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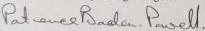
Thinking Day Message

Through our membership as an Association of The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts not only do we all belong to a Movement in the United Kingdom and its Branch Associations, we also belong to an exciting International Movement with fellow Guides and Girl Scouts in 98 countries throughout the world, all sharing the same basic fundamentals and ideals.

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Warmest greetings to you for enjoyment of your Thinking Day celebrations and my loving thoughts.



Chief Commissioner

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THE LADY BADEN-POWELL



The Chief Commissioner at Sangam, the World Centre in the State of Maharastra, India, about to enjoy a traditional Maharastran meal. The floor is decorated with fine coloured sand and the food served on Plantain (Banana) leaves. Traditional food is being served and is alternatively savoury and sweet, eaten in the right hand starting at the top right hand of the leaf, each of them in turn in a clockwise order. Water is drunk using the left hand.

On The Lady Baden-Powell's right is Dr Perin Banker, formerly Deputy Director of The World Bureau and now a member of the Asia Pacific Sub-committee of The World Committee. The Sari worn by The Lady Baden-Powell is a beautiful silk one borrowed from Mrs Albaquerque (second from the left,) and is why she has taken the precaution of using that large napkin.

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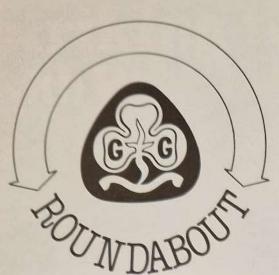
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Cover-

The true happy spirit of Thinking Day is this month demonstrated on the cover by Guides and Guiders who attended the Service in St Margaret's, Westminster, last year. (Photo: Yvette Worth.)

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Above, Debbie Fox of the 6th Plaistow Coy, Essex had the honour of presenting a bouquef to a local dignitary who attended the Newham Borough 'All Our Own' Debbie's Company were present to publicise Guiding activities, along with other local youth organisations.





A very suitable photograph for this Thinking Day issue of GUIDER: the County Commissioner for Avon South is pictured above with Guides and Brownies wearing uniforms of overseas members with appropriate flags at last year's Worle District AGM.



Above, not Brownie Bells this time but wedding bells for Myfanwy Jones, Snowy Owl of the 1st Bistre Pack, Wales. Pictured with her groom, Brown Owl and Tawny Owl, the Pack gave Myfanwy a guard of honour when she left the chapel. Below, Lady Alport welcomes delegates to the Anglia Region AGM last year in her capacity as President. Held in Bedford Modern School, those who attended were entertained by Southchurch Rangers singing their own 'Lantern Song' composed for the Region's Lantern Appeal (see full report in October, 1980 GUIDER). Bottom left, Shropshire County Guiders are concentrating hard at the crafts sessions during a Training Day last year.







Left, leaders from USA Mexico, Canada, Belize and the UK, pictured at Our Cabana last year. They're watching the men from a local ceramic factory painting flight, Brownies, Guides and Rangers from the Oundle and Thrapston District Taking part in 'Not the Gang Show — a kind of feminine answer to the Gang Show to celebrate the Toth anniversary of Guiding last year.



The Edelweiss Patrol from the 10th Bath Argyle Guides proudly displaying their frophy, certificate and main dish of sauetriaut, gork and beans, which they cooked as their entry to an international cooking competition last year.



Below Guiders and Scoulers of the Rheindattlen Districts involved with the Bultish Forces in Germany) receiving their St. John Ambulance First Aid Cetticates from the Commanding Officer of the Royal Air Force Hospital, Wegberg, West Germany, Below right, the 1st Opinam Brownies engaged in Their recent Pennies round the church all day vipil, which raised 6129 fowards the restoration of the Parish Church Below the higham Wood Scout and Guide Group recently held a coffee movining during the course of which Brownies. Cubs. Scouts and Guides were laid down and to and along local streets as shown. The result was just over 1920 feet and more than \$100 was laised towards their funds.









GUIDER FAD WAY 1981

W A L E S

It was with much sadness that Wales said farewell to Mrs Kwantes, as Chief Commissioner for Wales, at the end of November 1980. She has been a wonderful leader and during her term of office Wales has increased in strength — numerically, financially and in the spirit of Guiding. She has always been ready to travel to any part of Wales to foster Guiding and to meet and encourage members. One of her presents from her family the Christmas before last was a new



Mrs W Kwantes

typewriter — we reckon that she wore out her old one writing letters on benalf of Weish Guiding to a vast number of Government Departments, business firms, other organisations and anyone else who could be persuaded to help Guiding in Wales. Wales thanks her most sincerely for the energy and enthusiasm that she gave to Guiding during these last five years.

We look, with confidence, to the future under our new Chief Com-

missioner, Mrs A T Churchman, and wish her a happy and rewarding term of office. As Deputy Chief Commissioner she has visited many parts of Wales, where her wisdom and humour have endeared her to all. The standing ovation given to her by all present at the recent Welsh Commissioners' Training Conference, when the news of her appointment was announced, was evidence of the love and affection in which she is held.

Mrs A T Churchman



Commissionere

Caledonian Water Rally

Last year saw the eighth Caledonian Water Rally, when thirdes and Scouts from many parts of Scotland gathered for a weekend of water activities and on-shore fun from 24th to 26th October. The site was a public one taken over for the weekend beside the Caledonian Canal at Dochgarroch, a few miles south went of Inverness, and within canoeing distance of Loch Ness. Participants gathered on the Friday evening, and quite fre-

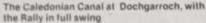
cruiser or even a raft, and soon quite a few also found themselves in the water as well, particularly if they had been rafting. Boys and girls are not separated in the allocation to the various activities, and find themselves working or being instructed alongside each other.

As it was not possible to provide enough boats or qualified instructors throughout the weekend, there was a wide selection of land activities, related as

After lunch the whole camp gathered for a short service conducted by the Inverness District Scout Chaplain. The Camp Chief, Capt E F Hamilton-Meikle, Scout Area Commissioner for Ross/Sotherland introduced the Chief Commissioner for the Scout Association in Scottand, Mr David Kerr. Mr Kerr thanked the many who make the Rally possible each year, and various presentations were made, including the Scout Thanks Badge' to Miss Janet

Scouts set out on their long journey home, many to return another year.

The whole event is only possible through the hard work and help of many people. R A ('Dusty') de Ste. Croix is the other half of the administrative team, and without his tremendous energy nobody would get to any of the events. Lord and Lady Burton are most helpful in that their caravan and camping site is taken over and used in ways for which it was not





quently into the early hours of the Saturday morning, in view of the long distances some groups had to travel, and camp was set up under the patchy glare of arc lights.

It was not long before most people found their way to the welcome warmth of the 'Monster's Lair', the snack bar run under the friendly eye of Don Patience, the warden of the Ross-shire Scoul Area campsite to the north.

All too soon it was Saturday morning and time for reveille. It is at this time that most new-comers to the rally realise that they are only a few of the nearly three hundred participants, some of whom are back for their third or fourth rally, with one intrepid Venture Scout coming from as far as Norfolk each year.

During the day, three activity sessions took place and virtually everybody found themselves on the water in a canoe, a motor far as possible to the water instruction. Rope-bridge building, archery and rifle shooting are well established, but last year for the first time clay-pigeon shooting and fly-casting were included and proved very popular. Instead of the rabbit-skinning which has taken place in the past, last year it was replaced by the cooking in dough of pigeonment.

As the daylight on Saturday faded away, it was time for a meal and preparation for the evening entertainment, which last year included a film and a disco. Fortunately, the Rally took place over the weekend when the clocks went back, so the extra hour's sleep was most useful.

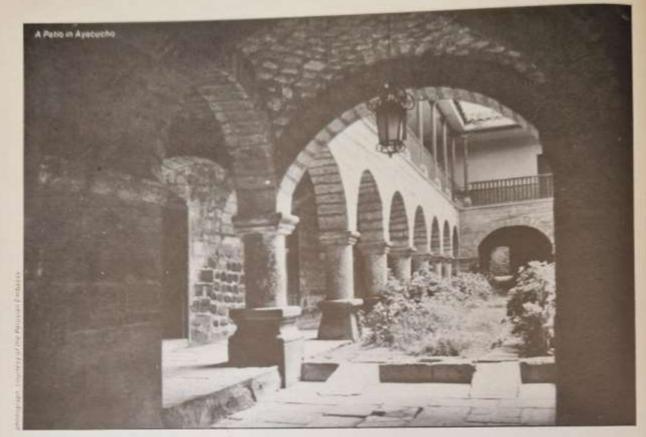
Sinday turned out to be another good day, with the campsite drying up after the heavy rain of earlier in the week, and by 10 am a fourth activity session was underway.

Cameron, Guide Guider with the 22nd Inverness Company (Leachkin), and a former Division Camp Adviser. Janet has represented Guiding on the Rally organising committee over the years, and formed one half of the administrative team for the event

At 2 pm the camp was over for another year, and Guides and reatty designed. But most especially thanks are due to Mr Jim Hogan, of Caley Cruisers in Inverness, without whose vision and generous sponsorship over the years, no rally would ever have taken place. He too was presented with a 'Thanks Badge' during the Rally.

Robert G Preece





Notebook from Peru

Audrey M Nunn

Stomery Howell my Consultant for London and SE England.

To pack for a hillwalking seekend is frustrating but relatively straight-forward. There is a fairly standard set of survival gear which is reluctantly packed, indeed hoping, that it will not be used.

This time it was rather different, I was packing for a year which was to be spent somewhere in the Central Sierra of Peru. Certainly I was going to be in a town, but I wasn't sure what I would find there. Of course there can be no set survival year for such trips; in fact different people seem to require different kinds of material support. I hardly liked to mention what I had squeezed into my one case and climbing sack, both of which fitted onto a trolley which I could manage for myself. On the whole my list won't seem so strange to any Guide, although at times I've been a little surprised how my equipment, as well as some of my skills, have been used.

Basically I have my lightweight camping kit without the tent. There's my in prepared stove, which has been my only means of cook ing now for several weeks. Gas is out of the question because of the difficulty of obtaining canisters. The Indians in the towns use primuses which come in a great variety of shapes and sizes. If only they knew the price of a primus in Europe. Unfortunately kerosene is hard to come by, and my petrol stove has proved the better choice, especially as it's so economical on fuel (one pint per week at \$7.40less than 10 pence). My little stove has proved its worth in a tiny village at 15,000 feet on the freezing altiplano where the basic hotel proved to be less than that with only a bed, chamber pot and jug of water? It's also useful when the electricity goes off, as indeed is my candle and holder. My small billies of about 1920 vintage - they belonged to my father - can cook sufficient for two meals which helps when meat can't be bought in small quantities and won't keep. With poratoes and pumpkin bubbling below in the billie and beef steak, onions and tomatoes sizzling in the pan-lid, I suppose I shouldn't really complain about camp cooking

Water is a scarce commodity throughout Peru, although the face in

not obvious from the way it is used in Lima for watering gardens. However, here in Ayacucho it's simply cut off for half the day and my collapsible water bottle is in continuous use, along with my thermos as my boiled water container. As washing-up liquid is not available here, the plastic tube painstakingly filled back home has been handy.

Accommodation is extremely difficult in Ayacucho because of the University and people moving in from the countryside, so I have been lucky to find a room with a family. It is a little easier being 'gringa' is foreign because you can pay a little more while landladies know you are only temporary and that you will not move in all your relatives. The next problem is furnishing the room, at least mine contains a bed. My down bag, a couple of sheet sleeping bags and a small mohair blanker are more than adequate for my sweet dreams. I've had to buy some curtains which are in fact the traditional mantas or shawls worn by the Indian women along with their full skirts, many petticoats and panama or velour hats, strung with nylon cord and safety pins; functional, if detracting a little from their beauty.

Coming to the home of the potato — there are some 400 different satisfies in Peru ranging from bright orange to deep pink — I brought my porato knife. Unfortunately the journey or the dry climate was too much for it and I found myself having to practise the art of whipping. I also packed some rubber gloves, at the time I wasn't sure why, but with freezing cold water for washing clothes I now have the reason.

As set I haven't used my cag, or mini umbrella, but then it is the dry season and I'm told that come December the Plaza becomes a pool, and judging from the surrounding hills with deep erosion channels. I can believe that.

Finally I too need emotional trappings of a more luxury nature and these come in the form of Baroque music cassettes and Tom Stoppard plays, which I have been able to share with other people. But I have to admit that it is my Guiding experience which is not only providing me with survival gear and sharpening my ingenuity but also giving me the comforts of life.

Fun Amongst the Trees

in South Africa

On Sunday, 5th October, 1980, 15 Guides and three Guiders met at the nearest suburban shopping centre to St Thomas's Church to which the 15th Hartley Company belonged. Meeting at the church hall would have disturbed Sunday School as the Guides planned to leave Durban at 9.30 am by car for Pietermaritzburg, 50 miles away.

Two of the Guiders had their own cars

and three parents gave lifts. One parent had the foresight to hitch on a trailer especially for a lot of the luggage, and it

was just as well he did!

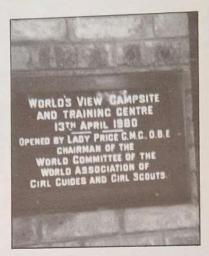
The drive to Pietermaritzburg along Natal's Western freeway is a picturesque one, although I don't think the Guides noticed much of the scenery. They were too busy exchanging stories about their past camping experiences or letting tenderfoot Guides in on the secrets of camping to take much notice of the route, and were very surprised when they found an hour later that they were already in Pietermaritzburg, the capital city of Natal Province of South Africa.

We had to drive right through the town and up a very steep hill to reach the camp site at World's View, where we found a marvellous camping area situated amongst the wattle trees which

cover the mountain top.

Within ten minutes kit had been unloaded from the cars and some cold drink and biscuits was laid on. Then the real work began: The trailer was unloaded; the flag raised; tents hauled to their sites and amid much giggling and some complaining they were erected while one of the Guiders prepared lunch.

