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AN OFFICIAL TREASURE BAG OF GUIDERS' INFORMATION FOR

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HEADQUARTERS VICTORIA . . . STATE GOVERNMENT HOUSE, MALVERN
OFFICE AND SHOP 37 SPRING STREET, MELBOURNE

EDITORIAL.

Dear Fellow-Guiders,—

For a long time we have felt at Headquarters that we badly need some little leaflet to take the place of the "circulars" and notices we had to send out from time to time, and for that reason "Matilda" has started on her "Wallaby Track." "Matilda" is to be, as you will see by the cover, "A Treasure Bag of Guide Information for Victoria," and it is with that aim that the leaflet has been started—not to rival or take the place of the "Guide Gazette," the official organ of the Girl Guide Association, and a paper which every guider should take, but to just bind together every quarter all the circulars which were so necessary before to let every guider know what was going on, and what was coming in the near future.

We are keeping the cost especially low, and only editing "Matilda" every quarter, so that it will in no way hinder us all from taking "The Gazette."

The next thing you will all be wondering is why "Matilda"? Well, after thinking of several names, we have decided that "Matilda" rather fits, because it is "a treasure bag" of information. I think that the following explanation that was given to Miss Robinson and myself when we first came to Victoria is rather a good one, and it was in the back of our minds when we chose "Matilda":—When a bush worker is on the tramp he is "on the wallaby track," and his swag, or bundle containing his belongings, is called "Matilda."

This first number I am sending to all the Commissioners and Captains we have the names and addresses of at Headquarters, and I hope you will, if you think "Matilda" worth while, pass it on—and back us up. The next number will be dated September, and may be had on application to the Girl Guide Office, 37 Spring St., Melbourne, and spare copies of this number, too.

Please send your subscription and name and address if you wish to have the next number. Year's subscription (beginning from the date the order is sent in), 9d., post extra. No circulars of guide

information will be sent out from Headquarters in future (except in exceptional cases); all information will be found in "Matilda."

I do hope, if all my fellow-guiders feel that this little paper is worth while, and it is quite a new venture we are making in the hope of helping you all, you will "back up" and help us pay our way—not with a profit, but with "guide news and information."

With guide greetings to you all,

Yours sincerely,

JOAN W. HOGARTH.

Hon. State Sec., Vic.

THE THRILL OF GUIDING.

We guiders are sometimes worried about keeping up the interest and thrill of Guiding in our companies. We explain about it all to the keen, excited group of recruits, and then we settle down to work solidly and seriously for the Tenderfoot Test, and feel disappointed when the interest seems to disappear and several of the children change their minds and decide they don't want to be guides. What is wrong? Well, I think it is that we make the test work too solid and stuffy. Guiding is not merely working for tests and gaining badges.

So from the very beginning use the methods our founder recommends so wisely—let them play games and go out on great adventures and quests; satisfy their desire for excitement and thrills. Show them the tracking signs; then let them lay a trail and be attacked by the enemy; their friends, following, find them; render first aid, capture the hostile band; send back a party for more help, and while it is coming they make tea to refresh the wounded. They then return to their club-room with the wounded and prisoners.

This is only a specimen game, of course—your own imagination, originality and initiative will invent many more, and the children will help you. But you say:

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How can recruits render first aid and light a fire—that comes into the 2nd class test, and they have not yet passed the Tenderfoot? That does not matter at all. They won't, probably, do either the bandaging or fire, as required for the test; but if you let them afterwards criticise their own work, and the whole thing generally, and then add your criticism to it, you will find, I think, that the afternoon has by no means been wasted by playing merely an exciting game, and they will not be likely to forget the signs for the Tenderfoot Test.

Then let them meet other Guides as soon as possible, to help them to realise what a big family we Guides are. It is a tremendous thrill to the little recruit to see a Guide in uniform using the salute and shaking hands with the left hand of friendship, and able to tie knots behind her back and blindfolded, and any old way. The child learns so much more from seeing and doing things herself than merely being told about them. And all the time you are working up to the greatest thrill of all—the day of enrolment. Are you going to fail the little soul who, even in this first four or five weeks of Guiding, has gained that deeper self-respect and sense of being needed in the world, who has been fired just with the spirit of the Guides to do her good turn each day, and to be kind and gentle and courteous and straightforward? Are you going to fail her by making the Enrolment Ceremony weak and slack? The enrolment is, perhaps, the most serious moment of a Guide's life; the child as well as the grown-up girl—the Ranger—feels the importance of it. Then make it serious—make it important. Prepare for it beforehand. Let them talk to you about the Promise and the Guide Law—and tell them stories to help them to understand the meaning of it all, and the games you play will all help them to understand. Then teach them the horse-shoe drill, and make them do it smartly—to stand up straight and march in a business-like way. Teach them about the flag, and how all colours should be treated with respect and ceremony, so that they really get the sense of loyalty.

