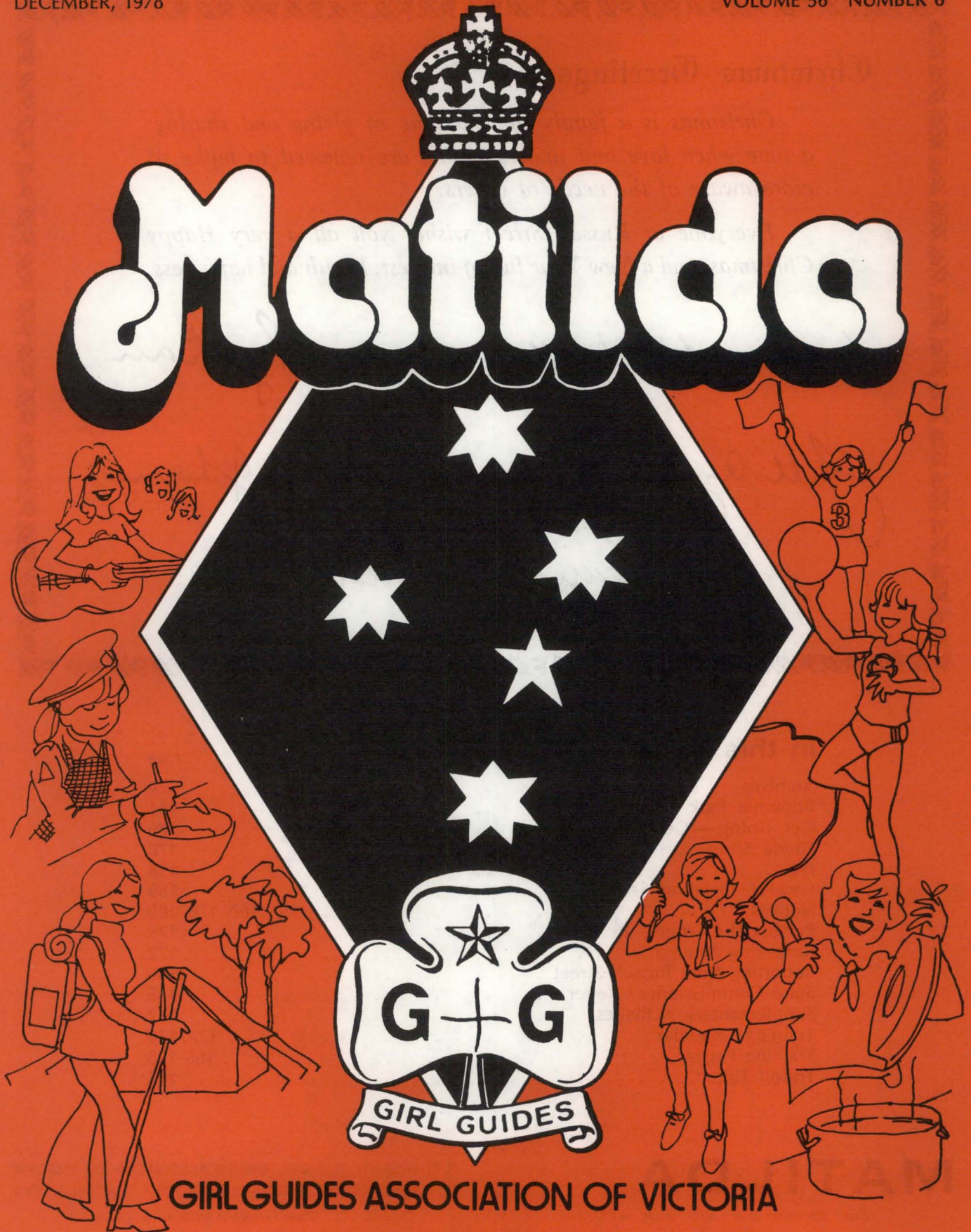


Matilda



GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

Christmas Greetings

Christmas is a family time, a time of giving and sharing; a time when love and understanding are renewed to make us more aware of the needs of others.

Everyone at Russell Street wishes you all a very Happy Christmas, and a New Year full of interest, health and happiness.

Margie S. West

Py Barr

Jill Anjou.

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Annex G. Pollock

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From our State Commissioner

Hello Everyone,

My term as your State Commissioner began at the Annual General Meeting in a short ceremony when Mrs Grimwade presented me with my warrant badge and standard. Another highlight of the meeting for me was the singing of the Royal Anthem by the Strolling Players and the entertainment by girls from Encore '78 was also a delight.

A watch was presented to our hard-working State Secretary, Miss Peg Barr, for 25 years work at Headquarters, and Ranger Adviser, Mrs Jean Twist received the Wattle Award for her great work with Ranger section.

On behalf of all Guiding people in Victoria, hand-made pewter bowls were presented to Mrs Grimwade, Mrs Oldfield and Mrs Turnbull, who would like everyone to know that they will treasure them always.

I am delighted to introduce my assistants to you — Mrs. Jill Anjou, Mrs Muriel Pollock and Mrs Verna Surry. Mrs Anjou is a Brownie guider and has been a member of Brownie Section Committee and also of the committees for National Festival of Song and Encore '78. Mrs Pollock has been a district and division commissioner and is currently South-Eastern Region Commissioner. Mrs Surry is a Guide guider, a trainer, a member of committees for supplementary activities, leisure time activities and uniform and is chairman of the hostess committee for the International Training for Trainers to be held in May. I hope you will enjoy meeting and getting to know them.

Since taking office I have attended Bentleigh District Annual Meeting and what a great night it was. After the meeting the girls entertained us with a concert which provided lots of fun and showed considerable talent.

A few days later brownies of East and North Brighton joined together for Brownie Revels. Their theme was Hallowe'en and ghosts, witches and cats enjoyed fun in beautiful sunshine. Bobbing for apples, hands tied behind backs, is not easy, but even the Mayor of Brighton was determined to succeed.

I had a wonderful day in Echuca too. It started with a civic reception at which I was able to meet many people from Goulburn Region. Then there was a tour of this interesting and historical city. At night I presented a 40 years long-service ribbon and met many of the girls. I was particularly interested to meet girls of Echuca Ranger Guide Extension Unit.

Wattle Park District had a very happy family barbecue to which I was invited. Tabloid sports were organised for brownies and an orientation course for guides and rangers.

Sharing was evident in the impressive Church Parade I attended. It was organised by Box Hill North Rangers and Scouts and, sharing ideas, skills, experiences and knowledge, many took part in the service.

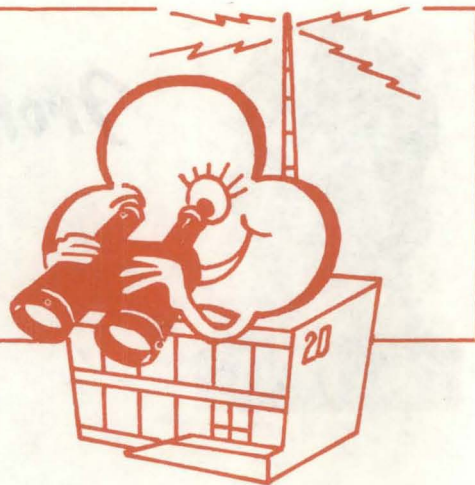
I hope Christmas will be a happy time for you all, but let us not forget its true meaning. Some of you will be travelling far and wide, others staying at home, but hopefully you will be able to spend some time with your families over the Christmas period. Relax and enjoy the holiday season and come back feeling refreshed and ready for the new year.

Kindest regards to you all,

Marjorie E. West



REPORTING FROM RUSSELL STREET



NEW APPOINTMENTS

Russell Street welcomes Mrs. West's three new Assistant State Commissioners:

Mrs C. S. Anjou (Jill), 29 Kenny Street, North Balwyn, 3104;
Mrs W. J. B. Pollock (Muriel), 21 Collins Street, Ormond,
3204;

Mrs S. J. Surry (Verna), 21 Castlewood Street, East
Bentleigh, 3165.

Headquarters Commissioner — In February next Jean Oldfield, well-known to all as one of Joan Grimwade's team, will take up a new appointment, that of Headquarters Commissioner, a new job created a few months ago to help keep the wheels at 20 Russell Street turning smoothly and make our Movement's home more homely.

Another appointment made recently is that of Campsites (H.Q.) Co-ordinator, and we welcome Mrs A. R. Squire to this new office.

HOLIDAY DATES

During the Christmas-New Year period, Headquarters (including the Shop) will close on Friday evening, 22nd December, reopening Tuesday, 2nd January. Please note that the Shop will not open on Saturdays during January.

P.O.R. AMENDMENTS

Bring your P.O.R. up-to-date. For 20 cents, at the Guide Shop, you can purchase a leaflet giving all recent amendments.

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING FOR TRAINERS

Is your unit helping to bring a Trainer from India to the International Training for Trainers which is to be held here in Melbourne next May? If so, the International Adviser (C/o. Headquarters) would like to receive your donation (or notice of your intention to donate to the fund) no later than 22nd February, 1979.

BRITANNIA PARK — 40th BIRTHDAY

Britannia Park will celebrate its 40th Birthday in March and the Committee would like to hear from anyone who camped there in 1938 or 1939 so that they may be invited to the very special birthday party now being planned.

"JAMBORELLA ONE", GILWELL PARK, GEMBROOK

The first Guide/Scout Camp ever to be held in Australia. Anyone wishing to make a day visit to this event is welcome on 31st December and 1st January. Please note that there will be no facilities for barbecues so would you please bring a packed lunch.

CAMP "PATANGA", BRITANNIA PARK, YARRA JUNCTION

Day visitors are welcome to this event on Sunday, 14th January, from 11.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Again there will be no facilities for barbecues so would you please bring a packed lunch.

THE GREAT SCOUT AND GUIDE YACHT RACE

Participate in the biggest Yacht Race ever to be held in Port Phillip Bay on Sunday, 25th March, 1979.

Adults — be a hostess on a racing yacht

Guides (over 12 years) — be a guest on a racing yacht.

Interested? Full details will be in January/February "Matilda". All contacts to Public Relations Department.

GUIDE FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

As the year ends inevitably there will be some members who have to end their active links with the Movement, at least for the time being. Commissioners, please remind your Leaders of the Guide Fellowship Scheme. Leaders, please tell your older Guides and Rangers about it. Letters are available at Headquarters and we urge you all to pass these on so that those who wish to may join the Guide Fellowship Scheme.

A WALK FOR THE CHILD

Have you heard of the Walking Crusade of Compassion across Australia? As you read this 39 people are walking across Australia from Perth to Brisbane to focus attention on the plight of millions of children who are dying of malnutrition throughout the world. They hope that other members of the community will join them along their route or run their own walkathons to raise funds for these needy children. If your girls would like to help, please contact Headquarters or your Region Commissioner for further information.

INTERNATIONAL CAMPS — ENGLAND 1980

Derbyshire Camp — Selection for this camp will be a selection day to be held in July 1979.

Selection for the camp to be held in **Sussex** will take the form of a camp to be held at McGowans Road, Donvale, on 24th and 25th March.

Full information re both events available from Region International Representatives.



Brownies, guides, rangers, leaders and parents met in several centres to thank and farewell retiring State Commissioner, Mrs Joan Grimwade and her assistants.

In WARRACKNABEAL about 700 members gathered to share with them a day of sports activities and a campfire.

In MILDURA, members of Sunraysia Region met Mrs Grimwade at dinner, at the sailing centre and in camp.

And in MELBOURNE, guides and brownies gathered for a morning of interesting activity in the Fitzroy Gardens to say farewell to Mrs Grimwade, Mrs Turnbull and Mrs Oldfield.

SCOUT GANG SHOW APPLICATIONS

Application forms for 1979 Gang Show are now available at Guide Headquarters.

