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75th anniversary

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The Chairman writes...

Hello everyone,

Welcome to the December edition of our magazine, which contains some very important information for you.

On page 4, you can learn how to pay your subscription on our website. This will save time for our volunteers and staff who have had to manually collate this information in the past. Give it a go – I did it without any problem, so I am sure you all can too. If you hit a snag or would like a friendly voice to guide you, just phone 0151 668 0493 – there will be someone there to help you.

With this issue you will also have received your new membership card with your own membership number to access the database. All numbers start with a T to distinguish them from Girlguiding membership numbers.

This is a good time to reflect on what we have achieved in the year and here are a few of the highlights: a new style of magazine with four editions per year; a new website; the largest gathering of members at an annual meeting; more involvement at Country and Region level with the very successful Voyage

Award; a self-managed Internet Guild in place of it being managed nationally; work has started on reviewing our governance; staffing levels have increased to support our members; and preparations for our 75th celebrations are well underway.

There have also been new guilds and members joining us, so thank you for all you have done to ensure Trefoil Guild remains a vibrant and forward-thinking organisation that is also so much fun.

This is also a time for fun and friendship in celebrating Christmas. I appreciate that some members have different beliefs, but I hope everyone will join in some of the festivities. It is also a time to offer support to local units with their activities and offer friendship to those who are alone. I was also pleased that Santa spared us some of his time to answer questions on page 14.

I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful and healthy new year.

Pat.

Pat Downer

Website Members' Area and 2017 subscriptions

The Trefoil Guild membership list has been undergoing exciting upgrades during 2016. New functionality on the Trefoil Guild website allows members to be able to pay their 2017 subscriptions online. All the details you need are below...

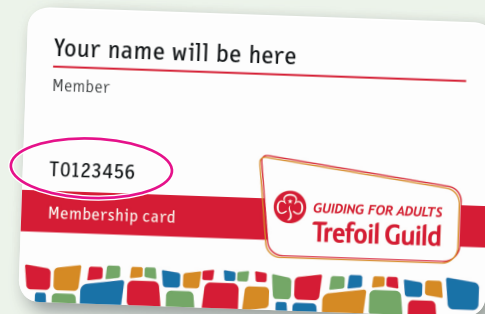
Previously, subscriptions were processed on a guild-by-guild basis, but from 2017 onwards members will be able to pay their own subscriptions online, view their profile, update information and more.

Enclosed with this issue of *The Trefoil* you will have received a membership card, which looks like the one pictured above right, with your unique membership number and a letter explaining the card. This replaces the card previously issued.

Using your membership number like the one circled above right, you will be able to log in to the Members' Area of the Trefoil Guild website www.trefoilguild.co.uk to access your personal data and update your subscription status.

"Developing the membership list has been undertaken with the members' benefit at heart"

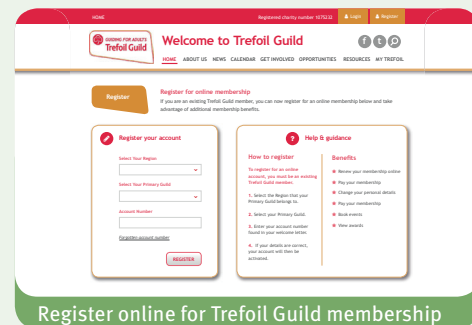
Developing the membership list is an exciting step forward for Trefoil Guild and it has been undertaken with the members' benefit at the heart. If you are hesitant



about logging in to the website, then a fellow guild member, friend, or relative may be able to help you to do so.

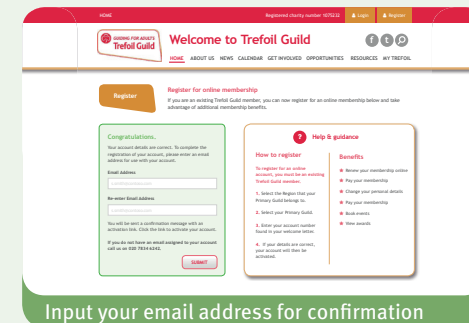
The number on the membership card beginning with T (as above) is your unique membership number; you can use this to log in to My Account on the Trefoil Guild website.

Click on the Register button at the top of the web page and you will be presented with the option to Register Your Account, as shown below.



Register online for Trefoil Guild membership

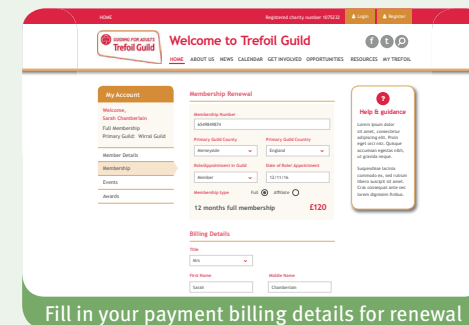
The next web page will then ask for your membership number, starting with T, and will present you with three drop-down menus in order to be able to select your Country/Region and guild where your subscription is paid. You will also be asked to input your email address.



Input your email address for confirmation

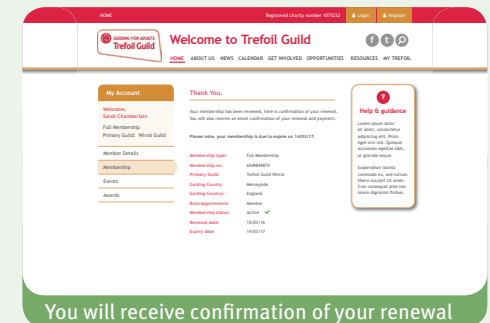
You will be sent a confirmation email with your password and a link to log in. When you have confirmed your profile you will be able to log in using your membership number and the password provided. Then you can begin the process to pay for your 2017 Trefoil Guild subscription.

Click on the Membership button to begin the process. You will be presented with a page asking you for payment billing information such as name, address etc.



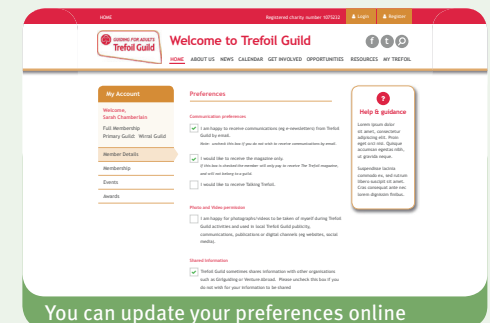
Fill in your payment billing details for renewal

Once these fields are complete, click the Payment button and you will be taken to the Sage Pay website to make a secure payment with your credit or debit card. A debit card is preferable, as fees incurred by Trefoil Guild are considerably lower.



