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GREETINGS

In sending New Year greetings to all our readers, we particularly send loyal greetings to our Patron, Her Majesty the Queen, at the beginning of her Jubilee Year. This month's cover shows a full colour reproduction of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Scout and Guide Badge which may be worn in or out of uniform for the whole of this year. (Full details were in last month's issue.)

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GUIDING ROUNDAABOUT

Man Tolt



Brownies and Guides from the County of Greater Manchester West, left, present a cheque made by selling 'Friendship Candles' for World Guiding, to Miss Lyn Joynt, MBE, Director of the World Bureau.

Grave concern? Hurdsfield Guides getting to the root of the problem, right, attack weeds in the local church graveyard as part of their contribution to community service.



Mrs S. Barnwell

Baylis and Co



Mr Terry Daly, left, receives a cheque for £308 from members of the three Cookham Brownie Packs which raised the money for guide dog Shona (pictured in the framed photograph).



Wizwam the Wizard, left presents Michelle Elliot and Jackie Allsop, two of the lucky winners of the recent BROWNIE competition, with their very own Wizwam books. The presentation was made at CHQ and afterwards Michelle and Jackie met Jimmy Tarbuck at the Victoria Palace Theatre.

Rangers Anita Bruce and Penelope Betts, below, reminisce over snapshots of their three week adventure camp at Lake Varner in Sweden.



East Anglian Daily Times



Hanging out washing to dry is all in a day's work for the two Brownies, left, of the 11th Hereford Pack pictured here during their Pack Holiday.

Mrs Cicely Port



Isle of Thanet Gazette

'Operation Challenge' in Thanet, October 1976 (left). These Venture Scouts and Rangers tackle an assault course under a bridge. The spirit was willing, but the flesh was wet?

(Right) the retirement of a valued leader of a most important part of the Guide Movement; Mrs. Doris Perrin leaves the Northampton Extension Brownie Pack she has served so successfully for almost 20 years. The retirement presentation took place last Autumn.



Chronicle & Echo Northampton

(Right) Helen Richards of the 1st Cronton Guides, with a giant sunflower she grew last year. As the flower grew, the pennies rolled in, and Helen was able to contribute the sum of £3.50 toward the cost of a tent for her Company, when her 'sponsored sunflower' reached the height of 6' 8 1/2".



Prescot and Hulton Reporter



Stockport Advertiser

(Left) Rangers and Venture Scouts from Stockport, who took part in a First Aid Competition around this time last year. The 'patient' does not appear to be suffering too much!

Diana George (below) of the 6th Goffs Oak Company is concentrating on playing her part in a cooking competition.



C. M. James, Goffs Oak, Herts.

The entire staff of the Fylde North Division of the Movement is pictured right, on the occasion of the retirement of their Commissioner, Mrs. Loftus.



Blackpool Evening Gazette



These five Lancashire Brownies, pictured left, don't let the weather get them down; - here they are, looking forward to a 'sizzle in the drizzle'!

Approaching

Thinking Day



Girl Scouts of all ages and sizes had fun keeping the Earth Ball moving in the "New Games" area of the Arizona Cactus-Pine Girl Scout Council's Bicentennial Jubilee celebrating the United States' 200th Birthday

Once again we approach Thinking Day and it seems appropriate to write on the subject this month rather than next, as you will no doubt be planning now for this occasion. For some of you, this special day of ours will be spent more simply with your Unit as part of the weekly meeting, for others it might be a much grander occasion, meeting up in your District, Division, or even County. For a large number of us, part of our "Thinking" will be in the form of a religious service, thanking God for Guiding, what it does, and what it stands for all over the world.

However you, and those for whom you are responsible, will be celebrating February 22nd, I would hope that you will ensure it is as meaningful as possible. I would also hope, that this day having such a special meaning for members of our Movement, some may not at present be active members, you would not forget them, and an invitation to join your celebration would surely be welcomed.

Thinking Day gives a perfect opportunity to include in our Guiding Programme our International aspect. It gives us a chance really to feel part of a worldwide sisterhood, to consider the wonderment of the spread of Guiding to countries in every part of the free world; that they too should be enthused with the idea and making it theirs, what the World Association stands for in the World, and its influence for the betterment of friendship and understanding. It is a time when we can indulge in boasting and showing off the 94 countries who are members of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts and where there are girls and women all enjoying Guiding just as we are, and all living by the same code as ourselves through the threefold Promise.

What a power of thought we all must set up as in turn each country from East to West sends loving thoughts across the seas. Thoughts of joy and excitement as not only are we giving thanks for our Founder and his inspiration, but we are celebrating his birthday, and also the birthday of our World Chief Guide. Birthdays are times for greetings, for parties and they are also a time for giving and receiving.

The Thinking Day Fund gives us a convenient way of giving to the Founder, Chief Guide and to The World Association. Will you be giving the equivalent of a card or gift?

We all enjoy the privilege of belonging to a World wide family, but like anything else one is part of, it can only be what we make it. The World Association has a role to play, and the promotion of Guiding can only be furthered to the extent it can be financed. Prices as we all know, only too well, continue to spiral, and more money is required for the promotion of Guiding at this critical time of development in the world. Could we therefore ensure we play our full part in contributing to and collecting the maximum pennies for our "Thoughts". Money should be sent to:-

Chief Accountant, Finance Department,
(Thinking Day),
The Girl Guides Association,
27-29 Buckingham Palace Road,
London, SW1W 0PT

If a receipt is required please send a stamped, addressed envelope as this is a service for which no charge is made from donations received.

Gratitude and particular enthusiasm is felt for World Guiding, if one has had the chance to participate in an International Camp or travelled abroad as a Guide. Parents of Guides having been given such an opportunity often would like to show their appreciation. Adult Members and past members of our Association want to give in return for the joy they have experienced belonging to an International Association. These thanks could be expressed by giving towards World Guiding through the Thinking Day Fund. Could you ensure they know of the fund and are given the chance to contribute.

To accommodate those of us who want regularly to commit ourselves financially to helping the World Association the Girl Guides Association is happy to provide covenant facilities. Apply to: The Thinking Day Fund, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London. SW1W 0PT. By this means, the gifts are worth almost half as much again

through the recovery of income tax at no extra cost to the donor, who pays income tax already.

Council Fire, the magazine of the World Association is a useful aid in furthering the understanding of World Guiding, and is worthy of consideration for your Unit. The subscription rates are: £1.00 for 1 year post free, £2.85 for 3 years post free or individual copies are available at 30p. Copies of the October-December Council Fire are still available. It is an issue entirely devoted to Thinking Day and is recommended. Obtainable from Girl Guides Association Shops or The World Bureau, 132 Ebury Street, London, S.W.1.

The Thinking Day Symbol is also obtainable from The Girl Guides Association Shops or ordered from The Girl Guides Association Trading Service, Atlantic Street, Broadheath, Altrincham, Cheshire. WA14 5EQ. Price 17p for sheet of 10.

The Lady Baden-Powell,
International Commissioner

SERVICE IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY SATURDAY 19th FEBRUARY, 1977

The Service will commence at 11.00 a.m. and the doors will be opened at 10.00 a.m. The Dean and Chapter are kindly allowing us the use of the whole Abbey so there will be a little more seating accommodation.

The hymns will be, O Worship The King; Praise and Thanksgiving – tune Morning has Broken; and Lord of all Power – tune Slane. While we are gathering in the Abbey before the Service you will be able to join in singing songs from other lands. These will include:-

All night, all day
It's a small world
Sing for Joy
Give me oil in my lamp
Go well, go safely
Kum ba Yah
Praise and thanksgiving
Allelu

– Music Time for Brownies
– Chalet Song Book
– Chalet Song Book
– Chalet Song Book
– Diamond Jubilee Song Book
– Diamond Jubilee Song Book
– Diamond Jubilee Song Book
– Guide Song Book No. 2.



Each flower represents a thought on this decorative display of the Thinking Day Symbol prepared by Barbadian Brownies and Guides.

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You may be interested to know the cost of keeping the Abbey functioning works out at 20p per visitor. There will be a retiring collection so that those who wish can make a donation towards these costs.

★ ★ ★



In this picture taken last year, the World Chief Guide is seen showing the huge Thinking Day Card she received from Greater Manchester West to two Brownies from Surrey West.

Something to watch out for . . .

The Chief Guide will be appearing on BBC Television's 'Jim'll Fix It' programme, details next month.

Editor

Ranger Guide Diamond

Ranger Diamond Jubilee year is upon us. The first event takes place on Sunday, 6th February, the date of Her Majesty The Queen's Accession, but before that all kinds of Unit plans will have to be made. A National Walk. Does that conjure up an exciting picture? Maybe it does and maybe it doesn't. But remember, the Rangers themselves have asked for this, so they want it. And this time 'they' are not the vague beings at C.H.Q. but the Rangers in your Unit. Perhaps your Rangers were not able to go to the 'Think-in' last April so they did not experience the opportunity of putting forward their own ideas in a national forum. They have the opportunity now of planning their interpretation of what has come out from that forum. It may be a mountain climb, or a pavement walk; it may be an expedition to link up with a neighbouring Unit, or to link up with Units in a Division, or even with all Units in a County. The official wording says 'Each Unit should work out its own purpose for the Walk'. What scope that has! 20,000 Rangers discussing the planning in their individual Units to do something on Sunday, 6th February, between 2.00 and 3.17 p.m. that involves some form of walking. It is a unifying thought, and yet just how diverse the results will be we may never know. That surely is the whole essence of Guiding. We are set a principle, or an idea, and then are left to use our own initiative as to how we build on it. Your Rangers will have ideas, many ideas. So if you have not already done so, do get discussing at once in case they come up with something that needs co-ordinating with a Commissioner. Commissioners are not 'organising' anything until they get a 'please may we...' from the Rangers. Then they will do their level best to say 'Yes', and offer help if wanted.

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SPECIAL ITEM FOR RANGERS THIS YEAR

Available from Badge Secretaries and the following Guide Shops:

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Birmingham
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Ranger Diamond Jubilee Badge, Code No. 14027

A special metal badge to commemorate the Ranger Diamond Jubilee for wear in or out of uniform, price 35p.

PUBLICITY ITEMS

Available from Press and Public Relations Department,

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Ranger Guide Display Pack, consisting of heading, captions, contact label and 4 enlarged photographs.

Price 75p Plus Postage and Packing

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Size 3" x 1½", price 12½p per 10

Notes on History of Ranger Guide Section Price 20p

Send SAE for Special List H showing all items of interest available for Ranger Guides, and Special List S for items connected with Ranger Guide Diamond Jubilee Year.

Ranger Guide Year Commemorative Cover

The Girl Guides Association is producing its second Commemorative Cover especially to mark Ranger Diamond Jubilee Year. This colourful envelope which contains a printed card giving background information on the Ranger section will be available from 6th February and will not only make an ideal souvenir but also an attractive focal point for any display or exhibition.

The Cover will cost 15p unserviced (unstamped) or 25p stamped and serviced with one of the special Post Office handstamps to be used for franking mail at the Ranger Camps at Fordell Firs Campsite, Fife, from 23rd July to 1st August, and at the National Agricultural Centre, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, from 30th July to 8th August.

A bulk discount of 10 per cent will operate for covers ordered and paid for in multiples of 25.

Meter Slogans Collectors of meter slogans may like to know that a special Diamond Jubilee Year meter slogan will be used to frank CHQ mail from 6th February to 29th October. Ranger Diamond Jubilee Year Commemorative covers franked with these meter marks will cost 25p each.

On 22nd February a new Thinking Day slogan will be used and Ranger Guide Diamond Jubilee Year Commemorative covers franked with this slogan will also cost 25p each.

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d) Covers with Thinking Day slogan 22nd February	@	25	p

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Address

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Jubilee Year, 1977

National Camps in 1977

Saturday 23rd July – Monday 1st August at Fordell Firs, Fife, Scotland.
Saturday 30th July – Monday 8th August at the National Agricultural Centre, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire.

We have plenty of room to bed down your camels and elephants, to moor your rafts and canoes, or whatever other method of transport you choose to use. At both camps there will be a balance of both arts and crafts and activities out-of-doors – in fact a very wide choice of activities from art and archery to yoga or yachting with everything else besides!

From an attractive campsite in the Kingdom of Fife you can explore Edinburgh to the south and discover the charm of the Ochil Hills. In many fascinating places near to Stoneleigh you can steep yourself in history and enjoy

a production at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre in Stratford, and then involve yourself in a grand finale to the camp, a tremendous exciting Happening! not to be missed at all!

Who can come?

We welcome Rangers

Young Leaders

Members of registered joint

Units (2 Ranger Guides, 2

Venture Scouts)

Handicapped Rangers and

their helpers

and as many visitors from

overseas as possible.

Why not invite all your Guide pen-friends and international contacts now to come and stay with you before the camp, and bring them with you.

We are sure that more than two

Rangers per unit will want to come, so please send additional applications for a waiting list, as the camp at Stoneleigh hopes to accommodate some extra people. The cost is *only* £15 for all these activities etc and food can be bought from a super-market on the site. Application forms will reach you through County channels by mid January, (ask your District Commissioner or Camp Adviser) and must be returned to the booking secretaries by the end of February.

Come and meet each other

See you there.

Joey Tait and Jan Smith
(Camp Commandants)

(PS Ranger Guiders urgently needed to help with activities and behind the scene. Please send your names via CHQ)

JUBILEE SONG

WANTED – UK Ranger Guide Composer of the year.

Can you or a group in your Unit produce a song to sweep U.K. next summer?

Manuscripts, cassettes or tapes with your entry should reach C.H.Q. marked R.G.D.J. by 1st March, 1977.

Be In Next Year's Top Ten!

You could win a record token prize!

