



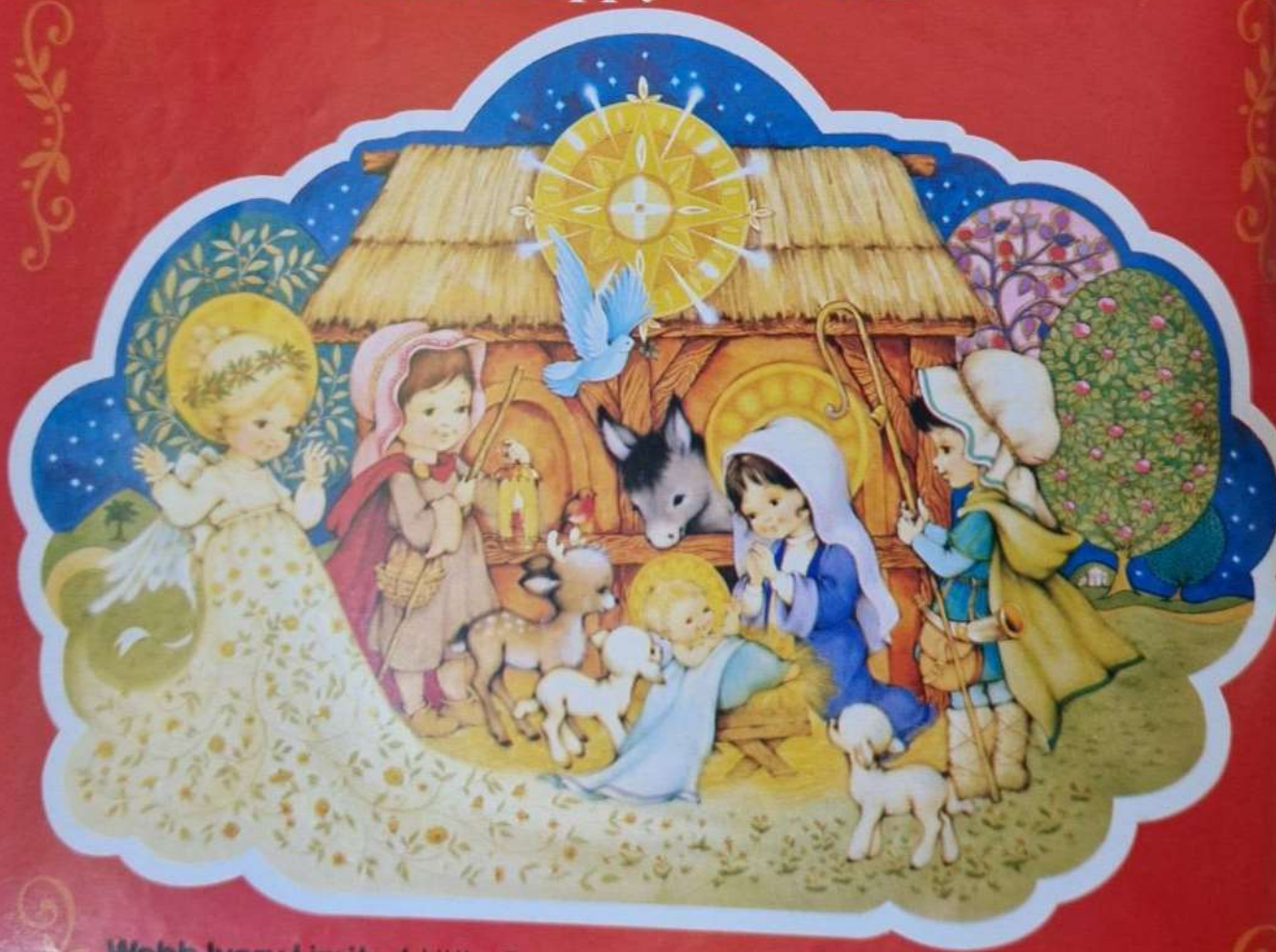
Guider



Volume 68
Number Twelve
December 1981
40p

Webb Ivory...

*...wish everyone a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year.*



Webb Ivory Limited, Little Cornbow, Halesowen, West Midlands, B63 3AG

Guider

OFFICIAL MAGAZINE OF THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION
(incorporated by Royal Charter)

PATRONS

HM THE QUEEN
HM QUEEN ELIZABETH, THE QUEEN MOTHER

PRESIDENT

HRH THE PRINCESS MARGARET, COUNTESS OF SNOWDON

WORLD CHIEF GUIDE, 1930-1977

OLAVE, LADY BADEN-POWELL, GBE

CHIEF COMMISSIONER

THE LADY BADEN-POWELL

Changes in Guide Uniform

This month we announce changes to the Guide uniform.

In reaching its decision on the changes, the Executive Committee has taken into account the many suggestions and ideas sent in by Guides throughout the United Kingdom.

The Executive Committee is very conscious that uniform is an expensive item. It is not the aim that every Guide should feel she must rush out and buy a neckerchief and a pocketless blouse or otherwise look very out-of-date. In fact, the blouse will continue to be made of the same material as the present version which, at least for the time being, could be adapted and worn inside the skirt. Further details regarding the changes are shown on page 17.

The intention is that the changes should be introduced as new girls join the Guides or as worn items are replaced.

Patience Baden-Powell

Price Increase: We regret that increased production costs have made it necessary for us to increase the price of *GUIDER* to 45p with effect from next month's issue (January). The price of *TODAY'S GUIDE* will increase to 35p commencing with the January issue, and the price of *THE BROWNIE* will increase to 15p with effect from 1st January, 1982. **Editor.**



Chief Commissioner's Message

As the festive season approaches I send you greetings for Christmas and a hope that despite the difficulties and challenges of life, the New Year will hold much happiness for you and the fun and fellowship of our Movement will prevail.

With heartfelt good wishes.

Patience Baden-Powell



Contents

Guiding Roundabout	4, 5	Home And Away	34
The Triumph of the Red Dragon	6	Mainly for Rangers	35, 37
Commonwealth Chief Commissioners' Conference	7	Jamborette	39
Arts Week at Hindhead	8	Classified Ads	40, 41, 49
Searchlight Tattoo	9	Scottish Girl Guide and Scout Swimming Gala	42
Brownie Guiders — Don't Miss This!	10, 11	What's On	43, 50
Next month in <i>TODAY'S GUIDE</i> /		Epilepsy — An Unknown Quantity	44
Next month in <i>THE BROWNIE</i>	12, 37	Ring the Changes (2)	46
Wide Games (5)	14	Witan '81 / SSAGO	47
Christmas Acrostic	15	GGFF	49
Farewell to Katherine Dongworth /			
New Uniform Chart	17		
Books for Christmas	18, 19		
Airing, Caring and Sharing	20, 21		
IYDP and All That	22		
In Memoriam	23, 45		
Training Pages	25-28		
Training Information	29		
HQ Notices	31, 33		
Heraldry (10)	33		

Cover

This month's cover features 'The Adoration of the Shepherds' by Guido Reni. Reproduced by courtesy of the Trustees, National Gallery, London. We are grateful to Messrs Webb Ivory Ltd for sponsoring this month's cover.

EDITOR: JEAN RUSH
ASSISTANT EDITOR: MATTHEW HOLGATE
SUB EDITOR: SHIREEN BONNER

ADVERTISEMENT MANAGER: ANN M MARTIN
ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO: *Guider*, THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION
17-19 BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD, LONDON SW1W 0PT 01-834 6242

Printed by The Riverside Press Ltd, London and Whitstable and published by The Girl Guides Association. Subscriptions, including postage £6.66 for 12 months Great Britain, £6.84 overseas. Trade Agents, Surridge Dawson & Co (Productions) Ltd, 136-142 New Kent Road, London SE1.



Evening Post, Bristol

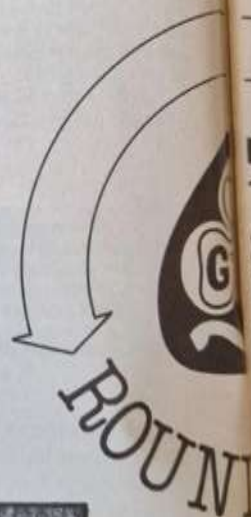


On the left, a happy trio in Bristol. Mrs Buddy Cranmer Brown, left, and Miss Feltham on the right, show Miss Susanna Lee (the Commissioner for St Kitts in the Caribbean) the Nails in Corn Street. The island of St Kitts was adopted by Avon North Guides 3 years ago.

Below, Brownies in the undergrowth ...! Gawthorpe Brownies are shown here taking part in a national Adopt and Cherish competition. Each Brownie was sponsored and their aim is to tidy up some land in the area. They certainly look well prepared!



Dewsbury Reporter





Mrs O Trigg

Above, a delightful red, white and blue blanket made by the 29th Hartlepool Brownies and some of the 29th Hartlepool Guides. The blanket was made in honour of the Royal Wedding, and will be put to good use at the Cleveland County Guide House at Egton Bridge.



Chester Chronicle

A happy memory for Chester, above — The Duke of Edinburgh visited Chester in June during his visit to the North West to mark the 25th anniversary of his Award Scheme. He is with one of the Watergate District Rangers, Elizabeth Crow, admiring her puppets and puppet theatre, this being her chosen interest for her Gold Award, which she completed this summer.

Below, members of the 3rd Larch Farm Guide Company, Ravenshead, frame happy couple Alison McLeod and Ken Hawley at their wedding. Alison is an ex-Brownie, Guide and Ranger, and still enjoys helping at Guides, especially at Camp. We wonder who caught the bouquet!





The Triumph of the Red Dragon

Report by Rosemary Williams
Illustrated by David Williams



'Oh no! Not her!' groaned the County Commissioner, when the County Arts Adviser commented that a certain girl would make an admirable Henry VII. 'This one will be a perfect Richard III,' went on the County Arts Adviser. 'Well, she's out of the question,' chorused the County Commissioner and the past County Commissioner, both of whom had the unenviable task, as wardrobe mistresses, of finding the Guide to fit the costume rather than finding the Guide to fit the part.

At the preliminary auditions, would-be actresses, musicians, narrators and dancers were arranged in their respective groups, only to be rearranged when it was discovered that the size of a musician was ideal for a certain character, the voice of a dancer was perfect for the narration, the athleticism of a narrator was much-needed for the dance and the lung-power of a page was required in the musicians' ranks.

This was the start of the Pageant, 'The Triumph of the Red Dragon', to be performed by Pembrokeshire Guides, in Pembrokeshire Castle, the actual birthplace of Henry VII. The very first Arts Camp to be held in Wales was to take place the week prior to the three Pageant performances. At that camp, scripts were to be memorised, the dances choreographed, the narrators coached, the musicians trained and the props made. The wardrobe mistresses also had the mammoth task

of sorting out the costumes by working from a set of photos of a previous production in Margam.

The camp was a tremendous success. The 'Craft Guides' went around with gold-sprayed finger nails — accidentally so rather than intentionally. The props for the feast scene were made of papier maché, then left to dry in the old marquee. Down came the rain and in went the rain drops through the hole in the marquee. This somewhat impeded the drying out process of the papier maché. These props — a swan, fish, Hirtas Horn, goblets, etc — won spontaneous applause from the audience.

The camp proceeded in spite of peeping toms in the bushes, mice in the rucksacks and rabbits in the torch beams. Then came the Dress Rehearsal in the Castle. Halfway through, the music suddenly ground to a halt. Everyone froze in mid-action. Had the tape-recorder broken? Had the loud speakers proved too much for the system? No. It was simply that the Castle electricity supply was on a time-switch! Everyone breathed again.

There were to be two performances on the first day, with a Mediaeval Fayre round the Castle perimeter, and one performance on the second day. The stalls for the Mediaeval Fayre were manned by members of Local Associations, Trefoil Guild, Link and support groups. The hired marquee for the refreshments turned out to be an Army tent far

too heavy to be shifted by the gang of Guiders who went to collect it. So, a rushed repair job was done on the aforementioned leaky old County tent. This had to be pitched close to the Castle walls because of the availability of water for the tea urns. That sounded fine in theory but castle walls have a nasty habit of being founded on rock! Little hitches such as this caused more mental than physical strain.

The tables were ready for collection... in the wrong place! The chairs were not collapsible as expected, so would not all fit on the trailer as planned. However, the Castle's power supply proved constant on the day. The Guides, already in full costume, paraded from camp to castle, through the streets of Pembrokeshire, giving added publicity to those who had escaped the County-wide press coverage and posters. Car drivers willingly stopped to allow the colourful procession to cross the roads. The weather left much to be desired, but, miraculously, the rain stopped just in time for the opening, which was attended by the Chief Commissioner for Wales, Mrs June Churchman, the President of the Pembrokeshire Girl Guides Association, Lady Violet Merthyr and other important guests.

The tale unfolded of the Earl of Richmond's landing in Dale from exile, gathering his troops and marching through Wales on his way to the Battle of Bosworth where he defeated Richard

III and of his ultimate crowning as Henry VII. This of course gave tremendous scope for interpretation. The script writer was amazed at how differently the Pembrokeshire team had interpreted the theme from the previous production.

The end of July may not have been the ideal time to stage a pageant, but it was perfect timing for catching the tourists in the County. The visitors came in their hundreds, and hundreds of pounds have been donated to the Stackpole Trust to buy furniture for holiday cottages for disabled people, in this *International Year of Disabled People*.

The ideal location of Pembrokeshire Castle, with its historic links, the eye-catching costumes, the hard work of the Guiders and Commissioners, the co-ordinating powers of the County Secretary — all these contributory factors would have been in vain but for the Pembrokeshire Guides' enthusiasm. Theirs was the Triumph — in conjunction with the Red Dragon!

One regret: no-one took a photo of the seventy pairs of multi-coloured tights hanging on the County Commissioner's line the day after the Pageant. Every picture tells a story, and this would have been a tribute to the continuing industry of a happy-natured, encouraging and inspiring Commissioner who never considers any job too lowly.

Commonwealth Chief Commissioners' Conference

The Branch Association Gathering, Caribbean Link Conference and The Commonwealth Chief Commissioners' Conference took place at Foxlease from the 14th-22nd August, 1981.

Forty-one countries of the Commonwealth were represented at the latter and the time was spent sharing programme, projects, and concerns which were of mutual interest to everyone present.

One evening was spent with the camps and the Pack Holiday, when the members of the conference were invited to an evening meal and a large joint camp-fire

afterwards. Another evening was spent at County Hall, London where the Chairman and Councillors of the Greater London Council gave a reception for the members of the Conference, in conjunction with the Commonwealth and International Circle of the UK Girl Guides Association.

When everyone departed on the Saturday, all agreed it had been a successful, worthwhile and happy conference.

Patience Baden-Powell



Payne Jenkins

Front row seated Left to Right

Mrs Corkill — New Zealand; Miss Bertranne Gumbs — Anguilla; Mrs Vaughan-Cox — Commissioner for Branch Associations; Mrs Jennifer Manua — Vanuatu; Mrs Nkole — Zambia; Sra Juliette de Carrington — The World Association; The Lady Baden-Powell — Commonwealth Chief Commissioner; Lady Brancker — Barbados; Mrs Chowdhury — Bangladesh; Mrs Yerriah — Mauritius; Mrs Garber — Sierra Leone; Mrs Ndow — The Gambia; Lady Mbanefo — Nigeria.

2nd Row standing Left to Right

Miss Dicomitou — Cyprus; Mrs Mokama — Botswana; Mrs Louise Williams — Turks and Caicos Islands; Mrs Clara Walters — Nevis; Miss Sonia George — St Lucia; Mrs LaCroix — Jamaica; Mrs Muli — Kenya; Mrs Jarvis — Guyana; Dr Bobb — Trinidad and Tobago; Mrs Currah — Canada; Mrs Archer — Grenada; Mrs Abeyawira — Sri Lanka; Dy. Latif — Brunei; Puan Hendon — Malaysia; Mrs Mwasalla — Tanzania; Mrs Renshaw Jones — Australia.

Back Row Left to Right

Mrs Bascom — Dominica; Mrs Johnston — Zimbabwe; Mrs Edwards — Montserrat; Miss Lee — St Kitts; Mrs Swift — Antigua; Mrs Robinson — Belize; Mrs Smith — British Virgin Islands; Mrs Bunton — Seychelles; Mrs Russell — St Vincent; Miss Cole — Bahamas; Mrs Lunn — Bermuda; Mrs Barnes — Fiji; Mrs Mui — Hong Kong; and Mrs Moaitz — Papua New Guinea.

Arts Week at Hindhead

21st-28th August,
1981

NINETY Guides and Rangers between the ages of 12 and 18 years from London and S.E. Region enjoyed a wonderful week at Marchants Hill Centre, Hindhead, trying their hands at every conceivable form of Art, be it Music, Drama, Creative Dancing, all forms of Crafts from wood, appliqué, soft toys, pewter work, to pyrography (poker work).

The girls were fortunate in having a perfect week of weather in ideal surroundings: they were housed in dormitories in residential huts and looked after by Guiders who acted as Dormitory Mums. Seven Trainers, each a

specialist in her own craft, were resident for the week, while nine other Guiders visited to take the girls for Sketching, Archery, Outdoor Cooking and one wonderful evening of crazy sports.

Each morning the girls assembled for their chosen sessions and after lunch were able to try their hands at any of the other crafts or activities which appealed to them.

The highlight of the week was the display of all the work the girls had accomplished during the week, and to do this the whole area of grass between two of the huts was turned into a nine-



*Report and photographs by Anthea Masters,
General Secretary, London and South East England.*



teenth century Victorian Fair Ground complete with roundabouts, coconut shies and stalls of tincraft and pewter work, soft toys, home-made sweets, dressed dolls and poker work, the whole area festooned with hunting and paper-flowers (all made by the girls).

