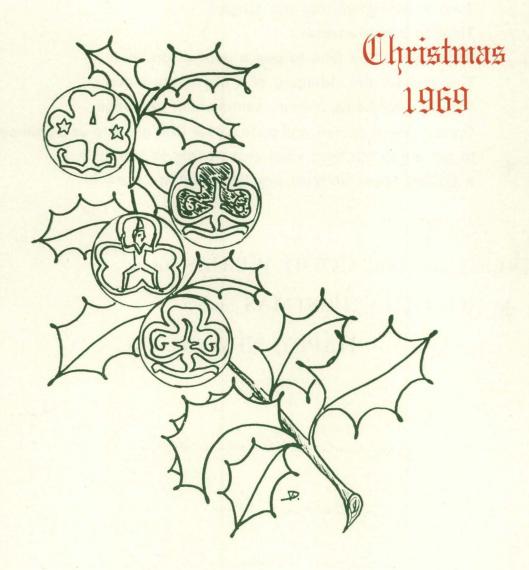
# MATILDA



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# CHRISTMAS \*

is the time when kindly gestures can be made. The time to write the letter that has been too long delayed. The time to break the silence that has fallen between friends. Time to straighten out the tangles. Time to make amends. Christmas is the time to pay a debt of gratitude. The time for the indulging of a charitable mood . . . The time for being human, sentimental, generous. Once a year it comes, and once a year God gives to us a chance to act out in our lives what Jesus came to teach:



GREETINGS and GOOD WISHES for a

→ JOYOUS CHRISTMAS and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Charlotte Renshaw Jones.

a golden opportunity to practise what we preach.

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## CAMP SOUTHERN CROSS AND CAMP ENDEAVOUR

This is the edition of "Matilda" before our International Camp gets under way at Britannia Park.

A welcome goes out to all visitors to Victoria from overseas and from other Australian States who will be with us for these camps.

"Matilda" looks forward to meeting some of you and hopes you have an interesting camp and that you make many new friends.

## A BIG "THANK YOU"

To all Brownie Guides, Guides, Rangers, Guiders, Local Associations, and EVERY-ONE who has had a part in raising the magnificent amount of money to sponsor Guides from overseas to Camp Southern Cross and Camp Endeavour.

It has not been possible to write individually to each group which has contributed - although I would have liked to do this so we do want you ALL to know that every donation, large and small, is appreciated, and our hope is that you will have had as much fun in raising this amount as our visitors will have in being here with us this summer.

Reports have come in of Lamington Drives, Toffee Apple Stalls, Pie Nights, Honey Drives, Luncheons, Films — you name it, we've done it! - and our State total will be

well over \$13,000. This includes \$1000 to bring two partially sighted Guides from Malaysia for Camp Endeavour. This now means that we have been able to invite five Guides from Malaysia (two for Camp Endeavour), one Guide from Ceylon, two Guides from Hong Kong, one Guide from Tonga; one Guide from Gilbert and Ellice Islands, two Guides from Pakistan, five Guides from New Guinea, two Guides from India, two Guides and one Guider from Thailand, and one Guide from Taiwan.

In addition to this list the Irene Fairbairn Award Fund is paying the expenses of a young Trainer from Singapore.

Because we were so excited by this response to our suggestion that we help to bring someone from overseas who would not otherwise be able to come, we have told

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## SPONSOR A GUIDE?

When we were first asked to consider bringing a Guide from an overseas country to Camp Southern Cross in 1970, my thoughts immediately went to the Gilbert and Ellice Island Colony. I had had the good fortune to live there with a small group, and learn a great deal of the life they live, their customs and cultures. By our "civilised" standards, they have nothing, yet they enjoy life to the full, and are deeply grateful for any assistance given them.

I chatted with members of our District Local Association about the possibility of sponsoring a Guide from these islands, and the support given was tremendous. So much so, that I tossed the idea into the next Commissioners' meeting. All went well for a time . . . until I discovered that an economy return air fare was over \$600 - and I very nearly gave up any hope. However, when the whole Region accepted the challenge of helping to raise this amount, we all went ahead with plans. Fancy dress parades, "salamagundies", films from Guiders who had recently returned from trips, Guides making toffee apples for a stall, and so on, and so on. Assistance was also given by several Rotary groups, and in three months we had achieved our objective — the money was in the bank.

In the meantime, letters flew backwards and forwards between us and the Branch Association in Tarawa, capital of the colony. A special camp was organised there during the August holidays, so that Guiders and Commissioners could decide which of their Guides had the requisite qualifications to represent the colony at Britannia Park.

Makorenga Ititake was eventually chosen, and everyone there is now busily preparing her for the journey. She will fly to Fiji, spend two or three days with the Fijian girls who are to attend the camp, and they will arrive in Australia together about a week prior to camp date.

In all, there are about 25 islands in the group, and it is most interesting to learn that, on 17 of these, the Guide Movement is very active; Units include Sunbeams (Brownies), Guides, Rangers and Cadets. The first Brownie Pack started in the early 1930's, but it was not until 1964 that the Movement really began to grow. Since 1967, 16 new Units have been formed, one L.A. and two Guiding Committees.

To all who have "put their shoulder to the wheel" and accepted the challenge so magnificently, I would like to say a very sincere "thank you" and add to this a brief quotation from a letter I received from the Commissioner in the colony, Mrs. D. J. Summers, "The news you gave me in your letter (to invite a Guide) was absolutely marvellous. . . . We had been thinking of sending someone, but when we looked into costs, we just couldn't possibly afford it. What a wonderful thing Guiding is!"

—H. White,Ballarat Region International Rep.



## INTERNATIONAL INVITATIONS

More international invitations have been received.

## 1. NEW ZEALAND:

The New Zealand Girl Guides Association has pleasure in inviting your country to participate in a National Camp which our Association is organising for January, 1971.

Dates: 4th to 14th January, 1971.

Duration: 10 days.

Place: Trentham Memorial Park, Wellington, North Island, N.Z.

Camp: The camp will be under canvas.

The maximum number attending the camp will be 2500, including 2000 Guides between 12 to 14 years, 150 Ranger Guides between 14 to 19 years, Staff and overseas visitors, 350.

Number invited: 10 LEADERS, 17 to 30 years of age (must have had 17th birthday and not 31st birthday by the end of the camp). 30 GUIDES, 12 to 14 years of age (must have had 12th birthday and not 15th by the end of the camp).

Cost: \$35 (N.Z. currency) approximately, plus fare to New Zealand.

Hospitality: One or two weeks after the camp, periods to be arranged to suit visitors. Inexpensive tours could also be arranged if desired.

Insurance: Visitors will be insured whilst in New Zealand agaist accident, personal injury and sickness for one calendar month, but not against loss of belongings.

All applying must have camping experience. No finance is available.

Closing date for applications, 1st March, 1970.

## 2. SWITZERLAND:

OUR CHALET, 3715 ADELBODEN, SWITZERLAND — SUMMER, 1970 — 12th July — 23rd July — WALKING WEEK.

Twenty-five places will be reserved for Rangers and young Leaders (17 to 22 years of age) keen to take part in long mountain walks and simple climbing

This is a follow-up to the very successful Walking Week held in 1969.

No finance is available for this event. Closing date for applications, 20th January, 1970.

## 3. SWEDEN:

The Girl Guides and Boy Scouts of the Mission Covenant Church of Sweden at Malingsbo-Kloten Crown Forest, about 200 kilometers north-west of Stockholm.

30th July to 8th August, 1970. One week of home hospitality after the camp.

Cost: About 140 Sw. Crowns (\$U.S.27), excluding transport. The cost by Pace-Setter Air Travel is \$390 each way.

Qualifications: 13 to 18 years of age, with camping experience.

No finance is available. Closing date, 1st January, 1970.

## 4. KOREA:

Date: 7th to 13th August, 1970. Place: The suburbs of Seoul.

Hospitality: Three days in Korean homes before or after the camp.

Languages: Korean and English.

Fee: \$U.S.20. This includes one excursion during the camp.

Qualifications: Each Girl Scout should be from 14 to 17 years on August, 1970. Should be experienced in camping.

Climate: Between 80° and 90° Fah.

(Please note that the Korean invitation could perhaps be incorporated with the Japanese one — which ends on 2nd August, then follows four days' hospitality, bringing the date to 6th August. The Korean camp commences on 7th August. (For details of the Japanese event, see Sept. "Matilda".)

Economy Air Fare: Melbourne/Korea, via Tokyo, \$854.70.

No finance available.

Closing date, 1st January, 1970.

Application forms are available from the State International Representative, Mrs. G. Farrow, 3 Merrion Grove, Kew — and applications should be returned to her by the date given with information for the various camps.

## A BIG "THANK YOU"

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everyone about it — and Qantas Airways, who are doing all our bookings, are going to help us, too. They have agreed to allow us \$1500 in order to invite another girl from Taiwan and two Guides from Indonesia, so you will see some advertising for Qantas in our magazines in the near future.

It is now known that there will be at least 170 overseas visitors at the camp, and so let us all join together in making their stay with us a really worthwhile and fun-filled few weeks. It will be something they will remember all their lives!

-Shirley Farrow,

State International Representative.



## SERVICE

# SERVICE from a Brownie Guide Point of View . . .

From the Adviser . . .

"A Brownie Guide thinks of others before herself and does a Good Turn every day".

When we ask a young child to think of others before herself, we are asking a great deal of her. It is not easy for an adult, but at the Brownie age the child is very much concerned with discovering herself, her relationships with others, her capabilities. So much has been done for her by adults in her early years — at seven or even eight — she may not have had very much opportunity to do things for others.

Asking her to do a Good Turn every day is not as easy as it may sound. When asked what sort of things she could do — her ideas are often impractical and beyond her. She needs help to see that simple, ordinary, every-day things can contribute to the happiness of others. It is our responsibility as Guiders to help the Brownie to develop her knowledge and skills so that she can cope with more ambitious deeds.

The beginning of Service is in the home. This is the natural environment for her. If her parents have not yet realised that their daughter is growing up and becoming capable of contributing to the responsibilities of her home life, then Guiders may need to find a way of letting the parents see the Brownie at work.

