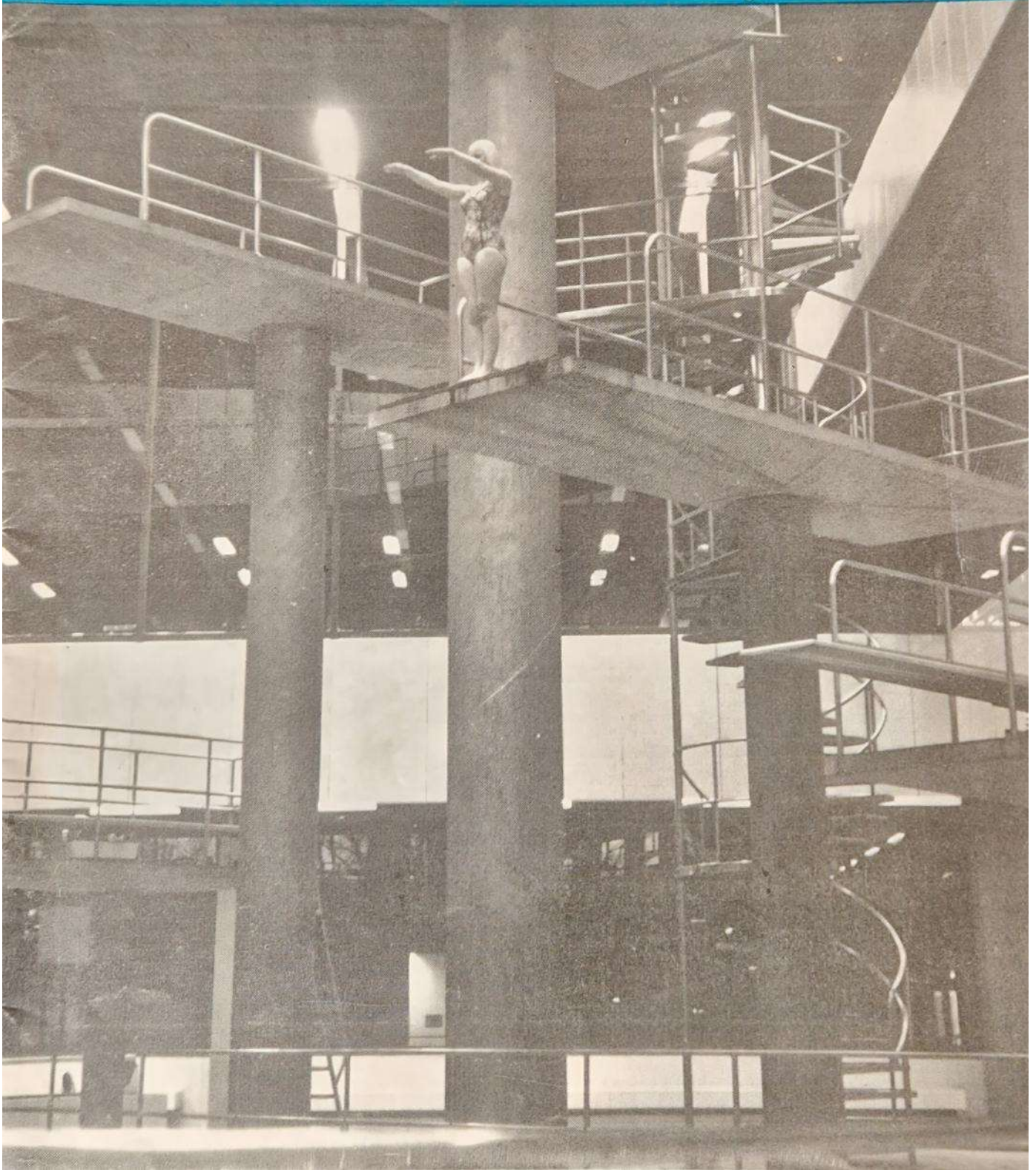


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editorial

As most readers will know, the Foxlease Golden Jubilee is being celebrated by a flower festival which finishes on 1st July. At the time of going to press, the festival is still in the future and many of us at CHQ are looking forward to visiting Foxlease to see the flower collages. For those who are unable to visit Foxlease, we hope to publish photographs of the festival in the August *GUIDER*. In the meantime, we send the Guider-in-Charge and staff of Foxlease our congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of the Jubilee.

front cover

An interior view of the Royal Commonwealth Pool, Edinburgh, where the first Scottish Scout and Guide Championships were held earlier this year. For more details and pictures of the event see page 244.

Photo: E. M. Lucas



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Scottish Scout and Guide Swimming Championships



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Earlier this year the Scottish Scout and Guide Movements held a swimming championship at the Royal Commonwealth Pool, Edinburgh, the competitors, who represented both their County and themselves, coming from all over Scotland.

This was the first event of its kind in this country and the fact that it was an outstanding success certainly makes it an event to note.

Speaking at the Championships, Peter Heatly, a former diving champion, said that swimming was an important activity because it promoted safety, it was fun, and it was a valuable aid to fitness, points which, incidentally, are being stressed by RoSPA in their National Learn to Swim Campaign which they are sponsoring this year.

Scotland had the first Learn to Swim Campaign nine years ago and if the standard of swimming of many of the young people in this Scout and Guide Championship is any criterion this early campaign was a great success. Indeed the Scottish Amateur Swimming Association who were responsible for all poolside work at the Scout and Guide Competition mentioned how impressed they had been with the standard of swimming, particularly of those in the younger age group.

It is a sobering thought that even in a country with 200,000 acres of inland water, a splendid coastline and a great maritime history, half the population cannot swim, therefore we should congratulate Scotland for their enterprise in encouraging young people to take part in an activity which, as well as being great fun, should also be an integral part of their education.

1. A group of young people outside the Royal Commonwealth Pool, Edinburgh, which is flying the Scout and Guide flags for the occasion of the Swimming Championships.
2. Moments of suspense for the onlookers as competitors take the plunge for the beginning of the afternoon heats.

3. The winners of the breast-stroke section for the 10-13 year olds.

Photos: E. M. Lucas

Ellsborough Pack Holiday House, Bucks.



This new holiday house, situated on the Chequers Estate, was officially opened by Miss Ailsa Brambleby earlier this year. The house is situated in a picturesque spot, and has 2½ acres of adjoining land suitable for camping.

It will be a wonderful asset to the County to have accommodation available for Training Weekends for Guiders and it is hoped that older Guides and Rangers will be able to enjoy both training and recreational weekends during the winter months.

The House was at one time a school, but has been completely renovated and modernised by Guiders from every Division in the County who, with the help of many husbands, gave unstintingly of their time for many months.

The next major project is to heat the House and build a car park which, it is hoped, will be possible as the house becomes widely used and better known.

Photo: Bucks Free Press

Intermediate Treatment

A new opportunity for Community Involvement

by Jessica Blooman



THE Children and Young Persons Act 1969, when it is fully implemented, seeks—amongst other things—to provide the Juvenile Courts with extended ways of helping children and young people who get into trouble. One of these proposed provisions has come to be known as 'Intermediate Treatment'. The intention of this, broadly speaking, is to make available in a more flexible but discriminating way, greater use of community resources.

Prior to this Act, and until it is fully implemented, young people under the age of seventeen appearing before the Courts, either for having committed an offence or because they were in need of care or control, could, amongst other things, be made the subject of a Supervision Order, a Probation Order, an Approved School Order, or a Fit Person Order, committing them to the care of a Fit Person (generally, though not always, the Local Authority). No doubt many Guiders will have had in their Units, at some time, young people subject to one or other of these orders—although this may or may not have been known to the Unit Guider. Other Guiders will have had experience of the Units which functioned within some of the Approved Schools. The concept, therefore, of trying to help young people who have been in trouble or who need special attention is not a new one to the Movement. The girls concerned came voluntarily and were an integral and indistinguishable part of Guiding.

Community Interest Important

The current practice of those who work in the helping professions is to engage the interest of the community at large in its deviant members. This practice has led to the opening of closed wards in psychiatric or mental hospitals and encouraging the community to help the mentally sick without institutional treatment. In a similar way prisoners are increasingly being paroled to live within the community and are receiving considerable help from volunteers who are often able to aid their readjustment in ways which may be different from, but are complementary to, the methods used by the paid professionals.

It is really in the context of this type of community involvement that the 1969 Children and Young Persons Act has come into being. Although it will still be necessary for some youngsters to be removed from their homes, either for delinquency or other reasons, it is hoped that long-term removal will be avoided wherever possible. For a long time now Juvenile Courts have been much more concerned

with treatment than with punishment, just as the Social Welfare Services have been putting more of their resources into preventive work in order to forestall breakdown. The 1969 Act enables the Courts to have more options available under which a young person can receive the help he or she requires, either within his or her own home or by removal from home for short periods not exceeding three months. These options, though, will be combined with a supervision order which places the young person under the supervision of a Social Worker from the Local Authority Social Work Department or of a Probation Officer. These young people will not necessarily be offenders but may have appeared before a court for a variety of reasons, such as neglect, ill-treatment or moral danger.

Organisation of the Scheme

The aim of intermediate treatment, which is combined with a supervision order, is to engage the young person's interest in activities which he or she will continue of his or her own free will after the time limits set by the Act. One type of intermediate treatment required will entail the attendance or participation, for not more than one month in each year of supervision, of the young person in appropriate activities.

Twelve Children's Regional Planning Committees have been set up by the Government to assess the existing resources with a view to deciding which might be considered 'appropriate'. These Committees will submit schemes for their areas to the Secretary of State, who will then determine the date from which they will come into operation.

It may be that membership of the Guide Movement might be considered an appropriate activity by the Regional Planning Committee, and already some Guiders have been thinking about their possible involvement in Intermediate Treatment. Obviously this will need very careful consideration so that any help given by the Movement is appropriate and truly useful. While enrolment into a voluntary organisation and the taking of one's Promise, might well be incompatible with the compulsory nature of an activity undertaken under a Supervision Order of the Court, it may be possible to offer help to some young people—in consultation with the Supervising Officer—in a more limited way by including them in suitable projects or for specific events. No doubt Guiders will discuss any ideas they may have with their District Commissioners so that the maximum benefit can be obtained by all concerned.

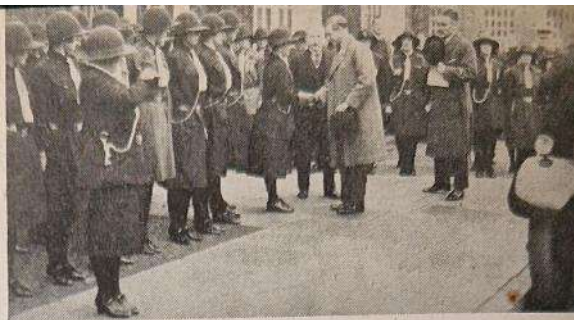
The Duke of Windsor

His work with King George's Jubilee Trust

In the numerous obituaries of the Duke of Windsor mention has been made of the various activities to which he subscribed and in which he became involved up to the time he became King. But one activity scarcely mentioned, and yet of no little importance, is the part he played in the founding of King George's Jubilee Trust Fund, a Fund from which the Movement has benefited greatly over the years.

On his many tours of the depressed areas of this country the Duke became convinced that something must be done not only for the unemployed themselves, but for their children and the youth of the country. As a result the Duke took the initiative in directing the money gained from funds raised by the public at the time of the Silver Jubilee of King George V and Queen Mary into a Trust Fund which was to be used to benefit the youth of this country.

The Duke appointed Commander Sir Jameson Adams as the Trust's first Secretary, and due to his energy the Fund soon reached a million pounds.



HRH The Prince of Wales speaks to a Group of Guides outside a factory at Greenford, about 1927.

Many corporations and individuals have continued to subscribe to the Trust and the Fund has now become nearly £3½ million.

Each year The Girl Guides Association has been granted a Camping and Development Grant, the former to help in purchasing camp sites, buying or replacing equipment, and the repair or erection of huts, the latter to help with the cost of County, Division or District Headquarters and for secretarial assistance for Counties.

The Association, therefore, has every reason to be grateful to the Duke's initiative and foresight in seeing a need to help not only the youth of his own day but those of future generations, and we are glad, therefore, to be able to pay this tribute to his generosity.

CONSERVATION:

Practical Response by young people

European Conservation Year has been and gone but fortunately its aims seem to have made an impression on people in Britain and attempts are continuing to ensure that we take care and conserve what is left of the countryside and are ever conscious of the need to keep pollution of the air, seas and rivers to a minimum.

The following letter makes encouraging reading, for surely if young people of Guide age, after having been made aware of environmental problems, are then prepared to act on the information they are given, there is some measure of hope for the future and indeed some future for the generations to follow them.

During Conservation Year Scouts and Guides in Walsall combined with the Walsall Civic Society and the Parks Department in the establishment of the Rough Wood Nature Trail.

Even when Conservation Year came to a close interest in conservation projects did not wane—local efforts are still being made to improve the environment: the canals are being beautified and clean-up operations are being organised not only on the canal banks but in the waterways themselves by the Birmingham Canal Navigation Society in conjunction with British Waterways.

A canal rally was recently held at the Walsall Town Wharf and as a result one stretch of the canal bank

has been dug and planted. Mounted at the back of the garden is a notice board which reads:

The Choice is Yours

This garden was set out by the Girl Guides of Moxley and shows one aspect of how the canals can be made part of a better environment for society.

This simple notice really sums up what Conservation is all about and at the same time is a wonderful advertisement for the Movement.

PETER J. HORTON, Assistant District Commissioner,
The Scout Association, Walsall South District.