After a hectic morning scurrying to get everything ready, the performance was opened at 3.00 pm by the Band made up of the Guides who had been taking part in the Music Sessions. There followed scenes from "The Murder in the Red Barn", Sweeney Todd the Barber, and "Pygmalion", all in costume, put on by the Drama enthusiasts, another group did Folk dancing and a Creative Dance called "A Fair in the Year 2,000 A.D.", and finally the Band entertained again.

A presentation of a magnificent wooden appliqué of a

Roundabout made during the week by the Rangers was received, on behalf of the Region, by Mrs Eileen Burbidge, the London and South East Chief Commissioner. Mrs Christina Maude, the Regional Arts Adviser, who had been the prime organiser of this Arts Week, was presented with Salad Servers, made at one of the sessions, on her retirement as Adviser.

The visitors, including County Commissioners, and Arts Advisers from Counties in the Region wandered among the Old World Stalls admiring the work produced as well as the large collages hanging in the hall, depicting the seasons, which the Guides and Rangers had worked upon during the week. So ended a very instructive but also a very happy week for ninety Guides and Rangers from London and South East England.

A 'SEARCHLIGHT TATTOO' sounded an enormously ambitious project for one Scout and Guide group to be putting on and one wondered beforehand — quite unfairly as it turned out — if this were rather a grandiose title. The background to the occasion was a desire to celebrate the 'Seventy Years Jubilee of Widnes and District Scouts'. The organising group consisted of two Cub Packs, three Brownie Packs, one Guide Unit, one Scout Group, one Venture Scout Unit and one Ranger Unit, situated at Hough Green on the outskirts of Widnes in Cheshire. Planning had been going on for well over a year and the final presentation was on two evenings with slight variations in the two programmes. The Group was lucky to have a medium-sized piece of land — about the size of a hockey pitch — next to their HQ, and the imagination of one or a number of people had realised the possibilities of the ground.

On an October evening, which was cold but mercifully dry and windless, one went through a gateway and entered an exciting and different world. Three sides of the field were enclosed by stands with seating for a thousand and the fourth side had become a splendid castle wall. On a high platform raised behind it, (serving as battlements) buglers, actors and a lone piper successively appeared during the evening. A canvas portcullis could be raised and lowered, and performers entered the arena from the castle through this gap. Superb lighting had been installed and the ground had been painstakingly covered with light-coloured shavings which gave a soft surface for the performers and enhanced the lighting effects which obviously were a major feature of the evening.

The excellent organisation of the setting was a pointer of what was to come: the programme was varied, lively and colourful. All the Units in the Hough Green group were represented on one or both nights and the overall impression was of tremendous effort and a determination to achieve a very high standard. The three Brownie Packs — not one member seemed to be away that night! — gave a charming display of Country Dancing. They looked delightful in their white blouses, variously coloured skirts and white three-quarter socks, and their joyous but disciplined entrances and exits were as effective as their dancing. The Cubs

had performed 'St George and the Dragon' on the previous night and the Guides had performed a torch-light routine. On the Saturday there was Inter-Troop Trek Cart racing (which obviously owed something to the Royal Tournament) and a 'Storming of Hough Green Castle' by Scouts in Cavalier Dress, with Roundheads unsuccessfully defending the fortress. The Hough Green Scout and Guide Band also performed with great verve and technical skill. For variety, and because the organisers felt they should have a professional act for comedy, there was an international clown, Ben Lester, who produced a very skilful and amusing routine with his car. But I am sure that both he and TV reporter Keith Macklin, who very kindly did the narration at Friday's performance, were impressed with the standard achieved by the amateur performers in the various Band Displays which were highlights of the whole evening. Apart from the home team already mentioned, there was the Warrington Junior Pipe Band (not Guide or Scout) who immediately evoked memories of the Edinburgh Tattoo and a number of Scout and/or Guide bands from the North West. There was a superb display from 'The Diamonds' Alderley and District Scouts — famous among bands today, but most impressive was the overall high standard of all the bands. Many Guiders may still be unfamiliar with this type of band, comprising as they do good musical techniques, amazing routines of complicated movement and youthful, but expert drum-majors. I shall remember the whole of this evening with pleasure, but particularly the opening Fanfare with the powerful spotlight picking out the three Guide buglers from Hough Green on the battlements, the lone piper playing Taps at the very end and perhaps, most of all, the final exit of the massed bands. With their precision, immaculate appearance and verve, they seemed to sum up the spirit of the whole occasion. Here was Guiding, Scouting and the Arts combined — a great many members of both Movements contributing their skills and combining great effort with self-discipline to present a delightful celebration which gave much pleasure to an enthusiastic audience and an imaginative experience to the performers themselves.

*Report by
Joyce Boucher*

Searchlight Tattoo



BROWNIE GUIDERS

Introducing the new

Next month *THE BROWNIE* takes on an entirely new look. Some months ago we published a questionnaire which we asked Brownies and their Guiders to complete and return to us, so that we could plan the magazine for 1982 and give the readers exactly what they need. Every returned form was analysed and every comment noted, and the result is the new magazine which is launched on January 6th, 1982.

us that the strip cartoon treatment is far more popular than the text Promise Corner. So, next year we shall have a Promise Corner strip in every issue, but this too will have an entirely new look and can be collected to make the Brownie's own Promise picture book.

Full page charts will cover simple household skills under the general heading **Brownies Help at Home**, and on alternate weeks hygiene, dental and hair care and general health

about coming events and exhibitions. Keep the letters coming!

Every alternate week we shall publish a page of prayers by Brownies, and here again we shall encourage readers to send in prayers well in advance (at least two months) so that we can publish them on the right occasion. Drawings will be very welcome on the **prayer page** too, but don't forget that they will be printed in black and white.

The centre page spreads are per-



Top of the list of items which readers want are **games**, games and more games. So, next year's *BROWNIE* will have a different game on the front page every week. We have lined up a number of different authors and artists, and the games will be simple (for new Brownies) one week, more difficult the second week, and for older Brownies the third week, then back to a simple game, and so on.

We are expanding the **All My Own** feature to include poems, jokes, and drawings by Brownies, and will be encouraging them to send in seasonal items throughout the year in good time for them to appear in the appropriate issues. A small prize will be awarded to the best item each week.

Promise Corner will as always be included every week, because the Promise is of course central to every Brownie's activities, but our poll tells

charts under the title **Brownies Keep Fit**.

Recipes for all occasions were requested by nearly everyone, so we have a **cookery card** every week next year, covering everything from simple sweets and how to make a cup of tea, to festive recipes for special occasions. This will be a full page item, so that the page can be taken out, folded in half and stuck together, preferably with card in the middle, to make a cookery card with ingredients on one side and instructions on the other. Illustrated of course!

As a change from **Animal Crackers**, we are starting a fortnightly **Pet's Corner**, in which we invite Brownies to send in pictures of their pets, and write to us about any problems or questions they have about pet care. The queries will be dealt with by experts, and there will be regular articles on pet care and information

haps the most important part of *THE BROWNIE* with the most potential, and most of our readers seem to think we make good use of them. However, their comments have helped us to line up some new ideas. In the January 6th issue we shall print the outline of a **Brownie doll to be cut out** and pasted on card so that it will stand up. Each week from then until February 17th our centre spread will contain **overseas Brownie uniforms** to cut out and dress the doll. Full colouring details will be given, and we also include the Badge of the country and its flag, which the Brownie doll can hold at your Thinking Day celebrations. If you need extra copies of the January 6th issue to obtain more dolls, there are copies available from the Periodicals Department, CHQ.

GAMES

KEEP FIT

COOKING

BADGE HINTS

- DON'T MISS THIS!!

BROWNIE magazine by Jean Rush

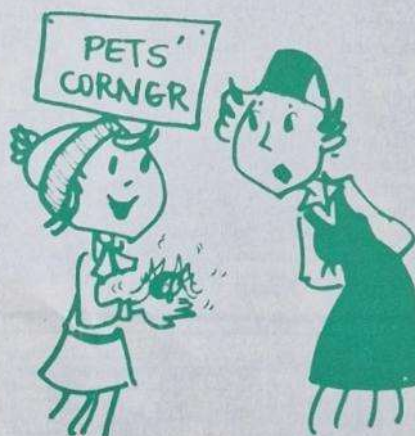
For St David's Day, St Patrick's Day, St George's Day, and St Andrew's Day, the centre spread will be devoted to a drawing which is suitable to colour or form the basis of a collage. There will be similar centre spreads of a seasonal nature and small prizes will be given for the best paintings or collages.

Another centre spread feature which we hope will prove popular is a series of charts on which Brownies can mark their progress on the Foot-

Other old favourites which will be featured during the year are pictures to paint (by overwhelming request in preference to 'Be an Artist'), monthly articles for Pack Leaders, Almost a Guide, and pages of ideas for Pack Ventures. The **Puzzle Page** is a great favourite and this will continue as before.

I have left until last the subject which was top of the list along with games: **Badge hints**. Nearly everyone wanted more of them, and many

what's in store. All we need now is more and more readers, because it's only by increasing our circulation that we can afford to give better and better value for money. The more copies are printed, the less each copy costs to produce, so who knows — one day we may sell so many copies that we're able to print in full colour! That's our final goal, and you can help us to achieve it. Please make full use of the magazine yourself, and encourage every one of your



All illus. Jean de Lemos



path, Road and Highway; a number of double page **Good Turn charts** that they can colour and mark off, and every so often a double page spread of miscellaneous **Journey Challenges**. These will alternate with seasonal **handcraft** and **nature** items, giving a wide variety of different things to do for every week of the year.

Pack's Pow Wow is being combined with Brownie Smiles next year, to make a **page of news and pictures** of Brownie activities. Letters will be cut so as to get more of them in, and we feel sure this page will become a useful source of ideas. It's up to the Brownies and their Guiders to keep us supplied with letters and photos.

We find that stories and plays are very popular, so these will continue next year, but with younger Brownies in mind we will be trying out the occasional story told in picture strip form.

asked if they could be in the form of picture strips. We have noted this and will present them in the form of strips or charts wherever possible. Most issues next year will contain two different Badge articles, and we have covered all the Badges which the results of our questionnaire tell us are the most popular. One or two have been covered fairly recently but we hope to give them a fresh treatment. Here in chronological order are the Badges to be featured during the year: Cook, First Aid, Brownie Friendship, Jester, Artist, Animal Lover, Musician, Discoverer, Book Lover, Gardener, Craft, Swimmer, Collector, Pathfinder, Dancer, Safety in the Home, Writer, Music Lover, Knitter, and Toymaker.

Selina Hope will continue to write in **GUIDER** each month about the following month's issues of **THE BROWNIE**, to give you more detail of

Brownies to take her own copy of **THE BROWNIE** magazine. Copies can be obtained on order from every newsagent in the United Kingdom, we make use of an enormous distribution network which costs us half the cover price of each copy of the magazine, so don't take no for an answer. If there's a problem with your newsagent let us know immediately and our distributors will take action. If you would like your copy to drop on your doormat every week, in advance of publication date, you can take out a postal subscription from Periodicals Department, CHQ. Back numbers of any specific issue are also available from this department; we keep supplies to ensure that nobody need miss anything.

With your help we can double our circulation next year, thus helping us all. Thank you in advance.

HAND CRAFTS
NATURE



HIGHWAY

PUZZLES

VENTURES

ETC. ETC.

*A New Look —
A New Year*

Two popular badges, Cook and First Aid; start in the first issue with a new look, picture strips and charts. These can be pasted on cardboard to stand up on a table and the Brownies could work from them. For example: Make a Cup of Tea. The chart together with the kettle, cups, saucers and ingredients help to make this an interesting activity, all the Brownies can take a turn, whether they are doing the Badge or not.

BROWNIES HELP AT HOME

POLISHING FURNITURE

If you are using a cream polish, you will need two clean cloths - these must be soft first - that is, they should not give off any fluff.

Avoid non-absorbent man-made fabrics such as nylon.

Read the directions on the label carefully.

Hold the can, press it to the rest of the bottle then turn it over so that you get a little polish on the cloth. Starting at one end, rub it on fairly with a circular movement until the polish is on the cloth and go on.

Repeat. Recharge the cloth. When the polish is dry, scrub the second cloth into a loose ball. Rub the surface until it shines evenly all over. Turn the cloth from time to time so that all of it is used. If you are using spray-on polish, always point the nozzle away from you. There is usually an arrow to show in which direction it sprays.

To begin with, try spraying the polish on a cloth then rubbing it on the furniture. When you have finished, put away the polish and wash the cloths in hot soapy water.

In the issue dated 6th January an interesting Pack Venture article will give you ideas for Thinking Day and following on the 20th January, there will be a new series of Pack Leader



A New Year's thought might be to ask your Brownies for their New Year's resolutions to include buying their own *BROWNIE* magazine each week and using it at meetings.

SH

[illegible]

Jean Rush

BROWNIE GUIDERS!

PLEASE SEE PAGE 10 FOR DETAILS

A NEW ERA FOR



STARTS NEXT MONTH 6TH. JANUARY 1982
FULL OF NEW IDEAS AND FUN - GAMES - CHARTS
CARTOONS - STORIES - PUZZLES - BADGE HINTS
PICTURES - CUTOUT MODELS AND LOTS MORE!
ON HIGH QUALITY PAPER!

THE BROWNIE 15P EVERY WEDNESDAY!

From your Newsagent or by Post, Details from Periodicals
Department. Girl Guides Association.
17-19 Buckingham Palace Road London, S.W.1W.0PT.

WIDE GAMES

by Ruth Black

5 Clues and Trails

I find this element the most successful basis for a wide game, even when stalking and/or tasks are also included. This type of game is best played in Patrols and, if the trail or route is circular, then each Patrol can be started off at a different point or clue and so can follow the same route without falling over each other.

Clues can be cryptic, puzzles, quotations, in code or just be imaginative, witty, daft or clever, whatever appeals.

Clues obviously relate to specific places and therefore it is difficult to give examples since they are meaningless to readers who are unfamiliar with the area used. However, here are a few ideas:

- 1 Write the first clue or message on the back of a child's jigsaw puzzle (about 25 pieces, preferably wooden) each word on a separate piece so that the message makes sense when the jigsaw is made up. Patrols are given one piece of the appropriate puzzle (will they need the picture on the box as well?) and all the remaining pieces of all the puzzles are jumbled together.
- 2 Give a telephone number to call as instructions or the next clue are given via the telephone.
- 3 Use map grid references — these can refer to specific places or be used to locate a word on the map or just one letter from a word. Hence a series of grid references can spell out a message. 1:50,000 maps are best for this.
- 4 Grid references send Patrols to various places. At each place is a clue to a word in a newspaper or a book, e.g., Guide Handbook. A typical clue would read 'Page 28, second paragraph, third line, tenth word'. When all the words have been found, they make a jumbled message or instructions. Each Patrol must have the same newspaper or book. This game can be tried out indoors for practice as follows:

Make a scale plan of the building and draw a grid on the plan. Use 'grid references' for places in the building where clues are hidden — under stairs, in kitchen, behind storeroom door, in toilet, etc.

Next time, play out of doors with real

maps. Remember street maps have grids and the grid reference principle can be used. Ordnance Survey maps 1:50,000 can be borrowed from libraries; street maps, being black and white, can be copied more easily. For general wide game and mapping, 1:25,000 OS maps will contain sufficient information; they are cheaper bought as flat sheets (without the stiff glossy covers) but have to be ordered specially from the Ordnance Survey, Romsey Road, Maybush, Southampton, SO9 4DH or HMSO shops. You will need one per Patrol, covered with transparent plastic film for protection.

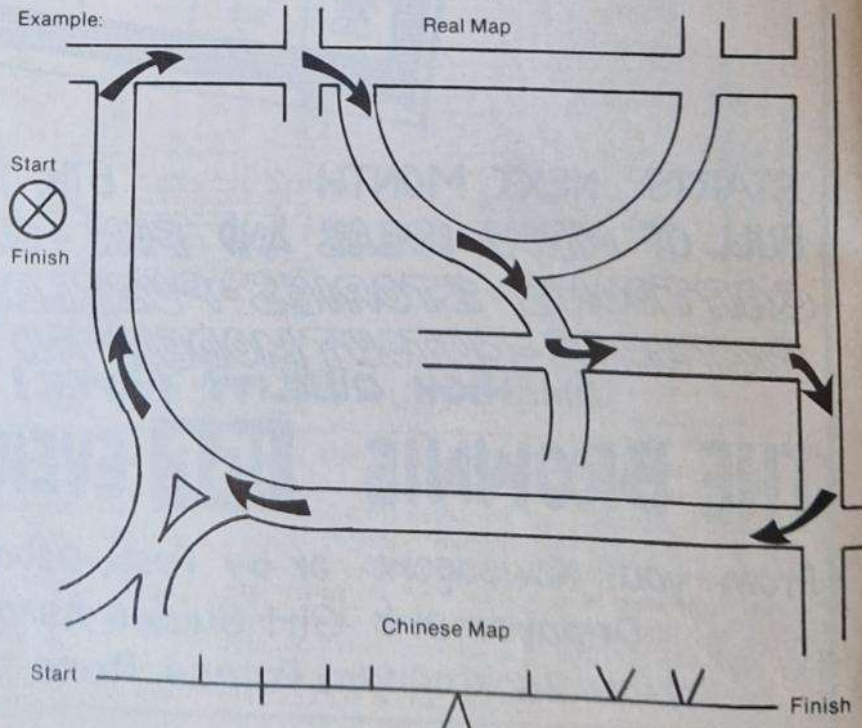
Here is a simple 'clue' game which can be varied to make it more difficult. It is like a car rally but played on foot in town.

