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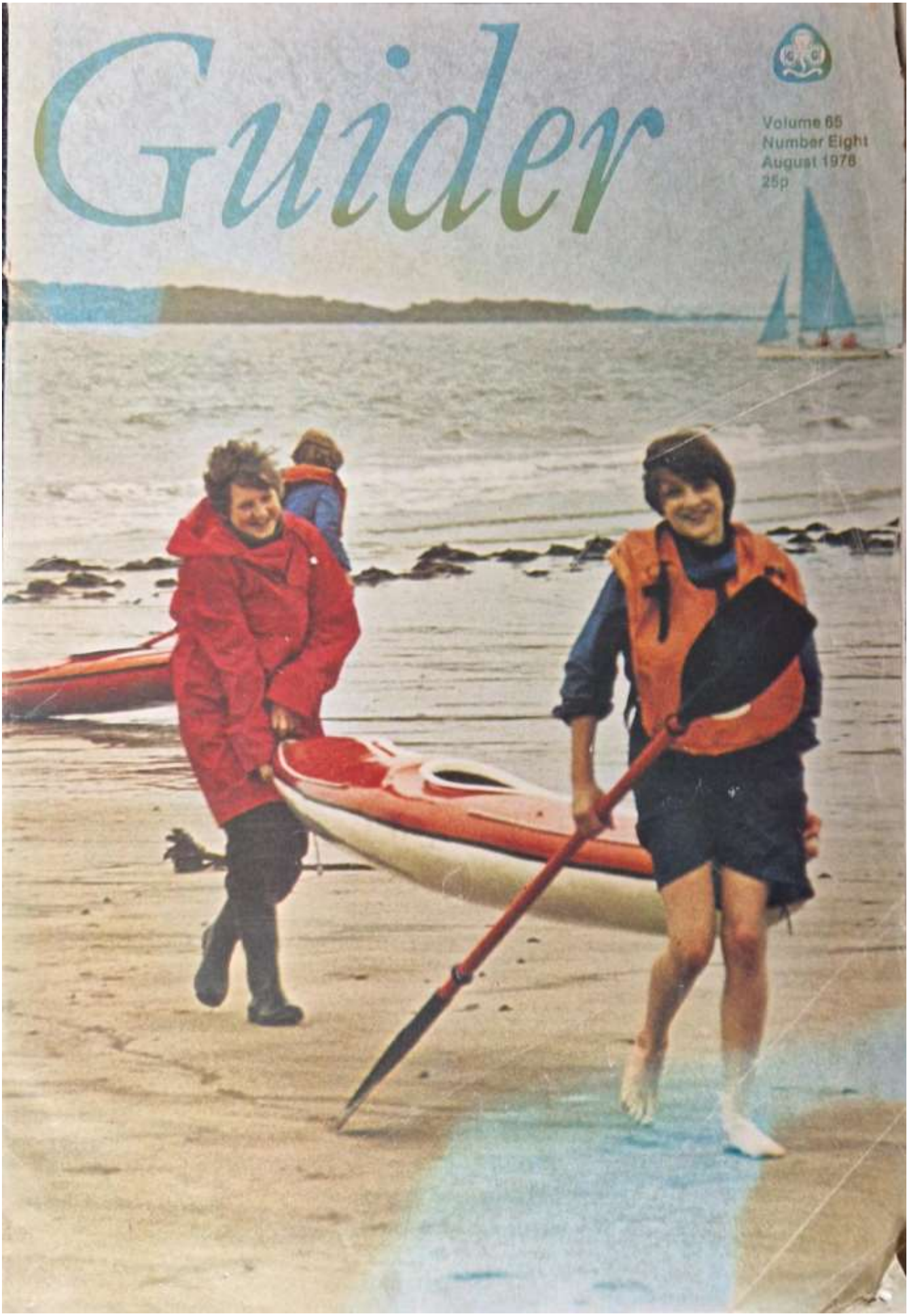

"It all seemed so impossible"

There we were at the back end of last year planning this years programme for the Company. "We can only afford a weeks local camp this year" were the despondent words of our Guider, "and even then we shall have to find more of our own money than usual."

The hoped for gliding holiday was gone for another year then; How do other Companies manage it? Some even go on foreign camps for two weeks every year.

"Have you ever tried Webb Ivory?" spoke up young Jane Baker, who'd just moved into the area and joined the Company. "My last Company raised over £450 every year selling from the Webb catalogues and we all really enjoyed doing it. If you'll send for details, I'll show you how to organise it" Jane continued enthusiastically.

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DURING the past year, tragedy has come to four Brownie Packs in different parts of the country. In each case, a happy and excited Brownie has left the place where the Pack meeting was held, run out into the road — and been killed. In the most recent case, when the Brownie ran round the barrier on the pavement outside the entrance before dashing into the road, an observer in a stationary car said, 'The driver simply hadn't a chance.'

I know the infinite trouble every Guider takes to ensure the safety and welfare of the Guides and Brownies in their Units. It is a responsibility of which we are all so deeply conscious that we are sometimes accused of being over-protective, and yet these terrible tragedies have still happened.

Our hearts go out in sympathy to the families of these little girls, to their Brownie Guiders and their Brownie friends, all of whom have suffered unforgettable shock and sadness. Can we all look again at the arrival and departure arrangements for our Meetings — although the Guides and Brownies are not actually under our responsibility then — and see if there is anything more we can possibly do to make them even safer?

Sheila Walker.

The Chief Commissioner.

Cover

Guides from Whitley Bay Division, North Tyneside enjoy canoeing during an outdoor activities weekend earlier this year. *Photograph by Margaret A. Stephenson*

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GUIDING ROUNDABOUT

In April, the Spinners Folk Group held a concert at the City Hall, Sheffield. Before the concert, Guide Tracy Bukowski, who's a great fan of theirs, was thrilled to have the opportunity to meet the group. (L to r) Cliff Hall, Hugh Jones, Mick Groves, Tony Davis.

The Star, Sheffield

Below, passing the brick ... Guides in Bewdley now have a HQ of their own. There's a lot of renovation work to be done on the building, a former grammar school — but the Guide 'navvies' (as well as Guiders and Guiders' husbands) did much of the groundwork themselves.

Kidderminster Times

The Star, Sheffield

Above, three Sheffield Brownie Guides in the guise of Alice, the White Rabbit and the dormouse for a Guides' and Brownies' production entitled 'The other Alice in Wonderland'.

Left, Canadian Brownies see copies of 'Brownies Round the World' in the making at a printworks in Toronto, Canada.

One hundred and twenty Guiders from the County of Greater London, Croydon, attended a Training Day in Purley in April. Below, looking at a display to depict the Eight Point Programme are (l to r) Mrs Mary Shepherd, Mrs Jane Ede, Mrs Jeanne Walts, Dr Margaret Foot.

Hettie G Smith

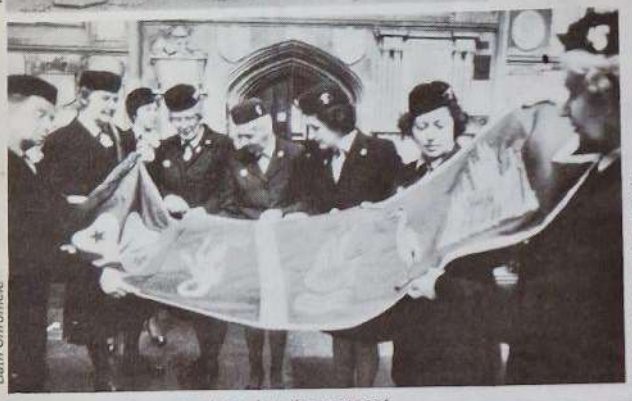
Mrs J V Ede

Besson News Pix

A happy occasion . . . enough to make a horse laugh. This handsome pony, left, was bought by Somerset Brownies and Guides as a culmination to a project they called 'Nosebag'. They presented the pony, together with a substantial cheque to the Riding for the Disabled Association.

Woking News and Mail

A change of headgear is a shady business for these three Guides from Surrey. The lampshades were among a host of bargains at a Guides' jumble sale to raise funds. The other Guides in the Company were not quite as 'light headed' as these three!



Bath Chronicle

Avon South County's new Standard was dedicated in Bath Abbey during a Memorial Service for the World Chief Guide in February this year. Left, seven Guiders display the Standard outside the Abbey.

Mrs M Lander

Mrs Vivienne Vaughan Cox, County Commissioner for Middlesex West, is here pictured by a display of Badges of member countries of WAGGGS, set in a 'Gone Home' symbol formation, following four Thanksgiving services for the life of the World Chief Guide held by the four Districts of Pinner Division on 29th February this year. The churches were decorated with blue and yellow flowers, and Unit Flags and Pennants were paraded both before and after the services.

Below, a party was given by the present District Commissioners of Thames Division for past members of the 'Division team', when presentations were made to Mrs C Euman, who recently retired as Division Commissioner, and Miss G Willshire, the retiring CA for Thames Division.

E Joyce Hay

Miss A Simpkin

Three generations within the Movement are pictured above. Brownie Stephanie Crossley is the daughter of Mrs Valerie Crossley (centre) who has been Brownie Guider to the Abbey Brownies, Selby, for nine years. On the right is her grandmother, Mrs Joyce Bellwood, who has for many years been the Brownie Guider to the Whitley Bridge Brownie Pack.

'Fall in line, you 'orrible lot'. These Guides from the 3a Doncaster St Edmund Coy got their marching orders from Drill Sergeant Patrick Bluck of the RAF. It was their own idea — they wanted to be the smartest group taking part in their village's June parade. No doubt all that square-bashing paid off!

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The photograph above was taken on a visit of the Chief Commissioner, Mrs Owen Walker (2nd left), to West Germany this spring, when she met many Pfadfinderinnen (German Girl Scouts) as well as British Guides and Brownies. With her in the picture are Freifrau (Baroness) Louky von Uslar Gleichen, Mrs Sheila Wooldridge and Herr Manfred Bosse, Deputy Chairman for Scouting in Niedersachsen

Annual General Meeting, St. James' Palace, Westminster, 18th May, 1978

The Chief Commissioner Delivers a Message from The President

Opening Remarks by The Chief Commissioner

MY LORDS, ladies and gentlemen.

At the morning session of this Meeting, which was for Council members only and held at Commonwealth Headquarters, we complied with Bye-Law 12 of our Constitution which states 'The President shall be the Chairman of the Council and in her absence the members present shall choose one of their number to take the Chair.' This afternoon is actually a continuation of this morning's adjourned meeting which is why I am also acting as Chairman of this afternoon Session, and why it is my privilege to read to you a message from Her Royal Highness, our President.

She writes 'I am so very sad that I am not able to be with you today for the Annual General Meeting. I congratulate all members of the Movement on the achievements of last year and I am especially pleased that such a large sum of money was raised for The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal. Many congratulations to you all. I was glad to learn also of the celebrations marking the sixtieth anniversary of our Ranger section. To all of you in every section of Guiding I send my best wishes for a successful and happy year. Margaret.'

It is, in fact, the first Annual General Meeting of the Association that the Princess has missed since she became our President in 1965 on the death of her aunt, The Princess Royal, and the very real interest she takes in all we do and her ready help on so many occasions are tremendously appreciated by us all. I know she will be thinking of us this afternoon, and I hope you will agree that this message should be delivered to Kensington Palace this evening : 'All Council Members of The Girl Guides Association and their guests send loyal greetings to Your Royal Highness and best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery.'

The President's reference, in her message, to the money raised for The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal should perhaps be explained here. We decided, with The Scout Association, to make a joint donation to the fund from the sale of the special badges which we have all been wearing in and out of uniform over the Jubilee year and will continue to wear until the 6th June this year. The Scouts had the same design in a sew-on cloth badge which was also bought by our members to adorn their jeans or their camp blankets, but we knew, as Mums, what happens to a well-washed uniform after you remove something that has been stitched on for a year, so we opted for the pin-on brooch ones.

As the result of the sale of these, the two Associations sent a combined donation of £134,000 to the Silver Jubilee Fund and in fact Her Royal Highness had agreed to meet six young representatives of The Scout Association and The Girl Guides Association at the end of this afternoon's meeting to congratulate them. Obviously, and very much to their disappointment as you can imagine, we have had to cancel these arrangements, but I have had a letter today from The Prince of Wales which I would like to read to you now. And he says 'News has reached me of your magnificent joint contribution to the Jubilee Appeal and I want you to know how deeply grateful I am to all your Guides and the Scouts for their most generous efforts to raise this enormous sum of money.

As you probably know by now, the Appeal has succeeded in raising £16 million and I will do my utmost to ensure that the money is spent in such a way as to be a fitting memorial to the first 25 years of The Queen's reign. By their heroic efforts the Guides and Scouts have helped to contribute in a very large way towards the future of this country and I would be most grateful if you could convey my heartfelt thanks to all those who were involved in the operation.'

So now if I may, I'll read the result of the ballots that took place this morning when the following were elected to the Council and the Executive Committee.

As the result of the elections carried out in the Countries and Regions of the United Kingdom, in Scotland Mrs Robertson and Mrs Wilkie were elected; in Ulster, Lady Gibson; in Wales, Mrs Priddle-Higson; North East England, Mrs Murray and Mrs Walker; North West England, Mrs Griffin and Miss Mary Chance; Midlands, Miss Smith, Mrs Bennett and Mrs Yates; Anglia, Mrs Beattie and Mrs Middle; South West England, Mrs Potter, Mrs Blooman and Mrs Probert; and London and South East England, Mrs Babbedge, Mrs Secrett, Miss Slyfield and Mrs Swanwick.

The result of the elections to the Council — elected by the Council were Miss Cadogan, Mrs Holloway, Mrs Keppie, Mrs Lyne, Dr Martin, Dame Ann Parker Bowles, Mrs Phillips, Miss Ramsay, Mrs Stewart, Mrs Strong, Miss Tainsh, and Miss Taylor.

And the Council also elected three of their members on to the Executive Committee of the Council and these were Miss Chance, Mrs Churchman and Mrs Yates.

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Presentation Of The Annual Report Of The Committee Of The Council

by the Chief Commissioner, Mrs Owen Walker, JP

IT IS just a year since we held our Jubilee Annual General Meeting in the Royal Festival Hall, and to it Mrs Gervas Clay brought a message from her mother, the World Chief Guide. In it she urged us, in her own inimitable way, to 'jubilate' — for Her Majesty's Silver Jubilee, for the Ranger Guides Diamond Jubilee, for Waddow Hall's Golden Jubilee, and for the Association itself as more and more girls queue up to join us. Although we did not realise this was to be the last of her messages to us, we certainly did jubilate, all over the United Kingdom and all through the year.

