



Guiding

girls in the lead

Centenary News - 5th June 2009

County Centenary Calendar

Centenary Launch Party - Sunday 6th September 2009 Amptill Park

World Thinking Day 2010 Region Arts Festival - February 20th 2010

Centenary Ball - Friday 26th March 2010

Centenary Celebration Show - 19th June 2010

Big Moment - 11th July 2010

Finale - 20/10/2010 at 20:10

Multi Faith Celebrations - February 2011 to be organised in Divisions

Feast for Funds

I am sure you will all join me in thanking Jeanne Wain and her team for all the hard work they put into raising the amazing amount of £1050.00 for the County Centenary Budget. I would also like to thank everyone who attended, or gave donations, for their generosity. During the evening, the Singing Circle also raised £111.00 for Water Aid their chosen Changing the World project. It was a most enjoyable evening with everyone enjoying good food, good wine and good company.

Launch Party

Countdown from today - 5th June 2009 only 92 days to go

It's all getting very exciting and Launch Party Day is fast approaching. The County Centenary Teams are working hard to make sure Bedfordshire's Launch is very special for everyone.

I hope you all liked receiving your shocking pink envelopes with the brightly coloured invitations. I would like to thank all of you for distributing the invitations and getting the replies back to me. Give yourselves a pat on the back for rising to the challenge, your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Each Division will be allocated an area on the school field as a home base where a marquee and or gazebos can be pitched. This area will be used as an assembly point and to eat lunch. Each Division will be allocated a colour and everyone in each Division will be given a wristband in their allocated colour to wear for the day. Hopefully Divisions will decorate their areas in predominately the colour allocated to them. All Trefoil Guild Members will have their own areas, one indoor and one outdoor seating area and will be allocated a colour and wrist bands. I am sure they won't want to be out done and will want to decorate their areas.

The programme for the day is as follows:

Arrive in Division areas	11.00am - 11.15am
Welcome	11.15am - 11.30am
Put in Groups	11.35am - 11.45am
Activity Session 1	11.50am - 12.35pm
Lunch in Divisions	12.35pm - 1.25pm
Activity Session 2	1.30pm - 2.15pm
Activity Session 3	2.20pm - 3.05pm
Farewell and Cake	3.10pm - 3.45pm
Back to Divisions and Depart	3.45pm - 4.00pm

At the moment we are working on providing 8 different zones for the 3 activity sessions during the day but this is subject to change once all the numbers attending on the day are in. Everyone will attend Zone 1 and Zone 2 and 1, 2 or 3 of the other 6 Zones depending on numbers.

The Zones at the moment are as follows:

Zone 1	Giant Inflatables and Big Games
Zone 2	Camp Fire
Zone 3	Circus Skills
Zone 4	Music and Dance
Zone 5	Sports and Keep Fit
Zone 6	Media
Zone 7	Drop in Zone
Zone 8	Tea and Cake
Zone 9	Trefoil Area

Dress code for the day will be Guide wear with trainers or sensible shoes.

Every member attending the Launch Party will receive a goody bag and a County Centenary cloth badge to commemorate the day. These will be given out on the day. The badge will only be given to those attending the Launch Party but everyone in Bedfordshire County Girlguiding will receive a goody bag via the Divisions sometime in September or October and it is hoped that they will use these throughout the Centenary Celebrations.

Once I have recorded all the replies on a spread sheet showing the names and numbers of Girls and Adults attending the Launch Party from each Unit, I will then send a copy to the County Commissioner, Division Commissioners and Unit Guiders so you can check my information with your lists and notify me of any changes so I can update my spreadsheet where necessary. I will then resend any sheets that I have to change to the relevant Commissioners and Unit Guiders. Please can I ask that I am notified of any late changes that are made so I can keep my records up to date as these spreadsheets will be used for registration process.

Please speak to your Division or District Commissioners regarding travel arrangements and any domestic issues you may have.

Watch out for more information coming very soon.

Betsy Marley Bedfordshire Centenary Champion