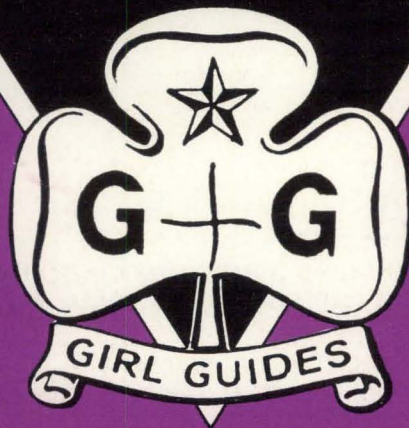


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**Camping days are here again.**

**Check the lists on Page 142 and make sure that your leaders and girls will be wearing correct camp uniform.**

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## *From our State Commissioner*

Dear Everyone,

The year is fast drawing to a close and everyone is becoming busier and busier. We seem to build up to a great crescendo of activity culminating in Christmas and the school holidays.

No doubt within units there are many people who have decided that, for any one of a number of reasons, they must cease active Guiding at the end of the year. We know that many would like to retain a link with Guiding and we certainly do not wish to lose contact with members of our Guide family. We have, therefore, established the Victorian Guide Fellowship, which will enable members to keep in touch whilst not actively involved on a regular basis.

To become a member of the Victorian Guide Fellowship, individuals will be asked to pay \$1.00 per year. In return, their name will be listed at Headquarters and passed on to Districts. Districts will be encouraged to invite Fellowship members to some of the District happenings and perhaps members may be interested in staffing at a camp, demonstrating Guide skills or helping when a special need arises. There will be a newsletter to keep members in touch, with a special Thinking Day Edition, for that is the day when we want to think of all our members. Forms setting out details of this scheme, with an application for membership, will be available from Headquarters this month. I do urge Guiders and Commissioners to obtain these and give them to all members when they cease to be active. We hope for a large number of Fellowship members in 1978.

Our Annual Meeting of State Council was held recently and the annual report for the year was presented. It was a happy and successful year in spite of finishing the year with a deficit. Considering the ever increasing inflation, our Treasurer and the Finance Committee have managed very well. At the end of the meeting Patricia Kiely gave an account of the Commonwealth Youth Enterprise which she attended in England.

Our annual luncheon for Mayoresses and Wives of Shire Presidents was a great success in spite of the transport strike. The Special Activities Committee gave everyone a delicious meal and Lysbeth Turnbull and Jean Oldfield spoke about Guiding. Some ladies were attending for a second time and all said how much they enjoyed meeting each other and becoming more familiar with the Guide Movement and all it does. Many were involved with Guiding as leaders or Commissioners, which is wonderful to see. If men give their time to Council in a voluntary capacity, it is only to be expected their wives will also be the doers in the community.

The Queen's Guide and Queen's Scout Presentation was again a glorious day. The young people all looked particularly spic and span this year and I was extremely pleased to have the opportunity of thanking the Governor on behalf of everyone present. The Scouts had their Public Relations Caravan at Government House — it is very well fitted out and it is great to have the Guide Association represented with photographs, pamphlets and our handbooks.

Well, at long last our much travelled Public Relations Adviser, Marjory Lane, has returned home. Her committee rolled out the red carpet for her at their last meeting and Peg Barr and I joined them for luncheon to celebrate Marjory's return. We are all delighted to have her back in our midst, but I must express my thanks to Anne Miller, Nala Jones and the Committee who looked after things so admirably during her absence.

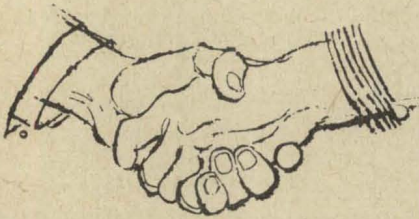


Sixty Melbourne University second year Agricultural Science students invaded "Glenaroua" recently to have a brief look at what we were doing on the farm. They seemed to enjoy themselves, especially the tea and scones which disappeared very rapidly!

I write this on the eve of my departure to Sydney for Australian Executive — a busy few days for us all.

Love and best wishes,

*Joan E. Grimwade*



Dear "Matilda",

I write again to thank all our friends who have helped in so many ways the people in areas devastated by fires in my Region in February.

We have had so much help with money, food, clothing, kitchen equipment, mending kits, plants and herbs.

What wonderful service you have all done, and from so many districts near and far.

We have spent the money on many things — clothing, tools and mainly trees for shelter — everyone has been supplied with some trees. We have had many helpers to distribute them to each farmer.

This year has been a very hard one for many of us, but it has been greatly helped by your generous support and we do send you our love and thanks.

I have been asked by so many people to thank you all. Let us pray that this sort of thing will never happen again anywhere. I hope whenever there is a crisis the Guides will always be ready and prepared to help other people in some way.

Wishing you all a Happy Christmas and New Year.

Love from

—ROSEMARY WEATHERLY,  
Western Plains Region Commissioner.



## THE QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE APPEAL FOR YOUNG AUSTRALIANS

Dear Mrs Grimwade,

Thank you very much for your kind invitation to visit the office of the Girl Guides Association, and for your most welcomed donation to this Appeal.

It is most encouraging to all members of the Committee to receive spontaneous help from Youth Organisations and to know that your Organisation is so ready to support in such a generous way our efforts on behalf of Young Australians.

I realise only too well that your donation of \$2000 to the Appeal represents a considerable amount of work by members of the Girl Guides Association for this worthy cause.

Would you please convey to all members of your Organisation the thanks of myself and members of the Victoria Appeal Committee for your help and your most generous donation.

I have pleasure in enclosing the official receipt.

Yours sincerely,

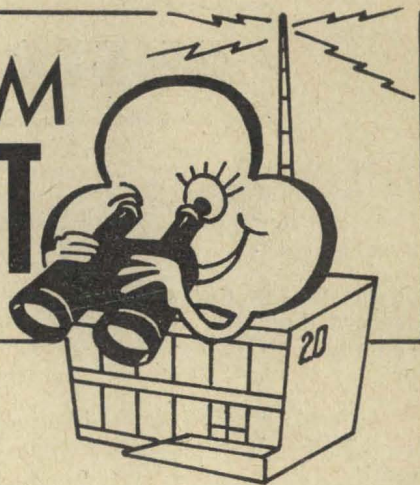
—(Sir) JOHN HOLLAND,  
Chairman.

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Under the sponsorship of The Herald and J. C. Hutton's, a State-wide Skipping Program is to be held in Victoria over the summer months to help raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital. Some units may be interested in sharing in this novel project, information of which will be publicised through The Herald and Channel 7.



# REPORTING FROM RUSSELL STREET



**QUEEN'S GUIDE** — A reminder to Commissioners and Leaders that completed papers for Queen's Guide (Nomination Form, Interest Badge Certificates, Service Flash Card, etc.) must arrive at Headquarters **no later than 16th December, 1977**. The Queen's Guide Badge will be deleted from the Guide Section program after this date.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT** — It is now confirmed that there will be a tour of the Guide World Centres next year. The tour will leave Melbourne on 26th August and return on 3rd October, 1978.

If you are interested to hear details of the itinerary and hear our P.R. Adviser, Mrs E. Lane, tell of her recent visit to the Centres, you are invited to have tea and sandwiches at Guide Headquarters at 6.00 p.m. on Thursday, 24th November, 1977.

Acceptances to Mrs Nala Jones, Public Relations Department, telephone 63 7911, please.

**UNIFORM** — Notification of changes of the following items has been received from the Australian Uniform Officer after All-States voting:

1. Brownie Guides will wear the same belt as Guides. These are now available in the Guide Shop.
2. The wearing of a belt with the blue summer dress, with no waist seam, is now optional.

## 'BE A SPORT — HELP YOUNG AUSTRALIA'

— Guiders will be interested to know that a cloth badge which can be used on camp hats and blankets is now available for those members who are participating in the 'Be a Sport' Campaign. These badges can be purchased from the Guide Shop, price 10 cents each. This badge will not be worn in uniform.

**JUBILEE BADGES** — Members may continue to wear the Queen's Silver Jubilee Commemorative badge in uniform until June, 1978, the 25th anniversary of Her Majesty's Coronation.

**L.A. LONG SERVICE BADGES** — We are pleased to advise that we now have supplies of the new 40 and 50 year Long Service badges for L.A. members, price \$1.50. Applications for these awards should be made on the appropriate form which is obtainable through the General Office.

**ANNUAL REPORTS AND GUIDING PERSONNEL** — District parcels are now available for collection from Headquarters.



# AUSTRALIA SPEAKS

As promised earlier this year, we now hear from the Australian Brownie Adviser, Mrs Nan Falloon.

Not only is she writing to us in that capacity, but also, as the Chairman of the Planning Committee for the Australian Brownie Leaders' Event next year, she says—

You will have noticed a brief announcement in this paper of an Australian Brownie Leaders' Event (A.B.L.E.) to be held at Rymill Conference Centre, Stirling, South Australia, from 26th April to 2nd May, 1978. We are very excited to be holding this event and we hope that Brownie Guiders from all over Australia will apply for our own special Conference.

Our AIM is to enable Australian Brownie Guiders to meet for fun and fellowship whilst exchanging ideas, discussing problems and consulting with experts, and to give opportunity for us to assess our leadership role to see if and how this role could be improved.

The only QUALIFICATION is that you are Warranted when you apply. Numbers of course are limited to accommodation available. More information will come from your State and you will need to apply early.

Representatives from all States have been planning a program that should interest all Brownie Guiders, no matter how long they have been in the Movement.

The PROGRAM will incorporate a Conference and Training. There will be speakers, workshops, demonstrations and outings to places of interest. There will be one free afternoon.

The Chief Commissioner for Australia, Miss M. Lambie, has agreed to open the Event — this will be one of her last functions as Chief Commissioner.

South Australia has kindly offered hospitality before and after the event.

The CONFERENCE FEE is \$48.00 and Guiders will be expected to pay their own

fares and Conference fee — however, we hope that all areas of Guiding will get together to help the Brownie Guiders to attend, particularly with finance where possible.

The Rymill Centre belongs to the Scout Association. It is only five years old and is set in beautiful surroundings about 12 miles from Adelaide. Sleeping accommodation is at the Centre, also at "Woodside", a lovely old original home, and at the "Bunkhouse". These two houses are close by, a five minute pleasant walk.

This will be a wonderful opportunity for Brownie Guiders to gain refreshment and stimulation for their Units and their Districts.

—NAN FALLOON

Australian Brownie Adviser.



