

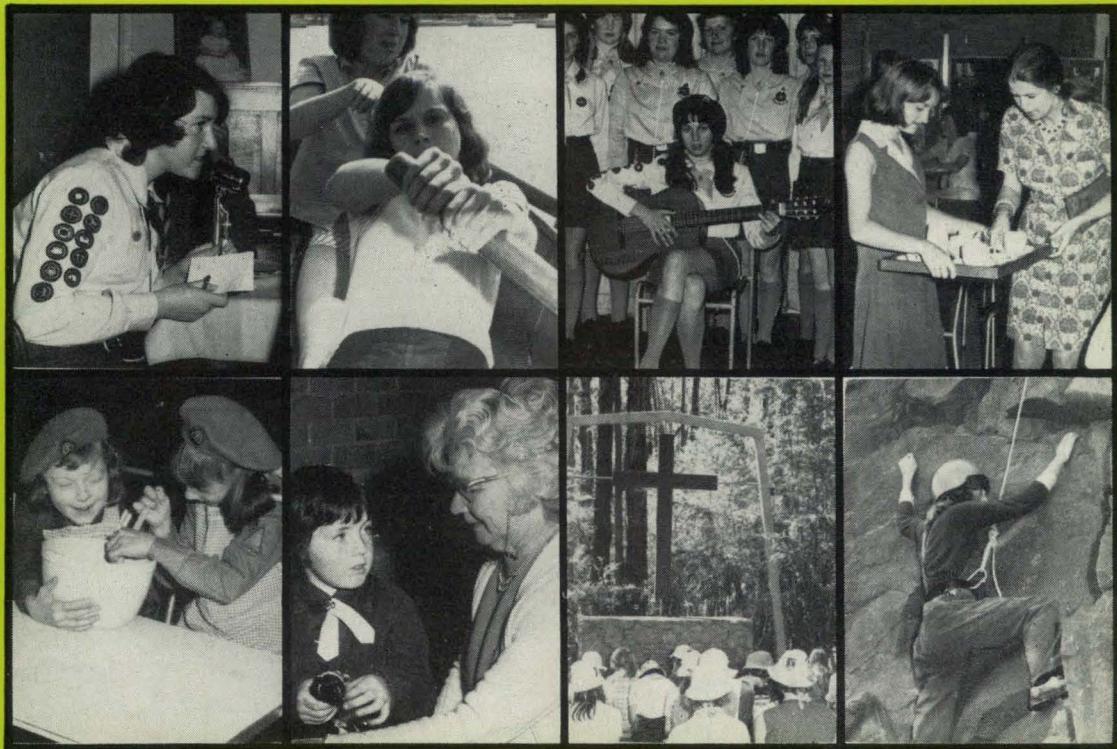
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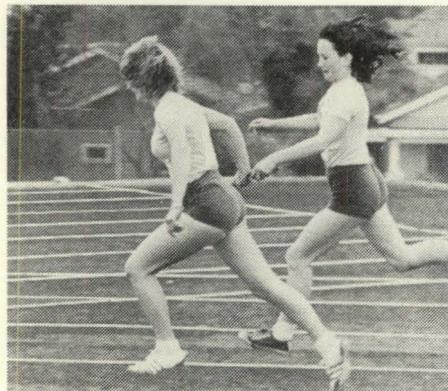
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Matilda

GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA





Will you be there?

"It is not important to win or lose, only to take part."

What part will you be taking in the Mini Olympic Games?

See pages 37 and 40 for final details.

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From our Acting State Commissioner

Dear Everyone,

From Joan's many letters and postcards, we know she and Fred are enjoying every aspect of their trip, seeing many different parts of the world and meeting many old and new friends. During their time in London they had several exciting outings, in between parliamentary and farming business, the main one being a day at Royal Ascot. We all look forward now to seeing Joan back with us towards the end of August.

I am very happy to be able to tell you that Joan has accepted an invitation from the Executive Committee and State Council to remain in office until October, 1978, instead of retiring in 1977 as had previously been arranged. I know you will all be very pleased to hear this news.

As I write, I have just returned from the Region Conference held at Lake Bolac which was arranged by three Regions in the Western District — Western Plains, Otway and Western Border — for all their Guiders, Commissioners, Local Association and Trefoil Guild members. A group of us from Headquarters, including Doris Carter, who took many items from the Guide Shop, attended the Conference and spoke on subjects around the theme of "Playing the Game". The most discussed subject was the new age groups which have now been implemented in Victoria. The success of this Conference makes me feel that other areas, where two or three Regions can easily meet together in a central town, could benefit greatly by arranging a combined conference. There is so much more scope for in-

terchange of ideas, more interesting discussions and just meeting with one another over a cup of coffee or lunch.

On the way back from Lake Bolac, I stopped off at Ballarat for the night to attend the Ballarat Central District Annual Meeting. I particularly enjoyed seeing a Pageant of Guiding put together by a recent Queen's Guide for her Guide Knowledge badge, making good use of the acting ability of members of her Guide Company.

Another party from the Headquarters team headed for Geelong this same day to attend the Barwon Region Conference, which I heard was another successful day.

May I say how much we at Headquarters appreciate the wonderful hospitality shown to us by our country members at these conferences and meetings, particularly those who give us such homely overnight accommodation and make us feel so welcome.

The Lone Section had an excellent gathering for their Annual Meeting and I could not help thinking what a wonderful job the ladies of the Lone Local Association do to help our Lone Guides and Rangers with whom they have very little or no direct contact. It is most pleasing to see how happily they work together, even though their numbers are rather low. They would be very pleased to welcome any new members to their group.

Peg and I had the privilege of attending a Scout Association Conference at Gilwell Park for their Branch and Area Commissioners. We found discussions on recruitment of leaders, retention of boys and general development most interesting and all so closely allied to our Association.

The Ranger Conference was again very well attended and I was pleased to hear how well the Rangers handled their discussions in such a business-like manner. Con-

gratulations to Camberwell Rangers, who convened the Conference, for the excellent way it was conducted.

It was decided to celebrate Ranger Week during the same week as the announcement of the new age groups in July, and this was launched with the Ranger Ball at Malvern Town Hall. The "Roaring Twenties" theme gave a very bright and happy flavour to the Ball and many Rangers put a great deal of work and imagination into making their Charleston-era outfits for the occasion. The debutantes looked lovely in their long white frocks as they made their curtseys to the Mayoress. Congratulations this time to Armadale Rangers. Ranger Week concluded the following weekend with the Ranger Guiders' Conference, a Ranger Dinner and a Rangers' Own Service on the Sunday at the Independent Church.

Our new State International Adviser joins the team this month and we welcome Miss Wendy Swift to this position. We wish her a very happy and rewarding term of office. At the same time, on behalf of all members, I would like to thank Mrs. Lesley Dwyer for the excellent work, and the tremendous interest and enthusiasm she has put into her time as International Adviser.

We look forward now to the exciting Mini-Olympics on 3rd and 4th September, and we hope you are all making plans to come to cheer the participants. This event on our Guiding calendar promises to be a memorable occasion, and you may regret it afterwards if you miss out on the fun of being there.

Our Chief Commissioner's visit to Victoria, planned to coincide with the Mini-Olympics, will take place from 2nd to 8th September. You will see details of her itinerary in July "Matilda". Miss Lambie would like to meet as many members as possible, so do try to attend one of the functions which has been arranged for her visit to our State.

See you all at the Mini-Olympics.

With very best wishes,

Jean Oldfield

FROM OUR GLOBETROTTER

Dear Everyone,

Summer in England in 1976 is even better for the tourist than 1975. I have just spent a week in Norfolk where the temperatures were between 86°F-92°F. It was almost too hot, and the farmers were becoming very worried. Admittedly, it looked dry, but was still lush in comparison with home, especially now. I do hope some areas have now had rain.

Once again I visited 1st Ditchingham Brownie Pack and had a very happy night. Many girls remembered me from last year although they were a little confused because I was not wearing uniform. Brown Owl produced a delicious "Welcome Visitor" cake and cordial which made it very special for everyone.

After the meeting Gill Noakes (Brown Owl) and I went to the Commissioners' Council, held at the very beautiful home of Sir Edmund and Lady Bacon. He is the Queen's Representative in Norfolk. I was welcomed by Mrs. Beattie, the County Commissioner, and met many new friends. I also was thrilled to meet again Anne Carter (author of the English Ranger handbook) who I met at the World Conference. I had sent her the Australian Ranger Handbook and Rae Reed (N.S.W.) also sent her the Australian Leaders' workbook, with which she is very thrilled. The County Commonwealth and International Commissioner asked if I knew Bendigo? Her daughter now lives there — what a very small world it is.

I am certainly moving — I hope you are all enjoying your challenges for 1976.

Love and best wishes,

Jean E. Grimwade



MATILDA

VISIT OF CHIEF COMMISSIONER

Our Chief Commissioner will soon be with us and you will have a chance to see her:

At the Mini Olympics on Friday and Saturday, 3rd and 4th September;

At the Guides' Own on Sunday, 5th September, at Alexandra Gardens, 9.30 a.m.;

In Traralgon at the Adult Members and Friends Luncheon on Monday, 6th September;

At "Glenaroua", our State Commissioner's home at Broadford, on Tuesday, 7th September, when it will be 'Open House' for members and friends from 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. (acceptances to State Secretary, c/o H.Q. please);

See July 'Matilda' for further information of these and other functions and be sure to participate in at least one of them, if you possibly can.

MINI OLYMPICS

Even if you are not a natural sports enthusiast you will have enjoyed some features of the Montreal Olympic Games no doubt and we're sure you will also enjoy the Guide Association's 'Mini Olympics' scheduled for Friday and Saturday, 3rd and 4th September. Please bring your friends and family to share in what is expected to be a colourful programme of fun and games — the Opening and Closing Ceremonies which are modelled on the traditional Olympic Games will be particularly spectacular, so don't miss them.

Friday, 3rd September: At Olympic Park (9.30 a.m.-4 p.m.):

Opening Ceremony and March Past (in presence of Lady Winneke and Miss Mary Lambie, Chief Commissioner for Australia); followed by Athletic Events.

At Royal Park (11 a.m.-4.00 p.m.): Netball Competitions.

At Olympic Pool (10.45 a.m.-4.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.-9.30 p.m.): Swimming Events.

Saturday, 4th September: At Olympic Park (1.00 p.m.-4.00 p.m.): Finals of Athletic Events and Closing Ceremony.

GUIDE SECTION — JUNIOR LIFESAVER BADGE

The Royal Lifesaving Society has recently issued a new manual (May 1976) in which there are alterations to the Society's awards. The "Intermediate Star" has been deleted and replaced by the "Bronze Star". The Bronze Star is the highest Rescue Award for a person under 13, and will now be the qualification required for the Junior Lifesaver Badge. For the Bronze Medallion, candidates must be 13 years of age, so no alteration is necessary to the Lifesaver Badge.



AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION APPEAL

What is being done in your unit for the Australian Association Appeal — Fifty Cents for Fifty Years — launched through 'Matilda' in May? Our Chief Commissioner, Miss Mary Lambie, will be wanting to hear how the Appeal is going when she visits Victoria in September, so please keep sending those cents in.