- A. 1. Visit an apiary.
2. Go down a pot hole.
3. Milk a cow or goat.
4. Decorate a cake in an unusual way.
5. Develop and print your own black and white film.
6. Produce a toy made of leather.
7. Using a recipe new to you, produce an international dish.
8. Knit, crochet or tat a lace edging for a handkerchief using whichever of these methods you have not tried before.
9. Catch a fish using rod and line.
10. Learn how to catch and ring birds; (be taught by an expert.)
11. Eat a plate of spaghetti with chopsticks.
12. Go abseiling.
13. Type a short letter using your toes.
14. Learn to play a musical instrument as well as you can in the time covered by the Challenge.
15. Paint a picture in a medium you have not used before.
16. Eat a meal with one hand tied behind your back; (your right hand if you are right handed.)
17. Make a piece of furniture.

CHALLENGE '77

This Challenge is for fun and to give your members a variety of opportunities to widen your experience during 1977, your Ranger Diamond Jubilee year.

There are 77 items which are divided into three sections: A for the individual to try; B in which at least 50 per cent of the unit should take part and C in which the whole unit should participate. In sections B and C the Leaders may be included.

Do as many of the items as you care to before August 31st and record, on a wall hanging (which should not exceed 3 foot by 1 foot and may be of any material or materials), those you have completed. The best 4 from each Region should be forwarded to C.H.Q. for exhibition by 31st October, 1977. If you want yours returned, please let us know when you send it to us and enclose instructions and the necessary postage.

18. Try wood carving.
19. Renovate a piece of furniture.
20. Learn to embroider, or learn a new embroidery stitch.
21. Make a garment for yourself.
22. Learn to write well with your other hand.
23. Learn to send a message proficiently, using either semaphore or the Morse code.
24. Make and dress a doll.
25. Learn to recognise 10 wild flowers and know their common and Latin names.
26. Learn to recognise 10 birds by their song.
- B. 27. Make a batch of bread.
28. Decorate a room.
29. Boil half a pint of water in a paper bag.
30. Cook an egg in an unusual way.
31. Lay and light a fire out-doors, boil a pint of water and make a cup of tea, taking no more than 20 minutes.
32. Remove, clean and replace a set of sparking plugs in any vehicle.
33. Go ice skating.
34. Go horse riding.
35. Go for a cycling expedition of not less than 50 miles.
36. Mend a puncture in a bicycle tyre.
37. Learn to row.
38. Learn to handle a canoe.
39. Go sailing.
40. Go for an all night walk.
41. Challenge a Venture Scout Unit to a tiddleywinks match.
42. Form a 'Group' and entertain at a party or similar function.
43. Make contact with a person from another country and culture and learn something of his/her way of life.
44. Work out a programme of slides to accompany a piece of music.
45. Go roller skating.
46. Visit a theatre to see a Shakespearian production.
47. Go fossilling with an expert.
48. Find out about, and go, bottle digging.
49. Serve a salad meal to the Unit to include at least three items you have grown yourselves.
50. Learn archery and challenge another unit to an archery contest.
- C. 51. Persuade your Commissioner to go for a ride on the pillion of a motor bike.
52. Change a wheel on a car.
53. Change an electric plug.
54. Reset a fuse.
55. Make sure that everyone in your Unit can swim, if medically allowed.
56. Everyone in the Unit should work for, and achieve, either an

Challenge '77 continued

- Interest Certificate or Service Certificate each.
57. Each member to visit a place of interest of her own choice.
 58. Visit an ancient building, i.e. church or castle, etc., in order to study its architecture.
 59. Learn a new craft.
 60. Starting with 10p. each, how quickly can every member of the Unit increase it to 60p.? (Give the proceeds to a charity.)
 61. Make a lightweight tent.
 62. Write a Unit Song, melody and words to be original.
 63. Get everyone in the Unit into/ onto a Mini.
 64. Challenge another Unit to a game of football.
 65. Visit an auction.
 66. Get everyone in the Unit to the top of the highest building in the area.
 67. Learn to play snooker.
 68. Every member of the Unit is to visit the kitchens of the best Hotel or Restaurant in your neighbourhood.

69. Produce an Edwardian Music-Hall entertainment.
70. Produce a 'Rogue's Gallery', in silhouettes, of your Unit.
71. Write and produce a short play.
72. Learn at least one dance from another Country.
73. Compile a Unit Prayer Book, and include suitable prayers of other religious faiths.
74. Learn a new 'Table Game', e.g. Backgammon, Mah Jong, etc. and hold a tournament in the Unit.
75. Learn to fly one of the modern kites.
76. Produce a visual aid for a Guide or Brownie Unit.
77. Visit a sweet factory.

NOTE: In all activities the Rules and Regulations of the Girl Guides Association must be adhered to. (See P.O.R., Safety Rules Leaflet, and 'Notes on Boating and Holidays Afloat'.)

Nothing begun before 1st January, 1977 may be counted towards the Challenge.

Public Relations In Jubilee Year

All sorts of things are being planned by the Rangers to celebrate their Diamond Jubilee in 1977 and Press & Public relations Advisers everywhere will be focussing attention on the Ranger Section. If you are a Ranger or a Ranger Guider therefore do make sure that your Unit appoints someone to look after publicity and public relations and ask them to keep in close touch with your Division and County

P.R. Advisers so that they can co-ordinate the news they feed to their contacts in the Local Press and Radio.

If you haven't already done so, why not invite your Press or Public Relations Adviser to one of your meetings so that she (or he) can meet your Rangers, see what you are doing and discuss ways in which you could work together to make Guiding better known in your locality.



Any visitors to the Grand Hotel, Manchester on 23rd October would have seen a group of poised, elegant and well groomed young ladies from 11 to 18 preparing to take part in a fashion show. Some might have been rather surprised to know that each one of these girls is a Guide or a Ranger, and was there because she had reached the finals of the second English Sewing Competition organised through *GUIDER* and *TODAY'S GUIDE* magazines.

Leaflets in July *GUIDER* and August *TODAY'S GUIDE* announced that Guides and Rangers should send garments made by themselves to one of five English Sewing Depots throughout the country. There, the garments were judged by fashion and sewing consultants and marks awarded for workmanship, suitability of fabric to pattern, and suitability of sewing accessories. Fourteen Rangers and fifteen Guides were chosen for the Finals, at which they had to model their own creation before a panel of judges, to be judged for fit, choice of accessories, and fashion presentation.

The day began in a particularly exciting way for Ranger Lindsey Sugden and Guide Lesley Sherlock, for as local finalists they had been chosen along with myself to take part in an hour-long programme on BBC Radio Manchester starting at 10 in the morning. The programme is a regular Saturday children's show called 'Chatterbox', but that week it was devoted almost entirely to the Guide Movement, with Guides among the audience, questions about Guiding in general and the sewing competition in particular, and a most exciting opportunity for us all to show that Guiding is not just tying knots. Lindsey and Lesley, in addition to talking about their dressmaking skills, both spoke eloquently for several minutes about the multitude of interesting activities in which their Units are involved, and what Guiding means to them. It would have been difficult to imagine two more perfect ambassadors for present-day Guiding.

For the competition finals, Guides and Rangers had travelled to Manchester from as far afield as Ulster and the South of England, and Ranger Carol MacLean had made the journey all the way from Stornaway to show us her evening catsuit with matching hand crocheted cap and shoulder bag. The panel of judges consisted of Jenny Hanley (of TV's

Jennifer Bradbury, below, made this lovely long pinafore dress and blouse.



Television personality Jenny Hanley, from Thames' *Magpie*, congratulates Lindsay Sugden on her win in the Dewhurst Dressmaker Competition for Guides and Rangers (Ranger Class).

Diane Springthorpe, above, in her tailored jacket and trousers.

And Sew On...

By Jean Rush



'Magpie'), Diana Stenson of Radio Manchester, Sheila Terry of Tootal Fabrics (standing in for North West Chief Commissioner Mrs Carter, who was unavoidably detained), and myself.

All the garments which reached the finals were agreed to have reached a certain standard of workmanship, so all the finalists started off equal in their group. Sheila Terry and myself were both judges last year, and we agreed that this year's entries reached an even higher standard.

A full report and photographs of the Guide finals are published in the January issue of *TODAY'S GUIDE*, but briefly the prize winners in the Guide section were: 1st Debbie Elwell (4th Haslemere Coy, Hants), 2nd Alison Cunningham (1st Ballymacash Coy, Co. Antrim), 3rd Karen Harrison (1st Eggescliffe Coy, Cleveland).



Winners of the Guide Section (from left to right): Karen Harrison (3rd); Debbie Elwell (1st); and Alison Cunningham (2nd).

The Ranger finalists were all so perfectly turned out in a variety of day and evening outfits, that it was almost impossible to choose the winners. After great deliberation, we decided that first prize must go to 17 year old Lindsey Sugden of 1st Brooklands Ranger Unit, for her beautifully fitted pale pink suit with stand-up collar and flared midi length skirt. With her suit Lindsey wore a narrow navy belt and matching navy shoulder bag, scarf and high heeled shoes. This was a thrilling climax to Lindsey's day, which had started in the studios of Radio Manchester, but she stood up to it all with admirable composure.

Second prize went to Christine Cox, aged 18, who had made a most unusual day dress in russet coloured



Pictured here are the Ranger winners (left to right): Diane Springthorpe (3rd); Lindsey Sugden (1st); and Christine Cox (2nd).

jersey. The dress had perfectly stitched rows of tiny pin tucks, one on the back, two on the front, and one down the length of each of the full bishop sleeves. Christine had made a wide belt and covered buttons from the same material, and wore matching tan leather shoulder bag and shoes.

Third in the Ranger section was 15 year old Diane Springthorpe, who has recently moved from 5th Aldridge Guide Company to a Ranger Unit. Diane is to be congratulated for tackling the most difficult of all dress-making tasks – a tailored jacket and trousers. Her patterned velvet jacket with fashionable wide revers was fully lined and a really perfect fit. She took off her jacket to show perfectly cut and fitted black trousers, and her trendy outfit was completed with a

polo neck sweater and fashionable bangles echoing the colours of the patterned jacket.

Every one of the finalists' outfits were well thought out and suited to the age and figure of the wearer, and all the judges were tremendously impressed. One or two must be singled for special mention, especially Jan Mouat who narrowly missed a prize at both last year's and this year's finals. Jan wore a really lovely cream maxi dress trimmed with braid, with a natural straw hat, white gloves and parasol, an outfit ready for the Royal Enclosure at Ascot! Hester Bigger from Londonderry Ranger Unit had made an elegant tan coloured hooded caftan, with lovely hand embroidery in autumnal shades, worn with gold shoes and bag. Deborah Harding of 1st Wickham Market Ranger Unit, Suffolk, and Jennifer Bradbury of 1st Brooklands Unit, Cheshire, had also done beautiful hand embroidery on their outfits.

At the end of the nerve-wracking finals, competitors and their Guiders, families and friends who had formed the audience did justice to a splendid buffet provided by English Sewing Ltd. Then with suitcases, boxes, and dresses carefully preserved in plastic bags the groups started on the long journey home. The winners were loaded with their prizes of dress lengths, sewing manuals and Sylko and Trylko thread, and all the finalists received a memento and a certificate. All were agreed after the excitement had died down that their efforts had been worthwhile, and nobody present could ever again think that Guiding is an out of date institution or out of touch with the world of today.



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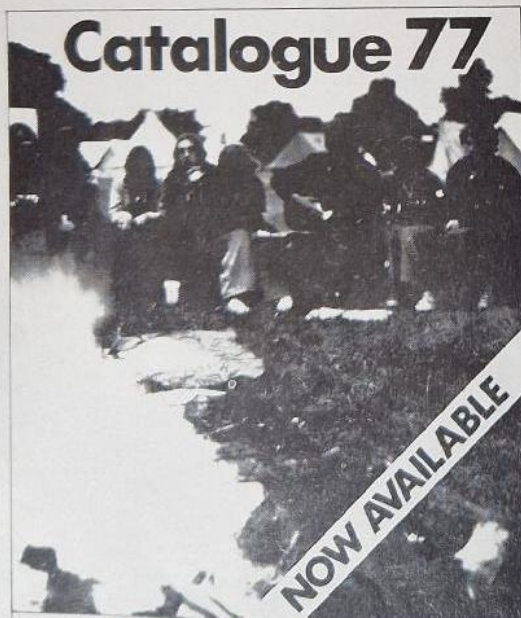
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Glenbrook Activities Centre

Plans are in hand for the alterations to the stable block at Glenbrook Activities Centre and a contractor has been chosen on the recommendation of the architect. (By the time this appears in *GUIDER* we shall hope to have appointed a Guider-in-Charge).

The AGM of The Association

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the Royal Festival Hall on Thursday, 19th May, 1977, and Princess Margaret, our President, has graciously agreed to take the Chair. Sir Frederick Catherwood, F.B.I.M. has accepted the invitation to be The Association's Guest Speaker. As the Royal Festival Hall holds about 2,600 people it is hoped that the U.K. Countries and Regions will fill 2,000 seats and Commonwealth Headquarters will be inviting up to 500 special guests and staff.

Commonwealth and International News.

The Executive Committee were pleased to approve the signing and sealing of the Constitutions for Tuvalu and Tonga. The Commissioner for Branch Associations received the approval of the Executive Committee to visit the Caribbean Islands and Germany during 1977.

World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

It was noted that the 23rd World Conference will be held in Iran from Friday 1st September to Tuesday 12th September, 1978.

Europe Region.

The Chief Commissioner after consultation, has asked Mrs Dickson, Chief Commissioner for Ulster, to lead the delegation to the Second European Scout and Guide Conference in Killarney, Ireland, from 15th to 22nd April, 1977, and confirmed The Lady Baden-Powell's election as a delegate. The third member will shortly be selected.