Then, when the day of days comes and they put on the uniform for the first time, they will experience another thrill. When they march into the horse-shoe formation with the colours leading (if not, the Union Jack can be arranged at the top of the room beforehand); when each one stands at the half-salute and makes her promise; when the Commissioner (or Guider) shakes hands with her by the left hand and welcomes her into our great family of Guides; when the badge is pinned on, and she salutes the colours and then her company. She is experiencing a series of thrills that she will remember all her life—and her very best self is on top.

Guiding is a game—a thrilling game. Then make it and keep it a thrill.

Good luck to you all,

E. K. ROBINSON.

THE POST BOX.

My Dear Guides,—

About those companies of Girl Guides in England, Ireland, Scotland, France, Belgium, Russia, Switzerland, Italy, Spain, America, India, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and all other countries.

They share the same interests, aims, and work as yourselves. Wouldn't it be rather jolly to keep in touch with these fellow-Guides by an exchange of cheery, interesting letters, "To weld the many links," as it were, into one great, strong chain?

We should be bound to learn all sorts of instructive things from one another, besides giving a great deal of pleasure.

Now, I should be only too delighted to forward your letters to any part of the world, if you will address them—

C/o The Post Box,

Girl Guides' Office,

37 Spring St., Melbourne, Vic.,
Australia.

Enclose your letter for overseas in a short one to me, in which I want you to mention to which company you belong, and what age you are. This will enable me to see that your correspondence goes to a congenial Guide of your own age.

Should any Guides, arriving in Victoria from other countries, wish to join up with a company here, I can soon put them in touch with Guiders if they communicate with me.

Then, again, if Guides leaving Victoria for another State or country would like to join up over there, it would be a very simple thing for me to bring the matter under the notice of those most able to assist them realize their wish.

I'm so hoping this little appeal of mine will be answered by a big harvest of letters for overseas. Please don't disappoint me.

With kindest greetings,

Yours sincerely,

MARIE de BAVEY.

Overseas Member of Headquarters,
Executive Council,
Victoria, Australia, 7/7/23.

BROWNIE PAGE.

[With the idea of helping those Brown Owls and Tawney Owls, who find running a pack rather more difficult than they at first thought, we hope, to give in "Matilda," from time to time, some helps and tips on "Running a Pack," and a few specimen programmes.—Editor.]

THE PACK TOTEM.

Now, no real pack feels itself quite complete without its totem; but then the Brown Owl thinks, how do you make one?—and, anyhow, we have no funds. Well, packs can buy these totems from Headquarters here, but, of course, any pack with a little time and ingenuity and less money can make their own—and that is the far better way. Somehow, it has to take on the shape of a toadstool. Well, an umbrella or sunshade—quite an old one, and one that would have been thrown away otherwise—can probably be bought for a few pence, or, better still, acquired from some Brownie's mother. Then, either paint it to suit you—a rather messy and not quite as good a job as covering with some cheap cotton material,

or even brown paper. The totem need not necessarily be brown, for toadstools have the most wonderful bright colourings, and a red one with white markings is probably much prettier and more exciting in the small person's eyes. Perhaps you don't quite like the idea of the umbrella. Well, a round-bottomed dish—a tin painted—does just as well, and, I think, lasts much longer. Then you need something for the stalk; an old rolling-pin, or something equivalent, does very well, and a flat piece from a kerosene-box for the stand. Now decorate your toadstool with Brownie emblems, etc., and put an owl of stuffed material, or wood, etc., on the top—and your pack has a totem!

By "A Brown Owl."

CEREMONY FOR A BROWNIE TAKING WINGS.

Pack stands in dance circle, Brown Owl by totem, the Brownie in front of her.

