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## WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY 1981

### 'Prevention Must be Better than Cure'

AS ALL readers will by now be aware, 1981 has been declared the International Year of Disabled Persons by the United Nations General Assembly. In your enthusiasm, support and tremendous money-raising efforts throughout this year for all our many most worthy United Kingdom organisations for our own Disabled Persons, it could be possible that you might have almost forgotten the 'International' aspect. But the fact remains that 1981 is a year for the Disabled of the World. The United Kingdom Committee for UNICEF (the United Nations Children's Fund) is responsible for reminding us of this — by holding UNICEF World Children's Day on 15th June. There are 140 million disabled children in the world — and 80% of them live in the developing world. We in the Girl Guides Association are accustomed to think of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts as having great numbers — but there are **20 times** as many disabled children in the world as there are Guides and Brownies! UNICEF is doing its best to help alleviate some of their difficulties by directing its main efforts towards prevention of disability and early intervention for those already suffering from impairment. For UNICEF preventive 'medicine' does not only mean immunisation programmes but also educating girls and women in primary health care — helping to develop maternal and child health services, the improvement of nutrition and clean water supplies. "Prevention Must be Better than Cure" is the slogan for the United Kingdom Committee of UNICEF's efforts this year. For this reason many Guide and Brownie Units have 'joined the Chain Gang' creating, with the help of Lego, models depicting the passage of vaccine, manufactured in the United Kingdom, then transported in cold boxes to the Sudan. Here this vaccine will be used to put the slogan into action — preventing illness and disability before it has to be cured.

In all but a tiny minority of countries in the Developing World there are no insurance schemes, no social security systems, no charities to help afflicted people. Only rich countries like our own can indulge in such luxuries. It is, therefore, more and more vital that we, in the rich countries, should do all we can to help to prevent disability amongst our neighbours. Often a great deal can be achieved by comparatively little, for the basic needs are quite simple and require only small amounts of money to enable great things to be done.

Maybe you too would like to help UNICEF to prove that 'Prevention MUST be Better than Cure'. For further information, write to the U.K. Committee for UNICEF, 44-48 Osnaurgh Street, London NW1 8PU. There are people there who will tell you all about UNICEF World Children's Day 1981 — and give you lots of ideas of how you too can help to build healthier, happier children for the future of your world and theirs.

Mary Birkbeck

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### Cover

This month's cover features the spectacular cake made by Mrs Sue Betts on the occasion of the party given in honour of TODAY'S GUIDE's Diamond Jubilee.  
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Above, the 1st Waltham Abbey Coy, Herts, are pictured on a recent visit to the BBC TV studios when they presented a blanket and cheque raised at a Bring and Buy Sale, to the 'Blue Peter' team Appeal.



Above, TV personality Jimmy Savile, OBE, receives a cheque for £925 on behalf of his Stoke Mandeville Hospital Appeal. The 20th and 23rd St Benedict's, Ealing Pack and Coy topped all groups for the amount of money raised by a wet sponsored walk in their local park. Below, the 17th Wallasey (St Nicholas) Coy, Merseyside, are pictured on their prize-winning Carnival float 'The Jolly Arthur, Pirate Ship'.



Above, the 4th Kennington (London) Brownies and Guides are seen handing over cheques totalling £110, raised by a sponsored silence and a sponsored knit, to the Mother Superior. The money will be given to the Little Sisters of the Poor Appeal for funds to rebuild their Home for the Elderly nearby. Below, the 24th Blackpool (South Shore Baptist) Pack (only eight of them in all!) celebrate raising £120 for the British Heart Foundation by holding a coffee morning.







Above: members of the 1st Houghton on the Hill Coy, Leics, were recently shown around the Leicester Polytechnic School of Textile Technology and were presented with a pair of socks each which were navy with the Guide Trefoil knitted in, as well as badges and a tablecloth. Right: in spite of the cold, members of the 1st Hetherzell Coy proudly march with their banner to their Thinking Day Service. Below: the 1st and 2nd Headcorn Guides and Brownies from Kent make a splash with their marathon fund-raising car washing sessions, which earned them almost £40.



Centre right: Mrs Jean Potter, District Commissioner for Yatton and Member of the Executive Committee (left) received the Beaver Award from Mrs Jean Eburne, County Commissioner for Avon South at a recent ceremony. Below: Guides and Brownies of the Restford Division, Herts, proudly display their new Division Standard, which was dedicated at their Thinking Day Service this year at St Alban's Church.



Below: the photograph shows the celebration party for the Golden Jubilee of the 2nd Haringay Coy and of Miss Gladys Thompson who enrolled in the Coy in 1930 and is now District Commissioner for Wood Green East.







## International Year of the Disabled—



### Ranger Guiders

The Rangers were miserable, very miserable. Most eyes studied the floor, some the ceiling, all avoided me. I gently probed, 'any ideas?' No reply. I firmly prodded, 'Well?' A lone voice replied, 'we just didn't communicate.' There was general relief, Jane had at least said something, something which sounded like a good reason why Theresa had left our Unit without the Rangers having to acknowledge too much guilty involvement.

Theresa had come to us from the Unit for Partially Hearing Children at the local Comprehensive School. The teacher in charge had asked us to take her as she had been a very keen Guide. Theresa was not only partially deaf but had recently arrived from Malta and understood very little English and spoke even less. The Rangers responded well to the challenge and welcomed her with happy enthusiasm. Neither the happiness nor the enthusiasm lasted, they struggled to talk to Theresa, they tried to involve her in all they were doing. For her part Theresa could not have been more helpful. She smiled all the time, she nodded or shook her head but looked by turns puzzled and confused. The Rangers' efforts to involve her became increasingly spasmodic until eventually they gave up altogether and Theresa left.

Jane's statement had at least inspired an argument, some Rangers were defensive, some indulged in self-recrimination but at last a discussion evolved as to what we could do about turning our failure into something helpful and constructive. Someone pointed out that we have a residential school for the deaf almost on our doorstep and a visit there was duly

planned. The visit was a happy one. The headmaster was helpful and friendly and the Rangers were fascinated by the technical equipment used in the teaching, by the standards of the pupils art, craft and needlework and above all by the nursery department. They asked the headmaster if he could suggest any ways in which we might be helpful to his school and he suggested that we should take some of the children for a day out. He explained that the boarders suffer from homesickness and boredom sometimes and so with visions of that nursery department and a picnic in the country we left.

We planned the day excitedly, the children's playground would be ideal, they could play games, paddle in the stream, enjoy the swings and eat plenty of sweets and ice-cream. Two days before we were due to go, the headmaster telephoned me, cheerfully announcing that the children were greatly looking forward to the outing, that there were 12 of them, that they were all boys and that their ages ranged from 12 to 17 years. With a mental picture of swings, paddling in the stream and 'ring-a-ring-of-roses', I answered weakly 'Fine'. The Rangers were aghast, 'Now what?' they shrieked. The panic slowly subsided as the Guiders pointed out that we could do the things we do best — what about fire-lighting, cooking without utensils, pioneering, surely boys would enjoy such things?

The day out was one of the happiest I remember in the life of our Unit. The boys presented a tough challenge, not only were they severely deaf but most had other physical handicaps too. Great ingenuity was required to show them

that only dead wood would do for a fire, that we did not really need the great sheets of newspaper they produced with enthusiasm and that, once lit, it did not have to be of bonfire proportions. That mixing flour, salt and water and winding the mess round a stick really was a valid thing to do. However, the boys quickly learned that though our methods were peculiar, the resulting dampers, chocolate bananas etc., tasted quite good.

Pioneering was hilarious, with everyone scrambling to be first across the monkey bridge or up the rope ladder. No one will forget the sight of Sarah, Rachel and Hilary desperately trying to haul 17-year-old, 5ft. 10ins. Trevor up the tree and onto the bridge in spite of his handicaps, or the look of delight on Philip's face as he edged slowly across it. Or Michael hanging upside down by his toes, thoroughly enjoying the chance to show off.

The day ended all too quickly and as we fell out of the mini-bus back at school and began to say our good-byes, a heated discussion broke out amongst the boys. There was much signing, pointing and giggling. The headmaster 'translated' for us. 'The boys want to do something for you,' he said. 'Please spend an evening with us in our swimming pool.' The Rangers were delighted and very moved by this unexpected reaction. We waved good-bye amidst much signing, shouting and laughter. We had communicated.

Sheila Steele,  
Midlands Regional Ranger  
Consultant,  
Stoke-on-Trent,  
Staffs.



Julie, Lee and Trevor enjoying their chocolate bananas.





## Guiding in the Orkneys

These pictures demonstrate that Guiding is alive and active in the Orkneys, the group of islands off the coast of Scotland. Left, Mrs June Paterson-Brown, JP, Scottish Chief Commissioner, reopens the newly reroofed Guide Outdoor Centre at a recent Guide Rally in Orkney. Above, Mrs June Paterson-Brown receives a gift of a model Orkney Chair from a Brownie from the Orkney North Isles on the occasion of last year's County Revels.

## Manky '80

**S**ASAGO The Student Scout and Guide Organisation has three weekend rallies each year, one in each term. Attended by clubs from all over the country in Universities and other colleges of higher education, these are organised by member clubs on a voluntary basis.

Manchester Universities Scout and Guide club had last organised a rally in 1977, so none of the present members had organised a rally. We decided in late 1979 that we would like to hold a rally in autumn 1980. We spent the next year trying to find somewhere to hold it. We eventually settled on Linnet Clough Scout campsite at Marple about 20 miles from the centre of Manchester, which has excellent accommodation and a large hall, with a very helpful warden. We booked this for the only date that was available; 5th-7th December.

The first job when we came back from our summer holidays was to set up a rally committee. We spent the next two months of the term looking for and booking activities and persuading other clubs to come along to the rally. At first we estimated from our own knowledge of autumn rallies that we would get about 150 people. Once replies started coming in, we reduced this to 100

and eventually had 74 people turn up.

The problems started on the Thursday when one of the clubs told us they weren't coming and weren't bringing their mini-bus. Fine! Friday started with the late collection of one of our mini-buses, which worked perfectly when we picked it up. By the time we had got a bus load of our members out to Linnet Clough in the pouring rain the wipers had given up, the indicators didn't flash and the lights dimmed every time we stopped. By 11.30, we had got all the people to the site, some by mini-bus and the rest by train. Some of the clubs arrived by cars direct to the site and others to railway stations in Manchester. The first club into Victoria Station also had the exciting task of pushing the mini-bus amongst a taxi rank.

Saturday dawned and with it yet more problems, we had too many activities for the number of people and had to cancel that afternoon's trip to the copper mines at Alderly Edge.

Events that day included climbing, caving and many activities in Manchester, such as a trip ice skating, a visit to the Manchester City v. Ipswich football match, a theatre trip and visits to museums and art galleries.

The singing started just after midnight and continued until gone 2.00. Some of the more rowdy members of our club stayed up until 4.00 when they saw a note from Birmingham, accusing us of pinching their mascot, a Womble, and that their car was blocking the car park — it's amazing how easily a Fiat 127 on ice can be slid round by five people.

Sunday crept up far too soon, breakfast managed to start on time. Our guests from local and national Scouts and Guides arrived about 9.30. Our events that morning were mainly arts and crafts such as corn dollies, origami, silk screen printing, stone painting, Morris dancing and hot air ballooning. We also had another trip to the copper mines (which was so popular this time that we didn't have enough transport for it), a five-a-side football competition and air rifle shooting. Our guests joined in many of the activities.

We got the members of our club back to Manchester by 8.00 and fell into bed exhausted.



Air Rifle shooting





Pictured above is Mrs Sue Betts holding the flowers that she more than deserved for making such a splendid Jubilee cake, which she is shown cutting in the inset. Below, the Potato Marketing Board stand: left to right are Mary Moresco, Bob Griffiths and Mrs Bridget La Marco of the Potato Marketing Board. Photos: Ken Rush Inset: Tony Rose.



Above, The Chief Commissioner, The Lady Baden-Powell, welcoming guests to the party. Photo: Ken Rush.

## TODAY'S GUIDE

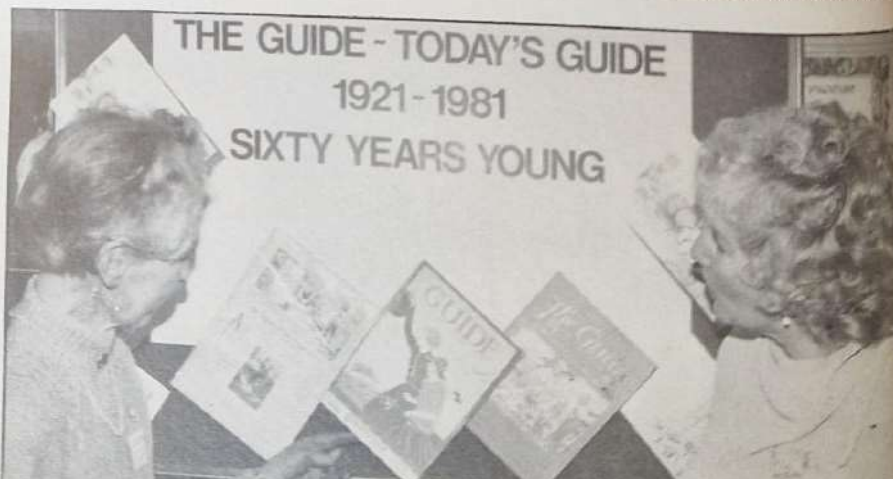
By now we hope that every single member of the Guide Movement knows that *TODAY'S GUIDE* celebrated sixty years of continuous publication with its April issue. A Diamond Jubilee party was held at Headquarters on 12th March to celebrate the occasion, and among the guests were editorial staff, printers, advertisers and distributors who have all contributed to the success and longevity of the magazine. We believe in fact that our record of survival is unique for a magazine intended for the 10 to 15 age group, and looking back over the issues it's easy to see that the secret has been to move with the times. Unhappily the editor of the first issue of *THE GUIDE* — which appeared on St George's Day, 23rd April, 1921 — is no longer with us, but we were pleased to welcome a representative of the company that printed the very first issues. Mrs Vera Armstrong, MBE, who edited *THE GUIDE* in 1930, was at the party, and so were six Guides from Hammersmith representing our present readership, thus spanning goodness knows how many generations!

Many members of the Society of Magazine Editors — themselves Editors of some of the most famous magazines in the country — were at the party to drink a toast to *THE GUIDE* — now of course *TODAY'S GUIDE* — and wish it well for the next sixty years.

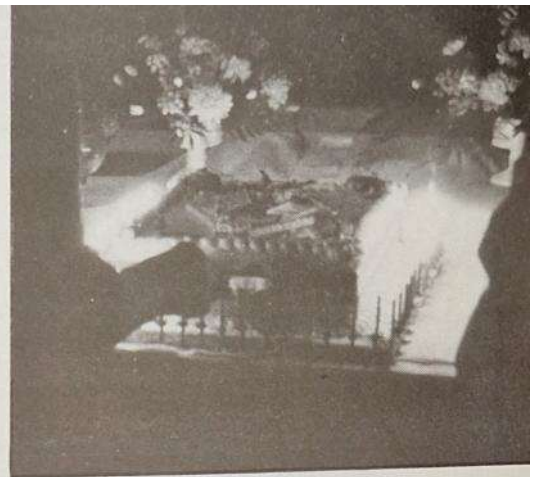
The Chief Commissioner welcomed our guests to the party, and proposed the toast in champagne or Buck's Fizz; the latter was unexpectedly topical as the Buck's Fizz group had been chosen for the Eurovision Song Contest the previous night. *Surridge Dawson Ltd*, who distribute our magazines to every newsagent in the farthest corners of the United Kingdom, provided the champagne and *Kellogg's* the soft drinks. A



Below, Mr Marshall and Mr Surridge of Surridge Dawson Ltd. Photo: Tony Rose. Below, right, Mrs Vera Armstrong MBE, Editor of *THE GUIDE* in 1930 admiring the display with Mrs Jean Rush, the present Managing Editor. Photo: Ken Rush.







Above, lighting the Jubilee candles. Photo: Ken Rush.

## -SIXTY YEARS YOUNG

magnificent buffet was made possible by many generous friends, notably the *Potato Marketing Board* and Mr Potato (Bob Griffiths) who arrived at crack of dawn with his ovens, sack of potatoes and decorative barrow from which he dispensed delectable hot baked potatoes and butter. *Mattessons* supplied us with a staggering array of sliced beef, turkey, ham, and salami, and a large variety of salads to go with it. *Colmans*, *Green Giant* and *John West* all added their products to the feast.