Each Patrol is given a map of the route to be followed and a list of questions. All the answers to the questions are to be found on the route in the order listed. A time limit is set and, provided the lists of questions are put into the correct orders, patrols can start at different points on the route. OR if this is not possible, Patrols can be sent out at, say, 2-minute intervals.

Variations

- 1 If it is a suitable area, older girls can play this game in the dark.




Example:



- 2 The map can be left blank without names of streets, just the starting point defined and the route to be followed indicated.
- 3 The route can be a list of directions — 'turn left, turn right, straight over the crossroads' instead of a map.
- 4 The route can be given as a list of grid references to be visited in order by the shortest route, instead of a map.
- 5 The route can be drawn as a straight line diagram. I call this 'Chinese Maps' and learned it on car rallies, but it is equally engaging on foot. Walk the route to check it as it is easy to make mistakes when preparing the diagram. The direction of travel is a straight line from left to right across the page and all junctions are shown as turnings to left or right. Thus a crossroads which appears on a normal map:



will be shown on a Chinese Map

- as  if you are to go straight on
as  if you are to turn right and
as  if you are to turn left

It helps if you imagine there is a traffic roundabout at the junction and say to yourself "third exit" or "first exit".

Double Acrostic No 47

by Brenda Hughes

- A. *Bleats produces the shelter for an important baby.* (6)
- B. *In the bath let Edward find himself a vigorous man.* (7)
- C. *Looking like this could lead to isolation.* (6)
- D. *It made a quill redundant.* (3)
- E. *A thin lad came out of Siam.* (8)
- F. *The dolt is not big-headed.* (3, 4)
- G. *Old remorse.* (5)
- H. *On a bed and left to die.* (9)
- I. *He deserves three white feathers.* (7)
- J. *Dorcas parades hiding a wise man.* (6)
- K. *Outside the range of hearing.* (9)
- L. *Rocky laminae.* (5)
- M. *A Roman lent a decorative object.* (10)
- N. *The subject of this book might have eaten here.* (6)
- O. *'I have loved long since and lost - - - - -' Newman.* (6)
- P. *He saw the glory and heard the song.* (8)
- Q. *Even nothing to add to untidy moths.* (6)
- R. *Emit backwards after beginning in the period allowed.* (2, 3, 4)
- S. *The marks of crucifixion.* (8)
- T. *Bury in the earth.* (6)
- U. *Are all goats?* (5)
- V. *Ragged coat.* (3, 2, 5)
- W. *Let go.* (7)
- X. *The duck walked about slowly.* (7)
- Y. *Measure the circumference — round a horse?* (5)
- Z. *'I pledge again this - - - - - my threefold vow'.* (8)

Double Acrostic Rules

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

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

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

	14	28	31	57	50	73	
A	5	44	23	60	12	116	85
B	35	110	19	92	13	33	
C	27	46	66				
D	177	38	43	53	67	95	10
E	128	109	138	55	87	62	77
F	82	99	37	152	72		
G	21	122	141	6	97	17	44
H	70	59	147	84	8	126	93
I	45	39	78	100	175	88	
J	134	115	178	101	11	2	146
K	169	117	156	123	162		
L	75	113	7	65	171	80	52
M	41	140	143	135	147	104	
N	168	136	153	69	131	159	
O	148	52	29	172	20	124	42
P	63	155	74	16	120	141	
Q	114	144	102	140	68	48	129
R	119	71	137	1	108	106	15
S	90	157	139	58	54	174	
T	111	149	145	34	142		
U	49	9	22	103	61	151	176
V	164	79	173	118	26	47	98
W	127	121	25	18	164	105	36
X	158	165	179	83	81		
Y	154	4	94	96	40	170	150
Z							

The winner of Double Acrostic No. 45 (October GUIDER) is Mrs P A Swain from Chester.

Solution to Double Acrostic No. 46 — November 1981

Terentius who was a cavalryman and thus considered an outsider, said, 'We should have more pay for being here. After I finish paying for hay, my own ration, my boots, leggings and the camp Saturnalia fund, I am docked a hundred and twenty denarii.

The Antagonists — Ernest K Gann

S	1	K	2	V	3	Z	4	B	5	H	6	M	7	I	8	V	9	E	10	K	11	B	12	C	13	A	14	S	15	Q	16	H	17	X	18	C	19	P	20
H	21	V	22	B	23	Z	24	K	25	W	26	D	27	A	28	P	29	H	30	A	31	M	32	C	33	U	34	C	35	X	36	G	37	E	38	J	39	Z	40
N	41	P	42	E	43	H	44	J	45	D	46	W	47	R	48	V	49	A	50	E	51	P	52	E	53	T	54	F	55	R	56	A	57	T	58	I	59	B	60
V	61	F	62	Q	63	B	64	M	65	D	66	E	67	R	68	O	69	I	70	S	71	G	72	A	73	V	74	M	75	Q	76	F	77	J	78	W	79	M	80
S	81	G	82	Y	83	I	84	B	85	Y	86	F	87	J	88	R	89	T	90	M	91	C	92	I	93	Z	94	Q	95	Z	96	H	97	W	98	G	99	J	100
K	101	R	102	V	103	N	104	X	105	S	106	K	107	S	108	F	109	C	110	U	111	H	112	M	113	R	114	K	115	B	116	L	117	W	118	S	119	Q	120
X	121	H	122	L	123	P	124	M	125	I	126	X	127	F	128	R	129	M	130	O	131	K	132	P	133	K	134	N	135	O	136	S	137	F	138	T	139	K	140
H	141	U	142	N	143	R	144	U	145	K	146	N	147	P	148	U	149	Z	150	V	151	G	152	O	153	Z	154	Q	155	L	156	T	157	Y	158	O	159	N	160
Q	161	L	162	V	163	W	164	Y	165	X	166	I	167	O	168	L	169	Z	170	M	171	P	172	W	173	T	174	J	175	V	176	E	177	K	178	Y	179		

THINKING DAY

An Away Weekend

A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY TO ALL AGES
TO CELEBRATE THINKING DAY

Following the huge success of the 1981 Thinking Day Away Weekend, Grand Metropolitan Hotels, The London Tourist Board and British Rail have, with the co-operation of The Girl Guides Association, planned a weekend to coincide with the 1982 Thinking Day Service at Westminster Abbey. The Weekend is again open to all members of the movement, their families and their friends and we hope to see as many as possible in London over the weekend of 19th-21st February, 1982. We would like to thank all those of you who wrote to us after the 1981 weekend with so many suggestions and kind comments which have helped us arrange this third Annual Weekend.

This weekend will consist of:

Two nights accommodation (Friday & Saturday 19th-20th February) at a West End Hotel with private bathroom and full English breakfast.

Return rail fare from any station in the country.

Saturday morning service at Westminster Abbey and St Margarets, Westminster — attendance is by ticket only, available on application from the General Secretary at Girl Guides HQ from December.

Saturday afternoon. After lunch a de luxe, executive motorcoach and guide will pick you up from your hotel for afternoon sightseeing and orientation tour of London. Your tour will include all the major sites of this great city and get you orientated so you can explore more on your own before your return journey home on Sunday. After your coach trip you will be taken back to your hotel.

Saturday evening an International Gala Dinner will be held with Folk Music Entertainment and an address by Mrs Vaughan-Cox, Commissioner for Branch Associations.

The Gala Dinner will take place at the London International Hotel, Cromwell Road, SW5. Before Dinner we have organised a wine reception, so that you may get together and meet old friends.

The costs below are fully inclusive of the above and all taxes and service charge.

Do not be disappointed, organise a group of your Guiding friends now and send the cut out coupon, for more details and a booking form or telephone Ailish Crossan on 01-629 6618 ext 259.

COUNTY	UNDER 21	OVER 21	COUNTY	UNDER 21	OVER 21
AVON	£39.55	£49.10	SOMERSET	£40.51	£51.22
BEDFORDSHIRE	£36.77	£43.53	STAFFORDSHIRE	£40.70	£51.39
BERKSHIRE	£37.04	£44.08	SUFFOLK	£38.15	£46.29
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	£36.72	£43.43	SURREY	£36.45	£42.89
CAMBRIDGESHIRE	£38.11	£46.21	SUSSEX (E & W)	£37.43	£44.85
CHESHIRE	£41.97	£53.94	TYNE & WEAR	£45.88	£61.75
CLEVELAND	£45.59	£51.17	WARWICKSHIRE	£38.91	£47.82
CORNWALL	£45.63	£51.75	WEST MIDLANDS	£39.93	£49.86
CUMBRIA	£45.80	£51.59	WILTSHIRE	£38.81	£47.61
DERBYSHIRE	£40.06	£50.12	YORKSHIRE (N)	£43.55	£57.09
DEVON	£42.82	£55.64	YORKSHIRE (S)	£41.59	£53.18
DORSET	£40.10	£50.20	YORKSHIRE (W)	£42.19	£54.37
DURHAM	£45.59	£51.17			
ESSEX	£36.75	£43.49	WALES		
GLOUCESTERSHIRE	£39.38	£48.76	CLWYD	£43.38	£56.75
HAMPSHIRE	£38.32	£46.53	DYFED	£43.97	£57.94
HEREFORD & WORCESTER	£39.38	£48.76	GLAMORGAN (MID)	£42.02	£54.03
HERTFORDSHIRE	£36.25	£42.50	GLAMORGAN (S)	£41.29	£52.58
HUMBERSIDE	£42.36	£54.71	GLAMORGAN (W)	£42.78	£55.56
ISLE OF WIGHT	£40.15	£50.29	GWENT	£40.66	£51.31
KENT	£37.43	£44.85	GWYNEDD	£44.23	£58.45
LANCASHIRE	£43.72	£57.43	POWYS	£42.40	£54.79
LEICESTERSHIRE	£39.06	£48.12			
LINCOLNSHIRE	£40.27	£50.54	SCOTLAND		
MANCHESTER (GT)	£43.16	£56.32	CENTRAL	£47.97	£65.93
MERSEYSIDE	£43.16	£56.32	DUMFRIES & GALL	£47.20	£64.40
NORFOLK	£39.55	£49.10	FIFE	£49.16	£68.31
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	£37.54	£45.27	GRAMPIAN	£51.03	£72.05
NORTHUMBERLAND	£47.24	£64.48	HIGHLAND	£51.58	£73.15
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	£40.06	£50.12	LOTHIAN	£48.60	£67.20
OXFORDSHIRE	£37.75	£45.49	STRATHCLYDE	£48.05	£66.10
SHROPSHIRE	£41.21	£52.41	TAYSIDE	£49.41	£68.82

Please send to:
Ailish Crossan,
Thinking Day Weekend,
7 Stratford Place,
London W1A 4YU.
Telephone 01-629 6618 ext 259

Name _____

Address _____

Phone No. _____

Approx Nos _____

Nearest railway station _____

Have you booked your ticket for the morning service? YES/NO

Katherine Dongworth Retires

LAST month we said goodbye to Katherine Dongworth, who has retired after 14 years' service to the Association.

Many people will have known her as a member of the full-time training team, but while training both at home and abroad, Katherine also held two appointments, first as Training Adviser for England, and later as Arts Adviser to The Chief Commissioner. During this time her artistic and musical talents were evident in the planning of events both large and small from the Easter and Christmas services she arranged for the staff at CHQ which were greatly appreciated — to larger events such as arts courses for the 14 plus age group.

Since 1976 Katherine held the post of Programme and Training Secretary. Her love of the arts still showed itself in the beautifully lettered charts and notices on the walls of her office, while her fund of knowledge on songs and music in the Association was certainly put to



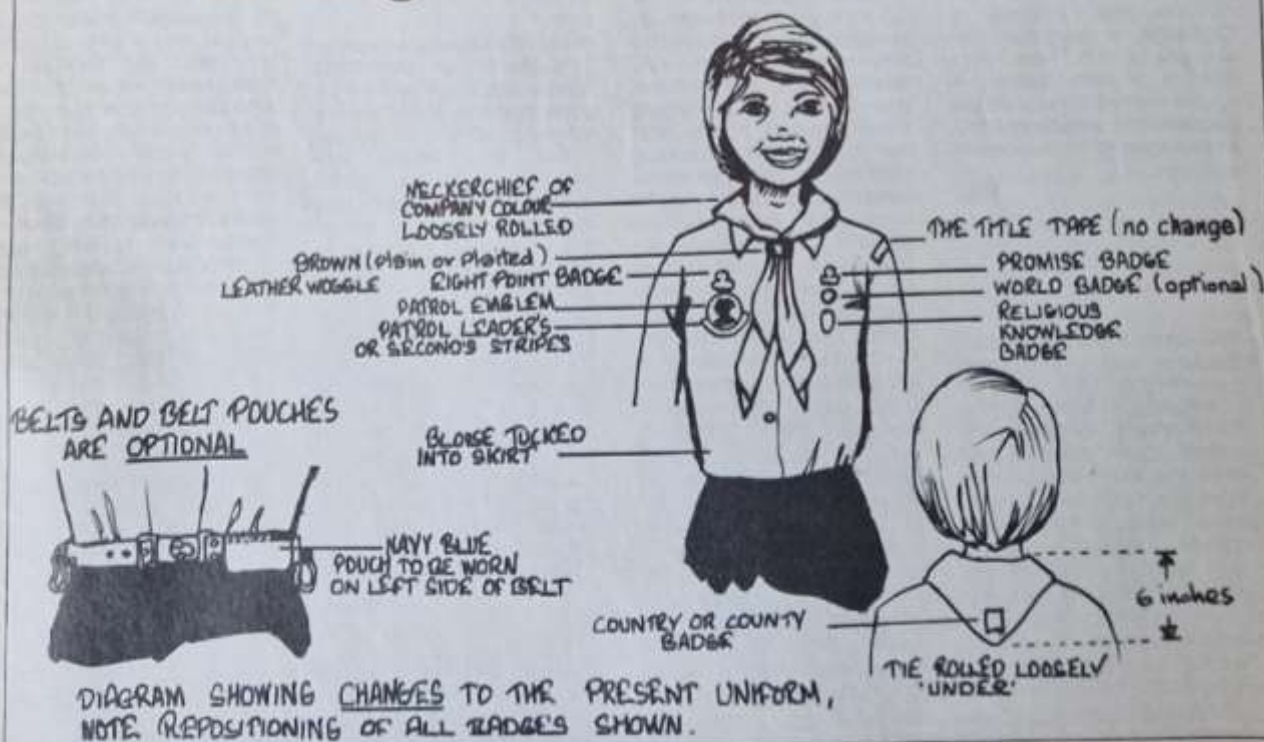
Miss Shelagh Armstrong, the Training Secretary, and Miss Betty Baker, the Programme Secretary, pay tribute to Miss Katherine Dongworth on her retirement.

good use by all of us who knew of it.

We will all remember her kind-

ness and caring concern for people and we wish her luck and happiness in her retirement.

Changes in Guide Uniform



Tony Hume



Christmas

Paper Into Sculpture. Bruce Angrave. Frederick Warne, £6.95.

Paper sculpture is an extremely attractive art form ideal for decorations. Most enthralling is the clever way in which flat sheets of paper become three dimensional shapes — and it's easy when you know how. Bruce Angrave's book is full of inspiring photographs of his own paper sculptures that will make your fingers itch to have a go. The text begins with a brief history of the art and continues with accounts of the work he has done and the various methods he has used. Best of all there are detailed instructions and patterns for making a Cockatoo, a gorgeous Cat and one of the Three Kings from a Nativity Scene. If you've worked through these successfully, you should feel encouraged to try designs of your own.

NAS

The Beatrix Potter Country Cookery Book. by Margaret Lane. Warne, £4.95.

I wonder whether Beatrix Potter would have been dismayed or delighted if she knew the many and diverse 'spin-offs' there have been in recent years from her world-famous children's books. This latest can hardly fail, since it mentions 'country cookery' in the title so what could be trendier? The format is what we expect from the Peter Rabbit books: superbly produced and lavishly illus-

trated with the original line drawings and water colours. The recipes themselves are described as simple farm-house and country recipes of the sort Beatrix Potter herself might have prepared, some of the dishes having been mentioned in her writings. Simple and tasty recipes, and a beautiful book, but not one that I would wish to use in the kitchen with floury fingers.

JVR

Emma's Story. Sheila Hocken. Victor Gollancz, £5.50.

Sheila Hocken and Emma, her 'chocolate coloured' Labrador, are both well-known to readers through the books 'Emma and I' and 'Emma VIP'. Sheila Hocken was born partially sighted, and by her late teens she was totally blind (her eyesight has since been restored by an operation). Despite this disability, she resolved to lead an independent life, and part of her freedom came in the form of Emma, her beloved Guide dog, who is now elderly and herself has fading eyesight. In this book, we learn from Emma how she came to be a Guide dog, from her puppy days until she is fully qualified to 'look after' a blind person. The story is delightfully told, and is full of humour and friendship. Emma's training begins with her year of 'puppy walk' when she is trained to obey basic orders. She then moves on to a Guide Dogs for the Blind Association Training Centre for a further six months of intensive training, where she

learns to use a harness. Finally, Emma meets Sheila, who also needs training before both she and Emma are ready to go home. This happy and informative book appeals to all ages, and is beautifully illustrated with drawings of Emma by Janet Kerr.

SB

A Treasury of Bedtime Stories. edited by Linda Yeatman. Ward Lock, £4.95.

This new collection of fairy stories for young children contains a varied selection of thirty English and European tales. In addition to the well-loved classics of the Brothers Grimm and Hans Andersen, there are stories by popular present-day writers, together with traditional but less well-known tales such as Oscar Wilde's 'The Selfish Giant', and two Greek legends. The delightful illustrations throughout the book, many in full colour, make this a most attractive volume for reader and audience.

