



## Sailing the Sea of Cortez, Mexico!

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Rangers **Marissa Schembre** and **Michelle Malnasi** were chosen to take part in the summer 2015 Sea of Cortez trip in Mexico, this July. They put together a great summary of their trip for the Québec blog.

Their verdict on national trips? Don't hesitate to apply! Read more on [page 10!](#)



Photos by Emily Girouard and Lela Sankeralli.

News from around the province! District stories are on [page 14](#)

## 2015 Quebec Provincial Day Camp

Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

*A wonderful day at Wa-Thik-Ane*

**What:** Camp fun at our provincial camp in Morin Heights, camp skills, games, outdoor cooking  
The goal of this event is to encourage new and experienced campers and Guiders to visit the camp and try camping without the concern of the overnight or the required planning and to give those who love camping another chance to enjoy it before the winter.

**When:** Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015  
9:30 am—arrival at Wa-Thik-Ane, Morin Heights  
7:30 pm—departure from Wa-Thik-Ane, Morin-Heights

**Transportation:** Departure approx. 8 am, from location on the registration form; return approx. 9 pm to same location  
One Guider per full patrol (based on branch-specific ratio) travels free

**Who:** Guiders of all branches and their girls  
Each Guider may bring a full patrol (based on branch specific ratio)  
Mixed groups must meet youngest girl ratio  
A PRC-checked adult female may accompany girls in place of a Guider, but will be expected to participate as a facilitator of the day's program

**Cost:** \$45.00 per person (girls and adults)  
Includes 3 snacks, 2 meals, a crest and activities  
Includes transportation –see discount on registration form

**Forms:** Patrol Registration Form, SG.1, SG.2 and a flyer for families (in English and French) are available on the [Forms page](#) of the Québec website.



TO REGISTER: Complete the **PATROL REGISTRATION FORM** after reading the attached instructions and then email it to: [camping@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:camping@guidesquebec.ca)  
or fax it to the provincial office at 514-933-7591

**Strict deadline for registration Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 9am.**

*The planning team is looking for volunteers!*

If you are interested in helping our fantastic planning committee, please contact Angie Kruller, the Provincial Camp Adviser at : [camping@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:camping@guidesquebec.ca)

No experience is needed to be part of the planning team-just a love for camping and the outdoors!





Chief Commissioner Pamela Rice and former Québec PC has a welcome back message for guiders and girls. Take a look at her [video for Guiders](#) and don't forget to share her [message for girls](#) with your unit!

## Our Guiding Family

### Lisa Labelle



District Commissioner  
RIVERDALE

How do you make Guiding fun? Follow Lisa! Who has already renewed her Girl Guide Promise? Lisa! The fact is, almost any Guiding moment is an opportunity for Lisa Labelle to shine!

She is the District Commissioner from Riverdale District; the little district that could. It is located on the northwestern tip of Montréal. They have girls from Pierrefonds, DDO, Ste-Genevieve, and Ile Bizard. Lisa has a reputation of great enthusiasm and excellence. We appreciate her contributions and energy to support the pursuit of an amazing Guiding experience for girls and Guiders! Thank you Kyla for sharing your Mom!

#### **Her go-to resource:**

Past DCs in her district. Lisa feels that everyone is always willing to help and that it is always nice to be able to return the favor.

#### **Her Eureka moment as District Commissioner:**

Her first provincial District Commissioner day when she looked around the room and realized she was surrounded by so many friendly faces. She felt the energy and the commitment that all these women shared and it was very inspiring. She knew she was in the right place.

#### **What she had to learn on the fly:**

How to handle disagreements between Guiders. When you have a group of women with different personalities, they are not always a good fit together. Lisa believes she is able to remain 'neutral' and help provide positive solutions.

#### **Best activity with her Guiders:**

Holiday get-together every December. Some years they go out for dinner and other years they have a potluck at someone's home.

