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Just Plain Camp
Applications close
30 October

Visit the
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Centre



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From the State Commissioner

'How time flies when you're having fun!' As we come to the end of our term, this phrase aptly describes the last five years for your state team.

On behalf of Sue and Kathie, may I take this opportunity to warmly thank you all for coming on the journey of the last five years with us. It has been a challenging time, and a defining time - yet a time when people have pulled together for the good of the whole.

Those of you who know me well, are aware that I am a collector of sayings. Jim Dietz' quote seems appropriate for this time: 'As long as you put in the work, you can own the dream. When the work stops, the dream disappears.'

We have certainly worked very hard at this great game of Guiding, and followed a clear and collective dream. Our dream has been to ensure that Guiding is a vibrant, dynamic and up to date organisation, fully attuned to the needs of the girls whom we serve and dedicated to empower each and every member to achieve her individual best.

For Guiding to succeed, quality leadership is absolutely vital. These days, 'leadership' can be defined as assisting, facilitating and enabling the girls to successfully achieve their goals.

As well as working IN Guiding, each one of us needs to work ON Guiding - that means contributing to the growing of Guiding - telling people WHAT we do, WHY we do it, and HOW successful we are at doing it. For without doubt, we are very successful. We are quiet achievers who are simply not good at creating the perception that we are good at what we do - and WE ARE!

Because the world is changing rapidly around us, we need to be continually

flexible and constantly changing also. This does not mean that we should change our values, destroy our traditions or devalue the basics of Guiding. However we must 'package' our 'product' so that it is seen as valuable and worthwhile to prospective parents, and at the same time, appeal to the girls and create the perception of being 'cool' - two different markets requiring two different approaches.

Personally, I consider myself to have been extremely fortunate to have been able to work with such an outstanding group of people. It has indeed been an honour and a privilege to have been able to serve in the capacity as State Commissioner. The past five years have been challenging, and stretching in a variety of ways.

The opportunities available to each one of us as members of this great Movement are limitless, and I trust that you, like us, are also able to look back with a great deal of satisfaction on what has been achieved personally, 'professionally' as Leaders, and as a Guiding community.

It is with a great deal of confidence that, at the Annual Meeting on 10 October, I will pass on my appointment badge to Mrs Jane Scarlett, your new State Commissioner, who will continue to lead Victorian Guiding into the new millennium with confidence and a clear vision.

Again, sincere thanks to you all for your loyalty and commitment, your friendship and your care - and for all that you do to keep the Spirit of Guiding alive and well in the Victorian community.

Heather Barton
State Commissioner

SEOP BOX

(Merial's Message)

Unit Membership Lists

We have been sending out Unit lists each quarter with Region Leaders for a while now, however it seems that only a few are returned to Guide Centre with details amended. In October every Unit Leader will receive a **carbon copy listing** of each girl we have registered on the database for her Unit.

Can you **please amend this Unit listing** and return one copy to Guides Victoria, Database Administrator, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne 3000 as soon as possible. It is very important that our database is kept up-to-date. From the information on the lists we generate and send invoices for any unpaid or unregistered member. We also use these listings to register exits of any members.

NB If a girl does not have a current membership card she should not be attending Guiding events.

After taking six months long service leave, Sandra Barry, has decided not to continue in a position here at Guide Centre. For those of you (not many I expect!) who do not know Sandra, she has been with us for 26 years - starting out as a new employee and then taking on a range of volunteer roles as well as her paid work. Luckily for Guides Victoria Sandra will continue in her voluntary roles as a unit leader and a trainer. We all wish her well for the future.

REGION, DIVISION & DISTRICT LEADERS

PROCRASTINATING is what I am feeling guilty about and dare I say, it is a fairly common problem we can all relate to at one time or another. This beautiful weather has slowed me down (well, that's my excuse) and I am mulling over what to write in my article to you for this month, being my last one.

Reading back through the *Communicatings* of previous months and years, I am wondering if you are still:

1. able to indulge in a little "myself" time (Aug 97) - I sincerely hope so.
2. know the names and faces to whom they belong, of all the girls in your District? (March 97) - and their families - a true District team.
3. feeling it is about time you met together with other Region, Division & District Leaders at a "CANDLE" (Commissioners and District Leaders' Event) type event? (April 97) - comments and suggestions please.

As a District Leader, it is now that time of the year to evaluate, with your Leaders, on how well you and your District team are working together. It is probably two years since your Leaders voted you in as their District Leader - are they still happy with you in this responsible role? Are you still passionate about this responsible position?

"Passionate people produce", Charles Kovess points out in his book of the same name, so do make time to talk this through with your Leaders. It is most important to have the right person working in the position they feel comfortable with and enjoy the most. Heather's article "Why the District Leader is So Important"

(*Communicating* June 97) I'm sure, will be of some help with your decisions.

Don't throw away your *Communicating* issues, they are indeed a great reference tool. And so now I must bid you all "Au Revoir" - I have thoroughly enjoyed writing this monthly article for the past 2½ years and would like to thank Val and Billee for throwing me the challenge!

The past five years working alongside Sue in our position of assistants to Heather, has been an exciting and unforgettable experience and an opportunity I am so glad I accepted. Travelling around the state, putting faces to names and catching up with dear friends has been wonderful. Your spontaneous friendliness I will always remember, I have been truly spoilt - Thank you most sincerely.

With my love and best wishes for continuing success and fun within your Regions, Divisions and Districts and beyond.

Kathie
Assistant State Commissioner

GENERAL

The Logo

Please Note: all forms, flyers and letterhead must now be printed with the new Logo.

Calling willing workers ... Are you available during the day? Would you be able to give a little time to help at 20 Russell Street? From time to time, we need the services of a group who we could call 'Friends of Guide Centre' who could help with tasks such as stuffing envelopes and other time-consuming tasks. Please call Kaye Lasa if you are willing to be involved on 9654 7911.

