Facebook user, but are curious about what we post on there, you can find our Facebook posts on the right sidebar of our website.



Instagram

Follow us on Instagram—we’re **ggcsoarbc**. If you’re on Instagram and would like to share your SOAR-related preparation photos with us, tag your photos with **@ggcsoarbc** and we’ll feature our favourites. If you’re not on Instagram, you can also see our Instagram posts on the right sidebar of our website.



Twitter

On Twitter, we are also **@ggcsoarbc**. If you’re a Twitter user, be sure to follow us! Our Twitter feed can also be found on the right sidebar of our website.



SOAR Service Projects

If patrols can squeeze a few extra things into their cargo, we will be collecting for a couple of worthwhile local projects.

Tenants’ Package

For first-time apartment dwellers who are down on their luck: dishes, sheets, towels, basic toiletries, basic cleaning supplies, basic tool kits.

Transition House

Children who are forced to leave their homes due to violence and abuse usually arrive at the transition house with nothing, so toothbrushes, toothpaste, (new) underwear would really help. A small stuffed animal would also be appreciated!

Alternatively, cash donations can be made by individuals, but patrols are reminded that you should not use fundraised or Guiding money for this purpose.



SOAR 2017



Taming the **SOAR** Paperwork

Our mascot is helping SOAR 2017 tame the mass of paper at SOAR! We are using a program called ePACT for health forms and some waivers. Parents/guardians have provided us with confidential health information and digitally signed waiver forms—eliminating the dozens of binders of papers that we used to haul to SOAR!

Health and Food Services staff are able to retrieve and sort specific information, making SOAR even safer for our participants than we could ever provide with paper forms and human-transcribed databases! The added benefit is this information is available (only to authorized personnel) wherever we are at SOAR.

We are very happy to say that SOAR is leading the way into this new process, which may be adopted for other interprovincial events across the country.

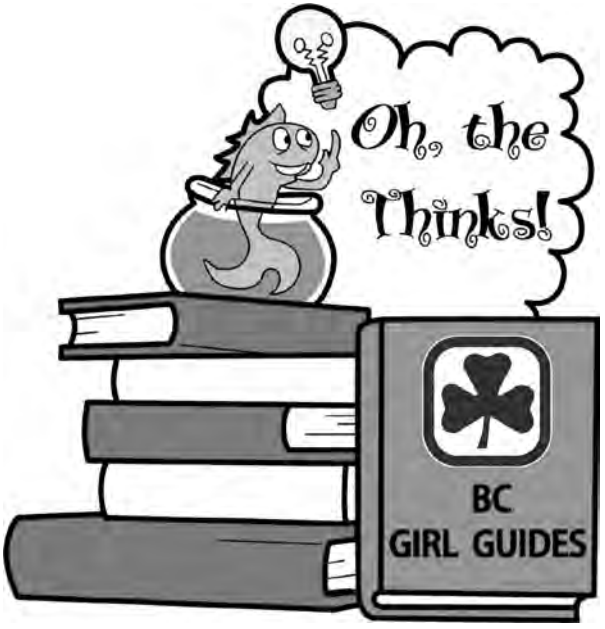
SOAR 2017 Campfire

It's time to start learning some of the campfire songs for SOAR!

The sources for the songs are included here – check out the soarbc.com website for the words!

<i>Fire's Burning</i>	Source: Adapted from Campsongs.wordpress.com
<i>I Like the Flowers</i>	Source: http://www.traditionalmusic.co.uk/folk-song-lyrics/I_Love_the_Daffodils.htm
<i>Alive, Alert, Awake, Enthusiastic</i>	Source: Campsongs.wordpress.com
<i>Something to Sing About</i>	Source: http://dragon.sleepdeprived.ca/songbook/songs9/S9_22.htm
<i>Boa Constrictor</i>	Source: Adapted from http://www.kididdles.com/lyrics/i114.html
<i>If I Were Not a Girl Guide</i>	Source: Adapted from http://dragon.sleepdeprived.ca/songbook/songs4/S4_10.html
<i>40 Days on an Iceberg</i>	Source: https://myvirtuallsongbook.wordpress.com/2012/04/08/40-days-on-an-iceberg/
<i>Pizza Hut</i>	Source: Adapted from https://campsongs.wordpress.com/2012/05/04/a-pizza-hut/
<i>One Tin Soldier</i>	Source: http://www.scoutsongs.com/lyrics/onetinsoldier.html
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NEW

