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ON LOCATION WITH THE "BELLBIRD" PEOPLE

The weather bureau predicted a fine hot day as we met at the reserve — very excited and a little nervous about the day ahead — none of us had appeared on television before. The producer came, thanked us for accepting the invitation to be part of the **Bellbird** community, and asked us to get acquainted with the set-up of the Fair. They were to commence shooting the film in twenty minutes.

We found a candy bar, refreshment stall, donut van, try-your-skill corner and, to us, it was all free!!!! First we were told what to do. Then we had a run through with the actors taking their parts. Next it was the real thing sound, cameras and action. This was really fun for us. We had to move about and talk to one another, but the actors had to remember their lines and actions. A dog was supposed to come out from under a table and would not!!!! We had many repeats. Then a table was turned over and made us laugh.

For two days we did this. The crew men carried cameras, microphones, sun reflectors and props to the scenes; the actors rehearsed their parts over and over again, and yet, in spite of the heat, not once was there any sign of impatience or bad temper. To us, called "Extras", it was a lesson in team work.

We were allowed to ask crew and actors for autographs. When a Guide asked a man if he was the most important person on the set, he told her that in **Bellbird** they were a team with everyone doing a special job — everyone was as important as each other, the same as it is in the Guide movement.

Our leaders were pleased the Producers thought Guides and Brownies sufficiently a part of community life to be included in this segment. We enjoyed it all . . . heat, flies, beaut lunches, etc., work and the friendship of the team.

Please watch your National Channel at 6.40 p.m. from Monday, 24th March, to see us in our "Bellbird" adventure.

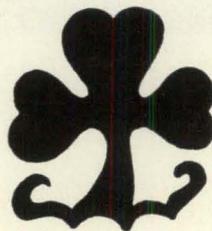
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LADY BADEN POWELL — F.A.O. "CERES" MEDAL

In "**Matilda**" last June you will have read that Lady Baden Powell was invited to be "Ceres" by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation, and a medal was struck commemorating this event.

We are pleased to tell you that small replicas of the Ceres medal have now reached us and a few are being distributed to every unit throughout the State. When showing these to your Brownies, Guides and Rangers, please refer to the article in the June, 1974, issue of "**Matilda**", so that the girls will be able to appreciate the significance of this event. It is regretted that Victoria's quota of the medallion has taken so long to reach us.



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From our State Commissioner

Dear Members and Friends,

"**Matilda**" has now come to the end of an era, an era of thirteen years during which the editor was Miss Margaret Shaw, who produced "**Matilda**" with such loving care. Over these years Margaret was very ably assisted by Mrs. Jenny de Nijs and Miss Ella Low who have been her friends since Ranger days.

When Margaret felt that, much as she loved "**Matilda**" and enjoyed looking after her, it was time to relinquish the role of Editor, the Executive Committee accepted this decision with deep regret. On behalf of all our members I wish to say "Thank You" to Margaret. These are two very small words with which to try to express our appreciation for so many years dedicated service to "**Matilda**".

I wonder how many of you who read your Guide Magazine think how much time and effort goes into producing it. Those deadlines that have to be met (almost an impossibility for me), the never ending search for interesting material and that continual cry for contributions. I feel that — with apologies to Gilbert and Sullivan — an Editor's life is not an easy one.

The role of Editor of "**Matilda**" was only one facet of Margaret's very long involvement

with the Guide Movement. She was enrolled as a member in 1932 and became a Guider in 1940. From that time on Margaret was Guider, Commissioner and Assistant State Commissioner. She has been a member of the State Council of Victoria since 1962, a member of the Australian Development Committee and Australian Work Party; the acting chairman of the Victorian Publications Sub-Committee, attended the Australian Council Meeting in 1966 and was a visitor to the World Conference in Tokyo. However, Margaret's interests have not been confined to Guiding — an accountant, she is the Manager/Secretary of the After Care Hospital and takes a great interest in civil and professional affairs. In 1972, Margaret was awarded the Red Kangaroo for her contribution to Guiding over the years.

I am sure I speak not only for Victoria, but for Guiding folk in all States of Australia and overseas who have enjoyed "**Matilda**" over the years, when I say "**Thank You Margaret. Bravo — Well done! We shall miss you very much.**"

Yesterday I was reading my son's school magazine and the editorial quoted an editor of the "**Melburnian**" who, many years ago, said "that a good magazine would increase a boy's love and respect for his school and make him more aware of its traditions and standards". This I am sure is also true for Guides and with "**Matilda**" we aim to increase your love and knowledge of Guiding.

We now enter a new era with Mrs. Joan Richardson as editor, and I am sure you will do all you can to help her. This is your magazine, so keep your ideas and contributions coming in so that our new era will be as happy as our last.

With love and best wishes,

Joan E. Grimwade

THE WORLD ASSOCIATION

The World Committee and its sub-Committees.

The World Bureau and its Branch Office.

In the forty-six years since its formation, the World Association has tried to keep its structure simple and flexible and has gradually evolved a method of work which combines these two features.

The World Conference is our focal point, meeting every three years and attended by delegates from each Member Organisation. Here the policy decisions are taken and the emphasis for work is agreed upon for the next three-year period. The agenda and background material is always dispatched to Member Organisations well in advance, so that delegates may be briefed before leaving their own countries, and be ready to take policy decisions at the World Conference on behalf of their National Organisations.

During the World Conference, the Full Member Organisations elect twelve individuals to form the World Committee. They, together with *ex officio* members, will implement the decisions of the previous World Conference, develop the work of the World Association within its directives and then report back to the next World Conference.

For example, as requested in Canada, 1972, the World Committee has in this triennium carried out four studies and one survey, produced a statement (with the Boy Scouts World Committee) on relationships between the two Movements, arranged for the agreed World Events to take place, and dealt with on-going work.

To achieve all this the World Committee meets for two days immediately after the World Conference (to get things started off while enthusiasm is high!) and then has three meetings, each of ten days, throughout the triennium, concluding with a brief meeting immediately before the next World Conference.

There is much technical work involved and so there are various sub-committees which deal with the detail, and submit their recommendations to the World Committee for approval.

The Constitutions and Finance Committees explain themselves, and so do the Committees for each of the four World Centres (Our Chalet, Olave House, Our Cabana and Sangam).

There are now in existence Committees for the regions of: Asia-Pacific, Europe, the Western Hemisphere and for the Arab Regional Group. At present, Africa works through a system of informal groupings of countries. These Regions/Groups work with the minimum of administrative structure and receive support directly from the World Bureau or its Branch Office. They plan events and co-operate with appropriate organisations within their regional areas.

Now we come to the *raison d'être* of each National Organisation in the World Association — development of Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting in their country, along the lines most suited to their individual needs. The World Committee needs to understand local situations and National Organisations want to know World Committee thinking. To help to achieve this, Liaison Members from the World Committee are appointed for a group of countries. They pay informal visits (nearly always *en route* to or from World Committee meetings) and are able to discuss problems and opportunities on the spot.

These Liaison Members, together with the Chairmen of the Regional Committees and the Arab Regional Group, form the Promotion Committee. It meets immediately before the World Committee and obtains up-to-date reports on projects and schemes, considers applications for financial assistance for this work and generally plans the way Thinking Day Funds will be utilised. The Promotion Committee also receives reports from the Director and staff members who have visited

different parts of the world, and so it is able to give realistic plans and information to the World Committee from the people who have been there and who know!

Then we come to the World Bureau in London and its Branch Office in New York. The Director and her multi-national staff make the administrative arrangements for the World Conference and World Committee meetings, producing the required documentation (World Bureau circulars go in the three official languages: English, French and Spanish). They work with the World Committee Members closely in arranging events, and in giving technical advice to the various sub-committees.

The many financial transactions, in numerous currencies, are arranged here; the World Association publications (including **Trefoil Round the World**, **The Council Fire** and **Newsletter**) are prepared; liaison with other international organisations is maintained; WAGGGS Teams of representatives at the United Nations and its agencies in Geneva, Paris and New York are briefed, the work of WAGGGS Travelling Trainers is co-ordinated; close relations are developed with all our National Organisations and special help is given to those countries working towards membership of the World Association.

This is a brief picture of our World Association and the place of the World Conference, the World Committee, its sub-Committees, and the World Bureau, within the World Association. All have their particular role, all complement each other, and we believe the result is as simple and flexible a system as possible, actively involved in the promotion of Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting around the world.

