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Those of you who are regular GUIDER readers will know the value of having a magazine to inform you of the latest news, opinions and Guiding trends. However, many of your Brownies and Guides may not be fully aware of the two magazines that are produced specifically for them.

The BROWNIE magazine holds a wealth of stories, information and features during April. Regular items such as the Cookery Strip, Nature Detective and the Handcraft Strip are all included, and should provide several ideas for Brownie meetings. There are also articles to help with Badge work and centre spreads on a variety of subjects including a Law and Promise Chart (12th April). All for 8p a week.

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Editor

Cover

A stone with a story for two Brownies from the 5th Reigate Pack. Designed by Don Potter, the stone commemorates the experimental camp run by B.P. for 21 boys from 29th July to 9th August, 1907, before he started Scouting. (See Brownsea Island article, page 159.) Photograph by Miss B. Wing.

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GUIDING ROUNDOABOUT



T. Rendell

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Olave, Lady Baden-Powell, GBE was held in the Capitol Cinema, Cardiff in December last year. Among the guests was Mrs Gillian Clay, grand daughter of the late World Chief Guide, who was shown to her seat by Kate Evans of the Roath Park District Ranger Guide Unit.



East Kent Mercury

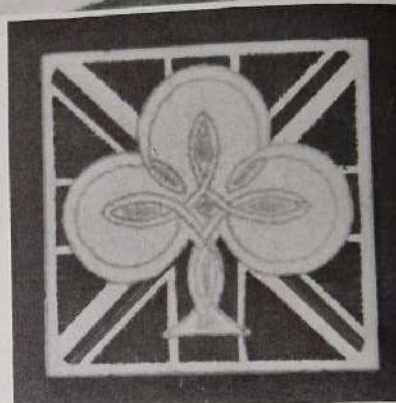
Guides from Deal South are pictured above and below left enjoying a camp at Betteshanger some time ago. Sausages cooked in the open air proved a particular 'hit'.



East Kent Mercury



Mortlake and East Sheen Guides and Brownies were not going to let their Diamond Jubilee pass unnoticed. Here they are with commemorative placards erected in the town for a publicity week to mark the event. Right: some impressive craft work by Miss Eileen Tomlin. The two badges — the Queen's Silver Jubilee Scout and Guide Badge and the World Conference Symbol — were embroidered mainly in wool, on polystyrene ceiling tiles.



E. R. Tomlin



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A 'purl' beyond price... the Mayor of Newport shows he knows how it's done when he lends a hand at a sponsored knit held by Newport Guides and Brownies at Queen's Junior School, Gwent.



South Wales Argus



Above, Rangers under instruction in one of the camp sailing dinghies during their Jubilee camp near Newby Bridge.



Rangers and rock... the elements of rock climbing are here being taught to three Rangers at the Great Tower Camp, near Newby Bridge which took place last year.



Right, 'Save the Children' was the chosen project promoted by Guiders in South Lanarkshire for Thinking Day one year. In the picture some of the 999 craft items completed (from blankets to baby booties) are being handed over to the Scottish Area Organiser and the District Convener for that charity.

Above and below, Ranger standards are maintained by (above) Rhyl Ranger Guide Unit; their new one was made by Ranger Ann Bellamy and her mother, Asst. DC Mrs Joy Bellamy. Below, a new Ranger Standard for Gorseston South Ranger Guides. This was dedicated at St Andrew's Church, Gorseston.



Happy Wanderers... Eidwick Guides, right, on their way to board a coach to take them on a week's camping holiday near picturesque Helmsley, in North Yorkshire.

Below are some members of the Movement from Weston-super-Mare Division who attended a Service of Thanksgiving for the life of the late World Chief Guide. The Hon. Mrs Gervas Clay was able to attend, and she read her mother's last message. Her husband read the lesson.



'Thinking for yourself'... these Brighton East Division Guides entering for a Challenge cup solve the problem of transporting a full (and heavy) bucket from one 'river bank' to another.

Those Stirring Days



Jean de Lamoignon

IT WAS 36 years ago in April that the Executive Committee appointed a committee, with Miss Rosa Ward as Chairman, to plan a scheme for training teams of Guiders for relief work in Europe immediately the Second World War was over.

This enterprise was called the Guide International Service, and an Appeal Fund was opened in October, 1943, to which members of the Movement in the United Kingdom and in some Commonwealth countries contributed over £168,980.

The first G.I.S. team left Liverpool in a troopship in convoy in June, 1944, and worked in Egypt for some months before proceeding to Greece. By 1946 there were 11 Teams in the field, of which two were in Malaya.

In February, Miss Betty Bindloss described the work of the 2nd G.I.S. Team, as a hospital team in Holland, and this month we publish brief extracts from her diary about V.E. Day and the opening of a hospital, with only 48 hours' notice, in a school in Gorinchem.

Thora Wallis Myers (Headquarters' Archivist).

May 8th

It seems almost unbelievable that after all these years Peace should have come at last. I hope you have had a wonderful V.E. day at home, but no one could have had a more fantastic and wonderful celebration than we have had today. We started off in convoy at 7.30 am this morning — a perfect spring morning with sunshine and singing birds and trees starting into leaf and one could feel peace in the very air. At first we went through miles of utter devastation and desolation, but soon we came to less stricken country where the trees were not splintered and, after Doorn, the villages were gaily decorated with orange bunting and flags of the Allies, hidden for years just for this occasion, were out of every window.

