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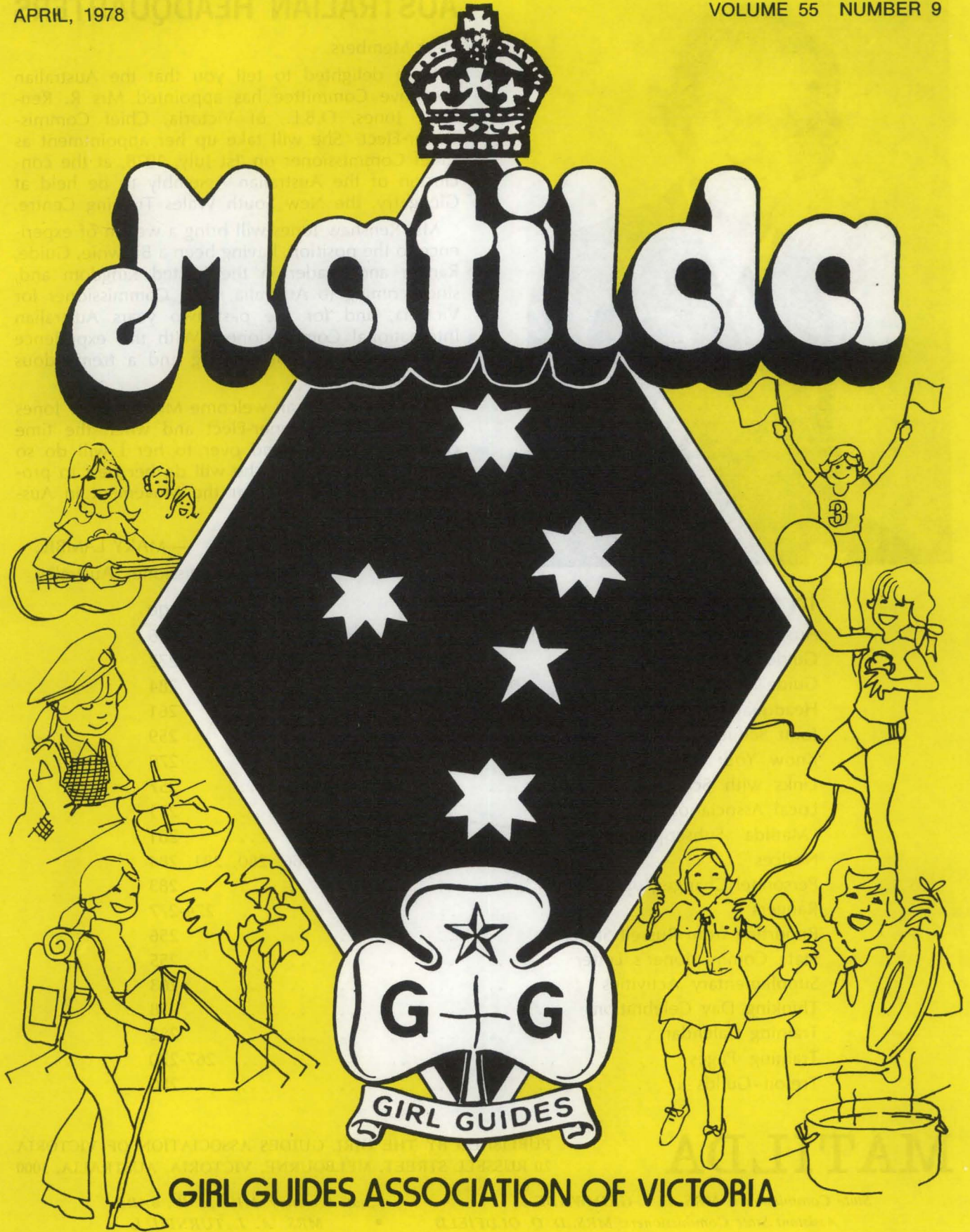
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## AUSTRALIAN HEADQUARTERS

Dear Members,

I am delighted to tell you that the Australian Executive Committee has appointed Mrs R. Renshaw Jones, O.B.E., of Victoria, Chief Commissioner-Elect. She will take up her appointment as Chief Commissioner on 1st July, 1978, at the conclusion of the Australian Assembly to be held at Glengarry, the New South Wales Training Centre.

Mrs Renshaw Jones will bring a wealth of experience to the position, having been a Brownie, Guide, Ranger and Leader in the United Kingdom and, since coming to Australia, State Commissioner for Victoria, and for the past two years Australian International Commissioner. With this experience goes a great love of Guiding and a tremendous enthusiasm.

I know you will all welcome Mrs Renshaw Jones as Chief Commissioner-Elect and when the time comes for me to hand over to her I will do so happily, knowing that she will do her best to promote, foster and care for the Movement in Australia.

Yours sincerely,

—MARY LAMBIE,  
Chief Commissioner, Australia.

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## From our State Commissioner

Dear Everyone,

How delighted we all are to hear that Mrs R. Renshaw Jones is the Chief-Commissioner-Elect. Victorians will remember the valuable contribution Mrs Renshaw Jones made to Guiding in this State during her time as State Commissioner, and our love and best wishes go to her for her term as Chief Commissioner.

Miss Lambie's term seems to have gone very rapidly — but she has led Australian Guiding with great dedication and love over the past five years. We shall all miss her very much.

Our Commissioners' Conference was stimulating, exciting, fun and exhausting! The theme 'Now it is Over to Us' was most appropriate, and Mrs Buntine with her opening address on the Friday night set us off on the right footing. Commissioners would have profitted from all sessions and gone home with added enthusiasm for the job in hand.

We were delighted to have representatives from Western Australia, South Australia and New South Wales with us. This interstate interchange is particularly valuable as we all learn from each other.

For Jean, Lysbeth and myself it was a slightly different Conference — with the thought in mind it was our last. The Russell Street Operetta Company "performed" at Camp Fire, perhaps bringing shudders to Gilbert and Sullivan fans, but great fun to us.

As I spoke at the Guides' Own in the Monash Religious Centre on Sunday my thoughts flashed back to another Religious Centre at Sussex University in 1975. A similar beautiful summer morning, a somewhat similar architectural style, and another group of women with similar aims and ideals and bound together by that great bond of our Promise and Law.

My thanks go to Anne Scott and her hardworking Committee for making this Conference such a happy and memorable one.

Just prior to the Conference we had all celebrated Thinking Day. I joined with Dandenong Region for their celebrations at Cranbourne Racecourse. It was a very large and happy gathering and I was delighted to see how the collection of their Thinking Day money involved girls in the formation of the Thinking Day Symbol. I hope this year our donations to the fund are greater than ever because this year is the Golden Jubilee of the World Association and the Thinking Day fund provides a very vital source of income.

I had the privilege of calling on our State President, Lady Winneke, to inform her of all the activities planned for 1978. She is very interested in all we do and hopes to participate in as many functions as her very busy schedule will permit.

This year I was asked to speak at the Women's World Day of Prayer service held at Nagambie. The theme was Community Spirit in Modern Day Living — a theme which interested me greatly as a member of the Guide Movement.

Our Ranger Section had a wow of a weekend, I believe, at Lake Boort, when they held the Ranger Red Rattler Regatta. Seven carriages of Rangers took over the township for the weekend and hopefully the people of Boort enjoyed the activities as much as the girls. I was disappointed not to be there, but Martin was rowing in the Henley Regatta on Saturday and Sunday was spent preparing for the annual Pert Angus Bull Sale. I have spent the last few days among cattle — a change from Guides!

State Council, at its first meeting for the year, discussed ways in which members could become more actively involved in the Movement, and we all found this most helpful.

I hope Guide units are thinking about coming to the monster State Campfire, to be held at Ballarat on the 20th May, the last Sunday of the Patrol Leaders' Gathering, Jumbunna. What a marvellous opportunity to meet with Patrol Leaders from other States and experience that friendship of Guiding.

I am off to Sydney soon to Australian Executive. One task we have is to select the Australian delegates for the World Conference. When I went to

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# REPORTING FROM RUSSELL STREET



## BIG FELLA CHINWAG — AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION AND WORLD CONFERENCE DISCUSSIONS

Are you coming to the Discussion Day on Saturday, 6th May, when we will be sharing thoughts on the items listed for discussion at the Australian Association Assembly and/or the World Conference? Guide Headquarters, **Saturday, 6th May**, 1.30-5.00 p.m. — names and addresses to Miss Cathcart as soon as possible please.

Another Big Fella Chinwag will be held on **Wednesday, 7th June**, at 6.00 p.m. at Headquarters. A fork meal will be served (cost \$4), with discussion starting at 7.15 p.m. Names and addresses to Miss Cathcart please, saying whether or not you wish to participate in the buffet meal.

If you cannot come to either of these Chinwags you can still share your thoughts with us. One item scheduled for discussion is the question of possible male membership and comments on the following proposal will be most welcome:

- “1. Adult males should be permitted to make the Guide Promise and therefore become members of the Association.
2. Adult males may serve as Members of Councils, Committees, Local Association, Unit Helpers or hold State appointments, but not as Guiders or Commissioners.
3. The Association should have two categories of membership for those serving in an adult capacity:
  - (a) Full membership for those who make the Guide Promise;
  - (b) Associate membership for those who accept the basic principles of the Movement but do not wish to make the Guide Promise.”

## DRUG SEMINAR

To help leaders to a greater understanding of the problems associated with the use and abuse of drugs in today's society, a seminar is being arranged by the Scout and Guide Associations. This will be held at the Sheraton Hotel, Spring Street, Melbourne, on **Saturday, 29th April**, from 9.15 a.m.-3.30 p.m. Meals will be provided and there is no conference fee, all costs being borne by the Victorian Foundation on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, which is organising the programme for us. This programme will be of special interest to Ranger Guiders, but all leaders are welcome — apply by forwarding name and address to Guide Headquarters.

## A NEW NAME FOR COMMISSIONERS?

At the Australian Conference of Section Advisers and Trainers held recently it was suggested that the name 'Commissioner' should be changed to 'Leader'. It was thought that a Commissioner leads her district, division, region, state or country in the same way as the Guider leads her pack, company or ranger unit, and the term 'leader' would be more appropriate.

What do you think of this idea? Guiders, would you like to think of your District Commissioner as your District Leader? Commissioners, how do you react to the thought of being called District, Division or Region Leader? We want and need your comments, so please let us know your thoughts before the end of May — comments in writing, please, to the State Secretary.

## A STATE CAMPFIRE — AN INVITATION

In the Guide Section pages of this "Matilda" you will read of the invitation to attend the State Campfire being held during the Australian Patrol Leaders' Gathering, "Jumbunna", at Ballarat on **20th May**. As well as enabling Victorians to share in part of the exciting "Jumbunna" programme, this campfire will provide an opportunity to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. It is fitting that Ballarat, the City of Gold, is to be the venue for this Golden Jubilee happening.

