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"Webb Ivory helped give us an anniversary to remember"

Miss B. Dale, District Commissioner, Stoke North District



In 1978 the Guides of the 4th Stoke-on-Trent Company celebrated two anniversaries — their own 50th and the 10th anniversary of the Bucknall Methodist Church. They decided to mark the occasion by presenting the church with a beautiful silver chalice and paten: and as on so many occasions over the years, they found the best way to raise the funds they needed was through the Webb Ivory Fund Raising Service.

Miss Beryl Dale, District Commissioner for Stoke North District and Brownie Guider of the 4th Stoke-on-Trent Brownie Pack, has been raising funds with Webb Ivory for *"more years than I can remember"*. It has meant a steady source of income for the Guides and Brownies which has helped to finance all kinds of activities.

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to all our
readers for a
happy and
successful
New Year
from the editor
and staff
of GUIDER.

Cover

These Scottish Ranger Guides take to the water in the course of a Ramble around the Scottish Islands (see September *GUIDER*, 1979). Photograph: Mrs E Paterson.

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GUIDING

Roundabout



Grimsby News

1st Wybers Wood Guides and Brownies of Grimsby took part in the Junior Chamber of Commerce and Shipping street parade last year, when they won a trophy for their entry under the nursery rhyme section with 'Boys and Girls come out to play'.

Guides and Young Leaders from East Renfrewshire are pictured here on a canoeing course organised by Strathclyde Regional Council at Castle Semple Loch in June last year.



Mrs S Dew

Brownsea Island Scout and Guide Management Committee met for lunch last autumn to thank the retiring Treasurer, Mr Lionel Woodcock, and the former site warden, Mr Blaxhall.



Brownsea photos: Mrs D Press

Left, Mrs J Powell presents a cheque to Mr L Woodcock. Below, Ranger Guides with the Scout Service Team, Brownsea Island.

And right, a group of Guiding and Scouting members who shared in wishing 'all the best' to Messrs Blaxhall and Woodcock. (Mr Woodcock is with the group, standing on the extreme left).



This Brownie's face is a study in concentration as she competes in a variation on a flower pot race and is one of the Brownies to represent Lutterworth Division at Leicestershire's 1st annual sports at the Saffron Lane Stadium. The idea was based on TV's 'It's a Knockout'.



Mrs E Morgan



Mr N McCollum

It's the Guiding Generation Game! Guider mothers and Brownie or Guide daughters are pictured here at Camp in Yorkshire. Left to right: Guide Dawn with her mother, Mrs Pauline Lancaster, Debbie Frost with her mother Mrs Dorothy Frost, Angela McCollum with her mother, Mrs Ellen McCollum, Mrs Nicola Layton (Guider) with her mother, Mrs Elizabeth Kenny and Brownies Katherine and Michaela Whitworth with their mother, Mrs Susan Whitworth.



Mrs M A Dever

Putting their best feet forward for the International Year of the Child are these Brownies and Guides from Preston West Division. The walk was started by the Mayor and Mayoress of Preston (right of centre) and well over £1,000 was raised in sponsorship money.





Blackpool Gazette & Herald Ltd

His Royal Highness Prince Philip enjoyed his visit to this Brownie Pack which demonstrated singing games for him during his tour of West Lancs last year. Brownie Guider Miss Jean Priestley and Young Leader Nicola Southern show just how it's done.



J. G. Iles

The life of a skipper is a responsible one . . . pictured during their sponsored skip are these members of the 1st Caereithin Brownie Pack from Swansea. Between them they raised £52 for the International Year of the Child Charity.

Haven't we seen that face before somewhere? Yes, — all three of them, in fact. Pictured with comedian Frankie Howerd, centre, are the two Guiders, Elizabeth Day and Rosemary Monk, who shared a Webb Ivory donated prize of a trip on an Atlantic Islands cruise aboard the QE2 (see Roundabout, July GUIDER 1979).



Brian Simpson



S. Jardine

Mrs B. Landale celebrates half a century of the 1st Fontmell Magna Guide Company, which she founded in 1929. Mrs Landale is pictured here cutting the celebratory cake.



Guider Margaret Aihunu takes the salute as Members of the Guide Movement in the Solomon Islands celebrate Women's Week (this took place last September).



Leslie Overend

We will remember them . . . these Guides from the 9th Mirfield Coy, W Yorks, put their handcraft talents to practical use by making poppies for the Royal British Legion for last November's Remembrance Day. A well informed group of adult members is pictured below; this Buckinghamshire District Team emerged as winners in a series of local general knowledge quizzes last autumn.



Mr Harris

Items of Interest from the Executive Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 4th October, 1979

After opening the Meeting with a prayer, the Chief Commissioner welcomed Lady Hamilton, Deputy Chief Commissioner for the Midlands, to the Meeting, who was representing Mrs Hartridge. Mrs Walker informed members of the Committee that there would be a buffet lunch and that a number of guests would be attending the presentation of the Silver Fish to Mrs Vaughan-Cox.

Royal Tournament — 'Trefoil Tourney'

In her report, Mrs Birkbeck expressed her gratitude for the tremendous amount of work that had been carried out by the Arts Adviser, the producer, Brian Cook, David Dean the designer, and all those who had helped and participated throughout the English Regions. The overall result had been a kaleidoscope of activity and colour showing the Eight-Point Programme at its best.

Trefoil Tourney had been an even greater success than had been hoped for. Tremendous excitement and pleasure was experienced by those taking part, and many letters of appreciation had been received from people outside the Movement.

The Executive Committee asked Mrs Birkbeck to convey to the staff of the Public Relations Department at CHQ their gratitude for carrying out all the secretarial and co-ordinating work.

Commissioner for Branch Associations

(i) Appointments

The following appointments were noted:

President — Fiji

Mrs N Thomson appointed as President of the Girl Guides Association in Fiji (vice Lady Grant).

President — Commonwealth of Dominica

Mrs J Osborne, MBE, appointed President of the Girl Guides in the Commonwealth of Dominica (vice Lady Couls-Lartique).

Deputy Commissioner — British Virgin Islands

Miss Melody Lina appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Girl Guides Association in the New Hebrides.

(ii) Reports

Trainers' Visit to Caribbean

Mrs Vaughan-Cox reported that two Certified Trainers, under the guidance of two Trainers with Caribbean training experience, had visited the Caribbean and good reports had been received.

British Guides in Germany — Annual General Meeting

Mrs Vaughan-Cox reported that she had attended the Annual General Meeting and had had the pleasure of presenting Mrs Wooldridge with the Beaver Award.

Girl Guide Friendship Fund

Details of the Girl Guide Friendship Fund projects were received and attention was drawn to the Kidney Project — 'A Holiday by the Sea'. It was hoped that enough money would be raised to provide a kidney machine at various seaside resorts to enable patients to go on holiday with their families.

Bangladesh Project

There had been an excellent response to this and the Commissioner for Branch Associations was keeping in close touch with the World Association.

Members of the Committee were very pleased to learn that Guides and Brownie Guides in Abu Dhabi had raised £650 from a sponsored swim to commemorate International Year of the Child, and were now sponsoring two children, a boy aged eight from India and a girl aged nine from Pakistan. The amount raised would pay for the education of these two children for six-and-a-half years.

Commonwealth of Dominica

Following the recent hurricane in Dominica, it was reported that 38 people had lost their lives, 60,000 had been made homeless and that there had been 100% destruction of crops. Further news was awaited from Dominica Guides.

World Association of Girl Guides & Girl Scouts Director, World Bureau

It was reported that Miss Lyn Joynt had retired as Director of the World Bureau on 5th September, 1979, and that her successor would be Miss Jo Caesar (Mrs Robert Altmann) with effect from 22nd October, 1979. Miss Caesar had had 20 years' experience in various capacities with the British Council, which worked in over 80 countries. She had travelled widely and worked with people of all creeds, races and nationalities. She had had very broad administrative experience.

Miss Caesar had been a member of the Movement from the age of eight years, was a Queen's Guide, a Sea Ranger and a member of the London University Scout and Guide Club. She and her husband (who had been a Scout) supported enthusiastically the activities of their 10-year-old son, who was a Cub Scout, and their seven-year-old daughter, a Brownie Guide.

The General Secretary had sent a letter of welcome to Miss Caesar.

Commonwealth Headquarters

Annual General Meeting 1980

(i) Date and Place

The 1980 Annual General Meeting (afternoon session) will be held at The Mansion House, London, on Thursday, 5th June, 1980.

The Speaker on this occasion will be Mr Peter Newsam, Education Officer for the Inner London Education Authority.

Annual General Meeting 1981

The Royal Festival Hall has been booked for Tuesday, 2nd June, 1981.

Junior Council

The first meeting of the Junior Council will be held at Commonwealth Headquarters from Friday 18th to Sunday 20th April, 1980 and members will be accommodated at Olave House.

The Chief Commissioner
Chairman of the Religious Consultative Panel
Mrs A E N Ward has been appointed Chairman of the

CHQ Rogues' Gallery (9) The General Secretary

We have come down to the first floor now and my offering follows articles contributed by more fluent writers. Indeed it could be said that the work you do colours your expression, as I feel sure that I now write in POR, Committee or Constitutional language.

I've been 'administrative' since childhood, first assisting my parents with their hotels and property matters, and later taking an extensive Business Methods course before going on to graduate. All during those years my sights were set on designing clothes. Fate decreed differently as the Second World War prevented me from coming to Europe to join my chosen fashion house.

I've been in Guiding since joining as a Brownie in South Africa. War Service from 1942 as a FANY in North Africa, and then the Far East, meant that I could not continue with full-time Guiding, but I subsequently helped Guide pro-

jects in Latin America through the CARE programme, on which I worked for eight years.

I have had four children — they are now all grown up and following their chosen careers. My older daughter is a languages graduate who works at Yale University; a son has recently graduated in geography and another in American Studies. The youngest has done her Arts Foundation Course and has chosen to work as a secretary for a couple of years before going back to college.

My married life has taken me to several continents. Between the war and the time of joining the Association in 1971, I have done an amazing variety of work — voluntarily running an Arts School in Mexico, Administrative Officer for CARE in Latin America, with the Fulbright Commission in the UK, Senior Woman Officer with the British Oxygen Company, partnership in a services business in the

States and, later, running the extremely busy consultancy of a haematologist during my mother's lengthy illness in America. Each of these has brought great satisfaction as well as breadth of knowledge. Once I was invited to work with a firm of tax consultants in California for six months on Inter-state taxes, when the senior partner, my neighbour, sustained a heart attack. On another occasion I was invited to work on a multi-million dollar fund-raising project for the County YMCA. It was Lord Reith who asked me to join British Oxygen, where he always referred to me as a 'fully institutionalised woman'. I must accept that he meant it as a compliment!

In my work with those at Commonwealth Headquarters, serving both the Executive Committee and the Council, in my contacts throughout the Movement and externally with other organisations and government, I have had a very happy and fulfilling experience. But I think the wonderful days when thousands of young members visit us here, and when I have a chance to talk with them, are the most rewarding, ever a reminder of what Guiding and Service are all about.

Lysia Whiteaker

Religious Consultative Panel with effect from 1st January, 1980, for an initial term of three years.

Community Relations Adviser

Mrs A E N Ward has also been appointed Community Relations Adviser with effect from 1st January, 1980 for an initial term of three years.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award Co-ordinator

Mrs L M Yates, JP, has been appointed Duke of Edinburgh's Award Co-ordinator with effect from 1st September, 1979 for an initial term of three years.

Public Relations Adviser

The Hon Mrs W Birkbeck, JP, has agreed to continue as Public Relations Adviser until the end of 1979.

International Commissioner

Lady Baden-Powell's term of appointment will end on 5th November, 1979, and Lady Beevor has been appointed as International Commissioner with effect from that date.

The Chief Commissioner thanked Lady Baden-Powell for all she had done during her term of office.

President, Trefoil Guild

The Executive Committee, on the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner, ratified the appointment of Mrs I Thompson (ex-County Commissioner for Lancashire East) as President of the Trefoil Guild with effect from 7th November, 1979 (vice Mrs S Manasseh).

Lysia Whiteaker

General Secretary, CHQ



Mrs Whiteaker meets some Brownies who are plainly thrilled at having the chance to dress up in historic and foreign costumes.

The Legal Secretary

Catherine Philp

ON leaving school, like many teenagers, I was not at all certain of the course my career should take, so I kept my options open by pursuing a General Arts degree course at Bedford College, University of London, with English, French, Latin and Maths as my chosen subjects. After university came the good old standby for arts graduates

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CHQ Rogues' Gallery contd

of a secretarial course. It was around this time that I made the acquaintance of a Sea Ranger Skipper, and decided that I would be likely to enjoy an active involvement in the Guide Movement, which seemed to have so much to offer to young people.

When I became a Ranger Captain, I was then too young to hold a Warrant (in those days, Warrant holders had to be 25 or over). Since those first, Ranger Guiding days, I have held offices as District Secretary, District Commissioner, Division Secretary, Division Commissioner, County Secretary, County Badge Secretary and County Ranger Adviser. One particularly challenging aspect of Guiding in the 1940s was my involvement in restarting Guide Com-

panies and Brownie Packs which had disbanded with the evacuation of so many London children to the country during wartime.

It was also around this time that I started reading for the Bar in the evenings; this was quite an undertaking, since there was no opportunity to attend daytime lectures, and I was working full time during the day in Scout HQ's Legal Department (Scout HQ was in Buckingham Palace Road in those days). I was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1948.

After working at Scout HQ for 35 years, I transferred to Guide Headquarters in November 1967. I have worked at CHQ ever since.

When I moved to Surrey 14 years ago, I started a village Brownie Pack which I ran for eleven years until the age limit caught up with me. I am now District President and

Chairman of the District Trefoil Guild.



**As readers can see from the picture above, Miss Philp's many devoted years spent working for both Movements saw something of a zenith recently, when she was appointed a Member of the British Empire by Her Majesty the Queen in last year's Birthday Honours.*

THINKING DAY IS DRAWING NEAR

... But wait, you say, it's not until next month. You're right, but it is certainly time to start thinking and preparing for 22nd February. On that occasion, Thinking Day will be 54 years old. Since 1926 we have set aside this special day to honour the Founder and the World Chief Guide on their joint birthday, remember our sisters in other countries and say 'Thank you' to WAGGGS for our Movement, which gives so much to so many all over the world.

We must never lose sight of the fact that Thinking Day, as a part of the worldwide Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting Movement, is for the children. If you're looking for a new direction for your annual Thinking Day celebration, why not focus on the universal experiences of childhood?

What are some of these universal childhood experiences? Think back: did you have a pet? Did you have a favourite plaything, or story? Children of today have the same experiences and dreams. Why not help your girls discover the national uniqueness within such similar experiences? Did you know, for example, that dogs say 'wau wau' in Mauritius or that German roosters say 'kikeriki'? What do they say to you?