And when Lady Baden-Powell died in her sleep in June, we still tried to jubilate for *her* as she had asked us to 'no mourning' she had said, 'only rejoicing' and throughout the country beautiful services of thanksgiving for her life were held, as well as the national one in Westminster Abbey to which the Chairman of the World Committee flew from Australia to give the address.

The work to which The Chief Guide had devoted herself was done and done well. She knew the Association, like a child she had watched and helped to grow up, was sufficiently mature and experienced to continue to flourish on the foundations she and her husband had laid down so many years ago, and she knew that for all time the unique title of World Chief Guide will be hers and hers alone, for we will not see her like again.

Once again, during the year, our numbers increased in every Country and Region in the United Kingdom, and another 17,808 came into the Movement to bring our total membership up to nearly 870,000.

When you consider that this number would fill to overflowing some thirty of our largest football stadiums, the tremendous power for good of the Association must be appreciated. In one of her Christmas broadcasts, Her Majesty likened each individual who worked for good things to grains of sand on one side of a scale which would eventually outweigh the heaviest weight of bad things on the other. I'd like to think that our 870,000 grains of sand were helping to tip the balance.

And if I may add a little personal note, my husband tells me, although I'm not certain on what basis he's done his arithmetic, that if we stood our members shoulder to shoulder they would stretch from London to Plymouth; and he then did another rather remarkable little piece of arithmetic and he assures me that if we lie them head to toe they would stretch from London to Inverness and back.

Certainly we feel the size of the Association entitles us to a voice which should be heard when any attempt is made to erode the values for which we stand. We therefore protested, from the basis of our very wide experience of young people, against the further lowering of the age of consent; we objected to the Home Office when it was suggested that a man might use this country in which to make an offensive film about Jesus Christ or any other religious leader, and we submitted our views to the Williams Committee, set up to look into the laws governing obscenity and film censorship.

Jubilee celebrations took every shape and form and made the year particularly memorable for every one of us. Details of these can be found in the Annual Report, and I hope you will all take them home and read them from cover to cover, but I would like to stress that they were all linked to activities that are normal for every Ranger, every Guide and every Brownie in that they usually included some form of service to other people or a contribution to the quality of life in their own local communities. And here I would like to pay a special tribute to every Guider and Commissioner for all the *extra* work that they put in during 1977. I know they enjoyed every moment of it, but the fact remains Jubilee celebrations of any kind require a tremendous amount of planning and organisation if they are to achieve our own very high standards and if the girls are to remember their own participation as a highlight of their years of Guiding. That every Guider gave even more of her free time to these projects, and spread her own enthusiasm through every Company and Pack in the country, only confirms what very exceptional people they are.

Two Church Services made history during the year — the first, the annual Thinking Day Service in Westminster Abbey which marks the birthdays of both the Founder and the World Chief Guide. No invitations are ever issued, but every year *more* Rangers, Guides and Brownies have turned up by some sort of spontaneous combustion, some even after travelling overnight from the farthest corners of the United Kingdom. In 1977 by 9.30 in the morning there was a queue which stretched for nearly a mile all round the Abbey and back down Victoria Street. The Dean of Westminster is a very good friend of ours and allowed us to fill them into every corner of the Abbey within the bounds of safety — the largest congregation, he told them, since Her Majesty's Coronation, and even then, more than 500 could not be squeezed in anywhere.

The second was when the Rangers were asked if they would like to close their Diamond Jubilee celebrations with a service in London, and their response was so overwhelming that simultaneous services were arranged for them in both the Abbey and St. Paul's Cathedral, the first time this has ever happened, and both were filled to capacity by Ranger Guides.

The Executive Committee and each of its sub-committees — which of course include the Executives of every country and region in the United Kingdom — have ensured that the Movement keeps moving, keeps providing the stimulus required by the girls themselves and that the Association offers them experience in the arts as well as adventure, travel as well as local involvement, the satisfaction of work for others as well as a growing maturity for themselves, and that the pursuit of excellence is in everything they undertake.

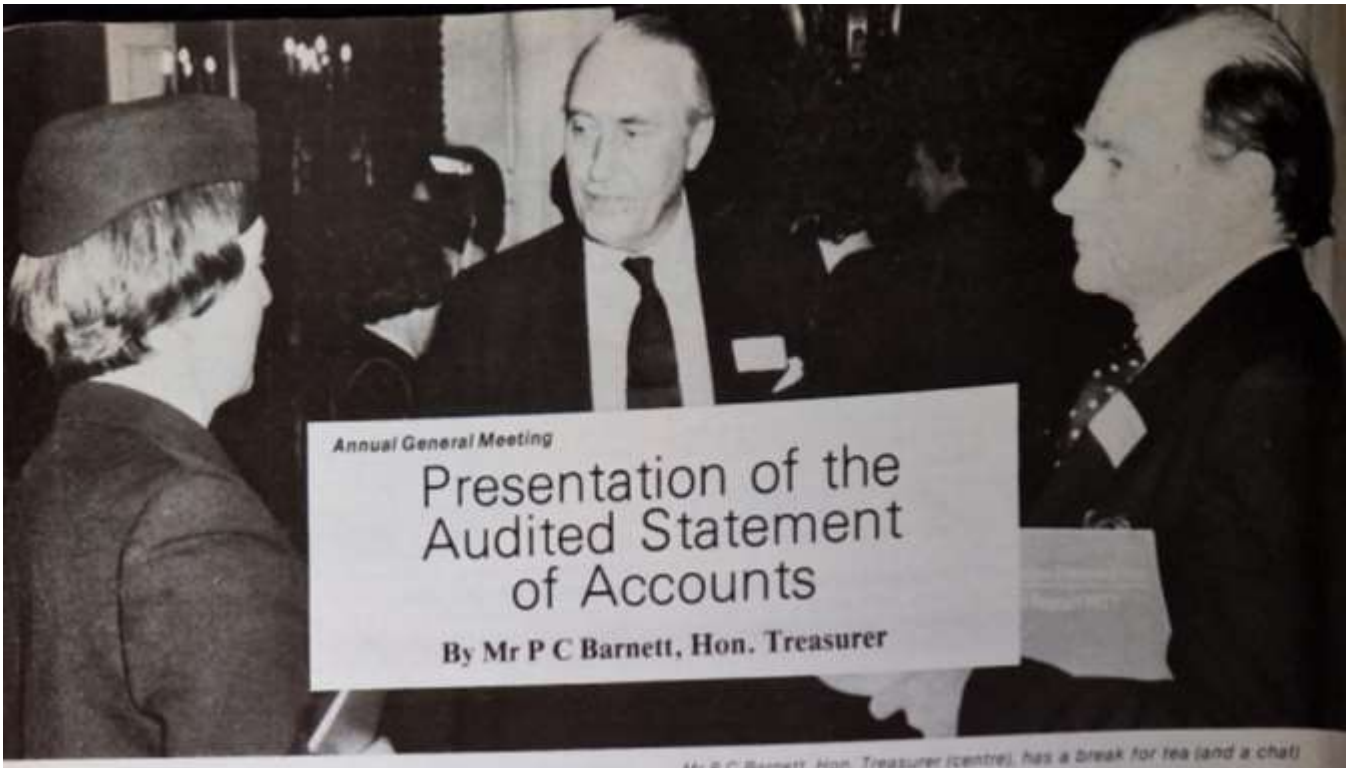
All the departments at Commonwealth Headquarters worked happily and achieved new targets during the year in their function of promoting the policies of the Association and of making Guiding as simple and enjoyable as possible for every one of our members. The fact that the number of salaried staff has not increased in proportion to the increase in our membership does reflect the greatest credit on them all.

The decision to close the Guide Club inevitably caused sadness to all those who had worked so hard to keep it going, as well as to its many members throughout the world who had used it as a home base for so many years. For some time the costs of maintaining a house in Belgrave Square had become a tremendous burden to the Committee who managed to keep the Club self-supporting without any subsidy from the Association since an initial loan in 1948 with which they purchased the lease. Eventually we had to accept that the Club was a victim of inflation and the Committee's final service to its members was to wind up its affairs and to arrange that they should be able to join the V.A.D. Club in Cumberland Place. The house in Belgrave Square was sold, and the Executive Committee agreed that the substantial sum by which the Association benefited — and our heartfelt thanks for this are due to the tireless work of successive Guide Club Committees — that this amount should be used only for some capital, non-recurring project which is even now the subject of discussion.

To my friends on the staff at Commonwealth Headquarters; to all the Chairmen and Advisers with whom I have the pleasure to work; to the Chief Commissioners of the Countries and Regions who not only do a wonderful job in their own areas and on the Executive Committee, but also help me very much personally by deputising for me on so many occasions, and to the Executive Committee and Council I offer my warmest thanks for making my own job such an easy and happy one.

I asked a Brownie recently what she liked best about being a Brownie. After some deliberation she told me that being a Brownie made it easier to be good and, when you are good, everybody is pleased with you, and you feel 'all comfortable inside'.

At the end of 1977 I believe The Girl Guides Association as a whole could justifiably feel 'all comfortable inside', and I beg to move the adoption of this report.



Annual General Meeting

Presentation of the Audited Statement of Accounts

By Mr P C Barnett, Hon. Treasurer

Mr P C Barnett, Hon. Treasurer (centre), has a break for tea (and a chat) following his report to the AGM.

CHIEF Commissioner, My Lords, ladies and gentlemen.

In a year as memorable as 1977, during which there took place an enormous amount of activity, it is a pleasure for me to tell you that your accounts show a surplus of £40,000. This is a smaller surplus than that of the year before, as I think you would expect, but I would ask you to consider it highly satisfactory, especially as there were some unusual charges and also special non-recurring expenses during that year. About £22,000 had to be written off old merchandise in the Trading Department, a further £21,000 has been set aside for work that has got to be undertaken chiefly at Foxlease and Waddow, but the largest amount has to do with the Staff Pension Fund. Contributions to the Fund have been based on the salaries paid in past years, but pensions have to be paid at a rate based on the salaries at the time of retirement, and consequently owing to inflation the sums provided in the past have proved to be far from adequate. The Association is not alone in this problem, which has beset most of the Funds of industry and commerce. In order to solve it, it has been decided to increase the Association's contribution to its Fund by £28,000 in each of five years; two of those instalments have been charged to the Accumulated Fund, so that the savings of the past pay their share; one instalment is charged against the account that you are now looking at, and there will be two further instalments chargeable against the accounts of 1978 and 1979. That should provide for the pensions on present salaries, but perhaps I ought to warn you that further inflation in excess of the rate built into the Scheme could involve some future adjustments like those, but I cannot imagine the amounts would be anywhere near as great.

In the printed Financial Report, I have made comments on several matters of detail and I don't propose to go over what I have written entirely. However, I would like to draw your attention to certain of the points I have made. The total income has grown by a gratifying amount of £72,000, due to an increase in the subscription income because of the increase in membership, due also to a record surplus on the Trading and Periodicals of £201,000 and due in addition to higher receipts from other sources including an increase in the grant from the Department of Education and Science. All in all, I think you can be well satisfied with the income of the Association, in the belief that so much of it is reliable. All the same, 35% of the income comes from the surplus on Trading and unless you, Ladies, and the girls for whom you are responsible, continue to make full use and even fuller use of your Trading Department and continue to buy your Periodicals, that 35% of income will not be as well secured as I could wish. We are, of course, grateful to those who do patronise the Trading Department, but on average I find that each member, of the 670,000 that you have heard, spends on average about four pence a week in their own warehouse and on periodicals. That shows that there must be very many who do not use their own Trading facilities — a problem which you, rather than I, can hope to solve.

Although the growth in Income can be called satisfactory, Expenditure has also grown but allowance needs to be made for unusual charges to which I have already drawn your attention and to some further non-recurring charges. Nevertheless, I ask you to give credit, as is their due, to the Departments which have managed to keep to a minimum the increase in their expenditure or even to reduce it. The two Training Centres have actually reduced their call on central funds, but then we have a new item on the books, the costs at Glenbrook.

I think you will all approve that greatly increased amounts of cover have been arranged under the Guider's Indemnity Insurance Policy, but of course there is a higher premium to be paid.

Last October, the Association completed by far the largest single transaction in its history, the sale, as you have heard, of 46 Belgrave Square, and its mews for £300,000. In getting so high a price we, for a change, have had some benefit from inflation, which goes to show that it is an ill wind that blows nobody any good. The Balance Sheet shows that £267,000 of the surplus proceeds is held in short-term investments, £20,000 had been transferred to the Chief's Memorial Fund to compensate for loss of interest on a loan made by that Fund to the Guide Club and which has been repaid. The original cost of the lease was £9,000; it has been sold for over thirty times that figure, and we do indeed have to thank the person who was the prime mover in buying the lease, the late Dame Joan Marsham.

The Balance Sheet also shows the amount collected as a donation to The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal: £50,000 from the sale of the Jubilee Badges. There is also a welcome reduction in the amounts owing by customers of the Trading Department, with the result that a credit balance at the bank is shown as against an overdraft the year before. There has been a change in the presentation of the sums of money held and awaiting disbursement for The Girl Guide Friendship Fund. As this money is earmarked for specific purposes, namely the purposes for which it was subscribed, it has been decided not to record it as belonging to the Association, and so it is now hidden away as part of the item 'Creditors', if you are unable to find the amount.

The current year has started satisfactorily but it is early days yet to forecast the outcome, and far too early to try to forecast the effect of the decision that the membership subscription for 1979 is to remain unchanged.

As this is the last occasion on which I shall be presenting your Accounts to you, I hope I may be allowed a few reflections. The first set of Accounts I presented to you were those for the year 1966, and the membership total for that year

Extracts from a Speech by Miss Mary Wedlake (Guest Speaker)

Miss Mary Wedlake, MBE, formerly Chief Superintendent of Metropolitan police, speaking to the AGM, right.

Madam Chairman, ladies and gentlemen.

I have a feeling I ought to go home before I start.

A few of you, a very few, will just remember the silent films. Just a few. They will remember the piano playing a plaintive tune, probably 'Hearts and Flowers' as the heroine walked out into the world to face — she knew not what.

I have often felt there should have been a similar accompaniment when I started my own police career.

