

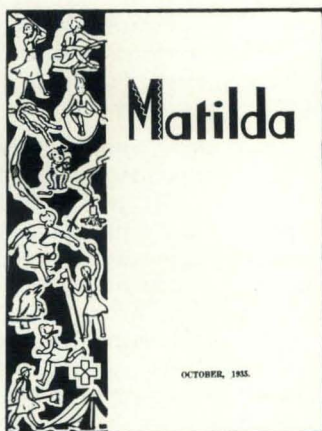


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## FROM THE STATE COMMISSIONER

**1st May:** Commonwealth Youth Sunday — the central observance this year being a service in the Melbourne Town Hall, the march that has preceded it in the past having been deleted in accordance with the majority opinion of schools consulted. The National Fitness Council had arranged a most inspiring form of service, as the many districts who used it locally would agree, I am sure, and those of us present at the Melbourne Town Hall could only regret that there were so few with us to take part in it.

**4th:** The quarterly meeting of Region Commissioners at Headquarters — the occasion for receiving your reports, suggestions, comments and queries as they come in from Divisions through their Regions. I always hope that every Brownie, Guide and Senior knows how much time and attention is given to their thoughts and ideas coming through their Guider, to District, Division and Region, to Headquarters. It is only by holding a central office that one is in a position to appreciate the magnitude of the material coming "up" through the Patrol system. Headquarters give appropriate consideration to each suggestion coming in, but very often only the area involved is aware that the ideas have gone forward. On the other hand, of course, everybody sees the total accumulation of information sent "down" through and from Headquarters.

It is increasingly evident that Regional gatherings, in which there is increasing participation by personnel within the Region, are uncovering a great deal of talent in specialised as well as general fields.

In the evening I was privileged to share in a unique event — the presentation of the Queen's Guide Badge to Julie Patrick, of 2nd Baiwyn Company, along with the announcement of the award of the Badge of Fortitude to her. The ceremony, arranged by Captain Betty de Marchi, was most informative for the large gathering of parents and friends of the Guides, and as impressive as the occasion surely warranted. Before the Company meeting I was given the delightful opportunity of enrolling two incoming District Commissioners — a rare pleasure for a State Commissioner.

**5th:** A relaxed day visiting Britannia Park with Mrs. Gray. I was able to inspect the

further improvements that are now constantly being made to the buildings, thanks to the Maintenance Fund that so many of you are pleased to provide for the benefit of all. Mrs. Gray, on the other hand, had a very busy time on her weekly routine as Convener of the Committee responsible for the care of Britannia Park — inspecting work completed or in the process of being done, arranging for future projects, and checking on the progress of the new planting. Aren't we lucky to own such a lovely property and to have such dedicated and able people to look after it for us?

**7th:** The first of our two annual visits to Government House, along with the Boy Scouts, at the invitation of His Excellency the Governor for the presentation of adult awards and the Queen's Guide and Scout Certificates. This was a particularly memorable occasion, it being the first time that Guides, Scouts and their Leaders were able to be present during the adult award presentation.

**9th:** The Advisers' meeting with Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Shave and myself — the central Patrol meeting at which takes place the exchange of information, discussion, forward thinking, and co-ordination for all branches, sections and departments, International, Public Relations and "Matilda".

**12th:** The meeting of the Committee for New Commissioners and Boundaries in the morning, at which necessarily retirements are reported as well as new appointments discussed, and a welcome opportunity in the evening to express appreciation of the valuable contribution to Guiding made during her term of office by the retiring District Commissioner, Malvern (part of my old Division), underlined the tremendous strength given to the Movement by the succession of Commissioners who appreciate that their responsibility, albeit discharged in a variety of ways, is primarily to help the Guiders who are working directly with the children.

**17th:** A school holiday visit to H.Q. by 1st Bon Beach Brownie Pack made a pleasant interlude in a busy weekly meeting, and I'm sure made all those smart, smiling Brownies really aware that they had a central Guide home. Thank you, Brown Owl, for bringing them along.

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## AWARD TO AUSTRALIA'S CHIEF COMMISSIONER

Everyone will be delighted to know that Mrs. M. A. Buntine, Chief Commissioner, Australia, has been awarded the Silver Fish for her service and contributions to Guiding.

The Award will be presented at the Australian Council Meeting's Official Opening on 11th August, 1966, by the Australian Vice-President.

The announcement of this Award follows the honour bestowed on Mrs. Buntine by H.M. the Queen in the Birthday Honours. Mrs. Buntine was awarded the O.B.E. in the recent Honours' list, and all Guides in Australia are thrilled to realise that the magnificent service given to Guiding by Mrs. Buntine has been recognised by our Movement's Patron.

As a matter of interest we are setting out some of the details of Mrs. Buntine's service to Guiding and to the youth of the community in general.

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Mrs. Buntine has given exceptional service to Guiding throughout Australia for over 30 years in various capacities. Her drive and understanding have helped Australia to maintain and consolidate a high standard



Mrs. Buntine with the Chief Commissioner's Standard.



of Guiding. Mrs. Buntine's service and ability at overseas Conferences have been recognised through the invitation to her from the World Committee of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts to act as a Vice-Chairman for the next World Conference to be held in Japan, September-October, 1966.

Mrs. Buntine's service in the community was recognised this year by Her Majesty's Government by the award of the O.B.E.

Details of her service to Guiding and youth:—

### **In Western Australia**

From 1933-1945: Elected Member of the State Executive for Western Australia, also President of a Local Association.

From 1937-1940: Commissioner for Schools and Colleges.

From 1940-1945: Commissioner for Public Relations and kindred Societies.

In 1943 she attended the meeting of the Australian Council. Gave a monthly broadcast on Guiding for a number of years.

### **In Victoria**

From 1947-1953: President of Geelong Local Association.

From 1953-1960: Division Commissioner for Barwon.

1957: Attended the Australian Council Meeting in Melbourne as an observer.

1960: Victorian delegate at Australian Council Meeting held in Perth.

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1961: Received Award of M.B.E. for "Service to Youth".

### **Other Service**

Executive Member of the National Fitness Council of Western Australia and Vice-President of the Associated Youth Committee from its inception until transferred to Victoria.

President of Geelong Presbyterian Association, and has also taken an active interest in Church organisations.

Member of the National Council for Women and of the Executive Committee of the Geelong Branch of "Call to the Nation".

### **Service for Australian Guiding**

Elected Chief Commissioner at the Australian Council Meeting, October, 1961; appointment taken over 1st December, 1962.

Represented Australia at the Training Conference for National Leaders, Asian Area, held in Malaya, December, 1962.

Represented Australia as delegate to the 18th World Conference, held in Denmark, June, 1963.

Attended World Association Training Course, Denmark, June, 1963.

Attended Commonwealth Chief Commissioners' Conference in England, July, 1963.

Guest of U.S.A. Girl Scouts in America, July, 1963.

Has officially visited all States in the Commonwealth of Australia, including the Territory of Papua-New Guinea.

Attended the 39th Meeting of the World Committee in London in January, 1966.

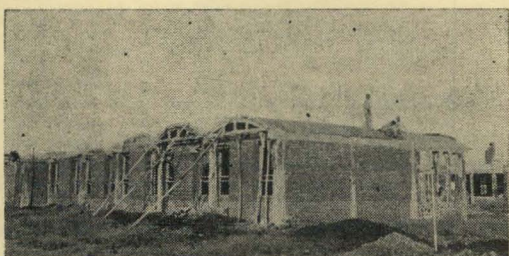
Attended, as an observer, a meeting of the Sangam Planning Committee held at Sangam, Poona, India, in February, 1966.

### **COMMONWEALTH CHIEF COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE**

Mrs. Margaret Curtis-Otter, a former State Commissioner for Victoria, but now living in Sydney, has been asked by Mrs. Buntine to represent her at the Commonwealth Chief Commissioners' Conference in England not long before the World Conference.

Mrs. Curtis-Otter, who is Australian Public Relations Adviser, will be in England at the time of the Conference, and we are all delighted that, as the Chief Commissioner is this time unable to be present, Australia will be so well represented.





## I WATCHED SANGAM GROW

by Anu Karkare

Many Victorians will remember Anu Karkare's visit here some years ago, and will read this story of Sangam with added interest.



In 1962, when I learnt that a plot of land had been assigned to the World Association. I began to visualise the site in my mind's eye. My mind also began to travel into the future: What kind of structure would be built there? Already I could see the different colours of Guide and Girl Scout uniforms in the house. I wondered who would be the first Guider-in-Charge, little knowing that the privilege would be mine!

In June, 1963, at the World Conference in Denmark, I was called up to the platform and the World Committee announced my appointment. Then from January, 1964, I began to live in the present as Guider-in-Charge, watching the progress of the work of building Sangam.