## THE VICTORIAN GUIDE FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

Commissioners and Guiders, have you remembered the Fellowship Scheme which was instigated last year to provide a link for retiring girls and leaders who want to keep in touch with the Movement? Letters outlining the scheme are available without charge from Headquarters and it is suggested that one be passed on to every member who leaves a unit. If you have not shared in this scheme in your area yet, please do so now — it is important that folk unable to continue as active members can still have a link with Guiding if they want it.



## — OUR - LINKS - WITH - SCOUTING —



In last month's "Matilda" a statement of policy concerning combined Guide and Scout activities was given to encourage leaders of both Movements to develop opportunities for the girls and boys to get together in an appropriate way. To facilitate this Ian Downing, the General Secretary of the Scout Association of Australia, Victorian Branch, has prepared for us an outline of Branch organisation and a list of area contacts.

The basic Scout units are the Groups (e.g., 1st Melbourne). These contain the Youth members (Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, Rovers). Not all Scout Groups have each section represented, but most will have Cubs and Scouts. The Groups, which are led by Group Leaders, are formed into Scout Districts each under a District Commissioner, and conform to Shire or Municipal territories (except that larger municipalities may have more than one District, e.g., Camberwell North, Camberwell South and Camberwell Central).

The Victorian Branch organisation has some 1000 Groups organised into approximately 100 Districts.

The Scout Districts are formed into Areas or Country Regions. There are five Metropolitan Areas, plus one centred in Geelong and one each centred in Ballarat and Mildura (Sunraysia) respectively. Those Country Districts which are not part of either Geelong, Ballarat or Sunraysia Areas are organised into Country Regions — Western Region, Northern Region and Eastern Region.

The following lists show the name and address of the Area or Regional Commissioner concerned, the address and telephone number of the Area or Regional Office, and the Districts which comprise the Area or Region concerned.

Should a Guider wish to know her nearest Scouter "opposite number" she should look first for the Scout District where she resides, and then make enquiries at the Area or Regional Office concerned (or Area Commissioner where necessary).

For further information about the country Regions, please contact Alan Thompson at Scout Headquarters (384 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, Victoria, 3000 (telephone 347 8044).

### *Bayside Area*

Area Commissioner

Mr D.W. Jones, 58 Bindy Street, Forest Hill, 3131.

Area Office

8th Moorabbin Scout Hall, Ewar Street, Moorabbin, 3189. Telephone: 553 0880.

(Caters for Districts of Bentleigh, Brighton Beach, Brighton East, Chelsea, Cheltenham, Flinders, Frankston, Hobson's Bay, Mordialloc, Mornington, Sandringham, St. Kilda.)

### *East Suburban Area*

Area Commissioner

Mr J.O. Noke, 22 Kerr Street, Blackburn, 3130.

Area Office

909 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, 3124. Telephone: 836 2556.

(Caters for Districts of Blackburn, North Box Hill, South Box Hill, Camberwell Central, Camberwell North, Camberwell South, Croydon, Hawthorn, Nunawading South, Richmond, Ringwood, Lilydale, Nunawading.)

### *Hoadley Area*

Area Commissioner

Sq.-Ldr. W.A. Eacott, 4 Vaina Street, Werribee, 3030.

Area Office

47 Rose Street, Essendon, 3040. Telephone: 337 7327.

(Caters for Districts of Brunswick, Coburg, Djerrivarrh, Essendon, Footscray, Gellibrand, Glenroy, Keilor, Mt. Macedon, Somerton, Sunshine Central, Sunshine, Werribee Plains.)

### *Somers Area*

Area Commissioner

Mr R. Cooper, 4 Valley Road, Mt. Waverley, 3149.

Area Office

125 Station Street, Malvern, 3144. Telephone: 509 1878.

(Caters for Districts of Berwick, Caulfield, Dandenong, Glen Waverley, Knox, Knox West, Malvern, Noble Park, Oakleigh, Oakleigh-Monash, Prahran, Springvale, Waverley, West Waverley.)

### Yarra Batman Area

#### Area Commissioner

Mr T.B. Cook, 2 Carawa Court, Bundoora, 3083.

#### Area Office

179 Burgundy Street, Heidelberg, 3084. Telephone: 45 1753.

(Caters for Districts of Diamond Valley, Doncaster East, Doncaster West, Eltham, Heidelberg, Ivanhoe-Latrobe, Kew, Melbourne, Northcote, Preston, Whittlesea.)

### Ballarat Area

#### Area Commissioner

Mr K. Harris, 405 Morton Street, Ballarat, 3350.

#### Area Office

3 Creswick Road, Ballarat, 3350. Telephone: (053) 31 3672.

(Caters for Districts of Eureka, Golden South, Loddon, Wendouree.)

### Geelong Area

#### Area Commissioner

Mr G.J. Taylor, 90 Reigate Road, Highton, 3216.

#### Area Office

33 Myers Street, Geelong, 3220. Telephone: (052) 21 6442.

(Caters for Districts of Barwon, Bellarine, Corio, Geelong City, Moorabool, Otway Plains, Three Rivers.)

### Sunraysia Area

#### Area Commissioner

Mr R.B. Eames, 271 Wade Avenue, Mildura, 3500.

#### Area Office

39 Langtree Avenue, Mildura, 3500. Telephone: (050) 23 0828.

(Caters for Districts of Mildura, Red Cliffs, Robinvale, Wentworth.)

### Eastern Region

#### Regional Commissioner

Mr N. Lee, 20 Baird Street, Ashburton, 3147.

#### Regional Office

Scout Association of Australia, Victorian Branch, 384 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, 3000. Telephone: 347 8044.

(Caters for Districts of Alpine, Donna Buang, McDonald, McMillan, Mitchell River, Powlett, Promontory, Snowy River, Sherbrooke Forest, Strzelecki, Tarago, Tarwin, Toomuc, Traralgon, Westernport.)

### Northern Region

#### Regional Commissioner

Col. G. Palmer, 140 Mountain View Parade, Macleod West, 3085.

#### Regional Office

Scout Association of Australia, Victorian Branch, 384 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, 3000. Telephone: 347 8044.

(Caters for Districts of Broken River, Caleana, Campaspe, Fortuna, Goulburn Valley, Koorawatha, Moira, Murray Valley, Northern, Ovens River, Rodney, Upper Goulburn, Upper Murray, Whipstick, Yullaba.)

### Western Region

#### Regional Commissioner

Mr G.A. Park, 95 Settlement Road, Belmont, 3216.

#### Regional Office

Scout Association of Australia, Victorian Branch, 384 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, 3000. Telephone: 347 8044.

(Caters for Districts of Arapiles, Emu, Grampians-Pyrenees, Kara Kara, Lowan, Mount Hope, South Western, Surry River, Swan, Wannon, Wimmera, Wyperfield.)

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## AN INVITATION TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE GUIDE AND SCOUT MOVEMENTS

to join in an Ecumenical Service to celebrate

### ST. GEORGE'S DAY

at St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne,

on Friday, 21st April, 1978, at 7.30 p.m.

Please be seated by 7.15 p.m. for hymn practice.

Colour bearers (no escorts) will assemble in Cathedral grounds (next to Clark Rubber Company in Flinders Street) at 7.00 p.m.

## OUR FOUNDER SAID . . .



"A Scout is active in doing good,  
not passive in being good."

# JOINT SCOUT and GUIDE HALLS

From time to time the question of building a joint Scout and Guide Hall is raised, particularly in these days of high building costs and the desire on the part of the Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation for facilities to be shared wherever possible. Personnel considering such a venture are asked to study carefully the following statement which expresses a general policy of both Scout and Guide Associations in this matter.

As circumstances throughout the State vary enormously, each case must be assessed on its own merits, but as a general rule:

1. The building of a joint hall to serve the interests of members of both Associations is acceptable in small country communities where the number of Guide and Scout units that would be using that hall is too small to warrant separate buildings and major increases in membership are highly unlikely.
2. Joint ownership is not usually favoured in the metropolitan area because of the problems that are likely to arise as circumstances change. Experience has shown that, as the needs of each Association vary, there are either insufficient suitable meeting times for both Associations or that one or other group makes unreasonable demands and as time passes the initial enthusiasm of the Scout Group Committee or the Guide Local Association is apt to change with changes in personnel and there are also likely to occur changes in the relative strength of the relevant Guide and Scout units using the hall.

Changes in the relevant financial resources of each Association at local level can also create difficulties unforeseen at the commencement of the building programme.

When thought is *first* given to the possibility of having a joint Scout and Guide Hall in any district and before any fund raising for the purpose is undertaken it is *essential* for both the Scout Group and the Guide District to seek the approval of their respective State Headquarters. It is emphasised that approval of both State Headquarters must be received before proceeding with any joint fund raising, building plans or land seeking.

If approval is given for a joint Scout-Guide Hall by both Associations the following conditions must be observed:

1. The proposed hall must be designed not only to meet the existing needs of the two Associations but also to provide for reasonable expansion over the next few years.
2. The title, lease, licence or permissive occupancy in respect of the land on which the proposed hall would be erected must be in the joint names of the Scout Association (Victorian Branch) and the Girl Guides Association, Victoria. This requirement is essential because each Movement is incorporated by Act of Parliament and only the corporate body of each Association is empowered to hold property.
3. A lease, licence or permissive occupancy must contain a clause permitting the removal of the building on the termination of the occupancy.
4. A clearly defined agreement must be drawn up with regard to the use of the building by both the Scout Group and the Guide District concerned. This should cover the hours of use, the days, the nights and weekend use available to each Movement. This agreement must also set out the financial responsibilities of the Scout Group and the Guide District in relation to the upkeep and maintenance of the building as well as the payment for services such as electricity supplied to the hall. In all cases this agreement must be in writing to avoid the misunderstandings which can arise with changes of personnel and the passage of time where the agreement has been verbal. It is satisfactory for the agreement to take the form of a written memorandum setting out the terms agreed upon, a copy of which is to be held by the Scout Group Committee and the Girl Guides Local Association and a copy of which should also be sent to the respective State Headquarters of both Movements.
5. In all cases where land is in the joint names of the two Associations a joint deed of trust under which a local committee of management or custodians are appointed by the Executive Committee of both Associations must be executed.

The committee of management or custodians thus appointed are the Group Scoutmaster of the Scout Group for the time being, or if there shall be no Group Scoutmaster, the senior Scouter in the Scout Group for the time being, the President and Secretary of the Scout Group Committee for the time being, together with the Guide District Commissioner for the time being or if there shall be no District Commissioner, the Division Commissioner for the time being of the Division of which the District forms part, and the President and Secretary of the Girl Guide Local Association for the time being.