Lyn Joynt,
Director of the World Bureau.



BROWNIE REVELS AND TREES

Kara-Kara region Brownie Revels theme was Conservation and Brownies, came from Donald, Birchip, St. Arnaud, Charlton, Wedderburn and Wycheproof to Watchem racecourse.

Brownies played some very active games in a freezing wind, then everybody had a hearty appetite for the barbecue lunch.

Following our theme, we planted about 50 trees in the parking area of the racecourse. There was also a competition for the best posters on conservation, and Brownies were encouraged to work towards their Naturalist badge.

Everybody left for home after a most enjoyable day with their Brownie friends.



Dear Matilda,

I have read letters other Brownie packs have written to you and I think they are very good, so I decided to write a letter too.

One Saturday, 1st and 5th Highvale packs had a kite flying day. Some of the girls won little pennants made in the shape of a kite, for having the most decorative kite or the kite which flew highest. We went to the zoo one Saturday too and we had a fancy dress afternoon.

Keran Loughnan.

GUIDING AND CYCLONE TRACY

We all know how we each felt when we first learned of the terrible tragedy that befell Darwin on Christmas Day and subsequently when full reports of the devastation reached us. We cannot know however what Guiding was able to do. Here is an account of how Victorian and South Australian Associations responded and the help they were able to give. For South Australia, Darwin has special significance as Guiding in Northern Territory is administered by Adelaide Headquarters.

In Adelaide and suburbs — On the evening of Christmas Day it had been arranged to open Guide Headquarters on the 26th December as a depot for relief supplies of clothing, dry bedding, and tinned food (dry milk and baby food particularly) for despatch to Darwin. Many local and near country leaders were contacted by telephone — already many had swung into operation.

Red Cross asked if supplies could be sorted and held at Guide Headquarters as they had no room. Press, Radio and Television all announced Guide Headquarters as a depot, and goods arrived in a steady flow.

Guide Leaders arrived to help, lists were prepared, and a roster drawn up to keep the premises open during the day, and available overnight in an emergency.

Liaison was maintained with Scout Association, Red Cross, Salvation Army, and money and goods were collected locally and accepted at Guide Headquarters. Lists of households where billees would be accepted were drawn up.

On 27th December, two truck loads of tinned food, and one of good clothing were despatched to Darwin, by the Salvation Army.

“Paxlease” and “Olave Hills”, Guide houses in Craffers and Stirling, each with dormitory type accommodation were offered as emergency centres for Darwin evacuees. Teams of Guide leaders prepared sleeping facilities, food and clothing, transport and staff.

“Paxlease” received first intake of transient guests in the early hours of Saturday, 28th December; and for 10 days provided beds for evacuees moving interstate or into local hostels. “Olave Hills” was used as a shelter for evacuees, but many guests had no alternative accommodation and arrangements were made to care for 12 full blood aborigines.

Red Cross and Salvation Army organisers appealed through Guide Headquarters for help at main sorting areas, and response from Guide leaders, Local Association members and Trefoil Guild members was always good.

By 8th January, more than \$1,200 had been received through special efforts, collections, appeals and personal donations. A little of this fund was used to finance food and assistance to evacuees.

Guides and Rangers were rostered for duty, when Pennington Hostel called for help with a creche and child minding centre.

While this was happening in Adelaide, country centres were also busy. Alice Springs — reported members working in general community effort, not particularly as a Guide group.

Port Augusta — The Guide Movement was represented on the established Civil Emergency Action Group, and deeply involved in planning and carrying out relief work for evacuees moving south. Involved and sustained service, at all levels was given by adults and Guides.

A special effort was made at Balaklava, a depot for goods and at Loxton with street stall and money raising. South East groups joined community effort in collecting and fund raising.

Here in Victoria we played a more supporting role as fewer evacuees were brought into Melbourne and adequate help was available through regular services.

Feeling for our sister Guides in South Australia, Mrs. Grimwade phoned the Chief Commissioner to offer our sympathy and support. She knew she could count on every member in this state to help in some way. Our Darwin Relief Fund was opened immediately and cheques were sent to Adelaide Headquarters and to the "Age" Appeal. Learning the name and address of a Guide Commissioner in Darwin we sent her a cheque for \$100 to give immediate aid to any Guide families still in Darwin. Then we traced a Darwin Commissioner who had been evacuated to Melbourne. We were glad to be able to extend the hand of Friendship to her.

In January, soon after Headquarters reopened, Guides and Brownies from Mooroolbark paid a visit — between them the girls had collected over \$800 since Boxing Day — what a heartwarming act! Later we learned of three Guides from Korumburra who, helped by two friends, collected \$156. Letters offering help or money came (and are still coming) from other units. Red Cross appealed for assistance once more and Guides from 3rd Jordanville Company were able to help daily for two weeks in sorting press cuttings of Darwin Relief work.



One can truly say that although it was holiday time for most of our members this meant nothing when measured against the desire and need to give service. The contribution of the vast number of our folk who "did their thing" through other organisations to which they belong or as individual families, is recognised and appreciated although it cannot be recorded adequately here.

Our help to Darwin must be an on-going thing — our sister Guides will need our help and support for many months to come and we will continue to do what we can, when we can and how we can, in keeping with our Movement's ideals of service.



Dear Matilda,

When the news of Darwin Cyclone Tracy first reached the guides of the 1st Moyhu Guide Company, they immediately cycled around the Moyhu district, collecting good used clothing. The girls washed and pressed clothes when necessary.

On Friday morning, they took the clothes to the Salvation Army Citadel, Wangaratta, and worked all day sorting, packing and labelling. As well as the five guides, the group of twelve other helpers included one Guide mother, and one Guide grandmother.

Less than 65 hours after the disaster a truck load of clothing, shoes and toilet items, valued at \$3,500 was on its way; the Salvation Army used its own drivers and transport.

The Army's representative praised the girls for their prompt action, when most other service organisations were just getting "off the ground".

Yours sincerely,
Beth L. Grover, Guider.



CONSERVATION

With blue skies and a fair breeze we have ideal days for hiking.

Where shall we trek this time? To the forest to see and hear the lyrebird, or to the creek just out of town for a spot of fishing?

Will the countryside bear clues of our visit? A lollypaper here, a banana peel there.

I'm sure most Brownies and Guides do not intentionally litter the countryside (or the town streets), but occasionally, on an outing I notice some who forget and leave clues along the trail.

Perhaps Guiders can help here; it is often a misunderstanding which leads to the problem.

Many people leave apple cores and food scraps "for the birds" in camp and on outings. This generous thought is often misconstrued by guides who leave orange peel, lunch wraps and drink cans!

Children are quick to mimic their elders and unless they are old enough to understand the principle of the apple core theme it may be best not to introduce it.

Of course, food scraps will eventually return to the soil, but meanwhile they are an eyesore and an open invitation for following groups to repeat the procedure, probably with even worse effects.

After all, the birds survived well enough before we visited the scene so no doubt Nature will continue to provide for them without our additions to the menu and environmental mess.

However, for those truly interested in the eating habits of fauna there are one or two activities which may prove useful at camp or hall.

Find a quiet spot likely to be frequented by animals. If possible, a clear sandy area is best, or else spread a layer of sand. Leave a selection of likely foods on this sandpatch overnight. If you are good at stalking, hide nearby and watch the area.

All your visitors will of course leave footprints in the sand and plaster casts can prove a fascinating way of identifying your dinner guests.

Happy camping,

Anne L. Fraser,
Conservation Co-ordinator.

FROM CANADA COMES THIS INDIAN TRANSLATION OF THE 23rd PSALM

The Great Father above is a shepherd chief
And with Him I want not.
He throws me a rope, and the
Name of the rope is Love.
He draws me, and He draws me,
And he draws me to where the grass is
green
And the water is not dangerous,
And I eat, and I lie down satisfied.
Sometimes my heart is very weak and falls
down,
But He lifts me up again, and draws me
Into a good road. His name is wonderful.
Some time—it may be very soon,
It may be longer, it may be a long, long
time,
He will draw me into a place between
mountains.
It is dark there—but I will not draw back:
I will not be afraid, for it is in there
Between these mountains
That the Shepherd will meet me
And the hunger I have felt in my heart
All through this life, will be satisfied.
Sometimes He makes His love-rope into a
whip,
But afterwards, He gives me a staff
That I may lean on, He puts His hand
On my head; all "tired" is gone
My cup He fills it till it runs over.
What I tell you is true, I lie not.
These roads that are away ahead—will stay
with me
And afterwards I will go to live in the Big
Tepee,
And sit down with the Shepherd Chief
forever.

