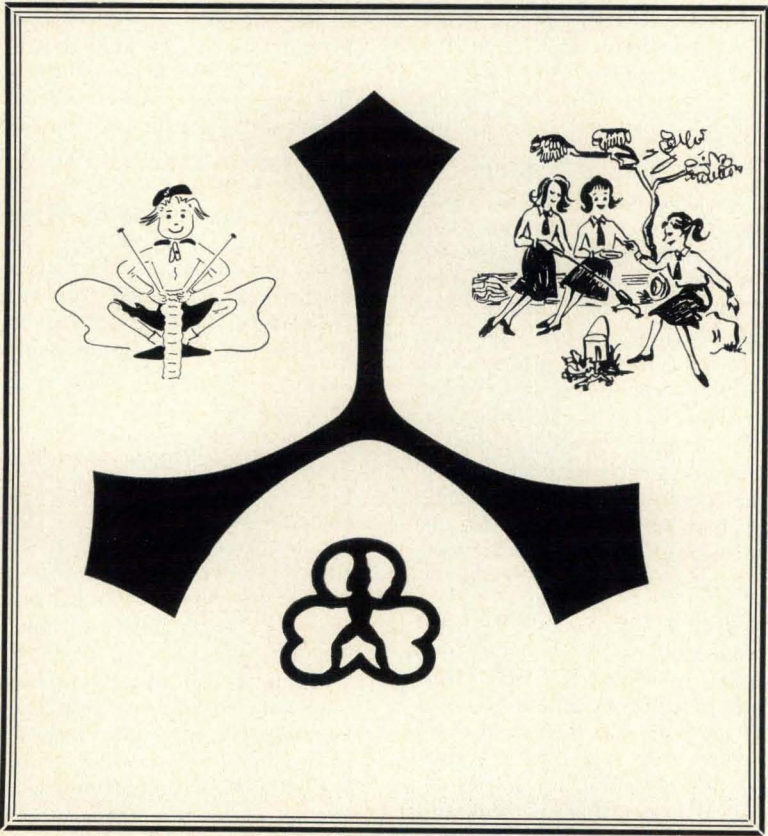


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From our STATE COMMISSIONER

Dear Members and Friends,

How the months are flying, only the other morning I heard someone say over the radio so many days until Christmas! I barely seem to be getting into my stride and people are thinking of the year ending.

This month began for me in Sydney at the Australian Executive Meeting. This meeting seemed to be even busier than usual, possibly because it was the last one chaired by Mrs. Price. We welcomed two new members this time, Sheila Howe, Tasmania, and Jean Williams, South Australia, and this was the last meeting attended by Margaret Wyndham, New South Wales, whose term of office finishes in September. In three months I have aged rapidly — moving from the new girl to one of the older ones. One evening we had a meeting with the Australian Office Bearers to discuss the contribution Guiding can make towards development within Australia.

It was decided that the Assembly of the Australian Association will be held at Latrobe University in May 1975. Miss Bunning is Chairman of the Australian Planning Committee and we will also have a Hostess State Committee to look after the domestic arrangements. A lot of work lies ahead for these people, but it is exciting to think this important event will be held in Victoria.

The Bank of N.S.W. gave Mrs. Price a farewell luncheon which we all found very enjoyable. They presented her with a lovely gold brooch in appreciation of the work she had done for Australian Guiding.

Thursday, 2nd August, was the Handing Over Ceremony to Miss Mary Lambie. This was a very impressive ceremony held at Australian Headquarters. The State Commissioners lined one side of the room and

on the other the former Chief Commissioners, Australian Office Bearers and others invited to the ceremony. The Chief Commissioner's Standard was brought in and Mrs. Price and Miss Lambie followed.

Each State in turn said "Thank You" to Mrs. Price for her wonderful leadership over the last five years. Mrs. Price handed over the Chief Commissioner's Badge to Miss Lambie and also the Chief Commissioner's Standard, and she was then presented with the former Chief Commissioner's Brooch by Mrs. C. O. Fairbairn, Australian Vice-President. It was wonderful to see all the former Chief Commissioners present, Mrs. C. O. Fairbairn, Miss E. Manning and Mrs. M. A. Buntine. Mrs. H. L. Barwick was presented with a silver candlestick in appreciation of her service to Australian Guiding as Assistant Chief Commissioner.

Candelight and spring flowers and a delicious meal followed this ceremony and I was pleased to be able to meet more of the Australian personnel. Our very best wishes go to Miss Lambie as she begins her term of office as Chief Commissioner.

I arrived back at Glenaroua about 11 p.m. that evening feeling stimulated but exhausted.

The Brownie Section Conference was held on Saturday 4th. I could only be there in the morning as Rick was coming home for the weekend. It was marvellous to see so many Guiders there and I am sure by the end of the day everyone knew what "Happiness Is . . ." The Guest Speaker, Dr. John Birrell, spoke of the unhappy children and I think we all felt that Guiding has a definite role to play in helping these children, particularly after we had seen the happy enthusiastic group of Brownies who shared some of their ceremonies with us.

Australian Executive plus the weekend were too much for me as by the time I went to Headquarters on the Monday I was feeling terrible — a victim of the flu. I drove home, went to bed and spent the next three days building up my strength for the Commissioners' Conference.

I was delighted to be Guest Speaker at the 50th Annual Meeting of the Bendigo L.A. I have so many connections with Bendigo that I could not bear to refuse

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THE STATE STANDARD (Part 2)

So, we have the Guide Trefoil, the Federal Star, the State Badge and the Motto-band . . . "Be Prepared" . . . on a rich saxe-blue background. The background of the rest of this eight-foot-long Standard, is to be a rich red. This stands for Service by members of our movement. In Heraldry it is termed "Courage" . . . and we certainly sometimes need courage to be of service in our community.

Many suggestions were submitted for the design of this section of the Standard. We sifted these and discussed each, bearing in mind that, once decided and approved, the designs were to be embroidered . . . a mammoth task . . . IN DUPLICATE. Again, there are to be so many items on the Standard, that one person could not cope with the production. It must be a collective effort. So care was needed here. So what could we include?

Victoria has three "natives": the pink heath, the Leadbeaters possum and the Helmeted Honeyeater. We decided to place these inside a lozenge in their "proper" colours. The pink heath must be on the ground . . . then we put a blue-gum branch across the middle of the lozenge and on the left side, the Leadbeaters Possum and a little higher, on the right-hand side, the Helmeted Honeyeater. These suggestions came in from many sections. The Camping Department suggested we put a band of alternating white and green zig-zag half-diamonds (lozenges . . . for females!) . . . denoting tents and the out-of-doors. Unusual, said the U.K., but O.K.! And then we put in compass points.

This indicates that there is guiding all over the world as well as pointing out that the way must be forward. This is to be in gold.

Guiding is such a friendly movement . . . we are all doing the same things, sometimes on different levels, and where-ever you might be you find a friend because we all wear the same Trefoil . . . So we put the clasped hands of friendship in the middle of the compass points.

So . . . the design has JUST been approved by the State Executive Committee and now goes back to the Royal College of Heraldry in England for its final go-ahead! Excitement, excitement!!

In the meantime we need to find embroiderers, needleworkers (two different crafts!), materials, exact drawings and so on. Stage 111 is the BIG one. We are also investigating the possibility of a light-weight metal pole, either slotted or like a transistor aerial, sliding inside . . . this to be brown, so that it will not out-shine the Standard, and to be surmounted by a brass Trefoil, not a permanently polished type . . . this, to fit into the usual type holster. A Standard is a very heavy item and the pole must be nine feet long. Sometimes the Standard might be placed in the Sanctuary of a church during a State Service, so it must not trail on the ground! There are so many things that need to be thought of. The metal threads are obtainable in various qualities; we have already obtained samples from England from which to choose.

How proud we are going to be when we see our Standard completed!

STATE COMMISSIONER . . .

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this invitation even though I had to leave early to be back at Latrobe University in time to open the Commissioners' Conference on Friday evening.

At this special L.A. meeting it was wonderful to see so many people who had worked so hard for the girls of Bendigo over the years. A brief history of the work done by the L.A. had been written and there was a very beautiful birthday cake which was cut by Miss Merle Bush who formed the first Guide Company in Bendigo.

