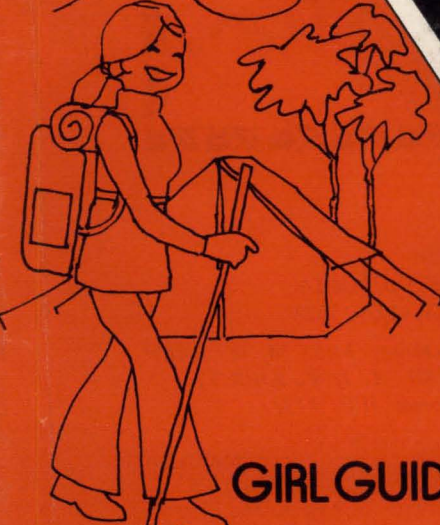


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GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

Our Founder said, "Your duty in life is to be happy and to make others happy too," a message which is appropriate all the year round but particularly so as we approach Christmas.

As you celebrate Christmas with your family or your friends the thoughts of all at 20 Russell Street go with you.

To each and everyone we say "Happy Christmas and best wishes for a New Year that is happy, peaceful and full of prosperity".

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From our State Commissioner

Richmond. Two of the original Brownies were present and many other old friends of Guiding. The Greek girls entertained us with their dancing which was most enjoyable — and it is exciting to see the involvement of these girls.

Well — our Annual Meeting was held although, because of the S.E.C. strike, we began to doubt if it would be. The printer finally delivered the Annual Report at 3.00 p.m. on the day of the meeting and ultimately we decided to hire a generator for power. It was a shattering experience to see the place in darkness when I arrived — a small hitch with the generator! But all was well later.

Guides and Brownies from the Royal Institute of the Blind School sang a group of Campfire songs at the beginning of the meeting and we were able to present a Thanks plaque to the school for the help they have given us. This was a very happy start to what seemed a most successful meeting, all speakers proved extremely interesting particularly the Bishop of Ballarat, the Right Reverend John Hazlewood, who was not only thought-provoking but also most entertaining.

We concluded the meeting with two Awards, a Thanks Badge to our wonderful hard working Treasurer, Mr. Ken Colhoun, and the Award of The Emu to Mrs Minna Jones, our Minute Secretary who has done so much for Guiding in South Metropolitan Region.

I am writing this after a very happy dinner with our Region Commissioners and Advisers. This year the Region Commissioners very kindly invited the Team to dinner to end the year. What a very talented group they are, not only did they give us a delicious meal, but several produced an hilarious floor show to go with it. As I looked around the Training Room I could not help but say a little "Thank You" for the fact that I belonged to something as great as our Guide Movement.

Dear Everyone,

"Peas Pudding hot, Peas Pudding cold, Peas Pudding in the pot nine days old." This refrain keeps running through my mind as I sit in the midst of my half acre of peas picking as fast as I can. Unfortunately the dry weather has meant I have been racing against time, but I have still had all members of the family shelling peas by the washing basket full. All very rewarding to see the green packages in the deep freeze but I fear every one has lost his taste for peas!

The Australian Executive meeting was busy but we were sad our Chief Commissioner could not be with us because of family commitments and we also missed our Treasurer and Public Relations Adviser. Many things discussed will find their way back to the grass roots level so that we can gain your opinions before final discussion at the Australian Association Assembly in Sydney next year. We took one night off to see Dennis Olsen in *The Gondoliers* at the Opera House — what a great night. Do try to see him in the Gilbert and Sullivan season in Melbourne before Christmas.

The Brownie Guiders' Conference was a wonderful day with an excellent program arranged by Gwynne Cox and her committee. Our Guest Speaker, John Smith of God Squad, was quite inspiring. He held us all enthralled giving us much food for thought.

I was not able to stay for the afternoon session as I had accepted an invitation to a gathering to celebrate 50 years of Guiding in

We are now coming to the end of a busy year — and no doubt you too are having your end-of-year parties. I wonder if you are doing as I am and looking back thinking of the things still undone and making a firm resolution that NEXT YEAR . . .

There will be some of our members who will be very active over the holiday period. No doubt many of you will be camping and we have our special Music Camp "The Strolling Players" which I am sure will be a great success.

Victoria is hosting the Training and Sections Conference in January which will be a time when many important decisions will be made for Australian Guiding. Our best wishes go to all those who will be involved both as Conference participants and also members of the Hostess Committee.

I hope that you all have a very happy Christmas and New Year with your families and friends and that the holidays prove both relaxing and refreshing, so we will all start the 1978 Guide year with renewed enthusiasm.

With love and best wishes,

Joan E. Grimwade



URGENTLY NEEDED

Extension Leaders

Leaders are needed in a number of areas to help with handicapped girls — would YOU be interested?

Moorabbin Guide Company will have to disband at the end of this year unless help is forthcoming.

Also the blind Brownies at Burwood and the Yooralla Brownies at Balwyn need leaders.

If anyone can assist in any way, please telephone Mrs J. West on 857 9078.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Everything we do in Guiding and Scouting is about and for children. Brian Gough, whose cover illustration appeared on a recent issue of "Scouting" (United Kingdom) and whose life has been enriched by a family of his own has this to say:

"I believe that a child is the most important of nature's creations. Children are today's little people, eventually to become big people.

"To enter a child's world is to enter paradise, where the greatest rewards are to be found, where all things are possible, where dreams are real and life is an eternity. A child will give you everything. What is the point in owning the world's most beautiful gem if it is kept locked away in a dark vault? It can give no pleasure and that is sad. What is more sad is the child who is not able to give everything he has to offer.

"In the faces of the children I have drawn I have tried to show just a glimpse — a silent glimpse — of the children who are waiting to give, hoping to be able to give.

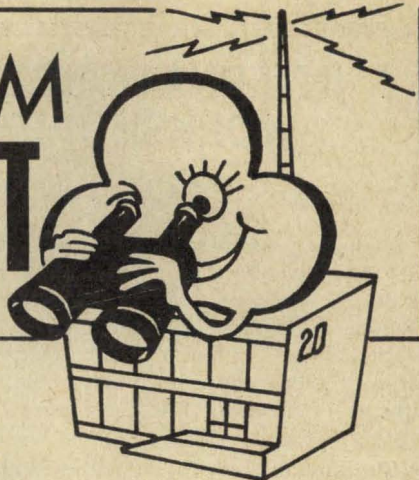
"They have but a short, desperate time. If we big people pass them by we have failed them — and ourselves.

"Children all over the world are anxiously waiting — to give."

(from "Scouting" U.K.)



REPORTING FROM RUSSELL STREET



VICTORIAN GUIDE FELLOWSHIP

The Guide Fellowship Scheme, outlined by Mrs Grimwade in her "Matilda" letter last month, has now been launched and letters for distribution to retiring Guides, Rangers and Leaders are now available from Headquarters. We hope all Commissioners and Leaders will make it their business to see that each member receives a copy of this letter as she withdraws from active Guiding. These letters are available on request, free of charge, but it will be appreciated if stamped addressed envelope or postage money is sent when the letters are to be mailed.

INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Y.M.C.A. Camping Program in U.S.A. — We have received information concerning the above program which will take place next June, July and September. Further information may be obtained from the International Adviser, C/o Headquarters.

Universal Children's Day — Our International Adviser, Wendy Swift, would be pleased to hear details of any Unit activities which were held for Universal Children's Day.

Colonel J. S. Wilson Scholarship, 1978 — Applications are now being invited from Guiders or Scouters of 25 years and over for this scholarship of \$1,000 which may be used for overseas study tours. Further information is available from the International Adviser. Applications will close 14th February.

NATIONAL FESTIVAL OF SONG — ENCORE 1978

By popular demand from all States an Encore of the National Festival of Song will be held in 1978. The State Finals will take place on 22nd

July and Queensland will host the National Finale in August. See "Matilda" in February for further details and start dreaming up those items now.

THE GUIDE SHOP

P.O.R. Amendments — A leaflet listing recent P.O.R. changes is now on sale at 30 cents. All Leaders are asked to purchase a copy and use same in conjunction with P.O.R. to keep up-to-date.

Combined Long Service Awards — The new 40 and 50 year Combined Long Service Award badges are now available — price \$2.50.

HEADQUARTERS HOLIDAY DATES

All members are asked to note that Headquarters will close at 5.00 p.m. on 23rd December for the Christmas recess, reopening 3rd January. The Guide Shop will not be open on Saturday, 24th December, nor on any other Saturday in January — Saturday trading will recommence 4th February.

STAFF VACANCY

There will be a vacancy for a Junior in the Guide Shop commencing early in February. This is an interesting and varied job which provides a good opportunity for a school-leaver to train for sales work. Leaders please pass news of this vacancy on to Rangers or young Leaders who may be interested, advising them to apply in writing or seek further information from the State Secretary.

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

During the past twelve months Victoria has had representation at events held in Mexico, London, Japan, Canada, New Guinea, New Zealand and Singapore. At a workshop held recently at Headquarters, the Region Representatives were able to hear reports on some of these events.

The day proved to be rather interesting with many good points raised. There was considerable discussion as to what type of national dress should be worn to overseas events, and ideas were given on Australian items for campfire.

It was apparent that the girls had gained a great deal from their experiences and they are more than willing to share their ideas on:—

- 1) new ideas for camping
- 2) new songs, new games
- 3) young people's views on the role of the Guide movement in today's world.

If you would like to hear directly from these girls, please get in touch with the State International Adviser at Headquarters.

The next Workshop will be held on Saturday, 4th March, at Headquarters. One of the main reports at this Workshop will be from a Ranger-Venture trip to India.

