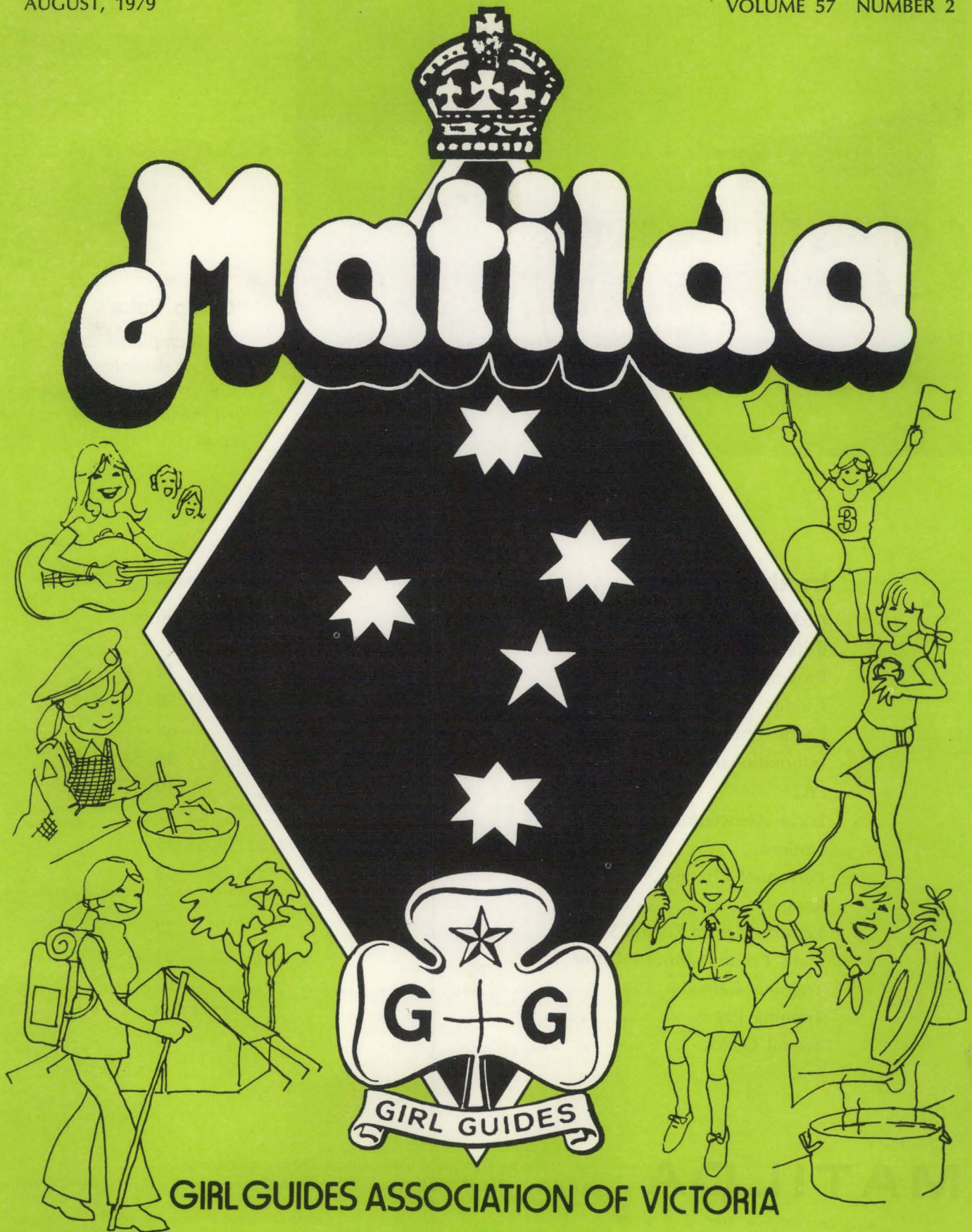
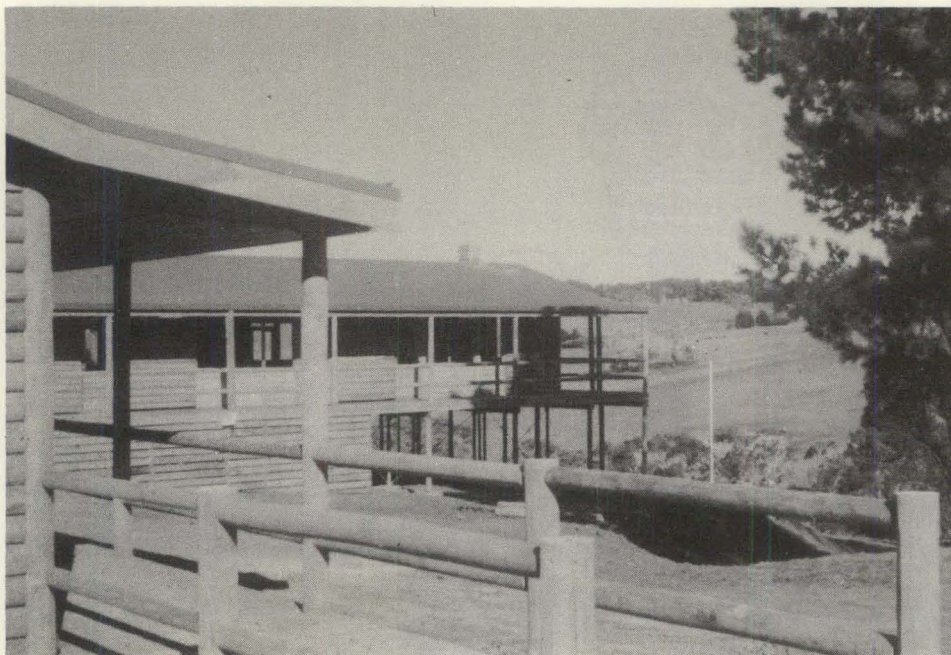


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“Camp Iluka”

Now completed, the residential centre at “Camp Iluka” awaits its first inhabitants. See report on Page 33.

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From our State Commissioner

Hello Everyone,

Life has been busy as usual, with conferences being very popular lately.

"Youth — Be Involved" — theme of the Ranger-Ranger Guide Conference, very well organised by West Doncaster Ranger Guide Unit, was most appropriate for this section which is involved in many worthwhile community activities. The Conference was attended by 500 girls who shared ideas of ways to continue their involvement for the benefit of others. The Ranger Service Project this year resulted in a cheque for \$8060 being presented to Professor Kincaid Smith of the Royal Melbourne Hospital, for research into kidney disease. Congratulations to the Ranger Section for this wonderful effort.

Open Day for Commissioners was well attended and was planned around the theme — "Leadership". Shortage of leaders concerns us all. How to find leaders, introduce them to the Movement and retain them was fully discussed. A leader needs to be given as much assistance by her commissioner and other leaders as possible. They must help her to be aware of her responsibilities, what is expected of her and her understanding of the Promise and Law. Development Commissioners have a vital part to play in this area too. Thank-you very much to Joan Faichney and her committee for a well organised, interesting day.

Local associations are very important to the uniformed members. This was obvious at the Lones' Local Association Annual Meeting. Long Service was recognised and two brownies made their Promise. A film of the International Lones' Camp, "Koonjie", recalled a very happy event.

Of course, all local associations are vital to our leaders and commissioners and the girls, so I am looking forward to the Local Association Conference and hope it will be well attended.

My daughter Michelle and I enjoyed a bright, happy evening entertainment at Camberwell Showtime. We marvelled at the large cast and the great deal of rehearsing which must have gone into staging such an excellent show. Well done everyone.

Baw Baw Conference held at Traralgon had as its theme "Looking to Guiding in the '80s" and provided us with a challenge to maintain the standard of Guiding, with increased promotion of all Guiding has to offer young people and our aim to help them to be worthwhile citizens. I did enjoy meeting people in the region and was pleased that Jean Twist, Margaret Pennington, Wendy Smibert and Lorraine Howden were able to attend and share their knowledge with people in the region.

I was thrilled to visit brownies of 4th Moorleigh Pack recently. We had a lovely evening, having tea together, singing and getting to know one another. Thank-you brownies.

The theme of the Ranger Guide Leaders' Conference was "Children No More", very apt for this age group, which is experiencing years of changes in so many ways, with pressures to try new things. What wonderful opportunities girls have in Rangering and how important our leaders are in helping them to mature, to become confident in themselves, to be conscious of their responsibility towards those around them and to have fun. Leaders need to listen, advise and guide them. A very worthwhile day for leaders who are doing a vital, important task.

Victoria has raised \$367 for Mutual Aid for the printing of handbooks in Malaysia. A delegate from Malaysia at the International Training for Trainers spoke of the great need for handbooks in her country. Thank-you everyone who contributed.

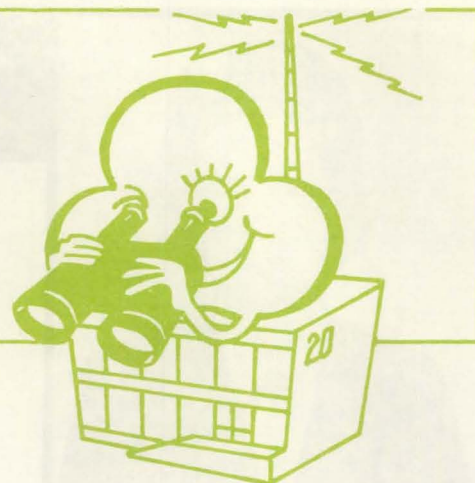
My youngest daughter, Michelle, has been chosen as a Rotary Exchange Student and will spend next year in Japan. She is very excited about it and is trying to find out as much as she can about the country before she leaves.

Second term is drawing to a close and thoughts will be turning to holidays again, so have a happy time whatever you do, but do take care.

Kindest regards,

Margaret E. West

REPORTING FROM RUSSELL STREET



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF STATE COUNCIL

All members and friends are welcome to attend the State Council Annual Meeting due to be held at Melbourne Church of England Girls' Grammar School, South Yarra, on the evening of Monday, 1st October. Those wishing to come are asked to advise the State Secretary at an early date.

CAMPING DEPARTMENT

Please note change of time for the Opening of the Residential Centre at "Camp Iluka", Shoreham. This will now take place at 1 p.m. on 23rd September. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Henry Winneke, will perform the Official Opening.

Would all members of the Movement intending to be present on this exciting occasion please arrive at "Camp Iluka" between 12.00 and 12.30 p.m. as car parking on the property will be limited.

INTERNATIONAL

Cultural Tour of Japan — May/June, 1980 — We have received exciting information concerning the above-mentioned tour for Ranger Guides, Rangers and Leaders, aged 17 to 25 years. For further information contact your Region International Representative.

International Uniforms — Members wishing to borrow these uniforms are asked to note that during August and September any enquiries should be directed to Mrs S. Moyle, 26 Swayfield Road, Mount Waverley, 3149. Phone: 288 5506.

HEADQUARTERS ACCOUNTS

Would all members who operate on unit accounts when purchasing goods from the Guide Shop please note that a minimum charge rate of \$5 now applies. This means that orders to the value of less than \$5 must be accompanied by payment. Members are asked to estimate the total cost plus postage and send postal notes or cheques to that figure — any excess will be refunded. We regret that the high cost of processing accounts makes the above change of procedure necessary.

DRUG SEMINARS

Leaders, have you noted the dates of this year's Drug Seminar Programme, a programme planned jointly by the Guide and Scout Associations to help Leaders to a better understanding of the drug problems facing today's society, especially our young people:

Saturday, 20th October: in Melbourne

Saturday, 27th October: probably in Shepparton.

Further details will be published in September Matilda. Applications to Headquarters, please.

PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs K. W. Scott (District Commissioner for Hawthorn) as Assistant Public Relations Adviser. Welcome to the team, Anne.

1980 Calendars — Calendar orders are now ready for collection and the Calendar sub-committee would be grateful if all orders could be collected promptly. The invoice for each order is enclosed in the parcel and purchasers are requested to make payment on this invoice within 30 days.