You will receive confirmation of your renewal

Once the payment has been confirmed, you will return to the Trefoil Guild website and will be able to access your account to update your preferences, as below.



You can update your preferences online

If you need guidance with the process ring the helpline on **0151 668 0493**. All membership payments should be made by 22 February 2017. If you are not able to pay online contact the Trefoil Guild office on 020 7834 6242 Ext 2099 about cheque payment.

Noticeboard

Bulletins and information to keep
Trefoil Guild members up to date

National PRA appointed

We are delighted to tell you that a new national Public Relations Adviser has been appointed! Her name is Linda Hill-Tout, from Wales. We know all the Country and Region PRAs will be looking forward to working with her, and Linda has been meeting with Pauline Merchant – the fount of so much PR knowledge – to discuss her new role.

Do you have expertise in photography, social media, producing publicity material or recruitment? If you would like to share this expertise, then Linda would love to hear from you. Get in touch with the Trefoil Guild office. Meanwhile, Trefoil Guild publicity material is available free from Girlguiding Trading Service:

- Postcards: product code 6880
- Posters: product code 6881
- Leaflets: product code 6882.



Linda Hill-Tout

90 years young?

Do you have someone in your guild who will be 90 years old soon? If so, Pat Downer is very happy to send a card to that member, on behalf of Trefoil Guild. Just let the Trefoil Guild office know the person's full name, date of birth, full address and any information that could be useful.

Voyage Award

All completed record books should be sent to your Country/Region Programme Adviser. She will sign Bronze and Silver books and forward Gold books to headquarters for signing by the national Chairman.



75 in 2018

You must all be looking forward to the 2018 celebrations for Trefoil Guild's 75th Anniversary with anticipation and excitement. Have you seen the document on the website that gives advice on how to organise a large event? Have you got any ideas for events in your Country or Region that you would like to share with us?

- Turn to pages 32 and 33 for some ideas.

Have your say

What would you like to see in *The Trefoil* magazine? Do you find articles that interest you? Are there subjects/issues you would really like to see being discussed? Are there people (who have been involved in guiding) you feel would be interesting to interview for an article? Are you a guild with mostly younger members? How can we make the magazine more relevant to all our Trefoil Guild members in the UK and in TGIFC? Let us know at the address on page 2.

We hope you enjoy this festive issue of *The Trefoil*.
A very happy Christmas to you all from the Editorial team!



Trefoil Guild members admire festive decorations

Country and Region pages on the Trefoil Guild website

Have you found your Country or Region page yet on the Trefoil Guild website? It's quite difficult to find new information and stories to keep the page current, so do please send your stories and/or

photos to your PRAs so that they can decide whether to use them for your Country or Region web page, or send them to *The Trefoil* magazine for the Snapshots or Achievements pages.

Submissions to the magazine and website

We welcome all items submitted using the appropriate pro forma. These can be downloaded from the website and sent to the corresponding email address. If submitting items for the

magazine please state whether you are happy for them to be considered for the website if there is too little space in the magazine. Submission date for the March 2017 issue is 2 Jan 2017.



Your snapshots

We take a look at what guilds around the country have been up to recently



Blackberry picking

Trefoil Guilds in Hertfordshire have been holding 'Get-Away Breaks' since the early 1980s. In September, they were able to collect their own blackberries for lunch in Wymondley Woods. **Heather Catterfeld, Harpenden and Redbourn Trefoil Guilds**

Animal antics

On the hottest day of the year, members of Woburn District Trefoil Guild visited Abbots View Alpacas. As well as the lovely animals they also enjoyed delicious home-made cakes and refreshing cups of tea. **Ruth Oddie, Woburn District Trefoil Guild**



Royal service

Members of Burwell Trefoil Guild joined Burwell Guides at the celebration service to mark the 90th birthday of Her Majesty The Queen. They sang campfire songs from the Commonwealth and also had a display of photographs of the Queen in Guide uniform and the kind of uniforms the Queen would have worn when she was a Guide, courtesy of the Girlguiding Cambridgeshire East Archivist. **Linda Larnar, Burwell Trefoil Guild**

Parks ramble

Members of Ilford Trefoil Guild and our County Chairman, Jean Pinner, very much enjoyed the Royal Parks Ramble during the summer. **Carole Clark, Ilford Trefoil Guild**



Conversation stopper

On a walk in Hampstead, members of Cheam Division Trefoil Guild found a bench featuring statues of Winston Churchill and Dwight D. Eisenhower, so we sat with them, enjoying the sun. **Sylvia Wood, Cheam Division Trefoil Guild**



Special gift

When Kent County Commissioner Lois Derham finished her term, Medway Division purchased her a gift voucher to climb the O2 with the proviso that Medway Trefoil Guild would accompany her. Overall it took about an hour and the wonderful views at the top made it well worthwhile and to be recommended. **Linda Brisley, Medway Trefoil Guild**



Strawberry tea

Members of Harrogate, Ripon and Skipton Trefoil Guilds joined together for a strawberry tea to celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's 90th birthday. We wore appropriate dresses and hats and were entertained with songs and poems from Harrogate U3A choir. **Dianne Butterfield, Harrogate, Ripon and Skipton Trefoil Guilds**

Walking friends

Thirty years ago, two groups of Leaders walked the Pennine Way from different directions. The two groups have got to know one another over time, as we have kept in touch and meet up every two years or so to do some more walking. At the time our ages ranged from teenagers to 50 year olds, but we've proved that 30 years on we can still tackle those hills. There's talk of another reunion...

Beryl Miller, Matlock Trefoil Guild



High point

Ann Bott and Chris Harding walked for five days on the Cleveland Way as part of Chris's Bronze Voyage Award. This photo was taken at the highest point of the walk, which is also the highest point of the North York Moors.

Ann Bott, Skipton Trefoil Guild

Water honour

Margaret Smith from Lapley Trefoil Guild officially opened the new pontoon at Girlguiding Staffordshire's Water Activities Base. Margaret helps to look after the facility and was watched by members of the guild who later became the first group to use the new pontoon.

Ruth Twichen, Lapley Trefoil Guild



Creative date

Halifax South Division President and Trefoil Guild member Susan Kemp was delighted to help 15th Halifax Holy Trinity Brownies celebrate their 90th Birthday when they had a Creative Textiles afternoon. Local artist Annie Lancaster taught them embroidery.