Nature Trails

Shell and the Association of County (Nature Conservation) Trusts (ACT) have once again arranged nature trails throughout the country for this summer. Some of the trails are on nature reserves managed by the Trusts, others are on land open to the public or have been organised with the permission of land owners.

These trails are not just for conservation specialists but would provide a focal point for a family outing.

This year for the first time there is a trail at Ruislip Woods, the first ever held within Greater London. The trail is through traditional oak and hornbeam woodland of great beauty and ancient origin dating from the time of William the Conqueror. A wide variety of woodland birds, plants and animals can also be found in this area. Then, on a trail in Nottinghamshire you will pass through woods which are the only surviving remnants of the ancient Sherwood Forest, associated, of course, with Robin Hood and his men.

A booklet is being published this year, listing all the trails and giving a brief introduction to each. A copy of this booklet is available, free, from: The Association of Nature Conservation Trusts, The Manor House, Alford, Lincolnshire.

Learn to Swim Campaign

What can YOU do?

by Vera Bryant

Water Safety Organiser, RoSPA

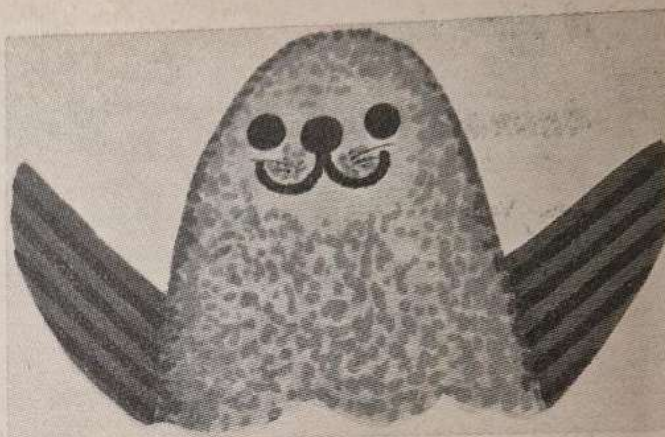
HOW many television viewers who watched the BBC's programme 'Nationwide' on 27th April last are doing anything about the wish expressed by Mr Eldon Griffiths, Minister with special responsibility for Sport?

This interview was televised during his inaugural 'splash' in a London swimming pool! His hope is that every person who can swim should make it his job to teach someone who cannot and every person who cannot should go and learn. Mr Griffiths must have had the Girl Guide Association Competitions in mind! What a marvellous achievement it will be if every Ranger Unit and every Guide Company teaches just one person to become waterborne, and if there were, say, a hundred Brownie Packs in which every Brownie could swim continuously for three minutes.

Judging from the enquiries for details of the Campaign material which have been sent to the Water Safety Organiser of RoSPA, organisers of the Campaign, interest in the competitions is very lively. Enquiries have been received from such towns as South Harrow, Huddersfield and Wolverhampton.

The prizes to be gained in the competitions are well worth competing for, but it is the *achievement* that is so worthwhile, for once a person has acquired the ability to swim well his chances of survival in any emergency in or on the water are so much greater than a non-swimmer. In Johannesburg where a most comprehensive study of drowning has been made it was discovered that fully 71 per cent of 1,309 victims were non-swimmers and that 22 per cent were rated fair at swimming; only 1 per cent of the drowned were excellent swimmers.

If you live in a town where swimming facilities are non-existent or poor do not accept this situation: join or start action to pressurise for a local swimming pool or for more time for learn-to-swim classes. More school pools are being opened to the public in the



evening, weekend and school holidays, so find out if this is the case in your town. Holidays by the sea, too, give an opportunity to learn to swim but if you teach a person to swim in the sea extra care is essential. Choose a beach if you can which is patrolled by lifeguards and ask their advice on the best time of the day to give instruction. If there are no lifeguards ask the police or harbourmaster.

Under the conditions of the Rangers' and Guides' Competitions those teaching beginners to swim are permitted to seek the help of an instructor and it is hoped that in those cases where help has been sought it has been readily forthcoming. Your Baths Manager, Swimming Club or Youth Service Organiser should have details of instructors. Should help not be readily forthcoming the district public relations officer of the Amateur Swimming Association may be able to offer advice. Here are their names and addresses:

Midland Counties ASA

Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Hereford, Huntingdon, Leicester, Lincoln, Norfolk, Northampton, Nottingham, Rutland, Shropshire, Suffolk, Warwick, Worcester, North Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire South Derbyshire and Staffordshire.

Mr V. J. Matthews, 65 St. Austell Road, Wyken, Coventry. (Telephone: 0203-32 6287.)

Northern Counties ASA

Cheshire, Cumberland, Lancashire, Westmorland, the Isle of Man, Northern Derbyshire and Staffordshire, Stoke on Trent.

Mr H. Booth, 74 Moss Lane, Bolton, Lanes. (Telephone: Bolton 41025.)

North-Eastern Counties ASA

Durham, Northumberland and Yorkshire.

Mr W. E. B. Holmes, 11 Tynwald Drive, Leeds, LS17 5DX.

Southern Counties ASA

Middlesex, Surrey, Sussex, Essex, Hampshire, Hertfordshire, Kent, the Channel Islands, Southern Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire.

Mr E. E. Warner 30 Tamworth Road, Croydon, Surrey, CR0 1XT. (Telephone: 01-688 3327.)

Western Counties ASA

Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Gloucestershire, Somerset, Wiltshire.

Mr W. T. Tiver, 59 Eldon Road, Cheltenham, Glos. (Telephone: Cheltenham 55622.)

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for a holiday on the continent this year and perhaps a bit early for 1973 but there is still time to arrange a short holiday at **HASTINGS** for your group.

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This Education Centre was established 18 months ago as a non-profit making body, sponsored by Petfoods Ltd., of Melton Mowbray. Because a survey revealed that a large proportion of pet owners do not know how or what to feed their animals, the Centre's first task was to produce, under the supervision of three distinguished Veterinary Surgeons, leaflets on the nutrition and care of dogs, cats and budgerigars. Next, because unruly and unhygienic domestic animals cause justifiable complaints, the Centre published the Pet Owners' Code of Conduct, setting out the basic requirements necessary for the health, cleanliness and training of pets.

Some two million of these leaflets have already been distributed, free of charge, through Veterinary Surgeons, Medical Officers of Health, Chief Education Officers, Housing Managers, Dog Training Clubs, Canine and Breed Societies and direct to the public. The Centre is now planning some independent research into the psychological value of pets to people and the problems of pets in large conurbations.

The film will be distributed by the Educational Centre for Visual Aids, 33 Queen Anne Street, London W1, to which address you should write for details about hiring. If you intend showing the film to an audience of 100 or more the film will be lent free of charge. Free copies of the Pet Care leaflets are obtainable from the Petfoods Information Centre, Avon House, 360-366 Oxford Street, London W1. Please send a stamped addressed envelope not less than 6½" x 9½". Titles available in addition to *The Pet Owners' Code of Conduct* include *Your Dog's Dinner*, *Catering for your Cat*, and *Your Pet Budgie*. All include much useful information.

J.V.R.



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GOING ON HOLIDAY?

A Reminder about Insurance

If you are at present in the throes of preparing for your holiday abroad, at the risk of seeming morbid it is important to remember that accidents and illness *do* occur to people on holiday and therefore it is essential that you ensure you have adequate insurance cover against medical expenses which may be incurred through any illness or injury.

If you do meet with an accident or are ill while abroad you will find yourselves personally responsible for all medical expenses unless you have taken out an adequate insurance. Bulgaria, Denmark, Norway, Poland, Sweden and Yugoslavia have reciprocal arrangements whereby treatment is available to visitors from the UK, but the range of treatment available under these arrangements is not necessarily as comprehensive as the provisions in this country under the National Health Services, nor is it entirely free. Policies you take out should, therefore, include cover for medical treatment, hospital accommodation, and death.

If you are going on an organised holiday don't economise by not taking advantage of the insurance cover they provide and check, too, just what their policy includes and whether you consider it would cover expenses in countries where medical fees are extremely high.

Further information about the countries with reciprocal arrangements with the United Kingdom can be obtained from the Department of Health and Social Security, International Relations Division, Alexander Fleming House, London SE1; or from the Department's Overseas Group, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, NE98 1YX. In Wales this information is available from the Welsh Office, Cathays Park, Cardiff; in Scotland from the Scottish Home and Health Department, St. Andrews House, Edinburgh; and in Northern Ireland from the Ministry of Health and Social Services, Branch HW1, Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast BT4 3SF.

The Gang Show, 1972

This year's London Gang Show will open at the Odeon, Golders Green, on Monday October 16th, and will continue for two weeks until October 28th.

The show this year is a very special one for it marks the 40th year of the Gang Show production, and highlights from previous shows will play an important part in the 1972 production.

The box office of the Odeon Theatre, Finchley Road, London NW11 will be open for postal application on September 4th, and for personal callers from 15th September. Seats are priced at 25p, 50p, 75p and £1.

The loose inserts in this issue will provide you with your ticket order forms.



Airing and Sharing



Re-registering of Ranger Units

I was interested in reading the article 'Focus on Ranger Guiding' in the April GUIDER to see that with the change in name all Ranger Units are to re-register as Ranger Guide Units after 31st March, 1973.

Would it not be a saving of time, paper, etc., if all Units now registering for the first time could be registered as Ranger Guide Units and not as Service Units. This would save duplication of work.

(MRS) MOLLIE DREWERY,
County Registrations Secretary, Surrey.

As the changes do not come into effect until March 31st, 1973, it was agreed by the Executive Group no alterations should be made until then.—Training.

The Value of a 'Service' Unit

We were deeply disturbed by one clause in the recent leaflet on the reorganisation of the Ranger Guide Section: the omission of the word 'service' from the Unit titles.

The special responsibility to be of service to the community is the commitment that distinguishes the Ranger Guide movement and offers young women more than other youth groups and organisations. We feel that this is particularly relevant to our Unit. The twenty members of the Unit are all handicapped and are coping with the awareness of their own disabilities and of their difficulties in finding an identity within the community. For these girls, continually the recipients of others' services and many largely or totally dependent on others, the opportunities for service to the community offered by membership of a Ranger Guide Service Unit are of incalculable value. To develop self-respect and a conviction of one's own value as a person is, we feel, essential to the development of a whole and happy life; to be of service to other people is the way to achieve this.

We feel it is a retrograde and essentially regrettable proposal and feel sure many others must share this conviction.

(MRS) GILL BREARLEY, (MRS) JOY SEATON,
Ranger Guiders, 1st London SE Ranger Guide Service Unit.

Why limited numbers for Pack Holidays?

Following on recent letters regarding camp qualifications, members in camp, etc., may I put in a plea for the Brownie Guider (myself included) who can never take her complete Pack on Pack Holiday because POR lays down that no Brownie Pack Holiday shall exceed 18 in number. This means in effect that the whole Pack (should they all be able to come) can never share in this quite exciting time for a Brownie.

Would it not be possible to relax this rule a little (if only to experienced Pack Holiday permit holders) provided that an extra adult be appointed to the staff? I

myself this year have had to say 'no' to more than one Brownie because of this ruling.

As a permit holder of some years standing I cannot see why Guide Guiders can take away twice the number of girls with only three adults in attendance.

What do other Brownie Guiders feel about this?

(MRS) R. E. STEAD,
7th Orpington Brownie Pack, Kent.

Help with the Brownie Friendship Badge

I wonder whether the following suggestions would help Miss Diane Bagnall in her difficulties with the Brownie Friendship badge.

In our Pack we buy the Painting Books, cut the pictures out of the book, after which each Brownie colours in the pictures of her choice. This serves the dual purpose of introducing her to 'World Friendship' and helps towards her 'Make Things' Challenge on The Footpath. If the coloured pictures are covered with clear, sticky-backed plastic they will last for years. They can also be slotted in on brown paper or a roll of unwanted wallpaper to make a Thinking Day frieze.

We also buy sheets of World Flags from our local newsagents/toy shop and after tearing out the appropriate flags stick them on to the sheets of cardboard, ready ruled into squares of a suitable size. The name of the country is printed below the flag, and the whole sheet is covered with clear, sticky-backed plastic after which we cut out the squares. These flags, together with the coloured pictures, lend themselves to an endless number of games.

By the time the Brownie is ready for her Highway 'Brownies are Friendly' Challenge or the Brownie Friendship badge she is thoroughly familiar with overseas Brownie Badges and Flags.

I agree that the Brownie Friendship syllabus is a difficult one, but I feel that there is a place for one or two Challenges and Badges that really stretch a Brownie's capabilities, and I find this Badge extremely good for the bright and ambitious Brownie who tends to out-strip her contemporaries. In this way she can be 'slowed down' by really having to apply herself to gain this badge.

M. E. PARKINSON, Brownie Guider,
1st Kirkby Fleetham Pack, Yorkshire.

Brownie Booklover Badge

Please don't alter a delightful Badge syllabus in an effort to be up to date! This is a Book Lover's badge, not a Reader's badge and the list gives a wide selection of books to choose from. Only six have to be chosen and many are now available in paperbacks. Over the years I have built up a collection of these books and several are available in libraries. Does it matter that

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Acing and Sharing—continued from previous page

this badge is not within the scope of the 7-8 year old Brownie? There are several easier ones to choose from, and they can attempt the harder ones later.

I have Brownies working for the Booklover badge, all aged 9-10, all finding out the wonders of well written stories, sometimes for the first time in their lives.

Don't let's spoil these achievements by making badges too easy to obtain.

(MRS) MARGARET ROBERTSON, Brownie Guider,
2nd Castle-Douglas Pack, Kirkcudbrightshire.

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In March 1971 at a District Testers' Evening our Booklover Tester (a qualified librarian) discussed the Brownie Booklover badge syllabus and suggested changes such as updating and broadening the book list and introducing a knowledge of library utilisation.