Mrs Sue Betts of Periodicals Department had made and decorated the most superb birthday cake, as will be seen from the cover picture. As a finale to the party, sixty candles were lit and blown out by our six Guides, who then helped to serve a piece of cake to everyone present.

Now the party's over, but — with apologies to Anthony Newley — we hope it isn't time to call it a day. On the contrary, we hope that the party marks not only the completion of sixty years' publication, but a new beginning for *TODAY'S GUIDE*. Now printed on glossy paper just like *GUIDER*, this magazine deserves to be read by every single Guide, but we are dependent on you, the *Guider*, to do our publicity for us. Our sales are already good, but with your help we could make them better still. The more copies that are sold of any magazine, the less each copy costs to produce, therefore as our sales increase so we can increase the number of pages and the amount of colour.

If you aren't sure how important *TODAY'S GUIDE* is for every Guide to read, look out for a special article in next month's *GUIDER*.

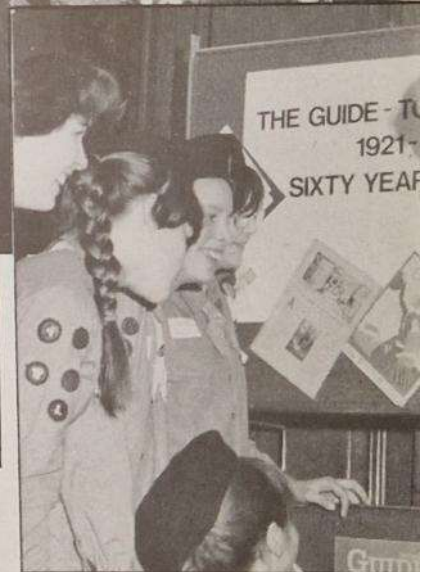
Jean Rush

Left to right: Mr Alan Smedley, Chairman of Tamworth Herald, Mr J A Modlock from Harrison's, the first printers of *THE GUIDE* and Mr Bill Webb, Hon Treasurer of The Society of Magazine Editors. Photo: Tony Rose.

Above left, Mr Ken Rush, who took some of the photos appearing on these two pages. Inset: Mrs Jean Rush speaking about *TODAY'S GUIDE*. Photos: Tony Rose.



Above, guests (including six Guides from Hammersmith) listen to the Chief Commissioner. Photo: Ken Rush. Right, the Jubilee display receiving well-deserved attention. Photo: Tony Rose.



Below, The Lady Baden-Powell obviously enjoying the conversation of Mr Michael Watts, the celebrated Sunday Express columnist. Photo: Tony Rose.







## Solve One Problem Find Another

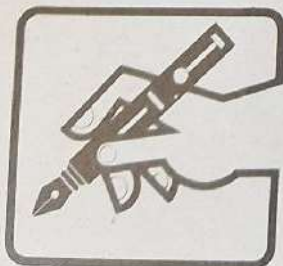
All the problems regarding the new Brownie flag mentioned by Mrs Edwards in the February issue of *GUIDER* were anticipated by an Assistant Guider and myself when our lovely new flag arrived — except that ours did have the tape, which was white and very hard to hide out of sight.

So, we removed the tape and secured the flag to the pole with just a few long stitches straight through the top hole. We returned the flag case to the Trading Service, who immediately refunded the cost, and we bought some leatherette material and made our own, slightly wider than the original and long enough to accommodate the top two sections of the pole.

Now we detach just the bottom section of the pole, place it alongside the other two, and carefully wind the flag round them all — no folding necessary. So, our flag remains on the pole, uncreased and with no strain caused by repeatedly easing it on to the pole. The flag can easily be removed for washing when necessary, by simply cutting the stitches.

We've solved the flag problem, but not the one of finding a suitable song to sing when we meet with the Guides to speed our oldest Brownies up the ladder to the Guide Company. An appropriate one would liven up the ceremony — has anyone any ideas?

**Rosemary Robins,**  
Brownie Guider,  
1st Willerby Pack,  
N Humberside.



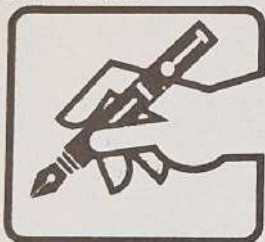
## Heraldry Winner

Thank you for your letter informing me that my entry in the *Heraldic Heritage* Competition was chosen as one of the five winners. The chart of the Guilds and Livery Companies has arrived and it is really beautiful. My son has chosen heraldry for his school project this term, and has been casting covetous eyes on it!

Please thank everyone concerned with organising the competition.

**Anne Malone,**  
Guide Guider,  
4th High Barnet Coy,  
Herts.

Some of the entries are now on display in the CHQ restaurant. — Editor.



## 15 year knot

I have been asked to write on behalf of the Division about the quality of the 15-year 'knot' in the hope that there will be other Guiders who agree with us.

There are many Guiders in the Division who refuse to wear this award feeling that after 15 years' service, a piece of 'tatty ribbon costing 2p' is nothing short of an insult. We think that this badge should be made of metal or at the very least, bound cloth.

**J R Shaw,**  
Division Badge Secretary,  
South Bedfordshire.

## Camping Qualifications

In reply to Rosemary O'Reilly concerning Camping Qualifications, I too camped from childhood, camped in my teens both as a Guide and

member of various Youth Organisations, for many years my husband, family and self belonged to the Camping Club, but I too, along with many others in the Movement of equal and perhaps more experience, duly took my Campers Licence in order that I might give some of my love of the out of doors, to Guides and Rangers.

Sometimes rules can be tedious, I do agree, but we must not have one rule for one and another rule for others, and so I say, go on take the Campers Licence and enjoy doing it, then pass on your enthusiasm to others so that they, too, will try and succeed.

Also I beg you check with your Division CA and District Commissioner they may give you permission to camp this year without a qualification until you are able to take your Campers Licence. See Policy Organisation and Rules.

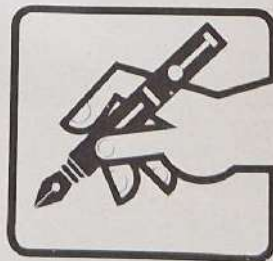
**M A Flinders (Mrs),**  
Kerrier Division CA,  
Helston, Cornwall.

## Freezing thoughts

Having endured another freezing Thinking Day Parade, I cannot let it pass without comment. Surely there would be no shame in parading (Colour Parties included) wearing winter coats, scarves and gloves, and even the dreaded boots.

Couldn't we make it a rule that we have winter clothes for Winter Parades in future, for I am quite sure that we would expect summer clothes to be worn for Summer Parades.

**M Neely,**  
Guide Guider,  
1st Towton Coy,  
Warrington, Lancs.



## Derbyshire news

I enclose two small news items concerning Derbyshire Guiding. As you may already know, Mrs O M Robinson has taken over from Mrs Watson as County Commissioner with effect from

March 30th. Incidentally, I think that you do a wonderful job of editing 'our' magazine — it is most artistically produced and always full of interest.

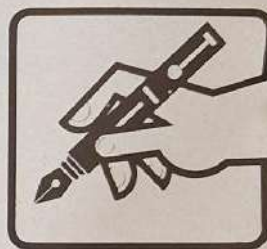
## The Edith Smith Centenary Trust to help Guiding in Derbyshire

To celebrate their mother's 100th birthday, Miss Barbara and Miss Muriel Smith have set up a Trust to help Guiding in Derbyshire. The sum of £400 has been banked, and each year the interest will be used for a Guider to attend a Training or a Camp to further her usefulness to the Movement.

## Editor of Derbyshire Guiding Magazine obtains BA in Open University

Miss Grace Wells, the Editor of the Derbyshire Guiding Magazine, *SIGNPOST*, is to be congratulated on gaining her BA degree from the Open University.

**Mary Lumsden (Mrs),**  
County Secretary,  
Derbyshire GGA.



## Ribbons apart

Regarding Guiders' uniform, would it not be an advantage for the ribbon part of Guiders' ties to be sold separately. They do wear, especially from the effects of pinning on the Trefoil, and it would avoid having to buy a complete new tie on promotion from Assistant to Guider or on transferring from, say, a Brownie Pack to Guide Coy.

**Joy Breed,**  
Guide Guider,  
2nd Ashford Coy,  
Middlesex.

## All tied up

I would like to add a voice to the 'tie' correspondence. I think the present uniform very smart and would be aghast at the idea of wearing a Scout-type triangular scarf. A lady Cub-Scouter wears such a tie and I think that by comparison, a Guider's uniform is smarter and more feminine.

**Rowena M Ranger,**  
Guide Guider,  
1st Lochgilphead Coy,  
Ardishaig and Lochgilphead.

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# Disability —



## A Personal View

I am a normal, healthy, caring individual combining a job as a midwifery teacher with that of a Division Commissioner and P.R. Adviser. My hobbies include Open University studies, running a home and many handcraft activities. Also I enjoy camping. Not so different from many Guiders, except that within the last year I have become disabled after a simple back injury.

Until then I thought that I had some understanding of the problems of the disabled. Certainly, after 20 years' nursing I had a medical knowledge and could appreciate both physical and psychological problems. As a caring adult I knew that disabled people might need help when I saw them while out and about, and would help them across the street, hold doors open if necessary. Now that I am on the other side of the fence, I realise how unaware of difficulties I was.

Olave Baden-Powell said that there were no such things as problems, only opportunities. I am making use of perhaps the biggest 'opportunity' in my life to outline some of the difficulties experienced by just one physically disabled person to illustrate some ways in which able-bodied people may be of real help.

Eighteen months ago I would jump onto my motorbike after work and pop into a few shops for groceries or other essentials; browse around the stores for other goods; nip into the Post Office, library or Bank. Then, possibly in the evening, visit one of the Units in the Division or attend a meeting.

Now the same pattern is less easy. Reliance on a car and wheelchair are total except for walks of a few yards, which can be managed with crutches. The same activities as before have to be planned like a military manoeuvre. Car parking (with an orange disc) has to be planned in order to reduce both hazards and the exhaustion of a long wheelchair push — although that will probably become easier with time. A knowledge of the position of steps and kerbstones is needed and it is useful to know where roadworks, etc, make going rough or access impossible.

A trip to my bank, with its three semi-circular steps means waiting for a customer to ask for the bank porters to lift the chair in and out. Once in, the counters are at about nose height.

However, the clerks are, without exception, very helpful.

The Post Office and many shops, too, have steps at the entrance. Admittedly many of the steps are only a couple of inches high, but enough to be an obstacle for a wheelchair. What does one do? Park right across the base of the step so that one cannot be ignored, or wait beside the step waiting for someone who looks strong and healthy to manoeuvre the chair over the step?

Supermarkets have their displays at a very convenient height for the average customer, but from a wheelchair it is difficult to reach for items on a top shelf or even to look into many of the deep-freeze cabinets. I'm thinking of using a mirror for this, as a periscope! The check-outs, too, present a problem, as many of them are too narrow to allow a chair through.

The more conventional shops with counters are easier. Here, though, one may find assistants who are less than helpful to wheelchair users. It seems that one becomes invisible or perhaps frightening to some people when in a chair and it can be even more of a battle than when able-bodied to get service from some assistants!

Telephone kiosks are another problem — not the wall telephones with a hood over that one sees in some stores, stations, etc. A conventional box will not take a chair, making the dial and coin slot out of reach. If a Good Samaritan comes to one's aid for dialling he gets trapped in the box by the chair which acts as a wedge to keep the door open. Not much thanks for the helpful person.

In my local town, we are fortunate enough to have a covered central shopping precinct with shops opening on the flat — but many, because of sloping ground, are on two levels, linked by two or three stairs. Thus one can shop on one level, then wheel around the block to assault the other entrance. The library is within this complex and is very easy to use once one has struggled through the two sets of doors at the entrance.

All the time one is out, one has to remember where the pavement has been ramped. It is very easy to get stranded in the road, or have to make a long detour in order to find both sides of a road ramped. Otherwise the Samaritan is needed again.

Some Guiding venues are virtually inaccessible to a chair user. Lifts are not always installed in schools on a split level or with more than one floor. Guide or Scout huts may be in the middle of a muddy or unmown field. There might be a tight right-hand turn in a small lobby that is used as a store room and which does not give a good turning circle. I am fortunate to be able to use crutches for short distances and stairs, but not all wheelchair users can do this.

Most of these are physical problems that would take money to alter. My most interesting observations in the 'before and after' state have been to do with people's attitudes. Whereas before I was 'ordinary' and noticed or not in a crowd, I now find that one of two things happens. One, perhaps stemming from a fear of disability as 'not nice', is that one is either treated as invisible and/or deaf, or as an object of curiosity or pity. Some people go out of their way to avoid contamination, some talk over one, even making very personal remarks. On occasions parents have moved their children away from me in shops and lifts, and have studiously looked away themselves. I have had people shout as if I were deaf and others speak almost a pidgin English very slowly, which can be amusing.

The other attitude, which the International Year for Disabled People is designed to foster, is much more positive. This includes friendly, non-aggressive help, sometimes spontaneous and sometimes when requested. There is the holding open of a shop door, a 'Can I help you?' or help in reaching a difficult item in a shop. All unobtrusive, but helpful. Most gratifying of all are the people who, in conversation, treat one as normally intelligent and able in all ways except walking.

Many of my observations may be particularly acute at the moment due to recent disablement and be less noticeable with time, but I feel that many are valid. The experience of one person might give others a glimpse into the world of a wheelchair user and help to give a greater understanding of areas where help might be given.

**Elisabeth Davies-Johns**





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## When you buy from the movement we all benefit





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## Once Upon A Train

One day, two Rangers were on a train travelling to London, and Buckingham Palace to receive a Duke of Edinburgh's Award Certificate. Sitting in the same compartment was a young business woman. She was attracted to the uniform and therefore paid attention and observed closely what the girls were saying, and was greatly impressed by their general deportment.

The Rangers went on their way little knowing that they had recruited a member to



the organisation. The young woman returned home and soon after this brief encounter with the Rangers, she walked into the Region's Headquarters, related her meeting on the train and volunteered her help. She possessed banking and accounting skills. The administrative staff desperately needed a Treasurer, and here she had walked in as a result of meeting two Rangers on a train. The Region and the Treasurer are now happy together.

Stories such as this serve to underscore the fact that each one of us who wears the uniform is involved in Public Relations for the Association. It is well that Guiders try to convey this concept to their Brownies, Guides and Rangers, and, of course, accept it themselves.

I am sure there must be other stories which could be told if only we knew of them. Please keep the Public Rela-

tions Department at CHO informed so that we may share your successes with others.

**Elaine Arnold (Mrs.),**  
Public Relations Adviser to  
The Association.

## Help!

May I say how very much I enjoy your pages and what a comfort it is to hear other Guiders' problems and solutions, good tidings and happenings, etc. Keep up the good work.

May I try, through your pages, to contact any 'old' Guiders of the Nottingham Bluebell Hill Company. I belonged to that Company and was enrolled with them at the end of the war in 1945. We met in a schoolroom of the 'Bluebell Hill' School and had a wonderful Guider, who I am trying to trace, called Miss Constance R. Harris, from 1939 to 1947.

At present I am Guider for the 1st Long Whatton Coy, and acting Brown Owl for the Long Whatton Brownies, and now we have two proud Rangers. It is all very worthwhile.

My maiden name was Jackson, and I was usually called Jacko. I am sure I was a very weedy little dot, so perhaps someone will recall me! If there is anyone from these times and the Bluebell Hill Coy, would they please like to contact me c/o GUIDER at the address on page three of this issue.

**Grace L. Castle (Mrs.),**  
Guider Guider,  
1st Long Whatton Coy,  
Leicestershire.



## Small is Beautiful

Referring to Mrs Barbara Price's letter (Jan '81), 'Quality Not Quantity', may we offer our unqualified support for her view. We would rather be involved with a Company of six dedicated Guiders than with one of twenty, who regarded the Guide meeting as 'just another place to go'. Guiders should be strong enough to withstand the jealous taunts of non-Guiders.

Our support also goes to the growing number of Guiders in their request for a triangular necktie, instead of the useless and untidy piece of expensive material at present masquerading as one.

**Barbara Rogers,**  
Assistant Guide Guider,  
1st Beddgelert Coy,  
Caernarvon.

## Better Late . . .

'Do you want this Ma'am?' asked one of my Guiders last week, handing me a foolscap envelope. Inside was a transfer form — this could possibly be the answer to Mrs Boyd — 'No replies', March GUIDER, — the Guide having joined my Unit in September 1980!

It is quite possible that transfer forms are given to girls, handed to Mum for safe-keeping, and that safe-keeping is too safe. I was fortunate that I got my form, six months late maybe, and Mrs Boyd's forms could well still be in safe-keeping.

