

COMMUNICATING

SEPTEMBER

9/88

ADVISER PROFILE

Margaret Taylor - Public Relations

As a guide in Sydney, I can remember having lots of fun and making many friends. To me, that's what guiding is still about - and coming back into the Movement as an adult, the story repeats itself.

Like so many leaders, I got back into guiding through my daughter - first as an L.A. member, then unit helper and since late 1979 as a brownie leader.

My background as a physical education teacher where one had to be able to communicate, organise, adapt to meet challenges and show initiative, has helped me in the various roles I have held as a leader and as a member of various committees. My recent appointment as Public Relations Adviser holds many more challenges for me, and I am looking forward to the next five years. My husband Geoff is very supportive of my guiding interests. We share an interest in camping, skiing and water activities. Our daughter, Jo, now 21, has almost completed her Phys. Ed. course. She spent one year in Switzerland as an exchange student, and next year will be studying in Canada. Andrew, a keen surfer, is studying photography.

As a family we are very involved with exchange programmes and have hosted several students from overseas. Currently, I am the Victorian Co-ordinator for the Adult Programs for AFS International Exchanges. I do find time to play competition tennis once a week.

Margaret Taylor

NEWS FROM RUSSELL STREET

FROM THE STATE COMMISSIONER

Thanks to you all for making the All Adult Seminar so successful. The bright displays, great sessions, friendly atmosphere and excellent preparation by the committee, all contributed to make the day truly "MAGIC".

I hope as you returned to your districts, you really felt in your heart that personal enthusiasm, commitment and re-vitalisation.

Best wishes to you all.

Maren I. Chandler



PEOPLE WHO WORK AT HEADQUARTERS

Karen Jenkins - Secretary to the Advisers and the Outdoor Activities Department.

NB: At the present time we are seeking a full-time junior stenographer, 16 to 19 yrs. Details in August Communicating.

Karen and her assistant provide a secretarial service to the Brownie; Guide; Ranger; International and Outdoor Activities Advisers.

Their duties include:

- typing of minutes of all advisers meetings
- letters and general correspondence
- Queens Guide registrations and completions
- preparation, printing and posting of forms, circulars, and newsletters.
- processing and recording of camping and boating qualifications.
- booking of Donvale, Shoreham and Britannia Park
- special event camps, eg. Porepunka, State Camps
- issuing of International Introduction Cards
- international transfers

Karen's office is also the home of Wattle Wombat - so, next time you're visiting Headquarters don't forget to come and say hello to her.



STATE THANKSGIVING SERVICE

FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR VICTORIAN GUIDING FAMILY

2.30PM, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23RD, 1988

THE SCOTS' CHURCH

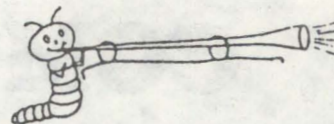
CNR. COLLINS & RUSSELL STREETS, MELBOURNE

FLAGS MAY BE CARRIED. BEARERS REPORT WITH THEIR FLAGS AT 2.00PM.

SUGGESTION: Participants picnic lunch in the Treasury Gardens at the top of Collins Street prior to the Service.

THIS IS A STATE CELEBRATION FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR ASSOCIATION - YOUNG AND OLD. PLEASE ADVERTISE THE DATE IN YOUR AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY.





JOB VACANCY - SHOP MANAGER

The Girl Guides Association of Victoria is looking for a Manager for their Guide Shop, situated at 20 Russell Street, Melbourne.

We are looking for a person with previous experience in the retail trade, and preferably with a knowledge of the Guide Movement. The successful applicant will have management and personal relationship skills. Responsibilities will include the selection and control of stock, and the organisation of staff in the counter and mail order departments.

Applications should reach the State Secretary by 20th September, 1988.



SPECIAL NOTICE!!!!!!

ANNUAL MEETING

This will be a special meeting this year, as we say farewell to Maren Chandler and welcome Dot Woolley, incoming State Commissioner.

You and your leaders, local association members, trefoil guild members, ranger guides, rangers and junior leaders, are cordially invited to attend the

1988 Annual Meeting of State Council

Monday, 3rd October
8.00 p.m.

Pharmacy College, Royal Pde, Parkville.

Please bring a car load or bus load from your district, division and region.

ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE JOINT GUIDE SCOUT SERVICE PROJECT

Backed by media coverage and Channel 9's "The Flying Doctor Poster", our project is well under way. We know you are aware of the significance of the R.F.D.S. and how important it is that we each play our part to ensure the success of this project.

Do remember that leaflets must be folded in three before distribution to letterboxes.

