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Shiny and New!

Camp Wa-Thik-Ane's Emerald Jubilee

If you were heading to Wa Thik Ane camp in 1926, you would take the train from Montreal to Morin-Heights. Monsieur Guenette, and a few of his neighbours would greet the train with wagons and horses. Luggage was loaded, and girls and Guiders would scramble into the wagons for the ride to camp.

Where Lac Bouchette road leaves the main road, the very steep long hill would mean that girls would disembark so the horses only had gear and baggage to haul up the hill. Eventually a trail off the road would lead to a single cleared campsite by the water, where the WTA waterfront and Stavert Lodge now stand. Girls would fill cotton sacks with hay in the barn to prepare their paillasse, the mattress they would use for their week or two of camp, and haul them to canvas bell tents pitched around the edges of the clearing.



Such was the image of those very first camps, 90 years ago!

This summer we celebrate the Emerald Jubilee of Wa-Thik-Ane Camp.

The first signs of new things to celebrate have been the deliveries of wonderful gifts that have been offered to the camp in time for our anniversary season. (See [page 2](#))

Please note that there is no July Piccolo

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HIGHLIGHTS

- [See what's new for WTA's 90th Anniversary](#)
- [Find out who was awarded a GGC QC scholarship!](#)
- [Read what districts have been up to...](#)
- and more!

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New Boats at Camp Wa-Thik-Ane

Following the vandalism at WTA in fall of 2014, Quebec Council received many donations in support of our camp. One very substantial one was received, and following a consultation with the donor, a decision was made at council to direct that gift to a particular project. As we start off the season of our 90th Anniversary year, we wish to share our thanks to the Grant family of Huntingdon for their generous gift, that was used to purchase 4 newly built wooden rowboats for the WTA waterfront.

The Grant's stepped forward in this gesture as a family -- a style they exercise regularly, as proprietors of Grant's Bakery, a multiple generation enterprise whose story started back the same decade as WTA's! Hayes Apple-Valley district's Guider Sarah Grant along with her sister Ruth are 4th generation in the family business, and 2nd generation in Girl Guides!

"Scouting and Guiding have been close to our family's hearts" writes Sarah. "In the past, Dad (Richard) supported the Boy Scouts fundraising activities, Jamborees for many, many years. Mom (Bea) was a Brown Owl for over 10 years with the largest Brownie troop in our district (40+ girls) back in the 1980s and 1990s. I enjoyed Brownies all the way through to Junior Leader (of the first Sparks group in Huntingdon back 20 years ago). My sisters (Jen, Ruth and Laura) have fond memories of Brownies and Guides. And, if I am not mistaken, each of us has camped at Wa-Thik-Ane at some point – with row boating and canoeing experiences being especially memorable. Now my nieces (Makayla, 1st year Guide and Avery, 1st year Brownie) are members, making 3 generations of our family in GGC. Avery started out as a diehard since her first night to camp ever was at Wee camp last July – and she slept under the stars."

The Grant family is thrilled to see their donation well used to enrich the camp experience. The boats, to each bear the name of one of the 4 world centers, will give a next generation of WTA girls the opportunity to appreciate the water and grow to love boating for many years to come.

We are deeply grateful for their generosity!



What is new in 2016?

A first undeniable project was the rebuilding of the “I” dock base segment, so that there actually could be a proper waterfront space, not to mention a place to attach our new rowboats!

Several important repairs are under way, including stairs on Algonquin and Mic Mac. A full docket of necessary maintenance is in the seasonal plan, including a new roof for Iroquois marquee. Huron's roof was renewed last year, and Cree is right around the corner. These and other necessary projects are needed to ensure the appropriate stewardship of our camp, for the Girl Guide campers of our future.



Would you like to support Wa-Thik-Ane in this very special milestone year?



Financial support for our camp is welcome, especially as we complete the renovation work required to restore many of our camp spaces. Units, Districts and individuals can show their WTA love!

When John and Pam Godfrey heard about the condition of our wood stoves, they offered a dedicated donation with the instructions that it be used to purchase a new wood stove, and the installation on Huron was completed this month.

For more information on how your donation can be “brought to camp life” on Wa-Thik-Ane and recognized, or to consult the camp wish list, contact donations.dons@guidesquebec.ca.



A big thank you for all the work that has gone into the selling of cookies this year!

The Cookie All Stars deadline is passed, but it is never too late to order your cookie [ribbons](#)! The order form is available on the [Cookie Resources](#) page of the QC website!



Running a PR event this summer? Don't forget to take cookies with you! There are still some cases left at the office if you need any! It is never too early to start thinking about events for the fall cookie campaign!

Have you had any super successful or creative cookie selling ideas? Send your stories and pictures to cookies.biscuits@guidesquebec.ca!

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PR News

Did you know?

The [national Brand Centre](#) has lots of great pictures you can print and use at your PR events!