The Executive Committee agreed that the sum of £250 be voluntarily contributed towards the work of the Europe Region from the United Kingdom and that the possibility of further contributions should be reviewed annually.

Ranger Guide Diamond Jubilee Year, 1977.

The following report was given by the Chairman of the Ranger Guide Diamond Jubilee Committee -

- a) Each Unit will be invited to walk for 77 minutes on 6th February, 1977. (the date of The Queen's accession to the Throne).
- b) There will be a service project, based on some form of conservation for every Ranger Unit.
- c) A letter has been received from the Minister of the Environment from which it was noted that The Department would be asking localities to give support to Rangers working on conservation projects.
- d) There will be two Jubilee camps: The Camp of the Thistle at Fordell Firs (near Edinburgh) on 23rd July to 1st August, 1977, and the Camp of the Rose at Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, from 31st July to 8th August, 1977. Two Rangers from each unit in the U.K. will be able to attend one or other of the camps, and it is hoped they will link up

Interest from the Executive Meeting of 7th October, 1976

with other pairs of Rangers on the way. An Extension Ranger will be allowed to take two people to a camp with her. The Rangers have requested that there should be no formally-invited official visitors to either of the camps.

- e) The Finale of the year's celebrations will be the Ranger Guide Diamond Jubilee Service at St. Paul's Cathedral on 29th October, 1977 at 2.15 p.m. and an invitation has been sent to the Archbishop of Canterbury to take part in the service. The Lord Mayor of London will also be invited to the service.
- f) It is hoped that wall hangings rather than log books will be produced during Jubilee Year by Ranger Guides, and that some of these may be exhibited later in Commonwealth Headquarters.
- g) The design for a commemorative cloth badge has been chosen and a metal badge has been made.

Local Association and Trefoil Guild Conference.

As a result of the Local Association and Trefoil Guild Conference held earlier in the year, the following recommendations were approved:-

1. That future National Conferences should be held every 5 years, the venue to be London but consideration should be given to holding Conferences in the Midlands and North of England.
2. That a small working party should be set up to look into the structure of the Local Associations and Supporters' Committees.
3. As the Conference Fund was left with a credit balance, the Committee suggested that £100 should be paid to the Association towards the administrative costs of the Conference, and that the remainder should be used to promote the development of the L.A. and T.G. in the interests of The Girl Guides Association, and be divided equally between the Trefoil Guild and Commonwealth Headquarters with the object that publicity material could be produced.

H.M. The Queen's Silver Jubilee 1977

The selling price of the metal badge will be 30p of which 5p will be given to Her Majesty as part of our contribution to the Silver Jubilee Appeal. The profits from both the G.G.A. metal badge and the cloth badge produced by The Scout Association will be sent as a joint donation to the Appeal at the end of 1977.

Members of the Movement may wear the metal Jubilee Badge on the right breast, and Brownie Guides may wear the badge above the Journey and Venture badge. The metal badge may be worn in or out of uniform during 1977.

The Executive Committee was very pleased to hear that members of The Girl Guides Association will be invited to enter a float and take part in the Royal Procession up the River Thames on the 9th June, 1977.

The County Commissioners' Conference, 1977

Contrary to the information given in the September issue of *GUIDER*, members are asked to note that the County Commissioners' Conference will now be held at the Royal Holloway College, Englefield Green, during the weekend 23rd, 24th and 25th September, 1977.

'Youth Charter Towards 2000' Conference to be held at Wembley Conference Centre, 31st January – 4th February, 1977

The Executive Committee agreed that Miss Rylie, Chairman of Programme and Training, should lead a delegation of 34 people, half of whom should be under 21 years of age, made up of four from each Country/Region, with the exception of Ulster who would only be able to send two delegates. The Association will pay the equivalent of delegates' rail fares. It is realised that details of the Conference will reach members of the Movement through many channels other than Guiding. Should any member wish to attend at her own expense it must be accepted that she will not be representing The Girl Guides Association.

Official Protest to The Home Office.

The Chief Commissioner has written to The Home Office on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Council as follows –

'The Executive Committee of the Council of this Association is deeply concerned by the expressed intention of Mr Jens Thorsen to make a sacrilegious film about Jesus Christ in this country, and I have been asked to write on behalf of our 852,000 Members of all religious faiths expressing our repugnance that the making of such a film about any great religious leader should be contemplated or permitted.'

Appointments and Resignations

The following appointments and resignations were noted –

Pack Holiday Consultant

Miss A. Braidwood has been appointed Pack Holiday Consultant to the Outdoor Activities Adviser for an initial period of three years with effect from 1st August, 1976.

Programme Adviser

Miss Marjorie Emsley has been appointed as Programme Adviser to The Chief Commissioner of The Association with effect from 1st September, 1976.

Chairman – Foxlease House Committee

Mrs J. Robson has been appointed Chairman of the Foxlease House Committee with effect from 1st January, 1977 (vice Mrs D. M. Shepherd).

Chairman – Catholic Guide Advisory Council

Miss M. Williams' term of office as Chairman of the Catholic Guide Advisory Council has been extended for a further year as from July, 1977.

Medical Adviser to the Awards Committee

The Executive Committee has approved the re-appointment of Dr J. M. Foot as Medical Adviser to the Awards Committee for a further three years with effect from July, 1976.

The low-flying Skylarks

One girl's Guiding in the Roaring Twenties

by Margaret Giles

MY BROTHER was sixteen months older than me. I envied him in many ways, not least because in 1915 he became a Boy Scout. I had to wait another six years before I was a Girl Guide.

However, I did my best to keep up with him. I learnt the Scout Law, and how to tie a reef knot, and read 'Scouting for Boys' from cover to cover. When his troop gave a concert for 'Comforts for the Forces', I was word perfect in all his sketches, and watched with fascination a solemn bespectacled boy practising his knots.

Standing on the edge of the platform with two small pieces of string, he tied innumerable knots, repeating after each 'This also will not slip', and I must admit, none did.

At last my turn came. The head of the rather select school which I attended, gave permission for a school Company to be started. (I think an enthusiastic mother, and the fact that one of the staff had been a Guide at college, clinched the deal.)

Besides, the Head considered herself to be rather 'Avant garde'. She had been one of the first girl graduates at St Hugh's, Oxford, but by the time I arrived at the school, she must have been over 70, and was no longer really 'with it'. Still, permission was given, an announcement was made at prayers, and all interested pupils gathered in the gym.

There were enough for four Patrols, and the four oldest girls, of which I was one, were appointed Patrol Leaders.

Theoretically, we each could choose the girls we wanted to make up our number, but in practice, I was not quick enough, and so was landed with all the leftovers. We were the Skylarks. Our motto, I believe, was 'ever flying higher', but I don't remember us ever leaving the ground! We were good tempered – and willing – but very, very slow.

Four of us who were 'outsize' just could not run and jump, and the four small ones, quick on their feet, never quite got the hang of whichever game we were playing. There was just one bright spark in the Patrol, who must, I imagine, have arrived late, when the only vacancy was with us! After I left, she took over the Skylarks, and I believe they began to fly from then on.

Very few boarders joined. They sensed the lack of real keenness in the Head, and so decided to play safe.

It was agreed, as navy blue was the colour of the school uniform that we should wear blouses and navy skirts.

The blouses were made with a shirt collar, and two patch pockets, each with a box pleat. These were placed in what, for me, was a very awkward position. I was a big, well-developed girl, and as we were expected to carry a clean handkerchief, pencil, notebook, a shilling and a piece of string always in our pockets, the result was unfortunate to say the least.

These blouses finished just below the hips, and we wore a strong brown belt, complete with hooks for the PL whistle and knife. Big hats, black woollen stockings, and strong black laced shoes completed the ensemble. Since we were not allowed out of the school gates without gloves, we added these before we went home.

Looking back, I wonder at the dedication and patience of Captain and Lieutenant, who were

frustrated at every turn. We were not allowed to go to rallies, and camp was absolutely *out*. Our work towards badges was the purpose of our meetings.

Due to the Skylarks' lack of prowess at badge-gaining, I was summoned to the study, and asked for an explanation.

I pointed out that we were what is now known as a 'mixed ability' Patrol, and to give my Headmistress her due, she saw my point.

Periodically she would come and inspect us, for what no one quite knew, but she left us, satisfied that she had done her duty.

Guides were singled out when any slight infringement of rules took place, and had to be prepared to suffer remarks about remembering the Guide Law, or 'You a Guide!' etc, etc, while the boarders sniggered in the background.

We were granted one concession – the occasional Guides' picnic on a Saturday, to which we would go, in full uniform. In those few hours we could become real Guides. We went tracking; tried to cook when there was a chance of building a fire; collected nature specimens. I came into my own as a Boy Scout's sister! To see a number of uniformed Guides was still sufficient novelty to attract small boys.

They followed us whenever they could, watching all our movements, and criticising loudly. My large form was of particular interest, and I was the butt of such verbal gems as 'Cor, it's Fatty Arbuckle', 'What's Fatty doing now?' But it was all water off a duck's back. We were *real* Guides.

As it was for a badge, we were allowed to go to the local Technical School to be tested for cooking. Captain, Lieutenant and the PLs went first. Poor Captain was not a born cook: I can see her now making a steak and kidney pie, painstakingly cutting the meat into cubes the size of sugar lumps, and seasoning each piece separately. That was the cookery book method, she declared. I believed her, but preferred my own slap dash ways. We all passed!

In spite of all the restrictions, we loved our meetings, and the Company flourished. When the old Headmistress retired, her successor encouraged the Guides, and I believe the Company joined successfully in all the District events. But those first difficult years kindled in me an interest in Guiding which has lasted to this day.



Margaret Giles is the Guide standing on the extreme right of the picture above



The Trefoil Guild Holiday Fund

'Of course she ought to get away' ...
'She'll have a breakdown if she doesn't!'
'Yes-but ...'

Have you heard that sort of remark recently about someone you know, and also perhaps known something about the 'buts ...' which prevent her getting the break she needs - possibly lack of cash, lack of someone to look after an aged parent or an invalid in the family?

If so tell us!

The Trefoil Guild Holiday Fund, started in 1970 as a Jubilee Project, exists to help such cases. It has helped, confidentially, in some very tragic situations and perhaps prevented in time some others becoming tragic. The capital, still added to each year by some Guilds, is invested and the income used to give help to past and

present members of the Movement in need of a break. It might enable them to get away themselves on a long overdue holiday or pay for dependants to be looked after for a while. Individual circumstances can vary enormously and each case is considered by a committee on its own merits.

The applicant must be or have been a Guide and have a form filled in with some details of her needs, signed by the Trefoil Guild County Chairman. We have to ask for such information to ensure that the funds are used to best advantage, but we do stress that it is kept confidential and that no names or details are disclosed.

We feel that this Fund is not widely enough known, for although many cases have been brought to our notice, we know many more exist, and because we are not hearing about them we are asking all

members of the Movement to keep a look-out for us.

Here may be your chance for a quiet good deed! Tell your Commissioner about someone you may know who is going through a "bad patch". It may be you will not want to be mentioned as the originator of the suggestion, but you can pass on the information about the Fund and how it works. Get in touch with the Trefoil Guild County Chairman who can supply the form.

Although naturally most of our applications do refer to summer holidays, don't think it only applies in hot weather! We are 'open' all the year round and only anxious that all our Fund income should be used up each year to help the people it was intended for - our friends in Guiding. So please help us to help them!

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by Sheila Graber

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The Finals of the 1977 Webb Ivory Championship, which is open to all members of the United Kingdom Girl Guides Association between 14 and 20 years of age, will be held at The Queen's Club, London, on Friday, 22nd July. The details of the Tournament are as follows:

1977 Girl Guide Lawn Tennis Tournament

- Entry is individual and open to all Guides, Ranger Guides, Young Leaders and Guiders (any section), between 14 and 20 years old (i.e. who have not reached their 21st birthday by 22nd July, 1977) **All competitors must keep this date free to play in London should they qualify for the final.**
- The Tournament will be limited to singles matches played on any surface (the finals will be on hard courts).
- Districts/Divisions/Counties will arrange rounds to suit their own convenience within the time schedule in clause 6.
- The winning girl in each County will compete in semi-finals at Country/Region level.
- All nine Country/Region winners will be invited to London for the finals, to be held at Queen's Club on 22nd July.
- Time schedule:**
 March to June, 1977 District/Division/County rounds
 By 4th July Country/Region semi-finals completed
 22nd July National finals.
- Finance:**
 - County Rounds: It is unlikely that financial assistance will be available.
 - Country/Region Semi-Finals: Financial assistance will be available for hire of courts, etc. and to help with competitors' travelling expenses. Countries/Regions should apply to CHQ Press and Public Relations Department.
 - National Finals: Financial assistance will be available for competitors' travelling and overnight expenses. Countries/Regions should apply to CHQ Press and Public Relations Department.
- The Tournament will be played according to the rules of the Lawn Tennis Association.
- It is suggested that each County should appoint a representative to act as Liaison within the County and with their Country/Region Headquarters.

I would like to take part in the Webb Ivory Tennis Championship, 1977

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 Unit _____
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Promotion

I am prompted to write because of a remark I overheard at a recent Guiders' training - 'Margaret has been promoted to a District Commissioner.'

Could I be hearing correctly? Had not this archaic idea been dispelled years ago? And yet, on further enquiry, I was assured, 'Oh yes! First of all you are a Guider, then a District Commissioner, and then sometimes, if you are lucky, you become a Division or County Commissioner.' All steps in a ladder, an incredible thought in 1977!

I am certain that most Commissioners think of themselves as Guiders, with the emphasis of their job on Administration and the Adult Leaders of the Movement. The name is a very minor detail. Is it not simply that those of us who are good with children become Guiders in the section of our choice, while others who are perhaps better with adults become Commissioners? Surely the important thing is that we are part of a team and no one is more senior in that team in the hierarchical sense?