Dear Everyone,

What a memorable night the Annual Meeting was! It was wonderful to see so many members of the Movement gathered at Kew Civic Centre on this occasion and it gave us tremendous pleasure to be able to say farewell to you all.

We would like to thank all members of the Movement for their generous gifts. The very beautiful salad bowls will give us and our families great joy and will remind us of the wonderful friendships made during our term of office. We would like you to know that we have chosen to use the balance of your gift to build the fireplace in the house at Camp Iluka, Shoreham. We feel that a hearth is the heart of any home and we would like to think of future generations of Guides gathered around "our" hearth. We hope to involve in the construction two special stones — the giving and receiving stones — signifying your gift to us which is received with love and gratitude.

—JOAN GRIMWADE,
JEAN OLDFIELD
and LYSBETH TURNBULL.

MY IMPRESSIONS OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Prior to attending the 1978 Annual Meeting of the Girl Guides Association I was aware that a ceremony to hand over the State Commissioner's badges of office would take place. All in attendance were increasingly affected by the emotional atmosphere as the evening progressed.

Even a stranger would have realised that something unusual was about to happen. The meeting progressed through reports to the climax of the evening. This climax, ushered in with a colourful choral interlude by girls who had taken part in Encore '78, was not the presentation of gifts, but the significant and emotional vote of thanks to Mrs Joan Grimwade and her team, the team which had planned and led our activities and affairs for the past five years. After handing her badge of office and standard to our new State Commissioner, Joan assured us that the future of our association is in capable hands.

A fitting conclusion to the meeting was provided by a confident Guide piper leading the official party and guests to supper.

—A GUIDING FATHER.

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD

U.N. DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

The Right to affection, love, and understanding

The Right to adequate nutrition and medical care.

The Right to free education.

The Right to full opportunity for play and recreation.

The Right to a name and nationality.

The Right to special care, if handicapped.

The Right to be among the first to receive relief in times of disaster.

The Right to learn to be a useful member of society and to develop individual abilities.

The Right to be brought up in a spirit of peace and universal brotherhood.

The Right to enjoy these rights, regardless of race, colour, sex, religion, national or social origin.



General Objectives of IYC

"(1) To provide a framework for advocacy on behalf of children and for enhancing the awareness of the special needs of children on the part of decision-makers and the public;

(2) To promote recognition of the fact that programmes for children should be an integral part of economic and social development plans, with a view to achieving, in both the long-term and the short-term, sustained activities for the benefit of children at the national and international levels." (General Assembly Resolution A 31 169 of 21st December, 1976.)

Meaning of these objectives

"The following points make explicit some of the premises underlying the general objectives:

- (a) The Resolution establishing the year is addressed to all countries. Therefore IYC is concerned with children in both industrialised and developing countries. Governments have to decide how they wish to respond to the Resolution and how they wish to 'participate in the Year'.
- (b) The special needs of children do not arise only out of their right to develop optimally in the physical sphere. They arise also out of their need to develop their full potential psychologically, intellectually, morally, socially and culturally:
- (c) The special needs of children include defining and safeguarding their rights especially as set out in the Declaration of the Rights of the Child.
- (d) Advocacy includes the spread of education and awareness of the special needs and potentials of children to families, communities, decision-makers at all levels, and to those responsible for services to children. It also includes awareness of new or expanded actions to improve the situation of children.
- (e) 'Sustained activities' need to be based on a commitment to children at the national and international level beyond the Year itself, deep and persistent enough to produce necessary progress over the course of the long-range future."

Encouraging Encounter

A general outline only of Victoria's Encouraging Encounter was given in November issue of Matilda.

Details with suggestions as to how your unit can reach out to other children in their immediate community and enjoy a most rewarding year, will be published in January-February issue.

Your girls will then be able to discuss and decide what they would like to do for IYC.



12 facts about the state of children in developing countries today

1. Health services only reach one out of every 20 children in the developing world today.
2. Over 100 million babies are born every year in the developing countries. Seven out of every ten or 70 million are born without any trained help.
3. Upwards of 200 million infants and children suffer from various forms of malnutrition.
4. About 85 per cent of rural children do not have access to an adequate supply of safe water.
5. One out of every five children dies before its fifth birthday.
6. Severe vitamin deficiency leads to more than 100,000 children going blind each year.
7. At least 100 million children in developing countries aged seven to ten are educationally deprived — not learning how to read, write or work with numbers.
8. It is estimated that about 40 per cent of children enrolled in school can attend for only a few years and later relapse into illiteracy.
9. Less than one per cent of preschool-age children have access to day care services.
10. Children make up half the population of slums and shanty towns. Slum populations are increasing three or four times faster than more modern parts of cities, often at a rate of 10 to 15 per cent yearly.
11. Over 810 million infants and children are growing up in remote rural areas where infant mortality, illiteracy and child malnutrition rates are very high and few basic services — if any — exist to help them.
12. Inflation is hurting everyone and, because of it, long-term programme funds to help children are shrinking in value, threatening the precarious hold on health, life and the future of many millions of children.

(From FACTS, issued by the United Nations Children's Fund.)

Girls, Girls, Girls

Of the 706 million girls under the age of 15 in the world, more than 75 per cent live in developing countries, and of these the majority live in rural areas. In such areas most girls spend their time each day as follows:

1-2 hours (or more) getting water; 1-2 hours gathering wood or dung for fuel; 3-4 hours preparing food, depending on the season; as much as 9 hours threshing and winnowing, caring for small animals, carrying goods to market for sale, making household utensils and caring for younger brothers and sisters.

Where mothers weave rugs or produce other crafts at home, their daughters — often practically infants — help them. Unfortunately, the employment and conditions and hours of work of girls are in many countries subject to no governmental control.

(From Youth Information Bulletin No. 20, United Nations.)



REGION COMMISSIONER FAREWELLED

Members of the Mallee Division, from Ouyen, Tempy, Patchewollock, Underbool and Murrayville, gathered at Blackburn Park, Ouyen, to farewell their retiring Region Commissioner, Mrs Glad Lewin.

Everyone appreciated the barbecue lunch cooked by the Ouyen Guide and Brownie fathers.

A table lamp was presented to Mrs. Lewin in appreciation of her work for Guiding in this division. Base of the lamp was a mallee stump and Mrs Lewin says that it will be her "Guiding light".

Later, Mrs Lewin joined the guides and brownies in activities, games and a campfire with skits from several units.

—MARJORIE SCHROEDER.



DO YOUR THINKING DAY THINKING EARLY

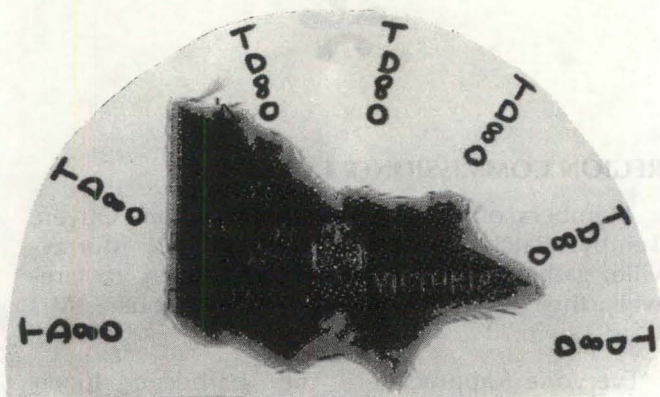
(There are only 7 thinking weeks left to Thinking Day 1979.)

February will come very quickly, so why wait until the last minute?

Be ready for Thinking Day 1979. Start planning now.

Suggestions to add to those already published in September Matilda are —

- Make and send your own Thinking Day post-cards.
- Combine with all members in your district or division to celebrate.
- Have an international campfire, concert, flower show, doll show or art exhibition.
- Take a magic carpet flight around the world.
- Invite local association, Trefoil Guild, extension and lone members to your celebration.
- Encourage your girls to think of other different ways to celebrate.



T.D. '80

We still need your suggestions and ideas for a special BIG Thinking Day, 1980.

Closing date for suggestions has been extended until the end of February 1979.

See October Matilda and contact Miss Beverley Cornell, 3/30 Ryeburne Avenue, Hawthorn, 3122.

MOOMBA PARADES 1979

Following suggestions from you, we have now entered both Moomba parades.

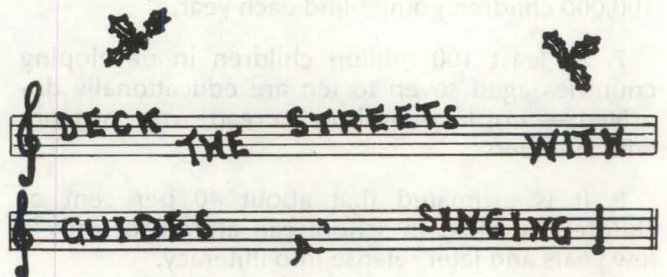
The **Children's Parade** (4th March) is to be conducted solely by children to the age of 14 years, so floats will have to be "child" powered.

As several units wish to produce their own mini floats (using trek carts or other hand carts) we now see the Guide entry as being dozens of individual floats, designed, made and manned by each unit taking part. The theme is — "Happiness is . . . Guiding".

In the **Moomba Parade** (12th March) where overall theme is "Through the eyes of a child" we propose depicting — Fun and Friendship Around the World — using a large globe of the world surrounded by guides in international uniforms.

We have a truck and a driver but we need lots of helpers to construct a 9-foot wide papier-mache globe.

Would units interested in helping or participating please contact Mrs Nala Jones, Public Relations Department, Headquarters.

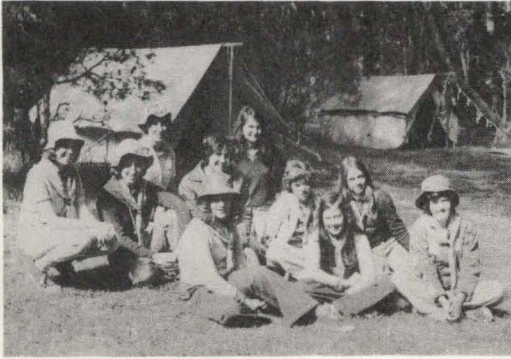


We will be singing carols on the steps of St. Paul's Cathedral from 12.00 noon to 3.00 p.m. on 21st and 22nd December.

If your girls would like to join us, please contact Mrs Nala Jones, Public Relations Department, Headquarters.



Photographs in this issue by courtesy of H. Cathcart, H. Sprott, Standard Newspapers — Brighton, The Herald and Weekly Times Ltd., G. Thomopoulos, L. Williams, E. Wilson, World Vision.



BRITANNIA PARK

The Wooding Bee in October was a great success, the load of 8 tons from Cressy was especially welcome. There are so many people to thank that it is impossible to name individuals. We just thank everyone for their help to Britannia Park that day. We hope now to have enough firewood for the State Camp.

A lovely vacuum cleaner has arrived at Guide House . . . a gift from everyone in the Goulburn Valley Division. We hope those who use it will treat it with lots of tender, loving care.

I continue to be very grateful to all who are contributing to the Maintenance Fund.

Thank you to the following for their contributions:

Heatherdale Local Association (26th March), South Yarra-Toorak Local Association (25th July), Karingal Local Association (26th July), Melton District (17th August), Mornington Local Association (11th September), Maroondah Trefoil Guild (12th September), Springvale North Local Association (19th September), Croydon West Local Association (20th September), Rainbow Local Association (24th September), and in October, Ballarat Division Brownies (1st), Box Hill Local Association (3rd, 4th), Mt. Waverley Local Association (6th), Kinglake Local Association (7th, 8th), Bayswater Local Association (8th), Swan Hill Local Association (9th), Kerrimuir District Local Association (10th), Miss D. Holtz (12th), Oakleigh Local Association (14th), Diana Sydenham (14th), Ringwood North Local Association (14th, 15th), Reservoir West Local Association (15th), Southern Cross Trefoil Guild (17th), Mrs. L. Luke (17th), Montmorency Local Association (20th), 1st Donvale Guide Company (20th), Croydon North Local Association (22nd), Mrs C. O. Shave (22nd), Deer Park Local Association (23rd), Malvern Local Association (24th), 2nd Wheelers Hill Brownie Pack (25th), White Hills Local Association (26th), Mrs. D. Kirk (31st).