Positions Vacant

We are seeking nominations
for the positions of

Region Leader - Western Plains

Training Adviser

If you would like to nominate someone for any of these positions, or if you would like to be considered yourself, now is the time to forward names to the State Commissioner. Please contact Heather Barton C/- Guide Centre as soon as possible, with the name, address and telephone number of the person you wish to nominate. If you require the job description, please contact Kaye at Guide Centre on 9654 7911, ext 224. Nominations for Region Leader - Western Plains and Training Adviser will be accepted until 1 December 1998.

New Email Address

*Please note that Guides Victoria has a new email address. It is now:
guidesvic@guidesaus.org.au*

We are currently updating our data base with email addresses. If you would like your email address added to our data base, please **type** it and send it to Guide Centre.

TRAINING

Adviser - Felicity Wightwick

Now is the time to schedule some training before the Summer holidays.

Here are some suggestions:

November

- 1 Christmas Crafts - Mooroopna
- 8 Awards Pack - Warrnambool
- 14 Further Leadership Development N6 (Participate in community activities) - Werribee
- 14 Further Leadership Development P5 (Develop program ideas and resources) - Bendigo
- 14 First Aid Part B Leadership Development P.1.3/or update - Mornington
- 14 Public Speaking - Pascoe Vale
- 14-15 Camp Skills/Camp Gadgets - Wangaratta (prerequisite for Outdoors under Canvas)
- 14-15 Leadership Qualification Core Modules - Guide Centre
- 14-15 Leadership Qualification Adult Modules - Guide Centre
- 21 Fundamental Module F8 (Explore World Guiding) - Mulgrave
- 21 Alternative Cooking Methods - Donvale
- 22 Fundamental Module F9 (Explore Guiding in today's society) - Mulgrave
- 22 First Aid Part A - Leadership Development P1.2 - Mornington
- 22 Singing Games - Doncaster
- 28 Guiding Partner - Doncaster
- 28-29 Leadership Qualification Youth Modules - Bentleigh
- 29 First Aid Part B Leadership Development P.1.3/or update - Vermont

December

- 12-13 Outdoors Under Canvas - Wangaratta

The following Leaders have gained their Leadership Qualification and have been appointed as qualified Leaders. Congratulations to:

- Fiona Chambers - 1st Sydenham Guides
- Jodie Egan - Essendon Brownie Guides
- Tanya Lowes - 1st Wangaratta Brownie Guides & Wodonga Murray Guides
- Sybil Boyle - DL Heathmont
- Diana McDonald - Heathmont Bluegum Guides
- Nicola Blay - 1st Greenhills Company
- Clare Wooder - Dallas District Guides
- Natalie Cutler - 5th Brighton Guides

INTERNATIONAL

Adviser - Glenda Vuillermin

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

CELEBRATION '99

is still open for
YOUTH APPLICATIONS
14-18 yrs in July 1999

We still have places for this event which promises to be totally memorable

Camp Theme: *Native Americans*
Visit: *Washington & New York*

Go To.....

L.A.
Disneyland
Universal Studios

Closing date: 17 October
Selection: 25 October

Some financial assistance is available if needed.

MEMBERSHIP

Adviser - Marg Taylor

TARGET 2000 BULLETIN BOARD

North Central Region have opened a new Unit - Welcome to members of the 18-30 Unit.

A "Target 2000 Success Story" 3rd Herne Hill 7-11 Unit have increased their membership from 8 to 20 girls, and have awarded 6 Friendmaker Badges - Well Done !

Congratulations to the following units for gaining "Friendmaker" badges this month.

3rd Herne Hill	6
Warragul Brownie Guides	1
4th Warragul Guide Co	2
Dolphin Guides Cranbourne	1
2nd Springvale Rainbow Guides	2
2nd Mt Waverley Guides	2
6th Glen Waverley Pack	1
Cranbourne Paw Print Guides	2
3rd St Albans Guides	5
1st Sunshine Guides	7
Cockatoo/Gembrook Gumnuts	4
1st Cockatoo Brownie Guides	2
Ferntree Gully OK Guides	1
Colac Gumnut Guides	1
Hampton Gumnuts	5
1st Cheltenham Brownies	2
Werribee Adventure Guides	6
Beaufort Blue Wrens	2
1st Greenhill Guides	1

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Adviser - Libby Howlett

A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped to promote Guiding at the Royal Melbourne Show. Each year the show provides the opportunity to talk to thousands of people, over the eleven days of the show about the fun, friendship and adventure that awaits them in Guiding.

Talk to people URPR

Barbara Anderson took the opportunity to phone in to 3LO on a 'good news day', to tell everyone how great Guiding is and spoke positively about the new Program. Well done Barb, you were great.

PR Caravan

Bookings are coming in for later in the year for shows and fêtes and even some bookings for next year. Avoid disappointment, book early to secure the caravan for your local promotion. For more details about the caravan or to obtain a booking form phone Lorelie at Guide Centre on 9654 7911 ext 222.

We Can Help

Display boards, photos, bunting, banners and brochures. Phone and discuss your promotion with us and we will help you achieve success.