LUNCHEON FOR MAYORESSES AND WIVES OF SHIRE PRESIDENTS

Invitations for this Luncheon, which is to be held on 28th September, are now being distributed through Region Commissioners to Division Commissioners for sending to the newly elected "First Lady" of each Municipality or Shire. Commissioners, please post these invitations on as soon as the Council elections have been held so that there is ample time for all arrangements for this enjoyable and worthwhile function to be finalised.

BROWNIE SECTION — RIBBON OF GOLD

Mr. Kevin Heinz of the T.V. Gardening programme "Sow What" will do a segment on tree planting with Brownies as part of the "Ribbon of Gold" Project. This will be shown on Friday, 27th August, and again on Sunday, 29th August, on Channel 2.

COMMISSIONER'S CONFERENCE, 1977

Friday, 25th February, to Sunday, 27th February, at Monash University. This weekend is a 'must' for all Commissioners who want to keep themselves up-to-date with all facets of Guiding. Note the date now — further information will be passed on when it comes to hand.

STAMPS

Miss Cuzens, who collects used stamps for sale for the Association, is having problems with poor quality, badly prepared stamps being sent to her. Some have been sent without postage, which means double postage has to be paid, often more than the stamps are worth. Would Guiders please check packages before they are sent to Miss Cuzens, whose address is 6/86 Park Street, St. Kilda, 3182.

VISIT OF OUR CHIEF COMMISSIONER

Further news of the visit to Victoria of our special guest, the Chief Commissioner for Australia, Miss Mary Lambie — 2nd to 8th September.

Lady Winneke, our State President, will receive Miss Lambie at Government House on Thursday afternoon, 2nd September. During this visit Brownies will plant a tree in the grounds of Government House — the planting of this tree by the Brownies will begin their Ribbon of Gold throughout the State.

Ranger Section is planning a Supper Party for the Chief Commissioner at Guide Headquarters on Saturday evening, 4th September, at 7.45 p.m. Members of Ranger section wishing to attend are asked to contact Miss Linda Silvester, 90 Berry Avenue, Edithvale, 3190 — telephone 772 5720 — by 20th August to facilitate catering arrangements for supper, cost of which will be 50 cents.

After attending Guide's Own on Sunday, 5th September, Miss Lambie will travel to "Iluka", our Shoreham campsite, to spend a relaxing day with members of the campsite planning committee, camping advisers and Mornington Region.

Plans are well in hand for members of Baw Baw Region, Woortayl Region and Gippsland Region to meet our Chief Commissioner at a luncheon in Traralgon Guide Hall on Monday, 6th September (see July Matilda).

Do not forget applications for the Open Day for adult members to meet Miss Lambie on Tuesday, 7th September, at "Glenaroua Homestead", Broadford, close at Headquarters on 23rd August (see July Matilda).

For further information regarding the Chief Commissioner's visit please contact Audrey Austin, 2 Cavell Court, Beaumaris, 3193 — phone 99 2080.

VICTORIAN GUIDERS' CONFERENCE

Saturday, 9th October, 1976
10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

**University High School,
Story Street, Parkville**
(off Royal Parade,
at rear of Royal Melbourne Hospital)

"INFLUENCE TOMORROW TODAY"

MORNING PROGRAM

Please be seated in the main hall by 9.55 a.m.
at the latest.

10.00 a.m.: Opening — Mrs. F. S. Grimwade,
State Commissioner.

10.15 a.m.: "The Voluntary Leader — Is It
Worth It?"

Session led by Dr. Denham Grierson, mem-
ber of the United Faculty of Theology,
Melbourne University.

11.15 a.m.: Morning Tea (please bring own
cup).

11.45 a.m.: Section Time.

12.45 p.m.: Lunch (please bring cut lunch —
tea and coffee provided).

AFTERNOON PROGRAM

Please be seated in the main hall by 1.40 p.m.
at the latest.

1.45 p.m.: "Teach the World to Sing".

Items by winners in the Guide Festival of
Song, 1975.

2.00 p.m.: "Homemaking in Tomorrow's
World".

Miss Isabel Horne, Director of the School
of Home Economics, State College of Vic-
toria, Rusden.

2.45 p.m.: Afternoon Tea (please bring own
cup).

3.15 p.m.: "Your Point of View".

Discussion on our role and responsibility
as members of the Girl Guide Movement
in—

- racial and religious understanding,
- developing nations, ● developing de-
cision making skills, ● initiating com-
bined (girl/boy) activities, ● camping,
- training adult youth leaders, ● develop-
ing moral and spiritual values, ● develop-
ing a public image, ● the preservation of
our natural resources, ● current and
future programming for the girls.

4.45 p.m.: Reassemble in the main hall.

5.00 p.m.: Close.

QUEEN'S GUIDE in the Ranger Guide Section

As an interim measure (until the badge syllabi is adjusted to the changed age groups) Victoria is accepting continuation of work toward the Queen's Guide badge in the Ranger Guide Section. The syllabus remains as written, but Ranger Certificates will count in place of some of the Guide badges. Where a Ranger Certificate is classed as equivalent and the girl is in Rangers, then she must do the Ranger Certificate. If there is no Ranger Certificate listed as the equivalent of a Guide badge, e.g., Little House Emblem badges, then the girl does the Guide badge.

Age limit on the Queen's Guide badge of the 16th birthday still applies. If the period of time between the award of the girl's last 8 Point Badge in the Guide Company and the application for the Queen's Guide badge exceeds 12 months, then Unit-in-Council must submit an assessment of the girl's progress since joining the Ranger Guide Unit.

This assessment is to cover the areas of:

1. what share of responsibility the girl has taken for planning and arranging the Unit program
2. regular attendance
3. and how well she participated and has progressed since becoming a Ranger Guide.

For Ranger Guide Queen's Guide candidates, recommendations which were from Patrol Leader Council would now be the responsibility of the Unit-in-Council. Recommendations are still required from the District Commissioner and also from the Guiders of her past Guide Company and the present Ranger Unit.

Application forms are to be sent to the Guide Adviser.

CAMP FIRE CLUB

Guiders and Commissioners,
Join the Campfire Circle.
At Guide Headquarters,
From 8.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.,
On Thursdays —
9th September, 14th October,
11th November.
Wear Camp Uniform.

Ranger Guide Certificate/ qualification	equivalent to Guide Badge/ qualification
Interest Certificate	Hobby badge
Ranger Guide Camp Permit	Camper badge or Patrol Camp Permit
Bellringer	Hobby badge
Child Service	Childnurse badge
Civil Defence	Emergency Helper
Commonwealth Knowledge	Australia badge
Conservation	Conservation badge
Fire Fighting	Firefighter badge
Homenursing	Home Nurse badge
International Knowledge	Guide Knowledge
Lifesaver	Lifesaver badge
Public Health	Accident Prevention
Samaritan	First Aid AND Home Nurse badges
Senior Interpreter	Good Neighbour badge
Service to the Handicapped	Friend to the Handicapped
Surf Lifesaver	Lifesaver
Ranger Wings	Sportsgirl badge
Any one Boating qualification	Boatswain badge
30 hours service (toward complete Ranger Service Star	Service Flash





The Olympic Tradition

"We promise we will take part in these Mini Olympic Games in the true spirit of sportsmanship, for the honour of Guiding and the glory of sport."

This will be the oath taken by one guide on behalf of all competitors, at the Opening Ceremony of our Mini Olympic Games on Friday, 3rd September.

Behind these words is a wealth of history and tradition. The ancient Olympic Games were of Greek origin, first held in 776 B.C.

As a religious festival in honour of the God, Zeus, they were held at Olympia, the political, athletic and religious centre of ancient Greece. Competitors came from all states in Greece to contest the athletic events, and during the four week festival "a religious truce" or "truce of God" was declared. It was a time for all to lay down their arms and come together in peace and brotherhood through friendly competition. In 339 A.D. the Games ceased by decree of the Emperor.

It was not until 1896 that the Olympic Games of the 'modern' era began. A Frenchman, Baron Pierre du Coubertin, felt the ancient Olympic ideal of peace and brotherhood through sporting competition could be revived for the youth of the world. Despite two world wars the Modern Olympic Games is held every four years in a different City. This year it is Montreal, 20 years ago it was in Melbourne. Some of you may remember the fun and excitement.

In a few days time we will have our own Mini Olympic Games, with all the pageantry and tradition of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies of the modern Olympiad. It is the first time in Australia that any youth organisation has attempted to do this.

Most of you will have taken part in events, during trials in your Region. All

have learned new skills and made new friends, some were lucky enough to be selected to represent their Region. The stage is set for a fabulous two day Olympiad in Melbourne. The important thing for all of us is to take part in some way. We can do this by being competitors, helpers, cheer squads, officials and spectators, and by opening our homes, as in 1956, to offer hospitality to all who need it.

This is an event that no one will want to miss. Tell all your friends and relatives.

The Mini Olympic Committee wish all competitors the best of luck and every success during the Games, and ask all to embrace the Olympic spirit contained in the traditional message.

"It is not important to win or lose, only to take part."



TELEVISION INTERVIEW

Be sure to watch the Roy Hampson Show on Channel O television at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, 1st September, when Mrs. Margaret McLean, convenor of the Mini Olympic Games, will chat with Mr. Hampson about the Games and tell him the latest news and arrangements.

THE STATE STANDARD

(Part 2)

On 6th August, 1972, the State Executive Committee asked me to do something about producing a State Standard for Victoria. That started the ball rolling and the exciting task of producing a design that would be fitting for our State as well as complying with the rules and regulations for such a Standard as laid down by the Royal College of Heraldry.

Accordingly, all Sections of Guiding produced suggestions, some accompanied by beautiful illustrations, and eventually a design was chosen. This was sent through our London Headquarters to the Royal College of Heraldry for approval.

The Royal College of Heraldry is controlled by the King-at-Arms and there are four Heralds. These gentlemen are responsible for protocol and the arrangements for such ceremonies as the Coronation. They see that flag designs are correct, cover the production of Coats-of-Arms and so on. So our design for the State Standard was approved and went to our State Executive for ratification.

In September 1973 Part I, the design, was printed in "Matilda". To refresh your memories, the Standard is never flown from a pole but always carried, in this case immediately behind the State Commissioner or her representative. Its size depends on the status of its representation. A Company, District, Division or Region may have one. The State Standard is to be two feet six inches at the hoist tapering, over a length of eight feet, to two feet wide.

The design has several "musts". We have the Guide Badge in the hoist similar to the one with which we are enrolled. This must be larger than any other design in the Standard. Then comes the Federal Star surmounting the State Badge. These are the places of Honour. Then come our designs which must be simple and outstanding in character. The heraldic shape for women is a "lozenge" or diamond shape. It is the shape of our State Badge (men have a shield). This shape must be repeated if anything "proper" is used. After the State Badge and Federal Star we have a band with the motto "Be Prepared". This separates the

base colours of the Standard from the Guide blue to a rich red. We then have a lozenge with the official State emblems — Pink Heath, Helmeted Honeyeater and Leadbeaters Possum. These are found only in Victoria and are properly positioned, that is, heath on the ground and the honeyeater and possum on a gum branch. Even if it would look better, you could not have heath growing on top of a gum tree. All of these are in their proper coloring. A stripe of alternate triangles of green and white stand for the Out-of-doors and camping and then we have compass points signifying Guiding around the world with the clasped hands of friendship in the centre. The reverse side of the Standard is similar with the exception of the motto. We have VICTORIA, so that, in procession, one can identify the State.