The next step is **Service in the Community.** Being friendly and helpful to all she meets—at her church, school and clubs, and to her neighbours, is within the scope of each individual. However, more can be achieved if the Brownie joins with others. She should be encouraged to share in service projects of her church, her school, etc., as well as her Pack.

Community Service might spread to National and International Service. Awareness, knowledge and understanding of other people can be developed in many ways through Pack programming — a desire to be friendly to all should be the aim. To give expression to this feeling a friendly action should follow — e.g., a letter, a scrapbook of Australian life, a contribution to an appeal run by a recognised service organisation such as Red Cross, Community Aid Abroad, etc.

Whatever the service — it is essential that it is a real **good** turn, not a nuisance — please be aware of the act that may appear genuine on the surface.

Intelligent understanding of a situation is called for — not just sentiment. I fear that there have been times when recipients of our "turns" have felt that they have been doing us a favour by allowing "these sweet young Brownies" to do things for them! Whilst making a special effort of service during our Diamond Jubilee year, may we realise that our Guiding is always to prepare a Brownie to lend a hand to the best of her ability.

May helpfulness and happiness spread throughout our homes, our communities and our nation in 1970.



## By a Brownie Guider . . .

The Brownie Story is a good beginning for any recruit — it can fire her with enthusiasm to do things at home. We know she does not become an angel, but we have heard from parents that changes for the better have taken place after hearing the Story and attending the first Pack Meeting. Miming it might be a way of reviving enthusiasm among the Brownies.

During our meetings the desire to help is given expression because we allow and welcome it. Many a "well-planned" programme has quietly slipped into oblivion because it seems that today is the day to clean up the hall, the cupboard, the charts, the garden, or start working on a Pack Good Turn that has just been thought of! Service for the Brownie is encouraged through her Law and her Motto. "Lending a Hand" might really be lending a "foot" to fetch an article for Dad or go a message for older sister, or she might lend her voice by cheering up a sick or elderly relative or neighbour — her hand may be used in hundreds of ways — making

something, tidying up, mending, laundering, writing a letter, growing vegetables or flowers, etc.

It takes only a second to see that actually it is not only the "hand" that is being asked for, but the Brownie's **whole being.** We want her heart to be in it, too. We all know that there have been times when we have thought that the most precious gift we have received was the kind word and the friendly smile.

As a Pack the Brownies can carry out a service project that might be beyond the individual.

It is important that the idea comes from the children themselves. Enthusiasm will be high because "we thought of it all by ourselves". Their sense of responsibility will be greater, and they will be very aware of the necessity to carry the project out to a successful completion.

There may be a need to "look for" something worthwhile. The Brownies may need to discuss possibilities with families, friends and neighbours, or look in newspapers. There is no reason why the Guiders cannot add the results of their investigation to the Brownies' list. But the decision is the Brownies own. Without being a wet blanket, be careful not to let the Brownies become too carried away with their enthusiasm and try to do something outside their capabilities.

Make discreet enquiries to ensure that your Good Turn will actually be a help and not a hindrance. There must be a real need. Try to avoid long-term projects, as enthusiasm will wane. Enthusiasm is initially high, partly because the Brownies planned the project themselves. Newcomers to the Pack will not be as keen for a "inherited" Good Turn as for one they helped to plan themselves.

Plan thoroughly — make sure all details have been covered and that each Brownie is able to contribute even if only in a small way. Show that you are confident in the Brownies' ability. (They never cease to surprise us with their performances.)

If any adjustments are needed to make it successful, help the Brownies to see the need, then leave them to carry them out and get the job done — after all, it is their Good Turn.

Such a Good Turn has the ingredients for a Venture — not all Ventures are Good Turns, of course. Perhaps the Brownies might consider having one or two Special Service Ventures for 1970. Why not ask them?



## From the Brownies . . .

(Based on questions and discussions raised in three Packs — quoted verbatim.)

Guider: What do you understand by the word "Service"?

Brownies: It means helping people — thinking of somebody else — doing a Good Turn — doing the Brownie Law.

Guider: What do you like about Good Turns?

Brownies: Fun . . . exciting . . . interesting . . . hard working . . . some are easy . . . helping people is the best part.

Guider: Why do we do Good Turns?
Brownies: We make friends — makes
people happy — sometimes they help us.

Guider: Why don't we take a reward for them?

Brownies (almost in chorus): It wouldn't be a Good Turn!

Guider: What is the best way to find turns to do?

Brownies: Nothing else to do, so you find something — stick around the house — ask people if they want something done. They are easy to find.

Guider: What are some that you have done lately?

Brownies: Washing, drying dishes; minding baby; helping father to paint; shopping, particularly at the Self-Service; making bed every morning (I don't have to!); washing clothes; baking cakes.

Guider: Where do you like doing Good Turns best?

Brownies (unanimously): At home.



## SERVICE - AND OPPORTUNITIES

With the Natural Resources Conservation League of Victoria:—Conservation work through the Junior Tree Lovers' League and general care of national parks and reserves. Keeping Australia beautiful.

Mutual Aid — through the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts:—Here are some of the existing needs of Guide Associations throughout the world, and these opportunities to help could lead to further international knowledge and understanding.

No money should be sent until you have heard from the World Bureau, and if anyone is interested they should contact direct — M/ Ines Uranga, Executive Secretary, Promotion-World Bureau, 132 Ebury Street, Westminster, London, S.W.1, England. The needs include such items as:

No. 7 — Aid towards publishing a programme guide for leaders — to cover the cost of materials for 5000 copies, a typist, mailing and distribution, £200.

No. 38 — Cooking and washing utensils, £25.

For Africa:

No. 69 — Development of campsite — the Government will give them a plot of land, and this would help with camping facilities and serve as a source of revenue, £1870.

No. 61 — Motorised caravan with two beds, cooking utensils and equipment for training, £1000.

No. 19 — 48 groundsheets at £5/15/- each.

No. 21 — 200 uniform blouses, 12/8 each. This country has not yet had uniforms, as most of the girls are unable to pay for them. For the Western Hemisphere:

No. 51 — Typewriter: the one they have in their Central office at present is loaned to them, £70.

For Arab Countries:

No. 28 — 50 First Aid kits at £1 each.

No. 30 - 10 compasses at 16/6 each.

## **DONATIONS**

We acknowledge with grateful thanks:

Walter and Eliza Hall Trust; Mrs. R. Bonner-Morgan; Swan Hill L.A.; Box Hill L.A.

# WARRACKNABEAL AND A QUEEN'S GUIDE PRESENTATION

Robyn Ferguson, 1st Warracknabeal Guides, was presented with her Queen's Guide Badge by our Region Commissioner at a dinner given in her honour by the Guides and L.A. members. Guests included the Shire President, District Commissioner, Testers, and L.A. members. A presentation cake, depicting a replica of the Queen's Guide Badge, beautifully decorated by a Warracknabeal Guide, held pride of place on the official table. During the evening several Guides combined in story form to outline Robyn's progress through Brownies and Guides.

Robyn has now joined the new Ranger Unit in Warracknabeal.



## BLACK ROCK'S FIRST QUEEN'S GUIDE

That Wednesday was a memorable day for 2nd Black Rock Guides as we celebrated the Company's first Queen's Guide Badge.

Roslyn Cole was the guest of honour at a Company buffet tea, to which were invited her parents, all her Testers and our Division, and District Commissioners. After dinner, which concluded with Roslyn cutting a special cake beautifully decorated with an Eight-Point Badge and Silver Crowns (the work of one of our Guide mothers, Mrs. Conrick) came the presentation.

This was by candlelight and traced the history of Roslyn's progress through Brownies, flying up to Guides, on to First Class, 12 months with the Pilot Scheme, and culminated with the award of an Eight-Point Badge.

Our District Commissioner then presented Roslyn with her Queen's Guide Badge, and the evening closed with a rousing campfire conducted by the three 1969 Queen's Guides of 1st Black Rock. It was truly a night to remember.

## **NEW LOOK GUIDING**

Karingal District launched into New Look Guiding with a bang! Proceedings were attended by a large number of parents, friends and special visitors, and began by reviewing books from the past, "Scouting for Boys", "How Girls Can Help to Build Up the Empire", "Girl Guiding", "Be Prepared", "Tomorrow's Guide" — a facsimile of each book cover carried in by Brownies and Guides dressed in uniforms appropriate to the time.

Then to the sounds of a count-down we were launched into the 'seventies by the firing of a rocket and the arrival of the handbooks in a decorated trailer. The books were blessed by a member of the local clergy, and the parcels distributed.

An exhibition of photographs, handbooks, Guide publications and craft work, linked with the ceremony already mentioned, attracted the attention of many of the visitors and helped to underline the significance of the occasion.

The whole function also helped to consolidate Karingal as a fully-fledged District— we are just five years old. From one small Company and Pack the District has grown to two Companies bursting at their seams, three Packs, with a fourth starting next year, 11 Guiders and a Commissioner, with promises of several more Guiders and a Ranger Unit as our numbers increase. Behind us is a hard-working and enthusiastic Local Association, whose efforts have given us great moral support and earned many dollars on our behalf.

# A MASSIVE AFTERNOON FOR 1st LARA GUIDES

Guides from 1st Lara had, in their own words, a massive afternoon when they went to the local hall and sang for a busload of patients from a mental hospital. They also helped serve the afternoon tea, and at the conclusion of the afternoon were told that they really had "made the day" for the men, who do not often see young people, much less hear them singing.

This was a most rewarding and educational day for the Guides, as they had never before known anything of the work of such institutions, and they are looking forward to going again next year.

## PRAYER

Dear God, help us as leaders to make a success of the new syllabus so that those who have spent so much time planning it will not feel they have wasted their time.

Thank You, Lord, for the work our retiring District Commissioner has done to help us and give our new District Commissioner patience to deal with her trials and temptations!

Thank You for this camp and our leaders. Inspire young girls in all lands to carry on the ideals of Guiding.

Help the Freedom from Hunger Campaign to be worthwhile.

Amen.