The Media

Do you have a story to tell? We can help you put together a media release, provide background information and often advise in dealing with local media. Talk to your Region PR Coordinator or phone Lorelie at Guide Centre ext 222.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- HEALTH FORM** ALL attendees must submit a signed HEALTH FORM which will be included in the information pack forwarded to you upon acceptance of this application. It is to be handed in at check-in.
- MEDICAL** Medical conditions and medications being taken must be stated on this form and also on the V.G. health form.
- CAMPING** Only in the area indicated by the Marshalls.
NO AUTO TENTS PERMITTED. Small hike tents or large bell type tents are O.K.
All gear must be carried onto the campsite on foot.
NO ghetto blasters, sheath or large knives permitted.
- VEHICLES** No Unit or private vehicles will be permitted onto the campsite.
Car parking will be adjacent to the entrance. PLEASE RESPECT THIS RULE.
- LEADERS** All Units must have an Adult leader camping with them for the whole weekend.
Warranted Leaders are reminded that responsibilities do not end with their own Units and are requested to assist in ensuring that problems do not arise during the V.G.
Units with female youth members included are not required to have their own female Leader in attendance, or to name one who will be responsible for them.
There will be male and female Line Leaders, and also a Welfare section working at the V.G. which includes experienced Leaders, should any youth or adult member need assistance or guidance.
- DRUGS/
ALCOHOL** *Alcohol and non prescribed drugs are not to be brought to Vic Gathering.*
Any Venturer, 14-18 Guide, Rover, whole Unit, single member or Leader found with non prescribed drugs or alcohol in their possession will be sent home immediately at their parents', guardians' or own expense.
- ENTRY/EXIT
TO CAMP** The Vic Gathering is a closed camp -
NO PASSOUTS WILL BE GIVEN UNLESS PRIOR ADVICE HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY Mrs. Lany MASON (03) 9874 8102
- COST** **\$30 per Youth Member, \$15 per Leader however -
Reduced fee of \$25 per Youth Member and \$10 per Leader
will apply if applications are received before 6th November 1998**
- REFUNDS** Notice of cancellation of one or more applicants must be received five days prior to the Activity to be eligible for a refund. Individual consideration will be given to late cancellations. In all situations a non refundable \$5 administration charge will apply. Substitution of team members by another Venturer or 14-18 Guide is possible up to the start point of the Gathering.

YOUR SIGNATURE ON THE FRONT OF THIS FORM INDICATES THAT YOU ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ATTENDANCE AT THE 1998 VICTORIAN GATHERING.

1998 VIC GATHERING - 4th to 6th December.

APPLICATION FORM

REFER TO CONDITIONS OF ENTRY ON THE REVERSE OF THIS FORM



Unit: District: Region:

Name:	Reg No:	Allergies/Ailments:	Signature
M/F	Emergency Phone No:	Medication:	
Name:	Reg No:	Allergies/Ailments:	Signature
M/F	Emergency Phone No:	Medication:	
Name:	Reg No:	Allergies/Ailments:	Signature
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LEADERS

Name:	Reg No:	Allergies/Ailments:	Signature
M/F	Emergency Phone No:	Medication:	
Name:	Reg No:	Allergies/Ailments:	Signature
M/F	Emergency Phone No:	Medication:	

Cheques Only - Payable To:
"VIC GATHERING"

..... Venturers @ / Head \$.....
 Leaders @ / Head \$.....
 Total of Cheque \$.....

ENTRIES & ENQUIRIES

VIC GATHERING
 PO Box 420
 HEIDELBERG, 3084

Phone (03) 9459 0685 AH
 Or (03) 9874 8102 AH

Contact Person for Return Information

Name:

Address:

..... Postcode

Phone Number (.....)

Early Bird Applications Close 6th Nov 1998

BISCUITS

Coordinator - Sheila Stancombe

Thank you to all Districts that sold Guide biscuits. This is our first year with Westons and the biscuits were well received - especially the new style cream biscuits.

Now for the news the girls have been waiting for: Guide biscuit badges will be sent out from the end of October.

In Victoria, each girl who sells at least 20 packets of biscuits will be able to wear on their uniform the Guide biscuit badge for that year. Girls who have sold one carton of biscuits or more in 1998 can wear the badge on their uniform in 1999.

Incentive Plan

Each year Westons will donate \$500.00 to each state in Australia to use towards a project of their choice. In Victoria we are going to divide the \$500 between the country and metropolitan Districts. It is my pleasure to be able to tell you that for the city area: Werribee District sold 117 cartons of biscuits and will receive from Westons in December \$250.00 for their District (West Metro Region). For the Country area: Kilmore District sold 110 cartons of biscuits and will receive from Westons in December \$250.00 for their District (Hume Region).

MULTICULTURAL

Adviser - Kris Urrutia

Don't forget the exciting visit to the Hindu Temple on Sunday October 18 at 4.30pm. See September *Communicating* for details. Contact Dayle at Guide Centre to register your name and numbers.

RADIO ACTIVITIES

Consultant - Joy Savill
PO Box 91, Heywood 3304
email: joys@anson.com.au
Ph 5527 1314 Fax 5527 2105

October is upon us. This means that the 17th and/or 18th should see you all taking part in JOTA/JOTI.

Just some last minute reminders.

- * Starting time is 00.01 local time on Saturday 17th.
- Finishing time is 23.59 on Sunday 18th.
- * Don't forget your log sheets, note books, visitor sheets, as well as all your activity, Q-code and phonetics.
- * Keep all your records up to date.
- * Treat your operator/s with TLC.
- * Keep your visitor numbers (and make it interesting for all).
- * Remember to send your report to me by November 1 so I can send my report to National Headquarters on time. (Even if you take part with the Scouts and obtain your badges through them PLEASE send your numbers and a short report to me (or ring or e-mail me).
- * Mind your manners at all times.
- * Most of all have a fun day and an enjoyable day for all.

If you would like more information please don't hesitate to call me at home or send me a business size envelope.

Application Form, Shindig '98. Waranga Basin, 27-29 Nov '98

Guides 14-30 and any interested leaders.

Please complete these forms and return with full camp payment of \$45.00 and a business sized stamped self addressed envelope by 30 Oct 1998, to:
Shindig '98, 26 Shields Street Flemington, 3031.

Surname:	Name:
Mailing Address:	P. Code.
Telephone:	
Age (at time of event)	Membership No.
Unit Name:	

Do you have any special dietary needs?.....

Do you require any medication?.....

Swimming Ability.....

Do you require transport to or from Shindig '98?.....