As a useful guide to the bedtime reader, the average time which each story should take to read aloud is given on the contents page.

JVR

Pencil Drawing. Drawing with Ink. John Brobbel; **Let's Make Pottery.** Denys Val Barker. **Observer's Guides.** published by Frederick Warne at £1.95 each.

These three books are part of a series of Art and Craft Guides and if the rest are as good as these, then they are all very good value for money.

Each book begins right at the beginning, listing materials needed and how they should be used. Differences of result according to the tools used are explained and illustrated, suitable subjects are discussed and techniques explained very clearly. John Brobbel aims to dispel the idea that the ability to draw is a gift, emphasising that it requires thought and practice as well as facility. Certainly anyone with a feeling for line and composition would improve their skill enormously by studying and working from these books.

BH/AF

Further **Observer's Guides** are available. **The Materials and Techniques of Water-**

colour, Acrylic Painting, Oil Painting, Collage all by John Fitzmaurice Mills, price £2.50 each, and **First Steps in Upholstery** by Hilary Clare price £1.95.

The Crazy World Of Skiing. Exley Publications, £3.95.

If you have a ski crazy friend and are looking for a suitable Christmas present to give him or her, you might consider this bookful of cartoons all about skiing (downhill and cross-country). Your friend will certainly be able to recall some similar experiences, before, during and after a session on the slopes. I found some of the cartoons amusing, but really one has to be a ski enthusiast to fully appreciate them. Rather expensive in the hard back edition. I hope perhaps it might be available in a soft cover?

MD

Christmas Exchange edited by C J Redknap, £1.95, post free, from Serawood House, (Publishers) Ltd, 21 High Town Road, Maidenhead, Berks.

Over 95 pages of Christmas ideas, things to do, suggestions for Christmas productions, calendars to make, paper sculpture and clay work are included in **Christmas Exchange**. The booklet is produced by the Teachers' Centre in Maidenhead whose original idea it was to share their ideas, and the ideas of their primary school children, with colleagues in their area.

All the ideas and hand-crafts would be much enjoyed by Brownies and many a happy hour could be spent making tree decorations from pastry, clay Nativity figures, mobiles and stitched Christmas cards.

AMM

What It's Like To Be Me. Edited by Helen Exley. Exley Publications, £6.95.

What It's Like To Be Me is a special publication for the International Year of Disabled People which is now coming to a close. It is a book entirely written and illustrated by disabled children from over twenty countries, and they explain to other children, teachers and parents what it is like to be disabled. The

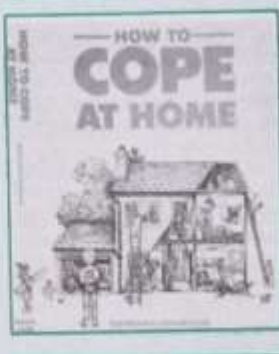
book contains a wealth of human experience of a special nature, because all these children have to deal on an everyday basis with what is often their major problem — the attitudes of so-called 'normal' people when faced with someone else's disability. Through their words and illustrations, the children express a wide range of emotions. They express their anger at being stared at and scorned, and at being treated in some cases as 'zombies'. Some reject their handicap, while others don't even mention it when talking about themselves. They tell us how it feels to be left out while watching others play, but they also show their will to fight and their ability to help and understand others. Above all, they want to be treated as 'normal' children — to have the chance to gain and lose friends as others do without the intrusion of pity. The book also explains how to help some disabled people, above all with respect. This is an extremely positive book, and no one reading it could fail to be moved. The more people who read it, the more hope for all the ideals of IYDP continuing into 1982. Very highly recommended, despite the rather expensive price. This book makes a valuable contribution towards understanding the needs of disabled people.

SB

How to Cope at Home, Barbara Chandler, Ward Lock, £6.95.

As the author so rightly says in her introduction, many women now lead double lives, combining a job with all the housewifely duties that in former days were considered a full-time occupation in themselves. In order to cope, it's essential to be well organised, and to understand something about your home, how the facilities work, and how to get the best from your tools and materials. This book provides many of the answers. There are articles on planning the daily grind, how to clean everything, washing and dry cleaning, home safety and first aid, emergency and running repairs. There's also a valuable chapter on unwelcome visitors — damp, pests and burglars.

The text is concise and there are 60 clear diagrams and charts. This is a really excellent book, and surprisingly enough, although it deals



with such unfestive subjects as drains and carpet beetles, I'm sure it would make a most welcome gift for any home-maker.

JVR

Taking up Photography, Maurice Woolen, Frederick Warne Ltd, £6.95.

This is a concise, useful introduction to photography for those who require more than 'snap shots' from their cameras.

Mr Woolen starts with a brief history of the photographic process and moves quickly on to the mechanics of the modern camera. In an easy step by step analytical style, he deals with choosing equipment and using it to its best effect composing a picture and creative photography inside and outside the darkroom! The book is full of useful tips and is well illustrated by the author's own work and simple line drawings.

TR

Favourite Hans Christian Andersen Fairy Tales, illustrated by Michael Hague.

Methuen, £6.95.

As everyone knows, many children's books are sold because they appeal to adults, and here is one that seems certain to be among many a little girl's Christmas parcels. Michael Hague's brilliant full-page paintings bring the well-known stories vividly to life. Beautifully set out in large print, there are nine of Andersen's best-loved stories starting with *The Snow Queen* and ending with *The Little Mermaid*. Ideal for the young reader, and equally perfect to be read aloud at bedtime.

JVR

Caution — Copyright! Eric A Thorn, 3D Music, PO Box 3, Maidstone, Kent, 95p.

This handbook has been written 'as a guide for the Christian user of copyright material' but is also appropriate for others who may unknowingly break the complex rules of copyright. It deals briefly with the definition of copyright, royalty payments, hymns and songs, photocopying and video, and gives a most useful list of names and addresses of copyright organisations and suggestions for further reading.

A valuable booklet for anyone involved in any kind of public performance.

JVR

Ideas for Nutritious and Cheaper Packed Lunches by Judy Baylis and Carole Moore, Skilton and Shaw, 45p.

Many children are now taking packed lunches to school with them and it is often difficult to think of enough ideas which combine nutritious, interesting and economical foods for 5 days a week. It is tempting for a busy parent to pack a hastily made sandwich and packet of crisps instead. This excellent booklet is therefore a boon for anyone who eats a packed lunch. Written by two State Registered Dietitians, it is full of suggestions for making a healthy and interesting lunch that isn't time consuming or monotonous. There is a chart of some food values as well as some very useful menu suggestions. Cheese sandwiches take on new meaning, and pasties are a different and tasty alternative to two pieces of bread. A handy and practical booklet, and excellent value.

SB

101 Things to make is full of simple handicraft items; ideal for a rainy day, a winter pack meeting or a handicraft competition; again some well tried favourites are here, such as finger puppets, shell boxes and paper chains; along with some more original items such as snake bracelets, jam jar snowstorms, and robot costumes. Each item in the book is made using leftovers and odds and

ends, illustrated throughout by David Mostyn in colourful comic book style.

Both books are guaranteed to appeal

NG

Environmental Education: A Review. Department of Education and Science. Price £1.95.

A review for the serious student, giving a world wide picture of environmental education over 20 years, both in and outside the educational system.

It helpfully opens with abbreviations used — BEE, CoEnCo, SEEC, UNEP — essential to a newcomer as they are widely quoted.

This slim volume has four main sections — The concept of environmental education; Current practice; The international context and Future developments in the UK. Some giving national and international Conference findings and the relevant papers published.

The ten Appendices cover such items as the history of environmental education in the UK, extracts from public examination syllabuses, examples of projects for the Prince of Wales Award and a historical note on the Nature Conservancy Council. The reading list suggests the Sources of Information Booklet (DES) together with books of educational value and general interest.

MM

The Mishaps of Millicent Mary, by Doug Miliband.

Pepper Press, £3.75.

With such a bewildering array of children's books available, especially at this time of year, it's always difficult to choose an appropriate gift. This delightful book tells in verse the adventures of Millicent Mary, whose well intentioned exploits always go wrong. Witty written and beautifully illustrated (by Louise Voce), Millicent Mary would be sure to entertain any child, and incidentally give a smile to any adult through whose hands it may pass on the way. Excellent for reading aloud, too. Doug Miliband will be contributing articles to *TODAY'S GUIDE* and *THE BROWNIE* during 1982.

JVR

Airing, Caring, Sharing.

Title Tape

At a recent 'Activities Day' for Cubs and Brownies, I noticed that the Cub and Scout Leaders wear their Pack name tapes on their uniforms. Is there any reason why Guiders do not do this? I feel that it would be very beneficial.

Maureen Dale (Mrs),
Brownie Guider,
20th City of Coventry (Christ
the King) Brownie Guide
Pack, Coventry.

Up to 1969 the title tape was optional wear by Guiders on a shirt or dress. Comparatively few availed themselves of this option and it has been omitted from POR since that time.

Programme Secretary.

That Wedding!

Many, many thanks for the article **That Wedding** (October GUIDER). The 1st Brighton Hill Guide Company have their own special memories of 1981, Royal Wedding Year. February 24th, 1981 found us strolling down the Mall on our way to CHQ. Suddenly at 10.55 am, we found ourselves among the World's Press, outside Buckingham Palace. Could it be the one event expected for many months, the announcement of the engagement of HRH The Prince of Wales and the Lady Diana Spencer? We can truly say 'we were there'. On the eve of the Royal Wedding Year, February 24th, enjoyed Royal Fireworks. We were helping to decorate 'Our Chalet' Adelboden, Switzerland, in red, white and blue. The several British groups produced 'Charles and Diana'

decorations. On the actual day of the Royal Wedding, the National Anthem was sung as Grace at breakfast. During a day visit to Thun, four of us found a television shop, and were the first to form an international audience watching three televisions, noses pressed to the window, we could only watch until Lady Diana arrived at the top of the steps at St Paul's Cathedral, leaving us three minutes to get to the Lake Steamer for the rest of the day. We were 'nearly there'. In the evening we toasted the Royal Couple with apple juice. Thank you 'Our Chalet' for allowing us to celebrate. How did other Units celebrate the day?

Patricia Lyscombe,
Guide Guider,
1st Brighton Hill Coy,
Hampshire North



Blue Peter

As a regular viewer of **Blue Peter**, I was thrilled to learn that Peter, one of the presenters, had visited a Guide Camp and that this was to be one of the main features shown in the programme on September 18th. With a viewing audience of tens or even hundreds of thousands, what a wonderful opportunity this

was for publicising our admirable Movement. I felt it was tremendously important that the correct impression was being transmitted to the public and hence I watched with interest and, inevitably, with a critical eye.

The location was superb and the weather excellent. The Guiders were enjoying themselves and were obviously a well disciplined and happy group, but their standards of camp uniform when going to the beach was very disappointing. I also felt it was unfortunate that the main activity shown was one of knot tying. While I am a great advocate of this, it is a pity that it would only emphasise the mistaken idea that the public has that Guiders spend half of their time fiddling with rope! If it were desirable to show the Guiders' proficiency at rope work, then perhaps a glimpse of gadget making would have been more appropriate. A completed gadget was never seen! How I longed, too, to see the interior of a well pitched tent furnished neatly with gadgets, or perhaps an appetising meal cooking on an open fire, or a blazing camp fire as the focus for a jolly sing-song. I appreciate the fact that it must be an ordeal for the eyes of the



gramme, and I think emphasises the importance of making good use of help that is available when one is involved in a subject such as this. I realise that very few people have the time to read regularly through every page of the POR, but I would point out that in section 10 under the heading 'The Communications Media', one of the points laid down is 'advice and guidance on coverage by national media must be sought from the Publicity Department, at CHQ'. This is not a case of big brother watching you, it is simply that most people do not have the skill or the experience needed to present a favourable image of any organisation without a little advice, particularly an organisation as complex in programme and activities as ours. I hope that this can be taken as a lesson for the future. Often what seems to be fine on the day can be edited and directed out of all recognition by the time it reaches the screen, and a few pointers from others who have done it before can make all the difference. Please contact this department before appearing on the TV or radio so that any opportunities we do get may be used to the full.

Public Relations
Secretary.
CHQ

Lead for Leaders

I write to ask whether it is possible for you to let me know the names of any Guide Leader who (a) acted as escort to evacuees going under the British Government's Scheme to Canada, Australia, South Africa or New Zealand between July and October, 1940; and (b) any Leader who acted as escort when evacuees returned to the UK in 1945 to 1946.

If in addition to any names you might be able to produce for me, you were able to indi-

J Burns (Mrs),
South Shields,
Tyne & Wear.

This letter is one of several that we have received on the subject of the Blue Peter pro-

cate the last known address for any known to be still alive, I should be doubly grateful.

M J Fethney, MA,
Headmaster,
Abbey Grange C of E
High School, Leeds.
Please address all replies to
the Archivist at our usual
address. Editor.

Any Offers?

Some weeks ago, a visitor to our Church here in Ranworth handed in to the Vicarage a small brown leather purse which contained some £ notes, a few coins and two stamps. The visitors said that they had picked it up in the churchyard in a place where a short time before a group of Girl Guides had been picnicking.

We have made enquiries locally without success and I wonder whether it would be possible for you to include some note about this in your next publication, asking the owner to write to me c/o GUIDER.

It is possible, of course, that the purse may not have been lost by a member of the Girl Guides Association.

I hope that you will be able to help in this matter.

The Reverend Basil O Ferrall,
Ranworth Vicarage,
Norwich.

Worldwide warmth

We were Aides at the World Conference in the United Kingdom in 1975, and we caught the bug of World Guiding. The unique feeling of warmth and friendship creates an atmosphere which once experienced is never forgotten. Yet it is present when members of the world family of Guiding meet together — and it was there at Orleans.

It is here too, in London, at Olive House where we Aides meet annually to renew those deepening friendships.

Elizabeth Aveston,
Assistant Ranger
Guider (Shropshire),
Jacqueline Dixon,
Brownie Guider
(Derbyshire).



Brownies Howl

On a visit to a Brownie Pack recently, I picked up a Brownie Record Book 1, and on Page 2 read the following: Our Guider's name is Mrs Holmes. In Brownies we call her 'Brownies Howl'. I wondered if it might not make an amusing Pack meeting to read all the Pocket Books just to see what they do call 'Brown Owl'. I know the Brown Owl concerned was most amused, I suppose you could say she did 'howl'.

Pat Yarnall (Mrs),
District Commissioner,
Gedling, Nottinghamshire.

was delighted to see Brownies of all nationalities so very proudly wearing their uniforms and displaying a varied selection of very colourful Badges and Patches. I was fascinated to see the Leaders with their Patch coats — green jackets upon which were sewn every Patch they had earned. I think our Interest Badges well suit our Brownie uniform, and personally I would not like all different colours and shapes, but could we at least have a nice large, colourful Patch for Pack Holiday, Brownie Revels, and perhaps one for a Pack Venture? I spent a morning at the State Girl Scout Council Office, and was shown a whole display of Patches, etc, a few of which I was able to bring home as a memento, and they really are beautiful.

D Curnow (Mrs)
Assistant Brownie
Guider,
3rd Penryn,
St Gluvias Pack,
Cornwall.

United Badges

I was interested to read the letter from Mrs Rook, from Lewes, in the October issue of GUIDER, concerning our Brownie Badges in comparison to the American Badges.

My daughter and myself have just returned from a four-week visit to America, and we were fortunate enough to attend not only Brownie meetings, but also the All State (Utah) Brownie Bee-Off. My daughter, aged 8,

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



IYDP and all that



WHAT kind of year have you had?

Has it been a year when, after a while, you turned off the TV or radio when there was yet another programme about the disabled? Too much of a bad thing, and what could you do about it anyhow? Has it been a year when you felt put upon? IYDP? Just one more thing getting in the way of 'real Guiding' — one more interruption to all the plans you had for your Unit.

Has it been a year when in many a Pow Wow, Patrol Meeting, Patrol Leader's Council or Ranger discussion the same subject has been discussed 'What can we do now? Yes, we have already done this or that for IYDP but what *more* can we do?'

Has it been a year when great and small sums of money have been raised by our girls all over the country? Yes, it most certainly has — but has it also been a year when every Unit made friends with a handicapped person? I shall remember for a very long time the Brownies who raised money and spent it thoughtfully on things that their many handicapped friends really needed — 'a hot water bottle for Mrs Holmes, a shoe horn for Miss Larke, a potato peeler for Mrs Fox' and many other things besides. Has it been a year when one of our recruits was unusual in having more difficulties to contend with than any of the others? Though we knew she was special have we been able to make her feel just as ordinary as the rest of us?

Has this been a year when we have appreciated abilities in all our girls rather than their disabilities, whether the disability has been a difficult temperament, a sarcastic

tongue or the inability to walk?

Has this been a year when we have remembered one of our handicapped Guides who would make a good Guider, and have we done something about it? Do we know a girl who never had the chance to be a Guide, but would love to join in now as a Unit Helper? What talents we might discover!

There have been so many slogans this year, but I think that ours, *Enabled Though Disabled*, takes a lot of beating. Guiding is Enabling. Our job is to enable all our Brownies, Guides and Rangers to understand and make the Promise, and to grow in understanding year by year. We know all their little 'disabilities' and put opportunities in their way to overcome them. If we happen to have somebody with a real handicap — physical, sensory or intellectual — in our Unit, so much the better for the rest of us because this is real life where 'One in Ten is Disabled'.

For anyone who has day to day, or even week to week, dealings with handicapped people, every year is a year of the disabled. For them IYDP stretches on and on, and so it must be for us.

By now who does not know of the Charter of the '80s presented to Heads of Government all over the World in November? Who has not heard or read what the Rt Hon Alfred Morris, MP Chairman of the World Planning Group set up by Rehabilitation International to draw up the Charter, had to say about it?