Picture the scene — early in the morning, leaving a bleak Victorian building known as Peel House in the middle of Victoria, loaded into a tender, nothing so posh as coaches for policemen in those days, some 20 budding police officers to be delivered in ones and twos to police stations through central and south east London. It was late in the day, snow lay on the ground that January day, when the last two arrived at Croydon. Had I foreseen what was awaiting me for the next 31 years, would I have turned and run? I don't know. I'm awfully glad I didn't because the intervening years have been packed with fun, lots of memories, of sad, sordid, miserable occasions, the comradeship of some wonderful colleagues. In fact I suppose rather as life should be, a mixture of tears and laughter.

A story is told of some of my colleagues many years ago who went to arrest a well-known thief. They arrived early in the morning, and our friend was still in bed. He was arrested, taken to the police station, and later appeared before the magistrates, and the arresting officer gave formal evidence of arrest. 'I saw the defendant, Your Worship. I told him I was a police officer and that I was arresting him for burglary, and I cautioned him.' The defendant watched with open mouth, turned round to the magistrate and said 'Never did any such thing, Guvnor, all he said was 'Get your trousers on Ginger, you're nicked.'

I think it is a similar story I could tell about my own first arrest. A drunken vagrant was sitting in the local public lavatory making a very unpleasant nuisance of herself, and the lavatory attendant, all patience exhausted, sent for the law, and I arrived.

All the woman would say when I told her she must come with me was 'I just want to go to the lavatory', so I said 'That's all right my dear, you come with me, I've got a nice little lavatory you can have all to yourself for nothing.' Needless to say, those were not the words I was purported to have used at Court the following day, Madam Chairman.

Chatting during a break for tea at this year's Annual General Meeting, above.

Words, really it brings me to my meaning of words. Words, forms of speech, so very important and never more so than today when we are dealing with immigrants.

Before my retirement I was attached to the Community Relations Branch at Scotland Yard and one of the duties of the Branch was to act as a bridge between police and various immigrant and minority groups.

When talking to people who share the same mother tongue of English, one takes it for granted they know precisely what you are saying, and precisely what each other means by it. Not at all. We should really have learned from our experiences with the Americans during the war. My own Branch — one of the stories, one of the classic stories of warning we tell is the story of the American servicemen stationed in the little country

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS *Cont'd*

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On the platform in the Picture Gallery of St James' Palace, Westminster. L to r: Miss Mary Wedlake, Guest Speaker, Mrs Whiteaker, General Secretary (to rear), The Chief Commissioner, Mrs Owen Walker, and speaking, The Hon. Treasurer, Mr P C Barnett.

increased and has done so in every single year since. Please do not think I am trying to claim the credit for that, but it is a happy state of affairs to reflect on, and long may it continue. There has been a surplus of income in eleven out of those twelve years, and when the surplus was modest, or as in one year not a surplus but a deficit, the cause has largely been poor results in the Trading Department. That serves to emphasise to you what I have said about the dependence of the Accounts on Trading, but happily in the last few years, a fairly regular trend of contributions from the Trading section has been in evidence. This must needs continue and if it does, I believe that your finances are sufficiently strong to meet any normal challenge of the next few years.

On a personal note, may I say what a great deal of exhilaration and enjoyment I have had during my time as your Treasurer. From the staff I have received unfailing help, co-operation and courtesy and I would like to thank them all very much, as well as on your own behalf. At Committee meetings I have met and enjoyed meeting people with wide-ranging experience and a great variety of talents, all of them united in their love of Guiding and it has been a privilege to take part with them in discussions which were sometimes lively, but always harmonious. And to you, Chief Commissioner, and also to your predecessors, may I say a very special thank you for all your help and understanding and beg leave to move that the Accounts for 1977 be adopted.

Extracts from the Guest Speaker's Speech, contd.

village who would be transferred to Germany. The Commanding Officer who went to see the Vicar, said 'Vicar, we have loved your little village, we have been so happy here, your people have been so wonderful. We would like to leave a memento of our time here. We have discussed it, we have thought we would like to install a stained glass window in the village church.' The Vicar said, 'Lovely, we would love that.' Well, they had their own artist, the local craftsmen and everything was done very speedily. It was all done before the servicemen left, but regrettably the Dedication Service couldn't be held before they left. Again the Colonel went to see the Vicar and said 'Vicar, this is something we would have loved to have been here for.' So the Vicar said 'Well, I know we would have loved to have had you but I will tell you what I have done. I have arranged for a recording, and we will send the record to you in Germany.' Marvellous, so the great day arrived, the record arrived, they all gathered in their hall, they had copies of the Service, everything was marvellous, the singing of the choir was beautiful, everything was marvellous. And then it came to the Service of Dedication. And suddenly the Commanding Officer went purple, sprang forward and smashed the recording. And why? Words. Unfortunately, the Bishop had used the slightly archaic language of the Church and read out 'O Lord, we give Thee Thanks for this succour from across the sea.'

Another duty of the Branch and the one in which I was most involved was concerned with all matters relating to Juveniles, both as offenders and as you have heard, as victims of society. You will perhaps have read the latest report of the N.S.P.C.C. and the stories told of the appalling treatment meted out to those little ones who are unable to defend themselves.

I regret to say there has been a constant battle between police and some social workers who have been reluctant to accept that an assault on a little one is a crime, just as the matter of an assault on any other person. And on many occasions we have encountered conspiracies of silence on the grounds that these were social problems and not crimes, even when they have resulted in the death of the little one.

My other major responsibility and one which caused, and still causes, my colleagues and myself so much concern was the delinquent child.

Hardly a day passes that we do not read of children being involved in serious crime, often of a vicious nature. The 10-14-year-old boys and girls who hounded and terrorised the old lady, breaking her finger, vandalising her home, stealing all her money, leaving her in such a state that she was in danger of losing her home because she was in arrears with rent, they having left no money.

What are we doing? Are we letting down youth? Now I know from your very presence here today that you are people who are, and have been, dedicated to the service of youth, but I invite you to consider what we have allowed to happen in our name.

Abortions, over a million and a quarter lives destroyed, many of them on youngsters under 16 years of age, and without their parents' knowledge.

Sex Clinics, children, many girls under the age of consent, welcomed and provided with contraception and contraceptive advice, again in many cases without their parents' knowledge.

This last week I went to the Doctor's and while I was there I saw the Kidney Donor Card which I took and was somewhat astonished and not a little peeved to find that not only did I have to give them my consent for something to be taken from my body after death, but I had to get the consent and approval of my next-of-kin. So we have the farcical situation of the medical profession requiring an adult to have countersigned by next-of-kin for taking something away from me after I'm dead, at the same time performing these abortions and giving advice to these children without their parents' knowledge or consent. Isn't this actively encouraging the behaviour of the children?

Magazines, even family newspapers, all have articles extolling promiscuity and giving the impression that if young people do not conform then there is something physically if not mentally wrong with them.

Today there has been a happy lack of formality and I've been excused from going through everybody as one should to conform with protocol, naming the persons present in accordance with their rank, and importance. Frequently, I have to do just that and when young people are present I frequently name them first. Not because I worship at the throne of youth — a stage we have all been through, and indeed I have known people who were old at 20 and others who have retained their youth for a long life. The Queen Mother and your own Lady Baden-Powell were obvious examples of the latter.

None-the-less, I place the importance of youth at the top of the list because they are the parents of the future — they will have the responsibility of the lives yet to be born. On them will rest the responsibility of restoring sanity to this world.

I think of the involvement of the home beat and Juvenile Bureau officers in their local schools, joining them on their school outings always in their own time and off-duty periods. I remember one officer who will long treasure his attendance at 'his' school's Christmas Concert. The little ones had been allowed to write, perhaps a little rashly, their own script for one scene.

The curtain rose on the Carpenter's Shop, Mary, aged 7, seated. Enter Joseph, aged 8. 'What, 'ello Joseph, you 'ome then.' 'yes, Mary.' 'What sort a day you 'ad then, Joseph?' 'Orr, smashing, I made a table for King 'erod.' 'Oh, that was nice.' 'What sort of a day you 'ad Mary?' 'Orr, not bad, free Kings came bringing presents for little baby Jesus.' 'Oh that was nice. And 'ows little baby Jesus bin today then, Mary?' 'Well, to tell you the trufe, Joseph, 'e's been a right little bleeder.'

To me, the glory of that story is that to those little ones at least the Holy Family was a family as they knew it. There was Mum, Dad, and even the little brother, but it wasn't just cardboard cut-out pictures that were rather pretty Christmas cards.

In 1939 when we were all facing an unknown future, I was on the threshold of adult life. That year in his Christmas broadcast, that courageous man, King George VI, quoted from the work of a little-known writer. That quotation was an inspiration to all who heard it I think. I should like to close by repeating it, though I am going to substitute the word 'life' for 'year': 'And I said to the man who stood at the gate of life, "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown" and he replied "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way".'

Thank you and God bless you all.

Keystone Press

Two distinguished guests at the AGM, the Hon. Lady Gibbs, CBE, Vice President (left), and Miss I H Kay, OBE, JP, Vice President.

Lady Khama visits CHQ

DURING the visit to the United Kingdom in May of the President of Botswana, H E Sir Seretse Khama, and Lady Khama Commonwealth Headquarters was delighted when the President's wife came to visit us.

Lady Khama, President of the Botswana Girl Guides Association, was welcomed on May 19th by the Chief Commissioner, Mrs Owen Walker, JP.

Guiding first began in Botswana, formerly Bechuanaland, with just one Guide Patrol in 1924: by 1976 (the latest date for which the figures are available) membership had reached 4,942. Enrolled as a Guide in England, Lady Khama takes a great interest in Guiding in Botswana.

(Left) Lady Khama in 'Reception' signing the Visitors' Book and (right) Mrs Walker.
(Above) Talking to the General Secretary, Mrs L. Whiteaker, MBE, in the shop.

Photographs by Carlo Gilmour

Lady Khama and her lady-in-waiting look at the overseas dolls exhibition in 'Reception'. During her visit Lady Khama met the Commissioner for Branch Associations, Mrs R Vaughan-Cox, and the Programme and Training Chairman, Miss B Ryrie.

Looking at the exhibitions in CHQ Library with Headquarters' Archivist, Miss Thora Wallis Myers.

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I trust you . . .

by Mary Nixon

The second in a series of articles on the Guide Law contributed by the Countries and Regions of the United Kingdom. This month's article is from Scotland.

'I TRUST YOU to keep this Promise', acknowledges that the Promise-taker has made the Promise to us personally, and that, now that she has officially accepted the Guide Movement's code of conduct in the presence of her fellows, we are all bound to help her to keep it. While the greatest responsibility lies with the adults, yet all who have listened are bound to help, and in our talks with the Guides we may have to get this idea over very pointedly. It is important that the Guide makes her Promise to someone who is in a position to help her regularly. Sometimes a visitor hears the Promise and then is seldom seen again. Instead the visitor might be asked to talk to the Unit on their common responsibility. We also know that even though the Guide has been carefully prepared to take the Promise, yet she has still to grow much further in her understanding of it, that the ceremony marks only the first stage of that growing understanding.

At a training in the north-east a Midlands trainer spoke very movingly about this area of a Guider's responsibility. At a Promise ceremony, to mark how earnestly she feels her own responsibility, she goes forward to the girl rather than have the girl advance to her. Co-operatively her whole Unit works to make the occasion memorable so that it will remain with the girl. We have to concentrate on this idea, and be very sure that we are not preparing merely gimmicky ceremonials, but that the ceremony genuinely reflects the purpose behind the occasion.

Two of life's most moving experiences are to realise that one is trusted and that one is needed. In Guiding the two are linked. The Guide is trusted because we know that one day she will be needed to enrich the community in which she finds herself as an adult. So it is not enough just to hear her repeat the words.

'Show her by example', is wise advice, and so, quite rightly, we try to be on time for Meetings ourselves, to carry out our Promises, and to be seen to be playing a responsible role in the community. Today that is hardly enough. When a girl leaves the tutelage of home, school and Guides, because she does not necessarily go on to Rangers or any other group which shares our code of conduct and because we know that her peer group is much more likely to influence her than any relative or other adult, we must help her as much as possible while she is still in the Movement and so discuss with the whole Unit shop-lifting, 'borrowing' from purses and pockets and all forms of theft its members are likely to meet.

One of the ways in which we safeguard ourselves is to think out a situation beforehand, and make up our minds on the best action to take. Because this has only a correspondence to reality, it is free from emotional elements and we can think objectively. A simplified case history type of exercise can be written, discussed in Patrols and then perhaps by the whole Unit.

Janet sees Martha writing the menu for the Patrol week-end camp in a new school notebook. 'Did Miss Atkins give you that?' asks Janet. 'No,' says Martha, 'She always has dozens of packets in that cupboard at the door, and anyway our fathers pay for that sort of thing in taxation.' *Yet Janet wondered. Discuss.*

We have to notice, too, that Janet may not think it so wrong if Miss Atkins has handed over the notebook for such a purpose. Here is another debatable example:

Margaret goes to Toronto by Air Canada. She is fascinated by the tiny, decoratively wrapped cakes of soap, and slips ten or so out of the dispenser to use on overnight hikes.

'You're the kind of person who is responsible for the rest of us paying too high fares', says brother Joe.

One's own experience and odd items in newspapers supply plenty of material.

The situations that the Guide will meet in later life can be met by one or other of the Laws, but she will not think of that unless we help her to see how they relate to her present life. Some teachers use very short open-ended playlets to start discussion. They are enjoyable, give something to go on and seem to be less inhibiting to profitable discussion than debating 'cold'. Drama teachers or English teachers will advise on these. Some older pupils enjoy writing material of this type for younger children.

We have specialised terms for injuries to humanity, embezzlement or robbery with violence, for example, but they all come to the same thing, a breach of trust, and we have to look at these honestly and see the crimes for what they are. The Great Train Robbers were in no sense heroes.

'The sum is wrong,' says the teacher. 'No,' says Elizabeth, 'it's just a slip. I really understood how to do it.'

We have to work hard to help the young to have clear vision. The understatement for pilfering by the staff of a firm is 'wastage'. Our cynical use of such understatements seems to indicate that in some degree we just accept the situation implied without fighting. We have to get back to the position that pilfering is never 'petty', and we have to help the Guides to see that there is no good argument in the common statements that 'everybody does it' or 'we're all entitled to some sort of perk'.

'Honour bright,' the child of pre-war days used to say when challenged by her friends. Surely one can say without exaggeration that the general acceptance of such an exclamation said something about a regard for trust and honour. When we ourselves were warranted, a trust was placed in us to use our own experience to help the adults of tomorrow.