The following are the activities that will be offered at Shindig '98:

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Abseiling | 7. Raft Building |
| 2. Bush Hike | 8. Sailing |
| 3. Canoeing | 9. Tie Dyeing |
| 4. Commando Course | 10. Water Skiing |
| 5. Golf | 11. Wine Tour (18+) |
| 6. Parascending (preference to 18+) | |



Please list the activities in order of preference (1-10) in the boxes below and we will try to place you in these. The sooner we receive your applications the better chance you have of getting the activities you have requested, first in best dressed.

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Cheques for \$45.00 to be made payable to 'Guides Victoria'.
A cancellation fee will apply.

Applicant's Signature Date:

Parent/Carer's Signature (if under 18) Date:

Leader's Recommendation Date:

For any queries you may have about Shindig '98, contact:
Helen Wall 03 5828 9245 or Tania Provan 03 9376 2040

TREFOIL

Adviser - Lola Johnston

We had a very enjoyable day at Mooropna on 12 August for the Victorian Trefoil Guild Annual General Meeting. Members met at the Fruit Connection at 10.30am and were served Devonshire morning tea, browsed through the craft shop, and inspected the Kids Connection Playground. From there we adjourned to the Guide/Scout complex, where many friendships were renewed. We were served a lovely lunch by the support group ladies.

The AGM was at 1.30pm followed by guest speaker Mr Bruce Wilson, who spoke on "Change" which was very interesting, and gave us food for thought. The meeting concluded at 3pm and afternoon tea was served. 100 people attended the day, some ladies having travelled to Shepparton by train for the day.

Congratulations to the Goulburn Valley Trefoil Guild for the organisation which made the day so successful. Thank you to all Trefoil Guilds who returned their agenda items, for me to take to the National Advisers meeting. As you read this, forty Victorian Trefoil Guild members will have attended the National Gathering in Sydney 2-4 October.

POST BOX

Secretary - Margaret McNeill

Thanks for all the requests I have just received and thanks to those Leaders and girls who have notified me of their links -

successful or otherwise. It is great to hear from you.

Any member of Guiding may apply for a penfriend, either overseas or interstate. If you are interested send your name, address, phone number, DOB, Unit name and a stamped self addressed envelope for each request to Mrs Margaret McNeill, 10 Sturt Street, Shepparton 3630.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

GO CLUB SAFARI 99

Come and join our final "Safari type" adventure from east to west. Camping with some nights accommodated and at least 2 night stops where possible. We will be travelling through Adelaide to Port Augusta and then south to explore the Eyre Peninsula. Returning to Deduna we then cross the Nullabor to head south and explore in depth the SW part of Western Australia. We then head north to Perth and on to Kalbarri. The return journey is via Wave Rock, Kalgoorlie and back across the Nullabor.

When: Sat 1 May - Mon 31 May 1999
Cost: \$2750

Further details from Jan Brown, 13 Walsh Street, Eltham South 3095. Phone 9439 9783

October 18
Cycle Ride. New Eastern Freeway Bike Track and more. Bring: Bicycle helmet (no helmet, no ride!), lunch, drink, suitable clothes. Details contact Nancie Flegg on 9848 3070 by 12 October.

OUTDOORS

Adviser - Julie Armstrong

Water Skiing

Would your Guides like to spend a weekend camping and learning to water ski? Valley Water Skiing Team, based in Lilydale, will run a weekend for your Guides at Fraser National Park, Eildon, or at other fresh water venues such as Lake Eppalock or the Murray River. These weekends are run between November and April.

For a charge of \$180.00 per 10 skiers (\$18.00 per head) you receive instruction, wetsuits and lifejackets.

You can book your own campsite and bring your own food OR for approximately \$20.00 per head the team will cater for you and organise the campsite. BYO tents and dilly bags.

For more information contact Rex or Michelle on 9736 2494 or fax 9736 1801 or email adrian@netlink.com.au

This activity is covered by Scout Insurance.

Canoe Permit Course

17-18 October 1998 and 14-15 November 1998 at Hazelwood Pondage and Latrobe River (in Baw Baw Region). Cost \$50.00 per person. Accommodation can be arranged if required. For more information contact Dorothy Sturgess on 5625 4062.

Applications to Outdoor Activities, Guides Victoria, 20 Russell Street, Melbourne 3000 by 5 October 1998. Please provide name, membership no, address, phone no, Unit and date of Canoe Certificate.

Interstate Camps

If you are planning an interstate camp, PO&R requires that you discuss the proposal with the District Leader and

Region Outdoor Activity Coordinator before making any arrangements. An "Application for Interstate Trip" must then be completed and forwarded to the Outdoor Activity Adviser more than 3 months prior to the planned date of the trip, for it to be submitted to the State Executive for approval.

PROGRAM

Adviser - Janeanne Lee

It is not long now until our first state conference - what an occasion this will be. As this will also be the change over to a new state team - we would like to thank Heather, Sue and Kathie for a job well done. During their term there have been many changes to our program and we would like to thank them for their support and encouragement over the last 5 years.

One of the many differences is the issue of Flexible Units. It seems that these may be of some concern in some areas. It is important that all girls in any Unit are catered for in the programming- whatever their age. If there are 5 year olds in the Unit, ensure that the activities are appropriate for them - remember some of them may not be able to read. We do not want them to just sit there feeling lost and little. If you are used to taking only 7 - 11 year olds and you have some 13 year olds, ensure that they are still challenged. The same applies to 14 year olds or 17 year olds. Girls will only stay if they are still finding that their needs are being met. If you feel that you are not sure of the needs of the girls in your Unit - please ask for assistance. We must be sure that all the girls are getting a quality program. Then we can be sure that we will be welcoming more girls through the doors of our Guide Halls.

GUIDES 5-8

Adviser - Margaret Callister
Tel: 5473 4489 or
9337 3007 (Tues, Wed)

As usual, time is passing very quickly, but there are still a few days for applications to be sent in for the **Make It and Use It Day**, the event for Guides 5-11 that is to be held at Donvale on the 25th of this month. Applications should reach the Products and Services Department at the Guide Centre no later than 9 October. The application slip and more details were in last month's *Communicating*.