BADGE BANKS

To facilitate the purchase of badges, Districts can now establish 'Badge Banks' if they so desire. They may estimate their needs for Promise Badges, World Badges or Interest Badges in advance and purchase these badges from the Guide Shop so that supplies are available at local level when required. It should be noted that under this new scheme badges must be paid for when purchased from the Guide Shop, and returns will not be accepted. P.L. stripes, beret badges, Patrol and Six Emblems, etc., can also be purchased in advance if desired as is now done in some areas.

Commissioners will be responsible for the smooth operation of District/Division Badge Banks and, in the case of Interest Badges, they are expected to endorse each Badge Certificate to indicate that each test has been carried out according to the basic requirements as given in P.O.R.

We believe this system will prove helpful, especially to country members, who should be able to obtain their badges more promptly and with minimum outlay on postage.

Note: Orders for Collective Emblems must still be forwarded to Headquarters.

NEEDING A HOLIDAY?

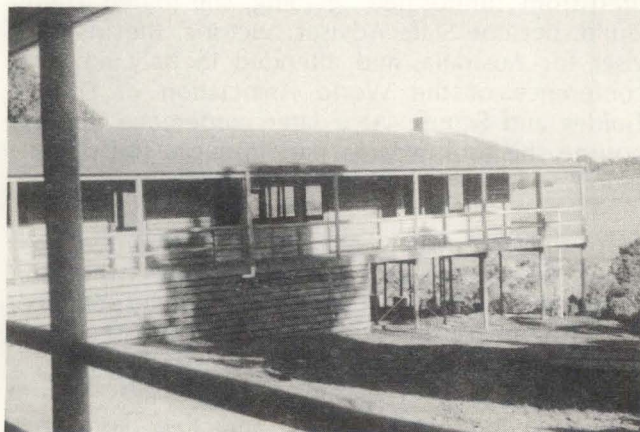
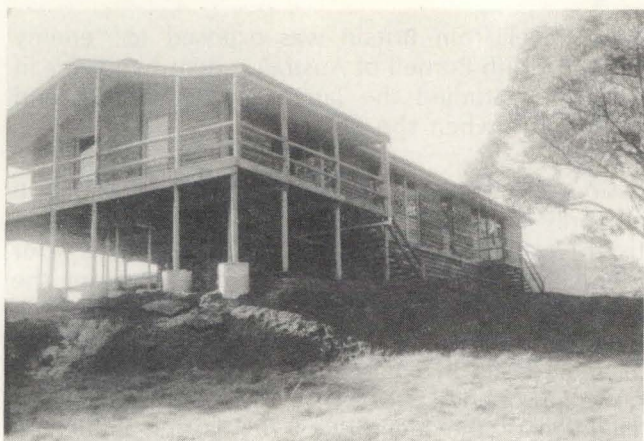
One of our Council members has offered her large holiday home at Dromana for use by a Guide family during the forthcoming school holidays at a weekly rent of \$100, which will be donated towards the Association's Appeal for Camp Iluka and other projects. For further information contact Mrs Jill Anjou, 29 Kenny Street, North Balwyn, 3104; phone 857 7752.

GUIDE BISCUIT SCHEME

We regret to advise that there has been another increase in the price of Guide biscuits. They are now supplied at \$7.83 per case. For further details of this fund-raising scheme, please contact Headquarters.

From any angle—a “site” to behold!

“ILUKA” SHOREHAM RESIDENTIAL CENTRE



Exciting news for all who like to “get away from it all”. Our beautiful indoor accommodation at “Iluka”, Shoreham, is finished.

One log cabin has sleeping accommodation for 36 and two bathrooms, the other has a superb kitchen and large dining area — most suitable for conferences or recreation.

We know you have not been able to help with the building, but would you like to help furnish our lovely new home?

As purchasing in bulk is cheaper than buying items separately we hope you will understand when we say *money only* is needed. The result will be complete co-ordination of colours and sizes.

Any gift, no matter how small, will be recorded in a book, to be kept in the dining room area, for you to see when you visit our new home.

Would you like to “buy” any of the following for “Iluka”? Please indicate the number and amount of your “purchase” on the form supplied (or a facsimile) and send it with a cheque for that amount to — Camping Department, Furnishings, Girl Guide Association of Victoria, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne.

ITEM OF FURNITURE	NUMBER	AMOUNT \$
Table at \$150	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Chair at \$15	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Bunk Bed at \$70	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Single Bed at \$40	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Chest of Drawers at \$35 ..	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mattress at \$20	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Blanket at \$25	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Pillow at \$6	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Cutlery (1 setting) at \$3 ..	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jug at \$4	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Bowl at \$4	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Condiment Set at \$3	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Saucepan at \$10	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Kitchen Utensil at \$1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Swing Top Tidy at \$9	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Broom at \$15	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mop at \$5	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Mrs/Miss

Unit

Amount of cheque enclosed \$.....



EDITH PURNELL — 1890-1979

Miss Edith Purnell, for whom the campsite at Britannia Park is named, belonged to the Purnells, a well-known family of Geelong.

In 1921-1922 residents of that city would surely have been aware "this new thing called 'Girl Guides' had started", as ninety-nine girls were enrolled in the first companies at the school.

Miss Edith Purnell was already interested in the Young Women's Christian Association and she joined the Girl Guide Movement when teaching at Bendigo.

Wider experience of Guiding began in England, 1926, when she joined an Imperial (Commonwealth) Camp at Foxlease, the first Guide Training Centre, in the New Forest, Hampshire, and gained her Campers' Licence.

At home the next year, she became District Commissioner for Geelong and from then continuously administered and sometimes pioneered, a varied series of important appointments — Division Commissioner, member of State Council, State Secretary (pro. tem.), Head of Training, with Blue Cord Training Diploma; Head of Camping, with Green Cord Camp Adviser Diploma, member of State Executive Committee, editor of 'Matilda', all long before the five year term for appointments was introduced — and others as they came along, such as organising indoor camps for guides from all States and New Zealand, at the time of the Scout Jamboree for the centenary of Victoria, 1935.

She received the Medal of Merit award, 1938.

She was a leader loved and admired; clear-sighted, convinced but tolerant, gay with a sense of humour, considerate with quiet strength sustained by sincere faith. For a time she took religious instruction classes at The Hermitage. She was excited by archaeology, as the vast discoveries of the 1920s and 1930s, brought clarity and reality to some parts of the Bible.

During the Second World War, the Guide Association of the Independent Princely State of Hyderabad asked Commonwealth Headquarters to appoint a trainer for them.

As travel from Britain was exposed to "enemy action", Edith Purnell of Australia spent two years in India. She studied the language beforehand, and their music when she arrived.

"We love you and will always remember you; you not only taught us guiding, but were interested in us for ourselves; each one of us, herself, is your friend." So ran in essence the message from the guiders of Hyderabad as their trainer was preparing to return home. She treasured it deeply, and told of it modestly in confidence, which one feels may now be opened, for so many who share with 'Hyderabad' the memory of her lasting influence.

Parallel with her guiding life Edith Purnell read widely, loved flowers, and painting. When she retired from "uniformed" guiding, she joined Trefoil Guild, became State Adviser, Victoria, the first Adviser for Australia, and attended in Italy an early conference of the World Association of Former Guides and Scouts. At a later conference in Melbourne she took a large part in successful organisation.

For the last several years she lived in Camberwell. "I would always trust her judgement" were the immediate words of a friend of long experience, when she heard that Edith Purnell had passed away from us.

Victoria joins in a last message that has come, fittingly, from Geelong. "She was an inspiration to us all."

—G.S.



OUR GUIDE LAW

If you were an active member of the Association prior to the introduction of the Eight-Point Programme you will remember well the previous wording of the Guide Law:

- “1. A Guide’s honour is to be trusted.
2. A Guide is loyal.
3. A Guide’s duty is to be useful and to help others.
4. A Guide is a friend to all and a sister to every other Guide.
5. A Guide is courteous.
6. A Guide is a friend to animals.
7. A Guide obeys orders.
8. A Guide smiles and sings under all difficulties.
9. A Guide is thrifty.
10. A Guide is pure in thought, word and deed.”

Following an extensive review of the Movement’s programme in the 60’s a number of major changes were adopted in Great Britain, and Australia chose

to follow many of these. After trying it in selected areas Australia decided to implement the Eight-Point Programme which originated in Britain, and we also adopted their revised wording of the Promise and the Guide Law. Since then the wording of the Promise has been reviewed and recently a suggestion was made that perhaps the Guide Law needed studying too, and this we now propose to do.

As the Guide Law concerns each and every one of us we want all members to think about it critically and write in to give us their thoughts and feelings. It is particularly important to have the opinions of the girls, so leaders please pass this request on to your units and encourage their participation in this survey. We need to know: Are the words easy to understand? Can they be readily interpreted into real life situations? Can they be improved? If so, how? These are just some of the questions that come to mind — we hope you will raise others.

The Guide Law is to be discussed at the Australian Sections Conference next January and we would therefore ask for all comments to reach Headquarters by 31st October please.

NEW DESIGN AUSTRALIAN BADGES



GUIDING FUN FOR LEADERS TOO

Guiding is FUN and not just for girls. Ask any of the Wheelers Hill District guiders and their families who spent a weekend together at Warburton.

Saturday, spent in the snow at Donna Buang, provided good fun, rosy cheeks and a fine prelude to a wonderful campfire in the evening.

On Sunday, we spent part of the morning in the leafy peace of an outdoor chapel and I am sure more than one of us said a quiet thank-you for the snow in which we played, rain while we slept and sunlight through the trees during our 'Quiet Time'.

Mr District Commissioner is a wonderful Q.M., and we all worked so well in patrols the time went very quickly. For fun, fellowship and getting-to-know-you a district guiders camp is tops.



FOR EVERY CHILD A TREE

In support of the International Year of the Child theme the Victorian State Schools Horticultural Society has initiated a programme entitled "For Every Child a Tree". After purchasing her tree a girl seeks sponsorship for it, the money she raises being used in selected UNICEF projects which help children in other parts of the world.

It was thought that members of our Movement may like to share in this programme. If any of your girls are interested further information can be obtained from: The Supervisor, State Schools Nursery, Arthur Street, Oakleigh, 3166; telephone 568 1958.



CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA — AWARDS 1979

Book of the Year Award

The Plum-Rain Scroll by Ruth Manley.

Highly Commended

Boori, by Bill Scott.

Commended

The Pochetto Coat, by Ted Greenwood.

Come Danger, Come Darkness, by Ruth Park.

Picture Book of the Year

The Quinkins, by Percy Trezise and Dick Roughsey.

Highly Commended

The Trouble with Mr Harris, by Rhonda and David Armitage.

Commended

The River Boat Crew, by Andrew and Janet McLean.

The Oath of Bad Brown Bill, by Stephen Axelsen.

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New Headquarters of the Children's Book Council at 1 City Road, South Melbourne, was opened recently. After a somewhat nomadic history the council's impressive collection of children's books is now permanently housed and is well worth a visit.

Hours are Wednesday and Thursday, 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., but groups are advised to check first by telephoning 596 1081.

—ANNABEL RICHARDS.

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JOSEPH KIVORI

The Girl Guides Association of Papua New Guinea is sad to record the death of Joseph Kivori.

Former guiders in Papua New Guinea who now live in Victoria will remember him as a dedicated worker and dear friend of both the Scout Association and the Girl Guides Association of Papua New Guinea.

In-Service Training

Visits to Units

Dear Visitor and Unit-Leader-about-to-be visited (and their district commissioners). The plans for you two to get together should have been mutually agreed between your district commissioners, so any one particular visit or series of visits (see letter, page 9, July Matilda) is approved and expected. It is the responsibility of the commissioner of the prospective guider to arrange such 'In-Service' training. She may well have consulted the region training adviser and/or the division commissioner about suitable unit leaders to approach. In general, those with a certain amount of experience can be more helpful than those still feeling a bit new and inexperienced. (If available, Pages 69-70 of September 1977 Matilda Training Pages will be a great help and I repeat in this letter some of the points made there.)

The aim is to attend what we may call usual or ordinary meetings, but certainly also a Promise ceremony if possible. For Brownie guiders, I hope you see a really well conducted Pow-wow at a Pack meeting, and that Guide Guiders can visit guide company(s) to observe, at one visit or another, Patrols in Council, Patrol time and hopefully be invited to 'sit-in' at a Patrol Leaders' Council.