Your Troop/Pack/Company could learn about life in other countries. Perhaps someone has a penpal. Maybe someone has relatives in another country. The sources of information can be as nearby or far-away as your imagination suggests.

Do your Girl Guides/Girl Scouts know that their contributions to the Thinking Day Fund have helped other girls to become members of the Movement and thus to enjoy the thrill of belonging to a worldwide family? Do they know that the Thinking Day Fund helps to make possible our work in public relations through which we are able to spread the story of Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting to others?

Since the Thinking Day Fund began in 1932, these anonymous donations given with love from Girl Guides/Girl Scouts to their WAGGGS sisters have been better received than direct donations given from one

National Organisation to another.

The Thinking Day monies helped to bring together all the members of the Arab Regional Group at a seminar in Sudan where training methods were discussed and where they were able to define the rôle of the Girl Guides Association within the framework of women's associations and the part to be played by them in the economic, social and cultural development of their countries.

Thinking Day donations helped 44 Commissioners, Guiders and Rangers from 18 National Organisations in the Asia Pacific Region to meet in Bangkok, Thailand, to discuss 'Guiding in the 80s'.

Twenty-eight leaders of Rangers/Senior Girl Scouts from 15 National Organisations met together at Our Cabaña with their counterparts in the World Organisation of the Scout Movement to consider the importance of the Movement in today's changing world.

Sixty-five trainers from Europe met in Jambville, France, at a Training Market attended by representatives of 16 Girl Guide/Girl Scout/Boy Scout National Organisations.

Gifts to the Thinking Day Fund enabled a World Bureau staff member to spend a year in Africa looking for lost Girl Guides (re-activating their interest in the Movement) and assisting countries working towards membership with their preparations.

You can see that the Thinking Day Fund is not used exclusively for new countries. It helps neighbouring countries sponsor exchanges of people and ideas on such topics as training methods, work with the handicapped, programme planning and committee training.

The WAGGGS-sponsored Let Us Share project also benefits from the Thinking Day Fund as neighbouring countries help each other in the true spirit of Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting.

All of these projects need *your* help through your donation to the Thinking Day Fund. The target for 1980

MORE ABOUT THE EUROPEAN CONFERENCE

IN November's issue of *GUIDER* I suggested you might take, as this year's Guiding theme, 'Europe'. This is because our Association together with the Scout Association of Great Britain will be hosting the European Conference in July, at Lancaster University. Its theme will be:

'Youth in Europe Today — New concepts for Girl Guiding and Boy Scouting.'

What is a European Conference about and why do we need to have one?

The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, (WAGGGS) the vast International body to which we and other National Guide Associations belong, is like our own UK Guide Association, easier to administer if divided into geographic sections. Here in the UK we have three countries; Scotland, Wales and Ulster, and six English Regions. The World Association's sections are: **The Asia Pacific Region, Africa, The European Region, The Western Hemisphere and The Arab Group.**

Just as we in our Countries and Regions belong to the main UK Girl Guides Association and adhere to its policies, so the Regions of the World belong to the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts and follow their policies which are formulated by the Region Committees (sub-committees of the World Committee, the Governing body of the World Association.)

The UK Girl Guides Association is of course in the European Region with 22 other National Associations.

The idea of having Regions is so that neighbouring countries with similar environments can work together and help one another, and establish closer relationships, as do counties in our administrative areas of Great Britain. Naturally if there are to be any projects and links these countries have to meet, just as in our Countries and Regions the Counties need to meet. Whereas in Britain this might be at a Country/Region AGM or Conference, so the WAGGGS Regions hold Conferences. The World Association has a Conference every three years at which all the member Associations meet and decide policy.

is £100,000, not a large sum when divided by the number of Girl Guides/Girl Scouts worldwide. Help your girls become more aware of the value of their donation, however small, and help our World Family celebrate its special 'birthday' by furthering the work of the World Association.

Jo Caesar,

Director, World Bureau.

Thinking Day Fund

1978	£21,222
1979	£33,758
1980	£??,???

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Please mark the envelope 'Thinking Day' and include the name and address of the sender and the Unit, District etc. A stamped addressed envelope *must* be enclosed if a receipt is required.

So in the European Region, we have decided to hold a Conference every three years; these European conferences to fall in the year prior to a World Conference. The European Conference is where delegates from the European member Associations can discuss matters of common interest, share problems and ideas and decide to hold trainings and events. A conference of this type is *not* a policy making body, but proposals can be put to the World Committee from the Conference.

The European Region is administered on behalf of the Countries by a Committee appointed by the World Committee. At the European Conference, nominations of candidates for the European Committee from the European National Associations are received, and a vote is taken. The result of this election is put to the World Committee as a recommendation of personnel to serve on the European Committee. Those members appointed serve for a period of three years dating from a World Conference and may be invited to serve for two further periods of three years.

Members of the European Committee at present are:

Dr Kathryn Benson-Evans	(UK Chairman)
Mrs Kristin Bjarnadottir	(Iceland)
Mrs Maria A Costa	(Italy)
Miss Iris Frank	(Germany)
Mlle Anita Rindlisbacher	(Switzerland)
Mrs Inger Wanvik	(Norway)

Substitute Members:

Mme Jeannine De Caumont	(France)
Mrs Corretje Huigen-Van Boven	(Netherlands)

Each Regional Committee also has a liaison member from the World Committee. On the European Committee it is Sra Rosa Maria Carrasco (Spain).

Two of the four World Centres are situated in Europe, Olave House (UK) and Our Chalet (Switzerland) and the Chairmen of their Committees are ex-officio members of the European Committee.

The Region Committees are of course much concerned with the promotion and well being of Guiding in their Regions. The Chairmen of the four Regions and the Arab group are all members of the WAGGGS Promotion Committee.

The Conference to be held at Lancaster University in July will be THE THIRD EUROPEAN SCOUT AND GIRL GUIDE CONFERENCE. This is because many of the National Associations in Europe are Joint or merged Associations of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides who find it more convenient to attend one European Conference rather than two, one Scout and one Guide. A good many events in Europe are joint Scout and Guide events and the Movements have much of mutual interest. The first experimental Scout and Guide Conference was held six years ago in Iceland and it was decided to continue as such, the Scouts forgoing their big annual Conferences in favour of our three yearly meetings. Part of the Conference is for the Scout and Guide delegations together and part is divided when Scout delegations and Guide delegations meet separately to discuss their own particular items.

In explaining this to you I hope you now feel more fully aware that you are a member of the host Association, and that as such, the European Conference will hold a special interest for you.

Patience Baden-Powell.

mainly for rangers



J Vise

A Hike to The Valley of The Flowers, India.

We had our first glimpse of India when we walked out of the airport and Mrs Johnson (joint organising secretary for Guides) met us. The heat was tremendous and we found ourselves unprepared for its intensity. It was 5.30 am but even at this early hour, the town was full of people.

We reached the HQ of the Bharat Scouts and Guides where we were met by a Ranger Leader. The building was part of a street set back from the main road, near to the World Health Organisation building.

Our first Indian breakfast consisted of bananas, apples, toast, jam, butter, cornflakes with hot milk and soft boiled eggs, which we ate in the dining hall. After the meal we slept until 2.00 pm when we were introduced to the 12 Indian Rangers, to Mr Das (International Secretary) and to Mrs Patwary (Commissioner). We had a long talk with Mr Das, who had recently visited England.

From our first exploration of the town, we could see that Old Delhi is a very poor area with people begging along the roadside. 'Snack bars' were dotted along the road, under the shade of trees, selling chapatties, curry sauce and other dishes. We came to some market stalls where we had to barter for the goods we wanted. Everything was cheaper than in Britain.

In these poorer areas children rarely go to school because of the lack of facilities and therefore they must make money to support themselves. There were shoe-shine boys and little girls selling necklaces made from Jasmine flowers. Walking out of the town we saw hundreds of green parrots in the trees above us.

We soon left the humid climate of Delhi for Rishikesh, which we reached travelling by overnight sleeper. The beds were 3-tier bunk beds and were wooden, but at that stage we were so tired that we slept all the way. We stayed in a Sikh Rest House at Rishikesh, free of charge to pilgrims making the journey up to the temples. We all slept in the same large room, on the floor in our sleeping bags. We cooked our meal on an open fire, which we shared with the boys who lived in the house and were training to become Sikh Priests.

It was from Rishikesh that we began the long journey by public bus to Gorind Ghat. We climbed continuously up to the town on very hazardous mountain roads, and after a day and a half we reached our destination.

We were now evidently in a much poorer area, but, as in Delhi, we were again the centre of attention; curious stares followed us everywhere.

The walk to the temple, Hem Kond, was long and strenuous; we covered 5½ km from 10,000 ft to 5,000 ft — but the view was breathtaking from that height. Work had started on the temple in 1973 — the

temple was dedicated to the memory of a leading Sikh, Sri Hem Kond. Beside the unfinished temple was a magnificent glaciated lake, bordered on three sides by mountains partially covered by snow.

The lake had great religious significance as it was believed that whoever should bathe in the lake would be cleansed of all sins and illnesses; but in my view, only an extremely sturdy person could withstand the experience of immersion in such icy water!

Many pilgrims made the journey to the temple, but when we were there, an old man who had been making the journey had died. They carried him down the mountain and he was cremated beside the Ganges.

The hike to the Valley of the Flowers was quite short, only 3 kms. We walked over a glacier en route. The beautiful valley is full of flora of many kinds, including white and red potentillas, primulas and asters. It is divided by a stream called Pushpawati which joins the Ganges further down the mountain.

We took it slowly coming down the mountain, and at one of the tea shops we met an Indian Guide who had been with Sir Edmund Hillary on one of his expeditions.

On 15th August we went to Badinath where we stayed the night and saw the hot volcanic springs. We were invited to take a dip, but declined.

At this point we were hearing reports of landslides on the road back to Rishikesh.

On 16th August we travelled to Joshimath. We were just one km past Joshimath when we were stopped by our first landslide, which was being cleared manually.

The Army had been notified and they were using dynamite to blast a way clear. However, we had to spend a night in a brand new jail, by permission of the Local Police. After all this, we seemed to hit one landslide after another and we began to wonder if we would see Delhi Airport.

Luckily we reached Rishikesh by 19th August and for once things started to go our way. We caught an express coach to Delhi where we arrived at 6.00 pm.

Leaving the bus we walked to the HQ and on the way we saw an elephant, which we tried to photograph.

From Delhi we went for a day to Agra. In contrast to our past experiences we made this journey by fully air-conditioned luxury coach. The sight of the Taj Mahal was the highlight of the day trip.

The following day we sadly said farewell to the Indian girls with whom we had now become such good friends. Many of us hope to keep in touch.

My trip to India was truly a chance of a lifetime and I would like to express my appreciation to all those who helped in this venture.

Carole Burdess,
Ranger Guide, Northallerton, Yorks.

Below, all the members of the group who were fellow travellers with Carole.



Are YOU a Survivor?

Survival Aid Competition

No Guider or Ranger needs to be told to be prepared, and those who take part in activities such as hill walking will always have with them what they need to survive in an emergency. What's more, in weather conditions such as we endured last winter it's advisable to have a survival kit in one's car. This month we have an opportunity for Guiders and Rangers to show their ingenuity, by devising a survival kit which will fit into a matchbox, in this competition sponsored by Survival Aids Ltd. The company was founded by Nicholas Steven, an expert in survival equipment and techniques who was until recently a regular army officer. Entries in the competition will be judged by Nicholas Steven and Eddie McGee, one of the world's foremost experts in survival skills and techniques. Eddie is well known for his TV series 'Stay Alive with Eddie McGee' and for his lectures at schools and youth groups throughout the country, and does himself show a survival kit in a matchbox.

The competition was inspired by the recent introduction by Nick Steven's company of their Survival Ration Pack, designed to keep a person active for at least 24 hours in adverse conditions. To give you inspiration in your quest for an even smaller pack, this is what their hermetically sealed 14 oz pack contains: A drinks container, burner stand, solid fuel, matches, stirrer, water sterilising tablets, cubes for five hot drinks, 1400 KCal of high energy foodstuffs, whistle, compass, and comprehensive instructions on first aid, survival and emergency procedure. The pack floats in water, has a life of at least three years in all conditions, and measures 16 x 11 x 4 cm.



How to enter

To enter the competition, send your survival kit, accompanied by the entry form on this page correctly completed, to the address on the entry form. Entries will not be returned unless accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope of appropriate size.

Closing date

The closing date for entries is MONDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1980 and winners will be notified by post



Illustration
Jean de Lemos

as soon as possible after that date.

Prizes

There are two separate sections for readers of *GUIDER*: (1) Rangers and Young Leaders, and (2) Guiders. Prizes will be awarded in each section as follows:

- 1st 5 Survival Ration Packs
- 2nd 2 Survival Ration Packs
- 3rd 1 Survival Ration Pack

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Above, all is revealed... The contents of Survival Aids Ltd's pocket pack.

SURVIVAL COMPETITION

Entry Form

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Unit.....

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Breaking Down the Barriers

The article below is the second one we have published which gives a British Ranger's inside view of the multinational Ranger Camp 'Thokozani' which took place in South Africa last year. (A previous account was published in November's 'Mainly for Rangers')

SOUTH Africa is a country of great diversity, even more than might be expected in view of its size. It is a land of extremes. From the rich tropical green of the Natal region, up through the flat-topped mountains of the Drakensberg, to the dry dusty mystery of the bush veldt that comprises the NE Transvaal, I was treated to an amazing panorama of natural beauty.

Yet the spirit of Guiding has made some inroads on South Africa's problems of racial inequality and tension. I would not venture to say that Camp Thokozani (Zulu: "Be Happy") was a complete success, but, being the first event of its kind, that is understandable. In fact, I hope that the problems of integration that came up will simply serve to encourage another camp next year, in a further effort to overcome racial tension. I, personally, know the bond that the Guide Movement can forge between nations, for most of my contacts in South Africa were made through Guiding. My experiences varied from my placement as an Assistant QM at a Guide camp in the North West Transvaal, to a three week period of voluntary work in a maternity clinic in Boputhatswana, secured through the Chief Commissioner, Mrs Hussey. Everywhere I found the greatest kindness and helpfulness, from black, white, rich, poor, and all the degrees in

between. I have learned to deliver babies (well, at least, to assist in their delivery!) to live with kids, elderly people, nuns; to crochet, to QM (well, nearly) to appreciate a previously unencountered diversity in bird, animal and plant life.

Certain scenes spring to mind: the dusky, hidden colours of the veldt beneath the dust-hung sky; a liquid haze around the setting sun; women in the homelands, babies slung around their hips, walking — often for hours — back from the water pumps, the precious liquid balanced on their heads, in anything from conventional buckets to old oil drums; the tin shack of a widow, three children and two hens, pathetic in its sandy yard; the wide bushlands fading into a misty blue horizon of distant mountains; plunging cliffs, slow heavy Africa rivers, the heat and unreality of a platinum mine.