Everyone was very impressed with what Pietermaritzburg Girl Guides had done toward getting themselves both a meeting hall and camp site in one place: in the country and yet no more than five miles from town. The hall has a very large fireplace so that if a storm should wash out a campfire, it was quite posMrs Connie Bosch





sible to hold one indoors. Storms during summer in that area are quite frequent.

During the camp all cooking was done outdoors except when a hike was planned, then cold food was taken along to be eaten on the way.

One such hike took the Guides to Queen Elizabeth Park, about two miles from the camp. This is a nature reserve run by the Natal Parks Board. The officials organised wild-life films and a talk about fire-prevention while camping. Most of the Guides had never seen live rhinoceros before, and were very intrigued by these and the wild buck in

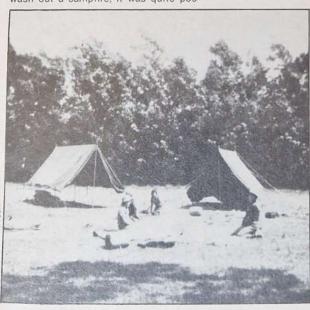
Another hike was to the point of World's View, where, it is said, on a clear day one can see the sea in Durban, 50 miles away. However, this is rare but certainly one can see the entire city of Pietermaritzburg at the foot of the cliff and many miles beyond that.

Several games were organised within the camp and while on hikes to make the girls react to the various aspects of their Badge work, such as laying trails or practising first aid.

The last night of the camp was spent around a huge outdoor campfire. Within the campsite the fire-ring has been well laid out to form a raised horseshoe, so that when skits are performed everyone

has a good view of the actors.

When I arrived on Wednesday afternoon to collect my share of Guides to be transported home no one seemed particularly keen to lower their tents and pack up, but by 3.15 pm all was ready for the home journey. This time there was no trailer and only four cars, but somehow everyone managed to creep in somewhere even if it meant sitting on bedrolls. All 15 Girl Guides then formed the final horseshoe around the flagpole and sang day-time Taps as the flag was lowered. Then they were on their way home still managing to sing some of the new songs they had learnt.





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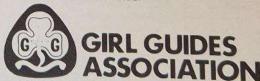
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When you buy from the Movement, we all benefit.

The Queen's Silver Jubilee Projects (Day Camps, Theatre Workshop, Playbus, Explorations and Play Schemes) were intended to be an extension of Guiding into the community and so they proved to be.

On the Jubilee Trust premise that young people should be encouraged to help others. young people from the communities in which the various projects were set volunteered their services (or in Scotland came under the Youth Opportunities Programme of the Manpower Services Commission) and underwent training to enable them to use their skills in the projects they had undertaken to help. That, quite boldly, is what the projects were all about. But - translate that into action and see what effect the projects and the young people had on their communities and you see words and concepts coming to life in a most exciting and moving way. For, of course, most of the Silver Jubilee Projects took place in areas where children were suffering deprivation in one form or another and where certain social and cultural facilities which

most of us take for granted were lacking. The age-old problem of how to stir a community so that it wants to help itself instead of being helped from outside, was not resolved, but in certain instances it did actually happen. The Playbus, for instance, had from the beginning a group of people drawn from the community who expressed willingness to help in any way they could with the management of the project and it was due to two members of that small committee that the British Airports Authority and British Caledonian Airways converted and painted the Playbus for us. This was what we wanted to happen; perhaps, in a new community like Bewbush in Crawley, it was more likely to occur than in an old-established community where non-involvement in community life has become a traditional pattern. Even in those conditions, however, the young people themselves were involved in various pieces of community action and uphill though the struggle was, to make any impact they persisted.

What we do know, however, is that young people have taken other young people youth hostelling, on the canals, walking, and exploring; have made puppets and taken puppet shows round schools, children's homes and old people's homes. They have spent days in the open teaching camp skills and various crafts and games at day camps and on holiday projects and have injected their own quality of enthusiasm and freshness into situations which are often compounded more of apathy than excitement. We have learned that Guide training methods are adaptable and easily used outside the Guide Movement and we have learned to meet the community where they are, on their own terms.

Our young leaders, the majority of whom came from outside the Guide Movement, put their hearts and souls into the work they undertook. Coming from the communities in which the projects were situated, they knew better than anyone what was possible and what was not. Being young however they were prepared to take risks in their programming but at the same time were sensitive enough to understand that it was not desirable to 'force' a way of work or a piece of programme in a situation where it was obviously not going down too well. Above all, however, our young leaders and the adults also involved found the projects both stimulating and fun and the logo at the head of this article was devised to evoke the aspect of enjoyment which was at the heart of the projects. Guiding is fun - so were the projects.



Projects in the Community

by Joyce Scroxton



Above left, Rose Cottage on the top deck of the Supersonic Bus at Bewbush, Crawley. Above, participants in a day camp at Frylands Wood Scout campsite and below, one of the happy campers at the same site. Pictured at the bottom of the page are members of a theatre group from Priesthill, Glasgow.





GUIDER February 1981



Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme

by Jean Rush

Joining the abundance of anniversaries and jubilees at the present time, the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme is 25 years old this year. The scheme was started after Kurt Hahn, Headmaster at Gordonstoun while Prince Philip was a pupil, approached the Duke of Edinburgh in February 1956.

By the end of 1976 the half-millionth Award had been gained, and today an estimated 200,000 young people are participating, of whom some 160,000 are in the United Kingdom and the rest overseas. Nowadays more and more take part through the Guide Movement, making up for the early years when the Scheme was restricted to boys.



The proud day has dawned for two Rangers as they arrive for their presentation at Buckingham Palace.

Anniversary Celebrations

Many plans are afoot for celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Scheme throughout this year. Arrangements have been made for an Interdenominational Service of Thanksgiving, which will take place at St Paul's Cathedral at 2.00 pm on Saturday 4th April. In August the Post Office will issue a group of four special stamps representing the four sections of the Award Programme, and a First Day Cover will be available for £2.50 each with special post boxes placed at Buckingham Palace, Holyroodhouse, Hillsborough Castle, Belfast and the Mansion House, London. Other festivities will include a Commonwealth Ball (March 9th in London). Plans are in hand for a National Community Service Project, in addition to normal community service work undertaken for the Awards, a special nationwide effort - associated with the Keep Britain Tidy Group has been inaugurated. Local events and rallies will also be taking place throughout the UK.

During the year, we hope to give special coverage in GUIDER to members of the Movement participating in the Award Scheme either currently or in the past. We should like to receive photographs (black and white

glossy, please) of D of E Award activities in progress through the Guide Movement.

Pictures of Award Ceremonies or girls holding their Awards are not wanted for this particular feature; what we need are pictures of as wide ranging a selection of different activities as possible, photographed in action. We will be publishing selections of these photographs in *GUIDER* periodically throughout the year, so please send us brief details sufficient for us to print an informative caption with each photograph.

Who takes part?

Those Guiders who have not so far been involved in the Scheme, may be interested in this brief outline. There are three Awards; Bronze for those over 14, Silver for those over 15, and Gold for those over 16. All entrants have until their 25th birthday to complete the requirements for any Award, and they may take part through school, youth organisation, or place of employment.

Those who achieve an Award receive a badge and certificate.

For each Award young people have to complete the requirements of four different sections: Service, Expeditions, Skills, and Physical Recreation. The aim of the service section is to encourage service to others, and the entrant can choose from many different forms of service for the Bronze Award, the Silver and Gold Awards. The expedition section aims to encourage a spirit of adventure and discovery, and all participants must undertake basic training including practice journeys, then plan and carry out an expedition. The skills section is to encourage the discovery and development of personal interests and social and practical skills.



One for the family album — outside the Palace gates.

There is a choice of nearly 200 hobbies, activities and topics and entrants must show perseverance and

progress over a certain length of time, although the activity may if necessary be changed once during this period. The fourth section, physical recreation, is to encourage physical activity and improvement in performance. Here there is a choice of over seventy activities as diverse as team games and yoga.

No Handicap

In 1981 it is particularly relevant that the Scheme is making special emphasis of its suitability to disabled young people. Whether their disability is physical or mental, they can enter for the Scheme. There is such a wide choice of activities that many even severely disabled young people can qualify in its four sections without any variation of the conditions.

The only criterion is that the participant will stand to gain something by taking part in the Scheme, and will not suffer a physical deterioration in the process. What is vitally important to the integration of the disabled person, is that no general distinction is made between the disabled and the able bodied. There is a special leaflet entitled 'No Handicap', published by the Award Office and giving full details of how disabled young people may take part.

Further Information

A number of excellent publications are produced about the Award Scheme, including a newspaper, *The Award Journal*, and a magazine *Award World* featuring worldwide Award activities. There is also a most attractive full colour leaflet 'What's On', designed to create interest in the Scheme among young people themselves.

For further information on how to become involved in the Scheme through the Guide Movement, contact your County Adviser or in case of difficulty write to Miss B Baker, Programme Secretary, Programme & Training Department, The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT.

Please note

As part of the celebrations this year for the 25th

Anniversary of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, Gold Award holders at home and overseas are proposing to pen their signatures to a message of goodwill to their Patron, Prince Philip, for presentation to him in a book or books at the end of 1981.

It would be greatly appreciated if attention could be drawn, perhaps through the medium of your organisation's magazines and other publications, to the fact that collection points for Gold Award Holders' signatures will be set up during the year all over the UK. These are likely to be found at the many celebratory events which will be taking place regionally, and Gold Award holders will be able to obtain further details from their local Award Operators and Committees, and from Award Scheme Territorial and Regional Officers. Enquiries can also be made through me the Gold Award Holders' Coordinator, Mrs Linda Laurance, Hazeldene, Forty Green, Beaconsfield, Bucks (see below left).

Linda Laurance Gold Award Holders' Co-ordinator

Also

This year the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary, and it is intended to mark the occasion with a number of activities throughout 1981, one of which will be an Amateur Radio Exhibition Station.

Plans are now being made to establish such a station on board *HMS Belfast*, London on, hopefully, 6/7/8 February 1981: the Scheme's 25th birthday.

I would be grateful if through the medium of your magazine/organisation you could inform your readers of our intentions, and in particular, to ask any of your members/readers who hold or have held one of the Scheme's three awards, or who like myself are actively involved as Adult helper living in the London area and who would be willing to assist in running the Station to contact me (QTHR or Medway 0634-250562) at their earliest convenience.

P Carey Field Officer, Medway



Award Winners

Award winners will be pleased to know that an opportunity to collect signatures will, we hope, be available at CHQ during 1981; particularly at the time of the Presentations at Buckingham Palace.

The three photographs pictured on this page are stills taken from the new film 'Passport to Adventure', which is about the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. The film can be hired from: NCB Film Library, Hobart House, Grosvenor Place, London SW7 or from CTVC, Foundation House, Walton Road, Bushey, Watford at a cost of £8.00 (including delivery, collection and VAT).

Unemployment

Of the many problems that face our country at present, the most distressing is probably unemployment. Many of you — like me — must have been considering whether our Association should and could be doing anything to help, and how we might assist our members or communities.

In some areas projects have been started, and in many instances individuals are being helped. The type of help that may be given, as well as people's needs, vary considerably

from locality to locality.

When discussing how we might meet the present needs of our members, the Chief Commissioners and I have been looking at the whole question of unemployment, our resources and our ability to be im-



mediately involved. Also, as this would appear to be a very long-term problem, what constructive actions we might take to help young people to take their place in a modern society and live fulfilled lives.

As a first step the Chief Commissioners are collecting information about projects which are already operating, however small, and suggestions about things that could be

France Books Parell

The Chief Commissioner.



Accounting and Financial Management for Charities. Directory of Social Change, £2.25.

Charities and Voluntary Organisations The Honorary Treasurer. The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, £2.95. (Available post free from the Publications Department. The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, PO Box 433. Moorgate Place, London EC2P 2BJ.)

Both these books are well written and contain a great deal of useful information and advice. Books on the finances and accounting of Chanties and voluntary organisations face a particular problem - they have to deal with a wide variety of organisations. Irom the tennis club to the Girl Guides Association, each with its own financial structure. It is therefore essential that the reader has a certain amount of knowledge in order to pick out the relevant parts and not be confused by those which are

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Continents and Climates, Mountains and Valleys, Earthquakes and Volcanoes, Weather, Rivers and Lakes, Seas and Oceans, by I and R Updegraff. Methuen Children's Books, 99p each. Each book in this crossreferenced series has 24 wellillustrated pages, and the index is on the inner back cover of each. The information is sound, the print clear and the illustrations apposite and attractive. The language content is suitable for children of nine plus. In addition to the general information given there are some interesting snippets in the occasional paragraphs headed 'Our Amazing World', eg the origin of frozen food. On page 24 of each book there are things to do. The Eskimo sunglasses mentioned in Continents and Climates were condemned by a safety organisation some years ago as possibly dangerous, especially if worn when cycling, because they restrict the field of vision.

Athletics by Tom McNab Published by Knight Books, (Hodder and Stoughton), 95p. The introduction was very good and makes the reader wish to continue further. I liked the format of question and answer, but felt that the questioner would have had to have quite a considerable knowledge of athletics to ask some of them. The technique was quite good although I felt that it was quite often assumed that certain exercises would already be familiar to the athlete. This I felt would in fact worry a beginner page 23 - what is a dumb bell curl? The diagrams were generally very good but again some assumed that the exercises Were already known: page 25 - Figure 3 are both feet on the ground or is one lifted all the time? Is the athlete standing on his 10057

However, having said this, I

feel that this is a good book for those interested in taking part in athletics so long as it is used in consultation with a coach or by an athlete with experience. I think that younger athletes (I tried this out on two 13-year-olds whom I regard as young athletes might have difficulty in understanding some explanations and tables without help.