## CONGRATULATIONS

Our heartiest congratulations to Mrs Lyn Parker on being awarded her Guide Training Certificate and to the following on being appointed Team Members:

Miss Sandra Bradshaw — Camping — Yarra Valley Region.

Mrs Alice Cameron — Brownie — Otway Region.

Mrs Judy Hunt — Guide — Barree Region.



# DEAF BROWNIES

Do you find it difficult explaining the eight-point program to your Brownies? Imagine trying to implement it within a pack of profoundly deaf girls. Some aspects can be covered satisfactorily and very rewardingly. They all know that Brownies are Friendly and that is something, when fights are common amongst them.

Let me tell you about them. This year we have a pack of eight girls (in other years we have had up to sixteen) who spend their weekdays at the Victorian School for Deaf Children and the hostel which is in the same grounds. They all go home at weekends and school holidays as they come from all over the State of Victoria. (Girls living in the Metropolitan area go home every day and could possibly attend normal packs.)

We talk to the girls using signs, fingerspelling and speech — called Combined Method, and they also use signs and fingerspelling, but their speech is very limited and unintelligible to most people. Although the girls are of normal intelligence and despite the fact we have a common means of communication it is still difficult to explain concepts like "Lend A Hand" or "Do A Good Turn", as their language is limited and these phrases are foreign to them.

Most people expect the girls to understand everything once it is "translated" into fingerspelling and signing, which is about as realistic as giving someone a French-English dictionary and expecting them to speak fluent French. So few people ever bother to become fluent in the girls' mode of communication that they rarely have a chance to talk to someone outside their peers. Probably, only their School teachers or deaf adults (whom they seldom meet) can communicate fluently with them. Do you realise that most of these girls' parents CANNOT talk to their own children beyond a very primitive level? Sadly, as their parents are scattered all over the State, we as leaders do not get a chance to involve them in our Brownie activities either.

How many Brownie games do you know that do not involve singing or listening? We have great fun trying to modify enough games to provide variety in our activities.

One of the hardest things is enabling the girls to choose what they want. It takes ages to explain the choices and for them to understand that they can choose for themselves. Often a way of getting around this is to start everyone on one activity and then pick out the girls you can see are not "rapt", and guide them on to another activity. However, in meetings over the last few years some Brownies have passed their athletes badge, learned to knit, sew on buttons, make cakes, pikelets and popcorn, made scrap-books, cards and gifts for Mother's Day and Christmas and, we hope, absorbed a little of the spirit of Guiding. This year the girls also learnt to make a cup of tea for visitors even if it took all evening. We watch with interest and joy as our Brownies (like yours) develop into quite mature young ladies, and we hope we have contributed a little to that development. At least we give the hardworking ladies at the hostel some time off each Wednesday evening.

One thing deaf Brownies are NOT, is quiet. They can make nearly as much noise as hearing girls, as there is nothing wrong with their vocal cords, they are just not too sure how to use them properly. But deaf people DO shout, cry, laugh and yell the same as everyone else.

One of the most exhausting things is trying to get everyone's attention at the same time, to start or finish an activity. If you raise your hand in the air it means "tall", so that does not bring results. We have fused the whole building turning the lights on and off in another attempt.

Please do not feel sorry for these girls, but do encourage people, especially Guides and Rangers, to learn to fingerspell and sign properly if they get a chance. Classes are run at the Victorian School for Deaf Children, St. Kilda Road, Prahran.

—JANET BENNELL,  
Assistant Brownie Guider.







### “BOGONG IN THE WINTER”

When the Alpine Adventurers spent a night at the Rover Chalet on the Bogong High Plains in January 1976 the skiers amongst them thought how delightful it would be to see it in winter. After a few phone calls and a little organisation, and deposits paid in March, twelve lucky Rangers and leaders were able to join the Rovers for a week recently.

Leaving Melbourne by car, we slept at Mt. Beauty Scout Hall on the Friday night. Up at 6 a.m. to catch the bus to Falls Creek, from where we had a seven-mile trek on langlauf (cross country) skis to the Rover Chalet, carrying packs and, if you were keen, downhill skis and boots as well. Quite a load, but well worth it, as the Rovers have their own rope tow — no tickets, no queues — and the powder snow when we arrived was glorious. We had many cross country trips to Mt. Cope, Mt. Nelse, Falls Creek, Rocky Knobs, Investiture Point, and one to Tawonga Huts, which had to be curtailed because of decreasing visibility due to bad weather.

We thoroughly enjoyed the week with the Rovers, and they seemed to like the girls' company too! At the end of the week the trip back to Falls Creek was done in half the time as we were all so much better on our langlauf skis. Perhaps we will be able to visit the High Plains again next winter. The magnificent scenery and miles of untracked snow will surely lure us back.

—S. HOPWOOD.

### RANGER STATE-A-THON

In aid of the Anti-Cancer Council. If all Rangers, Ranger Guides and Ranger Guiders raise at least \$2.00 each we will have \$4000.00 — if they each raise \$3.00 we will have \$6000.00 to give to the Anti-Cancer Council in 1978.

### RANGER COUNCIL SERVICE CAMP — TAPESTRY

The Ranger Council held a weekend service camp at Tapestry. Rangers were invited to bring male friends, relations and Rovers to help during the weekend. Length of stay was left to the individual, but twelve people camped overnight.

During the weekend 26 people came to help. These included Rangers from Bentleigh, “Ann Rylah”, North Ringwood, Preston East, Wattle Park, Essendon, Mount Waverley and North Box Hill Division units; Rovers from Greensborough, Nilumbik and Geelong; a Venturer from Box Hill South; and other assorted friends.

It was a very successful weekend with a wide range of activities being carried out. We cut down trees, dug out a stump, made a step to the new telephone, cleared the front entrance area, planted trees, painted spouting, worked on the shelter and repaired the Panda Hut and a toilet door. Some very able Rovers dismantled and reassembled the bridge across the creek.

Sincere thanks to all who helped, hope we will see you and many more at our next service camp at Tapestry.

—HEATHER MCKENZIE,  
CHRISTINE WILCOCK,  
(Ranger Council).

### RANGER GUIDE, RANGER CONFERENCE

Ranger Guides, Rangers and leaders — we would like your suggestions for sessions at YOUR Conference to be held on 24th-25th June, 1978. Send your ideas and suggestions to Miss Jane Eddy (Conference Secretary), 30 Gramatan Avenue, Beaumaris, 3193.

YOUR Conference will be what YOU make it!

### RANGER SECTION SURPRISE CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP

THREE DIMENSION BREAKDOWN — to be held at Guide Headquarters on Friday, 9th December, from 7.30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

DRESS — Skirts, tops, sneakers and Christmas bonnets.

BRING — Plastic teaspoon, paper plate and cup, three-foot piece of string and a 25 cent Christmas present — all in a hair net.

COST — \$1.50 — Further information from Sally Maddox — telephone 848 1487.





# What is happening in the GUIDE SECTION?

## 1977 Patrol Challenge

It is nice to report a success — and from results and comments, the 1977 Patrol Challenge has been a big success.

740 Patrols entered the Challenge. My special congratulations to those Patrols who managed to complete all four Challenges and will be having their Pennants presented this month. I also congratulate those who participated and have done such a good job with the two or three challenges which they tackled. It has been terrific to read reports from the Patrols, and I especially appreciate the personal letters and comments from the girls.

We have even bigger plans for a 1978 Patrol Challenge and hope that double the number of Patrols will enter. As with this year's challenge, the activities will be designed to be carried out by the girls in their Patrol meetings, and should supplement, not replace, the company's program. However 1978 challenges will culminate in a "grand event". Watch for details in "Matilda" next year.

Any Guides or Guiders who have the chance to visit Guide Headquarters this month should look at the notice board in the Members' Lounge. November's display is of the Patrol Challenge and features some of the reports from the hundreds sent in by Patrols.

## Jumbunna '78

Regions have now been notified of their ratio of Patrol Leaders to form Victoria's contingent to this Australian Patrol Leaders' Gathering next May. Most selections will be held in February, but Regions will be calling soon for applications. Re-read September "Matilda" to see the qualifications and expectation of the participants. Does your

Company have a Patrol Leader they will nominate?

How are song composers going? Remember, we need your songs by 1st December.

## Guide Section Region Representatives' Meetings

These meetings have been going for two years. Regions were invited to send a Guide Guider (or Assistant Guider) to be the link between Region's Guides and Guiders and the Guide Section Committee. Guide Section Committee has the responsibility to work with the Guide Adviser in matters of program and promotion of the Section.

"Region Reps" have met three times a year. Although some of the representatives have found difficulty in establishing lines of communication with the other Region Guide Guiders, they have made valuable contributions in alerting us to areas of opinion, difficulty and need for the Section.

This year the Section has been working with the rest of Australia on the tri-yearly revision of badge syllabi, which has special significance with the age change. In this, the comments from representatives has been most valuable and, as a result, we designed the B-P. Emblem administration, explained last month, and have produced guidelines on the Camper and Guide Knowledge badges.

Representatives have been enthusiastic workers, too, and it was through their efforts that we held last year's Victorian Patrol Leaders' Gathering and have now produced an "Ideas Book" for Guide Guiders. The latter came about when one Region commented that "Guiders need a book like the 'P.L.'s Ideas Book". Representatives set about gathering ideas from their Regions — with varying co-operation from Guiders — and



have now a roneoed book which is available to Guiders. The popularity of this book will show if we have a need for such a publication.

There are still some Regions without a representative on this committee. Do **you** know if your Region is represented? Do **you** communicate with her? If your Region is not represented, discuss the situation with other Guide Guiders and your Region Commissioner — it is the job of "us Guide Guiders" to help ourselves and our Section.

Region Representative meetings for 1978 will be held at Guide Headquarters, 1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. on Saturdays 8th April, 8th July and 14th October.

### Age Group

Following Australia's decision, the age change becomes "definite" in January 1978. From January 1978, no girls who are 14½ or older may be in Guide Units.

There has been an 18-month change-over period during which Districts have been encouraged to form Ranger Guide Units for these girls. Ranger Units can still be formed, and small country Units with problems have been invited to discuss with the Ranger Adviser and me. However, the age change-over period ends with 1977 and the new age groups for Guide and Ranger Section are then in force.

—YVONNE JAMES,  
Guide Adviser.



### RANGER UNIFORM FOR SALE

Made to measure. Size 34. \$25.00. Please telephone 842 2980 — Mrs Offer, 12 Pine Way, East Doncaster — after 4.00 p.m.

### FOR SALE

Guider's Skirt (new), waist 30 inches, hip 42 inches. Price negotiable. Please contact Secretary, Robinvale Local Association, P.O. Box 455, Robinvale, 3549.