Girl Scout Service in Iran

THE photograph below was taken at a birthday party at a Girls' Orphanage in Ahwaz, Iran. The IWGA (International Women's Group of Ahwaz) sponsors a birthday party at a local girls' orphanage every month or two for the children who have had birthdays in the preceding months.

The IWGA provided the refreshments on this occasion; the Girl Scouts led the games and played with the children at two of the parties — half of the Troop going each time.

This visit to the orphanage was done as one of the Troop's Service Projects for the year (the Junior Scouts have at least one Service Project each year; often they have two, and these help them in their work towards the Junior Sign — a special badge).

The girls from this Troop are of assorted nationalities (last year, they included Austrian and Norwegian members, but in the photograph, below, the Girl Scout representatives are British, Iranian, Canadian and American). All the girls go to the local International School — Passargard School — where the common language is English. They work well together, and here we see fulfilled Juliette Low's hopes of girls of all nationalities working together as Scouts.

The girls in this picture — from Junior Scout Troop 20 — made toys which they are here presenting to pupils of the Blind and Deaf School, which is one of the chosen charities of the International Women's Group of Ahwaz; though the school also obtains funds from the Iranian Kiwanis Club.

The toys presented included glove puppets, yarn dolls, bean bags and skipping ropes (with whipped ends). The girls who had made the toys were able to gain their Toymaker's Badge as a result of the project — and the glove puppets were the hit of the day with the deaf children pictured — so everybody was happy!

In the picture (standing) are the two adults who attended the presentation, Mrs Mark Dixon and Mrs Glenna Scott, the Business Manager for IWGA. The four girls are TOFS Junior Scouts — three Canadians; Marie Strach, Anne Watmough and her sister Marie, and an American girl, Bridget Welsh. The eight Iranian children are deaf pupils at the school.

A greetings telegram was sent to Her Majesty The Queen on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of her Coronation.

On the occasion of the anniversary of Your Majesty's Coronation, all members of The Girl Guides Association join me in sending our loyal greetings and best wishes.

Sheila Walker
Chief Commissioner

Her Majesty's reply:

I send you and all members of The Girl Guides Association my sincere thanks for your kind message on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of my coronation.

Elizabeth R

THOSE WERE THE DAYS

Lily Harris

Compiled by Thora Wallis Myers, CHQ Archivist

(L to R) Miss Crawter, Commandant of the camp for blind Rangers at Foxlease in June/July, 1929, and Miss Jean Robinson. Blind herself, a Guider and Editor of 'The Venture', Miss Robinson used to say that friendly cheerfulness was at its best in camp where blind and seeing pulled together.

*'To be near ninety may sound awfully old but I do not **feel** like it and I very much object to being called an old lady!'*

What a wonderful philosophy held by a member of the Guide Movement who could not see or hear and who triumphantly lived to be 100. Lily Harris belonged at one time to the 1st East of England Post Ranger Company for the blind. (Her Captain, Philippa Patteson, was also blind: as soon as she left school she was asked to start a Company for Blind Guides from all over England but soon, as the Company grew, it was split and Philippa ran the East of England Post Ranger Company for many years.)

Just before Christmas in 1976 Lily Harris had a wonderful birthday party, received a telegram from the Queen and took part in a carol service — and the next day she died.

Here are some of Lily's recollections of all she did as a Ranger and her reflections on what Guiding meant for her — 'pleasure, interest, help'. She had a keen sense of humour and her Captain found herself storing up amusing incidents to tell her.

The first camp Lily Harris went to was at Foxlease in 1929. 'It was scorching hot weather and being my first camp I found it rather strange. It was very interesting being taken over the House and meeting Guiders from other countries. There were two Guiders from Egypt; one couldn't speak any English. We felt their badges and shook hands and I noticed what long slim hands they had got.

'One day I got lost. Well, if you put your hand out and can touch nothing the best thing to do is to stand still. I did. A Guider came and asked what Patrol I was in. I did not know. All I could tell her was that I slept in the cowshed. "Oh, you're one of the cows, are you? Come along."

'I went to lots more camps, sleeping in a stable, an old barn, and under canvas. (In the stable was a cow and Lily was most indignant in the morning that she hadn't been told!)

'At one camp there was a gale blowing at 90 miles an hour and Captain told me the big dining marquee was blown down. That evening I hadn't been in bed long before Winnie, the sighted one in charge of our tent, handed me the small ear trumpet I used then and said: "You have got to get up and dressed." I really thought she was up to a lark but getting up and dressing it was. Just as we were leaving the tent to be driven to shelter in an empty bungalow I shouted: "Half a minute. Let me get my pearls (teeth)"

'I remember Captain saying that in spite of the storm you could see glow-worms. I did quite a lot of test work at camp but I think the hardest thing was when I had to take a Guider up to be enrolled. It was a very big horseshoe and it seemed to me as if we had to walk across a huge field! (Before the enrolment I was told I had to explain what an enrolment meant. Fancy me explaining to a Guider! But there is always a way out and I found it. I asked her if she minded if I forgot she was a Guider — and she didn't)

A session on knotting, above
A talk on keeping fit

'At camp you did not hear "don't" and "can't". It was "can you" or "would you like to" . . . I think the whole atmosphere at camp is best told by what a Ranger once said to me. "It is so nice at camp, nobody is cross."

'On one of our expeditions we were taken over a destroyer. I was asked if I would like to go up into the gun carriage. Of course I was ready so up I went on an iron ladder. A nice sailor was waiting at the top, a gunner, I expect. There was a long gun and the walls were ever so thick and the only light was a hurricane lamp. Then someone called "Lily" and down the ladder I had to go. The sailors even took the stopper out of the barrel so we could get a smell of the sailors' rum. When we were leaving the destroyer a very nice voice said: "Now put your arm round my neck." I am sure it was one of the officers because I felt the decorations. Some years later on that same destroyer the Emperor of Abyssinia came to England.

'At home I worked for a lot of badges including Booklover, Citizen and Empire Knowledge, and some did mean real study and hard work. When the second world war came I was working for my gold cords. After the war I still kept in touch with Guiding by joining the Trefoil Guild and our sighted members did a good deal of service for others. How little I knew when I tackled my Tenderfoot Test what Guiding was going to mean to me in the future.'

A Guide to better Outdoor Photography

words and pictures by Terry Hope

PHOTOGRAPHY tends to have a mystique about it that is almost wholly unjustified. The attitude seems to be that a good photographer has to have an expensive camera, bags of experience and a degree in chemistry and mathematics at least to succeed. Not true! Anyone can improve on their pictures even if they only possess a simple camera, providing they remember to follow a few simple rules. This first article deals with some of the problems you might face with general photography out of doors.

The first thing to consider is subject matter. This can be just about anything that appeals to you, but try to see things in an unusual and interesting way. Use your imagination, and instead of snapping without thinking, stop for a moment and consider whether you are doing the subject justice. Are you taking it from the right angle (a general rule of photography is to take photographs with the sun shining over the right shoulder, but this is not a hard and fast law, and may not always apply), are you the right distance from the subject, have you got unnecessary and unwanted subject matter in the picture area (anything from your own shadow to people in the way), is your picture well composed? Composition itself is a very fundamental and important area of photography, and one which really only comes with practice. General rules are to have one centre of interest to keep the picture uncluttered, avoid cutting the picture in half with horizons etc and balance the picture generally and make it attractive to the eye. Things like landscapes are always improved if there is some foreground interest, or if a large blank area of sky is screened by something like the branch of a tree.

One of the main problems, and one which isn't technical at all, is the fact that most people are not trained models. This means that if you ask a group of people to adopt a 'natural' pose for a photograph, you are liable to end up with a statuesque bunch of wooden people, all with grim determined smiles. The only way to avoid this problem is to take photographs when people aren't expecting it, and are liable to be off-guard, or else to get the group doing the posing to indulge in some everyday activity, and to be less wooden as a result. Judging by the pictures received by this magazine, the ones that stand most chance of being published are those that show the least suggestion of posing, and involve some type of activity. By the way, we are always grateful to receive your photographs for possible publication in the magazine, but remember that these should be glossy black-and-white prints, not colour which cannot be reproduced satisfactorily in black and white. Photographs for the cover of the *GUIDER* should be colour transparencies only, since these give the best reproduction, and remember they must be vertical to fit the shape of the page.

Try to shield areas of blank sky with something like the branch of a tree.

Careful exposure is needed for all films, particularly colour. Either invest in a cheap exposure meter or follow the chart normally included with the film. An under-exposed picture will not have received enough light and will be too dark, while an over-exposed

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Look for unusual and amusing candid pictures like this man and his faithful pigeon.

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picture will have received too much light, and will be too light.

A simple camera will have a fixed shutter-speed, normally 1/60th second, which should give sharp pictures if the photographer takes care to be steady; hold the camera carefully, and gently squeeze the shutter, making sure there are no hurried or sharp movements.

This brings us on to the speed of a film. If you look on the side of a film pack, you will find an ASA and DIN speed rating. The point to remember is that the higher the number, the faster the film will be, and the less exposure it will need. Black-and-white film is generally faster than colour. Choose your film carefully, and if possible look ahead to the conditions you are likely to face when you want to take pictures, and buy accordingly. Don't regard black-and-white photography as being out of date; in many cases a black-and-white picture can be as, if not more, effective than a colour one. It also has the added advantage of being cheaper, more versatile and easier to develop.

Pictures always look far more natural if the person doing the posing indulges in some everyday activity e.g. feeding the birds.

Another candid picture, taken by the Serpentine.

Incidentally, remember that weather conditions will play havoc with films and equipment, so be careful to keep your camera away from direct heat (sunlit windows etc) or excess moisture. Keep the camera itself clean, and check the shutter regularly by opening the back, holding the camera up to a light source, and looking through as you press the shutter. Also make sure that the camera lens is clean by wiping it regularly with a soft lintless cloth, to prevent dull misty pictures.

Kodak produce an excellent series of booklets, information sheets and wall-charts, dealing with just about every aspect of photography. There are leaflets like *Picture taking in 5 minutes, Photographing Sporting Events, Close-ups in colour* and of particular interest *Better Camping Pictures.* If you want more information about these and the other literature *Kodak* produce, write for a free copy of the Catalogue of Educational Services from: **Kodak Limited, Customer Relations, PO Box 66, Station Road, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. HP1 1JU.** Please mention *GUIDER* when writing.

W.A.G.G.G.S. Golden Jubilee

THE World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts is made up of National Girl Guide/Girl Scout Associations. There are at present 94 members. Applications for membership are considered at World Conferences. The number could therefore alter after next month's World Conference in Iran.

World Association Policies are decided at the World Conference which is the governing body. There is a World Conference every 3 years. Every Full member National Organisation is entitled to send two delegates and each National Organisation has one Vote. National Organisations are allowed extra members in their delegations — these are known as Visitors and the number allowed is determined by the membership.

The UK on the present proportional representation is allowed five visitors, which with our two delegates means we can send a total of seven to the World Conference.

To carry out its policies and work in the intervening three years the World Conference elects a World Committee. This Committee consists of 12 members and four substitute members. Nominations for this Committee are made by National Organisations and are voted at the World Conference to serve for the next three years. Members may serve for a maximum of nine years.

The World Committee appoints Sub-Committees as required for different tasks. The present Sub-Committees are:

Promotions, Constitutions, Finance, and five Regional Committees, Africa, Asia Pacific, Europe, Western Hemisphere and the Arab Regional Group. A Management Committee for each of the four World Centres, Our Chalet, Olave House, Our Cabaña and Sangam.

The Secretariat of the World Association is the World Bureau which is situated in London.

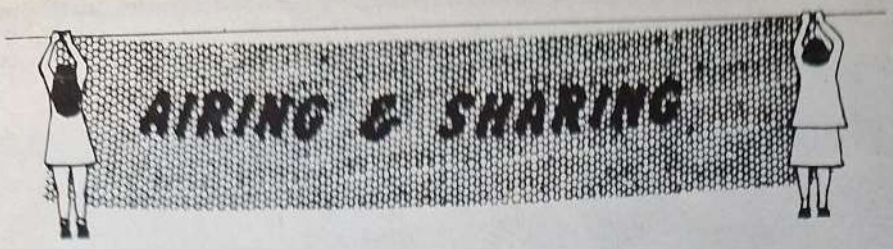
The working languages are English, French and Spanish. This as you will appreciate means many delegates are working in a language other than their mother tongue.

Since 1928 when the World body grew out of the International Council, founded by the World Chief Guide, and International Conferences it has certainly developed greatly with an increase in size and work. Basically it remains the same, a link between member countries working for 'the greater good of the whole'.

Delegates to the 23rd World Conference next month will greet one another with the same friendship those of earlier meetings did and all will have accepted to take a promise adhering to the fundamental principles as laid down by the Founder.

The World Chief Guide thought when the term of office ended for members of World Committees it was sad and silly to lose the interest and support of these fine women. She suggested they were invited to become Honorary Associates. These 'elder stateswomen' of the World Association have a right to attend World Conferences and add much to these gatherings.

Patience Baden-Powell
International Commissioner



A Frank 'Thank-you'

A letter we received from the 2nd Wymondham Guides, Norfolk (we receive many letters at CHQ following visits by Brownie Packs and Guide Companies):—

We would like to thank you for letting us have our dinner in the room you provided for us when we visited Headquarters.

Thank you for letting us look round the Headquarters and for the quiz you gave us. Most of the things you showed us were interesting. Thank you also for the magazines you gave us, we enjoyed ourselves very much.

Vanessa Ethridge,
for 2nd Wymondham Coy,
Norfolk.

Pardon my Jargon

In her very kindly review of my little book *Pioneering in Town and Country*, your contributor PMJ says that many of the projects could be tackled by a Guide Patrol 'provided there was someone on hand to translate the Scout jargon!' That final exclamation mark suggests an over-indulgence in jargon, which, with great respect, I take leave to challenge.

For goodness' sake, you can't write about a technical subject without using a few well-established technical terms. Or does PMJ (to whom I convey my personal compliments and best wishes) think that the (now defunct) Sea Rangers used to talk about the sharp and blunt ends of a boat, or that car-owners describe the gear lever as 'the handle thing which you pull or push when you want to make the car go fast or slow' or what?

Anyhow, I should have thought that 'jargon' and illustration taken together made the thing self-explanatory. Even the word 'Becket' on page 17 (and believe me, there is no other word for a becket than 'becket') is made minutely clear in the picture, provided your eyesight is up to it.