Camp to Go

Oh The Thinks You Can Think

The BC Camping Committee is happy to introduce the new Camp to Go, Oh The Thinks You Can Think. This Camp to Go is a fun camp for all ages. It is a wonderful theme that can be used for a unit or district camp. Oh what fun you will have discovering twirlers, creating truffula trees and concocting crazy hairdos. This Camp to Go would also be a great indoor winter camp.

In the camp package, you will find the program outline for a two-night event with a wide variety of activities, games and crafts to choose from. As well, there are menu and recipe suggestions, a campfire, Guides' Own and a kit list. Build your camp to suit the season, your accommodation (building or campsite), the number of girls and the available time. Pick those activities that work best for you and your girls and remember to be flexible. Adapt this package to have a fun and magical time with the girls!

Try these activities from the new Oh The Thinks You Can Think Camp to Go!

Cat in the Hat Toss

Materials

- oatmeal container (or other cylindrical container)
- red and white construction paper
- white paper plate
- glue
- tape
- scissors

1. Glue white construction paper to the outside of the oatmeal container.
2. Cut strips out of the red construction paper, then glue red strips onto the container to create a striped hat.
3. Cut the middle of a white paper plate out, then glue and/or tape it to the rim of the container to create the brim of the hat.

Use the Cat in the Hat's hat, as well as bean bags, foam balls or other objects, to play a game of ring toss. See who can get the most bean bags into the hat from a designated spot!



Whoville Hairstyles and Photo Booth
Place a variety of pictures and dress-up props around the station. Let the girls team up or work individually to concoct imaginative Whoville hairstyles. Decorate a doorway or a large piece of cardboard in red and white to resemble the Cat in the Hat's hat for the photo booth.

Materials

- ribbons and bows
- variety of hair ties
- pipe cleaners
- brush and combs
- digital cameras

The entire Oh the Thinks You Can Think Camp to Go can be accessed at: www.bcgirlguides.org; select *Camping > Camps to Go*.



NEW

Crests for Camp to Go

Brownie Magic Around the World



The Brownie Magic Around the World Camp to Go is an exciting event. We hope the girls and adults will be active, have lots of fun moving about and enjoy learning about other places in the world.

In this camp package, you will find the program outline for a two-night event with a wide variety of activities, games and crafts to choose from. As well, there are menu and recipe suggestions, a campfire, Guides' Own and a kit list. Build your camp to suit the season, your accommodation (building or campsite), the number of girls and the available time. Pick those activities that work best for you and your girls and remember to be **flexible**. Adapt this package to have fun pretending to travel around the world!

Try this activity from the Brownie Magic: Around the World Camp to Go!

Worry Dolls

In Central America, children put worry dolls under their pillows before going to sleep. They tell the dolls all their worries and in the morning, their worries are gone!



Materials

- 1 ½ pipe cleaners for each doll
- markers
- scraps of fabric
- scissors
- tacky glue
- scraps of construction paper
- yarn

1. Bend the whole pipe cleaner in half so a loop forms in the top.
2. Twist the loop to make the doll's head. Bend the ends of the cleaner for the feet. Wrap the half cleaner around the bottom of the loop for arms and bend the ends for hands.
3. Cut out the doll's face from scrap paper.
4. Use markers to draw eyes, nose, mouth and ears. Glue face onto the head and add yarn for hair.

5. Wrap a scrap of fabric around the doll and glue in place.

Try making smaller worry dolls. How small can you go? What size pipe cleaner would you need? Attach a small one to a pony-tail holder, safety pin or barrette to create a hat craft or jewellery.

The entire Brownie Magic Around the World Camp to Go can be accessed at: www.bcgirlguides.org (select *Camping > Camps to Go*).