A prospective Ranger guider must be present when ranger guides are conducting their own Unit-in-Council. Please keep your visitor moving, questioning, listening, and so learning. Allow her to see and handle any record books you are using. (We trust her to keep the information in them confidential.) She wants to know how you record the progress of each girl in your unit; she will be interested in your Programme book, Patrol Leaders' Council Minutes, and how you keep account of your finances.

As the meeting programme continues an assistant leader (or the companion visitor — see July Matilda) can help with explanations — a few words about interest badges if one is presented — or leading her to see which of the eight points

is covered by a certain game or activity — or explaining how guides choose their own patrol leaders.

Let your visitor take part. She may help by being judge or scorer for a game, and should be given opportunity to visit each patrol or six group in turn. Try to see that the date set for any visit will have a varied programme — so that much of the above can be seen and observed. And if an outdoor activity is planned **do** invite her along.

I quote from Matilda —

"It is the girl's attitude which will give her a lasting impression. The WHAT we do in guiding, she will learn mainly from the girls, the WHY from the adult leaders, and the HOW and the general SPIRIT of the whole unit."

Since these 'In Service' visits come after the new leader has definitely committed herself to Guiding, and the section in which she will work is decided, it is hoped she will have made (or re-affirmed) her Promise, and be in uniform. If not, the girls can meet her as a new leader, interested in visiting their unit and seeing what they do and be told she will soon make her Promise and be in uniform, just like the girls themselves.

Certainly the new guider should be in uniform before attending Stage 1 Training. I hope your new unit leader will be invited to district meetings, even before she has a unit to represent there. Such meetings can give great help with 'In Service' training — making her more aware of the three sections and the links between them, and getting to know better her fellow leaders in the district 'family'. Perhaps each will undertake to teach her a skill — as one knot and a game which uses it! She will learn by listening in, too, about Thinking Day plans, and April Action, and Brownie Revels or hear mention of Olave patrol challenges — so over to you — and Good Guiding.

—ENID BUNNING, Training Adviser.



INTERNATIONAL TRAINING FOR TRAINERS

A big thank-you to all who helped to make the recent International Training Conference such a success.

Victorian Guiding raised over \$3500 and this money was put to use in the following way:

1. Return airfares and registration fees of two Indian trainers.
2. Spending money for three Indian trainers during their entire stay in Victoria.
3. Travel costs for the Indians around Victoria after the training.
4. Donation to help a trainer from Rhodesia to attend the conference.
5. Train fares for trainers from Singapore and Thailand after the conference.

I hope that many of you had opportunity to meet our overseas visitors during their visit to various Victorian centres after the training.

Thank you all for helping to promote World Guiding.

—WENDY SWIFT, International Adviser.

AFTER THE TRAINING

At the conclusion of the International Trainers' Conference, several of our overseas visitors were able to spend time in the country areas.

Our visitors from Singapore spent time in Wodonga, and Mrs Wain, District Commissioner for the area, writes as follows:

"Their visit was covered by both television and newspaper and wherever we went people knew them."

They visited many places such as a craft workshop, explored Albury and Wodonga and saw over an ultra-modern school.

The Singapore trainers also took part in a Brownie and a Guide meeting.

Mrs Wain concludes her letter by stating:

"It was marvellous to have them, it is amazing how ignorant you can be about a country and its people unless you personally come into contact with them."

Two of our Indian trainers spent time in Dunolly and Mrs Linton has written to tell us of the enjoyable luncheon which was held at the home of the division commissioner.

Our third Indian visitor spent time in Otway and Wimmera Regions, and Mrs Sartori has written to tell us of a visit to Sherbrook River Camp Site and the luncheon held to enable her to meet local scouting and guide people.

—WENDY SWIFT, International Adviser.

Other stories of visits to country areas of Victoria include one from Barwon Region Commissioner Ruth Cross, who tells of the three Indian trainers — "We took them to a Mayoral Reception at Geelong City Hall . . ." "They taught songs to the guides (when three companies joined together for a campfire) . . ." "They visited National Trust buildings and schools . . . and they loved to go shopping . . ."

"It was such a pleasure to have them stay with us. We enjoyed exchanging customs, farming methods, employment problems, educational systems."

Mrs Cross also sent a copy of a letter from one of her Indian friends in which she says —

"We have enjoyed our stay in Australia very much and specially the countryside. It is simply wonderful and quite different from our country. All the families looked after us with great affection and care and we never felt that we were lost anywhere at any time."





Trainers from India with Barwon Region Commissioner, Mrs Cross.

And from Acheron Region we hear—

“The brief visit of the international guiders to Acheron Region was a happy occasion which some fortunate guides and brownies will talk about and remember for a long time.

In mellow autumn sunshine, the guiders came to Britannia Park, where they spent some time at Guide House and Brownie Cottage. A visit to Healesville Sanctuary to meet our feathered and furry natives was followed by a stop at the Healesville Lions’ Club Hall for afternoon tea, where they were greeted by a group of guides and brownies from Acheron Region.

The girls served home-made scones, cream cakes and tea in true country style, and the visitors were eager to introduce themselves and chat as their hostesses moved around.

To see guiders from so many countries, in their different uniforms, with their different colouring and hair styles, but, above all with their warm friendly smiles, gave us all a new awareness of the term “International Guiding”.

—I. ARNEY.



Mooroolbark Guide, Susan Leece-Roberts, serves afternoon tea to trainers from Fiji and Singapore.

NORWAY — WINTER MOUNTAIN SURVIVAL

During the winter and Easter holidays a large percentage of Norway’s population heads for the mountains, leaving their comfortable homes to spend most of their days skiing.

Although most people return in better health because of fresh air and exercise, there have been deaths due to avalanches, exposure, bad weather or disregard for mountain conditions in general.

Groups of Girl Guides and Boy Scouts are attracted more and more by the adventurous mountain life, and the Norwegian Girl Guide and Boy Scout Associations have been trying to meet the demand for the kind of training which will help their members on their skiing trips. Every winter, in many parts of the country, courses are given by experienced instructors who offer background information before taking the participants for an overnight stay in snow caves 3000-4000 feet above sea level. Groups of three to six spend 3-5 hours digging a cave, which will allow them to stretch out, sit up, and cook their food. Ideally the temperature should stay at about -3°C (30°F) — quite comfortable in a good sleeping-bag! The following day there is time to practise first aid, rescue procedures, mountain orienteering in foggy weather, making a survival shelter and recognising weather changes in order to avoid unpleasant surprises.

The girls have to be at least 14 years old to be allowed to take part in this kind of training. The mountains are beautiful and challenging, but they are dangerous as well; participants are made aware of this fact, and treat the mountains with the respect they deserve.

—From World Bureau Action Review.

“FOXLEASE”

“Foxlease”, the delightful Guide training centre in the south of England, is a “must” for Australian Guide folk visiting the United Kingdom, and over the years many hundreds of Australians have had the pleasure of staying in this gracious Guide home.

It has been suggested that some Australian pictures and several other small items would enhance the “Australia Room” in which we have a special interest, so through Matilda we now invite anyone who has been to “Foxlease” to make a small contribution for this purpose. If you have that special “soft spot” for “Foxlease”, as most of us who have been there have, you may like to make a small donation (any donations to State Secretary, please).

Girl Guides Association of Victoria

proudly presents

JOHNNY YOUNG AND THE YOUNG TALENT TEAM

IN CONCERT

with THE CHILDREN OF VICTORIA

SATURDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1979 at 8.00 p.m.

at the SYDNEY MYER MUSIC BOWL

Tickets will be on sale from 12th September, 1979.

The concert will take place regardless of weather conditions.



IYC CONCERT

Every youth organisation in Victoria has been invited to participate in our concert on 1st December, 1979. This will be a great gathering of the young people of Victoria.

A concert "by Children — for Children", and a marvellous opportunity to meet again with old friends, or to come to Melbourne to make new friends.

If you would like to be part of this weekend, please complete the hospitality form and send it to Mrs Spratling.

HOSPITALITY FORM — IYC CONCERT, Saturday, 1st December, 1979

1. "LINK-UP" with Private Hospitality

.....Unit/District/Division would like to participate in a Link-Up with a
Country _____ Unit/District/Division.
Metropolitan

We estimate the number $\frac{\text{giving}}{\text{requiring}}$ hospitality to be.....

We will travel by bus/train/private cars.

Estimated Arrival.....Estimated Departure.....

NameGuider in Charge

Address

2. Accommodation in Guide/Scout Halls

Metropolitan

.....Unit/District/Division/Region has a Guide/Scout Hall suitable for overnight accommodation available for the week-end of 1st-2nd December.

Country

.....Unit/District/Division/Region would like accommodation in a Guide/Scout Hall.

Estimated Arrival.....Estimated Departure.....

NameGuider in Charge

Address

Please Note: The number of halls with suitable facilities is limited, so "first come, first served" applies. All Camping Requirements **MUST** be met.

3. Private Arrangements

.....Unit/District/Division/Region will be attending the IYC Concert, but making private arrangements for billeting.

NameGuider in Charge

Address

Fill in the appropriate section, or make a facsimile, and return it — together with a stamped self-addressed envelope, please! — to Mrs R. T. Spratling, 1 Arden Crescent, Rosanna, 3084, by **1st October, 1979.**



ENCOURAGING ENCOUNTER



Our thanks to all units which have written to tell us about their IYC projects for Encouraging Encounter.

The units you read about in this issue have made a great start on their projects reaching out to other children, with whom they normally have little contact.

It is important, however, for leaders to understand that the aim of Encouraging Encounter is — getting to know and help another child ON A REGULAR basis. The Encounter was not meant to be an all out effort for one evening.

Most units which have written to tell us of their projects have made a great beginning, now it is up to the LEADERS to encourage the children to continue with the Encounter, and to place the emphasis on "GETTING TO KNOW" the child.

The help of one child for another is twice blessed — a giving and receiving for both parties.

There are two aspects to IYC — helping the child nearby in your own community, and helping the child abroad.

The programme in Victoria emphasises the needs of the child nearby, and the necessity for an organisation such as ours to be aware of these needs.

Therefore, if Encouraging Encounter is to be meaningful for the children, every effort should be made to encourage the Encounter to continue on a regular basis.

This can be done in many ways.

1. Invite the unit's new friend to unit meetings, simply to have fun and join in the unit activities. This could happen once a month.
2. If the unit has an outing planned, invite the new friend to come with you.
3. Arrange a time for exchanging ideas, particularly if the friend comes from a different cultural background. Your unit can teach Australian songs, talk about Australian customs, and maybe the friend can share her culture through songs, games, folk dances, questions and answers. This exchange should be a two way thing.
4. It is possible to help children newly arrived from other countries in your street or community, by inviting them to a unit meeting, helping them with English, and assisting them to adjust to their new schools through a "buddy" system.

Encouraging Encounter is an adventure into human relationships on a continuing basis.

1st Kilmore Guides — are making a wall mural of the story of Little Red Riding Hood for a handicapped girl. The guides are taking it in turns to work on the mural at home, and when finished they plan to present it to the girl at a unit meeting. The guides have also invited her mother to attend a meeting to explain, to the guides, the problems of being handicapped.

1st Horsham Guides — are working in patrols to make jigsaws, scrap books, small games and soft toys. These articles will be presented to a representative of the Children's ward of the Wimmera Base Hospital during an 'International Tea' unit meeting, which the 4th Horsham Brownies will also attend.



1st Croydon West Brownies — gave an Easter Party for 20 children, aged 4-11 years, nominated by Care-Force, a local organisation sponsored by St. John's Homes for Boys and Girls.

The Brownies made sweet baskets, iced and decorated Easter Bunny biscuits and brought other party foods from home. Each Brownie cared for a guest as together they played games, decorated hard-boiled eggs and searched for Easter eggs.

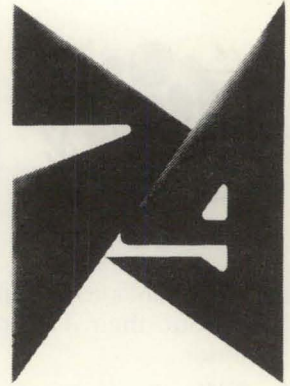
3rd Vermont Guides — held an International Dinner Party to which they each invited a personal "Encounter". Guest "Encounters" all came from different ethnic backgrounds, and wore their respective national costumes.