Still, I am grateful for the review; and perhaps if your readers need technical advice they might consider inviting a few hand-picked Scouts along to help them. Not Venture Scouts. Venture Scouts regard pioneering as a small boys' activity, and have long ago forgotten anything they ever knew, anyhow.

On the other hand, if a few Ranger Units took up pioneering and asked for masculine support, it might put the Venture Scouts on their toes. Personally, I'm all for it.

John Sweet,
Scout Leader,
17th Whitley Bay (retd.)
Tyne and Wear.

Return of the Bed

May I, through the letters page of *GUIDER*, trace a Guider who came to my aid during a Pack Holiday?

During August '76, I spent a Pack Holiday at Hallow Village Hall, Nr. Worcester. While there a Brownie Guider lent us a camp bed, which we brought home.

I would like to return it, but have lost her address; it was either Hallow Road, Worcester, or Worcester Road, Hallow. The Guider concerned said she was passing through on her way to Colchester.

If she would contact me, I will return the bed when I am in the area during my holiday this year.

Jean Luddington (Mrs),
12, Campton Road,
Shefford,
Bucks.

Floored by this Problem

I used to run a Brownie Pack some years ago in Nottingham, then after a marriage, two children and a move to another city I have recently started another Pack; I'm enjoying running it, very much.

However, I remember my first Pack having a Brownie carpet. This was made from quite large-coloured pieces of triangular felt (each piece having an Interest Badge sign embroidered on it). All the pieces were joined together and then backed with sacking to make the carpet. I would like to get my Brownies to make one as a Pack Venture, but I need a pattern. Does anyone remember these carpets, and could they tell me where I could get a pattern? I would be so pleased.

Mrs Valerie Carr,
3, Elm Avenue,
Cherry Willingham,
Lincoln.

Lifesaver Recognition

I have recently gained the 'Life Saver Certificate', and I am very surprised to find that the certificate is not mentioned in the Distinguishing Marks section of POR.

I feel that if a Guider holds this certificate, then there should be some form of Uniform Badge to indicate this. Any person who is a life saver takes on many responsibilities; these at least equal in importance those of First Aider and Quarter Master.

My expressed feelings were shared recently by another Guider who is also a life saver. We both feel that some form of award should be designed and issued in the near future.

How about it? It must be worth considering.

J Mawer,
Assistant Guide Guider,
Grimsby,
S. Humberside.

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G H V Lees,
Legal Adviser,
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Respect for the Uniform

Any instance of shoplifting, and lowering standards of honesty amongst Guides is rightly viewed with much concern.

Recently rushing out in uniform to a Meeting with an armful of books, I realised that I was very short of petrol. I stopped at the nearest 'self service' station and put in four gallons, then groped in the back of the car for my purse. No purse! I went in trepidation to the cashier, a middle-aged man, and explained the situation shamefacedly. He said 'How long will it take you to get the money?' 'About five minutes'. 'That's all right, then,' and he smiled slowly, 'after all, how can I do anything but trust you when you are wearing that uniform?'

We cannot afford to allow that trust to be destroyed, not only for ourselves, but for all the future members.

Lisbeth Horlick,
Bristol,
Avon.

Harassed Plea

'A piece of doggerel for *GUIDER* magazine, with many thanks for your monthly treat which comes through my door so promptly straight from CHQ'.

I love the GUIDER's drawings
of patient Dad with pipe,
of Ranger always wearing hat;
Jean's got them all just right.

I rush to the Guider's Handbook,
— page 202, did it say —
the rules for Camps and Boating
and Ideas for Open Day?

But please, Miss Jean de Lemos,
May I just make a plea,
Why does the harassed Guider
Always look so much like me?

(Mrs) Mary Babington,
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Variations on a theme . . . In Guiding?

by J. Barlee

This is the title of a series of articles which will be appearing in the next six issues of *GUIDER*. 'What kind of variations?' you might say. 'Anyone looking at my Unit would immediately see more than enough variations!'

The articles are certainly about different Units in Great Britain, each one meeting the challenge of Guiding in a different way, but with the extra challenge that each Unit is for handicapped members. You will meet Rangers so handicapped and from such a wide area that their Rangering is by post, Rangers who are handicapped mentally, Guides who are deaf, partially sighted and blind, or who have other varied physical handicaps, Guides who are educationally subnormal, Brownies who are spastic.

The Warnock Report recently published does not approve of children being labelled and categorised. Mrs Mary Warnock who chaired the Committee of inquiry into Special Education states that the main intention of the report is to alert the public to how ill-founded is their belief that there are two kinds of children, normal and handicapped. 'In fact,' she says, 'there is a whole spectrum of special educational needs.'

Surely, though, could not that last sentence apply to *your own* Unit? Every one of your Guides (or Brownies or Rangers) has some handicap to tackle. This one is too scatty, that one takes life far too seriously, and has very little sense of humour, this one is too self-conscious, that one is so thick-skinned that her tactlessness is unbelievable; this one comes from a broken home, that one is overprotected by doting parents. You name it and we've got it in Guiding. *Every* Unit has its own 'spectrum of special educational needs'; its own personality problems.

Now use your imagination (and be thankful that you have to) and suppose that each of your Guides has a physical handicap, too. She would rise above it, no doubt, but it would be interesting to think in what way and to what degree. Would your potential Queen's Guide be as courageous as, say, that funny little Brownie who came up to Guides last week? Who can tell?

So don't just skim through these articles. Use your imagination to set each Unit side by side with your own. Your Unit is not likely to change overnight, but your own challenge might come at any time. What are you going to say and do when somebody tells you of a handicapped child who needs Guiding or, more complicated still, brings her to your Meeting without warning? Whatever happens, don't make a hasty decision. Anyway, it's a Company matter, isn't it? There are all kinds of points to consider. On the practical level, is your meeting place suitable? Are there many steps up and down to contend with? Is the loo door wide enough for a wheelchair perhaps? If the place is not suitable, think very carefully how the problem could be solved. Meet the parents to get their advice. Talk to your District Commissioner and County Adviser for Handicapped Members. Do everything you can to make things work smoothly. Handicapped youngsters don't thrive on disappointment; they will have had far too much of it already in their lives.

Practical problems apart, the real test of membership is the same as for any other recruit. Can she understand the Threefold promise and can she benefit from the Programme? Special units, particularly those for girls who are called 'slow learners' in the Warnock report, take tremendous care about these points, as indeed we all should, so the same must apply to any recruit in an ordinary Unit.

The Eight Point Programme lends itself to all variations in our Units, whether ordinary or special. Gone are the days when 'Extensions' had to use special tests, and when a Blue First Class could not qualify a Guide to take the Queen's Guide Test. I have just been visiting a camp where a Guide was making the gadgets for the Camper's Badge. What of it? Nothing, except that, having no arms, she was doing the lashing with her toes, and a very firm job she made of it, too.

Normality at all times is the keyword of success. Expect the best and you will get it. Be appreciative of effort but don't accept slackness. Never talk down . . . in fact, treat a handicapped Guide in your Unit just as any other Guide, and train your Patrol Leaders to do likewise.

By now I am assuming that you and your Unit will be ready to accept the challenge when it comes. Hundreds of handicapped girls are ordinary Members of ordinary Units . . . and that is how they like it.

Two success stories come to mind. An ex-Ranger of mine joined a choir. She is exceptionally small and unable to walk. When her Unit sang in public, her friends contrived normality for her by putting a lab. stool in the second row. How simple!

The other involved a group effort in an art competition arranged by a firm specialising in artists' materials. The group picture, made by twenty-six girls, showed 'ten green bottles hanging on a wall', and to the girls' delight they won! Three or four were able to go to the prize-giving. They came back thrilled to the core. It was good to have won but better by far was the fact that 'until we went up for the prize, *they never knew that we were handicapped*'.

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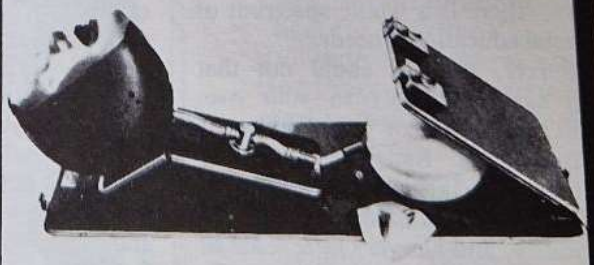

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The Basis of Home Making

by Margaret S Cannon

EACH of us lives in a home — or do we? Is it merely a base which is adequate for our needs, or is it somewhere which encourages a sense of belonging and where each individual is given due consideration? How truly welcoming are we at those inconvenient moments, or how ready to make that little bit of extra effort on behalf of those within our family circle, whether it be arranging flowers, icing a cake or just lending a listening ear?

If we are constantly challenging ourselves with regard to our home-making, then we shall be more understanding as we approach others — Guiders, Testers or those willing to share their skills to help in the training of the homemakers of the future. Important as it is that the girls should learn to wash their socks, make pancakes or calculate a weekly budget, what matters more is that they grasp the reason why they should master these skills: to make the most of their God-given gifts in the helping of others through their homes, thus attaining a fuller understanding of their Promise.

As we Commissioners contact these various adult helpers we must constantly keep in mind their own home background, taking a genuine interest in their family situation and being ready to offer practical help with the children, the dog or with transport wherever possible, although the giving of a few minutes to listen to the problems is probably what is most appreciated. The lack of a real friend on whom to rely is so prevalent today that the friendship and support we can offer is especially important.

Illustrations by Jean de Lemos

As well as carrying the responsibility of any area event without being left with all the organising, we should be ready to pass on party ideas, share new recipes, produce material for costumes or help with bulk-buying of food supplies, and we should help others to see that all of these, whether in or outside the home, are part of homecraft in its widest sense. Each one of us, girl or adult, has unlimited scope for progress in this field, and as we make a real effort to show an attitude of genuine care and concern for each individual so will home-making become more meaningful for us all.

Brownies Help At Home

by Morag Hart

DO your Brownies enjoy a variety of activities with a purpose? It's fun too if they can make use of new knowledge in their own homes. What will Mum say to that? We hope that with good links between Pack and Home Mum will provide opportunities for her daughter to Help at Home — and surely what fun they'll have together.

In Pow-Wow the Brownies have the opportunity to suggest and plan Ventures — perhaps the Hall cleaner is off sick or on holiday; what can the Pack do to help? Think of the washing, sweeping and polishing, the fun they would have together while learning and doing, and the achievement at the end of it all. Brownies on the Footpath would complete their Challenge, those on the Road could launder the aprons and dusters, and perhaps the Brownies on the Highway could make reviving cups of tea for the Guiders and squash for the Brownies. The Brownie Guider can introduce House Orderly and Safety in the Home Interest Badges as following on from there.

Simple sweets can be made as gifts (many can be made without cooking). Some Journey Challenges would be covered in this Venture if Brownies made wrapping paper with potato prints and tied up the parcels decoratively; Artist badge could be introduced here.

Try the recipe on page 149 of the Brownie Handbook as a team game (each member as an ingredient), and weave a story about baking. Perhaps the Pack could make cakes for the Guides to take to camp, or for a Parents' Evening or Old Folk's Home. Challenges and eight points galore and Cook and Hostess badges may be sparked off here to give Brownies valuable new experience.

I remember one Parents' Evening when the shoes of volunteers were polished. Such activity as newspapers rustled and brushes and polish were wielded with gusto. All that remained was to find the correct feet, until toes were once more hidden. What fun as small Brownies lost themselves in large shoes!

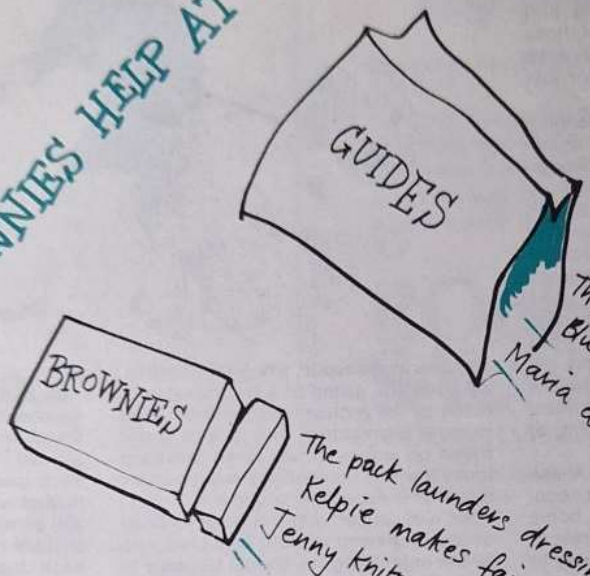
'Find the Button' — page 52, Games with a Point — helps to develop Brownies' imagination if you can suggest interesting garments. How many of your Brownies could sew a loose button on their uniforms?

It is not only the Brownies who find these activities interesting but also the Guiders — variety and stimulus in the Programme are good for us all.

Much can be done by the Brownie Guider to encourage the development of homecraft skills, thus helping the Brownies to keep their Promise while making a happy and useful contribution to home life.

Homecraft Skills

BROWNIES HELP AT HOME



The company welcomes Danish Guides to their Summer Camp
Blue tits erect 5 gadgets at Permit practice
Maria cooks cheesedream on first hike

The pack launders dressing-up clothes for playgroup
Kelpie makes fairy-cakes for church bake
Jenny knits a pot holder for Pack Holiday

Elaine makes a draught
Rangers regularly tidy

by Betty Fisher

BECOMING A HOMEMAKER

Claire makes a daughter excluder for Ranger room
Rangers regularly tidy garden of temporarily handicapped neighbour
The Unit runs a day camp for deprived children

Alison gains her campers licence
District Guiders have joint social evening with LA - badge tactics
The division compiles favourite recipes into a booklet (proceeds to help furnish new H.Q)

Illustrated by Jean de Lemos

Home is . . . .

by Elizabeth J Fisher

THE family house, the Patrol corner, a tent, where the heart is; and home-making is the practical skills and loving care which make even a temporary base into a home.

Just because she is a girl, a Guide is not automatically endowed with home-making skills, and much can be learned through Patrol and Company activities and put into practice at home, e.g. cooking, flower arranging, accident prevention etc. (RoSPA* supply a £1 pack specially for Accident Prevention Badge).

What can the Patrol do for its meeting corner? — furnish a screen, keep a well-equipped box, produce a hanging holdall for limited space, make individual sitters (newspaper or foam pad basis) or a Patrol campfire mat (perhaps from a grainstore sack)? To their corner they welcome visitors to test a badge, demonstrate a skill or for a Bring-a-Friend or Mother-and-Daughter evening.