It all adds up to a rich tapestry of experience which leaves me with no real opinion formed on the way South Africa runs its affairs, save the one that applies universally. It is time we stopped saying: 'They don't understand', and realised: 'I don't understand'. Then we can seek that insight we lack by looking for reasons behind the unfamiliar things that others do.

Soo Downe
Bristol.

A Promi

There's no doubt about it... anywhere throughout the world, the solemnity of a Brownie Promise ceremony inhibits normal Brownie high spirits. However, the Brownie smiles come flooding through after the great event. In the first two pictures, Brownie Guide Leila Paxton makes her Promise, while her Sixer is close at hand to give moral support!



Independence for St Vincent

THE shafts of Autumn sunshine gave a bright glow to the beautiful and historic stained glass windows of Westminster Abbey.

We were attending a Service of Thanksgiving to mark the independence of St Vincent, a Branch Association of the United Kingdom Girl Guides Association, and its dependencies, the Grenadines, a group of very small islands, one of which is Mustique on which our President, Princess Margaret, has a home.

Why had we, two Members of the Guide Movement from the County of Hampshire West, been invited to the Thanksgiving? We certainly weren't the only people other than St Vincentians who were there, and as we looked around from our seats in the North Lantern, we realised that the entire congregation shared in a special interest in those tiny, newly independent Caribbean islands.

What memories must have been flooding back to those whose home was there, but who were now living in England, — and to those who had worked or even spent a holiday there. We wondered what they remembered most vividly, — the sunny beaches, lush green valleys, banana plantations, the waves pounding on the windward sides of the Islands, the steel bands, the gaiety of carnival time or the beautiful, lush flowers, abundant throughout the islands.

The service was ponderously impressive; the sonorous organ music, fanfares played by trumpeters of the Royal Artillery Band, the various processions, including one in which the national flag of St Vincent and the Grenadines was borne to the Sacrament by Vincentian nurses in uniform — all of these contributed to the splendour of the occasion.

Among the congregation were many VIPs — our own Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester represented HM the Queen — and also present, of course, were Ambassadors and High Commissioners of many countries, representatives of our own government, and many West Indians from all walks of life.

A Link of many years' standing

Two years ago, the GGA's South West Region had started to plan an International camp to take place in 1980, and each County in the Region had been asked to adopt a Branch Association country and to work towards helping to bring one or two Guides from that country to the camp and give them hospitality before

and afterwards. Hampshire West had opted for St Vincent, because we already had Guide friends on the island. Some years ago, I had been lucky enough to spend a holiday there, and I took with me from CHQ an introduction to the Guide Association on the island, where I was made most welcome by Guides and Brownies, Guiders and Commissioners. I have kept in touch ever since.

Since I had taken many colour slides during my visit to St Vincent, Mrs Bardell and I visited Units all over the county on my return home, as well as LA and Trefoil Guild meetings, telling them of the experience, and giving film shows. Interest in St Vincent grew considerably, and funds for our 'St Vincent Project' grew apace. We have now invited three Guides from the island to come to the Regional 'Inter-link Camp' to be held at Foxlease next summer; we will be able to help them substantially with their expenses, while over here.

Letter from the Prime Minister

On Good Friday this year, disaster struck the Island, when the volcano erupted (see October *GUIDER* 1979) and all the people living in the north were evacuated to a safer part of the island. Luckily, there have been no lives lost, but most of the island crops were ruined and everywhere was covered by volcanic dust. An appeal was made for gifts of clothing and other useful items for the evacuees; our County responded so generously that Mrs Bardell, as County International Adviser, received a letter from the Premier, Mr Milton Cato, thanking the Guides for their concern for his people.

Our Divisions last year sent out scrapbooks beautifully made by the Guides, hoping that they would give the Guides on St Vincent an idea of what life is like in Hampshire and we soon hope to forge a closer link with the Trefoil Guild out there.

All members of the Movement in Hampshire West send their greetings to the Guides of St Vincent and look forward to meeting their chosen representatives next year.

Mrs Bardell and I felt privileged to have been able to attend the Independence Service in Westminster Abbey and to join with the people of St Vincent in their prayers for a Peaceful and Happy future.

Nancy N Waters. *County Trefoil Chairman*
Rita Bardell. *County International Adviser*

The Ceremony In Oman



Photos:
Mr Paxton

The Pack Leila is joining is the 1st Muscat Pack of Oman, and members of the 2nd Muscat Pack are also present at the ceremony.

Logbook from America

By
Kathleen O'Shea

Mosquitoes, raccoons, chipmunks, skunks — and platform tents — some of the hazards of camp life in America which I had never before encountered in all my years of going to Camp in this country.

I had gone to Cape Cod to act as camp counsellor at Camp Favorite, Massachusetts, a camp administered by Blue Hills Girl Scout Council. The campers were all aged between 11 and 15, and camping involved sleeping in relative luxury in canvas platform tents, pitched on wooden floors. There were three sub-camps or 'units' housing a total of about 70 girls spread throughout 66 acres of thick woodland of oak and pine. Prepared meals, beds, wash houses with proper toilets and cold showers all made for a comfortable life style for campers.

A large, clear lake (called a 'pond' on Cape Cod) provided an ideal setting for sailing, canoeing and swimming. The campers chose to be sailors, canoeists, bikers, explorers or photographers and were put in

Patrols of up to 10. With its counsellor, each Patrol decided which activities it wanted to try. As well as the chosen speciality and swimming, the camp offered most arts and crafts, hiking, snorkelling, cook-outs and sleep-outs, visits to the beaches and to other places of interest around Cape Cod, which is a tourist area.

My contribution, as a European Guider, to craft activities included the teaching of raft and bridge building, morris dancing and heraldry. We also enjoyed an hilarious English afternoon tea when we made scones on the fire with the aid of a reflector oven, and I managed to tip the fire bucket of water over scones and fire! However, in the end, some scones were made successfully, and as we stood, damp and sooty, one girl holding a china cup and saucer, another wearing a straw hat and me in what became known as my 'tea frock', taking afternoon tea English-style in the New England woods, I could not but shudder as I wondered how our valiant attempts at achieving international

understanding were being received!

During one session I was in charge of a special 'primitive camping' option; the six Scouts and I took equipment to the far end of the camp and for a week cooked all our meals, lived in smaller tents, sleeping on the ground and did general camp chores as we do in England. This was the only time it really rained during the whole summer; at the height of a thunder storm we were pitching tents when the Camp Director appeared, announced she needed the poles and stakes (pegs) of the leader's tent and disappeared back into the rain with a cry of 'tie it to a tree', to my howls of protest; luckily there was an abundance of trees. This form of camping, so familiar (rain and all) to me, was a real adventure to the girls taking part, and difficult, as they had no camping experience or training; even cooking as a Patrol on a fire was new to them. The first time we tried this I was amazed when each girl took her

hamburger in her pan and pushed for a place at the fire to cook it.

The area of the camp was beautiful, the woods — greens, browns and reds, the clear waters of the lakes, birds — especially the overlarge American Robin, and the squirrels, chipmunks, skunks and raccoons which ran everywhere in the hope of snatching some tempting titbit or stealing food carelessly left in tents. There were quiet times walking in the woods, gathering berries or just watching the wildlife. At the campfires we had, I was pleased to find I knew many songs, although perhaps not in that style. Living and working with Americans for eight weeks was an ideal way of meeting and sharing views.

After the camp closed I went to stay with the Director in the Mid-West and then to New York where I received a warm welcome at Girl Scout Headquarters.

Thanks to the Girl Scouts of the USA for an unforgettable summer.

LOGBOOK PICTURES



Guides try their hands at leathercrafts, Camp Favorite, 1979.



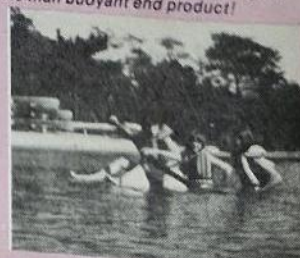
A shelter at Sleepy Hollow Unit.

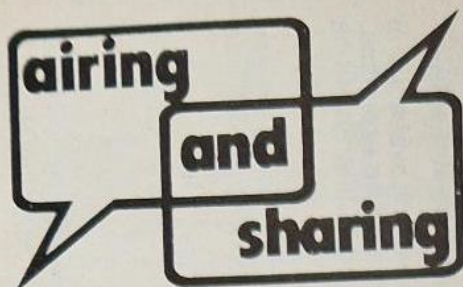


A Girl Scout leaves her 'platform tent'.



Building a raft to sail and testing the less than buoyant end product!





Enough said

Like many other readers, I imagine, I am getting rather tired of reading letters in *GUIDER* complaining that it does not hold enough 'training' ideas. Personally, I think more experience is gained through working in a practical situation, than by reading articles. Not that these articles are useless — far from it — but surely it is for *GUIDER* readers to send in ideas on which other readers can build? Ideas on games, Challenges and other projects could surely be sent in — perhaps a collection of these could from time to time be made into a training/ideas page for everyone?

Fiona Saunders,
Assistant Guider,
91st City of Edinburgh
Company.

Leaflet help

Like the Guider who discovered in Wales that shopkeepers regarded Guide and Scout groups with suspicion because of shoplifting incidents (*GUIDER*, September 1979), I regret to say that this summer, this was also the Movement's reputation in parts of Switzerland. In one particular mountain town, some shopkeepers made it quite clear that they were not happy to have the Guides in their shops, even though they were only in two's.

It is indeed sad to think that a few incidents can destroy the good reputation of British Guides and Scouts.

Some Guiders travelling abroad with their Units must also be unaware of the poor, scruffy image they are giving to British Guiding. It would be better to travel in mufti altogether rather than have part uniform and part mufti, such as a uniform blouse and a cotton flowery skirt or a Ranger shirt with tatty, faded jeans. POR does now give quite a number of informal alternatives for both Guiders and Rangers if they do not wish to travel in uniform. One London Ranger group living at close proximity to our party went

on its outings in brief sun tops and shorts made from denims cut very briefly — not a pretty sight—and a poor example to our Guiders and to the public. As a parent, I was horrified to see that this party was drinking heavily as well as smoking heavily. Their behaviour was a disgrace, and the site warden threatened to put them off the site at one stage.

Some years ago, Guiders intending to take their parties abroad were issued with a leaflet from HQ which gave 'Helpful hints to Leaders taking Parties abroad'. The notes gave good guide-lines on uniform, behaviour and so on when travelling abroad. Perhaps all parties going abroad should be issued with this leaflet or with a hand-out giving similar information when CHQ receives their forms. Surely we wish to maintain our rôle as good ambassadors for the Movement?

(Mrs) Maureen McRobb,
Guide Guider,
128th City of Glasgow
Company.

'Non-Sectarian', Airing & Sharing, November *GUIDER*

As the Association admits to membership girls and women without discrimination as to religion provided they are prepared to make the Promise, the interpretation of Duty to God varies according to a member's religion. We cannot say that Duty to God has nothing to do with commitment to Christ, as for our Christian members without such a commitment there would be no true understanding of their duty to God. Ruby Pitch was right to draw our attention to the fact that we are an inter-faith Movement. In sharing ideas on how we can carry out the Promise, we must all show we are aware that each individual member fulfils her Promise according to her own religious beliefs. **EGM**

The Long and Short of it!

As a retired Brownie Guider who is still taking an active interest in my local Pack, may I recount an incident which demonstrates one unsatisfactory aspect of the present Brownie dress?

Two new Brownies came to my house to show me, very proudly, their new outfits, accompanied by their mothers, who were horrified at the price they had had to pay for a dress which would last their daughters only about a year. The dress was wide enough to last the child for the three years she would need to wear it. But why, oh why cannot the makers put on a decent sized hem which could be let down as needed? Children, after all, grow UP far more quickly than they grow outwards!

(Mrs) D Warnock,
1st Cornelly Pack,
Mid Glamorgan.

The Brownie dresses which the GGA sell are not only provided with width tolerance which caters for the Brownie growing outwards, but are also sold unhemmed giving Mums the option of choosing their own dress length and being able to make

adjustments as the child grows taller. We can only assume that the reader is referring to dresses produced and sold by other manufacturers, over which the Association has no control. We can only advise would-be purchasers to look for a GGA label or to contact the GGA Trading Service in Altrincham, where advice and information is readily available.
**Purchasing Manager,
GGA Trading Service.**

Stud - fast

As the mother of a Guide, I find that the best way to cope with a Guide tie is to sew on a press stud as a fastener, then the Promise Badge can be pinned just through the top layer of the tie, over the stud (thus hiding the stitches).

This is then left in place between washings, and the tie is always quickly and easily fastened in the correct position.

(Mrs) Pamela Westwood,
Assistant Brownie Guider,
3rd Cradley Heath Pack,
West Midlands.

We have had several letters from readers which express the view that the humble press-stud may be the best answer to the tie problem.

Editor.

Letters.....

Cubs also

My daughter has just started taking *TODAY'S GUIDE*, having had the *BROWNIE* for two years. We are all very pleased with both publications, and wondered if there is anything along similar lines for Cubs and Scouts? I have asked the Cub Scout Leader and the newsagent, but they only seem to know of *Scouting* magazine — which is surely really only for the leaders?

(Mrs) E L Barnes-Ceeney,
Woking.

We feel this letter is of interest in the light of recent correspondence about the relative merits of Guide and Scout periodicals.

Editor.

Thank you

Cropwood School Guides would like to thank the Editor of *GUIDER* magazine and all its kind readers for their wonderful response to our

appeal for uniforms and funds — your help was greatly appreciated.

Many thanks for all the additional donations — we are pleased to say that we have now got sufficient funds and equipment with which to start our Guide group.

**Claudette Brown and
Guides,**
Cropwood Girls' Residential
School,
Blackwell, Nr Bromsgrove,
Worcs.

Permit error

I wish to point out an error I made in my letter which was published in the September issue of *GUIDER*.

The decision on the Holiday Permit regulations, referred to in the letter, was not made by the Division Commissioners, but by a Committee, not connected with the Commissioners. Sincere apologies for any embarrassment caused by this error.

(Miss) C Jeffrey,
Cheltenham, Glos.



HOW TO ENTER

- 1 Entry is individual and open to all Guides, Ranger Guides, Young Leaders and Guiders (any section), between 14 and 20 years old (i.e. who have not reached their 21st birthday by 25th July, 1980). ALL COMPETITORS MUST KEEP THIS DATE FREE TO PLAY IN LONDON SHOULD THEY QUALIFY FOR THE FINAL.
- 2 The Tournament will be limited to singles matches played on any surface (the finals will be on hard courts).
- 3 Districts/Division/Countries will arrange rounds to suit their own convenience within the time schedule in clause 6.
- 4 The winning girl in each County will compete in semi-finals at Country/Region level.
- 5 All nine Country/Region winners will be invited to London for the finals to be held at Queen's Club on 25th July.
- 6 Time schedule:
MARCH-JUNE 1980 District/Division/County rounds
By 9th JULY Country/Region semi-finals
25th JULY National finals.
- 7 Finance:
(a) County Rounds: It is unlikely financial assistance will be available.
(b) Country/Region Semi-finals. Financial assistance will be available for hire of courts, etc., and to help with competitors' travelling expenses. Countries/Regions should apply to CHQ Press and Public Relations Department.
(c) National Finals:
Financial assistance will be available for competitors' travelling and overnight expenses. Countries/Regions should apply to CHQ Press and Public Relations Department.
- 8 The Tournament will be played according to the rules of the Lawn Tennis Association.
- 9 It is suggested that each County should appoint a representative to act as Liaison within the County and with their Country/Region Headquarters.