The children were decked in orange sashes and bows, and the whole population was just mad with joy. For miles and miles we drove through cheering, shouting, waving crowds — holding our hands when we stopped, throwing flowers at us till our trucks looked like carnival coaches on a Hospital Saturday. We were the first British women these people had seen and the first convoy of Civilian Relief to move up. I shall never forget the look of unbelieving radiant joy on the faces of the women specially.

Yesterday most of the team went to the Thanksgiving Service in Utrecht Cathedral. I felt I wanted to have a time of quietness and did not feel like the trip in a crowded truck, so Rosie and I went to a heavenly pine wood up the road and lay for an hour listening to the wind in the trees, curlews calling in the valley below and squirrels skipping about above us. There are so few possible moments of quiet and relaxation in this life — we are always hemmed in by crowds of people. There's nearly always a noise and very little time for reading or music, so to be able to lie peacefully for a quiet hour with the wonderful smell of hot pine needles and grass and heather and broom was very lovely.

The camp is nearly empty now of its patients and D.P.s. We have used our ambulances to take many of them back to Rotterdam, Amsterdam and the Hague. Meanwhile we have made friends with two very charming and brave Dutch ladies who have worked voluntarily as Red Cross Sisters for two or more years in this camp. The Commandant of the Camp was also a Dutch woman, an amazingly courageous person who, hearing of the appalling condition of the prisoners under German treatment, determined to help them. Very gradually she got the confidence of the German officials in charge of

the camp.

She was able to send food in, then was allowed to take it in herself to give to the sick in the camp hospital, and eventually was allowed by the Germans to get control first of the sick quarters and soon of the camp itself. She, with these two Dutch Sisters, did magnificent work for their own people. They were allowed out on foraging expeditions for extra food for the patients, and on one occasion were machine gunned by our planes on the north side of the Maas.

It strikes me that these Dutch in the North of Holland have resisted more fiercely than in the South, and consequently have suffered more — though that may be a wrong impression. Every family seems to have had an 'underground' hiding place — a hole cut in the floor under the dining room table or a few feet of space in the roof behind the cistern. My feeling of admiration for the patient courage of women like these two Sisters, both very intelligent, well born, educated, travelled people, is unbounded. Life for them under German rule — their freedom gone, their time spent in the sordid squalor of a concentration camp among sick and starved prisoners — must have been dreadful.

The camp, practically deserted now, is being energetically cleaned by gangs of Guides and Scouts.

May 18th

At last — at last — we are so busy on a real job that we can hardly spare time for meals, let alone letter writing. We got our summons and were told to go to Rotterdam. From there we were sent on to Dordrecht and our spirits rose as it seemed a beautifully clean, unspoilt town. Then we were told our final destination was Gorinchem where a typhoid epidemic needed dealing with. So off we went again, finally landing up at an Infant School . . . I slept on a camp bed in the tiny patch of vegetable garden.

Next day we were given the biggest school in Gorinchem for a hospital and asked to have it ready in 48 hours. Each ward has a list of Dutch/English phrases and words by the Sister's table, and I spend much time rushing to it to find a soothing phrase for a patient wanting food when she mustn't have it . . . Guides are doing a grand job preparing meals every two hours.

Last week the Burgomaster sent an enormous load of cherries to the mess with this note: 'With many thanks for the enormous countenance which has been lent by you and your team in fighting a rather dangerous epidemic . . .'

HERE AT CHQ

ALTHOUGH I am writing during a blizzard and with many members of staff away with 'flu, it is good to know that when you read this, April will be here with its sunshine and flowers.

It has grieved us that this year's 'flu epidemic seems to have hit the younger generation particularly hard for we miss the cheerful faces of our junior staff when they are away. Many of these young people come from overseas or other parts of the Kingdom to join us for a year or two as they seek wider experience. We are delighted to be able to help them and to benefit from the enthusiasm they bring but as this means we have a constant turnover of staff we are always happy to receive enquiries from anyone interested in coming to work in London. We have openings for people with many kinds of ability and experience and we are fortunate to be able to provide opportunities for our people to meet others with similar interests at Olive House, the WAGGGS World Centre in SW5, through the monthly meetings of our Commonwealth and International Circle and through the Scout and Guide International Club which meets monthly at Baden-Powell House, SW7.



Mrs. Ann Kennedy, Telephonist and Receptionist at CHQ, with Mr J. Berry, the Night Receptionist.

PABX 1 Telephone System

You may have noticed the installation of our new telephone system at

CHQ. This modern PABX 1 switch-board is operated by Mrs Anne Kennedy who doubles as receptionist at our rear entrance in Palace Street. Parking in front of our shop in Buckingham Palace Road is not allowed and it causes much annoyance both to traffic controllers and shop staff if deliveries are made via this entrance. If you are despatching goods to CHQ, therefore, or coming to collect a parcel, please remember to address them to our rear entrance at No 8 Palace Street.



Miss Frida Markham, recently appointed General Secretary of the Trefoil Guild.

WAGGGS International Drawing and Painting Competition

During 1977 the World Association held an international drawing and painting competition on the theme of 'Thinking Day'. We were glad to be able to offer the Director of the World Bureau, Miss Lyn Joynt, the use of our Council Chamber on 30th January for the final judging of entries and to welcome her together with Mrs Deanne Earnshaw, Head of Communications, and the Editor of 'Council Fire' (WAGGGS quarterly journal), Mrs Jane Jenkins, and the judges: Mrs Nina d'Abo, Deputy Director, UNICEF Greeting Card Operation; Mr R. Hedley-Lewis, Art Inspector for Schools, Inner London Education Authority, and The Hon Beryl Cozens Hardy, Chairman, World Committee WAGGGS, 1972-1975. The winners of the competition announced on Thinking Day were: 10-year-old Brownie Scout Kelly Boyd from the USA, 14-year-old Guide Barbara Löffel from Switzerland, and 16-year-old Ranger Guide, Marta Lucia Rengifo from Colombia.