Brown Owl: "The time has come for you to take wings and fly up to the Company. You have learned many things in the Pack. Are you ready to learn more?"

Brownie: "I am quite ready."

Brown Owl: "Then may the goodwill of the Pack go with you."

(Pack gives Brownie the grand salute, and Brownie returns it.)

Brownie: "I will never forget that I have been a Brownie."

Brown Owl (pinning on wings): "Fly and prosper."

The Brownie can then either shake hands with the whole Pack or with her own six and the Brown Owl. She then steps outside the ring, faces about, and salutes the Pack, the Brownies saluting her in return. The ceremony ends here unless the Company is present, and then it may be continued, thus:—

The Pack is formed in a ring at one end of the room, and the Company at the other, in a horseshoe. At the conclusion of the other ceremony the Brownie runs straight from the Pack to the Company, and is stopped at the

horseshoe by her future Patrol-leader, whose position must be arranged to be nearest the Pack.

Leader: "Who goes there?"

Brownie: A Brownie from the Pack."

(Name of the Pack may here be put in.)

Leader: "By what right do you come?"

Brownie: "By the right of my wings."

(The Patrol-leader then takes the Brownie by the hand and leads her up to the Captain, who shakes her by the hand—with her left hand, of course.)

Captain:. "There is always room for a Brownie."

(The Brownie then takes her place in the Patrol.)

For a Brownie Who is not 1st Class.

Pack stands in dance circle, Brownie Owl as before, and Brownie in front of her.

Brownie Owl: "You have not yet learned all the things a Brownie should know; but the time has come for you to go up to the Company. Are you ready?"

Brownie: "I am quite ready."

(The Brownies sing "We're the Brownies—here's our aims . . .")

Brownie: "I will never forget that I have been a Brownie."

(The Brown Owl leads the Pack up to the Company, and they make their Pow-Wow ring inside the horseshoe. Captain then tells a story.)

A FEW REMINDERS.

No Guide or Guider shall wear any one part of her uniform without the rest.

No Guider may take her Guides to camp without having passed the Campers' License; permission must also be obtained from Headquarters, Melbourne.

No Big Parade or Field Day with other Companies may be held in any district without first obtaining the District Commissioner's permission, and for several districts the Divisional Commissioner's permission.

That Proficiency Badge Examiners' names and qualifications should be sent

to Mrs. Behan, Warden's Lodge, Melbourne University, Parkville. May we remind you that it is much more advisable to send qualifications before asking the examiner to avoid misunderstanding? Guides are **not** examined in Melbourne unless they are in the Division of Melbourne and Suburbs.

Guides and Guiders from other districts may be examined, if in the city, by obtaining permission from Miss Barfus, the Divisional Examining Secretary for Melbourne and Suburbs. Written permission must be obtained from the Guide's own District Commissioner to do this (if she has one).

Postage should always be included in all orders to the Headquarters Office, and a stamped envelope should be included when an answer is required.

Guiding's a game, and don't get too serious about it!



THE ORGANISATION IN THE STATE OF VICTORIA.

For the sake of any who are a little vague about the general organisation of the State, we are printing a short outline of the way the movement is run in Victoria.

The State Commissioner, the Countess of Stradbroke, is appointed by the Chief Commissioner, Lady Baden-Powell, and wears the same uniform as a County Commissioner in England; in fact, wherever "County" is used in the book of rules, substitute "State."

The Chief State Commissioner has an Executive Council, the members of which are:—

The State Commissioner—The Countess of Stradbroke.

Examination - Mrs. Behan

The State Secretary—Miss Hogarth.

The Treasurer—Mr. Colin Templeton.

Member for Equipment—Lady Chauvel.

Member for Training—Miss Hamilton,
Miss Herring.

Member for Literature—Mrs. Lyon.

Member for Welfare—Mrs. N. Brookes.

Member for Overseas—Mrs. N. Bayles.
(Mrs. Bayles being away, Mlle. de Bavey has the Post Box.)

Members for Lone Guides—Mrs. Walker.
(Mrs. Walker being away, Mrs. N. Brookes is acting for her.)

Kindred Societies—Mrs. Lees.

The State of Victoria is then divided into nine Guide Divisions, i.e.: Melbourne and Suburbs; North Eastern; North Central; Northern; Gippsland; Wimmera; Western; Central; Mallee.