## MAD GARDENS

When I built up my garden beds last spring, great interest was shown by all who passed by. Barrow loads of soil were topped with more loads of well-rotted cow manure, leaves, sand, sawdust — in fact the whole event was really quite entertaining.

I planted many natives (to feed the birds) then between these planted vegetables (to feed the rest of us).

Neighbours were highly amused at my front garden border of silver beet, tomato and lettuce.

It just is not "done" — using vegetables in what normal folk regard as flower territory.

Herbs, sage, thyme, rosemary, parsley and balm have thrived and drawn a lot of attention.

Herbs, it seems, should be grown in little neat square patches in the back yard!

My theory is simple. Where there is soil there will be growth, and why waste space when useful goodies can be grown for the kitchen while still providing attractive textures and colours to the garden.

Recently I discovered this type of gardening is encouraged by "organic" gardeners who interplant various species which act as "companion plants" and give certain protection to each other.

In companion planting, no harmful killer sprays or insecticides are needed. Insects do not like garlic, onions or chives — so these will protect other plants if grown close by.

Nasturtiums deter aphids; sage repels carrot fly; radish seeds repel beetles!

This whole world of nature is quite fascinating and dates back several hundred years to an era long before man discovered the "benefits" of modern pesticides.

I am newly inspired to continue my weird ways and will soon plant new topics of conversation.

After all, if it helps to preserve our bird-life it is well worth the effort and the amused stares!

—ANNE FRASER.





## COMMONWEALTH YOUTH ENTERPRISE 1977

Recently I attended the first Commonwealth Youth Enterprise, held in London. There were six Australian representatives from different youth organisations. Altogether 190 people, representing a wide variety of youth organisations attended the conference from 47 different countries.

We spent a few days in London getting to know each other and learning about the aims of the Enterprise. These aims were to bring people together from all the Commonwealth countries to share ideas and experiences. We were also to give service to the community by taking part in local projects.

We were divided into eight groups; mine had 20 people from 17 countries and we spent two weeks in Leicestershire, learning about and helping with local youth programs, such as a playscheme for young children during the long school holidays, and a local youth club.

We returned to London for the Commonwealth Youth Conference, opened by Prince Charles. At the conference six discussion groups considered the topics: education, unemployment, voluntary effort, multi-racialism, national liberation and national youth service. From reports from these discussions I learnt very much about the problems that African, West Indian and other Commonwealth countries experience.

Because the Enterprise had representation of a large number of youth organisations as well as including teachers, social workers and people involved in their national youth councils, we had a wide range of experienced people from whom to draw opinions and thoughts on ways to cope with the problems we face today.

I also had opportunity to meet people of many races, cultures and religions and learnt a great deal about countries which previously had been only names to me.

As well as attending the Enterprise, I visited Guide Headquarters in Italy, Greece and England. With other Guiders from the Enterprise I had lunch with the Common-

wealth Commissioner at Commonwealth Headquarters.

I stayed at Olave House, where I met people from many countries and our involvement in Guiding gave us the comfortable feeling that we shared common interests, and that Guiding really is a sisterhood of women and girls, regardless of colour, race or religion.

I also visited Foxlease, a training centre, where I met Guiders who invited me to a Guide meeting, which I enjoyed very much.

My thanks go to the Girl Guides Association for giving me this marvellous experience, to the Irene Fairburn Fund for my fare to England, and to Miss Wendy Swift, for all her help.

—PATRICIA KIELY,  
Guider, 1st Albert Park Company.



### BEFORE YOU SPEAK YOUR MIND

You sometimes feel you're fighting on your own,  
grappling with your problems all alone.

It seems there's no one who will side with you  
or back you up in what you want to do.

It's then you need to check up quietly, to look within your heart and try to see if somehow you yourself are off the beat, have been unwise, unkind or indiscreet, have turned a friend into an enemy and so have lost support and sympathy.

When other people's views you cannot share it sometimes means that you are wrong somewhere.

Before you speak your mind make sure you've tried to see the picture from the other side.





# BRITANNIA PARK

Spring visitors will notice changes in Britannia Park. The fourteen trees and many branches blown down during the violent storm have been chopped and cleared by the warden — a mammoth task, and several damaged ones are marked for removal as a safety measure. Small groups of Brownies and Guides who were camping helped to clear the sawn branches, and it was good to see everyone working together so happily.

Guiders — if your pack or company does have a spare hour or so when you are camping, Mr and Mrs Fraser have lots of interesting small jobs with which we can help, and thus leave our property a little better for each visit.

In the gardens, if you notice a small squashed shrub, or maybe just a stalk beside a sturdy stake, that is probably where one of our wombats sat down for a rest and a snack, because, like the rhinoceros in the Just So Stories, "he has no manners now and he never will have any manners". If you are lucky you may see him, and I wonder how many different kinds of birds you could find busily tending their new families?

In the houses, Brownie Cottage kitchen and bathroom, and also Guide House kitchen have new vinyl floor covering. This large job was made possible by your many Maintenance Fund contributions, and we hope that with care the floors will be in good condition for many years. New curtains adorn Harrison House — a wonderfully peaceful spot for a small group to spend a weekend, or for a Guider's family, while she is with her company on a campsite. With gifts to Brownie Cottage, material has been purchased for bedspreads and curtains in the ten-bunk room, and we hope this will be made up and installed very soon.

A special "thank you" to another wonderful list of donors to the Maintenance Fund.

It is most exciting to have so many enthusiastic and sympathetic friends. December, January and February are usually very lean months for the Fund, so if you could support us during the summer it would be a tremendous help. Our next goal is to replace the spouting which, at present, is held together in many places by Mr Fraser's "black goo".

## MAINTENANCE FUND

### JUNE:

- 7: Kew Local Association

### JULY:

- 6: Bundoora Local Association
- 27: McKay (Argana) Trefoil Guild
- 29: Blackburn South Local Association
- 31: Richmond/East Melbourne Local Association

### AUGUST:

- 17: Melton District
- 23: Camberwell South Division
- 24: 1st Ivanhoe Guide Company
- 24: Glen Waverley Local Association
- 26: Hadfield District Units

### SEPTEMBER:

- 1: Heathmont Local Association
- 2: 1st Whittlesea Guide Company
- 3: 1st Murtoa Guide Company
- 4: Caulfield - Elsternwick Local Association (Fathers' Day)
- 7: Overport Local Association
- 11: Mornington Local Association
- 12: Maroondah Trefoil Guild
- 13: Springvale Local Association
- 16: Vermont Local Association
- 18: 1st Ultima Guide Company
- 19: Springvale North Local Association
- 20: Armadale Local Association
- 21: West Heidelberg Ranger Guides
- 21: 2nd East Doncaster Guides
- 22: 2nd East Doncaster Guides
- 23: Mrs R. C. Wallace
- 24: Rainbow Local Association
- 25: Armadale Local Association
- 26: 2nd Mentone Brownie Pack
- 27: Croydon West Local Association
- 28: 1st Orrvale Guide Company
- 29: Maryvale Local Association
- 30: Strathmore Local Association

Thank you everyone.

—YOLAND SARGOOD.





Service of Thanksgiving for the Life and Work of Olave, Lady Baden Powell, held in Westminster Abbey on Monday, 26th September, 1977

I WAS THERE . . .

standing on the pavement outside Westminster Abbey on that bright sunny morning waiting, with hundreds of other Guide people, for the Great West Door to be opened at 11 o'clock. Those with cameras walked along and photographed the ones in overseas uniforms and friends from other parts of the U.K., and time passed quickly as we all exchanged greetings and badges.

I WAS THERE . . .

when English Guides took up their positions and formed the Guard of Honour, and I saw the Great Doors open to admit all the ticket holders, the privileged ones to attend this Thanksgiving Service for Olave, Our Chief Guide. Quietly we were directed to our places and by 11.40 every seat in that vast Cathedral was occupied. In a hushed atmosphere of expectation, we heard the glorious music of Bach and Elgar, as we waited for official parties to arrive.

I WAS THERE . . .

when the Dean received the representatives of the Royal Family, the Duchess of Gloucester, Princess Alice and the Countess of Athlone, the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster, and the members of the Baden-Powell family, and I watched with admiration as the Procession of the Collegiate Body proceeded down the main aisle and the congregation joined with them in singing, For All The Saints.

I WAS THERE . . .

to hear the Dean read the Introductory Bidding to tell us the reason for this special service and I heard The Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell read the first Lesson from Corinthians 13, verses 1-13, which speaks of Love. Then I listened to Miss Barbara Lowe sing the anthem, Blessed Jesus Grant Them Rest, and the Chief Commissioner of Girl Guides, Mrs Owen Walker, read the extract from The Prophet by Kahlil Gibran about Religion.

I WAS THERE . . .

and felt so proud of our own Lady Price, as she so ably traced the life and work of the Chief Guide, and left us with the challenge to continue this effort in our own countries and in our own lives. During the Silence that followed we were asked to remember with gratitude such a life, and then we all sang, Praise My Soul, The King of Heaven.

I WAS THERE . . .

when the Dean of Westminster commended the Lord to bless and keep His Servant Olave, and the congregation remained in an attitude of prayer as the Choir sang, God Be In My Head. As the words of the Benediction concluded, the peal of the magnificent bells of Westminster could be heard and with these ringing in our ears we made our way outside. What a privilege to have been there, but what a responsibility. We had been charged with obligation to tell others and to keep the flag flying high. As we enjoyed the lunch provided for overseas representatives, we chatted about this challenge, and we felt that the Guides and Scouts of today were capable of meeting it.

I WAS THERE . . .

at the Frankston Jamboree in 1934, when Lord and Lady Baden-Powell visited Victoria and, as a young Guide, how happy I was to meet The Chief. And now that I have attended this very meaningful Thanksgiving Service in Westminster Abbey, it is with a deep sense of humility I can say

I WAS THERE . . .

—MARJORY L. LANE.





## LADY PRICE'S ADDRESS

### Memorial Service, World Chief Guide

St. Paul's Cathedral  
Melbourne

It is indeed a privilege to come to this Cathedral as one of a gathering of friends to honour the memory of that remarkable woman who is largely responsible for our special friendship, to give thanks for the life of Olave, Lady Baden-Powell, who was an outstanding channel of the love of God. She began her work with and for youth, for love of her husband, and she continued to pour out her spontaneous practical love in service, especially for the girls of the world. She did not have to overcome barriers of race, religion, social differences, education and even age differences, they simply were not barriers to her, even language differences were overcome with that wonderful smile.