To provide "atmosphere" the guides decorated the hall with travel posters, and tables with "Encouraging Encounter" motifs. The meal, cooked by the guides, included chop suey, French crepes, spaghetti and meat balls, Cornish pasties, a vegetarian dish and fried rice. Brazil nuts, and Australian potato chips, plus Israeli biscuits, Dutch pastries and Italian cassata were followed by Hawaiian punch.

The guides have invited their "Encounters" to attend the IYC Concert in December, and are delighted that one "Encounter" is joining their unit.

GANG SHOW

Palais Theatre, St. Kilda, Sept. 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15.



The 1979 Melbourne Gang Show is the traditional mix of toe-tapping tunes, bright comedy and large production numbers. There is an extended sequence on Aussie rules football (right in the middle of VFL finals fever) and a spectacular Thai mimed pageant about a blind prince. Lighter segments focus on Cherubim and Seraphim, buccaneers and Tyrolean mountaineers, and cowboy psychiatry. Melbourne Gang Show is aiming, as always, to make its 27th year its best yet.

At the Palais Theatre, St. Kilda, from Thursday, 6th September, to Saturday, 15th September.

Dates — Thursday, 6th September; Friday, 7th September; Saturday, 8th September; Thursday, 13th September; Friday, 14th September; Saturday, 15th September, at 8.00 p.m.; and Saturday, 8th September; Sunday, 9th September; Saturday, 15th September, at 2.00 p.m.

Tickets available from the Bryson Cinema, 184 Exhibition Street, Melbourne (telephone: 662 1122).

Prices range from \$3.50 to \$6.50 per seat, with concessions for blocks of 10 seats and children under 15 years. (See booking form in July Matilda.)





The earlier a young person learns to respect fire, appreciate its value and understand safety rules governing its use, the less likely she will be to "play with fire".

A simple aid which introduces Brownie Guides to safety rules, the art of striking a match and develops confidence and control of flame, can be made as follows:

Take a colourful, round toffee tin —this becomes a birthday cake — with a nail carefully punch holes around the top of the lid, insert plastic candle holders firmly through the holes and fill with small birthday candles. All players must sit at a table to play. Aim is to light as many candles as possible with one match. It is not a competition between players, but a challenge to each individual to improve her own record. Safety rules must be observed — hair well back, an ash tray for spent matches, and all matches struck away from the striker. Players take their turns as the "cake" is passed around the table. At first the diffident girl may need adult help to even strike her match, this being blown out immediately it ignites. As confidence and control grows so will her ability to attempt the lighting of the candles.

The burns section of the Royal Children's Hospital has asked for our co-operation in educating young people of the dangers of fire and particularly in the field of clothing. By using bottles "dressed" in samples of various types of material the girls can quickly learn the burning potential of each one — if these samples can be left-over scraps from clothing they are wearing they become even more personally involved. As always, safety rules must be carefully adhered to. Pin samples around the bottles, stand these in a tin baking dish or on a large metal tray. Have a fire bucket of

water close by. Use a long match to ignite one material type at a time. Discuss its burning qualities and any special precautions which would be needed when wearing clothing made of it.

Narration is a teaching method which lends itself very readily to this subject. Stories may be original or taken from news items in the daily press. Role play involving accidents with fire can build up understanding and also the ability to cope with a situation we hope they will never have to face.

Play and think about precautions as in the game given. Guides too should learn indoors to handle matches (many cannot do so) though their candle lighting game can be simpler than the Brownie Birthday cake idea. Fire setting can be practised indoors. It is not hard to find a few suitable twigs and leaves in a nearby park. The guides can then learn to set a fire and light it on the tray — they could even keep a small fire on a tray going long enough to heat water in a small home-made billy (jam tin size) or to cook an egg in half an orange skin, or in a foil pan which they could make. (For other ideas see Matilda Training pages August 1976 and June 1977. Also old handbook page 26 and new handbook page 233.)



FIRE PRECAUTIONS

Although you can have a lot of fun experimenting with different types of fires and cooking, a fire out of control can quickly become a roaring inferno, so take trouble to learn the bushfire regulations and always observe them. Fire restrictions vary from State to State and even from district to district, within a State. You will need to know local regulations. Refer to Australian Guide Handbook, page 236-238 for a summary of the main points. Also refer to publications provided by the Country Fire Authority, "Cease Fire" and "Learn not to Burn".

FIRE PRECAUTIONS GAME

The following is a game which could be easily prepared and is based on fire precautions, and should give useful teaching and discussion:

Preparation: 1. Prepare three big cards. On one write the word ALWAYS, on another NEVER and on the third IF POSSIBLE.

2. On a number of small cards write statements (see suggested list below).

To Play the Game: Set out the three headings. Read each statement and place the card under the appropriate heading.

Suggested list of Statements: (Try yourself out on these. Place a tick in the appropriate column. Check your answers with the answer list at the end.)

- A. Have a sack soaking in the fire bucket.
- B. Leave fires unattended.
- C. Take a lighted lantern inside a tent.
- D. Use potholders made with synthetic materials.
- E. Place your woodpile on the side of the fire from which the wind is coming.
- F. Scatter leaves and twigs over your fire to hide where it was.
- G. Have a bucket of water beside the fire.
- H. Place your woodpile outside the cleared area.
- I. Light a fire in a copper on a total fire ban day.
- J. Put inflammable liquids in well-stoppered containers.
- K. Extinguish your fire completely before leaving.
- L. Clear the ground within a radius of three metres round your fire.
- M. Use thick branches to boil a small billy.
- N. Label inflammable liquids clearly.
- O. Enclose your fire in a wall of stones.
- P. Light your fire in a trench or properly constructed fireplace during fire restriction period.
- Q. Use petrol in kerosene appliances.
- R. Cook at night and eat cold meals on hot, windy days.
- S. Wear loose clothes near a fire.
- T. Let the police and fire officer know where you are going when hiking through unattended bush.
- U. Have an emergency plan, "What to do in case of fire", worked out and understood by all.
- V. Light a hike fire within a mile of a State Forest Boundary.
- W. Light a hike fire at least seven metres from a log or stump.
- X. If a trench has to be dug it should be 45 centimetres deep.
- Y. The trench should be refilled after the ashes are thoroughly WET and COLD.
- Z. Fill lamps in camp in the open.

ALWAYS

NEVER

IF POSSIBLE

FIRE-SETTING

See the Australian Guide Handbook page 230-233 for five steps in fire-building which are set out very clearly with illustrations. This covers choosing a fire site; collection of kindling and suitable wood; woodpile; methods of fire-setting (Pyramid, Cob-house, Trench, Reflector, Hunter and Tin Can Fire); and putting out the fire and clearing the site.

Another setting, which I have called "The Cadet Fire", is very simple, and has been successfully used in snow.

For air, scoop a little trench, say 10 centimetres long, 4 centimetres wide and at least 3 centimetres deep. Place across it one layer of VERY FINE sticks (approx. 15 cm long and no thicker than the thickness of a match) so:



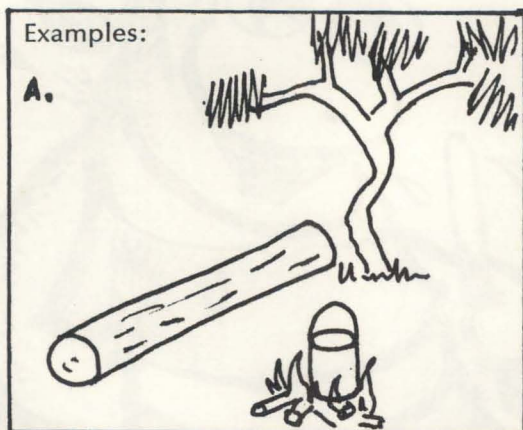
and across these another handful of similar thickness:



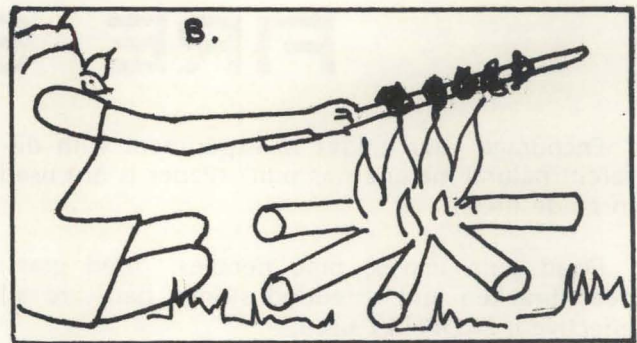
Hold the lit match at the edge of the trench under the lower layer of the criss-cross platform so formed. Have other sticks ready to add as the flame comes through.

It would be very interesting to try this with the very fine dead twigs (about darning needle size) which can be snapped off wattle, ti-tree or dog-wood trees.

Another suggestion: Possibly you could find pictures in newspapers and magazines and lead your guides/rangers to a discussion on their size, setting, situation and safety.

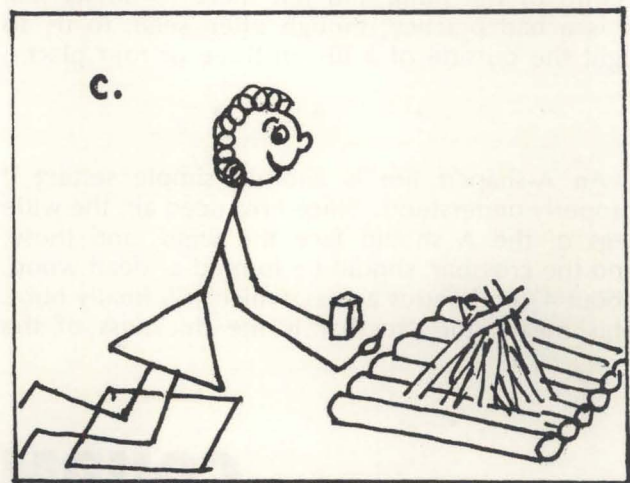


Too near a log, too near a tree, billy just sitting on fire, could tilt and spill. Maybe "fire beginners" but at least happy out-of-doors.

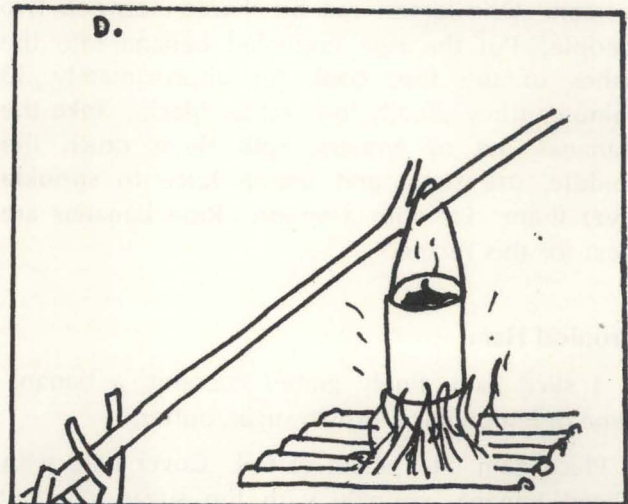


Better — but the logs making the star shape look overlarge for one small kabob, and, the hand, too may be "cooked".

No sign of groundsheet "situpon" — nor of clearing round the fire.



Improving. Right position kneeling on a groundsheet — with pyramid fire on platform — but it is to be hoped it is not a windy day, for the second hand is obviously not cupped round the one holding the match to shield the flame.



Best of the four. Fire set upon a platform, billy well supported above the flames. What is cooking? If it is a stew it is to be hoped that it does not burn!

FIRE SETTING

Encourage your guides to experiment with different natural materials as punk (Paper is **not** used in guide fires).

Dead gum leaves, pine needles, dried grass, dead bracken and shredded stringy bark are all effective if PROPERLY used.

Stress that fires must have air, one that looks flat has little chance of burning.

The match STICK must be alight, not just the flaring head, before it is carefully pushed into the centre of the punk and left there to do its job. It is a bad practice, though often seen, to try to light the outside of a fire in three or four places.