If you would like to attend please apply in writing to the State International Adviser at Headquarters as soon as possible and details will be sent to you.



SCOUT ASSOCIATION FRIENDSHIP TOURS

The Scout Association has planned the following Friendship Tours in which our members might be interested:

No. 4/77 New Caledonia, January 1978, Adults.

No. 2/78 Singapore-Java-Bali, May 1978, Adults.

No. 5/78 Singapore-Bangkok, May 1978, Adults.

No. 4/78 Fiji, August 1978, Adults.

No. 3/78 Philippines-Hong Kong, August 1978, Adults.

No. 1/79 Sumatra-Singapore, January 1979, Adults.

If any members are interested please contact Miss Wendy Swift, International Adviser.

SOUTH AFRICA — SERVICE TRAILS

Members of the Girl Guides Association of South Africa are busy 'laying service trails' to hospitals and other institutions throughout the Province. For example:

Guides in Westville supply medicine bottles to clinics in the area, while in Edendale they make simple layettes and present them to Edendale Hospital for New Mothers; North Durban Division send scraps of material to African cripple care centres, and keep the Women's Institute Homemakers' Club supplied with potato bags for their welfare work in townships; Ladysmith Guides and Brownies prepare bandages for S.A.N.T.A. and are proposing to adopt a child at the Howick Waterfall Institute; and Tafta's Meals on Wheels have asked the Guides to help with the distribution of extra meals on Saturdays to room-bound elderly people.

These are just a few instances of the useful service being given by Girl Guides in South Africa.

(From WORLD BUREAU NEWSLETTER.)

THINKING DAY

WHAT IS THINKING DAY?

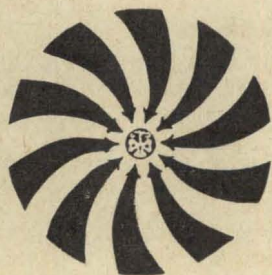
This is the day when Guides all over the world think of each other and also of their founders.

It is the anniversary of the birthdays of both founders; Lord Baden-Powell in 1857 and Lady Baden-Powell in 1889.

Brownies, Guides and Rangers everywhere give some of their pocket money to the Thinking Day Fund, which is used to help their sisters in other parts of the world where there is a need for financial assistance.

On Thinking Day, 1978, we will be especially remembering our beloved Chief Guide, Lady Baden-Powell, who passed away earlier this year after a lifetime of devotion to the Scout and Guide movements.

Start planning your celebrations for 22nd February now and let it be a meaningful and memorable Thinking Day for all the girls in your unit.



THINKING DAY WINDMILLS

Packs or patrols can compete to see which can make the most striking display. Each member of each group makes her own symbol on thin cardboard (it can be traced very easily) and paints it in colours of her own choice. It is then attached to the head of a small cane (a thick pin will do). The resulting display of windmills will be very attractive. These windmills will add variety to any Thinking-Day event taking place in the open air. Spin them, sending messages with the wind to the Girl Guides/Girl Scouts all over the world.

THINKING DAY WORLD PAINTING AND DRAWING COMPETITION

Of the twenty entries received Carmen Sloan (Brownie), Carolyn Unsworth (Brownie), Julie Boxshall (Brownie), Sally Fiscalini (Guide), and Leanne Bennett (Guide) were successful at State level.

These were sent to Australia for National judging, but unfortunately none was successful.

I would like to thank all who entered, and congratulate you all for "having a go".

WENDY SWIFT

INTERNATIONAL GUIDE UNIFORMS

We have Brownie and Guide uniforms from many countries available for loan to companies and packs throughout Victoria, for a nominal fee.

At present there are 18 Brownie and 15 Guide uniforms. We are hoping to add to these very soon. We would be grateful to receive from you, any parts of uniforms, or badges, etc., for which you have no further use. Uniforms available are:—

BROWNIE

Canada, Ceylon, China, Denmark, El Salvador, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, New Zealand, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Thailand, United Kingdom, United States of America (two dresses).

GUIDE

Canada, Fiji, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Mexico, New Guinea, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa, Switzerland, Sweden, Thailand, United States (two sizes), United Kingdom.

COST OF HIRING

Both sets: \$10.00 per performance.

Brownie set: \$6.00 per performance.

Guide set: \$5.00 per performance.

Smaller quantities will be charged at 40 cents per costume per performance.

Freight both ways to be paid by the hirer.

Cheques to be made payable to — Guide International Uniforms.

Inquiries to be sent to — Mrs D. M. Walker, 2 Irving Street, Mt. Waverley, 3149, or per telephone 277 1749.



STATE-A-THON

Ranger Section STATE-A-THON 1978 to aid the Anti-Cancer Council — Have you heard about the Guiders who are conducting a WEIGHT-A-THON? \$1.00 for every stone lost! Or the District which is having a TRIKE-A-THON — this should be hilarious. Do not miss out on the fun; get going and have your THON organised before Christmas. Sponsor Forms are included with November circular. Further information from Rhonda Barrett, telephone 42 3397 or M. Daly, telephone 850 2467.

INTERNATIONAL SUNRISE

Thinking Day celebration for all Ranger Guides, Rangers and Ranger Guiders will be held at Girl Guide Headquarters, 7.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, 19th February, 1978. Cost 50 cents. Contact Jane Strode, 21 Prendergast Street, Pascoe Vale South, 3044.



PHILLIP ISLAND FARM HOLIDAYS

Spacious attractive surrounds, beachfront, horse-riding, hay-rides, animals, etc. 4 new log cabins. Recreation hall. Families, schools and groups. Telephone Mrs Jeffrey on (059) 56 7288.

REGATTA AND TRAIN TREK

All in one weekend — 5th-6th March, 1978. The RED RATTLER REGATTA will be held on the waters of Lake Boort next year. Hospitality will be available in Melbourne on Friday night, for those Ranger Guides and Rangers from the country who will be travelling on the train. Start saving now, and let the Sailing School Committee know how many will be taking part so they can make arrangements. For further information telephone Pauline Kennedy on 857 5507.



SCENIC CAR TOUR

Newnham Rover Crew will hold a 420-kilometre Scenic Car Tour in Eastern Victoria from 3rd to 5th March, 1978.

Tour is open to all Rovers and Rangers (maximum 50 cars).

\$10.00 per person and \$10.00 per car covers five excellent meals, accommodation, badge, etc.

For information and application forms contact Ian Penney on 25 3271 or Paul Cameron on 25 6069. Hope to see you there.

(This invitation applies to Rangers (18-25 years) only.)





What is happening in the GUIDE SECTION?

Time to pause and say — best wishes to all Guides and Guiders for Christmas and the new year.

Most companies will be winding up for the year and going into recess for January, but instead of looking back, the Section is still going forward.

With all our companies now within the 10-14 years age range, we will be moving on to the revised badge syllabi in 1978. I have already told you of the introduction of the B.P. and Challenge Emblems, but there has also been noticeable alteration in some of the interest badges, i.e. Australia, Conservation, Good Neighbour, Guide Knowledge, Naturalist, Pioneering, Postal and Weatherman. Any Guides already working on the present syllabi in these badges can continue provided they are tested by June 1978. All the revised syllabi will be available to the girls early next year.

Two important badges for the Section are the Camper and Guide Knowledge. The guidelines we circulated earlier this year for the Guide Knowledge badge were greatly appreciated, so we have revised these to suit the 1978 syllabus.

The Camper badge syllabus remains as at present with the addition to clause 4 of "Wash and clean up afterwards". Realising candidates for this badge would be younger than usual, we have also produced guidelines for this badge.

Guidelines are given to help girls, leaders and testers uniformly interpret the badge requirements. Badges are in our program

as an incentive for girls to extend themselves to learn more and practise skills to a degree of competence. It is important that girls know what is expected of them. The guidelines should not limit the girl — that is, she can certainly do more than they expect of her — but they should indicate the amount of work and competence which may be expected of this age group in those topics.

CAMPER BADGE

Guidelines — for candidates, their Leaders and Testers.

Syllabus. Please read the syllabus carefully (from the current edition of the Australian Guide Handbook Part 2) before applying to be tested. Leaders must check the Guide to see she has fulfilled all the requirements. A "Green Form" is to be obtained from the local Camp Adviser, completed by the Leader, and sent to the Tester one week before the date of the test.

Green Form. This requires the Leader to testify that the girl has practised in a tent squad and can pitch and strike a tent within 1½ hours; has been supervised in the erection and striking of screening; has practised all the dishes required on a campfire; has been taught square lashing and used it in making a gadget; has practised laying and lighting fires under all weather conditions; has read and understands the booklet "Learn Not To Burn" (from C.F.A.); has camped for at least seven days — listing dates, places and name of Guider-in-Charge of all Guide camps which the candidate has

CAMPER BADGE continued.

attended; knows about tent repairs, and has practised in a Colour Party and in the erection of a flag pole.

Clause 1. Seven days can be totalled from weekends (i.e. 2 days) or longer Guide camps under canvas. If a Camp Adviser does not approve of a Guide Camp being used for this clause, then she should notify the girls and their Leader at the time of the camp, e.g. attendance at a "State Camp" counts only as three days of the total required for Camper badge.

Clause 2. The candidate (as leader) and a squad of 3 or 4 Guides (who do not themselves hold the Camper badge), pitch and strike a tent. The tent to be typical of the type used at Guide camps in the girl's Region (preferably and 8' x 10' ridge). Pitching and striking should be done within 1½ hours, but account to be taken of varying conditions and the girl's effort. Have been shown what repairs, such as patching, replacing eyelets and darning, can be used to repair tents — she does not have to be able to do this. Demonstrate and know when to tighten and loosen guy ropes; straighten uprights; brail down and up. **Explain** the use of storm ropes; trenching; airing of bedding and care of groundsheets in fine and wet weather. Know — not necessarily have used — what lat trenches are and how they are used and cared for. Know how to dispose of refuse (including a grease pit) and demonstrate this with refuse accumulated at the test.