Everyone in the team is important and the strength of the team lies in each member doing her best to make the game of Guiding interesting, effective and, above all, fun for the girls.

I remember hearing of a County Commissioner who, on retiring from this position, was asked to become a Brownie Guider; that really is promotion.

Jean Clare Schaw Miller,
County Commissioner,
West Lothian.

Guid Uniforms?

Recently I attended the funeral of a Scouter, and was most impressed by a number of Scouters in very smart uniform, many of them definitely over the 'retiring age'. When I asked about this I was informed that they were members of the B.P. Guild.

This led me to think that might it become part of the 'Treble the Trefoil' campaign to introduce the wearing of uniform by Trefoil Guild members?

I am fully aware of the new

ruling about the retirement age for active Guiders, involving their ceasing to wear uniform - but might this lack of uniform be one of the reasons why ex-Guiders are reluctant to join the Trefoil Guild? I have spoken to several Trefoil Guild members, and they agree that the wearing of uniform would make them feel they still 'belonged' when attending Guide functions. Also, in the case of young ex-Guiders, the fact that they could still wear a uniform might encourage them to return to active Guiding.

D H Harrop (Miss),
1st Crewe Green,
Cheshire Border.

The Trefoil Guild is known as a non-uniformed branch of the Girl Guides Association. The majority of members feel they have outgrown the wearing of uniform. If introduced it would mean an added expense for married women with families, and older members who are pensioners, and the Guild would lose many members who could not afford the expense of uniform, but would feel out of it if other members were wearing it.

Secretary Trefoil Guild

Age Limit

Why, during the present shortage of Guiders, are girls being forced out of the Movement at 18? Due to present-day policies, education for many only ends in early to middle 20s. (not counting post-graduates). Many Rangers are unable to begin Adult Leaders' training due to study commitments - or they may not want the responsibility just yet of a Company or a Pack. Surely it is much harder to re-enter the Movement to become a Guider in mid to late 20's than to follow on from Rangers at the same age? Many young women will not re-enter, and all these prospective Guiders are lost.

These are certainly my feelings. I am 17½ and a young Leader as well as a Ranger; I do not really want to take charge of a Guide Company yet; but I do want to stay within the Movement. So I must begin Adult Leadership training in six months' time. I will not be able to take a Company while I am at University and I will also be severed from Ranger connections and activities.

I hardly think this is reasonable. I should be very interested to know if other Rangers or Guiders feel as I do that the age limit should be raised, at least to cover normal education - perhaps 22 again or even 25 years, so that girls could keep within the Movement without feeling guilty at missing a meeting because of homework, and without being overburdened with adult responsibilities before they have the time to carry them out properly.

Miss C C Ryder,
Preston, Lancs.

Some College students find they are able to help as Assistant Guiders and give valuable service without the full responsibility of a Unit. Joining a LINK is another possibility. LINK is for men and women over 18 and under 30 years of age, and is intended to provide a flexible framework in which young people can continue their association with the Movement while pursuing some form of service, either with the group or outside it. The members give as much or as little time as they can spare. LINK provides for a continuation, out of uniform, of the activities and interest they enjoyed as Rangers/Venture Scouts.

The District Commissioner will know who the LINK Organiser is in the County.

Betty Baker (Miss)
Programme Secretary

Would it help if?

. . . . Certain Guiders, recognised locally as good Trainers or Campers etc could help further afield, especially in new Guide areas, or where qualified Guiders are few in number?

. . . . The Girl Guide Movement thought of itself more as an Association, and less of an organisation (important as this is?)

. . . . The idea of 'passing it on' (ie Guides some day becoming Guiders) could be worked into the structure of the training?

. . . . A new look could be given to the Ranger promise, so that no one would interpret 'out into a wider world' as meaning, necessarily, 'out of Guiding completely'?

. . . . The basic qualifications for Guiders, Trainers, Local Associates, Commissioners and members of Trefoil Guilds were stated in each issue of

GUIDER, and more members of the general public were encouraged to read the magazine?

. . . . The occasional un-ordered copy of GUIDER, TODAY'S GUIDE and BROWNIE could be seen on bookstalls, and bought there and then?

. . . . Local Associations, Trefoil Guilds and Parents Associations working together (without the help of Guiders) could provide most of the money required for such items as fees to HQ, County, Division, District, Insurance, Rent of Rooms etc, so that Guiders would not need to spend so much time organising Coffee mornings, Jumble Sales etc for their own expenses?

. . . . Guides were given more encouragement to develop their own trading schemes, eg in patrols or at home individually instead of relying so much on their Guiders?

Name and Address supplied.

Wait for Brownie

As a Guider for many years, I have gained much experience and knowledge in the organisation of both Guide Companies and Brownie Packs, and am very much in agreement with Mrs Parsons, who wrote in our September issue. I have had a continual Brownie waiting list for the past five years, and a raising of the Pack limit to thirty-six would ease this situation immensely. This would bring Brownies equal in number to Guides, and in my personal experience I feel that thirty-six Brownies would be just as easy to cope with as thirty-six Guides.

It is sad that children are having to be turned away from so constructive an organisation, especially when they are so keen to join.

If it is not possible completely to alter existing limits, then would it be possible for permission to be granted on request? I am sure there are many other Guiders facing this same problem - so why not change the regulations altogether?

Lorna Colman (Mrs),
Guide
Guider/Brownie Guider

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Letters.....

Puppet people

As an ex-Guider, I should like to share with all practising Brownie Guiders my experience of a puppet week I attended at Stratford on Avon, in the summer. It was lovely, and a new experience. I hope that many who buy the *GUIDER* magazine regularly will not hesitate to contact me about puppetry. In order to share my knowledge of puppetry, I may be able to come and see many of you if you live in my area.

Puppets, hand, rod and marionettes, are fascinating, and the experience I gained in one week with other puppeteers was terrific. So Guiders, do your Brownie Guides want to know more about puppetry? Then do write to me, Miss Binning, Cranmore House, Thorney Lane North, Iwer, Bucks. Tel: Iwer 653735. I look forward to hearing from anyone interested in puppetry. I haven't a car, but hope that won't cause too many difficulties. Why not bring puppets into your programme today? It brings out the shy youngsters!

Miss Binning,
Iwer, Bucks.

Eight Point Programme

I am writing to you as one of the Scottish delegates at the Unit Guiders Conference at Durham last August, and also as a result of a subsequent weekend at Netherurd in January this year. We left the conference full of enthusiasm, with ideas to try out in our own units and to pass on to other Guiders.

Although some of the ideas are not altogether new, many aspects of the Eight Point Programme took on a new meaning for us. All the Guiders agreed that they had put more emphasis on the Promise in the Unit programme. More had been made of the Promise ceremony – the recruit was allowed to choose her own type of ceremony – and the PLs were asked to renew the Promise at the beginning of each new session. The recruit was also allowed to choose her own pre-Promise challenges with the help of her PL, and themes such as laws, international matters, and seasons of the year, were used for company worship.

More time was allowed at PL council for chatting and a

number of Guiders tried smaller patrols to aid individual caring, even making themselves available for home visits by their PLs. It was agreed Units of quality rather than quantity were achieving the policies and aims of Guiding.

Guiders who had devised new ways of keeping Eight Point records showed charts made by the Guides. PLs' trainings with their own Guiders were tried out in one area with great success and District Commissioners were invited along to meet Units in action. Guiders tried to be good listeners in their Units and at PL Council, and some agreed to try the Patrol system at camp instead of Company camping.

Guiders in general needed more help in training PLs as the time training occupied was making it impossible for several Guiders to use the Patrol system.

In conclusion may I say, as a Trainer, that it is very easy to compare this programme to the old programme, but, to quote Dr Helen Laird addressing a recent Trefoil Guild Conference, 'Guiding has always been a pioneering movement, and this is something which should continue.'

Mrs Isabel Gray,
Paisley,
Renfrewshire.

A durable friendship

I have just read Janet Beal's letter in *TODAY'S GUIDE*, August 1976, in which she enquired about a penfriend service, and it spurred me on to write and tell you of my own experiences. I am now a District Commissioner, but I can remember, about eighteen years ago, writing away for a penfriend in America. My penfriend was a Girl Scout called Joan. We have corresponded ever since, through her Guiding years, then on to VSO in the Philippines and back to America with her GI husband.

The culmination of our friendship came a couple of years ago, when Joan and her husband, Ed, came over here to visit us and spent five enjoyable days and nights; the four of us talking non-stop as if we had known each other all our lives.

The most wonderful thing, to us, is the fact that with just two names and a small amount of information about us both, the Girl Guides

Association managed to help conceive an international friendship which grew from a pen-friendship of two people, to an 'actual' lifelong friendship between four people. For the sake of World understanding, please continue this most valuable work.

Chris Walters,
School House, Devon.
Details of the Post Box Penfriends Service for Guiders are to be found on page 306 of the Guide Handbook.
Editor

'Buy a Candle'

May I thank all Guiders who bought Friendship Candles from us. A cheque for £700 was presented for 'World Guiding' to Miss Lyn Joynt, Director of the World Bureau, at our County Friendship Dinner this week at Lancaster Cricket Club, Old Trafford. This money was given in gratitude after attending the 22nd World Conference as an 'Observer', where I listened and heard of countries in need of help. Happy Guiding to everyone.

Mary Toll,
Greater Manchester West
Girl Guides.

(See Guiding Roundabout)

World Children's Day

I would like to thank all those of you who have encouraged your Guiders and Brownies over the years to support World Children's Day on the 15th June and through it the poorer children of the world. Many Companies and Packs each year take part in the Day and we receive many delightful letters enclosing the donations and telling us how they were raised.

With best wishes,
Jean Erskine,
UK Committee for UNICEF



We are pleased to announce that Mrs Culverwell, of Romford, Essex, whose letter about her difficulty in finding the source of the Home Made Labels, illustrated above, was published in December *GUIDER*, now has her answer. They are advertised

on page 82 of the Webb Ivory Christmas Catalogue, Code No. 54658. Thanks to those who wrote in.



The poem below, by Betty Shepherdson, was one of the winning entries in the National Trefoil Guild Competition, 1976.

Stones

In the basin of my hand
I held a stone, rough grey and cold.
With eyes half closed in pensive mood,
Reflecting, was it very old?
Observing veins of pink and blue
Of hidden beauty now revealed
Upon a closer scrutiny
Which until now had lain concealed.

Stones like this within my clasp,
Could make a necklace bright and gay.
A ring, a bangle, or en-masse
Where people tread – a sharp pathway.
Once long ago on foreign soil
The devil tempted our dear Lord,
Transform such pebbles into bread –
He could – by just one magic word.

Stephen, by his Christian faith
Condemned, was stoned to death for this.
What memories could this stone evoke.
To tell of hate or loving bliss?
How oft amid the whirl of life,
We feel so tired, depressed, alone,
Yet pause awhile in tranquil thought,
Gain comfort from a simple stone.

Betty Shepherdson.

Praise for Today's Guide

As it is now time to renew my subscription to *TODAY'S GUIDE* I would be glad to receive details of three and five year subscriptions.

TODAY'S GUIDE is by far the best magazine for Guiders (also for Guiders) in the world, and has been useful in inspiring programme material within my own large village Company, and also on the many training events in which I am involved. Thank you very much.

Ann V Chesworth,
Ontario, Canada.



Enterprise Pays!



Enterprise pays...

Thanks to the enterprise of Miss Wendy Chew, District Commissioner for Nailsea South, local Guides and Scouts are now the proud owners of a rather unusual tent, large enough to hold one hundred Brownies! Mrs Chew's husband, an area manager of Fison's, persuaded his firm to put the tent at the disposal of local Scouts and Guides, and it has already given sterling service at some 'Mad Olympics' Brownie Revels, which took place in pouring rain.

Above left - Members of both local movements who participated in the removal and erection of the tent, and above, Mr C J Chew presents the tent to Mr Colin Warry, and to Mrs Chew, who represented local Scouts and Guides.

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TRAINING PAGES 1977 For the coming year, these four pages will share the same main topic which will be related to the commissioner's role as well as to the Units' programmes. In order to see the

development of these topics across the sections, and the adults' involvement it is hoped that Guides of all Sections will read all four pages

The Young Leader

How the Commissioner can help . . . by Katherine Dongworth



She introduces Guides to Rangers and/or young leaders and encourages the 16-year-old to join the scheme – Guides and Rangers, as well as girls new to the movement who wish to train for leadership.



Illustrations by Jean de Lemos

She registers the Young Leaders with the County Leadership Adviser, so that they receive newsletters, training help, invitations etc.



She helps Guiders to understand the purpose of the scheme, and gives thought to placing YLs in Units, discusses their progress at District Meetings (YLs do not attend) making sure opportunity is given for them to work at clauses on scheme while they are attached to a Unit.



She protects them from being used as Guiders.



If not members of Ranger Unit she helps to link them with one, or to arrange meetings with other Young Leaders.



She makes sure they are not overlooked when invitations are received for Rangers to take part in trips abroad, conferences for young people, etc.