(Composed by Patrol Leaders and Seconds at a camp held by 4th Balwyn Coy. to discuss the new Handbook.)



For First Victorian Lone Guides,
It is a real delight—
Right at the start of every month—
Seeing the budget come to light.

Through the post it comes our way,
And quick we have to be,
It's someone else's turn, you know—
So count the days—just up to three.

Try your hand at competitions, Or poetry will do; Remember there are lots of things, It's made for me and you.

It's our promise we remember, To do good things each day, All words are written just for us, Carefully showing us the way.

Our next thoughts are for Captain, Many thanks from all of us. Perhaps some day we'll meet her And then there'll be a "fuss"!

-Sally McCrae.

## EARLY AUSTRALIA — A DAY OF EXPLORATION

Recently, Guide leaders of the North Metropolitan Region, with interested friends, attended a field day in Keilor organised by the Captain of 1st Keilor Guides, Mrs. Rosie McNab.

Anthropology of the Australian Aborigines, archaeological findings around Keilor, geology of the Organ Pipes and early history of the white man in Keilor were the topics.

Mr. Dermot Casey, honorary archaeologist and lecturer from the Melbourne Museum, opened the day's programme with an absorbing talk on some of the early Aboriginal means of survival, and their stone implements. There is proof that Aborigines were in Australia 20,000 years ago, and the skeleton of one some 6500 years old was found in the Green Gully soil pit (just south of Keilor) last year.

This skeleton, dubbed "Fossil Freddy" by the Press, gave the archaeologists reason to believe the Aborigines who roamed in this area had mystical and spiritual beliefs, including survival after death.

Mr. Casey showed slides of this skeleton (obviously buried in a 2ft. deep grave) and explained how it was excavated.

He mentioned that the number of ancient human bones found in Australia would fill only two suitcases! These bones are very important, as they indicate the type of men who existed here, and how they might be related to men of other times and places.

Stone implements, because they do not disintegrate, are a greater source of information than is often realised — there are over 100 different types of them in Australia. When an archaeologist studies a stone implement, he asks himself: (1) How is it made? (2) What was it used for? (3) How does it compare with implements found in other parts of the country, or in other countries?

A stone axe brought along by one Guide leader was recognised by the archaeologist as being made from Mt. William stone. Mt. William is near Lancefield, Victoria. It was a beautifully made ground-edged axe, but what made it really interesting was the fact that it had been found in Central North

Queensland, along with other "local" stone, axes.

Another stone axe brought along was called a "Sumatra Axe" because of its resemblance to the style found in Sumatra.

Mr. Casey showed three definite styles of stone implements:—

- (1) The oldest style, shaped and trimmed by chipping with hammerstones, which were in use 20,000 years ago in Australia and right up to recent times.
- (2) The Microliths, which are spearpoints and barbs ½in. to 1½in. long, used 5000 to 1000 years ago.
- (3) The ground-edged axes, shaped by grinding, and used from approximately 1000 years ago to recent times.

Mr. Casey's lecture came at a fitting time, as the Archaeological Society of Victoria will shortly be opening a museum in the old Shire Hall, Keilor, to display the archaeological findings around Keilor.

After a short break, Mr. G. Price, City Engineer of the City of Keilor, brought us back to the present with an enlightening and absorbing talk on early white man's history in and around Keilor. He said, although Melbourne, Geelong and Portland were settled before Keilor, the speed with which Keilor was developed is a record. This was due mainly to it being the centre of many main routes, including that to the Ballarat and Bendigo goldfields. His talk touched on prominent characters among the early settlers, including Caroline Chisholm and her nursing centre; Mr. Ely, the first Postmaster; and Mr. Taylor, known as "The Father of Keilor".

It was interesting to note that Mr. Ely's house, a store and post office for 60 years, was also used by the Keilor Roads Board. Mr Ely's youngest child (of 15) died, at the age of 98, early this year, the old house has recently been sold, and there are plans to preserve it as a folk museum.

It was interesting to learn from Mr. Price that the present highway is built only a few feet from the track used by the diggers on their way to the goldfieds. He mentioned the many punts used across the Maribyrnong River and the Keilor Bridge used as a toll bridge during the gold rush. There was

also the need for a police station (manned by a N.S.W. constable) which closed down only in 1873 and court house.

It is interesting to note that around Keilor there are still signs of thatched roof houses, and tracks used in the 1800's.

Mr. Price said that the formation of an Historical Society would be a valuable means of preserving much colourful and interesting data. After an interesting question time, Mr. Price took a few Guiders exploring around some of the historical buildings while the rest headed for the geologically famous "Organ Pipes". These pipes were formed 21/2 to 41/2 million years ago, from homogenous lava. Certain conditions must exist for organ pipes to form, and at Jackson's Creek, five miles north-west of Keilor, we saw and wondered at them. There is also, of course, the Organ Pipes in the north of Scotland, extending to the northern coast of Ireland, and known as the Devil's or Giant's Causeway.

After a picnic lunch we visited the site of the famous Keilor Skull, some 11,000 to 15,000 years old. Here Dr. A. Gallus, a Hungarian archaeologist-anthropologist, has been digging nearly every Sunday for the past 17 years. He explained the river terraces and told us what to look for when digging.

Dr. Gallus is the man who found the 20,000 years old skeleton of a man at Koonalda (in the Nullabor) as well as the 31,600 years old animal bones in Keilor. His latest find at the Keilor diggings is the jawbone of a Zigamatorus, 50,000 years old, now at the Museum.

Dr. Gallus is keen to train people who are interested in joining a team of diggers, artists and photographers, and several of the hundred people who attended the field day are now amongst his keen supporters.

The day concluded with a drive to McNab's farm to see over 30 different types of Aboriginal stone implements displayed. These have been found around the farm and are estimated to be 3,000 to 10,000 years old.

While we all enjoyed a cup of tea — arranged by the Keilor Local Association — Major W. Murphy demonstrated the art of throwing the spears which he brought back from his recent trip to Arnhem Land.

Mr. Casey offered a bounty to anyone finding signs of ancient Aboriginal life around the Maribyrnong River and Jackson's Creek Terraces, and several Guide leaders are looking and planning exploring trips.

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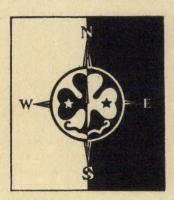
## DEAR "MATILDA",

It was 18th October, and 1st Pascoe Vale South Guides attended the Jamboree-on-the-Air at the home of Mr. A. M. Crewther, Station Call VK35M

On the frequency of 14 RU we made contact with Rockhampton, Townsville, Mackay, Papua and Detroit. We talked about camps, badges, food, hobbies and a general view of Guiding in our District. A few girls are going to write to Scouts and Guides in the various places we spoke to.

We all had a most enjoyable time, and are already looking forward to next year's Jamboree-on-the-Air.

—Karen Stephens and Karen Exell, for 1st Pascoe Vale South Guides.



## DEAR "MATILDA",

For the first time the Guides at Sea Lake participated in a naturalisation ceremony. Our Shire Secretary said he welcomed the Guides and thought the Colours made a vast difference to the atmosphere of the ceremony. The flag was used, too, by our Member of Parliament to demonstrate points of his talk. The Colour Party was presented to the Shire President at his request at supper time — and then the girls finished the evening by doing the dishes for the ladies who had catered for the evening.

-Marjorie Stacey, District Commissioner.

## DEAR "MATILDA",

I am writing on behalf of the 1st Harcourt Brownie Guide Pack to tell you about our first venture.

We went for a wildflower walk. First of all, we decided that we would do this, then one of our Brownies asked her grandfather, who is an expert and knows the flowers' right names, if he would come with us.

We found 28 varieties of wildflowers — some of them were Billy Button, Common Bog Rush, Sun Orchids, Bendigo Wax Flower and Malted Bush Peas.

Next week at Pow-wow we had a wildflower book and we found pictures and information about all the flowers we had seen. One of our Brownies wrote to Mr. Taylor to thank him for taking us.

-Judy Warren.



## DEAR "MATILDA",

Four of our Brownies were enrolled recently using a rocket 6ft. high made by some of the Brownies. It was made of cardboard, and we made stars out of silver paper to hang round the rocket. The Brownies landed on earth from the moon, and made their Promise as they arrived. It was so very exciting.

Then we had afternoon tea and served it to the parents, too.

—1st Wangaratta Pack.



# A VISIT TO HEALESVILLE SANCTUARY

4th East Malvern and 2nd East Malvern Packs had a lovely time during a visit to Healesville Sanctuary and, after a lot of talking to a koala, we were able to get one down to see us. After lunch we saw the platypus, dingoes and birds — unfortunately, the snakes were still in hibernation.

It was a wet day, but we all enjoyed ourselves immensely and say "thank you" to the Guiders of 2nd Pack for arranging the day for us.

—Susan Frost, Karen Bosnakis, Elizabeth Niemann, 4th East Malvern Pack.



## STAMPS

GUIDES, TREFOIL GUILDS, LOCAL AS-SOCIATIONS, and other friends, your cooperation is needed.

New and limited time of issue stamps are required urgently to swell our funds. Australian stamps currently on issue are:—

Christmas, 1969: 5c and 25c.

Prime Ministers: Barton, Deakin, Watson and Reid, 5c.

50th Anniversary of First England-Australia Flight: Three different designs, 5c.

Australian Primary Industries: Sugar 5c, Timber 15c, Wheat 20c, and Wool 25c.

The four notable Australian Set (Chisholm, Namatjira, Paterson and David) will soon be replaced with others of a similar nature.

Christmas Island, Norfolk Island, and Western Samoa issued attractive Christmas stamps this year. Papua/New Guinea have a Musical Instrument set, values are 5c, 10c, 25c and 30c.

Western Samoa has a new \$4 value (\$A.5), depicting a Samoan White Eye bird.

Philatelists are reminded that stamps may be purchased to complete your sets, from this section. Send a list.

All stamps sent MUST be washed clean of old paper and gum, be undamaged, and sorted into denominations ready for counting.

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Lorna E. Cuzens,
 Hon. Organiser for Stamps.