At present there are no Divisional Commissioners, but later each of the above Divisions will have its own Commissioner.

The Divisions are then divided into Districts with a District Commissioner, who has a Local Association of Ladies and Gentlemen of the District (see Rule 10, page 10, Book of Rules).

There are at present District Commissioners in the following places:—

Ballarat, Dr. F. Cooper; Bendigo, Mrs. Guidice; Geelong (acting), Miss Morris; Hamilton and Coleraine, Mrs. Winter-Cooke; Hawthorn, Lady Best; Heidelberg, Mrs. Brady; Kerang and district, Mrs. Rundle; Lilydale, Mrs. Syme; Mildura and district (acting), Miss McWilliams; Nerrin and Streatham, Mrs. Calvert; Swan Hill (acting), Mrs. Chapman; Skipton and Beaufort, Mrs. P. Russell; St. Arnaud, Mrs. McLean; Tallangatta (acting), Mrs. Butt.

Resigned:—St. Kilda, Mrs. Cummings (owing to illness); Macedon, Mrs. Syme (owing to the length of time she is away from Macedon).

Registered Local Associations.

St. Arnaud and district; Tallangatta; Skipton and Beaufort; Hamilton and Coleraine.

NEWS OF COMPANIES.

[Most of this news was received from the Companies in their yearly Report; news for the next "Matilda" will be very welcome, and should be interesting, but not too long.—Editor.]

1st Heidelberg.—Captain, Mrs. Brady. Gave an "Operetta" last year and shared the proceeds with church. They also contributed to the Missionary work.

1st and 2nd Malvern.—Captains, Miss Barfus and Miss Sinclair. Are working steadily.

1st Surrey Hills.—Captain, Miss Steele. Have just made a start and the girls are enrolled.

1st Tahara.—Captain, Miss Redhead. Are just starting; one recruit earned 2/- for Company Funds by cleaning windows and the Captain has been making uniforms at a small cost towards the Company Funds.

1st Skipton.—Captain, Miss Russell; Acting Captain, Miss Oddie. On February 9th an entertainment was held in aid of Company Funds; the sum of £29/11/- was raised.

1st Yea.—Captain, Mrs. Bullough. Gave an impromptu concert, and they are at present working for a big concert in September.

1st Kerang.—Captain, Miss Hawthorne. Have only been going since 22nd March, but already got ten recruits ready for enrolment.

1st Carlton.—Captain, Miss Wilson. Have thirty-three girls on the roll, and have made steady progress since they commenced on March 16.

2nd Ballarat.—Captain, Miss Ling. Have been raising Company Funds by giving penny concerts at school.

1st Woodend.—Captain, Miss Anderson. The Company have been gathering bark for a poor woman, and filling her woodshed, and Patrol leaders are taking it in turn to assist in the work of Children's Mission, and at present they are working hard for a display for Company Funds.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Geelong.—Captains, Mrs. Green, Miss Peters, and Miss Woodhouse. The members of the three Com-

panies among themselves earned the sum of £9/6/3 during the recent holidays. Two Guides chopped down trees and sold the wood.

3rd Malvern.—Captain, Miss White. The guides have managed stalls at two church bazaars and delivered letters for the Vicar. They have provided items at a concert. Some are attending Ambulance Classes.

1st Bendigo.—Captain, Miss Bush. Have been cutting Patterns for the Baby Health Centre as a good turn.

1st Neerim.—Captain, Mrs. Holland. On May 28 the Company held a Novelty Night, which was a great success, and made a profit of £3/10/-. They are also keeping Guide Gardens for an Exhibition in summer.

1st Fitzroy.—Captain, Miss Mills. Are working steadily for their Tenderfoot.

Parkville.—Captain, Miss Wakefield. The Guiders are working hard. Mr. Cole gave a concert to raise funds for the Company. It is hoped that we will be able to give more news of Companies in the next issue.

3rd Melbourne.—Captain, Mrs. Jerram. Last year the Company raised £23/10/- for Mission work. The candidates for the entertainer's badge gave a very delightful little concert in their Club Room.

MERRY THOUGHTS

or, "Where Ignorance is Bliss . . ."