—From "Thunderbird", Canada.



TRAINING CALENDAR

MARCH
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Commissioners and Unit Leaders with the necessary experience are welcome to apply for **ANY** Training. Applications should be sent by the **date requested** and be accompanied by the **training fee and a stamped self addressed envelope**. Training fees are \$1.50 unless otherwise stated. Note: See also green Training Calendar supplement.

Stage 1 Training

Canterbury Monday 14th-21st-28th April, 26th May, 2nd-9th-23rd-30th June — time 7.30 p.m. till 10.00 p.m. — Guide Hall, Faversham Road. Applications to Mrs. F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Ave., Doncaster, 3108 by **31st March**.

Headquarters Weekends 12th-13th July and 2nd-3rd August — time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: Acceptance cards will be forwarded after the closing date. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters by **27th June**.

Moorabbin Monday 29th September, 6th-20th-27th October — 10.00 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. plus Saturday 11th October. Applications to Mrs. A. Watsford, 6 Millis Ave., East Bentleigh, 3165 by **15th September**.

Moorleigh Weekends 21st-22nd June and 19th-20th July — time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. A. Watsford, 6 Millis Ave., East Bentleigh, 3165 by **6th June**.

Red Cliffs Mildura Weekends 7th-8th June and 12th-13th July, time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. R. Hocking, 812-14th Street, Mildura, 3500 by **23rd May**.

Stage 2 Training — for Warranted Guiders

Colac Weekends 19th-20th July and 16th-17th August — 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. W. D. Macdonald, 5 Scott Street, Cobden, 3266 by **6th July**.

Hamilton Weekends 31st May-1st June and 5th-6th July — time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. D. Maconachie, 372 North Boundary Road, Hamilton, 3300 by **16th May**.

Moorleigh Weekends 9th-10th August and 13th-14th September, time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. A. Watsford, 6 Millis Ave., East Bentleigh, 3165 by **25th July**.

Mordialloc Weekends 31st May-1st June and 28th-29th June, time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: Overnight accommodation available at Guide Hall. If required notify R.T.A. with application. Applications to Mrs. F. Bucknell, P.O. Box 46, Mt. Martha, 3934 by **16th May**.

Dandenong Region 4th-5th October and 8th-9th November. Further information available from Mrs. M. Smith, 6 Jeffrey Street, Dandenong, 3175.

Yarra Valley Region Weekends 19th-20th July and 16th-17th August — time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Further information available from Mrs. N. Dean, 33 McKellar Street, Watsonia, 3087.

Stage 3 Training — for Warranted Guiders

Hopetoun Weekends 7th-8th June and 19th-20th July. Please note that this **training has been cancelled**.

Moorleigh Weekends 26th-27th April and 31st May-1st June, time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. A. Watsford, 6 Millis Ave., East Bentleigh, 3165 by **11th April**.

Dandenong Region Weekends 20th-21st September and 11th-12th October. Further information available from Mrs. M. Smith, 6 Jeffrey Street, Dandenong, 3175.

Wimmera Region Weekends 7th-8th June and 19th-20th July, time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Further information available from Miss D. Pearse, "Edgbaston", Donald, 3840.

Pack Holiday Training

Bendigo Weekends 5th-6th April — time 10.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. Saturday and 10.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Sunday. Applications to Mrs. R. Wilkins, P.O. Box 492, Bendigo, 3550 by **24th March**.

South Metro Region 11th-13th July (residential training) time Friday 6.00 p.m. till 3.00 p.m. Sunday. Fee to be advised. Further information available from Mrs. A. Watsford, 6 Millis Ave., East Bentleigh, 3165.

Local Association Training

Headquarters Tuesday 22nd April — time 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Note: Training fee \$1.50 per L.A. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters by **8th April**.

Mildura South Wednesday 30th April — time 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. R. Hocking, 812-14th Street, Mildura, 3500 by **16th April**.

Patrol Leader Training

Hume Region Weekends 19th-20th April. Further information available from Mrs. H. Purcell, "Outlook", Smith Street, Yea, 3717.

Tallangatta Weekends 12th-13th April — time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: Guiders Saturday, Guiders and P.L.'s Sunday. Applications to Mrs. D. Hamilton, "Hamilton Park", South Wangaratta, 3677 by **28th March**.

Special Subjects

Electives — Guide House, Britannia Park

Date 4th-6th July — Friday evening till Sunday (times to be advised) Note: **Suggestions for Electives to be sent to the R.T.A. by 16th May**. Further information available from Mrs. H. Graham, 21 Warwick Road, Montrose, 3765.

8 Point Programme

Cheltenham Saturday 5th April — time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications and 50 cents fee to Mrs. A. Watsford, 6 Millis Ave., East Bentleigh, 3165 by **21st March**.

Out of Doors Day — Geared for Hikers Badge (**Guide Guiders only**).

Cheltenham Saturday 19th April — 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications and 50 cents fee to Mrs. A. Watsford, 6 Millis Ave., East Bentleigh, 3165 by **4th April**.

Out Door Day — This day will cover badge preparation for Bushman, hiker etc.

Donvale Campsite Saturday 19th April — 9.45 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: Please bring lunch. Applications to Mrs. F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Ave., Doncaster, 3108 by **4th April**.

Special Subjects for GUIDE Guiders

Headquarters Saturday 31st May — time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Note: **Applications should include requests based on the current interest and needs of your Guides**. Applications to Training Department, Guide Department, Guide Headquarters by **16th May**.

Special Subjects for RANGER Guiders

Headquarters Saturday 5th April — time 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications (including requests) to be sent to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters by **24th March**.

Ranger Leadership Certificate

Guiders and Commissioners who have Rangers working for or intending to work for the Leadership Certificate are invited to an evening at **Headquarters** on **9th April** from **8.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.** to discuss the Leadership Certificate and its requirements.

This meeting is for **ADULT** Leaders only including the Guide or Brownie Guiders of the Units which the Rangers are attached to for their training.

R.S.V.P. 23rd March — Training Department, Guide Headquarters.

Ranger Leadership Certificate Weekend — residential.

Mayfield Centre, Malvern Weekend 5th-6th July. Fee to be advised. Application forms available from the Training Department, Guide Headquarters. Please enclose a stamped self addressed envelope for the return of this form.

Handbook Workshop

Numurkah Monday 23rd June — 7.00 p.m. till 10.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. M. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630 by **9th June**.

Guiders Workshop

Tempy Sunday 20th April. Further information available from Mrs. R. Hocking, 812-14th Street, Mildura, 3500.

Handbook Workshop

Tongala Monday 9th June (note change in date) time 7.00 p.m. till 10.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. M. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630 by **27th May**.

Commissioner Refresher Day

Barree Region Monday 28th April — time 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Further information available from Mrs. D. Hamilton, "Hamilton Park", South Wangaratta, 3677.

Active Games for Brownies and Guides

East Metro Region Monday 14th July — time evening. Further information available from Mrs. F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Ave., Doncaster, 3108.

A QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ALL LEADERS

It is essential to start at Question 1 and work through.

1. Do you belong to any other organizations apart from Guiding?.....
2. List your "pet" one.....
3. Underline one or more of the suggested reasons why you became interested in this group.
 - (a) Felt it provided a community need
 - (b) Wanted to make new friends
 - (c) Needed the mental stimulation it provides
 - (d) Felt I had something to contribute to its running
 - (e) Heard it was fun
 - (f) Provided the physical activity I wanted
 - (g) Or.....
4. Does this organization have stated aims?.....
5. What are they?.....
6. Does this organization hold regular meetings?.....
7. Why?.....
8. How often are these meetings held?.....
9. Who may attend them?.....
10. Where are they held?.....
11. How do you find out time and place of meetings?.....
12. Is there an agenda sent out prior to the meeting?.....
13. If yes . . . Does the agenda
 - (a) contain sufficient information to indicate clearly the matters the meeting proposes to discuss?
 - (b) help you to prepare and clarify your thinking prior to meeting?
 - (c) motivate you to seek out the opinions and feelings of others whose welfare could be affected by the meeting's decisions?