On the night of the 25th June our World Chief Guide went to bed normally, in fact, she had been watching Wimbledon on her colour television and she died peacefully as she slept. She has gone to join her darling in a way that she had always prayed and hoped for. We who are left cannot but feel sad for ourselves. I have just had a letter from my colleague Fanny Hartoulari of Greece, and she said "I am sure that you share my feelings that Guiding has been left orphan". She had always been there to love and encourage us. To her own family who are with us at this service, I wish to offer the sincere sympathy of her Guide and Scout family.

I would like to share with you one of the many touching tributes that has been paid to your grandmother. The splendid Band of the Guards, marching down to Buckingham Palace for the Changing of the Guard, paused in front of the World Bureau and in front of Commonwealth Guide Headquarters to pay their respects.

But her request was "No mourning as such, all rejoicing and happy remembrances and delight at my having completed my life — my prayer has been answered, God give me work till the end of my life, God give me life till my work is done, and now I hand mine on to others". And how she worked!

Born Olave, St. Clair Soames on the 22nd February, 1889, a long time ago, Brownies and Guides, 88 years ago, into a privileged home, she lived what she described as a happy, sheltered but thoroughly useless existence until at the age of 23 years, when on a cruise with her father to the West Indies she met the Boy Scout man, General Sir Robert Baden-Powell, the only interesting person on board, she said. Later that year they were married and, despite the anxiety of family and friends about the discrepancy in their ages and of the Scouts that their leader's marriage would cause everything to fall through, Lady B.-P. frequently and joyfully said "Ours was a marriage made in heaven" and, as her husband said, 'My marriage, instead of taking me from the Movement, will bring in another assistant'. Could he possibly have appreciated the extent to which his prophecy would be fulfilled.

The Baden-Powells had scarcely set up house and celebrated the arrival of their son and heir on the first anniversary of their marriage when the first World War disrupted all normal life. Then all the hidden

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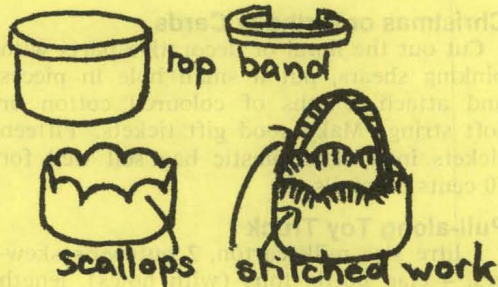
# TRAINING PAGES

## TREASURE from TRASH

### Afternoon Tea Basket

1 small ice cream carton. Length of knitting cotton. Cut off top band of carton and use about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of band for handle.

Scallop edge of carton base. Work blanket stitch around scallops and both sides of handle. Fix handle to base on either side.



### Miniature Pram

Oval detergent bottle with lid (top), 1 pipe cleaner, 6 paper rivets.

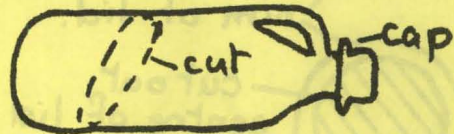
Cut bottle approximately 2 inches from bottom for pram body. Cut hood from over the shoulder of bottle. Use bottle top to draw 2 wheels on each side of scrap and cut out. Secure wheels and hood to body with paper rivets. Punch holes and secure pipe cleaner in place for handle.

### Tie Wire from Packing Cases

This is soft and pliable and good for making stems for paper flowers, or to form bases for paper maché.

### Scoops and Funnels

Cut large plastic cordial bottles (with side handle) in the shape of a scoop. These can be used for large funnels by removing the caps.



### Tooth Paste Caps

Can be used for markers in games. Put a hole through top and thread on string to make necklace.

### Broken Floral Crockery

Glue pieces of crockery on slabs of wood and fill up cracks with filling cement to make tea-pot stands. Decorate flower pots in the same way.

### Wine or Sherry Flagon (with caps)

Drop a few pieces of charcoal into bottle, cover with light soil (a layer of river sand if available on top of charcoal is very good). Plant an indoor plant in soil (with the aid of a long stick), **moisten** with about  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup water (**TOO MUCH WATER WILL ROT THE PLANT**). Seal with cap. The plant will recycle oxygen and grow as in a hot house. The cap should be removed for 5 minutes only once a month.

### Clag Bottle Tops

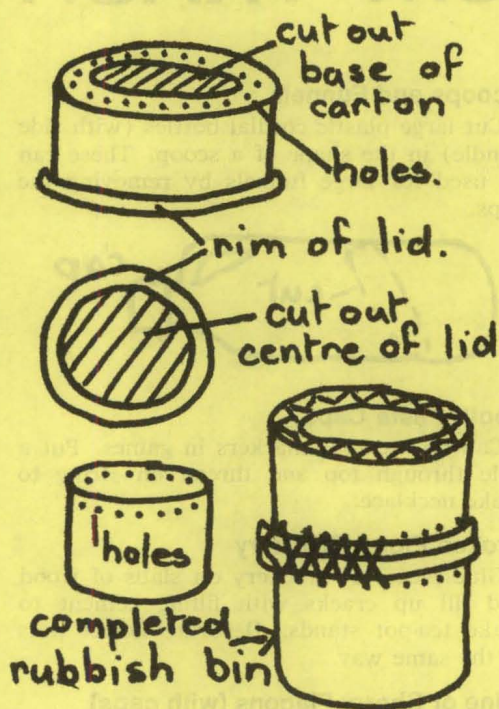
These make good wheels for light-weight toys.



## Rubbish Bins

2 large ice-cream cartons with lids, 1 hole puncher, lengths of knitting cotton or raffia thread.

Cut bottom out of 1 carton, leaving approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$ " from wall of carton. Punch holes about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch from cut edge and approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch apart. Cut centres out of lids, just inside rims (DO NOT CUT THROUGH EDGE OF LID OR RIM). Punch holes evenly around top edges of both cartons about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch from top. With lid rims on cartons place upside down together, secure by sewing from hole on bottom carton to hole on top carton. Work around punched holes in (cut out bottom) top of bin.



## Party Hats

Can be made from centres of the rubbish bin lids (see above).

Cut out  $\frac{1}{4}$  of lid centre from edge to centre. Over lap straight edges to form cone shape and fasten with 2 or 3 paper split rivets. Join length of shirring or hat elastic to bottom edge to keep on head.

## Old Gum Boots

Cover with material to make design of "old woman's house". Fill with soil and use as indoor hanging planter.

## Match Boxes

Make into mobile men. Stick cardboard, head, arms and legs to boxes and join together with cotton or string.

Cover match boxes with paper scraps.

## Trinket Jars

Use wooden spring pegs. Take each half and glue the flat side all round baby food tins. Cover with clear lacquer. When gluing pegs hold firm with rubber bands. These can be used for pencil holders, etc.

## Milk Bottle Tops (tin foil)

Wrap round a pencil, thread them on a piece of string with cream jar top (plastic) between each one.

## Black Apple Seeds

Thread seeds end to end to make necklets — tedious but rewarding.

Wall murals: stick seeds on cardboard in patterns.

## Contact Scraps

Cut into 1 inch squares.

Packet of paper clips.

Join paper clips together, then cover each one with square of contact, these make very attractive strings of beads or bracelets.

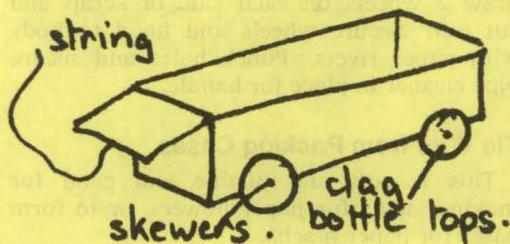
## Christmas or Birthday Cards

Cut out the floral or decorative parts with pinking shears, put a small hole in pieces and attach lengths of coloured cotton or soft string. Make good gift tickets. Fifteen tickets in a clear plastic bag sell well for 10 cents on stalls.

## Pull-along Toy Truck

1 litre size milk carton, 2 butcher's skewers, 4 clag bottle tops (with holes), length of string.

Staple or tape gable opening at top of carton. Cut out 1 side of carton, insert skewers about 1 inch from ends and approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch from side. Push clag bottle tops over ends of skewers to form wheels. Attach string through gable end for pulling.





### Hay Bale Twine

Plaited twine makes good skipping ropes. Woven thickly through a piece of bird wire makes a good door mat for your hall.

### Cardboard From Writing Pads

Paste pictures on both sides of cardboard. Fix 3 or 4 together with bright ribbon. Ideal for retarded children to handle and enjoy.

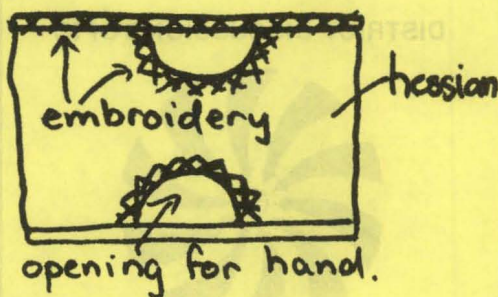
### Fruit and Onion Red-Net Bags

Roll up from the top and stitch to hold. Make good scouring pads.

### Carry All

1 large piece of hessian bag 18 inches x 12 inches, 2 pieces of dowelling approximately 12 inches long, embroidery thread.

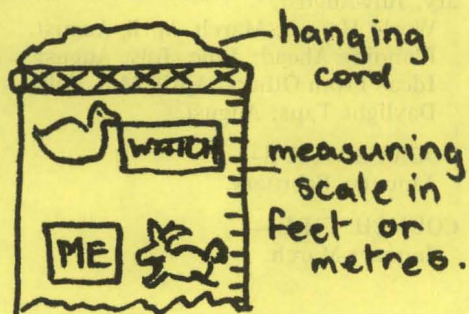
Cut 4 inch semi-circle out of each 12 inch side. Embroider hem and edge of semi-circle. Thread dowelling through hem each end.



### Grow Charts

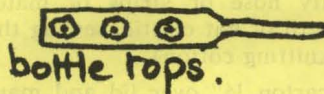
Strips of white sheeting or table cloths 36 inches x 6 inches, lengths of curtain dowelling 7 inches long x 1/2 inch thick, length of coloured string for hanging: Texta colours.

Take strip of sheeting — make 1 inch hem and embroider one end for rod. Draw and colour three animals or objects on sheet, with drawn square near each one. Mark growing scale on one side and "WATCH, ME, GROW" in squares. Hang at appropriate height from floor.



### Crinkle Edge Bottle Tops

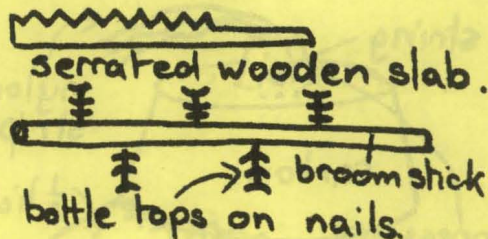
3 tops nailed to slab of wood make a good fish scaler.