When you have fulfilled the requirements of the camp, complete the **BC Crests Order Form** found on the BC Girl Guides website <http://www.bc-girlguides.org/> (select *Camping > Camps to Go*). Instructions on how to order the crests are provided on the form.



Amazing Race Girl Guide Style

Nancy Haynes, BC International Committee

Photos: Lee Halliday

Sixteen Pathfinders and Rangers from all over the province met in Vancouver on a sunny August day to challenge themselves by competing in the Amazing Race Girl Guide Style. Where they were going and what they were going to do for the next week remained a mystery. Even parents were not given an itinerary prior to camp. Waivers were sent to their secure, girl-free email accounts! The four patrol Guiders were also left in the dark.

The event started immediately with a warm-up race. Girls were divided into four teams of four, no besties allowed, with one Guider assigned to each. Clues were distributed. The goal: to run all over town to visit specific landmarks and to return with certain items. The girls used maps, clues, common sense (or not) and help from bus drivers, locals and even tourists to find their way. All teams returned safely and successfully. We celebrated with a feast on the beach. The ice was broken and new friendships sprouted.

On the second day, the Amazing Race began with an uphill race to the first clue. Using transit was an option, exciting for girls that had never taken a public bus or SkyTrain. The clues led them to



deepest, darkest Africa and they were quick to arrive. After the first challenge, girls bravely ate their lunch of yebeg wot, doro wot and alitcha wot wrapped in injera bread before finding their way to an Escape Room. They then dashed across town to look for the first pit stop.

A different Guider travelled with each team daily to take photos and to ensure fairness. It was up to the girls to decide how to play the game, no electronic devices allowed and no help from the Guider unless it was a matter of safety.

Every day had different challenges as the teams made their way around southwestern BC. They climbed mountains, flew through the trees, were taught stories about totem poles, explored villages, kayaked and canoed, served afternoon tea to Trefoil Guild members, explored a castle, searched

for Pooh, Piglet, Tigger and Eeyore in a garden, dressed in saris and received henna tattoos as they travelled by buses, taxis, ferries, boats, SkyTrains and on foot. They rose early and stayed up late. They explored cuisine from Greece and Switzerland to India and Mexico. Every day was a surprise as the girls awoke and wondered about that day's adventures. Yellow envelopes were ripped open to reveal the next clue, roadblock or challenge. Some teams took their time to puzzle over the information; other teams immediately ran off to figure things out on the fly. Teams also enjoyed diversions along the way.

Everyone tried different and interesting food and accepted challenges that were sometimes ambiguous. We had daily pit stops, and it was always fun to run and jump even though no exotic prizes were offered. Teams worked together when necessary but also enjoyed a friendly competition when they thought it was needed.

Thanks very much to Guiders Heather (and Teddy Winston!), Joy, Lee, Tarmi and Tara for joining our team. We also had the best group of girls that we could hope for; thank you Alicia, Ally, Ara, Chi-Chi, Chloe, Cierra, Eliza, Elizabeth, Emma M., Emma T., Jenna, Kaitlyn, Mary, Misty, Rianne and Sadie. Also, special thanks to Daphne and Teri for the Amazing Trefoil challenge!





Guiding Returns to 100 Mile House and Valemount

Judy Shipley, Cariboo Thompson District, Thompson Nicola Area

100 Mile House has had an explosion of interest in restarting Guiding in the community. After several years without Guiding, Sparks, Brownies, Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers are starting up again after much effort over the past few years. 100 Mile is part of Cariboo Thompson District, a large district that extends from Valemount south to Barriere and west to 100 Mile. Clearwater is in the centre of the district and has had a Guiding presence for more than fifty years. Our numbers may be small but our enthusiasm is huge, as is evident by the number of new leaders who have joined our ranks to provide this great program for girls.

When 100 Mile first joined Clearwater, we became Cariboo Thompson District. 100 Mile had several groups of girls that were doing well. A couple of years later, the 100 Mile units closed due to leaders moving and no one being willing or able to step up to the challenge. A small group of Guides started up a few years ago but closed after one year because the leader became very busy and, with no help, couldn't carry on.