It is obvious that a great deal of useful information on technique is condensed down into a very reasonably priced handy pocket-sized book and I am happy to have one on my own book shelf and I think that coaches and teachers of older teenagers will feel the same

SB

Hints On Guide Badges -Handywoman, Aline Speed. GGA, 40p.

The symbol for this badge is a hammer and paint brush and once this handbook has been carefully studied Guides will certainly know how to use both efficiently. In most households it is essential to know how to sharpen a knife. unblock a sink waste pipe, renew a tap washer, repair a fuse, paint or colour-wash ceiling or walls. This comprehensive book covers all these problems and many more very adequately with many good illustrations to help the handywoman OMC

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MAINLY FOR RESIDENS

Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Courses

Foxlease 16-20 April

(Easter) (Boys and girls from any Operating Authority)

Waddow 16-20 April

(Easter)
(Girls from any Operating Authority)

Foxlease 28th August — 1st September

(Members of the Association only)
Are you looking around for a residential project to finish off or maybe begin your Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award? If so, why not join the groups at Foxlease or Waddow this year. The first is for boys and girls from any Operating Authority, the second is for girls from any Operating Authority and the third is for members of the Association only. It is hoped 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.

For details of the Foxlease courses, write to the *Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hampshire, SO4 7DG*, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope.

For details of the course at Waddow, write to the Guider-in-Charge, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs, BB7 3LD, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope.

Young Leaders' Weekend Waddow 22nd-25th May

Calling anyone working on the Young Leaders' Scheme. If you are able to go to Waddow next May, you will learn much to your advantage. You will be living and working with other Young Leaders with similar aims and outlook. The course will give you opportunities to challenge yourself and to get help and ideas for your work with the Packs and Companies who you help. It should be fun. Apply to the Guider-in-Charge, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs, BB7 3LD.



the first day was spent lazing around on the roof of the narrow boat and ducking low bridges.

That evening we learnt our lesson in being careful where we chose to moor for the night. The Rangers selected a pleasant spot and soon had the boat tied up. Later when everyone was eating their meal it was noticed that we had visitors. A herd of thirsty cows had come down to the water's edge to drink; so, not wishing to antagonise the cows any more, we moved to a quieter part of the bank.

The Rangers' first encounter with a lock was filled with trepidation and mistakes, however the obstacles were soon overcome, and the art of working a lock mastered. Other locks that we passed through were handled with efficiency and professionalism. Although no one actually fell into the water, there were several dipped feet.

On board we had a superb navigator, but even the best of us can make mistakes, and the boat collided with the bank several times. A group of ducklings was spotted, and as end of the week that we discovered that the top bunk folded down to give more space during the day.

Although the weather was reasonable, there were a couple of days of heavy rain, but this did not dampen the spirits of the Rangers, or their enjoyment of the holiday. The girls occupied their time by sitting on the bows of the boat singing merry songs, much to the amusement of everyone we passed.

On the return journey we had to turn the very long boat in a very narrow stretch of canal. It was hardly a three-point turn, but eventually the mission was accomplished and we were homeward bound.

During our holiday we were fortunate enough to witness the investiture of one of our members. A number of original presentation methods were suggested, but finally a simple ceremony on board boat was agreed upon. Well done Fiona!

We certainly recommend this as an adventurous holiday that makes a refreshing change from camping.

Selsdon Rangers Afloat

At six o'clock on a cold Sunday morning in August, six Rangers met for the start of a long journey to Derbyshire, to begin a week of cruising up and down the canals. Many miles later we arrived at the Stenson Boatyard, where we were joined by the other three members of our crew. On our first meeting with the 'Mountain Ash', a 56 foot barge, everybody learnt the meaning of 'narrow' boat!

After learning the basic skills, we were left to explore the canals of Derbyshire on our own. The rest of

Rangers rushed for their cameras the rudder was momentarily forgotten! Other visitors to the boat included a large number of water voles, geese, fish, herons and kingfishers.

Despite the cramped conditions, the girls soon settled down into a routine. Cooking was organised by a pair of Rangers each day, and we all agreed that the meals were very tasty. In the cabins there were a few bumped heads when tall girls tried to climb into bunks that were too small for them! It was only at the

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In Memoriam

Verona Wallace Williamson, a moving spirit in Scottish Guiding for more than half a century died in November 1980 in her 82nd The daughter of a distinguished Minister of St Giles Cathedral and Dean of the Chapel Royal in Scotland, the fived all her life in Edinburgh.

She was a Guide at school, and a young munitions worker in the First War. In the early twenties she started the first Brownie Pack at Sr Giles, and worked subsequently with Guides and Rangers, as a Commissioner, during the difficult years of 1939-49 as County Commissioner for the City of Edinburgh, and for a while with the Guide International Service in Germany. From 1950 to 1961 she was a highly successful Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Association in Scotland. She was awarded the Silver Fish in 1945 and the OBE in 1956. She was a Justice of the Peace and a devoted church-

But that is only half the story. The other half tells of a shy, retiring, almost diffident person for whom social occasions were difficult, but who possessed a capacity for work, thought, imagination, vision, drive and determination which left her colleagues breathless. She was an 'ideas' person, but practical, good at picking the right helpers, immensely persuasive in advocating her cause, a leader from within rather than from

claiming her share of any credit for success.

During and after the Second War, Scottish Guiding expanded rapidly and began simultaneously to reach out in new ways into the community. Much of the innovation began with Verona. It was she who first saw the possibility of Guide people manning and running the Church of Scotland mobile canteens for the Forces. She played a mainspring part in setting up the Square Centres, where young people in disadvantaged areas met the spirit of Guiding through clubs. Above all, she was at the heart of the development of the Trefoil School for handicapped children from its beginnings as a centre for evacuees, into a pioneering educational establishment based on Guide principles, and now a holiday centre for the handicapped. She was the School's Honorary Secretary and behind-thescenes support for most of its days, and her work for the handicapped there and elsewhere became, perhaps, her greatest love.

Guiding is a Movement still on the move, yet as we look forward we must not forget our history. There we can find a number of instances of widespread change resulting from one individual's practical response to the conviction that 'every child is a hope of Verona would not want to be singled out, but her life was one such supreme





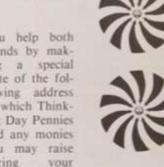
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Dear Guiders,

At this time of the year, as I explained last month, there are no GGFF appeals, as it is the time when we all think especially of the world family of Guiding, and give our support to the Thinking Day Fund.

Every year many donations intended for the Thinking Day Fund are sent to the GGFF in error. Although these sums are later transferred to the correct fund, it does involve extra work and record keeping which could be avoided. Will

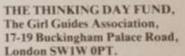
you help both Funds by making a special note of the following address to which Thinking Day Pennies and any monies you may raise your during Thinking Day events should be











Support for the Thinking Day Fund demonstrates that each of us is personally involved in our World Association and shares in the responsibility for seeing that its work continues to expand' (Trefoil Round the World).

With every good wish,

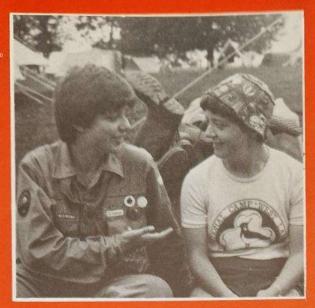
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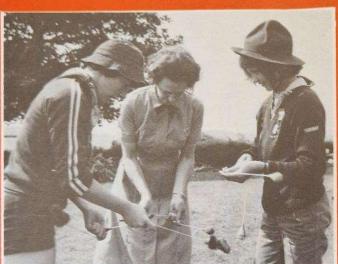
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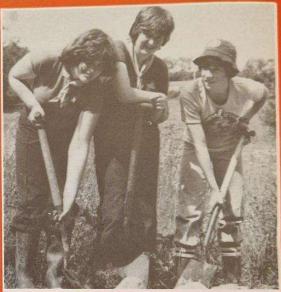
If Your Thinking Day Plans Include a Trip to London Saturday February 14 or 21, 1981 Come and See One of the 4 World Centres with - international displays -souvenirs to buy - a quiz to try 12-4.30 p.m. both days. Admission 10p

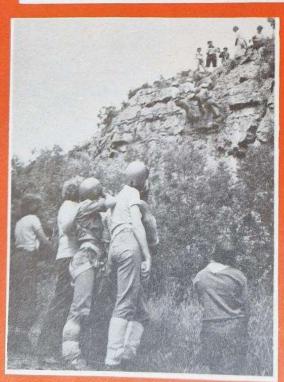


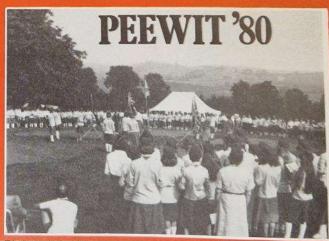












Pictured on this page are some of the events that took place at last year's West Lancashire County International Camp, 'Peewit '80'. After the official opening ceremony (above) Guides were able to indulge in all sorts of activities, including archery and abseiling as well as clearing paths and ditches for a nature reserve. Above left, the County Commissioner spins Eskimo yo-yos with a British and a Norwegian Guide; while above that, language barriers are broken when fun unites a Danish and a British Guide, wearing a Camp tee-shirt. (Photos: Mrs F C Curtis.)







Two New Audio Slide Programmes

Each of the slides with narration on cassetted magnetic tape

These 35 mm slide programmes have many applications and should be standard equipment for every Pack or Company.

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'Brownie Guiding — A Promise of Adventure' (36 slides)

Brownie Guides

This programme includes the Promise Ceremony, badgework, general activities such as arts, crafts, natural history, making music and first aid. The group method is shown at work in games aimed at developing resourcefulness, intelligent consideration and quick decisions. Packs are also seen on holiday at the Foxlease National Training Centre in the New Forest. The Programme concludes with the natural progression of the 'Going Up' ceremony to Guides.

'Living within the Guidelines, (36 slides)

Guides, Rangers and Leaders

This deals with the upper age ranges, from Guides to Guiders. Guiders are shown in Training at Foxlease, some being married Guiders on holiday with their families. Then various Training Sessions are shown covering many aspects of the Programme, which are then applied at local level in working with Guides. The aims and wide range of activities of both Guide and Ranger Sections are shown, culminating in projects

showing co-operation with The Scout Association and other organisations and individuals.

Using any 35 mm slide projector in association with any magnetic tape sound record/replay cassette, the Audio Slide Programmes are extremely simple to operate. With bulb 'switched on' the first slide is placed in position ready to be pushed or dropped into the 'gate'. It is assumed that all the other slides are stacked or placed in the projector magazine in the order as numbered on the slide frames.

Having made certain that the cassette is inserted into the record/replay machine the right way round (the sound recordings for the two programmes are on opposite bands of the tape) for the programme to be projected; the machine (in the replay position) is switched on and the first 'bleep signal' (which precedes the first paragraph spoken by the narrator) is the cue to move the first slide into the gate of the projector. From this point on the 'bleeps' that occur between each paragraph of narration are the cues to move each successive slide in the projector.

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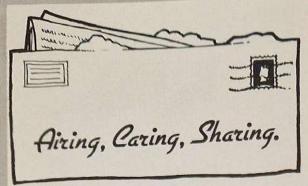
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The prices quoted include slides (36 per programme), cassette, typescript of narration and postage.







Queen's Guide

I feel quite disillusioned by the Programme Secretary's reply to Mrs S D Smith's letter (Airing & Sharing, October GUIDER) and the current opinion that the Queen's Guide Badge is not important. Those who have taken the trouble to gain the Badge feel this is a worthwhile achievement and are proud to wear their metal badges.

If these badges cannot be considered a 'qualification' for Guiders they do show experience which has been gained as a Guide within the Movement: unequalled in the requirements for the award of Eight Point Badges.

Only when experienced Guides go on to become Adult Leaders can the traditions of the Movement be continued. The spirit of Guiding is a way of life, not something that can be learnt in a few months while working for the Adult Leader's Certificate.

Hilary S Brook (Mrs)
7th Mirfield Coy,
W Yorkshire.

Bells and Clothes

An idea for a Meeting developed from one girl's interest in bell-ringing recently. A fellow ringer also did handbell ringing and he therefore brought the handbells along to a Meeting and the girls were taught how to ring tunes.

If anyone has the opportunity to try it I recommend it — the end of the evening left the Guides clamouring for more.

While writing to your magazine, I should also like to mention the subject of uniform in Camp. I have built up a collection of dresses, skirts, pullovers, shorts, anoraks etc—mainly bought at jumble sales—and so the girls can borrow Camp clothes here. If anyone then borrows these clothes

for Camp, I do make a small charge when a girl wishes to borrow a dress for the whole summer term.

Pamela Wood (Mrs)
Guide Guider,
13th Ealing
(St Stephen's) Coy,
London W13

Footnote: Mrs Wood only operates this system within her District but hopes her example will give new ideas to other Regions.



Others worse off than ourselves

I watched the BBC TV programme 'Children In Need' recently and realised what a great deal of help is needed by so many children in our country who are suffering from various handicaps and disabilities. I listened to letters written by various schools and centres appealing for financial assistance.

Then, to my utter amazement, I heard that two Guiders had written in asking for money to buy a tent!

Surely, we in our Association, are training girls to be independent and NOT to beg? Baden-Powell said 'earn' — don't beg. We are supposed to be of service to the community and to care for others, aren't we?

Joyce Lewis (Mrs) Assistant Division Commissioner, Cambridge.

Bound Up

I read about the new Brownie Handbook Guider's inter-Handbook leave) in the September issue of GUIDER and I asked a friend to get me a copy and four new revised Brownie Handbooks. I was delighted to find the Brownie Interest Badges' syllabus all together at the back of the book, but was unprepared to find the Guider's Handbook, all looseleaved in a plastic bag. It just fits my ring binder which also holds POR. Are not the new record sheets, Brownie Guide Individual Record sheets, sheets. Record Journey attendance and subscription sheets as well as Pack Account sheets also made to fit the ring binder? If so, the Brownie Guider will now need two very similar looking binders, whereas the old record book did have a distinctive cover.