#### **The biggest undertaking as District Commissioner:**

Having to suddenly transition from a 'Co-DC' to a 'DC'. She was not prepared for the sudden change in administration and was not fully confident that she could take on the role in a short period of time. With the support of fellow Guiders and provincial office, she was able to tackle the challenges head-on! She would like to ex-

tend her appreciation for all the support she has received.

#### **TOP TIP:**

"ASK FOR HELP!" Being the DC does not mean one needs to take on all the responsibilities. Be comfortable asking your fellow Guiders to take on some tasks. It also gives everyone a chance to realize their talents!

#### **Your Guiding Mantra:**

"You can do anything, you're a Guide!"

#### **At District Meetings, you will find:**

Happy faces, lots of energy, and food! Meetings always tend to run smoothly when there are munchies!

#### **Now is a good time to:**

Organize! In late August/early September, Lisa likes to organize her files in preparation for the new Guiding year. She makes new folders on her hard drive, sets up her email distribution lists, and updates the district's iMIS rosters, etc. This helps Lisa feel more relaxed and prepared leading up to her first district meeting.

#### **Magical Moments**

Lisa dreams of visiting the 4 World Centers. She loves to read, swim and camp. Did you know that she is also a big movie buff? She is eagerly awaiting the upcoming NEW Star Wars movie; The Force Awakens. Get out your light saber!





# From the Property Committee

## Wa-Thik-Ane Annual Clean-up Day Sunday, October 4, 9am-4pm



Once again the Wa-Thik-Ane camping season is coming to an end and it is time to put the camp to bed for the winter. This year's closing day is scheduled for **Sunday, October 4**.

As usual there will be plenty of tasks for all of our eager volunteers and needless to say, more participants make the job smaller! We must take down tents (weather permitting), close up sites, move equipment into winter storage and clean and animal proof the buildings.

Limited indoor accommodations at Stavert Lodge (18 spots) are available for **adult Guiders who wish to stay over following the Provincial Day Camp** on October 4. The Property Committee will provide breakfast for those who stay over and lunch for everyone who participates in the clean-up on Sunday.

Please send us an email at [lacbouchette@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:lacbouchette@guidesquebec.ca) to let us know your plans and to reserve a spot at Stavert.

### **Not available that weekend?**

If you are unable to come on October 4 – do not despair! There is a need for small teams of adults to take down the canvas tents during the weeks preceding camp closure, and again for a small team to complete the winterization of the buildings between October 5 and 9.

If you are interested in visiting mid-week, please contact [lacbouchette@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:lacbouchette@guidesquebec.ca).

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# From the Camping Committee

## GUIDE PROVINCIAL WINTER CAMP 2016

*The first ever Québec Guide Provincial Camp that took place in March 2014 was a huge success so we are doing it again!*

**SAVE THE DATE – January 29-31, 2016**

**Location : Centre de Plein Air L'Estacade, Saint-Paul-de-l'Île-aux-Noix**

Please take the date of this event into consideration when planning your unit or district winter camps.

More information on this event and the registration forms follow in October.

We will be looking for Guiders to be part of the planning team for this event, shortly after the Fall Day Camp. Guiders from all branch levels are welcome to be part of the planning team. Familiarity with the Guide Program would be an asset but is not required.

If you're interested in joining the planning team for this event, please send an email to [camping@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:camping@guidesquebec.ca).



Angie Kruller, Camping Adviser, Patricia Tellis, Deputy Camping Adviser | [camping@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:camping@guidesquebec.ca)

# Design the Youth Commitment Award!



The 2014-2015 year was the first year that this very special award was presented to Rangers. In that first year, a historic retired pin was used - one that was cast for Guiders who completed Stage III of the Leadership Development program, symbolic of their extensive Girl Guide experience (at left).

Girls commencing their 11<sup>th</sup> year of membership will receive the Youth Commitment Award, but a new pin will be struck this year – and we are turning to Pathfinders and Rangers for ideas for a suitable design.