Since that time, the Guides and Pathfinders from Clearwater have been going over to 100 Mile twice a year to sell cookies. We mentioned on Facebook that we would like to see Guiding started again. We had several people inquire about starting Sparks and Brownies, but the momentum died before it got started.

At the beginning of the 2016 Fall Cookie campaign, Katrina Link, our district commissioner, posted on Facebook once again that Clearwater girls would be selling cookies in 100 Mile and we still wanted to get Guiding started again in the community. We had an enthusiastic response from Tracey Lervik, who

registered online and had her interview while we were in 100 Mile on October 15. Tracey had also used Facebook to let parents know she wanted to see Guiding started up again, and the response was immediate. On October 22, she held an information meeting. Jean Nelson and I went to 100 Mile to answer questions. The interest was huge—enough so that there will be two groups of Sparks and Brownies and one group of Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers. This is all happening because ten ladies have stepped forward to be leaders and eight as unit assistants.

Tracey has done an awesome job of spearheading this by contacting all the ladies and supporting and encouraging them to be involved. She has secured a meeting place, a place for sleepovers and a place for training. She has arranged for training to take place in 100 Mile rather than having to travel to Kamloops. After four weeks, things are in place and the girls are starting to register. Their first activity was being part of the Remembrance Day ceremony; twenty-five girls participated.

Tracey's reasons for pursuing this:

I wanted to do this, as I was in Guides and always loved it. It was a safe place away from my home life. I took so much from Guides that has served me through my whole life: leadership for owning and starting my own business, volunteering, going outside my comfort level in learning something to help others and provide outreach.

The awards and rewards have been many. I believe if you are going to do something, it should be with a smile on your face, having fun, and being passionate and enthusiastic about it and this will spread to others and they

will follow to volunteer. I want the girls to learn that to be successful it doesn't hurt to have passion, leadership, teamwork, and enthusiasm for all aspects in life. When you fall you pick yourself back up and put on a smile and carry on. Also I never take no for an answer, so if I get a no, I ask until I get a yes. (My motto.)

When I interviewed the ladies, many said they wanted their girls to experience what they had as girls in Guiding and expressed some of the same feelings Tracey stated.

Like in 100 Mile, Guiding in Valemount has been nonexistent for quite some time. Valemount is a small community on the northern end of Highway 5 near Highway 16 and Mount Robson. Ladies in Valemount also wanted to get something started for their girls. Once again, Katrina used Facebook to say she would be travelling through and would bring cookies with her and that we would really like to see Guiding start again. Eight Guiders have registered, and another six women have signed up as unit assistants. Registration for girls will begin soon. This may not be as dramatic as 100 Mile but is still just as exciting as Guiding grows.

The leadership in Clearwater has spent many hours on paperwork to get all the information needed to have a successful beginning to Guiding. There has been frustration and disappointment along the way, but we persevered for the girls. We step up to make sure things happen for girls and we carry on when others can't.





Pathfinder Paddles 2016

A compilation written in collaboration with all of the Pathfinder Paddles 2016 participants: Madeline, Julia, Rory, Samantha, Ayesha, Kat, Paige and Kaytlin, as well as Guiders PJ Borghardt and Adele Cooshek.



“An adventure so magical; it could have been Narnia” –Julia

Pathfinder Paddles 2016 was an eight-day provincially sponsored kayaking trip for eight selected Pathfinders and two Guiders from across BC that took place in July 2016. The trip commenced with an introduction to sea kayaking training and finished with a multi-day expedition in stunning Desolation Sound and Copeland Islands Marine Park.

Our first night was spent at the Richmond Guide House. Everyone was excited. No one knew each other, but somehow our connection to Guiding and our love for adventure and kayaking connected us and we all became good friends in no time. We had dinner out on the deck at Guide House while enjoying the sunset and then went on a walk to find a geocache. After organizing our gear, we set up our sleeping area.