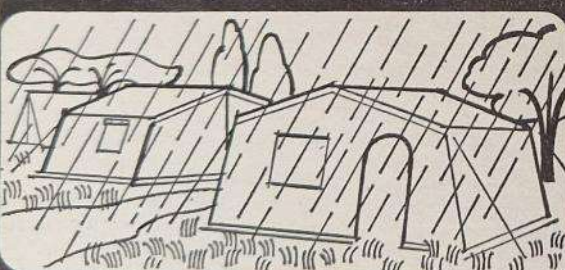
The District agreed on both counts. We felt that the book list certainly needs a few selected, modern additions, and that it is more important for a child to know her way around a library than to mend an old book. What we had in mind was an ability to appreciate the way a library is divided into sections and to use a simple index.

This District recommendation was sent to the Division, from there to the County and thence to the Region—where it seems to have become irretrievably lost.

Is anything going to be done about the syllabus for this badge?

(MRS) M. YOUNG, District Commissioner,
Harrogate Division, Yorkshire Central.

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Visiting The Commonwealth Institute?

For Guides who are working for their Commonwealth Knowledge badge, a visit to the Commonwealth Institute, London, is a profitable and enjoyable way of learning and gaining knowledge on all aspects of the Commonwealth.

But, in order to make the best use of the services available, it is essential to book your visit in advance. Work sheets are available on most Commonwealth countries and it is much easier for all concerned if these have been ordered and are therefore ready for you on arrival.

Forms for booking a visit for parties of Guides may be obtained from: The Commonwealth Institute, Kensington High St., London W8 6NQ; The Girl Guides Association, 17/19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT; the Training Centres or from your County Commonwealth Adviser.

WRVS Children's Holiday Scheme

Each year the Women's Royal Voluntary Service endeavours to find hostesses who are willing to give a holiday to a child who, due to family circumstances, would not otherwise have one.

The family of each child is seen by the WRVS before the holiday so that the hostess is able to be given an accurate account of the child she is accepting, and the WRVS ensure, too, that the child has sufficient and suitable clothing. The children are aged 5-15 years and a payment of £1.50 a week is made to the hostess if required.

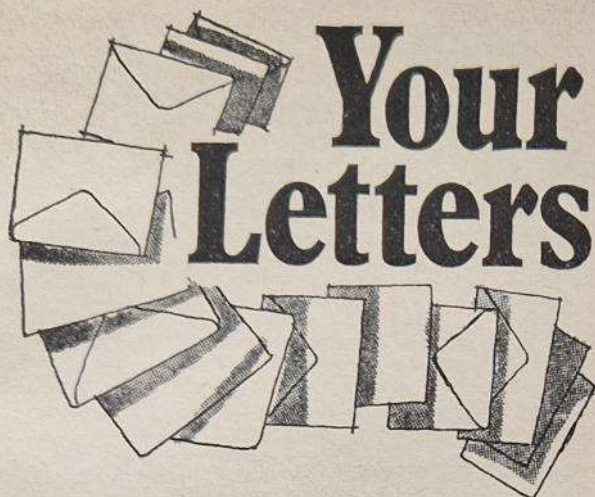
If you would like to give a child a holiday this year contact your local WRVS office or write to: WRVS Headquarters, 17 Old Park Lane, London W1Y 4AJ.

HOLIDAY PLAY SCHEMES, 1972

In 1971 the National Playing Fields Association made a register of play schemes in England and Wales, which local authorities, voluntary organisations and groups of mothers had made arrangements to run.

The NPFA proposes compiling a similar register this year, therefore if readers know of any groups in their area which could be included in the register please contact: Anthony Way, The National Playing Fields Association, 57b Catherine Place, London SW1E 6EY.

Enquiries as to the whereabouts of the nearest play scheme or for advice on how to organise one should also be sent to the above address, but please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.



Your Letters

Calor Homecraft Award

Now that our Unit has completed the Calor Homecraft Awards Competition and taken part in the finals in London, we would like to thank everyone who helped in the organisation of the competition and say how very much we enjoyed working on the Projects.

We all thoroughly enjoyed our weekend in London, and were made most welcome at Olive House. I know the team will remember taking part in the finals, all through their Guiding days.

We opened a bottle of Champagne on our way home in the train, and this we shared with fellow travellers. One was a Trefoil Guild Member, a handicapped person, who had been brought on to the train by the British Red Cross. She said she had never had a journey quite like it before! For some travellers it was an unexpected introduction to 'Rangers'.

Please accept our thanks.

RANGER GUIDER,
4th Hereford Ranger Guide Service Unit.



Illustrated by Jean de Lemos

Opinions expressed in these columns are not necessarily those of The Editor.

The Wearing of St. John Ambulance Badges

I was interested to see on the cover of the April edition of THE RANGER, that two Rangers were wearing the St. John Ambulance Association's badge for First Aid. Some members of our Unit have just obtained this certificate and have asked me if they can wear the badge, but as I can find no reference to it in POR, they have received the Service Star instead. I do feel, however, that it would be better for them to wear a St. John Badge so that in an emergency First Aiders can immediately be identified when in uniform.

HELEN BROWN, Ranger Guider,
Hook and Chessington Ranger Guide Service Unit.

An Industrious New Company

We are a comparatively new Company, having celebrated our 1st birthday in December last year. The Company started with only two Guides but we now number 26.

In January we had our new colours dedicated at our village church in Poulner. The little church was full with representatives from the other three Guide Companies in our District, Brownies and Guiders of the 1st Poulner Pack, our District Commissioner and President, and members of the Local Association.

We all took part in the service in various ways—making announcements, reading prayers, assisting with the music.

The money raised from the collection we shared between the GFF and the church hall building fund.

GUIDES and GUIDERS, 1st Poulner Guide Coy.,
Ringwood, Hants.

'Our Longboat'

I have just finished reading an article about the fight to keep open Britain's canal system. Several feasible plans have been put forward to redevelop the canals as a transport system again and to have areas along its length for use as leisure centres.

Following 'Our Ark', 'Our Chalet', 'Our Cabaña', and the Guide House in India, would it not be possible to have 'Our Longboat'?

In putting this project into practice the Association would not only be providing a lot of pleasure to many people but would also be helping to retain part of our nation's heritage! A declared concern for the environment may also provide useful publicity for Guiding!

(Miss) S. A. PEACE, Ranger Guider,
Chingford North.

Affected for Life!

I am a 19-year-old Guider who has been in Guiding since the age of seven years, and recently I finished my training to become a policewoman, at a training centre near Coventry. After sitting an important final exam, I had to go for an interview with the police superintendent (Commandant) in charge of the centre to receive my results.

I proudly walked into his office and smartly saluted him, but unfortunately this terrible disease called 'Guiding' had gone to my head, and my wonderful salute was a Girl Guide salute! I could have crawled under his desk. The Commandant was so astonished he could only say, 'I've never seen anything like it. What's the Police Force coming to?'

(Miss) Y. M. MULLINS, Assistant Guide Guider,
20th St. Martin's Company, Cardiff.

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Junior Drama League

Summer School, 26th July-3rd August

This Course, for young people between 14 and 19 years, will be held at City of Portsmouth College of Education, Hampshire.

The programme will consist of two simultaneous courses for Actors and Technicians. The acting course will include classes in acting, speech, movement, improvisation and make-up, with rehearsal of scenes from various plays, while the technical course will include lectures and practical work on stage management, lighting, costume, the making of scenery props.

The inclusive fee for board and tuition is £23.50.

The Junior Drama League is the junior branch of the British Drama League and is open to young people anywhere in Great Britain over the age of 12 and under 20.

For young people interested in any aspect of the theatre, membership of this junior branch provides an ideal opportunity for them to widen their knowledge and gain experience which will help them in their own dramatic activities.

For further details of membership and of the Summer Course write to: The Secretary, Junior Drama League, 8 Fitzroy Square, London W1P 6AE.

SADLER'S WELLS

Saved until 1974

Good news for theatre lovers is that Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London, is saved until the end of 1974 as a result of the appeal which was launched last year.

However, £50,000 a year is needed if the theatre is to continue to be able to meet inflation and stage the quality of production that is wanted. This means that continued support is needed from the public, in the form of support for the theatre's forthcoming productions, in further contributions and in encouraging more and more people to join the Friends. (See details April GUIDER, page 134.)

Forthcoming productions at the theatre include The Black Theatre of Prague, the National Dance Theatre of Jamaica, the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, and a combined season of The English Opera Group and The Royal Ballet.

The 'What's On' column in THE GUIDER each month will give any available details of forthcoming productions at Sadler's Wells.

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A Guide to current entertainment What's on

Opera

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE, COVENT GARDEN
The programme for July is as follows:
Elektra, Madama Butterfly, Otello, La Traviata.

Music on the South Bank

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL, LONDON
The programme for July will include the following:
2nd—New Philharmonia Orchestra, conductor Edo De Waart. Programme includes Dvorak Symphony No. 7 in D minor.
4th—London Symphony Orchestra, conductor Erich Leinsdorf. Programme includes Beethoven's Symphony No. 7 in A.
7th—City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, conductor Maurice Handford. Programme includes Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 6 in B minor (Pathétique).
15th—Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, conductor John Canarina. Programme includes Mozart Symphony No. 32 in G.

Theatre

SADLER'S WELLS THEATRE, ROSEBERY AVENUE, LONDON

The Bristol Old Vic's production of the musical *Treasure* with music and lyrics by Julian Slade is now being performed at Sadler's Wells, until 22nd July.

Party bookings are available (for groups of twelve or more) for all performances except Saturday evenings—adults £1.30, children, students and senior citizens 80p.

Marcel Marceau with Pierre Verry

24th July-19th August

Marcel Marceau, often named as the world's greatest non-verbal communicator, makes a welcome return to London this month after a gap of five years and following a triumphant tour of America. Critics have described Marceau as the 'sort of theatrical gift that no one really deserves . . . you can only stare at him, wonder, believe, and be thankful'.

Party bookings are available for groups of twelve or more at a cost of 80p for adults and 30p for children and senior citizens for the following dates (not Saturday evenings); July 25th-29th; July 31st-5th August; August 7th-12th.

Applications for any party bookings should be sent to: The Box Office, Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London ECR 4TN.

Exhibitions

LONGLEAT HOUSE, WARMINSTER, WILTSHIRE
Costumes of Henry VIII

Yet another attraction this season at Longleat, home of Lord Bath, will be the exhibition of costumes from the Henry VIII TV series.

Great interest was shown in the display when it was at The Victoria and Albert Museum, London, and in view of its popularity Lord Bath hopes it will be an added incentive for visitors to come to Longleat.

THE GUIDER takes no responsibility for last-minute alterations to programmes or prices.

The following is a list of main events in principal cities:

Cardiff

July—Championship Dog Show.

Exeter

1st-2nd—Festival of Flowers, St. Thomas Methodist Church, Cowick Street.
3rd—The Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, University Great Hall.

Sheffield

2nd-8th—Sheffield Film Theatre Week, Library Theatre.
2nd—Show Jumping, Owlerton Sports Stadium.

Leeds

16th—Leeds Scottish Dancing Dance Club Festival of Scottish Dancing, Beckett Park.

Edinburgh

22nd—Dog Show: Caledonian Canine Society.
24th-29th—Scottish Opera, Royal Lyceum Theatre.

Lectures and Films

BRITISH MUSEUM (NATURAL HISTORY), Cromwell Road, London SW7.

Tours of the galleries begin at the main entrance at 3 p.m., and lectures with films or slides begin at 3 p.m. in the Lecture Hall. Apart from public lectures, services of a guide lecturer are available for parties of school-children over 13 and other adult groups for whom private lectures and demonstrations can be arranged if desired.

The programme for July will include:

1st—Dinosaurs (films).
3rd—Evolution.
15th—The Story of the Horse (films)
20th—The Face of Britain (films)
26th—Introducing Birds (films)
27th—The Living World (films)

The museum is open weekdays 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sundays 2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.

FILMS AT THE COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE, KENSINGTON HIGH STREET, LONDON.

3rd-9th—Another Time (New Zealand), Free to Grow (Malawi)
10th-16th—The Die Hard (Australia)
17th-23rd—Towards the Highlife (Nigeria), Montserrat
24th-30th—Two Men of Fiji
Admission is free and performances are continuous. Approximate times are:
Monday-Friday—12.15, 1.15, 3.00.
Saturday—2.45, 3.30, 4.25.
Sunday—3.00, 3.50, 4.40.

BBC Television Series: 'Athlete'

BBC-1, 11.15 p.m. each Monday.

In view of the fact that the Olympic Games take place this year, this programme which provides instruction for young athletes will also be most useful in providing the lay viewer with enough background information to increase his enjoyment of the Games.

There are twelve programmes in the series, which began on 5th June, but each programme is complete in itself, so that joining the series half way through will make no difference to your enjoyment of the individual programmes.

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Mapping Activities For Your District

by

Joyce Cheney

THESE mapping activities have been designed to give the Guides practice in accurate map reading, and Guiders will understand that the necessary instruction in reading maps should have been given before the Guides take part in any of these exercises. The activities have been planned to be run on a District or Division basis but they could easily be adapted to be used in a Company. They are primarily intended as something extra for the Patrol Leaders and older Guides, and most are very suitable for mixed teams of Scout and Guide Patrol Leaders.

Code names are in the fashion, and they do give an element of mystery beforehand to each activity.

OPERATION DAWN

Instructions are issued to the Patrol Leaders that they are to assemble at a certain headquarters one evening at 9.30 p.m. They are told to bring bedding, a local Ordnance Survey map, and food and equipment to cook breakfast outside.