*What should it look like? That's up to you!* Such pins can be embossed with a design, have a regular shape or an irregular edge. They can have a contrast colour in enamel, or multicolour design. The “10” of the 10 years might be part of the design. You can even get pretty fancy!



In BC, they created this pin (below at right) for their 10 year youth award – we could put our Québec content in that reef knot frame.... Or do anything we like!

Please send your suggestions, drawings and/or ideas in ASAP to [communications@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:communications@guidesquebec.ca) – choice will be made from submissions received by **October 15**.



## Calling All Rangers and Young(er) Guiders!

Among the many things that were shared at Young Women's Forum in June, a plan was set in motion. Several provinces have established groups that represent the needs and pulse of youth members and young adult members. Inspired by some of the sharing at the National Conference in April, and further fuelled by the enthusiasm of members at Young Women's Forum, we invite: **Ranger-aged Members and Young Guiders (18-25~)** to get together on **Saturday September 19th at Mountainside Church Hall in Westmount**

Several Guiding activities will be taking place at this venue that day, one of which will look at setting up how Québec will move forward on a council for youth in our province. We will be looking at:

- The directions this group can pursue
- How members will connect and communicate
- Who will represent the group in the bigger Guiding community
- Its management and the roles required
- Seeking candidates to fill the roles you believe are important to this new body

After a first exchange session on these ideas, the group will head out for brunch at St Viateur Bagels on Monkland Avenue to further build this plan. To permit arrangements for this portion, we will need an RSVP from those intending to be there. Other Guiders travelling to Westmount for the day may be able to carpool, and the brunch crowd may return to the main meeting for a lift home in the afternoon. To RSVP, please fill out the [short attendance form here](#), girls attending will receive a \$5 discount on their lunch!



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## Québec French Lexicon

Do you ever find yourself wondering how to say patrol or horseshoe in French? Do your French-speaking girls look at you quizzically when you try to translate badge names? Well, worry no longer, we have a glossary of French terms just for you! Take a look at the new [GGC-QC Lexicon](#)!

Don't forget program books are always available in French from the Québec Provincial Office! [Download the order form!](#)

## Chansons en Français!

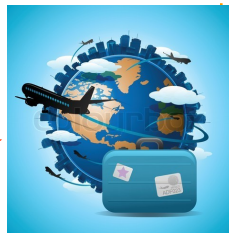
Mix up your campfire song list with some songs in French! Take a look at this document of links of [great French songs!](#)

[Outings around Montréal](#)– Take a look at this directory of different places to bring girls on an outing! Get inspired for some fun local trips you could take this year!

[Trek Around the World](#)– Explore Guiding around the world with Sparks and Brownies without leaving your meeting space in the Trek Around the World Challenge.



## [Québec Tech & Nature!](#)



Don't forget the **Québec Tech & Nature Challenge** is full of fun activities to incorporate the outdoors, science and Québec focused technology in your unit's Guiding! Click on the link in the star to the left.

The crest will be unveiled at DC Day, Sept 19th!

Get in touch with the program team to help plan a provincial Spark event this fall!

We need your ideas to put together a great day for our youngest branch.

### Sparks Event “Mom & Me” A Camping “wee” will go!

**Saturday, November 28th from 10 a.m—4 p.m.**

**Summerlea United Church in Lachine**

Email [programme@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:programme@guidesquebec.ca) to get involved and add your ideas to the mix!



## New Guider Training – Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

This training will include everything needed for a new Guider to get started! Sessions will include *Safe Guide*, *Building Unit Guider Skills* and *All About Your Branch*. DC's encourage your new Guiders to save the date.

If you are interested please send an e-mail with the subject "New Guider training" to [training.formation@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:training.formation@guidesquebec.ca). Please include your name, your iMIS number, your district and the branch you will be working with in the fall.