The first exciting day was 23rd January, 1964, when the ceremony of laying the foundation stone was performed by Dame Leslie Whateley, the former Director of the World Bureau. A gaily decorated canopy stood in the middle of our site. There were quite a few international visitors amidst a host of national Commissioners. The most conspicuous object connected with the ceremony was the traditional copper pot which was decorated with leaves and flowers, with a coconut on top. This pot received the auspicious contributions of Indian rupees and foreign coins, but it had to wait a year and a half before it could be placed under the foundations.

Quite a few months elapsed before the formalities were completed — the plans approved, the land demarcated, the pipelines

for water laid, and a hundred and one other things.

A further landmark in the building process was Bhoomi Puja or "worship of the land". An invocation was chanted by the priest in Sanskrit, but for our readers I give the gist in English:

"I pray to Almighty God for the welfare, health, prosperity and longevity of the owners of this house. I make these offerings to the land (bananas, coconuts and flowers) so that the family with children and grandchildren for generations to come may be blessed with heavenly happiness. I worship the land so that the family may have an everlasting abode here."

I told the priest that his blessing would reach every member of the six million strong family of Guides and Girl Scouts, and his face beamed with happiness. I thought of you all when I ate the sweets distributed to mark the occasion.

After the Bhoomi Puja in March, 1965, building materials started to arrive at the site. First there were small heaps of bricks, stone and cement; then gradually the heaps increased in size; the place started humming with human activity; workmen's huts were dotted here and there. The foundations were dug, the plinth built and slowly the house began to take shape — walls, roof, staircase, grew up. I have seen every stone and brick being laid and the construction conveys a lesson: Patience! "Let's have patience", I often said to myself, "and one day we shall be staying in a lovely house!"

So far we have had a few visitors — Commissioners from Australia, West Germany, Canada, U.S.A., Ceylon and different parts of India. And, speaking of visitors, I should like to give a few words of advice. If one day you find yourself at Poona railway station, hail a taxi and say to the driver, "Take me to Sangam," you may quite easily arrive at a laundry, a wedding hall, a bridge, a dry-cleaner's shop, or even a cinema showing a film called "Sangam"! This name seems to be very popular in Poona and we in our Movement have unconsciously, but quite rightly, too, fallen into line with the culture and traditions of the city.

Our Sangam is on Alandi Road, opposite Phule Nagar Colony in Yerwada, a suburb



of Poona, and in case you should find yourself in some unimaginable spot and need further directions the telephone number is 5 4467. By the way, the nearest correct pronunciation of Sangam is Sungum, but the nasal pronunciation of the "n" needs some practice which we shall have when, as we hope, you arrive safely at our newest World Centre.

—From the "Council Fire".

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## LETTER TO STATE SECRETARY

This is a personal letter to the State Secretary, Miss Betty Macartney, from Mr. Reid, husband of the Captain of 2nd Kyabram Company.

Mr. Reid was going on a business trip to India, and made enquiries about taking some photographs for Victorian Headquarters. A letter of introduction — Sangam's address — and the result you will read . . .

Dear Miss Macartney,

I travelled up to Poona by train and spent the night at the Poona Hotel on Friday. Nobody had heard of "Sangam", but I found it listed in the phone book. So on Saturday morning I rang what proved to be Miss Karkare's home address, and soon I was meeting her. We drove out to "Sangam", some five miles, on a good bitumen road.

There is a stone wall completed round the property and the buildings are in the final stages of construction; quite enough is there to give a good impression of how this World Headquarters will be.

All the buildings have unique roof styles — rounded on top and because of the length of the building each room with its own dome has a sort of ocean wave effect. The construction is of brick, and the roofs are of tubular clay tiles covered with a layer of concrete and sealed with malthoid.

The Assembly Hall has yet to be erected, and at present the foundations of this are being prepared.

Much work is being carried out on the site beautification, and scores of women labourers are loading tiny donkeys to cart the dirt hither and thither. A big hole for a swimming pool is also being dug, as the river at

the bottom of the sloping property has polluted water.

The buildings are in separate groups joined together with covered walks also of the same undulating construction.

There is a nice flat for Miss Karkare; a main building with lounge, dining-room, kitchen and a number of rooms for single accommodation; and then the dormitories with attached facilities for the girls; also a line of servant quarters.

A statue of Buddha brought from the holy city of Sarnath will grace the front lawn, where there is also to be a lily pond. In all a very interesting experience, and Miss Karkare is a wonderful little woman, and will run "Sangam" with great efficiency and kindness, I am sure.

Poona is a seat of learning and a military area, and has little to offer the tourist.

Trains are very crowded and a **First Class** reservation would be a must for any girl visiting "Sangam".

In due course I hope to let you have some slides.—W. A. Reid.

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## MISS SENIOR GUIDE

Miss Senior Guide is Noela Needham, from S.R.S. "Quadrant". Second was Glenda Wade, of Boorandara Cadets, and third was Judy Francombe, of Camberwell Land Rangers.

Seldom has Guide Headquarters seen such tension and excitement as when 27 contestants faced the judges for the honour of being "Miss Senior Guide".

The number of contestants this year was the highest so far.

Our grateful thanks go to the judges: Miss Henkel, Myer fashion adviser; her assistant, Miss Fraser-Allan; Mrs. J. R. Price, State Commissioner; Mr. John Bates; Mrs. Rylah, Senior Branch Adviser; and Miss Anne de Pagny, 1964 Miss Senior Guide.

The final amount raised for the Royal Women's Hospital was \$981.79, including \$757.79 from the sale of Christmas cards and \$224 raised by Noela, her Crew and her family and friends.



## YOGINI ABHYANKAR'S INTERVIEW WITH RADIO AUSTRALIA

This is a talk given by Yogini Abhyankar after the Australian Extension Conference, held recently in Queensland.

Yogini comes from Nagpur in India, and has a blind Guide Company. She is also Assistant District Commissioner.

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At the Extension Training Conference, along with delegates from different States from Australia, there were some from Canada, New Zealand and India.

It was a Conference of Guiders and Advisers for Extension Branch of Guiding.

In the Conference we had training sessions, exhibition of training aids, and discussions amongst the delegates, over the subjects concerned with the ways and means to promote the Extension Guiding.

For conducting the training sessions in the Conference, as we had expert persons, we could get different ideas in guiding the handicapped Guides. I am sure that it will help me, as well as my co-Guiders in my country a lot.

In the Conference we got the benefit of hearing the lectures from experts on the topics concerned with the handicapped people. We had a show of picture slides concerning guiding of handicapped people. We had a demonstration of sporting activities from paraplegic people — sitting in the wheel chair they played throwing and catching games. I find them very interesting and useful.

As far as the physical movements of handicapped people are concerned they helped me a lot in making my ideas and doubts clear.

In the Conference, along with the active delegates, we had a good number of handicapped delegates, too. I found them enjoying and participating equally well as active delegates. In no way were they lagging behind us.

In the campfire we had songs, action songs, demonstrations from all delegates, including handicapped ones. This was one of the specialities of this Conference.

In spite of their physical defect, with the support of their strong will and special mechanical aids, they were able to keep equal pace with active delegates. Many times they were very helpful to us.

Throughout the Conference we had a very good understanding and co-operation amongst us. It will not be wrong to say there was a true Guiding spirit in the Conference. In my spare time I had a talk with different persons, on different subjects, including matters concerning Guiding in various countries. I really enjoyed exchanging ideas with others and making friendships with them.

I found the people of Brisbane Guiding Centre very helpful and friendly. I found the people of Australia very happy in making guests at home. It helped to make my trip to Australia a pleasant one.

A drive for the delegates of the Conference from Kindilan Centre to the Gold Coast was one of the items in the programme. I enjoyed the trip very much. Feeding the porpoises and the colourful parrots was a unique experience to me. I found shopping there very interesting.

Along with the ideas I am taking so many happy memories with me, I am sure that they will be very helpful to my people in my country.

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## LIGHTWEIGHT CAMP

Three Stawell Rangers went recently on a lightweight camp with their Leader.

We left the Guide Hall at 8 a.m. to travel in old "Bluey" to the Kanya camp, 30 miles from Stawell. There were to be two Guide Companies camping there also.

When we were travelling through the Morrl Morrl Forest we almost hit two kangaroos and we saw another with a joey in her pouch.

We arrived at the camp about nine, and pitched our two-man tents. We also helped the Guides with their tents.

On Sunday afternoon we went to Green Lake to meet some Senior Scouts from Scotch College. They were up looking at a site they are going to use. On Sunday night we joined in a Guides' Own and campfire.

On Monday morning, before we left the camp, experiments were made in baking a cake in a mud oven that we had made. The cake turned out quite well.

After lunch we packed up — after a very enjoyable holiday camp.

—Pam Smith,  
1st Stawell Rangers



## MAY, 1966, EXECUTIVE NOTES

Discussions at this meeting centred perhaps particularly around Conferences:—

The World Conference in Japan — voting for two extra Observers whom Australia is going to be able to send, in common with all countries of the Pacific and Asian areas.