At last we have bought carpet for three rooms in Guide House (two bunk rooms and Q.M.'s room) and the two bunk rooms in Brownie Cottage. They are not laid yet but should be down soon.

This is my last message to you because Yoland Sargood will be back in January. It has been lovely to be in touch with so many of my friends scattered around Victoria. My very sincere thanks for your co-operation, and good wishes to you all for a Happy Christmas, and a safe and enjoyable holiday season from the Britannia Park Committee.

—PATRICIA GRAY,
Acting Convener.

Have You Heard? Spread the Word.

“BACK TO BRITANNIA PARK”

A camp to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Britannia Park, for adult members and ex-members of the Movement.

Dates — Saturday, 10th March, to Monday, 12th March, 1979.

Fee — \$7.00.

In appreciation of the contribution made to Britannia Park over the years by so many members of the movement, Britannia Park Committee and the Camping Committee are waiving fees. Therefore food costs only are being charged.

There will be limited indoor accommodation for those with special needs.

Plans are in hand for a weekend of fun and friendship with special guests and activities to mark this Ruby Anniversary of the opening of Britannia Park.

Your hostesses are Yoland Sargood and Jessie Lamond.

Visitors Day will be on Sunday, 11th March, 1979. Further details of this in February Matilda.

Application forms will be forwarded on receipt of a stamped self-addressed envelope. Apply to Mrs J. Thompson, 97 Darebin Street, Heidelberg, 3084.

SUPPLEMENTARY



ACTIVITIES

SAC wishes all of you a Merry Christmas and a very Happy Holiday. May you all enjoy peace and happiness in the New Year.

FOTO FUN

This Photography Competition is open to ALL members of the movement, their families and friends.

An exhibition of ALL entries will be staged during Moomba holiday weekend in March 1979. Viewing of the exhibition will be open to the general public and will be officially opened on Saturday, 10th March.

This is your chance to become FAMOUS, to see your own work on public view at an exhibition. So sort out all those photographs you have taken during 1978 of Guiding activities. Select the ones you like (with negatives) and enter them in FOTO FUN. You may just win a prize!

Ask your friends to enter too.

Entry forms are available at Headquarters or from your Region Commissioner.

Entries close on 31st January, but it is much better to send them in as soon as possible, as all entries must be sorted into categories.

There are some great prizes. The overall winner will receive free air travel by Ansett Airlines of Australia to any Guide or Scout camp or activity (within Australia) of her or his choice.

PLEASE NOTE: Native Section — to be of Victorian flora and fauna — does not have to include members of the Guide movement.



SAC ON THE BEAT

A meeting was held at Headquarters in November for all Region SAC representatives. We discussed the extent of supplementary activities and their value within each region.

If any unit leader would like to comment on supplementary activities, their value, the need or otherwise for them, I would like to hear from you. You can write to me — Mrs M. McLean, 2 Wyatt Street, Seaford, 3198.

Have you ever had a request from your unit and wished you could find an expert to teach the girls? Then contact your region SAC representative for it is her job to find the expert and arrange details for you. All you have to do is make a telephone call.

WHOOPEE DAY

We regret that, due to lack of applications, Whoopee Day has been cancelled.



I would like to publicly thank the SAC committee, Mrs Pat Cash, Mrs Verna Surry, Mrs Judy McIntyre, Mr Campbell McIntyre for their tremendous hard work and enthusiasm in organising supplementary activities during 1978.

My grateful thanks also to all our outside experts for their invaluable assistance, so willingly given.

Finally, thanks to Mrs Grimwade and her team, Mrs West, the Headquarters staff and advisers for their encouragement and support given to this experiment.

—M. McLEAN,
S.A.O.



REPORT OF AUSTRALIAN TEAM
23RD WORLD CONFERENCE OF WORLD ASSOCIATION
OF GIRL GUIDES & GIRL SCOUTS
HELD AT THE OLYMPIC VILLAGE, TEHRAN, IRAN
FROM 2ND TO 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1978

The Boy Scouts of Iran met us as we entered the airport and were extremely helpful finding baggage, answering questions and finally, steering us, with luggage, into cars for transport to the Olympic Village. They had absolute priority - just called out "scouts" and all other traffic pulled aside.

The Olympic Village was about five miles from the centre of Tehran at the foot of the mountains. Modern concrete and brick buildings, mostly of five storeys, contained on each floor two suites of three rooms, each served by a toilet room of shower, basin, lavatory and oil heater. Each delegate had a room allotted to her, unless she chose to share. The similarity of the blocks made it confusing at first to find ones way around.

The dining-room, administration block, shop, post office, Clinic/Red Cross rooms and the cinema (where Conference sessions were held) were located on a lower level. One reached the lower level from the residential blocks section by a series of paths and steps through gardens. The gardeners fixed wide-circling sprinklers at many points so that all the grounds were covered but it was almost impossible to avoid getting wet on the way up or down.

The weather was very pleasant; each morning and evening there was a pleasant breeze; the temperature was very high during the main part of the day but the air-conditioning of the conference and meeting rooms assured that this was not a worry.

Food was interesting and plentiful - two chefs and a vast army of volunteers served, cafeteria-style. Water was "safe" to drink but rather unpalatable due to chlorination and great quantities of "coke", "7-up" and "orange" were drunk.

The cinema made a most efficient and comfortable Conference room. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and relevant officials occupied a long table, seating about six people, with three microphones within easy reach. The instant translations were exceedingly good.

Paper work was handled by the World Bureau Staff, augmented by some local help and the office seemed to be open almost continuously. There was a shop selling local handicrafts and goods and an annexe from which could be obtained toilet necessities, sweetmeats, etc.

It was simply wonderful to be able to make presentations of the wide variety of souvenirs supplied by members of the Australian Association. We picked suitable things for the children, for other delegates and for the Iranian Guiders. Our bag of goodies was just so vast and we enjoyed saying that so many of them had been produced by our Guides and Brownies. On a number of occasions an Iranian Guider would visit the blocks and leave souvenirs made by the Brownies and Guides of Iran.

Item 1. - The Conference assembled on Saturday 2nd September and was opened at 5.15 p.m. by H.I.M. The Shahbanou. Mrs. Mansuri, Chief Commissioner of Iranian Guiding welcomed participants and Lady Price, Chairman of the World Conference responded and expressed appreciation to H.I.M. The Shahbanou for her interest and to the hostess country.

Item 2. - Miss Lyn Joynt, Director of the World Bureau, called the Roll. There were 59 full member organisations present, together with 25 associate members and 15 national associations working towards membership.

Item 3. - A minute of silence was held in tribute to those who have served the Movement and died since the last World Conference.

Item 4. - Lady Price then paid tribute to the World Chief Guide. This was the first occasion on which a message could not be received direct from her but in its place a recorded message was heard.

Item 5. & 6. - Messages and greetings, apologies for absence were conveyed to the Conference by the Chairman who then welcomed the guests. Mr. Bruce Garnsey, Chairman of the Scout World Committee and Mr. P. Tessiyn, Chairman of International Federation of Former Scouts and Guides addressed the Conference. H.I.M. The Shahbanou then received all participants and departed at 6.30 p.m.

Item 7. - A Resolutions Committee was appointed.

Item 8. - The report of the 22nd World Conference (W.B.1834) was adopted on the motion of Liberia, seconded Jamaica.

Item 9(a) & (c) - The 21st report (Golden Jubilee report) of the World Association was presented by Miss Joynt. She sketched the highlights including the receipt of a further grant from Canadian International development to assist in the development of leadership; the formation of the African region; the funding by the U.S. Girl Scouts of 4 seminars at the 4 World Centres; the retirement of Miss Barbara Styles; the preparation and publication of the pamphlet "Basics"; the increased circulation of the "Council Fire" and the Year of the Child - 1979.

Item 9(b) - Mrs. Jean Keppie presented the Treasurer's Report, Balance Sheets, and, Accounts for years 1974/5, 1975/6 and 1976/77. In response to a question from Belgium, she indicated that the increase in reserves was not at the expense of funds available for promotion but because of the uncertainty of the value of income due to inflation in the triennium.

Item 10. - The Conference Theme. "The Child" was introduced with emphasis on 'Lighting a flame for Youth' and 'Today their future is in our hands; Tomorrow our future will be in theirs'. Groups were then formed to discuss 'How can Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting offer alternatives to the pressure of society?', 'Does the Movement educate girls to accept and conform to the present society or to change that society?' and 'How can we help the girls develop through Community Service?' and many valuable ideas were put forward.

Item 11. - Promotion of Girl Guiding & Girl Scouting. This item was presented by the Chairman of the Promotion Committee with Chairmen Regional Committee and regional groups. Presentation took the form of a commentary supplemented by diagrams and charts.

Item 12. - Self Evaluation. The inclusion of this item had arisen from discussion about categories of membership. U.S.A. presented the concept with the idea of preserving a permanent standard of evaluation. It was agreed that Guiding was an educational Movement for over 7 million girls in 94 countries. The quality of life as lived by girls and adults in a country and the quality of an Organisation were two aspects which had to be considered together. All efforts should be made for improvement, Guiding must be an action nationally organised with clear objectives by appropriate means. It cannot be left to chance and must be planned; self evaluation is one aspect of evaluation.

In replies to the Questionnaire to countries no one member had offered a continuous process of self evaluation. It is a method proposed to national organisations to emphasise their active role in WAGGGS. It envisages the building up of a plan of organisation in a country by co-operation, exchange of documents and exchange of visits with another country.

Item 13. - Membership. At a closed session Members considered various matters relating to Membership.

(a) As to Changes Affecting the entity of an Organisation it was agreed that Boy Scouts and Girl Guides of Austria and Finland on behalf of their Girl Guide membership be recognised as full members of WAGGGS; and that Boy Scouts and Girl Guides of Jordan on behalf of its Girl Guide membership be recognised as an associate member. These merged (Austria and Finland) and joint (Jordan) organisations replaced the previous organisations of Girl Guides in these countries.

(b) As to Associate Membership. Hong Kong, Lesotho, Nepal, Netherlands Antilles and Papua New Guinea, organisations were accepted as Associate Members of WAGGGS.

(c) As to Full Membership. Bahamas, Bolivia, Cyprus, Jordan, Paraguay and Zambia were admitted as Full Members.

(d) The Conference ratified decisions of the World Committee with regard to provisional membership.

(e) Finally the Conference cancelled the membership of the Girl Guides Associations of Vietnam and Zaire regretfully.

Item 14. - Categories of Membership. Denmark recommended "That there be only one kind of membership of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts". Participants in a long discussion were divided in their views. They linked the matter with self-evaluation which was an integral part of development. Some felt that all should have full voting rights on everything. In their view the Quota System took account of any financial burden. They considered one category would be truly democratic. Standards would be preserved by self-evaluation. They cited the institution of the Family which consists of persons of different ages but having common benefits and burdens. Others supported 2 categories, feeling that associate membership was a valuable and useful introduction to full membership and in line with the natural process of Guiding.

They felt it was an achievement to work for and earn full membership. The conditions of full and associate members were discussed should 2 categories of membership be retained and the conditions should one category be agreed. A motion that there be one category of membership was then put to the meeting and defeated. The variation in conditions for full and associate members then came into force - these will be shown as amendments to the Constitution. Australia proposed that this matter not be raised again for a minimum period of two triennia, a formal motion was not put but there was general agreement on the principle suggested.