DISTRICT training

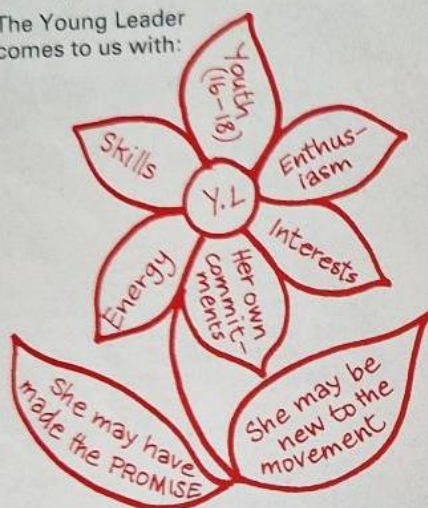
How the Brownie Guider can Help . . .

by Susan Guy

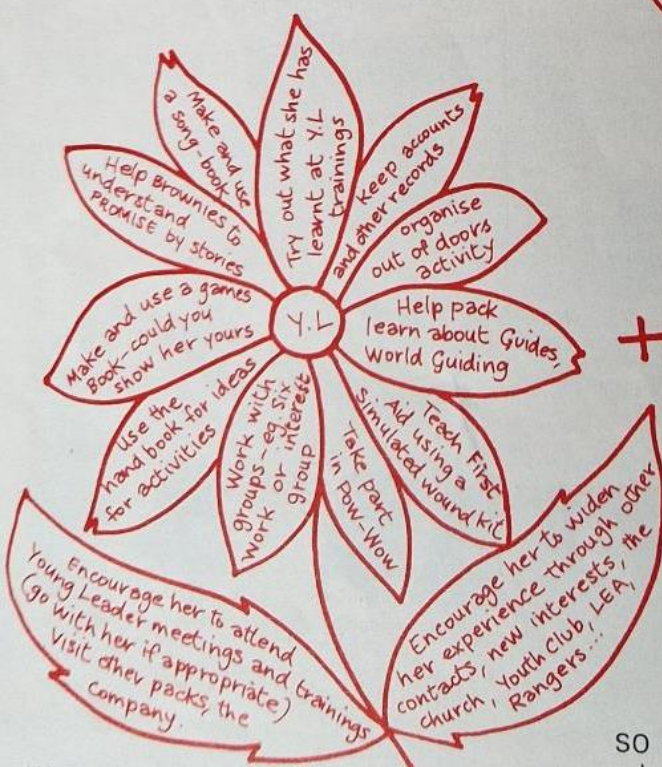
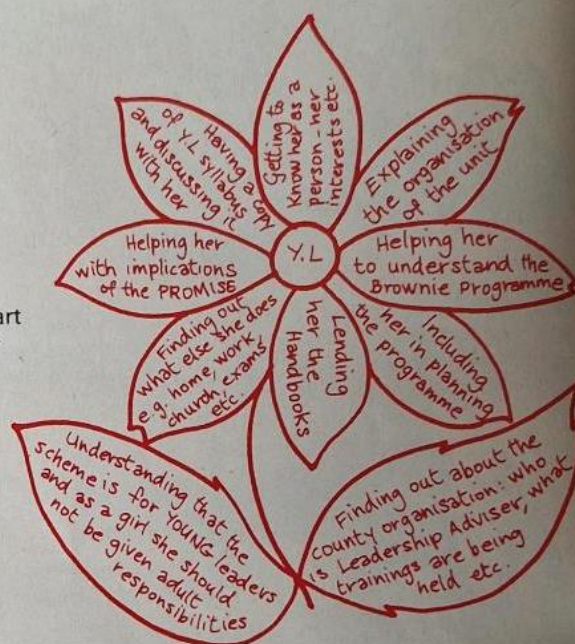
'Put at its simplest, the job of Leadership is to help young people to grow up (and to enjoy the process) and to develop good personal relationships.'

Those of us who are lucky enough to have Young Leaders in our Units are accepting a two-fold responsibility: to help the Young Leader to grow so that she can help the Brownies grow. How best can we help?

The Young Leader comes to us with:



We can start to help her grow by:



and we can help her get the greatest possible benefit from these experiences by talking with her afterwards and helping her to think about:

Why that game went well - or didn't! Why that meeting was successful - or wasn't. Perhaps next time we could try . . . Why is Sally behaving like this? etc. etc.

When she is working with us in the Pack we can give her opportunities to fulfil the syllabus and widen her experience.

SO THAT by the time she has finished the scheme she will be ready for adult responsibilities within the movement, for leadership within another sphere or to look further afield and perhaps return to us later.

BROWNIE training

How the Guide Guider can Help . . .

by Marjorie Emsley

Have you a Young Leader helping in your unit?
How many of these things is she doing?

Helping a Patrol
to choose, plan and
carry out a Patrol
Purpose Plan

Part 2 Clause 8

Organising games
and activities

Part 2 Clauses 8, 7

Helping
individuals to
challenge themselves

Part 2 Clause 3b

Teaching a skill to one or all of the
P.L.'s during the unit meeting (in a
separate room if possible)

Part 2 Clause 9

Being responsible for the unit
F.A. box and for coping with
minor injuries

Part 2 Clause 5

Sharing her interests and/
or talents with individual
members of the unit for
them to pass on to
others in the group

Part 2 Clauses 4, 10

Widening her own
horizons

Part 1

Part 2 Clause 12

Attending
P.L.C.

Part 2 Clause 2

Part 2 Clause 8

Visiting other units

Part 2 Clause 1

Making equipment

Part 2 Clauses 3a, 6

Helping with the
unit accounts

Part 2 Clause 11

Keeping in contact with others who can help her e.g.
Y.L.Rep; C.L.A.; D.C./D.A.; Ranger Guider/Unit.

Part 2 Clause 12

If you are going to be able to help her to do these and the many other things expected of her while working for the Young Leader's Certificate, you will need:

- (i) to know the syllabus of the Young Leader's Certificate.
 - (ii) to include her in the planning for unit meetings.
 - (iii) to give her time during the meeting to do what she has planned.
 - (iv) to talk with her about her part in the meetings and where this fits into the Y.L.C.
 - (v) to be in contact with the County Leadership Adviser (or her representative) and others involved in helping the Young Leader, so that you can discover how best you can help.
- REMEMBER Your Young Leader is NOT an Assistant Guider, nor must you assume that she will automatically go on to the Adult Leader's Certificate once she has gained her Y.L.C. The latter gives a girl practical training and a taste of leadership, but is not designed to commit her from 16 to 65!

HAVE YOU TRIED THIS? Give your Young Leader a collection of articles e.g. washing-up liquid bottle; piece of rope; 2p piece; matchbox; acorn (or anything else you can think of!). Ask her to use some or all of the objects to make up challenges or a wide game or a treasure hunt for patrols to take part in.

How the Ranger Guider can help . . .

by Brenda Hughes

HAVE you read the articles on the three previous pages, the one for the Commissioners, the one for the Brownie Guiders and the one for the Guide Guiders? No? Then please do before you read any further. We are all in this together, and if we are going to help the Young Leaders in our areas we must work very closely with the Unit Guiders concerned, as well as with the County Leadership Adviser, the Division Young Leader Representative – if there is one – and the District Commissioner/Assistant in order to be

The Ranger Guider should know the syllabus and understand its purpose, which is to give girls leadership experience and 'not to commit them from 16 to 65'.

This experience is gained within the Movement for obvious reasons.

Sessions on Leadership could be included in the Unit programme, with speakers such as the local Youth Officer; the holder of a Mountain Leadership certificate, speaking on the responsibilities of Leadership; as well as Leaders of a variety of Youth organisations such as Boys' Brigade, Young Farmers' Clubs, Girls' Brigade, etc., to talk on their individual leadership roles.

sure that there is not too much repetition, and that we, the Ranger Guiders and Ranger Units, are not trespassing on other people's areas of responsibility.

It is not only the Ranger Guider who can help; it is her responsibility to encourage the Unit Executive to recognise the need for helping the Young Leaders, both within and outside the Unit, and to cater for this in the programme.

Here are some suggestions of ways in which the Ranger Unit and Guider can help:-

Activities helping with specific clauses in the syllabus. Part 1 is covered by the Pre-Investiture Challenge. Part 2, Clause 5, could be covered by First Aid courses, wound simulation is demonstrated and taught by the Casualties' Union. For Clause 7, the International or Commonwealth Adviser might talk on World Guiding, and help with activities suitable for Brownies and/or Guides.

For Clause 11, use the District/Division Treasurer to explain and demonstrate how Unit accounts should be kept, etc.

The Ranger Guider should take an active interest in how the Ranger who is a Young Leader is progressing; were the activities and skills learnt in the Unit successful?

Help her to think through both the successes and failures in order to build on the former and avoid the latter in the future. Perhaps time can be given during Unit meetings for the Young Leaders to discuss the experience of leadership gained in the Units with which they are working, etc.



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Jean de Lemos

DO REMEMBER, there are many Young Leaders who are not members of a Ranger Unit and have no wish to be, or simply do not have the time. We can help them a great deal, too, particularly with Part 1, which many find the most difficult, so include them, please, in your thinking. Invite them along to share in an activity, to discuss an aspect of contemporary society when the Ranger Unit is going to or has a speaker on the subject; to learn a new skill; offer the facilities of the Unit equipment for Part 1, Clause 4. Invite them whenever any Clause of Part 2 is being covered in the programme. A copy of the Unit programme sent to the Division Young Leader Representative or District Commissioners within the Division, inviting Young Leaders to those meetings which cover parts of the syllabus, would probably be welcomed.

We are members of a team helping girls to gain leader-

ship experience. Naturally we hope they will continue in the Movement in a leadership role, but we must *not* expect them to do so. We must ensure that Young Leaders are not made to feel guilty if they want to leave Guiding and use the experience gained within the Movement, with some other organisation. Good luck to them; we have helped them to grow and develop skills which, hopefully, will enable them to be more useful citizens, and this is one of our aims as Ranger Guiders.

HAVE YOU TRIED THIS?

How well do you know the Guiders who have your Rangers as Young Leaders? Try inviting them for coffee to discuss what the Unit might include in its programme which would help those working on the scheme.

RANGER training



THE GIRL GUIDE FRIENDSHIP FUND

1976 HAS ONCE AGAIN shown how wonderfully generous our Guides can be, and what great little money-raisers are the Brownies! By early November, at the time of writing, just on



£15,000 has been donated for the various projects during the year and the Christmas giving has yet to come in. So we do say a very sincere THANK YOU to you, as Guiders, for all your help and interest in the GGFF. We do appreciate your letters, and your writing in for further information. We are enormously grateful for the many fund-raising efforts that take place in your Units and Packs and Districts. Most of all, of course, we THANK YOU for the continued flow of donations that we receive day after day. In these times of financial depression the GGFF daily incoming mail is both exhilarating and faith-restoring!

Very briefly to re-cap on the year: £15,000 went to the three charities we had chosen for our Christmas appeal last year;

£2,500 went to the World Bureau for the six WAGGGS countries we chose particularly to help last summer; £1,000 was given to the Guide Association of Guatemala after the severe earthquake in that small country; £100 to Seychelles as a token gift of Guide Friendship on attaining their independence; many of our Branch Associations overseas received financial aid as well as gifts in kind. It is absolutely true to say that every penny sent to us for the Guide Friendship Fund by you, your Brownies, Guides and Rangers is used for the purpose for which it is given – to help those in need. Our expenses, such as they are (ie postage, printing, etc) are fully met from the interest gained on our deposit account.

And so we come to this Christmas, now past, and our four special good causes. We are more than grateful to the many many Guiders who have been sending for the information sheets to know more about the four 'good turns' we had chosen this time. We are already deeply grateful for the response and great interest shown and for the donations so generously coming in. These augur well for a good result; unfortunately I cannot tell you this until April because we do not have a Guide Friendship Fund page in either February or March. All our thoughts and pennies then are concentrated on Thinking Day and the Thinking Day Fund of the World Association.

May I just say, though, that we are very happy to go on receiving donations for the Christmas appeal until the end of January; we know that with Christmas posts all haywire and many efforts taking place during the Christmas holidays it isn't possible for cheques to reach us until well into the New Year. Whenever they come we are more than grateful, a receipt and a letter goes to everyone who sends to us.

In optimistic anticipation we say now THANK YOU ALL! The blind people with their Guide Dogs, the sick children with kidney failure, the elderly receiving extra warmth, food and care and the disabled looking forward to their Winged Fellowship holiday next summer – ALL give you THEIR thanks too!

VA

The Girl Guide Friendship Fund, Girl Guides Association, 17-19, Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT.

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HQ NOTICES

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on the lawns in front of the
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day, 5th and 6th August to
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weather alternative
'theatre' will be arranged.)

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and give details of previous
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A Gold for Waddow

*December's notice re.
Waddow's Jubilee is amended
thus: September 8th - 11th at
Waddow will be for Guiders
only. A service of Thanksgiving
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World Drawing and Painting Competition

This year there is to be a competition for Rangers, Guides, and Brownies throughout the world, for the best paintings and drawings to illustrate Girl Guide/Girl Scout Friendship, Thinking Day and the Thinking Day Fund.

The finished work must not be larger than 12" by 8" and each entry must clearly show the entrants name, age, and address, as well as a written description of the picture (not more than 50 words). Ask your C.C.I.A. or County Arts Adviser for further details, and the closing date for your Country/Region.

Prizes will be awarded by Commonwealth Headquarters to the five United Kingdom finalists whose entries are selected for judging in the world competition.

Commonwealth Challenge

On Thinking Day Her Majesty the Queen departs to visit her subjects in Fiji, Australia and the Pacific where celebrations will be held to mark her Silver Jubilee. The date of this Commonwealth visit is a fitting start to the Commonwealth Challenge for patrols announced this month in *Today's Guide*.

The Challenge starts with a quiz and each month until June there will be a choice of challenges. We hope that Guiders will encourage their patrols to take part in this project and contact their County Commonwealth Adviser if any help or advice is needed. The Challenge has several objectives - to help Guides (and Guiders) to understand the Queen's position as Head of the Commonwealth, to put the 'Commonwealth in Focus' in 1977 and to have fun in working for the Wommonwealth Badge.

Our Cabaña Visit

Rangers and Young Leaders from Devon, Renfrewshire, Buckinghamshire and Kent West have been selected to go to Our Cabaña this month to attend the first of the World Association Gatherings to be held at each of the four World Centres during 1977.