1. Question: What is the meaning of the whistle-signal, "short-long?" Answer: Manuel Arm Posts!!!

2. Knots. "A clove itch is for tying a rope to a pole."

3. Enthusiastic Recruit: "Captain, when can we do out Tanglefoots?"

4. Mother (interested, but uninitiated): "Oh, yes, of course, you want to have the flagsticks tapered so as to be able to stick them in the ground!"

5. Friend (to whom Guider has confided what an ordeal the "yarn" is to her): "Well, did you have your Bow-Wow?"

6. 2nd Class "Ambulance:" What would you do to remove grit from the

eye?" First Recruit: "Wash it in boiling water." Second Recruit: "No, you don't; you apply a match to it!!!"

7. What would you do if a Boy Scout saluted you? Recruit, hopefully: "Take no notice of him!"



COMING EVENTS' NOTICES.

Central Training Classes.

Training classes for Guiders and prospective guiders are being held (by kind permission) in the Y.W.C.A., 60 Russell Street, City, on Monday and Friday evenings at 8 p.m. (prompt), and Tuesday morning at 10.30 a.m. Fee 3d.

N.B.—Monday evening is now full, but there is still room Friday and Tuesday; anyone unable to come to either of these classes should ask the trainer at the Monday night class if there is a vacancy, and explain her exceptional case; or write to Girl Guide Headquarters. Trainers:—Miss Barfus, Miss Davies, Miss Evans, Miss Sinclair, Miss Swinburn (Tuesday morning).

A Conference.

A conference for members of the Headquarters' Executive Council and Commissioners will be held from Tuesday, August 28, to Saturday, September 1, 1923, at Government Cottage, Macedon Upper, by kind permission of the Countess of Stradbroke, Chief State Commissioner of Victoria.

Miss Prior, Chief's Diploma, and Miss Robinson, Red Cord Diploma, from Imperial Headquarters, will conduct the conference.

Applications should be sent in before August 1 to the Hon. State Secretary, Miss J. W. Hogarth, Girl Guide Office,

37 Spring Street, Melbourne, stating time of arrival at Macedon, so that conveyance may meet the train.

N.B.—Fuller notices will be forwarded to each Commissioner and member of the Executive.

GUIDERS' TRAINING WEEK.

A Training Week for guiders and prospective guiders will be held from Monday, 3rd September, to Monday, 10th September, 1923, at Government Cottage, Macedon Upper, by kind permission of the Countess of Stradbroke.

Fee, 30/-; part time, 5/- per day.

Applications should be sent in before August 8th, with a deposit of 5/-, which will be returned if the name is withdrawn before August 18th, to the Hon. State Secretary, Miss J. W. Hogarth, Girl Guide Office, 37 Spring St., Melbourne.

Any spaces will be filled up (in rotation) from the waiting list. As the space is naturally limited, guiders who have not already had any training will be given preference, providing their names are received early. The candidates for the Blue Cord Diploma will take their test this week.

Commandant—Miss Prior, Chief's Diploma.

Assistant Commandant—Miss Robinson, Imperial Headquarters, Red Cord Diploma.

The work of the house (except the cooking) will be done by the guiders, working in patrols.

The train leaving Melbourne at 12.45 p.m. and arriving at Macedon at 2.44 p.m. will be met. Guiders in uniform, travelling in a party of not less than 8, will receive the reduced rates to guiders—two-thirds single fare. Please say when sending in application if you can travel by this train, and whether in uniform, and which class you wish to travel by.

Guiders will wear uniform during the week, and will need to bring:—

Navy Uniform (to include jumper or overall for working in)
Change of Clothing
Towels

Soap

Strong Boots or Shoes

Gym. Shoes (country dancing and games)

Mackintosh or Greatcoat

Boot and Badge-cleaning Outfit.

Rope and Cord (for knots, etc.)

Signalling Flag

Note Book and Pencil.

CAMPCRAFT.

A week for Campcraft will be held from Wednesday, September 12, to Wednesday, September 19, at Macedon Upper. Weather permitting, the week will be held under canvas, otherwise, in Government Cottage.

Fee: 30/-.

Applications should be sent in before August 8, to Girl Guide Office, 37 Spring St., Melbourne, enclosing a deposit of 5/-, which will be returned if the name is withdrawn before August 18. All applications will be taken in rotation. Uniform will be worn all the week.