# EXECUTIVE MEETING — OCTOBER, 1969

Variety of topics discussed at the October Executive Committee meeting ranged over—

The Victorian Constitution — and the necessity for thinking of and arranging amendments to this to cover the changes in the wording of the Law and the Promise which appear in the preamble to the Constitution.

A report from the Acting Training Adviser and comments from the State Training Committee concerning resolutions for action from the recent Australian Training Conference.

Nomination for the representative from Victoria for the Falk Memorial Training Conference to be held at Our Chalet next year. This Conference will cover the development of the World Association and its work with and for the National Associations throughout the world.

Thoughts regarding the representation for Victoria on the Committee for the Young Adults' Gathering to be held in Queensland in 1972. This gathering will be open to Rangers and Guiders to 25 years, and will include a time of service, cruising, touring and camping.

Thoughts on the Trefoil After School Club— the British Commonwealth Day Movement— Cents for Service— the Diamond Jubilee Badges— the position of Post Box Secretary.

Report from Sub-Committees — New Commissioners and Boundaries; Property; from the State International Representative; regarding Camp Southern Cross hospitality.

And at this meeting it was, with regret, that we said farewell to Mrs. N. Davidson and Miss E. Moran, who were attending their last meetings with the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Davidson had been a member of the Committee since 1966 and Miss Moran over several periods dating back many years.

Both have also served the Movement in other capacities, and we say "thank you" sincerely to them for their help, opinions and time given so unstintingly.

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## A FAMILIAR LAMENT

Dear Madam Chairman—
Please forgive my non-arrival
It's a question of survival . . .
Is it kindergarten, is it Guiding?
Or shall I just go into hiding? . . .
I've had five kids at kinder.,
I must help and never hinder . . .
As I can't be in two places,
And I haven't got two faces
Would you please pass on
My apologising rhyme?
—Extract from Anne L. Fraser.

## ALONG THE TRACK

Along some tracks in the Sherbrooke Forest the observer may see both the Common and the Green Bird-orchids, growing from green rosettes of leaves. The short greenish or brown flowers have a remarkable likeness to a bird. Fortunately, these orchids seem to be increasing in some places. Their flowering time is spring and early summer. Orchids, of course, may not be picked. But there is your sketch book. Those who are interested may like to know there is a new book in H.Q.'s library, "Victorian Native Orchids", by C. E. Gray. Newly found orchids could be looked up and named.

—J.H.



Those who say you can't take it with you have never seen a car loaded for a family holiday trip.



## CHESTER CATHEDRAL

While visiting the ancient, historic walled city of Chester I was surprised and touched to see, in the red sandstone Cathedral, a notice which read:

"At the Altar in this Chapel of St. Wesburgh is remembered the Girl Guides Association founded in 1910 by the first Baron Baden-Powell (1857-1941)."

Below were printed the ten obligations of the Guide Law, together with the following story of St. Wesburgh-

"St. Wesburgh is the patron saint of Chester. The Chapel at the east end of this aisle is dedicated to her. Its Altar Table was the High Altar of the Cathedral from the middle of the 16th Century till 1876 and stood at the east end of the choir. It is made from an early 14th century wooden screen and was restored in 1966 in the Cathedral workshop.

"St. Wesburgh died between 700 and 707. She was the daughter of Wulfhese, King of Mercia. About 675 she became a nun in the monastery of Ely, founded by her aunt, St. Etheldreda. Later on she became head of the convents in the kingdom of Mercia and a leader in starting the monastic life in the midlands. Early in the 10th century her remains were brought to Chester to the Anglo-Saxon Church on this site."

Among the carvings on the shrine is a most engaging one-a little dog scratching its ear-a touch of humour from the hand of some long-dead craftsman.

-E. Stump.

A letter from the Very Rev. G. W. O. Addleshaw, Dean of Chester:

The Girl Guides Association are remembered at the Altar in the Chapel at St. Werburgh at the east end of the north choir aisle. The practice of remembering them in this Chapel dates from the time of Dean Bennett (Dean 1920-1937), who was very anxious to link County organisations with the Cathedral. Girl Guides are a big thing in Cheshire. We remember them at the early Communion each Wednesday morning. The Shrine of St. Werburgh is at the west end

of the Lady Chapel: but the notice about it is on the wall opposite the Girl Guides notice. On Wednesdays, along with the Girl Guides, we remember other women's organisations in St. Werburgh's Chapel. This is very suitable, owing to the pioneer work of St. Werburgh in starting the monastic life for women in the northern midlands.



"Oh, Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree,

How evergreen your branches."

-From "Songs to Grow On", by Beatrice Landeck.

"Matilda" sends greetings to all her readers for a Joyous and Blessed Christmas and a Peaceful Year of Evergreen Friendship.

## TRAINING & PAGES



# BROWNIE HANDCRAFT ACTIVITIES Making Paper Flowers

Materials for each flower-

1 or 2 paper tissue handkerchiefs.

1 pipecleaner.

Small portion green cardboard.

Aiso scissors.

- 1. Cut each tissue in half, giving two pieces each 434in. by 814in. Place one piece on top of the other.
- 2. Pinch between fingers the middle of the 81/4in. edge (result should look like a butterfly).
- 3. Wind end (about 1in.) of pipecleaner around this middle section.
- 4. Cut tissue so that about 1½in, to 2in, is left on each side of the pipecleaner.
- Separate the layers of the tissue. If one tissue was used there will be four thicknesses of tissue on each side of the pipecleaner.
- Hold base of flower in one hand, squeezing all petals together. Take pipecleaner in other hand and wind around the base of all eight petals.
- 7. Shake flower if petals are a little crushed.
- Make leaves from cardboard and either attach to stem with adhesive tape or by means of a small hole in the leaf.

These flowers, resembling carnations, can be made in white (for Mother's Day?) or colours. They can be used as decorations on gifts, or the Brownie Hall, perhaps for a Ceremony. With a little practice they can be made very quickly, and one box of tissues will make a large quantity.



## **Use of Pipecleaners**

The imaginative Guider or Brownie can think of 1001 uses in the Pack for the humble pipecleaner, which can be purchased in packets of white or assorted colours.

## **Plaiting**

The coloured pipecleaners are particularly useful when teaching to plait. Join three of

different colours, at the top with adhesive tape. Show how, when plaiting, the strands are divided into groups, then the outside strand of the "even" group is passed over the centre strand to the inside of the other group.

Because the pipecleaners can be bent to retain their position, the children who have never previously plaited do not need to concern themselves with holding the strands tight, while deciding which strand to move next.

(It must be stressed that this method of teaching should only be used as a means to an end. When the Brownie knows how to plait she should be capable of manipulating string, rope, wool, etc., normally used for plaiting.)

## Handcrafts

- Whole pipecleaners can be bent into shapes of people, animals, houses, ships, boats; in fact, anything. These can be used in the construction of scenic models.
- 2. We all know how much Brownies love to dress up. How much more realistic does "Grandma" look wearing a pair of pipecleaner glasses!
- 3. A seaside meeting can be made more fun by making a crab to take home. Fill a plastic spoon with plaster. While the plaster is still wet, push in "legs" (about lin. long) perhaps the crab could be made into a brooch by inserting a small, gold safety pin into the wet plaster. (Be carfeul not to push it in so far that it can't be opened.)

When the plaster is set the crab can be removed by bending the handle of the spoon slightly. Once removed from the spoon the crab is then ready to have his legs bent into shape.

The opportunities for the uses of pipecleaners are endless. Let your imagination and your Brownies go to work!



The Brownie Guide — No. 3
"PLAYING THE GAME"

You probably have in your Brownie cupboard, box or corner, several books of Games for Brownies. You also probably have in your Pack some "old favourite" games which the Brownies appear quite happy to play week after week. An interesting exercise is to go back to the book from which one of these games was originally taken and see what the book says about the game. In most cases you will find that new rules have been added where the book was not clear. or rules have been slightly modified. The point is that the game as played by your Brownies is now their game and not "the game out of the book". The game will be even more theirs if these new and modified rules are drawn up by the Brownies themselves. If you present the outline of a game to the Brownies with as few rules as possible, they will discover the need for any extra refinements. Just as the draftsman of a parliamentary statute cannot cover all possible circumstances in the Act, and allows gaps to be filled in as necessary by the Courts and the judiciary, so we should not attempt to cover every foreseeable circumstance with a rule. Get on with the game don't spend 10 minutes learning rules which may never be used and five minutes playing the game. If there is a need for a rule, let the Brownie discover this and make it up themselves. It is likely to be much more strictly adhered to if the Brownies themselves have laid it down.

Let the Brownies have a go at making up their own team games. At first they will be in the form of relays, but with a little imagination and practice they will become very good at it. Don't worry if a game is known as "Jan's Game" or the "Lullagulli's Game" — long after Jan has left and all the Lullagullis are Wattles in the Guide Company. A name only identifies the game; so long as it does this, it is serving its purpose.

Equipment and the desire to use it can lead the Brownies to invent a game. It can include such things as ball, quoits, rope, compass, cooking utensils, etc., or it may be picture, captions, maps and puzzles. When a teaching aid is needed in the Pack, as well as having the Brownies help make the aids, have them think up ways of playing with them. (The ideal "aid" is one that can be used in many ways.) Out of doors is the best place to play your games, so see that equipment is suitable for this.

Whilst the Brownie is lost in the fun of making up, and playing the game, the Guiders must be alert to the needs of all the Brownies, and tactfully see they are being catered for, e.g., the games of the Pack must be fun for everyone all the time. We all know the danger of the elimination game a slight adaptation will counteract boredom for those eliminated. Competition does not always bring out the best in a person — not all team games need to be competitive. Singing games are a good example of this they rarely require a winner (but there is always a climax to the game). Younger Brownies might not be ready to play their full role as a member of a Six or team of that size, so they need the opportunity to work in groups of twos and threes. Playing the same game week after week will not allow you to cater for the varying needs of the individuals. The greater the collection

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from which to choose, the better — keep a looseleaf book for your collection. When Brownies are choosing the game, it should not always be the same Brownie/s making the choice.

Playing games is a natural way for Brownies to keep fit — not only physically but mentally and emotionally.