When the Leaders are assembled they are told that they will be sleeping on the floor of the headquarters and that they will be woken and sent out at dawn. It is a good idea to have some short activity such as a sing song or a quiz prepared as it will take a little time before the Guides are ready to settle down to sleep.

At dawn they are sent out in small teams of four to call at various map references, and to collect certain information at each point. The last map reference should send them to a place where they can make hike fires and cook their own breakfast. The whole activity can be made into a competition with points given for correct information, cooking clearing up site, etc.

POINT TO POINT

This activity, as the name suggests, is based on reading map references and moving from one point to the next. Teams of four should gather at a central point, and are then sent off at five-minute intervals. At each map reference they should obtain certain information, and points should be given for this. This activity can take place in a built-up area just as well as in the country, and such information as 'What animal is represented on the War Memorial?' or 'Who gave the water trough to the District?' would be suitable questions to be answered.

For an afternoon's activity 12 map references spread over six miles would be a suitable number. Teams must be issued with instructions that they must report back by a certain time, as, even in spite of training beforehand, it is surprising how many teams wander off course!

OPERATION MARCH HARE

This is a follow up to the Point to Point and is an all day activity over a much wider area.

Teams are taken by lorry or private cars to various points about 12 miles from the central meeting place.

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Each team is dropped off at a different point and has to find its way back calling at certain map references on the way. Competitors take their own packed lunch, but it is a good idea to have a hot drink or hot soup waiting for them when they arrive back.

OPERATION ORION

This is a winter activity taking place after dark. As before, teams assemble at one central meeting place and are sent off in turn to visit four check points. These check points are given as map references on a card, and this card is used by each team as their score card. At each check point there is an incident which has to be dealt with by the team. It takes much longer for the teams to find their way round in the dark so, of necessity, the incidents should be planned so they can be dealt with quickly. Such incidents could include getting someone out of a smoke-filled garage, crossing 'a marsh' on tins, dealing with a foreigner who has lost her way, etc.

It is advisable with this type of activity that the route should not be too long—four miles is a suitable distance, and as there must be assessors at each check point, it is as well to choose spots where these assessors can go indoors to warm up in between the teams arriving!

Once again it is advisable to stress that all the teams must be back by a certain hour, and it has been found that the subtraction of a large number of points from those who are late back is a good deterrent.

With all these activities it is a good idea to notify the police that small bands of Guides will be on the move in the neighbourhood, and this is, of course, especially necessary for any night operations you may be organising.

All the exercises mentioned have been successfully tried out and although there is a lot of preparation involved, the benefit derived from putting map reading into actual practice is well worth the effort. The Guides themselves are very enthusiastic about this type of activity, and once tried they will, like Oliver Twist, always be asking for more.

BOOK ** REVIEWS

Fun In London and Fun In The Lakes, both by John Banks and Peter Hume. Penwork (Leeds) Ltd., 50p each, including postage.

These are two extremely interesting paperbacks which are fun to read and I know will prove a joy for many Guides and Rangers holidaying in London or the Lake District this year. Both are principally 'find out' books; for instance, 'Where in Westminster Abbey would you find the tomb of a man who is buried standing up?' 'Which bells brought Dick Whittington back to London?' 'When was Tower Bridge opened?' are some of the questions posed in *Fun in London*. There are blank spaces left in both books for Guides to add their own drawings and descriptions. Of course they don't have to complete the pages or go to every place mentioned in their holiday area, but armed with these books visitors will want to see and explore as many places as possible. Both books are on sale at CHQ Bookshop.

A.M.M.

Enjoy Swimming, by Margaret A. Jarvis. Faber, £2.25.

For Physical Education Staff who are fortunate enough to have a school pool this is an excellent book full of ideas for enjoying all kinds of pool activities. It outlines in some detail, with good diagrams and photographs, many non-competitive skills. However, until Local Authorities organise their Public Baths into programmed pool usage to include training, teaching, improved safety and recreational opportunities this book will be of little value. But for those wanting a different aspect of this sport there is a wide variety of choice given in this book, from figure floating to a wheelbarrow race on planks. Unfortunately there are not many pools where all this can be done and the book is, perhaps, a little costly at £2.25.

D.M.G.

Enamel without Heat, by Stephen J. Schilt and Donna J. Weir; **Off-Loom Weaving**, by Marion J. Bernstein; **Creating with Flexible Foam**, by ab de brouwer; **Puppet Making**, by Chester Jay. The Oak Tree Press Co. Ltd., £1.05.

Here are four new titles in the *Little Craft Book* series, well illustrated with many photographs and clear working instructions. *Enamel without Heat* explains a very simple method of applying enamel to many different materials to make jewellery and decorate tiles, etc. *Off-Loom Weaving*, as it implies, shows how to weave using easily available materials.

If you are off to camp later and wonder what to do on wet days *Creating with Flexible Foam* and *Puppet Making* should solve your problem. With a supply of foam pieces, coloured felt and wool, you will be able to make the most realistic figures and hand puppets.

O.M.C.

Little Craft Book Series: Masks, by Chester Jay Alkema. Ward Lock Ltd; distributors for Sterling Publishing Co. Inc. New York, £1.05.

Masks have been a popular form of adornment for centuries for serious religious pageants as well as just amusing costumes. In this little book the author has drawn from many ancient methods of design but uses modern materials for the construction—anything from aluminium baking foil to shoe boxes. The most important word in mask making, he says, is 'improvise', and he shows how the most ordinary materials can be used effectively. This book would be especially valuable for Brownie Guiders, as it has a fine source of ideas for Brownie Revels. Don't, however, be put off by some of the disconcertingly sinister illustrations on the cover.

C.T.

The Radiant Universe, by Hans Rohr. Frederick Warne & Co. Ltd., £2.50.

Anyone with even the most basic interest in the planets will be fascinated by this new book by the General Secretary of the Swiss Astronomical Society. Intended as an introduction to the basic objects of space, Hans Rohr discusses the moon, the planets, the sun and the Milky Way and the objects of deep space simply and intelligently in terms that the average reader can easily comprehend.

The photographs are what make this a truly outstanding book to all those who are absorbed in the mysteries of space. Owing to the recent breakthrough in pioneering methods of photography, particularly colour, this book represents an amazing record of new deep space research—with more than 70 illustrations, 21 of them in colour.

J.V.R.

Book Reviews—continued overleaf

TWO HUNDRED GAMES FOR GUIDES

by Maureen Price

45p

Per Post 51p

MAPS: HOW TO READ AND MAKE THEM

by E. A. Humphrey Fenn

19p

Per Post 22½p

OMNIBUS BOOK OF GAMES AND IDEAS

by E. M. R. Burgess

87½p

Per Post 98p

THE WOODLAND BOOK FOR GUIDES AND BROWNIES

by Brenda Morton

£1.00

Per Post £1.08½

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52 DARNLEY STREET, GLASGOW G41 2SG

The Welsh Marches, by Roy Millward and Adrian Robinson. Macmillan Education Ltd.

Main volume £3.50; Booklets 1-4 25p each. (The Northern March; The Middle Severn Valley; The Middle March; The Wye Valley).

Part of a series entitled *Landscapes of Britain*, these booklets explain the evolution of scenery, physically and historically, in the Welsh Marches. They are well written and extremely interesting, and used with Ordnance Survey maps there could be no better way of exploring the countryside. They would be ideal for Rangers working for their Explorer Certificate.

Others in the series are: *The South West Peninsula*; *South East England*; *Thameside and The Weald*; *The West Midlands*. R.C.

Twin Souls, Twin Swords, by Martin D. Published by Goodinge & Wilson Ltd., £2.10.

Here is a very absorbing, true adventure story of a soldier of the 78th Highland Division in Egypt in the 19th Century. Taken prisoner after a battle at El Hamad, Thomas Keith elected to stay in Egypt, and he

eventually became Governor of the Holy City of Medina. The story is rich in adventure and the descriptive writing is so vivid that pictures of the characters and the country are conjured easily in the mind. A film of the book is planned for later in 1972. Beautifully produced and worthwhile to all those interested in the not so well known heroes in history. I.D.B.

How to Make and Fly Kites (*How To Series*), by Eve Barwell and Conrad Bailey. Studio Vista Publishers, £1.05.

This book has been in our Company library for just over a month, during which time the three Patrols have each made a kite. The clear list of materials required for each kite proved to be a great boon to the young Patrol Leaders, and the instructions are so clear that the Guides had no difficulty in following them. One Guide has also used the book to make a kite for her Toymaker Badge.

The types of kite are in alphabetical order, although I would have preferred them to have been arranged in order of difficulty.

If your Company is looking for a new art to explore or a way to enjoy the out-of-doors, even in a city, then £1.05 spent on this book is well worthwhile. J.V.L.

CHQ Book Reviews

Praise and Thanksgiving, by Christian Howard. Girl Guides Association, 45p.

Every Unit Guider and Commissioner will find this new book about worship inspiring and of immediate value in their work with young people.

Its purpose—to help Guiders in the understanding of prayer and worship and to help their Brownies, Guides and Rangers to plan and carry through acts of worship—is most certainly achieved.

Take this book to camp along with one or two others recommended in its exceptionally helpful bibliography and Guides and Rangers will happily create a Guides' Own Service of worship without the frustration of endless searching and worry.

'What shall we include?' and 'How can prayers be made to mean more for each group?' are interestingly dealt with in the chapter on prayers at weekly meetings.

If you have not done so already and experimented with media other than singing and prayers then *Praise and Thanksgiving* offers wise guide lines to the use of drama and movement in worship so much enjoyed by young people today.

The spoken word, readings, prayers and talks receive excellent coverage with a whole chapter on themes and their development, with suggestions for very simple services as well as ones using many media.

Commissioners will welcome the ideas for the blessing of new flags and the organising and carrying through of services of a more formal kind, often held in Church and frequently led by many clergy and ministers.

We all know the importance of involving each girl in the creation of an act of worship and this book certainly shows the leader how to find something for just everyone to do. There are helpful notes on visual aids

and material for acts of worship indicating how to beautify a room or place of worship, use of pictures, collage, posters etc., either as focal points or as illustrative wall coverings.

In a personal postscript Miss Howard offers advice to anyone who feels confused about worship and religious experience.

To read through this book is in itself a rewarding experience.

To read just the chapter or chapters relevant to the needs of the moment is easily possible.

To use this book with groups of young people or adults can have powerful results as thoughts and hearts are turned towards God through the expression of this in words, music and action. J.T.

The Quartermaster in Camp, by E. Robertson. CHQ, 12½p.

This is a completely new and up-to-date edition of an old friend, and still pocket sized.

An emphasis is laid on Patrol camping, with additional help for those who prefer to cook at least some meals centrally. Suggestions for simple menus are given which are well within the capabilities of the average Guide Patrol, and throughout the book there are references which indicate clearly the necessity for consultation with and planning by the Patrols themselves.

In her description of the QM's job the author stresses 'a realisation that the programme of the camp has top priority and that meals should fit in with the programme and not vice-versa'. She makes a point later that of course the cooking of a special meal could be the programme, but for the main part simplicity is the keynote to produce quick, well-balanced meals. This is a useful little partner to Miss Robertson's other book *Camps and Holidays*, and will surely find a place in most store-tents or the QM's pocket. E.C.H.

Handbook Quotes . . .

Brownie

by J. Phillips

Illustrated by Jennetta Vise

'Brownies keep their eyes open and try to lend their hands whenever they are needed.'
(Brownie Handbook, page 17.)

THE Brownie needs help with this (her 'readiness and ability to help others'), not only with remembering about it, but also by being shown ways in which she can help, and being encouraged to learn skills to enable her to help more efficiently.

A Reminder—Each Brownie draws round her own hand on a large sheet of paper, folded concertina-wise, cuts round the fingers and wrist, so that, when opened out, she has a string of hands on which to draw or write how she used them to help each day.

Ways in which to help—Under the Cloth. A collection of objects such as a pencil, ball of wool, spoon, etc., are placed on a table and covered with a cloth. Each Six sends one Brownie at a time to put her hand under the cloth and feel an object. She returns to her Six, says what she felt, then draws it while the next Brownie has her turn—she must find something different. When the drawings are finished the Six decide together what good turns could be done in connection with the objects, and the activity ends with a display of the drawings and discussion of the ideas. (This game is help for the Brownies on the Footpath, and a chance for them to fill in page 6 of Pocket Book 2.)

Statues. The Guider calls out words such as 'Bringing home the shopping', 'Carrying a tray of crockery', etc. The Brownies skip round singing—

*Brownies all come out to play,
Statues we will be today
At the end of the song we'll stand alone,
And all at once turn into stone.*
(Tune—Girls and Boys.)

At the end of the song they 'freeze' in the position suggested. The Guider points out one or two; says why she thinks they are good, and asks for suggestions as to how a Brownie might help a person in that situation, e.g. 'with all those shopping bags' or 'with that very heavy-looking tray'.

Places where a Brownie might help—Each Six chooses a card on which is written a place—Playground, Church, Bus, Shop, etc. They think out and mime a scene showing Brownies thinking of other people and helping someone in that



place. (This may provide the new members of the Pack with ideas for page 11 of Pocket Book No. 1. Acting activities, giving scope for imagination, are generally enjoyed by Brownies, and also provide an opportunity for the Guider to notice acting ability, which will help her in guiding the Brownie's choice of challenge on the Highway Journey.)

A Memory Training Game giving practice towards the Wide Awake Challenge on the Brownie Road as well as Lending a Hand.