There they plan their part in the Company 'Flower Show', the crèche for the Brownies' Fair, a visit to the Modern Homes Exhibition (might the Guider suggest a definite purpose?), or the menus for Patrol camp.

Camp! — the ultimate in home-making for Guides is also the complete programme experience, with so many opportunities for everyone to make progress. I made the French toast! boasts young Linda. Our bedding gadget didn't collapse once! thus the Bluetits. 'We never said a word till we were through the village' — the PLs on a night hike.

The delighted satisfaction that comes from erecting their own home,

Jean de Lemos

'furnishing' it and sleeping in it, well-fed and protected, can stimulate considerable progress in a Patrol and in its individual members. Even in Company Camping, Patrols can help plan menus, shop, and prepare equipment beforehand, and at least one 'Patrol meal' should be possible, with the Patrol-chosen dishes, perhaps glorying in fanciful names; or the Patrols previously challenged to produce a nourishing meal for £1. At one international camp one rule stated charmingly, Everyone must eat everything with glad face! What scope is a home camp too for the Promise in action!

Not every camp has international visitors, but the Brownies (who made the cakes!) might be welcomed, or the local shopkeepers, or Rangers on an overnight hike.

A simple Patrol hike — stimulated, supported and developed by a Guider — might lead to the Outdoor Cooking Pennant, collecting and preserving leaves or gathering wild fruit for jam, while an individual competition for the best 'Summer Sandwich' — 'edible' hat or musical instrument, is fun for an indoor meeting.

Homecraft skills, with their enormous scope, can provide a Guide with many ways of practising the Promise and a better understanding of the homemaker she will some day, somewhere become.

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Could the Rangers make the tea?!!

Edith A B McDonald

THE answer to that age-old question is, of *course* they could . . . and a lot more besides! In the Ranger Unit it is important that whenever an event involving homecraft skills is being considered account should be taken of the 'advancing' age and increasing ability of the girls concerned. 'Making the tea', baking an angel cake, or sewing a patchwork quilt may or may not require much effort from a 14-year-old, but it could have far-reaching effects.

Homecraft skills come into so many Ranger activities that it is often only in retrospect that the Guider and the girl realise just how much progress was made in carrying out a particular task. Conversely, the Unit which enjoys a great many outdoor activities may need to be encouraged by the Guider to try something just as challenging in the homecraft field, simply to ensure a balanced Programme for the Unit and the girl.

The girl who, supervised by an expert Mum or L.A. member, makes her own Ranger blouse and wears it with pride, may go on to tackle more adventurous dressmaking by herself, using this experience in the Ranger Challenge to gain an Interest certificate or as part of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award programme. Might the same girl also be found in later years tackling curtains or furnishings for her bed-sitter, or making clothes for her own children?

One Ranger Unit, browsing through the Handbook realised that they couldn't even begin to decorate an old person's flat unless they practised.

Jokingly the Guider, who had just moved into an old flat, said, 'You could always start on my bedroom!'

Eager faces and bright eyes.

'Could we?' they asked.

Jean de Lemos

In the weeks following, every Ranger wielded a scraper or brush, while three girls did the paper-hanging. Everyone admired or criticised the finished result, but the three paper-hangers have all helped husbands to decorate their own homes since then. As a Unit they never did paper an old lady's kitchen, but they would have been ready had the opportunity arisen.

Dinner parties, planning balanced menus and cooking for themselves on camps and holidays, hostessing, etc, are Ranger extensions of the homemaking skills they learned as Brownies or Guides — carried out, it is true, with just a little more finesse, but giving just as much fun.

Perhaps, however, one of the most satisfying home-making experiences for Rangers is the running of a day camp for deprived children. Many Units have tried this kind of Service camp in varying forms and all agree that, in spite of the hard work, it benefits the Rangers as well as the children. With two Rangers and several children sharing a tent 'house' for a few days, playing games, making craft items, cooking, it's a bit like playing 'houses', except that the words and actions of the cast cannot be planned in advance. Personalities react and interact with each other and the Ranger 'parents' have to sustain the harmony, often, in doing so 'growing' a little themselves. An experience like this is difficult to assess in terms of awards or certificates but may, in later years, help a girl to make a house into a **HOME**.

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EASTER LINK-UP

Right, LINK members enjoy a good fight!

The White Horse Link Unit acted as hosts at an Easter Link-up from Friday, 24th March, 1978, to Monday, 27th March, 1978, at The Scout Headquarters, Stallard Street, Trowbridge. The guests included members of the New Forest and Bristol Link Units.

The programme was varied and started on Friday, after establishing 'camp' and having a brief look around Trowbridge, with a mystery tour ending at Lacock. After a look round the village, refreshment was taken at The George, one of the oldest licensed Public Houses in Wiltshire.

On Saturday morning members could either go horse riding or try their skill at foil fencing, kindly demonstrated and instructed by Mr Robin Fewings and associates. After a couple of hours' instruction, members were left to 'battle' — fortunately no casualties resulted. In the afternoon a visit was made to Longleat Estate and the choice of activity was left to the individual. In view of the inclement weather, most selected a tour of Longleat House and various other indoor exhibitions. In the evening a skittles tournament held at The Ushers Social Club proved a close competition. Later in the evening, members joined with the local residents at the dance being held in a room upstairs; this was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

On Sunday morning, members visited Westbury White Horse, from where the host Link Unit had derived its name. Despite a rather blustery wind the full beauty of the surrounding countryside was appreciated from the top of the hills. In the afternoon a Link General Meeting was held at which various items of business were discussed. This meeting was attended by Lady Alport, National Link Chairman and Lady Willoughby, South Wilts Regional Link Adviser. In the evening, a visit was made to the nearby town of Bradford-on-Avon where items of local interest were pointed out to the guests. The evening culminated in a visit to a local Public House for much needed refreshment.

On Monday morning the braver element of the party went canoeing down the river Frome from Farleigh Hungerford to Iford, while the other members went for a stroll round the Castle ruins. The visiting Links departed at roughly 2.00 pm on Monday afternoon after a most enjoyable weekend.

I cannot let this report end without including this message to the Link members who attended the weekend — 'Is it real?'

Jean M Rew,
Secretary,
White Horse Link Unit,
Wilts.

Photos: Miss J Rew

Foil fencing instruction was given to LINK members by Mr Robin Fewings, right.

HQ NOTICES

Birthday Honours

All readers will wish to send their congratulations to **Lady Price, OBE**, Chairman of the World Committee, who was appointed a Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George for 'service to Girl Guides'.

It is only since 1965 that women have been appointed to this Order of Chivalry, instituted in 1818, and Lady Price is the 25th woman to be admitted. Formerly Chief Commissioner for Australia, Lady Price served as State Commissioner for Victoria from 1963-68. Many members of the Movement will remember with gratitude her moving tribute to the World Chief Guide at the Thanksgiving Service in Westminster Abbey last September.

GUIDER readers also congratulate the following members of the Guide Movement who received Awards:

Miss O Halloran, MBE, of New Zealand, for 'service to the Girl Guide Movement'.

Mrs M Bartlett, BEM, of Western Australia, for 'service to Girl Guides'.

Mrs F E Soymonoff, BEM, of Queensland, Australia, for 'service to Girl Guides'.

CHQ Awards

Good Service

Laurel Award

Miss J Cooper, Chairman, County Training Committee, Bedfordshire.

Miss R Howe, Brownie Guider, 1st Ventnor Pack, Isle of Wight.

Miss M Huzzey, Island Secretary for Isle of Wight.

Meritorious Conduct

Star of Merit

Miss Kathryn Bond, Ranger Guide, aged 18, Witney District RGU.

Despite being handicapped, Kathryn has remained cheerful and uncomplaining throughout all the treatment that she has had to undergo. An enthusiastic Brownie, Kathryn joined in all activities. As a Guide she gained her Queen's Guide Badge and took part in the Disabled Rider's Scheme, winning the Princess Anne Award for making a scrap book and log about the riders. Now as a Ranger she is working for her Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award having already gained the Bronze. In her wheelchair Kathryn also took part in the Ranger Diamond Jubilee walk and throughout the Division is renowned for her courage and sheer determination to lead as normal a life as possible, refusing to be treated differently from the other girls. Her enthusiasm sets an example to all.

Donna Reeve, Patrol Leader, aged 15, 15th Chelmsford (Trinity Methodist) Company.

Despite her handicap Donna has shown great courage, determination and patience in overcoming her disability and in trying to live as full and as normal a life as possible. She became a member of the School Hockey and Javelin teams and has been a most enthusiastic member. Although she has undergone painful surgery she has never been heard to complain. Cheerful, considerate and friendly, Donna impresses and inspires all whom she meets.

Letter of Commendation

Lisa Stone, Brownie Guide, aged 9, 1st Chalfont St Giles Pack, Buckinghamshire.

Training Diploma Award

Miss Joan Campbell, Hampshire North, Training Diploma (Brownie).

Sing for Joy

The latest BBC record featuring members of The Girl Guides Association is entitled *Sing for Joy*, and is due to be released on August 11th. It is a new departure from previous records as more sophisticated recording techniques have been employed. For discophiles, these include eight track recording with double-tracking, synthesiser, harmoniser and disc-delay effects. The performers came together from as far afield as Wales, the West Country and the Midlands, as well as the Home Counties.

We hope to have full details of the record, availability etc in time for September *GUIDER*

Colour Film of the Thanksgiving Service for the Life and Work of the World Chief Guide

A 16mm colour film is now ready of the Thanksgiving Service held at Westminster Abbey on September 28th, 1977, for the life and work of the World Chief Guide, Olave Lady Baden-Powell GBE.

Linked to the address by Lady Price, Chairman of the World Committee of WAGGGS, within the scenes at the Abbey are more than 100 highlights of Lady Baden-Powell's life from childhood and marriage right through her Guiding days. These pictures follow her on journeys from her earliest meeting with the Founder on a voyage to the West Indies in 1912, five times round the world to all five continents, providing a wonderful portrait of that most remarkable woman.

Film taken at the Abbey Service includes the readings by Lord Baden-Powell and the Chief Commissioner, the address by Lady Price and Pie Jesu from the Requiem by Fauré sung by Miss Barbara Lowe as well as many scenes of the congregation and choir.

A recording of the Chief Guide's last message to all Brownies, Cubs, Guides and Scouts is played as the congregation is seen leaving the Abbey with the flag, at her own request, flying at full mast.

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New to the Job

Foxlease 22/24 September

Although these two groups will be working separately they afford an opportunity for those doing their particular job as a 'new-comer' — which could be new to the Association or a change of warrant.

The Training Conference at Liverpool highlighted the need for help for Commissioners, and we hope that those who feel the need for such help will make the best of the opportunities which we are now offering at the Training Centres.

Planning Ahead

Foxlease and Waddow 8/10 September

There are still places available for Brownie and Guide Guiders, who have held a warrant for at least three years, to have the opportunity of special help with the planning of unit programmes, the progress of the girls in the Pack or Company, and relating their needs through individuals and group activities.

Those coming to this weekend are offered the chance to come back next year (Foxlease 12th/14th January; Waddow 26th/28th January) to share the results of the plans they made and ideas and suggestions for the future.

Derbyshire Heritage

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17th-19th November, 1978

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Sept	8-10 Planning Ahead *(Part I) (For Guiders of all sections who have held a warrant for at least three years)* 15-17 Kent East County 22-24 1. New to the Job *(Guide Guiders working for their Adult Leaders Certificate)* 2. New to the Job *(Commissioners)* 29-1 Oct General Training	8-10 Planning Ahead *(Part I) (For Guiders of all sections who have held a warrant for at least three years)* 15-17 West Yorkshire South County 22-24 Midlands *(by allocation)* 29-1 Oct County Durham and South Tyne	1-3 Outdoor week-end for Guiders of all sections — Hill walking 8-10 County Arts Advisers 15-17 Brownie and Guide Guiders *(including booking from Dundee)* 22-24 Brownie and Guide Guiders 29-1 Oct Trainers
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Nov	3-5 General Training 10-12 Making the Most of the District *(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)* 17-19 South West England *(by allocation)* 24-26 General Training	3-5 General Training 10-12 West Lancashire 17-19 Making the Most of the District *(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)* 24-26 Greater Manchester North	3-5 Brownie, Guide and Ranger — for experienced Guiders 10-12 Brownie and Guide Guiders 17-19 Districts 24-26 Brownie and Guide Guiders *(including booking from Glasgow South Division)*
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HOW TO APPLY

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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 sae. 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 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 able to stay over until Monday to enjoy the surrounding country and other amenities of the Centre are welcome to do so.

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CALENDAR

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6-8 General Training *(places reserved for Gwent)* 13-15 General Training *(places reserved for Clwyd)* 20-22 Outdoor Activities/Camp Conference 25-29 Patrol Leaders *(open)*	6-8 New to the Job 13-15 New to the Job 20-22 South Belfast Division 27-29 Guide Guiders	Glenbrook may also be booked for weekends or mid-week periods by self-catering groups.
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Birthday Honours

All readers send their congratulations to Miss Sue Ryder (Mrs Cheshire) who was created a Baroness. She is the Founder of the Sue Ryder Foundation for the Sick and Disabled of all age groups. Miss Ryder was a Guide in Suffolk and trained for relief work for a short while with a Guide International Service Team serving in Germany immediately after the Second World War.

Readers of *GUIDER* also congratulate Miss G M Pellow, awarded the MBE for 'service to the young and mentally handicapped in Cornwall'. (Miss Pellow has served as a Guide and Ranger Guider and a District Commissioner, and as County Extension Secretary for Cornwall from 1946-1967 and County Extension Adviser from 1967-1977.)

Expansion Campaign

'Scoutreach' is a campaign by the Scout Association to 'get through to' boys in deprived and inner city areas — those boys whose initial reaction to the idea of becoming a Scout might be the hostile one of 'that's cissy'.

But it's not only the Scouts who are trying to achieve a wider membership among children from 'tough' areas; the Girl Guides Association is doing this too; notably in South Glamorgan's new housing estates where few leisure facilities of any kind exist for young people.

Two young unemployed adults have found jobs helping the GGA through the Government's Job Creation Scheme; and their efforts could have a widespread good effect throughout the entire community of children and young teenagers in South Glamorgan.