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An A-shaped fire is another simple setting if properly understood. Since fires need air, the wide legs of the A should face the wind, and these, and the crossbar, should be formed of dead wood, about 4 centimetres across, which will finally burn. This means the crossbar is the thickness of the

wood from the ground — and so air can get under it punk is spread in the triangle within the A and thin sticks more or less side by side, cover the punk and rest one end on the crossbar.

When the guide kneels on her groundsheet to light her fire, she has her back to the wind, faces the A, and pushes the lit match under the crossbar to reach the punk. The breeze — or gentle fanning (low down) carries the flame to the punk further in, and the sticks soon catch.

ANSWERS TO THE "TRY YOURSELF" QUIZ

ALWAYS: A, E, G, H, J, K, L, N, P, T, W, X, Y, Z.

NEVER: B, C, D, F, I, M, Q, S, V.

IF POSSIBLE: O (but not stones from a creek bed which could crack or explode), R, U (but ESSENTIAL in a summer camp.)

GOURMET GRUB

Jamaican Banana

Use one banana and a teaspoon of sugar per person. One lemon can be shared between two people. Put the ripe unpeeled banana into the ashes of the fire, cook for approximately 30 minutes (they usually look rather black). Take the bananas out of embers, split them down the middle, use sugar and lemon juice to sprinkle over them. Eat with a spoon. Ripe bananas are best for this recipe.

Tropical Ham

1 slice ham, finely grated coconut, a banana, lime or lemon juice, brown sugar, butter.

Place ham on a sheet of foil. Cover ham with sliced banana, sprinkle with the sugar, coconut and juice and top with a knob of butter. Fold foil over carefully, and place in hot coals of fire for about 30 minutes.



LOCAL



ASSOCIATION SECTION

Thought for the month

The reason some people accomplish more is that they attempt more.

Healthy report from Orrvale. Our Annual Meeting was well supported, the local hall being filled to capacity. Drawcard was our Local Association Adviser. The secretary reported that meetings were always well attended and that fund-raising ventures, including catering, a craft day and street stalls, were successful. We catered for dances, cattle and clearing sales, weddings and club dinners. With the money raised we sponsored a brownie, bought new guide curtains for the supper room and heaters for the main hall. Now we are all working hard for the painting of the hall. Mrs Pennington gave us a very clear idea of just how important we can be as a supportive group to our girls and leaders.

Guider's tribute to her local association. Over the years our local association has been a fantastic backstop to the whole district, providing halls for meetings and equipment such as ropes, tents, screening and lightweight tents. Whenever we have taken children to camp our families have been provided with casseroles and desserts.

When my family was young the local association president minded all four children so that I could get to weekly meetings. Many a camp has been made possible by local association members acting as staff and by fathers camping near property gates for our safety.

Recently they really excelled themselves in catering for the Ranger-Ranger Guide two-day conference organised by our ranger guides. Over two hundred people to feed for morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner and supper, as well as transporting the gear of the eighty who were accommodated for the weekend! On top of all this, district leaders who spent the whole weekend at the conference were sent home with casseroles for tea.

You are the greatest, West Doncaster Local Association!

Norlane-Corio Local Association, together with the leaders and girls of the district, held a thank-you party for their retiring District Commissioner, Mrs J. Bartlett.

Urgently wanted — more weekend tealadies at Headquarters.

Why? To allow trainers the maximum time with their trainee guiders.

Time: 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

Duties: Making morning tea and lunchtime drinks and leaving things ready for afternoon tea. All ingredients are provided, travelling expenses are paid and the guide garage is open for a car if necessary (please book a space). Contact Sandra Barry, the Training Secretary, at Headquarters, if you can help occasionally in this very useful way.

Casseroles and sing-song at Yarragon. Past and present local association members, girls and leaders, came to Yarragon District's 40th Annual Meeting in Yarragon Public Hall (a new hall for shared community use). After casserole tea, a short film and songs from the girls, all joined in a joyful singsong as the finale to a very happy occasion.

RECIPE CORNER

1st Anglesea Brownies have sent along some recipes for school holiday cooks.

Honey Joys: 3 oz. butter or margarine; ¼ cup sugar, 1 good tabs. honey, 4 cups cornflakes. Heat butter, sugar and honey until frothy. Add cornflakes and mix well. Spoon quickly into patty cases and bake in a slow oven for 10 minutes. Allow to cool. Makes 24.

Snowballs: 2 cups sugar, 2 cups water, 2 dsp. gelatine, ¼ teasp. cream of tartar, 1 dsp. lemon juice and 1 teasp. vanilla essence.

Place sugar, water, gelatine and cream of tartar in saucepan and stir till boiling. Boil steadily for 10 minutes. Let cool and add flavours. Beat till thick. Put mixture into well-buttered gem irons. Refrigerate till well set. Mix cocoa or drinking chocolate with a little milk, dip snowballs and toss in coconut.

Mixture can be set in baking dish, cut into squares and rolled in toasted coconut. Place coconut in oven to toast for a few minutes (watch it does not burn).

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



FROM US TO YOU

Proceeds of a street stall held by 3rd Echuca Brownie Pack were sent with love to the Children's Hospital.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AT DROUIN

Drouin Local Association Doll Show began some years ago to provide the girls with something to do during the school holidays. Now it has grown to a full day's activity for both girls and boys and is held in a church hall. Dolls are entered in various sections at 10 cents each and the winners receive beauty sashes to add to their wardrobes. Competitions for models made from lego or other building sets have pennants for the prizewinners. The brownies and guides hold a stall for the display and sale of their own work in another part of the hall, such crafts as macrame, spinning and lead-lighting are in full swing. Last year over \$300 was raised.

CONGRATULATIONS

Training Department extends heartiest congratulations to Mrs Janice Allitt on being awarded her Campcraft Training Certificate and to the following on being appointed members of Region Training Teams — Mrs Robin Collins (Brownie) Central Metropolitan, Mrs Karen Thornton (Brownie) Acheron, Mrs. Dossie Watts (Ranger Lightweight) Ballarat.

WANTED TO BUY

Commissioner's skirt in material sold several years ago. Size 18.

Please contact Mrs N. Needham, 3 Coorigil Road, Carnegie, 3163.

BROWNIE GUIDERS PLEASE NOTE:

Link badge cards

Alter clause 3 to read as follows:

Visit and participate in:

3. (a) A Guide Meeting
AND
- (b) i. The company at camp,
or
- ii. a patrol or company hike, or cook-out,
or
- iii. Thinking Day celebration or similar.

Report back to the Pack on what was of interest from these visits. The signatures at the bottom of the page should be:

- (a) **Guide** Guider (not Brownie Guider)
- (b) Brownie Guider.

Australian Brownie Guide Book, Part 2

31st December, 1979, is the change-over date for badge syllabi in Part 2 of the Brownie Book. After this date all brownies must work from the new book syllabus. There are several new interest badges, and many of the existing syllabi have been revised.

Brownie Guide Service Project

Please make cheques payable to the "Brownie Guide Section Committee" and forward to the Brownie Adviser, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne.



These Brownies are trying to decide on a wish before touching the Wishing Stone at Headquarters.



GO GUIDING

Olave Patrol Challenge Camps

This year's Olave Patrol Challenges have been leading toward patrol camping.

Patrols which compete and report efforts for Challenges 1 and 2 by 16th September will be eligible for Challenge 3 — which is a weekend patrol camp.

Challenge 3 can be done locally, that is, within the district, provided a guider with camping qualifications is available to take responsibility; or as a region (especially in the country) where some have planned to use a campsite and have all patrols come to the weekend they have chosen; or eligible patrols will be invited to apply for one of the weekends organised by the Guide Section and Camping committees at Britannia Park on 20th-21st October, 27th-28th October, or 3rd-4th November.

In all cases the girls' own guiders are asked to go along and help. It will not matter if the guider has or has not a camping qualification or camping experience, for those guiders with qualifications need plenty of assistance if the patrols that are eligible all attend.

A patrol camp is a group of 4 to 8 girls living together and looking after their own needs. Unfortunately, we may need to ask some patrols to join with another if they do not have at least 4 members able to attend. To pitch a tent, cook and show they can work with each other we see four as the minimum number for these patrol camps.

In reading Olave Challenge reports I have discovered some patrols' total membership is only 2 or 3, so now seems the time to discuss—

How Many Guides Make a Patrol?

"The Patrol is the group for work and play. It consists of about six members, including the Patrol Leader and Second." P.O.R. 27.2.

In 1976 the Guide Section held a Patrol Leaders' Gathering attended by 82 twelve- and thirteen-year-old patrol leaders. The girls gave their views on many topics including the number of members they felt should be in a patrol. 51 per cent listed 5 as the ideal number, 32 per cent were for 6, and the remaining 17 per cent ranged between 4 and 8.

In "Aids to Scoutsmanship", BP wrote:

"The formation of boys into Patrols of from six to eight and training them as separate units each under its own responsible leader is the key to a good Troop.

The Patrol is the unit of scouting always, whether for work or for play, for discipline or for duty."

With the decrease of numbers in Guide units there seem to have been some Victorian companies trying to keep patrols open with only 2 or 3 members. Two girls may be friends and enjoy doing things together — **but they are not a patrol.**

To be a patrol there needs to be a minimum of four members.

A patrol has to be big enough to have problems. The patrol leader will probably find it hard to keep her patrol occupied, members will be noisy, stray from the subject and not agree. It will be hard to keep everyone busy for not everyone will cooperate, and it will be hard to find ideas which appeal to everyone. Yet, this is the atmosphere these girls need to experience if they are to learn, and gain from being part of a patrol.

Patrols help girls learn that they have a responsibility to others and that sometimes each has to forgo some of her own wishes and fit in with what is good for the group.

How can girls work together to produce a camp meal unless each member does her share, be it peeling carrots or keeping the fire alight?

How can members play together unless each one tries to run, or learns enough to know, some of the answers?

How can members be disciplined unless they control giggles or are trustworthy when there are no adults around?

How can a patrol do its duty unless all the patrol members turn up to help?

Perhaps some of the "patrols" I hear about with only 2 or 3 members are left that way because the girls do not want to combine with another patrol,

or because the guider hopes more members will join soon.

Unfortunately it is necessary to face life as it is, so combine those dwindling numbers into patrols of 4 to 8 members. The chance to choose a totally new patrol name can help overcome past loyalties to the "Kangaroos" or the "Waratah" and a fresh election will decide on a new patrol leader.

"... where the (patrol) system is properly applied it is absolutely bound to bring success. It cannot help itself!"—Scouting for Boys.

—YVONNE JAMES.

PATROL LEADER FUN

Training

Patrol Leaders from Puckapunyal, Nagambie, Wallan, Kilmore, Broadford and Seymour enjoyed taking part in activities and learning aids to leading their patrols, at a weekend camp recently. Each girl discovered many new friends, and ideas of activities in other units were shared.

—CAROL WAITE,
Seymour Guide Company.

Workshop

A Patrol Leaders' workshop was held in Kallista and the girls had fun learning and sharing with guiders and guides in Outer Eastern Region.

—LEANNE RUST,
3rd Boronia Guide Company.

Conference

With scouts from Footscray District, guides from Footscray, Maidstone, Sunshine and Yarraville attended a Scout and Guide Patrol Leaders' Conference at Gilwell Park. Scouts and guides in mixed patrols enjoyed scuba diving, mapping, art, construction, fitness, first aid, archery, hike tent pitching, fire lighting and an "I Spy" competition through which we discovered Gilwell Park.

Night time activities were good fun, we played games and the leaders gave us a formal dinner with speeches, toasts, and a very interesting guest speaker who showed slides of a scout camp in America. The formal dinner was followed by a campfire.

On the final day of the conference leaders conducted discussion groups about the role of the patrol and patrol leader, both in the company and at camp.

We look forward to another conference next year. We enjoyed the chance to get to know other guides in our region and to get to know our local scouts.

—KATE NORTON, JACKIE WALKER,
2nd Maidstone Guide Company.



COHEN SHIELD

The Scout Branch has invited Guide patrols to participate in this year's Cohen Shield competitions.

These competitions are held in each Scout area on 6th or 7th October (as decided by that Scout area).

Any patrol may enter for assessment in the following activities — Construction; Cooking; Emergencies; Fitness; and Mapping.