Pamela Berry, Halifax South Trefoil Guild



Say cheese!

Members of Lancashire North West County Network Trefoil Guild enjoyed a visit to Dewlay Cheesemakers where we were told about the history of the business, had a gallery tour where we watched the cheese being made and, of course, we sampled the cheese!

Elaine McGougan, Lancashire North West County Network Trefoil Guild



Guiding games

Members of the Cumbria North Trefoil Guilds spent a couple of days at Netherurd House getting to know each other better and taking part in activities, crafts and quizzes. We enjoyed archery (pictured above left) and geocaching, and took part in a Highland Games, guiding style, where we threw wellies, cabers in the form of long cardboard tubes, and raced on wooden skis (pictured below left). We all agreed that the weekend was a great success and we are already looking forward to another County event next year.

Margaret Thornley on behalf of Alison Jary, Cumbria North Trefoil Guilds



Paddling Promise

Margaret Palin from Anglesey Trefoil Guild was honoured to attend the Promise ceremony of Internet Trefoil Guild member Laura Wilson who chose Beaumaris paddling pool as the venue. Laura was accompanied by Mercedes, a Trefoil Guild member she met on an Anglesey camping ground last year with whom she is now firm friends, and their families. She made her Promise with her feet in the water and then headed to the nearby ice cream parlour to celebrate!

Margaret Palin, Anglesey Trefoil Guild



River cruise

Members of Kilbarchan Trefoil Guild joined members of Girlguiding Renfrewshire aboard PS Waverley, the world's last sea-going paddle steamer, on a sail down Scotland's famous River Clyde. We had breathtaking views of Loch Long and continued down the Clyde Estuary before returning to dock in Greenock.

Corina Cameron, Kilbarchan Trefoil Guild

Zip wire challenge

Sheila Rogers, Cornwall Trefoil Guild Chairman, and Daphne Anderson, Chairman Designate, took up the zip wire challenge at the Eden Project, St Austell, Cornwall, in September, showing that Trefoil Guild members are up for anything!

Irene Mortimore, Cornwall, South West England



Centenary celebration

Dressed as Ranger Guides, the Kinson Trefoil Guild hosted a celebration to mark The Senior Section Centenary at Dudsbury Guide Camp. About 60 members from around Dorset enjoyed a hot lunch followed by various Ranger Guide activities, including model raft making, semaphore and formation marching.

Barbara Geldart, Kinson Trefoil Guild, Dorset



Holly's helpers

Members of Ivybridge Trefoil Guild in Devon joined Holly Scrivener, a young Guide Leader from Cheltenham, as she walked 630 miles around the South West Coastal Footpath to raise money for South West England Region as a thank you for all she has gained from guiding. Her aim was to raise £630; so far she has raised £1,389.20.

Mary Sargeant, Ivybridge Trefoil Guild



Recruitment drive

Members of Spa Trefoil Guild attended the University of Gloucestershire Freshers' Fayre in September to recruit new members. We stood out in our Spa hoodies and Trefoil Guild neckers, so we were easy to spot. We chatted to lots of students and handed out flyers. Hopefully we'll get new members!

Frances Parrett on behalf of Caroline Coker, Spa Trefoil Guild

An interview with Santa Claus

Santa Claus broke off from his very busy schedule to wish all members of Trefoil Guild a very happy Christmas and to answer some questions from members of Girlguiding and our Readership Panel



Rainbows

How do you make all the toys that you have to deliver?

My elves have a very large workshop and spend all year making them for me to deliver.

How do you deliver all the presents in one night?

My secret magic is that I can fly faster than light. I live in Lapland, which is north of the Arctic Circle. In winter it is dark all day, but the sun doesn't set in the summer.

How did you meet Mrs Claus?

We met while feeding some reindeer at a local farm.

Brownies

Do you ever trim your beard?

Just occasionally, when Mrs Claus nags me to get it cut!

What is your favourite type of Christmas present?

A surprise, something I'm not expecting.

Why don't you use the front door?

If I had to unlock all the doors, I would have to carry such a large bunch of keys it would make my sleigh too heavy to fly.

How do you get new clothes to fit you?

Some of my elves are very good tailors, so they make all my clothes for me.

Guides

Were you annoyed when Coca-Cola changed the colour of your suit?

No, because their Santa is one of my helpers and we need to be easily distinguished.

Do you do any exercise?

Every day – I have to look after my reindeer, clean them out and then take them for a long run in the forest, so that is my exercise.

Why are you so fat?

I need to keep warm in the very cold weather – and I do like my puddings!

How do you fit all the toys into one sack?

I have a sack for each country that I visit.

Santa is known by other names, eg Father Christmas, St Nicholas, Sinterklaas and Ded Moroz. How many of his names do you know?

Do you get throat ache from saying "Ho, Ho, Ho" all the time?

A good gargle with a nice tot of whisky soon sorts that out!

Trefoil Guild Readership Panel

Can you help us recruit new members by spreading the word about the fun and friendship that is within Trefoil Guild?

I will try. Perhaps Mrs Claus and I could set up a guild with all my elves?

How many gifts have you delivered in your lifetime?

I don't know, but I do deliver to all children in the world, so perhaps a new guild activity would be to work out how many children there are in the world, next guess my age and multiply by it and then you would have the answer. Of course, I do deliver to some adults as well!

When you are delivering presents, what is Mrs Claus doing at home?

I hope that she is preparing my supper to have after my long trip, but she is probably sipping her favourite tippie and watching me fly around the world on her laptop.

What special gift would you like for Christmas?

A new GPS so I don't get lost on my travels.

What snacks do you enjoy on your travels?

Do you really like milk and biscuits with a carrot for your reindeer?

My reindeer love carrots, but I am quite partial to brandy and a mince pie.

How do you and your elves make the toys?

We used to use wood and lots of local material but now we have to get all sorts of electrical expertise in to help us make the new games and toys that everyone wants these days.

Lapland is Finland's most northern region, bordering Sweden, Norway, Russia and the Baltic sea. Its capital is Rovaniemi.

Reindeer and Christmas jokes

What do reindeer hang on their Christmas trees?
Horn-aments!

What would a reindeer do if it lost its tail?
Go to a 're-tail' shop for a new one!

What do you call an elf who sings?
A wrapper!

Why does the Christmas alphabet only have 25 letters?
It has Noel!

What do you call people afraid of Santa Claus?
Claus-trophobic!