We have been three years trying to produce the Standard since its design approval. Endless people and firms have been contacted but the job was too big for many. Materials have been unobtainable from any part of the world. A big fire in England burnt the remaining regalia materials after the Prince of Wales' installation. Japanese silk was too light, Thai silk did not have fast colours, and so on. A talk over lunch with Sir Rohan and Lady Delacombe came up with the suggestion that the Army has ceremonial colours made in Hong Kong. This avenue too proved fruitless.

The materials used must not have any strand of synthetic material. This gradually hardens, cracks and eventually falls to pieces. Pure silk, heavy type, was required. This has been used for the badges but was not obtainable in lengths or colours needed for the whole Standard. We now have had to use fine cotton.

One of the strongest woods for the pole is Sassafras. We hope to have this wood, which is also light in weight. It must be nine feet long as sometimes, such as in church parades or at meetings, the Standard will be 'stacked'. It must not drape on the ground. The Guide badge on top of the pole is of brass and weighs one pound.

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To Be or Not To Be.. A Ranger

Excerpts from an interview with 18-year-old Maria, who has been a Ranger for two years . . . Questions with replies . . .

What is Rangering?

"Rangers is the Senior branch of the Girl Guide/Girl Scout Movement. The girls are usually between 15 and 18 years of age, but this varies according to the customs of the country . . . Rangering is doing things you did not think you could do or may have always wanted to do — from sailing, to more serious activities — such as helping a one-parent family. It is also having fun with friends."

And what about the programs?

"There just is no limit to the possibilities. Every UNIT sets up its own programs, depending on its interests, needs, and situation in the local community."

Does the Ranger Promise have any real meaning to you?

"For me, the day I made my Promise was an important one. I felt I was making a personal commitment. Rangers promise to be of Service to the Community . . . I see it as a personal well considered pledge."

What do you mean by "Service"?

"As Rangers we may help with handicapped children in Guide Companies, in camps and institutions. We may assist with creches at churches; decorate and provide play equipment for day care centres . . . Other Rangers I know help children who have reading problems . . . These are a few examples . . . The number and variety of

service projects carried out around the world are truly amazing."

You meet once a week, is that right? Isn't attendance at meetings rather a tie?

"We may meet once a week, or once a month. We are flexible. In reply to the second question, I look on Rangers as 'solid value'."

I have heard more criticism of Rangering; for example: meetings boring and inconclusive; service projects not worthwhile; not enough freedom in planning, leaders not stimulating.

"Who said that? Some units may have problems, like every other organisation. I think the best thing about Rangering is the flexibility. The girls can make it 'THEIR' thing.

You look very neat and pretty in your uniform. However, some regard it as a militaristic hang-over . . . Most young people in general reject uniform these days.

"Uniform has obvious advantages for group identification . . . In fact our Unit decided we would wear it only on official occasions when we are representing the Movement. At our meeting we wear jeans and a T-shirt, I guess that is a kind of uniform too."

Most girls your age want to be with boys. Well?

"We do — sometimes. Actually we have a good relationship with our local Rover group . . . we often join in their projects . . . We think this arrangement is ideal. Much of the time we prefer to be by ourselves . . . We know that the pressure of boy-girl relationship can be put aside for a while, or, more likely, discussed.

Anything else?

"Yes. I want to say that I believe the Ranger represents the very best in Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting in terms of age, ideals and attitudes."

(Adapted from an article in The Council Fire.)

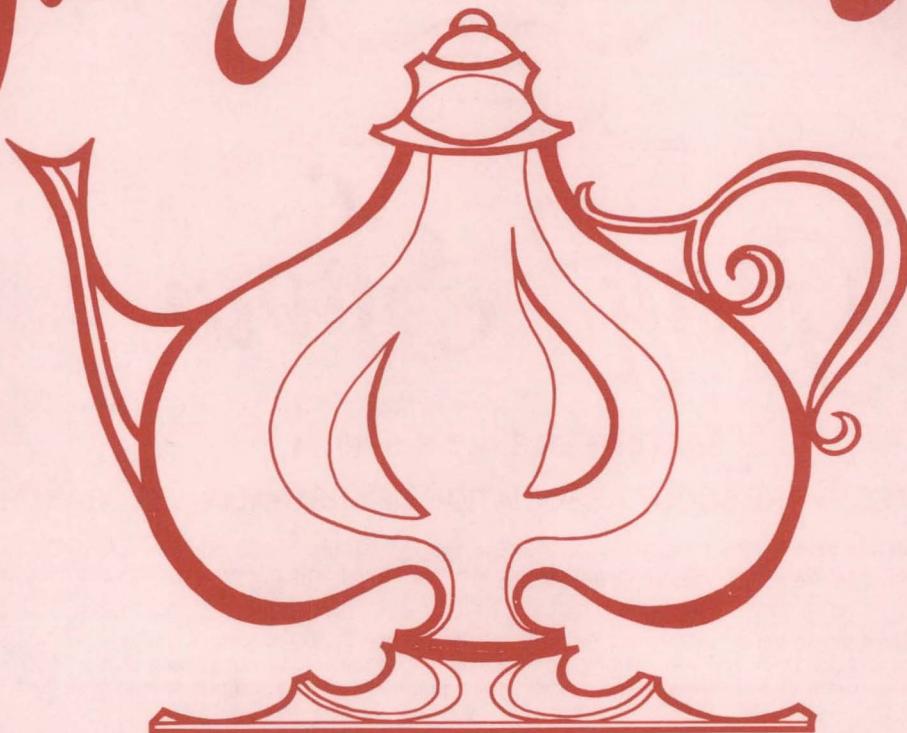
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It is absurd that he should govern others who knows not how to govern himself.



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1976 Gang Show



SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

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Gang' Show

SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

PRESENTED BY THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (VIC. BRANCH)

Gang Show returns again to the Palais Theatre, The Esplanade, St. Kilda, with a brand new look. Come and see for yourself. Our 350-strong team are waiting to bring you all the colour, comedy and spectacle that is Gang Show.

There are seven evening performances and two matinees to choose from. You can purchase individual seats or Scout Groups, Guide Units and social clubs can make money on the side by purchasing blocks of ten seats at the special low rate and reselling them at the regular price. Hire a bus, train or camel train and bring everyone!

Mail bookings through Celebrity Services are accepted right now. And, from July 22, you can purchase individual tickets over the counter from Celebrity Services, and blocks of ten from Celebrity Services, all Scout Shops and the Guide Office. Check the booking forms opposite.

Gang Show: once you pick it up you won't be able to put it down!

AUSTRALIAN RANGER GUIDE HANDBOOK

Rangers and Ranger Leaders, have you your new Australian Ranger Guide Handbook?

The first **Australian** Ranger Guide Handbook was published last year, and as it has now been in use for nearly twelve months, we have had time to find out how very useful it is.

The Ranger Guide Handbook comes in two parts. Part One contains all we need to know to help with the organisation and programming in the Ranger Unit.

Chapter headings, What It's All About, Guiding and Its Beginnings, After Investigation, Getting Organised, Programming, Out and About, Your District and Beyond, Of This and That, take us right from the start of a new Ranger Unit to the far corners of the earth.

The chapter Out and About is most useful, as it contains most of all we need to know

about camping; this is the first time we have had this information so readily available, and I am sure it will be of great use not only to Rangers but to all Leaders.

Part Two sets out details of uniform, Interest and Service Certificates, Land, Water and Air Safety, and Boating and Camping Qualifications.

As these Syllabi, rules and information appear together, it will be easier and less expensive to alter or add information as the need arises.

As the new Age Groups begin to take effect, we hope to see more Ranger Units around the State, and I urge every Ranger Guide and Ranger Leader, whether new or experienced, and Commissioners to purchase their copy of the Australian Ranger Guide Handbook at the Guide Shop.

JEAN TWIST,
Ranger Adviser.

— RANGER RAVE-ON —

Official opening of the Ranger Rave-On Conference by Mrs. Jean Twist, Ranger Adviser, was followed by reports from Central Committee, Ranger/Rover Council, Sailing School and Tapestry activities committees.

Mrs. Twist then spoke about the new age groupings. This provided lively discussion.

We were encouraged to take part in the Mini Olympic Games. Convenor, Mrs. McLean, told us the events included stretcher races, orienteering and first aid.

Miss Anstee told us of ways Rangers could help handicapped children and their parents. After lunch we divided into the proposed new age groups for discussion. The 14-18 year old group talked mainly about fixtures for next year and committee memberships.

The older group debated how the new committees were to be formed and the new fields open to this age group. We joined together to share findings.

After tea we heard a report from the Lone Rangers and saw slides of Essendon Rangers' trip to India, and later a film of the Alpine Adventure. These were interesting and showed the types of activities Rangers can enjoy.

Next morning, following Rangers' Own, which included slides, songs and readings on the theme, Love, Life and Living, ideas from the graffiti wall (butchers' paper covered) were discussed.

It was suggested we advertise Rangers to Guides, invite them to fixtures. We decided that every Ranger unit should have at least one fixture a year involving Guides, to show them Ranger activities and encourage them to join.

Everyone shared the feeling that the weekend was one of enjoyment and satisfaction in a lot of work well done.

SUE and LYNN,
Camberwell Ranger Unit.

BROWNIE GUIDE "Ribbon of Gold"

You will remember that the Forestry Commission is providing leaflets of tree planting hints to all Brownie Guide units and that the Natural Resources Conservation League is selecting trees for the Metropolitan girls.

Here are a few hints to help country Brownies choose the best type of tree to plant in their particular area, and some ideas about caring for all the trees as they grow and become part of our Ribbon of Gold.

When a little baby is born, it has to be kept warm and protected from too much sun or the cold and rain.

It has to be given the proper food and drink and needs a great deal of loving attention.

If, for some reason, that tiny baby has to be moved from his own home to another, special care is needed to see that he travels, arrives, and settles safely in to his new surroundings.

Trees are like babies.

They are born through Nature's clever plan of tiny seeds being buried in warm soft brown earth. As rain and sun soak the soil the seeds shoot and soon become tiny baby trees.

Our baby trees need food and drink — good soil and regular watering while they are little. They also need protection from too much sun and wind, perhaps a hessian or plastic windbreak — just like the pram around the baby!

They need lots of room and fresh air to grow too, so we must weed around them often.

Baby trees are delicate and need very careful handling. They should be carefully removed from their container and never, never pulled fiercely, or their roots, through which they feed, will be broken.

Everyone can plant a tree. It is so simple, yet so exciting to see a tiny plant become a tall leafy giant.

Unfortunately some animals like to eat trees, so it is necessary to place wire mesh guards around baby trees if there are leaf eating animals in the area.

Cattle also have a nasty habit of scratching — you must make sure your trees are protected by themselves on trees, guards or stakes, so against this problem too.

