

President Report

There have been a lot of changes in guiding over the last few years: a new programme, new branding, the sale of residential properties, to name but a few, and a new uniform is next on the agenda. However we feel about these changes, we need to remember why we are involved in guiding.

We want to make a difference to the lives of girls and young women and, for those of us who have been through the movement ourselves and gained from it, we want to give something back. For some of us, change is hard to embrace, especially if we feel that it is negative and pointless but, rather than dwelling on our dissatisfaction and passing on the wrong vibes to our girls, let us just get on with the job of delivering good quality guiding. Organising activities which build self-confidence, create a sense of adventure and, most importantly, are fun, should be our focus.

Girls and young women are under a lot of pressure nowadays to perform well and live up to a particular image so let's just give them the opportunity to be themselves and enjoy their youth. What's more we can enjoy it with them.

It gives us the chance to relax, unwind and forget about the stress in our daily lives. We can all have fun together and learn from each other and, for quite a number of us, forget that we are getting older! Make the most of your guiding. You all do a fantastic job nurturing the future women of Cleveland so remember that when you start to have doubts!



Commissioner Report

Time is flying by as I enter my third year of being County Commissioner. I have loved and had a great deal of fun throughout 2024.

2024 began with a lot of planning to celebrate the 50 years of Cleveland Girl Guiding.

We started the year with a volunteer thanks event at Kirkleatham Walled Gardens. There was a lot of dancing, laughter and catch ups. We were mesmerised by the magician who had us all on tender hooks and trying to work out how the tricks happened!

We followed this party by having a rainbow day at Ryehills School in Redcar. The Rainbows enjoyed a disco, bouncy castle, crafts and a good old sing song to end the day.

In September, we took over the new PGL centre at Newby Whisk where we had an adventure weekend. It was amazing to have Brownies, Guides and Rangers all coming together. They had chance to experience zip lines, giant swings, fencing, climbing walls and archery to name a few.

A great time was had by all, and even if leaders weren't able to take girls to a bigger event, there has been lots of fun had and badges gained within individual units.

One of the other highlights of the year was getting out and about to each Divisions AGM, presenting awards and meeting all the amazing and supportive volunteers. Listening to feedback and what they do week in and week out.

A huge thank you to everyone who supported the County throughout 2024.

Nicola



Long service awards:

50 years - Judith Hathaway

50 years - Lesley Pearson

50 years - Susan Pearson

40 years - Carol Anderson

40 years - Alison Brown

30 years - Colette Collins

30 years - Val Cullen

30 years - Natalie Fawcett

30 years - Kathryn Neeve

30 years - Anne Smith

30 years - Andrea Swift

30 years - Lynn Warwick

Leadership Qualifications

Jen Milsom	Trainer Qualification	Middlesbrough Division
Hannah Bowerbank	Leadership Qualification	Middlesbrough Division
Isabel Cowan	Becoming a leader (Leader development programme)	Tees West Division
Victoria Richardson	Becoming a leader (Leader development programme)	Hartlepool Division
Mary Proctor	Becoming a leader (Leader development programme)	North Langbaugh Division
Liza Wilberforce	Becoming a leader (Leader development programme)	North Langbaugh Division
Sarah Thomas	Becoming a leader (Leader development programme)	South Langbaugh Division
Lyndsey Bullock	Becoming a leader (Leader development programme)	South Langbaugh Division
Lisa Gordon	Becoming a leader (Leader development programme)	Billingham Division

Trainer Qualification

Jen Milsom	Trainer qualification	Cleveland County
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Going Away Licence

Clare McMan	1st Eaglescliffe Guides	Tees West Division
Carol White	1st Eaglescliffe Rangers	Tees West Division
Imogen Aitken	1st Egglecliffe Rainbows	Tees West Division
Melaine Collins	9th Redcar Brownies	North Langbaugh Division
Lesley Magson	1st Egglecliffe Guides (mod 6)	Tees West Division

Peer Educator

We completed 23 sessions in units around the County last year, placing us 2nd in the Region. We have 5 Peer Educators within County Cleveland.