### Music Stick

1 old broom handle or piece of curtain rod, 9 or 10 3-inch nails, number of bottle tops, 1 piece of 2 inch x 1 inch wooden slat (serrated on 1 side).

Hammer nails through 5 or 6 tops (back to back or edge to edge) and then into broom handle at spaced places. Make music by rubbing serrated wood across broom stick with tops attached.



### Vinyl Scraps

These make good hand grips to unscrew lids from jars or bottles. They can also be cut into various shapes and sewn or glued onto things for decorations or making designs.

### Electric Blankets

After the wires have been removed these make good "badge blankets" to take camping — saves buying new blanket.

### Egg Cartons

Cut socket into shape of flower, colour and attach to soft tying wire, arrange into display, or tie to Christmas tree for extra decorations.

### Games (throwing)

1 tray (egg carton), 1 ping pong ball. Number each egg socket (not in sequence). Stand about 3 feet away and try bouncing ball into egg sockets. 3 turns each — highest score wins.

### Blow Game

2 trays (egg carton) and 2 ping pong balls. Place a ball in end socket of each tray, blow ball from one socket to another all the way around tray. First to finish wins — DON'T MISS ANY SOCKETS. No numbers on these trays.

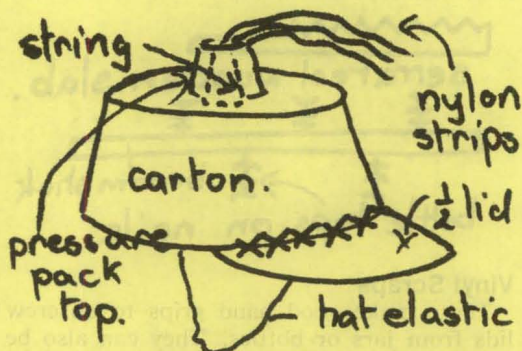


## A Hat

1 small ice cream carton with lid, strips of coloured adhesive tape, 1 pressure pack top, panty hose or strips of material or wool, length of hat elastic, sewing thread — strong (knitting cotton).

Place carton  $\frac{1}{2}$ " over lid and mark, then cut in curve — this is the peak on cap.

Cut panty hose into strips. Fix pressure pack top to base of carton with sewing thread through 2 holes in carton and pack top, fixing strips of panty hose on top of pack top at the same time. Sew peak to outside edge of carton. Decorate top of peak with tape. Fix hat elastic to edge of carton to fit under chin.



Use string to tie pressure pack top to carton and hold nylon strips in place.

## Serviette Rings (material)

6 inch x 2 inch scraps of material from old jeans or dresses. Hem all round edge. Shape one end to a peak. Sew press-stud to peaked end and middle of strip. Wrap round serviette and clip to keep rolled up.



## Polystyrene (packing from round electrical goods, etc.)

Cut into squares or oblongs. Draw designs of animals on these. Fill in with lino tacks. Use 2 coloured-headed pins for eyes. These make good black-and-white contrast hanging ornaments.

## Used Exercise School Books

Paste pictures from magazines onto pages to make scrap books for toddlers.

## Aprons

Undo stitching on men's ties — sew together about 7 or 8 ties. Attach a waist band made from 2 ties joined together.

## Peg Apron

Piece of hessian 18 inches x 15 inches. Long strips of floral material. Embroidery cotton.

Embroider all round hessian piece, fold 8 inches up on one end and stitch from top of fold to bottom at sides and down the middle to form 2 pockets. Bind other end with floral material to form waist band and ties.

## DISTRICT DISCUSSION TOPIC



## THINKING DAY 1978

How are your plans going for Thinking Day, 1978?

Useful references from 1977 publications:

"MATILDA"—

What is Thinking Day? January-February.

Lady Baden-Powell; January-February, July-August.

World Homes; March, April, August. Planning Ahead; June, July, August. Ideas From Others; April, May, July, Daylight Taps; August.

TODAY'S GUIDE—

January, February.

COUNCIL FIRE—

January-March.



# LOCAL



# ASSOCIATION SECTION

## Thought for the Month:

You cannot plough a field by turning it over in your mind.

## Question Time at the Local Association Conference.

Q. Would it be possible for the relaxation of rules to allow more liberal fund-raising?

A. Any special request that is received goes to the Executive Committee for consideration and, although it might be possible, this Committee might think it undesirable. Rules have already been relaxed to allow support groups to run raffles provided that the requirements of the Raffles Board are met. There is a restriction on outright gambling and State Council is currently determining a basic policy on Bingo. Any group with a special request may write to the State Secretary and have its case considered.

Q. Fund-raising functions with alcohol being used — guidelines on this and why not?

A. Generally speaking, the basic policy is that you do not let a Guide hall to outside groups who are going to consume alcohol because you have absolutely no control over it. If, for instance, a Local Association is catering for a wedding in the Guide hall, the control factor rests in their hands. In this case, the request would have been taken to the Executive Committee and permission been given. Another restriction regarding alcohol is that there must not be children present. Please write in if you have a special case for consideration.

Q. Management and running of Guide halls for public use?

A. This must be in the hands of the Local Association, who are the people responsible for the hall, and it must be registered for use as a public hall with the proper authorities. You must read your lease very carefully as you may find you are unable to

rent out your hall without the permission of the Council issuing the lease.

Q. We understand that we are not allowed to hire out our hall for a fee to help our finances and provide accommodation for others. We would like to see this attitude changed.

A. It may be that the hall is not registered as a public hall. There may be a clause in the lease that says that this hall is only to be used for Guiding purposes, in which case you could write to Headquarters to ask to have the lease varied.

Q. Is membership of the Australian and World Associations voluntary?

A. Membership of the Guide Association at State level is completely voluntary, but as members of the State Association we are proud to be members of the Australian Association and the Australian Association is even producer to be a Full Member of the World Association and, as a member, we have commitments. Whilst States are autonomous in many ways, there are things which are done on an Australian basis, e.g., the Australian Handbooks. The only finances that come in to administer the Australian Association come from the States. It was only at the last Local Association Conference that members agreed to pay fifty cents to cover their membership at Australian and World level, as previously it had been taken out of the subscription paid by the children. If you are a member of the Guide Association in Victoria, then you are also a member of the Australian and World Associations and we pay membership fees according to our numbers each year.



Q. Finances and voluntary subscriptions?

A. How you raise your finances is up to you, as long as it is legal and does not contravene any of the guidelines set down by the Guide Association, and as long as you do not have a compulsory levy on parents. If your Local Association decides to have a voluntary-giving scheme, then you can do that, but it must be reviewed annually. New members are coming in each year and must be consulted and be agreeable to this form of fund-raising.

From discussion by members present on subject of voluntary donations, one country District finds their scheme satisfactory as there is no town centre where fund-raising efforts could be carried out. A metropolitan District finds their scheme very satisfactory and receives 65% response from families where most of the mothers are now working. This scheme does not involve the leaders in any way, but is done directly through the Local Association. There was a comment that adjoining Districts might confer, so that there was no wide discrepancy between the suggested amount of donation. Another comment was that, being willing to give money but not time, was setting a bad example to the children.

Q. At least one Local Association member to attend the Commissioners' Conference as an observer?

A. This is not really necessary now that we have a Local Association Adviser who attends the Conference, and who would speak for and take anything back to Local Associations. District Commissioners should be at this Conference and they would take any relevant information back to their own Local Associations.

Q. How much do other Local Associations contribute to the annual allowances of the District, Division and Region Commissioners towards telephone, postal, travelling and dry cleaning expenses?

A. This varies from District to District depending on the state of finances of the Local Association. It should be a realistic amount, keeping inflation in mind, as these expenses are increasing all the time. It is something the members must decide for themselves, by

working out what their Local Association can afford, but do not forget your Division and Region Commissioners. Many of them have to travel long distances.

Q. (1) Why is it advisable for Guiders not to attend Local Association meetings, even though they may have daughters involved in the Movement?

(2) We consider it unfair that leaders who are also Brownie and Guide mothers (at least five in this District) are unable to attend Local Association meetings. Surely any problems involving units could be discussed by the executive members.

A. It is generally felt that Guiders give a great deal of time to their Units and in preparation for their meetings, taking girls on outings and attending training courses, that there is no need for them to attend Local Association meetings. Their District Commissioner should keep them informed on any Local Association matters. On occasions, there may be a discussion about finances for leaders, in which case it would be better if leaders were not present. Leaders could be invited to Local Association meetings on special occasions.

## Recipe Corner

### CURRIED CHICKEN CASSEROLE

Melt 1 dessertspoon butter in saucepan and saute 1 chopped onion, 2 stalks diced celery and 1 cup chopped apple until all are tender and brown. Add the contents of a 15 oz. can Mild Dutch Curry Soup, ½ cup milk and ½ cup cream. Stir until mixture boils, then add 2 cups diced cooked chicken. Re-heat and season to taste. Serve with rice or noodles.

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Please send contributions for this Section to Mrs D. O. Oldfield, 4 Embling Road, Malvern, 3144.





# KNOW YOUR REGIONS

## South Eastern Region

You all love stories, don't you? So Brownies, Guides, Rangers and all you young of heart, gather round your toadstools or camp fires or settle in your comfy chairs while I tell you a true story about our Region.

Close your eyes and try to imagine what it was like "once upon a time" when the Yarra Yarra tribe of Aborigines went to drink at the little spring at the corner of Spring Road Gardens in Malvern; when the Boourrong tribe roamed near Scotchman's Creek in Oakleigh; when Caulfield was a sandy, marshy area rich in bird life and covered by the beautiful Sandringham shrubs and wildflowers — now alas gone forever — a place shared by the tribes where they gathered at the biggest swamp for corroborees! I wonder what they would think if they knew we had Brownie Revels there now. Only it is not a swamp any more — it is Caulfield Park!

From that swamp later came peat and sand which helped make Melbourne's famous Botanical Gardens, and round it the stockmen from Gippsland stopped for the night to rest and water their cattle before droving them on to the saleyards at Newmarket. Glenhantly-Ormond District, your name comes from the famous "fever" ship "Glenhantly", which was quarantined off Point Ormond in 1840; Elsternwick, you were named by German settlers from "Elster" (Magpie) n "wick" (Town).