Trees, like people, come in all shapes, sizes and colours. And just like people, some trees prefer certain areas or climates for their homes.

If you took an Eskimo child to live in the Sahara Desert, he would not be very happy at all! So it is with trees.

When we plant trees we must check first that our chosen tree will, in fact, fit in to our particular district.

Is the soil suitable? Do we have enough rain? Do we have frosts? Is the air here salty from sea breezes? The best person to tell us the answers is our local nurseryman.

All these things must be considered.

Wattles are beautiful trees. Some have flowers like little balls of golden fluff, others long braids of cream; they are a fascinating family, and there is certainly one of these to suit your particular district.

I suggest you all visit your school or Municipal libraries and seek out Fred Rogers' book called "A Field Guide to Victorian Wattles".

There are more than ninety trees listed and illustrated. This could be a good "thinking for yourself" exercise as well.

Happy reading and planting,

ANNE L. FRASER.



INTERNATIONAL CAMP

It was my privilege, as a member of a party of 23 Guides, Rangers and Leaders from all over Australia, to attend an International Camp to celebrate sixty years Guiding in Hong Kong.

At the Kai Tak airport we were met by representatives of the Hong Kong Guide Association, who accompanied us to the Holiday Inn Hotel. We spent a few enjoyable days shopping and sightseeing before the Camp commenced. Our first Chinese meal was quite hilarious, trying to get used to managing chopsticks.

Our first function was an official welcome, when we were shown films on Hong Kong. The Camp was held over the Easter holiday period. We travelled by bus, train and ferry to reach the Campsite in the New Territories. It was beautifully situated, with mountains as a background and an expanse of water at the front.

Over 900 attended the Diamond Jubilee Camp, 130 being representatives of 15 different countries. Activities at the camp included Chinese Calligraphy, Shadow Boxing, Fencing, Chinese Dance, Chinese Folk Singing, Paper Craft and Kite making. Each girl participated in six activities. Highlight of the camp was International Day, when overseas visitors prepared demonstrations of their own culture, and performed during the evening. The theme was "Sharing is . . . Fun, Happiness is . . . Guiding". The Australians, wearing Wattle Dresses, presented a display showing Guiding in our country and things peculiar to Australia, such as the Flying Doctor Service and Brownies of the Air. We performed the Swagman's Stroll for the evening concert.

Following the camp, the Hong Kong Guide Association arranged several sightseeing tours around the busy and exciting city of Hong Kong. We also attended the Queen's Birthday Celebrations and saw a Queen's Scout Presentation on St. George's Day. We were most grateful to the Hong Kong Guide Association for their hospitality and for all our leaders who helped organise our itinerary. We are indebted to Mrs. Cook for her special leadership.

It was an unforgettable experience in the "sisterhood of Guiding" and I hope it will

not be my last opportunity to participate in an International Event.

JENNIFER DARBYSHIRE,
4th (St. Andrew's) Box Hill Company.

GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

50th Jubilee 1926-1976

In 1926 membership figures all around Australia were 6000, and in that year it was decided to form a Federal Council. Representatives from four States met in Melbourne, at Government House, and Lady Stonehaven, the wife of the Governor-General, became the first Federal President.

What a lot has happened between 1926 and 1976! Fifty years of national training, activity, camping, service and interstate co-operation. To celebrate this jubilee a very special gathering has been planned by Australian Headquarters, and each State has been asked to mark the occasion in some way. An appeal for \$100,000 will also be launched throughout Australia to give Australian Headquarters a working capital.

In Victoria, all members are asked to give thought to our national association during the third week of November and plan some special activity. It has been suggested that:

- Each member donate 50 cents — 1 cent for each year, to the Australian Headquarters appeal.
- Local Associations, Trefoil Groups, packs or units, organise a money-raising function that week, and send in the proceeds.
- You may like to attend the official dinner which will be held at the Melbourne Zoological Gardens on Friday evening, 19th November. Tickets will be \$15 per person and the Management of the Zoo has assured us all of a wonderful evening: a sit-down meal, a good band for dancing, beautiful flower displays, and, as an added bonus, the flood lighting of animal enclosures so you can enjoy the animal antics at your leisure. You are all invited to come along and bring your friends. Either book a table for eight or ten persons, or register your name to be placed with a hostess.

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Asia-Pacific News

Compass for Blind Queen's Guide

It was a real thrill recently when a New Zealand Ranger who has been blind from birth completed all the requirements and earned the Queen's Guide Badge. Judy had had to work doubly hard to accomplish some of the clauses and with just a few had had to have specialized help.

On hearing of Judy's efforts, the New Zealand office of a Swedish firm making compasses became interested. Eventually they were able to import a special braille compass and in a little ceremony attended by Judy's friends, Guide personnel and officials from the donor firm, the compass was presented. Judy is now able to participate much more fully in orienteering and other out-of-door activities.

"Spirit of Adventure"

This is the name of a sailing ship which is used in New Zealand as a training ship for young people. Sailings are for a length of 10 days and are held throughout the year. Any young person sponsored by a school, business firm or voluntary organisation can attend. Each sailing takes 27 trainees.

Over the past few years a number of Rangers and young leaders have individually joined the crew, but it was only at the end of 1975 that a special sailing was arranged for a joint Scout/Guide session and early in 1976 that an all Ranger sailing was organised. This was particularly thrilling for those lucky enough to be chosen and there were representatives from 18 out of the 20 Provinces.

All who sail on the "Spirit of Adventure" must be prepared for hard work and long hours as they are the crew. Instruction is given in the necessary techniques and skills, such as taking bearings, checking depth, wind, barometer, raising and lowering the sails, deck cleaning, cooking, etc. It was also necessary to learn to handle the small boats, to row and steer and quickly react to emergency safety measures.

The Rangers were divided into Watches and no matter the hour of day or night had to take their turn on the bridge. Keeping awake and alert from 02.30 to 04.00 hours was quite a challenge to many!

Spare moments were spent swimming, holding a barbecue in a sheltered bay, boat races and the inevitable singing with the accompaniment of the gently swaying boat, the lap of water, and wind in the sails and the strumming of the guitars.

For those who love the sea this is an exciting and enjoyable adventure which will live long in the memories of all taking part.

Visit to Rarotonga

Rarotonga, the main island in the Cook Group, 1750 miles from New Zealand, is a circular volcanic island 20 miles in circumference. It is surrounded by a coral reef and the white sands, picturesque palm trees and fertile valleys producing tropical fruits and vegetables, making it an ideal centre of government. The total group covering approximately 100,000 square miles of sea consists of 15 inhabited islands and atolls.

Towards the end of 1975 a group of 6 New Zealand Trainers spent 3 weeks in Rarotonga, with brief visits to Aitutaku, Mitiaro, Mauke and Atiu. During that time they were able to visit with all Brownie, Guide and Ranger Units, run leaders' trainings, a Guide camp, a Ranger cross island tramp, meet and talk with government and church officials.

Over the years many Cook Islanders have attended Guiding events in New Zealand and in return a few Trainers have visited the Islands. This was the first time that a team had travelled together. The enthusiasm aroused, the training given and ideas shared made the visit very worthwhile for all concerned. The Trainers themselves returned full of enthusiasm and full of ideas for closer co-operation and help in the future.

(from ASIA/PACIFIC NEWSLETTER).

50th JUBILEE (Cont. from p. 46)

For table or individual reservations please contact:

Mrs. E. Miller, 18 Mangarra Road, Canterbury, 3126 (telephone 836 1958), or Mrs. Nala Jones, Public Relations Department, Guide Headquarters (telephone 63 7911).



TRAINING PAGES

LET'S GO CAMPING

Lord Baden-Powell said, "The activities of an outdoor life and above all of camping afford one of the best means of developing the qualities of character that make for good citizenship".



Preparation by Guiders

1. Book site or, if camping on private property, have it approved by Division Camp Adviser.
2. Search for staff.
3. If not using Guide equipped site, organise tents and other equipment.
4. Obtain permission to camp in plenty of time.
5. Obtain and have completed Permission Forms, Health Forms, Indemnity Forms.
6. Provide guides with Kit list.
7. Provide for meeting of parents so that they can be given adequate information and opportunity to ask questions.
8. Organise transport.
9. Cost camp.

Preparation by Patrol Leaders' Council

1. Preparation of menus to enable Q.M. to order stores.
2. Daily program. (What time up? What time to bed? How long to do orderly jobs? etc.)
3. Activities Program. (Does the area where you will be camping offer any places of special interest which you could visit for a day, or do you know experts in any particular field who could visit the camp and teach a skill? Things we have tried are a visit to an historical park, visit to tulip farm, hunt for gemstones, panning for gold, expert on boomerang-throwing visited and tried (with not much success) to teach the girls to throw them, handcraft expert who taught handcraft skills with natural materials. Check maps of camping area for good places to hike.)

4. Duty Roster and Orderly Duties.

5. Notice Boards. For some ideas see "Let's Go Camping", page 45.

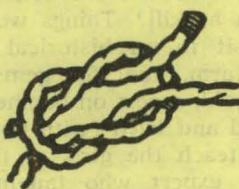


PREPARATION IN THE UNIT

CAMP BED AND BEDDING ROLL. Ask the girls to bring a groundsheet, sleeping bag, blankets and pins and rope, and teach them to make camp bed and tie bedding roll. For Camp Bed see "Outdoor Ideas". For Bedding Roll see "Help Yourself to Knotting and Lanyard Making", page 14.



CAMP KNOTS. Provide interesting opportunities to learn the knots that are necessary for camp. See Matilda Training Pages, April 1967, "Knotty Problems".



TENTS and SCREENING. If tent and screening is available, give girls opportunities to practise. (Can be done by patrols separately.)

If equipment is not available, why not try making a miniature tent and screening? Canvas may be represented by old sheeting, string for ropes, nails for tent pegs, butcher's skewers for poles, use hammer for mallet and set up on board so that nails may be hammered in.

(NOTE: Do not make model too small as it is awkward for girls to work with very small models.)

DISPOSAL OF RUBBISH. Demonstrate operation of Grease Pit. Make miniature grease pit tin with empty catering size tin. Make holes in bottom, fill with suitable filling, and make lid. Demonstrate how the tin operates.

GAME IDEA 1 (Sitting down in patrols). Make set of equipment for each patrol.

Equipment: 5 cards labelled "Burn", "Grease Pit", "Refuse Pit" (or "Rubbish Bin"), "Scatter", "Take Home".

Series of cards with name of something which we would need to dispose of in camp, e.g., vegetable peelings, tea leaves, wash up water, bath water, bottle, paper, tinfoil, egg shells, plastic containers, plastic wrapping, plate scraps, etc.

To Play: Girls sort out cards under appropriate headings. Check answers and discuss if necessary.

GAME IDEA 2. Girls in patrol files at one end of hall.

Equipment: Five labelled containers at other end of hall. (Each container different so that girls could distinguish them by "feel".) Different coloured token for each patrol.

To Play: Number the girls. Call out something which we would need to dispose of in camp and then call a number. Those numbered girls collect the patrol token and throw it into the appropriate container. First correct scores 3 points, second 2 and third 1.