Item 15. - Regional Meetings. During the meeting of the Asia Pacific Region ideas were exchanged and following matters discussed -

- Regional Seminar, Bangkok (3 Australians will attend in December 1978)
- Australian Training for Trainers, May 1979
- Suggestion that a country "adopt a room" at Sangam
- For \$12 a child from Bombay can be given a 5 day holiday at Sangam. May and August being most suitable months.
- Staff needed at Sangam from time to time - no real salary but living expenses and pocket money.

Because of problems occasioned by the situation in Iran and the subsequent imposition of martial law and curfew, we were unable to partake of the many planned events. We shared the disappointment of our hostesses when we were unable to visit their homes and, although they generously brought food and entertainment to us, it was just not the same. Especially as they had to hurry home to be off the streets before 9 p.m.

We did, however, spend one day away from the village, driven in a fleet of buses to the Headquarters of the Iranian Association - a most impressive, large building with a vast, marble entrance hall. Here our ever-present thirsts were catered for with coffee, "coke", etc. Proceeding to the magnificent cinema/concert hall, we were welcomed in a short speech by Dr. Banai, Chief Scout, and then were entertained to a most generous luncheon in another very large room by members of the Iranian Association, then a tour of the "museum" on yet another floor, reached by a large, wide staircase. Gifts were presented by a number of delegations.

Then back to the buses and away to the special camp-site part way up the mountain. The vast area had gardens surrounding the

many camp-sites - which were VERY dusty - and it was all most interesting and ENTIRELY different to the Australian idea of camping. The first level featured groups of Brownies - all dressed in obviously new camp dresses; each tent was floored with a carpet and a very wide variety of crafts was displayed. The girls were all most actively engaged in performing action games, songs and dances. Many were familiar to us - either in tune or action - however some of the ENGLISH words became a little odd in translation. The most significant difference was the dancing which entered into all phases of entertainment or recreation. The girls all seemed to love this dancing and they were exceedingly good at it. No one ever seemed to put a foot wrong and there was never giggling or running around.

The Guide Camps at the next stage were similar in type to the Brownie camps, but naturally, more advanced in programme. The last stage took us to the Ranger camps, smaller in number because they had used a lot of their manpower to line the main road up which we travelled ever higher! About every twenty feet, on each side, a Ranger in smart uniform, was stationed and she saluted each group or individual, bade us "Shalom" and was ever-ready to talk.

The final stage took us up to the buildings and a very large, flat lawn dotted around with tables and chairs. A long trench had been dug in the dusty area separating the two vast lawn areas and here the cooks/chefs cooked some type of kebabs. The second lawn area had long trestle tables laden with salads, flat bread, the usual area for drinks, the ice being piled up on the grass beside the table!

The mountains were truly spectacular and the lights of Tehran were a splendid sight as we walked down the long road back to the buses at the close of the evening and made us realise just how high the camp-site was located in the mountains.

Item 16. - Quota Study was introduced by World Treasurer. Recommendation "That the alternative system for calculation of Quota (based on United Nations method) be adopted with effect from 1st October, 1979."

Australia proposed an amendment "That the ceiling for any one member's contribution be limited to 40% of the total sum to be raised" as we considered it not in the best interests of WAGGGS for 50% to be paid by one country. Amendment was lost and

motion accepted - recommendations for phased payments were also accepted.

Item 17. - Girl Guide/Girl Scout & Boy Scout Relationships.

There was introduction to group discussions. No recommendations were made and summary of points raised will be prepared by World Bureau for Conference Report.

Item 18. - Group Meetings - International. An interesting presentation on international education was made.

Agreement was reached that -

- There be an International Commissioners meeting during next triennium (Australia has offered to hostess this)
- An International Award (on lines of Walter Donald Ross trophy) be instituted
- There be a project at World level
- There be Juliette Low Gatherings at each of the 4 World Centres 1979/81 for leaders between 18-25 years
- Next World Conference 1981

Asia Pacific Committee

Chairman - Madam Chan Siok Fong

Members - Dr. Perin Banker, Miss Mary Hopkirk, Mrs. Toyoko Katayama, Dr. Naama Sabar, Mrs. Milagros Villasor

Substitute Members - Miss Mary Lambie, Mrs. Kanok Samsen Vil

Sangam Committee

Chairman - Mrs. Usha Bhowmik

Members - Dr. Nancy G. Feldmann, Mrs. N.N.D. Jilla, Mrs. Kata Jouhki, Mrs. Yamutai Kirloskar, Miss Afsar Farkhondeh Kish, Mrs. N.J. Ronson, Mrs. Amar Singh, Miss Joan Stevenson

Substitute Members - Mrs. T. Krishnaraj, Mrs. Minerva Laudico, Mrs. Kunda Vijayakar

Item 19. - Election of World Committee Members.

Chairman - Lady Price (for a further 3 years)

1st Vice Chairman - Dr. Helen Laird

2nd Vice Chairman - Miss Therezinha Fram

Members - Sra. Juliette de Carrington, Dr. Fernande Chatagner, Dr. Kimi Hara, Mrs. William McLeod Ittmann, Mrs. Rosina Oku-Ampofo, Mme Samira Raphael, Miss Doris Stockmann, Mrs. Mukta Wijesinha

Substitute Members - Sra. Rosa Maria Carrasco, Signorina Claudia Conti, Miss Tehmina Barma, Mrs. Ena J. Collymore-Woodstock

Following Australians appointed on other Committees -
Constitutions - Chairman, Miss Aline Fenwick
Finance - Substitute Member, Mrs. P.F. Dwyer

Item 20. - Future World Conferences agreed that Constitution be amended to read "Visitors from Member Organisations may be invited to attend sessions of the World Conference in accordance with policy agreed from time to time by Full members meeting at a World Conference.

Further agreed that numbers in delegations for both Full and Associate National Organisations be based on membership according to the following scale -

Up to 20,000	2 delegates, 1 visitor
20,000 to 50,000	2 " 2 "
50,000 to 250,000	2 " 3 "
250,000 to 1,000,000	2 " 5 "
Over 1,000,000	2 " 7 "

Before the next World Conference, a study is to be carried out allowing for a revision and definition of all ways of working of World Conference, taking into account recommendations and questions expressed at the 23rd World Conference concerning structure and procedure, amendments to the Constitution to be proposed if necessary. This study to include the following points -

- The composition of the Conference
- The rights and obligations of the participants
- The rules permitting the Conference to play its role, presentation of recommendations and amendments by the Member Organisations, methods of voting, the division of roles between the World Committee, the Chairmanship of the Conference and the Conference itself.

Item 21. - World Centres Presentation

Item 22. - Group discussions were carried out on Critical Needs and Concerns of the Movement including -

- Public relations and communications
- Recruitment of volunteer leaders, membership expansion
- Development of adult as leader of girls
- Fund raising and administration

On the second Sunday, a Guides' Own was arranged - planning taking place the previous day. I think that this was truly the highlight of the whole Conference. The religions of all participants were represented by two members and the theme was PEACE. It is impossible to convey the depth of feeling generated there - I am sure that no one was unmoved. It must be remembered that we were a community protected, as it were from a different situation, that many of our members came from countries where unrest, war or near-war is a very real part of life. Most of the tongues were unintelligible to others of us but every word, every gesture was sincere - there was no nervousness or hesitation. Outside Guiding many of these people would have been enemies, strangers - there they were united in the desire to bring closer our international sisterhood.

Item 23. - Venue of 24th World Conference. Film presentations were offered by France and Rhodesia and Kenya presented an oral statement in support of their invitation. After voting, agreed that France be the venue - delegate indicated exact venue might be a seaside resort on west coast, the University of Dijon or an Institute near Versailles.

Item 24. - General Financial Policy & Plans. Agreed that sum raised by annual quota be increased by 10% from 1st October, 1979 and by a further 10% from 1st October, 1980. Further agreed that minimum annual quota payment for Full Member Organisations be 1978/79 £20; 1979/80 £22; 1980/81 £25 and for Associate Members 1978/79 £10; 1979/80 £11 and 1980/81 £12. Financial Policy and Plans were accepted and auditors appointed.

Item 25. - Thinking Day. Miss Lyn Joynt, World Director, with Iranian Girl Scouts gave presentation on Thinking Day using acting and dancing. It was agreed that all countries make a determined effort to increase the Thinking Day Fund; a quick collection produced £428. NOTE: Chief Commissioner suggests a collection of coins from all countries is sent to A.H.Q. for Fund.

Item 26. - World Chief Guide Memorial Fund. A statement was circulated by the World Bureau listing available assets. A list of suggestions was also available. These were supplemented by suggestions for a World Centre in Africa, a trust for travel grants and grants of aid for technical assistance to poor countries which need and ask for technical help.

Agreed that the Fund be used to acquire property to rehouse the World Bureau and also, if possible, Olave House. Further agreed that should use of the Fund as agreed above prove, on further investigation, NOT to be a feasible proposition the Fund be used for one or more of the following purposes:

1. World Centre in Africa
2. Endowment Fund for use by World Centres
3. Annual Lady B-P Seminars for seniors and young adults
4. Annual allocations to World Centres for travel grants
5. Annual Mutual Travelling Scholarships

in order of priority.

Item 27. - Report of Resolutions Committee. The formal report was presented as a concluding item.

Lyn Joynt, next year to retire as Director of the World Bureau made a short speech before the closing of the Conference. With great simplicity and sincerity she made a plea for our working together in the greatest possible harmony for the good of the children.

The Chairman, Lady Price, gave a precise, exact summing up of the business and of the general conduct of the Conference.

This was followed by a most effective Closing Ceremony, involving many, many girls. The Ranger age group, dressed in deep red satin dresses and using half hoops covered with white flowers, presented a most attractive dancing display, culminating in the taking down of the World Conference World Flag, which was then handed to the French delegation - an effective contrast here as they were wearing their beautifully tailored brown suits with cream blouses. Brownie age girls lined the sides and front of the auditorium, carrying candles in small holders. An older girl performed a dance and then lit the centre candle at the edge of the stage - all the other candles were lighted and the small girls performed their quiet, slow dance movements all around the hall. Finally each girl took the hand of a delegate at the end of each row and the other delegates joined hands and were led out by the brownies.

In her address to open the World Conference H.I.M. The Shahbanou said -

"I have personally seen much of Guiding and Scouting in action. I appreciate your motto of preparedness and your desire to do good deeds to others. I personally endorse your programme of camping and outdoor sports and I wish that you could develop more youth camps for the benefit of all children. I appreciate very much the cultural aspects of your units' activities which I am sure will lead the young to better understand their cultural heritage.

Indeed, I strongly believe in the wholesome influence of Guiding and Scouting in the growth and development of young people. I have been very pleased that my children have benefitted from the physical, social and psychological values of Guiding and Scouting. The Shahanshah and myself are also deeply interested in bringing the Guiding and Scouting programme to all children in the cities as well as in the rural areas, from all levels of life, whenever and wherever possible - even the handicapped child should be given these opportunities. We believe that Guiding and Scouting helps girls and boys to grow into adults of sturdy character ready to face the world with more confidence, self-reliance and better judgment."

Australia's Delegation

Mrs. R. Renshaw Jones

Mrs. P. Dwyer

Miss A. Fenwick

Mrs. F. Cooke

Miss A. Lawrie



Statement by the World Committee

The promotion of 'unity of purpose and common understanding of the fundamental principles of the Girl Guide and Girl Scout Movement'

The object of our World Association is stated in very simple but profound terms:-

"(a) To promote unity of purpose and common understanding in the fundamental principles of the Girl Guide and Girl Scout Movement throughout the world and to encourage friendship among girls of all nations within frontiers and beyond.