## Safe Guide Training – Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

This training is open to all new Guiders, Guiders who have not fulfilled their six month commitment to complete Safe Guide training or to any experienced Guider who would like to refresh her knowledge of our safety management procedures. Remember that Safe Guide is a living document that changes according to the needs of our members. Are you aware of the latest changes? [Guiders registering for the New Guider Training will automatically be registered for Safe Guide training.](#)

If you wish to attend the Safe Guide training **only** please send an e-mail with the subject "Safe Guide Training" to: [training.formation@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:training.formation@guidesquebec.ca). Please include your name, your iMIS number, and your district.

**Date:** Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, in conjunction with the Provincial DC Day

**Time:** Safe Guide Training 8:45 – 11:30 AM / New Guider Training 11:30 AM – 3:30 PM

**Location:** Mountainside Church – 687 Ave Roslyn, Westmount, QC

**Cost:** \$5, cheques payable to 'GGC Québec Council (Please bring payment to the training). There is no cost if you are taking only the Safe Guide Training and not staying for lunch)

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> **–now extended!**

**What to bring:** Pen/ Paper/ Mug/ Special dietary needs/ A smile (lunch and snacks will be provided)

## Provincial Training Week is Back!

Following up on last year's success the Provincial Training Committee is happy to offer four exciting evening trainings to all Guiders in Québec. Mark your calendars and join us at one or all of these wonderful events.

### How to Register:

- Guiders from the hosting district, please register with your own District Commissioner.
- Guiders from the rest of the province: Please send an e-mail which includes the training(s) you wish to attend, your name, iMIS number (no exceptions), district, Branch and phone number to: [training.formation@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:training.formation@guidesquebec.ca)

**Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, Laval District,** topic: Bridging Events and Ceremonies (to include fun and entertaining ideas for planning your next events, and ceremonies).

**Location and Time:** TBA

**Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, Monklands District,** topic: Leader Development (to include conflict resolution/ team building/ interpersonal skills and communication)

**Location and Time:** Wesley United Church 5964 NDG Ave. (in the basement of the church). 6:30 – 8:30

**Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, Northern Lights District,** topic: Guiding the Big Picture (to include, what it all means – WAGGGS, Where does my unit fit in, how do we share the connection with our girls, our sisterhood as a retention tool)

**Location and Time:** Rosemere Community Center, 202 Chemin de la Grande-Côte, Rosemere J7A 1H4. 6:30 – 8:30 PM

**Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, Riverview District,** topic: Girl Engagement (to include fun and creative ideas for engaging our girls in all branches and enabling them to create their own guiding experience).

**Location and Time:** St. Paul's Church, 321 Rue Empire, Greenfield Park, J4V 1V4, 6:30 – 8:30 PM





**Congratulations** to all the girls that sold seven cases or more and received a Cookie All Stars reward!



The top two sellers for Québec were:

**Emily Schamerhorn** (84 cases), 1<sup>st</sup> Kirkland Pathfinders—and **Callista Brewer** (40 cases), 1<sup>st</sup> LaSalle Pathfinders— Well done to all and keep selling!

## Cookie All Stars Prizes 2015-2016 Chocolatey Mint Campaign

**The top level reward for the upcoming season? A Go Pro Camera!** Each girl who sells 80 or more cases of cookies individually will have a choice of the following rewards:

- a) Go Pro Camera
- or
- b) Best Buy gift cards valued at \$250



Please note: The Guiding Mosaic Camp credit **will not be** offered for this campaign.



### Mint Cookie Delivery Tips!

Remember that temperature is an important factor during mint deliveries. If we happen to have a warm September mint cookies can easily melt if left in a car for any length of time or an unventilated garage. **It is especially important to remember the best practice storage rules for the chocolatey mint cookies** to prevent any instances of melted product or cookies stuck together. Mint cookies should be stored at a temperature between 10°C and 22°C.