The Australian Council in Adelaide in August — discussion regarding composition of the delegation from Victoria for this and possibly future years.

The Commissioners' Conference — details available to members of the Executive Committee who are able to attend.

We even found that Conferences and their representations came into our discussion on the Victorian Constitution!

Reports from Training, Extensions, International, Property and Boundaries and New Commissioners' Sub-Committees were also before us. In addition we discussed finance and, of course, the H.Q. building extensions.

The subjects may not seem many in number, but there was much "meat" in the discussions on each one, and it is important that time is given to full discussion and understanding of each subject.

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## SPECIAL BADGE FOR GUIDERS

Victorian Guiders of all Branches will be interested to know that a special badge — the B.P. Badge — is being instituted for Guiders.

The aim of this badge is to encourage Guiders of all Branches to further their basic understanding of Guiding and improve their technical skills. We trust it will prove of interest to many.

At the last Australian Conference it was suggested that special trainings for this badge should be conducted, and the first of these will be held in New South Wales on 3rd to 4th September, 1966, and the second at Easter, 1967 (24th to 27th March).

If any Victorian Guiders would be interested in taking part in this training course, would they please write to the Training Department.

The syllabus has three basic sections:

**Section 1:** Overall preparation which includes a comprehensive reading programme.

**Section 2:** Participation in a B.P. Badge Training Course. A high standard of proficiency in technical subjects and a good understanding of B.P.'s aims and objects is expected.

**Section 3:** The carrying into practice of what she had learned in her own unit and District.

The full syllabus will be available from the Training Department for those interested.

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## WORLD CONFERENCE, JAPAN, 1966

Following the decision of the World Association that, because of the nearness of the site of the 1966 World Conference to the developing Asian area, two additional observers from countries in these areas could attend, further nominations were made by Australian States.

Miss Joy Williams, Brownie Adviser of Tasmania, and Mrs. Shirley Farrow, State International Representative of Victoria, were selected as the additional observers, and Mrs. Mary Black, of South Australia, was selected to replace Mrs. Burcher, of Queensland, who had unfortunately to withdraw from the original delegation.

The Australian delegation for the World Conference in September-October now is:

Delegates: Mrs. J. R. Price, Victoria, and Mrs. M. Curtis-Otter, N.S.W.

Observers: Mrs. R. Hancock, Queensland; Miss M. Shaw, Victoria; Mrs. M. Black, South Australia; Mrs. S. Farrow, Victoria; Miss J. Williams, Tasmania.

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## A NEW SLANT ON THE SECOND CLASS

It is felt that, due to the setting out of the printing, perhaps Clause 8 of the "New Look" Second Class, published in the June "Matilda", was not perfectly clear.

The Guides should do—

(a) Erect a flagpole and hoist Colours;  
AND

(b) Hold the Camp Tenderfoot OR do all the other points listed.





Loading G.I.S. parcels, London. Guider second from left is Miss Frieda Barfus.

## PUBLICATIONS, '66

"**ALL THINGS UNCERTAIN**" — the story of the Guide International Service — **Grit, Initiative, Service** — all these and many more qualities were inherent in the idea of the G.I.S., which did such wonderful service in Europe and Malaya for seven years following the end of the 1939-45 war.

This is not a book you can sit down and read right through, but many are the stories you will be able to tell from its pages.

"... the area we covered was so large that the Team was allotted petrol for a monthly average of 30,000 to 40,000 miles."

"During 1947, 667 parcels were stitched into hessian at the G.I.S. office and despatched." (Six hundred and sixty-seven parcels a year equals approximately two a day — a full-time job for someone in the office to pack and sew.)

The story of the development of the Ocken-den Venture — when in 1951 the plan for giving a few children from Germany a holiday in Woking in England was begun, who dreamt that it would develop into a charity responsible for 17 Children's Homes in England and Wales sheltering 600 D.P. boys and girls?

And so on . . .

It must be remembered, too, that "no story of the G.I.S. Teams would be complete without mention of the tremendous amount of help we received from other organisations. . . . Without the very happy feeling of working together and learning from each other, without the friendships which strengthened us, how much less — how very much less — would have been accomplished."

It is interesting for us to read of the many Australians who helped in the G.I.S. teams — names like Frieda Barfus and Gwen Hesketh are familiar to us all. It is unfortunate, however, that, particularly in the early pages, there are mistakes in the spelling of names which could have easily been checked.

I found some of the footnotes merely an interruption to the general reading and, in some cases, unnecessary to the flow of the story.

These, however, are minor complaints against the background of the magnificent service and help given to the many thousands of homeless, destitute refugees, who had lost so much of joy and hope as well as their material possessions.

It is of interest to read that "the suggestion that British Guides should start saving



so that help could be sent to Guides abroad after the war, was made by a girl of 12 . . ." and to read of the letter in the "Guider" in February, 1941, from Mrs. Mark Kerr, "We must look into the future and prepare ourselves for the time to come. More important even than winning the war is the question of winning the subsequent peace." All this at a time when Britain itself was being subjected to all the bombing and problems of extreme warfare — and the end of the war still over four years away.



If the story in book form seems sometimes to lack the vision and "atmosphere" known to those of us who lived through the days of the G.I.S. and the day-to-day stories of its work, the book still tells of a magnificent record of voluntary work (pocket money only was paid to G.I.S. volunteers), a variety of service in all sorts of fields that could never have been foreseen, and the fulfilment of the vision of Mrs. Kerr when she wrote of our "Army of Goodwill" — and what more fitting report of such an Army than that written by a German newspaper, "As we see it, the G.I.S. did more for fostering understanding than all the platonic talk of statesmen."

The G.I.S. story did not end with the withdrawal of the Teams from Germany. Some years later many refugees who had, for health or other reasons, to remain in Germany in Displaced Persons' Camps, were helped by donations given during International Refugee Year — a year which was the idea of a group of young Englishmen, led by Christopher Chataway, M.P., who had conceived the idea after meeting the children at Ockenden and being impressed with their characters and ability.

And it is good to know that this report of the G.I.S. work can end with the words, "The older generation has put the evils of the past behind them. They look forward."

## FERRY TRIP

On Anzac Day, Captain took the Company to West Melbourne for a trip on the Queenscliff ferry. The ferry was quite big, and had two decks and a snack bar. We left West Melbourne on the cruise to Port Melbourne, a trip of approximately two and a half hours.

We passed a lot of cargo boats from other countries, a shipwreck, and the Williamstown car ferry, and we also saw a lot of people fishing from the pier at Port Melbourne.

On our return the man at the Customs Office told Captain that we might be able to look through the Harbour Trust building. The building is like a lighthouse, and has 10 flights of stairs. There is a lift, but this can only be used by the staff, because they have a key to open it. Two Guides walked up the stairs to ask if we could go up in the lift, and as we were going up we were pleased to hear that we were the first public to look through the building. At the top we listened to the men at the telephones telling people when boats would be arriving. Then we were shown all the equipment — the guide said they could take 18 calls at once. He let us look through a radar machine, which showed us right across the bay and how many miles the various ships were from the shore. We thanked the men and went back down to the wharf.

We were also lucky enough to be able to see over the "Kirribilli" from Gotenberg in Sweden. It only takes 12 passengers because it is a cargo ship, and we saw the cabin ready for the next passenger. This ship arrives in Australia every five months. We had a look at the dining-room and lounge-room, the top deck and games deck, and the bridge. Here they had radar equipment the same as at the Harbour Trust building, flags from all countries, the steering wheel, and a very large compass. We also saw the galley where they cook, and, last of all, the engine room, which was very hot and smelt of oil.

When we had thanked the man very much for showing us around we walked back to Spencer Street Station, after a very interesting and exciting day. We all hope to go back again.



## EASTER IN THE BAW BAWS

It poured! It hailed! It almost snowed as 300 Guides from all over Central and West Gippsland pitched their tents for an Easter under canvas.

The Guides came from as far afield as Bunyip, Drouin, Ripplebrook and Trafalgar, Thorpdale, Morwell, Traralgon and Yallourn. Every Company in the Region was represented, and they came from three Divisions to take part in this first-ever Baw Baw Region Camp.

But the sun peeped through in time for Company Colours on Saturday, and by the time of the official opening it was showing the promise of beautiful Easter weather.

The camp was officially opened by the Region Commissioner, Mrs. Bruce Johnston, and the Region Camp Adviser, Miss Mellor. It was by a gurgling mountain stream in the foothills at Willowgrove, on the property of District Commissioner, Mrs. J. Erbs. Those who fell in the stream in search of lost toothbrushes and — er, "smalls" — found the stream — the Tanjil River — had come straight from the snow.

Sunday — Visitors' Day — dawned bright and clear. Easter Sunday was celebrated with two Church services on a hill overlooking the camp, and at night a wonderful Guides' Own. In the afternoon "thousands" of parents, swarms of baby brothers and sisters came to visit the adventurers and to try their luck with the lats.