Competing Guide patrols must consist of a minimum of four and a maximum of eight girls, aged between 10½ and 14½ on the day of the event.

Application forms are available from your Guide Section Region Representative, or from Headquarters. A stamped self-addressed envelope is required for reply.

Application is then made direct to the Scout Area Organiser (his name and address will be provided with the form). \$2.00 entry fee **per** patrol is sent with the application.

On receipt of the application it is expected that the Scout Organiser will send the patrol/s a booklet giving details of the activities for the competition.

Application should be made before 31st August, but the Scout Branch Commissioner has told me that, where practical, areas will accept late application from Guides, as we have been unable to notify you of the event until this issue of Matilda.

Guiders should try to accompany their girls on the day and offer assistance to the Scouts as assessors. This will be a challenging activity for the girls and those patrols which have entered in previous years say it was well worth the effort. The weekend should not conflict with the Olave Challenge camps which are planned for the end of October and beginning of November.

—YVONNE JAMES.



Swan Hill Guides Jane, Nicki, Susan, Leonie and Sonya take a turn at "cooking" the hot water at camp.

WARRACKNABEAL CAMP

Going to camp is lots of fun,
I did many things I've never done,
Following trails and going on a hike,
All very different from riding my bike.
I climbed up a mountain, very, very high,
I thought I was going to reach the sky.
The girls were beaut, and the leaders were good,
I didn't even mind collecting the wood.
The weather was sunny, we had no rain,
Camping is terrific — I would sure go again!

—TRACEY MCKENZIE,
1st Warracknabeal Guide Company.

HOST FARMS

The Host Farms Association Directory listing day tours, homestead, self-contained accommodation, caravan and camping sites is available. Write to The Secretary, 8 Kalang Road, Camberwell, 3124, for details.

GUIDES LEND A HAND TOO

At an Amblyopia screening conducted by Bennettswood Lions' Club, over 150 children between 4 and 6 years old were tested.

Amblyopia is the eye condition known as "lazy eye", and if detected before the age of six or seven is readily amenable to treatment. Undetected it can cause learning difficulties for children, and later in life more serious vision impairment. Nine guides from Box Hill North and Box Hill South Divisions literally "lent a hand" by sharing a game with these young children, showing them how to give the right hand signals when they were being tested by the orthoptists.

—P.K.

FOR SALE

Commissioner winter uniform (skirt, jacket, hat, tie, blouse), size 16. — \$32.00.

Summer uniform, size 16 — \$20.00.

Please contact Mrs Fry, 28 Leonora Street, Robinvale, 3549 (telephone 391).

RANGERING AROUND

MOUNT TORBRECK WEEKEND CAMP or — How to Survive Antarctic Nights!

For rangers who took part in the weekend camp at Mt Torbreck, the unbelievably cold nights will probably be the longest remaining memories of the camp.

Five seconds after stumbling from our bus we were frozen to the bone. Tents were put up as efficiently as meagre torchlight, frozen hands and feet and chattering teeth would allow. We survived that bitter night and emerged feeling like Himalayan snowmen!

In spite of this daunting start, the weekend proved extremely enjoyable. The ten mile hike on Saturday took us through beautiful Mount Torbreck scenery. The Sunday hike was equally enjoyable and Rangers' Own took on a very special meaning in the high and peaceful mountain setting.

Rangers taking part came from Mount Eliza, Greensborough, Malvern, Parkmore, Eltham and Mordialloc.

—CATHY TUDOR.
Mordialloc Ranger Guide Unit.

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"KURINGAL" EDITORS

Surrey Hills Ranger Guides are the new editors for "Kuringal" and material for this magazine should now be sent to them c/o 3 Graham Street, Surrey Hills, 3127.



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U.S.A. — MELODY AND MAKE-BELIEVE

Melody and Make-Believe was a two-week summer event sponsored by the South-western Connecticut Council, concentrating on music and the performing arts.

One hundred and ninety Cadettes and Seniors from 45 States and eleven Girl Guides/Girl Scouts from Panama, India, Greece, Jamaica and the Philippines took part. From the beginning, the event was planned and executed by the girls themselves — chairmen and their committees spent hours preparing all aspects.

Fifty-seven workshops were offered covering different themes associated with theatre and music. They were designed to develop the skills the girls already had and enable them to explore new ones. Workshop consultants, experts in their fields, discussed career possibilities in the performing arts with participants.

—From World Bureau Action Review.



MISSING PERSONS BUREAU

Wanted — still more names of past members, with addresses.

Please forward your list to Headquarters as soon as possible endorsing envelope—"Missing Persons".

BRITANNIA PARK

Next time you visit Britannia Park you will notice improvements around Brownie Cottage, thanks to Mrs Insley and her family, who have planted ferns, violets and agapanthus in the garden and freshened the Cottage with newly painted cupboards and shelf paper. In addition, Mr Fraser has fitted new spoutings so that the general appearance is greatly improved and we are prepared for Spring rains.

Near Guide House two Olave Baden-Powell roses have been planted — a gift from Mrs Luke, and a pinoak flourishes near the B.-P. hut in memory of Joan Alston. We do appreciate these thoughtful efforts to make the Park more beautiful.

Sometimes the committee receives complaints from visitors about the condition of the houses — dirty cupboards, fluff under beds, malorodous refrigerator or various other undone household chores, which is a state of affairs you will all agree is not pleasant to find on arrival for a weekend visit. Remember that this is **your** property and **you** have a responsibility to leave it a little better for your visit, and in the spotless condition you would like to find it.

Our Maintenance Fund friends this month include: 1st Mount Evelyn Guide Company (13th February), North Balwyn-Greythorn Local Association (6th May), Tatura Local Association (12th May), Leongatha Local Association (31st May); and in June: 4th Mount Waverley Guide Company (1st), Horsham Local Association (3rd, 4th), Pyramid Hill Local Association (5th), Cavendish Local Association (6th), Yarraville Local Association — in memory of Mrs Ebeling (6th), Kew Local Association (7th), West Waverley Local Association (8th), Camberwell-Hartwell Local Association (15th, 16th), Mrs B. J. Minogue (21st), 1st Kyabram Guide Company (27th), 4th Noble Park Brownie Pack (28th), Nunawading Local Association (29th), in memory of Mrs V. M. Rodwell (30th), 2nd West Heidelberg Guide Company (25th), Watsonia Local Association (9th).

Blessings be upon you all.

—YOLAND SARGOOD.



OLYMPIC GAMES SUPPORT

Girl Guides have a new, easy way to raise funds to help send the Australian Olympic team to Moscow in 1980.

The aluminium can producer Comalco is linking Olympic fund raising with its extensive aluminium can recycling programme. It has been named a national sponsor of the Australian Olympic team by the Olympic Federation.

Any Guide Company can assist the Australian Olympic Federation by collecting aluminium cans and returning them to a Comalco buy-back centre.

There the cans will be weighed and checked for steel contamination. Only aluminium cans are accepted. Comalco pays 35 cents for every kilogram of aluminium cans returned — 45 cans make a kilogram.

A network of over 100 buy-back centres has been set up by Comalco in Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania and the Northern Territory.

Apart from the 35 cents per kilogram paid to can collectors, Comalco is paying the Australian Olympic Federation one cent for every kilogram of cans returned during 1979.

The minimum payment made by Comalco to the Federation will be \$35,000.

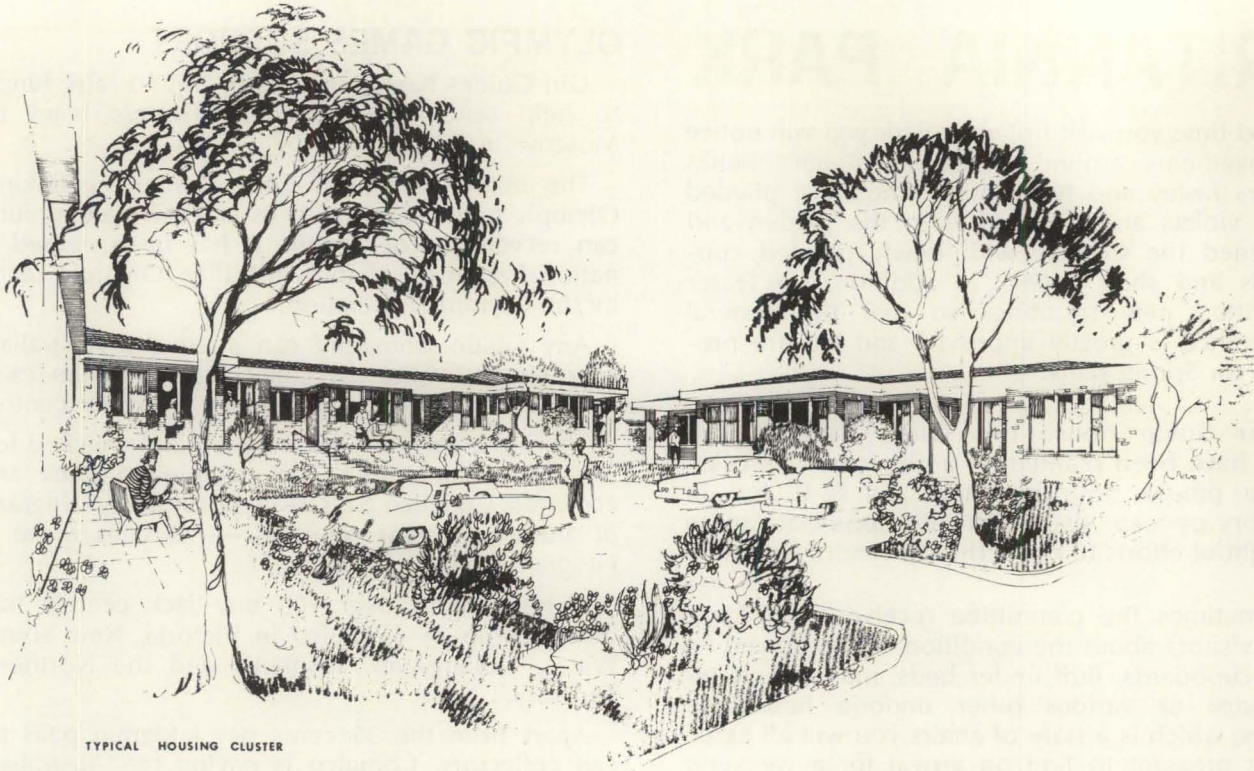
This is a great opportunity for Guides to raise funds for themselves and help to support a worthy cause.

The can recycling programme is very much a community effort. Can collectors are not only given the opportunity to contribute to Australia's Olympic performances in 1980, they can help reduce litter and increase the awareness of the value of a clean environment. Not to mention the funds they can raise for their company.

It is certainly a winner!

Companies wishing to take part in the project should contact Mr Jim Singer (telephone 63 0491) at Comalco in Melbourne. Bins, collection bags and promotional material can be supplied to those companies which participate.





TYPICAL HOUSING CLUSTER

'CREST OF THE WAVE' VARIETY CONCERT

The Baden-Powell Scout and Trefoil Guilds will present their 'Crest of the Wave' Variety Concert at the Camberwell Civic Centre at 8 p.m. on Thursday, 18th October, to raise funds for the Baden-Powell Memorial Homes.

The idea of the Baden-Powell Scout Guild originated in Denmark shortly after World War 2 and, along with the Trefoil Guild, it soon emerged in Britain with Lord Baden-Powell, second Baron of Gilwell, as its first Guildmaster.

With the rapid expansion of both the Scout and Guide Movements, the Guilding idea spread throughout Europe, resulting in the formation of an International Fellowship of former Scouts and Guides.

Several years later a branch was formed in Australia. The International Fellowship now consists of nearly forty member countries throughout the world.

The Guild commenced in Melbourne some thirty years ago and soon spread throughout Australia.

Eventually an Australia-wide Federation was created with the main aims of its members being to carry out the Guild's objectives; to keep alive the spirit of Scouting and to carry that spirit into communities in which they live and work and to provide active support to Scout and Guide Movements.

During the sixty-five years of scouting and guiding in Australia, many thousands of men and women have passed through the Movement. Recently it has been felt there is a need to provide for the care and well-being of former scout and guide members.