Shopping Lists—A collection of empty grocery packets or cartons are in the centre of the room together with a basket. Sixes stand in their corners. The Guider reads out a list of five or six items, then calls the name of a Six. The Sixer takes the basket and her Six put in the 'shopping'. They then arrange the packets on the floor in front of them in the order in which they were given. In the meantime the rest of the Pack count aloud slowly, led by Guider or Pack Leader, the object being to see which Six have their items in the right order in the shortest time. The next list is read, and another Six tries to beat the count!

'Thinking out an Idea with your Six' is suggested under 'Brownies are Friendly' on the Brownie Footpath. Give each Six a situation in which they should be able to help in several ways, and ask for a list of things they could do, e.g. 'A special visitor is coming to your house for tea. What could you do to help get ready?' 'Outside your house you find a small boy alone, crying. He has fallen off his tricycle. What could you do to help?' Discussion afterwards in Pow-wow is needed to point out what they can really do, what they need to learn, what their Mothers do not allow them to do, etc.

Encouragement from the Brownie Guider, the fact that she notices and thanks any Brownie who is helpful to her in the Pack Meeting, spurs the Brownie on in her efforts to Lend a Hand. Therefore the Brownie Guider must allow herself to be helped, even if 'I'll do it for you, Brown Owl' does make her feel rather decrepit!

Training

Guide . . .

by Helen Barclay

' . . . a secret something for nothing for someone'. (Guide Handbook, page 175.)

LET'S give a party for children in a children's home.' 'My Patrol wants to sing carols at an Old People's Home.' So the ideas for a Christmas Good Turn come pouring in at a Patrol Leaders' Council. Before embarking on elaborate plans can we stop and think for a moment?

The above ideas, very good and very welcome, are coming from everyone near Christmas; children are invited to many parties, and carols are sung almost nightly in a city Old People's Home. Everyone is delighted, and then these people are forgotten for a year. A Good Turn must be wanted as well as being useful (see pages 188 and 189 *Guide Guiders' Handbook*).

In our County we have tried to channel the girls' ideas in many directions and I propose sharing a few of these with you. They will not work the same way in your District, but might be adapted to suit your area. We have a few Guiders who work in the local Social Services Department and, as a result, we and the Scouts are called upon for various acts of service. These vary from individual good turns to County efforts, and I quote a few.

Each year the Rangers and older Guides run a camp for 'under-privileged' children who would not otherwise have a holiday and who would possibly get into trouble during the long school holidays. This camp involves all sections of the Movement because, beforehand, we are collecting wellingtons, anoraks, jerseys and jeans to supplement the children's poor clothes. They are thrilled when allowed to take these home at the end of camp.

Even when a camp is not being run, warm clothes and decent shoes are always needed. One Pack collected laced shoes and sandals, cleaned them and gave them to the department as a Pack Venture. This was very much appreciated.

Blankets, knitted or crocheted from scraps of wool, are very welcome with the elderly, who like a small gay blanket to put over their knees when sitting. A small blanket takes less time to make, so the Guides' interest and enthusiasm is kept, and this could be tackled by a Patrol. A Patrol which spend part of every meeting for a month sitting knitting is developing 'Homecraft' skills, Creative Ability, Character, Relationships with People as well as serving others, and will have something to show for it at the end.

Elizabeth
Wall



Are you camping this summer? Have you room for two non-Guides? We have found that they mix in well, and afterwards often join Guides.

N.B. Non-members of the Movement are *not* covered by our insurance so it may be worth checking that this is known by the people involved with the arrangements.

Individually the Guides can help in many ways, and this is where 'a secret something for someone' really comes into its own. Do your Guides know anyone old or handicapped, living on her own, who might need help? The doctor's car is seen outside their door—does a prescription need to be collected? No Meals on Wheels are served at weekends, or Bank Holidays—can a Guide help? We have a home for blind people near us and the need to help someone across the road often arises, as does the need to carry heavy shopping baskets.

I can imagine busy Guiders, already trying to cope with family, job and Church commitments, asking where on earth the time will come from to arrange any of the above. It would be irresponsible to suggest that supervision is not needed but once a project is started, the Patrol can carry on. None of the suggestions made involves regular weekly visiting, or the problem of a rota. The Patrol Leader can write to the Social Services Department, the NSPCC or the local branch of Age Concern (to quote just a few) to ask for ideas and/or a speaker to come and talk about what is wanted. A Patrol or a Company can collect warm clothes because four or twenty-four jerseys would be appreciated. A Patrol visiting an Old People's home with a good programme of entertainment may well be less overwhelming than a whole Company, and incidentally, may be a step towards the campfire pennant.

The Guides' own ideas are best, and I have only mentioned a few which could supplement these. All good turns help the girl to grow in the widest sense, and the knowledge that she is being of use to other people, helps her to remember her Promise, which, after all, is at the centre of all she is doing.

Ranger . . .

by B. Tribe

'... the Company may well disintegrate if she cannot work well with other people.'
(Ranger Handbook, page 124.)

'ALL life is meeting' a wise man once said, and if we can at an early age accomplish the art of getting on well with other people, then life becomes that much fuller and that much warmer. This, though, is easier said than done, and most people, no matter how accomplished, extrovert and uninhibited, admit to a time in their lives when the mere thought of having to converse with a stranger, particularly one of another generation, was a fearsome prospect to be avoided at all costs, and by any face-saving, devious, means. Some people are born 'meeters and mixers', some people have 'meeting and mixing' thrust upon them, but for most of us it is something we have to work hard at, acquiring skills and techniques until the whole accomplishment becomes part of us, a facet of our true personality, and an unconscious act, such as swimming and driving a car can be.

Personal Communication

If we go back to the statement that 'all life is meeting' we must add that the sweet-life is caring and sharing. For, working well with others depends largely on 'caring' about other people's problems and circumstances and 'sharing' our time and possessions with them. We have to establish a personal communication with each individual that we meet, and this can only be achieved to some purpose if we have the ability to forget ourselves and our own image and concentrate on the welfare and comfort, spiritually as well as physically, of those we come in contact with. The Promise and the Law are, in fact, guide lines to us all in our personal relationships. The 'Promise' is a total commitment to the welfare of others, either as a Christian, as a citizen, or as a member of the human race, and the Law gives us standards by which to achieve those relationships.

Sometimes, of course, circumstances and situations arise which force us to voice an unpopular opinion, make an unpleasant decision or deal with a difficult situation, and the pitfalls and personal dilemmas are many and relationships can be strained. We can, though, try to maintain that 'getting-on-well' with people if we make quite sure that we are objective rather than

subjective, constructive rather than destructive, and that it really is principle and not pride at stake. (One cannot but wonder whether much of the fighting at home and abroad today is not a matter of principle but of pride!)

Practice Makes Perfect

I think trying to help Rangers accomplish the art and skills of good relationships with others is perhaps one of the most difficult tasks we have to attempt. To begin with we have to establish a good relationship with them ourselves, and honesty, integrity and sincerity are exacting qualities they expect from us. But practice makes perfect, and every project and activity that the Rangers include in their programme can provide an opportunity for just that sort of practice. The occasion of the visiting speaker, or guest, can allow one or two Rangers to act as hostess for the evening—welcoming, conversing afterwards and bidding farewell; and similarly, perhaps, when the Unit is visiting. How to converse and give a vote of thanks can be the topic for discussion at a pre-meeting.

The Unit Committee

The Ranger Unit Committee also gives an opportunity for 'getting-on-well', when each begins to understand the problems connected with each office. Discussion within the Unit as to the personal qualities required to hold each office can be invaluable to the individual and the Unit. Personal relationships are the most difficult to achieve, and it is often lack of knowledge of each other that leads to misunderstandings. A questionnaire to be answered about one's best friend, or a Brownie or Guide in the Unit that one helps, with such questions as: address and telephone number, place of worship, family, colour of eyes, hobbies, etc., can help to establish the idea of consideration for others, and the circumstances under which they live.

I feel, too, that in this age of the 'generation gap' we can help, if need be, relationship in the home, by gently putting forward the parental point of view. Much of the idea of 'getting on with others' springs from the home and if this relationship is a good one, others will form more easily. The home and relationship within are the basis of our society.

Sometimes, as a busy Guider, one is apt to think that 'all of Guiding life is committee meetings', but in fact all of Guiding is meeting, and that meeting is, or should be, happiness.

GUIDERS VISIT

by Betty

Adviser for Education

Illustrated by J



OUR Brownies and Guides, who spend about two hours a week at the Pack or Company meeting, are at school for five or six hours each week day. In recent years there have been many changes in education and probably the place our Brownies and Guides know as 'school' is very different from 'school' as we remember it.

Recently a small group of Guiders in Manchester decided that they would like to visit a school. They are all Brownie Guiders and so Greenheys Junior School was chosen, being near at hand although none of them had Brownies of their own at the school. This school was also selected because it had something of special interest for the Guiders to see. The school is in an old building in a poor district, with rapid demolition of slum property creating a wilderness on one side of it. Following the Plowden Report the area was designated an Educational Priority Area and so had some extra money granted to it and should have a good staff-pupil ratio. The school also happens to have an immigrant population of 75% West Indians, Asians and a few Europeans, with only 25% native Manchester children. Looking over the railings at play-time nearly all the children seem to be one of the many shades of brown.

Attractive Surroundings

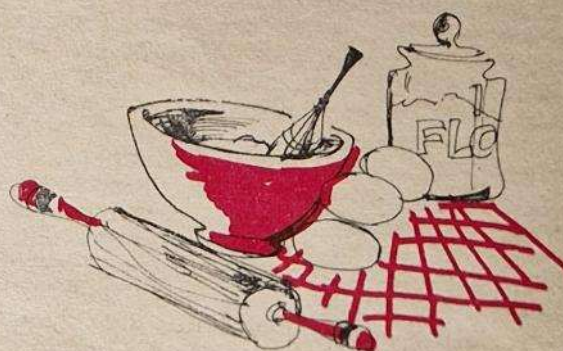
We were invited to visit the school on a Wednesday afternoon and we arrived at 1.30 p.m. to meet Mr. Royle, the head teacher. Going upstairs to the Junior Department we were immediately struck by the blue covering on what must have been old stone stairs, also the light pastel paint on the walls. In spite of its surroundings and early 20th century appearance outside, inside it is bright and gay with pictures, pottery, collages and collections of things for interest and decoration. Mr. Royle told us about the school and explained what happens on Wednesday afternoons. All the children in the Junior School

choose what they would like to do from the many possibilities of creative craft and other activities offered by the teachers. They are then grouped according to the activity of their choice—boys and girls with ages ranging from 7 to 11 years—and they work at this activity each Wednesday afternoon for six weeks. At the end of this period they choose another activity and the groups re-form.

Mr. Royle took us around the school to see all that was going on, introduced us to the teachers and pointed out special equipment. The mixed ages and the variety of activities made it not unlike a Pack meeting (except there were boys and girls). He explained that the Education Authority provided some equipment, also they have a school fund to which the children contribute. In addition they get all sorts of odd bits of material from factories such as off-cuts from cotton mills, paper mills, string, wood from saw mills and so on—a familiar story to us. The articles the children made they could take home without charge.

Varied Activities

The activities we saw were basketry, woodwork, meccano work, painting, collage work, baking, needlework, knitting, papiermâché, modelling, glove puppet making, folk dancing, music appreciation and music making, a games room for ludo, draughts and chess—the latter



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being very popular—French (just a taste with singing and games) and pottery, this was in the basement and we were told that the kiln was bought with the Education Priority Area grant! The purpose of the afternoon was to give the children a real sense of achievement and they certainly got this, much of the work being of a very high standard. Also the children got to know each other, the older ones helped the younger ones and the teachers got to know all the children in the school, not just the ones in their own class. Mr. Royle said that there were few discipline problems on these afternoons, and we were certainly impressed by the quiet atmosphere everywhere and that attention and concentration were held for a long time—1.40 p.m. to 4 p.m.—with just fifteen minutes playtime.

Good Pupil/Staff Relationships

After a cup of tea at 3 p.m. we separated and visited whichever rooms we found most interesting, moving about, talking to the children and the teachers who seemed pleased to discuss what they were doing. The head teacher said that he was using the hobbies and talents of his staff; the teacher taking the pottery was herself attending classes in order to keep ahead of her group.

When our visit finished at 4 p.m. we had a few minutes to talk together. Comments were made on the friendliness of the teachers, and of the quiet, easy, relationship between the children

and the teachers. The children did not sit still but moved about to get everything they wanted, to speak to each other and the teacher. On the other hand, they had worked mostly at one activity all the afternoon, and then cleared up at the end. We saw that the teacher starts a child off on something, and then lets him go on with it; she does not tell him everything he must do, he finds out for himself. The children invent, express themselves, and are clearly quite able to do this.

One of the Brownie Guiders wrote afterwards about the visit: 'It does help to realise a child, too, has a working day like ours. I now see that this age group has a potential which, with my protective attitude, I may have restricted somewhat. I must let out the reins a little and travel on to the Highway, their Highway. Even if we trip once or twice it promises to be rewarding, since we were privileged to see Mr. Royle's fascinating results.'

How to Organise a Visit

If a group of Guiders would like to visit a school in their own neighbourhood they should contact the Education Officer of their town or County and ask him to put them in touch with the Head of a school. He will be able to suggest a school with some special interest, such as an 'open plan school' or one where there is 'team teaching', for Guide Guiders, perhaps a comprehensive school. Primary Schools particularly welcome visitors, but secondary schools do, too, especially when they have special activity times or clubs. Such a visit may help Guiders to know their own Brownies and Guides better by giving some insight into their working day.



Conservation And Your Patrol

by

Tavia Maclean

HAVE you ever thought of adopting a pond? Would you know who to approach for the adoption? Would you know what to do with it when you had adopted it?

Anyway, who wants to adopt a pond? 'We do,' said one Patrol.