Guiders will need the following:—

Camp Bed

Change of Clothing (complete)

Mackintosh or Coat

Jersey (navy blue if possible)

Camp Uniform, Frock (obtainable from Guide Office)

Overall or Apron (navy blue)

2 Towels, Sponge, Soap, Toothbrush, etc.

3 Blankets (at least)

Extra Pair of Shoes or Boots (strong, black, dull shoes)

2 Plates, 2 Knives, 2 Forks, 2 Spoons and a Mug

Ball of String

Piece of Rope

Clothes Brush

Looking-glass (small, if needed)

Shoe and Badge cleaning material

Note Book (not too small)

Pyjamas

Axe

Lantern and Candle

Pencil and Foot Rule

Brush and Comb in Bag

1 Tea Towel and 1 Dish Cloth.

COOKERY LESSONS.

Miss Keiller, of the Domestic Art School, Bell Street, Fitzroy, has very kindly offered to take classes of not less than twelve guiders (to help them with the proficiency badge) at 2/6 for 10 lessons. Guiders wishing to take advantage of this very kind offer should send their names at once to The Girl Guide Office, and get as many friends to join them as possible. When 12 names are received the class will be arranged with Miss Keiller.

DOMESTIC SERVICE.

Miss Dunn, of the Domestic Arts Hostel, Parkville, will be very pleased for any guiders or guides (in charge of either a P.L. or guiders) to go to the hostel on Thursday and Saturday mornings, where they could watch the students with a view to helping them with their Domestic Service Badge. No further reference will be needed to Headquarters. Guides should, of course, wear the Tenderfoot Brooch.

PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Mr. Hey, of Petersen, Bjelke, Physical Culture School, Little Collins Street, has very kindly offered to help a few guiders with a view to helping them to train their guides in correct physical culture. This seems a specially necessary course, as so many who entered for the Athletes' Badge in the Melbourne and suburbs Proficiency Badge Examinations failed, owing to "bad style." Anyone wishing to take advantage of Mr. Hey's offer should write to the Girl Guide Office.

NOTICES.

Reduced Railway Rates.

The concessions allowed are:—

1. **On Suburban Lines** (provided not less than eight travel together): Half-fare to Guides under 16 years of age.

2. **Country Lines** (provided not less than eight travel together): Under 16 years of age, single tickets at one-third single fare; 16 years of age and over, single tickets at two-thirds single fare.

One Guider accompanying each party, single tickets at two-thirds single fare.

THE DIVISION OF MELBOURNE AND SUBURBS.

August Proficiency Badge Tests.

Owing to the University Vacation beginning on August 8, it is found necessary to hold the next tests during the **first week of August**, i.e., from **Monday, July 30, to Saturday, August 4, inclusive**.

All entries should be sent in by Company Captains **not later than July 9** to Examination Secretary, Miss Barfus, Toorak College, Glenferrie Road, Malvern 16.

No Guide may enter for more than three (3) Badges at a time, as it is impossible to time-table for more.

N.B.—When Guides enter for Badges whose requirements offer a **choice of several tests** (as in Athlete, Handywoman, etc.) it is imperative that the Guide's choice be indicated at time of entering.

Guiders can simplify the sorting of entries by giving in tabular form—

Candidate's Name and Company

Badges entered for (with choice, if any)

Times it is absolutely **impossible** to attend for tests.

Every effort is made to avoid late hours, but Guiders might explain to parents that, as evening examinations can hardly begin before 7 p.m., it is not extravagant for them to end at 9 or 9.30 p.m.

The accompanying summary of examiners' reports should be a help to intending candidates this time.

It would relieve headquarters' postage account if Guiders sending entries would enclose postage for reply in all correspondence in this connection.

Summary of Reports of Examiners, Proficiency Badge Examinations, April, 1923.

Athlete.—Balancing showed lack of practice, and in jumping there was no proficiency in taking off and landing. Examiner considers it essential that candidates should be better trained before entering for this badge; also, jumping is harmful to girls if not done in proper way.

Astronomer.—Examiner expects very accurate and detailed information; it is not enough to know the constellations.

Ambulance.—Candidate's work was very good on the whole; but the guides in many cases gave much correct information, failing, however, to mention the one or two salient points in the treatment which needed to be applied at once.

Cook.—Standard on the whole not at all good; obvious need for training.