During the afternoon we held an impressive Colour Raising Ceremony, with practically everyone of the 300 Guides taking her place in an enormous Horseshoe in the middle of a green, sunny paddock.

On Easter Monday we had activities arranged by Miss Mellor, and the Guides will all remember the "snakes and ladders" game for the Golden Goose! Tying spaghetti in reef knots, climbing trees on rope ladders, mountain climbing, stretcher bearing, landing in gaol. Some got left behind and finished in the middle of the river.

Three campfires — two held by Traralgon Guides and the other by Yallourn — gave everyone a chance to "let off steam". Some of the best stunts were Dave and Mabel's flat tyre and "I'm a Nut" by the Morwell Guides, while many new songs, brought from the U.S.A. by Trudy Monk and Janet Cole,

were introduced by those who attended the Junior Round-up at Boolara in January.

Some of the camps disappeared on Monday, but the main flurry was on Tuesday morning when all the tents came tumbling down. It's a wonder they had stayed up so long.

The Guiders said they were very proud at the way the Guides cleared up the campsite. Mrs. Erbs said they did such a good job she would be proud to task them back to her property again next year!

—From three Guides from the  
Latrobe Division Group.

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## FROM THE STATE COMMISSIONER

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And then a night of enjoyment as guests at the Boy Scout Gang Show. It improves in some respect each year, much as this would seem to become less and less possible.

**18th:** I am grateful to Mrs. Rylah, our Senior Branch Adviser, for a visit to the Service Camp conducted by some of her Guiders, Rangers and Cadets at Jacyallock — a very exhausting and exacting way for them to spend 10 days of their holidays, but how worth while for the girls in their charge and how willingly and capably done! Thank you, on behalf of the Association, for this excellent good turn.

Again an evening of pleasure — this time with the Extension Section for a triple purpose — to thank Mrs. Moors for her term as Adviser, to welcome Miss Young, her successor, and to re-live the trip to New Zealand in the presence of Miss Joan Andrew, delegate from that country to the recent Extension Conference/Training in Queensland.

**19th:** I had no cause for complaint in having an Executive meeting on this next evening.

**31st:** After a hectic week "off" for family holidays and celebrations, my month ended on a happy note for Guiding with interviews with two new Region Commissioners, Mrs. F. J. C. Paton for Outer Eastern and Mrs. J. R. Wells for North Metropolitan.

*Joyce E. Price*



## A GUIDERS' CONFERENCE

Outer Eastern Region held their first Regional Conference in the Ringwood Scout and Guide Hall in April. Brownie and Guide Guiders attended from all over the Region — Sassafras, Monbulk, Emerald, Scoresby, Laburnum, Blackburn, Park Orchards, Croydon and Ferntree Gully.

Mrs. Oke, Captain of 1st Ringwood Company, welcomed our State Commissioner, the Mayor and Mayoress of Ringwood, and Mrs. Phyllis Frost, M.B.E.

Mrs. Pearce, former Regional Commissioner (who has recently moved interstate), was anxious for Regions to call Conferences to discuss their problems, share their ideas, and get to know each other.

Mrs. Price opened the Conference and congratulated the Region on its first Conference. She then spoke on the Conference theme, "Where are you going to, my pretty maid?", stating that, as Guiders, it is the girls we are taking with us through the impressionable years of their lives. The direction has been given to us by the Founder, the aims to develop good citizenship among girls by forming their characters — training them in habits of observation, obedience and self-reliance; inculcating loyalty and thoughtfulness for others; teaching them services useful to the public and handcrafts useful to themselves; promoting their physical, mental and spiritual development; making them capable of keeping good homes and bringing up good children.

Our guest speaker, Mrs. Frost, spoke on educating the girls — stressing what we teach them, and how we teach them, but, most importantly, why we teach them. As man is the only being who has been given the power to blush, we must remember that we are mirrors for others, and therefore must set a high example and set a goal for ourselves.

The Mayor thanked Mrs. Frost and Mrs. Price for their most interesting talks and, on behalf of his wife and himself, expressed gratitude for the opportunity to attend the Conference, as they both realised the importance of the work done for Guiding in the districts.

Mrs. Oke thanked Mrs. Price, our busy State Commissioner, Mrs. Frost — always interested in Guiding and at one time Division Commissioner for Croydon area — and

the Mayor and Mayoress, who are always ready to promote Scouting and Guiding.

Our afternoon was taken up with Training Sessions. The Brownie Guiders worked on a Handcraft Display and teaching through games. Guide Guiders covered First Class Map Reading and Compass, Knowledge of the Movement, Equipment for First Class Half-day Hike, and standards for the Camper's Badge. Questions and problems were discussed by Miss Bunning, and the evening programme was a campfire led by Miss Peg Barr.

Our thanks are extended to Ringwood Scouters and Scouts for the use of their Hall and help on the day; Hannams for a loan of the public address system; Ringwood Rangers, who were capable child nurses; and Ringwood Guides, who served tea and coffee during the Conference.

—M. Trendbath and J. Dale.

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## NEWS FROM BRIGHT

A very successful Thinking Day celebration was conducted with the Scouts and Cubs. The Cub and Guide Flags flew from the Shire building all day. At sunset we placed the flags in a tripod in Centenary Park, and made a Campfire Circle, which was lit by a dozen hurricane lamps in the centre. The Brownies led the ceremony with each Six coming forward and lighting a candle for B.P., Lady B.P., and our sister and brother Guides and Scouts around the world. After this each group of Cubs, Scouts, Guides and Brownies led a campfire song of their own choice.

Cubs celebrated their Jubilee with a big birthday cake, and everybody had a piece, including visiting bystanders! A very happy night of fellowship.

We continued this fellowship by putting a joint float in the Autumn Festival of Bright. It was a comedy scene from "My Fair Lady" — the "Ascot Scene". The Scouts led the float in front with a comedy horse made of canvas with the smallest Scout in jockey rig. On the float the "luscious ladies" were the Scouts, complete with big floppy hats, frilly dresses, high heels and make-up, and the Guides were the "toppered gentlemen". They really looked the part. For the second year in succession we won first prize for the Best Youth Group Float, and the photo of the float was on the front page of the Albury newspaper.



# TRAINING PAGES



## GUIDE BRANCH

**Tips from Trainers and Testers herein-after referred to as T from T and T**

### Half-Day Hike for First Class

You often say you wished you knew just what testers want for this, so I asked some of them, and their replies amounted to this: "... Better use of the out of doors in their planned activities". This comes easiest to girls who are used to wide games, outdoor challenges, stalking games in their Company activities, so, Guiders, it is over to you. The items listed on some hike programmes are just "time-fillers" in many cases, or are not suited to the stage reached in Guide work by the two companions. A simple tracking game would be right enough for two Guides just enrolled, and this their first hike, but it is poor fare to offer two Guides well on the way to First Class themselves! Again, we have seen plans for half an hour "exploring the park". Even if that particular park is new to them all (and sometimes it is not!) this has no purpose. If the trio said they would be off their hike-site for about half an hour because they had a bird book and hoped to see, hear and identify six birds in that time, then good enough. They will have something to report on return. Making and using kitchen gadgets is time well spent if the two companions are preparing for their first camp; but if all three are familiar with gadgets, then it is not. Practice for First Class, as rope-throwing, north and south line by the sun, sketch mapping of the route from the bus stop, probably using a compass: all these are good if satisfying to all three. There are many forms of nature observation and outdoor Kim's Games three can play, and a Guide experienced in all types of Company stalking games can think of one for her small group suited to the locality and "cover" it provides.

Since it is generally accepted that the hike time is about four hours, and not more than half this time be spent on wooding, fire, cooking, eating and clearing, it will be seen that the Guide should plan for four or five

varied and worthwhile activities. Testers tell me they have seen, and condemned, pencil and paper games brought from home, since these can be played indoors on a wet day, and can see no reason for any form of ball games in a park or paddock which abounds with life, colour and space. Some form of quiet game, as listening for natural sounds, observation of all colours to be found in a square yard, etc., is a good plan after the meal, giving thus about a quarter hour rest period.

Guiders, do help your First Class Hike candidates to have something new in store for their companions. It spoils their enjoyment to all play together the same games and activities they all played together a fortnight earlier at the Company hike. There are so many activities which the girl, prompted by you, can try out for herself first so she knows how to interest her companions . . . various forms of leaf prints, plaster casts, bark rubbings.

We agree that "hike" is not always the most apt word for what we do, so what can I wish you all? . . . Good Bushcraft!

—E.F.B.

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## AN IDEA FOR SINGLE-HANDED BROWN OWLS

We often use the many charts, compass, semaphore and flag puzzles in the "Brownie" magazine. Here is an idea so that they can be used several times. They can either be mounted on card and covered with plastic, or covered with celluloid plastic (available from Dean's, Little Collins Street, at 80c a roll).