I would like to take part in the Webb Ivory Tennis Championship, 1980.

NAME.....
ADDRESS.....
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TELEPHONE..... AGE.....
COUNTY.....
DISTRICT.....
UNIT.....

Hand this form to your Unit Guider/Commissioner

- A. *Lear's Dong had a — nose* (8)
 B. *Wound* (6)
 C. *Serious* (8)
 D. *In that she hit her top note, until now* (6, 2)
 E. *To marry, one is hitched* (5)
 F. *Sailing term* (4)
 G. *A longing for Chinese currency* (3)
 H. *Pedestal* (6)
 I. *Thou island (unusual)* (10)
 J. *Green fly* (5)
 K. *Not needed in a smokeless zone* (7)
 L. *Trusty flower* (7)
 M. *I leave the alternative* (5)
 N. *Arab vessel* (4)
 O. *'—children, lovelier than a dream' — Rupert Brooke* (5)
 P. *Between blue and violet*
 Q. *Young hare* (7)
 R. *Blackmore's heroine* (5)
 S. *M.I. ship, like a little devil* (6)
 T. *Clever* (6)
 U. *Called* (5)
 V. *Minstrel's instrument* (5)
 W. *Image* (6)
 X. *Masticate* (4)
 Y. *Occupation at the guillotine* (8)
 Z. *Silence a Scot* (6)
 a. *Tom's in — well in* (6)
 b. *Urban communities* (5)
 d. *I bath due — by regular use* (8)

A small prize will be awarded for the first correct entry opened on the 20th of each month. Send entries to: 'Acrostic', The Editor, GUIDER, The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT. Please do not enclose anything with your entry except for a note about book preference; since our winner's is the first correct entry 'out of the hat', any additional correspondence may never be read.

December Solution

The solution to Acrostic No 23 (which was set for us by a reader, Mrs McDougall, of Edinburgh), is: *The creatures outside looked from pig to pig and from pig to man again, but already it was impossible to say which was which.* (Animal Farm, G Orwell.)

*It would be appreciated if readers could attach to their entries a brief note about their preferred reading material, should they win a book prize.

DOUBLE ACROSTIC 24 by BRENDA HUGHES

A	10	20	14	71	4	55	83	67
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C	22	99	78	17	137	85	158	69
D	39	88	170	51	43	123	129	144
E	112	7	2	37	24			
F	29	75	26	108				
G	31	121	114					
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J	103	77	141	168	96			
K	145	12	124	41	137	57	102	
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T	117	53	6	162	70	101		
U	38	126	107	159	156			
V	19	161	28	97	149			
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Y	144	125	109	5	44	13	83	163
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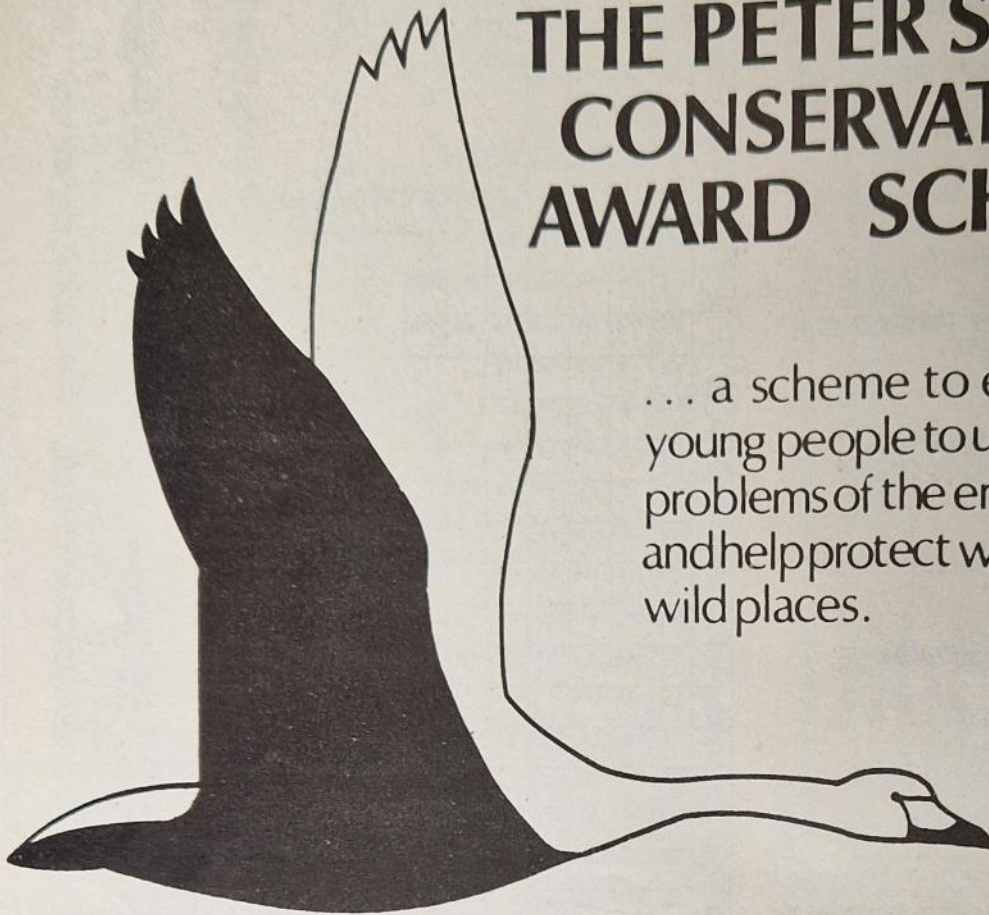
Solve the clues and write the answer in the numbered grid, left. Transfer the clues to the corresponding numbered squares in the grid, below. When this is complete, you will have a quotation from a book, the title and the author of which will be found in the initial letters of the answers to the clues.

November Winner

The winner of Acrostic No 22 was Mrs Joyce Crookshanks, of Aberdeen, Scotland.

P 1	E 2	Q 3	A 4	Y 5	T 6	E 7	Z 8	O 9	A 10	H 11	K 12	Y 13	A 14	O 15	A 16	C 17	P 18	V 19	A 20
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Ask your leader to write for details, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope to :

Cyril Littlewood, MBE, Dept PSA/G,
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airing and sharing

More Equal Than Others?

Do Guiders realise that our Movement is not completely democratic? Where a Commissioner tries hard to keep the Law and the Promise, this does not matter so much, she does not mind being inconvenienced to assist the Guiders in every possible, positive way, giving them confidence in themselves, encouragement and reassurance.

However, where a Commissioner allows her personal hates and dislikes, or her love of power, to dominate her life, where she is so afraid of making a decision, or taking a definite action, misery and disaster for the Guide Movement and all its personnel are the result.

A Commissioner can remove Warrants and withhold them on the slightest provocation, despite the information given in POR and the Commissioner's Handbook; she can extort money from Supporters' Groups; she can close Supporters' Groups if they do not want to carry out her wishes.

It is time all Guiders had a share in decision-making, and to take the responsibility for appointing Commissioners at each level. If appointments are wrongly made we all have a share of the blame and can all get together to help put things right.

Perhaps we should then all be able to play 'the Game of Guiding' as B-P wished.

A Concerned Commissioner

Fly the Flag!

With reference to the article in *GUIDER* concerning the new Brownie Flag, we would like to question the ruling that it is not to be used in public.

As Brownie Guiders we feel that there is a need to show pride in individual Packs and to advertise the Packs to others. Thus, it seems hard to withdraw the privilege of parading with Flags, which has long been a rallying point for many organisations, not least the Scouts, Guides and especially the Cubs.

The argument is that it is not practicable for the girls to carry the Flag for a long period, but we feel that with the establishment of equal rights and also with physical make-up of girls these days, no real problem should occur. In any difficulty perhaps the colour party could share the duty. An important point to remember is that the flag has been designed to be carried by girls between the ages of seven and 10 and any problems of weight should already have been taken into account.

The introduction of the long-awaited Flag is very welcome, especially by the Brownies themselves. They now feel 'equal' to the other uniformed groups. Please do not deny us the pleasure of displaying the pride of being members of the Movement.

(Miss) A and (Miss) B Jones,
Assistant Guiders,
1st Leamington (St Mary's)
Pack,
Leamington Spa,
Warwickshire.

Brownie Blues

In reply to the letter written by Sheila Weston (October *GUIDER*), may I applaud the suggestions she makes for a warmer, more practical, Brownie uniform.

I met a young Brownie in our cold Church Hall last winter. She was lovely and warm. I must add that she was not in official Brownie uniform, as she had worn it out, but she was attired in a very smart dark brown shirt with pockets and long sleeves, her Brownie tie and a warm A-line skirt.

Yes, I did point out to her that she was not wearing correct uniform, but with reluctance, as several other members of her Brownie Pack were decidedly chilly in official uniform.

However, Mrs Weston's suggestion of a polo-necked sweater to be worn under a shirt might prove a little tight around the neck. The Guide blouses are, after all, cut away at the neck.

The advantage of the present woollen hats over the old berets lies in their warmth. They are marvellous on a cold winter's night,

pulled down over the ears!

Having seen for myself how much warmer a child will be in a shirt/skirt outfit in cold weather, I do hope someone will think seriously about it.

Anne Bass (Mrs),
District Commissioner,
Whitley Bay Division,
Tyne & Wear.

The Religious Side

September's Training Pages were about the first part of the Promise — I promise to do my best to do my duty to God — but the Commissioner's Page made no reference to the fact that in order to gain help with keeping this part of the Promise, a Guider should have a commitment to a worshipping group, whether Church, Chapel, Quaker Meeting or Mosque.

A Guider does not commit herself to being a humanist or to helping others in the first Promise; she commits herself to live God's way, to find out more of His plan for herself and to follow it, and to try to pass on the message of His love to those with whom she comes into contact.

Mary Mills,
Division Commissioner,
Kidderminster, Worcs.

Guiding for Fun!

Mrs Woodham's letter (*Airing and Sharing*, October) was a sensible reminder of how Brownie uniform is meant to be worn. Thank you, Mrs Woodham.

As regards Interest Badges and all the ideas for new ones or new clauses, many of them good and thought-provoking can we please remember that a Badge is not required for everything Brownies and Guides do?

Their ideas can be used in so many ways, sometimes for the entertainment of the public (a gym sequence is a good item on a concert programme, for example) — sometimes for Ventures, and often for enjoyable 'learning through doing', without visible reward.

For me, one of the joys of Guiding is that children can compete without aggressive rivalry and without always expecting a material recognition of their efforts.

(Mrs) Irene Smith,
District Commissioner,
Richmond, Yorks.

Badge Queries

We have come across two Badge Testing queries in the past few months.

1) Brownie House Orderly. A Tester finds that she cannot test Clause 4 'Make your own

bed for a week' when Brownies say they have only duvets in their houses. We have decided that in these cases another daily job for a week should be substituted but that Brownies should know how to make an ordinary bed. What do other areas do in similar circumstances?

2) Guide Cyclist Badge Clause 1. There is doubt as to what is meant by 'Sign a certificate . . . that you are willing to use it if called upon at any time in case of emergency'. Does this mean that the Guide is willing to help the Local Authority? Some Guiders read it to mean 'help the family' and consider it is unnecessary, as they argue that the Guide would do this in any case if her bicycle was the best means of doing so.

An article in *GUIDER* explaining exactly what is meant by this clause would clarify matters for both Guiders and Testers.

Also, should the Guide have her parents' consent before signing the certificate? Some parents who were consulted here consider that she should.

(Mrs) Ethel R Clark,
District Badge Secretary,
Stithans, Cornwall.

1) The Brownie House Orderly Badge should be geared to the Brownie's own home. If duvets are used, then it is that kind of bed she must make for a week — sheets still have to be straightened and pillows plumped up.

2) It is not intended the Guide would be called upon by the Local Authority in an emergency. The certificate referred to is not a formal document and is a way of helping the Tester to assess the state of the bicycle and the willingness of the Guide to be helpful by 'Being Prepared' to use it for other people. The kind of emergency might be to deliver a message for a neighbour of her Guider who does not have a telephone, or to do some urgent shopping.

Programme Secretary, CHQ

Attendance Badge

What a good idea of Mrs Sunny Dawson's to introduce an Attendance Badge. This year one of our Brownie Guiders and I designed a certificate for Brownies/Guides who had not missed a meeting. I had occasion to visit one of the Guides recently and there displayed, very proudly, was the certificate! It would be nice to have an Attendance Badge.

(Mrs) Barbara Richardson,
Guide Guider,
3rd Loftus (St Leonard's) Coy,
Cleveland.

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try to do our best.

The singing resounded round the room to the sound of skipping feet. I looked at the faces, did they really understand what they were singing or were these words for *me* to use as I tried to help each Brownie to grow?

'We're here to Lend a Hand' — the start of service and thought for others — the excitement of a good turn. Ruth, our latest recruit, had raced into Brownies: 'Brown Owl, look at my mouse.' There, sure enough, was her cardboard mouse with its long string tail, not with seven knots, one for a good turn every day, but 20 grubby knots. 'I kept on doing good turns,' she beamed. We talked about them, mostly they had been for Mother. 'How about some good turns for

Service to a Brownie is exciting and fun — she knows about Lend a Hand from the time she enters the Pack and learns her motto. She has acted good turns with her Six, giving her the opportunity of joining in with a small group — the start of group method in the Movement, one of the five essentials of Guiding (Commissioner's Handbook, page 19). She has stuck pictures in the Pack Good Turn scrap book and she has taken part in activities such as passing the bag of objects round the Pack, seated in a circle, has taken one out and thought of a good turn connected with it. Brownies growing in the understanding of service with the small group of Six in the larger family of the Brownie Pack.

Later that evening the Brownies were in Pow-wow; they had been very noisy and I had to start the Pow-wow preparation above the din. I slapped my thighs saying, 'come to Pow-Wow, come to Pow-Wow, come to Pow-Wow, come'. By the time I was halfway through, the Brownies were quiet and responded by standing still until I had finished and then echoing the words and



Dad next week?' She looked thoughtful and decided she could do good turns for other people as well. The start of a seven-year-old thinking of other people, Ruth went to her Six and offered to fetch the Six box from the cupboard — perhaps she had understood.

slapping their thighs they walked into Pow-wow. They sat cross-legged, very close together so that none of their secrets would go from the circle. We corresponded regularly with a Pack in Australia, and it was time to think of what we were going to send them for Think-

ing Day. There was a silence and then a hand shot out into the middle. 'Let us all send them something so that it is a big parcel,' said Sally. 'I love big parcels,' replied Ruth, our new Brownie, immediately being told by Sixer that you do not speak in Pow-wow without signalling. (Sixers take their job seriously and we should always be aware of this opportunity of developing relationship.) I realised that this might be the start of a Venture and encouraged discussion, pointing out, however, that we would ask Pack Leader to bring us a leaflet on postal charges from the Post Office next week, so that we could decide how big a parcel we could afford to send!