'The Charter for the 1980s' emphasises that disabled people should be cared for in the community rather than in institutions. It calls on all nations to ensure that, wherever possible,

the disabled are helped to live at home as fully integrated members of their local communities.

All of us want, however, to do more than simply stay at home. We want to go out to cultural, social and other events. Most of us also want to work if we can. So also do the disabled (for they have *abilities* as well as *disabilities*) and access to buildings is essential if they are to live a full life.

Yet 'access' is not only about getting into public buildings. It has the much wider meaning of going somewhere and being accepted. And that, in turn, means improving public attitudes to disabled people.

The able-bodied of today are often the disabled of tomorrow and we must challenge people everywhere to think more deeply about the problems and claims of disabled people.

Britain's 5.5 million disabled people (and the world's 500 million) have the same rights as all humanity to grow and to learn, to work and to create, to love and to be loved. Without these rights, they are gratuitously further handicapped by the loss of opportunities and responsibilities which should be theirs.'

In Guiding we began the year with a Challenge about Access and we are ending it in considering how we can surmount difficulties of communication. If throughout the Movement we are encouraging our members to go on to pick up the challenge of the Charter of the '80s, then we can say of the International Year of Disabled People (in the words of the authors of *1066 and All That*) 'This was a good thing.'

In Memoriam

Finola, Lady Somers, CBE Vice-President, Girl Guides Association



influence in the community. Lady Somers inaugurated the Country Women's Association: she was also personally responsible for starting the Extension Branch of Guiding in Australia. Somers House, a rest house by the sea for tired country mothers, is another memorial to her. In fact, the whole district is now called Somers.'

Back in England, Lady Somers was once more absorbed into Guiding in her own country and county of Herefordshire where she again became County Commissioner and, later, County President, continuing in various capacities and, in due course, accepting responsibility as Chief Commissioner.

Through the dark days of the war she worked constantly, sparing herself in no way to promote Guiding, and especially to sustain and cheer those at Headquarters who were struggling with shortage of staff and continuous air raids. The death of Lord Somers, then Chief Scout, in 1944, might have greatly

Lady Somers, 1950, after her investiture for the CBE.

The service which Lady Somers, who died on 6th October, 1981, gave to Guiding covered a considerable portion of her life.

In 1921 she led the 1st Stockbridge Company as Captain, continuing as District Commissioner for Ledbury and then as County Commissioner for Herefordshire until 1926 when she accompanied her husband to Australia. There Lord Somers was Governor of Victoria and Lady Somers took over as State Commissioner for the Guides while he became Chief Scout. An Australian Guider wrote of them at that time:—

'He and his wife were young, keen and interested in everything and everybody. They loved the country, the colours, the scent of the bush and all the things we Australians loved, and we all loved them in return. He, apart from governing superbly, took a great interest in youth welfare, starting camps for boys with an Old Boys' Association called the Power

House which continues to have a great weakened her endeavour, but she carried on steadily. Guide International Service teams in Holland and Germany were encouraged by her visits and every aspect of the Movement was stimulated by her interest and concern until 1949 when she was obliged to resign as Chief Commissioner due to ill health. However, her interest continued as a member of the Finance Committee and as Vice-President of the Association and later as Vice-President of the Scout Association.

It is easier to record the active service which Lady Somers gave to Guiding and to the community than to convey the contribution which she made simply by being herself. Always approachable, thoughtful, kind in inconspicuous ways with a quiet sense of humour and a real concern for people, she had an unconscious charm and gentleness. However, she was no weak sentimentalist and could be as firm as

occasion demanded. Perhaps the best tribute we can pay to her is to say that she was the same natural sincere person at all times, in all places and with all people.

MM

Mrs Dorothy Nichols (3.2.96—1.10.81)

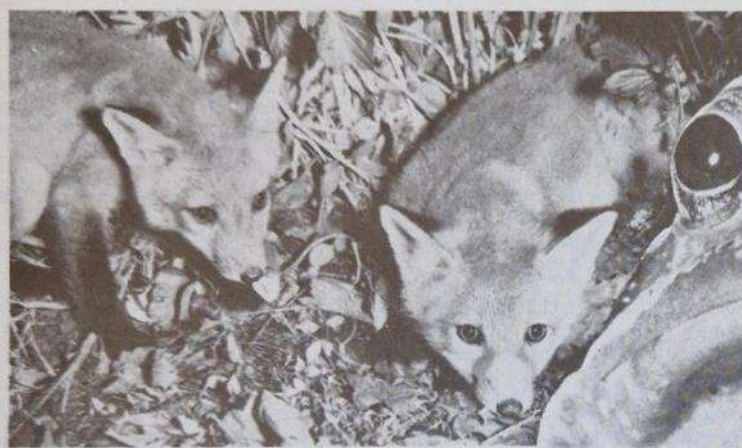
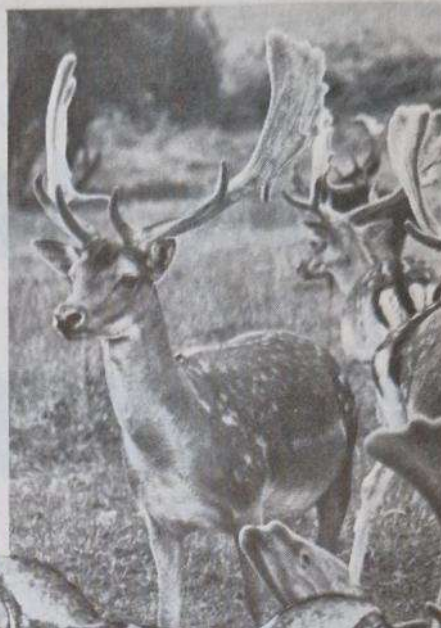
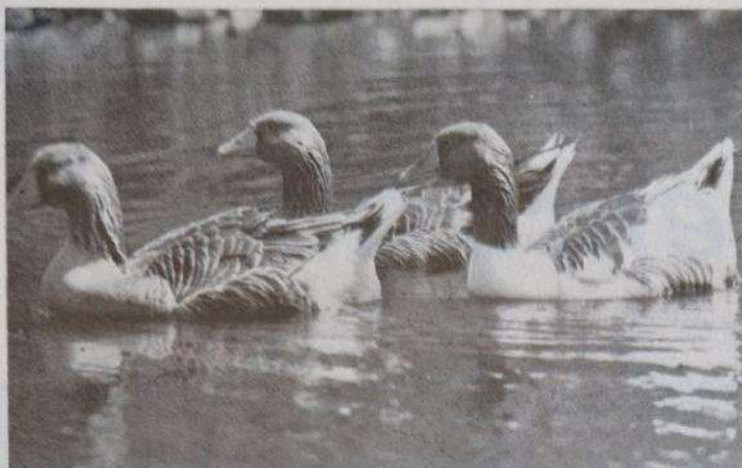
MANY people might say of Dos that she had a wide circle of friends, yet this would fall short of the true picture. Perhaps a horse-shoe of friends would be more appropriate, an open-ended circle in which there was always room for others, or a series of linked horse-shoes covering her many interests.

Dos served the Guide Movement in a number of capacities, notably as a Camp Adviser in Surrey, as a much-loved County Commissioner for London North-East, and as Deputy Chief Commissioner for England.

During the years following the war, Dos was Commissioner for Extensions at CHQ, and later Adviser both for the Blind and the Mentally Handicapped on the English Extension Committee. Her affection for a niece who was spastic led to close links with the Anglican Community in which she lived, and resulted in their Rangers joining camps with the Essex physically handicapped Rangers, where Dos was a regular helper.

When she became increasingly incapacitated by arthritis, she was reluctant to continue, feeling that she could not pull her weight, and might be a

continued on page 45



They all run on electricity.

The Electricity Supply Industry believes in making the most of natural resources. Which is why we've turned the land adjoining some of our establishments in Britain into protected environmental areas; including nature trails and reserves, field study centres and fish hatcheries.

Our aims are to preserve the environment in its unspoilt state and to allow bird, plant and animal life to thrive.

But we also open some of these unspoilt natural areas, by arrangement, for the enjoyment of the public and for school educational visits.

So if you would like more information about the wilder side of the Electricity Supply Industry, just send off the coupon.

Please send me information on the Electricity Supply Industry's nature trails and reserves, field study centres and fish hatcheries. Post to the Electricity Council, Section N.T., 30 Millbank, London SW1P 4RD.

Name _____

Address _____

64NT

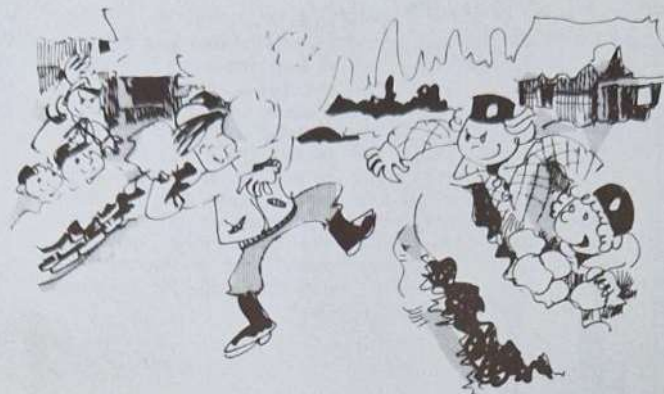
THINKELECTRIC

The Electricity Council, England and Wales.

A Christmas Quiz

Are You the Guider at the Top of the Christmas Tree?

Written by a group of
Guiders from Wales



león de amor

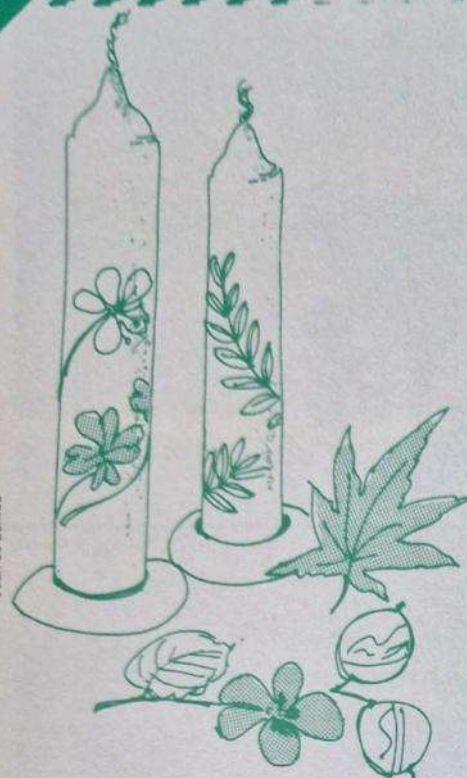
1. ARE YOUR EYES —
 - a) Guide Blue?
 - b) Brownie Brown?
 - c) Ranger Aquamarine?
 - d) None of these?
3. SHOULD YOUR CAROL SINGING PROCEEDS GO TO —
 - a) Unit Funds?
 - b) An appropriate Charity?
 - c) Guiders Tea Fund?
 - d) Put in Christmas pudding?
5. IF IT SNOWS AT CHRISTMAS DO YOU —
 - a) Arrange a snowball fight with Cubs or Scouts?
 - b) Think of good turns appropriate to the weather?
 - c) DO good turns appropriate to the weather?
 - d) Cancel everything and stay at home?
7. AT YOUR UNIT'S CHRISTMAS PARTY DO THE PARTY GOERS HAVE TO WEAR —
 - a) Full Uniform?
 - b) Fancy dress?
 - c) Whatever the Unit has decided beforehand?
 - d) Informal gear?
9. WILL YOUR UNIT BE SENDING CARDS —
 - a) To each other?
 - b) Not this year — too expensive?
 - c) To badge testers and people who have supported the Unit?
 - d) To DC and other Units in the District?
11. DID GUIDING IN 1981 GIVE YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO —
 - a) Try something new?
 - b) Gain a new friend?
 - c) Progress as a person?
 - d) None of these things?
2. IF IT IS RAINING WHEN YOU INTEND TO GO CAROL SINGING DO YOU —
 - a) Put on waterproof clothes?
 - b) Take a storm lantern?
 - c) Not go?
 - d) Ask your DC for advice?
4. IF YOU DROP THE COOKED TURKEY ON THE FLOOR, DO YOU —
 - a) Recite the 10th Guide Law?
 - b) Shout for help?
 - c) Pour some gravy on it?
 - d) Pick it up?
6. WILL YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION BE TO —
 - a) Go to at least two Trainings in 1982?
 - b) To lose weight?
 - c) To gain weight?
 - d) To get to know your girls better?
8. DID YOUR UNIT PLAN ITS CHRISTMAS GOOD TURN BECAUSE —
 - a) It was a chance to make some one else happy?
 - b) They have always done this at Christmas?
 - c) We have to keep up with the Unit down the road?
 - d) It was an opportunity to carry out the Promise?
10. DID GUIDING IN 1981 LEAVE YOU —
 - a) Exhausted?
 - b) Pleased because you can see progress?
 - c) In a muddle with equipment and accounts?
 - d) Pleased because things have worked out far better than you ever expected?
12. ARE YOUR PLANS FOR 1982 —
 - a) To let the girls take a fuller share of the programme?
 - b) To go along as before?
 - c) To clamp down?
 - d) To encourage and lead?



Jean de Lemos

	A	B	C	D
1	10	10	10	5
2	10	5	0	5
3	0	0	0	0
4	5	5	0	10
5	10	5	5	10
6	0	0	10	0
7	10	5	0	10
8	10	5	0	10
9	5	5	0	10
10	0	0	10	10
11	10	10	0	0
12	10	10	10	0

Jean de Lemos



Coins

At the 7th World Conference in Poland, a Belgian Guider put forward the idea of 'A penny with your thoughts,' and that is how the idea of giving money on Thinking Day to help the development of Guiding wherever the need was greatest came into being. The original 'Thinking Day Penny' is symbolic today and all are encouraged to give what they can, to the Thinking Day Fund. Contributions are accepted all the year around, not just in February. Why not find out more about foreign coins? Collect coins people may have left over from foreign holidays. Oxfam shops will be glad to receive these.

Candles

A traditional part of our Thinking Day ceremonies for many years. The candle flame can be linked with the heraldic 'feu' at the base of the World Badge signifying the flame of the love of mankind. If you do not feel competent enough to make your own Thinking Day Candles, why not decorate plain white household candles with pressed leaves and flowers? These are placed in position and then pressed into place with the back of a heated spoon.

Craft

Try making mini peg dolls by sawing the ends off pegs. Sandpaper the base, and dress by using glue and winding wool on the top. Use wool for hair and scraps of felt for details. By fastening string around necks, turn the dolls into brooches or Christmas tree decorations. Why not make a set in international uniforms ready for Thinking Day?

Challenge

Christmas is celebrated throughout the world. The carols come originally from other countries. Find the stories of some of these carols, and sing the verse of a carol in its original tongue.



Colours

Thinking Day reminds us of our World Wide Links, but what of the rest of the year? Do you hoist the World Flag as part of your Guide or Ranger meeting? Many Units do and some accompany it by singing the World Song, the one song which is sung by Guides throughout the world.

Continuation

Just because we have come to the end of the calendar year, please don't forget projects you may have started this year, maybe for International Year of Disabled People, or the Olav Centre, or perhaps you took part in the 'Adopt and Cherish' Scheme.

t the world. So many of our traditional
countries. It's not too late to find out
is, and perhaps to learn at least one
e.

Community

Make people more aware of
the Brownies, Guides and
Rangers in your area. Show
that you are an integral part
of the community. Thinking
Day could give the oppor-
tunity to involve people in
your town, village or city in
your celebrations. Guiding is
too good to keep to your-
selves!

Cakes

Make Danish Heart Biscuits
using:

- 6 ozs plain flour
- 2 ozs castor sugar
- 4 ozs margarine

Sieve flour and sugar to-
gether. Run in margarine
and knead. Roll out $\frac{1}{4}$ inch
thick. Cut into heart shapes
(make a template from card
and use a sharp knife if you
don't have a cutter). Place on
a lightly greased Baking
sheet and bake for 25 mins,
gas mark 3 or 325-350°F
centre of the oven. When cool
decorate as you wish. Thread
ribbons through biscuits if to
be used as Christmas Tree
Decorations. Don't forget that
Thinking Day and St Valentine's
Day will be with us in
February.

ACTIVITIES



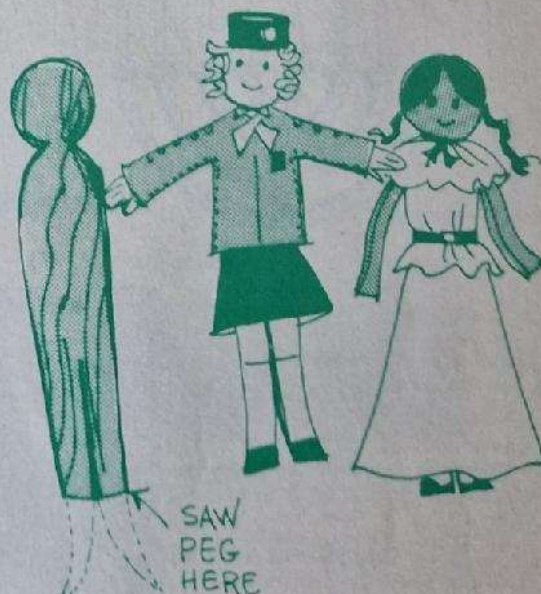
FUTURE PLANS

Jean de Lemos

Countries

How much do we know about our own countries? Do we
sometimes take our own traditions and heritage for granted?
Could we make a special effort in 1982 to improve our
knowledge and understanding of our own land, and its
traditions and customs. Start near at home and try to find the
reasons for things you've always taken for granted.