## MELBOURNE'S FIRST CHRISTMAS

Ask anyone the date of Melbourne's first Christmas, and they invariably reply "1835" — the year in which John Batman traditionally founded the city.

Almost forgotten is the fact that the first Britons arrived in the port some 30 years earlier — as shackled convicts!

Port Phillip's convict settlement of 1803 is a "lost" page in Australian history.

Strangely enough, the French were almost directly responsible for the settlement. Port Phillip had been discovered and entered on 15th February, 1802, by Lieutenant John Murray, in the British brig, "Lady Nelson", whilst on an exploring mission.

Lieut. Murray named the bay "Port King", in honour of the then Governor of New South Wales. Six weeks later the great navigator, Matthew Flinders, sailed through The Heads in the "Investigator", in mistake for Western Port. Flinders had encountered two French vessels prowling off the Victorian coast — the "Geographe", under Commodore Baudain, and "Le Naturaliste", under Captain Hamelin. Both vessels were on a genuine scientific mission, gathering botanical specimens.

But Baudain had already named part of the southern coast "Napoleon Land". This threw a panic into Governor King, who was then administering the entire eastern coast of Australia, known as "New South Wales".

Britain was at the time coming to grips with the Napoleonic Wars, and vying with the French in establishing a vast overseas colonial empire.

Governor King despatched his Surveyor-General, Charles Grimes, to make a survey of Port Phillip, with a view to establishing a second penal colony there. Grimes' instructions were to "walk around" Port Phillip. Grimes mapped the bay area, discovered the Yarra Yarra River, noted the existence of at least six swamps, then returned to Port Jackson and filed an unfavourable report.

One of his party wrote: "The most eligible place for a settlement that I have seen is on the freshwater river "Yarra" — thus anticipating Batman's famous remark.

Notwithstanding Grimes' report, Governor King recommended to the Duke of Portland that a second penal colony should be established at Port Phillip. The Home Government concurred. Not only would the move scotch any French plans for settlement in the area, but the port could also serve as a base for the seal and sea-elephant hunters of Bass Strait.

Accordingly, Lieut.-Col. David Collins, of the Royal Marines, was immediately appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Port Phillip, and given two ships — H.M.S. "Calcutta" (60 guns), under Captain Daniel Woodriff, and the chartered transport ship, "Ocean", of 481 tons, under John Mertho, master.

Collins had arrived on the First Fleet with Governor Phillip in 1788, and had spent 17 years in Port Jackson as Judge-Advocate.

Lord Hobart, Secretary of State for the War and Colonial Department, gave Collins permission to move the settlement to "any other part of the South Coast of New South Wales" should the Port Phillip site prove unsuitable.

In which case, Collins was to receive £500 compensation for his personal outlay in moving the settlement. The only condition was that Collins first had to obtain Governor King's permission to make the shift. The expedition was organised early in 1803. It comprised a motley band of 299 convicts, several of whom were allowed to bring their wives along. Seven little children accompanied their convict fathers, and one of these—tiny John Pascoe Fawkner, aged 11 years—was destined to become a vital force in shaping the City of Melbourne

Half the convicts were simple labourers, but the other half included carpenters, bakers, blacksmith, miners, printers, three barbers and even a brewer!

In addition, Collins had command of 50 royal marines, about 15 free settlers, and a Civil Staff numbering 14. His Chaplain was an eccentric cleric, the Rev. Robert Knopwood, known as "Old Bobby" to all hands. Unofficial historian of the expedition was the "Calcutta's" first Lieutenant, James Tuckey, an incurable romantic much given to composing flowery poetry and prose. By any standards, the ships were splendidly equipped, with ample stores.

Collins apparently ignored Grimes' recommendation about the Yarra-Yarra site at the northern end, and finally moved his people ashore about a mile east of the present seaside resort of Sorrento. It was the worst site Collins could have chosen, The ships had arrived at the start of a fierce Australian summer, and there was no fresh running water at Sorrento. Everyone was worried by flies, the local fresh meat (kangaroos) proved difficult to catch, and for the next six months Collins never had less than 30 people under medical treatment.

When the convicts and marines had disembarked, the livestock, which included cattle, sheep, ducks, goats and hogs, were brought ashore and penned.

Large tents were pitched, and a camp was organised on strict military lines. The convicts were warned not to go into the bay — "the harbour in general being unfortunately full of voracious sharks and sting-rays". Water was obtained by sinking eight perforated barrels in the sand, into which a supply of brown, brackish water slowly filtered.

The barrels were fitted with lids and kept under lock and key by military guards. Traces of these barrels remained in the sand as late as 1907, when local Sorrento residents made an attempt to preserve them.

Governor Collins ordered two acres of ground cleared "for a garden", and sowed another five acres with Indian corn. In the next few weeks, both Lieutenant Tuckey and Captain Woodriff located the Yarra River, but the Governor made no attempt to shift the settlement to "the watering-place at the head of the harbour."

It seems certain that Collins began to live in fear of a full-scale native attack. He consolidated the camp at Sorrento, which was built in the form of a square, with the office tents and water barrels on the shore line and the settlers' huts forming a protective enclosure. It seems Governor Collins disliked Port Phillip immediately upon his arrival, if not before.

On 14th November he wrote a peevish letter to Lord Hobart, which is unique in Australian history as a catalogue of complaint, self-pity and character assassination. In it, he bewails his location, which he had named Sullivan Bay.

But he saves his choicest barbs for the free settlers:

"I am at a loss to know how to dispose of the settlers. I have allowed them to construct temporary huts, and allowed them small portions of garden ground. I imagine the excellence of our provisions, that which none can be finer, has induced most of them to remain here, but . . . I shall look out for situations whereon to place them, and ease Government of the expense which they incur."

He concludes with the acid remark, "In general, they are a necessitous and worthless set of people." Collins sent a copy of the letter to Governor King, at Port Jackson, requesting permission to shift the settlement to Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania).

Life was hard at Sullivan Bay. Everyone rose at 5 a.m. ("at which time the drum will beat"), worked till noon, had an hour off for lunch, and resumed work until sunset, when, presumably, they collapsed exhausted.

On 17th November, Governor Collins decided on a ceremony to mark his inauguration as Governor. As part of the celebrations, Collins addressed the convicts and pointed out "the comforts which they enjoyed," and the poor regard they held for authority. Several of the convicts tried to escape "either to make for Botany Bay, or the land of China."

The most successful and famous absconder was Collins' own personal convict servant, William Buckley, who stood 6ft. 6in. tall, and became known as "Buckley, the Wild White Man."

Buckley took to the bush and lived with the Port Phillip Aboriginals, who named him "Murragark". When he walked into Batman's camp 33 years later he had forgotten his English mother tongue, and could speak only in gibberish.

On 12th December, Governor King's long-awaited reply reached Collins, giving him permission to move out, "unless you should have made any further observations to encourage your remaining there," and adding, archly — "perhaps the upper part of the bay at the head of the river may not have escaped your notice..."

The irony was lost on Collins, who at once ordered gangs of convicts to erect a jetty 380ft. long into Port Phillip Bay, to assist in the loading of stores aboard the "Ocean".

All rest periods were cancelled, and the convicts were forced to work on Saturdays and Sundays. As Christmas approached, Collins found he had an incipient mutiny on his hands. The ringleader was a convict named George Lee — "a young man of education and abilities."

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## BRITANNIA PARK

Well, this is December and another year is almost gone, and the Britannia Park Committee is galloping up the straight (it's Cup Day, hence the metaphor) towards Camp Southern Cross. We would like to wish all the friends of Britannia Park, all those who have helped us — either financially or physically — a very Happy Christmas and also the opportunity, whilst it is on, to see the camp and to feel how much their help has meant, not only to the Committee, but to all those hundreds of children who will be using the property.

We were sorry to note in November, the death of Mr. Alex Wilkie — a VERY good friend to Britannia Park. Mr. Wilkie gave us a lot of advice about our gardens on the property. The great majority of the native trees and shrubs that we have planted came from his nursery, and his last gift to us was the two flowering cherries which are planted on the south bank above the swimming pool.

Mrs. Curtis Otter used to say, "A good Guide is one who goes quietly about her job of being a good Guide." I think the Guides of 2nd East Reservoir Coy. must be VERY good Guides. They just remained quiet whilst I very foolishly thanked another Company for the beautiful mugs which they — 2nd East Reservoir — had given to the Cabin. Please, Guides, you'll have to forgive me this time. I really am hopeless!

We now have on sale some lovely all-purpose cards — one is the Chapel and one Guide House. The sketches were drawn by Miss Ruth Denny and are very attractive. The cards are fold-over ones which can be used as Christmas cards or just correspondence cards. They are obtainable from Miss Barr at H.Q.; from Mrs. Gray, 56 Balwyn Road, Balwyn; and, of course, from Britannia Park. They cost 10 cents each (with envelope) or 12 for \$1.

We would like to thank most sincerely all those who have been to the property to work recently during the month of October. L.A. members from Eltham, Dandenong, North Balwyn and Forest Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Yarwood, North Croydon Guides, Rangers from Waverley and Coburg, Mrs. Davis, and last, but not least, our own Warden, who, in his own time, has been doing some painting for us, particularly the verandah bathroom at Guide House and the verandah floors which he has painted with water-repellent.

I can't tell you how grateful we have been for the contributions to the Maintenance Fund, for the Council brought us up with a round-turn when they notified us recently that they intended immediately to build a new bridge near the entrance to Britannia Park, and that we have a water main running under the bridge which would have to be diverted immediately. PANIC! We did not even know we had a private water main,

and where to get the money for this work? Well, of course, that wonderful Maintenance Fund!

Our very sincere thanks to the following who maintained it during the month of October:—

3rd—Box Hill District.

6th-Mount Waverley L.A.

7th-5th Brighton Pack.

9th—Dandenong L.A.

10th—Dandenong L.A.

11th—Dandenong L.A.

10th-7th Malvern Pack.

11th-1st Ballarat Trefoil Guild.

12th-Miss D. Holtz.

15th-Aberfeldie L.A.

16th-Inglewood L.A.