Clauses 3, 4, 5. The type of fire, fire precautions, storage (she needs to know how to store food and use such things as meat safe, water cooling for butter, milk etc. — however, she does not have to make this equipment and can borrow what is necessary) of food, cooking, eating and washing-up utensils — should be those which can normally be used at a patrol sized camp. Cooking is to be done mainly by the candidate, but she can organise other Guides to assist. The meal to be cooked and served within two hours. Eaten and cleaned up as a meal in camp. Menu: Part of each course is to be

cooked, e.g. cooked meat or fish could be served with a salad, or cooked fruit with instant pudding, plus any type of hot drink.

Demonstrate using a tomahawk and saw and know the care and dangers of handling same, e.g. handing a tomahawk to someone, carrying it, etc.

Clause 6. Erect and strike one cubicle of screening by any practical method.

Clause 7. Demonstrate dismantling, cleaning and reassembling a lantern.

Clause 8. The gadget may be of simple construction (e.g. table top to trees page 251, toilet holdall page 252, Australian Guide Handbook). The square lashing needs to be sufficiently firm to support the gadget for the length of the camp. If a one day test the gadget may be brought partly made.

Clause 9. Because of fire precautions, Victorian Guides are required to do (b). Flag-pole to be erected as on page 253 Australian Guide Handbook. The grummet may be a metal ring fastened to the pole with string. The ceremony of hoisting, breaking and lowering the flag to be done by a colour party of three with the candidate acting as Bearer — saluting optional. There is no need to do this in the presence of a 'horseshoe'.

Note to testers: Testers are asked to assess the candidate on her overall effort; to accept different ways of doing things provided they work; and not to be over concerned with detail.

YVONNE JAMES
Guide Adviser.



GUIDE KNOWLEDGE BADGE

As from January 1978 the Guide Knowledge badge syllabus will be as follows: (For a six month period — until 30th June 1978 — Guides may complete the badge on the syllabus printed in the 1973 edition of the Guide handbook Part 2.)

1. Know how Guiding began in Britain and in Australia.
Show this knowledge by one of the following:
 - a. A pageant or play.
 - b. A well illustrated talk.
 - c. A large wall chart or display.
 - d. Run a "Guide history" evening for your patrol or company, including games and activities to show what you have learned.
2. Read 'The Wolf that Never Sleeps'; 'The Story of the Girl Guides'; 'Scouting for Boys'; 'The First Fifty Years'; or equivalent book. Discuss the book you read with your tester and answer questions about it.
3. Know about the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. Point out at least two things all Girl Scouts and Guides have in common. Find out where the hostels run by the World Association are located and who may stay in them. Know about the World Conferences and who may attend them.
4. Choose an overseas country where there are Guides:
 - a. Discover something about Guiding in that country, what the Guides are called, what they do and be able to recognise their uniform and badges.
 - b. Extend your knowledge of the country by one of the following:
 - i. Correspond with a Guide in the country regularly (there should be an exchange of at least three letters). Tell the tester what you have learned through correspondence.
 - ii. Learn, then teach your patrol or company a folk tale, or song, or dance from that country.

Guidelines as to what could be expected of a Guide being tested for this badge.

The purpose of this badge is to awaken the girl to the "spirit" of Guiding, rather than involve her with the detail.

Clause 1. How Guiding began . . . in Britain.

The part played by Robert Baden-Powell, Brownsea Island and the book "Scouting for Boys".

Crystal Palace Rally.

Miss Agnes Baden-Powell — her contribution.

Olave Baden-Powell — marriage, and involvement including Chief Guide.

Royalty — involvement over the years.

The beginning of other Sections (Brownies and Rangers) and groups such as Lones, Extensions and Trefoil.

. . . in Australia — as outlined in the Australian Guide Handbook, which includes Mrs Fairbairn and formation of the Australian Association.

Presentation — it is unlikely that the Guide will be able to present all the aspects outlined above as a play, or display, or talk, or games. Those aspects not covered can be explained verbally by the Guide to the tester.

Clause 2. The book is chosen by the girl. Note that the girl may read an "equivalent" book to those listed and this could be a simple book if the girl is younger, e.g. B.P.'s Life in Pictures.

Clause 3. Know some (as in the Australian Guide Handbook) of the history leading to the formation of the World Association, founder members' names and the present membership by numbers of countries. Two of the common links between Girl Scout and Guide countries, e.g. Promise and Law, Thinking Day, World Flag, etc.

The World "Centres", where they are, who may go there, and what they do. Who attends and what happens at the World Conferences.

Clause 4. Interpret as written.

YVONNE JAMES



BRITANNIA PARK

Exciting news! Plans are afoot for a log cabin to be built at Britannia Park on Ivanhoe site. This is possible with money left by the late Monica Canobbio and should be a very versatile addition to the property.

Due to the marvellous efforts of the "wooding bee" helpers, and the generosity of the local mill, a large pile of mill-ends has been collected to eke out the bought forest wood for summer camps. It was good fun and we hope YOU will be able to come when another expedition is organised.

Teaspoons with the Britannia Park emblem are now available at the canteen for \$2.35 each and would make good presents or souvenirs of your camp.



The new Brownie Cottage bedspreads and curtains look very cheerful and we thank Kerrimuir Local Association for making up the material.

The regional fire officer has inspected the property and recommends that we place four more small fire extinguishers in the buildings, and stresses the importance of every unit having fire drill so that each person knows exactly what to do in an emergency. Be prepared — and have buckets or hoses ready for instant use.

MAINTENANCE FUND

AUGUST:

25: 2nd Balwyn Pack.

SEPTEMBER:

27: Boronia District Local Association.

OCTOBER:

- 3: Box Hill Local Association; Colbinabbin Local Association.
- 4: Bairnsdale Local Association.
- 5: Beaumaris Local Association.
- 6: Mount Waverley Local Association.
- 9: Swan Hill Local Association.
- 10: Kerrimuir Local Association.
- 11: Elmore Local Association.
- 12: Miss D. Holtz.
- 13: Wattle Park Local Association.
- 15: Aberfeldie Local Association.
- 16: Diana Sydenham.
- 17: Mrs. Luke.
Southern Cross Trefoil Guild.
- 19: 1st Upwey Guide Company.
- 20: Montmorency Local Association.
1st Donvale Guide Company.
- 22: North Croydon Local Association.
Mrs C. O. Shave.
- 23: Deer Park Local Association.
- 24: Malvern Local Association.
- 25: 2nd Wheelers Hill Pack.
- 27: Moorleigh Local Association.
- 28: Newport and Dist. Local Association.
- 29: Forest Hill Local Association.
- 30: Kutunga Local Association.
"Carine" Trefoil Guild.
- 31: Mrs D. Kirk.

Thank you everyone.

Happy camping and a wonderful Christmas to all.

—YOLAND SARGOOD





Supplementary Activities

OUR AIM:

To provide activities not normally in the program.

“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.

PINOCCHIO CLUB

A Puppetry Workshop for Guiders, Commissioners, Local Association and Trefoil Guild members who are interested will be run by the Puppet Guild of Victoria.

Limited numbers — 12 only.

Dates: Saturday, 18th March, 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.. Sunday, 19th March, 11.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Place: In Melbourne area — will be announced in next issue of Matilda.

Fee: \$6.00.

The Workshop will cover:—

1. The art of making various kinds of basic puppets.
2. How to choose suitable plays for puppets.
3. Ideas for writing your own plays.
4. The art and skill required to become a puppeteer.

This is a great opportunity! Do not miss out. Applications close on 1st March, 1978, and should be sent with stamped, self addressed envelope and fee (cheques payable to — Supplementary Activities Committee) to Mrs M. McLean, 2 Wyatt Street, Seaford, 3198.

APPLICATION FORM

NAME

ADDRESS

I wish to attend the PINOCCHIO CLUB and enclose \$6.00 fee.

SIGNED

SUPPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES PROPOSED FOR 1978

MARCH — PINOCCHIO CLUB

A Puppetry Workshop for 12 interested Guiders, Commissioners, Local Association and Trefoil Guild members 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 — WHOPEE 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.

QUEEN'S GUIDE CEREMONY

As we entered the grounds of Government House we saw Guides and Scouts moving towards the huge building.

As we gathered around talking to one another there was an air of friendship and slight nervousness. Many had made new friends and everyone seemed happy and excited.

We marched into the Ballroom — a very beautiful room in blue, gold and cream. It had polished wood floors and a red carpet strip all the way around. Guiders and Scouters were sitting along the sides of the room. All was quiet inside as the Governor and Lady Winneke entered.

The Governor presented our certificates and congratulated each one of us, as did our State Commissioner, Mrs Grimwade.

After the ceremony we enjoyed morning tea at Headquarters — a pleasant way to end a very exciting morning.

Gail McClintock, Vermont; Lynette Jones, Sorrento; Fiona Wallace, Ivanhoe; Veronica Taylor, East Brighton; Sandra Dellar, Laverton; and Tammy Martin, Puckapunyal.



COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE

COMMISSIONERS — Have you completed and POSTED your application for the 1978 Commissioners' Conference? The Treasurer would like it before Christmas please.

VICTORIAN RANGERS IN DEAF OLYMPICS

Ranger Wendy Large and her sister Pam (a Ranger Guide) from North Blackburn, represented Australia in the Deaf Olympic Games held in Bucharest, Rumania, earlier this year.