Have you ever made friends with a robin? Do you think you could make friends with a robin in one week and have him eating out of your hand? Do you know how to start this friendship? 'We do,' said one Patrol, 'and we'll prove it.'

The Guides were very concerned about the amount of rubbish being dumped in their favourite lane, and the bottles and cans in the stream where last year the moorhens nested and the occasional kingfisher was seen. They said, 'Why doesn't the Council remove it?' We discovered that the Council would remove it if requested but that the account would then be sent to the landowner. We felt this would not endear us to the landowners if we sent in the request; and the task was already too big for us to tackle alone. Which other groups of people were interested in conservation? The Rangers and Venture Scouts had already found the answer to that one—they were working with the County Conservation Trust in a quarry. The Rangers were helping to divert a stream from the quarry face which was rich in fossils and the Venture Scouts were helping to break up old motor cars.

We asked the Nature Conservancy what the Guides could do to help. Here are some of their suggestions:

1. Adopt a pond. Youngsters want quick results; planting a tree is fine, but it takes a long time to grow, whereas a pond can be changed in four weeks. Find a pond in need of care and ask the farmer or landowner if you may clear it. Remove all the rubbish (a glorious opportunity to get wet and muddy); cut back overhanging branches on the south side. In four weeks algae will have developed, then dragonflies will come, and then birds.

2. Do a hedgerow count. The WI have already surveyed many hedges but there are many more waiting to be done. There is a greater acreage of hedgerows in this country than Nature Reserves, and the hedgerows harbour a great variety of bird and animal life. You can obtain official forms on which to record your survey,

and these are issued free, together with a leaflet of explanation. The leaflet tells you, for example, how to date the hedge according to the number of species of tree found.

3. Feed wild birds. Read *The Bird Table Book* by Tony Soper (Pan 35p), before plunging headlong into this activity. It is full of sound advice about the right foods and some of the dangers. If you have a robin which already visits your garden feed him meal worms, they are quite irresistible to robins. You put them on the ground near where you are working, then gradually over a period of days bring the worms closer to you, until you have some on your hand with your hand resting on the ground.

We received some useful advice about the use of camp sites for a dual purpose. There should be a variety of indigenous trees, birch, oak, hazel, willow. We should avoid sycamore because they spread into adjoining territory, and rhododendron because they kill off ground cover. A shallow pond should be created with a sandy edge and scrub in a horseshoe arrangement leaving the south open. Small birds will drink and bathe at the shallow edge. If you have an old tree stump on which scraps of food can always be left the birds will become quite tame. If you set up nesting boxes on the camp site, don't put up too many as birds can get lost just as humans can in a new town when every house looks the same.

Further Help

A nature trail could be set up but they are rather expensive to do properly. However, advice can be obtained from the Advisory Section of the Nature Conservancy.

If you want to join in a Conservancy Project your first contact should be your own County Conservation Trust. Your County Council might have a project, your Parish Council or the PCC.

The British Trust for Conservation Volunteers takes youngsters into camp for a week while working on a project. Contact the **BTCV Zoological Gardens, Regents Park, London.**

Proved Survey Method forms are available from: **Biological Records Centre, Nature Conservancy, Monkswood Experimental Station, Abbots Ripton, Hunts.**

Advice on Nature Trails can be obtained from: **Educational Advisory Section, Nature Conservancy, Attingham Park, Shrewsbury, Salop.**

Wild Life Conservation in the Care of Churches and Churchyards by Charles Baker, 25p, from Church Information Office, Church House, Westminster, is a book to look out for, which gives good advice on creating a habitat to encourage wild life.

The Brownie Pack Library

by Ailsa Brambleby

illustrated by Jennetta Vise



'A PACK Library?' some Guiders may gasp. 'But where on earth should we keep it? How could we possibly afford to stock it? And when do you imagine we would find the time to run it? Anyway, haven't we enough to cope with already without taking on anything else?'

Too true, but would it be an extra? Hasn't every Pack already the beginnings of a library? Those few books in the Brownie cupboard, the odd ones in the Six boxes, those kept handy in the Guider's case? Assemble all these and you will be surprised at what you have; organise them and you will be surprised how much more they will be used.

Where could we keep a Library?

Well-cared-for books are attractive to look at. If you are among the lucky few who have the exclusive use of a hall, you might persuade a Venture Scout or Brownie father to put up one or two small shelves. The less fortunate may have to store their books in the Pack cupboard or with an obliging neighbour. Simple cases can be made from small, sturdy grocery boxes covered with sticky-backed plastic or material; these are easy for the Pack librarians to lift out and arrange.

How could we stock it?

Be selective. Keep it small. Above all, beware of the generous public! After every spring-clean, every jumble sale, every house removal, you will be in danger of inundation by books 'which might do for the Brownies'—everything from the simplest ABC to the complete works of Dickens in microscopic print.

As many schools and public libraries are plentifully stocked there will probably be little need for fiction on your shelves. It might be helpful, however, to have some of the more popular books needed for the Booklover badge. Stories specifically about Brownies may also be considered. Brockhampton Press publish some by Verily Anderson and Ailsa Brambleby.

Most Brownie Guiders find they are expected to have a bottomless store of knowledge of Nature Study, and a few good books on birds, trees and flowers give a great feeling of confidence. In addition to these, from time to time the Pack may need books on shells, insects, fossils, fungi, clouds or any other subject which may have absorbed them during a Venture. The

Ladybird and the *Observer* books are most helpful and do not cost much or need much space.

An interest in Nature Study often leads into handwork and Brenda Morton's *Woodland Book for Guides and Brownies*, published by Brown, Son and Ferguson at £1 is a wonderful addition to a library. In this, and in her book *Brownie Handwork*, 55p, Brown, Son and Ferguson, there are endless suggestions of things Brownies can do by themselves. Most children's booksellers have an excellent stock of books on handwork (e.g. *Something to Do* in the Puffin Series) containing ideas which the children can tackle more or less on their own. These are also a help to the Guider and a stimulus to the older Brownies.

Any book which gives information on Interest badges is useful and every Pack should have a complete set of the Brownie Badges booklets; these, at 6p, are excellent value and packed with ideas. The series *Brownie Stories of the World*, 5p, help not only with Interest badges but also with Journeys and Ventures. (All available from CHQ.)

Attractive books of prayers are available, but are hard to find for children of Brownie age, and we need to guard against ones which are too young. *Christ the Light of The World*, by Sheila Mayo, published by Highway, 15p, *God is Looking after Me*, published by The Church Information Office, 22½p, and *The Brownie Prayer Book*, 20p, have proved popular with many Packs. Many Brownies make collections of their own prayers which can be assembled in books. These could have a place in the library as could stories made up by winners of the Writer badge, log books made during a nature Venture, a picture book in which each Brownie, as she joins, draws a different good turn, and a scrap book on the Royal Family.

How Could we Care for the Books?

Brownies are so observant and imitative that the quickest and best way to teach them to care

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'I went into the hall and no one said a word to me. It was just awful.' Some snatches of conversation.

DOES IT MATTER?

Illustrated by Jean de Lemos

THIS is a large Company with no Assistant Guider. The Unit Guider had not yet arrived when a Tester arrived to test some Guides for their Writer Badge.

When the Guider arrived and saw the Tester standing at the end of the hall by herself, no one having welcomed her, she pointed out to the Guides what they might have felt like had they been in that position. One of the Guides then suggested that a Patrol be appointed to take turns in rota each week to be the hostess Patrol for that night, so that such a situation should not arise again. This suggestion coming

from them had obviously made them realise how they might have felt if, as a new Guide coming into the Company, no one had taken any notice of them.

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Commissioner decided that she must make herself known to one of the Brownie Packs in

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for books is by example. Older Brownies enjoy making book 'sleeves' (copy one from the public library). Very inexpensive polythene can be bought from ironmongers and Sellotape is a good adhesive for this. Paperbacks live longer if an extra spine of Sellotape is added.

How Could we Organise the Lending?

It is quite possible for the Brownies, with occasional checking by the Guider, to be in charge of this if the method is kept simple. One way is for each Brownie to have a library number of from 1 to 24 and one page in an ordinary exercise book with her name and number on it. As a child leaves, a new one takes her number. The name of the borrowed book is entered, and a tick put by it on its return.

the District which she had just taken over. The noise issuing from the hall was considerable so Commissioner chose to walk once round the square and then return, hoping it would be a better moment for her to make an appearance. The noise

continued, she repeated her walk. On the third try she realised that she must brave it. There were Brownies everywhere, some engrossed with glue and crêpe paper, two at the piano, while Pack Leader was doing some sort of dance with another group. No one took any notice of her. At last the Guider emerged from under a plump Brownie who was clad like the fairy on a Christmas tree in yards of pink net. She removed pins from her mouth and casually called 'Hallo. Stand still Mandy. Can you help?' and passed Commissioner the tin of pins. 'Oh well,' she thought, 'much better than the red carpet treatment!'

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'I was told that there was a Guider's meeting which I was expected to attend. Having never been to

one before I went with some uncertainty. Others were going in, so I followed. The Guiders stood about in twos and threes, no one spoke to me. At last Commissioner arrived, "You have all got to know Mrs. X haven't you?" she said, with a hand on my shoulder. "Oh," said two groups of Guiders together, "we thought you were with those Guiders," each group pointing at the other.'

Books for the Guider

The Guider will find many ideas in the books in the Brownie section: she will also need other books which she may prefer to keep in a separate place. These may include her own Handbooks, *The Guide Handbook*, *Policy*, *Organisation and Rules*, *Trefoil Around the World* (perhaps shared with other Guiders), *The Pack and the Promise*, and several books of games. Over the years she will also gather books on the growth and development of children, story telling, simple acting and miming, people overseas, cooking, gardening, astronomy, space travel.

Most of the present-day children of Junior School age enjoy books, and are used to searching for knowledge for themselves. So it is worth considering whether a small, well-selected, well-cared-for Pack library would be a help and asset to your Brownies.

RANGERS' ACTIVITY RIG

WHEN the Executive Committee agreed the changes to take effect in 1973, in order to unify the Ranger Section, it did not wish to take away any items of the present activity rig. Rangers may have felt that, by being invited to send in new designs, the present activity rig was being replaced.

The Association feels strongly that Rangers should wear the rig in which they feel happiest, but if they want a change, this is the time to suggest different items. It's up to you and over to you and we all hope Rangers will continue to enjoy the programme and will feel a sense of unity in their 'best' uniforms, while having every opportunity to retain or design the most suitable activity rig.

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The Versatile Camp Stove

All through the year we find opportunities to build interesting programmes round our camping gaz stoves.

Our first idea was carried out in January, when we decided to Help The Birds. The Pack split into three groups and took turns to make Bird Puddings; those waiting played a bird recognition game, and strung peanuts, in their shells, on to long strong cottons (with a button knotted on the end to prevent the nuts slipping off). Each Brownie was asked the previous week to bring a cream carton, and any oddments of stale cake, suet, rolled oats, or sultanas, that Mum could spare us. First, we bored holes in the cartons with a hot skewer (Guider's job) and threaded a string loop for hanging from the branches. Brown Owl had bought some dripping from the butcher, which was melted over the stove in a large saucepan, all the Brownies' offerings stirred in, and the resulting mixture packed in the cream cartons, pressed down well and left to set. At the end of the meeting each Brownie took home her own pudding and string of nuts to hang up, and reported next week on the bird activity in her garden.

The next month, we needed three stoves and a Primus, to make Shrove Tuesday pancakes. Each Six had a stove and a responsible helper and, with a clearly written recipe, drew the utensils and ingredients from Brown Owl's store. This included plenty of newspaper to protect the floor, as each one wanted to cook her own pancakes, and most tried tossing them, with varying results—always hilarious and sometimes successful.

During Whitsun week we always have a river picnic, and the notes the Brownies take home beforehand tell them to bring tea and a drink, 'and a couple of sausages if you like them'. Most of them do, and love cooking their own. Insist on chipolatas if you try this, or it stretches out into a midnight feast!

So many of the Brownies have caravan or country cottage holidays that we sometimes spend the July meetings with a 'Help Mother on Holiday' campaign. Here again we split into groups, one to make sandwiches with sliced bread and meat paste, because this is an easy introduction to the job, another to make chocolate crunchies using the stoves. Later in the meeting they learn how to pack food in tidy parcels and, adding a bottle of squash, take their picnic out into the school field. I wonder how many, later, are allowed to really help by packing the picnic tea occasionally? At least they know how to set about it.

Other activities for groups during this 'campaign' are, pegging swimsuits on an improvised line (skipping ropes), and carrying buckets of water—outdoors, of course.

After the summer holidays there are still plenty of occasions for using the stoves; hot soup for winter picnics, sausages for a Hallowe'en party, melting wax to make Christmas candles (this *must* be done over a saucepan of hot water).

When using the stoves we always cover the floor and tables with plenty of newspaper, and we have a cloth handy for major spills. We always insist that the Brownies wear aprons, and we also keep a tube of antiseptic cream handy for slightly burnt fingers.

The Brownies, of course, must be closely supervised, but the biggest chore of all is the amount of material the Guiders must bring to the meeting. But aren't we all used to that?

(MRS) CICELY PORT, Brownie Guider, 11th Hereford Pack.

World Federation For The Protection Of Animals

'Humane education is the awakening and fostering of the principles of justice, fair play and compassion towards every form of life capable of suffering.' Such are the aims of the World Federation for the Protection of Animals which is trying to influence the general public and government officials towards providing the most humane conditions for animals which modern technology can provide.

The proposed programme of the Federation for the Seventies is: Protection of Food Animals; Protection of Animals used in Research; Humane Control of Surplus Dogs; Control of Exploitation of Non-Food Animals; Protection of Fauna and Habitats.