Chief Guide's Thanksgiving Service

If you were fortunate enough to attend the Thanksgiving Service for the life of the World Chief Guide at Westminster Abbey in September last year you may have noticed a film crew at work, for The Chief Commissioner felt that many who could not attend the service would wish at least to see a record of it. Since then Mrs Alix Liddell, who knew the Chief Guide well, and Miss Eileen Rose, President of Thames Division, have spent many hours in the Public Relations Department listening to tapes,

looking at films and photographs and generally researching archive material on Lady Baden-Powell's life. The result of this is that although it is too early yet to give final details I can now say how thrilled we are that we shall be able to compile a film of the life of the World Chief Guide set within the framework of the Abbey Service. A cassette containing excerpts from many of her speeches and talks will be produced at the same time.



Ranger Guides meeting in CHQ Reception before leaving to steward at the presentation of the International Award for Valour in Sport at the Guildhall, London, on 15th February 1978.

Complaints

There are many ways of registering dissatisfaction with goods found faulty after a purchase but one of the nicest ways we have seen of doing so was in a recent letter received by the Manageress of our CHQ shop:

Dear Madame,

I recently purchased at your emporium a tape — 'Come on and Sing', intended for my daughter's Christmas stocking.

The other day, overcome by temptation (fancied a quick *Ging Gang Gooli* and even hankered after a *Hava Nagila*) I played the tape.

It really was most enjoyable. Morning had broken, we had hiked round Australia and even Gathered round the fire tonight. But when we set off for the Land of the Silver Birch Disaster struck! Our heart was busy being sick for you in the lowlands, when we were cut off in our prime!!

The whole of *La Villanella* and *Hava Nagila* were missing, as were the first two songs on the other side. (So I was not able to swing along to show how happy I was.)

I enclose the offending tape and hope most earnestly that you will be able to rectify matters.

Yours hopefully

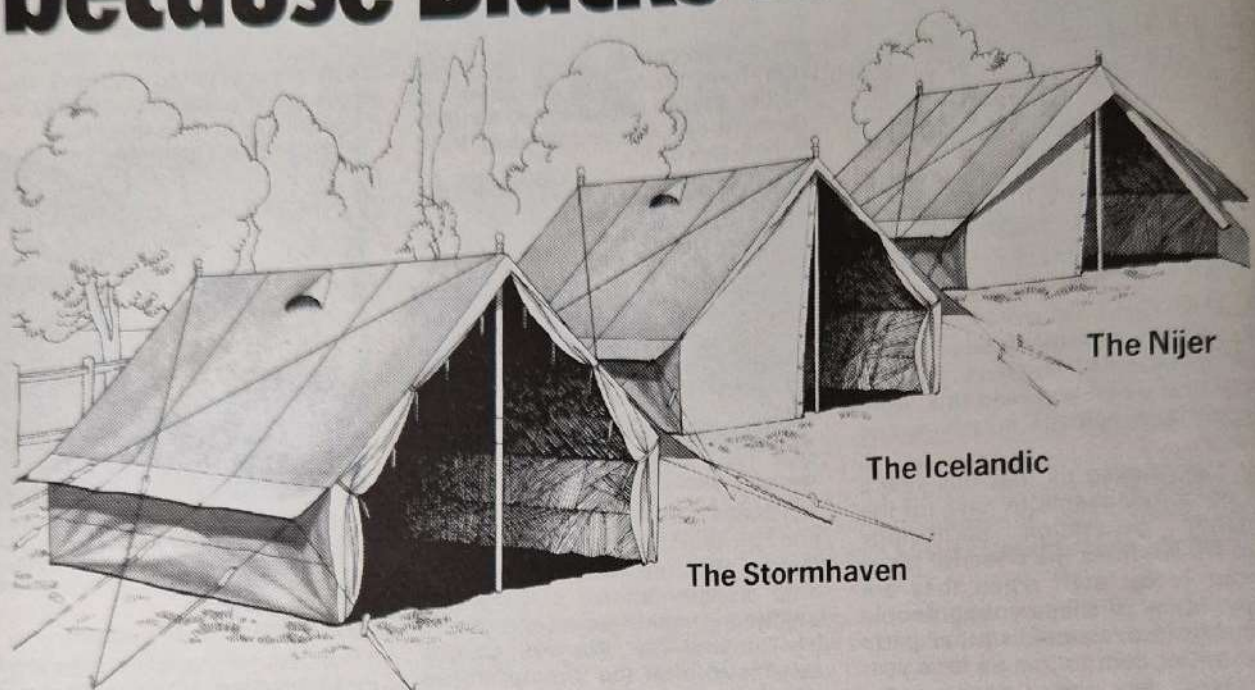
(Signed) Paul H. Covell

P.S.: Speed of action would be appreciated. It is cold in The Land of the Silver Birch at this time of year.

A cry from the heart, obviously!