Why is Prancer wet?
Because he is a 'rain' deer!



What girls and young women have to say

The latest Girls' Attitudes Survey reveals that although they face many challenges, they are fighting back and demanding equal opportunities now and in the future



As the UK's leading charity for girls and young women, we have collected the views of more than 1,600 girls and young women aged seven to 21 across the UK who have been telling us how they feel about issues that directly affect their lives so they can be heard at the highest levels of decision-making across the UK.

Girls' Attitudes Survey 2016

This year, girls and young women told us they feel held back from having full lives and from achieving their aspirations by gender stereotypes, sexism and anxiety about how they look. They are saying they can't do the things they'd like because they don't feel safe or because of double standards on what behaviours are acceptable, or what roles are open to them compared with boys.

Yet it's clear that girls are challenging this unfairness. They're using the internet

to express their views and have a voice, with half of girls saying social media empowers them to speak out. They're confronting sexism where they see it and demanding that women and girls aren't judged by how they look and have equal opportunities now and in their futures.

Themes of the report

Girls told us about the challenges they're facing and what they want to change:

Body confidence

- 47% of girls aged 11-21 say the way they look holds them back.
- From as young as seven, girls say they feel embarrassed and ashamed of how they look, and fear of their bodies being criticised holds them back from doing everyday things they'd like to do.

Personal safety and harassment

- 32% of girls aged 11-21 say they feel unsafe most of the time when they are out on their own.
- Frequent threats to safety means many girls are adapting their own behaviour to avoid experiencing sexual harassment.

Online and social media

- 49% of girls aged 11-21 say fear of abuse online makes them feel less free to share their views.



- Girls think sexism is worse online and many have experienced this, making them feel silenced. Yet half of girls say they are using social media to empower themselves to speak out.

Women in the media and everyday sexism

- 70% of girls aged 11-21 say sexism is so widespread it affects most areas of their lives.
- Girls see and experience sexism and gender stereotypes all around them. Yet at the same time, half of girls say they challenge sexism when they see it.

Mental and emotional well-being

- 69% of girls aged 7-21 feel that they are not good enough.
- The trend in girls' happiness is going the wrong way and gets worse as they get older. Yet many girls say they are proud of the things they've done and feel powerful and confident in themselves.

Education and skills

- Only 43% of girls aged 11-21 say they have the same choice as boys at school in sport and exercise.
- Gender inequality and stereotypes are present in what girls are learning at school and they're not getting the access to the same choices as boys, or to the valuable life skills they need.

Aspirations and leadership

- 63% of girls aged 11-21 would like to be a leader in their chosen job.
- Girls have high aspirations and feel inspired by a diversity of role models. Half feel more determined despite inequality in leadership. Yet many still see the workplace as an unequal place for women.

Girls should not have to adapt their own behaviour and aspirations to navigate an unequal society. Society needs to change to meet girls' expectations and support them to fulfil their potential. By listening to girls, we can address the barriers they face and support them to flourish.

To read the full results of this year's Girls' Attitudes Survey, go to girlguiding.org.uk/social-action-advocacy-and-campaigns/research/girls-attitudes-survey

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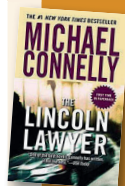
A member of Benelux and France Trefoil Guild, which covers four countries – from Den Haag, Holland, to Toulouse, France – and is part of Trefoil Guild in Foreign Countries

Ron favourite books



Jack of Spies
David Downing
Old Street
Publishing
ISBN 978-
1908699718

The Cleansing
Bill Rogers
Caton Books Ltd
ISBN 978-
1909856158



The Lincoln Lawyer
Michael Connelly
Orion
ISBN 978-
1409156055

South
Sir Ernest
Shackleton
Zenith Press
ISBN
978-
0241251096



Ron's choice of fiction is varied, but he prefers crime while thrillers are his favourite. He has read most books by John Grisham, James Patterson and Simon Kernick.

A very good factual-based tome, which he has just finished, is *Jack of Spies* by David Downing. It tells of events in 1913 prior to the Great War, and ranges from China through the United States and back to Britain and Ireland. He considers it to be well worth a read.

Ron has just discovered a series of books by Bill Rogers known collectively as the Tom Caton Mysteries. Caton is a DCI in the police based in Manchester, Ron's home city, and there are at least ten books in the series, which starts with *The Cleansing*.

A few years ago, Ron was watching the TV news from London and happened to notice a passenger on a tube train reading a paperback. He wrote down the author's name and has now read many books by Michael Connelly. One in particular he can highly recommend is *The Lincoln Lawyer*.

Ron's most treasured book is *South* by Sir Ernest Shackleton, which documents the ill-fated Antarctic expedition of 1914. When his ship, *Endurance*, became trapped in ice and finally sank, Shackleton took a party of five and reached South Georgia, 1,300km away, trekked across the island to a whaling station and, with help, returned to his crew on Elephant Island. All the men were saved. It really is an incredible read and Shackleton, in Ron's view, is an inspirational man who rates alongside Churchill and Brunel.

Ron spoke to Gillian Spriggs

Programme ideas

Compiled by Jenny Powell, Programme Adviser, London and South East England (LaSER) and Teresa Baddeley, Programme Adviser, South West England

As easy as ABC

Programme planning for your Trefoil Guild meetings over the coming year can be 'as easy as ABC' if you use some of the ideas suggested in our A-Z of activities.

This issue looks at F-K and has ideas suitable for winter meetings. Look out for L-R in the next issue with suggestions for spring and Easter meetings and events.



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arranging



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hunting

FIND OUT

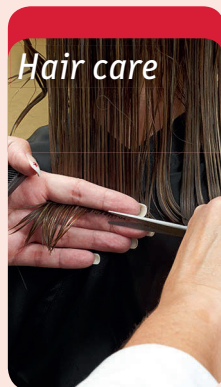
- Fabric painting
- Fairtrade projects
- Faith and festivals – how do other people celebrate?
- Fancy cakes – icing
- Fancy dress party – who's your favourite pantomime character?
- Fan folding and making
- Farmers market visit
- Fashion – swap ideas and items

- Feather art and craft
- Fencing
- Felting – see www.diys.com/needle-felting-projects for inspiration
- Festive games – Christmas Beetle Drive (see www.pinterest.com for other ideas)
- Festive spirit – visit a Christmas market
- Film evening
- Fir cone decorations
- Fire station visit
- First Aid in the home – with the help of the British Red Cross
- Flea market – hold your own or visit one
- Formal meal
- Foxlease breaks

- French food evening
- Friendship bracelets
- Friendship knot – learn how to tie one
- Fudge – armpit!
- Fun and food
- Fundraising for your chosen charity
- Furniture restoration
- Future – start planning for our 75th Birthday in 2018



- Glass engraving
- Glove puppets
- Go green – find out what you can do to help the environment
- Gourmet evening
- Greek dancing
- Greek food night



HOW TO ...