In this form the charts can be written on with either Chinagraph pencil (10c) or felt pen (cheap black one costs 13c, others approximately 30c). They can be wiped clean with a damp cloth (or even a wet finger!).

Brownies can work at these quite happily while the Guider is busy with another group and, once made, they can be continually used with different children, with no need to make afresh.—P.S.





## TRAVEL IN SAFETY

### 2. The Right-of-Way or Crossing Rule

#### Land — Right-of-way Rule.

If there is danger of collision at an intersection the driver on the left must give way to the driver on the right (Fig. 1).

The exception to the general give-way rule at intersections is that a right turning driver must give way to any other vehicle coming from the opposite direction (Fig. 2).

All turning vehicles must give way to pedestrians. Drivers turning left must give way to any other vehicle, including right-turning vehicles (Fig. 3).

A driver faced with a give-way sign must give way to all crossing traffic approaching from both the right and the left. Driver A must give way to driver B and C (Fig. 4).

When faced with a stop sign a driver must stop before entering the intersection, but after having stopped normal give-way procedure holds.

Driver A, after having stopped, must still give way to traffic approaching from the right, but not from the left (Fig. 5).

A driver must give way to any pedestrian on a pedestrian crossing. A driver must not pass any vehicle which has stopped to give way to a pedestrian on a pedestrian crossing.

At a flagged school crossing a driver must not pass the stop line whilst any pedestrian is ON the crossing.

#### Sea — Crossing Rule

The danger angle in the crossing situation is from dead ahead to two points abaft the starboard beam (Fig. 6).

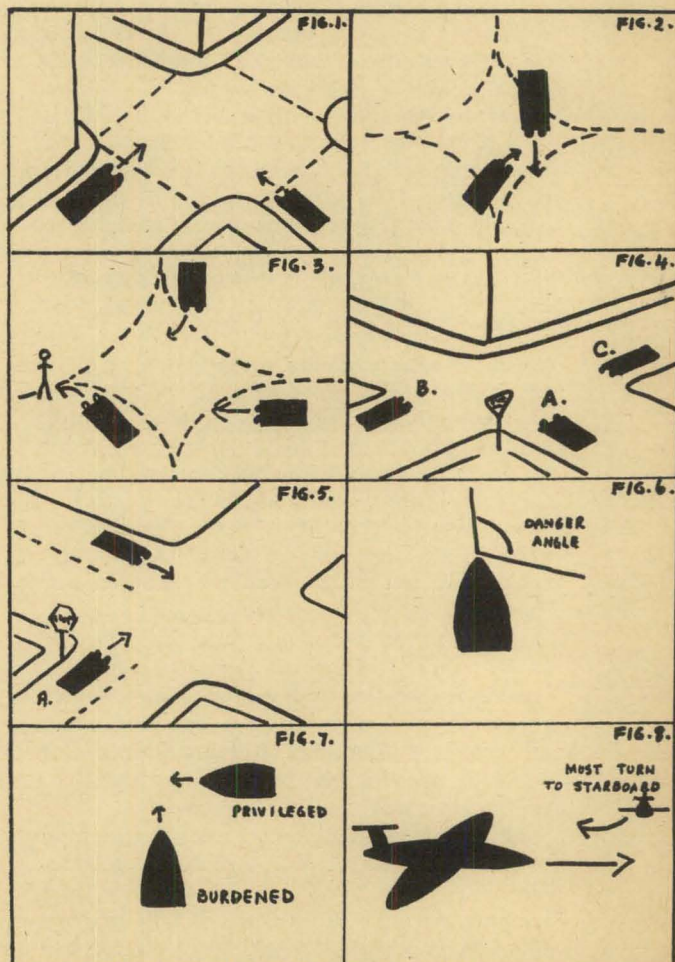
The vessel obliged to give way to the other is the burdened vessel. (The burden of proof rests on this one.) The vessel with the right-of-way is the privileged vessel.

When any vessel is in the **danger angle** you must give way to her (Fig. 7).

#### Air — Right-of-way Rule.

If two aircraft are at about the same height and on converging courses (Fig. 8), the aircraft which has the other on its left has the right-of-way.

There are two special right-of-way rules applicable to aerodrome circuits. An aircraft coming in to land has the right-of-way over an aircraft in flight or waiting to take-off. If two or more aircraft are trying to land at the same time, the lower one usually has the right-of-way.—J.M.P.





## **B-P's EXPANDING VISION**

I shall endeavour to explain the role of history to the Guide Movement, how to adapt it to your programme and where information may be found.

Before we can realise where we are in the year 1966 with the Guide Movement, we should backtrack along the highways and roads and footpaths over which the Guide Movement has steadily grown and progressed so that we may better appreciate what has gone before us, and to be able to adapt this knowledge and experience to the Brownie of today in order to help her become a more self-reliant and happy individual on the threshold of the approaching Space Age; a world that is fearful and unknown to us — but a world which B.P. would have loved and relished as a wonderful and exciting challenge. I would like to suggest that we, instead of cluttering the Brownie's mind with dates and places of historical importance, leave these to the Guide programme and deal more specifically with associations and tales, with stories and anecdotes, pertaining to Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. Lord Baden-Powell, while being a very clever and resourceful man, also possessed a very spontaneous sense of humour, and since he himself believed that hard work and training should be generously seasoned with fun, let us make the teaching of History for the Brownie . . . FUN!

Some of us have been guilty of giving a Brownie a book dealing with the history of the Movement, and saying to her, "Now read this book, and when you have done so, write a short story about Baden-Powell". This is rather mean and unfair to the girl because she has not been trained enough at school to collect facts and to express them in her own words. This has become a book report and this should be left to the schools. Instead, I would like to suggest that each Division set up its own library containing suitable books, and each Guider read one of these books so that at the next Guiders' meeting you might have a Literary Evening to exchange tales, stories and anecdotes until all Guiders have been able to read the books for themselves, and thus acquire consider-

able background knowledge through reading and discussion. For example, did you know:

That the first trip abroad by an English Company was to visit Germany in 1911? That the first country in the Western Hemisphere outside of the British Empire to have organised Scouts was Chile in South America? That in South Africa, we have the first records of assistance by the Y.W.C.A. in 1910? That in India the "Y" also played an important part in the establishment of Guides? That in 1914 the first Jewish Company was enrolled there? That the 13th Calcutta Rangers was one of the first Ranger Companies formed? That during the First World War, the Guides in Amsterdam furnished a large house and collected used clothing for fleeing Austrian, Belgian and Hungarian children while the Brownies collected soap and towels in large baskets for them? That Mrs. Juliet Lowe founded the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., and her name lives on today in the Juliet Lowe World Friendship Fund? That Mrs. Storrow, of Boston, gave us our "Chalet"? Did you know that it was the Americans who introduced "Taps" as a closing hymn? That it was Belgium, at the 7th World Conference in Poland, that suggested everyone might give a "penny with her thoughts" to help the Movement to grow bigger and stronger on 22nd February? That South Africa suggested a world flag many years ago, and that it was designed by Miss Kari Aas of Norway? That the only thing the Brownies the world over have in common is the two finger salute? And that the final design for the Brownie World Pin was chosen by some Dutch Brownies?

I have tried to show that while the foundation of the Guiding Movement was laid in Great Britain, countries from all over the world have made their contributions, making a stronger and firmer bond of friendship regardless of race, colour or creed.

Now let us adapt some of the history to the Brownie meeting:

- A. Inspections—Brownies could become Sunbeams, Jeanettes, etc. (as knowledge grows each Six or individual Brownie could have own choice) and with the aid of pictures of these overseas Brownies some article of uniform that is similar to our own could be inspected.

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## BRITANNIA PARK

### Lost Property

From time to time articles of clothing and other belongings are left at Guide House and Brownie Cottage. It is NOT the responsibility of the Caretaker to return these to their owners, but, if he finds them, he will give them to a member of the Committee who goes up to the property during the week, and she will take them to Headquarters. Will owners please enquire from Miss Thurgood at the desk!

### Britannia Park

Do you remember when we planted all the trees last year beside the new fence all round Britannia Park? So many of you contributed money to buy them and quite a number of people actually planted them. Unfortunately it's a sorry story, because so many of our little trees have died either from lack of water over the summer or because they have been eaten by the rabbits. The Committee is gradually replacing them.

Unfortunately the labels have been deliberately pulled off many of the stakes and thrown on the ground. This we cannot blame on the rabbits. Also, I don't think we can blame the rabbits for taking the stakes out of the ground and lashing them into gadgets! Guiders, if you are camping anywhere within sight of the fence, would you explain to the Guides why we have stakes and why we attach labels to them? We have a list of donors and will attach new labels to the trees.