**Fall Cookie Day in Canada** is October 17th and 18th. Have you registered for a Sears or Smart Centre spot yet?

## Have you thought of these ways to promote cookies?

- **Cookie Finder Map**- Remember to use the Cookie Finder Map application to promote your groups cookie selling event. It is important that the map is populated with sales across the country if we are going to use it as an effective tool to match units with an eager buying public. The map and event form are located on the national website on the left under [Cookie Finder Map](#). The map is now the first point of reference given to all enquiries regarding where to buy cookies and is promoted extensively through our social media presence.
- **Twitter**—This campaign our Twitter account [@girlguidecookie](#) will be monitored and live over the weekends of the campaign to optimize the contact with customers, you can advise people to send the account a tweet if they're looking to buy cookies.
- **Word of Mouth**—Remind girls to let their community know they are selling cookies. Family members, friends, teachers, coaches, instructors, people at their place of worship, sports team, and other community members are all potential cookie buyers!
- Don't forget to take a look at the [Secrets of the Cookie Sellers tip-sheet](#) and [Pinterest board](#). There are a whole bunch of interesting tips, #5 will shock you!



### The Guiding Law

by Brandis Purcell, National Arts Adviser

*Lively march*

I chal- lenge my- self with the Gui- ding Law to be hon- est and true; To be

wise in the use of re- sour- ces I have; to re- spect my- self and o- thers, too; to

know and to use my gifts and skills; to pro- tect our com- mon world; Live with

cou- rage and strength and to share in the joys of the Gui- ding sis- ter- hood.

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- The Guiding Law song is a great tool to help us remember all those laws! It works! To hear the accompanying tune: [click here](#).
- Ensure that weekly meetings reflect the values of Girl Guides of Canada.
- Ensure that the Promise and Law are integral parts of regular meetings.

**Creative pendants**—Get hooked on the Guiding Law with these personalized necklace pendants.

- |   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| Plastic plant sticks or similar (popsicle sticks) | Photos                  |
| Stickers  | Nature finds            |
| Geometric Designs                                 | Beaded chain or similar |
| Magazine Collage                                  |                         |

For each pendant, choose your design that best represents the Guiding Law and decorate the sticks both sides however you like. Tie on a necklace or festive ribbon.

*Eg. Hearts – honest and true, Penny – resources, Respect myself – happy face, Gifts and Skills – music, Protect our common world – bird, Guiding sisterhood – trefoil.*





## Twinning 2020 Challenge Crest

You can incorporate Twinning activities in your program planning for this year! The following requirements need to be met in order to earn the Twinning 2020 Crest:

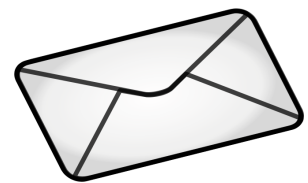


Participate in three of the following:

- 1) Play the [WAGGGS World Thinking Day 2015 Game](#)
- 2) Participate in 2 of the activities from the [Perù Instant Meeting](#) on the provincial website and share your experiences via photo or video on the [Twinning 2020 Perù – Canada Facebook page](#)
- 3) Participate in International Day of the Girl 2015 activities (TBA)



Would your unit like to become Pen Pals with girls in Perù? Have them sign up for the Twinning 2020 Pen Pal initiative to connect with girls in Perù! [Register at this link.](#)



Lori Labelle, International Adviser | [international@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:international@guidesquebec.ca)

## International travel from this summer



The trip to the Sea of Cortez was an amazing experience that neither of us will ever forget. We both remembered looking for a GGC trip to apply to and seeing so many great trips. But when we saw the trip to Mexico we knew it would be something that we'd never experienced before. It looked like a great adventure where we'd learn so many new things, and have so many challenges waiting for us. This trip met all our expectations because we got to do so many new things. We jumped off cliffs, met so many great people and had wildlife come not even a foot away from our boat.



