



May 2018

Green!



The Piccolo

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**Girl
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Upcoming Dates



May 7-13

[National Mental Health Week](#)



May 10, 10am

Registration opens for all girls returning to Guiding

May 10

Greater Montreal Day

May 12-13

[Camp opening weekend](#)



May 18-20

First Available Weekend for Camping at Wa-Thik-Ane

May 26

[Deadline to purchase a ticket for the National AGM](#)



June 1

[Deadline to apply for a GGC provincial scholarship](#)

June 1

[Deadline to register for Guider Getaway](#)



June 2

[Girls' Open Forum](#)

June 2

[NAGM Dinner](#)



June 7, 10am

Registration is open for all girls joining Guiding

June 27

[Canadian Multiculturalism Day](#)



July 6– August 5

[Wonderful Weeks at Wa-Thik-Ane](#)



September 14-16

Summit for DCs, Advisers, Specialist and Council Members

August 17-19

[Guider Getaway](#)

The Piccolo is published by Québec Council on the 2nd Thursday of every month (except the month of July) and contains valuable information for all members.

Deadline for submissions to the June issue: June 7.

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Message from the PC Team

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What an exhilarating Guiding experience this past weekend as over 140 Guiding sisters, Rangers included, gathered together for our very first Girls First session in Québec. Our QC Champions delivered an engaging and educational seminar which left us excited to learn more about the new program.

After a delicious lunch we moved along to our 'Go Green' themed AGM which included a few guest speakers and then of course to the presentation of awards to many well deserving Guiders.

We would like to thank everyone who helped put this event together, our Girls First Champions, our special guests from National, our National Youth Council Representative and all of you who attended.

We would also like to congratulate all who received certificates of appreciation and awards and were recognized for their years in Guiding, as well as our special recipient of the Sovereign Award. More details about the specific recipients will be in the June Piccolo.

Without all of you none of this would be possible.

We hope you enjoyed the day as much as we did and that we'll see you at the National AGM!



The PC Challenge: May and June

Every month, the PC team will have a new challenge for you to help grow Guiding, cover parts of the program, or simply have fun!

Spring is here and it's advancement season! Tell us about your unit's advancement ceremony (send a short description and picture if you have one to communications@guidesquebec.ca) and we'll have a special prize for you!

Congratulations to the Guiders who completed the April PC challenge and shared some of their most memorable activities. You can read all about them on the [blog](#).

Natacha Michaud

Sarah Horrocks

Andrea Munster

Carole Blais

Tracey Brennan

Jackie Wright

They each received a GGC window cling as a thank you for participating!

Property Stewardship Committee



Joanne Cardinal, Property Stewardship Committee Chair
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The camping season is around the corner (May 12-13) and we need your help to open our beautiful Camp Wa-Thik-Ane. Do your Pathfinders or Rangers want to help? Email lacbouchette@guidesquebec.ca if you would like to help or if you have questions.



BOATING SPECIALIST

We are looking for a weekend boating specialist. Do you or does someone you know have their canoe certification for calm waters level 2?

The position is for weekends from May to August 2018.

Interested applicants please send your resume with qualifications to cv@guidesquebec.ca.

Fall Fun Day

When: Saturday, September 29, 2018

Where: Our beautiful Girl Guide Camp Wa-Thik-Ane

Who: Sparks, Brownies, Guides, Pathfinders, Rangers and their Guiders from across Québec.

Why: To celebrate our Camp Wa-Thik-Ane, "peaceful camp by the waters," with members from across the province.

So mark your calendars now to come and join in a fun and adventurous day!

A planning meeting will be held late August. If you want to help, please email Joanne Cardinal, our camping advisor at camping@guidesquebec.ca.





There is still space available! We need your help to spread the word for campers to come join us and experience WWWTA 2018.



[Register here!](#)

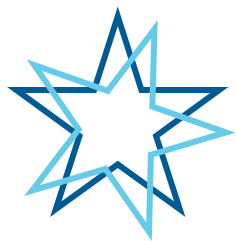
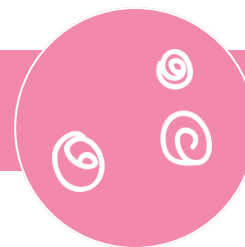
We have campers.
Now we need YOU!