Secondly, my Brownies like their new flag, but I found it slipped down the pole so I sewed a tape at the top and used the hole in the pole before tying off with a reef knot. Taking the flag off the pole is fine, but one must be VERY careful easing it onto the metal pole because it will tear the flag. Also, with the flag folded every time, crease marks show when the flag is carried at the monthly church parade. Do other Guiders experience similar problems?

J Edwards (Mrs) Brownie Guider, 10th Twickenham Pack, Greater London West.

Footnote: The first batch of flags did not have a tape sewn on top to secure the flag to the flag pole. However, in response to Guiders' requests, all subsequent flags were made with a tape sewn on.

The flag pole was in fact designed in three pieces to fit neatly into a small carrying case for easy transportation. Please note that ring binders are available in several colours.

M F Tighe (Mr), Manager, Trading Service, Broadheath,



Illness Conquered

With regard to your letter in the December issue of GUIDER from Mrs Jean Squires, who was stimulated to put pen to paper — her letter has done far more than to me! It has caused me to write my first ever letter to any magazine.



Mrs Squires writes to say what a fantastic thing it is to have had to face taking a Guide to Camp with epilepsy! As an Assistant Guider myself and a twenty-year sufferer of epilepsy, I have had people say 'but you can't be an epileptic you look quite normal'! I don't want pity, I just tell people I mix with what I suffer from, then they are forewarned.

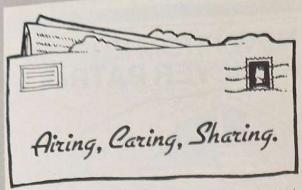
I have been to two training camps this year and gone as an Assistant trainee QM, with two other Guiders. Both just asked me for full details of drugs, recovery position etc, then kindly didn't mention it any more. I have also run a play group for four years. The worst thing I have come across was the First Aider who started her lecture at training camp with 'if you have the misfortune to be landed with an epileptic . . .'.

Well, that's some of the steam out of my system. I forgot to mention I also have two teenage children! So, yes Mrs Squires, we can be treated as normal people, unless we're made to come to the boil!

Sue Carrier (Mrs)
Assistant Guide
Guider,
1st Westfield Coy,
East Sussex.

Recognition

In answer to Mrs Zara Marshall's letter in November GUIDER, may I say I agree with her wholeheartedly. Why, when we reach the 'giddy heights' of a DC should we have to part with our original Promise Badge? If anyone really needs to know the distinctive marks of



a DC, all they have to do is to raise their eyes 'hatwards' and there is a beautiful Blue Cockade in full view.

Let us hope that we get an instant 'yes' to the wearing of our original Promise Badges which in most cases I'm sure, span years in the Guiding Movement.

Jane E MacRae, District Commissioner, Laurencekirk & Auchenblae, Scotland.



Learning the Hard Way

I never meant to get involved.
A District Commissioner should just watch and make encouraging noises, arriving on the opening night looking smart and congratulatory. THIS Commissioner hit snags straight away.

Have you ever tried to condense over 70 eventful years and the activities of thousands of people into a manageable time limit, cast and venue? I didn't mean to be a producer, but somehow it became the logical thing to do - no matter that I had no dramatic skills, can't act, sing or dance and had no idea of backstage activities. I learnt the hard way. We hired CHQ's entire stock of khaki and navy blue felt hats. Our single male was indispensable, an ever patient and dedicated sounds engineer and lighting and effects provider, with a devoted and admiring following.

The last weeks flew by and I was almost too busy to worry any more. The 'master tape' was ready, the tickets printed, the performing licence in my briefcase, spare Guiders were detailed to pro-

vide mountains of sandwiches and scones for our teas and suddenly it was 'Pageant Day'! The sun shone at last.

I was almost surplus to requirements: Boy Scouts wielded their staves with precision, Girl Guides waved to Tipperary-'Goodbyes' singing soldiers and Guides of the world in saris, shimmering bangles or grotesque dragon masks skipped gaily away. Suddenly it actually was the finale and the children were smiling and singing with all their might. 'Taps echoed round the great hall and the narrator closed her script.

The sound track played quietly on as we packed up our belongings and swept the hall. It had been an enormous heart-warming experience and I was humbled and thrilled by all those excited faces. And, after all, the new white hairs I had acquired were quite becoming!

Dorothy Johnson (Mrs)
District Commissioner,
Yarm.

Fun Abroad

As a UK delegate I arrived at Our Chalet for afternoon tea and was shown to my room by other delegates; by dinner time all 31 of us had arrived for the 30th World Juliette Low Seminar. The theme last year was 'Lighting a Flame of Youth'. We discussed our backgrounds and learnt about youth in each other's separate countries. The first week was then rounded off by a field trip, to youth facilities in the area, the Counselling service, youth centre, school, workshops and handicapped centres. The second week's discussion was mainly related to Guiding in our different countries and the various aspects of the Guiding Programme.

We also had many opportunities to see the beauty of the area, from many different

angles; boat, chairlift, cable car, bus and even on foot! One of the memorable events included an overnight hike to a ski hut perched on a ledge in the mountains. We woke that morning at 4 am to see the sunrise.



Towards the end of our stay we had an international buffet lunch, which we all prepared. After lunch, we watched dancing from various different countries and then tried to learn several of them — with considerable difficulty and a great deal of amusement. On the last night, however, we had the closing ceremony when each delegate's flag was brought into the dining room.

It was a lovely ending to two weeks of fun and friendship which I'm sure none of us will ever forget.

Gillian Foster, Assistant Brownie Guider, Hartlepool Division

Badge Views

I was interested to read the letter from Mrs Zara Marshall in GUIDER, November issue. Does she imply that all Guides, Brownies, Rangers and adults should all wear the same Promise Badge, or is it simply that she objects to a different badge for Commissioners?

She might be interested to hear many comments that I have had directed at me by Brownies and Guides since I became a Commissioner. In essence it is the girls in both sections who have commented favourably to the fact that my Promise Badge looks like a Guide Badge, but it is the same colour as the Brownie one, showing that I



have connections with both

Of course I am proud of my Guide Promise Badge, but also my Brownie and Ranger ones. What would Mrs Marshall suggest in those circumstances — that all three be worn?

Elisabeth Davies-Johns (Miss)
Division Commissioner,
Ashfield,
Nottinghamshire.

Helping the Handicapped

I am an Assistant Guide Leader and a student teacher of Mentally Handicapped Adults. As part of the Course I have to do a Long Study and I have chosen to do research about 'Scouting and Guiding with the Handicapped'.

I would be interested to hear from Guiders who have handicapped children or young people in their Unit, including joint Venture/Ranger Units, and in particular from Guiders who have young people working with the Mentally Handicapped as part of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

If Guiders would like to contact me, I would be grateful to receive information about the way in which they



organise Unit meetings, involve the children in Guiding activities and how they fulfil that part of the Law and Promise which refers to being helpful to other people — with particular respect to work with mentally handicapped children, young people and adults.

Susan V Thomas (Miss) Assistant Guide Guider, 1st Burry Port Coy, Wales.

Footnote: We would be pleased to forward any correspondence to Miss Thomas with regard to her study which seems particularly relevant in this, the International Year of Disabled People. Please write to Miss Thomas clo GUIDER at the address on page 3. Editor.

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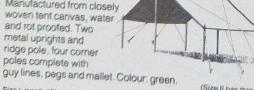
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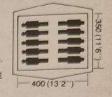
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Enabled

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1981 — the International Year of Disabled People — is now well under way. I hope that your Brownies, Guides and Rangers, disabled or not, know what their challenges are, and that the Access challenges in the November GUIDER are being considered widely. I was most interested to see in the December GUIDER the request for information about existing Access Groups by the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation (RADAR), also stressing the need for more such groups. To help in setting up an Access Group in your own locality would be a really lasting result of IYDP.

While I look forward to hearing about the many really adventurous journeys that will be experienced by Brownies, Guides and Rangers as well as imaginative pieces of service, I know well that you Guiders have the final responsibility of seeing that all goes well. You will be making sure that the active helpers know what precautions must be taken for the comfort and well being of the handicapped so that they are confident of enjoyment while achieving their objective. Many things spring to mind — having enough time to do what has been planned without rush and fuss; safe and steady travel for those in wheelchairs, necessary help and transport for those whose walking is shaky; knowing where there are suitable and accessible loos; careful preparation so that all members know what they are going to see and experience, with special regard to the various handicaps concerned.

A wonderful example of good preparation comes from the Adviser for Handicapped Members in Ulster. A blind Brownie and her sighted sister were asked to join another Unit for their Pack Holiday. A Guider of this Pack asked the Adviser for help in understanding blindness, so she took along two young housewives (also blind) who explained 'How not to help a blind

Disabled

person' and then showed how they themselves performed simple household tasks. The Brownies, blindfolded, then had a go. The result of this was that the blind Brownie, aged 8, had a really wonderful holiday because she was not made to feel different (Her elder sister was homesick and went back early!)

A Guide, Mandy, still has a van Gogh print hanging over her bed. When on a group holiday in Holland she was taken to the van Gogh Gallery. Her pusher took such trouble to show her some of the things to look for in the pictures that Mandy bought the print to take home — something to treasure as part of her own experience.

Linda was also chairbound but was nearly blind as well. On another Dutch holiday her Ranger helper was about the same age. Years after Linda would still talk of all that she had 'seen' in Holland and of all the exciting and worthwhile things that she had done with this friend.

Good preparation, caring helpers and a full part taken by the handicapped are the keys to success. There is no achievement in arriving home like a battered parcel! Remember that 'Full Participation and Equality' should be the basis of all planning and that being enabled to achieve is the value of the challenge. Guiders of special Units have plenty of experience in organising outings. Perhaps their discipline will be in sharing the planning with their Units. Guiders of ordinary Units whose patrols with handicapped members are going out into the blue may need more backing up. Be sure that parents and the District Commissioner know the plans, see if any of the Trefoil Guild can help in any way, perhaps just by happening to pass by to be able to report that all is well, train your leaders and having done so, trust them and know that they will 'go well and safely'!

Joan Barlee

Hints on Steering a Wheelchair

- Ask the rider's advice, especially about what parts of the chair are firm and what parts come off in the hand!
- Use official road crossings where possible, and avoid kerbs and steps.
- 3. If impossible to avoid kerbs:

Going up: tilt the chair on its back wheels by putting a foot on one of the levers at the back. Rest the front wheels as far forward on the kerb as possible and lift the back up. A helper at the front would make this easier by holding the frame of the chair, not any of the detachable parts;

turn the chair with its back to the kerb, tilt on to the back wheels and pull up, keeping the chair tilted till on level ground. Again, a helper at the front gives confidence to the rider.

Going down: tip the chair on to its back wheels. Let it down the kerb very slowly and gently. Then lower the front wheels.





Mustrations by Jean de Lamos

Nuclear energy plays an important part in our lives now, and will play an even more vital role in our future. It cannot be ignored. So you should make sure you know all the facts.

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Pristine Paper

and

Sparkling Snow'

Untouched paper and virgin snow have several features in common, they are both beautiful, crisp, easy and tempting to mark and yet almost frightening in their very perfection - once an imprint has been made, it usually remains until the paper is destroyed or the snow melts. Where, you may well wonder, lies the connection between paper, snow and a Commissioner's work in February? Indeed, if you happen to have had to dig out your car recently, snow may be a none too popular subject, or if, like many of us, you fight a continuous battle to keep up with unanswered letters, paper may be 'verboten' too! However, if you think of your Division of District with spring and summer months stretching ahead, awaiting the 'Markings' of a vibrant Guiding life — I think you may see the connection. Can you strive to see that the 'Markings' made in your 'domain' are valid and topical for 1981 and not ones that you later wish could be obliterated.

Many areas will have both Companies and individuals who are planning to go abroad this year. The District meeting may well be the best place in which to help Guiders realise that just as much time must be given to preparing their Rangers for the trip, as to planning the

actual travel and accommodation. Each girl must be helped to see she is an ambassador' and given training to help her appreciate the customs and beliefs of a different culture and yet be ready to offer in exchange some of her own national heritage. A Scottish Ranger when asked what she'd most enjoyed about being a Ranger replied, 'That I've been able to meet different people, see what they do, hear a little about them and join in when they introduce new activities to the Unit'; so even if Units are not heading abroad we can do much to encourage new local friendships and activities for 'Relationships really stop nowhere' and we all have lonely people nearby and folk with a variety of skills they might share.

Sometimes we need to help Guiders think of new ways of teaching homecraft and artistic skills. Have you someone in your area, who would conduct a house-tour with a group of girls, explaining why she chose a certain paper to make the room appear larger or had curtains blending with the paper. Brownies would love a 'game' Commissioner's house made into an accident-prone home in which they had to spot the danger. (They would probably find some she didn't intend too!) A First Aid tin with certain necessities purposely removed and

passed around the District for comments could lead to good discussion.