Why not take some time this summer to sort through your own Guiding pictures and see which of them you could use? Send your best ones in for the [Piccolo](#) or to the [Canadian Guider](#) team. Current members love seeing their faces in publications.

Some quick photo tips:

- Take lots of pictures outside. The sun makes for the best light.
- Aim for action shots rather than posed ones.
- Use a real camera instead of your phone for better quality images.



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Guest Speaker Spotlight

If you are looking for some great ways to deliver programming to your unit, it's always fun to have a guest speaker (or two!).

The 1st Milton Park Guides invited two guests from the [Fauna Foundation](#) to come to talk to them about chimps. As a service project, they made chimpiñatas (piñatas that get filled with food to provide enrichment for the animals) and created a [claymation video](#) about the similarities between chimps and humans.

Here's what one of the Guiders had to say:

I'm so proud of our girls and all the learning they have done through our connections with the Fauna Foundation this year! Fauna is a rescued animal sanctuary and nature reserve near Chambly, Qc, and it is home to a group of chimpanzees who have been rescued from labs and zoos. Two fantastic ladies who help care for the chimps there came to speak to our unit, and they were impressed with how much our girls knew. After their visit, our unit put together a great claymation video. They were inspired by what they learned and wanted to share a message: Chimps and humans really aren't that different! The first segment shows chimps playing with the chimpiñatas that the girls made. I am so grateful to the folks at Fauna, and would definitely recommend them if you're looking for a way to discuss wildlife, compassion and endangered species with your unit.



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Provincially Coordinated Program Events - Watch for great opportunities for your Guiding calendars as we will start the fall season!

Due to great positive feedback, we're continuing the tradition of hosting a provincial event for every branch in every Guiding year. We want to build milestone events, the kind that girls (and their Guiders) will look forward to from year to year!

Dates in the August Piccolo (so no one will double book and miss out!) and watch for the opportunities to be part of these planning teams - a great chance to learn and share skills, the kind that make these special events just awesome!



GGC Québec 2016-2017 Scholarship Recipients



Congratulations to **Kaitlin Winter** who is continuing her studies at McGill University and pursuing her Masters in Science (Microbiology and Immunology). Kaitlin is a newly appointed District Commissioner for Monklands District, and continues as a Pathfinder Guider and a Provincial Safe Guide Assessor.

Congratulations to **Lara Munro** who is studying at l'Université de Montréal in pursuit of her Masters in Science (Geography). Lara is a Guide Guider in Milton Park and previously worked at Wa-Thik-Ane.

Congratulations also go out to **Emma Predan-Lépine** who is the recipient of the GGC Second Year Full-time National Scholarship. Emma is a Guider in a Ranger unit and a Guide unit in Lakeshore District.

August 12-14



Wa-Thik-Ane's 90th Anniversary Celebration

Come up to join us for the day or overnight...

- Friday, August 12 — potluck dinner and overnight for adult members only — \$10
- Saturday, August 13 — day only: \$15 includes BBQ lunch
- Saturday and Sunday, August 13 and 14 — \$45 as a patrol or member, includes Saturday lunch, supper, snack and Sunday breakfast
- Sunday as a family with your own picnic lunch, no reservation required

Deadline — July 1: Registration [form](#)

Mark Your Calendar

Training, or personal enrichment opportunities make us better Guiders. No matter what your experience level in Guiding or in life, there is always something new that can be gained from a training session.

Coming this fall:

New Guider Training: September 17, 2016. This essential training session will be run in conjunction with the fall DC day. District Commissioners it is never too early to ask your new Guiders to put aside this date and attend the training! Stay tuned to the August Piccolo for more information.

Ped Week: November 14-18, 2016. Back by popular demand, the Training department will again be running the Provincial training week. 4 eager Districts have already booked dates. Watch the August Piccolo for more information. These wonderful opportunities are open to Adult members and Rangers across the Province so gather your fellow Guiders and take a little road trip to a training that interests you! For more information you can contact Joanne at: training.formation@guidesquebec.ca.

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Screening Reminder

PRCS

If you're planning a fall camp and predict that you will need parent volunteers, please make sure you think about getting them PRC'ed sooner rather than later because the process can take 3 months.



If you have any questions, please contact Margaret Martin at screening.selection@guidesquebec.ca.

Margaret Martin, Screening Specialist | screening.selection@guidesquebec.ca

Treasurer's Trove

Mid-Year Reviews

A reminder that books are due to the office as soon as possible after the "close" of the Guiding year! Details were in the May Piccolo.

If you have questions, I can be reached at finances-support@guidesquebec.ca.

Enjoy your summer!

Claire Morier, Treasurer Support Specialist | finances-support@guidesquebec.ca

Safe Guide Reminders



Nobody wants to have to redo their Safe Guide forms. Keep these tips in mind to save yourself some time.