Have the Guides in your Unit enjoyed the opportunity to design a "Funny Feet" badge for next year's Gumnic? I am really looking forward to receiving lots of drawings. The design for the actual badge will be chosen from one of the drawings, as last year, or made from a composite of the drawings as it was this year. All of the pictures should be sent to me c/- Products and Services at Guide Centre by 16 October so that they can be displayed at the Make It and Use It Day.

Gumnic '99 is to be at Jells Park, Glen Waverley, on Sunday 21 March from 11.00 - 3.00. It is the special activity/picnic day for all Guides aged 5-8, their families and their Leaders. The cost will be \$5.00 for each Guide with no charge for family members and Leaders. Games, songs, pictures, stories and all sorts of other activities about feet, and especially funny feet, should provide interesting, happy Unit program ideas between now and next March that will be worthwhile in themselves and really good preparation for our special day.

This is a very early notice for Leaders so that it can be written into next year's

diary. **The Great Weekend** for all Leaders who have anything to do with Guides aged 5-8 will be held at the Guide Centre over the weekend of 15-16 May 1999. More, much more later!

Are you giving "belonging" certificates to girls when they join your Unit? The certificates are available in a number of bright colours, but don't forget that you may request a particular colour by letting the shop staff know at least two weeks before you need them.

The Region Program Liaisons for Guides 5-8 will be meeting on Sunday 4 October to plan the events for Guides 5-8 for 1999. If you have any suggestions, requests or queries please pass them on to your Region Liaison before then, or if you don't have a Region Liaison, please do let me have them by letter or by phone as your ideas and opinions are really important and I am always grateful for them.

GUIDES 7-11

Adviser - Janeanne Lee

In last month's *Communicating* it was indicated that the six emblems will no longer be available. As the end of the year is drawing closer, it may be an appropriate time for us all to choose new patrol names to take us into 1999. There are a number of different badges available and there is also a blank badge if the girls wish to design their own!!

Make it and Use it Day - October 25 Guides 5-11

Application forms for this event have been in the last two issues of *Communicating* - if you are planning to come with your Unit we must have final

numbers by October 9. Any applications received after this date will unfortunately not be considered. There will be many new and exciting activities for you and your girls to discover and then share with others. We look forward to welcoming you to Donvale on Sunday October 25.

GUIDES 14-18

Adviser - Toni Peters

Here we are in the middle of Spring-time. The birds are chirping, the butterflies are flying and the sun is shining down on all of us. The last couple of months is a very hectic time for most of us. With exams and CATs due - don't forget all the activities that are on offer in the last quarter of the year. There is Adult Gathering (24-25 October) a time for Leaders to get together and share thoughts, Shindig '98 (27-29 November) this is when Guides and Leaders can relax and have some fun and VG '98 (4-6 November) an event run by Scouts for Venturers and Guides 14-18. With the warm weather approaching I am sure that many Units, Districts and Regions will have some exciting activities, camps and events scheduled. Join in the fun and get out and go crazy.

Watch the November edition of *Communicating* for the 1999 calendar for 14-18 Guides together with a report on the Queen's Guide Award and Olave Baden-Powell Award presentation ceremony that was held at Government House on 3 October, 1998.

Don't forget to subscribe to *Lost the Plot* for all the current information, reports, photos, etc. relating to 14-18 Guides. Contact Guide Centre for a subscription form.

Shindig 98

This year Shindig 98 is to be held at Waranga Basin near Shepparton. There will be some great activities (see application form - centre page) but most of all, Shindig is an opportunity to meet Guides from all over Victoria, make great new friendships and rekindle those made last year.

ADULT 18-30 OLAVE PROGRAM

Chairman - Claire Baker

Congratulations to Bernie McPhee, Helen Fayers and Toni Gurwitch who have all completed the Olave Baden Powell Award in time for this year's presentation at Government House. The OBP is the peak achievement for members our age, and these 3 women have met the challenge. Well done.

Have you all seen the application form for the 75 Years of Rangers Celebration? A dinner is being held at the Heritage Hotel in Melbourne on October 3. I hope to see you all there.

Included in this issue is an application form for Summer Camp. Details are on the flyer in this edition of *Communicating*, it sounds like everyone had a great time last year, so it's not to be missed. Numbers are limited so get your application in early.

Shindig 1998 is being held at Rushworth. Application form in this month's *Communicating*. This year we will have a frat tent away from the sleeping area for general socialising at any hour of the day or night.

On a more disappointing note, Annual Conference was cancelled this year due

to a poor response. The result is that retiring committee members have not been replaced, and the magazine committee has resigned without replacement. If you are interested in being in any of these positions, or know someone who would, please contact Olave Program Secretary Karen Chatto on 5339 3771.

As was mentioned in the last edition of *Communicating*, a National Olave Forum is being held in September. Details of the results of this forum will be included in the next (and possibly last) edition of 18-30AM magazine.

We are well recognised as an asset and strong group among Guiding, lets all work together to keep our section alive and well.

COMING EVENTS

Apply on A Standard Application Form

JUST PLAIN CAMP - REMINDER

For girls aged 9 to 14

Bring a friend who is not a Guide

At a location near you - Tynong, Donvale and Lake Eppalock.

Date - 13, 14 & 15 November

Cost - Girls \$ 36.00 Leaders \$15.00

Closing Date 30 October

CAMP BAY PLAY

YES this popular summer event is on again at the Guide Scout Sailing Centre at Sandringham.

For girls aged - 9 to 13

Date - Sunday 17 January to

Friday 22 January 1999

Approx Cost - members \$180.00

Non members \$220.00

See next months *Communicating* for all details.

HORSE RIDING CAMP

For Guides aged 9 - 11 years

Come along and do your Pony Riders Badge

When: 26 - 28 February 1999

Where: Mill Valley Ranch, Tynong

Cost - \$75.00

SURFS UP !