*"The first day was the most challenging. We had to get used to the constant motion of the boat, our very small rooms and getting to know each other. On top of all that we were going snorkeling. I thought that I would be the only one that didn't know what to do but it turned out that it was the first time for most of the girls. We started off slow by just going into the water by the beach. Lela, our naturalist and Guri our lifeguard, taught us very well. By the next day, we were all comfortable and were able to enjoy the beautiful view that was below us!"*



Marisa Schembre and Michelle Malnasi wrote about their Sea of Cortez trip for the Québec blog, [click](#) to read about their trip.

Keep an eye out for their story on the national Girl Guides CAN blog too!



Hey Pathfinders and Rangers! [Apply to participate](#) in national trips to Sangam or Flame Camp in England in summer 2016!





## Red Cross First Aid Courses from Pulse Aide Inc.

Tailored to the needs of GGC as per  
Safe Guide July 2015



Complete details of First Aid Requirements for Safe Guide Activity Levels are found in the Safe Guide document, **July 2015 update**, found on the Girl Guides of Canada national website. Please note that online e-learning courses are not acceptable. Also, in Quebec, blended learning courses (online courses with an in-person hands-on learning component) are not available from the Red Cross as there is no French counterpart to their national program.

Pages of interest in [Safe Guide 2015](#) relating to First Aid include, but are not limited to, pages 9 - 13 and 29 - 33.

<http://forms.girlguides.ca/SafeGuide/SitePages/Home.aspx>

**N.B.** All First Aid Qualifications must be entered into iMIS before your Safe Guide Activity!

### Pulse Aide Inc. Course Credentials

Pulse Aide Inc. is a registered training partner of the Canadian Red Cross. All Pulse Aide Inc. courses are based on the Canadian Red Cross First Aid National Program Standards (October 2014) and include the mandatory current Canadian Red Cross First Aid and CPR Manual (2011 edition) and a Red Cross Certification valid for 3 years from the end date of the course. Pulse Aide Inc. will provide proof of course completion to iMIS for each successful participant.

### Course Schedules

As course schedules are created to meet participant needs, please contact [pulseaideinc@gmail.com](mailto:pulseaideinc@gmail.com) to indicate that you are looking for a First Aid Course this Fall. The complete Fall course schedule will be in the October Piccolo.

**Tentative Location: NDG** (unless a district wants to host a course in their home location)

**Emergency First Aid Course** (8 hours) – usually a Saturday or a Sunday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

**Standard First Aid Course** (16 hours) usually a weekend (Saturday and Sunday) 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

**Emergency/Standard First Aid RECERTIFICATION Course** (8 hours) – Saturday or Sunday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. **Pre-requisite:** All participants must have a current (not expired) Red Cross Certification at the time of the course and must bring their own First Aid and CPR Manual, 2011 edition, to the course.

For details or to book a course for yourself or your own district or Guiding community, please email Joan Lax at [pulseaideinc@gmail.com](mailto:pulseaideinc@gmail.com)

**Upon completion, GGC–Quebec Council will reimburse 2/3 of the cost for active Guiders**

**A first aid kit** appropriate for the activity and environment must be on-hand for all activities, including regular unit meetings. (Safe Guide 2015, p.32)



### **The Universal Sign of First Aid**

Please note that a **red cross on a white background is a trademark of the Red Cross Organization** and is protected by copyright, not unlike our Girl Guide Trefoil. Therefore a red cross should **not** be placed on a container to denote that it holds first aid supplies. Instead, the Universal Sign of First Aid should be used.



**Safe Guide: our risk management program! Safety is the responsibility of all!**

The [2015 version of Safe Guide](#) is now available on the national Safe Guide web page along with an explanation of changes (6 pages). **All Guiders** should read this document carefully. It will give you the highlights of the different changes with detailed explanations as **you will need to refer to the 2015 version of Safe Guide when planning activities. All previous versions are out of date.**

## From GUIDING ESSENTIALS JULY 2015

All Guiding unit meetings, activities, camps and events must have a Guider who has completed their Safe Guide training. She is known as the Responsible Guider and coordinates the planning and supervision of the activity.