Please don't always blame the receiving Guider!

**M Drewery (Mrs.),**  
Guider Guider,  
7th Merstham Coy,  
Surrey East.



## . . . Than Never

With reference to the letter in January's issue of GUIDER from Mrs Janet Kemp about transfers, I heartily agree with her letter. I felt I had to write about this, as during the past three years I have filled in and sent off four Transfer Forms,

and so far have not received one reply, although I went to the trouble of putting an SAE in each.

Surely the Guider concerned would have the decency to let me know that my Guide had settled down in a new Company.

**Jean Fletcher (Mrs.),**  
Guide Guider,  
5th Blackwood Coy,  
Streetly,  
West Mercia.

## In with the New

My sister and I are starting a new Guide Company at the end of April. We are already warranted Assistant Guiders with other Units. We were discussing what we should be known as to the Guiders in our new Company. We feel that to be called Miss is too formal, and to be called by our Christian names is too informal. Captain and Lefty are rather dated as we are starting anew.

What do other Guiders call their Guiders, and have any Guiders suggestions to offer?

**(Misses) Ann and Mary Godfrey,**  
Assistant Brownie Guiders,  
2nd Littlemore Pack and  
6th East Oxford Pack,  
Oxon.



## Out of work

I read with interest our Chief Commissioner's article on Unemployment in the February edition of GUIDER. I thought perhaps the following extract from our Lesmahagow Ranger Log Book as quoted in one of our local newspapers might prove interesting reading:

Quote — Year 1932

"Unemployed Men's Atollment Society"  
"ON WEDNESDAY, 31st inst, an interesting meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Lesmahagow, which resulted in the formation of an

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# Thinking Day Service



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ON Saturday, 14th February, Westminster Abbey resounded with the singing of over a thousand voices and all of them members of the Guide and Scout Movements, participating in the Annual Thinking Day and Founder's Day Service.

Those of us who had attended the Service of Dedication of a Memorial to Robert Baden-Powell, Chief Scout and Olave Baden-Powell, World Chief Guide, on 12th February, had been reminded of some of their sayings and writings. One could not help but think of them and to give thanks for their vision, their dedication, their example when looking at and listening to the young people gathered there.

In the sacred confines of Westminster Abbey and St Margaret's Church, the life and work of Robert and Olave Baden-Powell were remembered 'with gratitude, affection and respect'.

It was especially rewarding to notice the presence of so many physically handicapped Guides and Guiders amongst the congregation. Throughout 1981, designated IYDP, our members will be thinking of ways and means of making life more comfortable for the disabled both at home and abroad. The results of the thought and planning will develop into various interesting projects.

Also exercising the thoughts of both the Guide and Scout Movements is the problem of the unemployed and plans are being made to translate these thoughts into action in the near future.

Those who are not members of the Movement have been heard to say 'What a good idea to set aside a day for thinking of others', but Guides make an effort to think and care for others continuously.

**Elaine Arnold,**  
*Public Relations Adviser*





# at Westminster Abbey



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# PIONEER PLAYSCHMES

## Queen's Silver Jubilee Trust

Scotland's second project inspired by the objectives of The Queen's Silver Jubilee Trust was the playscheme. Years before, a group of highly motivated Rangers had travelled to Barra one summer in the hope that there, through the medium of playschemes using Brownie crafts, skills, games and outdoor plays, the island children would clamour for Guiding. It worked.

In 1979 a pioneer to a pioneer was set up at Cornon near Stirling. Here help with children was, as a result of the vision of a governor, given by the Rangers from our Cornon Vale unit, and these were augmented by some local Rangers. Again Brownie-based activities were deployed successfully, and, as in Barra, the adults experienced the tremendous pleasure of the trusting friendship of children, their enthusiasm and their infectious laughter.

In 1980 the logical outcome was a summer playscheme in Glasgow dependent for manning on some of the city's unemployed, ten young men and women. They were, in fact, on a YOP scheme and were seconded to us for the period of the playscheme. Commissioners, Guiders and Rangers gave what help they could in what was the City's peak camping period. The first week was ill-staffed because of that, and because some of the young men were either on a course or on an archaeological expedition, but help became steadier later. This time we really met difficulties other than staffing; bad weather, too great numbers and too wide an age range. Yet we had our mercies too; a most beautiful park with a real stream, a tiny zoo and lovely hot-houses and good shelter in a school. No day passed without as many comic incidents as worrying ones. Again the activities based on the Guide programme, tenting, simple games, a modified barbecue, were a great success. The children enjoyed the games taken by the young men and women not because of the superb organisation, but because they liked working with a slightly older age group.

Since Glasgow City and Scotland's Executive contributed most of the material used for games, indoor and out, the only major expense was the expeditions, but here the value was immense, for small children, having paddled in loch water or having clambered over cannon in a historic castle or having gazed incredulously at giraffes on a Scottish estate, went

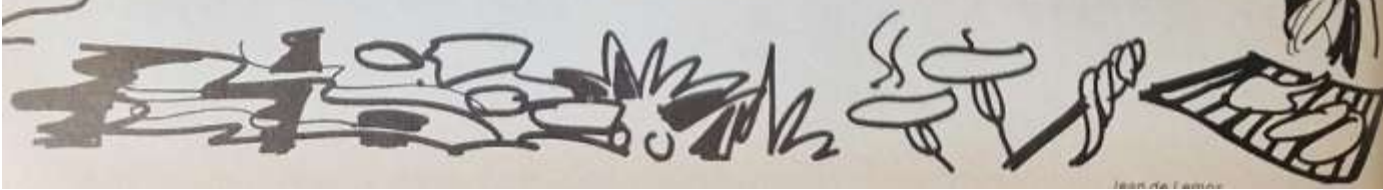
home bearing proudly their small gifts and able to share with their families the highlights of their experiences. The stamp of approval came months later when the most disruptive of the boys was discovered in a church hall by two Guiders. Questioned, he said that he had joined the nearest thing he could find to Guides, and we remembered another small boy who tried very hard to join a Guide Unit.

The playscheme is a multi-purpose method which may be adapted by the Movement in many ways, whether at a conference where Scouters have used it successfully for the children of the conference members, or in a modified way in a hospital for visitors' children, or for a street or a village in summer or on Saturdays or Sunday afternoons for the neighbourhood nearest the local Guide headquarters, or for extending the Movement as was done in Barra. A group of Patrol Leaders facing service for the Queen's Guide Badge used the method decades ago in a special school whose members ultimately joined their Unit.

Behind all this lies a deeper challenge, to discover why our plays have such universal appeal and yet those who enjoy them still do not commit themselves to us, and to work out what we have to do to stretch out to those uncommitted. Perhaps there is also a challenge to work hard at understanding the needs of children of pre-Brownie age, perhaps even of understanding better the make-up of the Brownie herself. We have to face the problem that few Guiders have extra time to devote to such schemes. Scotland surmounted the problem by using the unemployed and Rangers. Despite these difficulties, perhaps one day playschemes will be recognised as a feature of Guiding enterprise and will figure in our training.

In the meantime, thanks are expressed to the moral back-up given by the Scottish Chief Commissioner and her Executive, Mrs Forsyth and Mrs Leslie of Glasgow, the Calton Agency, the Cornon Rangers and their Guider, the four Stirling Rangers, and the young unemployed characterised by their rackets commonsense, their ribald sense of humour and their tolerance. Service to her subjects in a time of hardship is surely evidence of our promise of loyalty to the Queen.

Mary M Nixon





# THE PLAYBUS

Queen's

Silver



Jubilee

Project

'You've done what?' said an incredulous colleague. 'I've bought a bus' I repeated. 'What on earth do you want with that?' she said, shaking her head. This article explains just what I wanted with that!

One of the Silver Jubilee Projects was to be a summer play scheme, and in the area selected there was virtually nowhere for children to meet and play (outside the school playground) in safety. Alternatives were explored. A flat in the Council's housing scheme? Far too small for the kind of thing we envisaged. A mobile classroom located in the centre of the area? Perhaps — but — laying on services would prove costly and up-keep and maintenance an on-going financial problem. So — that too was discarded. A Playbus? Mobile, depending on where it was parked, space both upstairs and downstairs and outside. We decided to explore the idea. A small group of interested mums and dads in the community were called together and the idea took off. But, the greatest source of assistance came from the National Playbus Association, who knew all the wrinkles, just what to look for and how to go about finding a bus and converting it. While we were searching, the small committee did its own work and by the time the double-decker bus had been located in Eastbourne and paid for from the grant given by the Queen's Jubilee Trust, they had laid on a meeting between the British Airports Authority, British Caledonian Airways, the Guides and themselves to see whether the airways would be prepared to contribute in any way to the conversion and painting of the bus. But we are a bit ahead of ourselves, I think. In an effort to keep up I can hear you asking what on earth have airlines and airports authorities to do with a Playbus! Well — the Playbus was to be part of a community project. The community itself was in the Sussex new town of Crawley and the airports authority and the airline are the biggest employers of labour in the area so they had an interest in what happened in the community.

So — a delightful design was prepared by the British Airports Authority and the bus became transformed day by day. The aircraft maintenance crews tore the interior of the bus apart, created a charming Wendy House on the top deck, carpeted it, built a tiny kitchen (complete with gas rings and refrigerator), put in two sinks and a lavatory, and hung up curtains. As the lower deck of the bus was to be used for all the messy craft things children love, the floor was tiled and the seating easily cleaned. The top deck had only minimal seating, and that was moveable. On the great day, shining in its new livery, the curtains brightly swinging at the windows and with the sun shining in approval, the

bus moved off Gatwick Airport to its appointed parking place on a very large car park on the edge of the area in which the project was to take place. The Guides and the Committee had circulated every house about the project and mums had responded enthusiastically. It had to be a case of first come first served, as the bus could take only 25 in the morning and 25 in the afternoon. We had long waiting lists.

Our young leaders, who had come from Crawley schools and been undergoing training for nine months before the project (including four days at Waddow), were all in place and the two adult resource people were on hand. Would it work? We had no way of knowing. Most playbuses are for the under-fives. This one was to be used throughout August for the five to 10s. By the end of the first week the young leaders and the adult resource people were pretty tired, but it was a fulfilled and happy tiredness. The Playbus was undoubtedly needed. It was undoubtedly a success. The children loved it. 'Our bus' they called it, and even when they weren't on it they would come down to have a look at it to make certain it was still in situ.

The Wendy House was a lovely secret place and very popular as a place to hide. Here we had our story-telling sessions. On the top deck, too, we had our acting and dressing up times, and we sang to already taped music and played musical games. On the lower deck we painted, paper-folded, created all sorts of animals, dolls and fun-things from the usual domestic throw-aways, and outside played games and were able to be noisy. No problems with discipline. The bus was cared for and no-one drew on the walls. It was, you see, 'our bus'. We all enjoyed working on it. We all had fun. And above all we had the pleasure of seeing children developing and growing together during the time we were together, as indeed we did ourselves.

And if anyone is in the Bewbush area of Crawley at any time (or indeed on a train to Horsham) it is possible to see the Playbus, still shining with its fresh paintwork. It is 'garaged' at Gatwick and taken each day to Bewbush, where it serves the under-fives as a play facility. And during the Christmas holidays some of the young leaders came back and helped run a play scheme for the five to 10s as they did in the summer. They hope to do the same at Easter.

A Playbus is such an excellent play facility that we hope to write the whole project up in such a way that if any group in any County or Country feels they would like to follow in the roadway of the Bewbush Playbus we can help them to do so.

Joyce Scroxtton



## How My Dream Came True!

When I got a letter from The Girl Guides Cymru last January, I was delighted that I had been selected to represent Wales at an International Event — and when I saw that the camp I had been asked to attend was to be held at Sangam I couldn't believe my luck!

I immediately said I would go — no matter how difficult it would be to actually get there and set about trying to raise the money involved. It was not to be easy as Aberystwyth, where I was a Ranger Guide at the time, is only a small town and the Guiding population of the area is limited. But I was determined. People were very generous and I greatly appreciated all the help they gave to me. Nevertheless it was a marvellous surprise when I was awarded an Olave Baden-Powell Bursary. At last my target was not so far away and my dream was coming true!

Before I knew where I was I found myself on an aeroplane with seven strangers. I was on my way to Bombay with people I had never met before — the common factor between us being out in India, the camp and Guiding. Despite our differences in age and our ideas regarding the trip we soon all made friends and once at Sangam were part of a very happy family. We became very close, very quickly, because of the extreme conditions; we suddenly realised that we were actually in India and our plans of the past six months were now a reality.

Along with the British Group there were other members of the World Guiding Movement present. A party of ten had come from Japan and there were also representatives from Canada, America, Sweden, Bangladesh and India.

We were together to learn as much as we could about India's ancient heritage, and the different life styles we had all grown up with added to this understanding enormously.

We went on trips to see temples and caves that had been cut into the mountainside at Ajanta and Ellora; we visited museums and colleges and learnt as much as we could from each other as well as from all the amazing things we

The camp itself was over too quickly saw during the ten day camp. for all of us and we were very sad when it had to end. For me, though, it was just beginning as I had another three weeks in India to enjoy.

I spent the first three days at Sangam once the others had left and helped at a camp for deprived children of people who work on the construction sites of Bombay.

We took them swimming in the pool at Sangam, which was an obvious thrill for all of them.

Two others from the British party were also still at Sangam and the three of us gathered a group of the children from the camp and got them involved in a very special exercise. They designed and painted a large and very colourful mural on the wall of the new library at Sangam. The end product was marvellous.

Unfortunately, we were unable to stay at Sangam to the end of the camp and left feeling very emotional and knowing we had many new friends. We travelled on the train to Bombay from Poona and were each completely amazed at the terrain it crossed on its 100 km journey down the mountains from the plateau of Poona to the coastal city of Bombay.

From Bombay we flew to Delhi where we were to meet the other British girls, two Canadians and an American. We met again at the Guide Headquarters and spent hours swapping experiences. The others had been on a very full tour of the north of India and we were quite envious of their experiences.

Perhaps one of the most memorable things of this unforgettable holiday for me was the day I spent at the Taj Mahal in Agra. I could not possibly hope to explain just how breathtaking this building was to visit.

Then it was time once again for another goodbye. Just thirty days after I had met my fellow travellers I was leaving them again. They returned to Britain and I was left to explore India for myself.

I flew from Delhi to Simigar in Kashmir and stayed on a houseboat on Lake Dal for a week. The weather was great — after the humidity of Delhi and Bombay the 30°C of Kashmir was most welcoming.

Here I learnt how to water ski and

toured the city and countryside by boat whenever possible. From the houseboat I paddled a shikara up the River Jhelum until I reached a festival on the banks. It was a great experience fishing, cooking and eating fish from the Jhelum and swimming with the Kashmiri people. When I returned to the houseboat I was amazed to discover that it was probable that a large proportion of the people I had spent the previous two days with had possibly never seen a white person before!

Further to all these experiences we had an earthquake tremor in the region while I was staying in Kashmir.

From the relaxation of Kashmir I then returned to the humid turmoil of Bombay. I was to spend my last week in India staying with a family in Bombay.

I learnt a great deal about different Guiding traditions and different ways of life while I was away and shall never forget the most exciting summer of my life. I am still in contact with everyone I met at camp and the other parts of India I visited — I plan to return to see them again as soon as I can.

I would like to thank The Girl Guides Association for giving me the opportunity of a lifetime and for making my dream come true. I should also like to thank everybody who helped me in any way and especially the Olave Baden-Powell Fund for my Bursary.

THANK YOU!  
Wendy Lloyd,  
Wales.

## Joint Activities Weekend, Glenbrook 18th-20th September, 1981

This special weekend is open to Rangers and will include invited members of the Scout Association and the Boys' and Girls' Brigades.

The programme will offer a choice of activities (according to your inclination and ability) and could include canoeing, walking, climbing and caving.

Applications will be on a first come first served basis, so if you are interested write NOW to the **Guider-in-Charge, Glenbrook, Bamford, Nr Sheffield, S30 2AL.**

## MAINLY FOR RANGERS

Pictured here is a new sporty set of nylon luggage now available from **British Home Stores**. With summer ahead and holidays and trips in mind, you could invest in these lightweight and capacious cases, which have strong handles of canvas and handy front pockets with secure buckles, to hold

### Pack Up Your Troubles...

various bits and pieces. They also have strong brass zips, name tags, padlocks and studded feet and are available in three sizes: large (£10.99), medium (£9.99) and a holdall which costs £5.99. The colours of these cases include grey with grey trim, blue with natural trim and camel with burgundy trim. A fun idea to pack up your troubles in!