A very happy thing happened in May — 1st Tawonga Guides spent five days at Guide House and presented to us a most beautiful hooked rug which they had made and paid for. It is Guide blue and has a golden trefoil in the middle of it. The Committee is very proud to accept it on behalf of you all. I'm sure you will be interested to know that Mrs. Pearce, Captain of 1st Tawonga Guide Company, was a Miss Hamer, and as a schoolgirl spent her holidays at Guide House, which belonged to her parents, from whom we bought it.

Local Associations are still helping us. Wattle Park and North Balwyn spent a day with us in April, and Box Hill and Laburnum in May. We're very grateful to them.

The Committee would like to thank the following for maintaining the property for these days during May:—

23rd April—1st Skipton Company.

May—

1st—Goulburn Valley Division.

1st—Canterbury Local Association.

2nd—1st Pyramid Hill Company.

5th—1st Belgrave Company.

6th—Mrs. Goss, Williamstown.

7th—1st, 2nd and 3rd Shepparton Coys.

8th—Elsternwick Local Association.

8th—Rupanyup.

8th—Montmorency Briar Hill Local Association.

11th—3rd Blackburn Company.

12th—Tatura Local Association.

14th—Gisborne District.

16th—Clunes Division.

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# KNOW YOUR COMMITTEES



## THE GUIDE COMMITTEE

### Advisory Committee of Guiders

The Victorian Guide Branch Committee is a small Advisory Committee of (at present) seven Guiders selected by the Guide Adviser to help her with questions, problems, correspondence, proposed changes, plans and activities and general "talking-over" of Guide Branch affairs in Victoria.

The Committee is chosen by the Guide Adviser herself. She need not have one if she does not want one, but our present Guide Adviser makes good use of her "victims" when the jobs come rolling in! Since they are her personal choice, the Committee retires when the Adviser does.

Her Committee meets whenever the Adviser needs it, about four or five times a year; meetings are informal discussions, but minutes and accounts are kept.

Committee members come from districts scattered through the metropolitan area, and try to represent a variety of opinions heard and overheard in different localities, which helps the Guide Adviser to keep in touch

with Guiding views and comments generally.

The Guide Branch Committee makes recommendations rather than rules; it is advisory, not legislative, and often refers requests, criticisms and suggestions to the Victorian Executive, the Training Department, the Brownie or Senior Branch Committees; or to special people for an expert's opinion on technical points.

Some of the "odd jobs" with which Committee members have helped include: study and discussion of alterations needed in Australian P.O.&R., especially changes in tests and proficiency badges; helping with a Queen's Guide presentation at Government House; testing log books for First Class Knowledge of the Movement; planning a Patrol Leaders' Conference and Branch Time at Guiders' Conference; organising Colour Parties to carry the Chief Commissioner's standard at the Rally in February, 1965; and —writing articles for "Matilda"!

*Don't forget your . . .*



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**Tasmanian Guide Headquarters, showing the Gwen Hesketh Memorial Hall.**

## OFFICIAL OPENING

## GWEN HESKETH MEMORIAL HALL

There was a cold wind blowing, but at least it was fine on The Day — the day we had been working towards for so long; the day when, after months of tearing and rending, hammering and banging, and mess, followed by working bees and a sea of paint pots, paste and wallpaper, we were ready to display the fruits of our labours to the public, and to welcome them to the official opening of the Gwen Hesketh Memorial Hall.

The opening was timed for 10.30 a.m., but long before that people began to arrive. They came from all over Tasmania. Excitement mounted as the time drew near for the arrival of Lady Gairdner, our State President, and the Premier (Mr. Reece), who was to open the Hall. Patrol Leaders, carrying Colours, formed a smart and colourful guard of honour on either side of the pathway leading to the door — they were flanked by Brownie Sixers.

And then, almost at the same moment, it seemed, the Government House car, the Premier's car and the Lord Mayor's car drew up at the kerb, and Lady Gairdner, the Premier and Mrs. Reece, and the Lord Mayor and

Lady Mayoress were greeted by Mrs. Gabriel, our State Commissioner, and led through the guard of honour to the blue front door, which the Premier unlocked to admit our distinguished guests.

As soon as everyone was settled the State Commissioner called upon the Rev. N. Eric Darbyshire, the Superintending Minister of Wesley Church, Hobart, to bless and dedicate the Hall.

Mrs. Gabriel then welcomed the visitors — a formidable list to preface a speech of welcome: The Honourable Lady Gairdner, President of the State Council of the Girl Guides Association of Tasmania; the Premier of Tasmania and Mrs. Reece; the Lord Mayor and Mayoress; Mr. T. G. Pearsall, represent in the Opposition, and Mrs. Pearsall; members of the Hesketh family; distinguished guests, members of the State Council, Local Associations, all members of Guiding and friends of Guiding.

In his speech the Premier thanked the Association for the invitation to open the Hall. He commended highly the aims of the Move-



ment, and congratulated us upon all that has been achieved at the Headquarters Centre, and particularly with regard to the Hall.

Mr. Reece went on to speak of the wonderful work done by Miss Hesketh for Guiding not only in Tasmania, but overseas. But it was here, in her own State, that we had most to thank her for. "Always remember," he said, "when you enter this building that it is a memorial to one who did so much to pioneer the Movement in Tasmania."

After the Premier had declared the Hall open he was presented with a small souvenir gift.

Mrs. Marie Breaden, State Secretary, read out a list of the telegrams of congratulation which had been received. Among them were messages from Mrs. Buntine, Chief Commissioner, Australia; Miss Lillian Mitchell, Australian Secretary; Victorian Headquarters; and Mrs. Ishbel Steche, Australian International Commissioner. Mrs. Steche (then Ishbel Hogg) worked with Miss Hesketh in the Guide International Service in Germany, and was a close friend. Her telegram read: "May Gwen's friendliness, gaiety, courage and high purpose ever be re-created by all who train in this Memorial Hall".

Lady Gairdner was then invited to unveil the picture of Miss Hesketh on the south wall of the Hall. The portrait is a head and shoulders portrait — an excellent likeness. The Hesketh family very kindly gave us Gwen's Silver Fish Award, and this has been set into the white mount surrounding the picture, with the inscription of her services to Guiding.

At the time of her death, Miss Hesketh was living near Deviot, on the West Tamar, where, on the expiration of her term as State Commissioner, she was working as District Commissioner for the Beaconsfield District of the West Tamar Division. She was also still most interested in camping, and gave a great deal of help to the Guides and Brownies in her District. As a special "thank you" to her the Beaconsfield District Local Association, together with the Guides and Brownies of the District, worked hard, and, in addition to their contribution to the general appeal, raised sufficient money to purchase an office desk and chair as their own special memorial. Representatives from the District were present at the opening of the Hall, and a Guide Lieutenant and three Patrol

Leaders officially presented the desk and chair, each with a silver plaque, to Headquarters.

Mrs. Gabriel thanked everyone for their support. "It is to you," she said "that we owe this Hall." The achievement of the Hall was quite a story. She described how the project had begun in the minds at Headquarters as to how to expand the Hall as it was then. Then the old two-storey building next door went on the market, and the Association had to move fast if the opportunity was not to be missed. But where was the money to come from? "Some of us felt a good bit of fear and trepidation," said Mrs. Gabriel, "but we plunged and bought the building, trusting to the support of the friends of the Movement."

Mrs. Gabriel went on to thank all the Rangers, Guides and Brownies, who had worked so hard to help with the appeal. Their contributions had been raised in many and varied ways — one Guide, for instance, had raised a steer on a neighbour's property and sold it for \$50!

"Guiding is a Movement of giving and receiving," Mrs. Gabriel concluded. "To whomsoever much is given, much shall be required. Guiding has given us much, so much is required of us."

Morning tea was served by the Hobart Division, with their helpers, to the 700 guests — quite a herculean task, and much appreciated by us all.



## **GWEN HESKETH, M.B.E.**

Gwen Hesketh joined the Movement in 1924 as a Ranger in 1st Launceston Ranger Company. She became State Commissioner for Tasmania in 1956.

In 1944 she joined the Guide International Service, and was one of the first four Australian volunteers to reach England. She went almost immediately to Germany and became head of the G.I.S. Commission in the British Zone of Germany, working with the International Refugee Organisation and later directly with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Gwen Hesketh also spent some time in Korea in the 1950s. For nearly 40 years she served the Guide Movement at home and abroad with devotion.



## SEEING THE WORLD THROUGH THE GUILDS

A hastily organised get-together at Headquarters gave about 60 Trefoil members from various Guilds a chance to meet Miss Mabel Wilkins, Chairman of Westminster Trefoil Guild for a good many years, and Area T.G. Recorder for London for five years until March, 1964.

Miss Wilkins appreciated the opportunity to chat with members and to get a general picture of our Guilds here, and during the afternoon told racily of her experiences since retiring from her job in the Civil Service in 1964. She planned to take a world tour; by chance the way opened for her to offer to help at St. Matthew's Mission in South Africa en route, and she spent a year there. Life was very full for her — we wished there had been time to see some of her interesting slides covering this period of her activities.