It was an early morning in order to catch the ferry over to Langdale. From there, we drove to Pedals and Paddles in Tuwanek on the Sunshine Coast for a half-day kayaking lesson to practise our

strokes and review the prerequisite wet exit and kayak re-entry. Many of us were nervous about overturning our kayaks with our spray skirts on, but in the end we all celebrated everyone’s success. We set up camp on the Pedals and Paddles site and drew names for tent buddies. Each night on the trip, we had a different themed meal, including Mexican, Indian, Italian and even dehydrated, where we tried dehydrated Pad Thai and freeze-dried ice cream sandwiches. Who knew that you could cook that much great food on just a few lightweight camp stoves? On that night in Tuwanek, we prepared a delicious Greek feast. We chatted as we ate our pita bread, souvlaki and Greek salad, talking about random things and getting to know each other. It was really peaceful.

In the morning we broke camp quickly and made our way to Earl’s Cove where we had to wait six hours for the ferry to Saltery Bay. We did what any resourceful Guiding members would do—we made the most of it. We found

a geocache, organized and repacked our gear (something we did a lot of on the trip), found a patch of grass to sit on, stretched and braided hair and cooked a delicious dinner of butter chicken and steamed veggies with just barely enough time to make it back to our vehicles and board the ferry.

We stopped to enjoy the sunset and photograph the stunning Sunshine Coast views before heading to Powell River’s Willingdon Beach Campsite for the night. We arose very early to fit in showers before our kayaking expedition began. We headed to Lund, where we creatively packed our ten kayaks onto the water taxi. It was amazing that they all fit! We hopped on and the boat felt as if it was travelling at maximum speed. Many of us sat in the back watching the scenery as the wind knotted our hair. We enjoyed the delicious blackberry-topped cinnamon buns we had picked up from Nancy’s Bakery. After showing us a few of the places we would be kayaking to on our trip, the water taxi dropped



but what we saw was much better. The night sky was gorgeous; it was lit up like a terrestrial globe. Billions of bright stars glistened in the dark night sky—stars so numerous, you couldn't actually pick out any constellations. The rocks had been heated from the tropic-like sunshine during the day, so we could lie against the rocks and not get cold. We laid there for an hour, watching as meteors fell and the sky got brighter with stars.

The next morning, we broke camp quickly and packed our kayaks. It was amazing how we fit all our stuff into these small kayak hatches. We helped each other out and balanced the weight. The waters in Desolation Sound were warm and calm and we were ahead of schedule, so we ate lunch at Feather Cove and then continued on to Copeland Islands Marine Park.

On the north Copeland Islands, we set up camp again on a beautiful oceanside cliff. The views were incredible. We had a fun night with lots of hysterical laughter and we pampered ourselves with a relaxing spa treatment.

The next day, we ate a leisurely breakfast and then packed up and explored more of the Copeland Islands on our paddle

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us off at Curme Island. We all worked together to unload our kayaks and gear. We unloaded our gear on a rocky shelf and then went around to the other side of the island to unload our kayaks. Curme Island was beautiful and we set our tents up on wooden platforms sitting atop a large stony hill that overlooked the Sound. We explored the island and its tidal pools and went for a swim wearing our PFDs. The colour of the poisonous jellyfish we saw was a spectacular, vibrant red.

giant rope swing. It tempted us, but we had to move on.

We returned to Curme Island for the night. We loved eating a delicious meal at the end of a tiring day while sitting atop our rocky perch watching the sunset over the ocean. Later that evening, Paige called out for everyone to come out of their tents to look at the sky. We had planned to stay up late to see all the bioluminescence and moon jelly fish,

The next day, we explored the northeastern part of Desolation Sound, paddling along all the islands en route to Prideaux Haven and Laura Cove. We typically paddled over ten kilometres a day while working on our paddling skills. It was interesting to watch the view while pulling yourself along the water. We saw many "Timothys" (our nickname for seals), starfish, various types of jellyfish, oystercatchers, eagles, trees and "Sallys" (our name for rocks). We stopped in Laura Cove for a delicious lunch of some of the best cheeses, meats, fruits, nuts, veggies and hummus many of us have ever had. All of our food tasted so good after hours of paddling. At Laura Cove, several people were swinging into the water off of a