Jean de Lemos



Candle Power

At this time of the year which most of our Brownies, Guides, Rangers and indeed Guiders think of as an especially Christian time we should not forget those of our Movement who are not Christians.

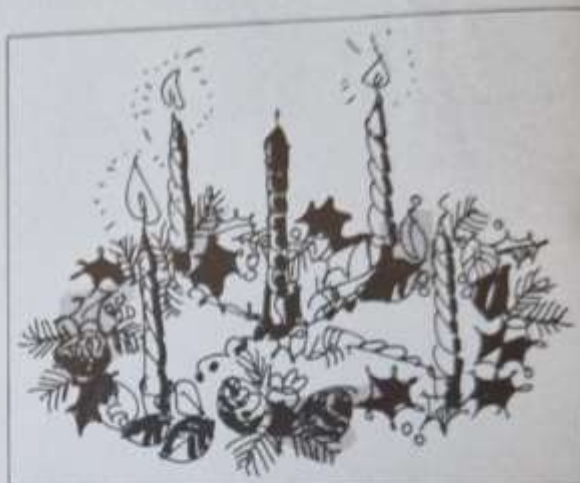
Often it is to the District Commissioner that a Guider will turn for help when a girl of another faith joins a Unit. It is important for us to remember that 'religion is a tradition of response by ordinary people' and that all religions have certain things in common.

Although our concepts of a Supreme Being may vary there are many similarities among most faiths. They all have the common aim of trying to make people morally and spiritually better and include a need for healing and deliverance. Believers are given a feeling of belonging and of renewal. Ways of praying together or singly may differ widely yet the sense of oneness and communication with a 'god' is common to them all.

It is the things we have in common with other religions that should be emphasised not the differences. How easy it is to say 'Oh she doesn't go to church, she goes to a synagogue.' How much better it is to say 'She calls her church a synagogue.'

The same could be said about 'holy books' and 'ministers' of religion. On 22 February 1957 members of the Movement were asked to put a light in their windows to commemorate the Centenary of the Founder's birth. Many of these lights were candles, the use of which links most religions.

Large numbers of Brownies and Guides will be making or at least lighting candles at this time of year — maybe on the Christmas tree, maybe for a candle lit Christmas Service, maybe for lanterns to go carol singing for a chosen charity or perhaps they have already lit the first candle of their Advent Wreath. One each of the four Sundays of Advent one candle is lit so that on the Sunday before Christmas all four candles are burning. Traditionally a prayer for Christ's blessing is said by one of



the family as each candle burns.

In common with these Christian candle traditions Guides of other religions use lights and candles in their celebrations and worship.

The eight branched candelabrum is a symbol of **Hanukkah**, the Jewish festival of light. This festival lasts eight days and there is one candle for each night. The Jews remember an old story about the Temple lamp. When Judas Maccabee conquered the City of Jerusalem, he went to relight the Temple lamp. Only one jar of pure oil, sealed with the High Priest's seal was found — enough for one day's light. But that one jar of pure oil lasted eight days. So those who follow the Jewish faith speak of the Miracles of Hanukkah — the saving of the Temple and the lighting of their precious lamp.

A festival celebrated in Hong Kong is that of the Hungry Ghosts. Each August the Chinese make certain that no spirit is hurt or forgotten. At street altars and in their own homes people make offerings of food and burn paper money as gifts to the departed. Then after the offerings and prayers, special paper ghost ships are sailed out into the bays and waters of Hong Kong. Each boat has a candle glimmering in the centre. The boats also contain a banner with a prayer written on it.

Divali or **Deepavali** is a festival of lights celebrated in Hindu communities. There are some variations in the story as to why the lights are lit. One is that the lighted lamps or candles are put on house verandahs and windowsills to attract the goddess of prosperity, **Lakshmi**, to the home. Divali is a day for happiness, for looking forward to peace and plenty.

At this time of peace and goodwill we should remember the members of our Movement who belong to other religions and have in common what is essentially the same Promise — to accept our duty to God (however we see Him) from the same first part of Promise, and to serve others and be loyal to our country.

Training Information ■

FOXLEASE
Lyndhurst, Hants SO4 7DG
Tel: (Lyndhurst) 042-128 2638

January

- 8-10 General Training
15-17 Making the Most of the District
(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)
22-24 1. General Training
2. Ranger Guiders
29-31 South West England (by allocation)

February

- 5-7 Wiltshire South
12-14 General Training
26-28 Making the Most of the District
(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)

WADDOW
Clitheroe, Lancs BB7 3LD
Tel: (Clitheroe) 0200 23186

January

- 8-10 Making the Most of the District
(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)
15-17 General Training
22-24 North West England (by allocation)
29-31 General Training

February

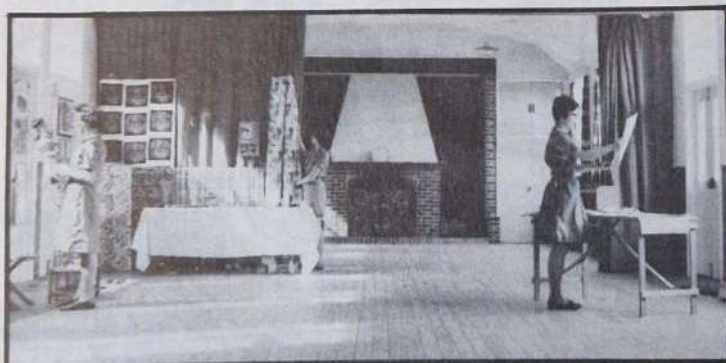
- 5-7 Preparing for a Celebration
(Guiders of All Sections)
12-14 Greater Manchester North
26-28 Making the Most of the District
(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)



Fees at Foxlease and Waddow from 1st January

Per person per day	£8.00
Single Room	£7.50
Double Room	£7.00
Shared Room	£7.00

Note: Weekends marked * are subject to VAT.



BRONEIRION
Llandinam, Mont, Powys SY17 5DE
Tel: Caersws 204

Fees at Broneirion

Shared room per day	£4.00
Double room per day	£4.25
Single room per day	£4.50
Deposit	£2.00

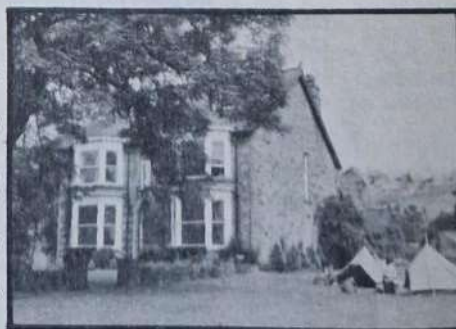
GLENBROOK
Bamford, Nr Sheffield, S30 2AL
Tel: 0433-51567

January

- 22-24 Pack Holiday Training
29-31 "Looking at a Training Qualification" (by invitation)

February

- 5-7 Welsh Event — by invitation
12-14 'Give, Share and Take' (by invitation)
15-19 Welsh Guides 'Open' Days (by allocation)
20-21 Welsh Rangers, Young Leaders, Guiders 'Open' Days (by allocation)
22-26 Welsh Guides 'Open' Days (by allocation)
27 Welsh Guiders 'Open' Day (by allocation)



January

- 15-17 Trainers and Instructors Weekend

February

- 19-21 International Weekend

Fees at Glenbrook

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.

From 1st January 1982

Per person (for a weekend course, as above) £12.50

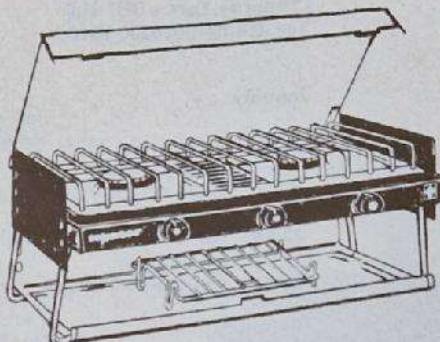
It's a gift

But don't let our low prices fool you, the quality is distinctly Blacks.



SCOTTY SWEATER
Specially made for Blacks.
100% Pure new oiled wool.
Attractive heavy outdoor
style. Choice of colours,
generous sizings with
turn-back cuff.

£10.90



SUPER GRILLOGAZ

Double burner and grill.
Fully portable
(19 1/4" x 12" x 4" packed)
with integral side windshield
and backsplash cover.

£29.90

ICELANDIC CREST

Improved 14 1/2 oz
duck down bag.
Three-seasons use.
Tapered design.
6' 6" length. Nylon
side zip with down padded
baffle. Pack size 15" x 8" weight 3 1/2 lbs.

£46.90 (incl. stuff sack).



DIDDY RUCSAC

Ideal day sac
for all ages.
Padded shoulder
straps. Canvas
back and base.
Outside pocket.
18 litre capacity.

£4.90



GENUINE KARRIMAT

Yellow closed cell foam.
Fire and abrasion resistant.
Warm and waterproof
45cm x 185cm.

£5.90



ALPINE NYLON GAITER

Light, hard wearing
elasticated ankle, foot strap
and draw cord.
a pair.

£8.90

Tents: Two-man Eastwind 150, sewn in ground sheet, ridge pole. 150cm x 120cm x 235cm.	£26.90
Eastwind 160, 3-man version.	£36.90
Harmony Polydaun sleeping bag, full size dimensions, washable.	£16.90
Silva compasses, choice of 4 models.	from £2.50
Bluet Picnic Stove improved compact Gaz single burner.	£4.90
Guernsey sweater, by Le Tricoteur Navy or Britton Red.	£21.90
Breton sweater, choice of 3 colours.	£17.90
Ice Crystal sweater, shoulder and elbow patches. 2 colours. (All sweaters 100% pure new wool)	£21.90
Victorinox knives, the original Swiss Army knife.	from £5.90

Berghaus Alpine Gaiter, canvas.	£7.90
Karrimor Rucsac, Jaguar 2.	£39.90

BLACKS

Birmingham 34 Edgbaston Shopping Centre. Bristol 41a Colston Street. Cardiff 17/19 Castle St. Dundee Unit 161 Overgate. Edinburgh 13/14 Elm Row. Exeter 181/182 Sidwell Street. Glasgow 132 St Vincent Street. Hanley 38-40 Marsh Street. Hull 21 King Edward Street. Leeds 21/22 Grand Arcade. Leicester 121 Granby Street. Liverpool 54 Hanover Street. London 10/11 Catford Bldg, SE6. 6a Leather Lane, EC1. 53/54 Rathbone Place, W1. Manchester 200 Deansgate. Newcastle 48/50 Grainger Street. Norwich 2-4 Queens Road, St Stephens Gate. Nottingham Shakespeare Street. Plymouth 109 New George Street. Reading 62 St Mary's Butts. Sheffield 1 Earl Street. Sutton 250 High Street.

H.O. NOTICES

The Association's Awards

Good Service

Beaver

Mrs A Dunford, Chief Commissioner, Anglia Laurel

Miss Grizel Rankin, Adviser for Handicapped Members, South Lanarkshire

Meritorious Conduct

Star of Merit

Joyce Bell, Patrol Leader, aged 13, 1st Aikton and Norton, Cumbria North

Joyce, who joined the Movement in 1978 has, despite poor health, worked very hard as a Guide and gained several Badges, including Friend to the Deaf, Child Nurse, First Aid and Friend to Animals. Her amazing fortitude and courage throughout difficult times are an inspiration and source of encouragement to all who have contact with her.

Certificate of Merit

Jane Lauder, Guide, aged 15, 3rd Hawick, Roxburghshire

Correction to details published in October GUIDER: Kate Akerman received a Certificate of Merit and not a Star as previously stated.

Thinking Day/ Founder's Day Service

11 am
20 February 1982
Westminster
Abbey and St
Margaret's Church,
Westminster

As already announced (Please see November GUIDER) admission to both Services will be by ticket only. If you obtain tickets you might like to note that the usual singing will take place before the Services and will include some of the following:

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

Lee Abbey Weekend

Christian Leadership in
Scouting and Guiding
22nd-24th January, 1982.

A weekend for Commissioners, Scouters and Guiders to discover some of the implications of being a Christian Leader, and to strengthen one's own faith. All members of both Movements over 17½ yrs welcome, also a limited number of husbands/wives and children. Leaflets available from The Booking Office, Lee Abbey, Lynton, North Devon, EX35 6JJ.

Carol Singing in Trafalgar Square

A choir of the Association will be singing carols in Trafalgar Square on Monday 21st December, 1981 between 4.00 and 5.00 pm. The carols will be mainly traditional and the choir will be using the Bethlehem Carol Sheet — 25th Edition. If you intend to bring your Unit to Trafalgar Square it would be helpful if they had copies of this carol sheet. Many churches use it but in case of difficulty it can be obtained from The Bible Lands Society, PO Box 50, High

Wycombe, Bucks. Please make sure everyone is warmly dressed and that there is a sufficient ratio of adults to children in your party.

Training Centre Fees

Owing to the recent changes made to the way in which Training Centre Courses will be advertised, some confusion seems to have arisen over fees for weekends in 1981. These will be as advertised in the September issue of GUIDER.

Weekends printed in the October issue onwards are all for the Spring and Summer of 1982, for which the 1982 fees are quoted.

County Weekends in 1983

Counties wishing to book for a County weekend at Foxlease and Waddow should apply in writing to the Training Secretary at Headquarters not later than the 1st March, 1982. The programme for the whole of 1983 is drawn up after this date and once this is completed no further applications can be considered.

Owing to the increase in the number of requests received each year, a priority will be given in 1983 to applicants from Counties which have not had a booking in 1982.

Third Concert Band Course

A Course for the National Scout and Guide Concert Band will be held at Windermere from the 10th to the 17th April 1982. Instrumentalists are required to cover the following instruments: flutes, oboes, clarinets, bassoons, saxophones, french horns, trumpets, cornets, trombones, euphoniums, baritones, bass tubas, percussion and string bass.

Applicants aged between 13 and 25 years of age, and with a playing standard of at least Grade V of the Associated Board or equivalent, are eligible. The cost has not yet been determined but further details can be obtained from the Activities Secretary, The Scout Association, Gilwell Park, Chingford, London E4 7QW.

National Scout & Guide Orchestral Course— Concert

The National Scout & Guide Orchestra will be giving a concert at the conclusion of their course on Saturday 2nd January, 1982 at the Royal College of Music, London, at 3.00 pm.

Application for tickets, £1.00 each, should be made to the Programme Secretary, GGA, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1 WPT, accompanied by an SAE.

Tickets will not be available from the Royal College of Music.

National Scout & Guide Orchestral Course

There are, at the time of going to press, vacancies on the above course for French horn and trombone players of Grade VIII standard, and a percussion player, all to have had orchestral experience. The course runs between 29th December and 3rd January. Please apply without delay to Programme Secretary, GGA, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W WPT.

The Catholic Guide Advisory Council is holding two residential week-ends during 1982 for Roman Catholic Guiders and others helping in Roman Catholic Units.

1. 12th/14th March, at Cold Ash Centre, Newbury, Berks. Cost £20.
2. 5th/7th November, at Great Massingham, Nr Kings Lynn, Norfolk. Cost £25.

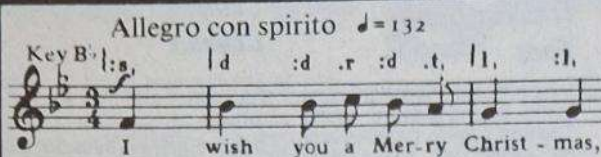
In both cases the cost includes full board from Friday supper to Sunday tea; single room; conference fee and craft material. Each weekend will have general training in addition to Ki-Ro work and craft sessions. Mass daily.

Early booking is advised, as space is limited and these week-ends are always fully booked. Further details from Conference Secretary, Sister Edna, 29 Bodley Rd, New Malden, Surrey. Please state which week-end you prefer.

continued on page 33

THE MALCOLM SARGENT CANCER FUND FOR CHILDREN

was launched in March, 1968, as a lasting and practical memorial to the much loved British musician whose name it bears



The Festive Season for most of us means family parties and presents. For children in the Fund's care it can mean much less.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

You can assist the Fund's work by supporting the Christmas Campaign.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Six designs
from 52p to £1.25
per pack
(Six cards and envelopes)

WILDLIFE CALENDAR

an attractive gift
12 Beautiful Colour Photographs
in full colour
£2.25 (inc. UK postage & packing)
£3.50 (overseas surface mail)

DONATIONS (which will be gratefully acknowledged), Calendar orders and requests for the Christmas Card brochure should be addressed to:

THE MALCOLM SARGENT CANCER FUND FOR CHILDREN,
Department G G,
6 SYDNEY STREET, LONDON SW3 6PP

Telephone: 01-352 6884

THANK YOU

Say it on a Day Shirt



Your own design on top quality Sweatshirts, T'Shirts, Hooded Sweatshirts, Track Suits, Sports Shirts and Lambswool Sweaters. Ideal for club, college, regiment, pub, team etc.

- ONLY 10 GARMENT MINIMUM ORDER.
- NO CHARGE FOR ARTWORK OR SCREENS.
- DIRECT SCREEN PRINTING - NOT TRANSFERS.
- UP TO 6 COLOUR PRINTING.
- ALL SHIRT SIZES & COLOURS AVAILABLE.
- FAST SERVICE - APPROX 2 WEEKS.
- MONEY BACK GUARANTEE.

Say Shirts Ltd 130 HEATHPARK IND. ESTATE,
HONITON, DEVON. Tel. HONITON (0404) 41148

MR / MRS / MISS _____ GG1
ADDRESS _____
Tel. No. _____
(capitals please)

Heraldry (10)

Guide Heraldry

Because we have the privilege of making heraldic banners and standards without reference to the College of Heraldry we have to be very careful to abide by the rules of heraldry. This is why all designs have to be submitted to the Heraldry Consultant at CHQ, through the Programme and Training Department.