What a wonderful weekend Commissioners' Conference was — from the very beautiful candlelit opening ceremony right through to the closing. There was friendship, training, thought provoking discussions and good fun, and we went home having received that boost a conference gives and determined in the words of the conference theme to "Do It Now".

Following the official opening we saw an excellent film on Communications — that problem which faces us all. All districts will be coping better now I know.

Thoughts which came from the conference indicated the direction Guiding should take over the next few years and it was good to have the views of Sue Ralston one of our young members, and those of our Commissioners. I think all agreed we must become more involved in community activities, look very wide in fields of service and place more emphasis on those fields in which we can be considered expert.

At our Finance Meeting the following week we were delighted to see that we had finished the year in a better position than anticipated due mainly to profit from the shop, as income from annual subscriptions and cents for service fell slightly. The draft budget for 1973-4 was considered and discussion centred around ways of increasing our income, so we can continue to run efficiently and maintain allocations to the sections — which are the life lines of the Association.

We held a second meeting with the Chief Commissioner of Scouts and two of his assistants to plan a joint statement of policy regarding building of halls to be used by both Associations. We hope a joint policy statement may help prevent some of the problems which do arise in districts. These

meetings are extremely valuable as we gain a better understanding of each other's programme.

The monthly Executive Meeting saw quite a few apologies owing to school holidays and interstate trips.

Mr. Colhoun, our Hon. Treasurer, came to discuss the Financial Report and draft budget.

The Australian Executive minutes were gone through.

The proposed amendments to the Constitution following decisions made by State Council over the last twelve months were approved and will be submitted to the Council at a Special General Meeting prior to the Annual Meeting.

The membership figures at 30th April, 1973, showed a drop of about three hundred overall, but we had a slight increase in the numbers of Brownie Guiders, Lones, L.A. members and Trefoil Guild members.

School holidays began in earnest that weekend. Martin had been home for a week but Rick had been in cadet camp at Puckapunyal.

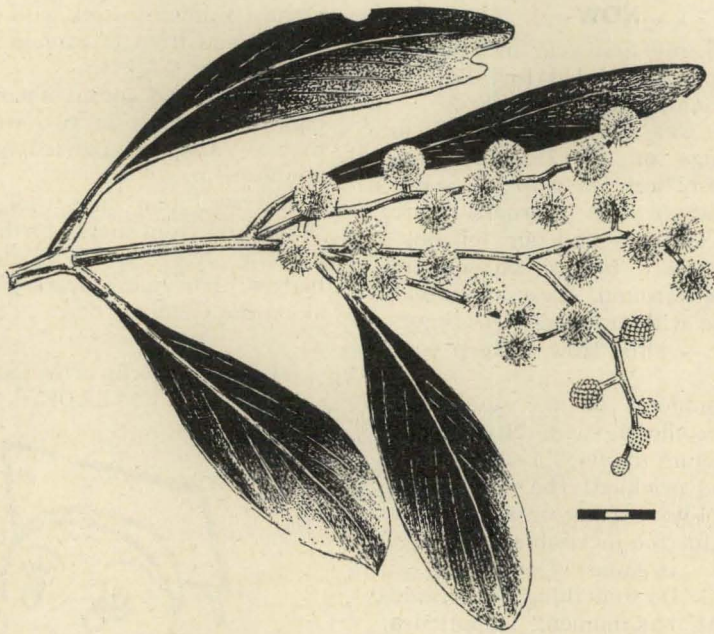
We have just spent five days in Canberra — what a lovely city with its very beautiful lake. All the prunus trees were in bloom and we could not get over the lovely parks and surrounds to the schools. We worked hard at our sightseeing and managed to see and do most things good tourists should do. I had not stayed in Canberra for 20 years, so I noticed a terrific difference.

Now that we are home it is back to the kitchen for me. There has been so much rain that we have nearly been washed away and the front paddock looks like a swimming pool, so eating is one of the favourite holiday activities. My two skinny sons are gradually putting on weight as I fear am I!

With love and best wishes,

Joan E. Grimwade

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Acacia pycnantha — the Golden Wattle — has large flattened leaf stalks which do the work of leaves. These are called phylodes. Some 30 kinds of Victorian wattles have phylodes for their leaves, some big, some small. The Golden Wattle grows into a shapely small tree. The flowers are borne in small clusters of large golden balls. They have a delicious scent. This wattle grows in stony ground. The flowering period is September to October.

STAMPS

Please note that Miss L. Cuzens is getting ready to move house — would interested people **please hold** any packets until "Matilda" advises a new address.

Thank You!



A hippopotamus, weary of his size and life in general, consulted the wise old owl. "Oh", said the owl, "that's easy. You change yourself into a butterfly." "What a good idea", said hippo, and off he went. Hours later he returned — "Owl," he said, "how do I change myself into a butterfly?" "Oh", said owl, "the practical side is your decision, I only make policy".

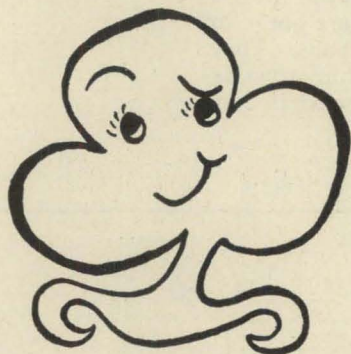


I SMILE TOO . . . NOW

It was in 1928, my first year in Guiding, and I was "suspended". What for? For defacing the Girl Guide badge. I cried.

It was a dull, wet November evening in England. Meetings of the 27th Brighton (Church) Company were held in the somewhat dreary Church Hill. "Corners" were sacks on iron bedsteads and our "pin-ups" were huge card-board badges, cut out to cover the dull background. These, of course, were interspersed with tracking signs, knots and Morse Code — also "How to keep your hat brim stiff"!

After a monotonous, to me, session of Company Drill, complete with "Eyes-right" and "Company salute the flag", I sat in Holly patrol corner and prickled! The other members of the patrol were fixing up a kero bike lamp and twigs for the inevitable camp fire. "Guiding is fun . . . a game?" I pondered . . . I had my doubts! "Do something, then", said my Guide self. At that moment, I spotted a half-crushed blue crayon. Just the thing! I set to work to cheer things up, by decorating the dual-purpose Guide badges in much the same way as "Sue" appears today. I was proud of my efforts and was no longer conscious of the pattering rain on the tin roof.



Everyone would love the cheery smile . . . but . . . what an anti-climax! In a flash . . . my leader (my own sister), duty-bound and dedicated, forsook family loyalty and was "obliged to take things further". She admitted, years later, that had she been able to clean off greasy blue crayon, the dilemma would never have had to be faced!

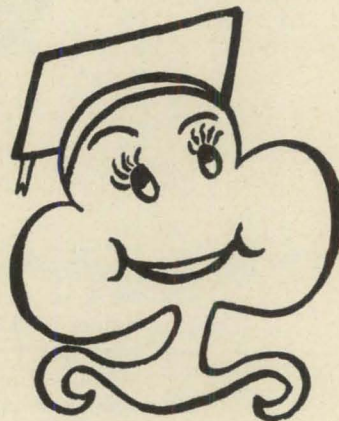
I was surrounded by captain, lieutenant, company leader, patrol leaders and a heap of girl-guides-dressed-in-blue. How small I felt and how dark everything was with that blue crowd around. The floor seemed to sink

—and I wanted to sink with it. My sister was tearful and tried to explain . . . what would happen?

The District Commissioner would be visiting the company in two weeks time. Until then . . . I was suspended, awaiting the pronouncement.

All's well that ends well — I was reinstated and from thenceforth I declared that Guiding **MUST** be fun whatever happens to badges! For many years I have continued along the Guiding road . . . and it **IS** fun!

—Mrs. Win Hull
Leader, Beechworth Extension Rangers
Ex-District Commissioner



FROM IRAN TWO MILLION TREES AND ONE MILLION BOOKS

Planting trees is a part of the Scouts and Guides National Programme for Community Development Services in 1973. During the first season of the year, one million trees have been planted by the Scouts and Guides — and it is planned to plant a further million trees during the next Autumn. These trees mostly will be planted in campsites, parks, streets and Scout houses.