Boots



Mari Ilmarinen



# Heraldic Devices (3) by Brenda Hughes

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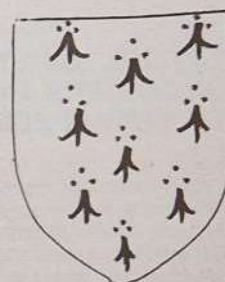
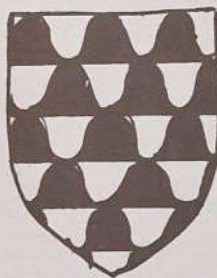
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Green = VERT  
Black = SABLE  
Purple = PURPURE  
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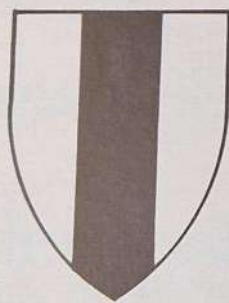
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ERMINE — Black with white ermine tails.  
ERMINOIS — Gold with black ermine tails.  
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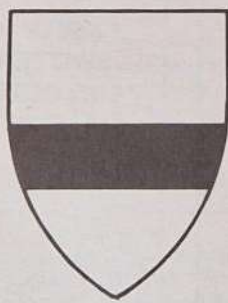


Even with shields divided as shown last month, all the possible permutations were not sufficient, so shapes were placed upon the field.

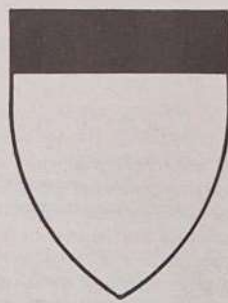
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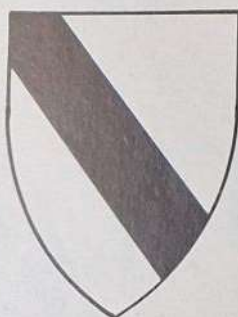
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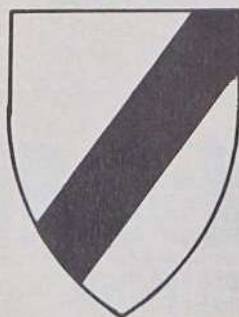
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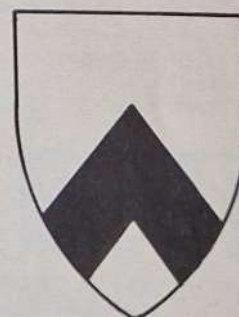
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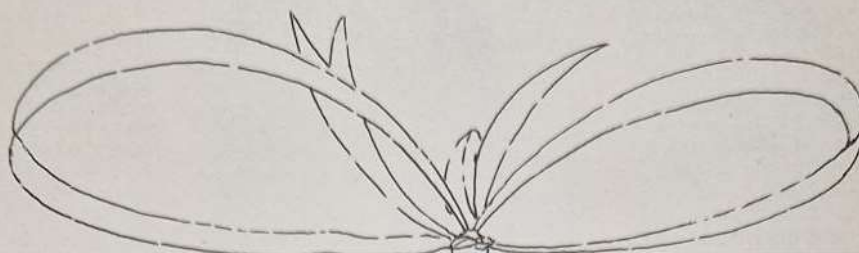


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## Mozet '80

When I arrived at Mozet at the beginning of my stay, I knew very little about Belgium, and even less about the job I was going to do. I had been looking for work abroad before going to University and a job within the Guide movement seemed ideal. Mozet is in fact a chateau run by the Belgian Catholic Guides as a holiday and meeting centre. While I was there the groups staying included Scouts and Guides, church and youth groups and school parties. It is also the place where meetings within Guiding are held, and occasionally international ones.

Perhaps one of Mozet's greatest assets is its own beauty and that of the

surrounding countryside. It is very peaceful; the chateau itself dominates a small grey-stone village, with one general shop, and is half-an-hour from Namur on the bus. Namur is the main town of the area.

The accommodation is a mixture of small rooms and dormitories and there is room for approximately 200 people. Mlle de Decker runs the chateau with a small staff who are very friendly. Certainly, I was made most welcome, and we had some fun. I found people very patient with my very basic French, and I did improve. You must be willing to 'have a go'; everyone is very willing to teach you.

As advertised, the work which I did was mainly domestic. I spent the majority of my working time in the kitchen, helping to prepare and serve meals for the groups. As my French improved, I also became involved in welcoming the groups. Sometimes I would be making cakes, or putting up tents, including a huge marquee. I was meeting so many new people and living a completely different way of life. To enjoy Mozet, you need to have enthusiasm and an ability to work hard when required, and a readiness to work within a group.

The last bus from Namur to Mozet left at 7.30 pm which meant that the evening entertainment was home-made. I did not find this a great disadvantage — I enjoyed it. In fact, we did on occasion join the groups and I went to some very good camp fires and meetings.

Mlle de Decker was most generous and helpful with regards to time off;



The area surrounding Mozet.

often I had two days together which made visiting more distant places easier. I visited Brussels several times, and made trips into the Ardennes and the surrounding area. From Namur it takes one hour by train to Brussels, but one had to remember the time of the last bus home. My friend, a Dane (also on the staff) and I managed to get to Luxembourg in a day without problems. We did not spend much money while at the chateau, so trips on our days off could be easily financed. Belgium was not as expensive as we believed it would be, although eating out could be rather pricey.

In all, I had a really good time at Mozet. I worked hard, but in return I gained some independence, a working knowledge of French and a chance to visit new places. It was a wonderful experience and I made some good friends, both within and outside Guiding.

**by Lesley Davey**

## Young Adult Session May/June '80 at Nuestra Cabaña Cuernavaca Mexico

by

**Jill Renshaw**

From 23 May to 8 June this year, I was lucky enough to be chosen to represent the GGA at the first 'Young Adult Session' in Mexico, at Nuestra Cabaña, one of the WAGGS centres.

There were six of us from the United Kingdom, all of us active Guiders. Our first meeting was at Heathrow Airport on 23 May. We were soon friends after the 15-hour flight to Mexico City.

We spent our first night in Mexico City at the Guide Centre called 'Ticalli', and moved on to Our Cabaña the next day.

It was a long drive to Our Cabaña, and it is only when you get outside the city that you begin to realise the kind of poverty that still exists in various parts of the world today.

The countries that were represented at the session were:

The USA, Puerto Rico, The Philippines, New Zealand, Mexico, Canada and the United Kingdom. There were 23 participants, and everybody was between the ages of 19 and 30.

A very busy programme had been planned for us, the themes of the session were to:

Enable us to discover a world centre  
Make new friends  
Discuss world hunger and the situation of water in the world  
Understand more fully the basics of Girl Guiding/Scouting and our roles as leaders  
To share ideas

We had been put into Patrols of six and through informal chatting and the planned activities working as a patrol, we discussed Guiding in the different countries.

We also spent some time using the vast resource material which the Cabaña has and the many interesting books they have collected over the years. I have collected many new ideas for activities and crafts.

A certain amount of time had been planned for sightseeing: we went shopping in Cuernavaca, which has a large market, Taxco, which is famous for its silver, and we walked to the pyramid of Teopanzoloco.

Arts and Crafts are an important part of Cabaña life.

We made large Pinata (a decorative clay pot) and, when it had been filled with candy and peanuts and hung from the ceiling, we used it at a typical Mexican fiesta. You take it in turns to be blind-folded and hit the Pinata with a decorated stick until the clay pot breaks. During the fiesta a group of mariachis arrived to provide the music for the evening. We ate typical Mexican food — Tac'os, rolls with a meat paste and chillies, fresh limes, cucumber and salad, and rounded it all off with fresh fruit juices and candy.

The Cabaña has two recreation projects which link them with a group of people from Gualupita and a school for girls. We spent a very interesting afternoon when a group of 40 ladies from Gualupita were brought by bus to the Cabaña. We taught them a craft; they enjoyed this, as they rarely have a free moment to themselves at home. We also taught them some dances.

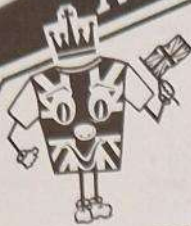
All too soon our week at the Cabaña ended and, although we had experienced a very busy week, the setting and relaxed atmosphere is something which I think none of us will ever forget.

To me, the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts seems more of a reality as I think of the many new friends I made at Our Cabaña.

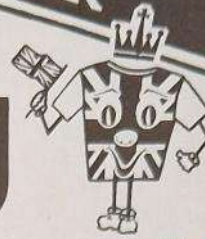
We finally had to say good-bye to 'Ticalli' and catch the flight back to Heathrow. Our flight landed at about 8 am on Sunday, 8 June and although our party had to split up, I am sure that many happy re-unions will take place.



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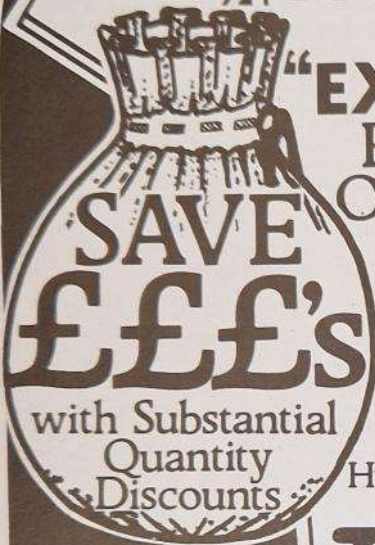
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## Iceland— Midnight Sun Country

**'C**an you and would you like to go to Iceland?

What a question to be asked out of the blue on a Saturday afternoon late in March! Well, the answer was 'yes' to both parts. And so it was that Sarah Fountain (from Weymouth) and I set out on 15 May as the British representatives for the GGA to attend the 'European Seminar for Scouting and Guiding in Rural Areas' held in the north of Iceland.

We went out two days early because of flight times and were, therefore, able to have a look round the capital, Reykjavik, and each buy an Icelandic jersey. We met the rest of the people at Reykjavik airport as we had to fly further north to Akureyri, where we were staying in a school. And as there are no trains in Iceland and by road the journey takes nine hours, flying is the most convenient form of transport.

Between the 20 delegates we represented eight countries — Belgium, Denmark, France, West Germany, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, and, of course, the United Kingdom, plus the five Seminar Staff from the European Committee.

We talked and discussed many issues connected with rural Scouting and Guiding, and found out a great deal about each others problems and difficulties, and in some way we hope we have put

forward ideas on how to solve or get around some of them. It is very difficult to generalise when each country, and area within that country, has such vastly different situations.

It wasn't all work, we had a half-day excursion to see a variety of countryside on a round-about route to Husavik, where we were to talk to a Scout Leader. The roads were really something — all rough tracks, no tarmac in sight.

We saw mountains still with snow on them, most of which will melt during the summer months, but some always remains. Old and not-so-old lava was very evident everywhere, along with the black dust of long past eruptions — no wonder the Americans trained their astronauts there, the scenery looks very much like some of the television pictures we've seen from the moon. The sulphur fields were very popular, though I cannot say the same for the smell — alright if you're fond of bad eggs! We were able to go around and watch the boiling mud bubbling away in its craters, being careful not to tread on the newer white areas which were likely to go through the crust with too much weight on them, resulting in some people getting very bad burns. We all made sure we stayed strictly on the safe brown areas!

We visited an area which has hot water caves where people used to swim, but since there have been recent eruptions the water is now too hot as the temperature is constantly over 60°C. So instead we washed our glasses that we'd just had coffee from.

There was so much to see that I cannot tell you everything here, only that the further we went the later it got but still the light stayed good. At 11.45 pm after we'd finished our meeting with the Husavik Scout Leader it was only just too dark to take a photograph and in the

2½ hour drive back to Akureyri it was never really dark enough to have to use the headlights! And it didn't get any darker than that all the time we were there. There's still a few weeks to go before they get the true 'mid-night sun' and then there's no twilight at all.

It was 2.30 am by the time we got back to the school.

We had a wonderful last evening, with all the participants from the countries doing something. There was dancing, singing, games, charades amongst others. The cooks had put on a banquet for us, with all sorts of little things to taste. I can't say that I'm over-impressed with sour whale! But everything was delicious, as it had been all week.

At Reykjavik we all went our separate ways, but hoping to meet again soon. Sarah and I still had another two days there, and for one day we went on a tour to see Guiffoss — a magnificent waterfall, then on to the Great Geyser and the Strokkur, which ejects water to a height of about 100 ft every few minutes. Our last stop was at Thingvellir, where in 930 AD the 'Althing' (General Assembly) was formed, and where in 1000 AD Christianity was peacefully adopted by all Icelanders. It is a beautiful valley containing Iceland's largest lake.

We certainly had a marvellous time and I, for one, will definitely go back there sometime.

I'm sure that Sarah would like me to take this opportunity to thank all those who made it possible for us to go to this fantastic country, for the letters that went to and fro between the HQs to make our stay so enjoyable. Thank You.

**Elinor d'Albiac,  
Lone Ranger Guider  
7th Devon Lones**

## Juliette Low Session: Growing through Games 13 Nov - 11 Dec '80

**O**n 13 November I was lucky enough to fly out of Heathrow airport to Bombay, India, leaving all the cold weather behind. Myself and another young Guider, Sian Harris, from South Wales, were chosen to represent the UK at this session.

At Sangam, the fourth World Centre, we joined 20 other delegates from the USA, Canada, Norway, India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Singapore, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Australia, New Zealand and Uganda.

Our programme kept us busy, as the theme of the session — 'Growing through Games' — meant that each participant taught at least two games from their country. We also enjoyed learning about the other countries that were represented, and in particular India

itself. We visited several SOS villages, and helped with the marvellous work which is being done there to help the orphaned children of India. We toured Poona and Bombay, attended several Guide meetings, but the most spectacular event was the Maharastrian evening, when we all wore recently-purchased saris and ate our food off banana leaves.

During the session we also spent two days in Indian hospitality, which enabled us to really taste the Indian way of life.

Following the session I helped staff a camp held at Sangam, which was sponsored by the Girl Guides of Australia and held for the underprivileged children. Although the children spoke no English, we managed to provide a very active and enjoyable programme for them. Of course, the central attraction at Sangam is the lovely swimming pool and it was

here that I endeavoured to teach the children to swim.

After travelling so far, Sian and I decided to extend our stay in India a further two days, and we flew to Delhi. Here we toured the city and, of course, travelled to see the beautiful Taj Mahal.

My trip lasted 29 days, and was an experience of a lifetime. I am grateful to everyone who made it possible.