THINK BACK TO THE LAST MEETING YOU ATTENDED WITH THIS GROUP

14. Who was responsible for creating the atmosphere for what was to follow?.....
15. Were you aware of the Opening of the meeting?.....
16. How was this done?.....
17. Does this opening always follow the same lines?.....
18. Was there a Chairman?.....
19. Did she keep the proceedings running smoothly and follow a logical order?.....
20. Was there a secretary?.....
21. Did she
 - (a) read the minutes of the previous meeting?
 - (b) read out the correspondence?
22. What other "things" did she do?.....
23. Was a financial statement presented to the meeting?.....
24. Were you able to contribute your thoughts and ideas?.....
25. Did you **Really** listen to others thoughts and ideas?.....
26. How were decisions reached?.....
27. Did you feel that the meeting achieved its purpose?.....
28. Would you be happy to attend a similar meeting?.....

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Have you guessed the reason behind this questionnaire?

Did **District Meetings** feature anywhere in your last answer?

Now starting at Question 3 re do the Questionnaire but relate it to the last District Meeting you attended. Results could be interesting!!!!

Challenge:— At your next District Meeting compare your answers with the other leaders and discuss any differences.



Sue puts forward some suggestions to assist your next district meeting.

- **First and Foremost** have an agenda and aim to circulate it to attending members prior to the meeting. (The dictionary definition of agenda is — Things to be done.)
- The agenda sets out the order of business to be covered at the meeting.
- The success of a meeting can be affected by the information given on the agenda as it enables all those who propose to attend to give prior thought . . . collect necessary information . . . consult with the girls of our units.
- The value of discussion and decisions made often reflect this pre-meeting consideration which often acts as an impetus for better attendance.

A SAMPLE AGENDA FOR A DISTRICT MEETING

1. Welcome
2. Opening . . . Ranger Leader
3. Apologies
4. Minutes of previous meeting
5. Business arising — Report on Local Association decision concerning printing of Annual Reports.
6. Correspondence
7. Finance
8. Reports
 - (a) Commissioner . . . (report on L.A. meeting re Hall cleaning)
 - (b) Leaders . . . Unit reports to be read and tabled.
Assistant Leaders turn.
9. Other Business
 - (a) Training pages Matilda . . . (have you done the Quiz?)
 - (b) Programme for Thinking Day Ceremony
10. Proposed change of date for next meeting
11. Close

Unit Meetings . . . follow a Programme

District Meetings . . . follow an Agenda

Sue gives a list of other items which have been presented at District Meetings

Tick the ones your district has used.

- (a) Reports from leaders who have attended **training** conferences.
- (b) Bringing "waiting lists" up to date.
- (c) Exchange of ideas night — games — teaching aids — talents discovered.
- (d) Topic discussions or debate on perhaps:
Guiding and the Community Service
or . . . ????
- (e) Inviting "outside" experts to share **pass on knowledge** skill, e.g.
Macrame specialist
Auditor to give his views on how finance books should be kept.
Member of one of the lesser known religions
Community leader to talk about local affairs

Note: This use of outside people led to another night being allotted to the "Care of Visitors".

- (f) Reviewing lists of badge testers
- (g) Starting a District library
- (h) Parent talent survey (Girls could help with this one)
- (i) Survey of community resources including personnel
- (j) Or ?? . . .

A REQUEST FROM SUE

If your District Meeting has introduced any topic which has been enjoyable . . . or thought provoking **Please Share This Idea With Her Readers.**

Training Department, Girl Guides Association, 20 Russell Street, will find her.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

There are many books available which give a clear outline of meeting procedure and requirements for those in key positions . . . Chairman, Secretary etc., but **each member of the District Team carries a shared responsibility** towards the success of the District Meeting. This can be achieved in numerous ways.

Attend Regularly . . . if unable to attend send an **Apology** and make it **Your business** to find out what happened at the meeting.

Be Punctual . . . and don't always be the last to leave.

Physical Arrangements . . . check to see that seating is placed so that no member has that "left out" feeling; check heating . . . ventilation etc., etc.

During The Meeting . . . Speak Your Mind Freely . . . the meeting is yours . . . a chance to say what you think . . . realize that **Your ideas count.**

- **Listen Thoughtfully to Others** . . . Try hard to see the other person's point of view. Remember on almost every question there are three points of view. "**Yours . . . Mine . . . And The Right One**".
- **Don't Monopolize The Conversation** . . . Give others a chance. Make your point in a few words then pass the ball to someone across the circle.
- **Share Your Ideas** . . . If some activity you have used in your Unit has led to growth /happiness . . . pass it on.
- **Seek Advice** . . . Remember a "Trouble aired is a trouble shared". (You do not have to follow the advice but it may help clarify your own thinking.)

- **Don't Let The Discussion Get Away From You** . . . if you do not understand where the discussion is going, say so. Ask for examples, cases, illustrations until you do understand.
- **Indulge in Friendly Disagreement** . . . When you find you are on the other side of the fence . . . **Say so** and tell why. But **disagree** in a friendly way. A sound conclusion is our only goal.
- **Ask Questions** . . . Come to the meeting with questions in mind and raise them during the meeting.
- **Be Loyal** . . . To all members of your District Team . . . respect their individual personalities. Do not "air" grievances outside the meeting.

Write in any ideas you may have about ways members can contribute to the success of district meetings.



BUT SUE SAYS I'VE LEFT OUT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING!

**"AT YOUR DISTRICT MEETING NEVER PLAN ANYTHING FOR THE MEMBERS OF YOUR UNITS WITHOUT FIRST DISCUSSING IT WITH THE GIRLS
AND
ALWAYS "FEED BACK" ACCURATE INFORMATION PROMPTLY TO THE GIRLS".**

District meetings are vital to the effective management of your district, your unit and you. They play a vital role in maintaining the lines of communication.



Please Note — the Blue Pamphlet is not available at the present time.

Much of the information contained therein is now available in Trefoil around the World. Also recommended "World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts" leaflet available from the Guide Shop.

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"Happiness is . . . a little green bead".

Nonsense, you say? Not to the 45 leaders who experienced the fun of sharing skills at the Summer Training Week recently.

Your unit might like to adopt the idea on its next holiday or camp.

This is how ours worked. Offers to teach skills were posted on a chart that had five columns prepared and headed, offer — name — best suited for Brownie/Guide/Ranger/ (Your unit would not need the last three.)

Before a bead was given, the LEARNER had to prove she had learnt the skill by teaching someone else, in the first instance a trainer acted as a tester. The teacher received a green bead if she was the initiator of a skill, otherwise it was a pink bead. Green bead holders then became testers. (Beads were wide plastic tubing.)

Skills were mostly simple; rescue knots, lifeline throwing, tracking, bed making, splicing, basic crochet, world song, guitar, changing a wheel on V.W. car, parcel, tent darning, basic dress alterations and pleating were some.

Another thing we learnt was, that to teach someone else was a sure way to test our knowledge and our ability to communicate with another person.

And what a wonderful opportunity to get to know people and make friends.



TRAINING DEPARTMENT

Our heartiest congratulations to Mrs. Nell Kerr on gaining her Campcraft Training Certificate.

NOTICES



WHAT? "A Guide Affair"
WHO? All Victorian Guide Guiders
WHEN? Saturday, 21st June, 1975.
TIME? 9.00 a.m. — 4.00 p.m.
WHERE? Canterbury Girls High School
Further details in the next edition of "Matilda".

ALBURY GUIDE GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Albury celebrates their Golden Jubilee 12th and 13th July, 1975. For details contact Mrs. B. Halburd, 419 Griffith Road, Lavington, 2641.

"FOR THOSE WHO BUILT BRIDGES AT THE SPANNING SEMINAR '74"

Thank you to all who helped at the Seminar, the Committee certainly could not have attempted this event without you, and is most grateful.

We are sorry some guiders missed out on refreshments. The Union Catering Service has apologised for any inconvenience or embarrassment caused to our guests.

We heard that some guiders were confused over the placing of flags on the stage of Wilson Hall for the Opening Ceremony. Source of information for this ceremony was: "Our Flag and How to Fly It", page 27 — available from the Guide Shop.

Spanning Seminar '74 Committee.



DESIGN FOR CAMP BADGE

Janet Whitlam Memorial Park Campsite — Belgrave South. Only 1 guide has submitted designs for this suggested badge. Guiders, could you encourage your guides to send in designs to Camping Department, by 1st April please?

TRARALGON JUBILEE

1st Traralgon (St. James) Guide company invites past members to share memories at their Jubilee celebrations on 3rd and 4th May, 1975. For details contact Mrs. N. Matthews, 40 Gilmour Street, Traralgon, 3844. (Phone: 74 1238.)