Keep the long weekend in March free, for a fun weekend in the surf at Ocean Grove, stay at Mirrabooka.

For girls aged 9 - 13

Watch next months *Communicating* for all details.

MOBILE SHOP

Co-ordinator - Bernice Gilbert

The Mobile Shop will be out on the road during October laden with the Christmas stock. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to do your Christmas shopping. I still have a few free days if you wish to be included.

I will be at the following locations:

October

- 10 State Conference - Wesley College
- 12 Colac Guide Hall - 4.00-8.00pm
- 13 Warrnambool Guide Hall 3.00-8.00pm
- 14 Camperdown Guide Hall 3.00-8.00pm
- 17 Cranbourne - JOTA 12.00 Noon - 3.30pm.
- 22 Leongatha Guide Hall - 3.30-8.00pm
- 31 Poowong School - Division Day 10.00am-3.00pm

Amnesty International Australia

November 13-15

Tapestry (indoor accommodation). Another Guide property to explore and enjoy. Situated at Strathewan (bordering Kinglake National Park). For more details contact Betty De Marchi on 9808 5870 by November 9.

Teddy Bear's Picnic

We had big bears and small bears and huge bears and in between bears. They came in all colours and ages. There must have been close to 100 bears. Over 80 girls had a great day making, eating and playing "Teddy Bears".

\$68.00 was raised for our "Charity Bear" and this amount was passed on to a very grateful Dandenong CFA. Well done girls. Thank you to all the Leaders who helped make the day a great success.

Anki Sanderson.

CLASSIFIEDS

LEADERS - We need you.

Come along and take part in the Adventure Window activities.

This is an opportunity to work towards your

'N' Modules (Further Development).

See Part 2 of your Leader's Journal.

Amnesty International is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the release of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (the UDHR) with a huge worldwide campaign to raise awareness of the importance of the UDHR and to collect 10 million signatures in a book to show the world's support.

To get a signature sheet, contact Amnesty International on 9427 7055 or send an email to udhr50th@amnesty.org.au Put your name in the subject and the following text in the message: "I support the rights and freedoms in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights for all people, everywhere."

Amnesty International also need volunteers to collect for Candle Day on Friday 23 October. If you are able to help call 9427 7055 to register.

UNITED NATIONS DAY LUNCHEON



The United Nations
Development Fund for Women

"The Changing Roles of Women"

Friday 23 October 1998

12 noon

at

Mulgrave Community Hall
355 Wellington Road Mulgrave

Cost: \$20

Contact Judy Chatto on 9561 1547 for more details.

YOUNG ENDEAVOUR

CHALLENGE ■ ADVENTURE ■ SELF-DISCOVERY

If you are aged from 16 to 23 years and are looking for the adventure of a lifetime ...

Contact the YOUNG ENDEAVOUR YOUTH SCHEME for an entry form:

PO Box 399 Potts Point NSW 2011

Telephone: Toll Free 1800 267 909

Facsimile: (02) 9368 0183

E-mail: yngendr@ozemail.com.au

STS Young Endeavour, a 44 metre square-rigged ship, is Australia's national sail training ship which conducts adventure training for 16 to 23 year olds.

BE UNCOMFORTABLE, DISORIENTED AND THRILLED TO BE ALIVE.

Applications for the next ballot for voyages in 1999 close on Thursday 29 October 1998.

There is an all inclusive voyage fee of \$1,150, but if money is a problem you can apply for financial assistance. There is also assistance available to help with travel costs.

Tip of the month

Try some Positive PR

1st Belgrave South/Sherbrooke Guides have **doubled** and 1st Wantirna Heights Gumnut Guides have **trebled** their numbers this year by girls and parents spreading enthusiastic messages about what the girls are doing.

Send your success stories to the Membership Department so we can share your positive suggestions.

**A vital core resource - GIA (Guiding in Australia) magazine.
Subscribe today.**

Olave Program
18-30s Summer Camp
Friday 5 - Sunday 7 February 1999
Mt Buller - Mitre Ski Club

Mitre Ski Club (same as last year). Private rooms sleep 2-4 people. Each room is allocated a kitchen shelf and fridge space. Modern kitchen fitted with ovens, microwave, dishwasher and heaps of cooking utensils. Games room/pool table, large lounge room and large dining area.

Cost: \$30.00 (includes accommodation, Saturday night meal and supper both nights)

Need to bring:

- breakfast and lunch both Saturday and Sunday
- Teddy Bear (any size)
- PJs to be worn in public
- Photo of yourself (will not be returned) - handed in on arrival
- A4 peice of paper with your favourite celebrities name on it - handed in on arrival

Punishment applicable to anyone that forgets anything from the above.

Weekend Plan so far...

Friday arrival from 6pm onwards. Unpack and have an evening guided tour of the mountain followed by supper (Tim Tams of course)

Saturday, rise and shine at your leisure. Your choice of activities - displayed the night before. Pre dinner socialising 5.00pm. Dinner will be followed by some light entertainment with optional Mt Buller Nightlife afterwards (if last year is anything to go by, some went to bed at 11.00pm others found their bed at 5.00am).

Sunday morning hike followed by Guides Own. Plenty of time to tidy and pack, departure around 2.00pm.

Send application and stamped, self addressed envelope for return map and kit list to: Claire Baker, 8 Griffiths Street, Caulfield Vic 3162 Tel 9571 7375. Closing date for Applications: Monday 1 February (limited numbers so apply early!)

Contact Name:

Address: Postcode

Unit Name: Region:

No. of people attending Total Cheque Amount:

(Make cheque payable Guides Victoria)

Do you require transport? YES / NO

If YES where are you departing from?

If NO, can you provide transport?