**by S Cole**

*Below: 'Growing through games'. A touching game introduced by a representative.*





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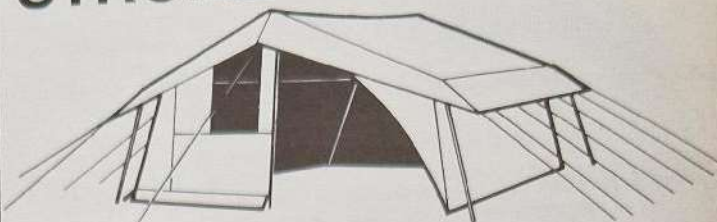
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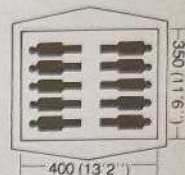


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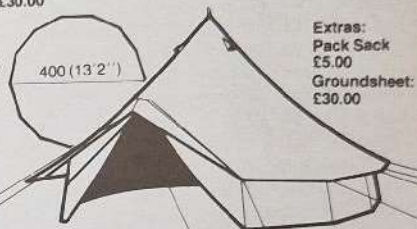


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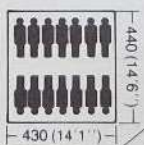


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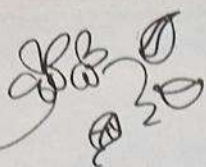
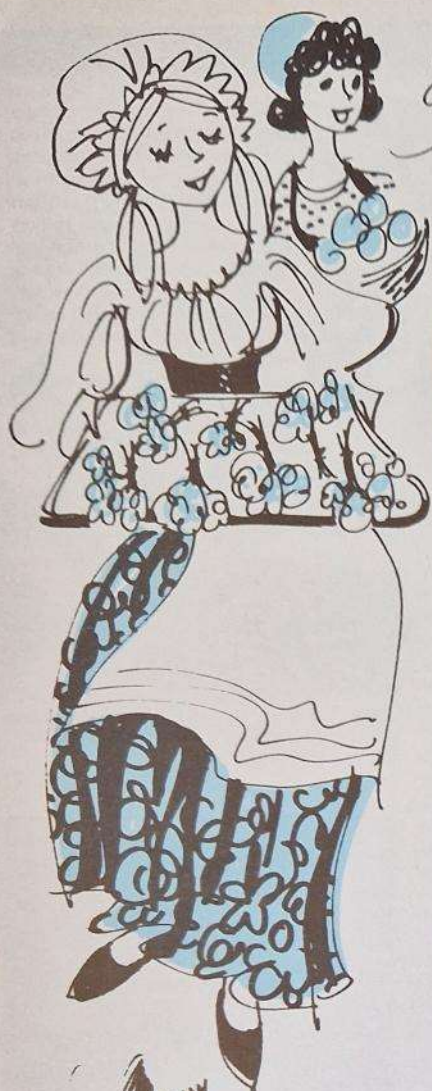
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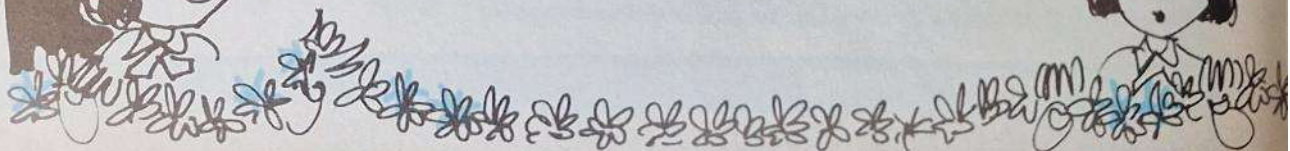




# THE OUT



Brownies	Guides
Learn Maypole dancing — perhaps someone from the local dance society would be happy to help.	Patrols could learn traditional dances and hold a May Fayre as well. Each Patrol could have its own May Day. They may even enjoy dressing in traditional costumes. Preparation would be involved.
After spring cleaning it is a good time to have a 'sale'. The white elephant stall is usually well supplied!	Opportunities to go outdoors are possible — Ideas could include: <i>Collect rubbings</i> — leaves, stones, etc. <i>Town Guides</i> collect car number plates (name type as an extra) used for slogans on any top — Eat Better Bread, etc. <i>Follow trails</i> — (in towns that are unable to be moved by passing doors or garden gates or sheds) <i>Collections</i> — eg, the straightest, smallest leaf, longest blade
Learn how to press flowers — daisy, dandelion, coltsfoot are to be found even around town.	
Make Six daisy chains — whose is the longest?	
Encourage Brownies to make a May Nature Diary — including weather records.	Go on a Patrol hike.
May is the name sometimes given to the Planet Mercury — could you use this as a Space Theme Night?	Gather punk and kindling for turfing and lighting if facilities are available.
"Never cast a clout 'til May is out". Brownies could gather 'Old Sayings' and test them out.	Try laying a fire on a penny.
Take the Brownies out for a MAY walk — getting one Six to look for 'M' things, another 'A' and another 'Y' — how many times can they write the word using their lists when they return.	Make camp sitters, plate for camp.
Perhaps these walks could include a revision of their Road Safety rules or invite a policeman to come and talk to the Brownies.	Organise a Patrol Exercise



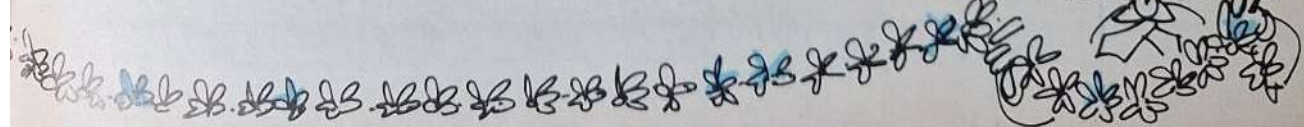


# OF DOORS



Drawn by Jean de Lemos

Guides	Rangers
ditional May dances and customs as was done in olden times — re its own stall and sideshow — ressing up in olden dress. (A lot of nvolved.)	(As exam time is fast approaching, perhaps the Ranger Programme needs to include some less demanding activities).
outdoors, every meeting if at all d include: leaves, barks, manhole covers, car numbers of passing vehicles extra challenge) — these to be ny topic, eg Health slogan for EBB C. wns the signs are best if they are y passers-by, eg colour of house or shop window displays) straightest stick, roundest stone, blade of grass.	Have a Desert Island Disc night.
	Visit a local building of interest or factory.
	Have a film show/slide show on fashion.
	Have a salad evening, Rangers making unusual salads for a Unit competition or just to eat! All work done in Rangers.
ling and practice laying fires — ilities allow.	Have a hobbies night — Rangers bring with them an example of their hobbies and chat to one another about how the interest started.
ny.	Run a coffee 'shop' during exams, where Rangers can just come for a short time or not as suits them.
ags or Patrol boxes ready for	Plan an end of exam celebration.
Plan to improve your fitness.	Get to camp for a weekend at least!





## Why! Where! How!

Perhaps because if asked, ex-Guides usually pick camp as the best bit of Guiding they remember, the programme should include as many opportunities as possible to experience the out-of-doors. No matter how basic each idea may be, experiencing the world outside is valuable for town and country girls alike.

### Brownie Guiders

Included in this month's ideas is the suggestion of taking the Brownies out for a walk. This has endless possibilities for before and walk games and after-walk displays. Maybe it's during the walk that the Brownie Guider will get a chance to notice the Brownie Six who walk together, the Sixer acting as 'Mum', the Brownie who is happily alone in the group, absorbed in her surroundings, the girl who is left out and the girl who likes to walk with the Guiders all

the time. Take advantage of this time and do remember that the walk is an activity in itself — don't feel it is necessary always to give them something particular 'to do'.

### Guide Guiders

Outdoor games give the Patrol a chance to work in a more independent way. They must be aware they are now off, away from the rest of the Company, and are not under the eye of the Guider. Even a trip into the Church grounds or round the block where the meeting hall is, is enough to increase their independence. It gives you the chance to train Patrol Leaders on things like awareness of the general public, care of property, and extra organisation needed to ensure a safe and happy expedition. The Patrol Leader needs to give clear instructions to her Patrol, all too often I have seen an over-enthusiastic Patrol Leader waving the game's in-

structions in the air as she races out of the hall followed by a bewildered Patrol, some with coats, some without, but all completely unable to share the Patrol Leader's enthusiasm. Unable to share because she'd never told them any of the instructions given to her and everyone needs to be informed to enjoy the activity. She needs to be aware of time and her extra responsibilities because she is in the public eye when outside. As Guide Guiders join the Patrols outside — it gives you a marvellous opportunity to observe the Patrol at work, don't just stay in the hall and await their return.

### Ranger Guiders

A quieter time is ahead. This gives you a chance to work with individuals more, to help them keep life in perspective and to provide a relaxation, and yet it is still interesting and a challenging activity. Be aware of the Rangers not involved in school work. Perhaps they could organise some events just for themselves and if they are younger, newer Rangers, this would give you a chance to get to know them better. I think it is a challenging time for the Ranger

Guider, who perhaps needs just to be there in case someone comes for coffee — and might end up spending an evening without any Rangers turning up at all — 'Be Prepared' — take something to do. Some Ranger Units find it best to close for 'June' or exam time as Rangers don't want to feel they are perhaps letting someone down if they fail to turn up. So it is, as always, just what each Ranger Unit finds best for itself.

This month's topics are very varied, but they all come down to the thing that is so important in our work with the girls in the Unit — getting to know them, caring for them as individuals, be they Brownies, Guiders or Rangers, or in the Commissioner's case, Guiders — after all, our aim is to help each individual!

*Written by a  
group of Guiders  
from North-East  
England*



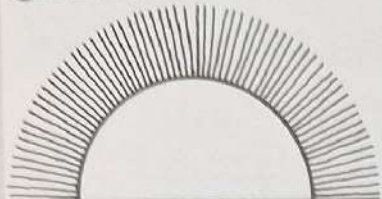
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# CAMPS &



# HOLIDAYS

## England

### The Barn and Beaverbrook Lodge, Foxlease

Applications should be sent to the Secretary, giving alternative dates and enclosing an initial deposit of £1.00 (which is non-refundable) and a foolscap SAE. Priority will be given to applicants who have not already stayed in either The Barn or Beaverbrook Lodge.

Applications for the period 1st October, 1981-31st March, 1982 are now being accepted. The accommodation 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, enclosing a SAE.

### Foxlease Camp-site

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

A £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 should be addressed to the Secretary and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates with alternatives and approximate numbers should be stated and whether an equipped site is required.

It is preferred that Camps begin on Saturday.

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

### Waddow Pack Holiday House

Applications for Pack Holidays 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. For details, contact the Guider-in-Charge, enclosing SAE.

### Glenbrook Camp-Sites

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

### Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex

Equipped and un-equipped sites available in 175 acres of fields and woodland, with swimming pool, simple rock climbing and pioneering facilities (equipment may be borrowed). Canoeing on nearby reservoir. Restrop and Wagtail Lodge, furnished bungalows for 27, the latter specially adapted for the handicapped, are on the site and in addition a 6-berth caravan is sometimes available. For details, write to the Warden, enclosing SAE.

### Brownsea Island

Eight sites are available for Guide and Scout Camps from Easter to 1st October and South Shore Lodge sleeping eighteen plus leaders. For details, apply to Mrs D Press, 55 Forest Hill Drive, Staplehill, Ferndown, Dorset. Tel. Ferndown 871277 in emergency only.

## 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

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

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

### Ynysgain, Criccieth, North Wales

Applications for the use of two un-equipped sites within a few minutes of the sea can be made to: Mrs J Griffith, Swyn-Gwyn, Penrhynedraeth, Gwynedd, enclosing a foolscap SAE for site information sheet. Both sites suitable for the handicapped.

## 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. 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 friends.

Apply to the Secretary, enclosing an SAE.

## Ulster

### 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 Camp-site

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

### Irene McKibbin Memorial Cottage, Lorne

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

### Magilligan Camp-sites

Three fully equipped sites with double calor gas stoves for 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.

### 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 Sadler, 41 Wilmington Avenue, London W4. Telephone (01) 995-3968.







# Regional Rogues' Gallery (4)

## Mrs Hilda Trew, General Secretary, Anglia Region



Anglia celebrated its tenth anniversary in January and the region had a party in Newmarket to bring old and new Guide friends together. I happened to mention that my work since

1971 as General Secretary 'Was a way of life'! It made me think, where did it start? ... especially as these years in Anglia have been a special time, participating in friendship, love and caring with many members of our Association.

Was it Rangers? Having been a Guide during the war years, once a Sea Ranger, crewing for regattas, retreat week-ends, Youth Council activities, exploring the River Thames by boat; this was my social life. These adventures and watching members of the *SRS Cossacks* crew join the WRNS quickly gave me the urge to travel.

I approached various airlines for any job and eventually joined BOAC as a Stenographer Grade III (the lowest order). My ambition was to travel, so I was willing to accept anything. A posting to London Airport meant a chance to work in Signals, Operations, Traffic and Secretary to the General Manager, but my eyes were still on the sky!

Life in the Gold Coast (now Ghana) meant living on a Gold Mine and in Nigeria, opportunities to fly a Tiger Moth. My daughter was born in Kano, a town on the edge of the Sahara. Work permits were necessary in West Africa, so consequently I enjoyed a variety of jobs over a decade — Traffic Officer, responsible for training local airline staff, PA to Director of a Heineken's Group of Breweries, work in connection with the House of Representatives and finally attached to the Nigerian Cabinet Office — Prime Minister's Flight.

As a District Commissioner of a newly-formed District, New England, in Suffolk, I am fortunate to be able to enjoy Guiding at grass roots level with a team of young and enthusiastic Guiders; this certainly helps to keep my feet on the ground when dealing with the administration in the Region!

My family are growing up fast — Gary, my son, is a trainee Ship Broker in London, Amanda a Staff Nurse in Cambridge and our adopted son, Martin, a student reading Computer Engineering.

I am a Member of the British Institute of Management, Chairman of Eastern Conference of Countryside Organisations (part of the Eastern Region Sports Council) and when time permits, I enjoy being with my family sharing games of golf and tennis, boating, church activities and the countryside — all part of the Guide programme!

**Hilda Trew**



## THE GIRL GUIDE FRIENDSHIP FUND

Dear Guiders,

As this is the Year of Disabled People the GGFF Committee has included a project to help disabled Guiders, Rangers, Guides and Brownies in our summer programme, which, if you are a regular reader of this newsletter, you will know concentrates on helping Guide Associations overseas.

We do hope you will be able to give your support to all or one of the projects, despite the economic problems facing us. We appreciate that special fund-raising may not be possible this year, but will you see if you could help in some small way? Perhaps the price of one bar of chocolate, an ice-cream, potato crisps, peanuts or chewing gum (and the sales of these do not seem to decrease) could be spent instead on helping others?

Our two Mutual Aid projects this year are to help Lebanon and Sri Lanka. The Guides of Lebanon have suffered cruelly as a result of many years of fighting in the Middle East. Even today, as I write this newsletter, there is a report of further shooting, but the Guide Association is determined to be optimistic about the future and is trying so hard to get Guiding organised throughout this small country once again. It takes a great deal of courage to do this and I hope you will want to show your friendship by supporting them in their determination. What we can do is help provide tents so that the Guides can camp which is, after all, one of the most popular of all Guide activities and one which we take so much for granted.

In Sri Lanka the Guide Association relies on their office duplicating machine for the production of most of their Guiding literature — booklets, newsletters, training pages, syllabuses etc. — but their present machine is over 12 years old and at breaking point. If you have

ever had to cope with an old and temperamental machine, you will, I know, have a great deal of sympathy for the staff. A new machine is essential and it is expensive. It may be a long time before the Sri Lanka GGA can raise the necessary cash to buy a replacement machine and, as we know only too well, the cost steadily increases while you are trying to find the money. The helping hand of friendship could make such a difference — it would ease the strain on the Association's finances, make life more enjoyable for the office staff, and the finished results more readable for the Guiders, Rangers, Guides and Little Friends of Sri Lanka. Will you see if you can show your Guide Friendship this summer by helping with part of the cost of a new duplicating machine?

And now nearer home but still, technically, 'overseas', we have a special project to help disabled Guiders, Rangers, Guides and Brownies of Ulster enjoy the many facilities of Lorne. At the time of writing, costs of suitable additions to help the disabled have not been received but the sort of help under consideration includes a handrail at the entrance steps to Lorne, the Guiders training centre, a ramp to the Brownie House on the Lorne estate, a WC for wheelchair users on selected camp sites, and ramps to solid shelters on some of the camp sites. Next month I hope to be able to tell you more about this project.

As usual a special information sheet is being prepared to give you greater detail of the summer projects. If you would like a copy please write to the address below, enclosing a stamp for the return postage. Also available on request are gummed stickers of the GGFF Emblem, strip headings for pasting on to posters, and the general leaflet about the work of the Fund.

Please help us help our sister Guides in Ulster, Sri Lanka and Lebanon this summer.

With best wishes, RC

Address: The Girl Guide Friendship Fund 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road London SW1W 0PT



# TRAINING

	FOXLEASE Lyndhurst, Hants SO4 7DG Tel: (Lyndhurst) 042-128 2638	WADDOW Clitheroe, Lancs BB7 3LD Tel: (Clitheroe) 0200 23186	NETHERURD HOUSE Blyth Bridge, West Linton, Peeblesshire. Tel: 096 88 208
<b>May</b>	1-4 The Training Licence (Guiders with a Training Licence — converting their present qualifications — prospective Licence holders) 8-10 Surrey East 15-17 Walsall East 22-25 Partnership in Training (a weekend for Commissioners and Trainers) (Bank Hol) 29-31 General Training (including outdoor activities)	1-4 Birmingham (May Day) 8-10 General Training 15-17 Sefton 22-25 Young Leaders (Bank Holiday) 29-31 General Training	8-10 Arts Advisers 15-17 Brownie and Guide Guiders 22-24 Edinburgh Braid and other Trefoil Guilds 29-31 Scottish Handcraft Circle  5-7 (1) Map and Compass } (2) Back Packing } Guiders of all Sections 12-14 Patrol Purpose Plan (CHQ) 26-29 Patrol Leaders July 3-5 Patrol Leaders 10-17 Patrol Leaders' Week (by invitation) 10-17 Patrol Leaders — Pioneering Plus Camp 24-31 Patrol Leaders' Week (by invitation)
<b>June</b>	5-7 District Commissioners and District Assistants Gloucestershire 12-14 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders) 19-21	5-7 North Yorkshire North East 12-14 *Friends of Waddow 19-21 Wirral 26-28 General Training (including outdoor activities)	24-31 Patrol Leaders — Pioneering Plus Camp
<b>July</b>	10-12 *Friends of Foxlease 13-20 *Holiday Week (Guiders, Trefoil Guild members, their friends and mothers) 24-31 *Family week	3-5 North West England Trefoil Guild 10-12 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders) 17-19 Staffordshire 25-1 North West England Arts Workshop	
<b>August</b>	5-12 Arts Workshop 14-22 Commonwealth Conference 28-1 Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Course (members of the Association) Sept	5-19 + Holiday Week (Guiders, Trefoil Guild members, their friends and mothers) 22-29 + Holiday Period (Guiders with up to nine of their Guides or Rangers)	11-18 Trefoil Guilds — Holiday Week 21-23 Music in the Programme — for Guiders of all sections
<b>September</b>	11-13 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders) 18-20 Middlesex East 25-27 Sussex Central	4-6 Warwickshire 11-13 General Training 18-20 General Training. All Sections (places for Guiders with handicapped members in their Units) 25-27 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)	
<b>October</b>	2-4 Greater London Kent 9-11 1. General Training 2. Ranger Guiders 16-18 Avon South 23-25 Kent West 30-1 General Training (including planning your entertainment) Nov	2-4 Cumbria South 9-11 County Durham and South Tyne 16-18 Lincolnshire South 23-25 General Training 30-1 Greater Manchester North Nov	

**General Training  
at the Centres  
is for Brownie  
and  
Guide Guiders**

## Fees at Foxlease and Waddow

Shared room per day	£6.50
Double room per day	£7.00
Single room per day	£7.50
Deposit of £2.00 cheque or postal order only	

Note: Weekends marked \* are subject to VAT.