In normal circumstances it is usually preferable for one Association or the other to be the owners and managers of the hall and to make provision for the other Association to occupy the building at certain times by arrangement, normally by the payment of a weekly or annual rent. In these circumstances the local unit of the Association owning the hall is solely responsible for the capital costs, annual rental of land, maintenance, improvements, repairs, insurance, etc., and the arrangements for occupancy including the appropriate rent to be paid by the other Association can be varied simply and easily from time to time as necessary. In such cases it is also essential that the arrangements entered into should be recorded in writing and a copy kept by each Association.

In any area where a hall is to be built for use by both Associations, the appropriate personnel should contact their respective Headquarters early in their planning for help and advice, which will be readily forthcoming.

*Get-together and have fun*

at

### **"JAMBORELLA 1"**

*to be held at Gilwell Park, Gembrook,  
28th December, 1978, to 5th January, 1979  
for 500 Guides and 500 Scouts.*

To be eligible, Guides must be 11 to 14 years of age at the time of Camp and have camped under canvas as a Guide.

Guiders will be selected to staff this camp and we would like to hear from anyone who would be interested in helping. It is expected that staff members will be able to bring some of the Guides in their units, provided they are eligible to attend.

Please send details to Mrs Vicki Trembath (Assistant Camp Chief), C/o Guide Headquarters, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne, 3000.

Watch May "Matilda" for further information.



### **CALLED TO HIGHER SERVICE Miss Clare Broadhurst**

Members of the Movement whose service goes back a number of years will remember with warm affection Clare Broadhurst, one of Guiding's greatest contributors, who died in February.

It would require a full issue of "Matilda" to list adequately the many jobs Clare undertook for the Guide Movement during her long period of service which spanned 50 years — Extensions, Lones, Equipment, Camping, Training, Development — Clare helped further Guiding in all these departments, giving to each her keen mind and inspired leadership.

Other States as well as Victoria benefited from all that Clare had to give. As Australian Training Adviser from 1959 to 1966 she gave tremendous impetus to training, laying the strong foundations on which training at national level is now established.

Clare received the Silver Fish for her outstanding service to the Movement in 1960.

Those of us who knew and worked with Clare will long remember her for her personal qualities — her complete faith in Guiding and her capacity to inspire that same faith in others, her warmth and genuine interest in people, her delightful sense of humour and sense of fun.

Some of Clare's friends will be meeting together in the Fitzroy Gardens (meet near Captain Cook's Cottage or at Guide Headquarters if wet) on Saturday, 6th May, at 11.00 a.m. for a Guides' Own — a thanksgiving which will take the form of memories of Clare. Everyone who knew and loved Clare is invited to share in this gathering.



# THE STAFF TEAM AT HEADQUARTERS

## PART 2

"Are you being served?" This question may bring a smile to your lips if you are addicted to "the box" and enjoyed the comedy series of this name last year. But traditionally it signifies the sales person's willingness to help a shop customer. That specific question may not be directed to each customer at the Guide Shop, but the sales assistants have it in mind and genuinely try to serve you in the full sense of the word.

Who do you meet in the Guide Shop? Behind the counter you may find Margaret Denis, (Mrs) Jackie Hughes, (Mrs) Jackie Nicol or Jean Parkin. Jean, Margaret and Jackie Nicol are active Leaders in Guide units and Jackie Hughes (who has made her Guide Promise) has been with us for many years, so this team has a good understanding of everyone's requirements. On Saturday mornings you may meet Maida Harrison, a former Guider, who helps us then.

Our mail orders are despatched by (Mrs) Marie Hobbins or (Mrs) Helena Guselev, two part-time members of staff. They do their best to post your orders back to you on the same day as they are received.



**MRS MARCIE FERGUSON**

Overseeing our Shop are (Mrs) Marcie Ferguson and (Mrs) Dalma Whinney, both have worked with us for many years. As well as looking after the general management of the Shop, Dalma is responsible for all items of uniform, and Marcie deals with all other stock.

In these days of high costs, poor workmanship and uncertain supplies, their job of having everything you want to buy on hand is not an easy one, but they have the Movement's interests at heart and do their best to see that your requirements are adequately met.

There are many ways in which you can help the Shop staff to give efficient and courteous service—

If parents are purchasing uniforms be sure they have a detailed list of what to buy, for instance, what colour Guide tie, which Brownie Six emblem, etc. You would be surprised how often parents ask for a Guide uniform and leave the sales assistant guessing as to the exact requirements.

If you purchase by mail be sure to give full details of your needs, charging instructions and a complete postal address for the return of the parcel.

Goods may be returned if unsatisfactory for any reason, but only within 21 days from date of purchase. Any faults should be reported without delay.

The procedure concerning items requiring the presentation of an appropriate authority, e.g., warrant card or badge certificate, is constantly being reviewed and we are doing all we can to minimise this sort of paper work and the frustration that it can cause if shoppers are not adequately briefed or prepared. If someone is shopping for a restricted item for you, please be sure he or she has whatever authority is required so that the purchase can be made on the spot. An appropriate authority is needed to have items charged to a metropolitan Local Association account.

If you have any bright ideas concerning items that it would be helpful to leaders to have in the Shop, please let us know. Suggestions are always welcome.

The Guide Shop is able to render personal service to members in Geelong and Ballarat. The Geelong Depot at 33 Myers Street, run by (Mrs) Marian Ganly, is open on Wednesdays 1.00 p.m.-5.00 p.m., Fridays 12 noon-4.00 p.m. and Saturdays 9.30 a.m.-11.00 a.m. In Ballarat Guide items are now sold

through the Scout Shop at 3 Creswick Road on weekdays 12 noon-5.00 p.m. and 9.00 a.m.-11.30 a.m. on Saturdays.



Miss PEG BARR — State Secretary

Whether serving behind the counter of the Shop, pounding a typewriter, answering the telephone, or fulfilling any of the other hundreds of tasks carried out at 20 Russell Street, to help keep the Movement moving, all members of staff do their best to give friendly and efficient service. Are YOU being served? We hope so.

—PEG BARR.

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## STATE COMMISSIONER'S LETTER

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the last Conference Victorians made some wonderful gifts for me to take — some units again may like to make small, light, typically Australian gifts for others to take to Iran. If you do, these could come to Victorian Headquarters and we will pass them on. Do please put name, unit and address on them though.

While thinking of the Conference I am sure you would all like to know that the theme is 'Lighting a Torch for Youth' — taken from the picture in the paper at the time of our Mini-Olympics and submitted to the World Association on behalf of Australia.

My love and best wishes to you all.

*Joan E. Grimwade*

## A SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The Spastic Society is enlisting support from the community for its various programmes of fund-raising, public education and recreation during 1978, and it is thought that some members of the Guides' Association may care to help in some of the following ways:

### Fund Raising

Individuals or groups as a whole are needed to collect used stamps and aluminium foil for the Society, or to make and donate handcrafted items which may either be used by children and adults at their Centres or sold through their handcrafts shop to raise funds to assist the Society's work.

### Public Education

Invite a Society speaker to give a talk and show their newest film "Help Me Find Myself" to any interested group. The Society's speakers are often able to visit quite remote country districts as well as all metropolitan areas, but where this is not possible they can always send a copy of the film to be used by the group.

The aim of the Public Education programme is to encourage the understanding and acceptance of handicapped people within the community as a whole, and by young people in particular. The talk and film and subsequent discussions are always interesting and enlightening, and the service is willingly provided without charge or obligation.

### Recreation

Guides or Rangers may be interested in assisting in some way with the Society's recreation programme. This is organised by Society workers to provide Spastic teenagers and adults with a greater variety of indoor and outdoor occupations during their leisure time. Many of them are enthusiastic about such activities as camping and excursions, hobbies and handcrafts and all kinds of entertainment, but their particular wish is for the companionship of non-handicapped young people, who might also find the involvement rewarding.

*If you or your unit wish to help, please contact Miss J.M. Green, Spastic Children's Society of Victoria, 795 Malvern Road, Toorak, 3142 (Telephone: 24 9862).*



# SUPPLEMENTARY



# ACTIVITIES

## SAC ON THE BEAT

A meeting for all Supplementary Activities Region Representatives will be held at Headquarters on Saturday, 22nd April, at 10.00 a.m. This purposely coincides with the International Workshop so country people will have someone with whom to travel to and from Melbourne.

## "MOVING ON"

### APPLICATION FORM

NAME.....

AGE.....

ADDRESS.....

TELEPHONE NUMBER.....

UNIT.....

SPORTS WHICH INTEREST YOU.....

.....

.....

SPORTS YOU PLAY.....

.....

.....

STANDARD ACHIEVED, e.g., School team, Club Sport, State team.....

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.....

### PARENT PERMISSION:

I am willing for my daughter..... to attend the MOVING ON Sports Camp and enclose a deposit fee of \$15.00.

SIGNED.....

Parent/Guardian

Please mail application form with deposit fee to Mrs M. McLean, 2 Wyatt Street, Seaford, 3198 no later than 25th April.

## "THE ROUND UP"

It is a Horse Riding weekend for interested Guides and Ranger Guides to be held on 10th and 11th June at Lo Lodge, Lewis Road, Wandin.

Number limited to 50.

Fee — \$25.00 — includes riding lessons, grooming, care of horse, food and accommodation.

Transport — Please provide your own transport to arrive at Lo Lodge on Friday evening and to leave on Sunday evening.

## ROUND UP

### APPLICATION FORM

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

TELEPHONE NUMBER.....

UNIT.....

HEIGHT.....

WEIGHT.....

### HORSERIDING EXPERIENCE:

- Beginner.....
- Ridden once or twice (please give details).....
- Ridden regularly for at least one year (please give details).....

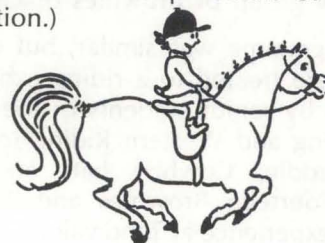
### PARENT'S PERMISSION:

I am willing for my daughter..... to attend Round Up and enclose \$25.00 fee.

.....(SIGNED)

Please mail application form with fee to Mrs M. McLean, 2 Wyatt Street, Seaford, 3198. Applications close 20th May.

(Lo Lodge is fully approved by the Education Department and the Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation.)



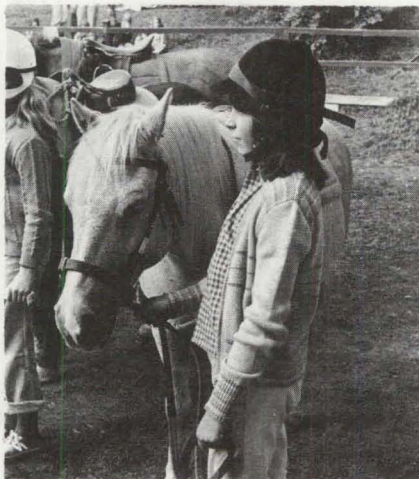


## Horse Riding with SAC

In July last year SAC asked all those interested to answer a questionnaire concerning suggested activities to be run in 1978. Those units interested in Horseriding finally had the opportunity to ride in March.