Brownsea Island

It is regretted that the Villano, Brownsea Island, will not be available for 1977 summer bookings.

Please watch *GUIDER* in 1977 for further details.

British Canoe Union

All canoe users please note that the Association's Affiliation Membership number for 1977 remains the same, i.e. C 000236.

Insurance cover for Adventure Activities

It has been brought to our notice that members or their parents are frequently being asked by organisations holding courses for adventure activities such as mountaineering, para-sailing etc., to sign forms which release the organisation from any liability in the event of an accident, even if this is due to the negligence of the organisation or its instructors. We wish to make it quite clear that by signing these forms members may relinquish their right of action to obtain compensation in the event of an accident. The fact that they have waived their rights against another organisation does not mean that they can claim compensation from the Girl Guides Association, since our own

Legal Liability policy covers only acts of negligence by the Association and its members or voluntary helpers. Indeed, our own policy specifically excludes any claim arising out of the negligence of instructors acting on behalf of other organisations even though the activity may be an approved Guiding activity. Neither we nor our Insurers can be held liable for the actions of persons over whom we have no control, and it is therefore the responsibility of their own organisation to insure against this liability.

If, as a condition of participating in any activity, a member is required to waive any right of action against the organising body, the risks in doing so must be clearly understood and accepted.

UNITED KINGDOM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE

23rd-25th September

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All County Commissioners are urged to book the above dates now. Full details of this residential Conference will be circulated later.

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Jan	7-9	Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)	7-9 General Training	'GENERAL' TRAININGS ALL CENTRES ARE FOR BROWNIE AND GUIDERS
	14-16	Wiltshire South	14-16 North West England Camp Advisers	
Feb	21-23	General Training	21-23 Ranger Guiders/Venture Scout Leaders Conference	25-27 General Training
	28-30	Anglia (by allocation)	28-30 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)	
March	4-6	1. Pack Holiday Training 2. Crafts for the Pack	4-6 Greater Manchester North	11-13 General Training 18-20 Welsh Trainers' Conference 25-27 General Training
	11-13	Hampshire West	11-13 1. General Training 2. Campfire Leaders and Prospectives	
April	25-27	General Training	25-27 Creative Activities for Packs and Companies	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	4-6	Oxfordshire	4-6 Leeds	
May	11-13	1. Exploring the Forest 2. Art and Crafts for the Company	11-13 Pack Holiday and Camp Training	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	18-20	South West England (by allocation)	18-20 West Mercia	
June	25-27	Greater London Kent	25-27 General Training	
	7-11	Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award Course (Easter) (Girls and Boys)	1-3 North Yorkshire West	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	15-17	London and South East England (by allocation)	6-13 Young Leaders' Week (Easter)	
July	22-24	Young Players (Joint Scout/Guide Weekend)	15-17 Staffordshire County	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	29-1	MAY London North East County	22-24 General Training	
August	6-8	Division Commissioners with up to three of their District Commissioners	29-1 MAY Cheshire Wirral	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	13-15	Cardiff and East Glamorganshire County	6-8 Birmingham County	
September	20-22	General Training	13-15 General Training	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	27-29	Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)	20-22 1. Ranger Guiders 2. Guide Section Trainers	
October	3-11	Family Week (B. Hol.)	27-29 General Training	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	17-19	General Training	3-7 Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award (B. Hol.) Course (Girls only)	
November	24-26	General Training	10-12 Friends of Waddow	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	1-3	Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)	24-26 Sefton County	
December	8-10	1. Music Specialist Trainers and Prospectives (by invitation) 2. Campfire Leaders and Prospectives	1-3 General Training	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	15-17	Friends of Foxlease	8-10 South Yorkshire County	
January	18-25	Holiday week (Guiders and Trefoil Guild Members, their friends and mothers)	14-24 Holiday Weeks (Guiders with their Guides/Rangers)	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
	28-6	August Patrol Leaders Week		
February	9-16	Holiday Periods (Guiders with their Guides/Rangers)	13-20 Patrol Leaders' Week	1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
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March	27-3	Guides/Rangers		1-3 General Training (Places for Worcs) 7-12 Patrol Leaders under 14 years 15-17 "Give, Take and Share" (By invitation) 22-24 W. Glamorgan Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides 29-1 Pack Holiday and Camping Skills May
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announcements

1 P.Ls. Weeks

Guiders are reminded that only two P.Ls. can be accepted from any one Company. They must not have attended any previous training at a Training Centre and Guiders are asked not to apply for places at more than one Centre.

The P.Ls. must have attained their 12th birthday but not their 14th birthday by 1st February (i.e. they will be between 12½ and 14 at the time of the week). They must be able to attend for the whole week.

Places for P.Ls. Weeks at both Centres will be allocated during March. Applications, each with a £1.00 deposit and a foolscap s.a.e., should be sent to the Secretary at the Training Centre concerned to arrive NOT LATER THAN 1st MARCH.

2 County Weekends, 1978

Counties wishing to book a County Weekend at Foxlease or Waddow should apply to the Training Secretary, CHQ, not later than 1st March. The programme for the whole of 1978 is drawn up immediately after this date, and once this is completed, no further applications can be considered.

Guides Holiday Week Foxlease 27th August/3rd September.

Designed for the Guider who is prepared to give up some of her Holiday for training purposes, Foxlease is planning this special week. Training sessions will take place most mornings and the remainder of the day will be free so

HOW TO APPLY

Any Guider may herself apply to attend a training course at the Centres, provided she has reached the minimum age of 18 years. (At the discretion of the Commissioner a member aged 17½ who is working on the Adult Leader's Certificate may also apply for a Guider course).

An application to attend a Guider 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. If 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 Centre are most welcome to do so.

BURSARY HELP AVAILABLE

No application form is required. District Commissioners should apply to Training Dept., C.H.Q. (Scottish Commissioners to S.H.Q.) on behalf of their Guiders for further details of who is eligible and how to apply.

The Fee Bursary entitles a Guider to a grant of £3.00 for a two-day weekend and £1.00 for each additional day.

The Fare Bursary (available only for travel to the nearest Training Centre) carries a rebate of a Guider's travel expenses in excess of £3.00.

The Angela Thompson Bursary is available to any Guider attending a Promise and Law or similar Training (not necessarily at a Training Centre).

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4-6 Young Leaders
11-13 Prospective Certified Trainers
18-20 General Training
25-27 General Training (including
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1-3 General Training
7-11 D of E Award Residential Course
15-17 General Training
22-24 District Training

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2 Caving - for those wishing to gain experience and knowledge of local caves.
3 Climbing - for those wishing to gain experience and knowledge of local climbs.

June 24-26 Course C/77 Adventure Course for Guides (aged 12 to 14 inclusive)

Aug 26-29 Course D/77 Adventure Camp for Rangers

Sept 16-18 Course E/77 Adventure Course for Ranger Guides/Venture Scouts

* Subject to confirmation

For information, and details of fees, write to the Secretary, enclosing foolscap sae

Fees at Foxlease and Waddow:		Single room, per day	£3.50
Shared room, per day	£3.50	Deposit	£1.00
Double room, per day	£4.00	Fees at Netherurd	
Single room, per day	£4.50	Shared room, per day	£3.00
Deposit £2.00 cheque or postal order only.		Double room, per day	£3.25
† Subject to VAT		Single room, per day	£3.50
Fees at Broneirion		Deposit	£1.00
Shared room, per day	£3.00	Training fee for non-residents	50p per weekend.
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Camps & Holidays

Foxlease Camp-sites

Application for sites should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates with alternatives and approximate numbers should be stated, and whether an equipped site is required. Camps may begin on any weekday.

A 50p deposit (which is forfeited if the booking is cancelled) and a foolscap sae should be enclosed.

Beaverbrook Lodge

Applications should be sent to the Secretary, Foxlease giving alternative dates and enclosing an initial deposit of £1.00 (which is non-returnable) and a foolscap sae. Priority will be given to applicants who have not already stayed in Beaverbrook Lodge. Applications for the period 1st April, 1977-30th September, 1977 will be accepted now.

Waddow Camp-sites

Applications for sites should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates with alternatives and approximate numbers should be stated and whether an equipped site is required. It is preferred that Camps begin on Saturday.

A 50p deposit (which is forfeited if the booking is cancelled) and a foolscap sae should be enclosed.

Waddow Cottage and Caravan

Both are available for bookings

throughout the year. For details apply to the Secretary enclosing sae.

Waddow Pack Holiday House

Applications for Pack Holidays should be sent to the Secretary and must be accompanied by a written recommendation from the Guider's CA or Pack Holiday Adviser and a foolscap sae enclosed.

Netherurd Camp-sites, Brownie House and Holiday Caravan

Applications for Camp-sites will be taken now.

Applications for the Brownie House will be taken now (form of application available). During Scottish school holiday periods (Easter, July, half August) priority will be given to Scottish Packs.

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Only one small camp site equipped for 24, which number cannot be exceeded. Applications for camp site and Brownie House should be sent to: Miss P Lynch, 3c Pentryn Court, Whitchurch, Cardiff, CF4 7BY, enclosing sae.

Bookings for Brownie House outside school holidays should be sent to the Guider-in-Charge, Broneirion, Llandinam, Powys, SY17 5DE.

Highgate Centre, Broneirion

This cottage will sleep 15 (no beds). Available for bookings from 1st March, for Rangers, mixed groups, or Guides over 13, with suitably qualified Guider. Address: Welsh Girl Guides Outdoor Pursuits Centre, Highgate, Broneirion, Llandinam, Powys, SY17 5DE.

May be used for Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions provided the booking is made by either the assessor or supervising adult.

Ynysgain, Criccieth, North Wales

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Lorne Camp-sites

Lorne offers fully equipped or unequipped Camp-sites with solid shelter. Calor Gas available. Applications should be sent to Mrs F Hartley, 1 Station View, Carnalea, Bangor, Co Down.

Irene McKibbin Memorial Cottage, Lorne

A cottage available for Ranger holiday. For details apply to Miss Hilda Hirst, 119 Haypark Avenue, Belfast 9, enclosing sae.

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Brownsea Island

Camp-sites (for Guides and Scouts) are available as well as The Villano (maximum accommodation 30) for holidays for older Guides, Rangers, Guiders or Trefoil Guild. Apply to Mrs B B Dyke, Holm Oak, Tinneys Lane, Sherbourne, Dorset, enclosing foolscap sae.

Mountain Training at Plas-Y-Brenin

Two courses have been arranged by The Scout Association which are open to members of the G.G.A. aged 18 and over. The cost will be £42.90 (plus VAT). Details and application forms can be obtained from The Training Department, The Scout Association, Gilwell Park, Chingford, London E4 7QW.

M.2. Mountain Leadership Introductory Training 12th-19th March.

An introductory course for those who eventually wish to be assessed for the Mountain Leadership Summer Certificate.

M.1. Mountaineering/Hillwalking 7th-14th May.

A course for Leaders contemplating walks or expeditions from a summer campsite in the hills.

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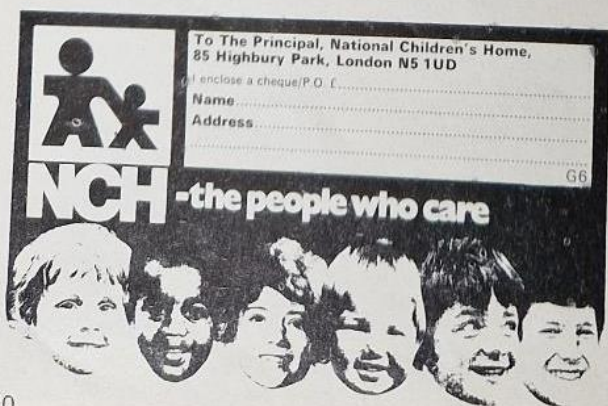
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After school . . . SSAGO

The late autumn SSAGO Bulletin received by us at the GGA mentions Dave Russell's visit to us at CHQ (Dave is the SSAGO Secretary). In his editorial, he points out the value of showing Venture Scout and Ranger groups around one's own College or University, to give them an inside view of college life and the activities of the college's SSAGO group. The temptation may be for the new student, out of shyness, to avoid joining groups or clubs at first, when an advance knowledge of the activities of the SSAGO group could help combat the dreaded student apathy and induce a 'fresher' to join in the life of the college.

*I caught this
Apathy from
another student*



Activities of interest to SSAGO members in 1977 are as follows: From 11th-13th February, 1977 there will be a SSAGO rally, to be held at the Verain Comprehensive School, Winsford, Cheshire, which will include SSAGO AGM. On 29th October, 1977 a Folk Festival will be held, the workshop and auditions for this will be on the 2nd and 3rd April this year.

You gotta have sole

Norvic, the shoe people, recently held an exhibition of their 1977 footwear collection, which ranges from women's shoes to sturdy shoes for children. Footwear for boys and men was also displayed.

Below left are two examples of the kind of tough but smart shoe which should be acceptable for school wear. These have all leather uppers and thermo rubber soles, and the recommended retail price is from £5.33.



Left - PETRA Right - STOMP

From the range for younger children, I liked 'Fun Deck', above right, a sturdy sandal with a thick rubber sole. The sandal in brown comes in sizes 11-1, at £5.75. In blue, the price is £6.25, and in 'Wheat', is available in whole sizes.

A Toothy Grin

The British Dental Health Foundation and Beecham Proprietaries have published their latest book, entitled 'Home Mouth Care Manual'. This manual is divided into two parts. Part one explains the cause of dental disease and how it can be overcome, and gives general advice about mouth care - in childhood, adolescence, pregnancy and old age.

Part two is devoted to the special needs of the handicapped and those with specific problems.