SHOREHAM PROGRESS

The road, drainage and car park are now completed, so no more worries about wet day visits! The site is also ready for the Log Cabin — toilet-storage-emergency cooking centre. Our permit has been passed and we hope this building will be completed over the next few weeks. Thank you for your contributions which have made the development of this first stage possible.

As money becomes available we can proceed with the next stage, so may we ask for your continued help when you have any "spare finance". Della Hutchinson (80 3820) and Nan Squire (762 1846) are both available to show slides and give you more information at any time or place — we want **you** to know about **your** second State camp site.

The Shoreham Tennis Day is on Monday, 14th April at Loyola Courts, Stradford Ave., Kew. The cost — \$3 for a happy morning of tennis and luncheon. Please phone Della Hutchinson with your entries, including your non Guiding tennis friends. We hope you are planning a Shoreham Sport Day in your area if you cannot attend the central function.

TRAININGS ARE FUN

May I share with readers some of the pleasure and excitement I feel —

I have just completed a Stage 2 Training with the friendliest group of Brownie and Guide leaders, a District Commissioner and a Queensland Lone Ranger Guider.

We worked and played games together; we discussed and learned together; we helped one another to know more about each other's sections; and had a ball doing it!

(Do you feel as I do sometimes, Matilda, that guiders who "haven't the time" or who feel shy and strange when it means leaving their own district to attend a training or who perhaps feel that trainings are all the same, MISS OUT on so much fun and laughter as well as helping hands??)

From the amount of knowledge and help, ideas and laughter, and the sincere thanks between trainers and leaders I received the impression that apart from forming a necessary part of a leader's personal programme — TRAININGS ARE FUN! — a source of wonderful ideas, adaptations, and friendship and that they are well worthwhile.

As for training sessions being all the same — far from it. We were perhaps unusually fortunate in having six trainers in four days — but on the few occasions, sessions overlapped, the different approaches and suggestions were of the greatest help to us all. Even the "sales talk" on Friends of World Centres was most enjoyable, and brought much closer — to me anyway — the international aspect of guiding.

How inadequate we feel as we pass on our thanks to the trainers, who, in this instance, travelled quite a few miles and gave up two weekends. They give so much of their knowledge and understanding help for our various problems and needs.

This letter expresses my own appreciation (and that of our friendly group I'm sure) of the work and co-ordination through the Training department in arranging these sessions.

Thank you, Trainers all, and to the group — it was beaut to meet you. And to "Matilda", a big thank you for your magazine — keep it up!

From Joan Huxtable,
Bayswater.

SOMETHING TO MAKE — HOME-MADE CLAY

Materials. Saucepan, spoon, airtight jars, labels, one cup of cornstarch, two cups baking soda, one and quarter cups cold water. Food colouring and clear plastic spray.

Put the cornstarch and baking powder in the saucepan and with a spoon mix them together thoroughly. Then slowly add the water mixing until smooth. Cook over medium heat about four minutes, stirring constantly until mixture begins to thicken. Remove from stove and cool before using.

Knead dough with fingers. You can roll it out with a rolling pin, cut out with fancy shaped biscuit cutters or form your own shapes. Leave over night to dry and then paint them with food colouring or paint. After paint has dried, spray with plastic spray. Place left over clay in an airtight jar and mark jar with label.

(From "Guide Gazette" of West Metropolitan Region.)



Dear Matilda,

I would like to tell you about the Display and Open Day our District, Mentone/Parkdale, held.

Two guide companies and four Brownie packs displayed their work to show our visitors what Guiding is all about, and what the guides are able to do.

Our company specialised in Arts and Crafts and Camping. We demonstrated the erection of colors, tents and screening. The other guide company displayed a "mini" camp and showed what a day in camp is like.

Some Brownies were enrolled by our District Commissioner and later on, the Brownies played games.

Guides and Brownies were able to pass some Interest badges too. Many of our testers were present.

Thank you to the Local Association for providing the afternoon tea, and to all those who made this afternoon such a great success.

Dianne Mather,
1st Parkdale Guide Company.

ARABIAN NIGHTS STUFF!

22nd International (Asia-Pacific)
"Training the Team" Course
Teheran, Iran

— by Pat Goody

I was fortunate enough to represent Australia at the International "Training the Team" Course run by the World Bureau of Scouting (Asia Pacific Region) in Teheran, Iran. I should explain here that in Iran (and a number of other countries), "scouting" means scouting and guiding, as both organisations are run by one executive so that an invitation from Iranian scouting meant that it was from Iranian guiding too. Nevertheless, the guide commissioners were heavily out-numbered by the scout commissioners, and my patrol (or Yellow Group) consisted of six Afghans, one Kuwait, one Pakistan, one Egypt, one Iranian, and one Mrs. Australia (me!). A second commissioner booked into the course from Australia was unable to attend at the last moment, so I was very spoilt by my scouting friends!

The course was held in the scout camp at Manzarich, which is about 40 minutes from the city of Teheran at the foot of the mountains that surround the city. The climate here is about the same as our Sydney summer at this time of the year, and the nights were cool and balmy — sleeping with the tent flaps up with the whole of the city shimmering with lights below you was a wonderful experience. The scout camp had originally been a prince's estate, and was very extensive with beautiful gardens and trees. The Shah of Iran had given it to Iranian Scouting, and the whole area is beautifully maintained with gardeners busy all the time. The sessions were held in a Persian-style tent — tassels and all — which comfortably held the 48 of us, and we were supplied with earphones as a great deal of interpretation was necessary from Persian into English and the other way round. One of the course leaders was Norman Johnson from Melbourne, the head of scout training for Australia, so I was in very good company and had a "mate" to talk to!

The course was held for nine days and each day was packed from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. with activities. The training sessions were of the highest standard and everyone on the course was a trainer — we did a great deal of work in our groups, and as the Yellow Group was the "International Jet Set" (all

the others were Iranians) we had a great deal of fun with the language problem. However, as we were all of the one mind anyway, being involved in scouting and guiding and having the same aims and principles, it was incredibly easy to communicate.

During our relaxing periods, laughter and dancing reigned supreme — we danced and we danced to the folk music of Iran and Afghanistan, with rovers and rangers from Assyria and Armenia adding to the fun and colour of the scene — the most wonderful young people with a strong resemblance to Omar Sharif! The campfire night was absolute Arabian Nights stuff, with national costumes well to the fore (I wore my spray of wattle!) and very colourful folk dancing performed by the Afghans and the Assyrians. The International Commissioner, Miss Kish, looked magnificent in the costume of her province. We sat in a huge circle and were fed on sweets and lemon sherbet. Those of us from other countries were asked to come forward and light a candle at the beginning of the festivities, and I very proudly lit the candle for Australia.

The food was excellent and prepared in self-service style in another colourful tent, which was situated higher up the mountain. With the altitude of Teheran you tended to arrive for meals in a panting condition — especially in the midday sun! But there was a beautiful filtered swimming pool situated behind the restaurant so you could recover before lunch — if you could find the time! It was just a matter of becoming adjusted to the different style of food. The bread is unleavened and rather like a round flat pancake full of holes — great fun to catch the honey dripping through — and rice dishes were in abundance. There were quantities of the most beautiful melons at all meals, so there was plenty to enjoy and one very quickly became adjusted as soon as the old digestive system received the message and understood.

We all left the course on a sad note, as it had been a time of great comradeship, but Yellow Group was cheered by the fact that our Counsellor, Mr. Hadi Perzeshpoor, had arranged a reunion party for us at the end of the following week. During that week we were all travelling in different directions in Iran enjoying the hospitality of scouting and guiding friends in that country.

(—from the Waratah.)

"BUILD PEOPLE WITH PEOPLE"

Comments from a Representative at the World Association Juliette Low Seminar on Development, held at Our Cabana, Mexico. Twenty-seven young Guides and Girl Scout leaders from twenty-two countries gathered together to discuss and debate how Guiding could contribute to the development of the individual and her responsibility in the community and the wider world.

The five objectives of the seminar were, to explore, on an international level, ways in which programmes of Guides can meet the development needs of communities and the aspirations of young people today for a better society; to provide an opportunity for learning and sharing work skills, experiences and techniques of community work, in a realistic community setting; to promote international friendship among participants and the exchange of ideas, techniques and materials on community work; to increase the individual capacity of young adults for active responsibility in the community and to facilitate personal growth; to develop specific ways of adapting existing Guide programmes to meet the development needs of a particular community and to assist delegates in planning back home projects.