The following week in Pow-wow the Pack changed its mind to a small parcel and Susan and Mary, who had been collecting and pressing leaves for their Out of Doors challenge on the footpath, brought them to Pow-wow. 'We thought these could go into the parcel,' said Susan, 'to show the Australian Brownies the trees of England.' 'Not like that,' replied Naomi, 'we must make something with them.' Susan looked squashed but perked up again when I encouraged her by saying it was an excellent idea. The idea caught the imagination of the other Brownies; their suggestions came thick and fast and during the next three weeks they were all involved in making greeting cards, bookmarks and place mats from pressed leaves and carefully writing on the back the names of the trees. The parcel being packed, the Sixers proudly took it to the Post Office, while the rest of the Pack studied the map to see the countries over which the aeroplane would fly to reach its destination. The charts came out and we looked at the Brownie uniforms of these countries and their Brownie Promises.

The Brownies had learnt much from the Venture and had developed in their relationships with people by working together themselves in small groups and in the Pack, and by looking wider across the World to their sister Brownies in Australia. The next week as we sang our Brownie song 'We've Brownie friends in north, south, east and west' I noticed several smiles, some of the Brownies had grown in their understanding.

Brenda Robinson

BROWNIE training

Discovering People — through the Guide Company

"No man is an island, entire of itself,
Every man is a piece of a continent,
a part of the maine . . ."

John Donne

These lines express one of life's deep principles, something in which we all believe, and one which Guiding provides opportunity for young people to discover for themselves. That is, they can discover it, providing we, as Guiders, enable them to do so.

It begins when a Guide comes into a Patrol. Because, in a Patrol, she is consistently in the same group, a sense of friendship and loyalty develops. In a Patrol, too, she will learn to give and take, to work with her contemporaries, to carry out undertakings responsibly. For these things to come about activities need to be absorbing ones. Whether they are chosen by the Guider or the Patrols is immaterial so long as they provide scope for the Guides to do their own thing. There is a difference between a team race organised by the Guider and working out a play or being a member of a camp run by one's own Patrol. In making their own decisions and working things out for themselves they discover each other's potential, develop relationships, find out how others react to them, and adapt accordingly.

In making these discoveries a girl becomes aware of herself. It is soon made clear to her, for instance, if she is not pulling her weight as a member of the Patrol or if she is being too bossy as the Leader and, if it does not, then perhaps this is the moment for a helpful hint from her Guider.

Company activities are important, too, and are particularly valuable when each Patrol has its own distinct part to play, thus providing the girls with a chance of working constructively together and preventing the danger of insularity.

The Patrol is the most vital part

of a Guide Company, for it provides a secure forum for the girl wanting to be free from close adult supervision, longing to try out her independence with her friends, but needing to work alongside people to whom she is not particularly attracted and at the same time not being quite so sure of herself as she may appear.

Guiding goes further than this. We hear so much today about a generation gap, the inability of many young people to communicate with adults, and vice versa. Guiding provides opportunities for gaps to be bridged, for one generation to encounter another.

There is the **Badge Tester** — an appointment to be booked and kept, a friendly contact made, and a letter of thanks written. There is the **expert** to be invited to teach a Patrol their chosen subject — and how much more fun it is if she does go to the Patrol rather than to the whole



Jean de Lemos

Company at once, for it is there in the small group that real personal contact can be made. There is the **parent** willing to have a Patrol to the house to teach household repairs. There is the **hospital nurse** encountered as the Guides carry out another Patrol Purpose Plan.

A Guide Company needs to be outward looking, not confined to the four walls of a meeting place, but alive and forming an integral

part of its community. There is the Church, not an inanimate building to attend solely on Sundays, but essentially a group of people, whom, through her Guiding, each girl should be getting to know.

Service projects carried out by individuals and by Patrols enable the Guides to learn responsibility for small children, to meet the elderly, the handicapped, the lonely. Carrying them out alone or in Patrol-sized groups provides a greater chance of rapport with everyone. In this environment a girl learns to listen and talk, and dis-



cover that everyone is essentially human. Through encouraging a daily Good Turn and regular giving of service, girls are helped to develop concern for others, to become outward looking people.

Around the world there are over 6½ million Guides. Perhaps you can help your Guides to meet some, or perhaps invite an Overseas Guide to your camp, or encourage them to have an Overseas guest to a Patrol meal. Perhaps, too, you can encourage them to be concerned for those they have never met, to help a refugee, to contribute to the British Guide Friendship Fund, or some other charity.

Guiding is about real life. Through lively, absorbing activities, a girl learns to appreciate other people's opinions as well as her own. She learns, too, from example, the example of her Guiders. By them she herself is treated as a person who counts, a person whom they care about. We need to live out the deeper principles of our faith by loving the ones who are, perhaps, less loveable, the ones who find difficulty in relating to people, including us . . . they, above all, need to find that in Guiding they matter.

Diana M Sandford

GUIDE training

Relationships with People

How do we see our Relationships with People in the Ranger Unit? The very promise we make as a Ranger when asked: 'What is your further responsibility as a Ranger?' our answer 'To be of service in the community' immediately opens up a much wider field for relationships with people. How well are we known in our community, as a Ranger Unit, as a Ranger Guider, or as a person? Do we make it a practice to establish ourselves with the people we meet in everyday life, do we make the most of our opportunities? Whatever we do in life we are always meeting new people; do we use them? A few chance words may open up a relationship that otherwise would have been lost. Does the Matron of our nearest Old People's Home know of us, that we would be available for service if there was something she wanted done? Have we ever contacted her, asked if we could help? Perhaps our Executive Committee could discuss this at the next meeting and find some reason for contact. Why leave it there? A Children's Home, the local Hospital, the Vicar of our Church, the WRVS, all are points of contact, people who know of other people's needs, and who can offer us many opportunities for service.

How much do we say at our District Guiders' Meetings? Do we even bother to go, feeling there is very little that applies to the Ranger Unit and the District Commissioner will pass it on anyway? That should be a point of relationships and service within the Movement. What an opportunity to let the District Guiders know that the Unit can be approached for service: are a couple of Rangers needed to help with a particular Guide or Brownie evening? Is more help needed for the Brownie Revels? or can the Ranger Unit perhaps organise the next District Competition for the Guides? You can be surprised at the experience and knowledge you can find among the Ranger Unit which can help Guiding in so many ways.

What about the lady you met at last week's coffee evening? She was interested in flower arranging, perhaps she would come and talk to the Unit. Or the lady who sat in the corner saying nothing until you nearly tipped a cup of coffee over her? You found out that she was interested in cake decorating and that her daughter was the local Careers Officer? What an opportunity if they could be persuaded to come to the Unit. What an opportunity for the Unit to learn something which they could put to good use when wondering what to do for their Christmas Good Turn.

If your Unit is a Joint Unit, relationships are perhaps much nearer home. What sort of relationship do you have with the Scout Leaders in your Unit, or with the Assistant District Commissioner for Venture Scouts? Do you appreciate their point of view when a particular point comes up? Can you see why it is important to take a certain course of action to fall in line with the Scout Association? Even more to the point, do you make sure that they see *your* point of view? Do we explain the Guide Movement's reasons for doing some of the things we do, which they will usually agree are sensible when they

see the reason for them? Relationships between members of a Joint Unit can also be a fragile thing; they certainly need working at. Do the boys understand why the girls behave in the way they do, and can the girls accept the boys' reasons for sometimes not falling in with the Unit plans in quite the way they expected?

How do we help the Ranger with her own relationships, with the people in her everyday life, with her parents, the girls at school, her teachers, her friends at the Disco, the people at work? Somehow we must encourage in her a sense of responsibility. If she has committed herself to something, then we must try and see that she fulfils that commitment, how hard it is to make sure that a promise to do something doesn't mean 'I will if nothing better turns up'.

We must, then, make our own relationships to make sure that we communicate with each other. How many times have we heard it said 'If only I had known I could have done something'? So why not start today? Communicate with someone, talk to someone, who knows where it will lead!

Jean Spicer



Jean de Lemos

RANGER training

Service with a SMILE

'Oh Brownies! What lovely harvest baskets! Isn't it a good thing Mrs Smith, our District Commissioner, is here today? She will be able to tell us exactly who will enjoy receiving your gifts!' 'Er... well... what about that Home for the Elderly on the corner of Farm Lane?' said Mrs Smith, somewhat covered with confusion. An hour later, four quiet Sixers re-joined the Pack, assuring their Guider that Matron had been so pleased to receive their baskets. However, having seen the kitchen table in the Home piled high with harvest gifts from the Church, most of them so much bigger and better than theirs, the fun of giving had largely gone. Matron, meanwhile, was wondering how on earth they could eat half the fruit and vegetables which had been brought. How stupid of the Guiders not to have at least asked if they wanted fruit and vegetables. Tinned foods might have been welcome. And she'd always thought highly of the Guide Movement before. Perhaps Mrs Smith, more experienced than the enthusiastic and impulsive

Guider, interpreted the Brownies' quiet behaviour correctly on their return and resolved to think through 'Service' in order to help her Guiders in the future?

Every Commissioner knows that the Eight Point-Programme aims to develop the girl into a 'whole' adult, able to play a full part in the Community. It is so easy in theory to let the eye pass over 'Service', as its purpose and application seem obvious. In practice, it needs immense care as there are possible pitfalls, both in the development of the girl and in the relation of the community to the Guide Movement. Opportunities for Service should be available for the individual girl, for the Unit or for a Patrol or Six to carry out. These are not always easy to find in these days when professionalism, not voluntary work, is expected in dealings with children, the elderly or the disabled.

For service to be worthwhile there must be a needy and willing recipient. Not true in this case, obviously, with Matron's face fixed in a smile trying to sound pleased when the Brownies knocked on her door.

In planning Service projects, these must never exceed the ability of those wishing to carry them out once the initial enthusiasm has worn off. It is perhaps unwise to pick the 'Handcraft' stall to run at the Church Bazaar — how much more sensible to run the second-hand Book Stall which will be within the capabilities of every Brownie or hold interest for each Ranger. With few exceptions, gardening and car cleaning are best left to the Scouts. Service, if carried out inefficiently, destroys much more than personal relationships. 'Oh no, Mrs Smith, we didn't ask the Guides to do the teas this year. Last year only four turned up and my wife had to do it almost single-handed. Yes, I know you've put in a young, enthusiastic Guider since, but, well, it's still the Guides,

you know....' The Parish Over 60s Christmas Party looked as if it could do without the Guides for some years to come. The Church brass cleaning undertaken with such keenness dwindles after three months, the old people's shopping gets forgotten, the dog whose owner is ill goes without its walk, the promised bran tub for the children's party fails to materialise and the next person doesn't turn up to continue reading the serial to the Blind — are all sadly familiar stories.

Planning 'Service' will be carried out by the Pow-wow, the Patrol Leaders or the Ranger Council but the Guider must be absolutely sure such 'Service' both can and is fully and consistently carried out. It is an immense responsibility and the thoughtful Guider will turn to her District Commissioner for advice. Some Units have a long tradition of giving a particular form of 'Service' such as a party for the local Children's Home each summer, but the Commissioner may find it a good idea to compile a list for those seeking new ideas. The big children's homes will probably be over-subscribed by the local sixth forms, the Lions, Rotary or other organisations.

However, there are far more children in foster-care and these may welcome a Christmas stocking. The local Social Services may be able to give a list of ages and perhaps first names of those in need. Similarly, old people in homes may well be fully catered for, but the local District Nurses and Health Visitors may know of some who need gifts or want shopping done. Children, Animal and Overseas charities always have an appeal. A letter to the appropriate HQ may bring a list of possible activities from collecting waste paper, milk bottle tops or selling ladybird badges to running a stall at the local Fair.

Whichever Service commitment is undertaken, it almost always involves those in need and people outside the Guide Movement. Thus Mrs Smith needed to do a great deal more than select at random a recipient for the harvest gifts. She needed to help the Guider to realise she should have planned the outlet first, then the project — making sure it was within the reach of the Brownies, that it was fully carried out and, finally, that the 'giving' was willingly received.

Margaret Foot



Jean de Lemos

DISTRICT training

In Memoriam

Phyllis Stewart Brown, whose death occurred on November 4th, found in Guiding a perfect channel for her idealism, her love of Nature and her many talents. She gave to it unbounded energy, enthusiasm and devotion. From 1920-1947 she was Guide Captain at Gerrards Cross, gaining both red and green cord Diplomas. She travelled extensively and developed great interest in International Guiding.

Phyllis advocated Patrol Camping, trek-cart expeditions, map-reading and a high standard of

camp-craft, believing that this gave the finest character training Guiding offered. This experience was invaluable when she organised the training and testing of the volunteers for the Guide International Service. Their rigorous programme included trek-carting daily over unknown territory, tackling unfamiliar jobs, learning how to achieve reasonable comfort in the most adverse conditions, and learning how to share peaceably in community living.

Later, Phyllis spent many

months writing 'All Things Uncertain', the history of the GIS.

Phyllis continued with her normal Guiding, adding the leadership of the Rangers and Guides at the Chalfont Centre for Epilepsy. In 1949 she received a well earned Beaver Award.

From 1953-1963, as Division Commissioner for Eton, she successfully established Guiding in the many new communities which were developed round the Slough area. When her active Guiding days were over, she led the Trefoil Guild at the Centre for Epilepsy and edited the Guide County Newsletter. For the last two years of her life, she was in a Nursing Home but even here she was alert to the needs of those around her and from her failing powers found the strength to help them.

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But it was Margaret's relationship with people that made her so special. Guider for 25 years in the village of Newtyle, with Brownies as well as Guides under her watchful, caring eye, she did much towards shaping the future of nearly all the children in the village. She was known and loved by all.

Her long struggle against illness, stoically borne, forced her to resign from active Guiding last year, when she was awarded a Good Service Certificate. Her interest remained, and so long as it was physically possible she kept on using her many talents to help others.

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Joyce Wolton died on 7th November aged 86. From 1926-1937 the names of Foxlease and Miss Wolton were almost synonymous for she was Guider-in-Charge there over these years, during which she also trained in the USA for some months. She was acting Guider-in-Charge at Waddow when war broke out, and Waddow became an Emergency Hospital for children with infectious diseases. She then served with the Church of Scotland Canteen Service in France, and later ran the YWCA Club for transients in Great Russell Street, London.