18th—Pascoe Vale South L.A.

20th-2nd East Malvern Pack.

21st-Sea Lake L.A.

22nd-Mrs C. Osbourne Shave.

23rd—Deer Park L.A.

29th-Newport L.A.

30th-San Remo-Newhaven L.A.

Omitted previously:—
August:

17th-Melton District.

19th—Wonthaggi L.A.

September:

24th—7th Malvern Coy.

My sincere apologies for an error in the Britannia Park report in November.

4th September: Britannia Park was maintained by 5th Wattle Park PACK not the Guide Coy. as stated. Thank you, Brownies.

At the request of a great many visitors to Britannia Park, a history of the property and of the district is being written, and it is hoped that it will be printed and ready for sale at the time of Camp Southern Cross.





## THANK YOU CHALET

The little sketch of the Chalet has been drawn for us by Miss Ruth Denny. Can't you just SEE yourself up there on the balcony? You certainly deserve to be, all you marvellous people who are contributing to it.

The Freida Barfus Memorial Fund Committee, after due consideration, have decided that the money raised for a memorial to Miss Barfus should go to the "Thank You" Chalet, and the Chairman, Miss Shaw, has handed to us a cheque for \$500. It is hoped that, when the Chalet Committee meets in December, they will ratify the suggestion that the lounge room in the Chalet will be called the "Barfus Room". I know that all who knew her will be happy that this will be a living memorial to "Barf". It will be, as she would have wished, "a place where adults can ponder and where they can quietly enjoy the sound of children's laughter".

This \$500 has, of course, given a wonderful boost to the fund. We have now passed the \$2000 mark (exactly one-fifth of our target) — the dream Chalet has its downstairs windows in now. They're rather nice, aren't they? Isn't it pleasant just sitting here, looking out at the beautiful Wombalano garden and at the mountains in the background? Oh gosh, I'm dreaming again! But some day it WILL be a reality.

There's a tribe of Aborigines in the Northern Territory who are most polite, and they have a word for "thank you". It's "monkani". If the Committee agrees, we will call our Chalet "The Monkani Chalet". And I say "monkani" to the two people who suggested it.

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## TREFOIL GUILD OF VICTORIA — ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At the Annual General Meeting, 15 Guilds were represented — 120 members from throughout the State, one member even from our furthest Guild at Mildura. Renewing friendships and meeting new members during afternoon tea was a happy opening to the business session.

Mrs. J. H. May, State Recorder, welcomed all present, including members of Baden-Powell Scout Guild of Victoria, and called on Miss Margaret Shaw, Acting State Commissioner (also a Trefoil Guild member) to officially open the meeting. Miss Shaw suggested that, as members of the Trefoil Guild, we take stock and make up our minds as to just how far we can and ought to go, just how much we have to give, even to total commitment in any of our activities. So many of us excuse ourselves and say we are too busy with other things. It rests with us to decide whether we are doing all we can to cover that extra service or need, or whether we are doing too little in too many places.

Miss Peg Barr, Headquarters Organising Secretary, told us of the new Eight-Point Programme introduced on 23rd September, 1969. This presented Guiding in a new facet, whilst incorporating all the aims of our Founder, Lord Baden-Powell.

The Hon. Treasurer, Miss D. Farr, presented the balance sheet, which showed that we had made a donation towards one of the flagpoles at Headquarters, and also a gift to the Lady Baden-Powell Birthday Appeal.

Mrs. May gave a very comprehensive report of the activities of the Guilds during the year.

In Victoria, as elsewhere, community service remains one of the foremost aims determining the range of activities of the Guilds. Service, both of time and money, has been given by members of all Guilds, and some of the organisations which have benefited from this work are: Aborigines' Advancement

League, Meals on Wheels, Blood Banks, Community Aid Abroad and various children's organisations and funds.

Support has also been given to hospitals and baby health centres, at naturalisation ceremonies, opportunity shops, and helping the needy in the community. On the international level, many Guilds have sent spectacles to India, and one Guild sent medical supplies to Burma.

Another major aim of the Guilds is to give support to Guiding. Teaching and testers for badges, staffing at camps, helping in emergencies as Guiders, maintenance and provision of equipment and buildings, assisting with various Guide functions and activities, help with the Trefoil Shop and Regional Guide Depots are some of the many ways that Trefoil members give this service. In all service regular commitment over a long period of time is essential, and Guild members are continuing to give this commitment.

Social activities are enjoyed by Guilds: International nights, salamagundies, recipe exchanges, glamour wear, and a "Wigs and Giggles" evening. Other activities involve all family members.

Our Australian Trefoil Guild Recorder, Mrs. E. G. Cameron, outlined plans of the International Fellowship of Former Scouts and Guides (I.F.O.F.S.A.G.) to hold the 9th Assembly of the Fellowship in Victoria in 1971 — VERY exciting news!

A message of greeting was received from the President of the Australian Fellowship of Former Scouts and Guides, Mr. Charles Homer Fraser, stressing the necessity of planning to make this Assembly a memorable occasion. As a feature of the Assembly will be a short period of house hospitality by families in Australia, members are urged to begin planning now to be hostesses to our visitors.

Mrs. R. E. Gray, Chairman of Britannia Park, outlined the plan to erect a "Thank You" Cottage at Britannia Park, and also a suggestion to hold a general Guide Reunion similar to the one previously held.

With 25 Guilds and over 500 members the Guild now looks forward to increasing numbers next year.

To this end, a Guild Reunion is planned as part of our Jubilee Year celebrations.

A tour of our new building was greatly Continued on page 187

# AROUND



# AUSTRALIA

# GUIDING — NORTHERN TERRITORY STYLE

"Him, look. That one, look, yeah! Shake him one Mauree-n, shake him! Him mine, gibbit."

These faint, happy, girlish voices as children squabble among themselves for possession of the hard "but-but" (as in put) nuts fallen from the tree near the roadside on the way to my home on Bamyili Aboriginal Settlement in the Northern Territory, are usually the first indication of my Company coming for Guides. I go out and stand on the front landing, as a sort of signal to let them know that once again I am expecting them.

"Look there, Miss-r Roles; com-on, Girl Guide! Girl Guide!"

What a challenge these children are, and so different from my Guiding in previous years.

It was an unusual feeling leaving a Guide Company in Brisbane with some girls almost at First Class and then to start up a very new Company with children who didn't even know what a Girl Guide was.

I knew I'd be living in the Northern Territory long before I came and made necessary arrangements for starting a Company here before I left Brisbane; however, although arrangements were finalised I purposely waited five months to let the girls see me on the Settlement and gradually get to know me.

Bamyili is about 50 miles south-east of Katherine, and living in such an isolated community my husband and I decided to keep our weekends free for trips to town, so I decided to hold the meetings after supper (dinner) at approximately 5 p.m. on a week-day.

After talking with the girls involved (11 to 12-year-olds) one afternoon after school, we decided to hold the meetings on Tuesdays.

The first Tuesday arrived, and I admit to

feeling rather squirmish at the thought of introducing something they'd never heard of. However, with a knock on the door my fears disappeared, as I had about 12 girls on my front stairs to proudly announce in broken English they were here for Girl Guide (most words lose the final "s" around here). My five months' wait had paid off.

I took them downstairs under the house and, through photographs, introduced Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. I then explained the Test Work side of Guiding and afterwards we went outside to play a game and then close.

It is best if we finish before dusk, as fear of the dark is a very real fling among these Aboriginal girls, and they will plead to be escorted back to their "camp" if caught out late.

Games? Yes, they love them. At first we would play a game of the girls' choice (usually dog and the bone or cat and the mouse) one week, then I'd introduce a Guide game the following week. I introduced the old favourite, Duster Hockey, and now I can't get them to play anything else.

They are also fond of singing, and I was very interested to hear them sing "Fire's Burning". They couldn't remember who taught it to them, however.

The Aboriginals, due to environmental conditions I'm sure, are much slower learners than Europeans. However, after six months two girls are almost ready for Tenderfoot.

I have introduced a small blue scarf to be worn until such time as they are ready for uniform. Being so cut-off from the outside world it seemed that this further step towards unifying the little group and fostering that feeling of belonging to a large Sisterhood of Guides could be justified.

This half-year's Guiding has been most enjoyable and I'm looking forward to a new year filled with outdoor activities of which these children are especially fond.

-Meryl Roles (from "Coo-ee").





## HOTICES HOLDEN H

CAMP SOUTHERN CROSS OPEN DAY

Visitors will be welcome at the camp, at Britannia Park and adjacent properties, on Saturday, January 10th, 1970, from 11 a.m. until 4.30 p.m.

Intending visitors, whether guide groups in buses, or parents and friends of the campers in private cars, are warned that traffic on such an occasion tends to block on the narrow back roads. Police will direct vehicles according to the Group or sub-camp to be visited. Cars and buses will not be allowed on the camp site, but will be parked along the roadways, and visitors must walk to the various sites.

—E. Bunning.

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ANNUAL MASS FOR THINKING DAY

The Annual Mass for Thinking Day will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne, on Sunday, 22nd February, 1970, at 3 p.m. All members of the Movement to attend in uniform. Assemble in Lansdown Street at 2.15 p.m. Bring Company Colours. Guides and Brownies are asked to bring "collection" for Mass.

H.Q.'S POOL

GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Box 137, P.O., Port Moresby. Challenge and Adventure in Papua and New Guinea commencing at the end of January, 1970. The appointment would be for one year, but this could be extended if the successful applicant wished to stay longer.

This job needs someone who would be interested in travelling round the Territory Centres, sometimes accompanied by a Papuan or New Guinean Cadet Trainer. The job is a tremendously interesting one, offering an opportunity to meet a real challenge by bringing Guiding to remote areas and consolidating the established Units in the more urban areas

SALARY: According to qualifications. COMMENCING DATE: End of January, 1970.

ACCOMMODATION: There is a flat for the Trainer at the Guide House, Konedobu, Port Moresby. Car for training provided.

The successful applicant will have a period of acclimatisation in Port Moresby to enable her to become accustomed to Territory conditions, before travelling around the Territory doing Brownie, Guide and Ranger training. Adviser, Papua and New Guinea.