Bethan Lewis, a twenty-two-year-old graduate of Social Studies, has been helping to promote membership of The Girl Guides Association on the Trowbridge Housing estate in Cardiff since March this year. The local schools particularly evinced an interest in Bethan's efforts to promote Guiding, and a public meeting she arranged resulted in seventy-nine would-be Brownies, sixty-five girls in the Guide age group, and six who could join Rangers. Even more encouraging, sixteen women came forward to offer help as Adult Leaders.

A similar assault is being made by Ronald Free (the other beneficiary of the Job Creation Scheme), on Cardiff's dockland area (formerly notorious as 'Tiger Bay').

It is also hoped that the immigrant community of Plasnewydd will be helped to form Companies and Packs along the lines it finds acceptable to its members' social and religious principles. (Some immigrant children, particularly from Indian families, are unable to join Guide Companies or Brownie Packs because they are not allowed out in the evenings; they would also be unable to take part in certain normal Guiding activities, eg going to Camp.) Advice is being taken from the immigrants' religious leaders about the type of modifications to normal Guiding practice which would be necessary before Brownie Packs and Guide Companies could be formed within their community, and volunteer Guiders and Assistant Guiders from among their number are being sought.

Understanding Handicap

The Treloar Trust accepts physically handicapped boys and girls from all over the country into its special schools, and Guides, Brownies and Rangers would find a film issued by the Trust both interesting and informative; some children can be cruel about physical handicap when it's something they don't understand.

'The Will and the Way' is a 35 minute, 16 mm colour film which gives an insight into the everyday life of the handicapped boys and girls who are in the care of the Trust. A set of about 60 colour transparencies is also available, showing the work of the Trust's college and school. This is particularly useful where there are no facilities for showing a film. A written commentary is included.

In the case of the film, a small letting fee is made, which also covers postage, etc, and if the slides are borrowed, any donation towards the work of the Trust would be much appreciated.

Within a 50 mile or so radius of Alton, Hants, the Trust is willing to send a speaker to talk about the Trust's work, and to answer questions. He or she will normally bring a projector and screen. Those ordering the film by post will have to supply their own.

For further information, write to: **The Appeals Secretary, Treloar Trust, Froyle, Alton, Hants.** Tel: 042 04/3248/2442.

Living with a Dog

Pedigree Petfoods education centre is willing to lend out a film which most Brownies and Guides would love. It's called 'Living with a Dog', and it explains the behaviour patterns of different types of dog, how they should be trained, and the proper diets for them. This film is on *free loan*; but you must return it not later than four days after showing.

It's a 16 mm film, with 17 minutes' running time. Eastmancolour. Projection equipment, screen and operator cannot be supplied.

Marc Henrie ASC

A 'still' from the film

Applications to borrow the film should be sent to: **Pedigree Petfoods Education Centre, Stanhope House, Stanhope Place, London W2 2HH.** Give details of the date on which you require to show the film, the number of people expected to attend the showing, and the organisation or society to which you intend to show it. Please give your telephone number.

Polio Outbreak***

The DHSS strongly advises travellers intending to visit The Netherlands to contact their doctors about the need for vaccination, due to the current outbreak of poliomylitis in that country.

Viyella Competition

Look out in September *TODAY'S GUIDE* and *GUIDER*, and 30th August *BROWNIE* for details of exciting competitions sponsored by Viyella. The competition for Brownies will be a quiz on Victorian life, with the chance to write a poem or paint a picture on the same subject. The competitions for Guides and Rangers will be similar, but will be separately judged for the two sections. They will consist of photographs of various 'tops' and 'bottoms' of fashion outfits to be paired, and to place in suitable occasions, plus a chance to design your own dress and have it made up in Viyella.

There are wonderful prizes in all three age groups, including dress lengths and the latest Frister and Rossman sewing machines, for the older contestants, and Viyella party dresses for the Brownies. More details next month.

JVR

In Memoriam

Mary Houghton will be sadly missed in Oxfordshire. About fifty-five years ago, as a young woman, she became Brown Owl of a Brownie Pack in the City and very soon became an 'Eagle Owl' (Brownie Trainer). She was one of the youngest Eagle Owls ever. During the following years she was a Guide Captain, holding a camper's licence; District Secretary and then District Commissioner for South Oxford District; Division Secretary and then Division Commissioner for Oxford City. There were a few years off while her children grew up, but she was soon back again and served ten years as Oxfordshire County Commissioner before retiring to the Trefoil Guild and becoming a County Vice President. Retiring is hardly the word, Mrs Houghton was always at our trainings, AGMs, etc, either behind the tea urn or working in the background. We shall miss that tall figure with a friendly smile at our gatherings.

HS

'Home & Away' continues on page 374

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A Stand to gain it (9)
B Some have it in the laying on of hands (7, 5)
C Sticks (7)
D Innocent (5)
E Activity engaged in by archaeologists and gardeners (7)
F Dead stretcher (4)
G Heraldic device met every day (8)
H Toward us (anagram) (8)
I Rewarding praise (5)
J Loud usefulness (8)
K Add nothing to French green (5)
L Grows in wet places (4)
M Recut on your table (5)
N The cube of itself (3)
O Call together (6)
P Less than (5)
Q Introduce into the club (8)
R Buying (8)
S Added on the end (6)
T Feint friend (anagram) (11)
U Animal found in a hot terrace (5)
V A lump of precious metal (6)
W Weird (5)
X Gets up (5)
Y Nothing in shots gives new growths (6)

The winner of last month's Double Acrostic was Mrs M E Hay, of Allithwaite, Grange-over Sands, Cumbria.

A	18	150	108	117	82	65	70	30	40			
B	144	8	50	60	80	93	138	154	110	116	102	122
C	43	7	22	114	146	75	127					
D	26	67	6	130	118							
E	55	12	33	48	88	106	157					
F	126	14	78	111								
G	17	79	89	107	148	73	103	29				
H	20	25	41	115	96	155	36	68				
I	119	105	85	66	161							
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K	121	11	133	24	57							
L	158	147	10	58								
M	83	9	31	128	28							
N	124	19	134									
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Q	149	45	152	15	53	112	1	90				
R	104	95	125	61	77	136	47	98				
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T	44	54	101	56	109	113	131	32	81	74	123	
U	140	16	72	84	91							
V	153	99	86	4	159	97						
W	23	37	42	100	59							
X	38	46	71	145	160							
Y	120	2	142	156	21	139						

Solve the clues and write the answers in the numbered grid. Transfer the letters to the corresponding numbered squares in the grid below. 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.

Solution to Acrostic No. 6

When I came to myself again my hands were full of young grass and mould and a little girl, kneeling at my side, was rubbing my forehead tenderly with a dock leaf and a handkerchief.

Lorna Doone, by **R D Blackmore**

A small prize will be awarded for the first correct entry opened on the 20th of each month. Send entries to: The Editor, *GUIDER*, The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, SW1W 0PT.

Acrostic: Brenda Hughes

ACROSTIC 7

Q 1	Y 2	O 3	V 4	J 5	D 6	C 7	B 8	M 9	L 10	K 11	E 12	S 13	F 14	Q 15	U 16	G 17	A 18	N 19	H 20
Y 21	C 22	W 23	K 24	H 25	D 26	J 27	M 28	G 29	A 30	M 31	T 32	E 33	O 34	P 35	H 36	W 37	X 38	S 39	A 40
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MAINLY FOR RANGERS

Rangers get their wings . . . some do it in style

Six Rangers from the Heston group in Middlesex became stewardesses for the day when they visited the British Airways Cabin Crew Training centre at London Heathrow Airport.

They were given a one-day introductory course in cabin crew training on board the airline's mock-up model of a Boeing 747 and discovered that there's more to the job than just serving meals.

With them on the course was British Airways Senior Instructor Mike Heath and he is seen in the photograph taking lunch from 15-year-old Wendy Aylott.

Watching with critical gaze are (left to right) Deborah Hewitt, Carole Sullivan, Alison Trafford, Linda Cassim and (seated) Sarah Melleney.

Group Photographic Services, Heathrow Airport

The Bermuda *Rectangle*

Pictured above is the only Ranger Flag in Bermuda. It was designed by the 1st Sandys Ranger Unit (some of whom are in the photograph with their Guider, Mrs Daphne Gauntlett). The flag was made by friends of the Unit, and has the Bermuda coat of arms in the second quarter (top right in the photograph). Part of the coat of arms of the Sandys family is shown in the third quarter (the Sandys family gave its name to the parish in which the Unit meets), and in the fourth quarter is depicted a longtail (boatswain bird); this is to represent the conservation work which the Unit has been involved with on the island.

Photograph: Tony Cordiero, Royal Gazette, *Bermuda.*

Ranger Readers Where Are You?

We are always on the lookout for new items suitable for the 'Mainly for Rangers' pages. If you have any interesting Ranger news (especially if accompanied by a black-and-white photograph) do write in: we'd love to hear from you.

The other evening, I was thinking what a grand bunch of girls we had in our Ranger Unit, and I felt inspired to write the poem below.

Dedicated to All Rangers

What is a Ranger?
A Ranger is a teenage girl
So busy, she has no spare moments
So energetic, she always has something to do,
So full of life, she is bubbling over
So keen to try new ideas, she will attempt anything

Listening, but not always wanting to hear.
Talking, but not always saying the right things,
Seeing, but not always seeing the best
Doing, but not always doing the things that should be done.

Trying to understand life, and not always succeeding,
Trying to understand adults, but not always seeing their point of view,
Trying to think for herself and not always finding the right solution
Trying to grow up, yet sometimes wishing she could stay young.

Mostly happy, yet sometimes very unhappy
Always friendly, yet ready to fight
Always with a crowd, yet sometimes very alone
Always ready to go along with the world
yet willing to stand against it
for what she knows is right.

And at the end of the day
What can she say, but —
'I promise I'll do my best'.

Mrs Marion R Rose,
Ranger Guider,
Rye District,
East Sussex.

Kent & Sussex Courier

. . . And some don't!

Getting down to the nitty gritty of air transport is this Ranger Guide, Pippa Harwood, of Christ Church, Tunbridge Wells Ranger Unit. The occasion was the Kent Air Scouts' annual Air Weekend at Headcorn Airfield in May, when parascending, flying and rides on hovercraft were only some of the activities enjoyed by 160 young people from the Folkestone, Gravesend, Tunbridge Wells and Maidstone areas.

Bug Wars

Now is the time of the year when the insect world generally declares all out war on the human population, and you face invasions from armies of ants, bluebottles, moths, wasps etc. Vapona produce a leaflet giving tips about facing this threat, which *GUIDER* readers can obtain free of charge by filling in the coupon below and sending it with an SAE size 7 in × 9½ in to: **The Vapona Bureau, 21 New Row, London WC2.**

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THE GIRL GUIDE FRIENDSHIP FUND

DEAR Guiders,

At the time of writing this letter, the sun has been treating us to a welcome spell of warmth, and I wonder if we are going to get another very hot summer. The three countries we want to help this year through the Mutual Aid Scheme — Peru, Kenya and Malaysia — have no worries about the heat! But they do have other problems, a lack of handbooks or tents, and I am sure that, with your support, we shall be able to reach our target.

You may recall that last year one of the countries we helped was Madagascar and recently we were delighted to receive the following letter:

'It is with joy that we get in touch with you today to express to you and to all the British Guides our sincere thanks and our deep gratitude for your understanding and your gesture of love.

May this co-operation be the beginning of a permanent bond between our Associations. May it equally reinforce the chain of friendship spun by our great Guide family across the world in the interests of peace and mutual understanding.

Thanks to a trip I made to Europe at the beginning of the year we have had these tents since March. They came immediately into service in our Easter camps where sixty Guides of the island came together.

I am sure it will interest you to know how these tents will be useful to us, so we will try to keep you informed of what we are able to achieve with them.

With the expression of our deep Guide friendship we say Thank you once more.'

It is good to hear that Madagascan Guides are now able to camp because of the help so willingly given by our Brownies and Guides, and I hope this year we shall be able to support Kenya, Peru and Malaysia.

Since writing to you last month we have also received a letter of thanks from Mr John Woodcock, Appeals and Development Officer of Home Farm Trust. The letter reads 'I would be so grateful if you would kindly convey through your channels of communication our very sincere gratitude for all the efficient and painstaking work which the Girl Guides put in to raising this fine donation. Used, as it has been, for the purchase of working equipment and a base for the greenhouse at Cherington, your gift is making a substantial contribution to the meaning and purpose of the lives of our young mentally handicapped and is, therefore a direct contribution to their happiness and welfare. On their behalf, we again extend our real and genuine thanks.

Wishing you and all the Girl Guides everywhere the happiness they deserve in their noble work for the community.'

Special information sheets on the Summer Project, and on the Fund are available from The Girl Guide Friendship Fund, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT. Please enclose a 7p stamp with your request.

All donations should be sent to the same address, and cheques should be made out to 'The Girl Guide Friendship Fund'.

Thank you all for your continued support.

RC

Above. The presentation by a Brownie, a Guide and a Ranger on behalf of The Girl Guide Friendship Fund, to Mr Woodcock, at Cherington House.

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Watching Wildlife, *Philps, Knight Books, £1.80.*
This attractive paperback of 96 pages is one of the Illustrated Teach Yourself series. The author, who clearly writes from years of experience, describes how to make oneself inconspicuous in order to watch wildlife. He deals specifically with stream life, water voles, foxes, kingfishers, wool ants (he does not mention that one can pass one's hand over the nest to illustrate the ants' use of formic acid as a deterrent), bees and spiders and ends with two useful chapters on photography and conservation. One cannot agree with him that butterfly populations have recovered from the setback caused by insecticides. The book has a good index and should appeal to the enquiring child.

EMC

Focus on Man and Movement, Focus on Food for Life, *E and D Wrigley, Methuen, £1.95 each.*
These two well-written and well-illustrated 48 page hardbacks are Methuen Children's Books. The written matter is lucid and suitable, with perhaps some assistance, for children of 8 to 13. The books are an attractive amalgam of biology and social science, with many points for discussion which many children should find interesting. Each book contains a final chapter of worthwhile things to do and each has a simple index.

EMC

Shakespeare: an Illustrated Dictionary, *by Stanley Wells, Kaye & Ward, £4.25.*
The author is head of the Shakespeare department of Oxford University Press, so we can depend on the accuracy of this most readable yet comprehensive guide. The entries are arranged alphabetically, giving information about Shakespeare's life and career, and the sources on which he drew. A separate entry for each of his works lists facts, dates, and the history of stage presentation. Every aspect of Shakespearean interest is covered, making this profusely illustrated book invaluable to anyone involved with Shakespeare, either in study or on the stage.