Joyce was an outstanding Trainer. She was awarded the Training Diploma in 1923, the Chief's Diploma in 1925, and the Beaver in 1933.

An unfortunate shyness made her appear, on first acquaintance, forbidding and awe-inspiring but one later realised that her standards were very high, and she wanted to help all Guiders who went to Foxlease to be able to train their Brownies, Guides and Rangers to achieve the skills and principles as laid down by the Founder.

EMB

In memory of Mollie Walker and Diana York

Garden seats and trees are to be bought for Waddow. Anyone wishing to send a donation to this memorial fund, please forward it to the Guider-in-Charge, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe BB7 3LD.

H.Q. NOTICES...

Thinking Day Service 11 a.m.

**23rd February 1980
Westminster Abbey
And St. Margaret's
Church, Westminster**

AS already announced (Please see December *GUIDER*) admission to both services will be by **TICKET ONLY**. If you have been able to obtain tickets for your Unit you will want to know that the congregational singing before the Services will include some of the following songs:

Allelu
All night all day
A song on my lips
Bees of paradise
Breton fisherman's prayer
Do Lord, Oh do Lord
Everyone knows it
Go well and safely
He's got the whole world in
His hands
Hebrew Peace Round
It's a small world
Kum Ba Yah
Light a little candle
Look up to the Sky
Lord let Thy light so shine
Lord of the Dance
Michael row the boat ashore
O come and go with me
Praise and thanksgiving
Quietly
Rock o' my soul
Shalom Chaverim
Sing for joy
Sing Hosanna
Thank you
This little Guiding light
Tomorrow
WAGGGS Thinking Day
Song
When I needed a neighbour
Why wait 'til another day
Wonderful world

CHQ Awards Good Service Laurel Award

Mrs Samuel D Hardy, International Commissioner, Bermuda.

Mrs M Jeffrey, JP, Division Commissioner, North East Division, Berkshire.

Cassette Songs

Following a letter which appeared in *GUIDER* in November entitled 'Get taped up' calling for Brownie or Guide songs to be available in cassette form, our Publishing Department points out that two cassettes are indeed available.

These are entitled *Come on and sing with the Girl Guides* (this has on it songs from four

GGA song books), and *Sing for Joy*.

It is also hoped that a new cassette will be available very shortly. Entitled 'Songs and Singing Games for Brownies', this will include the Brownie Song, Brownie Bells and a selection from 'Music Time for Brownies', and 'Musical Fun with the Brownie Pack'.

Lost Brownies

GUIDERS — please count heads when you bring parties to visit us in London. We've had several 'nearly lost' and one 'very much lost' Brownie during the last school holidays. If a child is missing for two or three hours, particularly during your lunch break, then you haven't been paying attention to the number of children you should have in your care. Why not detail a helper to check each time you reach a particular place, or make very sure that the children walk in pairs so that, if one is missing, the other will tell you right away.

General Secretary, CHQ.

Around the World for Thinking Day

Come and enjoy a programme about a Commonwealth Country, learn how the people live, some of their songs and dances, or a traditional craft, or about their Guiding.

This programme is intended to introduce some of the materials available from the Commonwealth Institute, and will take place here at CHQ during the February half-term holiday. Each programme will last about an hour and a half. They will take place on Monday, February 18th and Thursday, February 21st, at the following times: 10.30 am and 2.30 pm. Cost will be 10p per head.

Please book well in advance as numbers will be limited.

Blackland Farm — CHQ Camp Site, East Grinstead, Sussex

A SERVICE PROJECT? — HELP IS NEEDED at the above site from Guiders, Young Leaders or Ranger Guiders, over 16 years of age, for the periods:

23rd May — 31st May
18th July — 2nd August
2nd August — 16th August
16th August — 30th August

Would suit two friends as two helpers are required for each period.

A knowledge and experience of camping is essential.

Travelling expenses and subsistence allowance provided for this interesting job.

Further details from:

Mrs J Hewitt,
102a, Westhall Road
Warlingham,
Surrey.

(Please send a foolscap stamped addressed envelope.)

Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Courses

Foxlease 3rd-7th April, (Easter).
Waddow 23rd-27th May, (Bank Holiday).
Calling all Rangers and Young Leaders! Are you looking around for a residential course to finish off, or maybe begin, your Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award? Then come to Foxlease or Waddow, your Training Centres!

The course at Foxlease is open to both young men and young women, aged 16 or over and working on the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award; the course at Waddow is open to young women only. Both courses are open to people from outside the Movement, as well as our own members, and hope to provide a variety of activities which challenge those attending to learn something new, as well as helping them to qualify for the Residential section of the Award.

Applications for the course at both centres will be accepted now.

For details apply to the relevant Guider-in-Charge, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope.

The Minibus Act

All Guiders whose Units own minibuses, whether they hold a Minibus Permit (allowing them to charge passengers) or not, are reminded that after the under-mentioned dates all minibuses must comply with the provisions of the Minibus (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) Regulations 1977. Copies of the Regulations are obtainable from HM Stationery Office price 35p.

From 1st January 1983 for all minibuses first used before 27th January 1978.
From 1st January 1981 for minibuses first used after the above date.

An Introduction to Glenbrook 20th-22nd June

(For Adult Leaders who have not been to Glenbrook.)

Visit the County of Derbyshire which has much to offer to the active and not so active at Glenbrook, situated within easy reach of hills, edges, pot-holes, show caves, scenic beauty and stately homes.

A programme will be arranged for you to fit in as many activities and visits as you would like. Walks will be arranged according to inclination and ability, but rock climbing, caving and canoeing will be for beginners only. If there is a heat wave there is an open air swimming pool three miles down the road!

Amongst other things there will be opportunities to visit Chatsworth House, a show cavern, Castleton, and the Lady Bower reservoir.

So — book the date and send for application forms from the Guider-in-Charge, Glenbrook, Bamford, Near Sheffield S30 2AL. (See Training Calendar.)

Calling All Patrol Leaders

Patrol Weeks At Waddow And Foxlease

**Foxlease 16th-23rd August
Waddow 1st-9th August**

TO ALL GUIDE GUIDERS

Would you like to combine training for yourself with an opportunity for one of your Patrols to make progress through having fun with other Patrols from different parts of the country?

The invitation is for one Patrol from your Unit to spend a week in the house at Waddow or Foxlease with you and/or one of your Assistant Guiders. The aim of the weeks is to get the youngsters, through working as a Patrol alongside other Patrols, to progress as individuals and as a group.

Your training sessions, separate from the Patrol sessions, will provide you with opportunities to:

- Study the Patrol System in theory and practice
- Plan the follow-up on return to your Unit, so that all members of it may benefit from your experience and that of the Patrol you bring with you.

It is essential that you bring an actual Patrol and not one made up of girls from different Patrols (you must all be prepared to stay the whole week) in your Unit. At least four members of the Patrol

must be able to attend, one of whom should be the Patrol Leader if at all possible. If new members join the Patrol between the time of your application and Patrol Week, it might be possible for them to have places if there are spare ones.

Cost will be £28 at Foxlease and £26 at Glenbrook per person per week. Places are limited, so early application is advisable to avoid disappointment. Application Forms may be obtained from Waddow or Foxlease on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope.

Short Term Investment Service

Monthly interest rate after deduction of management commission.

AUGUST	13.25%
SEPTEMBER	13.22%
OCTOBER	13.25%

Additional 0.5% p.a. for deposits of £2,500 and above.

Scout & Guide Trust Fund

On 31st October 1979 the value of a share in the above Fund was:

for selling purposes	54.92p
for buying purposes	57.65p
income yield	5.29%

The income yield is based on the previous two dividends paid and the price on the date stated.

County Weekends in 1981

Counties wishing to book a County weekend at Foxlease or Waddow should apply in writing to the Training Secretary CHO not later than the 1st March 1980. The programme for the whole of 1981 is drawn up after this date and once this is completed no further applications can be considered. Bookings for Glenbrook should be sent to The Guider-in-Charge.

Owing to the increase in the number of requests received last year, priority will be given in 1981 to applicants from Counties which have not had a booking in 1980. This also applies to applications for Counties booking Glenbrook.

Broughton Brownie & Guide Centre opens

September 1979, Preston, Lancashire



Saturday, 22nd September, 1979 saw a very special occasion for the four Units attached to St John Baptist Church, Broughton, Preston, Lancs. The sun shone, the sky was blue and the Brownies and Guides stood outside their brand new centre. Mums were there in their best dresses and dads with their cameras clicking away. A beautiful black limousine drew up in the car park, from which the Mayor and Mayoress of Preston alighted, to join the little procession as it filed into the centre through a guard of honour of Guides and Brownies. Inside was a great crowd of relatives and friends, the Supporters' Association Committee and the Parochial Church Council.

The Chairman of the Supporters' Association then made a speech which outlined the history of the project to build a new centre.

'Eight years ago, in September, 1971, a meeting of the Guiders of Units attached to St John Baptist Church, Broughton was held with the District Commissioner to discuss the building of a hut to house four of the Units, which were meeting in Church and School halls. It was decided to approach the Parochial Church Council and ask if it would provide land near to the Church Hall. Within a few weeks the Church had agreed to lease a plot of land at a peppercorn rental.

A Committee of Parents was formed in February, 1972, to raise money for the hut. Plans were drawn up by a father of a Guide, and an application for planning permission was submitted. Permission was granted in June 1973. At the First

Annual General Meeting of the Parents' Committee £150 had been raised.

The Committee then began to make application for grants to various Local Authority bodies but these were always unsuccessful. We continued to apply annually for several years but it became more and more likely that our project was not going to qualify for a grant.

By now inflation had hit us, and, although we never admitted defeat, secretly we thought we were beaten. Money raising continued by all the usual, and some unusual, means (coffee mornings, sherry evenings, jumble sales, pet shows, knit-ins, discos, etc, etc). When you have £4,000 in the kitty you really cannot give up because you do not know what to do with the money. Then our Treasurer suggested that we approach the Manpower Services Commission to ask for its help under the Job Creation Scheme. This application was successful, and by August 1977 we were ready to start building. By this time the Committee — now known as the Supporters' Association — had raised £6,000; but the actual cost of the building had risen from £8,500 in 1973 to a staggering £24,000 in 1977. The Manpower Services Commission workers finished their task in the summer of 1978 and the Guides and

Brownies moved into the building at the beginning of 1979.

At the end of her speech the Chairman invited Mrs W T Berry, County Commissioner of West Lancashire from 1968 to 1978, to open the centre. Mrs Berry pulled the cord and the blue curtains opened to reveal a commemorative wall plaque. She then declared the centre open, and presented a Thanks Badge to the Treasurer of the Supporters' Association, who had dealt with all the money raised for the centre over a period of eight years.

Baskets of blue and yellow flowers were presented to Mrs Berry and the Mayoress by a Brownie and a Guide.

The Vicar, Rev G Armstrong, dedicated the building and a vote of thanks was proposed by a Brownie Guider.

Everyone adjourned to the Church Hall Lounge, where tea and biscuits were served and where the great crowd were persuaded by stallholders to part with more of their money to help pay the £2,000 debt still outstanding on the building.

It was a wonderful afternoon and one that will be remembered and talked about by children and grown-ups alike for many years.

J C Rawlinson,
Chairman, Supporters'
Association and West Lancs
CCIA.

Mrs Rawlinson gives an outline history of the building.



TRAINING

	FOXLEASE Lyndhurst, Hants SO4 7DG Tel: (Lyndhurst) 042-128 2638	WADDOW Clitheroe, Lancs BB7 3LD Tel: (Clitheroe) 0200 23186	NETHERURD HOUSE Blyth Bridge, West Linton, Peeblesshire, Tel: 096 88 208
Jan	11-13 General Training 18-20 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders) 25-27 London and S.E. England (by allocation)	3-7† Queen's Jubilee Community Leadership Course (by invitation) 11-13 General Training 18-20 North West England (by allocation) 25-27 Greater Manchester North	11-13 Patrol Leaders 18-20 Brownie and Guide Guiders (separate sessions for warranted Guiders) 25-27 Brownie and Guide Guiders
February	1-3 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders) 8-10 Oxfordshire 15-17 Commissioner Teams (by allocation) 29-2 General Training (Brownie and Guide Guiders who have held a Warrant for at least five years)	1-3 General Training — the Programme through Camps and Pack Holidays 8-10 1. Music in the Brownie Pack 2. Music in the Pack Certificate 15-17 General Training (Brownie and Guide Guiders who have held a Warrant for at least five years) 29-2 Greater Manchester West March	1-3 Brownie Guiders (preparations for Pack Holidays) 8-10 Districts 15-17 Guide and Ranger Guiders 29-2 Prospective Trainers March
March	7-9 1. Music in the Brownie Pack 2. Music in the Pack Certificate 14-16 South West England (by allocation) 21-23 General Training — The Programme through the Out-of-Doors 28-30 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)	7-9 Sheffield 14-16 Manchester 21-23 Humberside North 28-30 1. Planning Ahead Part I (Guiders of all Sections who have held a Warrant for at least three years) 2. General Training	7-9 Brownie and Guide Guiders (including booking from Glasgow North Division) 14-16 Chairmen of County Training Committees 21-23 Brownie and Guide Guiders (including booking from Dunbartonshire) 28-30 Brownie and Guide Guiders
April	3-7 Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award (Easter) Course (for boys and girls from any operating authority) 11-13 Leicestershire 18-20† (1) Visual Arts and Crafts (2) Photography 25-27 West Glamorgan	4-7 London South West (Easter) 11-13 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders) 16-24 European Seminar (by invitation) 25-27 Commissioner Teams (by allocation)	3-7 Duke of Edinburgh's Award (Easter) Scheme — Residential Course 11-13 Brownie and Guide Guiders 18-20 Brownie and Guide Guiders — Inside out or Outside in 25-27 Brownie and Guide Guiders (including booking from Renfrewshire)
May	2-5 Preparing for the Training Licence — Certificate and Specialist trainers and tutors (by allocation) 9-11 1. General Training 2. Dance Side Group 16-18 1. General Training 23-31 Family Week (Guiders with their husbands and children aged 2-8 years) Bank Holiday	2-5 London North East 9-11 North Yorkshire South 16-18 General Training 23-27 Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award course (for girls from any operating Authority) Bank Holiday 30-1 1. Preparing for the Training Licence — Certificate and Specialist Trainers and tutors (by allocation) June 2. General Training	2-4 Scottish Programme and Training Committee 9-11 Brownie and Guide Guiders (including booking from North Tyne-side) 16-18 Brownie and Guide Guiders 23-25 Edinburgh Braid and other Trefoil Guilds
June	6-8 General Training 13-15 Ranger Guiders (General Training including help on expedition planning) 20-22 Middlesex North West 27-29 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)	6-8 General Training 12-15 Friends of Waddow 20-22 Hertfordshire 27-29 1. Planning Ahead Part II (Guiders of all Sections who have held a Warrant for at least three years) 2. General Training	6-8 Scottish Handcraft Circle
Fees at Foxlease and Waddow Shared room per day £5.50 Double room per day £6.00 Single room per day £6.50 Deposit of £2.00 cheque or postal order only Please note these prices are for members of the Girl Guides and Scouts Associations only. For a full week prices are subject to a 15% discount		Fees at Netherurd Shared room per day £4.00 Double room per day £4.25 Single room per day £4.50 Deposit £1.00 Training for non-residents per weekend £0.50	
		Note: Weekends marked † are subject to VAT	