Australia's team of 24 (ten were Victorians) returned with 2 gold and 7 bronze medals, Pam and Wendy, both swimmers, being responsible for three of the bronze medals.

The girls say the experience was tremendous and they returned thinking Australia is a great place to live.



EDITORS' CONFERENCE

Editors and representatives from all Australian States came together at Willunga, South Australia, to share ideas, problems and thoughts about our State Guiding magazines and to compare production methods.

Magazines represented were "Adventuring", South Australia "Coo-ee", Queensland; "Courier", Western Australia; "The Platypus", Tasmania; "The Waratah", New South Wales and "Matilda", Victoria.

As well as discussing State publications, part of our time was spent compiling ideas for a National Leaders' magazine. We were delighted to have Miss Mary Lambie, Chief Commissioner for Australia, join us briefly while we were considering the Australian magazine.

Small numbers involved and the informal atmosphere of "a cottage by the sea" provided excellent conditions for a stimulating and worthwhile conference, the benefits of which, I hope, will be shared by all "Matilda" readers.

J.R.

MATILDA



TRAINING PAGES

In a Muddle? RULE OFF and START AGAIN!

How many times, when faced with balancing your unit's financial records, have you felt like doing just that?

If your answer to that question is — "Many times" — then the following may be of some help to you.

POINTS TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN KEEPING FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR ANY CLUB OR ORGANISATION

1. An up-to-date and correct record must be kept of all financial transactions.
2. A receipt should be issued for all amounts of money received.
3. From the point of view of keeping accurate records, it is safer to make all payments by cheque. (Any non-profit organisation may open a cheque account. Charges are not made for this type of account; no stamp duty is payable on cheques; and interest is paid the same as for Savings Accounts.)
It is preferable that 3 signatures are recorded with the bank, and that any 2 of these signatories sign each cheque.
4. Dockets should be filed as a record of all amounts paid out.
5. Your records should be such that it is an easy matter to give a financial report from time to time (e.g. to Patrol Leaders' Council, Unit-in-Council, etc.).
6. Your records should be such that you can check them against the Bank Statement **regularly**, to ensure that there is

agreement between the bank's and your records.

7. Money should be banked promptly, and should not be left lying around. (Just imagine the confusion for anyone "inheriting" your records if they also "inherited" numerous little tins of money!!! **Especially** if those tins were not labelled.)
8. Your Commissioner should request to see your books **annually** and arrange for an **annual audit** by a person qualified to do so.

EQUIPMENT NECESSARY

1. **Account Book** — to record all Cash Receipts and Cash Payments.
2. Duplicate receipt book.
3. Cheque book.
4. Folder to file all dockets.
5. Folder to file bank statements.
6. Subscription Record Book.

Plus a little time each week to enter in the necessary figures;

And if figures are not "your thing" a little patience, a little concentration, and many crossed fingers!!

SETTING UP YOUR ACCOUNT BOOK

There are many acceptable ways of doing this, and if you have already a system which works well, then you do not need to change.

But, if on the other hand, you are having problems try the following exercise, using a Columnar form of Account Book, and when

SAMPLE CASH EXPENDITURE PAGE

Date	Particulars	Invoice Number	Tel. and Postage	Equip. for re-sale	Unit Equip.	Sund.	Cheque Number	TOTAL	RUNNING BALANCE
May 30	Brought forward		5.50	10.00	2.50	1.00		19.00	19.00

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SOLUTION — CASH RECEIPTS

Date	Particulars	Receipt Number	H.Q.	Unit Subs	Uniforms, H/Books etc.	Guide Bisc.	Sund.	BANKED	RUNNING BALANCE
May 30	Brought forward		8.00	8.00	25.60	14.00		55.60	105.60 ^①
June 1	Subscriptions		2.10	2.10					
	J. Brown	1			.25				
	A. Wilson	2			1.80				
	L. Smith	3				4.20			
	A. Watson	4				4.20			
	B. Bennett	5				4.20		18.85	124.45
June 8	Subscriptions		1.80	1.80					
	J. Brown	6				4.20			
	D. Donald	7			.45				
	M. Brown	8			21.80	4.20		34.25	158.70
June 15	Subscriptions		2.30	2.30				4.60	163.30
June 22	Subscriptions		2.10	2.10					
	T. Thomas	9			.70			4.90	168.20
June 29	Subscriptions	10	2.00	2.00				4.00	172.20
	Carried forward ^③		18.30	18.30	50.60	35.00		122.20	172.20

SOLUTION — CASH EXPENDITURE

Date	Particulars	Invoice Number	Tel. & Postage	Equip. for re-sale	Unit Equip.	Sund.	Cheque Number	TOTAL	RUNNING BALANCE
May 30	Brought forward		5.50	10.00	2.50	1.00		19.00	19.00
June 1	G.G.A.	144671		26.70			812	26.70	45.70
June 8	L.A. (Biscuits)					35.00	813	35.00	80.70
June 29	Petty Cash Exp.		1.20		2.50	.60	814	4.30	85.00
	Carried forward ^③		6.70	36.70	5.00	36.60		85.00	85.00

NOTE: To calculate balance in the bank as at 30th June take the total of the Running Balance column in Cash Receipts (i.e. \$172.20) and deduct from it the running balance in the Cash Expenditure (i.e. \$85.00). Thus the balance at 30th June would be \$87.20. (This calculation can be made at any time you wish to calculate the balance in the bank.)

NOTES TO ASSIST YOU:

① This figure is calculated by adding together balance in the bank at 1st May plus the total receipts for May (\$50.00 + \$55.60 = \$105.60). The details of the balance for 1st May would appear on

the preceding page of the Cash Receipts records.

② Subscriptions. It is assumed for the purposes of this exercise that Subs collected are divided equally between Headquarters and your Unit.

③ Amounts carried forward. When each page of the book is completed, each column would be totalled and carried forward to the next page. Thus at the end of the financial year you would have yearly totals for each column therefore making it easier to prepare your Annual Receipts and Expenditure Summary, and saving a calculation to ascertain the amount payable to Headquarters.



Thought for the Month

Somehow, not only for Christmas
But all the long year through,
The joy that you give to others
Is the joy that comes back to you.

John Greenleaf Whittier.
(from "Coo-ee", Queensland.)

China Painting Demonstration

Things have been busy down Foster way, with the small band of Local Association members arranging a morning coffee, a luncheon and more recently, a China Painting demonstration.

A former resident of Foster, Mrs G. Dawson, now living in Dandenong, ably demonstrated her skill in this delicate art and brought many pieces of China Painting with her, both for sale and display. These included brooches, wall plaques, sweet dishes and vases of various shapes and sizes.

This very pleasant afternoon was highly successful as a social event, while helping considerably to boost Local Association funds.

Small Districts Doing Big Things

Patchewollock Local Association supports a very small Guide District in Sunraysia Region, but a busier Local Association would be hard to find, and their members should be very proud of their efforts.

For the annual end-of-year break-up, a family barbecue is arranged, complete with a Christmas Tree to which each child brings a gift. These gifts are then sent to the Spastic Children's Society.

On Anzac Day each year, Brownies and Guides join with Cubs and Scouts from a neighbouring town to lead the returned servicemen and women in the march down the town's main street.

Several fund-raising activities, involving girls and parents, have been held throughout the year including a Pet Show, with animals

ranging from a ferret to a kangaroo; a competition, the prize for which was a 20 lb. snapper; selling Girl Guide biscuits and calendars; and Guiders helped hostess a Tupperware Party, where gifts to be used as prizes for future competitions were donated.

Local Association members served afternoon tea at a clearing sale, and after holding a stall which was their last effort for the year, the magnificent total of \$330 was raised by this small group to keep the District running smoothly and to go towards a few needy repairs to the hall.

To give the District a further lift, Patchewollock Local Association hosted the annual Sunraysia Region Conference this year, catering for lunch, morning and afternoon tea.

These members must be congratulated on the wonderful support they give to Guiding for the benefit of all the girls in their area.

Commissioners' Conference

A reminder to Local Associations to assist Commissioners with the cost of attending their Conference at Monash University over the weekend of 24th to 26th February, 1978.

It is vital for Commissioners to attend this Conference, to keep them abreast with new ideas and any new policies which have been made, and to give them opportunity to get together with Commissioners from other areas. Any financial help will be greatly appreciated by them.

Questions from Local Association Conference

Q. That ten minutes be set aside at every Brownie or Guide meeting for discussions on badge testing.

A. This would not be a good thing, as not all girls are interested in getting badges. It is more important for the girls to choose what they want to do, enjoy doing it and learn something in the process of doing it, using the knowledge to help other people.

The idea of the badge is to broaden their Guide program by incorporating things that are suggested for the badge syllabus into their program.

Q. We feel with the changes in ages, Guides are now under 14½, and children of this age and younger need to be helped or pushed by older people, not left to do their own thing entirely.

A. I do not think the change of ages has very much to do with it. People have misinterpreted what the program is all about. The leader has to be fairly astute and be able to give the girls the impression that they thought of it all themselves. The thirteen-year-old patrol leader is terrific. She has the enthusiasm, the ability and the dedication to do her best, but she does need the support of the leader. The leader needs to know when that support is required, and give it quietly from the side.

Q. The reaction of mothers and leaders to the new age groupings?

A. After much careful consideration, the age changes came about because it was realised the difficulty leaders had trying to arrange a program suitable for eleven- to sixteen-year-olds, as there were such distinct differences in girls of that age range. The age changes are much fairer to everyone concerned and 90% of leaders are enthusiastic about it.