“I learned some things about myself: I can do anything I put my mind to. I love to be part of a team working towards a goal; I know I have a role to play. Our leaders ROCKED; they made the trip awesome!” She also wrote a song about our trip to the tune of Gilligan’s Island, which we all can’t wait to hear. Rory felt “it had ended all too quickly. It was a lot of fun and we were definitely not strangers anymore.” Sam thought that it was really awesome to be able to travel so far by kayak and that “Pathfinder Paddles was the best Girl Guide camp ever!!” Ayesha said that this trip “was an unforgettable experience with memories made that I will cherish for the rest of my life.” Kaytlin thought our trip was “adventurous, fun and a positive experience.” Paige knew after the first day, that the next five days would be awesome and feels “so privileged to have participated.” Kat said that her experience was “unforgettable.”

back to Lund. We stopped in a beautiful sheltered cove for a snack and a quick dip in the water. Although the water was cooler in the Copeland Islands than in Desolation Sound, it was still perfect for swimming. It was so cool to explore the islands by kayak; it was all so beautiful. Staying together as a pod, we crossed from the South Copeland Islands over to Lund where we unpacked and cleaned the kayaks, ate a late lunch and enjoyed some of the best giant ice cream cones ever!

River before heading to Saltery Bay Provincial Park for the night. We arrived late at the campsite and we were tired, so rather than set up four girls’ tents, we set up two and crammed ourselves into the tents. No one minded.

On our travel day home, we stopped at Camp Olave to lunch on the beach and clean and dry out gear before taking another ferry and then driving to a pickup location or, for several participants, to the airport.

After numerous islands, six campsites, four ferries, one water taxi, spectacular weather, many kilometres of great kayaking and for some, two planes, we arrived home. We all agree that Pathfinder Paddles 2016 was an amazing adventure and we are so grateful to BC Girl Guides for giving us this opportunity. We will always hold dear the experiences had, the lessons learned, our improved camping and paddling skills and the friendships made.

We stopped for swimming and showers at the pool and then dinner in Powell

Maddy thought this trip was amazing and wishes she could do it again. Julia said,

Identify Your Membership Number

Five membership numbers are randomly drawn from the iMIS database for each issue of Pipeline. If your number is listed below, you are eligible to receive a gift from the provincial PR Committee. To receive your gift, send an email, identifying your number, to pipeline@bc-girlguides.org by March 31, 2017.

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Donna Crosby	Coquitlam
Lucille Drewcock	Quesnel
Heather Patricia Totten	Cranbrook

Trefoil Guild Rendezvous 2017 *Happiness Is ...*



West Coast Area Trefoil Guilds
invite all BC Trefoil Guild members.

April 28–30, 2017
Richmond, BC

For information see www.westcoastarea.com/trefoil.html or email tgrendezvous2017@gmail.com

More Seaside Fun Goes Canadian in 2017

Come spend a week at beautiful Camp Olave and celebrate Canada's 150 years!

WHO: Girls 8–14 years old by the end of 2017 and
Guiders wishing to get a camp experience.
Come as a patrol or an individual

WHEN: August 13–19, 2017

WHERE: Camp Olave, Sechelt, BC

COST: \$400 (Cheques payable to Girl Guides of
Canada – COMC)

Each participant will make her way to Camp Olave to begin
the fun on Sunday afternoon, August 13. Buses will be

organized to get the campers from the ferry at Langdale to
the camp. Parents will travel on the ferry with the campers.

This year we will be celebrating everything Canadian. We
will be taking a trip across Canada. Each day will bring
us to a new part of our country. You never know where
you will be! Lots of fun and excitement is planned for your
week at camp!

Application forms are available on the Camp Olave
website (<http://www.campolave.com/>) or by email
(seasidefun2017@gmail.com).

Deadline for this exciting event is Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

Send your application and payment to:

COMC – MSSF, 4780 Blundell Road, Richmond, BC V7C 1G9
email: seasidefun2017@gmail.com





Mix It Up 2017



15th Annual Girl Guide and Girl Scout Camp September 22–24, 2017

For Guides, Pathfinders, Girl Scout Juniors and Cadettes

COME ONE, COME ALL! JOIN THE CIRCUS!