It was a misty, grey morning, and at Tandivale Equestrian Centre ten Brownies arrived at 8.00 a.m. for their riding experience.

They learned how to groom a horse, feed him and generally take care of him, and what to do regarding general safety.



Then came the great moment — an actual ride on horseback. First, of course, one had to learn how to put on the bridle and saddle, and to mount and dismount correctly. Riding took place in the ring only, and mostly at a walk, although some managed riding at the trot. Games of Tag and Follow the Leader (at walking pace only) were played for fun, to help the youngsters steer and control the horses. When the ride was finished the girls were taken to feed the horses in the paddocks.

By 10.00 a.m. it was a beautiful sunny day, and remained so for most of the afternoon. Every 2½ hours a new group of Brownies or Guides arrived.

Their programme was similar, but on two occasions we were treated to a riding exhibition in full habit, given by senior students of the school. Trotting, cantering and Western Riding (complete with Western Saddle, Cowboy hats and boots and schapps). Fourteen Brownies and 24 Guides enjoyed their experience at Tandivale.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch (literally) on a private property run by Mr and Mrs Belcher, 15 Guides from Beaumaris were enjoying their riding experience. After grooming, bridling and saddling, they mounted and were led by a team of helpers to the riding ring. Here the majority managed not only walking, but trotting and cantering as well.

From comments we heard, most would have liked a longer ride. However, it is important that a first experience of riding is not only a good one, but a safe one as well. This was achieved, and I doubt anyone had to eat her meals from the mantelpiece next day!



### SAC'S THOUGHTS

SAC's grateful thanks go to Mr and Mrs Caulfield and their Senior Instructor (known to all as Mrs W.), plus their Senior Students for their patience and understanding in providing such an enjoyable day.

Our thanks also to Mrs Belcher and her team of helpers for providing such an interesting day.

SAC is concerned that some, who say they will attend an activity, do not show up at all and do not let anyone know they are not coming. This is bad publicity for Guiding, as all the activities are run by outside experts. Lady Baden Powell always kept her word and thus, the first Guide Law. She is the example to follow. In addition, while SAC writes to thank all who helped us, it would be courteous if those attending the activities also wrote to our outside experts so that they know the youngsters have appreciated the time and effort given for them.

All may be interested to know that many of our outside experts waive their professional fee, or provide their expertise at a concessional rate, just for us. Let us see if we can also do our best to keep the 5th Guide Law.

—“SAC”.



# BRITANNIA PARK

It was good to meet members of Swan Hill Local Association when they spent a few days' holiday in Guide House during February. They were kind enough, too, to clean the windows — a Good Turn we very much appreciate. What about other Local Associations having an inexpensive holiday on their own beautiful property?

Guiders — when you arrive at Britannia Park, would you please go yourself to report your arrival to Mrs Fraser, and to receive your keys and anything else she may have for you. Please do not send your Guides to pick up the keys. Naturally, it is *you* Mrs Fraser wants to meet and to know that the keys are safely in *your* hands.

Our thanks to 5th Williamstown Pack, Mrs Marie Stubbs and Findon and Janefield Trefoils who have sent us lovely patchwork rugs for Brownie Cottage. We now have a rug for each bunk and the Committee feels we do not need any more. It has been a magnificent effort and we thank you very much indeed.

What does it mean when birds are migrating early, when rabbits are having their babies early, when foxes are already so hungry, when the holly berries are colouring very early, and when, for the first time to my knowledge (18 years), the laurel trees have borne big black berries like small plums? According to Mr Fraser, who studies these things, it means we are in for a very severe winter, as has just been experienced in the northern Hemisphere. I hope he is wrong, but I doubt it.

All those wonderful people who support the Maintenance Fund — we are shortly using some of that money to buy floor covering in the Bunk Room in Guide House. Do come up and see it. By the way, when you are sending contributions would you please send them direct to Miss Alma Cockerell, 11 Ross Street, Northcote, 3070.

Thank you very much to the following who helped to maintain Britannia Park during January and February.

—PAT GRAY  
(Acting Convener).

## MAINTENANCE FUND

### January

30: Manningham Trefoil Guild.

### February

1: Keilor-Essendon Division.

2: Keilor-Essendon Division.

3: Keilor-Essendon Division.

4: Keilor-Essendon Division.

5: Mrs P. Gray.

6: Ovens Valley Trefoil Guild.

11: 2nd Balwyn Brownie Pack.

13: Thomastown Local Association.

22: 1st Mt. Evelyn Guide Company.

22: 2nd Wheelers Hill Brownie Pack.

26: Northcote East Local Association.

28: Yallourn District Guides.

## LEFT AT BRITANNIA PARK

The following have been left at Britannia Park during the last six months:

Belt and Pouch (S. Kennedy), Denim Hat (H. Sampson), Guide Beret, Guide Handbook (Lisa Bateman), Blue floral material Shoes, Leather Shoes (Angela Garnet), Brownie Beret (unmarked), Brownie Beret (Anne Bowd), Cotton Blanket, fawn, grey and apricot pattern (unmarked). All are at 16 Rowell Avenue, Camberwell. Telephone 82 4661.

—D. HOLTZ.

## FOR SALE

Spinners and Weavers. Perendale fleece. \$1.20 per pound. From Mrs Flora Richardson, "Woorndoo", R.S.D., Mortlake, 3272. Homespun yarn available also.



# AUSTRALIAN POST BOX

Today I received letters from Scotland, Ireland, Norway, South Africa and Canada. They all gave me the names of Guides and Rangers who want to write to Australia. Every week I receive many such letters.

I already had the names of nearly two hundred girls waiting for links with Australian girls. They are from fifteen countries and their ages range from 10½ to 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 22 years. Not all members of the Movement are Rangers at the same age as Australians, but does that matter if ages match? On my outstanding list I have the names of several English Guides who have been waiting for nearly a year for pen friends.

Not all countries want to write to Australia, but some of the secretaries of other countries ask me why more of our Guides and Rangers do not want to have pen friends. Recently Rhodesia has asked for Australian requests.

A lot of our girls do want to write and have made good friendships. I know of several who have met their pen friends when travelling overseas. But most countries in the World Association have greater numbers of requests than Australia has.

It is not compulsory to have a pen friend for Guide Knowledge Badge, but a lot of Guides find it easy to learn about guiding in another country if they do have one. It is a good idea for a Guide to start writing to a pen friend when she is quite young and then her friend's country could be one of the countries of her choice for the badge.

Brownies who are capable of writing a clear letter and of maintaining a regular correspondence can sometimes be given a pen friend. This would be more likely to apply to an older Brownie and needs to be checked by her Guider. Brownie Packs can be linked with English-speaking overseas Packs.

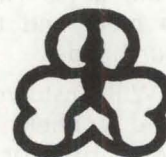
Perhaps Leaders need a reminder in their Guiding diaries to mention pen friends regularly to their units. Having a pen friend is a wonderful way to increase international knowledge and to truly feel "a sister to all Guides". I would be very happy to receive a constant flow of requests and so would the girls who are always waiting for Australian links.

It is a shame that so many English-speaking girls are waiting and perhaps our Australian girls do not realise that this is so.

If our girls would be willing to write to one or more of those waiting for a pen friend of a similar age, please ask them to write to their State Post Box Secretary, Mrs A. Blackburn, Lowland Farm, Box 19, P.O., Macedon, 3440.

Remember, please, that the State Post Box Secretary will require the name of the girl requesting a pen friend, name of her unit, her address, and date of birth, and a stamped and addressed envelope.

—C. WILLIAMSON,  
Australian Post Box Secretary.



## DRUG SEMINAR

A one-day Seminar will be held for Leaders of the Guide and Scout Associations on *Saturday, 29th April*, in the Banquet Room, Sheraton Hotel, 13 Spring Street, Melbourne.

The programme for this day has been prepared in collaboration with the Victorian Foundation on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence and a stimulating day is assured.

The main purpose of the Seminar is to enable Leaders within our Movements to gain a realistic insight into the drug problem in Victoria and the causal factors associated with adolescent drug use. It will also help them to gain confidence in dealing with cases of suspected drug use and be able to act in a responsible and helpful manner in such situations.

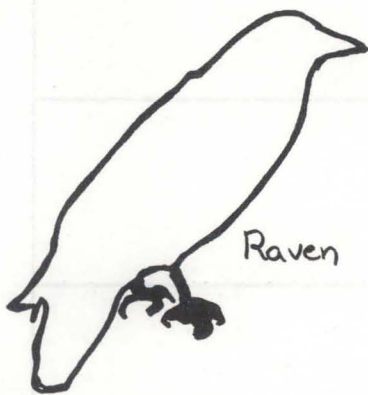
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*Cost:* Nil.

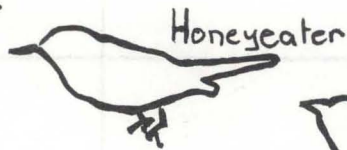
*Applications:* Names and addresses to State Secretary, Guide Headquarters, as soon as possible.



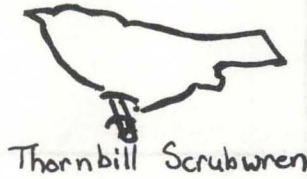
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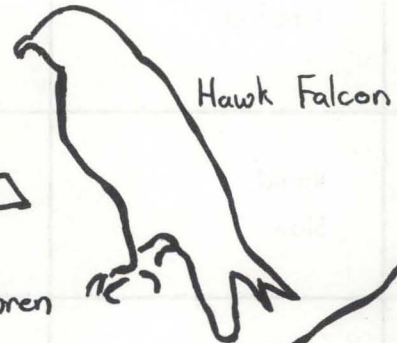
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Honeyeater



Thornbill Scrubwren



Hawk Falcon



Magpie hawks



Fairy Wren

## ABOUT BIRDS

Look at the different birds you see around you where you live.

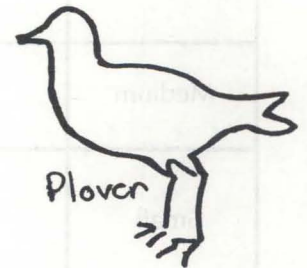
- Notice how they behave.
- How many different kinds can you see?
- Can you identify them?
- What do they eat?
- Do they come and go?
- Or do they stay around the same place?
- Are they timid?
- How close can you get to them?
- Have you seen their nests? Their eggs?
- What colour are their eggs?