Such an ambitious programme of course needs funds, as well as more members to participate in the programme.

For more details write to: World Federation for the Protection of Animals, 76 Alfred Escherstrasse, 8002 Zurich, Switzerland.

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headquarters' notices

BIRTHDAY HONOURS, 1972

We offer our congratulations to Miss E. M. Hulse, Colony Commissioner, British Honduras, who was awarded the MBE for 'service to the community'; to Miss E. C. Sexton (Australian Capital Territory), who received the MBE for 'service to Girl Guiding'; and to Miss D. Blundy, Sussex West County Pack Holiday Adviser, who received the MBE for 'service as a clinical nurse tutor'.

LEADERSHIP FOR RANGERS

Foxlease, August 23rd/1st September

With the accent on the Ranger Section, and the news of the Young Leader's Certificate (due to start next year, and based on the syllabus of the present Certificates) this week at Foxlease is especially for all those Ranger Helpers aged 16 and over who are working on Part II of the present Ranger Leadership Certificates (Brownies or Guide Section). It is designed to help them as individuals and with their work for Brownies or Guides.

Applications should be made now to the Guider-in-Charge at Foxlease. The cost will be £12.00 inclusive and some grant aid will be available to those who have the highest travelling expenses. Reduced rail fare vouchers for those under 18 are obtainable from your Country/Region HQ offices.

CAMBRIDGE SCOUT AND GUIDE CLUB

It is hoped that a small contingent from the Club will attend the student Scout and Guide rally at Waddow in Lancashire, to meet Rangers and Venture Scouts who are going to Cambridge in August. If you don't know anything about the Club and would like more information about it contact the chairman, Jeremy Barber (Trinity Hall, Cambridge) or the secretary, Mary Penny (Girton College, Cambridge).

INTERNATIONAL SCOUT AND GUIDE CLUB

Meetings take place every Monday at 8 p.m. at Baden-Powell House, Queen's Gate, London. All visitors are welcome. The programme for July includes: 3rd, Evening of Films; 10th, Doug in America; 17th, Visit to Open Air Theatre; 24th, Campfire; 31st, Evening in the Park.

A dinner-dance is being held on October 21st at the Piccadilly Suite. Tickets, £4 single, £7.50 double.

WEEKEND AT LEE ABBEY FOR SCOUTERS AND GUIDERS

A Lee Abbey Weekend for Commissioners, Scouters and Guiders will be held at Ashburnham Place, Nr. Battle, Sussex, from 17th-19th November, 1972. The

purpose of the weekend, 'Free To Live', is to think about Living and Being a Christian. It will be an opportunity to deepen one's own faith and also to understand, in order that we may become wiser counsellors, much of what young people are trying to say through their enthusiasm for 'Godspell', their interest in The Jesus People and the Charismatic Movement, the use of drugs, etc. Details may be obtained from Miss P. D. Pilditch, Lee Abbey, Lynton, N. Devon.

NEW KI-RO SECRETARY

Would Roman Catholic Guiders please note the address of the new Ki-Ro Secretary:

Miss Quinn (vice Miss Williams), 323 Osmaston Road, Derby, Derbyshire.

COMMONWEALTH AND INTERNATIONAL CIRCLE

The Summer Reception will be held on Monday, 10th July, 1972, at 6.30 p.m. in the Goldsmiths' Hall, Foster Lane, London, EC2, by kind permission of the Prime Warden. Tickets obtainable by members from the Hon. Treasurer, c/o CHQ.

THE SCOUT AND GUIDE TRUST FUND

The value of a Share Unit in the above Commonwealth Investment Fund on 31st May 1972 was 46.20p-48.53p. Income was distributed for the last half-year at the rate of £0.0081 per share.

OUR NEW L.P.

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Declaration of Commonwealth Principles

Chart Available

At the Heads of Government meeting in Singapore on 22nd January, 1971, the Declaration of Commonwealth Principles was agreed. This historic document, setting forth for the first time the aims and policies of the countries of the Commonwealth has now been prepared in leaflet form and is printed and published by the Commonwealth Institute and is available free of charge on application to the Institute.

A summary of the Institute's activities is given on the back of the leaflet, information which should be of interest to anyone concerned with either teaching or working on projects on any aspect of the Commonwealth.

The Text of the Declaration has also been reproduced for display purposes in clear large-sized type on stiff white card, size 28½ in. x 19 in., as a wall chart. These charts are available at 15p plus 10p postage.

For the chart or leaflet write to: The Director, The Commonwealth Institute, London, W8 6NQ (Tel. 01-602 3252) or to: The Scottish Director, Commonwealth Institute, 8 Rutland Square, Edinburgh EH1 2AS (Tel: 031-229 6668).

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GUIDE FRIENDSHIP FUND

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Trinidad and Tobago need folding cots and mattresses for Pack holidays and Guide camps. It isn't safe to sleep on the ground, so these are a 'must'. (£12 each.)

Ecuador need sleeping bags (£8 each), clasp knives, haversacks, and tents.

Nepal need tents, sleeping bags, first aid boxes and cooking utensils.

Gabon need tents, inflatable mattresses and lamps for weekend camps.

These are just a few of the needs. Can any of your Guides and Brownies help their friends in other countries to enjoy a weekend in camp or a Pack Holiday, I wonder?

V.A.

The Guide Friendship Farm, Uganda (Extracts from Sister Francis' last letter.)

May, 1972

Mid April the hens started laying . . . a few eggs a day, and then rapidly the number increased. One day we had 52, another 57, and soon we expect about 80 to 90 a day. Suddenly with the first eggs a change took place in the girls. Is it the fact that after months of unproductive efforts, they suddenly see results? Anyway, the place is spotlessly clean, inside and outside, flowers have been planted, a water drain has been cemented, weeds have been rooted out, and the girls are much more on the spot.

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For the very first time the farm is getting in some money. Our great desire now is for us to help another group to start and for this purpose we shall begin to put aside what we can.

The farm now employs seven young girls and at their own request four of them will make their Promise as Guides. They send their greetings to all those who have helped and who have taken an interest in their work.

All donations and correspondence should be sent to: The Guide Friendship Fund, The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT.

Where to train

HOW TO APPLY

Any Guider may apply herself to attend a training course at the Centres, provided she has reached the minimum age of 17 years (or 19½ in the case of Ranger Guider courses).

An application to attend a Guider training course at any Guide Training Centre should be sent direct to the appropriate Guider-in-Charge, and must be accompanied by the correct amount of deposit and a stamped addressed envelope. Applicants should also state the type of training for which they are attending, as there may be several different courses running at any one weekend. As so many Guiders have to leave on Sunday, training sessions at a two-day weekend will stop at tea-time on that day unless otherwise stated. It sufficient notice is given that it is wanted, every effort will be made to provide sessions for a group until Monday. Individuals who are able to stay over until Monday to enjoy the surrounding country and other amenities of the Centres are most welcome to do so. Reduced rail fare vouchers for those under 18 can be obtained from Country/Region HQ Offices.

Telephone calls are accepted only between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. at Foxlease (Lyndhurst) 042-128 2638, and at Waddow (Clitheroe) 02-002 3186, except in emergencies.

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JULY

- 7-9 General Training. Brownie and Guide Guiders (Places reserved for Jewish Guiders) (Full)
- 15-22 Trefoil Guild Holiday Week
- 28-AUGUST 7 Patrol Leaders' Week

AUGUST

- 11-17 Pack Holiday Training (by allocation)
- 23-SEPTEMBER 1 (Bank Holiday) Leadership for Rangers



Commonwealth Headquarters

SEPTEMBER

- †7-11 Linger Longer
- 15-17 Essex West
- 22-24 North East London
- 29-OCTOBER 1 District and Division Commissioners (by allocation)

OCTOBER

- 6-8 General Training. Brownie and Guide Guiders (Full)
- 13-15 Making the Most of the Programme (District Commissioners/Assistants with up to six other Guiders) (Full)
- 20-22 South West England (by allocation)
- 27-29 Making the most of the Programme (District Commissioners/Assistants with up to six other Guiders)

NOVEMBER

- *3-5 Fun and Fireworks!
- 10-12 Hampshire East
- 17-19 General Training. Brownie and Guide Guiders (with an emphasis on preparing for Christmas)
- 24-26 1. Guide Guiders
2. Ranger Guiders

DECEMBER

- 28-JANUARY 2 Pantomania (A New Year Houseparty with entertaining possibilities!)

WADDOW

Clitheroe, Lancs. BB7 3LD

- 30-JULY 2 General Training. Brownie, Guide and Ranger Guiders

JULY

- 7-9 Student Weekend
- 14-16 Friends of Waddow
- 21-29 Patrol Leaders' Week

AUGUST

- 2-9 Trefoil Guild Holiday Week

- 13-20 Family Holiday Week (General Training for Brownie and Guide Guiders, who may be accompanied by their husbands and children aged 2-8 years)

- 25-SEPTEMBER 3 Plot Your Own Course (for 15-18 age group)

SEPTEMBER

- 8-10 General Training. Brownie and Guide Guiders
- 15-17 Making the Most of the Programme (District Commissioners / Assistants with up to six other Guiders)
- 22-24 Worcestershire
- 29-OCTOBER 1 Durham

OCTOBER

- 6-8 General Training. Brownie and Guide Guiders
- 13-15 Cambridgeshire
- 20-22 General Training. Brownie and Guide Guiders
- 27-29 South East Lancs

NOVEMBER

- 3-5 Making The Most of The Programme (District Commissioners / Assistants with up to six other Guiders)
- 10-12 District and Division Commissioners (by allocation)
- 17-19 Ranger Guiders
- 24-26 General Training. Brownie and Guide Guiders

DECEMBER

- 1-3 Yorkshire Central Scouters
- 29-JANUARY 2 A Victorian Houseparty

Training Notes

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Minimum fee	for weekend	£3.50
Double room	per day	£2.20
	per week	£15.40
Minimum fee	for weekend	£4.40
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JULY

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AUGUST

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SEPTEMBER

15-17 Course for Ranger Guiders and Venture Scout Leaders; Joint Activities.

OCTOBER

*27-30 Adventure Activities including canoeing, climbing and hill walking.

NOVEMBER

17-19 Leadership in the Hills—a course for those who may, in the future, lead parties in hill country, and for those who wish to learn more about the Mountain Leadership Certificate.

*At any of these courses it may be possible to include, at special rates, pony trekking and gliding if there is sufficient demand.

Courses at Glenbrook are open to Commissioners, Guiders and Rangers, unless otherwise stated. Initial applications for courses to—The Glenbrook Secretary, CHQ.

Fees: Weekend Courses, i.e. two nights at Glenbrook—£3.00 inclusive of 75p deposit. Ranger Adventure week course—£10.00 inclusive of £2.00 deposit.

Scotland

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JULY

1-8 PHAB Course
11-18 Theatre Workshop
20-28 Patrol Leaders' Woodcraft Camp
21-29 Patrol Leaders' Week (by invitation)

AUGUST

4-8 Patrol Leaders' Woodcraft Camp
11-18 Patrol Leaders' Week (by invitation)

SEPTEMBER

1-3 SCPR Keep-fit Group
8-10 District Study Papers
15-17 Chairman of County Training Committees
22-24 Brownie and Guide Guiders
29-1 Rangers

OCTOBER

6-8 Brownie and Guide Guiders (places reserved for Glasgow Northern Division)
13-15 Brownie and Guide Guiders (places reserved for Roxburghshire)
20-22 Commissioners—including sessions for new Commissioners
27-29 Preparations for Christmas—Guiders of all sections

NOVEMBER

3-5 Brownie and Guide Guiders
10-12 Ranger Guiders
17-19 Brownie and Guide Guiders
24-26 Commissioners and Trainers

DECEMBER

1-3 Commissioners and Trainers
8-10 Commissioners and Trainers

Fees at Netherurd

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Wales

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JULY

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21-25 Theatre Workshop—Tudor Weekend

*31-AUGUST 5 Patrol Leaders (Cardiff and East Glamorgan, West Glamorgan)

AUGUST

*8-13 Patrol Leaders (Carmarthen, Pembroke, Brecon, Radnor)
*7-22 Patrol Leaders (Flint, Denbigh, Monmouth)
25-29 General Training. (Husbands and children may be accommodated)

SEPTEMBER

1-3 1) Brownie Guiders (17-25 years)
2) Guitar for beginners
8-10 Outdoor Activities (Guiders 25 years and under)
29-OCTOBER 1. Crafts for use in Packs and Companies

OCTOBER

6-8 1) General Training
2) Prospective Trainers (By invitation)
13-15 Music Weekend
1) Music, singing and dancing in the Units
2) Training towards Campfire and Music Specialists' Certificates (By invitation)
20-22 Camp Advisers' Conference
27-29 International

NOVEMBER

3-5 General Training
10-12 Camping and Pack Holiday Skills
17-19 Welsh Association of Youth Clubs' Conference
24-26 University Scout and Guide Clubs

DECEMBER

1-3 General Training (Places reserved for Cheshire Wirral)

*Note

For Patrol Leaders, Guides and Rangers attending these courses the inclusive fee will be £5.75.

Fees at Broneirion

Shared room	per day	£1.50
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Single room	per day	£2.00
Deposit	£1.00	

Bursary Help

GUIDERS attending Guider training courses at Foxlease, Waddow, Netherurd, Broneirion and Lorne are eligible to apply for Training Bursaries. A Guider may receive only one such bursary, except in special cases when the Commissioner may recommend a subsequent award, e.g.: where a Guider changes her Section or becomes a Commissioner, etc.

Fee Bursary: This entitles a Guider to a grant of £1.25 for a two-day weekend and 50p for each additional day.

