Girlguiding

Cleveland county

2025
































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President Report

What does guiding mean to you? To me, friendship is the first thing that springs to mind.The theme of this year's World Thinking Day is 'Our Friendship' and to me that is the essence of guiding. Young girls make new friends in their unit as they mix with girls from other schools at their weekly meeting. As girls get older, friendships become more meaningful as girls become more selective in their choice of friends. As adults, we make friends within our unit team and get to know other leaders at division and county events and this can lead to evening social gatherings, weekends away and even international trips.

Friends offer mutual support, a shoulder to cry on and a sounding board. Many guiding friendships last a lifetime, but how do we sustain those friendships? Friendship means give and take, accepting people for who they are and supporting one another through the highs and lows.

This is something that young girls have to learn and, as leaders, we can help them on this journey. How many times have you had to sort out squabbles or deal with girls falling out at your weekly meeting? We can give them strategies and show them how to make compromises so that they can form lasting friendships like we have done.

Friendship doesn't just happen but, when it does, it is one of the most satisfying and rewarding things you could hope for. Guiding is a door to lifetime friendships - let us ensure that the door is always open!



Commissioner Report

2025 has been so much fun and my fourth year as County Commissioner.

It amazes me each year when I put this booklet together how many opportunities there have been for all the girls and volunteers.

I love getting out and about visiting units, seeing the girls growing and having fun, getting fully involved in the programme and gaining badges. With the volunteers laughing, strengthening friendship and enjoying themselves.

There were lots of adventures to be had at Egton with a fabulous number of units visiting and staying over while creating memories and friendship to last a lifetime.

We were proud to have a visit from the Region Chief Wendy Howard at our AGM where we gave out a total of 440 years' service to our amazing volunteers and tested our brains with quiz and some fundraising.

Later in the year we hosted another volunteer's night at Kirkleatham Walled Gardens. With our photo booth, lots of laughter, dancing and fun was had.

A huge thank you to all who have supported the County throughout 2025, it's really appreciated.

Nicola





Long Service Awards

40 Years

Anne Cox
Sue Wallis
Jennifer Wren

30 Years

Melanie Collins
Emma Dacey
Margaret Dawson
Kim Leck
Alyson Mash

Becoming a Leader (Leader Development Programme)

Ailish Colling
Sophie White

Going Away With Licence

Jennifer Bryce
Natasha Dunnakey
Katie Harrison

Young Leader's Qualification

Lucie Brown

Queen's Guide Award

Sophie Newton
Amanda Stapleton

Number of Units in Cleveland county

Divisions	Rainbow	Brownie	Guide	Ranger	Grand Total
Billingham Division	3	3	3	1	10
Hartlepool Division	4	7	3	2	16
Middlesbrough Division	6	10	6	3	25
North Langbaurgh Division	4	4	4	0	12
South Langbaurgh Division	11	12	9	5	37
Stockton Division	3	6	3	2	14
Tees West Division	5	10	6	2	23
Grand Total 2025	**36**	**52**	**34**	**15**	**137**
Grand Total 2024	**38**	**58**	**33**	**16**	**145**

Number of Volunteers

Divisions	Grand Total
Billingham Division	27
Hartlepool Division	51
Middlesbrough Division	67
North Langbaurgh Division	38
South Langbaurgh Division	85
Stockton Division	34
Tees West Division	65
Grand Total 2025	**367**
Grand Total 2024	**401**

Number of Girls in Cleveland county

Divisions	Rainbow	Brownie	Guide	Ranger	Grand Total
Billingham Division	40	63	49	10	162
Hartlepool Division	47	87	45	12	191
Middlesbrough Division	53	145	70	16	284
North Langbaurgh Division	43	61	44	0	148
South Langbaurgh Division	124	169	100	13	406
Stockton Division	32	97	41	10	180
Tees West Division	77	196	65	33	371
Total 2025	**416**	**818**	**414**	**94**	**1742**
Total 2024	**430**	**855**	**488**	**102**	**1875**

Trefoil Report 2025

After our first AM as county chairs in March at Redcar Golf club, where we enjoyed a very interesting slideshow of photos showing county Trefoil and Girlguiding events since 2005, we organised a number of events which gave us the opportunity to get to meet our guild members.

We enjoyed a summer picnic in Stewart Park and then our Friendship Day in the autumn where we had a demonstration on weaving with willow followed by a faith buffet lunch. For our Christmas event, a singer entertained us then we all joined in with familiar carols and Christmas songs.

Our Trefoil team, "The Tenacious Teesside Trefoilers", took part in the Monopoly Day around York in September where we came joint 1st with a number of other teams! It was good to bump into Guides, Rangers and leaders from around the county.

County Exec members (chairs, secretaries and treasurers) met together for lunch. Exec meetings do not allow much time for socialising so this was an opportunity to do just that. Our thanks to them all for their hard work and support

One of our members, Diane Goldby, was selected to go on the TOPAZ trip to Thailand in January 2026 so we supported her fundraising.