Q. Cutting out of Queen's Guide?

A. The Queen's Guide badge finishes in the Guide Section this year. There will be a Queen's Award in the Ranger Section, but the new syllabus has still to be worked out. The reason it is being taken out of the Guide Section is that it is too difficult to assess the good character clause on thirteen-year-olds — they are in the process of too much change. There will still be a peak achievement award in the Guide Section, details of which were in the August "Matilda".

Q. Why has the Guide leaving age been lowered to 14? This is not really practicable in the country area as there is no Ranger Company for the Guides to go to.

A. Reasons for the age changes have been given. Girls are now leaving Guide Units at 14 and Ranger Guide Units at 18. There is a new program for the girls in the 18-25

age group. The number of girls joining the Ranger Section and their enthusiasm shows that the program is very exciting for them. Various experiments are being carried out in a number of country areas. One is that where there are small groups, there could be a Venturer Unit and a Ranger Unit working together. Another scheme we have suggested to Regions is for a group of Rangers to work on the Ranger program at the same time as the Guide Company meets, under the supervision of the Guide leader but be attached to a larger Ranger Unit in a nearby town. This is being done with the co-operation and supervision of the Region Commissioner, so she knows what is going on. These are some ideas you might consider for country areas.

Q. Why cannot a male member of a Local Association have a badge and make the Promise?

A. This came up at the Australian Executive Meeting and a decision on it was deferred until the next meeting because we were waiting for more information from the World Committee. If male members are working for the Movement and wish to have a badge, the Commissioner can arrange for them to be given a Supporter's Badge.

Q. What objections should there be to having a man as well as a woman leader of a Guide or Brownie group? Since Scouts and Cubs have men as well as women leaders, what problem could be envisaged in having a similar arrangement for Guides and Brownies?

A. This hinges on the fact that our leaders are enrolled members of the Association and we have no enrolled men at present, but if we allow men to become enrolled in the future, we could look at this question again.

Q. That the Brownie program should include more outdoor activities similar to that of Cubs.

A. One of the eight-points of the program is that Brownies have fun out of doors and it is up to the leaders and the girls to see that they do. There are lots of ways to enjoy the out-of-doors, even around the hall where the Brownies meet.

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KNOW YOUR REGIONS

Barree Region

Barree is an aboriginal word meaning land of mountains and streams.

This is very appropriate as the Barree Region is in North-Eastern Victoria, and extends as far east as Corryong on the Upper Murray, down the river to Yarrawonga. Our most southern point is Moyhu. The region consists of four divisions, Mitta Mitta Division taking in Corryong-Walwa, Eskdale-Dartmouth, Tallangatta, Wodonga and Wodonga West; Kiewa Valley Division has Kiewa, Mt. Beauty and Tawonga as its districts: Mt. Buffalo Division has Beechworth, Bright, Milawa, Whorouly South and Myrtleford; Ovens River Division has Chiltern, Rutherglen, Wangaratta and Yarrawonga.

The early discovery of the region by Hume and Hovell, and Major Mitchell is indicated by the many cairns and memorials scattered through the area. Gold was discovered in many places, including Beechworth, Bright, Harrietville and Rutherglen. Much of the history of this era is recorded in museums in the towns. The historical town of Beechworth has been classified by the National Trust, and many of the old buildings have been preserved.

With the wide diversity of physical features, and the close proximity of snow fields, tourism plays an important part in the life of the region. During the winter months Corryong, Mt. Beauty, Tawonga and Bright are the stepping off points for Kosciusko, Falls Creek, Hotham and Mt. Buffalo ski resorts. With the abundance of rivers Mitta Mitta, Ovens, King and Kiewa, camping, swimming, fishing are enjoyed all the year round. Weirs at Yarrawonga, Hume, Buffalo River provide ideal opportunities for boating, sailing and water skiing.

We are very fortunate in this area to have such progressive cities and towns as Wangaratta (Premier Town Victoria 1977),

Wodonga and Yarrawonga. The Albury/Wodonga growth centre is a new complex in decentralisation by the State Government. The Woollen Mills, Bruck Fabrics and Yakka in Wangaratta, Bowater Scott in Myrtleford, Sanyo Guthrie in Wodonga and smaller industries in other towns provide employment for local people. Recreation in these centres is catered for by many excellent sporting complexes. Swimming pools, sporting ovals, race courses, YMCA facilities, drive-in theatres to mention but a few.

Despite the recession in the rural industry, this part of Victoria has a wide diversity of production. Apart from beef, dairying and sheep, there are important wineries at Rutherglen and Milawa and the river flats are ideal for the cultivation of tobacco and, to a lesser degree, hops. Timber from pine plantations at Koetong and Myrtleford is milled locally and distributed all over the State. Agricultural Research Stations are located at Rutherglen and Myrtleford, where experiments are carried out for the improvement of the rural industry.

The Kiewa Hydro Electric Scheme, begun before World War 2, has played a large part in the development of the State. A recent project, the building of a large water storage at Dartmouth on the Mitta Mitta River should provide extra water for irrigation in Northern Victoria, Southern New South Wales and South Australia.

Guiding in the Barree Region is continuing to fulfil the needs of many girls. An extension Ranger Unit at Mayday Hills Psychiatric Hospital, Beechworth, and an extension Brownie Unit at Killara School for Intellectually Handicapped Children at Wangaratta, provide stimulus for those people who are otherwise disadvantaged.

Taking advantage of our ideal weather and natural resources, camping is widely encouraged throughout the Region.

The Owens Valley Trefoil Guild was formed in 1976, this group meets quarterly, keeping former uniformed personnel in touch with Guiding today.

—Z.P. and A.M.



LOCAL ASSOCIATION SECTION

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Q. What training is available for Local Association members?

A. If we get a request from Local Association members to help them in their work, a training day can be arranged for them. This would be particularly helpful for a new area. The Local Association Adviser has been involved in training sessions held in several areas, and these have been very successful.

Q. What display material is available to Local Associations from the Public Relations Department? Is it available for country areas and what arrangements are made for transport?

A. There are two types of display boards—light-weight boards suitable for displays in banks, halls or for larger displays, and easels for smaller displays at annual meetings in small halls or private homes. These are light to carry and fit into car boots. They cannot be sent to the country, but can be collected from the basement at Headquarters. Mrs McLaughlin at Traralgon has four boards which may be borrowed by Local Associations in that area. Sets of photographs, and slides with written commentaries can be posted anywhere in the State. Any display material can be booked through Mrs Nala Jones in the Publicity Department.

Q. Why do Brownies have to do "April Action" as we are concerned about young girls going around the District to homes we do not know? We would like "April Action" dropped and Brownies to be able to contribute in some other way.

A. We discourage girls of any age going to homes they do not know for "April Action", and the Guiders know this. They should only go to homes of friends and relations to do individual jobs. Many Units are doing Unit or Patrol efforts for this fund-raising drive, holding concerts, stalls, mini-fetes, etc. We do encourage them to give value for money whether it is entertainment or making something to sell, rather than just having fun for their own sakes.

Recipe Corner

WALDORF SALAD

Combine $\frac{1}{2}$ cup each of chopped celery, walnuts and raisins, and 2 cups diced apples.

Blend together $\frac{1}{4}$ cup mayonnaise, 1 tblsp. sugar, $\frac{3}{4}$ teasp. lemon juice, pinch salt and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup whipped cream.

Fold into apple mixture and chill before serving.

TOMATO JUICE

3 lbs. tomatoes, cut up small including skins and seeds or vitamised. Add 3 tblsp. sugar, 4 cups water, 3 teasp. salt, pepper to taste. Bring ingredients to boil and simmer for 10 minutes. Strain and bottle.

ICED LEMON TEA

Make tea as usual. Pour into a heated jug and add sugar and slices of lemon to taste. Cool. Extra lemon can be added when cold. Serve with ice.

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



DOWN IN THE ARCHIVES

When writing these monthly articles I nearly always have in my mind the needs of girls working for the Guide Knowledge badge. With the coming of the camping season, not to mention the 40th anniversary of our ownership of Britannia Park, it seems appropriate to comment this month on the vast amount of our Guide history linked with it; events that have occurred there, or the people for whom the camp sites have been named.

There is far too much for one single article, and I strongly recommend reading the booklet by Mrs Pat Gray, called "A Story of Britannia Park". You will find it fascinating — did you know that nearly one hundred years ago the settlement at Britannia Creek was so large that over nine hundred children were attending the school which was just across the road from where Brownie Cottage now stands?

Mrs Gray says, "For the sum of £2,850 (\$5,700) we bought 16½ acres of land, two houses (the present Guide House and Brownie Cottage), a tennis court and croquet lawn (now the two car parks), a small golf course (now the Bush, Hoffmeyer, Cameron and Barfus campsites), a swimming pool, and a cow and a horse."

The tradition has been for the camp sites to be named for people who have given great service to Guiding in Victoria, and Guiders wanting ideas for a theme for their camp, or for stunts at campfire, or clues to be used in a wide game or treasure hunt, will find unlimited material in Mrs Gray's booklet which gives details of the Guide Service of these people.

The first site to be named was Barfus site; if you are camping there you are on the site of the first trial camp by 'Barf' before we bought the property. It is also one of the places used in a test camp for selection of volunteers for the Guide International Service. One of them told me of how, after putting up their camp in darkness, (they had reached the property late in the day) they were roused by the assessors at 2.00 a.m. with the news that they

would have to move everything to the other end of the site. They certainly were given a hard test.

Miss Barfus gained her first warrant as Captain of the 1st Malvern Company, Toorak College (then situated in Malvern). Quite close was the first Victorian Headquarters — a room in State Government House. The State Commissioner was Lady Stradbroke, wife of the Governor.