Travel Bursary: This entitles a Guider to a grant covering travelling expenses in excess of £2.00 and is available only for the nearest Training Centre. A travel bursary in addition to a fee bursary is allowed only in cases of special need and a detailed recommendation from the Commissioner is required. Payment of this grant is made at the Training Centre on production of the bursary form.

Angela Thompson Bursaries: These are available for any Promise and Law training course (not necessarily held at a CHQ Training Centre) and have the same value as a fee bursary.

Application for Training Bursaries: Must be made through the District Commissioner who applies direct to the Secretary, CHQ Training Department, stating the name of the Guider concerned and the date and place of the training course. Scottish Commissioners should apply to Scottish Headquarters. At least a fortnight's notice must be given. Bursaries cannot be issued in retrospect. Not more than one quarter of the places at any one weekend can be covered by bursary grants and the Commissioners are asked to indicate priorities if applying for a number of bursaries. A number of L.E.As. give generous help towards Guider training courses and a request for such assistance should be made direct to the local authority concerned.

Camping Holidays and Pack Holidays

Foxlease and Waddow Camp-sites

Applications, giving full details of requirements and alternative dates should be sent to the Secretary, marking the envelope 'camp', and enclosing 50p deposit (forfeited if the booking is cancelled) and a foolscap s.a.e.

Camps at Foxlease may begin on any weekday; Waddow prefers camps to begin on Saturday.

Beaverbrook Lodge-Foxlease

Applications should be sent to the Secretary, Foxlease, together with an initial deposit of £1 (which is forfeited if the booking is cancelled). A stamped addressed foolscap envelope should be enclosed. Please give alternative dates. Priority will be given to applicants who have not already stayed in Beaverbrook Lodge. Applications for the period 1st October, 1972, to 31st March, 1973, are now being accepted. Applications for the period 1st April, to 30th September, 1973, will be accepted from the 1st September, 1972.

Waddow Pack Holiday House

Applications for Pack Holidays should be made to the Secretary and must be accompanied by a written recommendation from the Guider's C.A., and a foolscap s.a.e. enclosed.

Waddow Cottage and Caravan

Both are available for bookings throughout the year. For details apply to the Secretary, enclosing s.a.e.

Glenbrook Camp-sites

Applications for sites should be sent to the Bookings Secretary, 20 Smithy Croft, Dronfield Woodhouse, nr. Sheffield S18 5YD enclosing foolscap s.a.e. and giving alternative dates.

Netherurd Camp-sites, Brownie House and Caravan

For information about bookings and available dates apply to the Secretary enclosing s.a.e.

Broneirion Camp-sites and Pack Holiday House

Applications for sites and the Brownie Pack Holiday House at

Broneirion should be addressed to Mrs. Kwantes, Tavistock House, 76 Parcwrn Road, Sketty, Swansea, Glamorgan (Swansea 24967).

Bookings for dates outside school holidays for the Brownie House, direct to the Guider-in-Charge. Storage heaters have now been installed.

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Lorne Camp-sites

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Scottish Scout And Guide Folkfest

Following last year's outstanding success in taking the Scottish Scout and Girl Guide Folkfest into the Edinburgh International Festival as part of the Festival Fringe and making it a week-long affair, the Scout and Girl Guides Associations in Scotland are staging a similar event this year during the period 4th-10th September.

Informal Folk Sessions from Monday 4th-Friday 8th September inclusive in Edinburgh County Scout HQ, Victoria Terrace (off the Lawnmarket behind the castle) between 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. at which members of the Movements are invited to drop in and participate or listen—free.

Late Night Folk Music from Monday 4th-Friday 8th inclusive from 10.30 p.m. until midnight, also in Edinburgh Scout HQ with the best performers from the Movements and their friends—tickets 25p.

A Folk Workshop on the last weekend, 9th-10th September, at Carberry Tower, Musselburgh, assembling from 11 a.m. on the Saturday. The workshop will include sessions on performance technique, singing, composing, microphone technique, guitar, Folk Worship and many others. The performers will move into the Brunton Hall, Musselburgh, for the Folkfest on the Saturday evening and the Workshop will resume at Carberry on the Sunday morning with Folk Worship. The cost of the weekend will be £2 (over 18s £3) including accommodation and Folkfest ticket.

The Folkfest proper on Saturday, 9th September, in its grandest setting yet, will be at the modern 800 seat Brunton Hall in Musselburgh's High Street, starting at 7.30 p.m. with performers from all parts of the country. Tickets 35p.

Performers wishing to take part in the Fringe Show and/or Folkfest/Workshop should write immediately for details.

Tickets for any of the Festival Fringe Shows (make it clear what night you want the tickets for) or the Folkfest can be had now so don't delay, write today. Cheques or postal orders should be made payable to The Scout Association.

Tickets and further details from: Folkfest, Scottish Headquarters, The Scout Association, 44 Charlotte Sq., Edinburgh EH2 4HQ. Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

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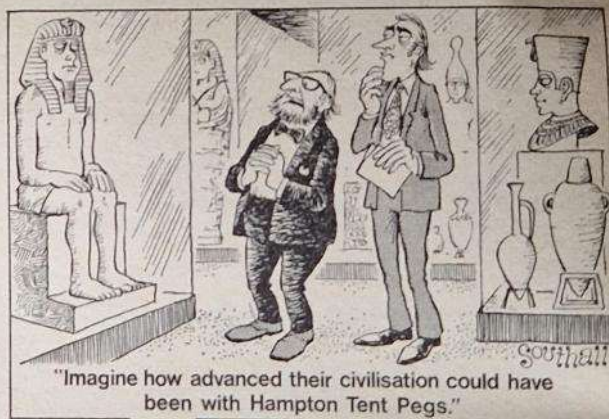
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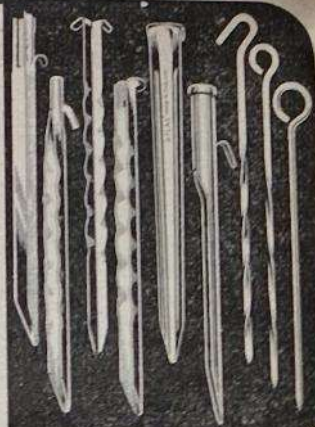
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MISS DINAH WILLIS who died earlier this year will be greatly missed by her many friends in Guiding in South West Lancashire where she worked for 50 years as a warranted Guider, part of that time as Division Commissioner. In June 1963 she was awarded the Beaver for her devoted work. E.M.

Guiding in Monmouthshire sustained a severe loss in the death of MRS ROBIN WHITE who was, for 25 years, Division Secretary for Newport Division. On relinquishing this office she became Division President of Newport and Chairman of the County Trefoil Guild. Mrs White was always ready to give of her time and energy and was Vice-President of the County last year. G.A.

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TODAY'S GUIDE

- 7th July: 10 tips for hikers, Careers—hair-dressing. Things to do in July.
- 14th July: Local History Badge, Careers—science.
- 21st July: Let's Try . . . Crystallography, 10 tips for Outdoor Cooks, Careers—secretarial.
- 28th July: Things to look out for on the sea-shore, Today's Guide Song Book (i), 10 tips for swimmers.

THE BROWNIE

- 5th: Birthday of the Month, Needleworkers Know Your Tools.
- 12th: Brownie Guide Photographic Competition.
- 19th: Making Picture Bricks.
- 26th: New Serial—The Long Good Turn.

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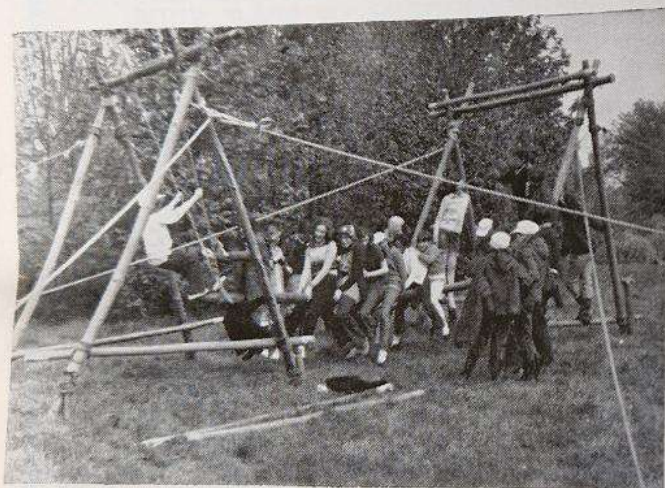
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Above: A Scouter launches a hot-air balloon, watched by the girls who spent many hours making it under his direction. Unfortunately, however, the attempt didn't come off and the balloon went up somewhat spectacularly in flames!

Left: Pioneering, one of the Scouts' specialist activities, was available to the girls at Cardiff '72. Here some of the girls are seen trying out the swing.

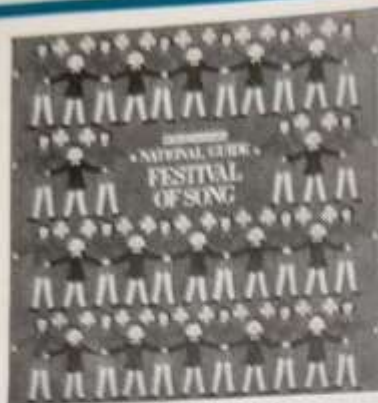
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A smartness campaign has just been completed by Packs, Companies and Units throughout the county of South West Lancashire, the finals taking place at Notre Dame Convent, Liverpool. It is heartening to know that the judges had a difficult task selecting the smartest in each section, but those finally chosen were rewarded by an all expenses paid visit to London, staying overnight at Olave House, and, as an added bonus reserved seats to witness the Trooping the Colour Ceremony. The picture shows the winners holding their certificates, accompanied by Mrs. A. Bialeck, who was chosen as the smartest Guider in Liverpool North East Division and who accompanied the group to London. Behind the winners are the other finalists.

This Campaign obviously caught the imagination of everyone in the County judging by the enthusiasm and keen competition of all contestants, but the most important result of the Campaign is yet to come: Will those who took part continue to keep the high standard of appearance they achieved for the competition? If so the Campaign was certainly an unqualified success.



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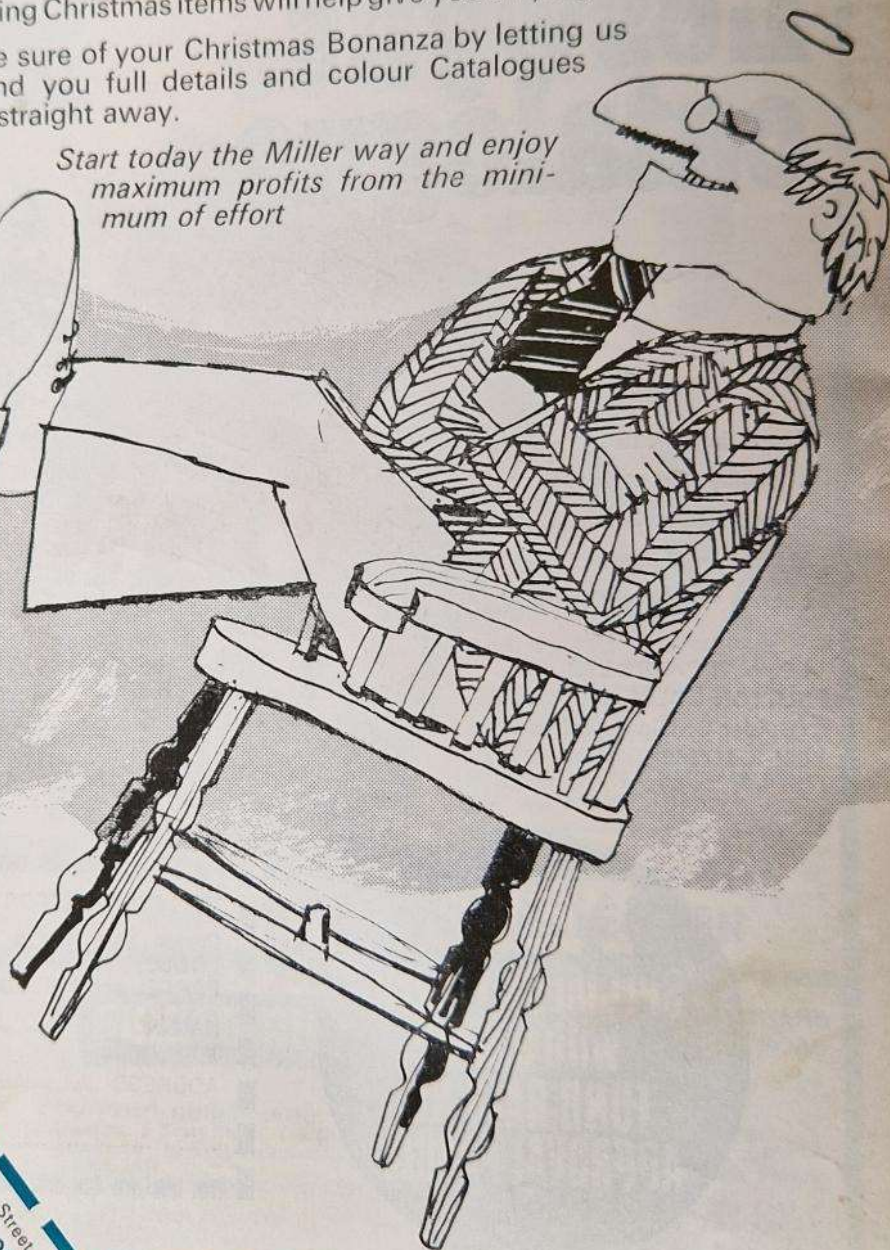
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