

BELARUSSIA N LINK NEWS



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The INTOPS selection evening took place in November and plans are now in hand for a group of about 20 (girls and adults) to go to Belarus from 27th July to 7th August 2019. They will take part in the camp, run by the **Association of Belarussian Guides** which will not only include Guides/Rangers but young children known to the girls. Their government will give a grant for every child attending, once they have approved of the Programme. It looks very serious but is always interpreted differently once at the site and a lot of fun is had by everyone (both girls and adults) using very limited resources and whatever nature is around. The group will take out craft items and games ideas to share – so there will be fund-raisers going on organised by the group towards their costs. **ONLY 9 MONTHS TO GO!!!!** The camp is planned to take place in the same location as last year, by a lake (plenty of mosquitos!!) and hopefully the group will be housed in cabins. They will spend a few days after camp being hosted and taken out to see more of Belarus.



THE BELARUSSIAN CHALLENGE is still available on the website, which gives ideas for a Belarussian evening, from which I can help with many of the ideas.



For those who have met and know Ludmilla, known as Lusya, (she led the Belarussian group in 1999). She is the oldest member of the Association and celebrated her 60th birthday in November. There is no Trefoil Guild in Belarus – **YET!!!!**



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR THEIR SUPPORT, MESSAGES and CRAFT ITEMS, WHICH ARE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED BY THE BELARUSSIAN BIRDS, GUIDES AND RANGERS. Parcels will be going out soon.

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