Safe Guide training is mandatory for ALL Guiders who plan and/or deliver activities for girls and/or adults, and those who authorize activities or provide Safe Guide training. This includes:

- Unit Guiders
- Returning members who have a gap in service of more than two years
- Safe Guide Assessors
- Camping, International, Safe Guide and Water Activity Advisers, including Deputy Advisers and co- Advisers
- Commissioners, including Deputy Commissioners and co-Commissioners

When new or returning members or current members take on a position requiring this training, it must be completed **within six months** of the join date or the rejoin date in their iMIS profile. Members must be 18 years of age or older and a transitioning member (TMBR), potential member (PMBR),

**Members who do not complete Safe Guide training within the six-month period become members-at-large. They are not eligible to move to non-member status in the same Guiding year.**

## Safe Guide Training and Rangers

A Ranger-aged girl member may complete Safe Guide and receive recognition on her iMIS profile as a youth member. When Rangers become adult or transitioning members, they have two options for meeting the Safe Guide training requirement:

- Completing the Safe Guide training module again when they are the age of majority for the province/territory in which they live

OR

- Applying for equivalency by: Indicating that Safe Guide training was completed as a Ranger
- Providing a list of activities and events she was involved in planning using Safe Guide as a Ranger
- Providing information on any additional relevant courses or training that would show an increased understanding



**Upcoming Safe Guide Training:** Saturday, September 19th, in conjunction with the Provincial DC Day, 8:45 – 11:30 AM. See [page 7](#).

Louise Triggs, Safe Guide Adviser | [sg.gs@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:sg.gs@guidesquebec.ca)



# Montréal Impact Day - October 25th



## Montreal Impact Day - October 25

Once again this year we invite all Guiding members and their families to a special day at Saputo Stadium.

Tickets to the final game of the season against Toronto FC are \$18.

Girls will also have the opportunity to be part of the Honour Row!

Download the [ticket order form](#) for units or districts. Don't delay ordering your tickets, we have a limited supply! Tickets are payable by cheque or credit card.

Kickoff is 5 p.m at Saputo Stadium, 4750 Sherbrooke St East, Parc Olympique

Contact the office for any questions, 1-800-565-8111 or email

[info@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:info@guidesquebec.ca)



*See you there!*





## Thanks for showing the blue!

Link Members **Sarah di Milo**, **Nikki di Milo** and **Alex Meredith** volunteered with the Shriner's Hospital opening August 20th, Way to go!

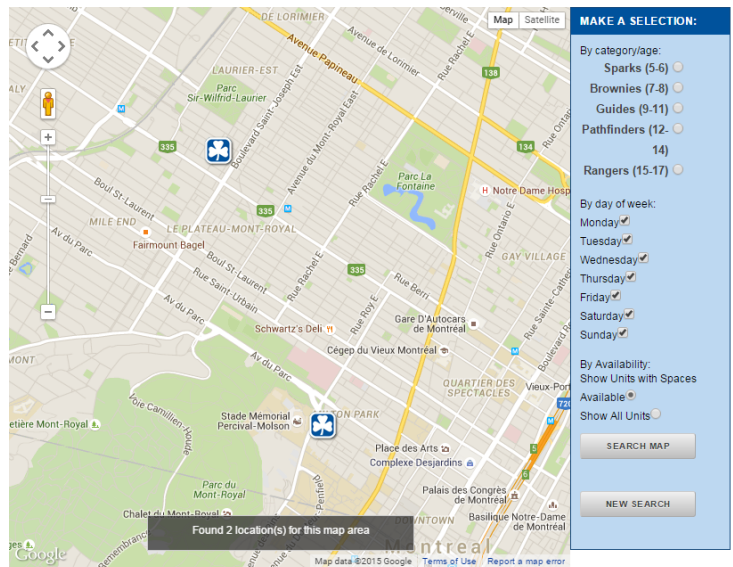


Monklands District enjoyed our quickly-becoming-annual 'Welcome Back to Guiding' camp. We had lots of fun boating, swimming, crafting and outdoor cooking at Camp Wa-Thik-Ane and have some new potential girls for the coming year!" - Lizzie Knowles (Photos by Lizzie Knowles)