Languages were Spanish and English — sometimes frustrating but we always found

we could communicate even if only by sign language.

We all went there to work, and work we did. We shared our ideas and problems — diverse though they were, we could appreciate them, as they all concerned people, their lives, values, ideals and goals.

Field trips to various development projects in Mexico City were extremely interesting and gave a broad outlook on the way the Government and other bodies can help develop communities. One area of development included a centre where women and children from rural areas can learn skills such as machine sewing, knitting, making toys, using irons and washing machines.

The facilities include a cafeteria and a pre-school centre available at a nominal fee. The centre is administered solely by women, and this is unique in Mexico.

In Mexico City we took part in a group dynamics session, enabling us all to get to know each other and ourselves better, to lose our inhibitions and say what we thought. This was a great help for the discussion that followed.

One of the most enjoyable experiences we shared was a visit to a community in Cuernavaca-Pilancion. This was one of many communities where development is limited



Sue King admires gifts made by Highton Brownies, Guides and Rangers for her to take to delegates at Our Cabana. (Block by courtesy of "Geelong Advertiser").

due to social and economic influences. We went into the homes of these people, overcoming the problem of language and differing cultures. They willingly opened themselves to us, answering the questions on our survey, talking and smiling. The survey is to be used as a basis for future development projects Our Cabana can carry out. These projects could include work in the fields of overcoming health and addiction problems, nutrition, skills to increase income, recreation for the children and for the adults. Pilancón affected us all deeply and inwardly we developed from such a moving experience.

Having experienced Pilancón we discovered that development is a two-way process. Development, as opposed to service, is a process of sharing rather than purely giving. We now feel that "service" is one of Guiding's mistakes, as this approach is one of doing things for others. To grow or develop one has to do things by oneself. If someone does something for you it implies that you can't do it by yourself. The "doers" or "givers" may grow, but the "done for" or the "given to" don't even have the opportunity to grow. "Development to be successful must be a partnership based on a joint effort towards clearly defined goals." (Pearson Committee).

Service is the tendency to help others in a paternalistic way, without considering the feelings of those concerned. These people can offer us skills and ideas in return, so that in fact, we do not have to give, we can share. We can learn together, educate each other and by so doing, develop together. Thus, Guiding, education and development become parallel, non-static processes.

Each delegate made a personal commitment to share this view on development with our home associations and also to plan a back-home project. I intend to carry out a district wide project battling the problem of conservation. First creating an awareness of the problem, then extending this awareness into a practical project.

Perhaps each Guide can make a personal commitment, to always analyse development projects to ensure that both parties are developing.

Remember — don't give — share!

Sue King,
Assistant Ranger Leader,
Highton.

AT SHERBROOK RIVER

About 60 young people associated with Venturer scout groups from Camperdown, Terang, Mortlake, Port Fairy, Cobden and Simpson took part in an all night hike of 16 miles of walking along four separate trails.

Several girls shared in the activity and members of the Mortlake Ranger Unit with their leader, maintained a constant supply of refreshments at a central "Hash-house".

The four loops of the clover leaf trail varied in length from three to six miles each and traversed such diverse terrain as open ground, pine forest, scrub and heavy bush, and a river crossing in darkness was a challenge.

Twenty-seven checkpoints were distributed over the course each with a code word on the marker, which, although luminous, could only be found by careful attention to map reading and grid references.

Preparations for the event were carried out by the Terang Venturers and Mortlake Rangers who were hosts for the occasion.

A prerequisite for participants was that they were at least fourteen years of age and in good physical health.

The walkers' continued fitness was watched over by members of the Camperdown St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

Their fully equipped vehicle was on the site and gave a feeling of added security to the adventurous group.

Two patrol vehicles also traversed the area regularly.

The central base was a self contained "town" of "hashhouse", tent, rest tent, latrines, first aid and refreshment facilities.

As dawn broke the last group arrived back at base and the ever-busy cooks served a final meal of sausages and eggs. (Four dozen eggs, ten pound of sausages, twelve dozen bread rolls, 3 packets of cereal, 5 gallons of milk, four pounds of cheese and countless cups of tea, coffee, and soup were consumed during the night!)

(From the Story in Terang Express.)



Some people get discovered — others just get found out.

LOCAL



ASSOCIATION SECTION

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

It is hard for you to get ahead if you spend all your time "getting even".

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URGENT REQUEST

Following last month's article — "Do you Know your Headquarters" — an urgent request has come from Training Department for L.A. members to serve tea and coffee at lunchtime on Saturdays and Sundays when weekend trainings are held at Headquarters. Each Guider provides her own lunch, so one or two helpers only, are needed for a short time.

Trainers give up many weekends to train Guiders to give our girls the best Guiding possible. They should be able to relax during their lunch break.

If any member of your L.A. can help, offers can be made directly to Training Department at Headquarters.

DONCASTER LUNCHEON

The Doncaster Local Association will hold their Annual Casserole Luncheon in the Methodist/Presbyterian Church Centre, Westfield Drive, Doncaster, at 11.45 a.m. on 30th April, 1975, when the Guest Speaker will be Rev. Dr. Alex Kenworthy of 3AW's "Nightline". Tickets are available at \$2.00 each from the Secretary, Mrs. Betty McKillen on 848 1243.

RECIPE CORNER

PEPPERMINT CRISP DELIGHT

1 large tin chilled evaporated milk, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar, 2 tablespoons brandy, $2\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons gelatine dissolved in $\frac{1}{4}$ cup hot water, 2 crushed peppermint crisps.

Beat milk until stiff, add the sugar gradually then brandy and dissolved gelatine. A few drops of green colouring can be added if desired. Lastly, fold in the crushed peppermint crisps. Chill in refrigerator before serving.

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MARKET RESEARCH

Coffee with friends and discussion on a given consumer product can be a pleasant and painless way of boosting Local Association funds.

Discussions are arranged by members of the Market Research Society of Australia and companies listed are interested in meeting groups of people for market research purposes. Groups in country areas are required as well as city and metropolitan groups.

There is no fixed fee for these meetings; that is a matter for you to negotiate with the companies concerned. Also, this is not a promise of work, since not all companies need your help regularly — most are only interested in an occasional meeting.

If your Local Association is interested, please contact any of these companies.

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APPOINTMENTS AND WARRANTS

A warm welcome is extended to the following:

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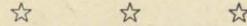
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Assistant Brownie Guiders:

Miss S. Lubansky, 4th Doncaster West; Mrs. C. H. Butler, 4th Doncaster East; Mrs. J. L. Knight, 1st Doncaster East; Mrs. V. Moran, 1st Brandon Park; Mrs. H. Mortimer, 3rd Ringwood North; Mrs. N. F. Hosking, 2nd Ringwood North; Miss E. D. Cameron, 1st Wentworth; Mrs. N. Shaw, 3rd Robinvale; Miss E. McCune, 3rd Strathmore; Miss B. Lowes, 2nd Bendigo; Mrs. B. T. Walsham, 1st Waverley North; Mrs. C. W. Smith, 1st Lancefield; Mrs. L. Tighe, 1st Wonga Park; Miss E. A. Luke, 2nd Ferny Creek; Mrs. G. H. Poole, 1st Ferny Creek; Mrs. R. T. Southin, 1st Keilor; Miss R. Arnott, 2nd Hampton Park; Mrs. J. E. Harvey, 6th Beaumaris; Mrs. B. J. Robinson, 2nd Heatherdale.

Registrations:

Central Murray Rangers; 1st Altona Coy; 3rd Wodonga Coy; 3rd Doncaster West Coy; 1st Highvale Coy; 4th Doncaster West Pack; 4th Blackburn South Pack.



RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS

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

Division Commissioners:

Mrs. N. R. Stucley — Frankston; Mrs. G. McWhinney — Upper Goulburn; Mrs. W. J. Cooper — Goulburn Valley Western; Mrs. J. K. Higgs — Assistant, Goulburn Valley Western.

District Commissioners:

Mrs. G. W. Start — Crowlands; Mrs. S. Williams — Dromana; Mrs. J. Scott — Cobram; Mrs. F. J. Wilson — Kyabram; Mrs. W. Talsma — Herne Hill.