It is extremely good value at 50p, (including p&p), and is obtainable from The British Dental Health Foundation, 3 Harcourt House, 19A Cavendish Square, London W1M 9AD.

If you are not already a member, and you would like to be one, write now for full membership details.

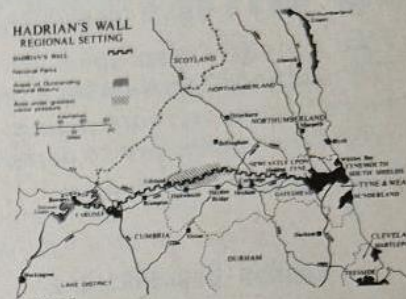
Going up the Wall?

On 9th November, 1976 the Countryside Commission published a comprehensive study of Hadrian's Wall, that impressive structure built by the Romans to keep out the fearsome and marauding Picts and Scots!

Dartington Amenity Research Trust (DART), backed by local authorities and interested National bodies, spent about eighteen months studying the area and drawing conclusions about how the visitor could see the wall to best advantage, retaining its imposing grandeur and not overwhelmed by trippers. Numerous practical measures have been recommended by the DART report, including the appointment of a full-time Education Officer to liaise with schools (educational trips by schools provide about 25 per cent of visitors to the wall). The outer sections of the wall, which currently receive fewer visitors, could be served by new visitor sections; this should make for a more even spread of visitors to the wall.

The re-opening of the BR Gilsland Station, it is suggested, would help those without transport, and improved footpath

systems and cycle routes could be set up, and the Roman sites themselves should be protected from irreversible wear and tear by improved drainage, surface hardening and diversions from parts of the wall.



A meeting will be convened this month to discuss the report's proposals.

Copies of the report are obtainable (£2.20 post paid) from the Countryside Commission, John Dower House, Crescent Place, Cheltenham, Glos. GL50 3RA.

Fair Deal on Petrol Prices

The Office of Fair Trading has negotiated with major oil companies and petrol retailers an agreement concerning the clearer display of petrol prices. Such slogans as '8p off', for example, will in future be more comprehensible, since either the price per gallon from which the reduction is claimed, or the exact price per gallon payable by the cash customer, will be indicated. For example, garages who take part in the agreement will no longer display simply '8p off posted pump price', but will add, for example, 'net cash price 75p', or alternatively, state '8p off posted pump price of 83p'. The agreement, which comes into effect immediately, will be given extensive publicity by the OFT, who are seeking to enlist the support of other oil companies. It is hoped that petrol retailers who volunteer their support will follow not only the letter but also the spirit of the agreement.

In Memoriam

West Glamorgan suffered a great loss earlier this summer in the very sudden death of Mary Edwards Jones. Mrs Edwards Jones had been closely connected with Guiding in this County for many years as a Guide, Guider and District Commissioner, before she became President of Swansea Division, an office which she held for over twenty years. But perhaps her greatest service to Guiding in this area was her efficient handling of the County finances in her capacity as County Treasurer, and she nursed these with skill for nearly thirty years. She was deeply interested in the International side of Guiding and was always ready to help any Guide, Ranger or Guider chosen to represent the County abroad.

Mary Edwards Jones was much loved and respected and her wise advice will be greatly missed.

Miss Mary C Morris of Field Broughton, Carmel, lecturer in Geography at St Martin's College, Lancaster, died at Barrow, in October.

She was educated at Bolton School and at Newnham College, Cambridge. She taught at

schools in Oxford and at Queen Mary School, Lytham. Just after the war she was on the staff of one of the Malayan Teachers' Colleges and many of her former students now hold senior positions in education in that country. After a period at St Katherine's College, Liverpool, she retired to Field Broughton, but soon returned to work at St Martin's College, Lancaster. Here she developed new courses on the Third World and was involved in supervising student teachers during their periods of practice.

She was an accomplished musician, playing the cello in the Carmel orchestra and singing in the College choir. For many years she was a leader and trainer in the Girl Guides Association.

Miss Morris's contributions to education have been varied but all have been characterised by thoroughness and attention to detail. Her love of people springing from a mature Christian conviction enabled her to be the friend and confidant of people in all walks of life, children, students, and fellow teachers.

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The final party consisted of twenty Venture Scouts and Scout Leaders and seventeen Rangers and Guides, mostly from Kettering, but with representatives from Northampton, Corby and Wellingborough. In preparation for the trip, we held meetings at intervals of about a month, and we had two week-end camps to weld the group together.

The Boy Scouts of Philadelphia provided a site for us at their Breyer Park Training Area, just outside the city boundary, and also helped us to find good accommodation at a very reasonable price in Washington, where we spent two nights.

Soon after our arrival, we were received by the Mayor of Philadelphia, who presented us with a replica of the Liberty Bell, and we, for our part, took with us a scroll made by craftsmen in Northamptonshire which was presented to the Governor of Pennsylvania.

We saw all that there was to see in Philadelphia, Washington, Williamsburg and New York (including the ascent of one of the twin towers at the World Trade Centre), and our air-conditioned coach proved to be a great boon during our travels. It was, of course, hotter in England at that time than it was in the States, where it had a tendency to rain at inconvenient moments, such as in the middle of the gigantic Fourth of July parade, when Noah's Ark would have felt at home in the streets of Philadelphia!

There were, needless to say, several crises: three tents missing on arrival: no money at the Bank(!): an accident in Washington when a car ran into the side of the coach: and the famous occasion when 37 of us went into the Capitol building and 36 came out.

High spots of the trip were: the Queen's visit (we saw her twice): a conducted tour of the dockyard in Philadelphia, where we were taken round a destroyer and an aircraft carrier and saw a flag pageant in the evening: the kindness and hospitality of the American people: our very first king-sized ice cream soda (we didn't think Sarah had that much room inside her!): the Girl Scouts' Camp Indian Run, which was the finest we had ever seen: and the greatest and wettest show on earth on the Fourth of July.

But, above all else, we saw the Guide spirit in action. Girl Scouting is alive and well in '76. Thank you, America! We have said 'Au revoir' and not 'Goodbye'.

Christine D Campbell

GUIDER CROSSWORD 1, by Brenda Hughes.

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| Clues across | 12. French here in industry? |
| 1. Some say it is the only sign of life. | 13. Right in leather stitching. |
| 5. What Guiding is concerned with. | 14. The title of some princes. |
| 10. Short Scottish Church body. | 16. Found in dues paid. |
| | 19. Wiser not to put it in unless you are sure of your facts. |
| | 21. Use a shuttle to do this. |

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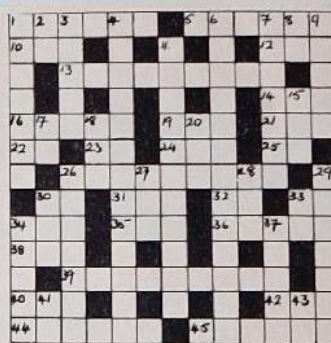
I WOULD like to endorse the comments of Teresa Hughes (Mainly for Rangers, October GUIDER). I am sure she used the term *Which* type report in the broadest sense. Our own Camp Adviser has given us most helpful advice about the advantages and disadvantages of several types of lightweight tents and cooking stoves, etc. I am sure somewhere there is a Camp Adviser who would be willing to write an article on those lines without involving your staff in complicated surveys. Like the rest of my unit I am a fairly inexperienced camper and walker and would appreciate more training advice from GUIDER.

Sue Hedges,
Tokers Green, Berks.

Extension Rangers

On 4th October, 1976 two Rangers and myself travelled from London to Glasgow for the day to join the camp reunion of the 26th Extension Unit whom we had shown around London last May – we hope to arrange a similar camp for them again this year. We were warmly welcomed by Glasgow County HQ, and having been brought up in that area, it was marvellous to let my Rangers see the hospitality and experience the Guiding friendship that is ever present in that part of the world.

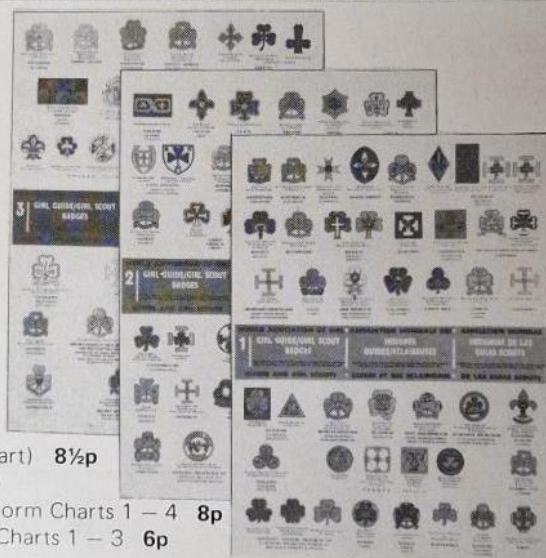
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| 22. See 17 down. | 23. Most mains are. | 24. The nominal one. | 25. The article over the water. | 26. We have one. | 30. A brief hour. | 31. A twisted type of paddle is flightless. | 32. I'm the third one. | 33. Exist. | 34. He's paid. | 35. Seen in a guide. | 36. A Ranger loses her head. | 38. German electrician. | 39. '... bathe his flesh — water' (Leviticus 15). | 40. Small numbers. | 42. Resin. |
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| 44. Walks upstairs. | 45. Directs awry having lost a hundred. |
| 1. Clues down | 2. We're all involved in this. |
| 3. A short, rough finish of paper. | 4. A set of eight. |
| 5. My hat! | 6. I met a smart pig who made sarcastic remarks. |
| 7. A small enclosure. | 8. Sounds like a girl, this Lord Chamberlain. |
| 9. We have — areas of growth. | 11. Guiders and leaders should be. |
| 15. A courteous enclosure. | 17 & 23. A goose. |
| 18. Egypt now. | 20. Literary gossip. |
| 26. The heart of it all. | 27. Former Portuguese colony. |
| 28. — about me that are fat' (Shakespeare). | 29. Working for others, in the Church? |
| 30. Initially our President. | 33. The beginning of our motto. |
| 34. Guiding direction. | 37. Operatic tenor. |
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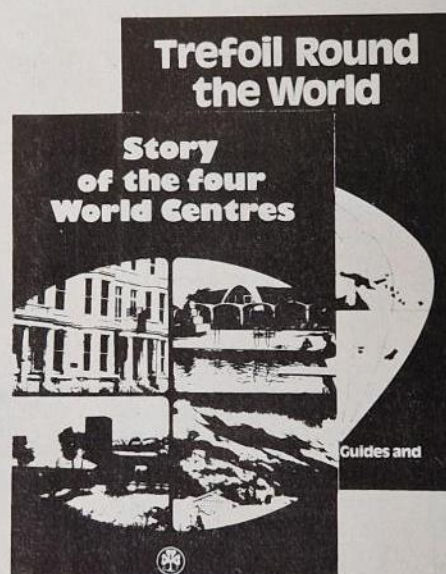
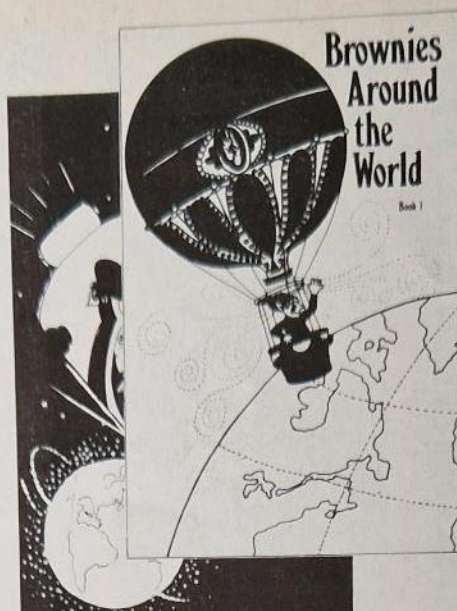
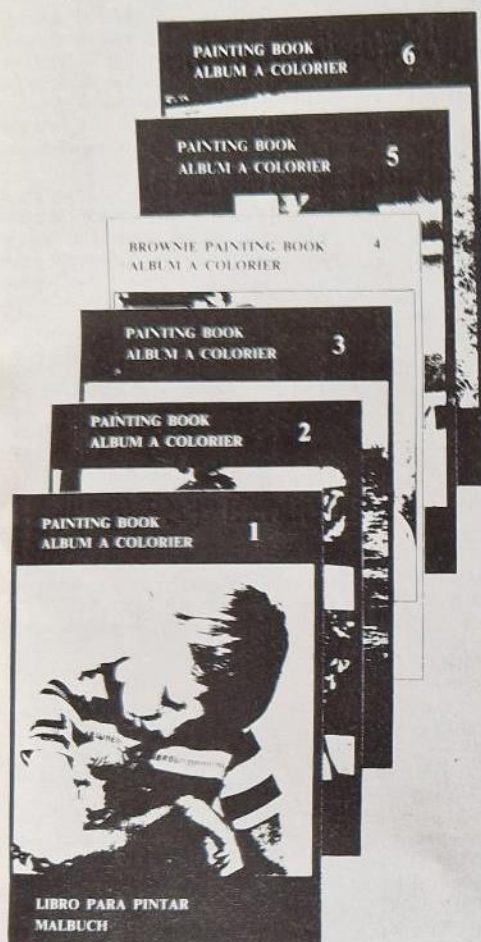


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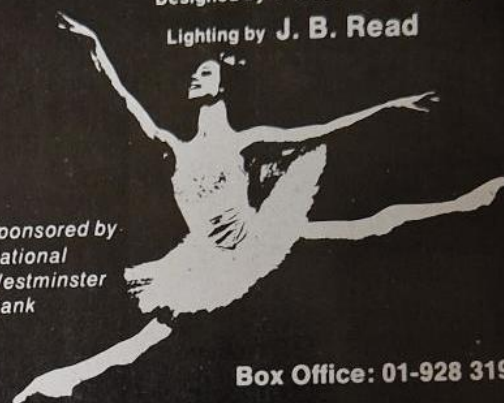
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book reviews

The Exploring Series, edited by Leslie Jackman. Evans Bros Ltd. 75p per book.