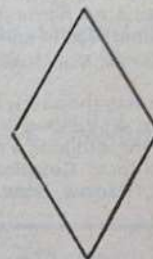
The rules which we are careful to enforce are as follows:

- (1) No colour on colour or metal on metal. Where this does occur there must be a line of fimbriation — that is a line of colour between metal and metal or a line of metal between colour and colour to separate them from each other.
- (2) Only heraldic colours are permitted unless a device is being shown in its natural colours and blazoned 'proper'. This is regularly seen in a Ranger flag where the Ranger Promise Badge uses aquamarine, which is not an heraldic colour, and may be used nowhere else in the standard. Browns, greys, etc are not heraldic colours but if a tree is being shown 'proper' then a brown trunk is allowed. If a building is shown 'proper' grey stone might be allowed, although a stylised building in argent (silver) would be better heraldry.
- (3) Two or more shades of the same colour are not allowed either — Only one shade of a colour should

appear on a flag or standard. Shading is achieved by stitching.

- (4) All objects should face and move towards the hoist — that is they are moving into the standard, not off it.
- (5) No writing is allowed other than the motto on the motto band or occasionally writing can be *simulated* on the pages of a book as in the arms of Oxford University. This is because heraldry is the art of symbolic representation as has been said before and words and names should not be necessary.
- (6) No fringes are allowed for two reasons — one is that a fringe along the top of a standard falls below the edge and may mask part of the standard; the other is that, as with cords and tassels (which are also not allowed), they are the prerogative of the armed forces.
- (7) As armorial bearings are granted to individuals or bodies it is not allowed to take a coat of arms belonging to some other person or body and incorporate it into a flag or standard — eg neither a town coat of arms nor that of a local family may be used in its entirety, but a symbol from it may be incorporated into the design.
- (8) Symbols should be placed directly

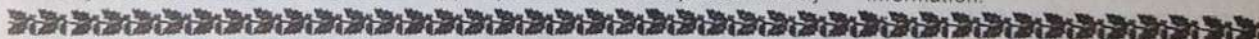
onto the field or background — not given a background of their own, which can lead to difficulties which need not arise. Even if the symbol is placed on a lozenge —



(diamond shape, the only shape allowed for women) it is incorrect as it is then being displayed as a badge, which it is not.

As flags and standards should last for many generations, it is as well to have them correct and that they should represent the Unit/District/Division/County/Country/Region generally rather than specifically — then they will still be relevant in years to come.

If you are contemplating making a flag or standard, please send to the Programme Secretary, Programme and Training Department for the notes which will give you all the necessary detailed information.



B.O. NOTICES

continued from page 31

Short Term Investment Service

Monthly interest rate after deduction of management commission.

July	11.78%
August	12.34%
September	12.97%

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

Scout & Guide Trust Fund

On 30th September, 1981 the value of a share in the above fund was:

for selling purposes	60.33p
for buying purposes	63.35p
income yield	6.95%

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

Thinking Day Around The World 1982

To celebrate Thinking Day, an international programme of slides, songs, dances and crafts, suitable for Guides, will be held at CHQ on:

Monday, Feb 22nd at 2.30 pm
Tuesday, Feb 23rd at 10.00 am
Wednesday, Feb 24th at 2.30 pm
Thursday, Feb 25th at 10.00 am

As numbers are limited, please book early, enclosing your fee of 15p per head. Please send fee to Commonwealth and International Department, CHQ.

Will the Guider of the 1st Ilkeston St Johns, Derbyshire contact The Public Relations Department CHQ, if it was she who had sent congratulations to the Royal couple on their wedding.

Programme Notes

October GUIDER
Errata! — Please note

PREPARING FOR A CELEBRATION — the weekend at Waddow is open to Guiders of all Sections; that at Foxlease is for holders of a Training Licence.

RANGER GUIDERS — the dates and information given relate only to the weekends at Waddow.

Christmas Closing

It has been decided that the Birmingham, Cardiff, Liverpool, Manchester and Palmers Green Branch Shops will be open on the 2nd January, 1982. CHQ Shop will not open on that date.

Reminder

Reminder
December 14th — Victorian Christmas Party at 6.30 pm, CHQ.

Glue Manufacturer Advises On Safety

In view of the continuing concern regarding the dangers of some glues, the manufacturer of the leading brand of adhesives for handicrafts, fabrics and carpets is distributing a leaflet to reassure retailers and consumers that the product is non-addictive and will not bond the eyes and skin.

The question of safety with adhesives is today more pertinent than ever before. Apart from the well-documented problems of skin bonding attributed to the 'super glues', concern has grown over glue-sniffing of products which contain additive solvents. Copydex adhesive is latex based and is safe for all the family to use. It contains no harmful or toxic fumes and does not lead to sniffing. And if you get it onto your skin, it simply rubs off.

A leaflet stressing the safety aspect of Copydex will be distributed with every display box of the product. For further information contact: Copydex Ltd, 1 Torquay Street, Harrow Road, London W2 5EL.



Camper's Cutlery Set With Built-in Salt Cellar

New compact set combines light weight and safety. Viking Arms Limited of Summerbridge, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, can now supply ex stock their 'Viking' combined stainless steel knife, fork and spoon set. Designed for use by picnickers, campers, marine enthusiasts, and all who eat outdoors, the Viking set has several advantages over the conventional 'clip-together' type. Knife, fork and spoon are securely con-



Youth Action pack Encourages Practical Care For Environment

Getting young people to care about their local environment in a practical way is the serious theme behind a full-of-fun Youth Action Pack launched by the Keep Britain Tidy Group today. The aim is to encourage youngsters to identify problems which spoil the place where they live and suggest how they can become involved in its improvement.

The Pack is designed for use mainly by 8-13 year olds, but some activities will also appeal to younger or older children. The wealth of activities and ideas includes local area surveys to pin-point environmental blackspots and amenities, as well as puzzles, quizzes, board games, badge and poster designing and making useful objects, toys and models from recycled materials.

This leads on to organising a practical environmental improvement event and a public exhibition to show off the findings and activities to people living in the community. There is some emphasis on litter but encouraging awareness of other problems such as graffiti, vandalism, wasteland and dereliction is also included.

The Action Pack, which provides much needed structured material for youth group activity, is the result of two years research and pilot testing with various kinds of youth clubs. It is flexible enough to be used by less organised or informal youth clubs as well as by uniformed groups such as Cub Scouts, Guides and woodcraft folk. Guidance notes for leaders are included. For further information contact: Keep Britain Tidy Group, Bostel House, 37 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE.



tained in a tough plastic box-type container, preventing any risk of cuts. The container is fully washable, so cutlery can be replaced unwashed after use. A salt shaker with tight-fitting cover is built into the box.

The retail price is £4.50 inclusive of post and packing and VAT, and trade quantity discounts can be negotiated. For further information contact: Geoffrey Brown, Viking Arms Limited, Summerbridge, Harrogate, North Yorks HG3 4BW. Tel: 0423-780810.

Wheelchair Proficiency Award Scheme

A Wheelchair Proficiency Award Scheme has been launched by RoSPA, from an original idea developed at the John Jamieson School for physically handicapped children in Leeds by teacher Harry Mason. The purpose behind this scheme is to give independence to as many wheelchair-bound people as possible, and to help them to be fully integrated in the community. From his observations of chair-bound children, Mr Mason noted the necessary points in handling a wheelchair which would give the people this independence. Wheelchair maintenance, manoeuvring the chair successfully on the street and being able to explain the functioning of the chair to others are a few features of the scheme. There are three awards to be gained — bronze, silver and gold — and six children from the John Jamieson school demonstrated some of the required skills at the Royal Festival Hall in London in September. They proudly received their respective awards from PC Olds, who is himself chair-bound.

To find out more about the scheme (and to obtain a copy of the syllabus) contact RoSPA at Cannon House, The Priory, Queensway, Birmingham B4 6BS. Your local Road Safety Officer and the Police should be informed of the schemes also. The scheme has been welcomed by several schools for the handicapped, and the benefits to be gained are enormous. While public facilities for chair-bound people are often far from adequate, the skills acquired from gaining these awards could make all the difference between going out and staying at home.

SB

mainly for rangers

Events . . .

Krypton Factor Assault Course Competition

DESPITE our aches and pains from the practice run on the Saturday and the knowledge that it is the hardest course in the country, apart from the ones the commandos train on, we still went along on August Bank Holiday Monday to the actual competition. We made up just two of the 120 teams competing in the competition to raise cash for soldiers injured in Northern Ireland. The event was organised by the Bury Fusiliers Association and all the competitors were sponsored. We had a slowish time but completed the course, without any serious injuries.

After lunch and a chance to recover, three of our members were invested, so fulfilling their ambition to be invested on an Army assault course; which is how we came to enter the competition in the first place.

15th Wigan Town (St Michael's) Rangers.
Lancs.



Skreens Park Camp 1981

THIRTY-THREE handicapped Guides and Rangers converged on Skreens Park on the last Saturday in June for their annual camp. They were greeted by Ranger helpers and Guiders who had already pitched tents and cleaned cabins for their use. All now faced the prospect of a week's hard but enjoyable work greatly interspersed with fun.

The Rangers like myself who had not attended a full camp before were quickly learning the art of toileting and washing our Patrols, as well as helping them to use all their abilities and resources in the challenges. It was definitely an experience for me to hold a piece of oasis in front of one spastic Ranger while she aimed a flower stem at it in order to make a table decoration. The final product was certainly an achievement, though I had wondered as arms and legs flailed everywhere whether both of us were going to complete the challenge in one piece!

Some Venture Sea Scouts visited camp one day and constructed some pioneering equipment for the Guides' use. Every camper had a go on the swing and bridges, and for some the completion of this challenge was a special joy and achievement.

The camp at last had to end and the Guides and Rangers returned to their homes. These girls, thanks to Mrs Sporle, Nurse, and all the other staff, especially 'QM's', had really enjoyed their week and the Ranger helpers had received experience never to be forgotten.

Carolyn Main
Ranger and Young Leader

Notices . . .

To all UK Young Leaders

Lorne — 8th-12th April, 1982

How about planning to spend next Easter with other Young Leaders from the UK at the Ulster Girl Guides Training Centre. 'Lorne' is situated on the shores of Belfast Lough in a quiet part of Co. Down and you can be assured of a good Ulster welcome and an interesting and varied programme of training and fun.

More details of dates, cost etc. will appear nearer the time but in the meantime be thinking about booking for a really 'different' holiday.

Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Courses

Foxlease (*Girls and boys from any Operating Authority*)

8th-12th April, 1982

(Easter)

Waddow (*Girls from any Operating Authority*)

8th-12th April, 1982

(Easter)

Glenbrook (*Expedition Section*)

21st-31st August, 1982

Details of these courses will appear on this page at a later date. Applications are now being accepted.

Short Story . . .

The Northampton Arts Committee held a short story competition during the summer months. This was open to anyone and could be of any length providing it was a 'short story'. The competition has now been judged, and below we have one of the winning entries, *The Fall of Life* by Louise Bharali, from the 1st Brackley Rangers, Northants

The Fall of Life

OUR FAMILY, or group (they were unfamiliar words to me), had been running down the hill for years. Our very nature prepared us for the run from the moment we were conceived to the opening seconds of the frightening descent. No one had ever returned from the run, but there were those of us who had been near to the beginning and had almost been whisked away in the swirling air currents, like some evil transport laden with passengers.

I remember when I was born, there was a tiny streamlet running past the homestead and it was the height of the spring births. The great Giver was restless and tossed and danced, throwing out life to those who would take it. The sparkling substance of our being glistened on the rocks and then slowly, mirroring the sun rise, it gathered from all over that rock, the life converging to one peak and the sun appeared above the rim of the mountain. There I was, one of countless existants to form the run, a mass suicide down the hill.

If only we knew about the bottom, but as we were told, it was the depth of mystery and our training gave us no clue. As I enlarged to the summit of my youth, I grew beautiful, or so it was said amongst the surface elders. Instinctively, I had known, for when the sun rose after each sleep, it would come and dance with me, and glint and issue all manner of diverse colours from within my inner core. But lately I had noticed them shaking their heads and apprehension gripped like a mental vice using all the strength that I had failed to grip my home rock with, preferring to nurture the shape of infinite gentleness reflected in the faces of my peers. To my last chance of safety, I offered only the last molecule I could disturb from the form of the rigid matrix I had become.

They were shaking in the wind, the wind of winters past, when all slept, the wind which brought the dust and sand, to break up our life's web. Shaking and bending in sympathy I collided with the

continued on page 37

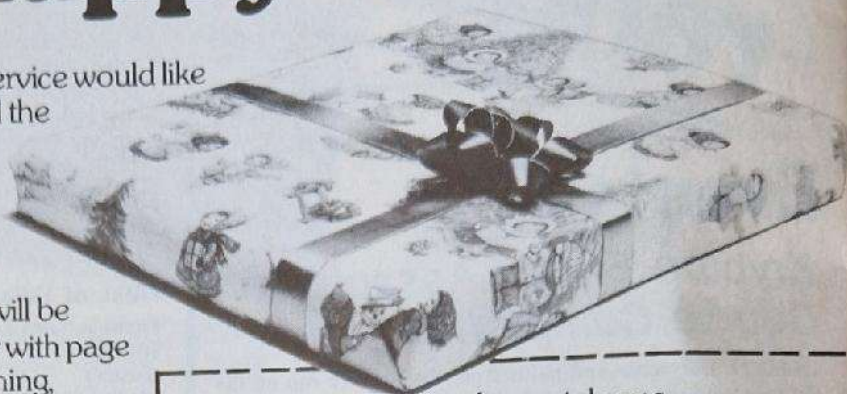
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Girl Guides Trading Service would like to wish all its customers and all the members of the Movement a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year, and to express our thanks for your support during 1981.

Our new 1982 Catalogue will be published early in the new year with page after page full of Uniform Clothing, Camping requirements, Gifts and Stationery together with the full range of Girl Guide Association Publications and its yours absolutely free if you send the coupon.

Remember, if you have already written for the 1981 Catalogue, you will already be on our 1982 mailing list.

When you buy from the movement we all benefit.



Please send my new free catalogue.

Name _____

Address _____



**GIRL GUIDES
ASSOCIATION**

9.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
Monday to Friday

Girl Guides Association Trading Service, Atlantic Street, Broadheath,
Altrincham, Cheshire WA14 5EQ. Tel: 061-941 2237

Also available from any of the Girl Guides shops in London,
Birmingham, Cardiff, Liverpool and Manchester.

THE BETTER BRITAIN CAMPAIGN. A LITTLE HELP BEHIND THE SCENES.

This year, the Better Britain Competition has been developed into the Better Britain Campaign.

The aim is to broaden its appeal – and make it that much more effective in changing the scenery of Britain for the better.

Shell is working in partnership with the Nature Conservancy Council, the Civic Trust, and now the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers, to make young people more aware of their surroundings, and give them practical advice and assistance in mounting voluntary projects of their own.

It works in four stages.

1. Information. The campaign information pack gives you all kinds of ideas for environmental projects, like clearing ponds or patches of waste-ground, creating school nature areas or even restoring buildings. It also gives advice on getting (and keeping) a group together, choosing a site and getting permission to do the work from councils and landowners.

2. Advice. Voluntary projects can then

be registered with the Better Britain Campaign, whereupon specialists will be available to give you the benefit of their experience in your kind of project. Or they'll know just the people who can.

3. Assistance. You may even be eligible for a grant. Details of projects which could qualify for grants are contained in the information pack.

4. Achievement Awards. By summer '82, projects registered with the campaign will be considered for special awards which recognise exceptional achievement.

So whether or not you have a project in mind, send for the campaign information pack today.



HELP TOWARDS A BETTER BRITAIN.

To: The Shell Better Britain Campaign,
The Nature Conservancy Council, P.O. Box No. 6, Godwin House,
George Street, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE18 6BU.
Please send me the Better Britain Campaign information pack.

Name _____

Organisation _____

Address _____

Help your Patrol to use the Centre Pages in TODAY'S GUIDE

As a supplement to our regular... next month in TODAY'S GUIDE feature, Ann Walker tells you how best to use the centre pages of the magazine.



The centre four pages of *TODAY'S GUIDE* for 1982 have been specially planned with Patrols in mind.

The middle two pages, entitled 'Try something new in '82', will contain detailed instructions on how to do a particular activity (eg in January, plaster casts). These pages have been designed to help the Patrol make its plans for doing the activity and to encourage the Guides to set themselves challenges while doing it. The challenges have been called **TARGETS** and it is hoped that each Guide will choose one of the targets given in the text or will make up a more suitable one for herself. The other two pages will usually be on topics related to those on the middle pages and some of these articles will take the form of a quiz. As the Guider, you could encourage a Patrol to fill in the relevant parts on these pages — which could be used as a 'pull-out' and kept in the Patrol's box or file.

Looking at January's *TODAY'S GUIDE* in particular, if you want to encourage a Patrol to do some plaster casts as explained on the middle pages, you may find it useful to show the girls a finished cast. This may mean that you, an Assistant or a Young Leader will need to make one beforehand, but

most Guides are more enthusiastic about doing something if they can see the end result. The instructions tell the Patrol to be careful when they come to wash out the mixing containers and a Guider's help at this point may prevent blocked drains! Casts look more effective if painted. Ordinary water colours will give good results and you could encourage the Patrol to paint the casts the following week when they have fully dried. (It's often easier for the non-artistic to have the original object to look at while painting). Varnishing can also be successful but several coats of varnish will probably be needed as the plaster is very porous.