CALENDAR

BRONEIRION Llandinam, Mont, Powys SY17 5DE Tel: Caersws 204	LORNE Craigavad, Co Down, Ulster. Tel: Holywood 0231 3180	GLENBROOK Bamford, Nr. Sheffield, S30 2AL Tel: (Bamford) 043 34 567
'GENERAL' TRAINING AT ALL CENTRES ARE FOR BROWNIE AND GUIDE GUIDERS	4-6 International 12 Duke of Edinburgh's Award Training Day 18-20 New to the Job 25-27 Ranger Guiders	18-20 Trainers and Instructors
9 Welsh Duke of Edinburgh's Award County Co-ordinators 15-17 First Aid and Safety Regulations in the Unit 22-24 Celebrating 'Thinking Day' in Wales 29-2 Pack Holiday Training March	1-3 South Down 8-10 District Team 15-17 Brownie Guiders 22-24 West Belfast	15-17 International Weekend — a Programme linked to Thinking Day (for Guiders and Rangers) Glenbrook may also be booked for week-ends or mid-week periods by self-catering groups.
14-16 General Training (places reserved for Clywd) General Training (places reserved for Anglesey and Pembrokeshire) 21-23 General Training (places reserved for Montgomeryshire)	2-4 Armagh 7-9 South Antrim 14-16 North Down 21-23 Derry County 28-30 South East Belfast	14-16 Leadership in the Hills (Guiders only)
3-8 Patrol Leaders (Thursday-Easter) 10-15 Patrol Leaders (Thursday-Tuesday) 18-20 Welsh Trefoil Guilds 25-27 General Training (places reserved for Cheshire Forest)	4-6 Available for Pack Holidays (Easter) 18-20 Arts — Song and Dance 25-27 (To be confirmed)	25-27 (1) Canoeing — training and assessment (Groups for Guiders and Rangers) (2) Hillwalking and Rockclimbing (Groups for Guiders and Rangers)
2-5 Young Leaders 9-11 General Training (places reserved for Hereford) 17 County Personnel Day Conference 18-20 General Training (Sunday to Tuesday) 24-29 Patrol in Action (Groups of not less than four Guides from a Patrol) Bank Holiday 30-1 General Training (places reserved for Cardiff and East Glamorgan) June	Fees at Lorne Per day (Ulster Guiders only) £3.50 Per day (others) £5.00 Fees at Glenbrook Shared room (for weekend course) £10.00. All activities, equipment and VAT are included. Optional activities extra. Deposit of £2.00 cheque or postal order only.	16-18 Adventure Course (for Rangers who have not been to Glenbrook)
Fees at Broneirion Shared room per day £4.00 Double room per day £4.25 Single room per day £4.50 Deposit £2.00		20-22 An Introduction to Glenbrook (for Adult Leaders who have not been to Glenbrook) See HQ Notices

How to apply to a Training Centre

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

An application to attend a Guider Training Centre should be sent direct to the appropriate Guider-in-Charge, and must be accompanied by the correct amount of deposit and a 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.

BURSARY HELP AVAILABLE

For full details of how to apply, and who is eligible for Bursaries, District Commissioners should write to the Training Secretary, CHQ (Scottish Commissioners should apply to Scottish Headquarters). Applications must reach CHQ at least two weeks before the date of the Training; Bursaries cannot be issued in retrospect.

The Fee Bursary entitles the Guider to £3.00 for a two-day weekend and £1 for each additional day. This is deducted from the fees at the Training Centre.

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

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Camps and Holidays

Activities Week for Guides

Glenbrook 13th — 20th August, 1980

An opportunity for Guides aged 12 and over from different parts of the Country to share a week of Guide Activities exploring an 8 point programme with emphasis on the out-of-doors (eg Pioneering, swimming, wide-games, with 'tasters' for the future such as hill-walking and pony trekking). If any of your Guides are interested application should be made to the Guider-in-Charge at Glenbrook.

Beaverbrook Lodge

Applications should be sent to the Secretary, Foxlease, giving alternative dates and enclosing an initial deposit of £1.00 (which is non-returnable) and a foolscap sae. Priority will be given to applicants who have not already stayed in Beaverbrook Lodge. The accommodation is suitable for handicapped Members. Applications for the period 1st April-30th September, 1980 will be accepted now.

Foxlease Annexe

Makes an ideal centre for Rangers. Available Easter, Spring Holiday and periods in the summer. For details apply to The Secretary, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants, enclosing a sae.

Foxlease Camp-sites

Applications for sites next year will be considered now. They should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates with alternatives and approximate numbers should be stated, and whether an equipped site is required. Camps may begin on any weekday. Some sites are suitable for the handicapped.

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

Waddow Cottage and Caravan

Both are available for bookings throughout the year. For details apply to the Secretary enclosing sae.

Waddow Camp-sites

Applications for sites next year will be considered now. They should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates with alternatives and approximate numbers should be stated and whether an equipped site is required. It is pre-

ferred that Camps begin on Saturday.

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

Waddow Pack Holiday House.

Applications for Pack Holidays in 1980 will be considered now, and should be sent to the Secretary. The application must be accompanied by a written recommendation from the Guider's CA or Pack Holiday Adviser and a foolscap sae enclosed.

Glenbrook, near Sheffield

Accommodation available in the house for 30, or in the flat upstairs for ten. Groups must be self-catering, and must guarantee 20 in the house or six in the flat. A number of activities are available, including canoeing, hill-walking, rock climbing, etc. For details contact the Guider-in-Charge, enclosing sae.

Glenbrook Camp-sites

Six campsites available, two suitable for handicapped members, situated in partly wooded grounds. All sites are un-equipped. For further information about camping and activities available, write to the Secretary, Glenbrook, enclosing a foolscap sae.

Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex

Equipped and un-equipped sites available with facilities for swimming and pioneering (for which equipment can be borrowed). Also 'Restrop', a furnished bungalow for 25 (bunk beds for 20), and 'Barkly Cottage' with accommodation for 16 in single and bunk beds. For details write to the Warden, enclosing sae.

Brownsea Island

Eight sites are available for Guide and Scout Camps from Easter to 1st October, and South Shore Lodge sleeping 18 plus Leaders. For full details apply to Mrs B Duttfield, 16 Talbot Drive, Poole, Dorset. BH12 5ED (enclosing foolscap sae).

Broneirion, Llandinam, Powys

Holiday flats are available all the year round for family holidays or for parties of up to 12 Rangers with their Guider. Self-catering, fully equipped, with

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Broneirion Camp-site and Brownie House

Applications for Campsite and Brownie House will be considered now, and should be sent to: Miss P Lynch, 3c Pentwyn Court, Whitchurch, Cardiff CF4 7BY, enclosing sae.

Bookings for the Brownie House, outside school holidays, and for Guide and Ranger groups, should be sent to the Guider-in-Charge, Broneirion.

Ynysgarn, Criccieth, North Wales

Applications for the use of two un-equipped sites within a few minutes of the sea can be made to: Mrs Griffith, Swyn-y-Gwynt, Penrhynedraeth, Gwynedd, enclosing a foolscap sae for site information sheet.

Netherurd Camp-sites, Brownie House and Holiday Caravan

Applications for campsites will be taken now. One site is suitable for the handicapped.

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

A three-berth caravan is also available.

Holiday at Lorne

Lorne will be open as a holiday centre during July and August. In pleasant grounds with lovely views and quiet surroundings on the shore of Belfast Lough. Lorne is only six miles from Belfast and is a good centre for sight-seeing tours.

Special terms for parties of Guides taking the house and wishing to do their own catering.

Full details from the Guider-in-Charge, Lorne, Craigavad, Co Down, Ulster.

Lorne Camp-sites

Lorne offers fully equipped or un-equipped camp-sites with solid shelter. Calor gas available. Applications should be sent to Mrs F Hartley, 1 Station View, Carnalea, Bangor, Co Down. Tel: Bangor 67088.

Irene McKibbin Memorial Cottage, Lorne

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

Magilligan Camp-sites

Three fully equipped sites with double calor gas stoves for 25 to 30 campers. Two miles of sands. Large three-room hut with an open fireplace. For details apply to Mrs R F Scott, Derry-more House, 54 Bolea Road, Limavady, Co Londonderry, enclosing sae.

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GUIDE ANNUAL 1980

A Brownie Guide called Louise, was approached by a man who said 'Please',
I know it's a cheek but I need, this week,
to take a Guide photograph.

He produced a shirt and a hat, and said 'please slip into that,'
the fit was just right, not at all tight,
just as well Louise was not fat.

The badges caused some dismay, but, the Photographer, feeling quite gay,
said 'worry not dear, I'll pin them on here,'
and he did, and there they did stay.

Louise joined the Guides at last, and thought no more of her 'past'
A uniform was bought, and Louise was taught,
how to wear it; be tidy and smart.

The Guide Annual is now on sale, and the Guiders and Guides have turned pale,
Oh shock and horror, our names on the cover,
and the badges, wrongly placed, can be seen.

When the photo was taken, Louise, was only a BROWNIE if you please,
so, although she was wrong then, we take up our pen,
She knows BETTER, now she's ONE OF US.

Guides & Guiders of 1st Amersham on the Hill Guide Company.

For My Grandchildren — Some Reminiscences of HRH Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, VA, GCVO, GBE, DLitt., LLD Evans, £7.95.

If, as I do, you like getting to know someone through the written word you will certainly enjoy this book, written by one of the Vice-Presidents of the Girl Guides Association. In this delightful book, written so frankly and with such a sense of humour, Princess Alice has given her grandchildren and great grandchildren and of course other readers 'an account of some of the personalities, interesting and otherwise, who have played a part in my long life'. 'At no time in the history of England, or of the world, have there been changes as revolutionary as those which have occurred during my lifetime'...

Princess Alice tells her grandchildren she believes 'our characters are moulded by circumstances and early training more than by any other factors' but that 'all of us inherit from our forebears, not only physical looks, but certain mental qualities which influence our conduct.'

What a rich and generous inheritance grandchildren will have from the Princess herself readers will discover. Her help was practical: when children were evacuated to her home in Sussex during the 2nd world war Princess Alice took them for walks and 'explained things to them'. And as soon as she had moved into Government House in Canada, where Lord Athlone had been appointed Governor General 'I turned all the furniture upside down to suit my taste'.

Princess Alice describes meeting Guides in Edmonton and in the spring of 1941 in Regina. In India, during the time she was Overseas Commissioner, she met Guides in Bhopal and at a rally in the Garden of Government House.

TWM

The Observer's Book of Cats, by Grace Pond. Warne, £1.25.

As a lifelong cat fancier, I am convinced that the cat of '57 varieties', or household moggie, is the most rewarding and intelligent companion one can have in the animal world. This book, compiled with the usual Observer thoroughness with pictures and descriptions of all the main British and foreign pedigree strains, gives everything the potential breeder or show entrant needs to know, whereas the Pet Cat is dismissed in two pages. However, there are interesting notes on the history of the domestic cat, notes on cat care and ailments. As one who has recently acquired two kittens (having hitherto taken on fully grown cats), I have found the book's sections on the care and diet of kittens extremely useful, so it can be said to contain something for every type of 'cat person'.

JVR

Leatherwork, by Ian Hamilton-Head, Blandford Press, £4.95. Press, £4.95.

Leatherwork covers all that a beginner to the craft needs to learn and is also a practical reference book for those already working with leather.

The many diagrams are easy to follow. They show

clearly how to make a template (pattern), the cutting out and then through the various stages to lining and edging articles.

Various decorative techniques are demonstrated, as well as finishing processes. Among projects suggested for the beginner to try are key-rings, watchstraps, belts and bags. The book is well illustrated with 70 photographs of the author's own very attractive work.

OMC

Flags of the World, Barraclough, Warne, £8.95.

This splendidly bound and printed book, a credit to the publishers, is, and has been for over 80 years, the standard work on the subject. It has been revised and is as up to date as it can be. The Introduction is obligatory reading and gave me a new word, vexillology, the study of flags. And the International Federation of Vexillological Associations has, of course, its own flag. Not only are national flags and most others shown in colour but there are brief notes on the country or organisation and details of when and how the flags, national, merchant navy, royal standards, the emblems of the Russian Republics, etc. were devised. There are flags of international organisations, signal flags (Nelson's famous message is illustrated in full) and yacht flags. There is a good bibliography and an excellent index. It is a book in which to browse and to treasure.

EC

Boats on the Thames Wall Frieze, by Trevor Ridley. Warne, £6.00.

Twenty-eight boats, ranging from the first canoe cut out of a tree trunk, to the Royal Yacht *Britannia* are included on this unique and fascinating frieze. They give a panoramic and historical view of London's river and the rôle it has played in the development of the city. Beautifully drawn and coloured, the frieze makes a most attractive adornment to any wall.

JVR



A Handbook for Commissioners. GGA, £1.30.

The third edition of this Handbook has been produced in loose-leaf form and will fit into the same ring binder as POR, which means that the two books most needed by Commissioners are together.

This edition has been updated and contains information on such things as Brownie Birthday and Trefoil Badges and Guide Patrol Purpose Patches. There is an enlarged section on the functions and responsibilities of the District Assistant; more details about Young Leaders and Pack holidays, and a useful section about the setting up of depots for the sale of Guide uniform and equipment. This has always been an excellent handbook. Can you improve on the excellent? If you can, this edition does just that and every Commissioner needs one.

BH

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~HOME & AWAY~

Beds at Ironbridge

A new youth hostel will open in the Ironbridge Gorge later this spring. The 60-bed hostel has been converted from the old Coalbrookdale Institute, built by local ironmasters in the 19th century for literary, art and scientific classes. It is in the heart of Coalbrookdale, 150 miles north-west of London, where Quaker ironmaster Abraham Darby made the breakthrough that led to the Industrial Revolution. For further information, ring the YHA on Lichfield 22279.

Ski-ing Specials in Scotland

Special ski-ing packages to include all 'hidden' expenses are now available in Scotland. The ski breaks are based on Aviemore, Scotland's leading winter sports centre, near the Cairngorms and 129 miles north of Edinburgh; and Braemar, the holiday centre on Royal Deeside, 98 miles north of the Scottish capital. Prices are from £40.25, inclusive of equipment hire and instruction.

The Aviemore programme, staying in Thistle Hotels' modern 90-bedroom Strathspey Hotel, offers two-, three-, five- and seven-day arrangements from January 3 to March 28. Prices range from £40.25 for bed and breakfast accommodation for the minimum stay, up to £130.82 for seven days (including unlimited use of chairlifts and ski tows).