If you camp on Stradbroke site, a camp challenge or patrol competition might be based on the story of the Stradbroke Cup which was given to Victorian Guides to be competed for every two years. The subjects varied — nature logbooks, handcraft, general standard of the company or pack, acting, campfire singing. The last competition was in 1938, and it was put in abeyance during the war years, and never revived.

Our World Chief Guide visited the property in 1947, 1957 and 1967, when she planted an English oak on Holtz site. Mrs Storrow, though we did not own the place during her visit in 1934, made a generous donation to the fund we were raising at the time. (Many of you will know that Mrs Storrow was the donor of Our Chalet in Switzerland.) Everyone who has visited Guide House will have seen the blanket on the wall in the Camberwell room, another gift from Mrs Storrow. It is made from wool from uniforms of Confederate soldiers in the American Civil War.

State Commissioners and State Presidents, Brown Owls, Guide and Ranger Captains, so many of the pioneers and leaders of our Movement are remembered in many ways at Britannia Park. Read Mrs Gray's booklet and also look through 'Past and Present' and you will be surprised at how much history there is to be found at Britannia Park.

MARY LAMBE



A turtle never makes any progress until he sticks his neck out.



BROWNIE PROMISE DAY

Anna, Nicole and Susie made the Brownie Promise.

Anna's grandmother was there and she was wearing a Thanks badge. We learnt all about Thanks badges.

ALISON COYNE
1st Beaumaris Brownie Pack

PACK HOLIDAYS

The 1st Newborough Brownie Pack went to Burnett Park for a Pack holiday.

We hiked, had a barbecue, and campfire and enacted plays for each other.

While we were playing we saw a wombat.

ANGELENE FALK
1st Newborough Brownie Pack

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Inverloch Brownies enjoyed their recent Pack holiday, too.

Our days were filled with fun and things to do. We had three treasure hunts and Brownies' Own and our parents came for afternoon tea.

CINDY TATE
1st Inverloch Brownie Pack

HELP FOR HOSPITAL

Lilydale Brownies and Guides raised nearly \$50.00 for the Box Hill Hospital.

1st Brownie Pack made soup, 2nd Pack made Milo drinks and the Guides had a concert.

Everyone enjoyed it.

—LILYDALE BROWNIES AND GUIDES.

CRESSY BROWNIES 1st BIRTHDAY

We celebrated our first birthday and "Sunflower", our Division Commissioner, made a beautiful cake with chocolate icing.

Also we said farewell and good luck to Bronwyn, Rhonda and Wendy as they went on their way to Guides.

CATHIE BRETT
1st Cressy Brownie Pack

STALL FOR NURSING HOME

Nar Nar Goon Guides and Brownies held a street stall to raise funds for the Pakenham Nursing Home Appeal.

Everyone joined in. They made knitting grannies, pikelets, pot holders, a clown, jam, toys and cakes. The toffees sold very quickly and there were some very nice dolls' clothes. It was a fun afternoon.

MICHELLE DAVIS
1st Nar Nar Goon Brownie Pack.

PARKDALE SPRING FAIR

Guides from 1st Parkdale held a highly successful Spring Fair. Brownies from 1st Parkdale Pack helped run a drink stall, whilst the Guides manned gardening, cakes, sweets, groceries, fancy goods and toys, white elephant and hot dogs stalls.

We conducted a poster competition to help advertise the fete.

1st Parkdale Company

LEADER'S HAT FOUND

Flew out of a small white car, possibly a Datsun, approximately 8.30 p.m. on 13th October, in Bouverie Street, Carlton.

Hat may be claimed from Training Department, Guide Headquarters.



GETTING TO KNOW YOU DAY

"Aiming High" was the theme, and Cheltenham Park the location, for a Getting-to-know-you day where Brownies, Guides and Guiders from Mentone-Parkdale District entertained our Guiding sisters from Fitzroy and Collingwood areas.

After Colors and welcome to our visitors, Brownies and Guides went into their sections to enjoy nature games and activities. Brownies were grouped into eight Sixes taking the names of stars while the Guides took the names of planets for their Patrols.

A barbecue lunch was served and during the afternoon, all present made kites and had much fun flying them.

A "Going on to Guides" ceremony preceded the closing. Three Brownies, as rockets, sped on to Guides and were welcomed into the Company.

It was a great day and we enjoyed making friends with other Guiding people from another part of Melbourne.

1st Parkdale Guide Company

VISIT TO YOU YANGS

Glen Waverley District Guides and Brownies went by bus to the "You Yangs" to pick boneseed. When we arrived we walked up the highest of the three peaks, Flinders Peak, from where we could see Geelong and Melbourne.

After lunch we started to pick boneseed. On the way home we stopped and looked at the West Gate bridge.

JENNY BEDFORD

1st Glen Waverley Guide Company

MOE GIRL GUIDES' 50th BIRTHDAY

Moe District Girl Guides celebrated their 50th birthday recently and a very special guest was Assistant State Commissioner, Mrs J. Oldfield.

Celebrations started with Open Day in the Guide Hall, Moe, where old photos, uniforms and programs were on display. The Ranger Guides entertained our visitors with a "Cook Out" lunch, and at night a dinner was held, Mrs Oldfield being guest speaker. Past Commissioners also spoke about their parts in Moe Guiding, and items were presented by Brownies, Guides and Ranger Guides.

It really was fun to hear past Guides greeting each other after, in some cases, many years. Seven of the original Guides enrolled 50 years ago had travelled long distances to share our birthday.

On Sunday we all went to Holy Trinity Church where 1st Moe Guide Company was formed in 1927. Later, led by the City of Moe Band, we marched through the streets to the Guide Hall, where picnic lunch was enjoyed amid numerous reunions.

E. CAMM



NETBALL IN SEYMOUR

Nagambie Guides and Brownies were invited to compete
With other Guides and Brownies
And in Seymour we did meet —
To play netball and barbecue
our lunch.

Although it rained a little,
we were a happy bunch.
Broadford and Seymour, Puckapunyal
and Kilmore
playing netball in the rain.
Seymour and Broadford won the trophies,
But we hope we can try again.

LALAGULLIS

1st Nagambie Brownie Pack



BUSHCRAFT DAY AT DIMBOOLA

Wimmera Region Guides held a Bushcraft Day at Dimboola Girl Guide Campsite, "Arura", by the Wimmera River.

Towns represented were Birchip, Dimboola, Horsham, Jeparit, Nhill, Rupanyup and Warracknabeal.

The program commenced with Guide's Own at the campsite's Outdoor Chapel. Then a Scouting game with whistle signals was followed by a session of fire-lighting and fire precautions after which the Guides built and lit their own fires for lunch which was cooked without utensils.

After lunch Mrs L. Reid, Region Camp Adviser, with the help of all present, planted a tree in memory of Mr J. A. Praetz with thanks for all the good turns he had done for Guiding.

Mr and Mrs Ian Pilmore (Dimboola) who have been such wonderful friends of Guiding, particularly at camp time, were presented with Thanks badges, too.

Activities continued with the Guides planning and constructing rope ladders, commando bridges, transporter, tripod and tyre obstacle course. They also did orienteering. It proved a busy and rewarding day for all.

"KARA"



OLAVE PARK — AXEDALE

Bendigo Northern and Southern Divisions campsite.

If any members of the movement have spent the day at the park or camped on the site and their names are in the visitors' book, they are eligible for our NEW Campsite badge — cost is 20 cents.

The design came from ideas within the two divisions and shows a gold trefoil (our Guiding link) on a navy blue background (the night sky) and a campfire scene which appropriately represents B.P.'s aims of companionship, awareness and enjoyment out of doors.

Badges are available from the secretary, Susan Body, 32 Nelson Street, Eaglehawk, 3556.

KOORONGA CAMPSITE

Have you been to Kooronga? Great for a camp or a day out.

Situated 6 kilometres north of Dandenong. Hot and cold showers, septic toilets.

Contact Mrs A. Mutton, 18 Hillside Avenue Dandenong, or telephone 792 5406 for further information and bookings.

KOORONGA CARNIVAL

Each District in the Dandenong Region had been asked to organise a stall or activity to raise funds for the Kooronga campsite fund and all our Guide family and parents and friends were invited to join us for our Carnival cum Working Bee.

It was our first Carnival and the result was fantastic. 20 Districts organised stalls selling everything from hamburgers, hot dogs, soup, drinks, devonshire teas, cakes to plants, fancy goods, craft and groceries. There was a very successful coconut shy, a fortune teller, fairy floss and lollies — something for everyone.

A wonderful number of Dads turned up and with the help of Brownies, Guides, Rangers, their brothers and some mothers, managed to do lots of cleaning up, wood chopping and fencing around the campsite.

Altogether about 450 people attended and raised over \$500 towards the Campsite Improvement Fund while having an enjoyable fun day.



CUCKOO LADY

Strange sight around our town lately — a peculiar lady has been seen crawling on hands and knees along a grassy lane in the rain.

But you see — she HAS to do this to find hairy caterpillars!

Now I KNOW your next question . . . and the answer is simply that our fan-tailed cuckoo just loves hairy caterpillars!

He is just another of the many callers who stay a while and need very strange meals. He has no tail so his steering and stopping system is faulty and he flopped into a neighbour's porch a few days ago, probably after a skirmish with a cat, by the look of him.

He is a pretty fellow — soft grey, with a pale orangey breast, yellow legs and yellow rings around curious brown eyes. Under his wings are white bands and the tail he lost was long and striped in bars of black and pale grey. He is only 18 cm long but would be 26 cm with his tail.