(b) To further the aim of the Girl Guide and Girl Scout Movement which is to provide girls with opportunities for self training in the development of character, responsible citizenship and service to the community."

The principles of membership of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts are stated in its Constitution as follows:-

"A Member of the World Association shall be a National Organisation:

(a) Which adheres to the fundamental principles of the original Promise and Law laid down by the Founder.

(b) Whose membership is voluntary and open to all girls without distinction of creed, race, nationality or any other circumstance.

(c) Which is self-governing.

(d) Which is independent of any political organisation and which does not support any political party."

Our Members are not countries or governments, but nationally organised groups of Girl Guides or Girl Scouts who are prepared to uphold the principles of membership and abide by the Constitution of the World Association which they themselves have agreed. All National Organisations must have faith one in the other.

Once in every 3 years Members meet in Conference, and its authority is exercised through the delegates appointed by Organisations. These delegates consider invitations received to hostess the World Conference, and decide which invitation shall be accepted.

It is expected that no Member Organisation will attend a World Conference and act in a way that could be detrimental to another Member Organisation.

TREFOIL TALES

When Trefoil members met at Headquarters for the Annual Meeting 19 guilds were represented. Unfortunately the film, "Follow the Girls", could not be shown, but one of the 19th World Conference in Japan was very much appreciated. Miss Gwen Swinburne was kept busy autographing and selling her book "Among the First People 1908-1936 — the Baden-Powell Girl Guide Movement in Australia".

TALLARINGA invited the Janefield girls to join them and thirteen girls were driven across to the meeting. All joined in musical games and soaking stamps before lunch. Then after a short walk the girls enjoyed a sing-song in the sun.

Annual Trefoil week-end was held at Britannia Park in glorious weather. Twenty-three members from various Trefoils around Melbourne arrived Friday afternoon. After tea, friendly greetings and 'What have you been doing since last year?' We settled down to discuss international guiding, as this year is the 25th anniversary of International Fellowship of Former Scouts and Guides. We had an English Trefoil member, Gladys Fisher, staying with us and she told of the activities of her guild in Westminster. On Saturday, after further discussion, it was decided to continue Annual Trefoil Week-ends at Britannia Park and also to try to interest more members to attend. On Sunday our Guild's Own was held in the Chapel and our English visitor, whose nick-name is "Chips", planted a grevillea near the bird bath in the native garden in front of the Chalet. Over the week-end we had eight day visitors. Great interest was shown in the visitors' books at Guide house and all you could hear was "Do you remember —".

Our thanks go to our Adviser and staff for a very enjoyable week-end.

At the end of October four National Joint Council members travelled from Queensland to Melbourne to hand over the books to recently-elected office-bearers. The Yarraville Mouth Organ Band organised a cabaret style evening at their hall so the visitors could meet Baden-Powell Guild and Trefoil Guild members, and the next day we had a barbecue lunch at Jells Park in Waverley.

—M.S.

In October 1977 Trefoil Guild members planted a rhododendron at Britannia Park, in memory of Shirley Luke, who had died a few weeks earlier. This year a plaque, affixed to a rock, was placed by the rhododendron, which is a lovely mauve one, now in bloom.

The words on the plaque read: "In memory of Shirley Luke, who gave a lifetime of service to Guiding". Members of Southern Cross Guild contributed to the cost of the plaque, and extra money for maintenance.

—P.J.



Flashback

A happy moment for Shirley Luke (then captain of 3rd Victorian Post Guide Company) as she receives the Silver Cross from H.R.H. The Duchess of Gloucester at a rally in Government House grounds in November 1945. The Silver Cross is awarded for gallantry when considerable risk of life has been faced.

ONCE UPON AN EAGLE...

I was in the hardware store when my husband came in from our service station next door.

"Buying glue to fix the eagle's wing, are you?" he asked.

We both laughed.

The salesman was prompt in his attention. "What is it?" he asked. "Plastic or china?"

"Neither," we replied, grinning to ourselves.

"Oh, I see, it's a carved eagle, is it?"

"No, not really," we answered.

"Oh, I get it . . . it's a STUFFED one!" he exclaimed.

Meanwhile another assistant joined the conversation.

"We have some lovely plastic parrots if you'd like one — they're on a plastic perch," she said.

"Well now — really, you don't have ANYTHING here to suit our eagle," we advised our helpers. "You see, OUR eagle is a REAL eagle."

"Yes — but it is stuffed, isn't it?" rejoined the salesman. You know — taxidermists and all that."

"OUR EAGLE," we announced firmly, "is a very live, real, unstuffed eagle which lives on the pool table in the lounge!"

"He is presently 'under repair' for an injured wing and is very much King of the cats (and the kids)."

(There was a deafening silence in the shop as the staff digested this.)

Most folk — like the shop staff — find it hard to believe, but "Wirwin" is very much a delightful feathered fact of life.

Wirwin is the aboriginal name for the Whistling Eagle (*Haliastur sphenurus*) — a fact only discovered since our bird's arrival, as my Commissioner's property is called "Wirwin".

Boys at school and a few keen staff have promised rabbits to feed our patient — he does not enjoy butcher's meat apart from an occasional liver.

A victim of the roads, his wing is now improving, he uses talons and beak to tear strips of flesh from rabbit or other natural prey. Our Wirwin needs natural food for the fur, bones and feathers, as these help his digestion and are necessary to the forming of a pellet which most birds of prey eject after food.

"Wirwin" is a little over twenty inches long and at full height his feathery trousers are very eagle-like, even though much smaller than those of the wedge tail.

Like all the owls and hawks we have had, he is remarkably gentle and quiet — and enjoys being hand fed. "Harry" Brown Hawk insisted on hand feeding — probably being a young bird used to parental feeding still. We only released Harry last week so the house is still equipped like an aviary!

Meantime as we feed Wirwin with dainty morsels we wonder at the bill and talons which could chomp off a finger very smartly.

Visitors at first are terrified . . . then amazed at our placid house guest.

It would seem that birds — like dogs and other creatures — can sense a harmless and friendly human.

A nervous persons receives an instant threat from talons and beak — and immediately jumps back with fright!

But those of us at our house who know and trust him can stroke, pat and handle our big brown bird without fear.

Nature is indeed a wonderful thing!

—ANNE FRASER.





TRAINING PAGES

As the New Year comes rushing nearer, many of us resolve to become nicer "New People".

Therefore, members of the Training Pages Group, with some Headquarters people, have bravely committed their resolutions to paper:

Remember - it's nice to be important,
but it's more important to be nice.

Margie B. West

I will improve my vocabulary.
delete: gunnado.
substitute: dunnit.

Noma

That I will clean my glasses
regularly to see the world with
more clarity

Jelle

Some folk grumble that roses have
thorns while others are thankful that
thorns have roses. In 1979 I'll be
trying to see only the roses

By Bar

Count New _____ then

THIS IS MY TUIT

Everybody needs this.
It is indispensable.
It is not a triangular tuit.
It is not a rectangular tuit.
It is not an oblong tuit.
It is a round tuit.
For years people have been saying
"I'll do it as soon as I get round tuit."
With this tuit we will have no more
trouble getting all these extras done.
Now that I have finally got a "Round
Tuit" I intend to use it wisely and
invite you to share it with me in the
coming year!

lyn.

I HOPE TO HELP
AT LEAST ONE
OTHER PERSON DISCOVER THE
AND FRIENDSHIP I HAVE HAD
BEEN PRIVILEGED TO FIND
AS AN ADULT INVOLVED
IN GUIDING
Don Richardson

E. Bunning

Not to put off till tomorrow -
what I can do next week

Mance

To convince everyone else
that there are nine days
in a week and not seven

To evolve & use a filing
system for the pictures
I use to make aids.

Barquette

Hazel

BE SEEN

1979
Will be fine,
If I
will try,
to THINK a little longer, and

Ralin Collins

That I go to my Guild meeting with
a properly prepared program.

may as long

MOVE a little slower.



BE SEEN DOING.

Jill

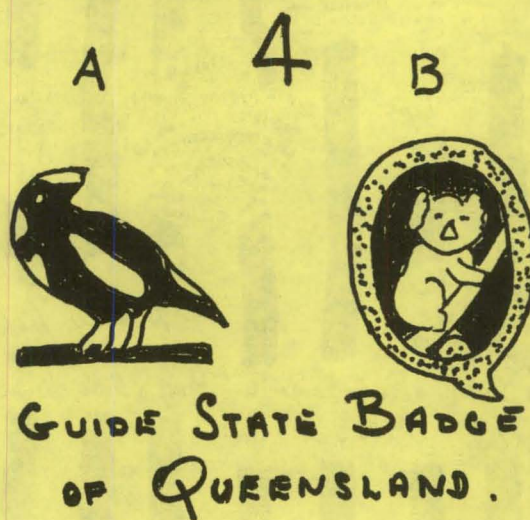
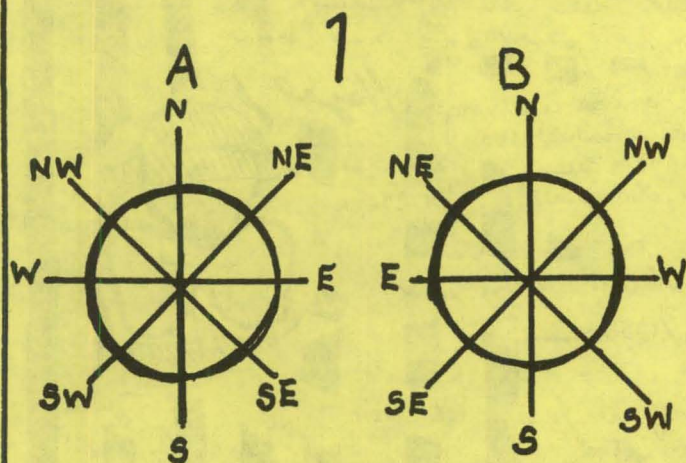
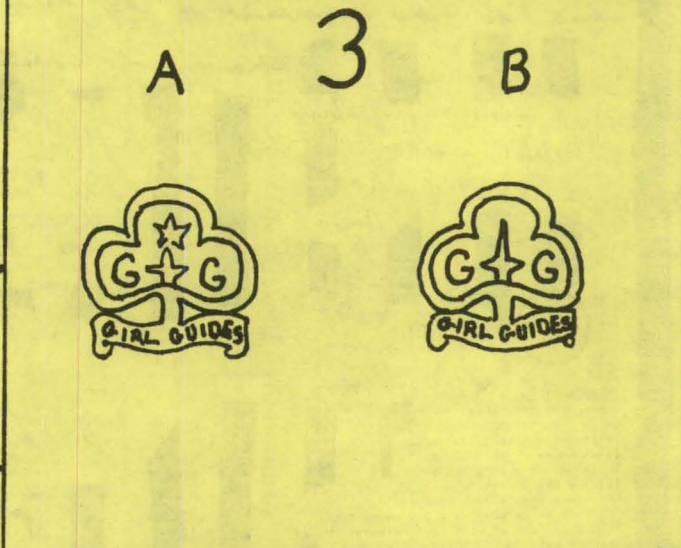
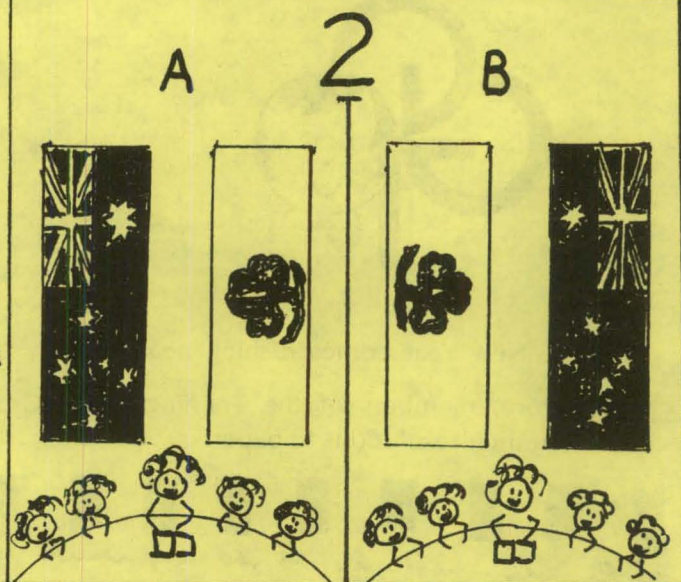
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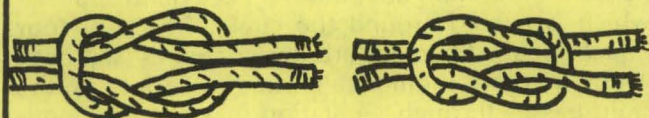
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PLAYERS TAKE TURNS TO PLACE A COUNTER UNDER THE PICTURE THEY THINK IS CORRECT.