Pack your bag and come join us for a few days or for a week at WWWTA Summer Camp! We guarantee lots of new friendships and the building of great memories. If you think you can spare some time to help share in the fun and adventure of the outdoors with young girls and the young at heart, fill out your volunteer form [here](#) or email your questions to Super Eagle at wwwta@guidesquebec.ca

National AGM

National AGM Girl Event Team | nagm@guidesquebec.ca



Please join
Girl Guides of Canada - Guides du Canada
Board of Directors
for our

2018 Annual General Meeting and Reception Dinner

Saturday, June 2, 2018
5:00 pm

Hotel Omni Mont-Royal
1050 Sherbrooke St. W
Montreal, QC H3A 2R6

Annual General Meeting: 5:00 pm (you're welcome to attend this portion but it's not mandatory)

Reception Dinner: 7:00 pm



For more information on how to obtain a ticket to the Reception Dinner, please contact Anita Hannam at hannama@girlguides.ca or 416-487-5281 ext. 256. **Tickets cannot be purchased through the Québec Office.**

Tickets: \$45

Deadline: May 26

In lieu of the traditional banquet, this dinner will be more of a party! Dinner will be served at buffet stations and seating will not be predetermined but will allow for a more free flowing evening. There will be an auction, fun activities, games, dancing and generally a fun party vibe. Guests are encouraged to wear whatever clothes a party feels like for them since it will be a fun evening where guests can "get their party on," wearing whatever makes them happy and they can have a good time in. Uniform should be worn for the AGM portion.



Don't forget about the Girls' Open Forum too! We're depending on you talking it up with your 3rd year Guides, Pathfinders, Trex and Rangers! All the information is [here](#).

From the Office

admin@guidesquebec.ca



The 2018-2019 rosters are now available on Member Zone. Check yours out to see who has pre-registered! Girls won't be getting a crest in the mail this summer, but all registered members (girls and adults) will get a membership crest in the fall!

Travel/International News

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14 year-old Nini tells us a bit about herself:

I've been interested in scouting since childhood because of my family's love to hiking and nature. My parents have known our leader, Kety for a long time, more accurately Kety's training sessions is where they met. One evening, my sister and I with our father saw pictures of Georgian girl scouts trying new, different things, going outdoors together and having fun. We decided to visit girl scouts and become one of them. It's been 1 year of me being a girl scout and I think the relationships, qualities and experiences I've had or learned here are one of the most valuable things in life. I am very excited to be part of the Georgian-Canadian girl guides exchange programme.



Congratulations to Nini Berishvili

of Tbilisi, Georgia

Nini's art inspired the Québec/Georgia Challenge crest



A special shout-out to the girls and Guiders of **Northshore District**, where EVERY unit took part in the Québec-Georgia Challenge. Thank you for embracing an original opportunity with such enthusiasm. The Georgian Girl Scouts - Dia are so appreciative.

Program News

Sharon King, Program Adviser; Emily Lillies, Deputy Program Adviser
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Around the World in 80 Days

Thanks to everyone who attended our special Geordie Theatre performance!

Here's what Pam Ireland, a Guider in Monklands District had to say about the day:

"A fabulous time was had by all at the Geordie Theatre Productions theatrical adaptation of Jules Verne's Around the World in 80 Days. Some 216 girls, 46 leaders and other family members turned out for the special Saturday-afternoon Guiding presentation of the play. They were a happy, engaged audience, and the antics of the three actors as they each performed a number of roles had everyone in stitches. To our surprise and delight, after the show we found out that one of the actors is the father of a Monklands District Guide. We learned lessons in dealing creatively with challenges and overcoming adversity. The quick costume and set changes, witty dialogue and endearing characters kept things fast paced and exciting. There was even an elephant! The girls had lots of astute questions for the actors at the end of the show, too. We're all eagerly anticipating next year's Geordie Productions performance."



Coming Up...

May 7-13 – [National Mental Health Week](#)

June 27 – [Canadian Multiculturalism Day](#)

Québec Guiding Clothes

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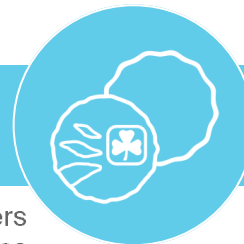
Polo available in ladies S to XXL or unisex S-3XL – \$30

Hoodie available in ladies S to 3XL or unisex S-3XL – \$50

To place an order, please contact the office for an individualized order form.

Cookie News

Bethan Wardrop and Marissa Schembre, Cookie Co-Advisers
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Upcoming Dates for Fall Cookies

June 1 deadline

Please check with your cookie receivers and provide us with any changes to the delivery points in your District. Changes to delivery addresses for Fall 2018 cookie receivers must be submitted to cookies@guidesquebec.ca by June 1. (Use the CK.1 to update any addresses)



June 10 deadline

Each district is asked to submit their cookie order to cookies@guidesquebec.ca by June 10th using the CK.1 form emailed to you. Unit Guiders, please let your DCs know how many cases you will need for the Mint 2018 campaign before then!

Guider Getaway Event

Sara Ogilvie, Event Lead | guidergetaway@guidesquebec.ca



LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER!

Register [here](#) by June 1!

**Guider Getaway – Cheftaines en Cavale
August 17-19**

Most of us have enjoyed Wa-Thik-Ane with girls, but this Getaway weekend gives you the chance to enjoy it on your own.