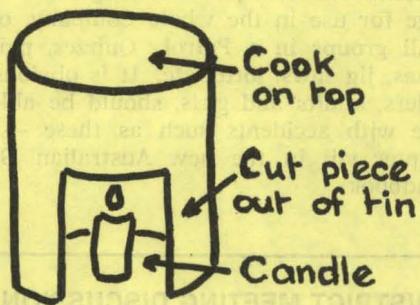
Variation: To create more fun (and confusion) when a girl's number is called she must first pull her beret down over her eyes so that she cannot see, and then try to be first to drop her token into the appropriate container.

FIRE PRECAUTIONS. Idea for Game. See Matilda Training Pages, April 1974. This game is based on the green pamphlet "What Every Girl Guide Should Know About Fire", and is similar to Game Idea 1 with cards labelled ALWAYS, NEVER and IF POSSIBLE, and statements, e.g., "Have a bucket of water beside the fire", on separate cards.

PREPARATION IN THE UNIT

FIRE AND COOKING. Although many of us have problems with lighting fires in the surrounds of the Guide Hall, it is still possible to prepare the girls in a number of ways.

1. Correctly stacked and graded woodpile can be demonstrated.
2. Small demonstration fire could be lit on a sheet of iron.
3. Girls could learn how to strike and hold matches correctly. Punch holes in lid of a tin, and place birthday candles into the holes. Girls strike matches and see how many candles they can light with one match.
4. Try tin can cooking. See old Handbook, page 26, or new Handbook, page 233. Instead of lighting a fire under the tin use candles to cook sausages, bacon, egg, pancakes, etc., on top of the tin.

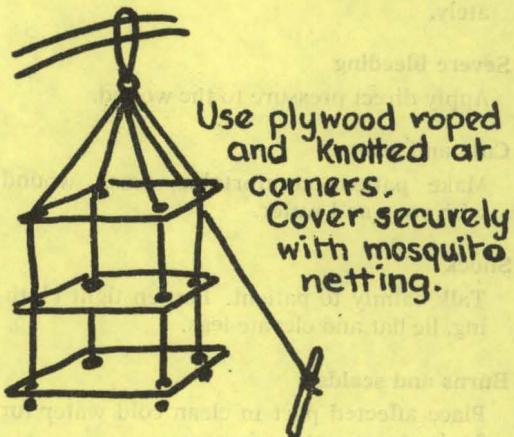


FLAGPOLE AND COLOURS. Practice erecting flagpoles and hoisting colours. See "Help Yourself to Knotting and Lanyard Making", page 19, or "Let's Go Camping", page 67. To make a practice set of equipment for the Guide Hall if you have no facilities for erecting a flagpole see Matilda Training Pages, April 1976.

GADGETS. The Guide Handbook has many ideas for camp gadgets as well as the other campcraft books available. Practice making useful gadgets at the company meetings. Why not have a patrol gadget making competition?

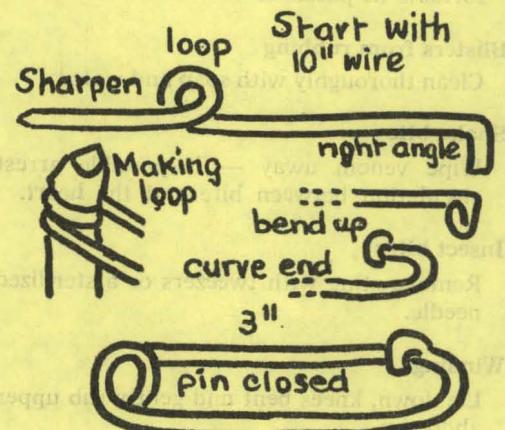
NOTE: Make sure that the gadgets would work — bring rucksack or bedding roll to place on pack rack, bowl for tripod, etc.

FOOD STORAGE. Patrols could attempt to make their own larder. "Dummy" food could be used for demonstration purposes. A bit of imagination and a search around the house can produce many items, e.g., an old stocking, cotton wool and a piece of wool tied in the right places can produce a lovely string of sausages to be stored in the food larder!



OTHER IDEAS:

1. Make your own sleeping bag. See Matilda Training Pages, August 1974.
2. Demonstrate how to pack rucksack, stressing importance of packing articles so that they will remain dry and are easy to find.
3. Why not try making your own billies for camp? See new handbook, page 235.
4. Make your own blanket pins.



WHAT WOULD YOU DO FIRST?

In First Aid, what you do first is often called "summed" up the vital part of the treatment. It is stressed that these treatments are ONLY the FIRST part. There are a lot of things you do and activities incorporating the full treatment will need to be introduced as soon as possible and follow up.

Patient not breathing

Commence artificial respiration immediately.

Severe bleeding

Apply direct pressure to the wound.

Cuts and grazes

Make patient comfortable, wash wound with soap and water.

Shock

Talk calmly to patient. Loosen tight clothing, lie flat and elevate legs.

Burns and scalds

Place affected part in clean cold water for 5 minutes or until pain eases.

Clothing on fire

Do not run, lie down and smother by rolling about.

Feeling faint

Sit down with head low, loosen tight clothing.

Fractures

Keep the patient still and make her comfortable as possible.

Blisters from rubbing

Clean thoroughly with soap and water.

Snake bite

Wipe venom away — if possible arrest circulation between bite and the heart.

Insect bites

Remove sting with tweezers or a sterilized needle.

Winding

Lie down, knees bent and gently rub upper abdomen.

Stitch

Rest and gently rub the affected area.

Cramp

Stretch the muscles and rub gently.

Nose bleed

Sit patient down, pinch nose just below the bone.

Strain

Rest the joint in most comfortable position, elevate the limb.

Games can be made covering this knowledge for use in the whole Company, or in small groups in a Patrol. Quizzes, pairing games, jig saws, lotto, etc. It is obvious all leaders, adults and girls, should be able to cope with accidents such as these — see Chapter viii in the new Australian Guide Handbook.

DISTRICT MEETING DISCUSSION 2



Are all Guiders in your area capable of coping with accidents?
If not, what is your next step?

SWIMMER BADGE

Brownie Guide Section

The Elementary Swimmer Badge is intended for the girl not capable of completing the clauses necessary for the Advanced Swimmer Badge. Often this is a younger child just learning to swim. If a girl attempts both badges on the same day, only one badge should be awarded, that of the higher standard achieved. The only time a Brownie could wear both badges would be, having achieved the Elementary badge, she then challenged herself at a later date for a higher standard.

Due to the numerous swimming certificates of varying standards issued by private pools and schools it is no longer acceptable for a Swimmer Badge to be issued this way. Primary, Safe Swimmer and Survival Certificates issued by Education Department and Royal Lifesaving Society do not cover clause 2(a) and clause 4 in the syllabus for Elementary and Advanced Swimmer Badges. It is necessary for the teacher or instructor who issued the Certificate to check the Interest Badge syllabus and if all clauses have been covered the **Interest Certificate must be signed** in the usual way as for any other interest badge.

If this teacher or instructor is not available it will be necessary for the child to cover the syllabus, as set out in the book to the satisfaction of the tester, and the certificate then signed by the tester.

Guiders are reminded that the Interest Badge Certificate must state Elementary or Advanced Swimmer Badge before the badge can be purchased.

JANET COOPER,
Brownie Adviser.

PRESTON CELEBRATION

Former members and friends of 1st Preston Guide Company are invited to a social evening to celebrate their 50th anniversary at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 18th September, in St. Mary's Church Hall, corner Plenty and Tyler Roads, East Preston.

For details please telephone Mrs. B. Bunting on 47 5867.

MARCHING AT MINI OLYMPIC GAMES

AT OPENING AND CLOSING CEREMONIES THE MARCHING **MUST BE GOOD**, and so many Guides do not march nowadays.

Please practice from now until the day of the Opening. Have your whole Company or Pack joining in, round and round and up and down your meeting hall.

Can you borrow and use a march tune . . . record or tape?

Points to Watch:

- No chewing.
- No talking.
- No heads wagging from side to side.
- Erect carriage, but not stiff, arms swinging slightly with fingers loosely bent, looking forward just over the head of the girl in front.
- Step off with left foot, and finish with the right.
- Try keeping a straight line, six abreast.
- Try keeping a straight 'follow your leader' single file.
- Practice, while marching and keeping in step, turning the head at the order "Eyes Left" and **keeping the head in that position** until the order "Eyes Front".
- When standing at attention, a girl should have heels together, knees straight, and be facing the front with hands by sides. (Check your unit for that position without telling them what you are looking for. I doubt if many would score 100%.)
- When told to "Stand at ease", girls carry the right foot about 18 inches, balance weight on both feet, keep looking to the front, and clasp loosely behind the back. (How would they score this time? . . . Well, keep trying.)
- We sometimes see very half-hearted salutes. It should be a smart movement, both up and down, with 3 **straight** fingers.

LOCAL



ASSOCIATION SECTION

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Whilst enormous strides have been made in communications in recent years, there is still a lot to be said for the Smile.

Local Association Adviser

All Local Association members will be pleased to know that the appointment of Mrs. J. C. A. Pennington as the first Local Association Adviser for Victoria has been announced.

Margaret is currently President of Kew Local Association and has had many active years as an enrolled Local Association member in Kew District. Many members will remember her as Chairman of the State Local Association Conference held at Heidelberg Town Hall last year.

We wish Margaret all the best in her new venture and know that she will enjoy meeting Local Association members and helping Local Associations generally as she moves amongst you throughout the State. Her address is 28 Rowland Street, Kew, 3101.

Cartoonist at Luncheon

Annual luncheon of Doncaster Local Association was attended by over 90 members and friends. They were given a delicious smorgasbord luncheon of a wide variety of hot casseroles, prepared by mothers of Brownies and Guides.

Guest speaker Jeff Hook, "Sun" cartoonist, enthralled his audience when he drew his famous caricatures of past and present politicians and told some very amusing anecdotes.

After answering many questions, he left the sketches to be auctioned. The Local Association Treasurer acted as auctioneer and bidding was brisk. All ten sketches were sold with prices ranging from \$2.60 to \$15.00.

Toole Pate Lodge Luncheon

East Metropolitan Region Local Association will hold their Annual Luncheon this year on Wednesday, 15th September, at 12 noon, at Toole Pate Lodge, Dalry Road, Launching Place.

Mrs. W. H. Samman, State Lone Adviser, will be Guest Speaker and proceeds of the Luncheon will go to the Lone Section of Guiding.

Please make your bookings with Treasurer, Mrs. E. Fraser, 52 Heathfield Rise, Box Hill North, 3129, or telephone 88 3650.

Rippon Lea

If your members would like to wander in 13 acres of superb lawns and gardens, including one of the finest collections of ferns, see handsome peacocks roaming freely, and black and white swans on the ornamental lakes, than an outing to Rippon Lea, the National Trust's Elsternwick Estate, is a must for your Local Association. Normal admission rate of \$1.00 per adult is charged by the Trust, but by charging your members and friends \$2.00 or more for the outing, you will add considerably to your funds. Larger groups may consider the property as the venue for a future event. Contact Jean Carter at Royce Public Relations Pty. Ltd., 505 St. Kilda Road, Melbourne, 3004, for more details.