Out of the 23 sessions, we had 18 Breaking Free topic and 5 in Safe the World.

We had 5 new Peer Educators in Cleveland

Abbey Turver	Peer Educator
Sarah Wright	Peer Educator
Georgia Walker	Peer Educator
Chizara Unigwe	Peer Educator
Sarah Perkins	Peer Educator

Tees West Division
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Middlesbrough Division



Commonwealth award

Sarah Perkins	Commonwealth Award
Sarah Wright	Commonwealth Award
Amelia Hunt	Commonwealth Award
Sophie Maddison	Commonwealth Award
Elish Simpson	Commonwealth Award

Middlesbrough Division
Tees West Division
Tees West Division
Tees West Division
Stockton Division

Duke of Edinburgh

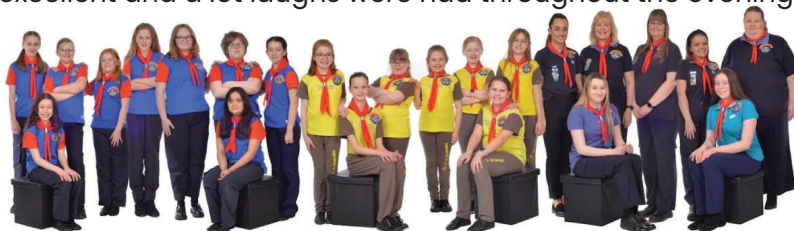
In 2024 we had 12 Guides/Rangers achieve their DofE award. 6 bronze awards, 5 silver awards and 1 gold award. Thank you to all who were involved in this.

Queens Guide Award

In 2024 we had 10 individuals doing their Queens Guide Award. They have been working hard to complete different sections of their award.

Gang Show

I was also invited to the Cleveland Scout and Guide Gang show at Middlesbrough Little Theatre. 2024 saw the highest number of girls and volunteers from Girl Guiding Cleveland, which was fantastic to see. The show was excellent and a lot of laughs were had throughout the evening.



No of Volunteers	
Division	Total
Billingham	33
Hartlepool	60
Middlesbrough	75
North Langbaurgh	43
South Langbaurgh	75
Stockton	37
Tees West	78
Total 2024	401
Total 2023	426
Total 2022	530

No of Girls					
Division	Rainbows	Brownies	Guides	Rangers	Total
Billingham	40	73	52	7	172
Hartlepool	66	104	42	9	221
Middlesbrough	48	155	73	9	285
North Langbaurgh	40	54	62	1	157
South Langbaurgh	141	166	106	27	440
Stockton	28	97	72	5	202
Tees West	67	206	81	44	398
Grand Total	430	855	488	102	1875

No of Units					
Division	Rainbows	Brownies	Guides	Rangers	Total
Billingham	3	4	3	1	11
Hartlepool	5	9	3	2	19
Middlesbrough	7	12	6	3	28
North Langbaurgh	4	4	4	1	13
South Langbaurgh	11	12	9	5	37
Stockton	3	7	3	1	14
Tees West	5	10	5	3	23
Grand Total 2024	38	58	33	16	145
Grand Total 2023	38	55	34	16	143
Grand Total 2022	38	64	36	13	151

Egton

Last year we saw the following 63 nights booked in house. The still remains popular for weekends with very few bookings from Monday to Thursday. In 2024 a committee was put together chaired by Lesley Magson to look at how we look after the building and bookings A huge you to the committee members and Divisions Egton representation.

Throughout the year our focus has continued to be on Egton Guide House.

We launched the Egton challenge badge, which each person had to complete a fundraising challenge, 4 activities from the Our Favourite section and 5 activities from the 50 years of Egton section.

We also had a raffle at the volunteer's celebration night, evenings with the Hartlepool Brass Band, the Pop Up shop in Yarm, and holding open days for anyone and everyone to come and have a look around.



A huge thank you to everyone who supported Egton by having a weekend there or supporting with their time fundraising.