Take part in the scheduled activities or sit back and relax.

\$65 for 2 nights

\$45 for 1 night

\$30 Saturday (day) only

Registration includes lodging, food, activities and a crest.

All adult members and non-member volunteers are invited to attend.





Meet Youth Council Member: Trista Coull

Why did I want to join the Québec Youth Council?

I decided to apply to join the Youth Council because I wanted to become more involved in Guiding outside of my district. I am currently a young leader and I was looking for ways to get involved and ways to help girls in my unit become involved province wide as well. I knew that it would be the perfect opportunity for me to meet girls my age who are just as passionate about Guiding as I am.

What am I passionate about?

I am passionate about the environment and social issues. I am currently in North South Studies which is a program that focuses on these issues as well as non-profit work. I try my best to have my lifestyle reflect my values, such as actively trying to be zero-waste. I try to be active in my school's community by organizing fundraisers and attending demonstrations for causes I believe in such as equality and justice.

For me, being environmentally friendly started off as an interest and has now fully developed into a passion. I can definitely say Guiding was what got me started, with shoreline cleanups and bottle drives. There are many ways I try to be environmentally conscious in my everyday life. For example, I always have my reusable water bottle on hand, I make sure to compost as much as possible, pick up garbage when I see it and I will buy most things second hand if I can. One of the newest concepts I have tried adding into my habits is slowly removing plastic from my life. It can be tough at times, but I strongly believe and make sure to remind myself every day that every small action I make contributes to one big solution.



Reminders

- Get excited because applications for the Next Generation Forum will be available shortly! We need your skills, expertise, and voice!
- See [page 6](#) and register for the Girls' Open Forum at the National AGM. Have your voice heard and have an impact!



PR Subsidy



As the Guiding year is winding down, summer festivities are on their way. If you are planning on having a booth at a street fair, family fun day or other great festivities, remember that there is a [PR subsidy](#) to help you plan your event. Have a fun craft or game to attract the kids. While they are busy enjoying the activity, you can answer questions from parents. If you would like booth ideas or have questions about the PR subsidy, feel free to email pr.rp@guidesquebec.ca. You can also check out the [Kiosk-to-Go documents](#) for loads of tips and tricks!

Voilà Québec

Emily Lillies, Event Lead | voilaquebec@guidesquebec.ca



Voilà Québec!

August 3rd - 10th, 2019

In August 2019, Wa-Thik-Ane will be host to Girl Guides from across the country!

**Does our flavour of Québec include you?
It can!**

- Apply as a Patrol Guider
- Accompany groups for ratio on pre or post camp travel
- Have your unit or district to support some type of hospitality
- Share a skill or talent at camp for a week, a day, or a half-day
- Make welcome cards, wishes, or souvenir swaps for attendees from your unit
- Encourage eligible girls around you to apply

Voilà Québec! is a 7 night camp. Share your experience of Québec culture, language, and heritage in an intimate community camp with under 120 Guiding sisters.

Voilà Québec! is open to 3rd year Guides, Pathfinders, and Rangers (girls born in 2006 or earlier).

***Help us show the rest of the country
just what Québec has to offer!***

For more information, visit www.girlguides.ca/voilaquebec
Or contact us at voilaquebec@guidesquebec.ca



Safe Guide News

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Safe Guide Paperwork

This is a reminder that your Safe Guide paperwork for all Unit activities should be placed in an envelope, with the year 2017-2018 on it. The paperwork for each event (SG.1, SG.2, SG.3, SG.4 and any other documents) should be clipped together. They must be kept for the current year + 3 years. Check with your District Commissioner for your District's storage plan.

You may choose to use [this form](#) as a cover sheet.

All H.1 Health forms must be shredded at the end of the Guiding year.

2018-2019 Plans

You may be discussing some bigger plans with your girls, such as a trip, or longer camp. If you plan to fundraise, you must have your trip pre-approved. Safe Guide has planners for trips over 72 hours to help you get started and we have a number of experienced Guiders in Québec who can help you.



Awards

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At the end of the day, month, year, how will you thank your fellow guider? You could consider a card, gift, a few grateful words or better still an award. Show her how much she is appreciated. The awards sections on Member Zone has been updated. Take the time to click on [Awards](#). It's never too late!



Provincial Scholarship

The deadline for the Québec [provincial scholarship](#) application is coming up soon on **June 1**. If you'll be pursuing higher education next year, you've got nothing to lose (and potentially lots to gain) by applying!



Local Stories



Link's war cry at Archery Tag!

Riverdale Brownies completed their Bird Watching badge and made bird feeders to see what they could attract.



June Piccolo theme:
Recognition



Many districts and units, including St. Lazare, Pointe-Claire and Des Montérégiennes participated in clean-up events for Earth Day. #GoGreen