## H.Q.'S POOL

Did vou all imagine H.Q. staff being able to relax in a lovely swimming pool of Guide blue? Or perhaps you didn't read your November issue of "Matilda" any better than the Editor read her proofs?

What IS happening to the Thank You Chalet money, of course, is that it is being invested in the Building Pool at H.Q. - a working, not relaxing, pool.

If YOU have any money to spare, Miss Carter at H.Q. would be very pleased to give you all the details.

When God had finished the stars And whirl of coloured suns, He turned His mind from big things To fashion little ones. Beautiful tiny things (like daisies) He made, and then He made the comical ones in case The minds of men Should stiffen and become Dull, humourless and glum, And so forgetful of their Maker be As to take even themselves Quite seriously.



## THIS IS THE LOCAL ASSOCIATION'S PAGE

Please send all material for this page to Mrs. J. M. Kirkman, 161 Charman Road, Mentone, 3194.

Christmas is upon us again, and another year is almost over. What have we accomplished for the year 1969? Has it been a success? Can we do better? Only you can decide whether it has been successful — and most certainly we CAN do better. It has been a year of feeling our way with the Local Association page.

We have tried to make your page interesting, to make you think, and to give you ideas for helping yourselves.

Contributions to be of interest to all must contain something a little different, something of value to other people — an idea, a thought, a challenge. We need your co-operation to do all of this. Send us anything that will be of use to others, share your experiences.

Thank you, everyone, who has contributed to our pages in 1969. We look forward to an exciting 1970, hearing from every Local Association, ideas of service being well to the fore in our Jubilee year.

May you have health and happiness,

The love of treasured friends, The thrill of high endeavour,

And peace when each day ends. May courage, hope and laughter,

Keep your heart carefree and gay,

May the New Year bring you gladness,

Is our wish this Christmas Day.

—Thanks to Templestowe L.A.

## NORTH BALWYN DISTRICT.

At the NORTH BALWYN Local Association Annual Meeting two Guides, who had been to New Zealand, gave an interesting talk on their travels and demonstrated Maori poi twirling.

North Balwyn District has been divided, and a luncheon was held at the home of

Mrs. Alex. Taylor to say farewell and thank you to former members who have gone to form the new GREYTHORNE L.A. Also present were original Committee members and the first District Committee members and the first District Commissioner and Guides.

## SPECIAL SALES MEETINGS.

GREYTHORNE Local Association has just been formed and has already delighted us by writing to tell of their Special Sales at each meeting.

So far they have had success with "Books and Paper Backs", "Plants and Cuttings", and on the agenda for future meetings are "Paper Patterns", "Dutch Auction" and "Swap-a-Recipe".

As they like their customers happy and satisfied, only small amounts of 5 cents or 10 cents are charged, and books and patterns are often returned for re-sale.

**REMINDER** — To Keep Australia Beautiful. L.A. members and, through you, members of the Movement:

Wherever you see litter, make a habit of picking it up and placing it in rubbish receptacles.

Over the Christmas holidays there will be a lot of untidy and careless people around. Don't be one of them!

Open your eyes and look for some man or some work for the sake of men, which needs a little time, a little friendliness, a little sympathy, a little human toil. See if there is not some place where you may invest your humanity.

-Albert Schweitzer.



## TREFOIL GUILD OF VICTORIA

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appreciated by many who had not previously seen over H.Q.

The evening function was a tribute to International Day which the I.F.O.F.S.A.G. celebrates on 24th October. The Hon. Michael Baden-Powell, grandson of the Founder, stressed the importance of the international aspect of Guild work and the need to promote the 1971 Assembly.

Our guest speaker, Mrs. K. Keep, talked of life in Indonesia. Mrs. Keep told us of Indonesia geographically, historically and culturally. The present population is 100 million. She showed examples of Indonesian art followed, by a Freedom from Hunger Campaign film, which included members of the Pranuka Movement (Boy Scouts-Girl Guides) helping in community projects.

Mrs. Keep, now married to an Australian whom she met whilst studying at the Melbourne University, returned to Indonesia, where she gained her Master of Education degree at the University of Padtadjaran in Bandung. She was Commissioner of the newly established Pranuka Movement (Boy Scout and Girl Guide Movement) in Bandung, and Public Relations Officer for both the Boys' and Girls' Movements, with the special task of conducting a fortnightly radio broadcast.

Mrs. Keep's talk summed up the thoughts behind our meeting — international, community service and Guiding — a worthwhile combination.

## THANK YOU CHALET

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Next year will be the Diamond Jubilee. How about a really all-out effort to raise the rest of the money needed as a thank you for Guiding and for all the good it does in this troubled world?

Here are some suggestions:-

## A TALENT QUEST.

Don't bury your talents or let the lamps go out, or whatever they did in the Bible. It's amazing what you can all do. I'm the most untalented member of the Movement, but I'm going to sell masses of shortbread and meringues. Miss Holtz is selling jam; Peg Barr will run campfires. Someone else is going to run a monster card party (I hope). Now, what can YOU do? Can you sew, or baby sit, or give a concert, or show your slides or grow cabbages? There's a prize, of course! As we go into recess this month, supposing we make the deadline the end of April? I would be thrilled to hear if you are taking up the challenge.

## A "BACK TO GUIDING" DAY.

To be held at Headquarters. The last one was a success. Why not have another? The tentative date is "Thinking Day", Sunday, 22nd February — the day after the children's "Guiderama" at the Music Bowl. Of course, we will ask for a donation to the Chalet Fund! Please watch out in your February "Matilda" and Commissioners' Newsletter for any further information about this.

## A GARDEN PARTY.

A Garden Party will be held at Britannia Park next October. If we work hard, this could be the finale of the money-raising for the Chalet. There will be stalls for cakes and needlework, etc., competitions and games for the children.

## CENTS FOR CHALET.

This is another very bright suggestion that has come in — that all adult members of the Movement might put aside one or five or even ten cents every month, for 12 months, for the Chalet. We have over 13,000 adults in Guiding in Victoria, and if everyone put in ONE cent a month, we would have \$1560 in a year! So get out your empty coffee jars and label them "Chalet" or "Monkani" or even "Pat's Dream"! You really won't miss two or three cents a month.

May I wish you all a very pleasant Christmas, a restful holiday, and may 1970 bring you great interest and satisfaction in your Guiding work!

A REUNION IS PLANNED for all adult members of the Movement, past and present, at Headquarters on Sunday, 1st March, 1970, from 2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Afternoon tea will be served.

Donations to the Fund for the Thank You Chalet to be built at Britannia Park. Please keep this day free to come and enjoy chatting with your Guiding friends.

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The week before Christmas was one of scorching heat. The Governor wrote to Lord Hobart that a Night Watch had been formed "for the protection of the persons, property, and peace of the colony."

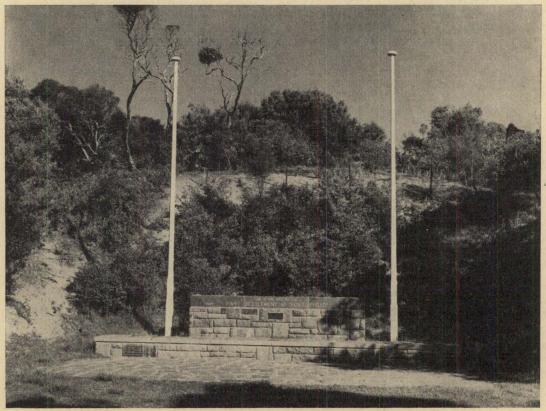
Christmas Day dawned hot and sultry. The Rev. Mr. Knopwood held a special Christmas Service, and baptised Sergeant Thorne's son William James Hobart Thorne, in obvious deference to Lord Hobart.

Governor King sent Collins another letter, in which he advised him to leave behind "a small establishment . . . perhaps a trusty sergeant and superintendent," for the purpose of informing other ships arriving from England where the settlement had relocated. But Collins was heartily sick of the place, and on 30th January, 1804, he embarked, with most of the convicts, livestock, marines, stores and provisions.

They set sail for the River Derwent, which they reached 16 days later. Left behind was the remainder of the civil and military establishment, under the command of First Lieutenant William Sladdern of the Royal Marines. In defiance of Governor King's wishes, Collins sent the ship back to Sullivan Bay to pick up Sladdern's party.

Only one person had a good word for Port Phillip — a free settler, Mrs. Hopley, who wrote in a letter to her sister: "We arrived in October, 1803. My pen is not able to describe half the beauties of that delightful spot. We were four months there. Much to my mortification, as well as loss, we were obliged to abandon the settlement, through the whim and caprice of the Lieutenant-Governor. Additional expense to Government, and additional loss of individuals, were incurred by removing to Van Diemen's Land, which can never be made to answer. Port Phillip is my favourite, and has my warmest wishes. During the time we were there, I never felt one ache or pain, and I parted with it with more regret than I did my native land."

—By B. Whalen (from the "Port of Melbourne Quarterly").



The memorial at Sullivan Bay (Sorrento) commemorating the first settlement in the Bay.

# BROWNIE GUIDERS' CONFERENCE, 1969

Glimpses of the "New Horizons" were evident by the 400 Brownie Guiders from various parts of Victoria, who attended the Conference held at the South Melbourne Town Hall on 11th October.

The Conference was opened by Mrs. J. M. Kirkman, Assistant Australian State Commissioner, who spoke of the numerous "new horizons" that have appeared over recent years, the latest being man's landing on the moon, and how imperative it is for us as Guiders to be up to date in our thinking if we are to be effective leaders in our Units.

No Brownie Conference is complete without the children, and the 1st Carlton Pack formed a guard of honour for the official party and later demonstrated the Brownie Guide ring.



The guest speaker was Miss Ruth Maguire, Headmistress of St. Margaret's C.E.G.G. School, and who is also a member of Scout Headquarters' Training Team.

## Summary of Miss Maguire's Talk:

## Why Change?

The established is comfortable, safe. Man loves what he knows and fears the unknown. The laws need to be revised to meet the needs of modern youth. Today, young people are better educated and therefore more thoughtful. They think and question. Sixty years ago, Baden-Powell's system complemented the then education system. This is now finally accepted and has become part of the establishment.