Treasured Assistant Secretary

Tatura Local Association members wish to say a special thank-you to their Assistant Secretary of the past four years, Mrs. Doreen Chandler. Mrs. Chandler is a quiet, steady worker doing all those little things behind the scenes to keep her Local Association running smoothly and the Guide Hall neat and tidy — things that others do not hear or think about.

Mrs. Chandler deserves this special tribute for her dedicated service to Guiding, and from Tatura — Thank you Doreen.

RECIPE CORNER

Apple Crumble

1.—Mix $\frac{1}{2}$ cup S.R. flour, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup coconut together and rub 1 tablsp. butter into mixture. Put on top of hot stewed apples (or rhubarb) and bake in a slow oven for approx. 30 minutes.

2.—Crush 4 cups Corn Flakes, add 2 tablsp. brown sugar, 1 teas. cinnamon and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup melted butter. Line a greased pie dish with half the Corn Flake mixture. Place 4 cooking apples (peeled and sliced), $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup water, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sultanas and juice of 1 lemon on crumbed base and sprinkle with remaining mixture. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes in moderate oven. Serve both these desserts with custard, cream or ice cream.

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Please send contributions for this section to Mrs. D. O. Oldfield, 4 Embling Road, Malvern, 3144.



1976 CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARDS

Ivan Southall has won the 1976 award of the Children's Book Council of Australia for the best children's book of the year with **Fly West**, a story of his experiences as a pilot during the second world war. This book would not be of great interest to children of Brownie age, but older Guides and Rangers may find it interesting.

The highly commended book, **A Dog Called George** by Margaret Balderson, will delight Brownies. George is an Old English Sheepdog and his friendship with Tony makes this a warm and satisfying story, set in a normal happy family background.

JEAN HALEY,
Girl Guides Association representative
on the Children's Book Council.

OVERSEAS SERVICE via Mutual Aid Scheme

The idea for the Mutual Aid Scheme was born 12 years ago, although it only became a regular feature of World Bureau Service in 1967. It was hoped this scheme would be truly mutual, establishing close contacts between countries concerned which would be on-going and have educational value as well.

You may remember that, a few years ago, Australia supplied a "Boomerang Bus" for Afghanistan so that training could be undertaken all over that country.

World Bureau lists only projects, not countries, needing assistance. However, when they select a project from the list, a National Organization is then given the name of the country submitting the project so that contact can be made.

What a good way to spread our Guiding far afield!

Perhaps a District, Division or Region could choose a project to support.

Remember that "Mutual" means a two-way process, that is the giving and receiving flow in both directions.

We could benefit from the scheme by sharing with another Association, through correspondence, news about Guiding in that country, descriptions of everyday life, aims and aspirations of young girls in that country, illustrations, photographs or slides.

A list of current projects is obtainable from Overseas Service co-ordinator, Mrs. G. Farrow, 3 Merrion Grove, Kew, 3101. (A stamped, self-addressed envelope would be appreciated.)

The projects range from about \$12 to \$1000, so we have plenty of choice.

This could be lots of fun and a very worthwhile undertaking. How about YOU taking part?

S.F.



FLOOD RELIEF

Members who have donated money to help their sister Guides following the severe floods suffered in Queensland and New South Wales earlier this year will be interested to see this letter.

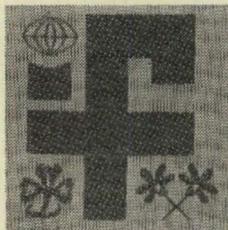
52 Cohoe Street,
Toowoomba,
2-7-76.

The State Commissioner,
Girl Guides Association,
Victoria.

Dear Madam,

This week I received, through Darling Downs Border Region Commissioner, Mrs. Church, a cheque to help with repairs, etc., to our home after the January hailstorm. Would you please convey to all the Guiding people concerned our sincere thanks for your thoughts and kindness. The spirit of Guiding is very much alive and we appreciate the "out" of your State Good Turn.

Yours in Guiding,
Muriel M. James.



IRENE FAIRBAIRN AWARD FUND

Is everyone in your unit wearing an I.F. badge, or has one on her camp blanket?

Through the sale of these badges more people will get to know about the fund and this will help it to GROW.

Then we can use it more, and that is the whole idea.

The Irene Fairbairn Award Fund committee has decided to help one delegate to the gathering at Our Cabana later this year, and to pay expenses of one delegate to the International Camp in Canada next year.

S.F.



AUSTRALIAN POST BOX

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your quick response to my request for Pen Friends for Guides in other countries.

However, there are still many more overseas members waiting for links with Brownie Packs, Guides, Rangers, Guiders and Commissioners in Australia.

You can help me to make this list (see July "Matilda") much shorter by writing to your **Victorian Post Box Secretary, Mrs. C. Blackburn, P.O. Box 19, Macedon, 3440**, for a pen friend.

Please write soon.

C. M. WILLIAMSON,
Australian Post Box Secretary.

Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Leaders,
Families and Friends.

Come and join with our
Chief Commissioner, Miss Mary Lambie,
in Friendship and Fun

at
A GUIDES' OWN

on Sunday, 5th September, 1976,
at 9.30 a.m.

in Alexandra Gardens
(just near Princes Bridge)

Please come to join all your friends.

One of the fundamentals when learning to speak is knowing when not to.

INDIVIDUAL BOOKING

TO: CELEBRITY SERVICES, Shop 10 Tivoli Arcade, 235 Bourke St., Melbourne 3000. Phone: 654 3774

PLEASE SEND THE FOLLOWING TICKETS

	STALLS	BACK STALLS	LOUNGE
FRIDAY, 3 EVENING	\$2.60	\$2.10	\$2.80
SATURDAY, 4 MATINEE	\$2.00	\$1.60	\$2.20
SATURDAY, 4 EVENING	\$2.60	\$2.10	\$2.80
TUESDAY, 7 EVENING	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$3.20
WEDNESDAY, 8 EVENING	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$3.20
THURSDAY, 9 EVENING	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$3.20
FRIDAY, 10 EVENING	\$4.00	\$3.50	\$4.50
SATURDAY, 11 MATINEE	\$2.30	\$2.00	\$2.50
SATURDAY, 11 EVENING	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$6.00

If seats are not available as requested above, alternative dates are:

Note: Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Cheques payable to Celebrity Services. No returns accepted.
Children under 8 years half-price. Evening performances at 8 p.m. Matinees at 2 p.m.

NAME

ADDRESS

TEL. No. SCOUT GROUP TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$
OR GUIDING UNIT

INDIVIDUAL BOOKINGS BY MAIL NOW
PERSONAL BOOKINGS AT CELEBRITY SERVICES FROM JULY 22
FOR BLOCK BOOKINGS SEE OVER

BLOCK BOOKING

TO: CELEBRITY SERVICES, Shop 10 Tivoli Arcade, 235 Bourke St., Melbourne 3000. Phone: 654 3774

PLEASE SEND THE FOLLOWING NUMBER OF BLOCKS (10 TICKETS IN EACH BLOCK):

	STALLS	BACK STALLS	DRESS CIRCLE	UPPER CIRCLE
FRIDAY, 3 EVENING	\$18.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$12.00
SATURDAY, 4 MATINEE	\$18.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$11.00
SATURDAY, 4 EVENING	\$19.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$13.00
TUESDAY, 7 EVENING	\$20.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$14.00
WEDNESDAY, 8 EVENING	\$20.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$14.00
THURSDAY, 9 EVENING	\$20.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$14.00
FRIDAY, 10 EVENING	\$29.00	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$20.00
SATURDAY, 11 MATINEE	\$21.00	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$15.00
SATURDAY, 11 EVENING			\$24.00	\$20.00

If seats are not available as requested above, alternative dates are:

Note: Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Cheques payable to Celebrity Services. No returns accepted. Evening performances at 8 p.m. Matinees at 2 p.m. Please keep block tickets together for theatre ushers.

NAME

ADDRESS

TEL. No. SCOUT GROUP TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$
OR GUIDING UNIT

BLOCK BOOKINGS BY MAIL NOW

PERSONAL BLOCK BOOKINGS AT CELEBRITY SERVICES, SCOUTS SHOPS AND THE GUIDE OFFICE FROM JULY 22
FOR INDIVIDUAL BOOKINGS SEE OVER

JAMBOREE ON THE AIR

16th-17th October, 1976

Make a note of the date now.

Are you participating this year?

I am sure those who took part last year will do so again this year. Remember, this activity can be such an important part of "Getting to Know People". If you have never participated before, join in the fun this year. For full information and details of how to take part please contact me by telephone any evening or by letter.

Last year there were 61 Companies recorded as taking part, but only 40 of these returned Log Sheets to me. It would help greatly if all Companies who take part could return their sheets to me. If you worked with an operator last year and would like to work with him again this year please contact him directly to make arrangements for the most suitable day and time, but please still let me know your arrangements so that I may forward you a log sheet. If you would like a change of operator give me a call and I will try to help you.

Talk to your Patrol Leaders now and maybe this year it will be your group talking to that overseas Country.

JOYCE KELLETT,
54 Marianne Way,
Mount Waverley, 3149.
232 7414 (evenings only).

DOWN IN THE ARCHIVES

The Editor has kindly agreed to allow me some space in Matilda, and in this first article I want to express my gratitude to those many people who worked with Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Wilson to sort out and catalogue the vast amount of material. Now that this pioneering job has been done it will be possible to share some of the discoveries with the members of the Movement.

In the past some of the old pictures and documents have been shown on the shelves in the members' lounge at Headquarters, and it is planned to change these displays quite often and to make them topical. The display in July was done by a Guide as part of the test for her Guide Knowledge Badge, having special reference for Rangers. In August we are featuring early Guiding in Victoria, while September's display will be devoted to "Keeping Fit" with emphasis on the 1956 Olympic Village Good Turn.

A recent gift to the archives is a copy of Miss Agnes Baden-Powell's book 'How Girls Can Help to Build Up the Empire'. In the section on 'Proficiency Badges' I found the following statement:

"The Rule is that examiners may not lay claim to any articles produced as tests, such as tarts, cakes, flags, knickers, etc."

MARY LAMBE,
State Archivist.

MELBOURNE GANG SHOW

What has 250 legs, 750 costumes, smiles, sings and dances and, if laid end-to-end, would probably stay there?

Yes, of course, you have guessed it — the cast of the 1976 Melbourne Gang Show.

Gang Show this year is at the Palais Theatre, St. Kilda, from 3rd to 11th September, and the theme is the magical pantomime story, featuring Aladdin, Ali Baba, Genie, and all your old favourites (but not Major Nelson or Doctor Bellows).

As well as this happy crew you will see dancing grapes, rock 'n roll Shakespeare, a song-and-dance camel, snappy comedy routines and a tribute to the 75th anniversary of Australia's Federation.

Then for something completely different . . . an audience participation item.

If you would like to join this strange ritual, along with the other 23,999 regulars, book now for one of the nine performances.

Bring the girls from your unit — and their families — for a fun night.

The Gang Show team of more than 300 members of the Scout and Guide Movements would love to see you.