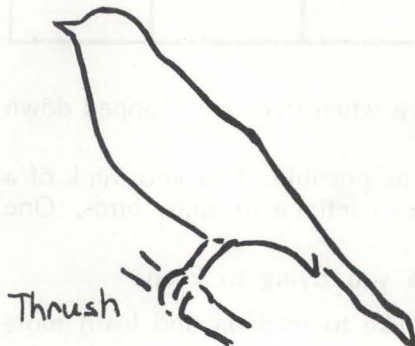
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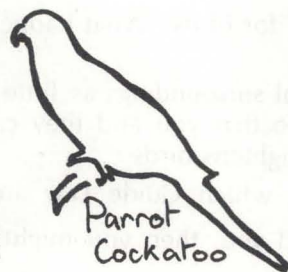
Magpie Currawong



Plover



Thrush



Parrot Cockatoo



Flycatcher Robin



Kingfisher Kookaburra

Birds are probably the most easily seen of our wildlife. Some are colourful, others are not. Fill in these charts and see if there is a pattern.

	BIRDS	COLOURFUL	DRAB
F E E D I N G	Ground Middle bushes Tree tops		
F L I G H T	Rapid Slow		
S I Z E	Sparrow size Pigeon size Bigger		

Food is important. See if you can find any relationship between food and size of bird and where they live.

TYPE OF BIRD	Flying Insects	Flowers	Ground insects	Seeds	Other
Large					
Medium					
Small					

### WHAT CAN WE DO?

Plants provide food, shelter and ground cover for birds. What happens when trees are chopped down and underbrush is cleared away?

We must be very careful to disturb our natural surroundings as little as possible. Can you think of a set of rules that you would like others to follow so that you and they can continue to enjoy birds. One thing to remember, for example, is that NOISE frightens birds.

If you always try to follow these rules yourself, which Guide Law are you trying to keep?

If these ideas for Lone Guides have interested you, then you might like to read on and learn more about Lone Lore . . .



## FIVE MINUTE EMERGENCY!

The mother of a girl of five has to go to hospital suddenly. You are asked to go to her house alone and find and pack a suitcase for the child to take to her grandmother for a week.

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Write down a list of what you would pack and the first and second place where you would look for each article.

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This is the sort of thing any Guide should be able to help with. It will help you to prepare for your Child Nurse badge, too!



## HELP HELP HELP HELP HELP

"There's a poor man lying unconscious by the roadside near Hill House — he's bleeding terribly! We think his leg is broken. We saw the back of a car going towards Noojee — it must have hit him!!"

This is how two very agitated old ladies greet you as you and your hiking friend come round a bend in the road. It is late afternoon on a cold September day. You are both strangers to the district. There are no houses nearby except Hill House, which is an unoccupied holiday house, and the old ladies' cottage, which has no electricity or telephone. You deduce from your map that Noojee is about 10 kilometres away.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

Send your answers to me.

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This has been a popular activity with Ranger units. Some of the answers can read like a first-class detective story; others have tackled the situation more calmly! The interesting points to watch for are:

- What did they do first?
- How did they get help?
- How did they cope with the old ladies?
- How did they use their commonsense and powers of observation (and imagination and ingenuity)?

## LONE LORE

Have you ever wondered just how a Lone Unit operates?

Have you ever thought about just how a Lone Guider manages to 'get across' her Unit meeting to girls who often live many hundreds of miles distant, not only from her but also from each other?

Have you ever tried to 'adapt' one of your Unit meetings so that it could be just as much fun for a girl reaching for it out of her mail-box as for the girls you see every week?

Let's see! Just how does a Lone Unit operate?

All the work is done by correspondence, and the spirit of a Unit meeting must be conveyed by this means. A monthly meeting is compiled by the Guider with the help of her Assistant and contributions from the girls themselves.

Sometimes the Unit meeting is sent to each Lone Patrol and is passed around, one to another, each one keeping it not longer than three or four days, taking a copy of what she needs from it, and then posting it on to the next one on the mailing list. In some Units an individual copy of the meeting is sent to each girl.

It is, in fact, an 'active' Unit meeting transferred as nearly as possible on to paper, with many illustrations to demonstrate the ideas and challenges suggested. It is not a magazine, the pages of which are decorated for the girl's amusement, nor is it something for the girl to read by the fire or relaxing on her bed, but it is something intended to illustrate Guiding so that she will be stimulated to try things for herself, to send her out into the open making her do things and go looking for exciting adventure. The mediums used are paper, and/or slides, cassettes, and the Guider's imagination and ingenuity. In fact, anything that will make Guiding more interesting and absorbing for each girl. As it is received only once a month, there needs to be more work in it than would be included in an ordinary weekly meeting.

While encouraging each Lone to find out all she can about everything herself, the Lone Guider is always in the background ready to help when asked or to tell a girl from what sources she can obtain further information. Of necessity, Lones simply HAVE to consult and use their Handbooks regularly.

Let's compare an outline of a 'Lone' meeting with that of an 'Active' meeting:

ACTIVE MEETING	LONE MEETING
Opening	Cover — contains unit name, date and some type of illustration. Page 1 — contents or programme (can include illustration and/or thought or poem to be shared relevant to the 'theme' of the meeting).
Roll Call	Roll Call page — in which each girl records dates meeting is received and passed on.
Inspection	Inspection — may include a question re personal cleanliness or tidiness to be answered.
Active game	Directions for game that the girl can try with her family or friends.
Six or Patrol Discussion Time	Mailbag — extracts from girls' letters — they like to know what each other girl does. Guider's and Assistant's letters. Sixer's or Patrol Leader's letter. Notice Board — reports — general items. Ranger Circular and Central fixtures. Challenge suggestions — things to do. Comments on challenges already attempted. Something on the Movement, local and/or international. Lones like to feel that they are part of a great Movement.
Challenge learning activity	Learning activities outlined and contributed by Guider and/or Assistant.
Game involving practice of skills	An activity or activities involving practising of new skills or previously learnt skills and/or revision of last month's work.
Challenging activity	A competition and/or puzzle to work out. Outline of each girl's contribution on a previous discussion topic. Suggestion for next discussion topic.
Prayers	Devotional item contributed by unit members in turn.
Closing	Anecdote or story or song, etc., contributed by each member in turn.

Of course, you may not always include all of these in every meeting. It depends on what the girls wish to do. Lones similarly may decide to vary the format of their meeting. They are always encouraged to contribute in any way they can. They create their own cover designs, and send illustrated 'headings' for the various pages of their 'meeting'.



# LOCAL



# ASSOCIATION SECTION

## Thought for the Month

"Happiness does not come from doing what we like to do, but from liking what we have to do."

## Annual Meetings

The Annual Meeting Season will be upon most of us before we know it. Have you

- decided the date and booked the venue?
- approached a chairman?
- invited your really important guests far enough in advance (local Member of Parliament, Mayor and Mayoress, a member of the Headquarters team, your Region and Division Commissioners, a representative from the District Scouts, etc.?)
- given your Guiders lots of notice and a say in the planning, so that they and the girls can take part — it is *their* annual meeting too;
- decided on your drawcard to get all the parents along — a speaker with family appeal, a film, a campfire, supper, etc.?
- approached Public Relations Department at Headquarters to borrow some of their splendid displays?
- planned your reports in time for printing?  
You have! Marvellous! Have a happy night!

## Local Association Service

Is "service to others" seen by the Guiding members of your family as a joy and a privilege or as a grim chore to be avoided if possible? Or maybe as something in between? I think we all know girls who fit into these categories. So how can we, as Local Association members, encourage the "grim" ones to progress to a happier frame of mind?

That magnificent and brilliant man, Dr. Albert Schweitzer, once said, "Example is not the main thing in influencing others. It is the **ONLY** thing", and he gave the rest of his life in service to others in the jungles of Africa. Well, we cannot all make it to the jungle, but what kind of service does your Local Association do in the name of Guiding . . . and how many of your members would fit into the above categories also?

Part of our job as Local Association members is to carry the message of Guiding into the community at large. How better can we do this than by tackling

community projects together in the name of Guiding: serving meals at the Elderly Citizens' Centre (not as Mary Jones, but as a member of your Local Association team), or Red Cross Calling (again not as Mary Jones, but as the required escort for two otherwise hesitant Guides), to name just the two areas in which my own Local Association is involved (although in ever diminishing numbers — big sigh!).

Could we hear from Local Associations who have found ways and means of keeping Guiding to the fore in this way in their own communities and who are at the same time providing their Guides and Rangers with examples of happy service?

## Three One-Hour Lectures to Try

*Entertaining can be fun* — designed to take the worry out of entertaining — presentation of foods, cooking ideas and table setting — and introducing new products on the market.

*Making the most of yourself* — introduces you to various hobbies and outdoor pursuits as well as beauty care and grooming.

*Time to travel* — sets out to help new and old travellers on all budgets, with hints on forward planning, how to save and travel gear. No charge, but a minimum of 30 in the audience is required. Speakers are available at all times and there is no direct selling of products. Contact Judy Willing Public Relations, 26 Lisson Grove, Hawthorn, 3122. Telephone 81 4521.

## RECIPE CORNER

### Jelly Slice

*Base* — Combine ½ lb. (225gr.) of sweet biscuit crumbs with 6 oz. (185 gr.) of melted butter or margarine and press into swiss roll tin. Chill.

*Lemon layer* — Combine 400 gr. can Condensed milk, juice of two lemons, and 2 teaspoons gelatine dissolved in ¾ cup of boiling water. Spread over base and chill until set.

*Topping* — Make up 1 pkt. red jelly crystals with 1-1/3rd cups boiling water. Cool before pouring over slice. Chill until set. Cuts very cleanly into larger squares for dessert or small pieces for a coffee accompaniment.

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Please send contributions for this section to Mrs W. Pye, 31 Kerferd Street, East Malvern, 3145.



## What is happening in the GUIDE SECTION?

### July is Guide Section Promotion Month!

Commissioners, Leaders, Parents, Local Association and Trefoil Guild Members—

In 1975 there were 13,529 Guides in Victoria. In 1977 there were only 11,170. Some of these went to Ranger Guides, i.e., Ranger Guides membership increased from 807 in 1975 to 1481 in 1977, but where did the rest go? If we think Guiding is worthwhile then we are the ones who have to "sell" it.

For our members, the Section is encouraging participation through the Olave Patrol challenge and the State Campfire at Jumbunna (see later).

For those who are not yet members, we would like the Guide Section to make a concerted effort to show girls and adults what they are missing by helping make July a special "Promotion Month".

There are still areas with long waiting lists because they lack adult leaders — but there are also hundreds of companies operating well below potential membership and could accept many more Guide-aged girls.