WHEN ALL COUNTERS ARE PLACED, OPEN THE ENVELOPE. SCORE ONE POINT FOR EACH CORRECT ANSWER. (ANSWERS OVER NEXT PAGE.)



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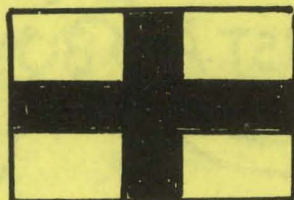
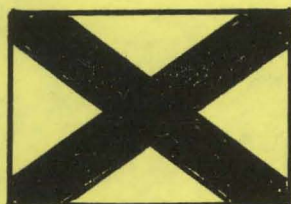
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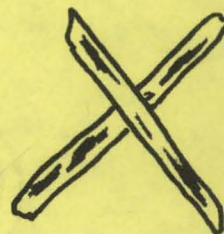
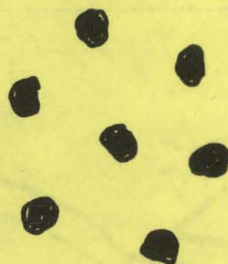
THE BROWNIE BADGE OF ITALY.

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THE CROSS OF ST GEORGE.

A 9 B



I HAVE GONE HOME.

A 7 B



A 10 B



GAMES TO PLAY WHEN THE WEATHER IS HOT

Kaa the Snake

To make the snake: Fill the toe end of an old long sock, a thick stocking or half of a pair of tights, with stuffing and tie off to make a neck. Give it eyes, a mouth and fangs and perhaps a bow tie or a hair bow. Fill the 'body' with a variety of smallish objects, e.g., pencil, bottle top, crumpled paper, emery board, jar top, tube top, etc., and then tie off the open end. Tie a long length of nylon fishing line around the 'neck'.

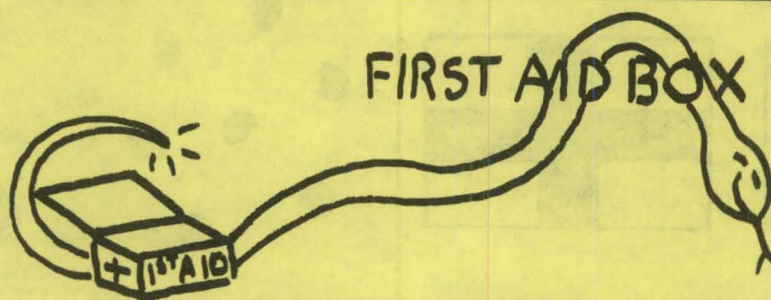
To play: Players sit side by side in one long row. They are told when Kaa is hungry he eats anything and everything and that he has just had a good feed. Kaa is then pulled along past the players, each having a limited time to feel his 'tummy' — when all have had a turn players list what they think Kaa had for dinner. The player with the longest correct list is the winner.

Trains and Stations

Players sit in a circle holding hands. A spotter sits in the centre of the circle. It is the spotter's task to find where the train is located. The joined hands are the train line, the train is a hand squeeze which is passed around the circle. Three or four equally spaced persons are designated as 'stations'. These people should call out 'toot-toot' as the train passes through. A station may not be identified as being the location of the train. Stations may hold the train or change its direction. When the 'spotter' correctly indicates the piece of train line holding the train, that person changes places with the spotter and the game continues as long as the fun lasts.

WHICH IS CORRECT? ANSWERS.

1.A 2.A 3.A 4.B 5.A 6.B 7.B 8.A 9.A 10.A



Snake Bite

SERIOUS AND POSSIBLY FATAL EFFECTS CAN RESULT, QUICK AND EFFECTIVE TREATMENT IS URGENTLY REQUIRED.

DO

- *try to get an accurate description of the snake
- *lie the casualty down
- *reassure and allay fear
- *quickly apply a very tight bandage if bite is on a limb and note time of application
- *wash or wipe the skin clean of venom splashes
- *immobilise the injured part
- *seek urgent medical aid
- *ease the bandage for 30 seconds if the casualty has not reached medical help within 20 minutes of application

DO NOT

- *allow panic
- *allow onlookers to stand and stare
- *apply the bandage below the knee or elbow
- *allow the casualty to sleep
- *waste time looking for the snake

As snake bite treatment tends to change regularly it is suggested that before embarking on camping or hiking activities leaders should check with their local doctor on the latest recommended treatment.

LOCAL



ASSOCIATION SECTION

Thought for the Month:

I am only one, but still I am one.

I cannot do everything, but still I can do something.

And because I cannot do everything, let me not refuse to do the something that I can do.

Christmas Greetings

Margaret Pennington, our Local Association Adviser, found the "thought" for this month on the walls of a building at "Minda Killara", North Metropolitan Region campsite. She considered the words appropriate for all local association members and their adviser. Margaret sends Christmas greetings, best wishes and thanks to all, especially those with whom she has come in contact during the year.

It has been a very busy year for our adviser with about ten engagements every month, involving a great deal of time, travelling and thought. In October, Margaret visited Rosebud, Bendigo (Facts 'n' Fun day), Emerald, Numurkah (Facts 'n' Fun day), Caulfield, Maffra (Local Association Workshop), Headquarters (Facts 'n' Fun day), Doncaster (Opening of Guide Hall), Seville, Kew (State Annual Meeting) and Mt. Waverley (Facts 'n' Fun day).

All local associations thank Margaret and Margaret's family.

Help wanted from us all

'Widen your horizon' was the theme of last local association conference. Here is a chance for us all to put it into practice. State International Adviser, Miss Wendy Swift, is asking for financial assistance from all sections of guiding to reach a target of \$1500.00 to bring an Indian leader to the International Training for Trainers to be held in Melbourne in May next year. Any money raised for this fund by a local association alone, or as a joint district effort, will be gratefully received by Miss Swift at Headquarters.

Snippets of Inspiration from the Country

Bendigo Central Local Association puts a copy of Matilda into Bendigo Library each month.

Rainbow Local Association sponsored a street stall for Nhill Handicapped Children's Home.

Grovedale Local Association and guides held a Dads and Daughters Day Carwash in a local supermarket carpark to raise funds and promote father participation.

Sale Local Association makes 400 dozen lamingtons every six weeks.

Nathalia Local Association has put together an excellent recipe book which was produced for them by Nathalia High School as a community involvement project.

Kerang Local Association helped raise \$1300 in a great hurry to get their brownie, guide and ranger State finalists to Queensland for Encore '78. An extensive local publicity campaign reached many generous pockets and to donations were added proceeds of a Brownie Pet Parade, two street stalls on market days, several morning coffees, family efforts and four competitions.

Sale Division held an evening Local Association Workshop with each district well represented. After casserole and pavlova dinner participants listened to speakers, pooled ideas and asked questions about such diverse matters as insurance, fund-raising and member-catching.

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CHRISTMAS RECIPE CORNER

Brookfield Cherry Bars

(From Mrs Jean Watters, Goulburn Region Commissioner.)

1 block cooking chocolate, 4 oz. cherries, 4 oz. sugar, 4 oz. coconut, 2 eggs.

Beat eggs and sugar, add coconut and chopped cherries. Melt cooking chocolate, pour into tin (11" x 7") lined with foil and put into refrigerator to set. Pour cherry mixture over and cook in moderate oven for 15 to 20 minutes. Put straight into bottom of refrigerator for a few moments. Cut into small bars. Keep in refrigerator.

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

GET GOING



GET GUIDING

Guide Guiders' Weekend

Saturday, 31st March and Sunday, 1st April, 1979.

At the Training Ground, Gilwell Park, Gembrook.

The programme will be a bit of everything — of conferring, of learning, and of making new friends.

The weekend will include introduction to ideas, and skills you can use to help your guides. We will "enjoy the outdoors", with patrol camping and conservation; explore some crafts; exchange ideas on patrol leader training and meeting programming; and many other aspects as requested by Guide guiders. There will be opportunity to ask questions and exchange thoughts, with the 'fun' highlight surely being Saturday's campfire.

Applications will be received up to 5th March, but beds are limited to 90, and campsites available for about 24-30 tents. So, first in have preference for these.

We can offer you:

1. Bed, board and conference fee:

Metropolitan guiders	\$17.00
Country guiders	\$14.00

 (the difference in the fee is being subsidised to compensate country guiders for their larger travelling costs).

or
2. Use of a campsite. A group of guiders to bring and share their own tent, and to supply and cook their own food (it is suggested you bring a gas stove as being the quickest way to cook).

\$2.00 per tent irrespective of size
plus \$3.00 per guider — conference fee.

or
3. Attendance by the day, Saturday and/or Sunday.

\$3.00 per guider.

Conference fee covers such things as morning and afternoon tea, some craft material and a comprehensive set of notes on the many items being presented during the weekend.

CUT OUT or COPY this application and post to GUIDE GUIDERS' WEEKEND, Girl Guide Association, 20 Russell Street, MELBOURNE, 3000.

Enclose

- The fee appropriate to the type of accommodation you require.
- A stamped self-addressed envelope for return confirmation of your booking.

NAME (in full).....(please print)

Address.....

.....Telephone.....

Unit.....

Position (e.g. Guider or Assistant).....

Delete as appropriate.

1. Bed, Board and Conference fee (Metropolitan Guider \$17.00, Country Guider \$14.00) amount enclosed \$.....

2. Camp site and conference fees.

NOTE:

Please enclose applications from ALL guiders sharing one tent in the one envelope. Amount enclosed \$.....tent site

\$.....conference fee.

3. Day attendance. Indicate the day/s you wish to attend.

Amount enclosed \$.....

Attending.....(state day/s).



Looking Back — on the Olave Patrol Challenges

Patrol Challenges were introduced to help and encourage young guides to mould themselves into a patrol. A group of girls in working, playing and learning through trying, experienced the importance and need to rely on each other. The girls discovered that, sometimes, for the good of the group they had to help with something they would not have otherwise chosen to do.

Over a quarter of the State's patrols started the challenges. The first two were sent on paper to the patrol leader and described the activities to be done in patrol time. Of course there are many books which give the same information, but the challenge increased motivation by the need to report results and be rewarded with acknowledgement of their effort. A pennant was sent to patrols which finished the first two challenges. Result of the girls' efforts on these challenges did not have to be checked by an adult — the girls' reports were accepted.

The third challenge was at a field day. Only patrols which reported completion of the first two challenges by the end of September were invited. I have heard there were patrols that finished but were let down by their leader's tardiness in posting the report. In these cases the patrols have experienced life. Members who have been let down are likely to react in one of two ways — knowing what it feels like to be let down they determine not to let down others, or they give up and do not try any more. We are hoping our Olave Patrols react in the former manner.