The year 1973 has been known by the people of Iran as the **YEAR OF BOOKS**. Therefore Iranian Scouting intended to collect one million books for the use of the villagers learning through the Literacy Campaign. Since January, 600,000 books have been collected by the Scouts, Guides and their leaders. They will continue the collection until the one million target be reached.

(from the Asia Pacific Newsletter)

BROWNIES AND DADS

Brownie Guiders, if you want to get to know your Brownie Dads, have a Father and Daughter evening. It is a great experience, and very rewarding for the Brownie to be able to do something with Dad.

The first one was arranged by Brownies and leaders as a fun evening. When 16 Dads arrived, each accompanied by a Brownie daughter (carrying a mysterious parcel), Brown Owl felt a bit awed and wondered how she would be heard in the small hut. But in quite a short while all tension was eased. Dads were very co-operative when silence was asked for, in the special Brownie way, and you could have heard a pin drop in seconds.

The evening started with a singing mix up game which caused much merriment. The next activity Brownies had done at previous meetings but arranged this time in such a way to make it competitive with a team of Dads against Brownies. Each side was given a piece of paper, told to number it, then put one squiggle on the paper. Change papers over to other team, make the squiggle into something then change back again for judging.

For our next activity it was necessary to get Dads out of the hut, so we divided them sending half one way round the block to look for the largest seed pod (a pine cone placed on the ground by our Ranger helper) the other half to find the most interesting thing. By the time they returned Brownies had taken the masks they had made, from the parcel they came in with, and been concealed with blankets so that only heads were showing. Dads were then called in to a commotion of animal noises and told to pick out their daughter. As you can guess this was not easy. Eventually law and order was achieved and the story of the Dads' venture was told. Not finding the pine cone, one Dad climbed a tree with a group of Dads at its foot looking up. Being near the main road along came a police car to investigate. The Dads convinced them vandalism was not their aim and slowly they all saw the funny side. Meantime the other half brought back a box of rather damp matches and a bull ant. The rest of the evening consisted of games, light refreshments and a camp fire in which the Dads soon joined. With their male voices, it proved a very good sing song.

—Brown Owl,
2nd Kilsyth Brownie Pack

OUR PACK HOLIDAY

On our pack holiday we went to Tynong North. We went for a hike to Mill Valley Ranch. We had a look in the wagons. Then we went on to the museum. We had our lunch there and the man gave a talk on the museum. He also told us a few jokes which we enjoyed.

On Saturday night we had a party. The exciting part was putting up the balloons and streamers.

Bunty took us for a hike, we saw tadpoles and a small waterfall. We also collected hay on the way and when we got back we made a hay bed.

We were all very sorry that the time went so quickly. We all liked the pack holiday and would like to go again.

From all who took part in our holiday.
3rd Syndal Nth.
Brownie Pack.



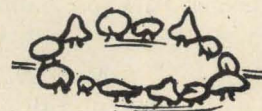
A GOOD TURN . . .

As we pass from our Brownie Packs where our motto was "A Brownie Guide thinks of others before herself and does a good turn every day" to Guides and eventually on to Rangers, I often wonder if we really remember these words and what they actually mean.

Many people in the community can be helped in some small way, even a cheery smile and a warm hello cost nothing and perhaps we could all remember our Brownie Promise by so doing.

Imagine the joy we could give as well as receive.

Mrs. Z. Kennedy,
Mulgrave



BRITANNIA PARK

Like most of Victoria, Britannia Park had its fair share of rain over the school holidays, but with help from Mr. and Mrs. Fraser all camps survived and appeared to have a happy time. However the Camping Adviser has asked me to remark on the equipment.

She says while we realise the weather was against you, did **you** realise the equipment was now in a very bad state, and it will take many hours to get it back into order?

Would Guiders please supervise the girls when the equipment is being put away? Kitchen equipment must be clean and dry before being put in its correct position. And regarding the wood supply — some Wood Patrols have been over-enthusiastic — delivering large quantities of wood to their campsite — but failing to return wood not used to the central pile. This is not fair on the next campers. The campsite you were on may not be used again for some months.

As you are already aware we have been forced to increase the charges to use Britannia Park because of increased costs. We were sorry to do this but felt it was fairer to spread the burden of keeping Britannia Park financially sound.

Charges now are:— Site charges, 25 cents per head per 24 hours or part thereof (wood, latrines, septic tank inclusive).

Guide House — 60 cents per head per 24 hours or part thereof.

Brownie Cottage — 60 cents per head per 24 hours or part thereof.

Minimum charge — \$5.00 per 24 hours Guide House; \$3.50 per 24 hours Brownie Cottage.

Day Visitors — 10 cents a head to the Warden's wife on arrival.

Do you realise that schools may rent either Brownie Cottage or Guide House during the week days in school time? Charges for these types of holidays on application.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at Britannia Park on Saturday, 17th November — do try to come to the Fair.

Margaret F. Tucker
Convenor of Britannia Park

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A GUIDE

Being enrolled had much more meaning than just a simple ceremony performed in itself, Ruth Marriner, Lone Ranger and now Unit Helper, told recruits at a Promise Ceremony in the Guide Hall.

For the ceremony, the 6th Colac Guide Company transformed the guide hall into a bushland setting and by the light of several lanterns and the flickering flames of an imitation campfire, recruits made their promise. Each patrol contributed games and campfire stories.

Guests at the meeting included the District Commissioner and families and friends of the recruits.

Ruth spoke to the Guides on the meaning of Guiding for her: Duty to God — the first promise is at the heart of all guiding, from this springs the two other parts of the promise. If our love to God is to mean anything in our lives, if we really do care, then the other two promises — to care for other people and service to the Queen and country stem from this.

Service to our Queen and country is not only a job for the people who serve her personally, but for many who value democracy, freedom of choice, law and order and all that true dignity of life entails.

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WHICH ARE YOU?

Some members keep a club so strong,
While others join just to belong,
Some dig right in and serve with pride,
Some go along just for the ride.

Some volunteer to do their share,
While some lie back and just don't care,
Some do their best, some help, some make,
Some do nothing, only take.

Some greet new members with a smile,
And make their coming so worthwhile,
While some go on their merry way
With never a greeting or kind word to say.

Some help the club to grow and grow,
When asked to help they don't say "No"
Some drag, some pull, some don't, some do,
Consider — which of these are you?

—Origin unknown
(from the Diamond Creek
Elderly Citizens' Club)

TRAINING PAGES



Nature
Observation
Wood carving

International
Swimming

Tree planting
Hiking
Exploring

Treasure hunts
Insect study
Mapping
Exercises

Traffic counts
Oil painting

Boating
Expeditions

Plaster casts

Rowing
Ecology

Puppetry
Abseiling

Revels

Enamelling

Dramatics

Fun
Outdoors
Rallies

Tenting
Handcrafts
Esperanto

Creativity
Orienteering

Modelling
Ice skating

Numismatics
Guides Own

Yabbing
Entertainments
Axemanship
Recording

TICK the items the members of your unit have participated in this year

Planning Progressive Long Term Programme

1st Term



WHY PLAN?

Planning Gives

Purpose — Direction

Ensures

Vitality — Progress

2nd Term



Sue says "If you don't plan your programmes and trust to luck how your meetings pan out, it will be a case of luck if your Guides keep coming.

* Fill in and keep for future reference.

GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA AMENDMENTS TO 1970 EDITION P.O. & R.

RULE 16.

Page 17. Delete and Insert

"Chief Commissioner for Australia.

- (a) This appointment is made by the Executive Committee for a term of three years, with a possible extension of a further term of three years.
- (b) An Acting Chief Commissioner may be appointed by the Executive Committee whenever considered necessary. The Acting Chief Commissioner shall assume the powers rights and duties of the Chief Commissioner when so acting.
- (c) The Chief Commissioner may appoint Assistant Chief Commissioner/s (not exceeding three) who shall be ex-officio members of the Executive Committee without vote. Such appointment/s shall be ratified by the Executive Committee. The Assistant Chief Commissioner/s will retire with the Chief Commissioner."

RULE 17.

Omit all reference to The Assistant Chief Commissioner/s.

RULE 31.