Just as we need a little thought before we tackle a new sheet of paper or test unknown depth, so 'Our' snow of Guiding folk need occasions when they can think together before action. Try suggesting that the Guiders in your District (or your District Commissioners if you've a Division) correct quotes from different people both within and without the Guide Movement under a title such as, 'I think the place of Guiding in the world (or District) today is Discuss findings together and perhaps take action. The line on Page 13 of the Handbook for Commissioners, 'Guiding is the girls, every Guide knows this.' would also make a valuable talking point, and perhaps be a painless way of bringing home the values of self-government to Guiders who you suspect are 'doing it all themselves'

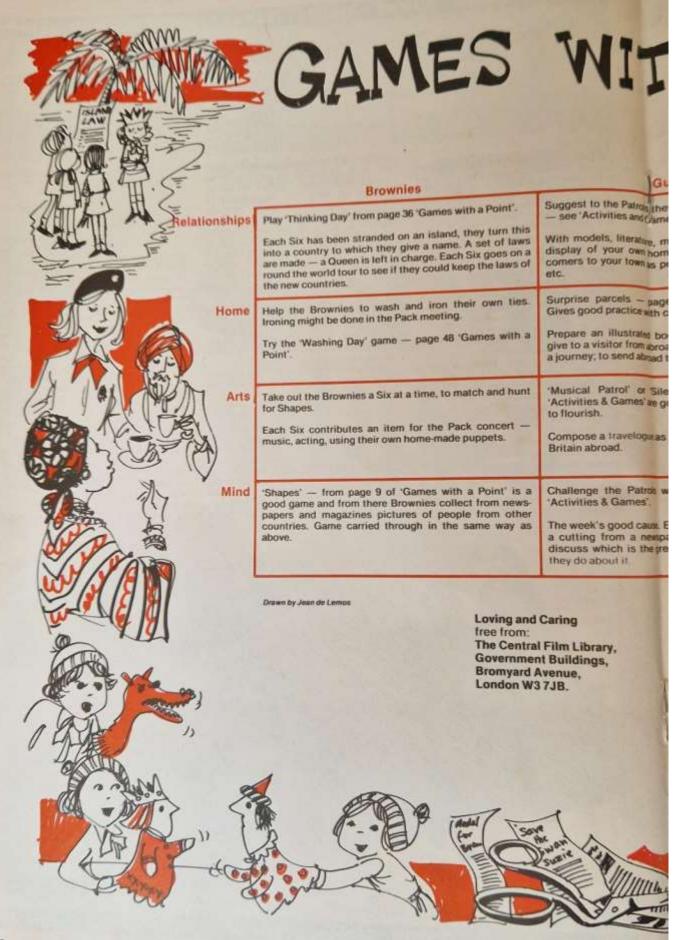
If you've been lucky enough to experience the exhilaration of skiing through sparkling snow or just the fun of using good paper, do see if you can pass on this sense of enthusiasm and joy for new ploys to your Divisions and Districts and encourage them to make sound imprints.

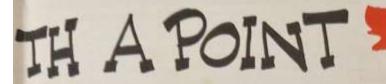
A group of Scottish Guiders





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Rangers

Guides

Na they try making friendship boats I Chimes' page 33.

are, maps etc. make an interesting home area. Invite as many newas possible to a talk. Serve coffee

page 51 'Activities and Games'.

d book of truly British recipes to abroad, to take with you if going on gold to a pen-friend.

Silent Movies' pages 47 or 14 are good fun and help artistic ability

e as a television commercial to sell

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e. Each member of Patrol brings in spaper describing a need. Patrol greatest need and why. What can If the Rangers agree the Guider might obtain a film for the Unit to watch and use as a basis for discussion afterwards — see next page.

Challenge the Rangers to cook a dish from a foreign country, or get someone from overseas to produce a national dish for everyone to try. Ask the Rangers to try eating with utensils from that country.

Write and act out a short playlet bringing to light the difficulties encountered by people from abroad visiting this country, particularly from the language point of view, eg 'sew' and 'sow'; 'wait' and 'weight' etc.

Take a problem from abroad, political, racial, domestic and carry through as a debate. In the summing up could the Rangers suggest any ways in which they could help and/or get others to help.

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Boy



How Successful Were We?

he Kelpies are out with their Assistant Guider on a Shapes Hunt round the streets near their meeting place. Sarah the loner lags behind, apparently in a dream. They have one shape to find - a crescent. Suddenly there is a squeak from behind, T've got it, 'cries Sarah, 'we're in one!

Mandy, who is rather uncoordinated, wins an active game for the first time and is given an enthusiastic 'Wall Done' by the Pack

A Group of Brownies are busily colouring in posters. There are not enough felt pens to go round and there is some squabbling over who gets the red ones first, Emma decides that green will do just as well and quietly gets on with the job. Lucy is deter mined she wants red but lets another Brownie have it first.

Belonging to a group is not in itself a new experience for the Brownie but it is the way in which the group is used in Guiding which is important.



For the Brownie this can be the Pack itself, her Six or an interest group. The Kelpies learned not just to tolerate Sarah the dreamer but found that she could contribute something of her own. Emma decided that compromise was better than argument, while Lucy was able to let someone else go ahead of her. Mandy discovered the thrill of achieving something she never thought possible and experienced the warmth of praise from her friends.

Most Brownles, if asked, will tell you that they like helping at home although the enthusiasm with which they tackle the work may be rather greater in the telling than in therdoing! The washing or ironing of clothes chattenge on the 'Road' can be used as another step for the Brownie

towards being responsible for hernott.

The Bluebells had prepared a most attractive and interesting display on their chosen country - France. chosen country Shona and Marie, Leader and Second, Patrol Leader had spent three weeks in France on a school exchange visit, so the Patrol had plenty of information and souvenirs with which to work. The end result showed how well they had worked together. The Guider had suggested to Shona and Mane that they might like to extend their work by tackling the World Friendship Badge. When the girls studied the badge syllabus they realised they had to find out about a 'World Service', and with others, 'plan and carry out a small fund-raising event'. The Patrol decided that they would like to do this together and eventually it was decided to have a sponsored knit-in in aid of the International Red Cross, which was appealing for financial help for refugees in Africa. And if we knit enough squares we can give them a blanket, too! Together they listed the necessary steps so that Shona could present their plans at the next Patrol Leaders' Council.

Elizabeth. the Leader, had helped the Violet Patrol, who had got to know each other well enough to choose Julie as their Patrol Leader. They had some difficulty in making plans, although they were agreed that they wanted to tackle something different. There are too many ideas in the Handbook said Julie. 'We simply cannot decide.' The Guider sugdecide." gested they might consider limiting themselves to one chapter to begin with. This proved difficult because each one of them was wanting to progress in a different point Next the Guider suggested that if they could choose one idea from four different chapters, they could work towards the Patrol Purpose Patch She helped them lind the information in their Handbooks (Page 346), and they decided to 'have a try'. Again, Elizabeth helped them (Young Leader's Scheme, part 2 clause 9). They decided to make sweets

(Becoming a page 155) knowing their Guider had recipes which an other Patrol had used at Christmas, make papier-Christmas, make papier-maché Easter Eggs in which to put the sweets (Man is an Artist, page 230); prepare a dance of your own country **Just About Everybody, page** 217), and make waterproof sitters (Get Out for Adventure, page 147), so 'we will be ready to go on cook-outs and hikes. All of the Violets were satisfied with these decisions. Elizabeth and the Assistant Guider helped them to draw up more detailed plans for Julie to take to the Patrol Leaders' Council.

At the Patrol Leaders' Council the plans of these and the other Patrols were discussed and entered on the Unit programme chart. A few amendments were made in order that the Guiders and the Young Leader could be free to help the Patrols when required, eg with the papiermaché eggs.

It was only left for the Guiders to add to the meetings any challenges, games or surprise activities they felt were needed. The planning had been done as thoroughly as possible, but in no way did mean that everything would go as planned.

In the Ranger Unit we have an opportunity to discover gifts and to encourage them. A Ranger's ability to look after and entertain young children depends on her imagination, so does her quickness of response to other people's feelings, and to her bearing on ceremonial occasions. We need to provide sparks to fire her imagination and then a gentle breeze to keep it glowing.

What is available locally? A jazz concert or a fiddlers' rally, brass bands or string quartets, modern sculpture or local watercolours. Let's get out of our meeting place and see what is going on around about us.

There are some very good simulation games available from the British Youth Council, Christian Aid, Community Service Volunteers, and Oxfam, they come with clear instructions and many are suited to a small group. The Health Education Council and the Family Planning Association have produced an excellent film called 'Loving and Caring' to promote discussion in groups about

relationships. It comes in five parts and is a case study, it does not offer any solutions or conclusions to the problems that may face young people today, but it is hoped that it will make discussion easier and more effective

Informal discussion often comes when people are busy with their hands, and we have almost reached the spring cleaning season and women's magazines are full of spring fashions. A mending evening may sound a bit dull but could be very worthwhile if the button gets sewn on and the zip gets fixed and we could have a musical background. Jumpers with 'pictures' on them, striped acarves and hats, quilting and patchwork are all 'in' at the moment - variations on the traditional knitting and sewing. Tie-dyeing and batik are also gaining in popularity and most Rangers will be able to find an old T-shirt to renovate. Very coarse weaving for bags, belts, cushion covers etc. is quick to do and very effective (a clothes horse makes a good frame).



Getting ready for the camp ing season, it is possible to buy materials for making sleeping bags, kagouls, sweat shirts, tents, rucsacs, wet suits, etc. Fairly simple patterns are available and a domestic sewing machine will cope with just about all the materials.

I expect most Rangers can change a plug; can they bleed a radiator or put together a piece of self assembly furniture? Can we find someone to help with these very practical skills?

If this is the season to buy new clothes how much do we know about consumer protection? There will be a local consumer group or a CAB that can be approached.

It is not what we do in Guiding which is important, it is how we do it that matters. It is the methods we use and the attitudes we have which will remain.

A Group of

Scottish Guiders

- A. Completely (10)
- B. In this place, at once (4, 3, 3)
- C. Spirits identified with natural forces (9)
- D. The principle presiding at the Archbishop's court (8)
- E. Unpleasant, regular actions (5, 6)
- F. In such anger you will find the difference (6)
- G. Intellectual (3-4)
- H. Loathe (5)
- I. Woody and deadly (10)
- J. A Welsh emblem (8)
- K. A backward animal will move smoothly (4)
- L. Wild and undisciplined (7)
- M. 'When Earth's last picture is painted and the tubes are ---- and dried,' Rudyard Kipling (7)
- N. Dug up (9)
- O. Kon-tiki was an elaborate one (4)
- P. Time dates the wig giving approximately calculated pounds (9, 6)
- Q. Steptoe and Son have one (8, 4)
- R. Impenetrable (10)
- S. The forest at the compass point is a London suburb (9)
- T. 'Summer is a-coming in, loudly Sing cuckoo, ---- seed and bloweth mead . . . 'Chaucer (7)
- U. The Pentateuch (5)
- V. Tosh! He entertains me (4)
- W. Tom's famous horse in the Civil War (5, 6)
- X. Trees provide these foods for the birds (4, 3, 4)
- Y. Violin or cello etc (10)
- Z. Medical instructions on the bottle? (4, 3, 5)
- a. A newspaper manager goes to ride(6)

Solution To Double Acrostic No 36

Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring happy bells across the snow. The year is going, let him go, Ring out the false, ring in the true. Ring out the grief that saps the mind For those that here we see no more; Ring out the feud of rich and poor Ring in redress to all mankind.

In Memoriam by Alfred Lord Tennyson.

(Please see HQ Notices)

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Double Acrostic Rules

Solve the clues and write the answer in the numbered grid above. Transfer the clues to the corresponding numbered squares in the grid below. When this is complete, you will have a quotation from a book (or poem etc), the title and author of which will be found in the initial letters of the answers to the clues.

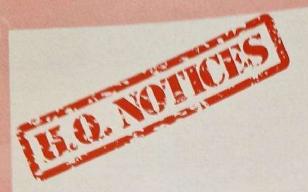
A small prize will be awarded for the first correct entry opened on the 20th of each month.

Please send entries to: 'Acrostic', The

Editor, GUIDER, The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT. It would also be appreciated if readers could attach to their entries a brief note about their preferred reading material. A photostat of the Double Acrostic page will be perfectly acceptable from those readers not wishing to damage their copies of GUIDER.

The winner of the Christmas Double Acrostic is Mrs J Jordan, of Guildford, Surrey.

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Free Church Denominations Guiders' & Scouters' Conference Sat 21st March,

Ken Stevens, Chief Executive Commissioner of the Scout Association is to lead a Conference at BP House, Queen's Gate, South Kensington, London on Saturday March 21st. 1981 for all Guiders and Scouters of the Free Church Denominations (Baptist, Congregationalist, Methodist. Presbyterian, Salvation Army and United Reformed). Conference theme 'The Bridge'. Its objects are to forge a closer link between Free Church Guiders and Scouters and to endeavour to help them to communicate with another, between Church, Group and Company and with God.

The conference is from 10.00 to 17.30 hours and the fee is £3.50, which includes morning coffee, lunch and

Application forms are available from Denominational Secretaries or from David Goodyer, 11 Adur Avenue, Durrington, Worthing, Sussex.

Applications will be acknowledged. The Conference programme, along with details of how to reach BP House, will be forwarded to all applicants late in February.

The organisers are planning for a maximum of 300 participants — it is hoped you will be one.

The Triumph of the Red Dragon

We were given to understand that the above titled article, which appeared in the December 1980 edition of GUIDER, was written by the author credited in the magazine. However, we have since been informed that the author was Mrs Jane Lewes, the County Commissioner for Carmarthen.

Campsites and Holiday Houses 1981

Important: Will all users of this publication please note that applications should not be made for any site not appearing in the 1981 list (even if it was included in 1980). Local goodwill could be adversely affected, so please don't use an out-ofdate edition - the 1981 edition is now available. It is also on sale to Advisers, Commissioners and Duke of Edinburgh's Award Co-ordinators who do not receive a copy through other channels. Please apply as last year to your Country/Region HQ enclosing a cheque/postal order for 43p (made payable to the Girl Guides Association), and a 1st or 2nd class

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Commonwealth Institute

Note: Times of opening are now: Monday — Saturday 10.00 am-4.30 pm Sunday 2.00 pm-5.00 pm Not those shown in the booklet 'Help Yourself to Know the Commonwealth'.

United Reformd Church Guide & Scout Fellowship

The United Reformed Church Guide and Scout Fellowship Camp will be held from 1st-4th May, 1981, at Farnham Common Camp Site, near Beaconsfield.

Guiders are invited to attend either as individuals or with their Units.

Further information available from: Mr S A Morton, 32
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Church,
Westminster

As has already been announced all tickets have now been allocated and admission to the Services is by Ticket Only.