His black bill is slightly curved — a typical insect catcher's bill, and inside his mouth is brilliant scarlet.

The cuckoo is not popular in the bird world because he is parasitic — he uses other birds' homes. When Mrs Cuckoo is ready to lay her eggs, she finds another bird's nest, pushes out that bird's eggs and lays her own. The unfortunate nest owner returns and without knowing it, incubates, hatches and feeds the chick of the cuckoo.

Another point of interest is that cuckoos do enjoy hairy caterpillars which other birds will not touch. Our cuckoo eats worms, locusts and grubs too. Meanwhile that strange lady will have to continue the search for caterpillars until he is ready to leave.

ANNE L. FRASER

GUIDE SERVICE PROJECTS

El Salvador

Guides spend their lunch break at two large markets, teaching market women to read and write. This project is one of those which has received financial assistance from UNESCO.

Ghana

Following briefing by a team of Social and Community Development Officers on how to organise functional literacy classes, Ghanaian Guides have been holding evening classes for illiterates. Included are such subjects as cookery, home management, sewing.

India

Older Bharat Girl Guides have worked in 50 villages, living with the village women and teaching them to read and write. In addition Girl Guides organised five regional day camps of seven separate days' duration to which they invited rural women and girls for a program centred round such topics as Nutrition, Animal Husbandry, Family Care and the Status of Women.

Jamaica

Since 1969 an Adult Education Workshop has been operating within the headquarters of the Girl Guides Association of Jamaica. The teachers are the older Guides and leaders. Crafts and technical skills have been added in addition to literacy. The project, which continues to grow each year, has been aided by the UNESCO Gift Coupon Program.



From the GUIDE SHOP

Are you ready for 1978?

BROWNIE GUIDE UNIT EQUIPMENT

Unit Information Form	5c
Parents Consent and Pack Records Form per 10	31c
Progress Form	4c
Attendance Form	7c
Interest Badge Certificate Book	78c
Pack Holiday Form	9c
Registration Booklet	No charge
Transfer Forms	No charge
Letter for new recruits by Mrs Grimwade — per 10	80c
Eight Point Card	6c
Promise and Law Card	15c
Semaphore Card	7c
Semaphore Chart	30c
Brownie to Guide Certificate	25c
General Purpose Card	6c
Hints on Brownie Badges—	
Book 1—Cook, Pathfinder, Toymaker	40c
Book 2—Artist, Athlete, House Orderly, Signaller	25c
Book 3—Cyclist, Gardener, Needle- worker, Writer	25c
Book 4—Animal Lover, Musician, Woodworker	60c
Book 5—Agility, Book Lover, Hostess, Knitter	25c
Book 6—Pony Rider, Safety in the Home, Weaver	45c
Book 7—Collector, Dancer, Jester	45c
Book 9—First Aider, Singer, Thrift	60c
Promise Badge	42c
World Badge	70c
Journey Badge — Pathway, Roadway and Highway	33c
Venture Badge	21c
Venture number (1-11)	20c
Emblem — Junjarins, Lalagullis, Moora Mooras, Mullokas, Tintookie, Tookonie, Woorails	21c
Service Star—Numbers 1, 2 and 3	15c
Sixer Stripes	21c
Second Stripe	21c
Cloth Promise	7c
Cloth Pack Holiday	25c
Metal Pack Holiday	\$1.15

Goods for credit or exchange must be returned within 21 days.
Please send postage with all cash orders.
Any surplus money will be returned promptly.

GUIDE UNIT EQUIPMENT

Patrol Pages — per 10	30c
Eight Point Badge Page	4c
Guide Enrolment Certificate for Guides already registered as Brownie Guides	10c
Girls starting in Guides must be regis- tered. Registration Booklet	No charge
Camp Fund Card	4c
Company Roll and Subscription Book	42c
Patrol Roll and Subscription Book	17c
Permission to Camp Form	7c
Camp Record Card	10c
Interest Badge Certificate Book	75c
Patrol Pennant Certificate Book	25c
Transfer Form	No charge
Patrol Leader's Certificate	20c
General Purpose Certificate	10c
Notes for Parents of Guides	3c
Letter for new recruits by Mrs Grimwade — per 10	80c
Promise and Law Card	15c
World Flag Card	10c
Knots for Everybody Folder	15c
Chart—	
Uniform Wear and Care	10c
Uniform—When, What, Where	12c
Guide Law	20c
Useful Knots	15c
More Knots	15c
Stalking	60c
Firelighting	30c
Compass	20c
Promise Badge	42c
World Badge	70c
State Badge	65c
Beret Badge	25c
Eight Point Badge— Yellow, Green, Red and Blue	70c
Lone Guide Promise	75c
Patrol Leader Stripes	25c
Patrol Second Stripe	25c
Patrol Leader Beret Badge	21c

RANGER GUIDE UNIT EQUIPMENT

Record Page	8c
Certificate Book	30c
Investiture Card for those already regis- tered as Brownies or Guides	10c
Girls starting in Rangers must be regis- tered. Registration Booklet	No charge
Promise Badge	85c
World Badge	70c
State Badge	90c
Lone Ranger Promise Badge	80c

TRAINING CALENDAR

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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 trainings is recommended. Training fee is \$3.00 unless otherwise stated.

For a full campcraft training course the fee will be \$6.00 — this does not include the actual cost of the weekends (food, transport etc.).

Stage 1 Training

Creswick: 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**.

Glen Waverley: Tuesday 14th, 21st, 28th February, times 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. and weekend 4th-5th March, times 9.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday — Guide Hall, Bogong Avenue. Applications to Miss M. Hunt, 8/7 Alcalá Avenue, Chadstone, 3148 by **30th January**.

Hamilton: Weekends 4th-5th March and 15th-16th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs F. Jervies, "Karingal", Hamilton. 3300 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**.

Keilor: Weekends 11th-12th February and 18th-19th March, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Miss M. McCloud, 3 Glenview Road, Strathmore, 3041, by **26th January**.

Moorleigh: Weekends 18th-19th March and 15th-16th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs L. Jones, 14 Walker Grove, Cheltenham, 3192, by **28th February**.

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**.

Warrnambool: Weekends 4th-5th March and 15th-16th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: Please notify R.T.A. if hospitality is required. Applications to Mrs J. Swinton, 260 Merri Crescent, Warrnambool, 3280, by **19th February**.

Stage 2 Training for Warranted Leaders

Britannia Park, Yarra Junction: 24th-26th February (residential), times 7.00 p.m. Friday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday plus at Mooroolbark 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, 30th 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 **16th February**.

Warragul: Weekends 18th-19th February and 15th-16th April, 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: Change in dates. Applications to Mrs K. Marshall, 29 Hearn Street, Drouin, 3818, by **1st February**.

Campcraft Training

Note: Guiders who are unable to camp could consider the Indoor Permit, or, if you wish to give your girls some help in preparing for camp you may attend the first weekend of any of the following campcraft courses which is practical theory. Training Fee for one weekend \$2.00.

"Mallengeeba" Wannon River Campsite: Weekends 4th-5th March, times 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday plus weekends 18th-19th March and 8th-9th April and 6th-7th May, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of weekend to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs F. Jervies, "Karingal", Hamilton, 3300, by **20th February**.

Orbost: Weekends 4th-5th February, times 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday plus weekends 18th-19th February and 1st-2nd and 29th-30th April, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs M. Frawley, P.O. Box 641, Sale, 3850, by **27th January**.

Woorayl Region: Tuesday and 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, plus 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) times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of overnight stay and weekend to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs J. Gaudion, 32 Blackmore Avenue, Leongatha, 3953, by **14th 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**.

"Mallengeeba" Wannan River Campsite: Weekend 18th-19th March, times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost to be advised. Applications to Mrs F. Jervies, "Karingal", Hamilton, 3300, by **28th February**.

Ranger Lightweight Training

Benalla: Weekend 25th-26th February, time 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday plus weekend 17th-18th March at **Seymour**, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Would Guiders requiring Ranger Lightweight training in Baree, 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**.

"Mallengeeba" Wannan River Campsite: Weekend 4th-5th March, times 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday plus weekends 18th-19th March and 6th-7th May, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs F. Jervies, "Karingal", Hamilton, 3300, by **20th 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

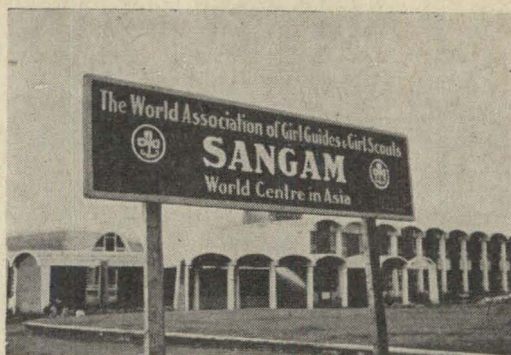
Botanical Gardens: Tuesday, 7th March, time 9.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Note: Join us in finding new ways, new things in the parks, ponds and gardens — ideas for outdoor days with your girls. Applications and \$1.00 to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **24th February**.

Summer Training Week

FINAL CALL — For details see earlier issues of Matilda.

Guide Guiders could spend the week doing Campcraft Training.

Brownie Guiders, time would allow for either stage 1 or stage 2, and Pack Holiday Training.



SANGAM

Sangam is a Sanskrit word which means 'going together'. It was at a Commissioners' meeting at New Delhi in 1956 that the need for an Asian World Centre was expressed.