Egton campfire - Keeping Egton burning





Cleveland Adventures



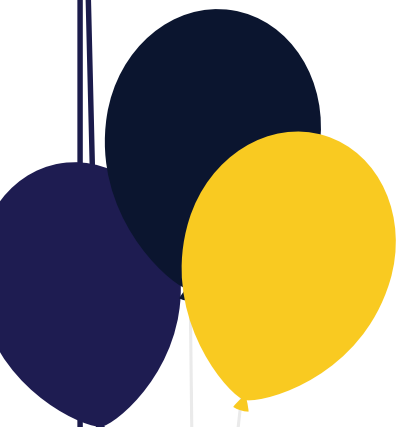
Volunteers Night



Celebrating Girlguiding Cleveland county

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Thank you all
Volunteers





CLEVELAND COUNTY GIRL GUIDES

**Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ended 31st December 2024
and Balance Sheet at that date**

Registered Charity Number 513343

CLEVELAND COUNTY GUIDE ASSOCIATION
Receipts and Payments Account for the year to date 2024

	General County £	Egton House £	Danby Campsite £	TOTAL 2024 £
RECEIPTS				
Egton Bookings		9,735.00	0.00	9,735.00
Egton Souvenirs	0.00	703.90	0.00	703.90
Donations and bequests	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Training	951.20			951.20
Membership subscriptions	6,056.80			6,056.80
Sales of badges	1,029.50		0.00	1,029.50
County & Special Activities	19,842.63			19,842.63
Adventure Grant	2,500.00			2,500.00
Interest Received	1,663.16			1,663.16
Miscellaneous income	1,912.95	36,827.15	0.00	36,827.15
TOTAL	33,956.24	47,266.05	0.00	81,222.29
PAYMENTS				
Meetings	501.46			501.46
Membership subscriptions	280.00			280.00
Salary costs	6,343.50			6,343.50
County Expenses	3,907.62			3,907.62
Awards	104.40			104.40
International Grants	461.50			461.50
Costs of badges	2,042.91		0.00	2,042.91
Cost of souvenirs		353.71		353.71
County Events (AGM,PGL,Volunteer night) note 4	6,739.46			25,569.86
PGL	18,830.40			
Training	444.51			444.51
Miscellaneous	1,214.45			1,214.45
Egton House running costs		8,970.29		8,970.29
Insurance		4,647.16		4,647.16
Postage		41.67		41.67
Travelling expenses		151.20		151.20
Egton Fundraising expenses		2,374.00	0.00	2,374.00
TOTAL	40,870.21	16,538.03	0.00	57,408.24
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	-6,918.97	30,173.02	555.00	23,809.05

CLEVELAND COUNTY GUIDES ASSOCIATION
Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December 2024

Fixed Assets	£	£
Freehold Land and Buildings – Egton House (Valued in 2009)	400,000.00	
Freehold Land at Danby	70,000.00	
Badge Machine at cost less depreciation	0.00	
County Standard at valuation	<u>5,000.00</u>	
		475,000.00
 Current Assets		
Cash at bank held by treasurer	0.00	
Cash at bank held by other officials	<u>0.00</u>	
	0.00	
Stock of badges at cost	<u>1,514.00</u>	
	1,514.00	
 Less Current Liabilities		
Uncleared or unrepresented cheques	<u>0.00</u>	
		1,514.00
		 <u>476,514.00</u>

Represented by:	£	£
Main fund at start of year	54,672.07	
Plus Profit on County Activities for the year	(8410.08)	
Plus Profit from Egton House	32,393.58	
Plus Profit from Danby	<u>(146.62)</u>	
		78,509.05
Egton House	400,00.00	
Danby Field	70,000.00	
Other Fixed Assets Badge m/c and Standard	<u>5,000.00</u>	
		475,000.00
Funds held by other officials (as above plus badges)	1,514.0	1,514.00
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		<u>555,023.05</u>
		(78,509.05)



Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of the Cleveland County Guide Association
Charity No. 513343

I report on the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st December 2024 and the Balance Sheet at that date of the Cleveland County Guide Association, which are set out in the attached pages.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down by the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiners Statement

In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention:

which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements ^ato keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act: and ^ato prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act. ^ahave not been met; or

^ato which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

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Date: 8/3/25