Clerk.—Transcript of shorthand notes should be done at rate of 12-15 words per minute; the "30 words per minute" required in G.G. Regulations is an impossibility. "Dissect 100 invoices in an hour" is to be taken merely as a guide, but examiners must use discretion as to number done, which depends a good deal on the kind of invoice.

Domestic Service.—Practical work not up to the standard; candidates did not use powers of observation, or give enough care to details. Table-setting very weak. Beds well made, but none dusted! Windows cleaned without woodwork being even dusted! Theory fair; candidates need not keep entirely to badge book, as their own ideas will be considered.

Horsewoman.—Not enough general knowledge shown.

Laundress.—Practical work good; theory more varied.

Musician.—Intonation in song and sight-reading requires to be worked up by candidates; both very important branches of the work.

Signalling.—Candidates need much practice, both in reading and sending to work up both speed and accuracy. The standard for this badge is high, but the work exceedingly interesting.

Landworker.—Certificates from independent persons may be furnished, proving the guide's practical experience; and an oral examination is held in addition.

Sportswoman.—Captains of guides wishing to enter for this badge should give the names and details of branches chosen for test to Exam. Sec. as soon as possible. Arrangements will then be made from time to time for judges competent in the various branches to be present at parades and matches to pass the various activities. The Tracking Observation game, Flag Reading, etc., will present a difficulty, but, no doubt, it will be possible to arrange for Captains to test each other's guides in this, on behalf of Headquarters.

Proficiency Badge Examinations held in April, 1923 (week, 23rd to 28th inc.).

Badge	No. of Entries	No. of Passes	No. of Failures
Authoress	4	3	1
Artist	1	1	—
Athlete	13	—	13
Astronomer	5	—	5
Ambulance	10	5	5
Child Nurse	11	6	5
Carpenter	1	—	1
Cook	9	5	4
Cyclist	1	1	—
Clerk	5	5	—
Domestic Service	7	5	2
Embroiderer	1	1	—
Gardener	1	1	—
Health	7	7	—
Handywoman	1	1	—
Home Maker	2	2	—
Horsewoman	1	—	1
Knitter	4	4	—
Landworker	1	1	—
Laundress	9	8	1
Musician	3	—	3
Needlewoman	7	7	—
Photographer	1	1	—
Signaller	3	—	3
Sick Nurse	2	2	—
Total	110	66	44

F. V. BARFUS, Exam. Sec.,

For Melbourne and Suburbs.

May 18, 1923.

PRICE LIST, HEADQUARTERS, VICTORIA.

Books and Music.

Be Prepared (Official Guide Song)	1/6
Brownie Handbook	9d.
Brownies of the Wide, Wide World Song	2/6
Brownie Song Book	3/-
Country Dances (bound volume)	9/-
containing:—1. Brighton Camp; 2. The Butterfly; 3. Sweet Kate; 4. The Black Nag; 5. The New Bo-Peep; 6. Rufty Tufty; 7. God- desses; 8. Gathering Peascods; 9. If All the World Were Paper; 10. Halfe-Hannikin; 11. Mage on a Cree; 12. The Helston Furry Pro- cessional Dance	
Country Dance Music (separate pieces):—Gathering Peascods; Three Meet, or The Pleasures of the Town; Nonesuch, or a la Mode de Paris; The Merry Con- ceit; Goddesses; The Black Nag; Sellenger's Round (each)	8d.
Drill Books	1/6
Flower Legends	3/-
Games (Team), by Trotter	1/6
„ by Davidson	1/6
„ by Behrens	1/6
Girl Guide Badges and How to Win Them	5/-
Girl Guide Song Book	3/-
Girl Guiding	3/-
Knot Book	1/6
Oxford Conference	1/3
Patrol Roll Book (pocket size) . .	4d.
Patrol System	9d.
Post Card of Chief Guide	4d.
Proficiency Badge Certificate Book (to Commissioners only)	6d.
Rules, Policy, & Organisation, 1923	1/3
„ „ (last year) 1922	6d.
Seventh Annual Report, 1921	1/3
Steps to Girl Guiding	9d.
Taps (sheet)	1½d.
The Girl Guide Gazette for the year (post free)	7/-
The Girl Guide Movement, by Lady Baden-Powell	4d.
“The Guide” (a magazine for Guides) 2½d. per copy; post free, year . .	15/2

Tails + camp Beds on application
 Tracking 2/3
 Training Girls as Guides 1/6
 Union Jack Saints 2/-
 “Matilda” (every quarter) 9d.
Parent's Council forms - 10/3 4
Knives and - 2yds 3

Guider's Equipment.