Do you have any special food requirements? YES / NO

If Yes - Please provide details

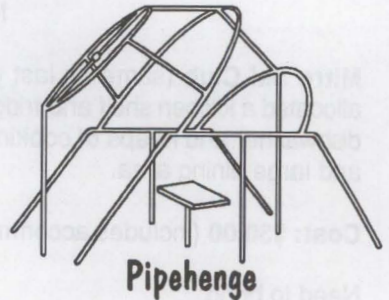
Activites Available (at various costs):

Tennis	Sauna/Pool/Gym	Abseiling	Rockclimbing
Bushwalking	Roller Blading	Mountaing Biking	Relaxing

COME TO

ILUKA!

*To enjoy the scenery and beauty of the
Mornington Peninsula*



Family Groups welcome for day visits or
extended stay - a chance to experience
the beautiful scenery and countryside.

**Just some of the
things you can do!**

Canoeing and Rafting on lake Archery BBQ
Orienteering Campfire area
Quiet place Artists Photography Bird hide
Camping Sites Pipehenge Challenge Valley
Ponding Indoor accommodation And lots more!

Nearby Attractions:

Arthurs Seat Safe Beaches Coolart Historic Homestead Wineries
Galleries and craft studios Ashcombe Maze Devonshire Teas
Fine Restaurants Local Markets Cape Schanck Bush Walking

*Further Information
from the Warden
Phone: 5989 8505*

**Water and Native
Birds abound!**



CAMPSITE VACANCIES FROM OCTOBER 1998

CHRISTMAS AT OUR CAMPSITES

What a great opportunity to have the family gathering in idyllic surroundings.

PLEASE CHECK ON DATES ALL THE TIME AS VACANCIES DO COME UP.

Many people comment that our properties are of a high standard compared to other campsites they have visited, so please secure your booking date early. Please be aware that our properties are sometimes being hired by outside mixed groups.

BRITANNIA PARK is now accredited, the abselling tree is up and so are the platforms for camping which are proving very popular. Cooking equipment is available for platform campers.

SHOREHAM is looking great, the lake is providing endless hours of fun.

TAPESTRY is great place for Guide Units to camp or for a family weekend away.

CARNEGIE campsite has a comfortable cottage available for hire (accommodates 7 with availability to bring 3 lilos). Great for country people to stay for city weekend. Twenty minutes from the city.

Britannia Park : Brownie Cottage

Oct	4-9	11-16	18-23	25-31
Nov	3-6	8-13	15-20	22-27
Dec	1-4	6-24	27-31	
Jan	1-8	17-22	24-31	
Feb	Vacant			
March		1-6	8-19	21-31

Britannia Park: Guide House

Oct	4-9	11-16	18-23	25-31
Nov	3-6	8-13	15-20	22-27
Dec	1-4	6-11	13-31	
Jan	3-22	24-31		
Feb	1-9	12-17	21-28	
March		1-5	8-19	21-31

Iluka : Aulua

Oct	1	4-10	11-16	18-23
Nov	1-6	8-11	22-27	30
Dec	1-4	13-30		
Jan	3-8	15-19	22-29	
Feb	1-15	18-22		
March		1-5	8-19	21-31

Tapestry: House

Oct	3-9	11-16	19-31	
Nov	3-6	8-13	15-20	22-30
Dec	1-6	11-27		
Jan	5-8	10-31		
Feb	1-26			
March		1-12	14-31	

Britannia Park: Broadhurst

Oct	4-9	11-16	18-23	25-30
Nov	2-6	8-13	22-27	
Dec	1-4	6-11	13-31	
Jan	Vacant			
Feb	1-9	12-17	21-28	
March		1-5	8-18	21-26 28-31

Britannia Park: Thankyou Chalet

Oct	4-9	11-16	18-23	25-30
Nov	3-6	8-13	15-20	22-27
Dec	1-4	6-18	20-31	
Jan	1-22	24-31		
Feb	1-10	17-26		
March		1-5	8-19	21-31

Iluka : Warrawong

Oct	4-9	11-16	19-23	26-30
Nov	1-13		15-20	22-27
Dec	1-4	9-26		
Jan	22-29			
Feb	11-15		18-22	
March		4-9	14-19	21-31

Donvale: Cottage

Oct	12-23	26-31		
Nov	1-27			
Dec	1-26	29-31		
Jan	1	9-31		
Feb	Vacant			
March	Vacant			

CANCELLATIONS.

Please note: When cancellations do occur and the site is not rebooked all deposits are forfeited. If the site is rebooked you will receive 90% refund.

Carols at Kooronga

Friday 20 November 1998

7.00pm - 8.00pm

No Cost

Come and enjoy Carols at Kooronga, a Region campsite within the Dandenong Police Paddocks. All are welcome.

Entry to the campsite is from Stud Road, Brady Road, left at Greenbank Avenue, right at Belair Ave, proceed all the way to Baden Powell Drive, turn left and the entrance is approximately 100 metres on the left (Maurice Jarvis Reserve Mel Ref 82A10).

A sausage sizzle tea will be available from 6.00pm onwards at \$2.00 per person. Please let Anki Sanderson know if you are joining us for tea on 9795 6657.

The next day is the Christmas Crafts in the Bush. Overnight accommodation is available at a cost of \$3.00 per person. Tents are also available. Please book with Anki if staying overnight.

Christmas Crafts in the Bush

Saturday 21 November 1998 9.30am - 3.00pm

Cost \$3.00 registration plus money for crafts (\$3 - \$4)

Christmas crafts for all ages at Kooronga Campsite at Dandenong.

Country Districts why not come down for the weekend, Puffing Billy is close by or visit the Penguins at Phillip Island or the Melbourne Zoo. We will pitch and strike tents for you and QM if you wish. Just let us know.

Please have applications and payment to Anki Sanderson, 4 Ajana Court, Dandenong North 3175 by 16 November 1998.

Enquiries tel 9795 6657

Cheques to be made payable to Kooronga Guide Campsite.

Registration Form Christmas Crafts in the Bush

Name Age

Address Telephone

I/we give permission for To attend the Christmas Crafts
in the Bush at Kooronga Campsite on 21 November 1998.