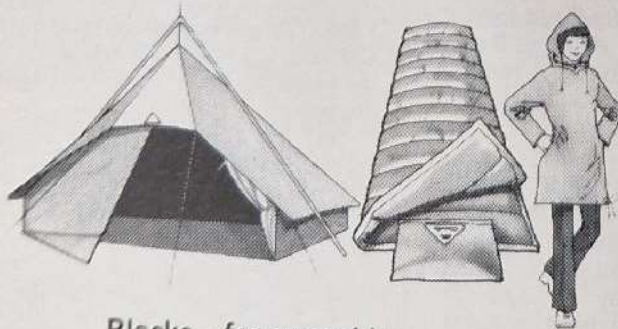
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Going to Guidesin Kenya

I HAVE recently visited the Guides of the 27th St Andrew's Company at their headquarters in the Church Hall adjacent to the magnificent St Andrew's Church. The Unit is attached to the Church and is made up of 24 girls between the ages of ten and twelve. There are three Patrols; the Hibiscus, Sunflower and White Rose.

This meeting was rather special, for seven recruits were to become Guides. Two Patrol Leaders (from the White Rose and Hibiscus Patrols) took it in turns to bring forward the new Members with the words 'Guider, I present ... who has passed her Tenderfoot Test and wishes to become a Guide'. Then the Guider, Mrs Kamau, asked the new Guide to recite her Honour and Promise. Saluting, the girl recited the well-learned words: 'My Honour means that I can be trusted, truthful and honest', and 'I promise on my honour that I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country; to help other people at all times and to obey the Guide Law'. The new Guide then had her badge pinned on by her Guider, and the two of them and the new Guide's PL saluted. The two Guides together then turned to face the other Guides assembled in a horseshoe and the Company saluted them. In all, seven Guides made their Promise in this way.

After the ceremony, the Guides built a small fire around three stones and set

Below, The St Andrew's Brownie Guider and her Assistant.



Above and below, the Promise Ceremony conducted by Guider Mrs. Kamau.



to boiling a saucepan full of water. They were going to make a cup of tea for Guider and myself. As the water heated, the skies became more and more overcast, but fortunately the deluge held off long enough for us to reach the Church cloisters, where the hot tea was most welcome, even though it did taste slightly of smoke! To eat with the tea, there were some maize flour delicacies

made by Ukachi Onwere, the PL of the Hibiscus Patrol (I called them 'Ukachi cakes'). They were quite delicious.

When the Meeting came to a close, we all smiled and shook hands; it had been another interesting visit to a thriving Kenyan Guide Company.

Stephen Charles Griffiths,
Nairobi, Kenya.

Meet The St. Andrew's Brownies

The Brownies all live in Nairobi; this Pack meets on Fridays at 6.45 pm.

Photos: S. Griffiths



Below and left, tense moments before an 'egg and spoon'-type race for these Brownies.



Guiding is an Adventure



words and pictures
by
Elizabeth Dow

*The start of it all, it is to Elise, the author
and Lin, another friend, back in 1967.*

CHAPTER 1 of the Guide Handbook starts by asking a question — 'What is Guiding?' — it then goes on to answer the question by stating 'It's a game! It's a club! It's a way to follow! It's something to do! It's a family!' It's all these things and more, and I would like to show how Guiding is an adventure.

My adventure started ten years ago when I was selected as one of a party of twelve to go to Denmark to attend an International Camp. We were to stay in camp for ten days and then be guests in the homes of Guides from 2nd Esbjerg Guide Unit for a further six days before returning home. It was a wonderful sixteen days, and we were sad when they were over. Many friends had been made, lots of addresses had been exchanged, and statements like 'I'll be back!' were heard all around the harbour as we said goodbye. Yet, little did we know what the next ten years would bring.

On returning to Scotland, many stories were told of the time that we had had. Several letters were sent, everybody had kept their promise to keep in touch — well, for a start anyway! Letter writing began to tail off and eventually we lost touch with several of the British party and a few of the Esbjerg Guides. However Elise, one of the Esbjerg Guides, had accepted my invitation of a holiday in Scotland, and so, in July, 1968, she arrived to stay with my family in Kemnay, Aberdeenshire. We had a tremendous two weeks together, and really got to know each other and each other's families well.

Our next meeting was to be two years later, when Miss Outram from Sleaford, who had been the Guider in Charge of the British party in Denmark in 1967, decided to invite the Esbjerg Guides and the other eleven British Guides to a Jubilee camp in Lincolnshire. It was a pity that only two of the original British party could manage to attend (Margaret Hunter from Newcastle and myself), for it was a great camp where we met several of our Danish friends again. Yet another link in the friendship chain was made here, and the following year some of our Lincolnshire friends, and myself, went to Denmark again to camp.

In July, 1976 Elise brought some of her Guides from Esbjerg across to join my Guides from Kemnay at camp. We camped at Hadd's House, Aberdeenshire, then her Guides spent five days in the homes of Kemnay Guides. Many new friendships were made, and more letters crossed the North Sea.

In July, 1977, Elise and I met again at an International camp at Frederikshavn in Denmark. There were 13,000 Guides from 20 countries at the camp, which was split up into five villages. We, the Scottish Guides, joined 2nd Esbjerg in the village of Snoren.

We'll meet again! Departure from Denmark in 1967.



It took two days to get everyone to camp, which gave the Kemnay Guides a chance to get to know the Esbjerg girls.

Once we did get to camp all the girls mixed very well, and there did not seem to be a problem with the language since the girls could talk with their hands and facial expressions.

There were many opportunities for the girls to do things at the camp. There were hundreds of activities going on, and each day the girls would meet new people, new challenges and new ideas; and have the opportunity to try their hand at anything from sheep shearing to making metal jewellery; from candle making to bridge-building — in fact any activity you'd care to mention.