Collection Tins - a small number of these are available for use in shopping centres and may be obtainable by contacting Dorothy Hepburn on 379 4126 or R.F.D.S. Bill Wallis on 654 6681 as soon as possible.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Packing Day - October 24th & 25th

This will be held at Bible House, Flinders Lane, Melbourne from 9.00am - 4.00pm, to pack the Order of Service for the 1989 World Day of Prayer.

Volunteers are required. B.Y.O. lunch.

NEWS FROM THE P.R. DEPARTMENT

1989 Calendars are now ready for pick-up at Headquarters or the Geelong Shop. If you have forgotten your order please phone Fiona or post your order form to the P.R. Dept.

How many uses can you find for a polling booth. They are excellent display areas. Other ideas could be bulletin board for your hall, puppet theatre, cubby house or mini shop.

They are FREE from P.R. - phone to reserve one. First in, first served.

Tennis Day - Applications have been coming in well. We are now including a social players section as well.

"Helpers Bank"

The P.R. Department is often asked for helpers for various community events, including the following. We need older guides, ranger guides, rangers and junior leaders. To register your units name on our Helpers Bank list, please phone Fiona in the P.R. Department on 654 7911 between 9.30am and 3.45pm Monday to Friday or, Co-ordinator, Fay Reid (a.h.) 459 7421.

October

21st 22 Flag Carriers. 6.30pm-8.00pm at the Hilton Hotel. International Businesswomens Conference.

23rd Opening of Childrens Week - 11.00am-3.00pm. Werribee Park.

29th Open day at the Zoo. 11.00am-3.00pm.

30th Closing of Childrens Week at the National Gallery. 11.30am-4.30pm. Two shifts will operate.

We need older guides, ranger guides, rangers and junior leaders to help at these events. Please let the P.R. Department have your name, address a phone number and which event you wish to assist with.

December

3rd-11th BIKE RIDERS ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA.

Face painters are wanted to paint the faces of 2000-3000 riders on their route from Swan Hill to Melbourne. The riders will pass through North Central, Black Forest and Ballarat Regions.

GUIDE SHOP NEWS.

The Guide Handbook Part 1 is out of stock. The current book is being re-printed and should be available in September.

**OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**

At our recent Outdoor Activities Co-ordinators meeting it was found in that many regions had lists of leaders in Brownie and Guide sections needing staffing experience on camps and holidays. It was decided that the Outdoor Activities Department at HQ would keep a list of these regions. Any leader who needs staff or would like to offer staffing experience can contact Karen at HQ, who will then put them in touch with the co-ordinators concerned. Please make use of this service and help these leaders gain experience and eventually their camping certificates.

Greening Victoria

Excellent reports of successful plantings are being received all the time. Keep up the good work! If any unit or district, or part of a unit or district have been unable to participate in their large-scale region or district plantings, they may organize their own plantings in a local area or join another group or region at their plantings. For details of other region plantings contact that region's Outdoor Activities liaison (see earlier section on communicating for contact numbers).

Permission Forms -

Please please please see that permission forms are sent to the appropriate person for signing in plenty of time to be returned to you before the event. Do allow for the fact that the person signing the form may be away for a week, or have the flu or any number of things that may prevent her from signing it immediately. Forms that are sent to HQ may have to wait a week until the person concerned is in, so allow plenty of time.

Forms arriving a few days before the event just aren't good enough!

Adventure Unlimited**Advanced Hiker**

Who can apply? Members of both the Scout & Guide Associations - leaders and youth members. (min. age 15 yrs)

Experience: As the title promotes, Advanced Hiker is for people with some experience in bushwalking. It is expected that course participants would have completed at least a minimum of two overnight weekend walks.

Equipment: Participants will be required to supply the necessary equipment, clothing and lightweight food for the practical outdoor components of the course (Units 2 & 3).

Further information will be provided on receipt of application form together with payment.

Application forms are available from the Outdoor Activities Department, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne. Please include s.a.e. for return of form.

The Course is designed to provide an opportunity for people with some experience in bushwalking to learn new skills and receive practical instruction.

Content

Unit 1: Oct.11: Open Forum on Safety in the Bush
Unit 2: Oct.21-23: a chance to update "Bush Skills"
Unit 3: Nov.4-6: Hiking the High Plains

Further details available on application.

Adventure Camp for Brownies and Guides

"Camp Eden 5", Britannia Park, Yarra Junction.

29th March - 2nd April, 1989. (Term 1 School Holidays).

Cost: \$85.00 (includes bus fare Melbourne to camp and return)

"Eden" - Earth Discovery, Exploring Nature.

An indoor camp with an exciting outdoor programme for BROWNIES and GUIDES who will be in Grade 5 and 6 at date of camp.