Thinking Day Fund

1979 £33,758 1980 £48,236 1981 £?????

Contributions, by cheque or postal order payable to The Girl Guides Association — not cash — should be sent to:

The Chief Accountant,
The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham
Palace Road,
London SW1W 0PT.

Please mark the envelope 'Thinking Day' and include the name and address of the sender and the Unit, District, etc. A stamped addressed envelope (size at least 6" × 4½") MUST be enclosed if a receipt is required.

Hire/Display Material

International uniforms, flags

All hire/display material formerly available from the

Press and PR Dept. at HQ has now been transferred to the Countries/Regions.

Limited amounts of this material are available from Anglia (by collection only). Ulster, Midlands, North East, North West and South West England.

There will not be any materials from Scotland, Wales or London and South East England.

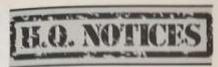
Colouring Competition

If you don't think children are capable of appreciating the finer points of a tragic classical opera, why not treat them to the delights of a fun evening of Gilbert & Sullivan? If you live outside the London area you will be pleased to hear that the famous D'Oyly Carte Company will be performing their G & S repertoire nationwide in the forthcoming months — details are available on page 49 of this issue.



Above, much-loved characters The Mikado and Katisha,

Meanwhile, you could make a note to buy the 4 March issue of THE BROWNIE which will contain a special colouring competition for Brownies. The prizes to be won include six tickets to see the D'Oyly Carte at your nearest theatre as well as six T-shirts donated by the Company. The theme of the lovely artwork provided for this competition is the Pirates of Penzance, so children should have great fun letting their imagination run wild with images of Buccaneers and doubloons! To obtain your copy of this issue of the magazine, write to: THE BROWNIE Subscriptions, Periodicals Dept., The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, Buckingham Palace London SW1W OPT enclosing 24 pence (in postal orders or by cheque) for each copy required.



International Scout and Guide Club

Cartography February 2nd February 9th Valentine Disco February 16th Genealogy February 23rd Thinking Day Subterranean March 2nd London Rwanda Evening March 9th March 16th Yorkshire Jerusalem March 23rd

New Leaflets

March 30th

'Guiding for the handi-capped' an outline of the GGA's approach towards its handicapped members.

Games Evening

'Thinking Day' — contains background to Thinking Day and how the funds are spent. 'Aims and Objectives' - a concise picture of the Guiding Programme for all

age groups including the Guider's point of view. Suitable for parents, prospective helpers and other organisations etc.

All available from the Publicity Dept., GGA, 17-19 Buck-ingham Palace Road, London SW1W OPT. Price 2p each plus p&p.

Camp Activity Advisers

Camp Activity Advisers are again needed in 1981 at the Training Centres but particutarly Glenbrook and at Blacklands Farm Camp Sites during the peak camping weeks from July to the last weekend in August.

Those who have done this job before have thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Advisers are free to suggest and organise any type of outdoor activity, craft, etc., which appeal to Guides and are suitable for the sites. Guiders need to have had some experience but notes for guidance will be sent to you when you apply. We would be happy to receive offers for periods of one or more weeks which begin on a Saturday.

Accommodation at Blacklands Farm and Glenbrook is in a caravan and two friends working together are very welcome. All expenses are paid, so if you can get there please apply, if possible, BY 1ST MARCH. For those coming for the first time would you please enclose a recommendation from your Camp Advisor

If you would like details, please write to us at CHO giving the place in which you are interested and the dates which you can offer

Olave House and Baden-Powell House, London

Permission forms are required for parties staying at these centres and must be completed in the usual way. Completed forms should be sent to: Miss B Wilmington Sadler, 41 Avenue, London W4. Telephone (01) 995-3968.

County Weekends in 1982

Counties wishing to book for a County week-end at Foxlease, Waddow and Glenbrook should apply in writing to the Training Secretary at Headquarters not later than the 1st March, 1981. The programme for the whole of 1982 is drawn up after this date and once this is completed no further applications can be considered.

Owing to the increase in the number of requests received each year, a priority will be given in 1982 to applicants from Counties which have not had a booking in 1981

Making the Most of the County

Foxlease 6th-8th March

As you will see from the Training Calendar this is a weekend for Commissioners. Assistant County and Division Commissioners will not normally be eligible for this training Applications will be on a first come first served basis.

The weekend is planned to help Commissioners understand their responsibility for Guiding in the County; to see their own particular job in relation to the overall County team, and to appreciate the help and support they can give each other

Subscriptions

When sending in your subscription for GUIDER, TO-DAY'S GUIDE OF BROWNIE please ensure that you write your FULL address clearly in BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS. Do not use abbreviations and remember to add the postcode where possible.

Wagtail Lodge

Wagtail Lodge, the new residential accommodation at the CHQ camping site at Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex, was opened on 20 September by the Commissioner for Branch Association and British Guides on Foreign Soil, Mrs Vaughan Cox, deputising for the Chief Commissioner. Many of those concerned with the planning, financing and furnishing of the building, CHO staff, County Commissioners, repre-sentatives of all branches of the Movement and other friends were present on what was, fortunately, a sunny afternoon.

Wagtail Lodge comprises a large day room, a dormitory for 24, a leaders' room for four, a large fullyequipped kitchen and cloakrooms with hot showers. It has special toilet facilities for the handicapped, wide doors and a wheel-chair ramp.



After the opening ceremony performed by Mrs Vaughan handicapped Rangers from Croydon visited Wagtail Lodge, along with Surrey East Brownies



Mrs R Vaughan Cox performing the opening ceremony at Wagtail Lodge on 20 September

Apology

I am very sorry that there were mistakes in the January GUIDER Acrostic! Just before sending the copy to Periodicals Department, I checked through the letters and found I had one S too many and one R too few so I changed three of the words but did not change the grids correctly, nor the clues. The clues should have been as follows:

- One of the supporters of the Royal Arms (4) removing the last box, numbered 44.
- Objects for sale according to trading parlance (6)
- The clue is correct but there should be an additional box at the end numbered 44.

Box 44 in the quotation grid should contain the letter R. not O.

I do apologise most sincerely,

Brenda Hughes.

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Guide Guiders	Fees at Lorne Per day (Uister Guiders only) £3.50 Per day (others) £3.00	Glenbrook may also be booked for week- ends or mid-week periods by self-cater- ing groups.					
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Family Self Catering Holidays in Switzerland



LAST OCTOBER we arranged a family holiday for the half-term week, to Anzère, in the beautiful Valais region of Switzerland. Here we have a variety of self-catering accommodation, with studios, apartments and chalets for anything from 1 person to 12, all of a very high standard, like the one above.

The tour was very successful and this year we are arranging several tours to Anzère, with express transport by Pullman coach and 7 nights accommodation, all at very attractive prices.

CAN YOU SPARE A WEEK THIS SPRING?

THEN COME SKI-ING WITH CAMPTOURS, on your own, or with your family or friends. Anzère is a super ski-resort with marvellous facilities, sunny south-facing slopes, and a great night-life. We have arranged this tour to depart on the morning of Friday. 27th March and arrive back on Sunday, 5th April. Including your accommodation, a 6-day ski-lift pass, daily tuition, and the hire of skis and boots, as well as free entrance to the indoor pool, the cost is just £159, with a £25 reduction for under 16s. With so much included this is really great value, so don't delay, send now for full details.

AUTUMN IN ANZÈRE

OCTOBER IS A GREAT MONTH in the Valais, warm and sunny, with clear skies and superb scenery. Our family holiday last autumn was a great success and this year we shall be arranging two October tours, one from 13th-22nd, and the other spanning the half-term week, departing on the 23rd. A variety of inexpensive excursions will be offered taking in some of the remote and beautiful Valasian valleys, with ample opportunity for optional hiking as well as popular destinations like Zermatt, Montreux and Gruyères. Prices will range from about £98 for adults with a huge 50% reduction for under 21s. Our special leaflet will be ready soon so send the coupon now for details.

See Switzerland with Camptours

To Camptours, Warren House, High Street, Cranleigh, Surrey GU68AJ, Tel: (04866) 3027.	y,
Please send me details of your 1981 March/October (delete a applicable) tours to Anzère.	ıs
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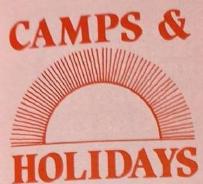
Setting out from Maypool Hostel in Devon

Sooner or later, your Guides are bound to hear their friends talking about the adventure of hostelling. Perhaps they will want you to take them.

If you are already a YHA member, you will know about the variety and scope offered by 272 hostels in towns and countryside all over England and Wales. But you may not realise that you can give parties of Guides a chance to sample hostelling before they decide to join.

How about a weekend on the coast at Poppit Sands, or walking the South Downs Way, or sightseeing in York, or visiting Slimbridge Wildfowl Trust...the possibilities are endless.

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England

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 toolscap sae. Priority will be given to applicants who have not already stayed in Beaverbrook Lodge. Applications for the period 1st April-30th September 1981 will be accepted now. The accom-modation is suitable for handicapped members.

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 this year are being considered now. They should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates with alternative 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 £1.00 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 this year will be considered during the first week of January. They should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'camp'. Suggested dates with alterand approximate numbers natives should be stated and whether an equipped site is required.

It is preferred that Camps begin on Saturday.

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

Waddow Pack Holiday House

Applications for Pack Holidays in 1981 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. The accommodation is suitable for handicapped members.

Glenbrook, near Sheffield

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

Glenbrook Camp-sites

Six camp sites available, suitable for handicapped members. Situated in partly wooded grounds. All sites are unequipped. For further information about camping and activities available write to the Secretary, Glenbrook enclosing a foolscap sae

Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex

unequipped sites Equipped and available with facilities for swimming, climbing and pioneering (for which equipment can be borrowed). Also 'Restrop', a furnished bungalow for twenty-five (bunk beds for twenty). For details write to the Warden, enclosing

Brownsea Island

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

Wales

Broneirion, Llandinam, Powys

Holiday flats are available all the year round for family holidays or for parties of up to twelve Rangers with their Guider. Self-catering, fully equipped, with metered electricity. Apply to Guider-in-Charge, Broneirion.

Broneirion Camp-site and Brownie House

Campsite Applications for Brownie House will be considered from 1st January, 1981, and should be sent to: Miss P Lynch, 3C Pentwyn Court, Whitchurch, Cardiff, CF4 7BY, enclosing

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

Ynysgain, Criccieth, North Wales

Applications for the use of two unequipped sites within a few minutes of the sea can be made to:

Mrs J P Griffith, Swn-y-Gwynt, Penrhydeneudraeth, Gwynedd, enclosing a foolscap sae for site information sheet. Both sites suitable for handicapped.

New Brownie House for 12. Ranger Bwthyn for 8. Details of equipment on application.

Scotland

Netherurd Camp-sites, Brownie House and Holiday Caravan

Applications for camp-sites (equipped) will be considered now. One site suitable for handicapped.

Bookings for the Brownie House will be considered now. Suitable for handicapped Brownies. During Scottish school holidays priority will be given to Scottish Packs. A 3-berth holiday caravan is available for Guiders and

Apply to the Secretary, Netherurd, enclosing an sae.

N Ireland

NOTE

Units wishing to book any of the facilities at the places listed below, and to include handicapped members in their party, are asked to give details when applying.

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 unequipped camp-sites with solid shelter. Calor gas available. Applications should be sent to Mrs F Hartley, 1 Station View, Carnales, Bangor, Co. Down Tel: Bangor 67088.

Irene McKibbin Memorial **Cottage Lorne**

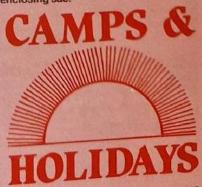
available for Ranger cottage holidays. For details apply to Miss Hilda Hirst, 119 Haypark Avenue, Belfast 9, enclosing sae.

Magilligan Campsites

Three fully equipped sites with double calor gas stoves for twenty-five to thirty campers. Two miles of sands. Large three room hut with an open fireplace. For details apply to Mrs R F Scott, Derrymore House, Limavady, Co. Londonderry, enclosing sae.

Glen Road Camp-sites (nr. Lorne)

Fully equipped for forty campers (one large and two small camps). Excellent hut for solid shelter and calor gas. Bookings should be sent to Mrs F R Lee, 45 Gortland Park, Belfast, BT5 7NO, enclosing sae.





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PROGRAMME NOTES APRIL 1981 — SEPTEMBER 1981 Foxlease — Waddow — Glenbrook AT FOXLEASE AND WADDOW

General Training

Unless these weekends are marked especially for Guiders of one section a General Training weekend is for both Brownie and Guide Guiders, new and experienced. The aim of the training is to give you practical help with running your Unit and carrying out the Programme for the section with which you are working. Your application form invites you to list the things on which you would like help, so please make use of this opportunity and return the form quickly so that the trainers can include as many as possible of your requests when planning the programme.

General Training with a special emphasis

(places for Guiders with handicapped members in their Units)

Waddow - 18th-20th September

This weekend is a General Training for Guiders of all sections, with able-bodied Units and those whose Units contain some girls with a handicap. The aim is to share a General Training while giving help and guidance on how to adapt the programme for Guides and Brownies who are handicapped and helping the Guiders concerned to see the activities in relation to the Promise and all parts of the Programme. Miss Joan Baries, the Adviser for handicapped members, will be present to give specialist help to any Guider who needs it.

Including outdoor activities

Foxlease — 29th-31st May Waddow — 26th-28th June

These weekends provide opportunities to enjoy and use the local facilities around Foxlease and Waddow, and help Guiders to find ways in which these activities can relate to the Programme.

Making the most of the District

10th-12th April, 19th-21st June, 11th-13th Foxlease -September

Waddow — 10th-12th July, 25th-27th September These weekends are for Commissioners with a party of up to seven of their Guiders of any Section (not necessarily all the newest or those with least experience!) The aim is to help the District as a whole rather than give specific sectional training.