BOOKINGS: Individual seats or blocks of 10 are available now from Celebrity Services, Tivoli Arcade, Bourke Street, Melbourne. Block bookings can also be made through the Guide Shop and all Scout Shops.

COUNTRY-CITY EXCHANGES

VERMONT—KORUMBURRA WEEKEND

Last year, Korumburra Brownies and Guides spent a weekend with us, so, recently, we returned the visit. Our reserved train carriage seemed "electrified" with excitement and anticipation of seeing friends again.

When we finally reached Korumburra, the station was deserted. Perhaps they had forgotten us; but no — there was a welcoming committee in a hall nearby. We were all soon united with the girls with whom we were to spend the weekend.

Brownies were taken by bus to nearby farms while Guides walked to another farm, where we found cows being milked on a "Roto-Lac" system. This can milk forty cows in seven minutes. A few of us were "milk-maids" also! We all went mushrooming, some rode in the hay; one girl drove a tractor. We enjoyed a barbecue, after which we HIKED back to the Guide Hall for a Salamagundi games night, followed by supper. Oh, that food!

On Sunday we all assembled at Coal Creek. First of all we had Guides' Own in the tiny church. It is a lovely old church, and the address given by the Deaconess was most interesting as she had had early connections with Guiding in Korumburra

Then, after chicken lunch prepared by the local association we were able to inspect the Old Time exhibits — houses, old-fashioned clothing, utensils, etc., shops and coal tunnel. Later some of us went to Korumburra Gang Show practice.

Thank you, Korumburra, for a great weekend.

DENISE BEANLAND
HEIDI DITTRICH
DIANNE WOLLARD

COLBINABBIN — WEST WAVERLEY EXCHANGE VISITS

Mrs. P. Hassell of 1st Colbinabbin Company stayed with me for the Guiders Conference last June. Following this visit, my Guides, 4th West Waverley Company invited her Company to visit them in November.

Their visit to us was a great success. We met their bus on Saturday, and took them to the Alexandra Gardens for picnic lunch, then by train to the Zoo which all guides enjoyed. We returned to Jordanville Station where parents met us, and the visitors were taken to various homes for the night. Sunday morning we all attended Church and in the afternoon visited the Melbourne Arts Centre. We said "Farewell" to our visitors when they boarded their bus back to Colbinabbin on Sunday afternoon. Several Guides corresponded with their new found friends.

A return visit to Colbinabbin was arranged this year. After a three hour bus journey, 15 Guides and 3 Guiders were met by Colbinabbin Guides and parents and taken to various homes — some being farms. On Saturday, we were taken on a tour of Rushworth and Whroo (pronounced ROO — and yes, it is on the map). Whroo used to be a thriving gold mining town and the old open cut gold mine is a 30 feet wide and 30 feet deep crater. Gold is there still, but electricity is needed to get it out now. The whole area is now bushland, controlled by the Forest Commission, and it is very hard to realise that a thriving town once existed. After exploring the gold mine, we visited an old aboriginal water hole. This was formed by hacking with stone axes a hole, three feet deep, in the rock, to find drinking water. This hole never dries up or overflows, and there is no spring underneath, nor is there any water to be found anywhere around it. No experts can account for this phenomenon. Afterwards we were taken to a farm to watch merino sheep being shorn. The weather was very kind to us, but on Sunday morning when we went to Church the rains came. The small Church was filled to capacity, the largest portion of the congregation being Guides.

Extra activities by individuals included milking cows (or trying to), driving a tractor, fishing for Black Fish by torchlight and a visit to a Pop Concert at Kerang.

We returned to Melbourne by bus on Sunday afternoon, and all Guides had a marvellous weekend, many friendships being formed.

M. KEY.

MATILDA

GUIDES VISIT DUNOLLY

1st and 2nd West Doncaster Guide Companies had an interesting and enjoyable Camp at "Mataranka", Dunolly, 1st Company camping under canvas and 2nd Company being indoors.

They panned for gold after a demonstration by Mr. John Flett, local historian and curator of Dunolly Museum, who has resided in the area for 40 years. The girls were thrilled to find colour in almost every dish.

Visits were arranged also to the site of the Queen's Birthday Mine, a Eucalyptus Distillery, the very well stocked Museum, and the Grain Silos, which all proved most stimulating.

As conditions were extremely dry the girls realised how important it is to conserve water in country areas; at our closing ceremony we prayed for rain to come soon to the very dry districts.

At the first meeting after Camp, each patrol mimed something that had happened during the Camp, sharing some of their experiences with those who had been unable to attend.

I WATT,
Assistant Guider,
1st West Doncaster Company.



BADGERS CLUB

The Badgers Club, a group of Scouts and Guides interested in collecting both metal and cloth badges, is compiling a badge history of both movements. Any person interested or with badges of interest should contact the Secretary, P.O. Box 38, Fairfield, Victoria, 3078.

MY FIRST GUIDE CAMP

Recently I went to "Iluka", Shoreham, for my first outdoor camp with my Guide Company.

I helped to collect firewood and to saw it into pieces. Also I helped to prepare food.

We went on two hikes, cliff climbing and mushroom picking.

It was great to sit around campfire at night, singing and enjoying skits.

At camp we played lots of games and I helped put up two rope bridges. Some of us went exploring and found some extraordinary things.

I think camp was terrific, mainly because the leaders were so wonderful. I am looking forward to my next Guide camp.

SALLY GOSEWINCKEL,
2nd Heatherdale Company.

HELPING HANDS

We recently received a letter from The Rheumatism and Arthritis Association of Victoria, Fund-raising Committee, "expressing their appreciation of the girls' help, kindness and understanding" when eight of us, one Ranger and seven Guides from different companies in Heatherdale, helped them at a Garden Luncheon one Sunday afternoon.

Some of us carried trays and dishes of food to main tables while others served drinks and chips.

When guests had gone home we cleared tables and washed dishes—there really were lots of dishes to wash!

NARELLE NICHOLAS,
2nd Heatherdale Guide Company.

PHILLIP ISLAND FARM HOLIDAYS

Spacious attractive surrounds, beachfront, horse-riding, hay-rides, animals, etc. 4 new log cabins. Recreation hall. Families, schools and groups. Telephone Mrs. Jeffery on (059) 56 7288.

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While we are deliberating to begin, the time to begin has past.

APPLICATION FORM FOR VICTORIAN GUIDERS' CONFERENCE

**Send applications AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
to Mrs. E. Perrier, 343 South Road, East Brighton, 3187.**

ABSOLUTE closing date 11th September, 1976

ENCLOSE STAMPED, SELF ADDRESSED ENVELOPE FOR RETURN OF
CONFERENCE TICKETS.

NOTE: ONE APPLICATION FORM PER UNIT

UNIT _____ DISTRICT _____

1. PERSONAL DETAILS:

Names and addresses of applicants — PLEASE PRINT

...tickets @ \$1.00 per head TOTAL \$

I enclose cheque/postal order for the above amount (cheques and postal orders to be made out to "Guiders Seminar Committee", money orders to Moorabbin Post Office). PLUS a stamped, self addressed envelope.

(WE REGRET NO REFUNDS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER THE CLOSING DATE)

Signed.....

2. SECTION TIME:

Mark with a tick the Section Time each applicant wishes to attend.

1. Brownie Guide Ranger
2. Brownie Guide Ranger
3. Brownie Guide Ranger

QUESTION BOX: Please fill in any questions or queries you may have, MARK CLEARLY TO WHICH SECTION THEY RELATE.

STATE STANDARD (Cont. from p. 41)

It has been suggested that this pole might be a memorial to Joan Harper who for many years wrote nature notes in "Matilda". She loved the Sherbrooke area, where Sassafras grows, and where her parents had a holiday home.

So we hope our State Commissioner will move with pride before her new Standard at the Mini Olympic Games. G.W.

ATTENTION

Britannia Park Campers

**FRESH COUNTRY BREAD, CAKES, BUNS,
FRUIT LOAVES.**

We will deliver any quantity seven days a week.

WARBURTON LOCAL BAKERY

Main Street, Warburton.

Telephone: (059) 66 2054.



"WORLD CRUISE" PACK HOLIDAY

Seventeen Brownies, three Guiders and three Rangers left Australia for an around the world cruise aboard the S.S. BROWNIE PARADISE.

First port of call was North America, where we visited the Red Indians and learnt to make Indian paper bead necklaces, followed by a nature walk and barbecue.

Next stop was Mexico, where the girls were taught the Mexican hat dance and shown how to make paper flowers.

Under windmills in Holland we sat entranced as two Dutch girls sang and danced for us.

On to China, where we ate Chow Mein and played a Chinese beetle game.

Back on board ship we had deck games and drill followed by a party night, a small church service was held on Sunday morning.

"Rough seas" after lunch resulted in passengers being confined to their cabins for an hour.

Our only mishap for the voyage was when the boat almost sank because a tap came off the wall during shower time.

We arrived back in Australia all happy but tired. Memories of an exciting and meaningful "voyage" will linger with us for a long time to come.

UNA WRIGHT,

3rd Traralgon Brownie Pack.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

4th Malvern Brownies celebrated their 50th Anniversary with a party.

Mothers and Guides joined in a game which was followed by a play by the Brownies.

A scrumptious cake and morning tea, enjoyed by all, brought the party to an end.

M. BUDDLE,
4th Malvern Brownie Pack.

SNOWDROP'S BABY

1st Epping Brownie Pack went to see their former leader "Snowdrop". She has a new baby boy named Simon.

We caught the train at Epping station and got off at Jolimont. We walked to the Mercy Hospital. "Snowdrop" was on the 6th floor in ward 2. We found her sitting up in bed reading a book and she was very surprised to see us. After saying "hello" and giving her a gift for Simon, we went to see Simon. He was wide awake. We caught the train back home, our mums and dads met us at the Epping station. We really enjoyed ourselves in spite of it being a rainy day.

ROSANNE, BRENDA and TANYA,
for 1st Epping Brownie Pack.



PACK VENTURE

On World Environment Day our pack went to Kennington Reservoir. All the Brownies collected lots of rubbish from the area.

We then had barbecue lunch followed by games, singing and a hike.

We all had lots of fun.

1st Bendigo South Brownies.

PENS FOR FUNDS

Retractable ball point pens, blue and yellow imprinted Girl Guides, \$17.50 per 100 for re-sale at \$25.00 per 100 — plus postage for orders under 500 (\$1.20 for first 100 plus 10c each extra 100).

Mrs. G. Richardson, "Boorana", Woorndoo R.S.D., Mortlake, 3272 — cheques with orders please.

From the GUIDE SHOP

Pack Holiday and Camp Uniform



FOUND

Grey camp blanket, badges attached, on Sunraysia Highway, near Donald. Please contact Mrs. McLelland, 15 Meyer Street, Donald, 3480.

FOR SALE

Guider's skirt and jacket, size 32B. Good condition. Please contact Mrs. K. Phillips, Pirron Yallock R.S.D., Colac, 3249.

Commissioner's Uniform, skirt, jacket, blouse, beret. Size 34. Good condition. \$25.00. Please contact Mrs. A. R. Shilton, 28 Kings Avenue, St. Arnaud, 3478. Telephone (054) 95 1388.