Girls apply for this five-day adventure by **WRITING PERSONALLY** for a passport application form - The Secretary, Outdoor Activities Department, The Girl Guides Association of Victoria, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne. 3000. Please enclose a s.a.e. for return of form. Places are limited, early application is recommended.

Due to past demand for places at these camps applications cannot be accepted from girls who have already attended a Camp Eden Adventure.

FROM THE ARTS ADVISER**Up In The Air**

Note: Music, drama, handcrafts, stories, the sky's the limit!!

Girls - from 8 yrs - 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Cost: \$2.50 (materials provided)

Leaders - 9.30am to 4.00pm

Cost: \$8.00 (materials provided)

Attendance at this day may count as the fourth day of Stage 2.

To be held at Headquarters, Saturday, 1st October.
Apply to the Training Department by 6th September.

Once Upon A Story

Note: The magic of stories, the wonder of words, the power of your own imagination...use them and enjoy them all in activities for "once upon a time"

Girls - from 8 yrs - 9.30am to 12.30pm

Cost \$2.50 (materials provided)

Leaders - 9.30am to 4.00pm

Cost: \$8.00 (materials provided).

Attendance at this day may count as the fourth day of Stage 2.

To be held at Ballarat, Saturday, 15th October.
Apply to: Mrs M. Porteous, 5 Pekin Road, Maryborough. 3465, by 15th September.

Another Approach to Christmas

Note: Christmas in songs, stories, food, games, traditional activities.

Numbers will be strictly limited!!!!

Girls - 9.30am to 12.30 pm OR 1.00pm to 4.00pm

Cost: \$2.50

Leaders - 9.30am to 4.00pm

Cost: \$8.00

Attendance at this day may count as the fourth day of Stage 2.

To be held at Headquarters, Saturday, 10th December.
Apply to the Training Department, by 10th November.

LOCAL ASSOCIATION NEWS

A reminder about the L.A. Information Days

- . 6th September at Karingal
- . 11th October at Bundoora
- . 16th October at Mulgrave
- . 25th October at East Doncaster

Recently I have received several enquiries regarding excess funds held by some L.A.'s - Funds that are not "earmarked" for any particular purpose.

Every L.A. needs a rollover fund and those with halls to maintain, repair work and vandalism bills to meet need a slightly higher reserve fund. L.A.'s may also be saving for major repairs or extensions to their halls. Monies are therefore "earmarked" for these particular purposes.

But, please realise that the policy of the Girl Guides Association is that "Today's money should be spent on Today's Girls". So, please make available to the District Team any monies not "earmarked" for any specific purpose.

Francis Ho
Local Association Adviser

NEW LEADERS LUNCHEON - Last minute invitation.

If there are any new leaders who have not received an invitation to the luncheon on September 10th at Headquarters, please phone and let us know if you can come. You will be most welcome.

Elaine Wallbridge
Development Adviser

OLAVE CENTRE FUND RAISERS

A parade of "Fashion Through the Ages" will be presented by Mrs Winifred Mott in aid of the OLAVE CENTRE APPEAL at her home "Delmotta", 42 Two Bays Rd, Mt Eliza, on Saturday, 15th October, 1988 at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Champagne, orange juice and supper are provided. Parking is available with attendants. Only 150 tickets - Donation \$15.00. Please send number of tickets required with a cheque to one of the following ticket secretaries, enclosing a s.a.e.

Mrs Eve Hale, 10 Chesterfield Avenue, Malvern, 3144
Tel: (03) 20 7425.

Mrs Bev Stevenson, 25 Wunda Street, Dromana, 3936.
Tel: (059) 87 1336.

Please contact Region Commissioners for details and tickets for parades in the following areas.

Bendigo - 2nd September

Lakes Entrance - 29th October.

Nan Falloon
OLAVE CENTRE LIAISON

NEWS FROM THE TRAINING DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Training

Cheltenham - 5/6th November

9.30am Saturday to 4.00pm Sunday

OR
9.30am to 9.00pm Saturday, and
9.30am to 4.00pm Sunday.

Residential Fee - \$47.75

By the day - \$36.50

Apply with fee and s.a.e. to the Training Department by 26th September.

Discover the Creative You

Note: Here is a chance to discover the creative you, explore the hidden world within you and experience a fun filled and exciting day.

Attendance at this day may count the fourth day of Stage 2.

Headquarters - Sunday, 13th November. 9.30am to 4.00pm.

Apply with \$5.00 and s.a.e. to the Training Department by 13th October.

UPDATING . . .

NATIONAL CONSUMER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The Federal Bureau of Consumer Affairs has been working on a national campaign to educate young people about consumer rights and responsibilities. Its purpose is to raise the level of consumer knowledge and awareness to help young people make better, more efficient and more responsible consumer decisions.