JVR

Read Me Another Story, *selected by Frank Waters, Beaver Books, 60p (paperback).*
Books for bedtime reading for children are always welcome; and selections of short stories are especially good for children whose concentration spans are limited, or who would otherwise stay awake for hours, in order to read a particularly exciting story right through to the end. In this book, Frank Waters' selection is a fine mix between traditional and modern, poetry and prose. There's one poem by Hilaire Belloc (would there were more), and a few by Edward Lear; none of them is serious, except, perhaps for 'The Hump', a faintly moralistic poem by Rudyard Kipling, which I had not read before.

Some of the nicest traditional stories are included, such as the Emperor's New Clothes, and The Princess and the Pea; in any case, all the stories have happy endings, and the varied flavour of the book is enhanced by the fact that more than one artist appears to have been employed in its illustration.

There's nothing exceptional about this book, but it *is* good value for money, and should be enjoyed by most children of up to eight years of age (the very youngest children will enjoy having the stories and poems read to them).

LMH

Storyland, *various authors, Collins, £2.50.*
A disappointing book, this; for although it's big (the traditional 'annual' size) and well illustrated, therefore initially attractive to children, the actual reading matter is poor, with far too high a concentration of fantasy animal stories, tales about wizards and so on, and a terrible dearth of everyday or adventure stories involving 'real' children and even faintly credible happenings. The better stories, eg Hugo and Sponge, Hans and the Robbers, are well outnumbered by silly anthropomorphic tales, many of which have extremely weak endings.

The hundred and fifty or so colour illustrations throughout the book add to its attraction; but all in all, it's not a good buy.

LMH

The Spur Cruising Cook Book, *by Ann Devine. Spurbooks Ltd, 90p.*
Now that self-catering holidays are so popular it is useful to find a book which helps you tackle the problems of cooking with the minimum of fuss but the maximum of food values.

This book deals particularly with the difficulties of cooking in a small boat and the author, herself an experienced dinghy sailor, with a great deal of cruising experience, explains how to eat well while at sea. She also includes some of her favourite recipes. Excellent advice is given on equipment, pre-sail buying and preparation, together with many hints and tips on cooking and serving interesting and appetising food.

OMC

Kid's London, *Elizabeth Holt and Molly Perham, Piccolo, 70p. (PB) or Evans Brothers Ltd., £2.95 (HB).*
It's not too late to obtain the above book for use during the schools' summer holiday; it would be a worthwhile purchase for busy Guiders taking large groups of children to see the capital, especially where many of the kids have seen London's most famous historic buildings and tourist spots before, and would appreciate a new slant on their capital.

It's unfortunate that nearest underground stations are not given, in connection with the various places of interest described; this lack makes it more difficult for the stranger to London to plan an itinerary; but the reader who follows up even one hundredth of the suggestions for entertainments, visits or activities contained within this book should find her holiday (and the children's) greatly benefits thereby.

LMH

Just off the Motorway, *by John Slater. Pan, £1.75.*
How often has every motorist wondered if it's worth taking the chance of driving off the motorway in the hope of finding cheaper petrol and better refreshments? This is a problem encountered by everyone who takes to the road in this country, and here is a handbook which goes a long way to solving it. In more than 100 maps, the author indicates where cheap petrol, 24-hour breakdown services, restaurants, pubs and hotels can be found within three miles of the motorway. The services are clearly marked with symbols for easy reference, and directions for reaching them and the junction at which one should leave the motorway are also clearly given.

If you keep this handbook in your car, the chances are your travelling expenses for motorway driving will be considerably cut. The author has researched his subject carefully, and the sudden needs of children as well as mechanical emergencies are catered for in this most valuable motorist's aid.

JVR

The Total Tote Bag Book, *Joyce Aiken and Jean Ray Laury, £3.95.*
This excellent book contains more than 100 designs to meet almost every conceivable need. Bags for picnics, sewing, teaching, shopping — to name but a few — are grouped according to their use. One chapter gives detailed instructions for a dozen master patterns. Pockets, handles and straps have not been forgotten — and the many techniques are clearly explained in step by step and well detailed diagrams. For totes not made from the basic pattern, the individual patterns are always given in the text. There are suggestions for various fabrics to use, also explanations of applique, quilting, patchwork, etc. Fabrics, interior pockets, measurements can all be interchanged to create one's individual tote. Illustrated in colour throughout, the book includes a chapter on the work of various fabric artists and crafts people to help stimulate the reader's creativity!).

SEB

IDEAS

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Public Gardens

Over 1,300 gardens in England and Wales are open to the public until the autumn under the National Gardens Scheme. Some are open daily, others for just one day a year, and the average entrance price is under 25p. They range from the formal gardens of great houses to picturesque cottage gardens, and the scheme, started in 1927, raises money for nursing charities. Details and opening times of all the gardens are given in Gardens of England and Wales Open to the Public, Price 50p from booksellers.

Handicapped on the Job Front

Many employers have a lot to answer for. Last year, over half a million pounds in Government aid was allocated for employers to adapt their premises so that they could employ disabled people. It was expected that they would apply for grants of up to £5,000 to provide such amenities as ramps, hoists, lifts, special lighting and toilet facilities. So far, only £8,760 has been used.

Employment Under Secretary Mr John Grant said: 'It is high time that (employers) and unions at local level adopted a vigorous positive approach to the scheme. Shop stewards, for instance, should be asking their employers for action.'

W. Esdon Lilley

Lady Price, OBE, who was appointed a Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George in the Birthday Honours. (Please see Headquarters' Notices, p. 358)

Feathered Friends

The Young Ornithologists' Club always welcomes new members. Most of the club's present membership is between nine and fourteen years of age, though some are up to eighteen years old.

Members receive a copy of the bi-monthly magazine *Bird Life*, which covers many facets of ornithology and natural history. Projects and competitions are also featured.

On joining the YOC, all members receive their own cloth arm-badge which bears the emblem of a kestrel, and a membership card.

Y.O.C.

Birdwatching is a pleasure children can share . . . when they join the YOC. They can meet boys and girls with similar interests through the local groups, outings and courses.

There is an annual competition in three different age-groups to find the Young Ornithologist of the Year, when valuable prizes are awarded by the publishers of the magazine *British Birds*.

YOC members aged 15+, together with adult RSPB members, lead local field outings to places of interest for younger club members. Any YOC member wishing to take part in local activities is invited to contact the nearest leader.

For further information on the Young Ornithologists' Club, write to: **Peter Holden, Young Ornithologists' Club, The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire.**

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Spotter's Guide to: Trees; Wild Flowers; Garden Flowers; Butterflies; Birds; The Seashore; Fishes; Rocks & Minerals, *by several authoritative authors, published by Usborne (65p each).*

When costs of reference books are soaring, these easy to slip into a pocket or bag guides represent good value for money. Although each one contains only 65 pages, they are filled with much useful information on each subject, giving details on how to use the book, where to find the subjects, the equipment, if any, that is required, how to preserve and collect where appropriate. The pocket-books contain about 40 pages of colour printed examples accompanied by an adequate descriptive text. For those who want to keep a check on species found, there is a circle with each one so this can be ticked, then the identification recorded on score-card pages in the back of the book. There are also things to interest the person who likes making something with them they find, such as collecting shells and creating ornaments and useful items with them, making a flower notebook, raising the seeds and fruits found so these can be planted to mature into shrubs and trees. For those who want to further their knowledge, some of the books contain lists of places to visit, societies or clubs to join and reference books to read. The colour printing of the species is accurate enough to make identification possible. My only criticism is they do contain rare and very rare species, also some that do not occur in Britain, but this is usually stated in the descriptive text, and of course, there is the possibility of finding rare species anyway. **APM**

The Young Naturalist's Handbook, *Moore, Hamlyn, £1.95.*

This is a strongly bound, 250 page, profusely illustrated book. It covers birds, mammals, insects, reptiles, amphibians, fish, herbs and trees in seven different habitats but as it encompasses the country side of Europe and its wildlife, the number of species discussed is limited and the information on each slight. One wonders if some species, e.g. the wild boar, should be there at all. Each section opens with two commendably succinct essays on the habitat which are followed by pale green pages telling one what to look for. The plant illustrations are very good but some of those of birds less satisfactory. There is a good index but the omission of lists of suggested further reading is unfortunate. The book is remarkably cheap. **BMC**

Living Through the Blitz, *by Tom Harrisson. Penguin, £1.00.*

Did British people behave during the second World War with the heroism depicted in the press and films of the day? Many readers of *GUIDER* will remember those historic days in the early 1940s, but many more will wonder how civilians, trying to carry on a normal life under siege conditions, really felt and behaved. This paperback is based on reports written and filed at the time, most of which were abandoned for many years. The picture that emerges is one of a surprising degree of acceptance of the most appalling living conditions, and an ability to rise above or even ignore the discomfort of spending night after night under bombardment, and day after day with inadequate diet and insufficient sleep. This is a most interesting and illuminating record of a generation. **JVR**

Working Holidays 1978 and **School Travel and Exchange,** *Central Bureau for Educational Visits and Exchanges, both compiled by Hilary Sewell, 85p.*

Both the above books are mines of information for schoolchildren and others ('working holidays' could prove useful to those up to their middle thirties) who want to broaden their horizons and don't quite know how to go about it, or to whom to turn for help.

'Working Holidays' gives details of specific vacancies as well as some useful information about overseas publications in which advertisements may be placed by those seeking work abroad.

Updated versions of these books will be issued for 1979. Enquiries to: Central Bureau for Educational Visits and Exchanges, 43 Dorset Street, London W1H 3FN. **LMH**

WHAT'S ON

Exhibitions

Traditional Farm Buildings

Generally speaking, architecture in this country has not received the widespread appreciation that it undoubtedly deserves, and consequently many magnificent buildings have been shockingly neglected or demolished. Farm buildings are no exception, but fortunately this exhibition, run by the Arts Council of Great Britain and currently on tour, provides a timely record of the traditional farmstead over the ages, a type of building that is rapidly vanishing.

Pamela Toler

An eighteenth-century granary reconstructed at Avoncroft Museum of Buildings in Worcestershire.

The exhibition illustrates the construction and use of the main types of traditional farm building in England, setting them in the context of the farms they served and the processes they housed, and illustrating the evolutionary changes that have taken place over the years.

The exhibition can be seen at Chichester Singleton Open Air Museum until August 13th, then Bromsgrove, Avoncroft Museum of Buildings August 29th — September 24th, Reading, Museum of English Rural Life, Whiteknights, October 7th — 29th, Cirencester Museum, November 11th — December 3rd and Oakham, Rutland County Museum December 16 — January 14th, 1979.

A Dream of Fair Women: Japanese Paintings and Prints of the Ukiyoe School

The political and social conditions of seventeenth century Japan gave birth to the 'Floating World' of pleasure, fashion and entertainment. *Ukiyoe* paintings, prints and books depicted this world, frivolous, happy-go-lucky, colourful and with an inexhaustible capacity for self-admiration.

This interesting exhibition, currently showing in the Oriental Gallery II at the British Museum, Bloomsbury, London, until September 17th, demonstrates overwhelmingly the central theme of *Ukiyoe* art; the theme of women. Many of the paintings depict the courtesans, the high class prostitutes who flourished in the big Japanese cities and were leaders

Comparisons of the beauties of the green house, by Okumura Masanoba (1686-1764).

of fashion with their clothing, hairstyles and styles of make-up, while other pictures show women of the upper, military and lower classes.

The *Ukiyoe* style became better known than any other style of Japanese art, mainly because of printing. Many of these prints, including full colour prints, produced from 1764 onwards, are also included in the exhibition. Admission is free. **TWH**

Henry Moore at the Tate

One of Henry Moore's well-known Shelter studies, from the exhibition of his drawings currently running at the Tate Gallery. The Tate is also exhibiting a group of 36 sculptures by Moore, which form the Henry Moore Gift. Both exhibitions will run until 28th August, an admission charge of 30p is being made for the exhibition of drawings (students and pensioners 15p), while the Henry Moore Gift exhibition has free admission. The Gallery is open Monday to Saturday 10.00 am-6.00 pm, Sunday 2.00-6.00 pm.

Theatre

Marcel Marceau

Marcel Marceau, the world-famous French mime artist returns for the third time to Sadler's Wells Theatre on Monday, July 31st, for a limited season. The show begins at 7.30 every evening and 2.30 pm on Saturday Matinees, whilst admission prices range from 80p to £4.50 with party bookings available for the first week only for parties of 10 or more.

Other Events

Creepy-Crawlies

You may remember the Paintings for Numbers feature in June *GUIDER*'s What's On (page 281) dealing with the National Gallery's quizzes for children. The new summer event arranged for children at the Gallery is on a Creepy-Crawly theme, and it runs (or crawls) until September 3rd. Illustrated quiz sheets are available from the Orange Street Entrance, and this will lead children to various paintings showing insects and bugs lurking among flowers and fruit.

Portrait of a Woman of the Hofer Family, Swabian School, 15th century. Note the fly on the Woman's hat, which may have been painted on by the artist to confuse the viewer into thinking a fly was actually on the canvas.

Children can also enter a drawing competition with prizes for the most amusing or artistic entries. Entrants are asked to add their own 'creepy-crawlies' to a picture based on Van Gogh's Sunflowers.

The quiz is suitable for an age-group of 8 to 14, and is accompanied by an audio-visual show. The show is held in the Moving Picture Room, Mondays to Saturdays, continuously each day from 10.30 am to 3.30 pm, Sundays 2.00 pm to 5.30 pm. Quiz sheets will be available all day every day. If you want to take a party of children to do the quiz at the Gallery, you must contact the Education Department first to arrange times. Ring (01) 839 3321 exts. 295/290.

In Brief

Bradford-on-Avon — 19 & 20 Aug, National Collegiate Parachuting Competition, Bickmarsh Airfield.

Biggleswade, Beds — 27 & 28 Aug, Flying Day, Shuttleworth Collection of Historic Aeroplanes, Old Warden Aerodrome.

Bourton-on-the-Water — 28 Aug, Football in the River Windrush, Glos.

Manchester — 6 Aug, Historic Commercial Vehicles Trans-Pennine Run, from Manchester to Harrogate.

Peterborough — 18 & 19 Aug, Horse Show, Ponies of Britain, East of England Showground, Alwalton.

Whitstable & Tankerton — 5 Aug, Annual Carnival throughout the town, 1800.

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