Belts—sizes 28, 30, 32, and 34 . .	4/-
„ cheaper quality	2/-
Cockades—Brown Owl	2/3
„ Captain	2/3
„ District Captain	2/3
„ District Commissioner	2/3
„ Div. Commissioner— (price on application)	

Overalls—

Sizes	Neck	Sleeve	Length	
1.	13 in.	16½ in.	36 in.	14/-
2.	13½ in.	17 in.	39 in.	14/3
3.	14 in.	18 in.	42 in.	14/6
4.	14½ in.	19 in.	45 in.	14/9
5.	15 in.	20 in.	49 in.	15/-
6.	15 in.	21 in.	52 in.	15/3

Duck Tunic and Skirt to order
(prices on application)

Gloves (all sizes)	11/6
Hats (please give head measure- ments)	15/-
Haversack (navy blue) to order . .	3/6
Knives (small, with marline spike)	3/6
Lanyards	9d.
Navy Great Coats (to order, prices on application)	
Serge Tunic and Skirt (tailored to order), from	£5/15/-
Shoulder Knots (white)	2½d.
Ties—Brown, blue (navy), emer- ald, saxe	2/6
Whistles (nickel)	1/3
Munition Cloth, 30 in. wide	1/4

Guide Uniform.

Belts—sizes 28, 30, 32, and 34 . .	4/-
„ Cheaper quality, with pouch	2/9
„ without „	2/-
Chin Straps	6d.
Hats—Felt (please give head mea- surements)	8/6
Hats—Linen	5/-
Knives (small, with marline spike)	3/6
Lanyards	9d.

- Navy Greatcoats (to order) ; prices on application
Overalls—Good quality navy munition cloth:—

Sizes	Neck	Sleeve	Length	
1.	13 in.	16½ in.	36 in.	.. 14/-
2.	13½ in.	17 in.	39 in.	.. 14/3
3.	14 in.	18 in.	42 in.	.. 14/6
4.	14½ in.	19 in.	45 in.	.. 14/9
5.	15 in.	20 in.	49 in.	.. 15/-
6.	15 in.	21 in.	52 in.	.. 15/3
Shoulder	ts, any patrol ..			2½d.
Ties—P	triangular; Brown			
triang.	Company col-			
ours s	mstitched, 1/-			
extra)	..			1/-
Whistle) ..			1/3
Munition	(30 in. wide) ..			1/4
Patrol Em	s, transferred, ready			
for embroidery	..			4d.
Material (large enough to make one emblem)	..			2d.
Transfers (any patrol)	..			1½d.

Brownie's Uniform.

Belts ..	2/-
Hats (Rush) ..	2/-
Overalls, brown munition cloth, price on application.	
<u>Badges—</u>	
Committee Badges (silver) ..	4/-
First-class Badge ..	6d.
Hostess Badge (Patrol Badge) ..	6d.

Guide Tenderfoot Brooches, brass	6d.
„ First-class ..	1/-
„ Proficiency Badge (certificates must be shown) ..	4d.
Lone Guide Tenderfoot Brooch	1/-
Warrant Badge—Brown Owl ..	1/4
„ „ Captain ..	1/6
„ „ Lieutenant ..	1/-
„ „ Tawney Owl	1/4
Service Stars (please state whether Brownie Guide or Guider is required) ..	6d.
Brownie Emblems ..	10½d.
Brownie Recruit Brooch ..	6d.
„ Second-class ..	6d.
„ First-class Badge ..	6d.
„ Proficiency Badge ..	4d.
Cords—Divisional Commissioner	10/-
„ District Commissioner	6/9
Union Jacks, 6 ft. x 3 ft ..	22/6
Postage extra on all orders, unless given otherwise.	

Registrations.

Local Association ..	2/-
Guider ..	6d.
Company ..	2/-
Guide ..	6d.
Secretaries ..	1/-
Study Circles ..	5/-
Lone Guide Companies ..	1/-
Cadet Corps ..	2/-