(Left) Northern Lights Guides welcomed back and welcomed new members with an obstacle course! Photo by Jo Povall

Guiding returns downtown! Remember, the **1st Milton Park Guides** and **1st Mile-End Guiding Unit** are opening this fall! We're excited to hear about all the adventures they get up to this coming year!



This Guiding year is sure to bring some great photo moments! Email your snaps to [communications@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:communications@guidesquebec.ca) to fill these pages!



*For Unit and District Treasurers*

**Financial Training:**

Guiders who have not been Treasurers in Guiding before should take the full Financial Training, which will include the new forms, and will take about three and a half hours or a bit longer if people have lots of questions. We will cover all you need to know to keep your books to the standard required by National, including mid-year and year-end reporting and budgeting.

If there are any unit treasurers who need to do a financial training, please let me know. I'll tell you if there are any other trainings nearby which you might be able to attend. Check with the others in your District- I don't mind coming to small groups.

**Signing Officers:**

It is time once again to change or re-affirm your signing officers on your bank accounts. This must be done every year at a district meeting, even if the signing officers do not change, and should be followed by visits to the banks involved as necessary to update signatures.

Valerie Zaloum and Susan Welsh are to be the Pro-

vincial designates on all district level accounts again this year.

The District Commissioner and District Treasurer should be on all district and unit accounts. Remember that there must be at least four signing officers on each account. (You may have five if it makes it easier to get cheques signed.)

For units and districts, the procedure is the same as last year. Check the Unit and District Treasurer handbooks for the details and sample wording for motions. (They are posted on the GGC Quebec web site [here](#).)

**Cookies:**

The Chocoatey Mint Cookies will be delivered soon. Remember that there is a blackout on other fundraising for one month after cookies are delivered to allow the girls to concentrate on selling at least two cases of cookies each.

If you have any questions about these or any other Guiding financial matters, feel free to contact me at [finances-support@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:finances-support@guidesquebec.ca)

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## News from the Office

Please make sure to include iMIS numbers for girls and Guiders when contacting the provincial office. It can really speed up the process when responding to questions!

2016 is the 90th anniversary of Camp Wa-Thik-Ane- think about ways you could incorporate the history of our storied and historic site in your camp plans for next year!

*Yes, there will be a crest for that!*

**Wa-Thik-Ane sites available for fall:**  
Sept 18-20—Stavert, Huron, Iroquois, MicMac, Montagnais, Chippewa



# GGC-QC 2015-2016 Event Calendar

DATE	EVENT
September 12-13	OAL Training Weekend at Wa-Thik-Ane
September 19	DC, Adviser Meeting, <a href="#">New Guider Training</a> , <a href="#">Safe Guide Training</a> , <a href="#">Youth Council Planning Meeting</a>
September 29	Deadline to register for <a href="#">Fall Day Camp</a>
October 3	<a href="#">Fall Day Camp at Wa-Thik-Ane</a>
October 4	<a href="#">Camp Clean-up at Wa-Thik-Ane</a>
October 11	International Day of the Girl
October 17 – 18	<a href="#">Cookie Day in Canada</a>
October 25	<a href="#">Montreal Impact Day</a>
November 16-20	Training Week
Late Fall	Girl Recognition Event
November 28th	Provincial Spark Day A camping 'wee' will go!
January 16th	Guider Symposium—Save the date!
January 29-31	<a href="#">Guide Winter Camp Weekend</a>

Import upcoming GGC-QC events in this year to your computer's calendar with the [GGC-QC Google Calendar!](#)



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