Page 30. 1. Replace "20th" with "21st".

RULE 34.

Page 37 Part 1. The Adult Uniform, Paragraph 6. Positioning of Badges-

Warrant or appointment badge — On left breast (omit the alternative words "or jacket lapel").
Alter drawing on Page 38.

Page 49. 2. State Appointments.

ADD after "Region, Division and District Secretaries . . ."
Appointment

Held	Cockade	Appointment Badge
Region Training Advisers and Region Camping Advisers	As appropriate	Bar indicating appointment

3. Trainers.

ADD — "NOTE — Trainers may wear navy blue bow tie with blue embroidered stripe across the ends".

RULE 35.

4. The Training Diploma (delete and insert new wording)

The Diploma entitles the holder to train Guiders/Commissioners according to her specific training qualifications.

The Diploma must be returned biennially, through the State Training Adviser to the Australian Training Adviser for endorsement.

The Diploma'd Trainer is expected to keep herself up to date in every aspect of her training and to attend regularly appropriate conferences of Diploma'd Trainers.

The Diploma'd Trainer should continue to hold a warrant appropriate to her specific training qualification. If through force of circumstances the holder of a Diploma is unable temporarily to fulfil the warrant requirements she is considered qualified to train for approximately two years; in exceptional circumstances this period may be extended.

Associate Diploma: The Diploma may be endorsed as an Associate Diploma if a Diploma'd Trainer has special training ability but has not fulfilled the Warrant requirements for approximately two years. She is qualified to train according to her special ability and at the discretion of the State Training Authority.

If a Diploma is not endorsed for training over a period of time, the holder is required to attend a refresher course recommended by the Australian Training Adviser before endorsement can be considered.

Part A.

Be recommended to the Australian Training Adviser by her District, Division, Region and State Commissioners (as appropriate) and by the State Training Adviser, who have satisfied themselves that she has had a successful period as a Certificated Trainer and has the broad outlook required of a Diploma'd Trainer.

Have a period of training directed by the State Training Adviser.

Be attached to a Tutor by the Australian Training Adviser and the State Training Adviser and work under the tutor system for Diploma Candidates.

NOTE: The Tutor's assessment of the candidate will be taken into consideration in the final assessment.

Part B.

A final assessment will be arranged by the Australian Training Adviser. The candidate will be required to present a training course and train in the fundamentals of the Eight Point Programme and its implementation in the Unit, District, Division or region (as appropriate). This course is to be put into effect by the candidate and she may use other trainers to assist her to do so.

Throughout the assessment the candidate's training should show that she is able to impart a good understanding of the needs and characteristics of the age group concerned.

A written paper will be required if the practical assessment is satisfactory.

5. The Training Certificate (delete (a) and (b) and insert new wording)

The Training Certificate entitles the holder to train according to her specific training qualifications. She works under the direction of the State Training Authority.

The Training Certificate must be returned annually for endorsement to the State Training Authority.

The Certificated Trainer should continue to hold a warrant appropriate to her specific training qualification. If through force of circumstances, the holder of a Certificate is unable temporarily to fulfil the warrant requirements she is considered qualified to train for approximately two years; in exceptional circumstances this period may be extended.

The Certificate qualifications are divided into two sections, Part A and Part B and it is stressed that Part B cannot take place unless Part A is satisfactory.

Part A. Guiders.

The prospective Guider Trainer must have proved herself as a Unit Leader and must hold an appropriate camping qualification.

Be recommended by her District, Division and Region Commissioner to the State Training Authority. The District Commissioner and a representative of the State Training Authority must satisfy themselves by personal contact and visits to the Unit or camp that:

- (a) The candidate has a sound knowledge of the Eight Point Programme, its interpretation in her Section and is putting it into practice.
- (b) Her presentation of the Programme is of a high standard.
- (c) She has an understanding of the age group with which she is working.
- (d) She understands the inter-relationship of the three Sections and the place of camping.

Part A. Commissioners.

The prospective Commissioner Trainer must have proved herself as a Commissioner, have run her own District/Division/Region along the right lines and still be in close touch with Guiding.

Be recommended by the relevant Commissioner to the State Training Authority. This would entail reports from Division, Region and State Commissioners (as appropriate). These reports should cover the following points:—

- (a) That the essentials of Guiding are being carried out in her area or that she is taking steps to improve her area.
- (b) That she is helping the personnel of her area to carry out the Eight Point Programme within the Units.
- (c) The management of her area.
- (d) That good records are being kept.

Part B. Guiders and Commissioners.

When the State Training Authority is satisfied that the candidate has the necessary training ability to take her place as a Certificated Trainer, arrangements for the assessment will be made. The State Training Authority will appoint a Commissioner and a Diploma'd Trainer as Assessors.

Assessment:

1. The candidate will be required to take at least three training sessions, the duration of one to be for a minimum of 1½ hours.
2. The sessions are to be planned by the candidate, having regard to any requests beforehand.
3. The training must include some of the main principles of Guiding and the methods by which Guiders/Commissioners can put them into practice.

A written paper may be required.

NOTE: The candidate's handling of the Guiders/Commissioners, her capacity to arouse and hold their interest and the balance of her programme will be assessed.

RULE 36.

Page 60. 2.(d) Special Camps and Holidays.

Alteration to last paragraph of Section (v) — to read —

"Application for such a visit or camp should be made to the State Secretary at least three months before the date for Guides and at least one month before for Ranger Guides, provided that accommodation is not required, in which case six months notification must be given."

(vi) Delete and insert —

"Guides may take part in a visit, camp or pack holiday held just over a State border without application having to be made through the State Secretary. Applications for such camps must be made by the home Commissioner to the Commissioner of the area to be visited.

Note: Only Guides living close to State borders may participate. Brownies should have had not less than six months service in the Pack.

RULE 37.

Page 66. 2.(e) The Pack Holiday Permit.

The words "of her own Pack" to be inserted in the first sentence between "Brownies" and "for holidays".

Page 68. 2. (h) Ranger Guide Guider's Camp Licence (Light-weight).

(ii) Delete "of 3 days duration and insert at end of sentence — "taking charge of the camp for a minimum of TWO consecutive nights".

Pages 70 and 72. 2 (j) Note (iii) and (k) Note (i).
Delete.

RULE 38.

Page 73. Adventurous Activities.

Delete rule and insert —

Guides may not take part in an adventurous activity, e.g. ski-ing, skin diving, mountain activity, rock climbing, pot-holing, or caving, without adequate instruction and training. Permission to take part in the activity must be obtained from the District Commissioner."

RULE 39.

Page 73. — 74.

Heading will read SWIMMING.

Delete Sections 1 and 2 and insert:

"1. The Guider-in-charge

- a) The Guider-in-charge of the Unit, camp, holiday, training or other gathering is responsible for organising the swimming activity and for the safety of the swimmers, and must be in attendance at the swimming period.
- b) If the Guider-in-charge does not herself possess the necessary qualifications, she is responsible for appointing a person to act as life-saver. Such a person must be a responsible individual; must possess the required qualifications; and must have attained the age of 17 years.

2. Permitted Swimming Places.

- a) All swimming places must be graded in accordance with Section 3. Further conditions may be imposed by the appropriate Guide authority.
- b) Guiders and Guides may swim only in such places as have been approved and graded; the conditions laid down must be strictly observed, including any further safeguards imposed.
- c) The Guider-in-charge of the activity is responsible for up-grading the waters at the time, should it be necessary.

THESE RULES apply to all members of the Guide Movement—Brownie Guides, Guides, Ranger Guides, Guiders. The rules apply to swimming activities on all occasions and cannot be too strictly observed. Due regard to them has already saved

several lives and has also exonerated Guiders from the charge of negligence.

3. Grading.

Grade A. }

Delete "Bathers" where written and substitute "Swimmers".

Grade B. }

Delete heading and insert:

Grade C. }

"Swimming Pools (including those privately owned) and water of moderate depth.

Delete NOTE and insert:

"NOTE: (1) In Public Swimming Pools where a qualified life saver is actually in attendance at the time, a swimming group may be in charge of one responsible person. There must be two pickets to every fifteen Guides.

(2) Attention is drawn to Section 1 (b), in particular that the life saver is 17 years or over."