St. Matthew's Mission has a college for 400 African girls—Secondary, Teachers' Training and Practising School, a big hospital, farm, shop, post office, a large church and lots of mission out-stations.

Miss Wilkins' contact with Guiding there came unexpectedly when she saw from her window one morning a group of 100 girls singing as they marched. Their African Guider was very keen, had been running the Company for three or four years without a warrant, and was grateful to have help from Miss Wilkins. By the time Miss Wilkins had finished her year at the Mission the Captain had been warranted, half of the Company were enrolled and several had gained their Second Class Badge; and a Brownie Pack had been started.

Victoria's Trefoil Guild Recorder, Mrs. May, was able to arrange an interesting programme for Miss Wilkins' short stay in Melbourne, whence she visited Guilds in Geelong, Ballarat, Mildura and thence to friends in New South Wales. From there she goes to New Zealand, then to New Guinea "and by devious ways home".

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"Great Spirit, grant that I may not criticise my neighbour until I have walked a mile in his moccasins."

## FOR BROWNIE GUIDERS

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- B. Stories told, after which the Brownies could illustrate their own story with sketches.
- C. Skits illustrating various incidents in the story.
- D. A puppet show might be tried as change of pace.
- E. Perhaps, if you are fortunate in having a Brownie from the country under discussion, the words for "hello" and "good-bye" could be learned. The Brownies meet many children from other countries in their schools and a long repertoire of "hellos and goodbyes" can be learnt and could be useful for the ceremonies of "openings and closings" and for presentations of World Badges.
- F. A game or song originating in the country of the Pack's choice could be learned for succeeding meetings.
- G. Have you noticed that many of the Brownie Emblems of other countries are from the world of nature? I am sure that you can find many interesting ways of introducing this suggestion as part of the programme!

We cannot tell all there is about Baden-Powell or the Movement in one or two such meetings. However, if stories regarding B.P., Thinking Day or the World Flag were told the first meeting of each month it wouldn't be too long before Brownies and Brown Owl would have gained considerable knowledge. The only form of ideas and adaptations is the imagination of Brown Owl and her Brownies.

Let us remember that B.P. was a man of great vision. He believed that only true and lasting means of peace in this world of ours was a strong, united Brotherhood, and this is why he chose to work with boys and girls to establish a strong band of friends among the young of many nations. It is important that each Brownie know that she is a link in that chain of friendship whether she be in Edmonton or far across the seas.

—From a talk at a training given in Edmondton, Canada, by Mrs. V. Albrecht, Brown Owl—taken from the "Canadian Guider".





—Block by courtesy of "Yarram News".

### BADGE PRESENTATIONS FOR TWO QUEEN'S GUIDES

Two 1st Yarram Guides received their Queen's Guide Badges at a special ceremony in the Guide Hall. The presentations were made by the Region and Division Commissioners. The Shire President and Mrs. Kay attended the ceremony, and parents and friends were also present. Guides, Brownies and members of the Senior Branch formed a guard of honour, and during the ceremony Guides formed a Horseshoe and explained different stages in Guiding — from the Tenderfoot through to the Queen's Guide.

Following the ceremony and an address by Cr. Kay, supper was provided by the Local Association. Susan and Robyn cut a cake decorated with the Queen's Guide emblem.

—From the "Yarram News".

### BRITANNIA PARK

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- 17th—Donald District.
- 18th—Preston Local Association.
- 19th—Balwyn Local Association.
- 20th—Central Murray Division.
- 22nd—Mrs. R. E. Gregory.
- 24th—Dingley, Springvale South.
- 25th—Mrs. R. J. H. Risson.
- 27th—Miss M. Shaw.
- 28th—4th Malvern Pack.

### WATCH YOUR STEP AND LIVE

You might be a driver, but you are frequently a pedestrian, too.

Kerb drill might seem elementary — but it is the beginning, and failure to use it — always — could be the end of pedestrian safety.

When you set out to cross a road, do you ever consider how long it will take you to cross — especially if you are not as agile as you were a few years ago? For example, if there is a car approaching and it is about 500 feet away, travelling at 30 m.p.h. — how long have you to get across?

About 12 seconds. It does not leave much time for hesitation, misjudgment — a slip?

#### Some "Lifesavers" for Pedestrians

- Always look right, left, and right again before crossing the road.
- Keep a sharp lookout while crossing.
- Where there are no footpaths, always walk on the right FACING the oncoming traffic.
- At night carry a light or wear something white.
- Be extra careful where there is no pedestrian crossing.
- Obey traffic lights — they're there for your protection, too.
- Don't take that chance — better to be late than "the late".

—From "Safety News", W.A. and the "Courier").



## DEAR "MATILDA",

I am surely among the most privileged persons alive—so my heart says—here in this wonderful land of Papua, a land of high mountains, wide seas and wide skies.

My brother and family have worked as missionaries in this area for many years, and I have been sharing their life for two months. There have been many days of journeying in a small boat on the vast seas — much hiking and climbing to reach distant villages — the sharing of Christmas festivities. Christmas dinner this year was a Papuan feast at 4 p.m., sitting cross-legged on the ground — our table — long lines of banana leaves and our dinner — pig, yams, barbite, tura, baked pumpkin, fish, sweet potato, pineapple and paw-paw. Just a thought for busy housewives — there was no pile of dirty dishes afterwards. We washed our hands and burnt the tablecloths and plates. Wonderful!

Now for a specially enriching experience to share with you all through "Matilda". I had enquired at Samarai about Brownies, but they were in recess, and I thought I should not be seeing Brownies or Guides. Then most unexpectedly it happened . . .

I was spending several days in a leper colony. The leper hospital is on the island of Ubuja, off the coast of Normanby Island. Ubuja is an emerald gem of mountains. The hospital and homes are at the top of a very steep path up from the wharf. Here in this beautiful but lonely place works Sister Dorothy Nix — very tiny in stature but big in spirit. From a chance remark she made one day I discovered that there were Brownies on Ubuja. Naomi was the Guider, and another Guider was in Moresby at a Guide camp. So we found Naomi! Are there really Brownies here? Could I meet some? That afternoon, Naomi, in Guide uniform, and 10 little Papuan Brownies arrived at my door — all anxious for me to take their Brownie meeting. What wonderful fun it was. Brown hair, brown bodies, brown eyes and little brown skirts with a Brownie Badge pinned on one side. Eta is a patient, and also a Guide, who helps with the Brownies when she is well enough. Naomi's request was, "You teach us!" — but first I wanted to see them as they usually are in a Brownie Pack. High on the hill under a great mango tree we had Brownie Ring and a sing-song. They could already sing "Gaily Sings the Donkey"!

We had fun together — we learnt about the reef knot, Kim's Game and the Grand Old Duke of York. We played Fruit Salad, too, using Mango, Pineapple, Paw-Paw, etc. This was an hilarious game with these shining-eyed Papuans, and, oh! that you could all have seen them practising leap-frog! There was no time limit for this special Brownie meeting, and so we shared and played together when, in Brownie Ring, we sang Brownie Bells, and our charming Papuan Guider prayed. She was full of questions, but at last we said good-bye — the dark comes so suddenly. I stood and watched my little friends go down the hill, dancing nimble feet sure as mountain goats over the rough track. It was a wonderful experience, all the more lovely for coming so unexpectedly. They need our thoughts and prayers and any encouragement we can give to them.

As we reached the wharf early the next morning to leave Ubuja for our journey home to Bunama there was my friend Naomi and her Brownies, with broad Brownie smiles, to wave good-bye.

I thought others might like to share this thrill with me.

Good-bye, "Matilda".

Yours sincerely,

—(Mrs.) Nell Hodgson, Brown Owl,  
3rd Morwell Brownie Pack,  
Victoria.

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## THE PERFECT SQUELCH

Place: A Guide Company meeting.

Characters: A Brownie recently "up" from the Pack and suffering from an attack of hero worship for her Captain that causes her to be constantly underfoot; a Captain (a Diploma'd Trainer of many years' standing), who feels it is time this attention was diverted to the recruit's Patrol Leader.

Brownie: "When you do the sign in tracking that means a letter hidden, do you have to leave a real letter there?"

Captain: "You should ask your Patrol Leader about that."

Brownie: "Oh, sorry. I just thought you might know . . ."

(The same recruit later described to Captain something that happened last year, "When a whole lot of Brownies got together and had to be 'Brownie Rebels'.")



# GOD DEFEND NEW ZEALAND

Words by Thos. Bracken.

Music by John J. Woods.

God of Nations! at Thy feet In the bonds of love we meet,  
 Hear our voices we entreat, God defend our Free land;  
 Guard Pacific's tri-ple star from the shafts of strife and war,  
 Make her praises heard a-far, God defend New Zealand.