What needs selling in your area? Start planning now so that, in July, all over Victoria there will be displays in banks, shopping centres, libraries, etc., extolling the Guide Section. If it is girls you are seeking, ask the Guides what has attracted them, and with them make these points the basis of the display. If leaders are your aim, think what encourages you to stay, and feature that.

How about 'open-door' meetings and activities? Companies can take their friends hiking; go to the local school and invite the 5th and 6th grade to a special Guide meeting (and do not forget the Brownies). Country television may even show what the local Guides do. If girls and adults do not meet us, experience what we do, then how will they ever know what they are missing?

We are looking into the possibility of having car stickers, and will have a "motif" which the Guides will be able to screen print onto shirts and bags, or draw onto books and into displays.

Whether July promotes the Guide Section, or slips through like any other month, is up to US — the members of the Guide Section.

### Jumbunna Campfire

Saturday, 20th May, at Ballarat.

All Guides and their Leaders are invited to come to Ballarat on 20th May. Make your own arrangements to come by car, bus, train, bike, horse, foot or . . . ???? Come when you like for there is plenty to see — the lake, gardens, Sovereign Hill, Eureka and much more. Bring your meal and eat it by the lake?

The campfire starts at 7.00 p.m. There are no seats, so girls and leaders need to bring ground-sheets and arrive early enough to claim some grass (or floor) on which to sit. As the Guide motto is "Be Prepared" we have two venues. With reasonable weather we will be happily singing to the sky at the Sound Shell in the North Gardens, off Gillies Street. If it rains we have the Drill Hall in Curtis Street, between Peel and Grenville Streets. Both areas have ample parking for cars and buses.

When you arrive in Ballarat, if the weather is doubtful, you can check on the venue by telephoning 32 4270 or 32 4787.

Here is a terrific opportunity for all Victorian Guides to be part of the Australian Patrol Leaders' Gathering (Jumbunna) and to meet girls from all Australian States. There is room for everyone, and the trip to Ballarat, be it from Myrtleford, Maryborough or Melbourne, would be added excitement for the Guides.

See you at Jumbunna.

—YVONNE JAMES.





EXCITING NEWS FROM THE CAMPING  
DEPARTMENT

**CAMP "PATANGA"**  
**(a place of Gum Trees)**

will be held at  
BRITANNIA PARK

12th-19th JANUARY, 1979

GUIDERS PLEASE NOTE that this camp will be open to ALL GUIDES. Guides are to apply in their own handwriting to:

State Camping Adviser,  
C/o Girl Guides Association,  
20 Russell Street,  
Melbourne, 3000,

stating age, company, region and Guiding experience.

*Closing Date* — 30th June, 1978.

Cost of Camp: \$45.00.

Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope for the return of an application form. If a stamped addressed envelope is not enclosed — there will be no reply.

If the number of applications exceeds the 780 places available, places will be allotted on a Region basis and a limit of 30 per Region may have to be imposed. Preference will be given to girls who have an 8 point badge.

Country Guides will need to be in Melbourne the day before camp for an early departure, and will need to remain in Melbourne the night the camp closes. You may stay with a family friend or ask for hospitality.



**CAMP RUSH**

Guides and Ranger Guides from Otway Region are busy preparing for their Region camp to be held at "Talindert".

Camp "Rush" will represent a goldminers' tent town with its own fire brigade, safety patrol and "apothecary" — namely guides who hold the relevant Firefighter Camper and First Aid badges.

Local Associations throughout the Region are helping with preparations of arm bands, little bags for the girls' daily "pay", "gold nuggets" and even a special Camp "Rush" flag.

Enthusiasm is high as the girls are designing their own camp scarves and brushing up on history in order to be able to answer questions on the gold-rush era as part of their challenges.

A highlight of visitors' day will be the singing of a new song, "Australia Day", whose composers — two young Melbourne men — have taken a great interest in proceedings.

Don Fraser and Peter Jennings had the pleasure of hearing their song used as promotion for Australia Day on television, and are looking forward to the Guides using their composition as part of an official welcome ceremony for visitors, when the campers will be dressed in 1878 costume.

—ANNE FRASER.

**AUSTRALIA DAY**

In January sunshine that twenty-sixth day,  
leather boots crossed the warm golden sand,

By the flag they knelt, was the breeze that they felt  
Our first breath as a new British land?

But other eyes watched from the shoreline through  
blue mist that came with the dawn,

They would now need to share — all the tribes  
that were there

Since the dreamtime when this land was born.

Waken Australia to a new dawn,

Shake your bonds, seek your goal, find your  
way,

Take a new look outside, rediscover your pride  
On this our Australia Day.

Many have come since from faraway shores with  
new cultures, new thoughts and new ways,

And their will and endeavour has meant that for-  
ever new patterns are moulding our race.

Come brothers and sisters, wherever you be, feel  
the power as united we stand,

Southern Cross is our sign, a bright path yours and  
mine,

Our futures in each other's hand.

# RANGERING AROUND

## RANGER GUIDE LEADERS' CONFERENCE

WHEN: 8th July, from 9.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.  
 WHERE: Y.W.C.A., 489 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne.

Have you attended a Ranger Guide Leaders' Conference? Well, here is a chance! And you will be comfortable and warm — and have a stimulating day — so come and meet old friends and make new ones, talk, discuss and listen — PARTICIPATE. Open to all Ranger Guide Leaders and Ranger Consultants. Applications will be in May Circular.

## RANGER SECTION ANNUAL DINNER

On Saturday, 8th July, at 7.00 p.m. at Hotel Australia.

For ALL Ranger Guides, Rangers and Ranger Guide Leaders and Ranger Consultants. Do not miss this wonderful opportunity to relax and enjoy a lovely meal in pleasant surroundings after the Ranger Guide Leaders' Conference. Contact Mrs Heather Barton for further information (telephone 232 1098). Applications for tickets will be in the May Circular.

## SPECIAL NOTICE FOR ALL REGION COUNCILS

Send before 10th June the name and address of your Representative for Central Committee for the coming year to the Conference Committee to facilitate arrangements for the coming 12 months . . . send to Jane Eddy, 30 Grammatan Street, Beaumaris, 3193.

## STATE-A-THON FOR ANTI-CANCER COUNCIL

Please send late donations to the Ranger Adviser, Mrs G. Twist, at Girl Guide Headquarters, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne, 3000.

## APRIL ACTION

Ranger Guides, Rangers and Ranger Guide Leaders, now is the time to get moving and raise funds for all those things you have been wanting in the Unit, and at the same time earn some money to help the Guide Movement in Victoria. What about a Square Dance, Car Wash or Street Stall?

## JOINT ACTIVITIES

Guidelines for Ranger Guide Units when planning Joint Activities with boys —

Start planning at least two months ahead of the date you plan to hold your activity. If it is a dance, social or something similar, notify local police, who will watch the area during the evening. Make sure boys' adult leaders are in attendance the whole time, it is not fair to expect your Guider to be responsible for everyone.

If you are planning a camp as a joint activity, again start your plans well in advance of the date for the camp. You must fill in the CAMP form (available from your Division Camp Adviser) and return it in plenty of time to the District Commissioner . . . See Rule 36, page 31 P.O. and R.

There are many opportunities for having lots of fun and adventure at combined activities, but see that they are well planned, and carried out within the above guidelines. These precautions are taken for the safety of both girls and leaders.

—JEAN TWIST, (Ranger Adviser).

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# RANGER RED RATTLER REGATTA

THE RED RATTLER left Spencer Street Station very early on Saturday morning carrying 350 excited Ranger Guides, Rangers and Leaders. Time sped by as everyone talked, laughed, played games and sang their way to Boort, a tiny town in the Loddon Valley. We arrived at midday, to be met by Boort Ranger Guides and Leaders and half the Sailing School Committee (the other half travelled by train).



Packs were dropped in the large Memorial Hall and 50 country Ranger Guides who came across country joined the main group, and everyone received a large slice of watermelon before proceedings began.

After the raising of the World Flag, Mrs Sawyer, North Central Region Commissioner, opened the Regatta.

Competition was keen as units vied against each other in rowing races for Greenies, Sproggies, Sprogs, Salts, and Old Salts, depending on the amount of rowing experience each crew had been able to gain. After barbecue tea, cooked by the men and provided by the local Scuides Committee,

we all gathered in the park beside the lake, under a beautiful starlit sky for our Campfire. Once again we had a delightful surprise as we saw the campfire floating on a raft on the lake (truly a lovely sight), and everyone joined in an excellent campfire conducted by Barb Grove.

After supper we were glad to settle down in local halls to sleep.

Early Sunday morning the long queue formed again for a hearty breakfast, before Rangers' Own conducted by Boort Ranger Guides beside the lake.

Races began again at 9.30 a.m. This time we had slalom and coxing events as well as straight races and supporters shouted themselves hoarse as they encouraged their crews in the finals.

During the whole weekend the citizens of Boort made their facilities along the lakeside available to us, so that when girls were not competing in races they were able to swim, play tennis, have rides in power boats, go sailing or paddle canoes. At the completion of the races and after lunch, again supplied by the Scuides Committee, we had our closing ceremony, during which we expressed our sincere thanks to everyone in Boort for making our stay such a memorable one. Pennants and trophies were presented to winners and, after singing the Ranger Song, the World Flag was lowered and with just a few minutes to spare travellers fell into the Red Rattler for the return trip to Melbourne.

Our thanks go to Ros Smithers and her Committee and their helpers, to the Boort District Commissioner, Mrs Rosenow, and her Guiders, to the community of Boort for making this weekend such a wonderful success, and to Boort Ranger Guides for inviting us to have the 1978 Regatta in their town.

—J.T.



# COMMITTEES IN RANGER SECTION

Committees play an important part in both Ranger Guide, Ranger Units and the Ranger Section as a whole.

Membership of a committee gives the girls opportunity to learn about procedure and function of the committee, as well as taking a full part in planning and running their own affairs.

Ranger Section Committees are either elected or appointed at the annual Ranger Guide, Ranger and Ranger Guide Leaders' Conferences. READ ON — to learn about Rangering in Victoria:

The CENTRAL COMMITTEE — is the executive body which implements the policies decided upon at the Ranger Guide-Ranger Conference. This Committee:

1. deals with matters referred from Australian Headquarters;
2. deals with internal Victorian matters;
3. organises the Ranger Section Calendar;
4. runs end of year fixture;
5. allocates fixtures to Units;
6. arranges bi-annual interstate or overseas trip;
7. controls Ranger Section funds.

It consists of Ranger Guide representatives from Region Councils; two Rangers; two Ranger Guide Leaders; and the Ranger Section Adviser; and meets at Guide Headquarters on the first Friday of each month at 6.15 p.m.

RANGER SECTION SAILING SCHOOL is in Jetty Road, Sandringham.