Page 75. 4. The Endurance Test.

Delete the words "the second" and insert "one".

RULE 40.

Page 75. Boating.

Clauses 1-3 delete and insert:

- 1. All members of the Association taking part in canoeing or sailing in small craft must be able to swim 50 metres and keep afloat for 5 minutes in ordinary clothes. Life-jackets must be worn when sailing.
- 2. All members of the Association taking part in rowing or boating in large sail craft or power boats must have a ratio of three members able to swim 50 metres and keep afloat for 5 minutes in ordinary clothes to one non-swimmer. All non-swimmers must wear life-jackets.

NOTE: Clauses 1 and 2 do not apply to members using recognised forms of public transport.

3. A boat must be in charge of:

- a) A member holding the appropriate boating qualification as laid down by the Association; or
- b) A competent person from outside the Association approved by the District Commissioner.

NOTE: (i) For training sessions and regattas, this rule may be waived providing the boat is at all times within hailing distance of a responsible adult on shore.

(ii) This rule does not apply if Guides are taken as passengers in hired or privately-owned boats. In this case it is the responsibility of the Guider to satisfy herself that the person in charge is

a licensed or competent boatman and that the party understands the discipline necessary for safety.

4. Guides taking part in any form of boating should notify their District Commissioner, or if this is not possible, her representative. The Guider must satisfy herself that the conditions under which the proposed activity is to take place provide an adequate margin of safety.

NOTE: (i) Guiders are warned of the danger of allowing Guides to use rubber rafts or dinghies, wooden floats, etc., on open sea, tidal waters or rivers, or large lakes.

(ii) Gum boots must not be worn when boating. It is preferable to wear canvas not leather shoes.

5. A boat taken over for ownership by a Unit is subject in the first instance to an examination for seaworthiness and to a subsequent yearly inspection; it must not be used until the Annual Boat Certificate has been issued.

NOTE: The examiners are appointed by the District Commissioner.

Holidays Afloat: Delete "4" wording remains as in P.O. & R.

Page 76. Delete Clauses 5-12. Insert:

Boating Qualifications:

(i) A candidate for any of the boating qualifications must be approved by her Guider and District Commissioner.

(ii) Examiners for the Association's boating qualifications are appointed by the District Commissioner. An Examiner may be an experienced Guider holding an equivalent or higher boating qualification, or an experienced person from outside the Association.

Whenever possible a Guider nominated by the District Commissioner should be present at a test taken by an outside examiner.

Page 77. The Oarsman Certificate. Second paragraph at top of Page 77 to be deleted.

The Boating Permit. Delete "For open boats under oars".

Insert "For an open boat under oars".

Page 79. The Sailing Permit.

NOTE. Delete second paragraph and insert:

The crew may not exceed four in number, including the helmsman; they should be able to handle the boat not under sail and have had some experience of sailing. The boat must be less than 5m and should be of a type with which the permit holder is familiar. The Guider (whether the permit is held by herself or a member of her Unit) is responsible for seeing that the boat is manned with the correct number in accordance with the type of boat.

Pages 79 and 80. The Sailing Charge Certificate.

Clause 1 to read: Hold the Rowing Charge Certificate OR (a) Clauses 1, 2 and 3 of the Boating Permit

(b) Clauses 3, 4, 6, 8 and 9 of the Rowing Charge Certificate,

and (c) Show proficiency in rowing.

Clause 6. Delete the words "for sea-going boats".

Page 80. Power Boat Certificate.

Title to read "Power Boat Permit".

Page 81. ADD: Canoeing Charge Certificate.

1. Hold the Canoeist Certificate and be a responsible person 17 years or over.

2. Know all the safety precautions connected with canoeing and know the different types of canoes as laid down by the Safety Code of The Canoe Federation of Australia.

3. Be able to instruct girls in the theory and practice of canoeing; how to enter and leave a canoe — (a) in knee deep water; (b) on a bank, and (c) from a landing stage or craft in deep water; how to paddle and manoeuvre; how to get out in case of capsiz.

4. Know the procedure in connection with rescue and bringing ashore a capsized canoe.

5. Know the environmental conditions in connection with canoe area, i.e. currents, tides, rocks or stakes in water, depth in water, speed of moving water, weather conditions, etc. Where circumstances warrant, competent boatman should be standing by with boat prepared for rescue work.

6. Be able to perform one method of life saving rescue and release in the water, also tow the subject 18m.

7. Know the capabilities of all girls under her care.

NOTE: Permission of parents to be obtained before Guides may take part in this activity.

If a Guider-in-charge does not hold qualifications she may appoint a person or persons who are qualified to supervise the activity.

Camping Adviser should be informed of her intention to include canoeing in the programme.

Recommended Books:

American National Red Cross — book on Canoeing.

Canoeing Complete — Sutcliffe and Skillen.

Modern Canoeing — Charles Sutherland.

RULE 42.

Page 86. Distinguishing Marks: (a) Add:

NOTE: On Ranger Guide dress Australian flashes are worn on shoulders touching outer edge and Australian Flag is worn on right shoulder above flash.

3rd Term



Aim of Programme (same for all Sections). "The aim is to provide a programme of activities which girls enjoy, and which at the same time helps each individual to develop as a whole person, physically, mentally, and spiritually — thus growing in her understanding of the Promise and in her ability to keep it.

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Use Long Term Planning Outline To:—

- List dates of Unit Meetings
- Mark Public Holidays
- Mark School Holidays

Fill in known Coming Events:—

- Thinking Day
- National Days
- Mother's Day
- Father's Day
- Book Week
- Show Day
- Guy Fawkes Day
- Earth Day
- Shortest Day of Year
- District Events
- Hallowe'en
- Easter, etc., etc.

Could You Initiate any of the following:—

Visits

- Children's Theatre
- School of Department
- Television Studio
- Airport
- Ambulance Station
- Folk Museums
- Bakery
- Or?.....

Use of Outside Experts

- Police
- Bicycle Repair Man
- Face and Hair Care
- Home Nursing
- First Aid
- Floral Art
- Migrant Friends
- Exchange Students

Theme Meetings

Australia Day
Friends — known and unknown
Father and Daughter
Mother and Daughter
International Cooking
Or?.....

More Fun

Kite Making and Flying
Boomerang Throwing (isolated areas)
B.B.Q. on Yarra Bank
Roasted Marshmallows
Lantern Meetings
Beach Combing
Gold Panning
Gem Hunting
Paddle Steamer Trip
Compass Hike
Or

Points to consider when planning programmes

Promise
8 Headings of Programme
Special Service Projects
Good Turns
Topical Happenings
Patrol Leader Training
New Members
All Members' individual needs, interests, attitudes
Group participation
Decision Making
Ceremonies
Environment
Time . . . weather . . . equipment available
Out of doors
Resources . . . Human, books, films, etc.
Initiating Ideas

Remember

Action is better than **Inaction**
Participation is better than **Looking on**
Outdoors is more fun than **Indoors**
Unusual is more exciting than **Usual**
Surprise is more interesting than the **expected**
Mysterious is more appealing than the **Obvious**
FLEXIBILITY should be your Key word.
Never neglect the unexpected opportunities that are likely to 'pop up' on their own accord.

AUSTRALIAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING PLAN

A few years ago, at an Australian training conference, a need was recognised to promote a more national approach towards the training of adult leaders. A plan was therefore adopted to look at all schemes in each state, overseas and at other organisations. After much careful study the Australian Leadership Training Plan (A.L.T.P.), has been implemented throughout Australia and consists of four main parts:—

Introduction — for those interested in becoming adult members of the Movement.

Training Outline — for all leaders to plan their own progress.

Trainer's Workbook — for all trainers to improve their ability.

Leader's Workbook — for all leaders to put into practice what they have learned.

(This book will be available shortly.)

The plan defines the stages for each leader to progress at her own pace; to gain confidence in her own ability; to feel secure in her aims.

Its design is to help leaders to think and act, through knowledge, skills and attitudes, to promote flexibility and mobility of thought and action. It is a self-training plan of assessment, assignment and evaluation in which the leader is invited to carry out, with the help of trainers and resource material, her own scheme of training.