- Handbells – training as a team
- Handiwoman skills
- Hat competition
- Health care
- Hearing Dogs
- Help the homeless
- Heraldry
- Heritage trails



- History
- Hobbies, skills and interests – share what you enjoy
- Holiday stories with mementos
- Homecraft
- Homeopathy
- Honey – taste different types, have a visit from a beekeeper
- Hop-on, hop-off bus tour
- Hospital radio
- Hot meals on a budget
- Housekeeper – is there a stately home near you?
- How we used to... camp, cycle etc

INSPIRATION

- Ice cream making
- Ice sculpture
- Ideas swap
- Igloos – if it snows, go outside and make one!
- Indoor fireworks
- Indoor gardening
- Inkblot art – see www.theinkblotbook.com/for-educators-parents/ for ideas
- International friendship
- Irish evening
- IT help – call in the local Senior Section
- Italian food evening



GO FOR IT

- Games evening
- Geocaching
- Gift-wrapping bags and boxes – see www.auntannie.com/BoxesBags/
- Glamour / glitter evening

JOIN IN

- Japanese evening
- Jelly tasting – get everyone to make and bring a jelly and then guess the flavour
- Jenga
- Jewellery making
- Jigsaw meetings
- Jive
- Judo
- Juggling
- Jujitsu



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Jam making

Kite making and flying



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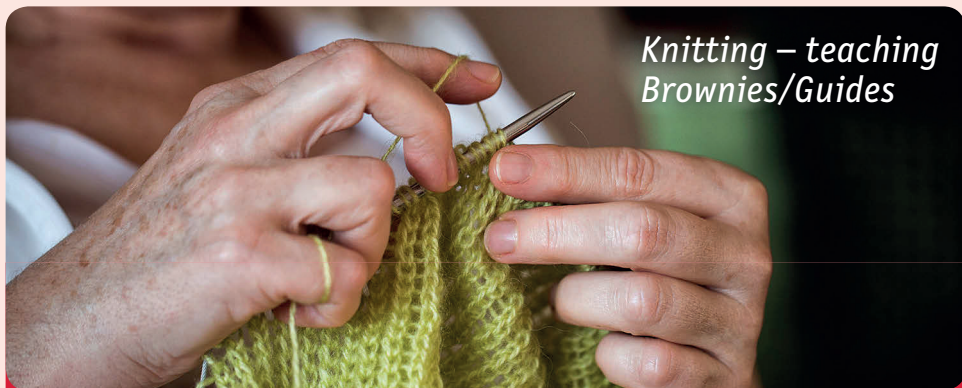


Keep fit

KEEP IT UP!

- Karate
- Knots – show Guides how they were used at camp

Knitting – teaching Brownies/Guides



Margaret's cancer campaign

Margaret Bonthron, an active member of Alloa Trefoil Guild, was recently honoured for her part in a national campaign in Scotland to make a new drug available on the NHS for the treatment of prostate cancer. Margaret lost her husband to the disease four years ago, and following the success of the campaign, Prostate Cancer UK was shortlisted at the Scottish Charity Awards.



Sad farewell to Jean

Edgware District Guild (LaSER) is sad to report the death of Jean Howliston who was Editor and Producer of *Talking Trefoil* for 14 years, for which she was awarded the Trefoil Guild brooch; she was also an elected member of the national Trefoil Guild Committee and was an inspiring County Trefoil Guild Chairman for five years.

Gold for Joyce

Congratulations go to Joyce Vernon of Chiltern Trefoil Guild, Oxfordshire, who has achieved the Gold Voyage Award.



Angela's royal honour

Angela Thomas, known by many members in Cornwall, was awarded the British Empire Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours List 'For services to Young People and the community in Devon and Cornwall, particularly through Guiding'. Helen Caseley, President of Cornwall Trefoil Guild, commented that nobody deserves it more; Angela is over the moon!

Have you received an award, or know someone who has? Why not shout about it? Send the details and a photo to The Trefoil. Contact details on page 2.

Meet a guild

From canoes to sausages, here is what two of our guilds have been enjoying

Paignton Trefoil Guild

Canoeing in gale-force winds? It could almost be a metaphor for guiding! Despite checking the weather carefully before setting out, Paignton Trefoil Guild members really did find themselves in horizontal driving rain and gale-force winds halfway into their canoe adventure.

Did they turn back? No, they sheltered by the bank until it eased a little and then carried on! The halfway barbecue, now under a tarpaulin, wasn't quite what they'd planned... but it was still fun.

This guild is made up of active Leaders aged from age 22 upward, many of whom have families, jobs and units to run. "Sometimes it's hard to get members together," says guild Chairman Kate. Fortunately, modern technology helps and thanks to email, texts and online calendar tool Doodle, they have managed to arrange everything from the rather eventful canoe trip to a hilarious bake-it-or-fake-it competition, as

well as trips to the cinema, a session at a golf range and a night of bowling.

Paignton Trefoil Guild started in a very different way to most. The previous guild was dwindling to an unsustainable level, but as the announcement was made that it was closing, a group of Leaders from both Paignton districts decided this was not going to happen. Since the 2014 decision that the guild should be re-born, there hasn't been a dull moment.

This summer's programme featured outings such as a simply amazing Segway trail during which many members made their Promise with the spectacular view of the Exe Valley behind them; a bike ride along the Exeter Canal and a great weekend away together at a Girlguiding Devon cottage on Dartmoor.

Not every meeting involves outdoor challenges – all members are included.



Canalside riding

Picnics, coffee get-togethers and lunches are enjoyed by all, and 'share a craft night' and carol singing at a local National Trust house both went down well!

Never ones to just sit back and



Enjoying festive fun on two wheels



Members make their Promise on a Segway trail

be complacent, the guild is always trying to attract new members and is currently planning a membership drive aimed at the parents of girls in local units, so they can experience all that guiding can offer them as adults. Many of their planned activities are for families and friends too, and they have found that is another good way of finding new members.