Guiders will have an opportunity of discovering how they can support each other within the District and so function better as a team, there will be pratical help with the essentials of the Programme for all sections; and Commissioners will also have a chance to discuss their leadership role and get help with the job of training in the District.

AT FOXLEASE

The Training Licence

May 1st-4th

This weekend is for Guiders with a Training Licence who wish to familiarise themselves further with some of the requirements, for those preparing to 'convert' their present Training qualification and for prospective Licence holders. In order to cater for the variety of individual needs it is hoped that some sessions, or parts of sessions, will be planned as Training Warkshops.

Partnership in Training

(a weekend for Commissioners and trainers)

May 22nd-25th

Who helps a Guider gain the Adult Leader's Certificate? or a Pack Holiday Licence? who helps her make full use of the Handbooks? or plan a meeting? or chair a PL's Council? or use the local opportunities for service projects? or understand the group system or badge standards or what's meant by progress? or how to pay more than lip service to the Promise?

Many people do, and this weekend will be an opportunity for

Commissioners and trainers to think about the overall job of helping Guiders to affer the best possible Guiding to girls in their Units, and to explore their own contribution to the training help needed for different purposes and at different

As this is a Bank Holiday weekend there should be time for unhurried thinking and talking, and for enjoyment of the Forest, too. A good opportunity for a Commissioner and trainer from the same County to come together — but not essential.

District Commissioners and District Assistants

June 5th-7th This weekend will explore another aspect of the many partnerships in Guiding — the work of the District Commissioner and the support she needs from her team of helpers 'to enable the affairs of the District to prosper' (Commissioner's Handbook).

This weekend will give everyone an opportunity to share experiences, to compare notes with other Commissioners and District Assistants and to see their respective jobs in the perspective of the District as a whole. Whilst there would be great benefit from a Commissioner and her Assistant coming together, any District Commissioner and any District Assistants will be very welcome.

Family Week

July 24th-31st

For those who really find it difficult to arrange to get away to a residential training, why not try this pleasant mixture of training, and time with your family? Husbands, and children aged two to eight years are welcome.

There will be training sessions in the morning, while husbands take care of the children, but the afternoon will be free for family activities; there will also be some optional activities and sessions for those who wish to join them. Why not write now to the Guider-in-Charge?

Arts Workshop

August 5th-12th

This event will have the dual aim of increasing experience in arts subjects and in training possibilities. It is aimed at those Guiders interested in passing on the Arts in the Unit situation, or to those who need help to do this.

Opportunities will be given to everyone to explore and gain wider experience and training in their own particular interest or expertise, as well as receiving encouragement to help them further their interest and knowledge in a wider variety of skills. Applicants will be given the chance to select activities of their choice, some of which may be:

Creative, International Folk, English Dance; 'Try a new Instrument', Folk Guitar Dance, Songs for Everyone, Acting Activities, including improvisation, Camp Fire Items; International Crafts, Instrument Making, Simple Gifts for Sale, Puppetry, Poster Making, Simple Display, Photography; International Cookery, Sweet Making, Cake Icing and Decoration.

The idea would be to experience as many, and as widely, as possible. Resource materials will be shared and it is hoped to have time to visit one or more of the places of interest in the area. If this appeals to you watch for details of how to apply in next months GUIDER

Priority will be given to those able to come for the whole

AT WADDOW

Holiday Period August 22nd-29th

This is a golden opportunity for Guiders wishing to take up to nine Guides or Rangers for a holiday at Waddow, on the edge of the Yorkshire moors. Planning your programme during the

holiday will be entirely your or your girls' responsibility At Waddow, you could walk over the hills, explore the Witch Country and many fascinating villages, visit abbeys, castles and Roman remains, go bird watching or fossil hunting by the river, or follow nature trails. Guiders need not hold a Holiday Licence as qualified, experienced Guiders will be present to comply with POR, but this could be used as experience towards your Licence. However, you need the consent of your Commissioner before applying. For details write to the Guiderin-Charge, Waddow.

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Countryside Decline Opera House has taken a leaf out of the circus book to enable them to bring ballet to



'Whatever Happened to the Countryside?" - a film made for the Countryside Commission - charts the decline of the lowland landscape of England and Wales. The 25minute film illustrates how, in the last 20 years, the countryside has been changed by modern farming and in-fluences such as Dutch elm disease. However it does also offer some message of hope by explaining the help which is available to farmers, landowners, local authorities and others interested in creating a new agricultural landscape.

The film is available in 16mm colour (optical sound) and certain video formats. For information concerning sale copies and free loans, please contact Central Film Library, Bromyard Avenue, Acton, London W37JB,

Specialist showings can be arranged through the Commission's headquarters: Countryside Commission, John Dower-House, Crescent Place, Cheltenham, Glos GL5O 3RA.

Curtain Up

Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet have recently released a film entitled 'Curtain Up', which shows the Ballet in performance and in rehearsal at its London headquarters as well as following the company north to Sheffield where the people of South Yorkshire had the opportunity of seeing ballet in a most unusual setting — the Big Top' The Big Top' is a wonderful example of how the Royal

the people, in view of the fact that many British towns do not possess a theatre large enough to accommodate a touring company of the size and scale of the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet.

The cameras go behind the scenes to show the hard work and dedication that is the hallmark of the company, and extracts from four popular ballets (Coppelia, Elite Syncopations. La Fille mal gardée and The Two Pigeons) capture the wonder of their performance. The film also 'stars' 25 schoolchildren from Sheffield. When asked for their views on ballet, they all eventually agreed on one thing, ballet is not boring or élitist, but colourful enjoyable.

Each copy of the film is accompanied by an illustrated bookfet which includes articles by members of Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet about their work on tour, a history of the company, details about the four ballets performed in the film and photographs of the productions. The film (which lasts 25 minutes) is available for sale or hire and rates and information can be obtained from Marketing Department (F). Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2E 7QA. Tet: 01-240 1200.

Up in Smoke

The Health Education Council has recently launched a major campaign to dissuade children from experimenting with cigarettes. The cam-

paign uses television and comics to reach children, and is built around the character of Superman. It is intended to enlist the help of children in the flight against smoking, represented by the character of Nick O'Teen, an evil new opponent for Superman.

The struggle between the two is featured in advertisements appearing in comics and in a special pack of material produced to reinforce the campaign message. Children who return coupons clipped from the comic advertisements receive a poster, an eight-page comic, a badge with the slogan Stamp out Nick O'Teen', and entry details of a painting

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For some years the National
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children.

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5AH, along with membership
of the Army. The Society
would very much like to hear
from groups of Guides who
wish to participate in this
scheme.

The NDCS also produce a very lively magazine entitled Talk, which is distributed free to all who are interested in deaf children. Copies are obtainable from the address above.

Feed the Birds

Having planned this magazine well in advance of its publication date as always, it is difficult to imagine what the weather will be like this month. However, whether it's below freezing or pleasantly mild you





could consider the well-being of our bird population who in winter particularly, have to struggle against the elements in order to keep well-fed and warm. Days are shorter so there is less time for a bird to find food and the frost, ice or snow may stop the birds from reaching it anyway. To overcome this feeding problem, some birds form flocks and set off southwards for warmer climes.

For those left behind, however, finding food is a constant challenge. There are two main ways you can help keep the birds alive - by putting food out and by bird gardening. With regard to the latter, as spring approaches you could consider planting fruit and berry bearing trees and shrubs as these are an excellent food source, such as yew, elder, rowan, holly and crab apple Cultivated plants which produce lots of seeds for birds to eat include snapdragons, sunflowers and cornflowers. Windfall fruit is a popular food with thrushes and blackbirds and pips are a favourite with chaffinches. Anyone can therefore feed birds whether they have a backyard, garden or just a window ledge. Remember though that once you start feeding the hungry birds they will become dependent on your regular food supply and if you let them down in severe weather they may die.

A world without birds is awful to imagine, so undertake these measures and their presence will be assured in your area at least. The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds is a national charity that has 78 reserves which cover 85 000 acres in the UK and they publish several leaflets and booklets which can left you all you need to know about the care of birds. "Your Winter Birds" and "Make Friends With the Birds" are both

available free to readers of GUIDER if you write to Department B, RSPB, The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire SG19 2DL, quoting GUIDER and enclosing a 11½p stamp as well as your name and address.

Safety Pays

The Royal Society for the Prevention Accidents (RoSPA) recently initiated The Kearton Award, which is to be presented as an annual prize mark Lord Kearton's seven years of distinguished service President 28. RoSPA. The £1000 prize will be awarded to the person

or organisation which HoSPA considers has made the most significant contribution to the safety of young people. The award could be in the form of a bursary or scholarship, items of equipment or books, depending on the eventual winner.

Applications are invited from anyone who feels that their contribution to the safety of young people merits consideration. The contribution submitted could refer to a specific event or a long term project. Some of the examples suggested by RoSPA are: a safety product from a manufacturer: a school safety project or a safety training initiative by an employer, organisation or youth club. Anything which helps the young towards a safet life will be considered (for the purpose of the award, 'young people' is defined as anyone under 21).

Application forms are available from Mrs Elizabeth Waters at RoSPA, Carnon House, The Priory Queensway, Birmingham 84 6BS, and must be submitted by 15 May 1981.

Active Retirement

Following a review of the excellent book



At 106 years of age. Mrs Annie Coombs is the oldest member of a Keep Fit Class in the world.

The Getting On Catalogue' by Ashley Bruce and Heather McKenzie in the January issue of GUIDER, we are pleased to be able to continue the happy retirement theme by mentioning a new film — Going Well Over Sixty. This 30 minute colour film was made by Age Concern in association with The Sunday Times and features recreactive Physical Activities for Older People. If you think this means gentle games on terra firma, then you will be surprised to learn that the film has a breezy opening in which intrepid octogenarians are seen ballooning. gliding, water ski jumping and climbing the main mast of the Culty Sark.

It is therefore obvious from the start that this form film is a lively and positive attempt to challenge the traditional philosophy that for too many people, retirement means a general rundown in activity, resulting in an acceleration towards a state of mental and physical stagnation. This is indeed a



Two seconds after take off and Tim Hervey fan 83-yearold balloonist) prepares for cast off before floating out above the Valle of Ayleabury.

very enjoyable film; an inspiration to everyone to become involved in some form of physical activity that will regularly stretch both the mind and body. Above all, the emphasis is that it is never too late nor too soon to start.

For hire and purchase of the film (with commentary by the former BBC TV newscaster. Robert Dougall) apply to; Town & Country Productions Ltd, 21 Cheyne Row, Chelsea, London SW3 5HP. There is a booking fee of £9.20 (including VAT) and a copy purchase price is available on request.





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TRAINING IN THE DISTRICT IDEA - 5

A District event provides many opportunities (see October and December'80 Electroniants Pages).

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Then as agroup compare and discuss findings - and make notes for the future:

How did we do?	Full marks!	Adequate	Not good enough
Achievement of aims			
Timing			
Involvement of units in plans			
Originality of content			
Teamwork (including use of Guiders doing ALC			
Girl participation			
Enjoyment			
Public Relations			

The above will not suit every event.

Re-read chapter 9 of Commissioner's handbook and compile your own.

Trawn by Jean de Lemo



Regional Rogues 2... Miss Eileen A. Cramp Midlands General Secretary

Like other Guiders I suppose I have thought on many occasions that I could write a book based on my experiences, both hilarious and serious. Now that I have to write a mere 300 words I realise it is not so easy.

I was a Brownie and a Guide and became a Ranger after gaining my Gold Cords as a PL, I loved being a PL and knew then that one day I would have my own Guide Company. The Company I took over comprised 50 girls, but I had been waiting since I was 14 and was not deterred. Thirty four years later I am still with that Company. I also had a Ranger Company and Ranger County Adviser for a while. Being a District Commissioner and County Secretary were two of the jobs I loved most. My claim to fame as a Guide was that as one of four under 14's I attended an International Guide Camp at Windsor to celebrate Their Royal Highnesses Princess Eliza-Princess and beth Margaret becoming members of the Movement, It has been a privilege to have met Olave, Lady several Baden-Powell times: the first time was when she visited Nottingham and shook hands with a few Rangers who had just gained their HES and the last time was a memorable and privileged occasion when she enrolled The Lady Baden-Powell.

Career-wise I haven't done anything spectacular but my ambitions have been achieved and I have been happy in my various jobs. Prior to becoming a General Secretary I was Costing Assistant to a group of hospitals and earlier had an interesting years as Medifive Statistical Officer cal another hospital. for Hospitals have a fascination for me. During and after the war as a Red Cross worker I did many voluntary hours in local hospitals and finally had to choose between Red Cross Cadets and Guides. Guiding won, but through Guiding I and my Guide Company have given much voluntary service to the local hospital and I am a member of a Hospital League of Friends. We still take out one lady at Christmas and have been caring for her for 34 years.

As for hobbies there is little time for participating but my interests are music and singing, knitting and watching television, reading, photography and nature-lore. Of my present job I can still say what I said nine years ago — I thoroughly enjoy every moment of it.

Eileen E Cramp Midlands General Secretary

Foxlease Barn

The 25th October, 1980 saw the culmination of several years' planning, fund raising and building when The Lady Baden-Powell officially opened extensions to the Barn at Foxlease to provide an improved kitchen, toilet and shower facilities, a sitting room and Guiders' bedroom. With the Barn being used as a dormitory a further centre for Pack and other holidays has been provided.

In addition a new craft room has been built for use with the house.

These facilities have been funded by monies raised at Foxlease — Rainbow Rendezvous, Midsummer Merrygo-round, and social evenings. The Department of Education and Science favourably considered an application for a grant, and balance monies have been allocated from the Association's Funds.

The photograph shows The Lady Baden-Powell, aided by two Lyndhurst Brownies, cutting the celebration cake before a gathering of nearly 250 visiting Brownies, Guides and Rangers and others who supported Rainbow Rendezvous in June, 1979.