But I am going too fast! It was only 1835, when John Batman, John Fawkner and their friends came over from Van Dieman's Land and opened up the Port Phillip District. News of the good grazing land soon reached Sydney, and John Gardiner decided to bring a small party of people and 400 cattle overland — probably down the trail blazed by Hume and Hovell — and settled on Kooyong Koot Creek, now known as Gardiner's Creek. Mrs Gardiner described their cottage as "Consisting of four rooms, prettily, almost

romantically situated on a gentle rise 100 yards from the Yarra Yarra on its southern side". And Malvern began.

As more people came, those with sheep and cattle began "squatting" further up Gardiner's Creek. Allen's "Run" was on the north side, McMillan's further south and east along the tributary, Scotchman's Creek. More people came and the "Runs" were broken into small farms for dairy herds, market gardens and orchards. When the matter of closer settlement was referred to the Surveyor General, Robert Hoddle, he ordered a survey and presented the plan approved by the Executive Council on 7th April, 1853. That village was given the name Oakleigh.

Four years later the Government proclaimed the Road Districts of Caulfield and Oakleigh-Mulgrave, and from that tiny start have grown the cities of Caulfield, Oakleigh and Waverley.

I wonder what the pioneers with their horses and carts plodding along old Break Neck Road (linking Malvern and Oakleigh) would think of all the cars, trucks and huge transports now travelling so swiftly along "their" route (now Waverley Road) to join the Mulgrave By-Pass Road to Princes and Eumemmering Highways — or the traffic thundering along Dandenong Road.

Ours is mostly a residential Region, still fast growing to the east and south with any remaining orchards, market gardens and grazing land making way for thousands of new homes. In these new areas councils are making excellent provision for every type of recreation, the parks and gardens showing in a special way that we have come full circle from the days of our pioneers who, in their new land, lovingly planted gardens with roses, daffodils and all those other lovely



trees, shrubs and flowers that made them feel at "home". Now we plant gardens with our own native flowering shrubs and trees and learn how best to mix them with our favourite exotics!

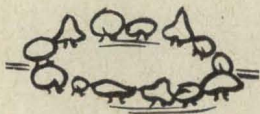
Our Guiding pioneers were 1st Malvern Company (Toorak College) formed in November 1920; 1st Caulfield Company, 18th November 1923; and 1st Oakleigh Company, 6th July 1925. Guiding in Waverley began as part of Oakleigh Division when the 1st Jordanville Company was formed on 12th September 1955. Since then change and progress have been rapid and dramatic. Now the three Waverley Divisions have more than half the total Guiding population of the Region!

In the early 1960's our Divisions became pioneers in the very successful Region scheme suggested by Mrs R. Graeme Orr, then Assistant State Commissioner. Division Commissioners met with Miss Elaine Moran, Region Chairman, to discuss ways of helping each other and to plan events on larger than Division, but smaller than State scale.

From that grouping of Divisions has come our lovely Tynong North Campsite which we share with South Metropolitan Region. But that is a story for another day.

Now, everyone, be wide awake to what is happening in your part of the Region, so that years and years from now when your grandchildren ask you "what was it like in the olden days when you were a little girl, Grandma", you will have stories to tell too!

—MARJORIE ANDERSON.



### How NOT to Win Friends and Influence People

Recently an unstamped package of used stamps was posted to Guide Headquarters where 60 cents tax had to be paid — more than the stamps were worth. What a pity Movement money had to be spent like that because of someone's lack of thought.

### LADY PRICE'S ADDRESS

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abilities and potentialities of this hitherto cushioned girl showed themselves and ever after her life was one of intense activity. Firstly, she helped an overworked man in the war-time service carried out by the men and boys under his leadership, including taking her turn in a canteen in France with now a daughter, as well as a son, to be left behind. Then in 1916 her interest in the Girl Guides began. Despite an initial rejection by the then responsible Guide people of her offer to help on the grounds of youth and inexperience, when appointed as County Commissioner for Sussex she was so successful in recruiting leaders and starting units that within months she was asked to be Chief Commissioner of the Girl Guides in Great Britain. That same energy, drive and irresistible approach resulted in an overall increase in the number of Commissioners from 160 to 3000 in the next two years, during which period she somehow found time to have her third baby, a second daughter.

In 1918 she was asked to accept the title of Chief Guide — one that she much preferred, for with all her proven ability for working with adults, her main concern and emphasis has always been on girls. By this time so many countries had taken up the Guide scheme that Lady B.-P. set up an International Committee, a delightfully informal body such as she liked, to maintain a link between them and the parent organisation. This was the forerunner of our present W.A.G.G.S. with a current membership of 7½ million in 94 countries of the world.

In 1930, as soon as this more formal organisation was on its feet, the 28 Founder members, of which Australia was one, invited her to accept the title of World Chief Guide and in doing so she said, "I will do my best to help everybody, everywhere" — would you girls all promise that today, to do **your** best to help everybody, everywhere? — and how she did!

She travelled ceaselessly, approximately half a million miles by air, let alone every variety of ground travel, convinced of the importance of the personal family touch — of the necessity for her, as the pivot of a world organisation, to know at first hand the backgrounds in which its members lived,

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# DOWN IN THE ARCHIVES

Those of you who have been able to buy a copy of "The Story of the Girl Guides, 1908-1938", by Alix Liddell, will have seen the picture on page 33 of a "Proud Captain with two of the first Silver Fishes". (The Silver Fish of those days — 1911 — was similar in some respects to the Queen's Guide Badge, a girl could herself choose to work for the requisite badges).

Nesta Maude, Patrol Leader of the Sunflowers, shown in the picture, has written a long and fascinating article about her days as a Girl Scout, and an early Girl Guide. There is room for only a few extracts here, but if you can get hold of a copy of *The Guider*, January 1939, you will be well rewarded for your trouble.

Nesta begins her story by telling of her introduction to Scouting. "On 26th November, 1908, I was confirmed and, among several books (chiefly of a devotional nature) which came to me on that day, was a rather battered copy of a new publication which had been handed to my brother (then on the staff of *The Daily Chronicle*) for review. It was "Scouting for Boys" and I dressed for my confirmation with the book open before me. By the time I reached the Church I was word-perfect in Scout Law and Promise".

Nesta Maude says that their Guide Captain, shown in the picture, only agreed to take on the position on condition she did not have to wear a slouch hat, and would not be asked to take part in any outdoor activities.

The patrol chose the rabbit as their patrol emblem, but discovered they must be able to make the noise of their animal. So we spent many evenings crawling about on our tummies watching rabbits, but in the end we had to confess ourselves beaten, for we never heard a rabbit make a noise. Reluctantly we became Foxes."

A list of Good Turns performed one Saturday morning by the Sunflower partol included some surprising (to us) items. "The

smallest Guide of all had sat at the bottom of a steep hill, and had politely asked all drivers of horses to loosen the bearing rein before starting up the hill." Other entries were "fetching water for a sick neighbour", "seeing children past the cows on the common", and "carrying an oiled feather in a piece of paper to school, as the gate squeaked so".

To win the Silver Fish a Guide had to be First Class and win nineteen other specified badges. (They basically covered our present 8 Point Program.) They were: Ambulance, Fire Brigade, Sick Nurse, Signaller, Florist, Musician, Gymnast, Swimmer, Dairymaid, Naturalist, Pathfinder, Pioneer, Cook, Child Nurse, Laundress, Matron (the syllabus was on the lines of our Homemaker badge), Needlewoman, Clerk and Interpreter.

The requirements for the badges were often much harder than those of ours today, and many of them had to be re-tested each year. For Cook's badge the Guide had to be able to cook the following dishes either inside or outdoors — Irish stew, vegetables, omelet and rice pudding. She had to pluck a bird and truss it, or skin and clean a rabbit; make tea, coffee or cocoa, and mix dough and bake bread in an oven, or make a damper, and also had to state the approximate cost of each dish.

Nesta Maude says that on their first camp in 1911 they created much excitement attending church in full uniform. Just look again at the picture and then imagine the addition to those uniforms, of water bottles, scarlet and white stretcher slings, first aid pouches and AXES!

—MARY LAMBE,  
State Archivist.

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The less one has to do, the less time one finds to do it.





# Supplementary Activities

OUR AIM:

To provide activities not normally in the program.

## SHUTTERBUGS

Ten Guiders recently attended a Photography Workshop, and under the supervision of three professional photographers they learned the basic facts of photography.

For those of you who were unable to attend, or may be interested in pursuing this interest further, the best people to contact are Victorian Association of Photographic Societies, 22 Sherbourne Street, Essendon. Telephone 337 5937.

They can give you the name and address of your nearest Camera Club. Many of these clubs run beginner courses that would be suitable for your youngsters.

We all thoroughly enjoyed our experience, as the following indicates.

### Hold It, Flash Bang, Ooh What a Picture!

Hi! I am a happy little Shutterbug — “Synchrowena” is my name. My friend Mrs Marg. McLean and her Supplementary Activities Committee recently arranged their first activity in my honour. Oh boy! I felt so proud. Just imagine — me — a little Shutterbug being a “Guest of Honour”!!

The occasion was the “Shutterbug” Supplementary Activity held at delightful Toorak College, Mt. Eliza, during two Saturdays in September. A small group of very enthusiastic Guiders learned all about me and my wonderful world . . . the world of Photography.

I sat hidden among all their cameras and listened to Mrs Marg Johnson (who is also one of your Division Commissioners), her husband Bill and friend Ron (all professional photographers), who spoke to the Guiders about my world.

Many of my family were there too—among them little Cousin Instamatic Shutterbug, Great Uncle Single Reflex Shutterbug and, of course, Aunt Auto Exposure Shutterbug. Some leading lights from another branch of the family were there too — the Flash Cubes and the Flash Guns. We all had a ball — it was really a great family reunion!!

The Guiders were taught all about cameras and how to take well-composed pictures, with a chance to demonstrate their new-found skills. Among the subjects they were asked to photograph were buildings, trees, an action shot, a group of people and to use back-lighting and shadows.

On the second day they were shown how to develop and print their own films. They also learnt to make enlargements and were actually able to do some of the work themselves. It made we Shutterbugs so happy to see the results of their labours.

Just like people, we Shutterbugs fall into different categories — some are more technically-minded and complicated than others. So we were all thrilled with the enthusiasm and good results shown by the Guiders, each using her own particular type of camera.

Uncle Canon Shutterbug (in his groovy black leather outfit), and Cousin Instamatic Shutterbug were both equally pleased with the results. Which just goes to show that **anyone** can take good photographs in either black and white or “living” colour — **if** they learn the basic rules of the art.

All the Shutterbug Family enjoyed this interesting activity. And best of all . . . we made lots of new friends.

—“SYNCHROWENA” SHUTTERBUG.



## **"COME FLY WITH ME"**

Here are the final details of our Family Fun Day on Saturday, 10th December.