Our eight guilds have arranged their own varied, interesting programmes. They are always keen to welcome new members so pop along to your local guild to see what we are about.

Christine Brooks and Tina Richardson, Joint chairs








Egton

In 2025 we really got things moving with Egton. We formed a new management committee who are working well to spread out the work of looking after the property and with various maintenance and repairs have improved the general appearance of the House and outbuildings. We would like to say a massive thankyou to Judith Hathaway and John for all the work they have done at Egton in the past.

If you would like to get involved we meet regularly and keep in contact via a WhatsApp group – just let me know.

A big thankyou to Christine Hermon and husband John who secured the services of a Community Payback team to look after the grounds. If you have visited Egton recently you will be amazed at the difference they are making.

Maria has reorganised Friends of Egton and we used their funds to replace the fridge in the house. If you would like to become a member and take advantage of free access to events, please contact maria.jones65@hotmail.co.uk

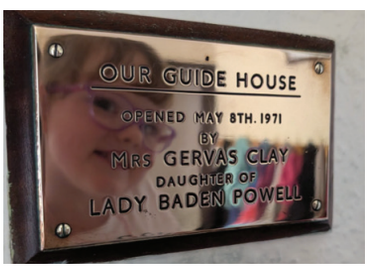
A massive thankyou to Rachel Lee who has led the fundraising efforts to support work on the cottage. The leaky roof has been fixed, we have re-plastered the lounge and stripped out the kitchen ready for replastering and Karen and Rachel have started to redecorate the bedroom. Anyone can donate money to move the refurbishments along – just pay it into county but let us know so that we can say thank you.

Thank you to everyone who has supported Egton in the past 12 months. The house, cottage and campsite are valuable assets for our County, and I hope that you all continue to support these facilities so that they are there for girls to enjoy in the future.

Lesley Magson
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Egton House	Number of nights used
2023	55
2024	63
2025	85













Cleveland Adventures



































Volunteers Night

































CLEVELAND COUNTY GIRL GUIDES

Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ended 31st December 2025

and Balance Sheet at that date

Registered Charity Number 513343

CLEVELAND COUNTY GUIDE ASSOCIATION
Receipts and Payments Account for the year to date 2025

	General County £	Egton £	Danby £	Total 2025
Receipts				
Census	8,959.00			8,959.00
Bookings		14,162.40		14,162.40
Souvenirs		1,161.10		1,161.10
Donation and bequests		1,488.45		1,488.45
Training	1,350.00			1,350.00
Membership subscriptions	225.00			225.00
County Badge Shop	411.10			411.10
Campsite fees		374.00		374.00
County and Special Activities	1,360.00			1,360.00
Egton fundraising		17,282.68		17282.68
Interest received	1,137.04			1,137.04
Miscellaneous income	215.80	4,447.33		4,633.13
Total	**13,657.94**	**38,915.96**	**0.00**	**52,573.90**
Payments				
Meetings and training	334.00			334.00
Membership subscriptions	485.00			485.00
Salary costs	5,522.13			5,522.13
General expenses	2,353.40	141.03		2,494.43
Grants	784.56			784.56
County badge shop	1,263.52			1,263.52
County events	3,639.13			3,639.13
Storage	1,529.04			1,529.04
Bank charges	185.00			185.00
Other	741.26			741.36
Egton House running costs	45.658.96			45,658.96
- Fuel, power and water	5,435.25		14,269.78	19.705.03
- Postage	7.30			7.30
- Rates	410.77			410.77
- Souvenirs	886.14			886.14
- Maintenance and renewals	38,919.50			38,919.50
Miscellaneous	19.00			19.00
TOTAL	**16,837.14**	**45,818.99**	**14,269.78**	**76,925,91**
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	**-3179.20**	**-6903.03**	**-14,269.78**	**-24,352.01**

CLEVELAND COUNTY GUIDE ASSOCIATION
Balance sheet to date for the year to 31st December 2025

	£	£
Fixed Assets		
Freehold land and buildings – Egton House	550,000.00	
Freehold land at Danby	70,000.00	
County Standard at valuation	5,000.00	
		625,000.00
Current Assets		
Cash in hand held by treasurer	54,517.04	
Cash and bank balances held by other officials	0.00	
Stock of badges by cost	1,286.20	
		55,453.04
		680.453.04
Represented by:		
Balance at start of year	78,509.05	
Plus profit County activities for the year	(3,179.20)	
Plus profit Egton House	(6.903.03)	
Plus profit from Danby	(14,269.78)	
		54,157.04
Egton House	550,000.00	
Danby Field	70,000.00	
Other fixed assets (Standard)	5,000.00	
		625,000.00
Funds held by other officials (above plus badges)	1,286.20	
		1,286.20
		680,453.04

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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 2025 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 particular 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

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act: and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.
- have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 22/3/26