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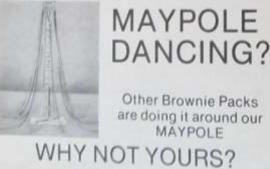
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AT GLENBROOK

The monthly courses run by CHQ offer various activities for encouragement, training and assessment. The Gourse fee for encouragement, training and assessment. The Source lee for the weekend covers everything, including provision of the necessary equipment; where there is an optional activity there will be an extra charge for those who wish to take part

There are usually groups for Guiders and Rangers (unless marked otherwise) and it is neighbl to know what experience participants have for their expectationst) for the course they wish to attend

Adventure Course for Rangers

It is some time since we had one of these weekends especially for Rangers, with a warm welcome for those coming for the first time. Depending on requests, there could be groups for canceling, walking and climbing as well as exploring the district. Perhaps two friends would like to come together and try something new.

Activities Week for Guides

May 23rd 30th; August 12th 19th These events have proved so popular that we are running two at Glenbrook this year for Guides aged 13 or over

The week's programme will include many Guide outdoor activities (eg pioneering, swimming, wide games, bird watching, etc.) and tasters' for the future such as walking and pony trekking. We hope to add to this list crafts and music so Guides should have a lot of fun and we hope come back to their Units with lots of new ideas. Because of the demand for places we have had to make a limit of up to four Guides from any one Unit.

Canoeing and Hillwalking

June 19th-21st; October 16th-18th

These weekends, which are for groups of Guiders and Rangers, offer two activities. Hillwalking is open to those with mixed levels of experience, so come and try this activity even if you have not done so before. The canoeing groups are for those who would like to have training, or for those who have some experience and would like to be assessed for a canoeing qualification

Leadership in the Hills

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This weekend is for Guiders only and is linked to the new walking training scheme. Please note that this weekend is for those who have reached Stage III.



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Many of you will have heard already about the proposed Heraldry Directory'. For those of you who haven't please read on! In 1977 the Royal Society of Arts awarded the Girl Guides Association a Certificate of Commendation for a proposed 'Directory of Heraldic Devices', which was entered for a Silver Jubilee Award for Environmental Conservation. The certificate carried no financial prize and it is only recently that requests for donations for the project have met with success and we are able to go ahead. This directory is to be similar to that produced for Monumental Brasses. In other words it will list, under county and town headings, buildings which contain examples of heraldry, and in very broad terms, the types of heraldry they display. For example under Yorkshire, the name Guisely would appear and the name of the church, St Oswald and then would be listed monuments, armorial windows, hatchments, painted shields etc.

Obviously this information has to be collected and collated and we hope that many Units and individuals will take part in this project. Many of you do have some heraldic knowledge and we hope you will enjoy contributing to the Directory. However, knowledge of heraldry is

not necessary.

Those of you who wish to participate will be given a

Heraldry
Directory

by

Brenda Hughes

form for each building you propose to visit and notes will come with the form to help you know what to look for and how to list them.

The idea for this project arose from a Heraldry Training held at Waddow over the New Year Period 1976/7 when some members of the group remarked that it would be helpful to have such a list for anyone interested in heraldry. This was taken up by the whole group and has now become more than a suggestion — it is actually under way.

We are hoping that the completed directory will be of interest to people outside the Association as well as to our own members. We can see it being of value to all students of heraldry, both serious and amateur.

No one should feel obliged to join in the project, but those of you wishing to do so will be able to get forms from your District Commissioner round about Easter-time. This is not restricted to Guiders or Rangers but could be tackled by Guide Companies and Brownie Packs. Heraldry is a subject which is often included in the curriculum of a Middle School, through project work, so many Brownies may have an elementary knowledge and quite a lot of enthusiasm.

Once the forms are completed they will be sent to the Country/Region Headquarters depending on how your Region decides to work, where they will be collated in alphabetical order of town and county. They will then be returned to CHQ where they will be further collated and cross-referenced under types of examples such as memorials, armorial windows, hatchments etc. We would be glad to hear from any of you who would like to help with this collating at any point in the procedure.

> For further information about Heraldry, see December GUIDER











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Let's Go Caravanning, by Colin Jones. Educational Ltd, £9.95. Venton

Caravanning has become so popular that it is useful to find a really informative book with many photographs and illustrations that helps right from the moment you are contemplating buying your first caravan.

time buyers First recommended to consider hiring a caravan for a weekend which is inexpensive outside the peak months of July and August. This experience should indicate if you and your family like the recreation and also what sort of caravan you will require. After the decision about the tow-car and getting ready for the road, we come to driving and road management. Anyone who drives a car competently should be able to tow a caravan without difficulty as long as they follow the rules such as stowing all loose equipment securely. Difficult entrances and exits; emergency situations; awnings and accessories are all dealt with. The chapter on Law is particularly important and at the end of the book there is an accessories check-list and an index which are invaluable.

The author has been a caravan addict since 1962 when

he went to the Earls Court Caravan Show and this book contains the fruits and tricks of the author's romance with caravanning. It has been written for those who have caught the caravan bug and wish to enjoy it. OMC

Spotter's Guide to Indoor Pocket-Plants, Usborne Pocket-books, £1.99. Spotter's Guide to Aquarium Fishes, Usborne Publishing Ltd, £1.99.

Here are two more titles in this series and since almost every home has indoor plants the first guide will come in useful. It is quite likely that many people will not know the correct names for their plants and with the illustrations to help you, you can find out how best to care for your particular plants. The main part of the book is divided into five sections: plants kept for their attractive leaves, flowering plants, plants which bear fruit, vase plants, and cacti and other fleshy plants. Most of our indoor plants grow wild in hot countries and if you were to visit South America, for example, you would see many of the plants shown in the book growing wild in forests, mountains or deserts, and

they would often be much larger than when grown in-doors. The illustrations are not drawn exactly to scale but the description gives the average height to which a plant will grow indoors.

The simplest aquarium is one which does not need a heater but this restricts you to goldfishes as they prefer a temperature of 16°C. The other fish illustrated in this guide need a temperature of 24°C so the water must be heated. The second section of this book tells you how to set up and maintain an aquarium and how to select the most suitable fishes. Most of the species mentioned come from lakes, pools and rivers in places like South America and the Far East. There is some very important information at the end of the book about maintenance, algae problems, feeding and fish diseases. If you want a healthy aquarium you will need to follow the FJC

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The Tony Hart Art Factory. Kaye & Ward, £6.25.

Tony Hart is a well known TV personality who presents his own imaginative ideas on art to children and adults. This delightful book is based on many of his television programmes and is in four

sections. There are many exciting projects to do with Masks, making Stencils. prints of your own and experiments in Sand Art. Then with Ink, Wax and Paper some stimulating ideas show you how to use paper, wood and polystyrene to make sculptures. The third section (Metal, Light and Patterns) will surprise many, as designs are made with paper fasteners, paper clips, nails, screws and bits of tin foil. Their very shape suggests how to use them. Many of you will know about rubbings which you can get from a wide variety of textured objects. Fragments of potwater-worn pebbles, clay and plaster can all be used for making models. Stone, Markers and Rubbings is the fourth section and it is interesting to note that each of the four sections is also published as a separate book price £1.50. As Tony Hart says 'The World is full of patterns - keep your eyes open for them!'

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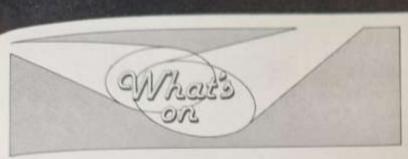
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Whipsnade Park Zoo.

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SSAGO Rallies

This year's SSAGO AGM will take place during a Bristol rally beginning on Friday, 27 February and ending on Sunday, 1 March. Accommodation will be in Scout huts and planned events include sightseeing in Bristol, visiting the Cathedral, SS Great Britain and the Zoo, a barn dance as well as games and competitions. Further details are available from Richard Hoyle, 101 Luckwell Road. Bedminster, Bristol BS3 3ET.

If this isn't sufficient notice for the above rally, then you could make sure you attend the following one, which will be camping under canvas between 26 and 28 June. The venue will be Blackwell. Court, near Bromsgrove, Worcs and is being jointly organised by the Birmingham and Aston Universities Scout and Guide Clubs who may be contacted via Simon Collier, Birmingham/Aston Rally Committee, Birmingham Scout and Guide Club, Birmingham University Guild of Students' Union, Edgbaston Park Road, Birmingham B15 2TT.

Ballet Interest

Very few people alive today were lucky enough to experience a ballet performance by Anna Pavlova, who died 50 years ago. This month also marks the cenlenary of her birth, so the Museum of London, London Wall, London EC2Y 5HN have decided that this year merited. a small exhibition of photographs and costumes including that used in The Dying Swan. Having opened on 27 January, this major collection of material relating to the Russian batterina who made the capital her home, will continue until Sunday, 22 March. A must for all balletomanes.

Having viewed the life of a ballet legend, you could also take in a visit to London Coliseum and see her artistic successors between 3 March and 4 April. The three classics to be performed by the London Festival Ballet will be Nureyev's Romeo and Juliet, Coppélia and Giselle with a ticket price range of £2.00 to £8.50. Party bookings are available (please give an alternative choice of date) - OAPs, students and children under 18 can all obtain seats at £2.50 for all performances from 12 noon on the day. The box office is open from 10 till 8 - reservations can be made on (01) 836 3161.



Above, the prize winning portrait,

Art Award

In December last year I was present at the Imperial Tobacco Portrait Award at the National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place, London WC2H OHE. This annual award, inaugurated last year, was given to young Margaret Foreman for a portrait she submitted of Sir Richard Southern, President of St John's College, Oxford. The award was correctly described by The Rt Hon Norman St John Stevas, MP idea as a 'generous and imaginative' when he handed over a cheque for £4,000 to the lucky winner, who also receives a commission for another portrait to be painted of a well-known personality which is worth an extra £3,000. This will be hung in the Gallery itself at a later date. Meanwhile, you too have the opportunity to judge for yourselves the high standard of paintings submitted because many of the entries are now on display at the NPG until 28 February, between 10 and 5 (Mon-Fri), 10 to 6 (Sat) and 2 until 6 on Sundays. In my own humble opinion Miss Foreman's portrait was a worthy winner but you may well think otherwise — either way, it is heartening to see so many fine portraits painted by today's young artists. Admission is free.



Gilbert and Sullivan

As promised in the January issue of GUIDER, here are the nationwide touring dates of the D'Oyly Carte Company, who are world-famous for their rendering of Gilbert and Sullivan. They begin their tour with a week at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon. Warwickshire Belephone affice on 0789-292271) giving performances of HMS Pinafore, The Mikado, The Yeomen of the Guard, Pirates of Penzance. The Sorcerer and lotanthe (pic tured above). Prices range from £2 to £6 but groups of 15 or more can buy reduced price tickets on certain days.

From Stratford, they will journey to the following venues, commencing on the dates shown: Cliff's Pavilion, Eastbourne (2 March); King's Theatre, Southses (9 March), New Theatre, Oxford (23 March); Tameside Theatre, Ashton-under-Lyne (30 March); Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham (13 April); Alhambra Theatre, Bradford (20 April) and the New Theatre, Hull (27 April)

Many other towns and cities are at present being considered as further venues for the Company, so look out for news of these in your local press and theatres. For information about the confirmed dates listed above, telephone the box offices of the theatres concerned, who will also be able to tell you if group rates are available. (Please see HQ Notices.)

Snow Fun Week

Between 16 and 22 March (weather permitting!) unlikely events will be taking place in Glenshee, Scotland - such as a three-legged ski race, a rubber ring race and a snurf race. These are all part of the Peter Stuyvesant Glenshee Snow Fun Week, which has an action-packed programme of skilland games to include both skiers and the non-skiers of all age groups. You have the opportunity to win prizes in the daytime and then relax and celebrate at night with all the delights of apres ski available in the hotels and restaurants. If you prefer to admire the skill of others from the safety of the spectators' stand then you can enjoy a demonstration of Free Style Skilling on Monday, 16 March - a sporting event which will no doubt be part of a future Winter Olympics.

Full details of this week are obtainable from the Glenshee Tourist Association, The Log Cabin Hotel, Kirkmichael, Perthshire. Remember that this type of holiday merits warm, water-proof clothing and footwear as well as woollen gloves and hats. Winter sports equipment can be hired at low cost from several places in the area and ski schools provide in-struction at all standards. The hotel struction at all standards. accommodation also provides much of the night life, so be sure to book well in advance to avoid disappointment.

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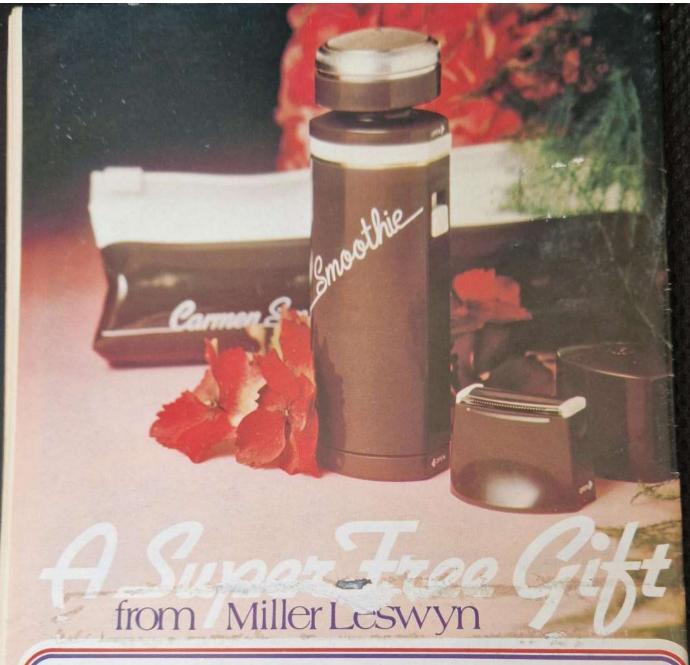
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