**VENUE:** Princes Park — north of Carlton Football Ground.

**ENTRANCE:** We will create an entrance to the venue on the Royal Parade side of the ground. It is necessary to report at this entrance to receive your special tag as your receipt of payment.

**PARKING:** For those coming by private car there should be ample parking either in Royal Parade or Garton Street, on the other side of the ground. Garton Street is an extension of Princes Park Drive.

**PUBLIC TRANSPORT:** Trams run along Royal Parade right past the ground.

**FROM MELBOURNE:** Board a number 19 or number 20 tram in Elizabeth Street and get off at Stop 23 in Royal Parade.

**FROM BRUNSWICK AND BEYOND:** Board a number 19 or number 20 tram in Sydney Road and get off at Stop 23 in Royal Parade.

**MOST IMPORTANT:** Do not forget to bring your own food and drink for picnic lunch. Nothing will be sold at the ground on the day.

**WET WEATHER:** In the event of wet weather, please listen to 3-AW at 8.00 a.m. on Saturday, 10th December. If a cancellation is necessary they will announce it.

## **HORSE RIDING**

Guiders who answered the July Questionnaire and expressed an interest in horse-riding had an opportunity to ride this year.

I took three Guiders to Miss Irving's property for a similar "Beginner Day" to the one experienced by the five Guides. Their remarks follow:

"Definitely a day to recommend to other Guiders. Great to have the supervision and attention from experienced teachers. Tremendous to be shown basic care of horses and enjoy riding in an unhurried way.

We are grateful for the opportunity to experience such an interesting day.

A big thank you to Miss Irving, Mrs Vousden and Nadia."

M. McLEAN, S.A.O.

## **"STROLLING PLAYERS"**

At our Music, Drama and Dance week, at Britannia Park in January, we have decided to hold an "Open Afternoon" on Saturday, 21st January.

We therefore extend an invitation to everyone interested to attend our final performance at 2.00 p.m.



## **SUPPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES PROPOSED FOR 1978 MARCH — PINNOCHIO CLUB**

A Puppetry Workshop for 12 interested Guiders. To be held on two Saturdays.

## **MAY — MOVING ON**

A residential Sports Week for Guides and Ranger Guides, to be held in the second week of the school holidays. Most of the sports requested will be covered.

## **JULY-AUGUST — ALMOST ANYTHING GOES**

A two-day Workshop, on a Saturday and Sunday, for anyone from 7 to 70 interested in Crafts, Drama and a few surprises.

## **SEPTEMBER — '78 EXPERIENCE**

A five-day residential Workshop, covering the Performing Arts, Creative Arts, Sport, Community Service, Gardening and some surprises. For interested Guiders from any section.

## **NOVEMBER — WHOOPEE DAY**

A family fun day in the country. Hopefully to include fishing, yabbing and crazy games.

## **HORSERIDING**

We hope to hold four Beginner Days during the year, plus a five-day residential experience in September school holidays, for experienced riders. Riding schools are being investigated at the moment.

## **WATCH "MATILDA" FOR EXACT DATES AND LOCATION OF 1978 ACTIVITIES.**

M. McLEAN, S.A.O.



# CORRECT CAMP UNIFORM

For camps, Pack Holidays and informal occasions, the following is correct uniform:

## ADULT LEADERS

- Skirts, slacks or shorts
  - Australian Guide blue—belt optional.
- Blouse, skivvy or dress
  - Pale blue.
- Jumper or cardigan
  - Australian Guide blue.
- Socks or stockings
  - Fawn.
- Hat
  - Pale-blue camp hat.

## RANGERS, RANGER GUIDES AND GUIDES

- Skirts, slacks or shorts
  - Australian Guide blue—belt optional.
- Blouse, T-shirt or skivvy
  - Pale blue.
- Jumper or cardigan
  - Australian Guide blue.
- Socks
  - Fawn.
- Hat
  - Pale-blue camp hat.

For Guides, a cloth trefoil may be worn as an alternative to the metal Promise Badge and is worn on the left breast, or above the pocket on the left breast.

## BROWNIE GUIDES

- Dress, shorts or slacks
  - Brown—belt optional. (Blue jeans are allowed if brown slacks are not available.)
- T-shirt or skivvy
  - Gold.
- Jumper or cardigan
  - Brown.
- Socks
  - Fawn.
- Hat
  - Brown Camp Hat.

The cloth Promise Badge may be worn on the left breast, or above the pocket on the left breast for Pack Holiday or any informal occasion when Pack Holiday uniform is worn.

Leaders, after making sure you are in correct camp uniform for your Camp or Pack Holiday, do encourage the girls to follow suit. It will make them feel and look so good. There is nothing so pleasing as seeing members of a Unit in camp or carrying out an informal activity, all dressed in correct camp uniform.

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## LADY PRICE'S ADDRESS

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helping to choose the right leaders and supporting them and inspiring them constantly. It was a most moving experience at the Membership Admission Session at a Guide World Conference to see delegates from all parts of the world come forward with formal nervousness to receive their Membership Certificate from the World Chief Guide and then to relax in the mutual joy of an embrace from their friend, for this she really was through her initiative in getting to know them at home. She never spared herself, and gave unstintingly of her time, her energy, her tremendous vitality — she called it "oomph" — her common humanity, all her gifts, material, spiritual and moral, and she expected her colleagues to do likewise and

she will go on expecting that from all of us. Because of her example who could refuse to do a job asked? As one small instance, I was definitely retiring in 1968, the World Chief Guide came to Australia in 1967, so like many more of you, here I still am!

Her tours demanded a great variety of talent such as the one so many of you will remember in this country, or the several tours. While at her most sparkling and relaxed meeting with you, the girls and boys — for after her husband's death in 1941 she added millions of boy scouts to her family — as a public figure she was obliged to make innumerable platform and television appearances and broadcasts, wherever she went. She was received by monarchs, presidents, prime ministers, religious and civic

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# SERVICE and CHRISTMAS



Christmas is a time of rejoicing, of praise and of giving. No event in the history of mankind has had a deeper and more lasting effect than the Nativity. It has influenced people in every walk of life; the world's greatest painting, most famous music, and a great number of masterpieces of prose have been directly inspired by it. In some, the story of the advent of Christ has inspired deep spirituality and devotion, in others pensiveness and brooding, and in yet others gaiety and joy. In essence, all of them in their own fashion are retelling the one eternal story of peace on earth, good will toward men, and glory to God in the highest.

The spiritual element of Christmas still inspires all branches of the Christian faith. The more mundane element is expressed by the simple traditions of good fellowship, good feeling, and eating and drinking. The celebrations of Christmas are so diverse and vary from country to country, but the fundamental experience and need is that 'Christmas is what you make it'.

How do you express Christmas in the Brownie Pack, the Guide company or the Ranger unit?

The giving of gifts at Christmas time is traditional, but they cease to have meaning if the spirit of Christmas, the good will of the action and the feeling behind it is not a real gift from the heart.

The value in terms of money, is unimportant; it is the time, effort, thought, the kindness and the understanding of the giver which demonstrates the eternal story of good will. The encouragement and the development of this good will attitude is one in which every leader should inspire in her group of girls; for each one to give of herself by participation in an act of kindness towards one's fellows.

By sharing her time with someone who is lonely, old, sick or away from friends and family, in a strange country or isolated from familiar customs and traditions, or lending an extra pair of hands to a busy mother, will bring its own rewards. A simple expression of good cheer and friendliness in the service of those around us will be a gift to the giver as well as the receiver.

In every district, in every town and city, there are those who need YOUR service at Christmas time. In so doing and giving, windows will be opened; but the joy of discovery is the explorer's own reward.

(From THE WARATAH.)



## **This is how Noble Park Ranger Guides expressed Christmas, 1976.**

Our newly-formed Ranger Guide Unit decided to give instead of receive at Christmas, so our breakup was a party given by the twelve girls for Timorese and Chilean children from the Enterprise Migrant Hostel at Springvale. The leader contacted the Hostel Social Worker and it was arranged that 24 girls and boys between seven and ten years would attend the party. A local bus firm, Grenda's, very kindly supplied a bus free of charge and the driver gave his time also, so the children could be easily transported to and from our hall.

Three Rangers and a leader drove to the hostel and travelled on the bus with the children and several of the Chilean mothers who came along with their little ones. Somehow, 31 children came to the bus, certain that they should be with us. (Have you ever tried to say 'no' to an appealing child? We could not.)



The children spoke very little English and the mothers even less, to the Rangers — all of whom were younger than 15 — were a little apprehensive about being able to communicate!

We had organised the type of party games and food that we all enjoyed as children and found that different backgrounds do not matter very much. The children played "drop the hanky" and sang the song in Spanish. The boys showed us by pantomime that they wanted to have races, they managed to cheat at poison ball (just like our little brothers) and they all had great fun helping each other to win lollies in the peanut hunt. Regardless of whether they spoke Spanish or Timorese, they helped each other to understand us.

Before supper the little girls finally got us to understand that they wanted to sing Christmas Carols and, although the boys "boo-ed", they all joined in. We all sang "Jingle Bells", then the Chilean girls sang it in Spanish and tried to teach us, disaster! The little Timorese took quite a bit of coaxing, but they sang "Away in a Manger" with the Rangers and then some Timorese national songs. The little high voices were beautiful.

We had a Christmas Tree and, luckily, lots of lolly baskets and balloons, so every child took home a gift.

One of the most touching parts of our party was the way that every child took a bundle of left-over food with them, explaining that it was "for Mumma". It seemed that if they are lucky enough to have a special treat they always share it with the ones left at home.

After we thanked the bus driver and gave him a small gift it was time to go home. We lined up at the door to say goodbye and we learned a lesson in good manners from these solemn little children as they shook hands with us and said "Thank you".

There were a couple of leaders and a Commissioner caught blinking a moist eye during the night and there was a terrific feeling of happiness left behind by those little children — it was the best present we have ever received.

Did we say that we were worried about communicating? A smile is all you need, it speaks any language — try it.

—KERRY GREEN.

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leaders in recognition of the national and international value of her Guide Movement, but as one of her travelling companions has said, "Never, even when the pressure was the greatest did she cease to be a private person, gay, warm-hearted and appreciative of the smallest service done for her. Her inimitable thank you letters, often done on her personalised typewriter, were often written far into the night and no-one, from the Head of State to the smallest Brownie, was ever forgotten.