With this aim in mind the Baden-Powell Scout and Trefoil Guilds propose to build and provide common interest home units for people who have been active in either the Scout or Guide Movement.

The project has been appropriately named after the founder of the Movements and will be known as the Baden-Powell Memorial Homes.

During April 1977 the Guilds' steering committee received an invitation from the Church of England Retirement Villages Board to consider the prospect of the Guilds co-operating in their proposed new village complex.

Admission to the 'Crest of the Wave' Variety Concert is \$5.00 and all proceeds will aid this Baden-Powell Scout and Trefoil Guilds' project.

Tickets may be obtained from the Baden-Powell Guild (telephone 29 7019), Trefoil Guild (telephone 89 3898), all Scout shops (telephone 347 8044), Guide shop (telephone 63 7911), Camberwell Civic Centre (telephone 811 0222).

For further information, please contact Michael Baden-Powell (telephone 82 8224 or 29 5009), or Bob Gregory, APA Promotions (telephone 878 3953).



Sharon Oakley, 1st Portland Guide, being presented with the B.-P. Emblem by Region Commissioner Mrs Gilmour.

THREE REGION CONFERENCE

Acheron, Outer Eastern and Hume Regions combined for a conference at Yea.

The result was a lively and stimulating experience for more than 150 commissioners and leaders.

Guiders from outlying areas seldom have opportunity to visit headquarters, and appreciated headquarters coming to them in the form of section advisers and, of course, the "Shop" which did a brisk business. —I.A.

GIRL GUIDE PENS

Supplies of blue inscribed biros for re-sale are available. If parcels are collected at Headquarters the cost is \$18 per 100; if posted, a further charge of \$1.50 per order is made.

Orders will be accepted in multiples of 50, with a minimum order of 100.

For full particulars and order form, please contact Mrs Doris Spratling, 1 Arden Crescent, Rosanna, 3084 (telephone 45 2385).

FREE LECTURE ON GEMSTONES

Mothers of Brownies and Guides are invited to this interesting lecture and viewing of gemstones. Held at our showrooms on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, starting at 10.00 a.m. and lasting for about two hours, the sessions are limited to between 15 and 25 people.

Telephone 602 2226 for further information and to book a morning for your group.

RINGCRAFT DIAMOND SALON, 5th Floor, Askew House, 372 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne.



We are the guides from Yooralla, Balwyn. This year there are fourteen of us and most of us live at the hostel and we all attend the Special School of the Yooralla Society.

Our company meets on Saturday afternoon in a local scout hall in a beautiful park, so we are lucky and spend our time outdoors when we can.

At our meetings we enjoy all sorts of energetic games — duster hockey is one of the favourites — handcrafts, first aid and cooking. Our best day this year was when Mrs Speed taught us Scottish dancing. We sometimes got our chairs and crutches tangled up but it was great fun.

Every year we go to the Extension Field Day and enjoy games and competitions, but we especially enjoy visits with active guides and our friends from 2nd Brandon Park Company are coming this month to see us again. We usually have a great cooking "bee" outside and then some noisy games. Next time we plan to spend a day with 3rd Bayswater Company and we have been promised campfire cooking and singing. We are all looking forward to making new friends very much.

For IYC we are going to make scrap books for the Royal Children's Hospital which we hope to take in ourselves as some of us have some good friends in there.

Our three friends Cathy, Robyn and Susie who are rovers come to all our meetings and help us with all our activities and we love to see them and could not manage without them.

We are a busy bunch and enjoy ourselves and our guiding very much.

—3rd BALWYN GUIDE COMPANY.

DOWN IN THE ARCHIVES

Have you ever seen one of the original fortnightly copies of 'Scouting for Boys', or B.-P.'s earlier handbook written for his soldiers, 'Aids to Scouting' which was the basis for the later book? Have you ever read 'Rules for Australian Girl Guides' 1911? If you have never done so, there will be an opportunity, for, in conjunction with the Supplementary Activities Committee, the Archives Committee is holding a 'Guide History Day' at Headquarters, 20 Russell Street, on 6th October, 1979, from 10.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. The above items are just some of the many 'Treasures' from our Archives, which will be on display with others which have been lent to us for the day by their owners. In order to help those interested in Guide Knowledge, activities have been arranged, and any who wish to take part in this programme are asked to let the Archivist know not later than 21st September. Send your applications to Miss Mary Lambe, 13 John Street, Kew, 3101. The programme of activities will take place both in the morning and in the afternoon, and will include games and a mannequin parade of historical uniforms. Cost of restoring pictures and keeping documents in good order is, like everything else, high, so a fee of 40c per person will be charged to cover these and other expenses. It will be much appreciated if this can be forwarded with the application.



Recently a number of our old pictures and documents have been re-photographed and copies of these will be on sale. Two examples are shown here — the Countess of Stradbroke, our first State Commissioner, taken just before she left Victoria in 1926, and Lady Somers, who took her place. Many readers of Matilda will be familiar with these names from the campsites at Britannia Park, called after them.

I was interested, when looking at these photographs with a magnifying glass, to notice little differences in the uniforms, and even in the Promise badges (then known as the Tenderfoot badge). Fifty years ago all commissioners wore 'Cords', the colour varying according to the rank of the wearer. Both Lady Stradbroke and Lady Somers wore gold and silver cords. What other facts could you discover from a close look at the pictures?

—MARY LAMBE, State Archivist.

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

Headquarters: Wednesday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th October and 31st October at **Studley Park, Kew**, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **17th September**.

Headquarters: 27th-28th October and 17th-18th November, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **24th September**.

Kilsyth: Weekends 13th-14th October and 10th-11th November, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs R. Anderson, 17 Oliver Street, Ringwood, 3134 by **24th September**.

Lakes Entrance: Weekends 6th-7th October and 3rd-4th November, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs M. Frawley, P.O. Box 641, Sale, 3850 by **20th September**.

Murtleford: Weekends 29th-30th September and 20th-21st October, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Miss H. Smith, 21 Cusack Street, Wangaratta, 3677, by **7th September**.

Somerville: Weekends 15th-16th September and 27th-28th October, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs W. Rae, "Craig Arran", 285 Hastings Road, Somerville, 3912, by **28th August**.

Willaura: Weekends 13th-14th October and 10th-11th November, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs G. Swainston, 13 Wright Street, Skipton, 3361, by **20th September**.

Creswick: Weekends 22nd-23rd September and 20th-21st October, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs G. Platt, 2 Beresford Crescent, Darley, via Bacchus Marsh, 3340, by **1st September**.

Stage 2 Programming and Activities for WARRANTED Leaders

Chadstone: Wednesday 10th, 17th, 24th October, times 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. plus weekend 27th-28th October, times 10.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Training fee to be advised. Applications to Mrs P. Miller, 28 Olive Street, Mount Waverley, 3149, by **20th September**.

Ringwood: Weekends 15th-16th September and 6th-7th October, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs C. McCall, 79 Wantirna Road, Ringwood, 3134, by **28th August**.

Tatura: Tuesday 11th, 18th, 25th September, 2nd October, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs J. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630, by **25th August**.

Accent on Leadership — for Guiders who have completed Stage 2 Training

Kerang: Weekends 27th-28th October and 24th-25th November, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs B. Whelan, 8 Hope Street, Kangaroo Flat, 3555, by **2nd October**.

Red Cliffs: Weekend 6th-7th October and **Mildura** 17th-18th November, times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Miss E. Cameron, P.O. Box 107, Wentworth, 2648, by **20th September**.

Ranger Lightweight Camping

Scoresby: 6th-7th October and 3rd-4th November at **Donvale** and 24th-25th November at **Tapestry**. Times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$4.50 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **20th September**.

Holiday Permit

Headquarters: Thursday 18th, 25th October, 1st November, times 9.45 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications and \$2.00 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **1st October**.

Campcraft Training

Gippsland Region: Weekend 22nd-23rd September, times 10.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday plus weekends 13th-14th and 27th-28th October and 24th-25th November, times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Location and cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Mrs M. Frawley, P.O. Box 641, Sale, 3850, by **1st September**.

Chadstone: Weekend 20th-21st October (note change in date), times 10.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday, plus weekends 3rd-4th and 17th-18th November at **Donvale** and 8th-9th December at **Britannia Park**. Times for these three weekends 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost of weekends to be advised. Applications and \$6.00 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **1st October**.

Camp First Aid

Headquarters: Weekend 15th-16th September, times 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications and \$2.00 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **28th August**.

Strathmore: Monday 10th, 24th September, 1st, 15th October, times 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. Applications and \$3.00 to Miss M. McLeod, 3 Glenview Road, Strathmore, 3041, by **3rd September**.

Campcraft on Site Conference

Donvale: Weekend 8th-9th September, times 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Saturday and 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. **For camp advisers and guiders with Camper's licence.**

Note: If coming by the day bring own lunch (a) drinks, morning tea provided, or (b) camp overnight on site — fee to be advised. Note: For those attending by the day the fee will be \$2.00. Guiders in Charge — E. Bunning and J. Lamond. Applications, stamped self-addressed envelope — indicating (a) or (b) — to Training Secretary, Guide Headquarters, by **20th August**.

Pack Holiday Training

Bairnsdale: Weekend 22nd-23rd September, times 10.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Overnight accommodation available in hall if required. **Will Guiders in nearby regions requiring Pack Holiday training please make an effort to attend this course.** Applications and \$4.50 to Mrs M. Frawley, P.O. Box 641, Sale, 3850, by **28th August**.

Bennettswood: Weekend 20th-21st October, 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 Mrs F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Avenue, Doncaster, 3108, by **30th September**.

Deer Park: Weekend 17th-18th November, 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 Mrs V. Bell, 10 Debenham Drive, St. Albans, 3021, by **24th October**.

Headquarters: Wednesday 10th, 17th, 24th October, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications and \$2.00 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **20th September**.

Katunga: Weekend 29th-30th September, 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 Mrs J. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630, by **1st September**.

Mirrabooka: Weekend 24th-25th November, times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Note: Cost to be advised. Applications to Mrs W. E. Podbury, 24 Lupton Street, Geelong West, 3226, by **24th October**.

Facts 'n' Fun for Local Association Members

Headquarters: 2nd October, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications, stamped self-addressed envelope and 50 cents per local association member to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **1st September**.

St. Arnaud: Wednesday, 24th October, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications, stamped self-addressed envelope and 50 cents per local association member to Mrs J. Creek, RMB 358, Nhill, 3418, by **3rd October**.

Sunshine: Thursday, 20th September, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications, stamped self-addressed envelope and 50 cents per local association member to Mrs V. Bell, 10 Debenham Drive, St. Albans, 3021, by **1st September**.

Commissioner Refresher Day

Headquarters: Tuesday, 18th September, times 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications, stamped self-addressed envelope and \$1.20 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **31st August**.

Reactivate for Ranger Guide Leaders

Headquarters: Weekend 29th-30th September, times 9.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Sunday.

For you — Ranger Guide Leaders, the Training Department extends to you the invitation to attend a weekend of enrichment and mutual sharing.

This weekend is open to all Ranger Guide Leaders regardless of unit, experience and age, WHO HAVE ALREADY ATTENDED STAGE 1 TRAINING. Applications, \$4.50 and a stamped self-addressed envelope should be sent to the Training Department by **7th September**.

Orienteering

Geelong: Saturday, 29th September, times 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications and \$1.20 to Mrs W. Podbury, 24 Lupton Street, Geelong West, 3226, by **7th September**.

Outdoor Day

Donvale: Saturday, 3rd November, times 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications and \$1.20 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **10th October**.

Parkland Pleasures

Fitzroy Gardens: Wednesday, 19th September, times 9.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications and \$1.20 to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **1st September**.

Pioneering

Calivil: Sunday, 30th September, times 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications and \$1.20 to Mrs B. Whelan, 8 Hope Street, Kangaroo Flat, 3555, by **2nd September**.

SUMMER TRAINING WEEK

Britannia Park, Yarra Junction.

3rd-9th January, 1980.

Note: Send your suggestions for the programme now to the **Training Department, Guide Headquarters**.

CONGRATULATIONS to the recipients of the following:

Guider Long Service

(40 years): Mrs E. Graham, Morwell.