The headings in the outline are suggestions only and need not be followed in order, nor is there a need to spend any specified number of hours on each one. Every adult leader should be free to progress at her own pace, according to what she feels she needs to know in relation to her particular guiding job. Commissioners join with leaders of all sections to learn together, to know each other and their jobs, to better function as a team working toward the same aim: that of providing a satisfying and worthwhile opportunity for the children with whom they enjoy guiding.

Margaret Coleman,
Australian Training Adviser.

N.B.—The Training Outline leaflet is distributed at Stage 1 Trainings.

If you do not have a leaflet, ask the trainers about the Australian Leadership Training Plan at the next training you attend.

Hazel Grandin,
Training Adviser.

NOTICES

WANTED

People interested in creative writing who are willing to assist in LONE SECTION.

How successfully can YOU commit to paper one of your recent unit meetings?

DO TRY!

Use that compelling technique calculated to rouse interest and stimulate our Guide/Rangers to action! The Lone Adviser will be happy to hear from you and furnish you with a personal and private assessment of your effort.

REWARD? The satisfaction of caring for and about Guides/Rangers who would otherwise miss the fun, fellowship and friendships of Guiding.

For further information CONTACT

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"Brackley"

Jumbunna R.S.D.,
KORUMBURRA. 3950.

Tel.: 57 3240 STD area 056

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OLAVE HOUSE — CHRISTMAS IN LONDON

Last year Olave House organised a very successful series of activities for the Christmas season.

If any members will be in England this Christmas and would like to stay at Olave House, here are the details:

Session commences 23rd December, 1973 (Arrival date 22nd December).

Session closes 28th December, 1973 (Departure date 29th December).

Cost: \$21.50 (this does not include a Pub lunch and an evening out if desired).

Clothing: Regular day and evening wear, warm clothes for outdoor activity and uniform.

Age: 16 years of age and over.

Booking fee — £5 sterling to be sent with applications by bank draft or International Postal Order.

Applications direct to Olave House, 45 Longridge Road, London SW5, England.

Closing date for applications 30th November, 1973.

YOUNG LEADERS' SEMINAR

For Guiders between the ages of 17 and 25. Queensland will be hosting this Seminar 17th to 23rd August, 1974.

Further information available soon, also application forms.

Robin Saunders,
Victorian Representative on
Planning Committee.

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INTERNATIONAL

A DAY AT NORTH TYNONG — at Xanadu — Mrs. W. C. Dwyer's home, Government Road, between Cornucopia Museum and Mill Valley Ranch, 49 miles from Melbourne.

Saturday, 20th October, 11.30 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. For all girls who have been in Victorian State Selections.

Come and be reminiscent. Bring your own steak and fruit — plates and cutlery. (Bread, salads and drinks provided). Acceptances to 211 2157.



An invitation has been received as follows:

"KNOW INDIA" SESSION — SANGAM

24th January to 12th February, 1974.

Programme:—

1. Religion, Social Systems
2. Music and Dance
3. Folk Art and Architecture
4. Arts and Crafts
5. Sports and Games
6. Social Service Projects — Special feature: Phule Nagar Service Project. Swimming Sessions.

Age Group: 17-30 years.

Cost: Rs. 470/- (approx. \$70 U.S.).

Applications close 30th October, 1973.

THIS IS THE LOCAL ASSOCIATION SECTION



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

A Thought for Everyday Living

If a home houses a happy family, it is like a magnet. For at the end of the day, feet turn, as surely as the compass needle is drawn to the pole, to that treasured place of comfort and love that is home and family. And if perhaps, life's duties keep us away for a time, our thoughts will fly unerringly and often to where we'd like most to be — Home with our family.

HOW TO IMPROVE L.As.

THOUGHTS OF A LOCAL ASSOCIATION SECRETARY following her first L.A. Conference. There seems to be overwhelming agreement that Local Associations generally are poorly supported and meetings ill-attended. Only 8 or 10 of a possible 80 or 90 parents attend this District's L.A. meetings.

The pamphlet for parents available from the Guide Shop should be sent to parents of all new Brownies and Guides, or perhaps to all parents. (There is now a letter of welcome to new parents written by our State Commissioner available in the Guide Shop.)

It is good public relations to invite the Mayor or Shire President to attend, or perhaps chair the District Annual Meeting, even though he may be a very busy man.

Monthly meetings could be alternate day and night meetings, to give more parents the opportunity to attend.

Good guest speakers at meetings could attract more parents.

To keep the L.A. working well, two parents from each Pack and Company could form a Committee and from this, a President, Secretary and Treasurer would be elected. This way, the majority of Mothers should be happier to support the fun-raising activities without feeling they must attend the L.A. meetings.

Suggestions for improving the L.A.:

1. Communication advising parents of their obligations.

2. Budgeting — assessing the probable annual needs of the District.
3. Democratic decisions as to which type of fund-raising activities would be best received by the majority.

In conclusion, this Secretary pays a very sincere tribute to the Guiders, to whom we are all greatly indebted for the wonderful work they do in their units.

SERVICE TO OTHERS

Has anyone asked you recently — 'What does the Local Association do?' Certainly you knew! One only has to think of the L.A. Handbook — "The Why and How of Local Associations": Support the District Commissioner and Guiders by providing testers, transport when needed, finance for halls, uniforms, maintenance, etc., in fact, be a backstop for Guiding in your District.

Has it ever occurred to your L.A. that instead of being a backstop, you can be out in front? You are active adult members of the Guide Movement — the promise you can make to become an enrolled L.A. member applies just as specifically to you as to a teenager. Particularly in regard to Service to Others.

Does your L.A. as a group take an interest in the community around it? Is it active in helping others outside the Movement? We expect the girls to earn their Service Flash, but do we set an example? There are a number of avenues available — have you thought of assisting your local Meals on Wheels as a group, perhaps taking the responsibility for all the volunteers required on a particular day.

Perhaps there is a means of working with the girls. Sometimes a particular voluntary task requires more maturity than a Guide can provide, but it may be possible for a Guide and an L.A. member to work together. In one District this has been done manning a fund-raising kiosk at the local hospital, and taking a trolley from the kiosk through the wards for the benefit of the patients. This particular activity was started by a Guide working for her Queen's Guide Badge, and when her studies gave

her no further time to continue, the L.A. and Guides combined to form a roster to keep the service going.

A sense of community awareness is one of the advantages our daughters gain by belonging to the Guide Movement. Let us show her that it is not automatically lost as soon as she becomes a Mum of a Brownie or Guide and joins the Local Association.

NEPEAN DIVISION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Nepean Division held their Annual Conference at the Rye Civic Centre earlier this year. Following the opening of the Conference by Cr. Spinner of Dromana, Mrs. Marjorie Anderson, a member of the International Adviser's Committee, gave a most informative talk relating to the qualifications needed by girls applying to become Australian representatives at Girl Guide events in other countries. This was followed by a Soup and Sandwich luncheon.

Those welcomed by the Nepean Division Commissioner were the Mornington Peninsula Region Commissioner and other local Guiding personnel, as well as members of the Scouts Association, Church Officers and

GETTING THINGS INTO PERSPECTIVE

The front line on the war on poverty is being manned by the people of the poor countries themselves, and already they are financing over 80% of their own trade earnings. (The Internationalist)

In other words, we cannot think that we are saving the poor people overseas. On the contrary they are doing all the donkey work and are paying for most of it themselves.

When we look at what is happening in these terms, then it is impossible for us to put on airs and graces. What we are in fact being told is this: "My brother does not want a keeper, he wants a brother."

—(from Corso News and 'The Harvest Field,' New Zealand)



Local Association members. District and L.A. reports were read highlighting their activities for the year, and all those present agreed this was a very stimulating and successful day.

RECIPE CORNER — LEMON SLICE

½ lb. Marie biscuits; 1 cup coconut; ½ tin condensed milk; juice of 1 lemon; 4 ozs. butter.

Roll out biscuits into crumbs, mix together with coconut.

Add condensed milk and lemon juice, then add melted butter.

Press into greased flat tin and ice thinly with lemon icing and sprinkle with coconut. Put in refrigerator to set. Cut into small pieces and keep in airtight container in refrigerator or freezer.