Olave, Lady B.-P., was created Dame Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire in 1932, and subsequent recognition of her work came from ten governments, the United Nations and many organisations. While she wore these decorations with pride, as indicative of the esteem in which the Movement was held with the admiration and indeed the adoration she continually received within as well as outside of the Guide-Scout world, she remained quite unshaken in her natural simplicity. With full realisation of the magnitude of the task we must now take over from our Chief in the adult world, how can any of us match her magnetism with the girls? At a large rally she had the capacity to make each girl or boy feel sure that he or she was singled out for personal attention and inspiration, with whatever action she dreamed up for the particular event, or with that beaming smile. I hope there are many girls here who remember seeing the Chief in person. For those who are not able to remember her, you must ask those who have met her to tell you about her smile and please take it as for you too. She could not and would not resist, whether or not the always crowded schedule allowed it, to stop and speak to every group of children, whether they were by the roadside, on the quay, on the railway station or wherever. One Guide, having experienced this, said, "When she began walking along the fence shaking hands and speaking to us I could see she was bubbling over with excitement too. I felt I was meeting an old and dear friend rather than such an important person". Maybe this is the reason why she is so well loved, she does not wish us to think of her as an important person, only

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# TRAINING CALENDAR

**Commissioners and Unit Leaders** with the necessary experience are welcome to apply for **ANY training**. Applications should be sent **prior to the closing date and be accompanied by the training fee and a stamped self-addressed envelope**. Early application for all training is recommended. Training fee is \$3.00 unless otherwise stated.

## Stage 1 Training

**Ballarat Region:** Weekends 4th-5th March and 8th-9th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs G. Platt, Lot 109 Beresford Crescent, Darley, via Bacchus Marsh, 3340, by **20th February**.

**Headquarters:** Thursday, 9th, 16th, 30th March, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th April, time 7.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **20th February**.

**Headquarters:** Wednesday, 22nd, 29th March, 5th, 12th, 19th April, time 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **1st March**.

**North Metro Region:** Weekends 11th-12th February and 18th-19th March, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Further information available from Mrs P. Reidy, 324 Geelong Road, West Footscray, 3012.

**Noble Park:** Weekends 4th-5th March and 1st-2nd April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs B. Lardner, 51 Bundeena Avenue, Noble Park, 3174, by **20th February**.

**Western Border Region:** Weekends 4th-5th March and 15th-16th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Further information available from Mrs F. Jervies, "Karingal", Hamilton, 3300.

## Stage 2 Training for Warranted Leaders

**Britannia Park, Yarra Junction:** 24th-26th February (residential), time 7.00 p.m. Friday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday, **plus** Saturday, 1st April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications and \$9.50 to Mrs R. Anderson, 17 Oliver Street, Ringwood, 3134, by **3rd February**.

**Kyabram:** Weekends 4th-5th March and 1st-2nd April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs M. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630, by **20th February**.

**Preston:** Thursday, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd March, 6th, 13th, 20th April, times 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs M. Teape, 33 Sparks Avenue, Fairfield, 3078, by **16th February**.

**Pyramid Hill:** Weekends 25th-26th February and 8th-9th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs B. Whelan, 8 Hope Street, Kangaroo Flat, 3555, by **6th February**.

**Warragul:** Weekends 18th-19th February and 15th-16th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs K. Marshall, 29 Hearn Street, Drouin, 3818, by **6th February**.

## Pack Holiday Training

**Geelong:** Weekend 25th-26th February (residential), times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost to be advised. Applications to Mrs A. Bell, 1 Layton Crescent, Newtown, 3220, by **6th February**.

## Campcraft Training

**Orbost:** Weekends 4th-5th and 18th-19th February and 1st-2nd and 29th-30th April, times to be advised. Note: Cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs M. Frawley, P.O. Box 641, Sale, 3850, by **1st February**.

**Woorayl Region:** Tuesday-Wednesday 28th February-1st March, times 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Tuesday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Wednesday and 4th-5th April and 2nd-3rd May, times 9.00 a.m. Tuesday to 4.00 p.m. Wednesday, **plus weekend** 17th-18th June (with guides), 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of weekends not included. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs J. Gaudion, 32 Blackmore Avenue, Leon-gatha, 3953, by **14th February**.

## Ranger Lightweight Training

**Benalla:** Weekends 25th-26th February and 17th-18th March, times 9.30 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of weekends to be advised. Would Guiders requiring Ranger Lightweight training in Barree, Goulburn, Hume and North Central Regions please make a special effort to attend this training. Applications to Mrs M. Gorman, 33 Batten Street, Seymour, 3660, by **6th February**.

## Camp First Aid

**Headquarters:** Tuesday, 14th, 21st March, 4th, April, time 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. Applications and \$2.00 to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **24th February**.

## Nature Trailing

**Botanical Gardens:** Tuesday, 7th March, time 9.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Note: Join us in finding new ways, new things in the parks, ponds and gardens — ideas for outdoor days with your girls. Applications and \$1.00 to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **24th February**.

Are you joining us for Summer Training Week?

It is a fun way of learning leadership skills for your unit.



# From the **GUIDE** **SHOP**

## SILVER SOUVENIRS

(Victorian Guide Design)	
Ash Tray (small round) .....	\$2.90
Ash Tray (small square) .....	\$2.95
Candlesticks (1 pair with candles—boxed)	\$8.00
Cake Trowel .....	\$2.95
Key Rings — 3 designs	
Lifebuoy, chrome .....	\$1.85
Fauna, chrome .....	\$1.85
Fauna, gilt .....	\$1.85
Paper Knife .....	\$3.15
Sugar Basin .....	\$6.75
Sugar Spoon .....	\$1.75
Tea Spoon (plain bowl) .....	\$1.75
Tea Spoon (fluted bowl) .....	\$1.75
Jam Spoon .....	\$1.75
Set of six — Tea spoons — boxed .....	\$12.30
Set of Three — Jam and sugar spoons and butter knife — boxed .....	\$7.55
Set of two — Jam and sugar spoons — boxed .....	\$4.85
Tea Caddy Measure .....	\$1.75
Tea Strainer on Stand .....	\$3.50

## SILVER SOUVENIRS

(Guide or Brownie Badge)	
Combination Bottle Opener, Can Piercer	\$1.90
Bookmark .....	\$2.25
Keyrings .....	\$2.00
Tea Spoon .....	\$2.00
Jam Spoon .....	\$2.60
Sugar Spoon .....	\$2.60
Set of six — Tea spoons .....	\$11.85
Set of three — Jam and sugar spoons and butter knife .....	\$8.35
Set of two — Jam spoon and butter knife	\$5.55
Tea Caddy Measure .....	\$2.00

## SILVER SOUVENIRS

(Guide Badge only)	
Table Bell .....	\$5.25
Nail Clippers .....	\$1.90
Crayfish Server .....	\$2.35
Six piece Casual Eaters (Splades) .....	\$12.75
<b>L.A. Badge</b>	
Tea Spoon .....	\$2.00

## GIFTS

(With Guide or Brownie Badge)	
Badge Cleaner (Pocket size) .....	35c
Pencil (Pocket size) .....	10c
Pennant .....	\$1.20
Bookmark .....	15c
Mug .....	55c
Vinyl Pencil Case (Zip-top) .....	95c
Mini Photo Album (Holds 24 prints 3½ x 3½) .....	\$2.55

## NEW ITEMS

1977 Brownie Guide Annual .....	\$4.65
1977 Guide Annual .....	\$4.65
Serviettes with Trefoil (20 per packet)	30c
Window On My Heart (Paperback), (Autobiography of Olave, Lady Baden- Powell, G.B.E.) .....	\$3.95
Pocket Secretary with Guide Badge and clear plastic cover — very handy for Guiders (contains tear-out notes, ad- resses and memoranda, 1978 diary and plastic holder insert for cards, stamps, etc., all replaceable) .....	\$2.10
Guide Uniform Chart — Where, When and How .....	12c

## MORE IDEAS

Guide Notebook .....	65c
Brownie Notebook .....	30c
Handkerchief —	
Guide Camp Scene .....	65c
Brownie Activities .....	65c
Brownie Activities — Box of 3 .....	\$2.25
Brownie Teatowel .....	60c
Ranger, Guide and Brownie Teatowel .....	\$1.50
Guide Notelets with envelopes (packet of 12 — 3 designs) .....	\$1.50
Victorian Wildflower Notelets with en- velopes (packet of 8) .....	75c
Girl Guide Talcum Powder .....	\$1.80
Mini Brownie Guide Badge .....	45c
Mini Guide Badge .....	35c
Mini Ranger Guide Badge .....	70c
Guide Pendant, Chrome .....	\$2.10
Guide Pendant, Gilt .....	\$2.10
World Badge Charm, Chrome .....	65c
World Badge Charm, Gilt .....	65c
Brownie Charm, Gilt .....	65c
Photograph Album 10 x 12 (self-adhesive pages) .....	\$8.80
Slimline Photo Album (P.V.C. pockets hold 72 prints 3½ x 3½) .....	\$6.30
Guide Compact	
(Holds loose or cake makeup) .....	\$11.25
Paperweight (World Badge) .....	\$3.75
Camp Cutlery Set .....	\$3.30
Girl Guide Knife .....	\$2.45
Silva Compass 7 NL .....	\$6.48
Silva Compass No. 3 .....	\$10.50

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### **Thanks Badge**

Mr and Mrs I. Pilmore, Dimboola; Strathmer-ton Lions Club; Mr P. Florence, Orbost.

## **APPOINTMENTS AND WARRANTS**

A warm welcome is extended to the following:

### **Division Commissioners**

Mrs W. R. Johnson, Kananook; Mrs S. A. Carter, Waverley North; Mrs M. R. Dean (Assistant), Eltham.

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as the head of a very large family. The Chief herself said, "I am the mother of a very large family and I care for you all very much". And, from a Brownie, "Lady B.-P. shook hands with us two at a time and when the three of us clasped hands I felt as if I was part of something big and important, her voice was strong, not loud, just strong, she sounded like a leader, a friendly leader, and I liked her". That charm and magnetism in no way diminished with her increasing age — only last May, Olave agreed to allow me to collect her by car and drive her to our world Centre in London, Olave House, to meet the World Committee members. She was absolutely delighted because the driver of the car had recently seen her in a television program, something called "Jim'll Fix It", where a Brownie had specially asked to meet the World Chief Guide, and she said to me, "I didn't feel perhaps that I could manage it, but I had to go didn't I, dear, because a Brownie asked for me". She kept saying to the driver, "Was I all right?", "Did I do it well?", anxious not from any personal pride but for the Brownie who had asked to meet her and for all the young members of her large family. We also brought to meet her, all of the members of the Olave House staff and all of the members of the Guide World Bureau staff, a number of whom had not met her before, and it was absolutely thrilling to see the sparkle, as bright as ever, the warmth and interest that produced the resolution in those young women, backed by her confidence, to do even more to advance her Movement.

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