Please note these prices are for members of the Girl Guides and Scouts Associations only. For a full week prices are subject to a 15% discount

NOTE: The minimum age for prospective Guiders attending all residential training is 18 years. Though weekend trainings normally finish on the Sunday, trainees may remain until the Monday if desired.

## Fees at Netherurd

Shared room per day	£4.00
Double room per day	£4.25
Single room per day	£4.50
Deposit	£1.00
Training for non-residents per weekend	£0.50



# CALENDAR

BRONEIRION Llandinam, Mont, Powys SY17 5DE Tel: Caersws 204		LORNE Craigavad, Co Down, Ulster. Tel: Holywood 0231 3180		GLENBROOK Bamford, Nr Sheffield, S30 2AL Tel: 0433-51567	
1-4 May Day	West Glamorgan Patrol Leaders	1-3	Dublin Captain Ball	23-30	Activities Week for Guides (aged 13 and over)
9-10	Welsh County Personnel				
15-17	General Training (Places for Rhymney Valley Division)				
22-27	'Come and Try' Workshop for Rangers/Young Leaders/Guiders interested in the Arts				
29-30	General Training (Places for Wrekin Division)				
		<b>Fees at Lorne</b> Per day (Ulster Guiders only) £3.50 Per day (others) £5.00		<b>Fees at Glenbrook</b> Shared room (for weekend course) £11.50. All activities, equipment and VAT are included. Optional activities extra. Deposit of £2.00 cheque or postal order only.	
5-7	General Training (places for C/wyd)			19-21	1. Canoeing (Training and Assessment) 2. Hillwalking
12-14	General Training (places for Cardiff & East Glamorgan)				
19-21	Walking Safely for Guiders — Class 2				
26-28	General Training (places for Gwent)				
3-5	'Promise in Action' (by invitation)				
10-12	Welsh County Personnel				
17-19	Prospective Trainers (by invitation)				
23-28	"Druids, Dragons & Dance" — a 'happening' for Guiders to discover more about Wales				
		<b>NB:</b> Bookings are available for Pack Holidays.			
10-15	Get Out for Adventure — an event for Guiders			12-19	Activities Week for Guides (aged 13 and over. Up to four Guides from any one Unit)
17-22	'A Dabble in Drama and other Arts' for Guiders				
23-27	Young Leaders				
28-31	CHQ Tutors Weekend (by allocation)				
4-6	Ranger Guiders Training				
11-13	General Training (places reserved for Central Glamorgan)			18-20	Joint Activities — Rangers only (and invited members of the Scout Association, the Girls' and the Boys' Brigades)
18-20	International Training (by invitation)				
25-27	General Training (places reserved for West Glamorgan)				
2-4	General Training (places reserved for Carmarthen)				
9-11	International Training (by invitation)				
16-18	Welsh Outdoor Activities Conference				
23-35	Joint Scout and Guide Associations' Conference (by invitation)			16-18	1. Canoeing (Training and assessment) 2. Hillwalking
26-30	'Patrols in Action' (Groups of not less than four Guiders from a Patrol)				
30-1 Nov	General Training (places reserved for Merioneth, Oswestry and Shropshire North Division)				
		<b>Fees at Broneirion</b> Shared room per day £4.00 Double room per day £4.25 Single room per day £4.50 Deposit £2.00			

## BURSARY HELP AVAILABLE

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

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

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

**Note:** These cannot be issued for Region Weekends at the Training Centres or for courses at Glenbrook.

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

The **Outdoor Activities Bursary** is worth up to £30.00 for Guiders attending training/assessment courses to achieve National qualifications. Applications to County/Region Headquarters.

## How to apply to a Training Centre

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

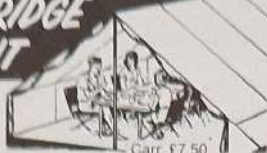
An application to attend a Guider Training Centre should be sent direct to the appropriate Guider-in-Charge, and must be accompanied by the correct amount of deposit and a fee. Applicants should also state the type of training for which they are attending, as there may be several different courses running at any one weekend. As many Guiders have to leave on Sunday, training sessions at a two-day weekend will stop at tea-time on that day unless otherwise stated. If sufficient notice is given that it is wanted, every effort will be made to provide sessions for a group until Monday. Individuals able to stay over until Monday to enjoy the surrounding country and other amenities of the Centre are welcome to do so.



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## GENERAL SECRETARY

## THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION

Applications are invited for the position of  
**GENERAL SECRETARY** from 1st September,  
1981 upon the retirement of Mrs. Whiteaker.

**THE GENERAL SECRETARY** is the senior  
salaried official of the Association (current  
membership 890,000), and is based in the Girl  
Guides Association Headquarters, 17/19  
Buckingham Palace Road, London.

**THE GENERAL SECRETARY'S** principal duties  
include the administration of the Headquarters  
through Heads of Departments, and servicing  
the Council and Executive Committee of the  
Council. The General Secretary is responsible  
for 200 staff in the Headquarters, Trading  
Service and Training Centres, and reports to  
The Chief Commissioner.

The Movement is governed by voluntary  
Committees and an ability to work with  
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# CHQ. NOTICES

## Arts Week, Waddow

We still have vacancies for our Arts Week at Waddow — 25th July to 1st August 1981, £50 in the Hall and £30 camping.

Any Guides, Rangers, Young Leaders, Guiders, Commissioners and Trefoilers are welcome. Please apply to **NW England, 1 Ribblesdale Place, Preston** for further information.

The theme is 'Come and Join us on the Pilgrims' Way'. Why don't you?

## Commonwealth & International Circle

The next meeting of this society will be on 13th May at CHQ, when the speaker will be Miss Barbara Ryrie, who will talk on 'Travellers' Tales'. The meeting will begin at 6.30 pm.

## Camp Sites and Holiday Houses List 1981

### Errata

**South West England**  
Guernsey (61) and Jersey (66)

Please include an addressed envelope and a Commonwealth Reply Coupon. **British stamps are not valid in these islands.**

## Short Term Investment Service

Monthly interest rate after deduction of management commission.

December 1980	13.45%
January 1981	13.28%
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Additional 0.5% pa for deposits of £2,500 and above.	

## Scout & Guide Trust Fund

On 28th February 1981 the value of a share in the above Fund was:

for selling purposes	65.91p
for buying purposes	69.26p
income yield	5.92%

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

## CHQ Holiday Party to Our Cabaña, Mexico

Have you ever wanted to visit Mexico? Are you interested in arts, crafts and flowers. Always wanted to visit a World Guide Centre — Our Cabaña? Do you prefer to travel together with other people rather than alone? Why not join the CHQ Holiday Party to Our Cabaña and let CHQ arrange the bookings for you!

### Who may join the Party?

Applicants must be aged 18 years or over, and be members of the Girl Guides Association (United Kingdom) — Trefoil Guild included.

A maximum number of 10 adults will form this Party, and applications will be accepted in the order in which they are received at CHQ, London.

### Arts and Flowers

Pinata, god's eyes, straw pictures and yarn paintings combine with Bugambillas, Tulipanes, Rosas and Geranios to give you an interesting and exciting look into Mexico — a land rich in folk arts and natural beauty.

Visit the flower market in Cuernavaca; discover Zempoala, a pine-clad national park; explore Taxco, Mexico's silver centre; and experience the charm of Puebla, a city and state rich in folk arts.

### Dates (overall)

Saturday, 19 September — Sunday, 4 October 1981 approximately (inclusive of travel from London).

### Travel dates

London to Mexico, 19 September 1981; Stay Mexican Guide House (2 nights), 19-20 September 1981; Stay Our Cabaña session (9 nights), 21-30 September 1981 (am); Stay Mexican Guide House (4 nights), 30 September-3 October (am); Mexico to London, arrive 4 October 1981.

All dates of flights are subject to availability and may change slightly.

All participants must be physically fit, and will be required to obtain a medical certificate from their doctor confirming their fitness to take part in the holiday.

### Accommodation

Our Cabaña has four dormitories, each accommodating 18 people. The Patrol system is basic to life at the Centre.

In Mexico City the group will stay at 'Ticalli', Guías de Mexico Guide House, where accommodation is in dormitories and double rooms. Participants arrange their own programme of visits, etc., whilst staying in Mexico City.

### Estimate of costs

Air travel — London/Mexico/London (price at January 1981 — £345, but air fares are changing rapidly). Tickets are subject to certain restrictions and cannot be cancelled or changed. £400 approx

Mexican departure tax, payable locally 100 pesos £2 approx

Travel from airport/Mexico City/Our Cabaña and return £12 approx

Board and lodging — Our Cabaña \$17.60 per day £70 approx

Accommodation at Ticalli (includes breakfast only \$7 per night = \$42 £19 approx

Programme activities — Our Cabaña, allow \$60 £25 approx

Insurance Policies: GGA £10

Administration £1

£539 approx

**Additional costs:** Travel to/from London Heathrow, overnight stay in London if necessary before/after journey, food during days spent in Mexico City (allow £2 per meal), spending money, plus optional excursions in Mexico.

All dates and costs are subject to slight alteration.

Applications to the Commonwealth and International Department, CHQ, London via Country/Regional Offices on nomination forms, to arrive as soon as possible and before **31 May 1981.**

## National Scout & Guide Orchestra Course

Details of the course to be held after Christmas 1981 will be given in the next issue of **GUIDER.**

## Arts Workshop Foxlease, 5th-12th August, 1981

Applications are now invited from all Guiders interested in

the experiences to be offered at the Arts Workshop. Details of this event at Foxlease appear in the Programme Notes in the February issue of **GUIDER.**

Your application should be sent direct to the Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease, to reach her **BY THE 30th APRIL.**

The cost of the course will be as printed in the Training Calendar. A small extra charge may be made for visits to places of interest, etc.

## Enjoy a working holiday at Woodlark's Campsite

Offers of help from Guiders, Rangers and Young Leaders would be welcomed at Camps for physically handicapped adults and children. If you are interested please contact the Camp Leader at the address given (please enclose a sae).

**23rd-30th May Endeavour 81** (SW England Guides)

Mrs C Hazell,  
141 Stewart Road,  
Bournemouth, BH8 8PB.  
(Bournemouth 28678)

**30th May-6th June Hants Trefoil Extensions**

Mrs E Slade,  
22 Fowler Road, Cove,  
Farnborough, Hants.  
(Farnborough 48418)

**20th June-4th July Durham Post Rangers**

Miss J Williams,  
3 Rhondra Road,  
Hylton Red House,  
Sunderland, SR5 5DZ.

**18th-25th July Birmingham Handicapped Guides**

Miss L Bateman,  
90 Witton Lodge Road,  
Erdington, Birmingham,  
B23 5AH.  
(021 382 7564)

**25th July-1st August Chailey Heritage Guides**

Miss S Blades,  
12 Summerfield Close,  
Minchinhampton, Glos,  
GL6 9JX.  
(Brinscombe 884549)

**8th-15th August Pathfinders** (Guides and others)

Miss A Cann,  
20 Southlands Road,  
Weymouth,  
Dorset.

**15th-22nd August Hampshire & Dorset Handicapped Rangers**

Miss S Luxon,  
16 Crediton Close,  
Devon Park,  
Bedford, MK40 3DX.

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Allotment Society among the unemployed men of the neighbourhood. This meeting was promoted by the Lesmahagow Ranger Company, who were anxious to give some practical help to the unemployed of the district as part of their service to the community in 1932. The allotment scheme having been suggested ... they made the necessary arrangements for a meeting to be held at which the men could hear all the details of the scheme.

Mr Hooper told the meeting how the society had been formed and had grown until last year they had over 64,000 unemployed men cultivating their own allotment gardens. He explained how, through this scheme, men could obtain seed, tools and fertiliser at half of the wholesale price, if they were members of a local Allotment Society under the auspices of the joint committee which he represented.

At the end of the meeting a local Allotment Society was formed among the men who were keen to apply for allotments at once."

The same problems seem to exist now as in the 1930's!

Our Ranger Log Book was gifted to the Unit by Julia Williamson USA, and has its first entry in 1922 when the Company was formed, with Miss Winifred Lander as Captain.

**Margaret Mains,**  
Division Commissioner,  
Lesmahagow Division.



## A Plea for Wild Life

They're ripping all the hedges out.

No place for us to rest  
Or shelter from the hunter's gun.

No place to build a nest.

They gas the badger, hunt the fox

And poison all the bees,  
Kill the nettles, cut the grass  
And pull down all the trees.

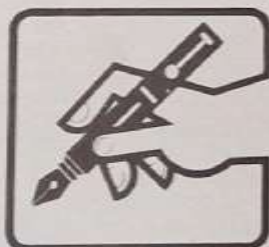
We know they need a place to live,

And land to grow their seed,  
Motorways to take their cars  
And all the things men need.

But we are small and have no power,

Unless it be to charm,  
Conserve a little corner, then,  
For those who mean no harm.

**6th Keynsham (St Dunstan's)  
Guide Coy.**



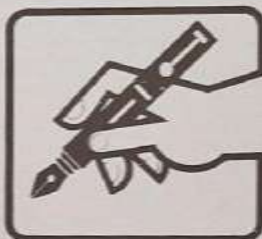
## No Nukes!

I feel that I have to write to complain about the March issue of *GUIDER*. We are being urged to participate in a scheme to 'Adopt and Cherish' the environment (pages 8 and 9). A sentiment I heartily endorse, and I would say that Guiding has always been concerned with the environment and the quality of life. Then on page 20 there is a full-page advertisement extolling the virtues of Nuclear Power; it even says that this didactic propaganda is essential reading. Maybe (I have read it), but it is not true that Nuclear Power will play a vital role in our future and if the large amount of support for the anti-nuclear lobby continues to grow, then hopefully we will change public and

government opinion and this programme will be dropped. This will enable us to make use of the many forms of alternative technology which are available. This is what we should be advocating as a caring organisation, not the pollution and massive expense of nuclear power. I realise you depend upon adverts for revenue, but surely there must be some discrimination about this and it is also fair to put the alternative view.

**Pat Leonowicz (Mrs),**  
2nd Kempston Guides,  
District 1 Rangers,  
Beds.

*We do discriminate against certain types of advertisement but considered this one acceptable. Thank you for putting the alternative view.*  
**Editor.**



## Uniform Gripes

I have read with interest recently several letters regarding our present Guide uniform and the tie in particular. I have felt for some time that our uniform is unsuitable for today's young people and the things we 'do' in Guiding. It is trying to make us look too smart, and in my opinion not succeeding.

This was forcibly brought home to me recently when we were host to a group of Guides from the Netherlands at WS80 Project Camp. We all felt that they looked so 'right' for all occasions — the trousers can be substituted for a skirt when necessary. How useful could be the scarf, and how sensible the hat.

I understand that all sections of the movement in the Netherlands wear the same colour bottom half and simply change the colour of their top as they progress through the movement. Perhaps this would solve the problem of Brownies outgrowing even the largest dress?