Although information, advice and assistance is available to young people, they can lack basic skills and are often unaware of and reluctant to use services, especially government services.

Young people aged between 15 and 20 years are the target audience of the campaign which aims to help them become informed, skilled and responsible consumers and encourages them to exercise their rights and use avenues of redress such as consumer affairs agencies.

To date the campaign has produced a booklet called "The Money Matter Made Much More Meaningful Manual" (available free on request) to help young people understand their consumer rights; a consumer education kit "Contract With Debt", consisting of a board game and video; radio ads which featured well-known identities, 'Tim and Debbie' and a poster, "Beauty is Only Tin Deep" which deals with the mechanical condition of cars.

For further information, contact the Federal Bureau of Consumer Affairs, (062)72-3966.

CONTRACT WITH DEBT



JOBS, TRAINING AND YOUR RIGHTS

- A new Streetwise Comic. No 13.

This latest comic takes a good hard look at young people and the labour market. Young people looking for work need to know about training programmes, types of work and experience. They want information on unions, conditions and pay. Streetwise shows them where to go, who to ask and what to do.

Coming soon - other comics on

No 14 - Family Split-Ups

No 15 - Consumer Rights

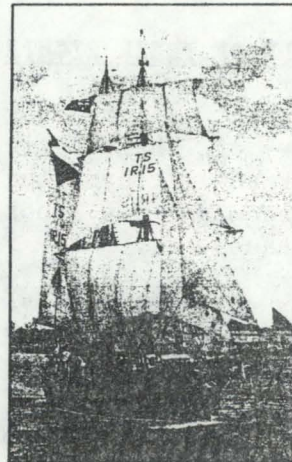
Streetwise Comics are available free of charge, in multiple copies for distribution to young people, from;

Streetwise Comics Victoria

14 - 16 Gertrude Street

Fitzroy, 3065

Tel: (03)417-4122



AN IRISH BICENTENNIAL PROJECT!

In this bicentennial year, the Irish Government is participating in the celebration by sponsoring a number of projects involving young people. One project offers young Australians the chance to join Irish trainee crews aboard the twin-masted brigantine, Asgard II, a recent participant in the Tall Ships event. Visits and exchanges by young people will take place throughout the year. For further information, phone the Australian Bicentennial Authority.



ALCOHOL, THE LAW AND YOUNG PEOPLE...

Because of too many "good times" last summer which resulted in some unpleasant incidents, the Victorian government has introduced new laws regarding use of alcohol by young people. Any questions about the new laws can be referred to; The Liquor Control Commission (03)418- 1211.

Briefly ...

IF you are under 18, you are breaking the law if you;

- * have alcohol
- * drink alcohol
- * give alcohol to people under 18
- * send someone else under 18 to buy alcohol
- * are in a hotel unless you are eating there, staying there or are with a parent, guardian, husband or wife.

You can be fined up to \$500 for breaking the law.



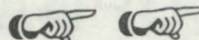
INFORMING YOUNG PEOPLE OF THEIR RIGHTS

Realising how important it is for young people to know of their basic rights, a Victorian information company has released a new book covering many such issues.

CCH Australia's book "When Can I...?- Young People and the Law in Victoria" covers such issues as leaving school, social security, guardianship, passports, alcohol and travel. The book is available from the publishers at 114 William Street, Melbourne 3000 at a cost of \$8 including postage and handling.

When can I...?

Young People and the Law in Victoria



JOB WATCH

JOB WATCH is an organisation which monitors and investigates exploitation in employment and training. It has a resource kit providing young people with information to assist them in their progression from school to work. The kit was designed to inform students about the labour market and its operations, the forms of employment offered today and the nature of exploitation that they may face when they begin work. It also outlines the problems associated with expensive private training courses which offer qualifications that are not recognised by employers and make promises about jobs that never eventuate.

Job Watch provides young people with a complaint and enquiry service, continually monitors employment advertising and conducts research into exploitation in the work place. For further information on JOB WATCH or the resource kit, phone (03)662-1933 or country enquiries (008)33-1617



STOP PRESS!!!

LOCAL INITIATIVE GRANTS - 1988/89



As part of the Victorian Government's program of support to young people, the Youth Affairs Division is making available grants for local initiative programs developed for or by young people.

Grants are available to young people's clubs and organisations, to workers with young people and community agencies. A maximum grant of \$1,000 is available.

Preference will be given to those applications which address and meet one or more of the following criteria;

- (a) meets a community need
- (b) involves young people in the planning and management of the project
- (c) involves socially, culturally and/or economically disadvantaged young people.

Applications close 16th September 1988. Application forms and guidelines are available from;

Youth Affairs Division
7th floor, 80 Collins Street
MELBOURNE 3000
Tel: (03)655 6373