The Kemnay and Esbjerg Guides at the camp at Hadd's House in 1976.

In the evenings we had Camp-Fires. At times it was a sub-camp Camp-Fire with only our small group of about 40 Guides there. Sometimes we had a village Camp-Fire where the volume of singing was intensified and at other times we had a camp Camp-Fire which was really something to be heard. It was amazing to think that so many people, speaking so many different languages, could all sing together, be together and belong together. However, like every good thing the camp had to come to an end, but our group had another nine days as guests of the Esbjerg Guides to look forward to.

Our stay in Esbjerg was fantastic. We visited so many places, saw so many interesting things and did so much that the friendships between the Guides strengthened and several links were firmly set. As we prepared to leave Denmark an old familiar sound could be heard — 'I'll be back!' It brought back so many memories of ten years ago! I wonder what the next ten years will bring?



Try a little Island Magic by Eileen Hardy

Are you and your Unit looking for something a bit different in the way of a camp or holiday? If so, have you ever considered going to Brownsea Island — the veritable birthplace of the Scout and Guide Movements?

The island, now the responsibility of the National Trust, is the largest and most beautiful of the five in Poole Harbour, Dorset and consists of 500 acres of wild and unspoiled heath and woodland. Some 50 acres have been set aside for Scout and Guide camping — the only two organisations allowed this privilege.

In addition to the campsites, the two Associations have just acquired the use of South Lodge villa, quite near the campsites. This replaces The Villano on the quay, which many Units have used for holidays over a number of years, but which the National Trust now needs for its own purposes. Work is currently proceeding at South Lodge on the extension of kitchen and ablution facilities, and with the help of the service team, the house will be ready for letting this summer. The accommodation provides for two leaders and 18/20 members. The rental will be 50p per head per night, but is subject to a minimum charge of £6 per night. Calor gas will supply lighting and

cooking fuel and will be charged separately on a metered basis. Regrettably it must be stated that the use of this house cannot be offered for Brownie or Cub Pack Holidays.

Brownsea Island offers all the usual outdoor facilities, except that no fires of any description are allowed. The island once boasted a pottery and the blue clay for modelling is readily available on the beach. Poole Pottery is only a few minutes away by ferry, where you can see how the experts do it. If bird watching attracts, Brownsea is a bird sanctuary, not forgetting the famous peacocks. Alas, you may not collect those gorgeous tail feathers, for none may be taken off the island — not even the odd one that a careless bird may leave lying around! There are water activities, of course — subject to the usual safety rules. If you are boating enthusiasts you should contact the CA for the site, who just happens to be the local Boating Adviser as well.

One of the big questions must be cost, and it goes without saying that a camp or holiday on Brownsea will not be the cheapest you've ever had. The extra cost of ferrying people, equipment and food over water must be taken into account. Never-

theless, some of the Units that come love it so much that they think it worth the extra cost to return regularly.

If you are interested, write and get the booklet that is obtainable from the site CA, Mrs B Duffield of 16 Talbot Drive, Poole, Dorset, and please enclose a SAE size not less than 9" x 5". This will give you all the information you need about costs, food and facilities.

If not this year, perhaps next — to give you time to save that bit of extra cash for a memorable holiday.

Footnote — Can you help?

The transfer from The Villano to South Lodge has had to be achieved on a very limited budget and there is no money available for the cushions, curtains and other additions that transform a house into a home. If any individual or group or people would like to make a donation, or even adopt a room, such offers would be most gratefully received by the Brownsea Committee. These should be sent to: The Chairman, Mrs J Holdaway, 12 Birchdale Road, Wimborne, Dorset.

Poole Harbour (top) and The Castle (below), Brownsea Island.

Why not exchange with a Commonwealth Country?

by
Monica
Cattling

THIRTY Guiders, Rangers and Guides spent three weeks in Ontario last summer. We spent one week in Toronto and Ottawa and then a week camping by Lake Erie and another week in private homes in Brantford. Two years ago a similar party from Canada had visited Bath and camped with us, and since then letters had been going back and forth, and friendships had been cemented.

We flew from Manchester, and five Rangers were invested as we flew over the Atlantic, when we were allowed the use of the galley. Then we were taken to the flight deck. A fund-raising committee had been set up, and the Commonwealth Youth Exchange helped, so no one had to pay the complete cost of the trip.

We made many new friends in Toronto, where we slept in a church hall. The local Guides came and took us to all the most interesting sights, including the Canadian National Building, the highest building in the world. In Ottawa we stayed in a hostel on a farm and picnicked between our busy programme of sight-seeing in the centre of the city in a beautiful park. At camp our girls were mostly older and more experienced than the Canadians and so they were able to help with camping skills in their Patrols. Handcrafts and dancing were taught each day by the Canadian Guiders, and we taught a few too. Swimming, volleyball and overnight hiking were also on the programme. Camp-fires were much enjoyed each night especially when they finished with lovely home-made cookies and hot chocolate. Our last night but one was rather disastrous when, at about 4 am, we were hit by the tail of a hurricane. However, in spite of all the tents being flattened and bedding



soaked and clothes blown away, we were able to clear up and carry on after lunch on our trip to Niagara Falls. This was a breathtaking and never to be forgotten experience.

The next week was spent in many varied ways within the families, finishing with a grand farewell get-together when the mayor came to speak to us the night before our return home.

There were many tears next day when we got into our school bus (used everywhere for charter) to be taken to Toronto Airport. We had all had a wonderful experience and most of the group are already saving to return to Canada.