A problem shared with other 'younger' guilds is that Paignton Trefoil Guild finds it hard to attend county guild meetings and events because members work during the day and often have family commitments over weekends.

Kate adds, "Living in Torbay, with a population of 131,000, we realise that while our programme may not appeal to some members, we feel that between ourselves and Torquay Trefoil Guild we are providing options for all."



Paddling furiously into gale-force winds



Taking a well-earned breather in the canoe



Guild members learnt how to make sausages

Wiltshire Wide Trefoil Guild

A very different outdoor meal was enjoyed by Wiltshire Wide Trefoil Guild members in July. Sausages were historically described as 'bags of mystery', presumably reflecting their rather dubious ingredients. Wiltshire Wide Trefoil Guild decided to investigate and met at the Berwick Farm Shop at Berwick St James where they were taught how to make sausages 2016 style.

After mixing the sausage meat with herbs and spices it was time to put them into skins. This involved pushing the meat mix along a tube so that it was encased in 'hog' skins. Once a long row of sausage had been made, members were instructed

on how to tie it into a traditional sausage string.

As it was a lovely summer evening, members then cooked and ate their freshly made sausages outside in the sun.



Moment of truth



International outlook

from Judy Ellis,
National International Adviser

The Canadian Trefoil Guild wears purple

In June, Helen Howes and Jenny Powell joined 350 Canadian Trefoil Guild members for the Purple Heads East Gathering in Newfoundland. The opening ceremony included the town crier, a pipe and drum band, a Newfoundland dog and a Mountie. Canadian National Chairman, Kay Dubie, welcomed everyone and the local Trefoil Guild performed a play.

Activity sessions as diverse as seniors and income tax, Facebook, nutrition for singles, aerobics and genealogy were all on offer, and for her outing Helen chose a boat trip from St John's Harbour. A large iceberg was floating in the bay, and some even glimpsed a whale's fin disappearing in the waves. Jenny visited Conception Bay with lunch in the town of Cupids, the first settlement on Newfoundland.

At the National Plenary meeting (AGM), the Deputy Chief Commissioner spoke of

changes in the Canadian Guide movement and after the official banquet international delegates and representatives from each Province were invited on stage and were 'Screeched', which involved a tot of rum, a ship's biscuit and kissing a cod (the real thing but frozen!) before being declared honorary citizens of Newfoundland.

Campfire singing, and presentations from each Province or Country filled the evenings. The Canadians were so friendly and our representatives felt very welcome. Finally, after the closing speeches and presentation, the flags were led off and everyone sang 'Go Well And Safely'.

This was one of the great opportunities we get as part of a worldwide organisation and Helen and Jenny were proud to represent Trefoil Guild and the UK.

For the full report see the Trefoil Guild website, trefoilguild.co.uk.



A boat trip was one of the highlights



Delegates from Australia, USA and the UK

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To mark the 75th anniversary of Trefoil Guild, tour operator Venture Abroad are offering members an eight-day cruise on the Danube with the opportunity to visit the vibrant cities and quaint towns that line this iconic river.

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You will be able to visit Germany, Austria, Slovakia and Hungary while enjoying the comfort aboard the four-star MS Serenity. From culturally rich cities to the lesser known gems of the Wachau Valley and traditional Austrian towns, the cruise ship will visit key points of interest along the Danube, offering a fully rounded experience of this region of Europe.

Starting and ending in Passau, Germany, the first port of call will be the Austrian town of Melk where visitors will explore the magnificent baroque monastery set high above the Danube valley. The journey then continues to Vienna with its artistic legacy shaped by famous residents such as Mozart and



Beethoven and historical and cultural elements that, fused with contemporary cafes and museums, create a fascinating blend of old-world Austria and modern city buzz.

The next port of call is Budapest where you will embark on a tour of the city's iconic landmarks, splitting time between Buda and Pest, and finishing with a traditional Hungarian show.

On the return journey to Passau, the ship will pass through Slovakia's capital, Bratislava, where members can explore the 18th-century old town before continuing to the final port in the traditional Austrian town of Dürnstein.

Having organised trips for members of Trefoil Guild for more than 25 years, Venture Abroad are delighted to offer something special to mark our 75th anniversary, and believe the Danube River Cruise is the perfect way to celebrate in style.

For more information, visit ventureabroad.co.uk/trefoil.php or call the Venture Abroad team on 01332 342 050.

To Russia, with success!

Our inaugural TOPAZ 16 mission to spread the word about guiding in Russia has proved a big hit... here's to the 2017 adventure!

As you're reading this, the TOPAZ 16 team will have been home for around six weeks, but as we write this in mid-October they are in Saratov spreading the knowledge of guiding to the young women and girls.

They successfully held training sessions for adults in Volgograd as well as schools and universities in Astrakhan, and have more sessions planned for Moscow and St Petersburg. From Saratov, they travelled for two hours to Rovnoe to work with a school that was so eager to have Girl Scouting it provided transport.

Taster sessions for young women and girls have been received enthusiastically, with participants fiercely competing in races to build the highest tower, or walk in an eight-legged race! Several groups have said they want to form new units, so the team is already fulfilling its objective.

In Volgograd, they answered many phone-in questions in an hour-long radio programme, and were recognised in the street by people who'd heard them. The next day, Marina and Elizabeth appeared on TV for a question and answer session, so they have provided good PR for the Russian Association of Girl Scouts (RADS) in the Volgograd region.

Marina Khornikhina, the RADS International Commissioner, presented the history and programme of RADS in all the sessions, as well as translating for



The TOPAZ 16 team arrive in Saratov

the team. She will leave them after Saratov to go back to work, so, in Moscow they will work through a professional interpreter, which will be a different experience. The hotel they stayed in when they first arrived in Moscow proved to have only double beds, so they have changed to a different hotel for their second visit!

TOPAZ 17

As the first TOPAZ action team were preparing to leave for Russia, applicants for the second team participated in the briefing/selection day at Girlguiding Headquarters. The applications had shown we had a very strong field and we were delighted to offer places on the 2017 team to Wendy Clegg and Pam Daniels, LaSER; Susan Hogg, Scotland;



The 2016 team find the zest in TOPAZ!



It's singalong time accompanied by guitar



Boys get in on the action with RADS members



Girl Scouts enjoy team building – with string!