- ⇒ Always use the most up to date forms: SG.1, SG.2, SG.3, SG.4 etc. Did you know the forms are updated every year in July? The date is located in the bottom left corner of the document.
The forms can be found on the GGC National website (girlguides.ca) or the GGC Quebec website (guidesquebec.ca). Go to the bottom left corner, click on Forms, then find the Safe Guide, Activity Forms and proceed from there.
- If you complete an outdated form you will be asked to redo the forms by your assessor. The request for sssessment must be sent to sg.gs@guidesquebec.ca by the event's Responsible Guider for review, as she is the one in charge of all aspects of SafeGuide compliance. If it is sent in by someone else it cannot be assessed.
- ⇒ Use Names and iMIS numbers on the SG.3. There is a spot on the SG.3 for the home contact's iMIS number.
- ⇒ Make sure your SG.4 is very specific. assign each Guider a specific task for an emergency situation.
- ⇒ If you are not sure about an aspect of the forms, ask someone in your district to help you.
- ⇒ Remember that your forms for yellow level events should be submitted 14 days prior to your event, and those for red level activities should be submitted 21 days prior to the event.
- ⇒ If you are planning an International or Interprovincial trip your must complete your preliminary SG.8, IT.4 and FR.1 from 18 months to two years in advance.
- ⇒ The correct email address is sg.gs@guidesquebec.ca. Delete all other email addresses in your address list.
- ⇒ The same person cannot be both the Responsible Guider and the Substitute Group Leader.



Safe Guide Training

All Guiders who have become members of GGC since January 2016 and whose **6-month Safe Guide completion deadline** falls in June, July or August, must have their Safe Guide done before the beginning of the 2016-2017 Guiding year. To arrange a face-to-face training session, contact your DC. If you would prefer to do it online, contact the office (514-933-5839 or admin@guidesquebec.ca) to get a PIN.

Camp-Wa-Thik-Ane ERP

From June to October, units and groups enjoy camping at Wa-Thik-Ane. It is important that each group have their own Emergency Response Plan (ERP) **as well as** the one that you receive in the package from the office once you have booked your camp. **The provided ERP does not replace the SG.4**, they complete each other as each group is autonomous.

The WTA ERP provides procedures while you are using the camp. Your group SG.4 details who is responsible for each component of an emergency response.



Picture by Kaitlin Winter



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Date limite pour achat de billets : **3 Octobre 2016**
Deadline for tickets purchase: **October 3, 2016**

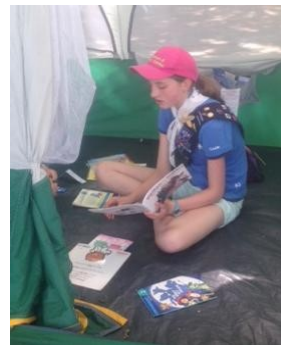
With all the renewal and revision of Council positions, there are some new faces and new names in provincial positions...

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Want to save this list? Download an updated contact list of the Québec Council and Advisers [here!](#)



Secteur Argenteuil girls and families participated in the [Great Canadian Shoreline Clean-up!](#) Pictures by Sarah Ogilvie



Girls from Monklands District sold hot dogs and ran a PR craft and reading tent at Westmount Family Day.



Northern Lights Sparks invited [Educazoo](#) to come visit them and made friends with many creatures! Pictures by Anny Rail Fink



Northern Lights Guides held a jewelry craft night where each girl made her own chain. Pictures by Joanne Povall



Picture by Anny Rail Fink

The Northern Lights Sparks relaxed with Miss Yoga.

Secteur Argenteuil girls visited [Interniel](#).

The 82nd Montreal Guiding Unit had a sweet time with the Candy Chemistry [Meeting-in-a-Box](#). Read about it on the [blog!](#)

Northern Lights Pathfinders went on an excursion to Montreal.

The 1st [Point-Claire](#) Sparks spent cookie money on an end of the year party at [Artista](#) where they painted owls.

The 2nd Cedar Park Guides [blogged](#) about bridging with the with the 3rd Cedar Park Brownies to plant flowers and learn about bees.



Picture by Christine Chatelois



Pictures by Patricia Tellis



Picture by RoseAnna Cirino



Picture by Helena Green



Pictures by Diane Oki

July 1	Registration Deadline for the WTA90 Celebration
July 9-17	Guiding Mosaic 2016
July 15-August 6	Wonderful Weeks at Wa-Thik-Ane
August 13-14	Wa-Thik-Ane 90th Anniversary
September 17	DC/Adviser Day & New Guider Training
October 1	Fall Day Camp
October 3	Deadline to purchase Impact soccer tickets
October 16	Impact Soccer Day



It's not too late yet!



Girls who register before June 30 will receive their 2016-2017 membership crest by personal mail, with a personalized welcome-to-Guiding greeting.

Registration is now open to all members — new and returning.



Ella designed the winning crest in Northshore District's design-a-district-crest contest. Congratulations Ella!