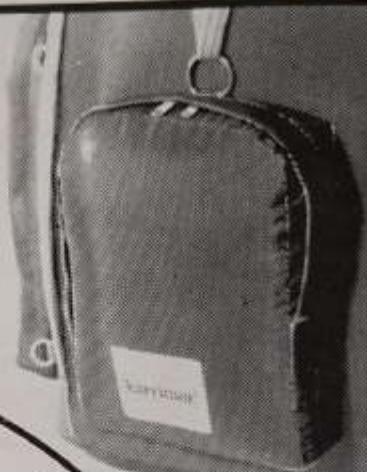
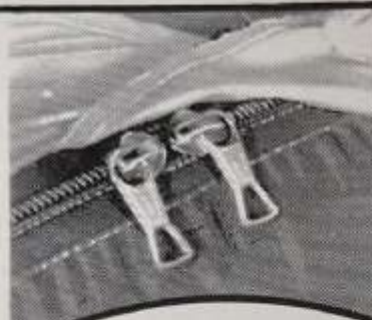
We were all from one District with a Guider and a few Guides or Rangers from each Unit. We were fortunate in having a SRN among our Guiders, although her services were hardly required.

These are some of the comments on the journey home:

- 'I was just like one of the family.'
- 'They were eager to show me off to their friends.'
- 'My hostess said I fitted in like an old boot!'

I cannot express how really worthwhile I feel this three-year plan has been, and I particularly recommend all Ranger Guiders to try it. You need to start thinking now for 1979, as invitations need to be almost a year in advance.

Last month's cover picture was taken at this camp. — Editor.



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This system works well in most cases, where the newspaper sends a staff photographer to cover an event. The photographer is employed and paid by the newspaper, which therefore owns the copyright of his pictures. Sometimes, however, the paper will use a freelance photographer, and here the situation may be rather different. The freelancer relies on sales and reproduction fees, rather than a salary, for his living, and is therefore less likely to forgo his fee. There is nearly always a stamp on the back of professional photographs, stating to whom the copyright belongs.

National Press

Many important Guiding events are covered by national newspapers, and here again you can invariably buy prints from their photo sales department. Copyright clearance is more difficult here, but many will waive their reproduction fee when the Guide Movement or other voluntary organisation is involved. The Picture Editor, Art Editor or News Editor can usually give copyright clearance.

Events of national importance are always attended by one or more of the large photographic agencies, who then syndicate their photographs to national and specialist Press. A national newspaper might well use a Press agency photograph instead of one taken by its staff photographer. The newspaper will pay a reproduction fee to the agency, which retains the copyright. Reproduction of agency photographs can be very expensive indeed.

Freelance Photography

If you are organising an event of which you would like a photographic record, and if the local paper is unable to send a photographer, you might approach a local free-lance photographer and ask for his terms. He may be willing to attend without a fee, in which case he will rely on orders for photographs from those present, and perhaps on selling prints to the Press for a reproduction fee. If you pay an attendance fee, this will normally give you the copyright of the photographs, but this is a matter for negotiation with the photographer.

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The golden rule with regard to copyright is — when in doubt, ask permission. Most authors, Editors and publishers are reasonable and only too willing to help. Finally, when you do obtain permission, remember to acknowledge the fact in print.

Jean Rush

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PEDAL POWER!

Why not try Cycle Camping?

by
Hazel
Constance

For many Rangers, getting away at weekends can be a bit of a headache, taking into account Saturday jobs, etc; and Public Transport to country areas gets worse and worse each year.

Some Rangers are lucky enough — and old enough — to own a small motor cycle or moped, and a few even have cars. However, most of us have to manage with Shanks' Pony or public transport.

BUT — is your old bike still lying in the shed? Take a look and see. Why not think about using it to help you get out to those country areas on a Saturday evening?

First of all, your bike will need a thorough overhaul to make it safe to ride. Get a good book on cycle maintenance and study it carefully. I can recommend the Reader's Digest Basic Guide 'The Maintenance of Bicycles and Mopeds'. At 50p, it is a really good buy. It is full of step-by-step illustrated instructions, showing everything from mending a puncture, adjusting brakes and checking lights, etc, to the more complicated operations of renewing bearings in different parts of the bike. Halfords also produce a Guide to Bicycle Maintenance and Repair. This is also very well illustrated and costs 75p. If you do not feel able to do your own repairs and overhaul, take your bike to a good cycle engineer, who will be able to do a good job for you. Most large towns have a good cycle shop where advice may be sought. The Cyclists' Touring Club, Cotterell House, 69 Meadow, Godalming, Surrey, will also be able to tell you of recommended repairers in your area. Incidentally, membership of the CTC costs only £2 if you are under 18. Various insurances, including free 'Third Party' cover, are available to members, and it is worthwhile joining.

Your bike must be checked to see that the brakes are in perfect order, that the wheels are not buckled or the frame twisted, that all the bearings are in good condition, that your lights are in working order and are of the legal requirement (this means that you must have two-cell batteries if using battery lamps, both front and rear). Dynamos must be working properly, and the lamps must not be too small. Any cycle dealer will be able to supply you with lights that meet the legal requirement. Worn pedal rubbers should be replaced, and the chain replaced if it is worn. Worn tyres and inner tubes should be replaced, and if your bike has not been used for a long time, I recommend renewing them anyway, as they may well be partly perished. Finally adjust the saddle and handlebars to suit your height.