2. Men of every creed and race Gather here before Thy face,  
 Asking Thee to bless this place - God defend our Freedomland.  
 From dissension, envy, hate, And corruption, guard our State;  
 Make our country good and great - God defend New Zealand.

3. May our mountains ever be Freedom's ramparts on the sea;  
 Make us faithful unto Thee - God defend our Freedomland.  
 Guide her in the nations' van, Preaching love and truth to man,  
 Working out Thy glorious plan - God defend New Zealand.

Although this song is not really a campfire song it is included here as a matter of interest. It is a national song, and knowledge of it is required for the New Zealand Second Class Test. The song is now in the public domain as concerns copyright, but we are grateful for the help of our friends in New Zealand, who have printed it in their song book.

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# NOTICES

## GUIDERS' CONFERENCE

The Guiders' Conference will be held this year on 22nd October in its usual setting, Wilson Hall and the Old Arts Building of the Melbourne University. The programme will include guest speakers, discussion groups, a debate and a campfire, and there will be opportunities for you to give your opinion on some of the problems that face us as Guiders.

An Open Day and Guiders' Own has been arranged for the Sunday at Britannia Park. This will give an opportunity for old friends of the property to look over the improvements and for those who have not visited Guide House before the chance to see it at its best in the spring.

Please mark the date in your diaries right away and plan to be there on 22nd October.

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## WHO HAS A DRUM?

2nd Doncaster Guides are in touch with a Company at the Roper River Mission in the Northern Territory, and have sent them material on First Class, and are, by Patrol efforts, raising funds to help with fares to Darwin for two Guides to attend a camp.

However, one thing they have not been able to send — the newly formed Ranger Company at Roper River would like a drum. They do so want to learn to march!

If anyone has a drum they know is no longer needed Mrs. E. J. Ryan, Holy Trinity Vicarage, Doncaster, would be pleased to hear from you.

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## "MATILDA" INDEX, 1964-65, Volume 42

This will be ready shortly. It is regretted that it is somewhat late, but typists just don't have enough fingers these days it seems!

If you are interested in a copy, would you please send a long, stamped, addressed envelope to the Editor of "Matilda", Miss M. Shaw, 44 Tooronga Road, East Hawthorn, E.3, and a copy will be sent to you as soon as the index is ready.

## HEADQUARTERS' COURSES

### Brownie Special Subjects

Daytime (1 to 3), Evening (5.45 to 7.45).

Monday — 18th July, 1st August, 8th August, 15th August, 22nd August.

### Subjects

Daytime (1 to 3).

Monday—

18th July: "Fun With Semaphore" (for Guiders who do not find it so).

1st August: "Creativeness in the Pack" (including Pack ceremonial and hand-crafts).

8th August: "International for Brownies" (including knowledge of other countries and W.A.G.G.G.S.).

15th August: "Bushcraft for Brownies" outdoors.

22nd August: "Self-Expression in the Pack" (including singing games, miming, etc.).

Evening (5.45 to 7.45).

Monday—

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1st August—"Self-Expression in the Pack" (including singing games, miming, etc.).

8th August: "Fun With Semaphore" (for Guiders who do not find it so).

15th August: "Creativeness in the Pack" (including Pack ceremonial and hand-crafts).

22nd Aug.: "International for Brownies" (including knowledge of other countries and W.A.G.G.G.S.).

Trainer: Miss N. Sims.

Guiders may attend a complete course (five sessions) or individual subjects of the day or evening course.

Fee — 75c for the complete course, 20c for individual subjects.

### Guide Pre-Warrant

Wednesday — 27th July; 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th August; 14th, 21st, 28th September.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (one hour for lunch).

Fee: 75c.

Trainer: Miss M. Watson.

Nominations close 17th July.



# NOTICES

## Senior Branch

Thursday — 28th July; 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th August; 15th, 22nd, 29th September.

7.30 to 10 p.m. (please note change of times).

Fee: 75c.

Trainer: Miss M. Watson.

Nominations close 18th July.

## Country Training Courses

Bairnsdale — Brownie Pre-Warrant.

9th to 10th July and 13th to 14th August.

Details of locations and times will be sent direct to Commissioners in the Gippsland Region.

Trainer: Miss G. Buckland.

Fee: 75c for two weekends.

Sale — Guide Pre-Warrant (follow-up).

30th to 31st July and 24th to 25th September. Sale Guide Hall. Saturday: 1.30 to 9 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Trainer: Miss Y. James. Fee: 75c.

Nominations close 20th July.

## Residential Course

### October Training Week.

Britannia Park — 14th to 22nd October, 1966.

October Training Week this year will be for Warranted Brownie and Guide Guiders only. The programme will include subjects on First Class, Bushcraft or Combined Campcraft and general training for Warranted Guide Guiders and combined Handcraft and Miming/Drama for Warranted Brownie Guiders.

Nominations for this training should be sent to the Training Department by 14th September, together with the fee of \$8. (If, for any reason, Guiders are unable to attend after being nominated, fees will be refunded if written notice is given at least seven days before the training commences.)

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## Campcraft Training

If applications warrant it a Campcraft Training Course will be held at Britannia Park from Monday, 17th October, to Friday, 21st October, 1966. Cost: \$6.75 plus transport.

Applications on blue training form to Camping Secretary, Mrs. B. D. McNally.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 15th SEPTEMBER.

## ALL-AUSTRALIA GUIDE CAMP

An All-Australia Guide Camp will be held at "Kindilan", Queensland, from 13th to 20th May, 1967. Victoria has been allotted 75 places for Guides at this camp. Guides attending must be at least 13 years of age, be Second Class and have camped before.

Camp fee will be \$18 (this includes transport from Brisbane to camp and excursions) PLUS fares Melbourne to Brisbane and return. (Concession fare approximately \$12 for Guides under 16, \$17 for Guides over 16 and still students.)

Preliminary application forms for SELECTION for this camp are available from Camping Secretary on receipt of a STAMPED, ADDRESSED ENVELOPE.

IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO LEAVE MELBOURNE FOR QUEENSLAND SEVEN OR EIGHT DAYS BEFORE THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS START. GUIDES WHO CANNOT GET THIS LEAVE CANNOT APPLY FOR THE CAMP.

—B. D. McNally,  
Camping Secretary.

## Staff

A limited number of staff will be required for the All-Australia Camp in Queensland. Guiders interested should send a STAMPED, ADDRESSED ENVELOPE for application form for SELECTION to attend this camp.

Camp fee will be \$9 PLUS fares Melbourne to Brisbane and return (concession fare approximately \$23).

—B. D. McNally,  
Camping Secretary.

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## SENIOR BRANCH DEBUTANTE BALL

### Palais de Danse, St. Kilda

Don't forget the date.

It's not too late to make your bookings with the Ticket Secretary,

Miss M. Smith,  
53 Wingate Street,  
East Bentleigh.  
Phone: 57 4302.

(PLEASE NOTE: Phone number in May "Matilda" is wrong.)

—Barbara Huddle.

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## CONGRATULATIONS

**CONGRATULATIONS to the recipients of the following Awards:—**

### Long Service (Uniformed Personnel):

H. M. Cawood, Apollo Bay (White Ribbon).  
Miss R. M. Wollaston, Moorabbin (White Ribbon).

### Thanks Badge:

Mr. A. R. Slorach, Cardross.  
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Mr. C. Huddle, Highett.

### Full Ranger Service Star:

Mrs. D. R. Stewart, Captain of Colac Land Rangers, on completion of the full Ranger Service Star.

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### SENIOR BRANCH GUIDERS' LIGHTWEIGHT CAMP TRAINING

A Lightweight Campcraft Training for Senior Branch Guiders will be held on the weekend of 24th to 25th September in the Dandenongs area (intending applicants will be notified of exact location later). The fee of \$1.50 includes all food, but not transport. If desired, lightweight tents may be hired at a cost of 35 cents for the weekend.

Guider-in-Charge, Mrs. Cynthia Walker, to whom all applications, accompanied by fee of \$1.50, should be addressed to "Wirrawirra", Madden Road, Heatherton. (State if tent required.) Applications close 31st August.



### THAT SENIOR BRANCH "TEACH-IN"

REMINDER! Don't forget that applications for this world premiere performance have to be in by 16th July. The Teach-In is at Melbourne University Old Arts Building from 10 a.m., Saturday, 20th August, to 4 p.m. on Sunday, 21st August. Commissioners have details of the programme, and application forms are available from Mrs. S. Kleinert, "Tascott", Serpells Road, Templestowe (84 7107) on receipt of a stamped, addressed envelope. You wouldn't miss it for anything, would you?

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### Green Lanyards

It has been noted that Green Lanyards are being worn by Guiders outside Company meetings, and it is pointed out that Green Lanyards for Camper's Licence have been replaced by a Metal Badge (white tent on green background). Guiders who wish to do so may wear a Green Lanyard to Company meetings or camps, but not at other functions.

—Lysbeth Turnbull,  
State Camping Adviser.

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