(30 years): Mrs J. Rendell, North Newborough; Mrs R. Scholes, Newborough.

(20 years): Mrs N. Matthews, Clayton; Mrs H. Duxson, Stawell.

(10 years): Mrs K. T. Mitchell, Dandenong; Miss A. Poppins, Traralgon; Mrs A. Eden, North Balwyn; Mrs E. Humphreys, Morwell; Mrs M. Humphreys, Dareton; Mrs K. H. Turlan, Irymple; Mrs J. McIntyre, Mentone.

Combined Long Service

(20 years): Mrs W. Tonks, Ballarat; Miss A. Stafford, Ballarat; Mrs M. Cooper, Ballarat; Mrs D. Barwood, Ballarat.

(10 years): Mrs J. Wylie, Durham Lead; Mrs L. Willsher, Ballarat; Mrs C. Bowers, Ballarat; Mrs P. Pierce, Ballarat; Miss M. Gallie, Ballarat; Mrs J. Coombs, North Ballarat; Mrs S. Thomas, Portland; Mrs J. Tulloh, Portland; Mrs N. Burkett, Box Hill South; Mrs J. Mills, Koo-wee-rup; Mrs J. Musgrove, Sunshine; Mrs C. Birkett, Doncaster East.

Local Association Long Service

(10 years): Mrs R. Arnaud, Warrandyte; Mrs G. Strachan, Mildura South; Mrs G. Mason, Koo-wee-rup; Mrs M. McDonald, Caldermeade; Mrs H. Brecely, Portland; Mrs H. Borland, Yarragon.

(20 years): Mrs P. Switzer, Bayswater.

Trefoil Guild Long Service

(10 years): Mrs A. Bartrop, Ballarat; Mrs A. Flavell, Ballarat; Mrs G. Aldrich, Ballarat; Mrs L. Blee, Ballarat; Mrs H. Mann, Mount Clear; Mrs P. Jones, Mount Helen.

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Thanks Badge

Mr B. Woolley, East Bentleigh; Mr R. A. Stirling, Ballan; Mr J. Fitzgerald, Yarra Glen; Mr J. Allinson, Surrey Hills; Mr C. McIntyre, Mentone; Mr B. Dundon, Humevale.

APPOINTMENTS AND WARRANTS

A warm welcome is extended to the following:

District Commissioners

Mrs G. R. Owen, Canterbury; Miss M. Nicoll, Rochester; Mrs J. H. C. Charles, East Reservoir; Mrs A. R. Hines, Newcomb; Mrs L. W. George, Sebastopol; Mrs W. J. Hoddinott, Macedon; Mrs B. F. Lucas, Werrimull; Miss R. Allen, Wedderburn; Mrs R. E. Cresswell (Assistant), Hawthorn.

Ranger Guiders

Mrs D. A. Hunt, Maffra Rangers; Mrs D. Coltman, Beaumaris Rangers; Miss B. Grove, Yarraville Rangers.

Guide Guiders

Mrs A. Morrissey, 1st Sunshine; Mrs C. Jessep, 4th Traralgon; Mrs W. E. Woodward, 2nd Mount Waverley; Mrs F. S. Rust, 3rd Boronia; Mrs G. Robertson, 1st Brandon Park; Miss J. M. Wood, 3rd Nunawading; Mrs K. Rosen, 1st Burwood; Mrs R. Blackman, 1st Swan Hill; Mrs G. R. Morrison, 1st Bonbeach; Mrs D. Watmuff, 2nd Beaumaris.

Assistant Guide Guiders

Miss D. Walsh, 1st Central Doncaster; Miss D. R. Tope, 1st Dunkeld; Mrs W. A. Spicer, 4th Ballarat; Mrs R. C. Jeffrey, 2nd Emerald; Mrs W. G. Embury, 3rd Wodonga; Mrs L. J. Crosbie, 1st Invergordon; Miss S. Burnett, 1st Dareton; B. Payne, 1st Swan Hill; Mrs W. Grant, 2nd Swan Hill; Mrs A. Calderwood, 3rd West Waverley; Miss G. Kenny, 2nd Ringwood East; Mrs S. Gurman, 2nd Dandenong North.

Brownie Guiders

Miss H. Fagan, 2nd Edithvale; Miss J. Reid, 2nd Altona North; Mrs A. K. Stewart, 1st South Shepparton; Mrs I. R. Joiner, 1st Apollo Bay; Mrs B. K. Woolley, 4th Bentleigh; Mrs F. W. Lincoln, 2nd Rosebud; Mrs D. J. Osborne, 1st Dunkeld; Mrs A. W. Bryant, 2nd Glen Waverley; Mrs P. Bond, 4th Caulfield; Mrs E. M. Keogh, 1st Cowes; Mrs A. Phillips, 2nd Parkmore; Mrs B. H. Knight, 1st Colac; Mrs J. J. Finn, 2nd Avondale Heights; Miss L. J. Grant, 2nd Olinda.

Assistant Brownie Guiders

Miss E. Fox, 6th Glen Waverley; Mrs T. J. O'Shea, 1st West Heidelberg; Miss M. Evans, 1st Hartwell; Miss J. Padey, 1st Glen Waverley; Miss S. Chapman, 5th Dandenong North; Mrs J. R. Doll, 2nd Yarraville; Mrs J. C. Carter, 2nd Castlemaine; Miss M. E. Collins, 3rd Doncaster; Mrs C. Phillips, 1st Sunshine; Miss H. A. Black, 3rd Dandenong North; Mrs M. Dunlop, 4th Clayton; Mrs J. R. Howe, 1st Black Rock.

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REGISTRATIONS

Woori Yallock Local Association, Narre Warren Local Association, 6th Boronia Pack, 2nd Kensington Pack, 1st Whitfield Pack, 1st Macclesfield Pack, 2nd Victorian Lone Pack, 1st Narre Warren Pack, 3rd Springvale South Pack, Lones Liaison Pack (Austin Hospital), 3rd Castlemaine Pack, 4th Cranbourne Pack, 2nd Kensington Company, 1st Viewbank Company, Ebeling Rangers, Clayton Ranger Guide Unit, Brighton Ranger Guide Unit, Dandenong North Ranger Guide Unit, 2nd Fitzroy North Company, 1st Swifts Creek Company, 1st Lindenow Pack.

RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS

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

District Commissioners

Mrs A. W. Gray, Chiltern; Mrs J. B. Trimble, Croydon West; Mrs R. M. Balfour, Tanjil Valley; Mrs S. R. Hurse, Carisbrook; Mrs A. W. Ballard, Sebastopol; Mrs J. F. Williams, Fawkner; Mrs D. E. Ginn, Irymple; Mrs C. A. McDonald, Werrimull; Mrs J. R. Duncan, Sunbury; Mrs D. J. Stocks, Nunawading; Mrs H. F. Haynes, Box Hill; Mrs G. M. Cashmore, St. Kilda.

Ranger Guiders

Mrs C. McIntyre, "S.R.S. Melbourne" Rangers, Mrs L. Nankervis, Bennettswood Rangers.

Assistant Ranger Guiders

Miss B. Grove, Yarraville Rangers.

Guide Guiders

Mrs D. K. Fleming, 1st Sebastopol; Mrs G. Smit, 1st Stratford; Mrs T. Bailey, 1st Reservoir East; Mrs R. J. Nicoll, 5th Preston; Mrs J. Shadwell, 2nd Clayton; Miss S. Bradshaw, 2nd Northcote West; Mrs K. Bianchi, 1st Burwood; Mrs J. Dunn, 1st Hazelwood; Mrs J. Collins, 2nd Korumburra; Miss J. K. Halpin, 1st Irymple; Mrs R. Speirs, 1st Colac.

Assistant Guide Guiders

Mrs K. J. Lamond, 3rd Chadstone; Mrs N. Sutherland, 1st Stratford; Mrs J. N. Croton, 5th Preston; Mrs D. Waldron, 1st Ferntree Gully; Miss E. A. Clark, 1st Torquay; Mrs R. W. Allison, 1st Sebastopol; Mrs A. Wilcox, 1st Airport West; Mrs C. Jessep, 4th Traralgon; Mrs W. E. Woodward, 2nd Mount Waverley; Mrs R. C. Jeffrey, 1st Emerald; Miss D. A. Caldwell, 1st Pascoe Vale; Mrs W. A. Watts, 1st Avondale Heights; Miss S. Scrivener, 1st East Keilor.

Brownie Guiders

Mrs J. J. Dean, 1st Altona; Mrs T. E. Dix, 1st Lakes Entrance; Mrs S. Pond, 2nd Bentleigh East; Mrs J. E. Sullivan, 3rd Warragul; Mrs T. Woolan, 1st Nilma; Miss Y. C. Gray, 2nd Avondale Heights.

Assistant Brownie Guiders

Mrs E. J. Atwell, 1st Puckapunyal; Mrs B. K. Woolley, 4th Bentleigh; Mrs F. W. Lincoln, 2nd Rosebud; Mrs S. Carlisle, 3rd Dandenong North; Mrs B. P. Willis, 2nd East Keilor; Miss A. R. Watson, 7th Kew; Miss M. Brudenell, 3rd Hampton.

GUIDE SHOP NEWS.



Dear Customers,

Due to rises in the cost of materials and the results of the latest indexation hearing, we regret that our uniform manufacturer has announced price increases on all items.

New prices are as follows —

Uniforms

Brownie Dress	\$16.95
Brownie Tie	\$1.95
Guide Blouse	\$10.25
Guide Skirt	\$13.75
Suit — Straight Skirt	\$54.95
Suit — Gored Skirt	\$52.50
Skirt — Gored	\$16.75
Guider Short-sleeved Shirt	\$9.95
Guider Long-sleeved Shirt	\$10.95
Guider Dress — sizes 10-18	\$28.50

Guider Dress — sizes 20-24	\$29.95
Ranger Suit	\$49.95

Materials

Brownie Dress (per metre)	\$4.50
Guide Skirt (per metre)	\$4.50
Guide/Guider Blouse (per metre)	\$2.50
Guide/Ranger (per metre)	\$6.75
Ranger Pale Blue (per piece)	\$1.95
Guider Dress (per metre)	\$6.25

All special orders will have an added surcharge of \$10.00 to cover manufacturer's costs.

We regret the need to publish this new list so soon but point out that all prices are subject to change without notice.

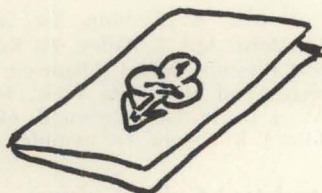
GIFT LINES

To add to your sets of Guide teaspoons—

Helmeted Honeyeater set in Trefoil	\$2.00
L.A. (in Trefoil)	\$2.00
Victorian Heath	\$2.00
World Badge	\$2.00

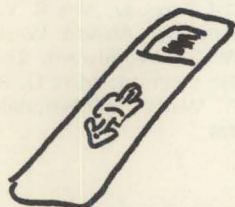
Writing Compendium—

Attractive two-toned blue vinyl cover with gold Guide badge. Contains writing pad and envelopes



Screen Printed Notepaper—

Australian wildflower print—5 to packet, with envelope \$1.50
 Pocket-sized comb in blue cover stamped with new Guide badge. A small gift to suit all purses 50 cents



Tea Towel—

Beautiful Australian wildflower design, multi-coloured on natural background with our new Trefoil \$2.50

Map of Australia with all State badges and World badge. Gaily printed in green and red \$2.50



BROWNIE ACTIVITY SHEETS

As promised, Roadway and Highway. Very good value \$1.00

SWAP BADGES

Do you have our latest swap badges on your camp blanket?

Australia	45 cents
Victoria	25 cents
I.T.T.	20 cents
Camp Patanga	30 cents



BOOKS

Do you need help with Guides' Own, Prayers, Duty to God? Here are some of our new thought provoking books —

Take Off Your Shoes	\$5.95	Wipe Away the Tears of My Heart	\$2.25
Caring, Feeling, Touching	\$2.95	By the Way	\$1.75
Fully Human, Finally Alive	\$2.95	Set Me Free	\$1.75
Why am I afraid to tell you who I am?	\$2.95	Thrushuska — the Song Bird	\$1.75