Victorian Newsletter

March, 1975

Dear Everyone,

The pages of my Guide Calendar seem to be turning over far too rapidly, here we are into Autumn already! I hope you all have Guide Calendars and are enjoying the pictures as much as I am.

February is always a very busy month, as we begin meetings again. I seem to have been spending a lot of time at Headquarters as we get back into full swing.

Together with a group of Guide folk, I spent a most enjoyable afternoon aboard the Melbourne Harbour Trust's launch "Commissioner" exploring the Port of Melbourne. I had no idea it was so large and so busy and I learnt a great deal from this afternoon which was organised by Mrs. Hartley Watson.

Our Executive Meeting this month was very busy — as we started to go through the Agenda for the World Conference.

I have just had a wonderful Thinking Day Weekend — as I hope you all have. On Friday night I joined Macedon Division for a Campfire and I told them a little about some of the folk I met in Canada and the U.S.A. last year.

Saturday I opened my first Guide Hall, at Black Rock, and a delightful hall it is, too, set in a most attractive Park. Fred came with me and we had a very happy day joining members for luncheon, the opening and a Thinking Day Ceremony arranged by the children. One of the highlights of the afternoon was the delightful singing of the Guide Choir.

It was wonderful to see how Commissioner, Local Association, Building Committee, Guides, Guiders, parents and friends had all worked together to make the dream of "their own home" come true. As I met and talked with people you could sense the feeling of unity which exists — no doubt much of it due to all working together for something they believed in.

On our way home Fred and I called into the Art Show run by Sandringham Local Association to raise funds to do some work on their hall. It was a most interesting exhibition and I was pleased to see many of the paintings had been sold.

Sunday we went Scouting instead of Guiding — to the Opening of "Yabamac", The Yarra Batman Memorial Activity Centre near Wandong set in ninety acres of bushland which used to be a holiday camp. A new log cabin, dining area and kitchen have been built and many of the existing cabins done up and now holding four to eight bunks. Below the central area there is delightful bushland where boys can camp most happily. It was most encouraging to see the number of people there — the road was lined with cars for miles — rather like Mt. Buller at the height of the snow season! We all enjoyed a Scouts Own before the Opening Ceremony, although by the end of the afternoon many of the youngsters were beginning to feel the heat and no doubt wishing the old swimming pool was ready for use. As usual I found many of the Scouters' wives were actively involved in Guiding. I wish the Scouts well with this project and look forward to seeing its development over the years.

Camping is a very integral part of the Guide and Scout programme and when at Britannia Park for "Camp Yamminka", the Ranger Camp to celebrate 55 years of Rangering in Victoria — I couldn't help but think how lucky we are to have such a beautiful property.

The Britannia Park Committee and Mr. W. Fraser, our Warden, do an excellent job looking after this property — but then of course it does belong to

us all and I hope that when units are camping, or in residence at Brownie Cottage or Guide House, you do feel this is "ours" and look after it accordingly. Many groups are wonderful but I am afraid others do not take the care or interest we would wish, which means it is not as enjoyable for others following on, or Mr. and Mrs. Fraser who have to clean up after them.

Perhaps we would do well to remember a piece of old Irish folklore often quoted by B.P.—

"When you break Camp you should leave behind two things Your Thanks and Nothing."

With love and best wishes,
Joan E. Grimwade.

ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST TO ALL

"EXPLORING THE ARTS" YEAR

National Festival of Song

This exciting "Exploring the Arts" year of 1975 issues us all with a giant challenge: surely in your unit you can challenge yourself and your girls to be creative. The title "National Festival of Song" doesn't just mean singing! If your girls are not interested in singing, then why not try something else? What about drama (say, a playlet), modern dancing, miming, puppeteering, calisthenics, ballet, pageantry, patrol play, or anything else you can come up with? We want to encourage interest in the performing arts and have fun in participating and trying to do our best. Members may link together and enter as a District if they wish. We look forward to receiving your entries (details and application forms in January/February "Matilda") by 31st March.

(Convenor, Mrs. West — 857 9078.)

Arts and Craft Competition

Last month you learnt something of our exciting competition for the arts and crafts which will be held in conjunction with the Song Festival on the 23rd August. Perhaps you have already been wondering what will appeal most to your girls. Now we'll go one step further — we want entries from **you** too. The scope and limitations of adult participation has not yet been decided on, but we have declared open war on hidden talents — we all want the opportunity of seeing what our Movement can do and to make this competition a wonderful and beautiful display of creative thinking for everyone to see.

START YOUR	knitting	canvas work
	crocheting	china painting
	needle-work	metal work
	embroidery	floral art
	patchwork	doll making
	macrame	soft toy
	handweaving	painting
	spinning	story or poem
	basketware	cake decorating
	pottery	NOW

Group entries from units, as well as individual items, will be accepted. Entry instructions and display dates will be announced next month.

(Convenor, Mrs. Winchester — 93 2858.)

ST. GEORGE'S DAY SERVICE — St. Paul's Cathedral — Friday, 18th April.

This Service will commence at 7.45 p.m., following the arrival of His Excellency The Governor and Lady Winneke. Please be seated in the Cathedral by 7.30 p.m. at the latest. Flag bearers (no escorts) should assemble in the Cathedral Close by 7.15 p.m.

AN "AIR AND SHARE" EVENING

If you have thoughts, comments, suggestions on present day Guiding and its role in our community, come to Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 2nd May, to air and share your views with others. This "dialogue day" which will be under the chairmanship of our State Commissioner, should prove most thought-provoking and we hope Guiders from many different areas will come to help make it worthwhile. Please advise the State Secretary if you want to participate — if numbers have to be limited it will be a case of "first come, first served", so get your name in early.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO GUIDERS

GUIDE SECTION

Service Flash — It has been noticed that often several months have elapsed from the time a Guide completes the Flash and the Card comes to Headquarters for endorsement. Please note that the two year period dates from the time the Guide completes the Flash, e.g. if the last date on the card is 9/2/74 then the Flash should be renewed on 9/2/76, so this delay may be important later.

Testers for Guide Knowledge and Australia Badges — When names of Testers for these badges are approved by Headquarters they are entered on a list. A copy of this list is held at the Shop and only the names of those approved will be accepted on Interest Badge Certificates.

Queen's Guide Presentation — We have just been advised that the date of the next Queen's Guide Presentation at Government House will be on Saturday, 17th May, 1975. Closing date 18th March.

Guide Knowledge Badge — Clause 2: Where an equivalent book is mentioned, this is to be on the History of Guiding. The book "The Australian Adventure" written by Ann Rylah is not acceptable as this does not cover the subject fully.

Clause 4(b): A number of queries have been received in regard to this and it is suggested that Guides should look in "Trefoil Around the World", "Today's Guide", "Guider", "Council Fire", etc. At the moment the Uniform charts of other countries are not available but perhaps another Unit close by may be able to help you.

BROWNIE SECTION

Brownie Guiders' Conference — Please note this important information — the Conference Venue has been changed. It will now be held at **Brighton Town Hall**. The date — 5th July — remains unchanged. Those suggestions for Session topics are still needed, so send them to Mrs. J. Denehy, 23 Gladwyn Avenue, East Bentleigh.

ESPECIALLY FOR LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

GRANTS

Districts are reminded that applications for Grants from the Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation can now be lodged, the necessary forms being obtainable from that Department at 570 Bourke Street, Melbourne, 3000. The closing date for Maintenance Grants (general running expenses, purchase replacement or repair of equipment, etc. — form Y.S.R.2) is 16th April, 1975. Building Grants on a \$1 for \$1 basis (form Y.S.R.1) are available for approved projects involving the construction and repair of buildings used essentially for Youth Work — there is no closing date and applications may be lodged at any time.

TRAINING CALENDAR SUPPLEMENT

(To be read in conjunction with the Training Calendar in "Matilda")

Stage I — Ararat

Weekends 31st May/1st June and 28th June. Time: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. Applications and \$1.50 fee to Mrs. J. Hucker, "Wallabadah", Lake Bolac, 3351, by 17th May.

Stage I — Dandenong

Weekends 21st/22nd June and 19th/20th July. Time: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Applications and \$1.50 fee to Mrs. H. Lardner, 51 Bundeena Ave., Noble Park, 3174, by 6th June.

Stage I — Headquarters

Wednesdays 28th May, 4th/11th/18th/25th June, 2nd/9th/16th July. Time: 7.30 p.m.-10 p.m. Applications and \$1.50 fee to Training Department Guide Headquarters, by 14th May.