Sailing School Committee is responsible for:

1. maintenance of building and boats;
2. control of funds and fund raising;
3. running training courses in seamanship and canoeing;
4. running a Regatta annually;
5. organising Open Day and Blessing of Boats ceremony.

It consists of three Ranger Guides, three Rangers and five Ranger Guide Leaders and all are elected at the annual Conferences.

Sailing School Committee meets on the first Monday of each month at Guide Headquarters at 8.00 p.m.

TAPESTRY is the Ranger Section property at Strathewen.

Two committees make sure the property is cared for, and used to the fullest extent.

Tapestry Committee of Management consists of a chairman selected by Central Committee and eight members selected by the chairman, four of these are Ranger Guide Leaders, the other four may be male or female, and need not be members of the Guide Movement, and two Ranger Guides or Rangers from the Activities Committee, which is elected at Conference each year. The Ranger Section Adviser is an ex-officio member.

Tapestry Activities Committee consists of three Ranger Guides, three Rangers and two Ranger Guide Leaders.

All members are elected at Conference.

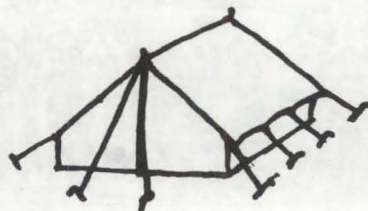
This committee is responsible for planning and organising at least two events for the Ranger Section at Tapestry each year and meets at Guide Headquarters on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m.

RANGER COUNCIL was formed in 1977 to give 18-25 year old Rangers a Forum for sharing ideas, and for the planning and organising of functions to suit their needs.

It consists of representatives of each Unit and meets on the first Wednesday of each month at Guide Headquarters at 7.30 p.m.

RANGER-ROVER COUNCIL consists of five Rangers and five Rovers.

A Guider is a member of this committee, which meets on the second Tuesday of each month at Guide Headquarters at 6.00 p.m.







## THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD SCHEME

On Page 37 of the Australian Ranger Guide Handbook you will find reference to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme in Australia. The Duke of Edinburgh introduced this award scheme in the belief that the fullest opportunities and every encouragement should be given to young people to make the best use of their leisure time by taking part in activities which are enjoyable, purposeful, and offer a challenge.

It is essentially a personal challenge for each person to measure him or herself against standards set for each section of the award; they are within reach of the average boy or girl provided he or she makes an effort and sticks to it.

All applications for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme should be made to Victorian Co-ordinator, Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, National Fitness Council of Victoria, 570 Bourke Street, Melbourne, 3000. When you receive the application form, complete it and send with \$1.00 registration fee to the National Fitness Council. A Record Book will then be posted to you and after receiving same you may start working on the Award. Do NOT start to work for the Award before registering as starting and finishing dates are strictly observed. PLEASE SHOW ON THE APPLICATION FORM THAT YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE RANGER SECTION OF THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA.

Any queries re requirements for programme, assessors, etc., are made direct to the Victorian Co-ordinator, National Fitness Council.

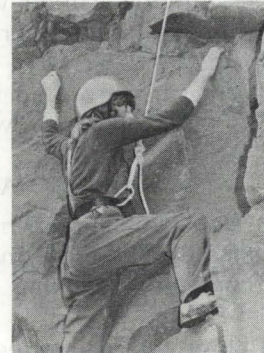
### Programme Manual

All applicants use the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Programme Manual for all requirements, except for an additional requirement for the Expedition Clause, whereby all Ranger Guides and Rangers are required to sign an undertaking that they will adhere to the camping and boating requirements of the Girl Guides' Association as laid down in P.O. and R.

For this purpose a duplicate of the names of all Ranger Guides and Rangers who enter for the Award is sent to Miss H. Cathcart, the liaison with the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme office.

## ROCK CLIMBING

The Eastern Victoria Rock Climbing Activity Centre is well worth a visit. Recently a Ranger Guide Unit visited this centre and spent the weekend learning about rock climbing and abseiling from experts. The centre is situated at Warragul and cost is only \$4.00. Further information can be obtained by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope to Eastern Victoria Rock Climbing Centre, Box 265, Warragul, 3820.



Dear Matilda,

Feeling very proud of the twelve Ranger Guides in our unit, I would like to share with other Leaders and Rangers what they have done.

In September our unit learned that one of our members, Robyn Parsons, with three other Rangers in Australia, had been chosen to attend Julliette Low Seminar at Sangam in December. At Unit In Council they decided to start a Travel Fund from which they set themselves the task of raising Robyn's fare.

In three months this seemed an impossible task — but overwhelming enthusiasm and delight at Robyn being chosen became infectious and found its way into the community. Mathew Flinders Girls' High School and Barwon Jaycees both gave us their support and invited Robyn and me to speak at their gatherings after which Robyn was presented with a cheque.

We held paper drives, sold African violets, snowballs and pizzas, held a Hot-Nite for Brownies, a Progressive Dinner for Rangers and friends and a Trash and Treasure. In October we were pleased to have fellow traveller, Delia Durrant and two Rangers from her unit and two Rangers from Ballarat with us for the weekend of our Progressive Dinner.

We all had so much fun and enjoyment preparing these events that no one minded the work involved. It is overwhelming to find that 12 girls, in three months, have raised \$1230.00 and learned so much through sharing.

KYLIE

Highton (Bellvue) Ranger Guide Unit.



# Thinking Day

1st Cowes Brownie Pack visited Mrs Wenham, who has been all around the world. She showed us many interesting things she had collected from different countries. In the garden where we collected our Thinking Day money there were statues from Italy and Spain.

Mrs Wenham's treasures from all those different countries made us think of the Brownies who live there.

—LINDA NANCARROW.

Guides from Horsham and Dimboola joined Scouts from Arapiles District (covering Marnoo and Edenhope) in a combined Thinking Day-Founder's Day activity.

They marched along the main street in Horsham, led by a pipe band and with a police escort. Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs then took part in a service in the Botanical Gardens.

After lunch all went to the river for water activities arranged by the Scouts. Brownies and Cubs enjoyed paddle boat races while Guides and Scouts competed on rafts made by the Scouts.

It was a very enjoyable afternoon.

—SUE HEGGIE.

1st Corryong Guides dressed in clothes of other countries and sampled foods eaten in those countries.

Everyone tasted everything and we had fun telling each country's promise and what they do. We hope every other Guide in the world had as much fun as we did.

—VALERIE WHITSED.

1st Greythorn Guides invited Guides from 2nd Company and Brownies to a New Zealand night. We learned the new Thinking Day song and the New Zealand anthem.

A Brownie from New Zealand told us how her pack operated (much the same as ours), a Guide told about her walk along the Milford Track and another showed us the project she had completed for her Guide Knowledge badge — she taught us a Maori Stick Dance too.

It was all great fun.

—SUZANNE WALKER.

3rd Overport Company took part in Frankston Division Thinking Day service at St. Luke's Church.

The thing I liked best was that I could sing all the songs because they were put to well-known tunes.

—HEIDI O'SHEA.

They came from near and far, at the crack of dawn, to celebrate Thinking Day. Ranger Guides, Rangers and Leaders were welcomed by a display of balloons along the front of Guide Headquarters and a cup of coffee to revive them before proceedings began.

Everyone gathered outside the building while the World Flag was raised and the World Song sung. Then all moved inside to visit the four sessions conducted by girls who have recently returned from visits to other countries.

Highlights included pictures and songs from Papua-New Guinea, and hearing about visits to Lae, Mt. Hagen, as well as seeing the interesting artifacts the girls showed us. We learned a Canadian Grace and heard about the wonderful Camp three Victorians attended last year in Canada.

Heather Falloon, dressed in her kimono, set the scene for a sample of life in Japan, and the recently returned Plenty Ranger Guides, dressed in lovely saris, showed slides and talked about the service project they participated in during their visit.

After sampling all this we walked, or ran, to the Treasury Gardens for a breakfast of hot dogs and cordial. The celebration concluded by singing "It's a Small World" and the Ranger Song. It was good to see nearly 150 Ranger Guides and Rangers with their Leaders gathered together to remember the birthdays of the Founder and the Chief Guide.

The Staff and Committee of Our Cabana wish to thank all who sent messages of sympathy and flowers during their recent tragedy which took the life of our dear friend Elisa Cordova and injured Guider-in-Charge, Maria Laura Avina.

Elisa's smile and her joy in living will be long remembered by all of us. Her parents, Sr. and Sra. Jose Cordova, add their gratitude to ours for your kind concern.

A fund in her memory has been established and gifts may be sent to Wendy Swift, c/o Girl Guides' Association, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne, by 28th May, 1978.

# KNOW YOUR REGIONS

## North Metropolitan Region

North Metropolitan Region covers an extensive area from Malmsbury in the North to Ascot Vale and Brunswick in the South. Totally in our six Divisions we have a membership of 2176 and to meet each other on a Region basis we have Kanyanya Day with the Hoadley Venturers; our Guiders have a Christmas Guiders' Camp Fire (and generously donate gifts for CARE hampers); and our Commissioners have a Chatter In weekend camp. Our Camp Advisers have held Adventure days for Guides to teach basic skills, and our Guiders were invited to a Region Craft Action and Display night.



Our Region Badge, designed by Gladstone Park Guides, shows the Delta wing aircraft to symbolise the Airport, and planes flying over our Region, there is a tent (for the outdoor camping area, Walter Murphy Camp Site and the Indoor House, Minda Killara), and a wattle tree to symbolise the Brownies planting their Ribbon of Gold.

How many people passing along modern Tullamarine Freeway to the Jetport, or along busy Sydney Road en route to Hume Highway, or even interstate train travellers rushing daily over the Trestle Bridge, ever give a thought that our Region, although notorious for Pentridge gaol at Coburg, is also an area steeped in early history.

In Mount Alexander Road, by the Essendon Bowling Green, is a memorial stone to mark where Burke and Wills spent the first night of their exploration. Henry Handel Richardson, in writing the 'Fortunes of Richard Mahoney', mentions the horses picking

their way through the Moonee Ponds. Left to tell the tale is the ornate lake in nearby Queens Park, a popular venue for Unit visits.

Not far away a large stone marks the site where Caroline Chisholm set up a first (and last) night hostel for the Cobb and Co. passengers. The Essendon District Nursing Service has been built on the site.

In pre-Captain Cook days, Broadmeadows District was the aboriginal tribal grounds of the Will Will Rooks, and a pioneer cemetery bearing that name in Camp Hill Road is well preserved. Further down the hill at the first site of Broadmeadows township stands the small blue stone jail where prisoners en route to Melbourne were secured overnight whilst troopers and other travellers enjoyed the hospitality of the hotel opposite. The 125th Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Broadmeadows township was recently re-enacted complete with Cobb and Co. coach, troopers and corroboree.