Sangam is situated three miles from Poona, in Maharashtra State, India. In 1964, the foundation stone was laid by the then Director of the World Bureau, Dame Leslie Whately. Following this, construction of the Centre started. The Centre was opened in October 1966 by the World Chief Guide.

Over the years there has been extensive work on the gardens at Sangam. Part has been made into a sugar-cane plantation, but there is still plenty of open space for outdoor gatherings.

Sangam has welcomed many visitors over the years and has also hosted numerous events — Juliette Low sessions, International Trainers' Conferences and seminars on special topics. The centre also offers opportunity to study Indian arts and crafts at sessions or by visiting local art centres.

Maharashtra State is the land of the famous warrior Shivaji, who gives inspiration to young people of India. Besides its ancient history, Poona is also known for its educational institutions and has been called 'the Oxford of India'.

—W.S.



CONGRATULATIONS to the recipients of the following:

The Emu Award

Mrs M. Jones, South Metropolitan Region;
Mrs K. A. Scott, Beaumaris.

The Wattle Award

Mrs. R. A. Stirling, Ballan.

The Good Service Award

Mrs M. Barrie, Melton.

Guider Long Service

(30 years): Mrs V. Lucas, Nathalia.

(20 years): Mrs L. M. Gale, Hawthorn; Mrs A. I. Adams, Nathalia; Mrs C. Wild, Beaumaris; Miss B. Gilbert, Warragul.

(10 years): Mrs R. S. Gaudion, Leongatha; Mrs D. Woolley, Frankston; Mrs H. Maulday, Cheltenham; Mrs M. A. de Jong, East Kew; Mrs P. Stephens, Bentleigh; Mrs D. N. Martin, Mt. Waverley.

Combined Long Service

(20 years): Mrs M. Jarrett, North Williamstown; Mrs B. Schubert, Warracknabeal.

(10 years): Mrs C. Howarth, Ringwood; Mrs C. James, Oakleigh; Mrs G. Ferguson, Warracknabeal; Mrs H. M. N. Evans, East Malvern.

Local Association Long Service

(30 years): Mrs J. McColl, Warracknabeal.

(20 years): Mrs B. M. Johns, Inglewood.

(10 years): Mrs N. Maggs, Bentleigh; Mrs M. Whitehead, Reservoir; Mrs W. Kelly, Reservoir; Mrs M. Tillack, Reservoir; Mrs D. Hook, Reservoir; Mrs G. Redman, Reservoir; Mrs M. Vanstan, Reservoir.

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Thanks Badge

Lions Club of Phillip Island; Mr A. I. Saunders, Huntingdale; Royal Victorian Institute of the Blind, Burwood; Mr K. G. Colhoun, East Ivanhoe; Mr R. G. Orr, Creswick; Senior Students of the Victorian School of Forestry, Creswick; Mr and Mrs G. S. Clucas.

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APPOINTMENTS AND WARRANTS

A warm welcome is extended to the following:

Region Commissioner

Mrs W. J. Eather (Assistant), Outer Eastern, as at 1/1/78.

District Commissioners

Mrs D. Jewson, Lake Boga; Mrs H. Dore, Longwarry; Mrs R. S. Tonks, Yarra Glen; Mrs C. J. Hughes, Kilsyth; Mrs S. Frew, Coleraine; Mrs J. Boyd, Heyfield; Mrs D. M. McKenzie (Assistant), North Cheltenham; Mrs B. R. Large, Springfield, **not** Springvale as was shown in October "Matilda".

Ranger Guiders

Miss L. F. Prince, Fairfield-Alphington Rangers; Mrs R. E. Briggs, Hastings Rangers; Mrs T. Smith, Loch Rangers; Mrs A. S. Parker, Mornington Rangers; Mrs P. R. Sloane, Wangaratta Rangers; Mrs A. H. Portman, Lower Plenty Rangers; Mrs T. Smale, Monash Rangers; Mrs B. F. Daly, West Doncaster Rangers.

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Assistant Guide Guiders

Mrs W. E. Woodward, 2nd Mt. Waverley; Miss D. Walsh, 3rd Doncaster; Mrs J. McIlwain, 2nd East Doncaster; Miss A. Horsley, 2nd East Doncaster; Mrs A. J. Hanrahan, 3rd Ringwood; Mrs I. R. Steel, 3rd Box Hill; Mrs T. M. Jeffrey, 1st Kerrimuir; Mrs L. J. Foster, 2nd Dandenong; Miss C. Brooks, 2nd Maidstone; Miss K. Dickman, 3rd Cheltenham; Miss J. Haigh, 1st Macleod; Miss K. Hannan, 1st Pascoe Vale South; Miss C. Wilcock, 2nd Wattle Park; Mrs R. W. Allison, 1st Sebastopol; Mrs K. W. Maher, 2nd Watsonia; Mrs Z. K. Vallay, 2nd Watsonia; Mrs L. Jones, 1st Moorabbin South; Mrs P. Shaw, 1st Syndal; Mrs N. A. Norling, 1st Narre Warren North.

Brownie Guiders

Mrs D. T. Tuppen, 2nd Ballarat; Mrs C. A. McCarty, 2nd Dandenong North; Mrs P. A. Harding, 1st Cavendish; Mrs R. Bracken, 2nd Yarrowonga; Mrs A. Blyth, 4th Mooroolbark; Mrs L. Caldwell, 2nd Benettswood; Mrs J. W. McWaters, 1st Wodonga; Miss F. E. Brand, 3rd Wodonga; Mrs K. R. Hall, 1st Kerrimuir; Miss C. Boyd, 1st Corangamite South; Mrs P. Amos, 2nd Carrum; Miss L. Knox, 1st Loch; Miss A. Winchester, 6th Beaumaris; Miss A. Freeland, 3rd East Malvern; Mrs K. J. Ryan, 2nd Werribee;

Mrs H. Russell, 1st Eildon; Mrs S. Clark, 1st Carrum; Mrs A. B. Bird, 2nd Ferny Creek; Mrs C. Whyte, 1st Apollo Bay; Mrs L. J. De Haas, 1st Macedon; Mrs G. Beavis, 1st Ellinbank; Mrs J. B. Macky, 4th Monash; Mrs D. Robinson, 1st Olivers Hill; Mrs L. Kidd, 2nd Olivers Hill; Mrs J. M. Kidney, 3rd West Melton; Mrs R. Benjamin, 1st Bell Post Hill.

Assistant Brownie Guiders

Mrs S. L. Lammers, 1st Dandenong North; Mrs W. Gray, 1st Cavendish; Miss C. Farey, 2nd Yarrowonga; Miss I. Slagtman, 4th Mooroolbark; Mrs B. H. Knight, 5th Colac; Mrs K. M. Moffat, 3rd Wodonga; Mrs K. J. Wood, 1st Cowes; Miss S. Tripp, 4th South Yarra; Miss S. Young, 2nd Pascoe Vale South; Miss S. Skidmore, 2nd Pascoe Vale South; Mrs B. A. Wright, 1st Brighton; Miss G. Eggleton, 1st Barwon Heads; Mrs R. Agombar, 1st Bell Post Hill.

REGISTRATIONS

2nd Hastings (West Park) Pack; Broadford Ranger Guide Unit; 6th Sunshine West Pack; Monash Ranger Guide Unit; 1st Dartmouth Company; 3rd West Melton Pack.

RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS

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

District Commissioner

Mrs G. Goldsmith, Kilsyth.

Assistant Ranger Guiders

Mrs B. F. Daly, West Doncaster Rangers.

Guide Guiders

Mrs I. Henderson, 2nd Tatura; Mrs G. R. Mayne, 2nd Mildura; Mrs K. Delahunty, 3rd Glen Waverley; Mrs J. C. Campbell, 1st Meredith; Mrs A. H. Portman, 1st Lower Plenty; Miss J. Segnit, 1st Gardiner.

Assistant Guide Guiders

Mrs P. Campbell, 1st East Keilor; Mrs D. McKenzie, 2nd North Cheltenham; Miss J. C. Poxon, 1st San Remo-Newhaven; Mrs J. Spencer, 4th Mordialloc; Miss L. A. Charleston, 2nd Bairnsdale; Mrs A. H. Capes, 1st Noble Park.

Brownie Guiders

Miss J. Eadon, 1st Kerrimuir; Mrs K. Cameron, 2nd Olivers Hill; Mrs J. C. Scott, 1st Wodonga; Mrs W. McKenzie, 3rd North Cheltenham; Miss J. Gregory, 1st Moyhu; Mrs V. Bray, 2nd Ballarat; Mrs W. R. Norman, 1st Carisbrook; Mrs J. S. Sinclair, 1st Terang; Mrs L. Smith, 1st Healesville; Mrs C. Milne, 2nd Ferny Creek; Mrs P. J. Winyard, 1st Laverton.

Assistant Brownie Guiders

Mrs L. W. Whyte, 2nd Ballarat; Mrs J. F. Hauenstein, 1st Leopold-Wallington Pack; Miss H. A. Black, 3rd Dandenong North; Mrs C. A. McCarty, 2nd Dandenong North; Mrs L. Caldwell, 2nd Bennettswood; Mrs J. W. McWaters, 2nd Wodonga; Mrs H. R. Earl, 1st Morwell; Mrs B. C. Mouat, 1st Heyfield; Mrs J. R. Jones, 1st Kinglake; Mrs H. Mocnik, 4th Clayton; Miss A. Freeland, 3rd East Malvern; Mrs A. B. Bird, 2nd Ferny Creek; Mrs C. Whyte, 1st Apollo Bay; Mrs G. W. Day, 2nd Benteleigh East; Mrs K. Buckingham, 1st Rutherglen; Mrs J. M. Kidney, 1st West Melton.

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