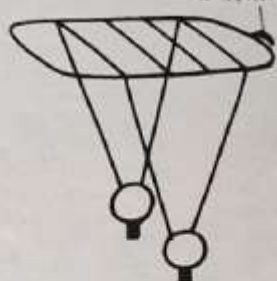
Having got your bike into good working order — and this should include checking that it is not too small for you! — go out and do some cycling. Cycle to school or to work, cycle to Ranger meetings, go out on a day's ride, all to get used to riding a bike again.

Having got used to riding, think next about an overnight trip, farther afield. You could go Youth Hostelling one weekend. All your kit should fit into a medium sized saddle bag, and these can be bought fairly cheaply.

Carrying camping kit on a cycle needs quite a lot of thought. First of all, you must take care to keep your load as light as possible. Secondly, your load must be well balanced and properly distributed. This is far and away the most important factor.

Proper pannier carriers should be fitted to your cycle. These should be strong, and specifically designed for panniers. The best kind are similar to the one illustrated, and they are obtainable from most cycle shops. Those with a ring

BOLTS TO REAR BRAKE MECHANISM



Jean de Lamps

or bar across the base enable panniers to be hooked to them. This is an easier and quicker method of fixing than using a strap at the base of the pannier, and it is less likely to get caught in the spokes. A wide variety of panniers is available, but some are better than others.

Prices range from about £8 for a small pair, to around £17 for large touring bags. A kit is also available to sew up yourself at about half the cost of a ready made pair of the same size. Small ex-army packs can also be converted into serviceable panniers, but they tend to be rather heavy. If you can, use front panniers as well as rear panniers for cycle camping. This has the advantage of helping to spread your load over the whole cycle. If your load is too heavy on the rear wheel, your front wheel will tend to 'lift' and the steering may be affected, which could be dangerous. Just because you are using two does not mean you should stuff them full. TENT POLES (IN BAG) As I have said, they will spread your load safely. A saddle bag can be carried, and you should have sufficient room for a week's camping kit. Unfortunately, lightweight

kit is expensive, and really heavy gear must not be carried on a cycle. Some compromise may well have to be made, but a lot can be improvised and some kit can be made at home.

Personal kit should consist of a small washing kit and small towel, plus a complete change of clothing, and 'eating irons'. If you can find room for a track suit you will have spare clothes and warm pyjamas rolled into one! Your sleeping bag should be as light and compact as possible. If you are lucky enough to own a down bag, then this is ideal. Always use a sheet lining — it will double the life of your bag, and — it will keep it clean. A pair of 'flip-flops' or old gym shoes are useful to wear around camp. Plain walking shoes or 'trainers' are best for wearing when cycling. Always carry a light sweater, and never go without waterproofs. A lightweight over-anorak or jacket is best. Do not wear a long mac or cagoule — it will only get in the way. Overtrousers or leggings are also a good idea, but some people prefer to cycle in shorts when it is wet.

Your tent should be as light as possible. In summer, a single-skin bivouac type of tent will probably be adequate, but you are bound to get some condensation. Better, if you can, to get a lightweight double skin tent, which will be adequate for all weathers. These can be expensive to buy, but you can sometimes get a discount if you buy several things at once, especially if you are buying for the Unit. You can make a tent from a kit, which will save you some money. When two of you are sharing kit, the weight will be divided between you, and you should not have to carry more than about 20 lbs in kit. Food is extra, and can be carried in the saddle bag. Lightweight cooking pots can be improvised by using non-stick cake tins and adding a 'gripper' type handle to complete the set. A 'Hobo' billy will sit inside the smaller tin and is a useful extra. Your stove should also be light in weight. In summer, gas is probably the easiest fuel to use, and there are some very good stoves available which pack up very small and which are used in conjunction with resealable gas cartridges. The whole lot, including a full cartridge, can weigh as little as 18 oz. These stoves are more stable than the ordinary 'Bluet' type, as they are not so tall. A collapsible water carrier should be carried, or a canvas bucket can be made from canvas remnants. This will keep your water really cold — a good point in hot weather.

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Jean de Lamps

DOUBLE ACROSTIC

- A. Brings the world into your living room. (10)
 B. Small articles of underwear. (12)
 C. Found in cutting the hedge down. (5)
 D. King's, in blue? (8)
 E. Life in a day. (9)
 F. A dying art for roofing. (9)
 G. Immature bird is this. (9)
 H. You get this with a tanning by untanned leather. (7)
 I. It relieves kidney disorders. (9)
 J. Arrange for an orchestra. (11)
 K. Cain was the first to be guilty of this. (10)
 L. _____ of the wedge. (3, 4, 3)
 M. A Scotsman settles for a handle. (4)
 N. Ruben's women all were. (10)
 O. Naomi was to Boaz. (9)
 P. Public disgrace. (8)
 Q. It follows the old one. (3, 9)
 R. Scotsman's good. (4)
 S. 'For _____ is the rage of man.' (Proverbs 6.) (8)
 T. Rare choice. (9)
 U. A horned pachyderm. (10)
 V. Muscle. (4)
 W. Study of birds. (11)
 X. German Air Force. (9)
 Y. Benevolent. (11)
 Z. Unbecoming. (8)
 a. Rein at ten. (anag.) (9)
 b. Inflammable coal oil. (7)

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Acrostic by Brenda Hughes

Solve the clues and write the answers in the numbered grid, top right. Transfer the clues to the corresponding numbered squares in the grid, right. When this is complete, you will have a quotation taken from a book, the title and author of which will be found in the initial letters of the answers to the clues.