Patrols which reached the field day (220 patrols were invited) had earned that right, and their reward was not just for the field day, but for a year of "stickability".

I managed to visit five of the twelve field days held throughout the State. Regions which hosted these are to be congratulated. We wanted it to be fun, and most of the guides agree it was.

At the field day patrols were assessed on the patrol leader's leadership and their organisation, thoughtfulness, friendliness, initiative and how much of what they had learned in the last two challenges they were able to put into action. They had to be members of the "standing patrol", which meant that, in some cases, only two appeared, while with others there was total attendance.

Some guiders say they found assessing hard because we were more concerned with attitude than with skill.

We were trying to encourage the girls to try to experiment even if the result was messy; to turn written instruction into action; to rely on each other and to smile through the difficulties.

Did it work? I think it did, for I saw —

— A 13-year-old patrol leader, left to arrange a patrol of eight with equipment and transport, produce lists, distribute request notes, and co-ordinate their arrival in a way which would do credit to a 30-year-old.

— One part of the challenge was for the patrol second to spend the day with an arm in a sling. One patrol second, in having trouble balancing a tomato and rissole sandwich to her mouth, was seen being helped by a friend holding the other side of the sandwich.

— A patrol with a very retarded member asked that she get her badge too because, although she was not capable of much practical help, it was the first day she had not cried.

— The concern that the introduction of one hour of daylight saving might radically alter the result of the clock compass.

— A 12-year-old patrol leader shepherding her patrol of six out of a car with a box of firewood, poles, ropes and other gear with sure confidence while her mother hovered in the background wanting to help but realising she was the only nervous one of the group.

Results were surprisingly even, for they all had the one thing in common — every patrol, irrespective of age or experience, tried its very best. At the end of the weekend I knew what one guider meant when she said, "I am so glad I came, it has confirmed my faith and given me new enthusiasm for Guide-aged girls".

—YVONNE JAMES.



RANGERING AROUND

OPENING OF BOATING SEASON

A good crowd of ranger guides, rangers, leaders and friends attended the opening of the boating season when water police inspected our boats and the Reverend Connor performed the Blessing of the Boats ceremony at the Sailing School, Sandringham.

Mrs Grimwade officially opened the Boating Season for the Ranger Section and after lunch activities on the beach began.

Boats were launched and many ranger guides had their first chance to try their hand at rowing.

Congratulations and thanks once again to Sailing School Committee.



REGATTA

3rd-4th March, 1979. Do not miss this event. There will be lots of fun at Mornington in 1979. Applications with November newsletter.

RANGER SERVICE STAR

Congratulations to Mignon Moyle who recently gained her Full Ranger Service Star.

RED CROSS CANOE MINI MARATHON

Eleven rangers, ranger guides and leaders took part in this 30-mile canoe race on the Murray River, entering in sections for touring Canadian doubles and single kayaks.

Seven medals were won and these were presented by one of the city councillors, who is also District Commissioner for Echuca.

LEADERSHIP SKILLS TRAINING

7th-8th April at Headquarters.

This weekend is part of the Four Corners Fixture and is being held early in the month to allow girls to attend both weekends if they wish. Any ranger guide or ranger may apply for this training, and as it is necessary for girls working on the Leadership Certificate to participate in a weekend training here is your chance. Applications will be available early next year and MUST be returned no later than 20th March.

THINKING DAY 1979

A special Thinking Day celebration will be held at Headquarters on Sunday, 18th February, at 10.30 a.m. All Victorian ranger guides, rangers, ranger guide leaders and ranger counsellors are welcome.

RANGER COUNCIL NOTES

Ranger Council is presently organising the Ranger Christmas Break-up—Chicken Champagne Regatta — to be held on Saturday, 9th December, 5.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m., at Albert Park Lake.

The Council is also busy preparing for "Ranger Rush" to be held at "Lingbogol" campsite, Creswick, during Australia Day weekend, 1979.

Please make our task easier by placing your applications early for these events.

—DEBBIE ANDREWS.



QUEENSLAND CAPER

Not everyone's idea of a fun-in-the-sun holiday, Queensland Caper proved to be a "different" type of vacation for 22 Warrandyte ranger guides and Saxon venturers.



Just over the Queensland border, a dirt road after heavy rain brought the two vans to a slippery but very firm halt.



After a night camping in the middle of the road we enlisted help from local farm hands.



Twenty miles later and with muscles swollen from pushing and pulling ourselves out of the sticky mud, we found our fortunes changed and did indeed discover beautiful sunshine, at Shute Harbour.

—SANDRA GANGELL.

A WEIRD PARTY . . .

Witches (good and bad), gremlins, ghosts, goblins, skeletons, cats, monsters and other apparitions gathered at Headquarters for a fantastic Hallowe'en party. Lights were dimmed and rooms decorated with bats, spiders, skeletons, black balloons, pumpkins and other weird creatures.

Everyone was labelled and directed to Hell, in the basement, to find a partner. Then in groups all took part in the programme arranged by Watsonia Ranger Guides. Activities included a spine-chilling murder story on Earth (ground floor), candle lighting and distinguishing slimy materials by feeling (blindfolded for this), in Heaven (first floor), and back in the basement apple bobbing, pinning the nose on the witch and other odd things. Neighbours were treated to the sight of witches and ghosts riding broomsticks around the block, and ghosts, goblins and skeletons hunting for witches' hats in the lane. (We even had offers of help here.)

We returned to Earth for a grand parade of costumes. Sashes were presented to Miss Ugliest Witch, Miss Creepy Crawly, Miss Skeleton, Miss Hallowe'en and several others.

Thank you Watsonia Ranger Guides for a great night.

QUEEN'S GUIDE AWARD FOR RANGER GUIDES

Please note that Clause 6 should read:

6: Community Awareness

- (a) Earn a Ranger Service Certificate.
- (b) Take part in a "Teen Leadership" training weekend.
- (c) Discover and record, in an interesting way, the resources of your own community, such as local government departments, community aid organisations, youth council, charities, adult education and other local facilities.
- (d) Assist your unit, or a similar group, to use any two of these local resources by becoming involved in the activities of the groups you have selected, such as attending youth council meetings, helping at Red Cross collection day, learning about Lifeline.

We apologise for the omission of part (d) of this clause in November issue of Matilda (refer page 145).

DOWN IN THE ARCHIVES

By now I expect some of you will have enjoyed reading the new book about our Australian Guide History — “Among the First People”, written by Miss Gwen Swinburne, and now on sale in the Guide shop. Although it had been planned to give you some details of past Christmas ‘Good Turns’ in this issue, I felt it would be better to make reference to Miss Swinburne and her book to which we have been looking forward for so long.

I had always thought of Gwen Swinburne as one of our pioneer guiders — she was one of the first two Victorians to gain the Training Diploma, back in 1922 — but she says most emphatically that this is not so. The pioneers were those who did their Guiding back in 1910 and 1912. Last year I was able to meet two of these people, and you will find their pictures in the book. Rosa Aylen of 1st Hawthorn Baden-Powell Girl Guides, now Mrs Wilson of Geelong is at the extreme right of the back row in the picture on page 29. Also living in Geelong is Mrs Eileen Miller, an early captain of 1st Fintona Guide Company, see the picture on page 37.

The following ‘notes’ turned up in my files. When I asked Miss Swinburne about them she told me she was the guider concerned.

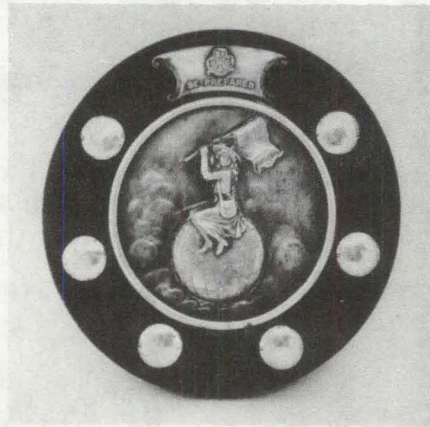
When one of our leading guiders appeared for the first time in uniform, a member of her family said, “You don’t mean to say you are going out like that”.

And then there was the time she was waiting for a tram, and a father was holding a baby who was yelling loudly. He said, “Don’t cry, look at the Girl Guide”.

When the same guider first laid tracks for the company on Saturday afternoons she would not wear her guide hat round the streets of Auburn, and a policeman came and asked her what she was doing; he thought the signs were codes for criminals, but she showed him her badge and he was reassured.

Early in 1923 this guider went to Healesville to enrol the first Guides there. After dinner there was a very heavy shower of rain and the guider and the local captain waited in the hotel porch. A local resident said, “There seems to be something

on at the hall tonight, do you know what it is?” Said the guider: “The first enrolment of the Girl Guides”. He said, “What a good idea. They will be so useful when the tourists begin to come again”.



We are indebted to Mr Eric Wilson, husband of the former chairman of the Historical Records Committee, for this month’s illustration — the shield sent by Miss Agnes Baden-Powell to Mrs Dixson of the Australian Girl Aids in Sydney, back in 1913. He photographed it when New South Wales kindly allowed us to borrow it for a few months. Do get Miss Swinburne’s book and read more details about this shield, on page 30.

—MARY LAMBE,
State Archivist.



N-E-W-S

from all directions

PATROL LEADERS AT YARRAVILLE

Meeting other patrol leaders at recent West Metropolitan Region Patrol Leaders' Conference at Yarraville, learning more about guiding through practical and interesting activities, new songs, new games and making friends added up to an unforgettable experience.

—CAROL MILLER,
1st Sunshine West Guide Company.



These happy smiles belong to 1st Nagambie Guides who, for the first time, brought home the shield after competing with Seymour, Puckapunyal, Kilmore and Broadford teams in the division swimming sports.

INDIAN REVELS

Tatura Brownies enjoyed Brownie Revels at Waranga Basin. The theme was "Indians" and we had tremendous fun making tepees and head-dresses, painting our faces and joining in Indian games and songs.

—SHARON SMALLMAN,
2nd Tatura Brownie Pack.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Brownies of 1st Inverloch Pack celebrated their 10th Birthday with a progressive tea.

—MELISSA, JANE, MICHAELA.

SNOW ADVENTURE

Meadow Fair North Brownies decided to go to the snow.

We worked hard to raise enough money to cover most of our expenses and we spent the first night of our adventure with Brownie friends in Wangaratta.

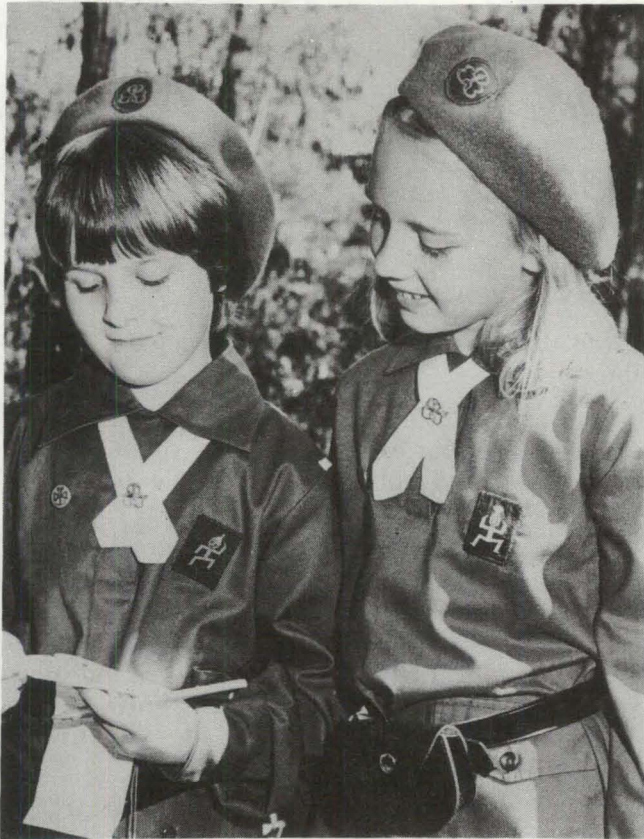
The next morning we were up early putting on extra socks and warm hats and gloves. Our first sighting of the snow was half way up the mountain, and we could not believe our eyes when we finally got to the top. The cold, icy crispness of the snow was soon made into snowballs to throw at one another. We tobogganed down the slopes with tyres and sleds and had great fun.