**Pam Andrews (Mrs),**  
Guide Guider,  
9th East Grinstead  
(St Mary's), Sussex.

## Powells — Apart

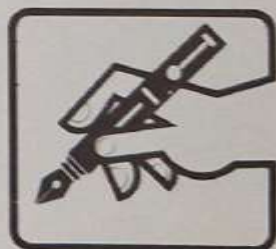
When I became a Guide in 1945, my Captain told me that the Chief Guide pronounced the Powell part of her name to rhyme with *Nowel*. In those days it was the usual pronunciation in Guiding circles and I have always pronounced it so myself.

Nowadays, however, I find that everyone seems to pronounce the name to rhyme with *towel*.

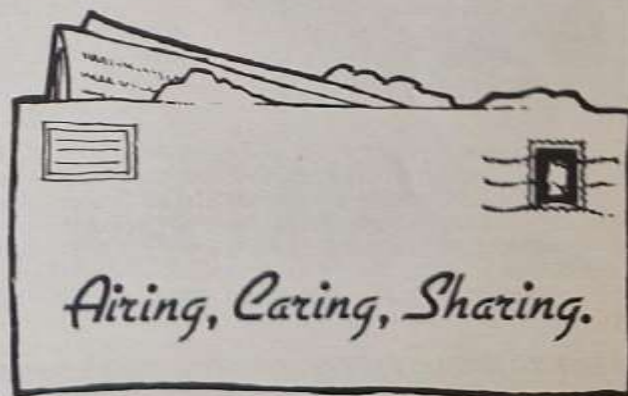
Now that, once again, we have a Chief Commissioner with that famous name, I would be grateful to know how she pronounces it.

**Isabel M Smith,**  
Guide Guider,  
4th Erith (St John's)  
Guide Company,  
Kent.

**Footnote:** Miss Smith will be pleased to know that our Chief Commissioner pronounces her surname in the same way as the Chief Guide pronounced it. — **General Secretary.**



*The Editor reserves the right to cut letters or publish extracts*







## Lloyds Bank Schools Award

In an effort to encourage young people to take an interest in archaeology, Lloyds Bank, which has taken a keen interest in the subject in recent years, will present the Lloyds Bank Schools Award for 1981.

The award for the best group project supervised by a teacher(s) is made in conjunction with the Council for British Archaeology. This year, for the first time since Lloyds became involved with the award in 1978, there is a special prize for the teacher who has shown the most initiative in carrying out archaeological field work with a group of students.

The winning school will receive a trophy plus £100. There are two runner-up prizes of £50.

Awards for outstanding work and achievement in archaeology in Britain have been arranged for several years by British Archaeology Awards.

Entries for the 1981 Award should be sent for preliminary approval to the CBA by 31 May.

Entry forms can be obtained from the CBA or Public Relations Department of Lloyds Bank.

**Further information:** Susan Exley, Public Relations Dept, Lloyds Bank Ltd, 71 Lombard Street, London EC3P 3BS. Tel: 01-626 1500, ext 2121; or Mike Corbishley, CBA (Lloyds Bank Schools Award), 112 Kennington Road, London SE11 6RE. Tel: 01-582 0494 or 025-587 552 (home).



The 1980 Award winners, Wayland High School's Archaeology Club.

## Big City Dig

Volunteers are required by the Museum of London's Department of Urban Archaeology to help with a major excavation in the City at the junction of Lower Thames Street and the west side of Pudding Lane (near where the Great Fire of London started in 1666). The main interest of this site is the early Roman timber quayside dating from the 1st Century AD.

The excavation began on January 12, and is supervised by Gustav Milne, of the Museum of London's Department of Urban Archaeology. Medieval walls and yard surfaces, Saxon rubbish pits and part of a Roman hypocaust have already been discovered.

Volunteers interested in this opportunity to help excavate this important area of the City's ancient riverfront

should write to the Department of Urban Archaeology, Museum of London, London Wall, London EC2Y 5HN, or telephone the Museum of London Information Desk (01-600 3699, ext. 279) stating the days they are able to work. Weekday volunteers must come for a minimum of two weeks, after which they will qualify for standard travelling expenses. Volunteers are also welcome on Sundays.

## 'Steve Ovett wants you on his team'

This is the headline on a new poster produced by *Help the Aged's* Youth Campaign.

Steve Ovett is supporting the Youth Campaign's education and fund-raising programme in schools throughout 1981. Many thousands of young people all over Britain will take part in all kinds of events, using their talents and energy to benefit old people in Britain and overseas.

**Enquiries to:** Susanna Johnston (01) 359-6316.

## Pets and Holidays

The People's Dispensary for Sick Animals reminds pet owners that pets will suffer if their needs are not taken into account when planning holidays away from home.

If pets are to be left in the care of friends or neighbours, clear instructions on the animals' requirements must be given. The 'guardian' should be prepared to set aside the requisite **Daily** periods for feeding, cleaning, companionship and, in the case of dogs, grooming and exercising. Simply *looking in* when convenient is not enough.

If you intend to leave your animal in a boarding establishment, the PDSA stresses the importance of careful selection — do not rely upon recommendations, inspect it for yourself. Contact the proprietor to make an appointment to view and if there is any reluctance to allow this, go elsewhere; a good establishment has nothing to hide. Remember that early booking is essential.

To make your pet as comfortable as possible in strange surroundings, list its diet and meal times and take along its basket, food dishes and 'toys'. Leave an address and telephone number where you may be reached in the event of an emergency. A list of registered, licenced establishments should be available at municipal offices and public libraries.

If your dog is travelling with you by car, take plenty of fresh water for the journey and do not give it food immediately before setting out. It is vital to make frequent stops because the animal will suffer if confined for long periods without the opportunity to stretch its legs and relieve itself. Ensure that your dog or cat is wearing a collar, clearly marked with your name and address, and the address at which you will be staying

together with your holiday dates. It is advisable to keep a cat in its basket for the duration of a car journey. If your pet is a nervous traveller check with your veterinary surgeon prior to the journey and he may recommend administering a tranquiliser.

Whatever arrangements you make, do try to ensure that your holiday period will not be one of misery and distress for your pet.

The PDSA issues leaflets on all aspects of pet-care, including the special problems of pets in summer and during holiday times.

The PDSA was founded in 1917 to provide free professional veterinary treatment for the sick and injured animals whose owners cannot afford private veterinary fees. It is supported entirely by voluntary contributions and receives no state or local authority aid.

**Further information and interview facilities through Marilyn Marchant, Press Officer, TEL: Dorking (0306) 81691.**

May TODAY'S GUIDE is the Animal Lovers' issue. — Editor.

## Paint a Miracle Competition

Westminster Cathedral is promoting a Paint A Miracle competition which is open to everyone between the ages of 5 and 18. Entrants are asked to choose any miracle or parable from the New Testament and to express their faith in a painting. The opening date for entries is Easter Sunday, 19th April, 1981, and the closing date May 21st, 1981. All the thirty-six prizes in the six categories will comprise painting materials and equipment. However, six additional cash prizes of £150 will go to the school art departments of the first prize winners. Thus the total value of the prizes is more than £1800. All winning entries and other selected paintings will be exhibited in the Cathedral throughout June. For further information contact **The Art Department, Westminster Cathedral, 42 Francis St., London SW1. Telephone: (01) 834-7452.**

### Art Competition

On the Theme of the Miracles and Parables of Jesus  
Open to Young People, 5—18 in the Greater London Area

ENTRIES TO: The Art Department, Westminster Cathedral,  
42, Francis St., London SW1. Tel: (01) 834-7452

Competition Closes: MAY 21st, 1981

The paint a Miracle competition poster.





Mrs L. Johnson

Pausing for breath during one of the walks.

It really began when our mini-bus confidently took the track plainly signposted 'Unfit for Motors'. There were several gates to open and sheep stared at us and raced away uphill at a pace we were to envy later in the week. The mountains began to tower over us looking very steep and green against a clear blue sky. We could almost imagine ourselves in Switzerland instead of the very English Lake District.

We walked in all kinds of weather, but as we were well equipped it didn't really matter. The morning slog uphill was always hard work and we welcomed our elevenses. If we hadn't used up so much energy we would have put on pounds! Usually we lunched sitting on a summit cairn or perched like eagles on a rocky peak. We felt like eagles too looking down on the 'matchbox' cars and the toy farms in the valleys. Once our Guiders relented and we had a 'rest day', walking twice as far by lakes and woodland paths and taking in bags of culture as we stepped and stared where the famous had lived or been inspired, Wordsworth, Ruskin and Beatrix Potter.

We sang our evening hymn with our eyes on the vivid sunset glow behind the black mountains or when the rain drummed thunderously on the roof we stood in pyjamas round the crackling fire indoors. Then with the smell of coffee mingling with embrocation and the cream on our suntanned faces, we snuggled into our sleeping bags. Few of us ever saw the stars light up in the darkening sky outside the open door.

Much too soon we came to the final sorting of belongings, plate bags to collect and the last snapshot of the orderlies with their stack of lunch-packs. The shutters were bolted back on the now shining windows and the door swung to with a final click. We picked up our rucksacks with practised ease and plodded off

## Lakeland Adventure

by  
Cris  
Johnson

At the last farm we collected a crate of milk and the key to 'our hut' where we were to spend our walking 'holiday'. At last our little bus stopped. The driver helped us to unload our bedding rolls and enormous rucksacks and a quantity of pots and pans. There didn't seem to be a hut or anything habitable in sight.

'It's up there,' we were told following a pointing finger to a little track up the steep shale bank of a disused slate quarry.

We panted and struggled up with our burdens and dumped them gratefully outside a squat stone hut with a sturdy 'stable' door and two solidly shuttered windows.

Our new home was a small stone-flagged room with a tiny calor-gas cooker, a few shelves and a sink with one tap. There was a fireplace in one corner and a ladder leading up to a sleeping platform. It couldn't really be called a loft, for even the smallest of us couldn't stand upright up there. Well, we had been warned that it would be primitive and we *were* all campers!

'There you are Guides, a genuine mountain hut,' said our Guider proudly just as if it was on the slopes of the Matterhorn.

We ate our sandwiches outside in the sunshine contemplating the view and the enormous boots we all wore.

Have you ever tried to pitch a tent and bang pegs into an inch of moss and scrawny grass over tons of slate rubble? That was our next task. It may not have passed a CA's inspection but it did stand up for a week. This was our washtent. QM refused to have eleven of us competing for her sink in her minute kitchen corner.

Mornings were a rush as we had to be ready to set out at ten. Beds had to be made, the hut swept, a huge breakfast cooked, eaten and cleared away — twelve people make an awful lot of washing-up. The lunch orderlies packed up energy-giving concoctions and filled our flasks and water-bottles. Our rucksacks were always much lighter after lunch!

downhill to our waiting bus.

Our County Hillwalking Adviser would have been proud of us!



Mrs L. Johnson

Setting out to explore the beauty of the Lake District.





## EMPLOYMENT OFFERED

### STOP PRESS

Residential Office Keeper needed for CHQ. Job description and application form available from:

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The Girl Guides Association,  
17/19 Buckingham Palace Rd,  
London SW1W 0PT.  
Tel: 01-834 6242 Ext 46

**Required in July.** Assistant to General Secretary, GGA Anglia, Newmarket. Knowledge of Movement preferable. Business experience and typing essential. Shorthand useful. Salary negotiable according to age and experience. Apply giving full details together with two referees' names and addresses to General Secretary, Anglia Girl Guides, Ashley House, Old Station Road, Newmarket CB8 8DT. Please mark envelope 'Confidential'.

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## ACCOMMODATION

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**Somerset.** Bed and breakfast in thatched farmhouse. Home of Guider. Buckland St Mary 200.

**Two Hungarian students** (boy and girl) should like to get in touch with people who would offer them accommodation for one of two nights during their West-European journey

this summer (July and August). We ask them to write to us the time which is appropriate for them. Address: **RAPAI ZOLTAN**, 2143 Kerepestarcsa, Igloi U4, Hungary.

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## CAMPING HOLIDAYS

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**Walks For Motorists — Further Cheshire** by James F. Edwards. — **Severn Valley** by Peter A. Price. **Warne Gerrard**, £1.50.

One of the best ways to go for a walk is to go with someone who can show you the way with confidence and tell you interesting things about the locality. If this ideal situation cannot be arranged, **Frederick Warne Ltd.** with their long list of guides — **Walks for Motorists** — provide an excellent choice of silent companions for walks in many parts of England and Wales: they have just added two more titles: one, **Further Cheshire**, is a sequel to an earlier book on Cheshire Walks; the other explores the **Severn Valley** from **Stimbridge** in the south to **Bewdley** and the **Wyre Forest** in the north. Each book contains 30 circular walks of lengths varying from 2 to 8 miles. There is a sketch map for every walk and a detailed description of the route. A general map shows how the walks fit in to the whole area. Both books have introduction to the enjoyment of walking as something more than exercise for the feet and I enjoyed Peter Price's extra drawings, especially in his description of the construction of timber framed buildings and the way a carpenter would cut up a tree — would you have known where to begin? He also has interesting details to point out on every walk.

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NAS

**The Blandford Book of Traditional Handicrafts** Edited by John Rome. **Blandford Press**, £8.95

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RMB

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EC

**Guide to Cage Birds**, Alderton, **Saiga Books**, £7.50. The author is a keen young aviculturist with a deep interest in conservation. The

artist has a special interest in birds. The photographs, however, do not do justice to the book. The book not only catalogues the various species found commonly, and in some cases uncommonly, in cages but also deals with housing, feeding, health and general care of cage birds.

EC

**The Flower Book**, by Gladys Hutcheson. **Skilton & Shaw**, £3.95

Here is a truly delightful book, intended to help children of all ages to make the study of wild flowers a hobby and delight that will be with them always. The exquisite illustrations by Meg Rutherford, many in full colour, bring to life the legends woven around wild plants and flowers in the days when most people believed in the existence of fairies and elves. Do you know why the virginia creeper's leaves turn red in autumn? Or why the thistle is the emblem of Scotland? Or where fairy mothers lay their babies to sleep at night?

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A truly irresistible book and one which many an adult would find hard to pass on!

JVR

**Spotter's Guide to Dinosaurs**, **Usborne Pocketbooks** £1.99  
**Spotter's Guide to Cats**, **Usborne Publishing Ltd.** £1.99.

Many new titles have recently been added to the **Pocketbooks** series, and for any young person particularly interested in natural history, the book on **Dinosaurs** will help them realise what living animals probably looked like: a special group of reptiles all of which are now extinct. There are also sections on other animals which lived long ago, during or after the time of the dinosaurs. If fossil collecting is one of your hobbies then this book contains tips and shows examples of common fossils. Because of the interest and patience of people throughout the years fossil bones have been put together to make complete skeletons. This makes it possible to discover the shape of the body, how it moved and whether it walked on two legs or four. They can tell from its

teeth whether it was a meat or a plant-eater. The only thing they cannot tell is the colour of its skin and in the illustrations these are imaginary.

Do you like cats? Have you ever had a cat? Whatever the answer, this book is fascinating, as it is an identification guide to cat breeds and you may have a very superior cat and not know it. However as many non-pedigree cats look quite similar to some breeds of pedigree cats you will need to study the illustrations very carefully before you come to a decision. There are chapters on cat behaviour, choosing a kitten and preparing for a new cat. Feeding and grooming are also important because the health of your pets depends on how you look after them all their life. If you are interested in pedigree cats and shows, then there are some notes on how to find out the necessary information.

OMC

**Seeker's Notebook No. 1 18th Century Buildings** by Bernon Gibberd. **Seeker's Notebook No. 2 19th Century Buildings** by Bernon Gibberd. **Dinosaur Publications Ltd**, 75p each.

Have you ever seen a town hall that looks like a fairy palace?

Are parts of some buildings put there just for fun?

Why are almshouses long, low buildings?

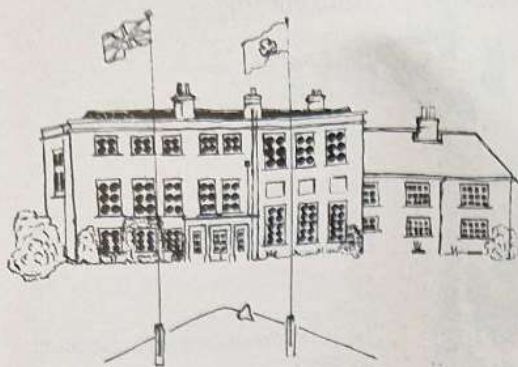
Why do Victorian Banks look so solid?

These two books will start you thinking about the buildings around you. Most towns, apart from the new towns of this century still have buildings that were put up in the 18th and 19th centuries and since they have 'always been there' we may take them for granted and miss a great deal.