Helen Johnson, originally from Scotland who has since her selection moved to the Midlands; Eleanor Bird, Midlands; Jenny Hunt and Sheila Leete, South West England; and Audrey McNaughton, North West England. They range in age from 20s to 70s and have a wealth of experience to offer to RADS as they expand into new areas. The team will go to Russia in autumn 2017.

Your letters

Find out what other Trefoil Guild members have on their minds

Volunteers wanted

One of the ladies in our guild, Julie Grange, has cerebral palsy and, as a result, was not able to attend school as she was not well enough while she was young. She is doing her Silver Voyage Award and wanted to put something into the magazine about Woodlarks. Her hand is shaky, so her writing is not easy to read and this, for her, has been a huge effort. This is what she has written:

"I would like to tell you about a place called Woodlarks, which is a campsite near Farnham, Surrey. It is a place where disability is not a problem. They have tents where disabled people can sleep and also

a brand new block for people who do not want to, or are unable to, sleep outside. There is a heated outdoor swimming pool, which I like using. We have an aerial runway where you use a shower chair. There are a few cookout campfire sites in the woods, we have a huge swing and there is a stage where people play music and others can sit and listen to them.

I would like any of your readers to come and have a look around or come as a helper to any camp where they will be made very welcome."

PS: We are advised that Woodlarks would be interested in volunteers, especially for their Pathfinders Camps; there are camps for older women and others for older males. These camps are always short of help and often have to refuse people with disabilities if they can't get enough helpers. See sites.google.com/site/pathfinderswoodlarks/ for more.

**Erica Kirkland on behalf of Julie Grange,
Fordingbridge Trefoil Guild**



Visitors to Woodlarks can enjoy many activities on the campsite, including archery

Good preparation for life

We have received the following letters from members of the Communities Trefoil Guild:

- Thank you for *The Trefoil* magazine. I was a Brownie for four years, a Girl Guide for a week and a Sea Ranger for several years. I did lightweight camping on the Isle of Wight and met Lady Baden-Powell.

Then I became a Catholic and a Benedictine nun. I believe guiding is a good preparation for life. One of my superiors was responsible for the

beginning of the Communities Trefoil Guild letter. Keep up the good work.

Mother Mary Placis (Marjorie Swallow)

- Thank you for *The Trefoil*. I'll keep in my prayers the intentions you mention, and the well-being of Girlguiding. I was a Guide (9th Denby) in the 40s and a Guider (Minehead, Somerset) in the 50s. It's great that the movement today is so flourishing.

Sister Anna Mary House

Hiking adventure

Carol Broadhead tells us in rhyme of her adventures when, with great determination, she set off with Guides for a hike and a night under canvas. We pick up the story after she has tramped over a mountain and searched for a suitable spot for the tent...

We've too many poles and not enough pegs,

And ropes they call guys that tangle our legs.

The groundsheet's too big... or maybe too small?

But do what we will it won't fit at all!

At last the tent's up and it's standing quite proud.

I could do with a 'drink', but that's not allowed!

I'll settle for tea that's brewed in a billy

To keep me warm, as it's turned very chilly.

It's fun singing Guide songs around the campfire

*But soon it's the time for us all to retire,
I must get some sleep, but I'm just counting sheep!*

The floor is too hard, and my poor bones are aching,

*Outside the tent, a wild storm is raging!
I'm tired and I'm wet, and my energy's spent,*

And every last pole of our tent is bent.

*I'd walk out of here, away from this flood,
If only my wellies weren't stuck in the mud!*

Carol Broadhead,

Ossett and Wakefield North Trefoil Guilds



Please send your letters to: Trefoil Guild Office, Girlguiding, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT, or Email: thetrefoilmagazine@girlguiding.org.uk

Celebrate Together 2018

We have put together a few ideas for themes you might use for Trefoil Guild's 75th anniversary celebrations

All County Chairmen will have received a copy of the Celebrate Together Resource Pack, which gives tips and information to help you plan your County or local 2018 celebration. The pack is also available on the Trefoil Guild website.

We hope that many will hold their events in October 2018 to create a countrywide month of celebrations. A more detailed plan for the Praise & Thanksgiving Service is also available under the Resources tab on the Trefoil Guild website.

Now and Then World War 2; when Trefoil Guild started

Welcome: Warm welcome, fire regulations, evacuation, location of toilets, day's plan
Morning activities:

- Trail around venue: Adding memories to a collage
- Quiz: Entertainers, wartime politicians, films, radio shows
- Match photos: Old places and people with how they look now
- Board game: Best of British

Lunch: Ration lunch: Simple bread with potato soup, carrot cake, etc

Afternoon activities: WW2 singalong: Military Wives, Vera Lynn, George Formby, Glenn Miller

Afternoon tea: Street party – paste sandwiches, fairy cakes, jelly, etc



Reflection (at welcome or end): A poem / personal / family experience. Or an extract from *A Hospital On Wheels* by Marjorie Brindley about the GIS in Europe 1945/46

More activities and ideas:

- Dance: Swing, Jitterbug, Lindy Hop, simple Charleston
- Social interaction: Invite someone (not necessarily in guiding) to speak, who has memories of wartime life
- Guest/specialist: Poppy art pictures – tissue paper/paint etc. Leather identity tag – pyrography. Evacuation labels
- Food: Bully beef tarts, blancmange
- Photoshop: Charleston pose

75 Years Ago

Life of a Girl Guide

Welcome: As before
Morning activities:

- Walk around hall: Match history of Trefoil Guild facts and dates
- Quiz: WW2 posters, first TV programmes, childhood radio programmes
- Match photos: Of members as Guides with how they look today

Lunch: Sit in a horseshoe, camp-style. Bring plate bag

Afternoon activities: Make gadgets, mini or full-size. Campfire songs / stunts from 1940s and 50s. Knotting / macramé

Afternoon tea: Dampers, cheese dreams, jam sandwiches on a tin tray

Reflection: A member(s) speaks about



a friendship she has made through guiding and what it has meant to her life

More activities and ideas:

- Dance: Country dancing
- Social interaction: Bring campfire blankets and use as a starting point to chat about events, badges, etc in groups
- Guest/specialist: Find someone who was in guiding in the 40s/50s and have a conversation with them about differences between then and now
- Food: Make 'ration' biscuits, homemade lemonade
- Photoshop: Guilds pose – aprons and garden tools / tent

Seaside Memories

Welcome: As before

Morning activities:

- Quiz: Match pictures to seashore items, or to names of seaside towns/piers

• Sandcastle competition or crafts: Make anchors, mermaid's hats, etc

Lunch: Beach picnic, indoors or out, with rugs, deckchairs

Afternoon activities: Sing sea songs/shanties, such as *I do like to be beside the seaside*, *Drunken sailor* etc

Afternoon tea: Ice cream cones, wafers

Reflection: Poem about the sea. Sing *Somewhere there's a seashore...* / *Barges* / Daylight Taps

More activities and ideas:

- Dance: Hornpipe
- Social interaction: On an A3 sheet, record best memory of a seaside holiday, or bring in postcards and speak about them in small groups
- Guest/specialist: Puppets, Punch & Judy



show. The history of sea shanties, singalong / listen

- Food: Seafood, crab sandwiches, shrimps, prawns
- Photoshop: Buckets and spades and costumes... sunhats

Praise & Thanksgiving Service

Based on our four key messages

Venue: Large hall, outside, place of worship

Suggested songs/hymns: *Praise My Soul the King of Heaven*, *Make New Friends But Keep The Old*, *Lord of the Years*, *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*, *Let's Take Hands In Friendship*, *Now Thank We All Our God*, *Give Me Joy In My Heart*, *Daylight Taps*

Readings/reflections: *Centenary Trefoil Guild Readings**, including 'The Mayonnaise Jar and Two Cups of Coffee' and 'What do you see girl guide?' where a Trefoil Guild member reflects on a friendship she has made through guiding and what it means to her.

- Renewal of the Promise
- National Anthem

More activities and ideas: There are Singing Circles in many areas up and down the country; groups of guiding folk who would be happy to support your planning /join in. A more detailed order of service can be found on the Trefoil Guild website

* *Centenary Trefoil Guild Readings* by Rev Helen D Gardner, £2, free postage, from revhel@sagga.org.uk.



Memories of The Senior Section

Wendy Ingle, formerly of 4th Shoeburyness Rangers, reveals the final part of your recollections

Remembering rallies

Many of our correspondents remembered attending the All England Ranger Rallies in the 1950s. Pat Staniforth recalls members marching through the streets of London, and Berenice Scriven slept the night in the crypt of St Martin-in-the-Fields when she took part. Pat Clack's Croydon Land Rangers had won the County drill competition and took part in the 1950 rally. They were trained by Miss Violet Synge, the Buckingham Palace Guide Captain, "who trained us to Guards standard".

Award pilot

Back in the late 1950s, the Duke of Edinburgh's Award was piloted in the home counties, and Maidstone Land Rangers were involved under Audrey Button, herself a former Sea Ranger and Cadet, who achieved the Bronze level before she moved on.

Combined Ops

Meanwhile, in Littlehampton, Margaret Goodyer completed her pre-investiture challenges as a Land Ranger before changing tack and making her Promise as a Sea Ranger – up a tree in the vicar's garden! She was one of an unusual Division group of Land and Sea Rangers known as 'Combined Ops'. Their hand-stitched burgee had the trefoil on the top painted red on one side and navy on the other.

Campfire fun

Not everyone was able to find a crew or company. Judy Owen, wishing to be a Cadet, joined the Kent County Unit, which trained via newsletters. From time to time they would receive a letter saying the county site, Pax Wood, was free that weekend and they would gather for a couple of packed days. Her fondest memory is of singing campfire songs round the huge log fire.



Judy Owen



Fiona Carle with wreath at Westminster Abbey

Proud moment

At Westminster Abbey's 900th centenary celebrations in 1966, Fiona Carle, as a Land Ranger in 75th St Giles (Edinburgh), had a proud moment as she laid a wreath on behalf of the Guide Association.

Brownsea adventure

Valerie Williams, a Bournemouth Cadet, was one of many who experienced joint Ranger/Rover work parties, in her case on Brownsea Island. She says, "In 1967, we helped prepare for the Scout camp held when the stone to commemorate 60 years of Scouting was unveiled. I was still at school and when the camp opened I was invited to stay on. I ended up staying on Brownsea for two or three weeks."

Promise surprise

Heidi Oram was a Young Leader/Ranger in 1974 in Reigate and made her Promise on the memorial outside Buckingham Palace at midnight. The police came to check what was happening. Not a Promise ceremony to be forgotten!

Never too old!

When Rita Hall's Air Ranger leader resigned, the girls joined with S.R.S. Ajax while remaining Air Rangers. She went to the Girl Guide Golden Jubilee Birthday Celebration at Wembley in 1960. At the hostel, she "lay in bed, saying we would be too old to be in Guiding to celebrate the centenary. How wrong I was!"

Girlguiding at its best

Elaine Robinson was Young Leader Adviser for Lancs West in Jorvik '96. They visited the many attractions of York, finishing with a midnight Rock Gospel Service in the Minster, which, she says, was, "packed to capacity with young people, all of us in uniform. Girlguiding at its best."



Fishermen's friends

Janet Fidler's Sea Ranger crew in the 1960s helped out at the AGM of the Deep Sea Fishermen in London. Janet is pictured in the centre with her fellow Sea Rangers.



How to...take photos

Getting the best image for *The Trefoil*

We asked for photos for *The Trefoil* to be taken by a camera rather than a phone, but Janet Thompson of West Wickham Trefoil Guild rightly says that a camera on newer phones can have more pixels than a regular camera, and that it might be better to specify the minimum number of pixels.

Cameras and phones are said to have so many pixels (picture elements), so if you know your photos were taken by a device

that produces photos of more than **10 pixels** or **300dpi** (dots per inch), they should reproduce well in the magazine.

To find out the size of your photo, right click on it, select '**Properties**', choose the '**Details**' tab and look for the information under the '**Image**' heading.

If you want some inspiration for taking good photos, try looking on the **Trefoil Guild website – About Us >The Trefoil Magazine**. A link to **Photo Tips** is near the bottom of the page.

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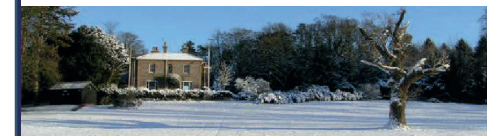
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5 November 2017	Fireworks Night - featuring a spectacular display, bonfires, food, and a brilliant Guy Fawkes competition.	Foxlease
4-9 December 2017	Christmas Tree Festival - Waddow Hall's annual display of decorated trees and festive crafts.	Waddow Hall
9 December 2017	Christmas Family Fun Day - Festive fun for the whole family including elf hunt, Father Christmas, Christmas Tree Festival and activities.	Waddow Hall
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