## Knowledge:

In the last 30 years we have learned more than it is easy to take, but have not advanced in knowledge of inner man.

Life has altered — 80 years ago we worked from daylight to dark, and were considered lazy if we didn't. Now only a small portion of our waking hours are spent in work. Even less in future. Use of leisure must give us satisfaction and enjoyment.

## **Education:**

This should be challenging, stimulating and exciting. The child should learn by participation and doing. Teach them to do things for the satisfaction it gives THEM, not perfectly or as good as the next child. The true test is — did she do any better for

herself at the second or third try? Achievement in one area can improve other areas, and as the children improve they become braver. They acquire confidence in themselves by being good in "someone's eyes". The Brownie may start, stop or tarry, but this does not matter, provided she learns, helps others and keeps her promise.

We must relate principles to the generation in which we live.

In conclusion, Miss Maguire said: "The new concept of Guiding is complementary to the new concept in teaching children in schools today. Why change? Why not?"



Campfire singing followed "Question Box" and was conducted by Miss Faye Grove. Miss Norma Sims closed the Conference, and all joined in the singing of "Canadian Vespers".

Thanks are due to our two Chairwomen — Miss Norma Sims and Miss Faye Grove — and to Bulleen L.A., who arranged the luncheon, and the two Ranger Units, who helped with the afternoon and morning teas.

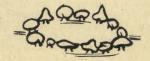
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## **NEW PRODUCTS**

Many products taken for granted to-day were unknown only 25 years ago. A list of all the new products gives a remarkable picture of the tremendous developments which have taken place in a generation. Here are just a few well-known examples:

- Jet Aircraft
- L.P. Records
- Aerosol Spray Cans
- Polio Vaccines
- Plastic Packaging
- Freeze-dried Foods
- Polaroid Cameras
- Transistor Radios
- Xerox Copiers
- Ball-point Pens
- Power Steering and Brakes
- Direct Long-distance Dialling

(From "Facts.")



## REGISTRATIONS AND WARRANTS

A warm welcome is extended to the following:-

## **Division Commissioners:**

Mrs. I. N. Tatterson, Dandenong; Mrs. T. A. Douglas, Keilor.

## **District Commissioners:**

Mrs. G. G. Shepherd, Creswick; Mrs. R. A. H. Matheson, Avoca; Mrs. R. E. McNeil, Eltham; Mrs. K. C. Lewis, Hurstbridge; Mrs. K. H. Day, Stanhope; Mrs. K. C. Thibou, Avondale Heights-Keilor East; Mrs. P. F. Chapman, Lower Plenty; Mrs. A. Rose, Cheltenham (from 1st January, 1970) 1970).

## Captains:

Mrs. D. G. Sargood, 3rd East Malvern Rangers; Mrs. P. V. Woodhouse, 1st Wonga Park; Mrs. J. E. Baines, 1st Yarrawonga Rangers; Miss H. J. Muir, 2nd Box Hill; Mrs. K. C. Mettam, 1st Central Doncaster; Mrs. D. Johns, 1st Rupanyup; Mrs. M. Morrison, 3rd Niddrig Miss I. J. Kelty, 2nd M. Morrison, 3rd Niddrig Miss I. J. Kelty, 2nd Niddrig Miss II. J. Kelty Niddrig Miss II. J M. Morrison, 3rd Niddrie; Miss J. I. Kelty, 2nd M. Morrison, 3rd Niddrie; Miss J. I. Kelty, 2nd Rosanna; Miss C. Minter, 1st Great Western; Mrs. L. G. Swift, 2nd Oak Park; Mrs. M. Geddes, 1st Lone Cadets; Mrs. J. Morris, 1st North Ringwood; Miss R. Langley, 1st Cobden; Mrs. A. F. Morton, 2nd Newport; Mrs. S. Neaves, Templestowe Sea Rangers.

## Lieutenants:

Miss J. Lugton, 1st Central Doncaster; Miss J. Miss J. Lugton, 1st Central Doncaster; Miss J. Gaigh, 3rd Preston East; Miss M. Shalders, 1st Elliminyt; Miss J. Lawson, 1st Bentleigh East; Mrs. V. Parker, 2nd Alphington; Mrs. G. I. Millar, 1st Mordialloc; Miss G. Baker, 1st Daylesford; Miss L. Page, 3rd Yarraville; Miss B. Lewis, 1st Jepanit; Mrs. N. Rogers, 1st Boolarra; Mrs. J. Haine, 1st Emerald; Mrs. J. P. Darby, 2nd Echuca; Mrs. N. J. Bynon, 2nd Oak Park; Mrs. S. Steel, 1st St. Albans.

## Brown Owls:

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## Tawny Owls:

Mrs. R. E. McAllister, 1st Springvale North; Mrs. T. W. Jones, 1st Wonga Park; Mrs. E. Stan-Mrs. 1. W. Jones, 1st Wonga Park; Mrs. E. Stannard, 1st Birregurra; Mrs. W. E. Miller, 1st Mordialloc; Mrs. I. D. Cairnduff, 2nd Mordialloc; Miss C. J. Hancock, 1st Fish Creek; Mrs. D. R. Gould, 1st Edithvale; Mrs. B. Campbell, 5th Glen Waverley; Mrs. F. H. Townsend, 1st Newport; Miss N. Hansen, 1st Port Fairy; Mrs. K. Vardy, 1st Heyfield; Mrs. A. L. Watt, 2nd Koonung Heights.

## RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

We acknowledge with gratitude the services given by the following whose Warrants have been returned:-

## Division Commissioners:

Mrs. L. Henderson, Keilor; Mrs. E. D. Patton, Melbourne.

## **District Commissioners:**

Mrs. B. Young, Niddrie; Mrs. G. J. Lake, Eltham; Mrs. P. K. Greenham, Hurstbridge; Mrs. B. Harper, Maidstone; Mrs. B. Whitbread, West Heidelberg; Mrs. Murray Anderson, Elmore.

## Captains:

Mrs. W. M. Maddox, 1st Heywood; Mrs. G. Parr, A.R.F. Southern Star; Mrs. M. Geddes, 2nd Bellfield; Miss R. E. Ward, 1st Geelong West; Mrs. D. Smith, S.R.S. Hobart; Mrs. G. E. Bagster, 1st West Doncaster.

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## Brown Owls:

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Mrs. H. J. F. Kelly, 4th Wattle Park; Mrs. G.
Mahomed, 2nd Foster; Mrs. R. J. Croton, 1st
Stawell; Mrs. K. E. McCann, 3rd Stawell; Mrs. G.
Ryan, 2nd Quambatook; Mrs. C. Harrop, 1st
Puckapunyal; Miss P. Jonasson, 1st Murrayville;
Mrs. D. R. S. White, 1st Torquay; Mrs. W. B.
Dennis, 12th Ballarat; Mrs. V. McMahon, 1st
Park Orchards; Mrs. T. A. Taylor, 2nd Wangaratta; Mrs. B. Smith, 3rd Herne Hill; Mrs. R.
Ramsden, 2nd Cohuna. Ramsden, 2nd Cohuna.

## Tawny Owls:

Mrs. A. J. Mitchell, 1st Heathcote; Mrs. R. G. Haley, 5th Glen Waverley; Mrs. R. Bates, 1st Yarraville; Mrs. R. R. Wilson, 3rd Leongatha; Mrs. K. Tobias, 2nd Kyabram; Mrs. J. Collins, 4th Syndal; Miss B. J. Threlfall, 1st Broadford; Mrs. R. E. Wiltshire, 1st Park Orchards; Mrs. E. Dean, 2nd Alphington; Mrs. D. M. Wilson, 1st Cohuna.

## CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS to the recipients of the following Awards:-

## Thanks Badge:

Mr. D. Wilson, Bentleigh.

## Long Service (Local Association):

Mrs. A. Kemp, Dunolly. Mrs. C. E. Hall, Dunolly. Mrs. L. Jenkin, Daylesford.

## Long Service (Uniformed Personnel):

White Ribbon (15 year)—
Mrs. C. Emselle, Ocean Grove.
Miss N. Pilkington, Fish Creek.
Mrs. M. Linton, Dunolly.

Mrs. D. Goldsmith, Moe. Mrs. I. Pedler, Red Cliffs.

Mrs. C. M. Morell, Mornington.
Silver Ribbon (25 year)—
Mrs. H. W. Speering, Springvale South.
Gold Ribbon (35 year)—

Miss A. Cockerell, Extension Section. Mrs. A. Hall, Moonee Ponds.

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BROCHURE ON THE EIGHT-POI	NT	FOR CAMPING AND HIKING
PROGRAMME		Camp Blouses—
* * *		Button Front, Short Sleeves,
		30-42 \$2.00
Guide and Brownie Christmas		Button Front, Sleeveless,
Cards (3 new designs), with	0-	
envelope	8c	30-42 \$2.00 T Shirt, 30-32 \$1.05
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Brownie Guide Handkerchiefs (3		T Shirt, 34- \$1.25 T Shirt, S.W. \$1.55
in box), New Designs	\$1.00	
Handkerchiefs with the New		Camp Hats, 21-24 \$2.00
Brownie Guide Badge	30c	
Brownie Guide Bookmark, with		* * *
New Law and Promise	10c	
Guide Handkerchief, with Tre-		Sleeping Bag Sheets \$1.45
foil	25c	Sleeping Bags—
Guide Handkerchief, with Camp		Sonata, wool filled with hood \$8.50
Scene	30c	Sonata, orlon filled with hood \$10.00
Guide Linen Teatowel, New De-		Sonata, orlon superior with zipp
sign	90c	and hood \$10.70
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		zipp and hood \$12.95
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Trefoil	\$1.05	hood \$18.50
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SONGS OF AUSTRALIA—		Two Pocket \$9.15
Record sung by the Victorian	C4.0F	Three Pocket \$10.00
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Due to rises in manufacturer's		Torches; batteries extra from 65c
costs, prices of Uniforms will		Sheath Knives \$1.15
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