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THE heartrending news of Betty Fisher's death on 23rd January brought a great sense of loss to her many friends. And yet we feel, too, an overwhelming sense of gratitude for the wealth of memories which she leaves behind her. We remember her breadth of vision, and her insight into the things of life that really matter, her caring concern for folk, her music and her laughter. Her genuine interest in all whom she met, her infinite patience, and her infectious enthusiasm were the marks of a born teacher, and one of her greatest skills lay in discovering and bringing out the best in other people.

A Primary Teacher by profession, Betty regarded Glasgow as home, and over the years, as Guide and Ranger Guider, and as a District Commissioner, she drew from there the inspiration to extend her Guiding throughout the world. A year's teaching in Finland, and Guide Training assignments in the Bahamas and the Leeward Islands, and, in 1976, in the South Pacific, brought her many new friends and a mailing list of mammoth proportions, and when she returned to the Caribbean to train in the summer of 1979, she was able to renew

many links with Guide friends. Her skills as a Trainer will be remembered — perhaps vividly — by Guiders throughout Scotland and beyond, and she shared with countless others a warm affection for Netherurd — the place and the people. As Deputy Training Adviser for Scotland and later as Guide Consultant to the Programme Adviser, C.H.Q., she shared her vision of the Guiding she knew and loved, and in December 1979 she was appointed as Scottish Training Adviser. Sadly, illness forced her to resign less than a year later.

In addition to her keen involvement in Guiding, and an active Church commitment, Betty found time for many outdoor interests, from skiing to bird watching. She enjoyed opera, was a member of the Saltire Society, and loved books. And she always had time to talk and to listen.

Betty was forty-four when she died; she has given us and her family a legacy of infinitely precious memories to sustain us. Her courage gives us strength; her faith gives us hope; and her friendship gives us much to share.

"Rest well and safely, the Lord is ever with You."

Glasgow County



## In Memoriam

**Miss E Chappell** who passed away in the autumn, was District Secretary for the Windermere District from 1967 until 1971, and County Commonwealth and International Adviser from 1973 until 1976. Although ill-health forced her to give up active Guiding, she maintained her deep interest in the Movement right up until the time of her death.

MB

**Miss Lilian Jarman**, who worked with Portsmouth Girl Guides from 1919 until her retirement in 1977, has died aged 82. She was Captain of the 42nd Handicapped Unit which has both physically and mentally handicapped youngsters, for eighteen years before she retired. Miss Jarman received two awards

for her services to the Guide Movement. In 1957, she was given a Guide Service certificate and in 1975 was presented with one of the highest honours the Movement can bestow — the Laurel Award.

ML

**Mrs Constance Molyneux** who died on November 15th, 1980, was the second County Commissioner for the County of Monmouth, now Gwent.

Mrs Molyneux was the County's longest-serving Commissioner, for she carried on throughout the difficult years of the war, keeping us all together and keen. It was about this time that the central training side of Guiding began to open up, and she gave us all much en-

couragement by holding trainings in her own home.

Mrs Molyneux will be remembered as a gentle but very purposeful person who loved all children, and who saw us through a particularly difficult period for Guiding in this country. Everyone who knew her will remember her with great affection.

MMJ

hamshire. We will miss her very much as, I'm sure, will all those who knew her.

KMT

With the death recently of **Miss Hester Scriven**, the Kent-Lune Division and the County have lost a dedicated and long-serving Guider.

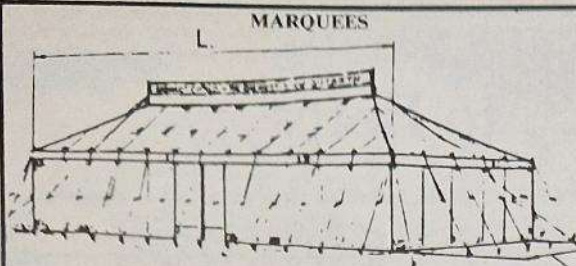
Miss Scriven had been Guiding in London before she came to Arnside in 1945.

She was awarded the Good Service Certificate in 1974 which was but a small tribute to all she had done and was still doing for the Movement.

She won the love and respect of all those who worked with her, and her loyalty and devotion to duty were an example to all Guides. She will be much missed by all in the Division.

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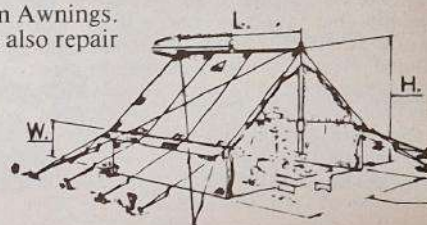
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**P**lans started in 1979, when I heard that the Trefoil School had become Trefoil Centre, a holiday centre for handicapped people. I knew that it would be the ideal place for our disabled Rangers. A cancellation gave us the opportunity to visit in 1980 and places were duly booked for 23rd August to 1st September. We eventually became a party of 26. There were 10 handicapped Rangers, eight of whom were in wheelchairs, 11 helpers who were Rangers or young Guiders, and five staff.

I thought that it would be a great help to see the place beforehand, so, early in the year, my deputy and I spent a few days there and finalised our plans.

We were to travel by train — a new venture for our group, as we had always used a coach. British Rail were duly contacted, and our journey booked. The special fares allowed made this a much cheaper way of travel.

A coach was booked in Edinburgh to meet the train and take us to the centre, and the same coach was used for all our long

and dancing with a Scottish flavour. This was organised by Robert, and he made sure that all dances were suitable for the wheelchairs.

We had planned to have a day in Edinburgh, and luckily we were able to obtain tickets for an early showing of the Tattoo. This was a grand finale to our holiday. We were taken for a tour of the city, and Robert told us about the various places we passed. Then we stopped outside Scotland's Guide HQ, where we ate our picnic lunch in the coach. By this time it had stopped raining and we visited the Guide Shop, then set off to explore Princes Street.

A quick dash back to the Centre for our evening meal and we were soon on our way to Edinburgh again for the Castle. We were allowed to take the coach right up to the seats, therefore we had to be very early before the general public were allowed in.

Our seats were at ground level, under the tiers of seating for

## A Holiday for disabled Rangers at Trefoil Centre

V R Greene

outings.

For shorter journeys, the Centre mini-bus was available. It just held our eight wheel-chairs.

On arrival, our rooms — already allocated from a plan — were soon found and, after tidying up, we were ready for our first meal there.

After dinner, Miss V. Blackwell, the Warden, welcomed us and advised us of the first and only compulsory activity — a fire drill, which went off without a hitch. The rest of the evening was then spent settling in, and finding the way around. Who pulled the alarm bell instead of a light switch?

Sunday, our first full day at the Centre, found us dressed in smart uniform to attend one of the three Churches, to which Miss Blackwell drove us in the special minibus. After lunch we enjoyed the sunshine, exploring the locality, and taking photographs.

During our ten days stay, we had two whole-day outings. One to the Trossachs, where we enjoyed the beautiful scenery and had our picnic at the David Marshall Lodge. On the way back we stopped to visit Stirling Castle, with another fine view. Another day, we crossed the Firth Bridge to the Kingdom of Fife. We travelled through the little fishing villages and then on to St Andrews, where we explored the town and had our picnic lunch by the sea.

Our shorter outings included visits to a glass factory and to a candle-making establishment. In both instances, we were made most welcome, and help was given with the wheelchairs.

A canal outing was made possible by local villagers, who had converted a barge. It had a hydraulic lift at one end so that wheelchairs could be wheeled on to the barge. It was a wet day but quite snug inside, and we were all given a cup of coffee during the journey.

Each day started with Prayers in the lounge. Duties were minimal. We made our own beds, kept our rooms tidy and, at meal times, served the food and cleared tables, everyone, including the handicapped girls, taking a share.

Evening activities were varied; a barbecue arranged by Robert, the deputy Warden, was a novelty for some. Another evening, we were invited to a nearby Guide Camp to share their Camp-fire, but the highlight of the week was a 'Scottish evening', starting with the meal when the haggis was piped in. After supper, everyone rushed for cameras to take pictures of the young Piper. We then had an enjoyable evening of music

the general public. As it rained, we caught all the drips and we got quite wet. However, it was well worth the excitement of seeing the Tattoo — which for most of the party was a new venture.

We arrived back at the Centre very late that night, but the welcoming supper drink was there as usual.

Our last day, Sunday, gave us the opportunity to visit the nearby Sunday Market, said to be one of the biggest in Europe.

It was a lovely day so, after lunch, the Rangers were able to enjoy Elizabeth's Wide game, which she had prepared towards her Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award. A short Act of Worship followed, to which we had invited Miss Blackwell, as a collection had been made towards the Centre funds.

And so our holiday was coming to an end, final packing to be done and loading the coach for the last time.

Many friendships were made between the handicapped Rangers and their helpers. The latter had worked very hard to give their friends an enjoyable holiday, but all expressed that it was well worth while and hoped to join them again.

Thanks must be given to the helpers and to Miss Blackwell and her staff. They could not have been more helpful, and one sensed a 'Guide' atmosphere at all times. I can thoroughly recommend the Centre to other handicapped Guides and Rangers.



Allison Miss F. Mole





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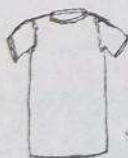
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## Two Festivals and a Jubilee

### Bath

This year's Bath Festival (May 22nd to June 7th) spans five centuries of music and the arts. Between renaissance and baroque on the one hand and the new world of electro-acoustic music on the other, are performances amounting to mini festivals of their own, of Haydn, Bach, Handel and Mozart. Centenaries of Bartok and Mussorgsky will also be marked by special concerts, and in addition there will be modern dance, mime, poetry and traditional Ghanaian dance. Exhibitions of paintings, dress design, and engraving are an important feature of the Festival, and at the Museum of Bookbinding, Manvers Street there will be an exhibition of prayer books 1862-1980.

Many exciting events of special appeal to young people will take place during the Festival. On Saturday, 23rd May, 'Huffin and Puffin' is an event for children of all ages, with displays of books and paintings, games, quizzes and balloon debates, at St James' Theatre. Children are invited to paint a picture or a collage and bring it with them. On Saturday, 30th May, at the Assembly Rooms, is a special concert for children aged eight to 12 and their parents, 'How to enjoy music'.

Of interest to more mature visitors to the Festival will be a rare chance (Wednesday 3rd June) to visit Harveys Wine Museum, set in wine cellars which date from the 13th century Gaunts Hospital; on the same evening, Instant Sunshine give an evening of their unique songs at the Theatre Royal.

On Saturday 6th June an event to appeal to the whole family is a Civil War afternoon at Sheldon Manor. King Charles's Lifeguard of Foote will garrison this beautiful medieval manor house. Guard mounting, pike and musket drill and a cannon firing display will be some of the attractions presented by the Sealed Knot, and there will be a 17th century repast at lunch time.

Apart from the fun and games, the Bath Festival is, of course, primarily a musical event, and this year's premieres include the first performance in England of Peter Maxwell Davies' opera *The Lighthouse*. Those into electronic music will be interested to know that Bath Festival has commissioned a new work *Word Within* by Denis Smalley, for voices and electronics.

This year's Festival Picnic will be at the Bishop's Palace — 'Northanger Abbey' — a Gothick Fantasia. Revellers in period costume can enjoy an evening of 18th century elegance in beautiful surroundings, with dancing, boating and live music.

The Box Office for Festival events is now open. Address: Linley House, 1 Pierpoint Place, Bath BA1 1JY. Telephone Bath (0225) 63362/66411. For group bookings, one free seat will be given with every ten bought at any one price for any event. There are special reductions for groups of lunchtime concerts, and season tickets are available.



Bath Abbey, and right, the Beaux Arts Trio of New York, who will be performing at Bath.

### Chichester

Advance notice has already been given in April *GUIDER* of this year's Chichester Festival, which opens on 7th May and continues until 19th September. This beautiful modern theatre in idyllic surroundings offers some of the most inexpensive theatre seats in the country. By joining the Theatre Society you can book a seat for each of the four productions at specially reduced rates. Details from Chichester Festival Theatre Society, Minerva Studios, The Hornet, Chichester.



Interior of the Chichester Festival Theatre, and right, the exterior.

Opening the season will be Claire Bloom in *The Cherry Orchard*. The widely varied repertory consists of *Feasting with Panthers*, in which Tom Baker (Dr Who) plays Oscar Wilde in a dramatisa-

tion of the famous trial; *The Mitford Girls* — a musical based on the exploits of the six famous Mitford sisters; and finally *Underneath the Arches*, the story of Flanagan and Allen, starring Roy Hudd and Christopher Timothy.

In his first year as Artistic Director, Patrick Garland is presenting a blend of period and modern, serious and frivolous. An ideal mixture for stimulating interest in the theatre.



London Artists

### Royal Jubilee

In a year of Jubilees and Royal events, the 50th anniversary of the Royal Ballet has its own special place. On 5th May 1931 the Vic-Wells Ballet, later to become Sadler's Wells and finally the Royal Ballet, gave its first performance. In fifty years it has grown into what many consider to be the world's greatest ballet company, and few would deny that in spite of the dazzling stars from the Bolshoi and Kirov, Britain leads the world in dance, both classical and modern. Many events are celebrating the Royal Ballet's Golden Jubilee this month, including exhibitions at the V & A (mentioned in *What's On*), and Liberty's, Regent Street. On 5th May will be two gala performances: one by the Royal Ballet at Covent Garden, and the other by Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet at the Bristol Hippodrome. There will also be special TV programmes during the month.

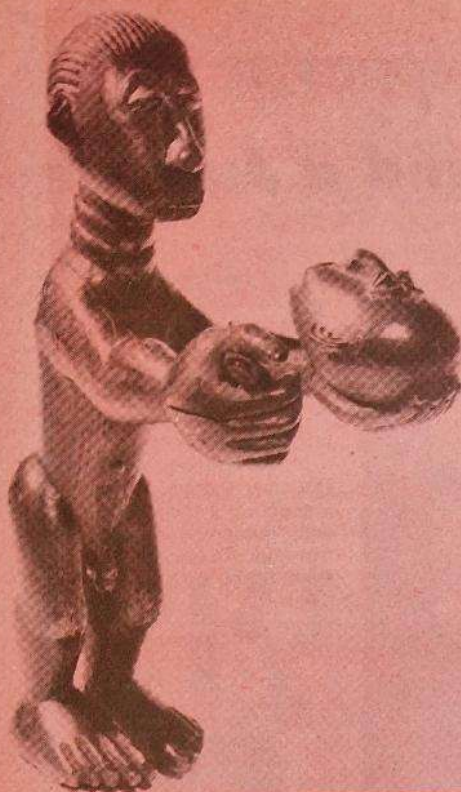
An article about the Royal Ballet is in the June issue of *TODAY'S GUIDE*.

Jean Rush



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## Asante, Kingdom of Gold

London has recently seen one of the largest and most elaborate exhibitions ever opened in 'Asante, Kingdom of Gold'.

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The high quality of the Asante crafts is demonstrated by sections devoted to wood carving, pottery, weaving and metal working, while the supreme achievements of the royal goldsmiths are dramatically shown by large numbers of spectacular and intricate gold castings. An awe-inspiring and delightful exhibition — well worth a trip to London for — which can be seen free of charge at the Museum of Mankind, Burlington Gardens, London W1X 2EX. Opening hours are Mon-Sat 10-5, Sundays 2-30-6. A scholarly, yet readable catalogue is available only to visitors at the Museum for £6.95.

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## Festival Ballet

London Festival Ballet are now appearing at the New Theatre, Oxford (until May 2nd). From May 4th to 9th they will be at the Theatre Royal, Newcastle giving two full length classics: *Coppelia* (Monday to Wednesday) and *Giselle* (Thursday to

sheets for teachers are part of Festival Ballet's education programme. Teachers' resource packs on *Nutcracker*, *Sleeping Beauty* and *Romeo and Juliet* are also available. For further information write to **Sue Hoyle, Education Liaison Officer, London Festival Ballet, 39 Jay Mews, London SW7 2ES.**

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## Stand-by for the National Theatre

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At the Lyttelton *The Caretaker* by Harold Pinter returns on the 22nd, and there are just a few last chances to see a Restoration romp — *The Provok'd Wife* — by Sir John Vanbrugh; this ends on the 18th.

Also in May you can see *The Elephant Man*, *Amadeus*, *Measure for Measure*, *A Month in the Country* or *Man and Superman*.

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## What's on

Saturday). *Coppelia* will again be performed at the New Theatre, Cardiff, from Tuesday to Saturday, May 12th to 16th.

In June the company returns to the London Coliseum to take part in the Nureyev Festival, and their summer season at the Royal Festival Hall of *Rosalinda*, *La Sylphide* and *Coppelia* opens on July 27th. Watch **What's On** for further details.

Visits to schools, practical dance sessions for under 16s, and free news

## In Brief

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