Ski-ing packages at the Fife Arms, Braemar, a traditional 75-bedroom hotel, are all based on dinner, bed and breakfast accommodation. Five days, from Monday to Friday, including equipment hire, four hours' instruction daily, and the use of trainer tows, costs £84.95. The programme runs until April.

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Human Value

The organisers of the Human Value Conference to be held in March, 1981 have already received some enquiries from interested readers of GUIDER.

Some changes have had to be made to the original plans. The conference will now take place in the Queen Elizabeth Hall on the South Bank and the number of delegates has had to be reduced from 2000 to 1000, but these alterations should in no way reduce the importance of this event.

Pets and the Elderly

Such are the benefits of pet ownership to the elderly that on retirement, people should be given a pet instead of the normal gold watch — at least that's the opinion of a leading Scottish Health Educationalist.

As well as providing companionship, pets can be positively beneficial in many other ways. By barking, even the smallest dog can frighten off intruders, but can also warn of a fire before it gets out of control.

Many elderly people cannot be bothered to feed themselves properly but interest in a pet's welfare also encourages owners to keep their home adequately heated, thus reducing the risk of hypothermia. If the owner feels he has to go out to buy food for his pet, he is more likely to buy food for himself at the same time.

Recycling Aluminium

Recycling waste material seems such a good idea, given the world's dwindling natural resources, that it is surprising that there are not more campaigns like this one, recently launched by the Aluminium Federation, which has drawn attention to the thousands of tons of valuable metal which are lost each year on the country's rubbish tips.

Eventually local collection centres will be established, but meanwhile, a number of secondary aluminium smelters throughout the country have agreed to purchase scrap directly from the charities and associations taking part in the scheme (min 25 kg).

The type of scrap which is suitable for collection is:

Foil milk bottle tops
Foil baking containers
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Encouraging children to 'Keep Britain Tidy' is made easier by these charming badges and wall chart posters produced by the Keep Britain Tidy group.

The badges get the message across with the aid of well-known Walt Disney characters like Mickey and Minnie Mouse and Donald Duck.

The black and white posters show a pictorial history of two aspects of the work of our Cleansing Departments;

street cleaning (pictured below) and refuse collection.

Both the badges (12p each) and posters (price 20p each) are available from the Keep Britain Tidy Group at Bostel House, 37 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE. Please note, a 50p charge is made for postage and packing costs on orders under £5.



Join The Ranger Road Show!



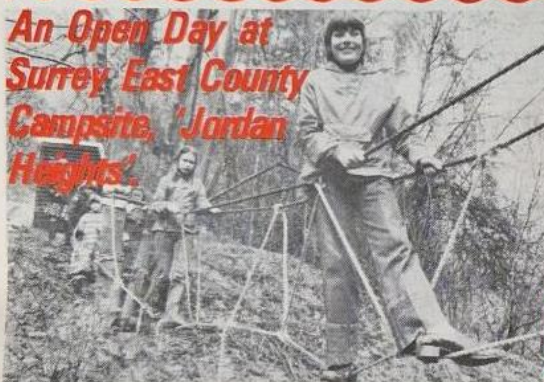
Jean de Lemos

August 6th-13th 1980 at Foxlease

Do you sing, dance, act or play? If you would like to have fun and put your talents to good use to entertain those less fortunate than yourself, why not join the Ranger Road Show based at Foxlease in the New Forest from August 6th to 13th 1980?

To find out more about this arts and service project see February GUIDER's 'Mainly for Rangers' page for further details. Bring a group from your Unit!

An Open Day at Surrey East County Campsite, 'Jordan Heights'.



These Guides test out the rope bridge made by local Rangers, at Jordan Heights.

Twenty-seven years ago Surrey-East negotiated a lease with the National Trust for a piece of land wedged in Colley Hill at Reigate. This year we held an Open Day to give everyone in our County, friends and neighbours, a chance to see this delightful sheltered site on the edge of the North Downs.

Our visitors came from far and wide. Some remembered the site when all it possessed was a Nissen hut, concrete blocks, barbed wire and other relics of the days when the land was used by the army in the last war. Now we have three level plateaux, a large cedar wood hut, fully furnished with folding tables and benches, an open fireplace, gas heater, gas lanterns and at the end of the hut, a camp store for all the equipment for 36 campers. Outside are two permanent fire shelters and four lat. huts, quite a transformation.

Refreshments were served all day by the Trefoil Guild. On a typically English showery day the hut came into its own as a coffee shop, restaurant at lunch time and tea shop in the afternoon. Displays in the hut included one by the National Trust, a Nature table and a history of the site. Outside, visitors tried out the rope bridge and ladder, sampled scones and cakes cooked in the tin oven and by reflector fire, and were able to view samples of the tents and equipment. Our nature trail was launched, and many visitors ventured to the top of the hill in search of unusual specimens.

The Mayor of the Borough, Councillor Peter Lynch, toured the site with our

County Commissioner, Miss E A M Callister, and her Assistant, Miss Brenda Robinson. After the tour everyone gathered round the flag pole for presentations. The very first County Good Service Badge in our County was presented to Mrs Pamela Brown by the Mayor, for 27 years' loyal service to the site. Mr Fred Hughes and Mr R Strunk were both presented with good service certificates and pewter tankards for their good services to the site. Then came the planting of a willow tree to replace one blown down in last winter's gales. Miss Callister and Councillor Lynch shared this task, and once completed, all guests toasted the proceedings.

Jean Greenaway,
Chairman Campsite Committee



A proud moment for Mrs Brown, as she receives her County Good Service Award, above

Pointing Them in the Right Direction

I found the following method was successful in teaching Guides their compass points.

Each girl should have a sheet of 10 in x 8 in graph paper (available from any good stationer).

Mark a point on the paper as a starting point.

Call out the instructions, allowing one square on the paper to represent a mile (eg '2 miles south' will be the equivalent to two squares on the paper).

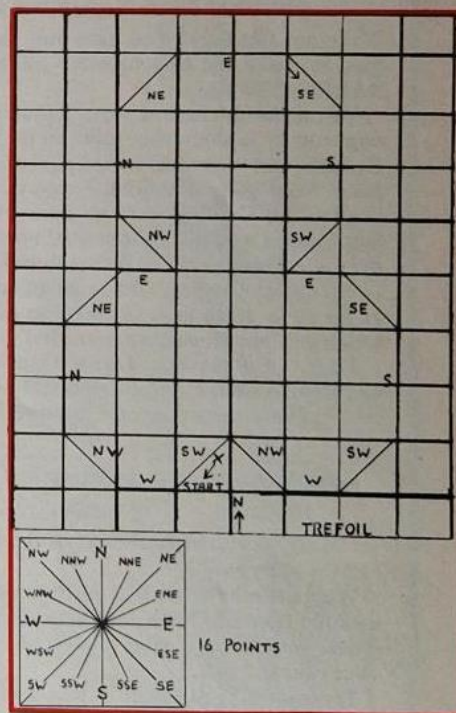
The Guides follow your instructions by marking them on the graph paper, from the starting point and continuing from the end of each line drawn.

If they have followed your instructions correctly, they will have drawn a trefoil.

Any simple outline could be used — try a ridge tent, a church or flags. Another method is to duplicate the pictures and ask the Guides to add the Compass points themselves.

Once the compass points have been learned by this simple method, the Guides can then progress on to drawing maps, putting their knowledge to practical use.

D Matthews



Councillor Peter Lynch, the Borough's Mayor, tastes with some trepidation the Camp cooking of Guiders Anne Prichard and Jill Kinnert (holding pan), and Jordan Heights' Chairman, Jean Greenaway.



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Hints on Guide Badges, Collector, by Esme Bailey; **Observer**, by Barbara Bradley; **Woodman**, by Jean Dixon. The Girl Guides Association, 50p.

What is it YOU collect? I think each of us has something — including happy memories! This booklet gives several useful hints on gathering, storing and labelling your collection — whatever it might be — either belonging to the species of artifacts or natural objects!

Could you describe in detail your Guide to the Police if necessary? How many things do we come into contact with frequently and take for granted but never observe? What is on the back of the 1p coin?

Are we all too busy rushing around and not taking time to notice and use the senses God has given us — not only what we can see, but also those things we hear, taste, touch and smell every day.

This Hints booklet is a good one to have as part of your Patrol equipment. It is good value covering as it does, three different Badges — though it clearly states that several of the clauses cannot be done or practised on one's own. So, Guide Patrols, why not purchase this booklet — and become a Patrol which can fully enjoy the 'out of doors'?

HR

The Source Book for the Disabled, Paddington Press, £7.95 + 90p (post & packing), hardback, £4.95 + 70p (post & packing) paperback.

In the opening chapter 'Disabled or Handicapped' the authors draw a subtle distinction between a disability and a handicap. What they are saying, in effect, is that one's disability is essentially a condition in which one has little or no say. The extent to which one is handicapped, on the other hand, depends on a variety of factors, such as the availability of mechanical or electronic devices, purpose-built accommodation, access to public utilities or amenities and so on.

Under the chapter 'your Place in the Outside World', the authors are critical of modern building design world-wide and point out that buildings 'have for the most part, been influenced by

aesthetic rather than practical considerations'. The very recent Underground extension to Heathrow Airport, the authors point out, has escalators but no lifts.

While I cannot agree with some of the views on personal relationships expressed in the chapter 'Your Sexuality', I do feel that the book deals with sexual problems in a practical forthright manner — which, however, might offend some readers.

'The Source Book for the Disabled' has a simple, straightforward style and is mercifully free from jargon. The illustrations of the various aids designed to ease the burden of daily chores for the disabled are both clear and practical. Many of these aids can be made by the average DIY enthusiast.

In this sense the book certainly achieves its aim of being 'a guide to easier, more independent living' for disabled people.

PW

Look After Yourself by Iain Reid and Peter Maddocks in association with the Health Education Council. Darton, Longman and Todd, 95p.

In this informative, practical but, above all, amusing little booklet, the author advises on all manner of health topics. Set out in strip cartoon form (by that irrepressible artist Peter Maddocks) we learn of the dangers of too much TV, not enough exercise, how we may avoid serious disease and illness... 'all women of child-bearing age should undergo a simple Rubella test', along with the following fact, confirmed by experts... 'a regular smoker's life is shortened by 5½ minutes for each cigarette he smokes'.

Ninety such topics are discussed, each one valid, to the point and, might I suggest, life-saving? One's eye is drawn to page 61; under the heading *Four Laws* comes the plea from the patient... 'Give me something to cheer me up, doctor. I'm always so depressed and I'm sleeping badly.'

This reviewer would echo the four points recommended: healthy nutrition, try to keep cool, adequate and restful sleep and fresh air but would also add

essential reading, a copy of *Look After Yourself*, for no one could remain depressed after a dose of this hilarious medicine.

AMM

The Pocket Book of Home Decorating, by Alan Taylor. Evans, £1.25.

As anyone who has employed professional decorators will know, their charges are roughly one-fifth for materials and four-fifths for labour.

It makes sense to do these jobs oneself, and can also be enjoyable if you go about it the right way. This pocket book is very useful for the beginner as it tells you what not to do, as well as providing simple instructions for all home decorating tasks. It advises, for instance, that you should tackle the exterior one side at a time, as to attempt the whole outside of the house at once in one's spare time can turn a pleasant hobby into a nightmare.

Lists of the different types of paint and their proper function, and drawings of the large number of brushes and other tools available, make this a most handy book for all DIY enthusiasts.

JVR

Classic American Patchwork Quilt Patterns by Maggie Malone. Oak Tree Press, £3.50.

During the past five years there has been a great revival in handcrafts, and patchwork quilting has become very popular. Quilting arrived in America with the first European settlers and the patterns reflected the day-to-day lives of the people. The garden, the sky, the sea, and all the beauty and grandeur of their new land were translated into their quilts. This collection of patterns was compiled by the author after 12 years of research and each pattern is at least 50 years old. For serious patchwork enthusiasts this book could be a valuable addition to their needlework library.

OMC

Encyclopedia of Music, by Alan Blackwood. Ward Lock, £5.95.

Here is a reference book for all the family. It traces the history of music and musical instruments over the past five centuries and includes biographies of all the major composers and performers up to

the present day. The first part of the book, lavishly illustrated in colour, tells the history of music from medieval plainsong to modern electronic. This is followed by a chapter on musical instruments, then an illustrated dictionary of 200 composers and performers, their lives and work. Finally, a dictionary of over 200 musical terms with diagrams and line drawings.

This is a feast for all music lovers; attractive, light in presentation but very informative.

JVR

Antique Furniture Designs, by Charles H Hayward. Evans, £6.95.

For those Guiders interested in woodwork as well as those interested in antiques, this book will be of great interest. The author is a well-known authority on English furniture, and he not only describes and illustrates this collection of pieces from the 17th and 18th centuries, but includes the most fascinating diagrams of how they are constructed. As well as individual pieces carefully analysed, there are chapters on drawer construction, doors through the ages, mouldings and their origins, and making drawings of old furniture. A highly specialised but absorbing volume.

JVR

A Song to Sing and a Tale to Tell by Jean Brown. Thule Press, £4.95.

The scene is a small crofter's cottage on the island of Tiree in the Inner Hebrides. An old man turns to the author and enquires: 'Have you the Gaelic?' — 'I'm sorry,' says Jean Brown, 'I'm afraid we have no Gaelic at all.' 'Och!' he says, 'and how are you going to get into Heaven when it is the only language the Lord Knows?'

So begins Jean Brown's story of her experiences with Yorkshire children holidaying in the Hebrides. What magic she conjures-up of these breath-taking islands; the humour of the crofters and the unique relationship that grows between them.

A Song to Sing and a Tale to Tell will particularly appeal to those readers who are lucky enough to have camped in the Inner Hebrides or similar places unspoilt by the ravages of time and commerce.

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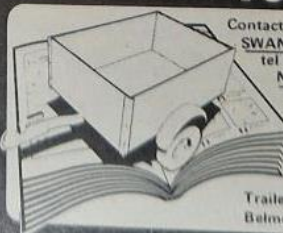
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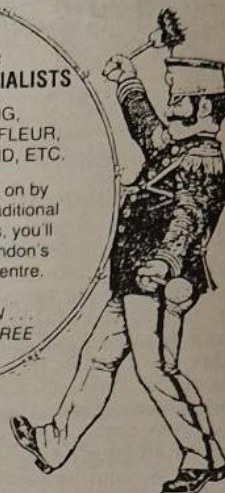
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Degas' 'Dancer in her Dressing room', above.

rooms, showing how they influenced the post impressionist masters **Cézanne, Gauguin, Seurat** and **Van Gogh** which feature in the central section. The exhibition shows work by British artists such as **Sickert** and **Wilson Steer**, and ends with the early paintings of **Picasso, Matisse** and **Derain**. Even small children must respond to the vivid colours, and this unique chance to see some of the world's most famous paintings is worth a special visit to London if at all possible.

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