Signed (Parent/carer)

Please provide details of any medical condition of which we should be aware.

Enclosed is \$3.00 registration fee

Come Play on the Bay Guide Scout Sailing Centre

Have a great day out with your Unit, sailing, canoeing and paddle boarding at Sandringham. The Victorian Guide and Scout Sailing Centre is there for you and your Guides to have a full day's fun in the sun for only \$5. Qualified crew provide a chance to experience the wind in your hair as you sail and the canoes give everyone a chance to try their hand and most likely get a dip in the bay as well. A badge and certificate commemorate the day and families are welcome to join in the fun for the same small fee. The centre is open most weekends from now till the end of April, just ring Isobel Lister on 9555 1835 to make a booking. See the calendar below for the dates of the Open Day. Make a weekend of it and stay at the Hampton Guide Hall.

The centre also runs Basic Sailing courses for those who have a keen interest and is an Accredited Australian Yachting Federation Training Centre. Call Paul Peeler on 9596 3370 after 7pm for further details and check the calendar for course dates. Look forward to seeing you soon at the Centre.

Open Days

10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 31 Oct 1998
1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29 Nov 1998
5, 6, 12, 13 Dec 1998
13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 Feb 1999
6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 Mar 1999
24, 25 Apr 1999
9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30, 32 Oct 1999
6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 Nov 1999
4, 5, 11, 12 Dec 1999

Basic Sailing Skills Course

14, 15, 28, 29 Nov 1998
12-15 Jan 1999
13, 14, 27, 28 Feb 1999
13, 14, 27, 28 Mar 1999

Canoeing is available from approximately 5.00pm to 8.00pm on weeknights during daylight saving.



SHINDIG



**Lake Waranga
Caravan Park
Rushworth**
(In the beautiful Goulburn
Valley area between
Bendigo and Shepparton)

WHEN: 27-29 November 1998
WHO: Guides 14-30
COST: \$45

Some of the activities will be:

canoeing	sailing
lets build a raft	water skiing
craft	abseiling
horse riding	golf
bush walking	

Cost includes the evening meal on Saturday night. Some activities may incur an added cost, eg horse riding. For further information contact Helen Wall on 5828 9245 or Tanya Provan on 9499 7448. See centre page for application form.

Vic Gathering '98

Guides 14-18 years

Pax Hill, Ballarat
Friday 4 - Sunday 6 December

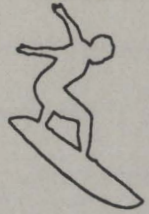


IMF Contacts for Enquiries:-
Kel McMeeken 9459 0685
Lany Mason 9874 8102
Fleur Cousins 9877 4690

See centre page for application form.

IT'S ON AGAIN!

SURFING



Have you ever wanted to try surfing?

Perhaps you have tried it before and had a fantastic time.

Here's your opportunity to ride the waves at Anglesea and "Hang Ten"

Who: Guides ages 10+, Ranger Guides, Rangers, Leaders, friends etc.

When: Sunday 8 November 1998

Where: Anglesea

Cost: \$20.00 (Cheques to be made out to Emmerton Rangers)

Included in the cost is a two hour surfing lesson with "Go Ride A Wave" surfing school. Qualified instructors, surfboards and wetsuits are provided for the lesson which will be specifically aimed at beginners. On receipt of your application you will be allocated a lesson time.

Please send a list of each participant's name, age title (eg Guide, Leader etc) and membership number (if applicable), with the total amount, and a stamped, self-addressed envelope by Friday 25 September 1998 (End of term 3). Late applications may not be accepted as we need to book exact numbers with the surfing school.

During the rest of the day learn to body surf, play in the sand, swim or take a visit to Surfworld at Torquay (cost not included). For those who would like to spend the weekend, there are caravan parks and Guide and Scout camps nearby.

The day is a fundraiser for the Guide Murray River Marathon team. We have entered this race for 4 consecutive years and we are becoming well known as Guides on the river.

Looking forward to seeing you on the waves.

Name of Unit

Contact Name

Phone Number

Enclosed is a cheque for _____ people at \$20.00 each to attend the surfing lesson on 8 November at Anglesea.

Total amount \$_____.00

Post to: Surfing!, Julia Morphet, 2A Nicholls Road, Ormond 3204.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW CAPS ????

We now have the tops and socks to match !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Navy polo shirts with red or jade embroidered "Trefoil Trees" design now available in sizes from Adults XS to Adults XXXL at the special Introductory price of \$27.95 (RRP \$31.95)

NEW SHIPMENT OF SOCKS Just Arrived -

White socks with navy or purple trefoils and Navy socks with white, jade or red (NEW) trefoils.

Sizes Childs 9-12 and 13-3, Adults 2-8 and 8-11

STILL ONLY \$7.95 per pair

DON'T FORGET THAT WITH YOUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD YOU CAN GET 10% OFF ALL YOUR PURCHASES

CULLOTTE SALE - Larger sizes only

Adult sizes 20 to 26 were \$55.95 - now only \$29.95

Child sizes 20 to 26 were \$34.95 - now only \$19.95

DON'T FORGET THAT WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD YOU CAN GET 10% OFF ALL YOUR PURCHASES

New Swap Badges now available :

Victorian Friendship cloth - now with yellow background - 80 cents

Been There Done That Horse Riding - 80 cents

Gift Vouchers are now available for any amount. Great idea for Christmas.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS - Please Note - The Guide Shop will be closed from 12 noon on Thursday 24 December 1998 and will re-open on Monday 18 January 1999 at 10.00am. From Monday 21 to Wednesday 23 December 1998, The Guide Shop will be closed from 12.30 to 1.30pm for lunch.

GUIDE  **SHOP**
GUIDES
AUSTRALIA

20 Russell Street Melbourne. Telephone: 03 9654 7911 Fax: 03 9650 2436
OPEN MONDAY TO SATURDAY 10am - 4pm