

Postings from the PC..... NS Council



You can certainly tell that Fall is in the air!!

The leaves are turning, the mornings are full of crisp air, units are starting up in full swing and Girl Guide cookies have hit the streets – if that doesn't say Fall is here -then what would!

While most of us spent September getting back into the swing of things with school and Unit meetings, October sees us settle a bit more as we work with the girls for this year planning for program and activities.

September updates:

Quest, the Provincial Pathfinder Camp, had over 230 members come together to camp and participate in projects geared to challenge Pathfinders while having fun. Check out some of the fun!





More Travel Adventures

Tiffany Farouse and Jessica Dean were two of the NS girls who joined the Nationally sponsored trip to Switzerland. Kianna (not pictured) met the group in Switzerland.



Welcome to the Council / Committee Team!

I am very pleased to welcome Monique Foran as the provincial International Adviser. Monique will work with Kelsey Maber and her Girl Engagement Team to provide support to both National and International travel needs and can be reached at ns-international@girlguides.ca.

Please join me in welcoming Monique to her new role.

Uniforms!



The new uniform is out, and we are hearing that girls and parents are loving it! Girls can choose what style they like and can choose to wear the scarf and sash if they like as they are now optional pieces.

Rest assured any former uniform is still UNIFORM and can be worn with pride to meetings and events.

Guide Post

On Oct 3rd, you would have received Guide Post- there is lots of information in this communication from National- please take note of Pathfinders is 40, Guiding Journals, National Scholarship Team, 2019 / 2020 National Youth Forum, Canadian Guider Readership survey, Men in Guiding, Cookies and more.

NS Clothing- order deadline for Christmas Delivery!

A piece of NS Clothing would make a great Christmas present for some one special- check out the available items at: [NS Clothing](#). To ensure the items are here in time to ship by Dec 13th, all orders must be received and paid for by Nov 15th

Around the Province

Ceilidh: 550+ girls and Guiders watched the musical Matilda at the Savoy Theater on Oct 5th. The show was fantastic and so were the girls, from 5 to 17 years old they were enthralled with the show and cheered on the performers.



Tri-Waters: 3rd Canal Sparks were out in full force selling cookies doing a Cookie Drive-Thru in Fall River. They were energetic and had a blast!



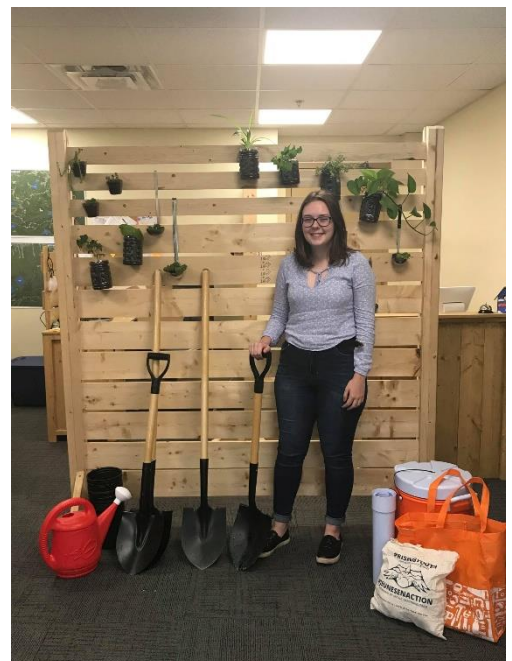
Have fun and exciting pictures to share – send them to our provincial FaceBook Page: Girl Guides of Canada - Nova Scotia Council.

Remember to make sure all girls have approved Image Releases, so we can post.

Member Shout Out!

The Atlantic Coastal Action Program (ACAP) Cape Breton would like to give a huge thank you to Elizabeth Graham. Elizabeth is a high school student from Glace Bay and a Girl Assistant in Coastal District. She received a Rising Youth Grant and held a community garden planting event of perennial plants that will help to brighten her community! With her grant Elizabeth purchased some gardening supplies and has graciously donated them to ACAP! Elizabeth is such a thoughtful person and it makes us so happy to know there are such great people out there! Keep being awesome Elizabeth!

If you know of a member, who you feel deserves a Shout Out, let us know and we will randomly pick one and feature them each month.



So – what's next!!

Not only does October see the units move into full swing, there are lots of planning being done for Provincial events.



We were excited to host Wavemakers this past weekend. The Wave Makers are a group of girls and young women (ages 14-23) who are empowered to act as youth spokespeople for GGC. They

are supported with media training and mentoring to publicly represent GGC. 6 NS girl and Adult members met with our National lead Sasha Elford to take on this challenge – the group was excited and engaged and we are excited to see them in action.



Annual Trefoil Gathering will take place at the Guide office next weekend, members from across the Province, will gather to share in the sisterhood of Guiding.

The Provincial Guider Conference is coming up Nov 1-3rd and with over 325 Guiders, Rangers and Bridging members (formerly known as TMBR's) attending it's going to be an amazing time of learning and fellowship.



Pathfinder/Ranger Arts Day Nov 30th, A Trip Around the World! The Provincial Arts Team along with International Program will be hosting a fun filled day for our Pathfinders and Rangers, introducing them to various arts from around the world. Watch for more information on this coming out soon.

Office Updates

It is with sadness that I advise that Jo Swinemer, Membership Support and Community Development Assistant, will be leaving us effective Oct 23rd. Jo has grown this role to one that has made significant impact on membership with support to not only parents but also District and Area Commissioners. Jo is moving to East Hants Municipality Recreation Dept and will be using her talents as the Community Development Coordinator. We wish her well and know that East Hants Rec will value her experience and contributions.



We are currently recruiting for this position.

Provincial Commissioner Nomination



It's hard to believe but next June I will be stepping down as your Provincial Commissioner and you will have a new PC to lead the province.

Over the next few months there will be lots of buzz around this position.

This role has provided me with challenges and personal growth opportunities, and I encourage anyone who is looking to work with great people at the Area, Provincial and National levels on strategic initiatives combined with fun events to consider this. Yes – it can be a lot of work at times, but it is also fun and very rewarding and there is support and mentoring along the way from both the provincial and national team. It's a once in a life time opportunity, so please consider this if interested.



Join the Team !

While we have had some great women step up to join the team, we are still looking to fill the following roles:

Member Services Coordinator – provides assistance and support to the Membership, Public Relations, Training, Link and Trefoil Advisers – experience as an adviser is ideal but not necessary.

Active Living - promotes active living activities through N.S. Girl Guides programming for girls and guiders.

PR- promotes and supports activities relating to getting the good word of Guiding out to the public via various methods.

Trainer Development Coordinator - supports Guiders wishing to undertake the Trainer Stream Modules and complete the requirements to become a Trainer and supports Trainers in their continuing education.

Please keep in mind that there is also a huge need for women to fill some of the vacant or upcoming vacancies for District Commissioners or District Treasurers, Safe Guide Assessors, Provincial Finance Committee Members, etc.

Please don't hesitate to email me at ns-pc@girlguides.ca if you wish to speak to me about any of these opportunities.

The Volunteer Application for Provincial level positions can be found at [Forms](#).

Thank You for all you do, *Lorena*

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