EVENT LOCATION: Fraser River Heritage Park

COST: \$400 plus 5% GST (Canadian funds) per patrol (8 girls and 2 adults)
\$200 plus 5% GST (Canadian funds) per half patrol (4 girls and 1 adult)

ACTIVITIES: Come join us and explore the amazing world of the CIRCUS! We will be engaging in crafts, outdoor skills, challenges, games and so much more. Come and make some new friends!

FEE INCLUDES: Two nights camping, all activities on site, T-shirt and crest/patch, Friday night mug-up and Sunday morning breakfast. This is a tent camping event appropriate for experienced campers. Patrols must provide their own food and equipment, including tents and cooking gear.

ARRIVAL AT CAMP: Friday, September 22, 2017, between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m.

CLOSING: Sunday, September 24, 2017, by noon

REGISTRATION: Full registration forms are available on the BC Girl Guide Website (www.bc-girlguides.org; select *Camping > Provincial Camping Opportunities*).

Application deadline is March 1, 2017.

PLEASE NOTE: This event is limited to 300 participants.



AROUND BC



Photo: Nicole (Pathfinder)



Photo: Lesley Young

After participating in the local Remembrance Day ceremony, the **Ottergrove District Pathfinders and Rangers** (Fraser Skies Area) headed off for an adventure in Victoria. They spent the weekend at Bowker Hall playing games and getting to know one another better. They enjoyed the sights of Victoria and visited a few of the local artists. They also had the opportunity to spend the morning at the beach enjoying the sunshine and cool autumn winds.

Guiding members around the province participated in Remembrance Day ceremonies in their communities on November 11, 2016.



1st Golden Girl Guides, Bugaboo District, Kootenay Area. Photo: Sara Thomson



Members from Ottergrove District, Fraser Skies Area, in Aldergrove. Photo: Dawn Penner



Members from Kahoutek District, Fraser Skies Area. Photos: Marlene Graham



AROUND BC



The Riverside Spark and **Brownie units in Waters Edge District, Pacific Shores Area**, toured the Cowichan Bay Fire Hall and learned how to exit a smoke-filled room. *Photos: Pat Mahon*



The 1st Pender Harbour Brownies, Tetrahedron District, Lions Area, planted bulbs near their meeting space. *Photo: Gwen Walwyn*



The Pender Harbour **Pathfinders** and Hunechin Rangers, Tetrahedron District, Lions Area, baked Hallowe'en treats to share with less fortunate children. *Photo: Gwen Walwyn*



The 2nd Gibsons Brownies, Tetrahedron District, Lions Area, explored Cliff Gilker Park to practise their camping skills. *Photos: Sabrina VanDerStelt*

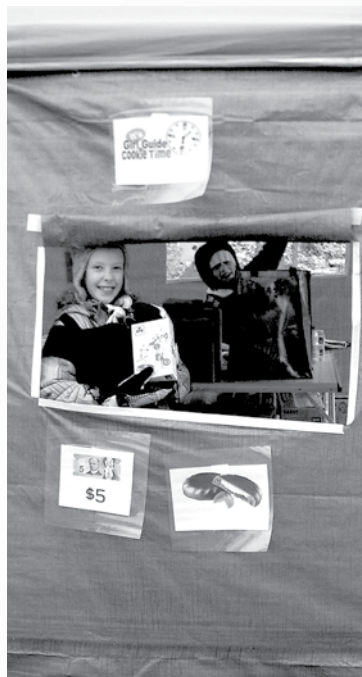


The 4th Prince George Brownies, Rivers North Area, made 90 hygiene purses for the less fortunate in their community. They included notes letting the recipients know someone is thinking of them and that they are important. The girls helped by sorting through all the donations they received from

members in the community. Some of the girls went with Guiders to deliver these messages of love, hope and encouragement to women's shelters, soup kitchens, the Vincent de Paul centre, the Salvation Army and the Prince George Native Friendship Centre. *Photo: Jill Greenlees*



The 1st Panther Pathfinders, Tetrahedron District, Lions Area, took on the climbing wall challenge at their district camp on Keats Island in October. *Photo: Annalisa Adam*



The 1st Golden Girl Guides, Bugaboo District, Kootenay Area, held a wet and cold but successful cookie drive-through on November 19, 2016. *Photos: Jessie Mather and Beate Sutter*



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