This series of six books (Exploring the Park, Garden, Seashore, Pond, Hedgerow, Woodland) is lucidly written and every one contains many colour plates.

The format of each book is broadly similar, and the reader is encouraged to participate in nature study by following up suggestions on how to draw simple plans of the area to be explored, or how to make equipment useful to the study in question.

A sensible aspect of these books is the editor's stress on the need to respect and conserve our wildlife; the reader is reminded to return the creatures studied, after examination, to their habitat, or is given detailed information on the most satisfactory way of keeping and caring for the creatures being observed.

LMH

Everest The Hard Way, by Chris Bonington. Hodder and Stoughton, £6.95.

This is a superbly written and beautifully photographed account of how a British Expedition made the first ascent of the South West Face of Everest, the highest mountain in the World.

Chris Bonington takes us on the journey, commencing in London with the early days of planning, continuing through to the foothills of Nepal. We face the two great hazards of nature which must be conquered before foot can be set on the South West Face. The Western Cwm, with its avalanches, silent in approach but devastating on arrival – swamping tents and suffocating humans. The Ice Fall, constantly shifting and creaking, as men carrying loads in excess of 60 lbs make slow progression through it. Gradually, as camps become established, a tremendous sense of team work comes across, the combined efforts of forty Sherpas and sixteen mountaineers eventually put Dougal Haston and Doug Scott in a position to make the first summit bid.

In fact, four men definitely made the summit, and in compelling chapters they describe their feelings, including an agonising decision forced upon the second pair, when in deteriorating weather conditions and with their own lives at risk, they retreated from the summit leaving climber and cameraman Mick Burke, who did not return.

Chris Bonington writes from the heart. This story, along with the breathtaking colour photography, makes the book an unforgettable experience to read, and a privilege to own.

JMH

The British Monarchy in Colour, by John Brooke-Little. *Richmond Herald of Arms*, MVO, MA, FSA. Blandford, £2.80.

Happy the owner of this arresting addition to the Blandford Colour Series by an author well-known for his books and articles on history and heraldry. Yet the style is not stiff and erudite but clear and friendly.

The chapters include among others 'royal ceremonies', 'royal residences', 'royal transport' and 'the royal family today'. How well the author has shown that the monarchy is an especial, enduring and inestimably important part of the constitution... it has proved itself to be versatile and... the royal family has adapted itself admirably to the mutable and mobile political and social scene.

To add to the attraction of this book there is a magnificent gallery of colour illustrations.

TWM

The Life of Noel Coward, by Cole Lesley. Jonathan Cape, £7.50.

This is no breezy showbiz biography, but a carefully recorded and fully documented account of Noel Coward's life, drawing for the first time on his private papers, letters and journals. We all know the frustration of thinking up a brilliant witticism after the occasion for using it has passed us by; here we have abundant evidence, from incidents throughout his life, that Noel Coward could deliver *le mot juste* right on cue. His brilliant career as a playwright, composer, author and actor has been recorded many times, but this book gives us a glimpse inside the cynical facade at a unique person.

Cole Lesley quotes extensively from the contents of 'Mum's Suitcase', in which Mrs Coward kept Noel's prodigious writings from the age of seven onwards, and even from the earliest age it can be seen that here was a boy destined for great things. He went on to

become a child star, achieved success as a playwright, director, lyricist and composer by the age of twenty-four, lived to see his plays and music go out of fashion and be revived as smash hits all over again by the time he was seventy.

Through all the 500 pages of this formidable book we see the everyday wit and sheer love of life of 'The Master', both in his own words and by the fascinating narrative of his biographer. There are also many pages of illustrations, mostly from Noel Coward's own collection. An expensive book, but a treasure for real lovers of the theatre.

JVR

Lara in America, by Adrienne Cooper. John Murray, £3.50.

Subtitled *2000 miles on horseback*, this book tells the very personal and fascinating story of Adrienne Cooper's four and a half months journey across America on Lara, her Anglo-Arab mare. Starting in Nebraska the pair travelled through Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Colorado and then back to Pennsylvania. Details of the sights they saw and, perhaps more important, the friends they made en route, are related in a series of humorous, well-written, roughly chronological anecdotes. The author, a forty year old mother of two and a town-dweller admits to being rather an inexperienced rider who doesn't even know how to canter and, throughout the book, stresses the fact that many other riders could do what she did. She was tremendously impressed by the help and hospitality extended towards her by the ordinary Americans she met during her travels and by whom she was treated as something of a celebrity – even being interviewed on local television! Mrs Cooper writes with a spontaneous and disarmingly frank style which has an infectious warmth and leaves the reader longing to emulate her remarkable feat, leap into the saddle and head for the wide open spaces.

CW

The Observer's Book of Small Craft, Gordon Fairley. Warne, 90p.

Like all Observer books this one is extremely good value. The line drawings and photographs make small craft recognition easy and understandable, even to someone with very little knowledge. The glossary of sailing terms, lists of craft described and sail insignia etc. will be invaluable to anyone trying to identify

small craft. Together with the section on modern design and construction and the chapter on safety at sea, the fund of information contained in this little book make it a 'must' for the novice as well as the experienced sailor.

BH

Classics Illustrated Dictionary, by Dr J. Fuchs. Kaye and Ward, £2.75.

How often have we all failed to remember a name or an allusion when confronted with 'the classics' or haven't fully comprehended a quotation or reference? This Dictionary is a mine of information and each item is meticulously cross referenced. It includes virtually every aspect of life and literature in the ancient Roman and Greek civilisations and also embraces early Christianity, mythology, philosophy and the Arts.

AMM

C.H.Q. Books

Briefly, it's Guides, by Alix Liddell. Girl Guides Association, 50p.

'So we change, so we remain the same, so we go back to our beginnings and in doing so seem tremendously up to date... Today the cry is flexibility – tomorrow it may be discipline.'

How flexible the author herself is, miraculously compressing into a 32-page booklet the story of Guiding for 65 years. Yet the highlights are all here, described with humour and a clever economy of words.

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We owe Mrs. Liddell a united 'thank you', not least for the final paragraph: 'Where do we go from here? The answer to that question lies in the hands and hearts of the Rangers, Guides and Brownies of today, one thing we are sure of – they are on the right road.'

TWM

Unfortunately the photographs of Foxlease, Waddow and Our Chalet have been printed in reverse in this little book and the headings on Page 12 have been transposed. We apologise for these mistakes.

We are receiving queries about the badge on the sleeve of the Guide on the front of the Annual. If you receive queries, the explanation is that it is a mistake! When the photograph was produced for approval the Guide was wearing a Brownie Star on her arm. We asked for the artist to change this into a Service badge. Unfortunately our instructions were misunderstood, and she merely made it round.

KMW



WHAT'S ON

Exhibitions

Jewellery Through 7,000 Years, The British Museum until February 7th

For the first time this exhibition brings together many of the finest and most significant items of jewellery in the British Museum's collections. 700 items have been selected for display and these range in date from the earliest (c 5,000 BC), found in Western Asia, to the middle of the nineteenth century. All jewellery is of a personal nature and is highly decorative. The exhibition includes finger-rings, amuletic (protective) jewellery and cameos.

AMM

At the Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Road, London E2 9PA, until January 23rd is an exhibition: 'Jumbo and some other elephants'. (Admission free). Jumbo was London Zoo's most famous elephant, and his life in the public eye from 1865 onwards (London Zoo bought him in that year), is well documented.

The exhibition includes a wide variety of examples of the elephant in art; bronze and other figures from India, China and Japan, and a selection of Indian paintings of different periods. Children will enjoy the display of toy elephants and of elephant illustrations from books.



Silver Souvenirs

Exhibitions of well-designed British souvenirs of the Queen's Silver Jubilee will be staged at the Design Centres in London and Glasgow from January 10 to March 5. They were chosen by a distinguished panel of judges, headed by Prince Charles.

The address of the Design Centres are: (London) 28, Haymarket, SW1. Tel: 01-839 8000; (Glasgow) 72, St. Vincent Street, Glasgow 2. Tel: 041-221 6121.

Ballet

LONDON Festival Ballet's season of *The Nutcracker* at Royal Festival Hall will hold a great attraction for young people. This year's season runs until 15th January. (for full details see advertisement on page 40).

While Clara dreams of her Nutcracker Prince at the Festival Hall, another Clara across the Thames at Covent Garden will be dreaming very similar dreams in the Royal Ballet's production of *The Nutcracker*. This time the choreography is by Rudolf Nureyev, who is himself dancing the Nutcracker Prince on 12th, 13th and 14th January.

Another Royal Ballet production this month is the delightful, gay *La Fille Mal Gardee*. This ballet is pure delight for all ages, and seats start as low as 60p for the Saturday matinee on 15th January.

Royal Ballet on Tour

The Royal Ballet will be touring the regions, and to take a party you are advised to book well ahead. Dates are:

31st January to 12th February Hippodrome, Birmingham; 14th to 19th February Empire, Liverpool; 21st to 26th February His Majesty's, Aberdeen; 28th February to 5th March Theatre Royal, Glasgow; 7th to 12th March Grand, Leeds.

For full details of any of the above dates, or information about performances of Ballet for All, send a large stamped addressed envelope to Marketing Department, Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2E 7QA. Special children's matinees are given in many areas, and there are always reduced rates for group bookings. It's also sometimes possible to obtain help with travelling expenses.

Opera

Verdi's *La Traviata* will be performed at the London Coliseum on Jan 5, 12, 14, 18, 21, 25 and 28, commencing at 7.30; approximate finishing time: 10.15. The performance will be conducted by Roger Norrington, and the Producer is John Copley.

Book by post to: London Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2N 4ES. Tel: 01-836 7666 for recorded information on seat availability.

Cinema

A Small Town in Texas is a Western with a difference. Set in the present day, the plot revolves around love and

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An exciting film, involving impressive stuntwork in the car chase scenes, and excellent acting by Susan



George. People who do not normally like Westerns will enjoy this film, whose strong story line holds the attention throughout. To be released this month, under an AA Certificate.

LH

Theatre

Life is pointless without a point... or so it seems to Oblio, the only pointless child born in the Land of Point. On being found guilty of cheating in a game in which a pointed head is a prerequisite laid down in the rules, Oblio and his dog, Arrow are banished to the Land of No Point. What happens there and on their eventual return home, will be revealed by a visit to the Mermaid Theatre, Puddle Dock, up to January 16th. Tel: 01-248 7656. The show is suitable for adults and children alike; adults will enjoy Nilsson's music and the deeper implications of Oblio's predicament; children will be entranced by the enchanting story.

In Brief

Birmingham. Town Hall: City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra. Conductor: Marcus Dodds. *New Year's Day in Vienna*. Jan 1st.

Cirencester. Exhibition: *Air Photography and Archeology*, Corinium Museum, Park Street. Jan 1st to Feb 28th.

Glossop. Steam Engines, Dinting Railway Centre, Dinting Lane, Glossop, Derbyshire. Jan 1st.

Mansfield. Exhibition: *Whistler Etchings*, Museum and Art Gallery, Leeming Street. Jan 1st-9th.

Oxford. New Theatre, *Aladdin* with Lulu and Freddie and the Dreamers. Jan 1st-February.

Sheffield. Illuminations: Sheffield. Jan 1st.

Welwyn Garden City. Play: *Loot*, by Joe Orton, Barn Theatre, Handside Lane, Welwyn Garden City, Herts. Jan 22nd-29th, 20.00.

Workington. Exhibition: *Happy Days: 100 years British Comics*, Carnegie Arts Centre, Finkle St. Jan 1st-14th.

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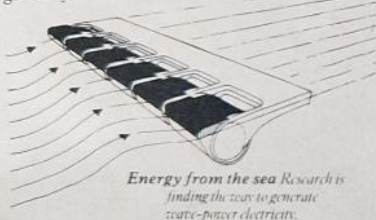
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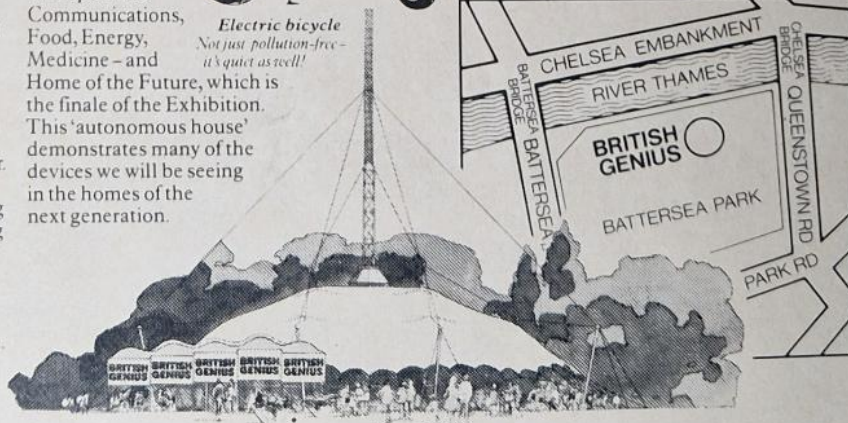
Some brilliant answers.

The third and largest section of the Exhibition is the most intriguing and stimulating of all, because here we gather practical examples of genius at work on world problems of the future.

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*Adults 90p. Children, pensioners, students 50p. Group bookings (at least 20 people): adults 80p, children, pensioners, students 40p. Advance Booking Office, British Genius Exhibition, 61 Fleet Street, London EC4 1JX. Telephone: 01-583 0961.

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