—VAL FLANAGAN.



On her birthday Korlinci had her photograph taken showing gifts she had bought with money her Australian friends had sent.

2nd Karingal Guides have sponsored Indonesian Korlinci for four years through World Vision, and through letters they have all become firm friends.



Daniell Mitchell and Suzanne Newman took time to learn compass reading during the 20th Birthday celebrations of Greensborough District.

People associated with guiding in Greensborough during these years relived happy days through old photographs, slides and camping displays and took part in orienteering, puppetry and campcraft activities.

PACK HOLIDAY FUN

Highlights of 2nd Warrnambool Brownies pack holiday at Lingbogol included seeing a koala and being invited to join 1st Carlton Guides for their flag-breaking ceremony very early one misty morning.

—E. LEWIS.

CONCERT FUN AND COLD FEET

Rowallan was the campsite chosen by 3rd East Keilor Brownies for their pack holiday. Our concert was lots of fun and although we all had cold feet we had a great time.

—CARMEL ABLETT,
3rd East Keilor Brownie Pack.

HAWAIIAN DAY

When we invited our mothers to afternoon tea we helped to prepare special Hawaiian food.

We enjoyed listening to a South Sea island legend and hearing all about the Irene Fairbairn Fund.

—JANELLE MOSS,
2nd Croydon Brownie Pack.

REGION CAMP AT BRITANNIA PARK

We went to South Metropolitan Region camp at Britannia Park. At a region camp you meet all sorts of guides, and lots of them. Working with guides from different companies is good.

There were four sub-camps called — Mrs Beaton (becoming a homemaker), Spartacus (keeping fit), Wyperfeld (enjoying the out-of-doors) and Michael Angelo (exploring the arts).

During the days we played games, hiked and composed songs. In the evenings we had campfires.

It was a great camp. We enjoyed it and so did all our friends.

—MICHELE, DEBBIE and CATHERINE,
1st Cheltenham Guide Company.



BONESEED-PULLING DAY

Cubs and scouts and brownies and guides from North Metropolitan, West Metropolitan and Barwon Regions recently spent a day pulling bone-seed at the You Yangs.

—SANDY PARSONS,
3rd Werribee Guide Company,

—PAT PARSONS,
3rd Hoppers Crossing Guide Company.



Brownies were not the only ones to have fun at Brighton Brownie Revels. The Mayor, Councillor Sidaway, gallantly battled his way to success in the apple-bobbing contest.

TRAINING CALENDAR

Commissioners and unit leaders with the necessary experience are welcome to apply for ANY training. Applications should be sent **prior to the closing date and be accompanied by the training fee and a stamped self-addressed envelope.** Training fee is \$3.00 unless otherwise stated. **Please note: Acceptance cards are not sent out until the closing date.**

Stage 1 Training

Creswick: Weekends 24th-25th March and 28th-29th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs G. Platt, 2 Beresford Crescent, Darley, via Bacchus Marsh, 3340, by **2nd March.**

Glenroy: Weekends 7th-8th April and 5th-6th May, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Miss M. McLeod, 3 Glenview Road, Strathmore, 3041, by **19th March.**

Glen Waverley: Weekends 17th-18th March and 31st March-1st April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: Ranger Guide training available at this course. Applications to Miss M. Hunt, 8/7 Alcala Avenue, Chadstone, 3148, by **27th February.**

Headquarters: Wednesday, 21st, 28th February, 7th, 14th, 21st March, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **3rd February.**

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Moorleigh: Weekends 3rd-4th March and 7th-8th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs W. Cash, 21 Munro Avenue, Edithvale, 3912 (telephone 772 3917), by **14th February.**

Merrigum: Thursday, 15th, 22nd, 29th March, 5th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs J. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630, by **27th February.**

Western Border Region: Weekends 7th-8th April and 5th-6th May. Further information available from Mrs F. Jervies, "Karingal", Hamilton, 3300.

Stage 2 Programming and Activities for Warranted Leaders

Leitchville: Weekends 10th-11th February and 3rd-4th March, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs B. Whelan, 8 Hope Street, Kangaroo Flat, 3555, by **22nd January.**

Morwell: 7th-8th April and 5th-6th May, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs K. Marshall, 29 Hearn Street, Drouin, 3818, by **19th March.**

Mortlake: Weekends 17th-18th February and 24th-25th March, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs G. Swainston, 13 Wright Street, Skipton, 3361, by **31st January.**

Wattle Park: Weekends 24th-25th March and 28th-29th April, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Avenue, Doncaster, 3108, by **2nd March.**

Gippsland Region: Weekends 7th-8th April and 5th-6th May, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Further information available from Mrs M. Frawley, P.O. Box 641, Sale, 3850.

Accent on Leadership — Special Subjects for Guiders who have completed Stage 2 training

Boronia: Weekends 7th-8th April and 5th-6th May, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs J. Huxtable, 93 Orange Grove, Bayswater, 3153, by **19th March.**

Pack Holiday Training

Headquarters: Weekend 3rd-4th March, times 10.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Applications and \$4.50 to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **14th February.**

Sherbrooke River: Weekend 10th-11th February, times 9.30 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost to be advised. Applications to Mrs J. Swinton, 260 Merri Crescent, Warrnambool, 3280, by **24th January.**

Shortened Campcraft Course

Donvale: 3rd-4th March and **Britannia Park** 12th-13th May, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Those applying must have had experience in outdoor guide camping including staffing as an adult. Give these details with your application (number of camps, job as staff and total of camping days). Fee for weekends to be advised. Applications and \$3.00 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **16th February.**

Campcraft Training

Ballarat Tuesday 13th, 20th, 27th February, times 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. plus Saturday, 24th February at **Lingbogol**, times 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. plus weekends 3rd-4th March, 7th-8th and 28th-29th April, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday at **Lingbogol**. Note: Cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs G. Platt, 2 Beresford Crescent, Darley via Bacchus Marsh, by **8th February.**

Brogie Park-Warragul: Weekends 17th-18th February, 31st March-1st April and 28th-29th April. Note: Times and cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs K. Marshall, 29 Hearn Street, Drouin, 3818, by **31st January.**

Wodonga: Weekend 24th-25th February, times 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. plus 24th-25th March, 7th-8th April and 28th-29th April, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Miss H. Smith, 21 Cusack Street, Wangaratta, 3677, by **31st January.**

Stawell: Weekend 17th-18th February, times 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday plus weekends 17th-18th March, 21st-22nd April and 5th-6th May, times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Location and cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs G. Swainston, 13 Wright Street, Skipton, 3361, by **31st January.**

Upwey: Wednesday-Thursday, 14th-15th March, times 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. plus 4th-5th April at **Britannia Park**, times 9.00 a.m. Wednesday to 4.00 p.m. Thursday, and **Donvale**, 9th-10th May, 9.00 a.m. Wednesday to 4.00 p.m. Thursday and 25th-27th May, times 9.00 a.m. Friday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday at **Britannia Park**. Note: Cost to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs J. Huxtable, 93 Orange Grove, Bayswater, 3153, by **1st March.**

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

Thinking International

Thinking Day Song — Words and Music	10c
Thinking Day Postcard	35c
The World Song — Words and melody	60c
World Flag Card	10c
Trefoil Around the World	\$3.25
The Story of the Four World Centres	\$1.00
Basics	90c
Briefly It's Guides	\$1.60
Programme Ideas — International Activities ..	70c
Girl Guide and Girl Scout Uniform Charts—Set of 4	60c
Girl Guide and Girl Scout Badge Charts—Set of 3	60c
Flags of All Nations	25c
Brownies Around the World — Book 1	\$2.60
Brownies Around the World — Book 2	\$2.60
(Both contain coloured uniforms, test work, language, games and activities of many countries.)	
Brownie World Painting Books — Set of 6, each	50c
(Contains uniform and badge with colours for painting.)	
Brownie Cut-out Dolls	\$1.10
(With 4 Brownie dolls and 18 different uniforms to colour and put on dolls.)	
Let's Look at People of Other Lands	49c
International Games (suitable for Brownies) ..	\$6.95
Games from Many Lands for Brownie Guides and Guides	65c

New Books

Practical Puffin Series—	
Coverups — Things to put on yourself	\$1.25
Smells — Things to do with them	\$1.25
Messages — Sending and receiving them ..	\$1.25
Constructions — Big things to make	\$1.25
Presents — Making them to match people ..	\$1.25
Exploring — Getting to know your world ..	\$1.25
Ladybird Series—	
Easy to make Puppets	95c
Learning to ride	95c
Learnabout Heraldry	95c
Learnabout Coin Collecting	95c
Emergency First Aid — for home, leisure, motor- ing or work	\$1.95
Ideas from the Australian Brownie Leaders Event	70c
(Containing prayers, graces, songs to well-known tunes, handcraft and activity ideas for indoors and outdoors, teaching aids and recipes.)	
The Best of Brownie Stories	\$5.95
(A collection of stories taken from Brownie Annuals.)	



TRAINING CALENDAR (continued)

Indoor Permit

Geelong: Tuesday, 20th February, 20th March and 10th April, times 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications and \$2.00 to Mrs W. Podbury, 24 Lupton Street, Geelong West, 3226, by **1st February.**

Camp First Aid

Surrey Hills: 13th, 20th, 27th February, times 7.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. Applications and \$2.00 to Mrs F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Avenue, Doncaster, 3108, by **29th January.**

Commissioner Refresher Training

Girgare: Thursday, 15th March, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications and \$1.00 to Mrs J. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630, by **27th February.**

Nature Trailing

Acheron Region: Wednesday, 21st March. Further information available from Mrs R. Anderson, 17 Oliver Street, Ringwood, 3134.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS SUMMER?

If you have nothing special in mind then a booklet, "Summer Camps and Activities — 1978-1979", published by the Youth Council of Victoria, will give you lots of ideas on how you can make the best use of your leisure time.

The holiday programmes and activities listed are organised by highly reputable organisations, and all camps and activities are well supervised.

Copies of the booklet are available from the Youth Council of Victoria, 511 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, 3000 (telephone 62 2312).

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

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SCOUTING FRIENDSHIP TOUR 2/79

Manila/Bangkok/Singapore, visiting the different cultures of these four countries and local Scouting. Departing late May — 21-day tour, cost includes travel, accommodation good hotels, breakfast, tours. Approximately \$1100.00.

For further information contact Terry Smith, 6/13 St. Leonard's Avenue, St. Kilda, 3182 (telephone 534 7242).

LOST — AT MACEDON DIVISION GARDEN DAY

An envelope containing \$16.50, money for a lamington drive in Deer Park district.

Mrs Elaine Hardman, 11 Welwyn Parade, Deer Park (telephone 363 1464).



To celebrate International Children's Day these Traralgon children wore costumes of other countries to school. Katie Costello, Rachel McMahon and Matthew Menzies wore their brownie and cub uniforms to show that they are members of an international organisation for young people.

During the day at school they, and their friends, were involved with poetry writing, international dances, guitar and folk singing. They also tasted food from other countries. All the students worked together to design a symbol which they would like used for International Children's Day.

—BETTE McLAUGHLIN.

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