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PLEASE SEND CONTRIBUTIONS TO
MRS. D. O. OLDFIELD, 4 EMBLING ROAD,
MALVERN, 3144.

Written for the active Churchwoman — but for Guiders too?

Well, God, I'm about to plunge into the usual routine at the church: make the list, phone the girls, check the details, prepare the devotions, bake a cake, pick up Joan, and go to more meetings.

I sometimes wonder if it's all worth it? Is this **really** the way You want us to spend our time? There are times when I want to chuck it all and then I think of how we do get some things done. In spite of our spending so much time on talk, we are making some progress. Anyway, Lord, I've got to believe that, so help me to know, will You?

Maybe what I need today is inspiration so I'll bring freshness to my own group. Maybe what I need is to change my own ways so I'll start in new directions other than just turning the same old wheels. Maybe we haven't been very imaginative or daring; so give us some leads, Lord on how to really reach out into this community; how to really make the difference in lifting the poor, giving dignity to the black, and bringing others closer to You. Help us to see that what counts is more than rolling bandages and serving suppers; we want to be instruments of change in Your world.

—From "Sidewalk Prayers" by O. L. Tibbetts and "Presbyterian Chronicle"

BROWNIE GUIDERS' CONFERENCE, 1973

"Happiness Is . . ."

"Happiness", to several hundred persons, may well mean anything up to several hundred different things! At the Brownie Guiders' Conference at the South Melbourne Town Hall — the theme of which was "Happiness Is . . ." — it was obvious that happiness also had many common denominators for approximately 500 Brownie Guiders in attendance.

The Conference opened with the asking of a blessing by Rev. M. B. Jobling, after which Mrs. Coralie Caple, the Brownie Adviser, introduced our State Commissioner, Mrs. Joan Grimwade.

In her opening talk Mrs. Grimwade emphasised the fact that happiness means different things to different people by painting a very clear picture of a scene that spells happiness for her — sitting on the front steps, looking out over the paddocks, hearing the voices of her family in the distance, and enjoying being with her husband and children in a setting they all love.

The main address for the Conference was given by Dr. J. H. W. Birrell, Police Surgeon for Victoria, who chose as his topic, "Unhappy Children". Dr. Birrell told of the thousands of children, right here in our own "affluent" society, who are unhappy; children whose unhappiness is not only due to poverty, but also to lack of care, lack of understanding, lack of love, of knowledge, or of wisdom; children who are "at risk", in many cases children whose very lives are at stake. He gave instances of cases where children were in hospital for weeks as a result of neglect and, in many cases, actual cruelty. He left no doubt in our minds that the task of helping these children is an enormous one — at times an almost insurmountable one. At the close of his address Dr. Birrell answered many questions, and I believe I speak for all his hearers when I say that he left us feeling that whatever we could do to help these children we WOULD do, however minute a drop in the ocean such a contribution might seem to be.

In contrast to the unhappy children we had heard of, we were introduced to some happy children — the Brownie Guides of 4th South Yarra Pack, who described and demonstrated several different ceremonies



held in their unit, explaining their meaning and the reason for their inclusion in unit activities.

The following session — "Self-Government in the Unit" — was conducted by Mrs. Olive Helms, after which the morning's programme was concluded by Coralie Caple, who spoke to the Guiders regarding the necessity for each unit to make full use of "Matilda", and after a short discussion concerning the distribution of information to Guiders, the Conference adjourned for lunch.

In the afternoon Guiders divided into groups, each group moving in turn around a series of activities. These activities included story-telling, mime and its adaptation to unit meetings, active games, singing games, the making of musical instruments, handcrafts suitable for the Brownies, unit equipment — in fact activities covering every facet of Brownie Guiding.

After these activities, "happiness" took the form of an afternoon cup of tea, following which everyone gathered in the main hall for the closing of the Conference.

Congratulations go to the members of the 1973 Brownie Guiders' Conference Committee for organising a wonderful programme which was both stimulating and helpful. No doubt to them, at 4.30 p.m. on that Saturday, "happiness" was the knowledge of a job well done. And at that time, at least part of "happiness" to the Guiders who attended the Conference was the awareness of hours well spent, of knowledge gained, new acquaintances made and old acquaintances re-made, and the memory of a satisfying and rewarding day!

B.E.N.



CONGRATULATIONS to the recipients of the following:—

Guiders' Long Service:

(15 years)

Miss M. McKellar (Surrey Hills).

(25 years)

Mrs. J. Crothers (Tallangatta).

Combined Long Service:

Mrs. G. Sayers (Moorleigh); Mrs. F. Seward (Moorleigh); Mrs. J. Morphet (Moorleigh).

Local Association Long Service:

Mrs. N. Reynolds (Moorleigh); Mrs. M. Roberts (Moorleigh); Mrs. J. King (Creswick); Mrs. G. A. O. Craig (Bendigo); Mrs. V. F. Batchelder (Bendigo); Mrs. Lester (Bright); Miss P. Pearson (Bright); Miss D. Pearson (Bright); Mrs. N. Staff (Bright).

Thanks Badge:

Mr. S. Thiele (Pakenham District); Major W. V. Murphy (Keilor/Essendon).

APPOINTMENTS AND WARRANTS

A warm welcome is extended to the following:—

Division Commissioner:

Mrs. W. J. McNamara, Mount Buffalo.

District Commissioners:

Mrs. M. O. Blaich, Dingley; Mrs. K. W. Henshilwood, Mildura South; Mrs. M. G. Hawkins, Kinglake; Mrs. J. K. Kenny, Coolaroo; Mrs. B. W. Lithgow, Greythorn (1.2.74); Mrs. D. McBain, Montrose; Mrs. E. B. Marvin, Mitcham; Mrs. A. R. Mitchell, South Morang; Mrs. G. M. Nicholls, Frankston; Mrs. P. Peeters, Trentham Cliffs; Mrs. A. E. Pittaway, Dunolly; Mrs. B. J. Robinson, Oakleigh; Mrs. K. C. Rowe, Bendigo Central; Mrs. B. S. Swyer, Clayton West; Mrs. B. L. Templeton, Broadmeadows West; Mrs. M. E. Worthington, Collingwood (1.2.74); Mrs. R. R. Cooper, Assistant Bendigo Central; Mrs. H. Downward, Acting, Mornington.

Ranger Guiders:

Mrs. D. Finn, Werribee Rangers; Mrs. M. H. Adnams, Sunraysia East ("Illawong") Division Rangers; Miss C. Maggs, Sunshine Rangers; Mrs. G. L. Bent, Highton Rangers; Mrs. R. H. Armstrong, Westport Rangers; Mrs. W. R. Woods, Invergordon Rangers.

Assistant Ranger Guiders:

Mrs. G. I. Millar, Mordialloc Rangers; Miss S. King, Highton Rangers.

Guide Guiders:

Miss L. K. Christian, 1st Jeparit; Miss P. J. Whitson, 6th Colac; Miss B. Stillwell, 2nd Hightt; Mrs. H. E. Matthews, 2nd Maryvale; Mrs. K. Rosen, 1st Burwood; Mrs. R. J. Warren, 3rd Heathmont; Mrs. J. M. Mackay, 1st Ballan; Mrs. P. N. Cheatle, 1st Warrandyte; Mrs. R. C. Teele, 2nd East Doncaster; Mrs. B. Bertram, 1st Mossfield; Mrs. J. R. Richardson, 5th Mitcham (Extension); Mrs. L. Petherick, 1st Airport West; Mrs. L. J. Killey, 2nd Macleod; Mrs. G. Wiksten, 1st Dromana; Mrs. C. Wood, 1st Dallas; Mrs. P. F. Hosking, 5th Templestowe; Mrs. G. A. Hawke, 3rd Warragul; Mrs. L. Graham, 4th East Brighton.