Commissioner's Uniform. Size 38B (as new). \$30.00. Commissioner's Uniform. Size 36B. \$25.00. Hat \$7.00. Please telephone Mrs. B. Goldenberg on 97 6178.

TEENAGER'S PRAYER

Dear God, please help me.

I am a teenager.

I have experienced the love of my parents, brothers, sisters, friends; of flowers and sun of summertime, and the snow of wintertime.

I have gone through temptation to smoke, drink alcohol, cheat, lie, to swear and hurt the ones I love most.

I have experienced jealousy towards those who are successful, towards those who have more than I.

I have experienced contempt for those who hold prejudices, for those who do not share my beliefs.

Dear God, please help to make people see that, like everybody else, I am a human.

S. WILSON
(from *Police Life*, with permission)

TRAINING CALENDAR

COMMISSIONERS AND UNIT LEADERS
with the necessary experience are welcome to apply for **ANY** training. Applications should be sent **prior to the closing date** and be accompanied by the training fee and a stamped self addressed envelope. **Early application** for all trainings is recommended.

Stage 1 Training

Bayswater — Weekend 23rd-24th October and 20th-21st November, — times 10 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. A. K. Ellis, 36 Gerda Street, Scoresby, 3179, by **1st October**.

Canterbury — Weekends 18th-19th September and 16th-17th October — times 10 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **31st August**.

Wangaratta — Weekend 11th-12th September — time 10.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Sunday. Applications to Mrs. D. Hamilton, "Hamilton Park", South Wangaratta, 3677, by **23rd August**.

Stage 2 Training for Warranted Leaders

NOTE: Stage 2 is aimed at helping you directly with your leadership role. Please assess your needs and list them on the application form.

Creswick — Weekend 25th-26th September — time 10.00 a.m. to 9.30 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sunday. **NOTE:** Please bring cut lunch — all other meals provided. Applications and \$5.50 training fee to Mrs. G. Platt, Lot 109 Beresford Crescent, Darly, via Bacchus Marsh, 3340, by **3rd September**.

Dandenong — Weekend 30th-31st October — time 10.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sunday. Applications to Mrs. H. Lardner, 51 Bundeena Avenue, Noble Park, 3174, by **8th October**.

Euroa — Weekend 25th-26th September — time 10.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sunday. Applications to Mrs. M. Gorman, 33 Batten Street, Seymour, 3660, by **3rd September**.

Headquarters — Monday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th September — time 10.00 a.m. to 3 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **20th August**.

Korumburra — Weekend 2nd-3rd October — time 10.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sunday. Applications to Mrs. J. Gaudion, 32 Blackmore Avenue, Leongatha, 3953, by **20th September**.

Lalor — Monday 20th, 27th September, 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th October, 1st, 8th November — time 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. M. Teape, 33 Sparks Avenue, Fairfield, 3078, by **1st September**.

Macarthur — Weekend 23rd-24th October — time 10.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sunday. Applications to Mrs. F. Jervies, "Karingal", Hamilton, 3300, by **1st October**.

Moorabbin — Weekend 16th-17th October — times 10.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sunday Applications to Mrs. A. Watsford, P.O. Box 50, East Bentleigh, 3165, by **25th September**.

Shepparton — Tuesday and Wednesday, 28th-29th September and 19th-20th October — time 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. M. Murphy, 73 Balaclava Road, Shepparton, 3630, by **7th September**.

Yarragon — Weekend 16th-17th October and 6th-7th November — times 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Mrs. K. Marshall, 29 Hearn Street, Drouin, 3818, by **16th September**.

Advanced Leadership Training (formerly Stage 3) for Warranted Leaders

Terang — Weekend 2nd-3rd October and 6th-7th November — times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **20th September**.

Pack Holiday Training

Glengarry — Weekend 18th-19th September — times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. **NOTE:** Fee to be advised. Applications to Mrs. K. Marshall, 29 Hearn Street, Drouin, 3818, by **28th August**.

Headquarters — Thursday 14th, 21st, 28th October — time 9.45 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Applications and \$2.00 fee to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **23rd September**.

Mount Waverley — Tuesday 12th October — time 7.45 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. at the Guide Hall, Florida Street, **plus** weekend 23rd-24th October — times 9.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Saturday and 9.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Sunday at the Chadstone Guide Hall, Ivanhoe Grove, **Chadstone**. Applications to Miss M. Hunt, 8/7 Alcala Avenue, Chadstone, 3148, by **17th September**.

Sherbrooke River (Otway Region) — Weekend 27th-28th November — times and fee to be advised. Applications to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **6th November**.

Yandiah (Sunraysia Region) — Weekend 5th-7th November — times 7.00 p.m. Friday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. **NOTE:** Fee to be advised. Applications to Mrs. S. Smith, 10 Barry Avenue, Mildura, 3500, by **14th October**.

Campcraft Training

Warby Ranges (Wangaratta) — Weekend 11th-12th September — times 9.30 a.m. Saturday to 3.00 p.m. Sunday, plus weekend 25th-26th September — times as above, location to be advised. Applications and \$11.00 (\$5.50 per weekend) to Mrs. D. Hamilton, "Hamilton Park", South Wangaratta, 3677, by **23rd August**.

Yandiah (Sunraysia Region) — Weekends 6th-7th November and 20th-21st November, plus 3rd weekend (dates to be advised) — times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Applications to Mrs. S. Smith, 10 Barry Avenue, Mildura, 3500, by **14th October**.

A.—RESIDENTIAL WEEKEND FOR INDOOR GUIDE HOLIDAY PERMIT

Weekend 5th November (evening) to 7th November. Times — 7.00 p.m. Friday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Location — "Benwerrin", Yarra Junction. Fee — \$8.00.

B.—SHORT COURSE CAMP CRAFT

Guiders attending must have:

- a) Staffed on at least 2 camps as an adult
or
- b) Gained Patrol Leader Permit as a Guide and, as adult, camped once on staff.

Weekends 25th-26th September and 30th-31st October. Times — 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Location — Janet Whitlam, South Belgrave. Fee — \$14.00.

C.—FULL CAMP CRAFT COURSE

Wednesday, 29th September and 6th October — times 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. at Headquarters **plus** Saturday, 16th October — times 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. at Donvale Camp Site **plus** 23rd-24th October — times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday at Janet Whitlam, South Belgrave, **plus** 13th-14th November — times 9.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday at Wattle Glen, **plus** the possibility of weekend 20th-21st November — Britannia Park — if approved to try practice camps with Guides. NOTE: Cost of weekends to be advised — training fee \$3.00.

Applications for any of the above courses should be sent to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **6th September**.

Applicants for Course B must submit a list of all Guide Camping Experience.

Camp First Aid

Cheltenham — Tuesday, 7th, 14th, 21st September — times 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. at Cheltenham Guide Hall. Applications and \$2.00 fee to Mrs. A. Watsford, P.O. Box 50, East Bentleigh, 3165, as soon as possible.

Ranger Lightweight Camping

Weekends 2nd-3rd October and 6th-7th November and 27th-28th November — times 10.00 a.m. Saturday to 4.00 p.m. Sunday. Fee and location to be advised.

Applications to Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **17th September**.

Special Subjects

GOURMET AND BULK COOKING WITH A DIFFERENCE

YWCA Melbourne — Weekend 18th-19th September — time 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. Applications and \$6.50 training fee to the Training Department, Guide Headquarters, by **26th August**.

QM COURSE

Wodonga — Weekend 30th-31st October (residential) — times 9.30 a.m. Saturday to 3.30 p.m. Sunday. Applications and \$4.50 training fee to Mrs. D. Hamilton, "Hamilton Park", South Wangaratta, 3677, by **9th October**.

CAMPFIRE — Songs and Skits

Surrey Hills — Monday 4th October — times 7.30 p.m. to 9.45 p.m. at St. George's Church of England, Mont Albert Road. NOTE: Limited to 30. Applications and \$1.50 training fee to Mrs. F. Ludbrook, 5 Curnola Avenue, Doncaster, 3108, by **12th September**.



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Brownie Guiders

Miss L. J. Holloway, 1st Allansford; Mrs. L. Gray, 1st Avondale Heights; Mrs. N. Mentiplay, 3rd Doncaster West; Miss J. A. Hodgson, 1st Vermont; Mrs. K. Norton, 4th Beaumaris Bay; Mrs. H. Wougher, 1st Bairnsdale; Mrs. M. Padula, 3rd Bairnsdale; Mrs. V. Goodwin, 2nd Rushworth; Miss S. K. Jordon, 1st North Sunshine; Mrs. D. N. Kennedy, 2nd Laverton; Mrs. C. Milne, 2nd Ferny Creek; Mrs. E. J. Birthisel, 1st Dallas; Mrs. K. Ritchie, 2nd Mornington; Miss B. Johnson, 3rd Dallas; Mrs. B. Martin, 1st South Croydon; Mrs. J. J. Millsom, 1st Pyramid Hill; Mrs. I. Barta, 4th Bayswater; Mrs. L. Bell, 1st Altona North; Mrs. W. McKenzie, 3rd North Cheltenham; Mrs. G. Moses, 2nd Pascoe Vale South; Miss S. Misson, 3rd Ocean Grove; Mrs. R. Thomson, 3rd Doncaster; Mrs. T. Lee, 1st Yea; Mrs. M. Chapman, 1st Drysdale; Mrs. D. A. White, 1st Broadmeadows West; Mrs. J. Rhodes, 3rd Altona North; Mrs. B. Stewart, 2nd Williams-town.

Assistant Brownie Guiders

Miss W. E. Holloway, 1st Allansford; Miss S. Cotter, 2nd Laverton; Mrs. N. Muir, 1st Woodend; Mrs. C. B. Willaton, 2nd Shepparton; Mrs. K. J. Woodlock, 2nd Kerang; Mrs. R. W. Beach, 1st Harrisfield; Mrs. K. McDonald, 1st Syndal North; Mrs. D. Fraser, 4th Caulfield; Mrs. K. M. Lee, 4th Beaumaris Bay; Mrs. C. Miller, 2nd Doveton; Mrs. M. Murphy, 2nd Bairnsdale; Miss D. Stone, 3rd Bairnsdale; Mrs. D. S. Grace, 4th Boronia; Mrs. J. Bromley, 2nd Highvale; Miss S. Hoyle, 2nd Doncaster; Mrs. M. Oakley, 1st Doncaster; Mrs. G. Drewitt, 3rd Williamstown; Mrs. F. J. Stanley, 1st Heathcote; Miss A. M. Wilkins, 4th Ringwood; Mrs. P. Moore, 1st Yea; Miss K. Pfarrer, 1st Drysdale.

REGISTRATIONS

Pascoe Vale South Ranger Unit; 1st Apollo Bay Pack; 5th Wangaratta (Killara) Pack; 2nd Tullamarine Pack; 1st Drysdale Company; 2nd Armadale Company; North Metropolitan Extension Company; 2nd Donvale Company; Rowville Local Association; Wodonga West Local Association; 1st Wodonga West Pack.

RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS

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

Region Commissioner

Mrs. R. B. Cox, South Eastern.

Division Commissioners

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