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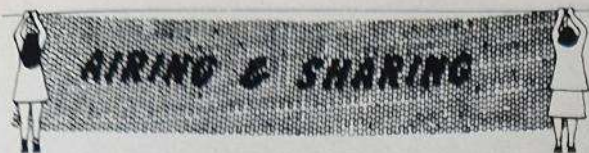
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Praise and Penance

Congratulations on *GUIDER's* WAGGGS Golden Jubilee pages which I am enjoying. When I was in South America last year I lunched at Headquarters in Rio and my hostesses were all saying how much they liked *GUIDER*.

There is just one small point in the caption under the photograph of the Chief Guide and Mrs Mark Kerr in your February issue, on page 58, which needs a correction. Mrs Kerr is described as 'International Commissioner at the first World Camp in 1924'. The appointment of International Commissioner was not instituted until 1930 when, of course, Mrs Kerr became our first International Commissioner. In 1924 she was Vice Chairman of the International Council, as well as County Commissioner for London. Once these small errors get into print they go on and on for years.

Alix Liddell

Pack Holidays

The changes in Pack Holiday Regulations, outlined by Avril Braidwood (Page 20, January, 1978 issue of *GUIDER*) will, I am sure, be welcomed by all Brownie Guiders. However, judging by my own experience over the past three months 'suitable accommodation' is becoming hard to find, many official 'Houses' being booked at least a year in advance and church and village halls likewise — this, for the Easter holiday period! What will August be like?

It would seem that if more Brownie Guiders gain Pack Holiday Licences, then extra holiday houses will be needed. At present official sites usually have only one, compared with three, four or even more campsites.

This is the first time I have had so much difficulty in finding accommodation (I wrote to ten different addresses, before finally securing adequate accom-

modation) since I gained my licence in 1968.

I thought that to inform you of the difficulties, before the demand increases even more, could be of help to both the Training Department and Brownie Guiders alike.

Dorothy Lane (Mrs),
Gravesend, Kent

We are well aware of this problem, and urge Guiders to contact Pack Holiday Advisers who may know of Local Authority premises, village or church halls etc, which could be used. Similarly, do pass on to your PHA any information about premises you hear of which could be visited for approval as suitable for Pack Holidays.

Avril Braidwood (Mrs)
Pack Holiday
Consultant

Kilmallie Service

Regarding the 'list of Services Nationwide' (*GUIDER* December 1977), Kilmallie District held a Thanksgiving Service for the life and work of Olave, Lady Baden-Powell on Sunday, 4th December, 1977 in Kilmallie Parish Church, Corpach, Fort William. Our invitation was extended to, and accepted by, members of the Scout and Guide Movement outside the District. The offering was sent to the Olave Baden-Powell fund.

Ann R McMillan (Mrs)
Kilmallie District
Commissioner,
Inverness-shire.

Patrol Camping

I was interested to read the views on Patrol Camping from Mrs Lynette Field (February 1978 *GUIDER*).

We have had Patrol Camping for a number of years now, and feel that we have a fairly good arrangement. We began in a very small way with Patrols cooking only their breakfasts, then later they went on to prepare both breakfast and supper.

We now have a system whereby we all have our main meal of the day

together, either at mid-day or in the evening depending on the programme. The remaining two meals of the day are cooked in Patrols. In this way the Guides have the benefit of both systems.

Faith Brunton (Mrs)
3rd Gillingham Coy, Kent.

On the subject of Patrol camping, I would like to share some of my own experiences with Mrs Field.

I have camped for a number of years, and have tried both Company and Patrol methods. I am firmly in favour of Patrol camping although I think that Company camping has a part to play for inexperienced Guiders and Guides who might find it an easier starting point.

Our first effort at Patrol camping, when each Patrol planned and purchased their own food, took place during a late September weekend and was accompanied by torrential rain and cold gale force winds, yet the Guides voted it the best camp ever!

Last year we were joined by Guides who had only Company camped, and we were overwhelmed by their enthusiasm for cooking Patrol meals. There was NO pig bucket that week!

I believe that there is much more opportunity for cooking within the Patrol, and would dispute that any Guide ever cooks for 36! Guiders who are worried about the Guides not eating could easily arrange to visit them for meals, although in my experience Guides are eager to eat the food that they have prepared.

The 'difficult' Guide will often respond better in a Patrol where she is needed than in a Company where she

has only a small part to play.

Could I suggest to Mrs Field that she tries it? I think that she may be pleasantly surprised by her Guides' enthusiasm.

Linda Formby
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New v Old

'I wish we still had the old system with the first and second class, it was so much better than this new Programme.'

The number of times I have heard this since I became a Guider just over two years ago makes me wonder if the Guide Movement has stopped 'moving'. First and second class? I never even experienced those as a Guide!

Surely it is time that the Old Programme was buried in the archives; the present one has now been in existence for ten years (nothing of that age can still be called new!)

I thoroughly enjoyed and benefited from four years as a Guide using the Patrol System and the Eight Point Programme. Our Company now bears out — indeed, increases — my belief in them.

As for the comment that the system is 'impossible to understand or use' do the Handbooks and Guiders' trainings not explain the system in detail?

So please, let us see that for its tenth anniversary, the present Programme gets an optimistic chance instead of a pessimistic execution?

Helen Walker,
Guide Guider,
Cambridge

We have received letters from several observant readers, pointing out that the Union Flag carried by Guides on p. 109 of March's *GUIDER*, was upside down. We thank these readers for pointing this out.

Editor.

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