Assistant Guide Guiders:

Mrs. V. J. Tucker, 1st Templestowe; Mrs. T. Dykes, 2nd Moorleigh; Mrs. S. J. Percy, 1st Mentone; Miss A. Sutcliffe, 2nd Maryvale; Miss M. Gribble, 2nd Burwood; Mrs. D. Rigby, 2nd Burwood; Mrs. G. G. Riley, 1st Warrandyte; Mrs. I. D. MacDonald, 2nd Highton; Mrs. F. Lee, 3rd Mt. Waverley; Mrs. L. Vahland, 1st Mordialloc; Mrs. M. D. Keleher, 1st Mossfield; Mrs. W. L. Gillespie, 3rd Bacchus Marsh; Mrs. D. N. Trewella, 1st Mildura; Miss S. Harle, 5th Mt. Waverley; Mrs. J. Ross, 1st Dromana; Mrs. J. D. Harper, 5th Templestowe; Mrs. G. Sash, 1st Dallas; Miss H. Jarvis, 3rd Warragul; Mrs. K. Graham, 2nd Warrnambool.

Brownie Guiders:

Mrs. B. Challis, 1st Leongatha; Miss E. K. Powley, 1st North Melbourne; Mrs. I. D. Oliver, 1st Horsham; Miss R. King, 1st Mentone; Mrs. S. P. Methven, 1st Parkdale; Mrs. A. V. Parker, 1st Quambatook; Miss S. P. Drury, 1st Burwood; Mrs. M. Roussy, 1st Elwood; Miss B. J. Allison, 1st Fairfield; Mrs. L. Lloyd, 2nd Syndal; Mrs. D. Matthews, 4th Highton; Miss C. A. Truscott, 1st Yanakie; Mrs. I. G. Cairnduff, 2nd Mordialloc; Mrs. W. C. Luke, 1st Myrtleford; Mrs. B. B. Francis, 1st Carlton; Mrs. J. C. Russell, 1st Mt. Waverley; Mrs. R. W. Perkins, 5th Mt. Waverley; Mrs. G. Jury, 2nd Hampton Park; Mrs. M. A. Brown, 3rd East Keilor; Mrs. R. J. Davis, 1st Heathmont; Mrs. J. N. McLeod, 1st Invergordon; Mrs. C. Widdows, 1st Dumbalk; Mrs. S. V. Colyer, 3rd Leongatha; Mrs. J. D. Warburton, 2nd Sandringham.

Assistant Brownie Guiders:

Mrs. S. McMahon, 1st Keysborough; Mrs. F. Samuel, 1st Syndal; Mrs. B. C. Ennis, 1st Waverley North; Mrs. J. Macdonald, 2nd Highton; Mrs. D. Gregory, 1st Highton; Mrs. E. Rea, 4th Highton; Mrs. K. Norton, 4th Beaumaris; Mrs. R. J. Dunn, 2nd Melton; Mrs. D. E. Simmons, 5th Mt. Waverley; Mrs. Y. D. Dage, 1st Woorinen South; Miss S. N. Calder, 1st Belmont; Mrs. R. B. Crowe, 1st Keyborough; Miss A. Morton, 2nd Newport; Mrs. R. Bereau, 3rd Doncaster Central; Miss M. Lewis, 1st Kerrimuir; Mrs. R. I. Squire, 1st Invergordon.

Registrations:

Doncaster/West Rangers; Traralgon Rangers; 2nd/4th Cheltenham Coy.; 1st Keysborough Coy.; 2nd Keysborough Pack; 3rd Oakleigh (O.R.C.C.) Pack; 1st Tawonga Pack.

RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

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

Division Commissioners:

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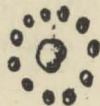
"This is what he expected"



"This is what he got"

—Source unknown, but appreciated

This is what the Editor expected—



On 23rd August at Mornington Miss Thea Campbell-Walker, late of McCrae. Formerly Brown Owl of 1st Rosebud Pack and District Commissioner of Sorrento and Western Mornington Peninsula. She was a member of the Mornington Trefoil Guild.

Our generation never got a break. When we were young they taught us to respect our elders, and now that we are older, they tell us to listen to youth.

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When thinking of improvement just remember that it begins with I.



"This is what he expected"



"This is what he got"

This is what she got!

With apologies from the Printer

KOORONGA CAMPSITE

Are you looking for somewhere different to hold your camp, outdoor day, Brownie revels, annual meeting, etc.? Attractive, undulating and wooded Kooronga campsite (belonging to Dandenong Region) is situated approximately 3 miles north of Dandenong adjacent to Churchill National Park, and provides an ideal setting for enjoying the out-of-doors.

Water and power available. Toilet and shower facilities now under construction.

Further information from the booking secretary — Mrs. A. Mutton, 18 Hillside Avenue, Dandenong. Phone: 792 5406.

A Ceremony . . .

Jane had completed her Queen's Guide badge after lots of hard work. Taminga and Melina asked her what sort of ceremony she would like for the badge presentation. "Well," said Jane, "I'd like something simple — no fuss. I think I'd like it down the beach, please." The leaders looked at each other. "That's fine, Jane, but — you know — it's winter." "Yes," said Jane, "it would be nice down the beach!" Thus was born the beginning of a most impressive ceremony.

Arrangements got under way. We obtained permission from the local Yacht Club to use their premises in case of rain, but luck was with us and the evening of the ceremony was fine and clear. There was a buzz of excitement amongst the girls as Jane had agreed with us to have an enrolment ceremony for six recruits. We felt this was symbolic — Jane would soon be moving on to Rangers, and the six new girls were starting their Guiding life.

As everyone arrived at the beach the hostess girls greeted important guests, led them to a little rocky platform (like an official dais) and lit a candle in a holder for them. On the sand below the Company gathered in a horseshoe, each one with a lighted candle. Colours were marched on as darkness gathered and our backdrop was a beautiful red sunset. The sea gently lapped the shore and it was a very quiet and peaceful moment. The enrolments were made first, each serious little ex-Brownie making her Promise in an atmosphere very close to God. Jane's sister was one of those being enrolled. Next was Jane's Queen's Guide presentation. She came forward to receive it with a happy smile. Speeches were made, camera flashes popped (proud parents), and everyone was happy. The ceremony ended with Colours being marched off and one by one the little group of flickering lights on the dark beach was extinguished.

We all went indoors where Melina produced from 'nowhere' forty parcels of delicious fish and chips for the visitors' and

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GUIDE SHOP

In addition to being closed during the Christmas-New Year period (the dates of which will be announced later) it has been agreed that because of the small number of sales last year, the Guide Shop will **not be open** for trading on **Saturday mornings during January, 1974.**

NEW ITEMS

To help in finding out about Brownies in other lands:—

Brownies Around the World. Book 2 \$1.60

This is the second book about Brownies around the world giving you eleven more countries, all members of the World Association. Includes testwork, good turns, games, dances, songs, language and things to do.

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ORDER EARLY — AVAILABLE SHORTLY

Guide and Brownie Annuals.

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Sing a Song for Sixes 70c

A Brownie Song Book published by the Girl Guides of Canada, includes Special Brownie Songs, Songs especially for Brownies, Singing Games and Dances, Graces, Action Songs, Clapping and Rhythm Songs, Quiet Songs, Rounds and others.

Brownie World Painting Books—Set of 6. each 25c

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Brownie Cut-out Doll (4 dolls and 18 different uniforms) 80c

Games from Many Lands for Brownie Guides and Guides 30c

Trefoil Around the World will be available shortly.

RECORDS—

The Brownie Guide Story — Song and Graces \$2.00

Brownie Singing Games \$2.00

Voices of the Australian Bush \$2.95

Party Time (Songs and Games for Parties) \$2.99

Wind raging, rain threatening — but the tightrope walker went on with his scheduled walk across Niagara Falls.

He was greeted with great acclaim — one fan brought up a wheelbarrow — “You were so wonderful you could do it again easily — even pushing the wheelbarrow”. The tightrope walker demurred but the fan persisted — and persisted. Finally the walker said, “You **have** got faith in me, haven’t you?” “Yes”, said his fan, “I just **know** you can do it”. “Very well”, said the tightrope walker, “hop in the barrow” . . .

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Guides’ tea (Jane’s “no fuss please”). The senior Guides in the Company had made and decorated a cake with a camping theme (Jane had her Patrol Camp Permit). They had painstakingly made miniature tents, flag and flagpole and a tiny campfire burning brightly. Everything was in exact proportion — a lovely camping scene. The cake was cut with due ceremony, more camera flashes, then the rest of the evening was spent in games. Truly, a night to remember.

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