The broadmeadows between Moonee Ponds and Merri Creeks were the first areas used by early settlers for sheep and cattle grazing. Most famous of 'our' settlers was John Pascoe Fawcner, who named his property Pascoeville, and his near neighbour on the opposite hill was a Cobb and Co. founder, responsible for importing the Concorde coaches. Both homes are still standing.

Keilor District Local Association has produced a fund raising cookery book entitled 'The Delights of Keilor'. This book features interesting early photographs of some landmarks still to be seen, and includes the information that John Batman in 1835 from the banks of the Maribyrnong River saw smoke from the fires of the Jagajaga brothers, with whom he signed a treaty involving hundreds of thousands of acres.

Well worth a visit is the volcanic outcrop called The Organ Pipes as are Board of Works controlled Greenvale Reservoir and Brimbank Park with their magnificent panoramas and open spaces. Other notable picnic areas include Emu Bottom in nearby Sunbury which film companies have used for episodes of Tandarra, Bellbird and The Sullivans. The Maribyrnong River offers many spots for canoeing safely, and further North in Macedon Division are the Trentham and Turpins Falls, Hanging Rock (perfect for picnics !), Mount Macedon itself and the

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# Encore '78



*Brownies, Guides, Ranger Guides and Rangers.*

Are you all having plenty of FUN planning your item for Encore '78? Are you looking forward to the EXCITEMENT of the Region Heats which will be held during May and June? Some of you will have the THRILL of participating in the State Finals to be held at the Malvern Town Hall on Saturday, 22nd July, 1978, and a few will have a FANTASTIC trip to Brisbane for the National Finals in September.

*Guiders.* If you feel you need some guidelines regarding how items will be judged, copies are available on request. Please send a stamped, self addressed envelope to Mrs J. Mallinson, 16 Britten Street, Glen Iris, 3146.

*Time of Item.* There will be a time limit of four minutes imposed on all items. Please understand that this is absolutely necessary because there are now nine categories, and we need to keep the programmes at heats and finals to a comfortable length. There will be penalties imposed when the time is exceeded.

Any enquiries may be directed to the Convener, Mrs J. Draper, 35 Albury Road, North Balwyn, 3104.

## NORTH METROPOLITAN REGION

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beautiful gardens which have been visited by many Guiding folk on Macedon Division Garden Day. Close by on the southern slopes is the Scout Camp Treetops, and also the Essendon Scout controlled site, Rowallan, with the Sheila Cameron Camp site for Guides, Rangers and Brownies. Mineral Springs may be sampled at Trentham or nearer the city at Donnybrook. Of Guiding note — Lady Baden Powell visited Lancefield for a Field Day in 1967, and we are particularly proud of our Keilor Guides who, for their sustained service to a local family, were given one of the two Awards of Merit, in the last of the Walter Donald Ross Service Trophy Awards.

What a contrast our past is to the bustling Region we have become — our Tullamarine Freeway to the busy Airport, modern highways, trams, trains — and our industrial sites of Ford, Yakka, Nabisco, Rowntrees, Courage Breweries, etc., all producing commodities necessary to our present generation.

## LENDING A HAND

If you happen to be in Chadstone or Eastland Shopping Centres on a Friday you may see an ambulance pull up and off-load wheelchair patients. Then volunteers take over and wheel the patients round so they can do their shopping. Some of these volunteers are university students, the one I know is a Trefoil Guild member. Try to imagine being unable to jump into the car to go shopping. Many people in wheelchairs are confined to their homes because they lack transport and help to move around. When asked if she minded being photographed, the lady in the chair said she was only too happy if it meant publicity and more volunteer pushers.

Perhaps you would like to spend a few hours a week or a month helping in this way. If so, please telephone June Richards, 699 1888.



## GUILDS' WEEKEND

"Jumbunna Lodge", Launching Place, was the setting for the Baden-Powell and Trefoil Guilds' annual weekend. There were 40 in residence and many day visitors. The theme was "Let's go 78!". Dr. Norman Johnson, Chief Commissioner, Scouts, Victoria, opened the conference on Saturday morning and spoke on combined activities taking part in the Scout and Guide movements.

For our Guild's Own we travelled to Britannia Park, where Mrs Margaret Curtis-Otter, Assistant Chief Commissioner for Australia, Guides, gave the address.

The weekend passed all too quickly but I am sure the results of the discussions and fellowship will continue.

# MATILDA SUBSCRIPTIONS

Note: Copies of "Matilda" will be automatically issued free to each Commissioner (but not Assistants), each Guider in charge of a unit (but not Assistants) and certain other personnel. PLEASE NOTIFY CHANGES OF PERSONNEL AND ADDRESS PROMPTLY, including former name and address and unit, where applicable.

SUBSCRIPTIONS are PAYABLE IN ADVANCE and should be directed to GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION, 20 RUSSELL STREET, MELBOURNE, 3000.

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**TERANG GOLDEN JUBILEE**

Please contact Terang Local Association through Mrs Anne Fraser, Terang, 3264, if you would like to attend Golden Jubilee celebrations planned for June this year, or if you can lend old uniforms, photographs, etc., for an historical display.

The Committee would like to say to all those who attended the 1978 Commissioners' Conference — Thank You for smiling at us when we were nervous, for letting us jump the queue, and for enjoying the Conference with us.

# TRAINING CALENDAR

**Commissioners and Unit Leaders** with the necessary experience are welcome to apply for **ANY** course. 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 courses is recommended.** Training fee is \$3.00 unless otherwise stated.

## Stage 1 Leadership Course

**Canterbury**, Weekend 6th-7th May, 18th June (outdoor day) and 1st-2nd July, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Guide Hall, Faversham Street. Applications to Mrs F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Avenue, Doncaster, 3108, by **20th April**.

**Castlemaine**, Weekends 1st-2nd July and 5th-6th August, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs B. Whelan, 8 Hope Street, Kangaroo Flat, 3555, by **14th June**.

**Euroa**, Weekends 17th-18th June and 15th-16th July, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **31st May**.

**Headquarters**, Thursday, 29th June, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th July, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **8th June**.

**Headquarters**, Weekends 8th-9th July and 5th-6th August, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **14th June**.

**Lakes Entrance**, Weekends 6th-7th May and 17th-18th June, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs M. Frawley, P.O. Box 641, Sale, 3850, by **20th April**.

**Rutherglen**, Weekends 17th-18th June and 15th-16th July, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Miss H. Smith, 21 Cusack Street, Wangaratta, 3677, by **29th June**.

**Baw Baw Region**, Weekends 24th-25th June and 22nd-23rd July, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs K. Marshall, 29 Hearn Street, Drouin, 3818, by **2nd June**.

## Stage 2 Leadership Courses for Warranted Leaders

**Bentleigh**, Weekends 24th-25th June and 22nd-23rd July, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs P.H.G. Jones, 14 Walker Grove, Cheltenham, 3192, by **2nd June**.

**Deer Park**, Weekends 17th-18th June and 15th-16th July, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs R. Bell, 10 Debenham Drive, St. Albans, 3021, by **29th May**.

**Geelong**, Tuesday 11th, 18th, 25th July, 1st, 8th August, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs A. Bell, 1 Layton Crescent, Newtown, 3220, by **23rd June**.

**Mornington**, Weekends 29th-30th April and 24th-25th June, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Apply immediately to Mrs F. Bucknell, P.O. Box 46, Mt. Martha, 3934.

**Upwey**, Weekends 1st-2nd and 29th-30th July, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs J. Huxtable, 93 Orange Grove, Bayswater, 3153, by **14th June**.

**Warracknabeal**, Weekends 6th-7th May and 17th-18th June, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs M. Creek, RMB 358, Nhill, 3418, by **20th April**.

**South Eastern Region**, Weekends 1st-2nd July and 5th-6th August, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Further information available from Miss M. Hunt, 8/7 Alcala Avenue, Chadstone, 3148.

## Local Association Training

**Headquarters**, Thursday, 22nd June, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications and \$1.50 per Local Association to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **1st June**.

**Rochester**, Tuesday, 2nd May, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Note: Fee to be advised. Applications to Mrs M. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630, by **19th April**.

## Pack Holiday Course

**"Minda Killara"**, 7th-8th-9th July, times 6.30 p.m. Friday to 3.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Fee to be advised. Applications to Mrs P.H.G. Jones, 14 Walker Grove, Cheltenham, 3192 by **21st June**.

**Woorayl Region**, Thursday 1st, 8th, 15th June, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications and \$2.00 to Mrs J. Gaudion, 32 Blackmore Avenue, Leongatha, 3953, by **19th May**.

## Q.M. Course

**Chadstone**, Weekend 8th-9th July, times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday (or 10.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 7.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday). Overnight accommodation available in hall. Fee: To be advised. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **21st June**.

## Safety Training

**Headquarters**, 30th May and 6th June, times 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. Note: 1 leader and 2 girls from each unit may attend. Applications and \$1.50 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **6th May**.

## Special Skills for Ranger Guiders

**Headquarters**, Weekend 17th-18th June, times 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: The weekend will include Games in the Ranger Guide Unit; Knots used in Camping and Boating, etc., etc., **PLUS YOUR SUGGESTIONS.** Applications, \$1.50 and suggestions for inclusion in the weekend programme should be sent to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **31st May**.

## Knotting

**Kew**, Saturday, 29th July, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m., Scout Hall, Glass Street. Applications to Mrs F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Avenue, Doncaster, 3108, by **8th July**.

## Pioneering

**Laburnum**, Weekend 15th-16th July, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications and \$1.50 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **30th June**.

## Indoor Camp Permit

**Parkdale**, Weekend 24th-25th June, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Salvation Army Conference Centre, Monaco Street. Applications and \$9.00 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **4th June**.

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

**Guider Long Service**

(30 years): Miss M. Watson, Montrose.  
(20 years): Miss H.M. Storey, Boort.  
(10 years): Mrs G.O. Ferguson, Warracknabeal; Mrs M. Browning, Willow Grove; Mrs J. Arnott, Westbury; Mrs R.L. Durham, Denison; Miss K.J. Munroe, Mooroolbark.

**Combined Long Service**

(10 years): Mrs M. McDonald, Willow Grove; Mrs M. Muirhead, East Bentleigh.  
(20 years): Mrs M.E. Thomson, Great Western.

**Local Association Long Service**

(30 years): Mrs B. Harley, Toorak.  
(20 years): Mrs Thake, Brighton.  
(10 years): Mrs F. Perry, Rushworth; Mrs H. Morrison, Rushworth; Mrs R. Hawking, Rushworth; Mrs L.C. Barnes, Boort; Mrs M. Milbourne, Montrose.

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**Thanks Badge**

Mr G.R. Veitch, Bright; Mr J.H. Barr, Nutfield.

**APPOINTMENTS AND WARRANTS**

A warm welcome is extended to the following:

**District Commissioners**

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