Stage I — Moorleigh

Weekends 28th/29th June and 19th/20th July (please note change in dates). Further information in Training Calendar in "Matilda".

Stage 2 — Headquarters

Wednesdays 18th/25th June, 2nd/9th/16th July. Time: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Applications and \$1.50 fee to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by 4th June.

Stage 3 — Moorleigh

Weekends 19th/20th April and 31st May/1st June (please note change in dates) Time: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Applications and \$1.50 fee to Mrs. A. Watsford, 6 Millis Ave., East Bentleigh, 3165, by 4th April.

Stage 3 — Wimmera Region

Please note that this training will be held at Warracknabeal — further information may be found in the Training Calendar in "Matilda".

Patrol Leader Training — Puckapunyal

Saturday, 19th April. Time: 10 a.m.-5.30 p.m. Trainees to bring a cut lunch. Fee: \$1.00 per Guider, 50 cents per Patrol Leader. (If P.L.'s not available Seconds may attend). Camp Uniform to be worn. Applications and fees to Mrs. H. Purcell, "Outlook", Smith Street, Yea, 3717, by 6th April. (Note: Please disregard information re this training in the Training Calendar as arrangements have been changed.)

Campfire Club

Next Meeting: 10th April at Headquarters — 8 p.m.-9.30 p.m. The May meeting will be held on 1st May.

Ranger Guiders:

Miss H. M. Wills, Barwon Heads — Ocean Grove Rangers, Mrs. J. E. Baines, Wangaratta Rangers, Mrs. G. N. Berger, Forest Hill Rangers, Mrs. G. Fry, Seaford Rangers.

Guide Guiders:

Mrs. W. Myers, 3rd Montmorency, Mrs. M. B. Green, 4th St. Kilda, Mrs. D. Scarlett, 3rd Swan Hill, Miss C. Bull, 2nd Pascoe Vale South, Miss H. J. Baker, 9th Ballarat, Mrs. B. F. Anketell, 3rd Bairnsdale, Mrs. E. Frost, 1st The Basin, Mrs. C. Barneth, 2nd Puckapunyal, Mrs. H. Davison, 3rd St. Kilda, Mrs. D. Gough, 2nd Bennettswood, Mrs. R. Schlager, 2nd Seaford.

Assistant Guide Guiders:

Mrs. G. Ely, 2nd Sth Croydon, Mrs. P. Goldenberg, 4th St. Kilda, Miss G. J. Waldron, 3rd Traralgon, Miss J. L. McDonough, 1st Waverley North, Mrs. D. T. Webster, 2nd Canterbury, Mrs. A. Rice, 1st Heathcote, Miss M. Hill, 1st Orrvale.

Brownie Guiders:

Mrs. R. Earl, 2nd Eltham, Mrs. N. Wallace, 1st Pascoe Vale South; Mrs. A. Neumann, 1st Trentham, Mrs. R. S. Fischer, 4th Wangaratta, Mrs. R. Baxter, 3rd East Doncaster, Mrs. R. C. Nickels, 3rd Traralgon, Mrs. D. Winkler, 2nd Cobram, Miss R. Kirkbride, 1st Hamilton, Mrs. R. G. Scholz, 1st Macarthur, Mrs. A. Wilson, 3rd Williamstown, Mrs. F. G. Hobley, 1st Heathcote, Mrs. L. Biggin, 4th Surrey Hills, Miss H. Hill, 1st Orrvale, Mrs. S. F. Davey, 1st Nilma.

Assistant Brownie Guiders:

Miss W. Hale, 2nd Pascoe Vale South, Mrs. H. Grainger, 3rd Wangaratta, Mrs. R. J. McKenzie, 1st Mortlake, Miss S. K. Jordon, 4th Sunshine West, Mrs. E. M. Caldow, 3rd Highton, Mrs. J. Macdonald, 2nd Highton, Mrs. A. C. Tormai, 4th Wattle Park, Mrs. R. E. Dawson, 1st Coolaroo, Mrs. R. G. Galloway, 1st Wonga Park, Mrs. B. Whitehead, 1st Bennettswood, Miss I. Hewett, 1st Doncaster, Mrs. C. E. Pettit, 1st Lakes Entrance, Mrs. G. W. Bird, 2nd Williamstown, Mrs. D. F. Rooks, 2nd Heatherdale.

GUIDE

FOR PATROL LEADERS

A Book for Patrol Leaders	0.70
Activities for Patrols	0.30
Patrol Ideas Book	0.25
Off to Camp — The Patrol's own camp book	0.75

NOW AVAILABLE

Window on My Heart	\$8.10
(latest autobiography of Lady Baden-Powell)	

New —

Stainless Steel Bookends, with Guide Badge	\$13.00
Stainless Steel Goblet, with Guide Badge	7.00



SHOP

BROWNIES UNIFORMS

Dress	\$7.75
Beret and Beret Badge	1.55
Tie	1.00
Belt	1.15
Pouch	1.50
Cardigan	6.95
Fawn Sox — Knee-Hi — Three sizes	
9-12	1.05
13-3 and 2-8	1.20
Fawn Panties — Sizes 8, 10, 12	1.05

GUIDE UNIFORM

Skirt	\$6.75
Blouse	6.50
Beret	1.40
Beret Badge	0.35
Tie	1.50
Belt	1.90
Patrol Emblem	0.40
Fawn Sox — Knee-Hi Shoe Size 2-8	1.20
Navy Panties Sizes 10, 12, 14	1.05
Junior Navy Pullover	8.95
Junior Navy Cardigan	9.70

RANGER UNIFORM

Dress and Jacket	\$29.50
Forage Cap	3.70
Handbag	7.10

STANDARDS

"Lift up your standard for the people."—The Bible.

From time to time Guides come into contact with Personal Standards, either directly or indirectly, during the visit of Royalty or other important persons.

From the very earliest times we find emblems of a nation, tribe or place — in the Old Testament we may read the story of Jacob calling his sons around him and giving to each a symbol which was later to become the emblem of the tribe they would lead.

In the days of the Crusades, the Knights wore armour which was so heavy and covered them so completely that it was often not possible to distinguish friend from foe — this gave rise to individual emblems which were worn on the sur-coat — a long sleeveless coat covering the armour. From this sur-coat came the term "Coat of Arms" and we well remember the stories of the English Crusaders riding into battle with the Cross of St. George emblazoned on their sur-coats.

The Royal Standard

The Royal Standard has through the centuries undergone many changes. Its bright design and colour are well known to most Londoners as it flies above Buckingham Palace when the Queen is in residence. With very few exceptions the Royal Standard may only be flown when the Sovereign is present and should never be used as a decoration.

In the first and fourth quarters are the three golden lions of England. Second quarter — the Scottish lion with his double borders of fleur-de-lis. Third quarter — the harp of Ireland.

In Guiding we have followed the tradition which is centuries old and have our various emblems which are symbols of Sixes, Patrols, Units, Districts, Divisions, States and Countries. We are all proud of these emblems and strive up to all they mean and represent.

The Chief Guide's Standard

The World Chief Guide (Olave, Lady Baden-Powell) has a standard which is both personal and symbolic of the Movement of which she is Chief; its description:—

The Trefoil in gold on blue — the Guide Emblem showing the Three Promises. The blue sea and silver waves and dolphins with three ships sailing forth into the ends of the earth to carry the Guide Movement to all parts overseas. This refers to the overseas work of the Chief Guide. Also in the midst of the sea is the gold fish which she alone wears.

Then there are red motto bands — the red for cheerfulness, surely! and the mottoes are, on the one side "Be Prepared," and on the other "AP NYD YW PWYLL PYD YW," the Powell motto in Welsh meaning, "Where there is a Powell there is safety," a splendid tribute, we may think, to our Founder's valour.

Between the motto bands is a space of green and white triangles, and they are the tents of our camps on the green grass, referring to outdoor side of our Guide life.

In the fly are two fine lions, and these are the Baden and Powell crests. It is not correct for a woman to have a crest as they are worn on a man's helmet in battle, but here they turn our thoughts to our great Founder, who in his leadership and comradeship for the Scout and Guide Movement has been so splendidly helped by the Chief Guide.

Wherever the World Chief Guide has travelled her Standard went with her.

FOR SALE

Ranger uniform and cap, size 36, as new: \$25. Apply: Raelene Wyhoun, 3 Henry Street, Korumburra, 3950.