Page 17 of January's *TODAY'S GUIDE* explains about recording the targets achieved on a record sheet. You may find this helpful to use with new Guides as an introduction to recording or, indeed, with any Guides who are not very good at recording. A competition is on page 20 and is based on animal tracks (from which plaster casts can also be made — see the Guide Handbook p.111). Encourage your Patrols to find some books about tracks (eg in a library), do some research and enter the competition.

The Fall of Life

(continued from page 35)

small, inevitably terrifying note of my nightmares. It was at last the end.

The dust's abrasive forces brushed hard against my stay and then I was falling into the run, but unprepared to go hurtling down the mountain! There was no sun, only the laughing hoarse cry of a departing Autumn and the gradual creeping draught of a frozen winter. Everyone around began to sleep and inherently I knew once collected there, no escape was possible. A wind arose, the antagonistic wind of the friend announcing warmth and happiness and all around me entered a dance — towards me and away, backwards and forwards and suddenly they began moving downwards, rushing at random, faster towards the edge, conforming to the legends, a million lives hurrying for submergence.

I struggled for survival in the murky flow of beings that were hurrying onwards towards the

drop, not caring for life at the top — prepared. It was then that we reached the vortex, a flurrying roundabout of life where one was either saved, or died the unnatural death of eternity. That much I had gathered by now, there was death at the end of the run. Choked with the Knowledge, I let myself be flung around, my friends all dead, drawn out into the white weed that the Giver provides as a warning for those unworthy. As he danced and flounced, he once again threw life away and I was caught on the Saviour train and lost the untimely escapade I had almost reached.

It was much later that I realised where I was. Constructed on an outlying branch was a fibre, not straight and useful as a transport, but tangled and ravelled in a most beguiling manner. It, too, like the sun, radiated from the centre and diverged along a most marvellous route, spreading wonderfully spindly fingertips to find the most rigid stays, white and fine yet

strong as the limestone at home. It was glistening as the life on the rocks did, full of our life form, the essence of our race. It was drifting around a mean position in the spring winds that embalmed us with the sweet particles of flowers. She, the spring, floated around, caressing, cruelly teasing, enticing us from the stay we had so luckily found. Mesmerised by the charm and soothingly monotonous movements, I fell into the path of the run.

Everyone was awake from the sleep of time, hypnosis dropping away as decaying flesh from the bone, allowing them to leave the exquisite lattice of the snow. Not tired were they, but lively and vivacious, a mad dance to the infinity, a raving movement connected with lunacy so that I was caught up and incensed with their feeling.

Then all the wasted were flung away, the run had no use for them, they were teased apart and amassed, left stranded in the

spindrift growths on the sand. Onwards the rushing continued and the eddying began, moving us around until all thoughts were lost, confused, to the cawing wind, crooning across the valley. Every molecule was straining its bonds, the very energy of keeping a hold on myself was running dry, as I, the executor, was running down the hill. We were pumelled against the rocks and tossed high to the air. The lucky ones were carried away on the evil transport, already full to capacity with moisturous but rain relief. As the edge approached, reminiscences crowded the consciousness — the spring winds, the Giver, Mr Autumn and his raucous laugh calling death and decomposition. Then no more.

The waterfall plummeted from dizzy heights and the crowd, open mouthed, looked on, gasping with delight and the exertion of the climb. A child fancied she heard a scream, but only clung harder to her mother's hand.

Premier
t-shirts

THE BEST OF BRITISH T-SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS ETC.

PRINTED TO YOUR OWN DESIGN
BY PROFESSIONAL
SILK SCREEN PRINTERS

- ★ Minimum quantity
12 shirts per design
- ★ All prices fully inclusive
- ★ Our unique money back
guarantee
- ★ Competitive prices
- ★ World wide service

★ **FREE**
Send for your
Brochure and
Price List
TODAY!



THE BEST OF BRITISH
with your own
Design,
Motif,
Logo, etc.



PREMIER T-SHIRTS Dept. GDR
BOWTHORPE NORWICH NR5 9JD TEL. (0603) 745018

Advertising Promotions Events Fund raising Advertising Promotions Events Fund raising

MR/MRS/MISS

ADDRESS

COMPANY etc.

(CAPITAL LETTERS PLEASE)

Advertising Promotions Fund raising

Advertising Promotions Events Fund raising Advertising Promotions Events Fund raising

GDR
Well fit you too!
SEND FOR YOUR FREE
COLOUR BROCHURE TODAY!

Premier T-Shirts is a fully independent business and is not connected in any way to any other Silk Screen Printers. Our First Class quality shirts manufactured by Premier and fast efficient service Guarantees absolute value for money.



GROUP HOLIDAYS IN '82

Camping holidays in France are growing so rapidly in popularity that YOU must read about them NOW.
Imagine — Large, fully equipped continental frame tents waiting for your group on attractive sites on the Brittany coast.
All your travel arrangements will be made by our experienced staff, and our resident courier will help to make it a holiday to remember.

There are free places for leaders too.
Our current brochure giving full details is available now:

CONTINENTAL CAMPING (GROUP HOLIDAYS)
25/27 High Street, Solihull, West Midlands
Tel: 021-705 1400 (24 hrs) 021-704 1478.

CANDLE MAKING FOR FUN, AND FUND RAISING
We supply materials, moulds, mould making materials if you plan your own designs and 'Know How'.
Ask for free leaflet T54, plus Guide and Price List.
Find out more by writing or phoning
TRYLON LTD., WOLLASTON, NORTHANTS. NN9 7QJ.
Tel. Wellingborough (0933) 664275



FREE
COLOUR GUIDE TO
**EMBROIDERED SWEATERS
AND SWEATSHIRTS**

Your own design superbly produced on quality garments
ALSO PRINTED T-SHIRTS & SWEATSHIRTS
The Sussex T-Shirt Company FREEPOST, Littlehampton, W. Sussex BN17 5NR
Tel: (09064) 7298 & 73843

PERSONALISED SWEATSHIRTS



& Tee Shirts printed
with your own design
Minimum Quantity only 25

Send TODAY for illustrative leaflet
MASTER TEE, MAIL ORDER DIVISION
DEPT. 17 FREEPOST, NORWICH,
NR3 3BR. Telephone (0603) 619411

Please send me your FREE Brochure & Price List
for T-Shirts & Sweatshirts printed with my own design
Name _____
Club, Company etc. _____
Address _____
Tel. No. _____



Jamboreette Brownsea '81

Marjory Walker

Monday, 27th July, saw ten Guides and two Guiders from Dunbartonshire at Glasgow airport, bound for Brownsea Island. However, we weren't going to Dorset, but to Brownsea Island, Parco del Ticino, in Italy, where the Italian Catholic Guide and Scout Association (AGESCI) owns an island on the River Ticino.

We flew to Milan via Birmingham, and on arrival were met by a local Scouter who arranged transport to the camp. Once there we were introduced to the organisers, then were welcomed by our host Units, and although there were both boys and girls in camp, each Company had separate accommodation for the sexes. The Guides were divided into two Patrols, each being allocated to a different Company, but since the two Companies were close together our Guides were never far away from each other.

There were 1600 participants organised into seven sub-camps, with every Scout and Guide being given a camp T-shirt and a coloured neckerchief to identify to which camp each person belonged. By the end of the camp there had been so much swapping of Badges and clothes that it was impossible to recognise any group by its uniform!

Our host Units were very kind to us, and although we couldn't speak much Italian, a little English, French and sign language proved adequate so we integrated well and our Guides thoroughly enjoyed having boys in camp!

The camp was organised so that each sub-camp attended a different activity every day, which included a steamer trip on Lake Maggiore, swimming and kayak building, pioneering, nature study, keep-fit routines, a two-day hike, and 'expression': music, arts and theatre.

A typical day began at 7 am when we were wakened by the clanging of a ship's bell, whereupon we had to run out of the tents immediately (in pyjamas) for keep-fit exercises. There were activities from 9 am—mid-day, then 3 pm—6 pm, and the evenings were always rounded off with a camp-fire.

One evening we gave a Scottish reception for the

leaders of all the foreign contingents, and for this we cooked haggis with mashed potato, followed by oatcakes and cheese with shortbread to finish. We also entertained our guests with traditional songs and dances.

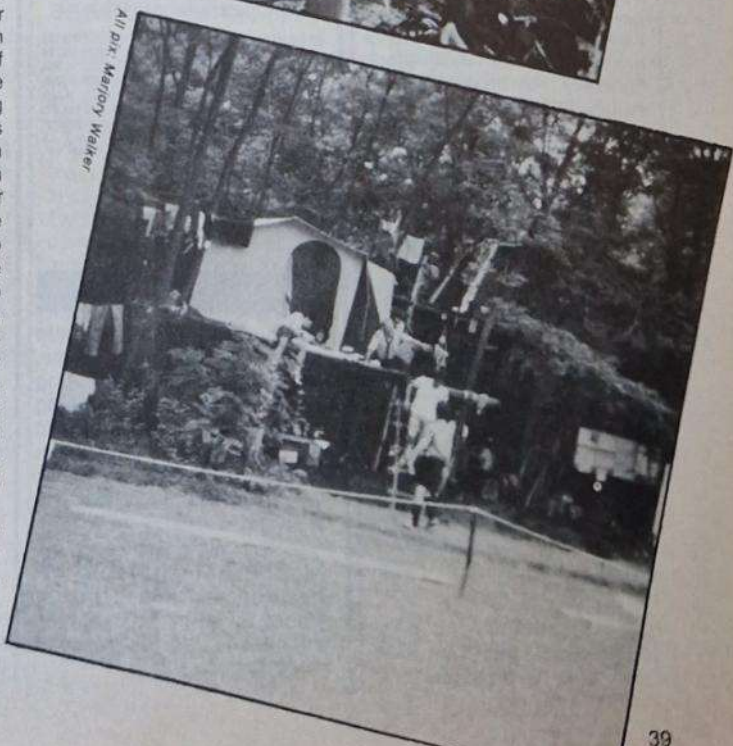
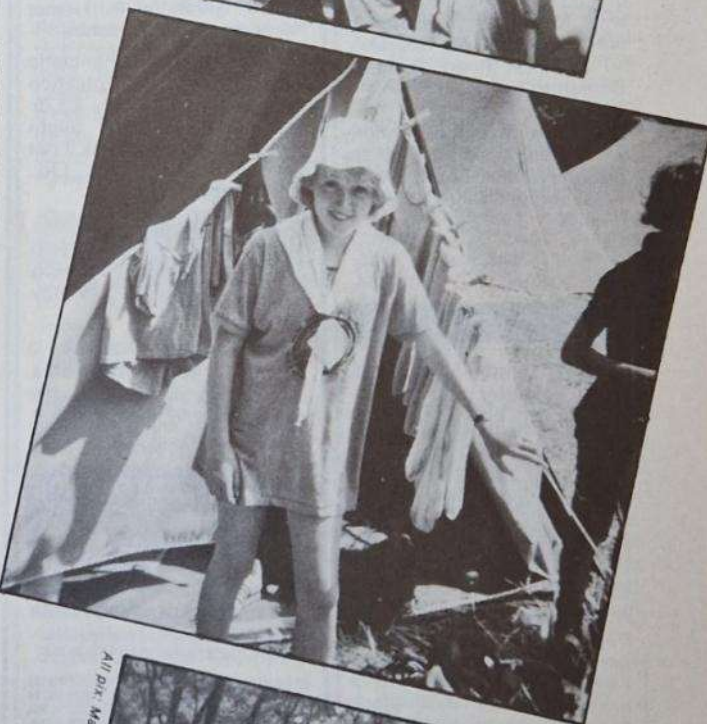
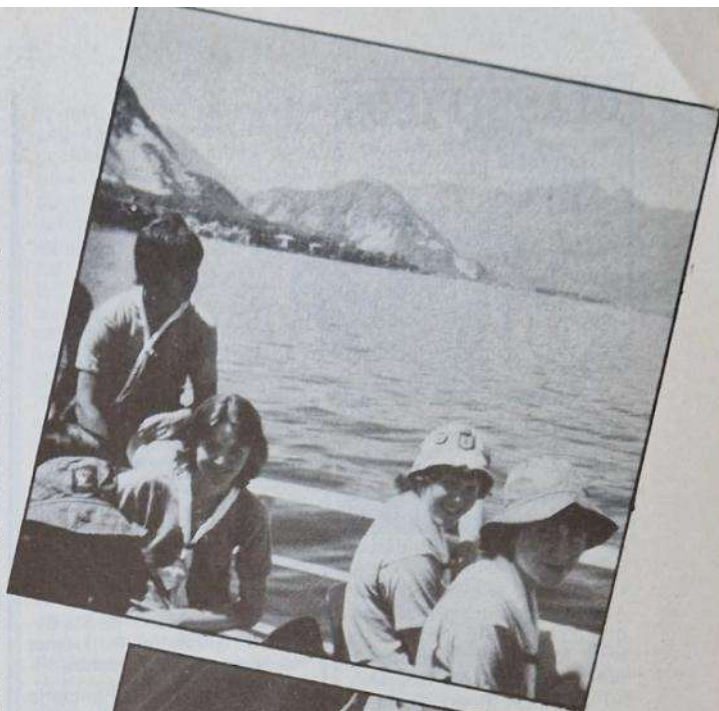
The assistant leader and myself were also invited to receptions given by delegations from Portugal, Greece and USA and we found that these evenings were excellent opportunities to meet people from all the countries who were represented at camp.

One memorable event was the evening when all the foreign leaders were invited to a Mayoral Reception in Gallarate, the nearest town, where there were speeches and presentations, after which we had dinner in a restaurant. Following the meal we sang camp-fire songs. However, it was impossible to perform the action songs at the tables, so we went out into the car park. I'm sure the locals thought we were mad — 40 assorted Scouters and Guiders singing and dancing round a lamp post at 1 am!

The Guides thoroughly enjoyed the camp (and the perfect weather) and were sorry when our nine days at Brownsea Island were over.

The following week we were given home hospitality by Scouts and Guides who had been at the camp, so we all headed for Turin with our host Units. This week was an opportunity to relax as part of an Italian family and there was also time for shopping and sight-seeing. The days flew past and it was soon time to return home, so on Thursday, 13th August, our host families took us to the station for the train back to Milan airport. There were tears as we said 'Goodbye' to all our new friends, although most of the Guides were looking forward to seeing their own families again. During the return flight the Guides were thrilled to be shown round the flight deck of the plane, and before very long we were back home again.

It was a memorable trip which gave the Guides an experience they will always remember, and I'm sure that for a long time they'll be recalling songs and events of Jamboreette Brownsea '81.



All pix: Marjory Walker

CLASSIFIEDS



COMING EVENTS

28th Reading (Anderson Baptist) Brownie and Guide Units are celebrating 50th Anniversary during 1982. Anyone previously connected with the Units please send sae for details. Mr Courtney, 10 Amhurst Road, Reading, Berkshire.

2nd Wells Brownies formerly 6th Wells. 50th Birthday February 1982. Former members phone Wells 72597 for details.

FOR SALE

Ridge Tents. New, direct from manufacturer. 11ft x 7ft x 8ft 6in high. Walls 3ft. Zip door. Mud walls. £82. Also 9ft version of above tent £85. 14ft version of above tent £101. Top quality materials 7½ oz. For brochure, telephone 01-445 6253.

Advertising Pencils, Ball Pens, Combs, Diaries, etc. gold stamped. Company name. Raise funds quickly easily. Bran Tub Toys, details Northern Novelties, Spence House, 26/28 Spring Gardens, Bradford BD1 3HE.

A large quantity of nearly new Blue Stacking Polypropylene chairs at £4.00 each. A large quantity of ex WD 6' Wooden Folding Tables (ideal for camping and jumble sales) at £23.00 each. Tel: Bowmansgreen 24316 — Day, Stevenage 820080 — evenings.

At least 200% Profit on your outlay with our quick selling range of imported pens and other easy sellers. 11½p stamp for catalogue and sample. JA&V Jeffers, Aston Clinton, Bucks. (Tel: Aylesbury 631345).

Sale or Return. Offering 100% profit on cost. Costume Jewellery parcels sent

post free without obligation. Ideal fund raisers. Details: Caritas Jewellery, 356 Uxbridge Road, London W12 7LL.

Fundraising! Sell Seeds-By-Size. 97 Green End Rd. Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.

Brownie Guiders! Fantastic Saving. Brand new, regulation Brownie dresses only £3.75. Sizes 25-27" Length. Slight Seconds — Money back if not delighted. Stanwood Ltd., Hatherleigh, Devon.

Guide Stamps, Books, Memorabilia — Bought/sold. Send Sae for lists: J R Hoggarth, Glaisdale, Whitby, YO21 2QU.

Draw Ticket Printing a speciality. Write for samples, price list and discount offer to: Walden, 62 Newark Lane, Ripley, Surrey.



LETTERS ON GUMMED PAPER (IN. TO 2" TALL) IDEAL FOR DIY GIRL GUIDE POSTERS, NOTICES AND SIGNS

PAGE 24 PAGES OF LETTERS & NUMBERS PRINTED ON GUMMED PAPER IN RED (12" x 12"), GREEN (12" x 12") BLACK (12" x 12"). SIMPLY CUT THE LETTERS OUT ALONG THE STRAIGHT BOTTLED LINES. WE'LL STICK DOWN OVER 1200 LETTERS & NUMBERS IN 4 SIZES. MANY USES & EASY TO HANDLE. SAMPLES & LISTS ON REQUEST. MAKE YOUR OWN AND SAVE MONEY 12 PER PAGE (12" x 12" FOR TWO). INCL. VAT & P&H

LETTERKIT (DPT 22)
20 JANAKA ST. LIVERPOOL L1 8AP

CAMPING/HOLIDAYS

Glasgow Girl Guide Campsite and Pack Holiday House, Gartocharn. Overlooking Loch Lomond, large camping area, including four equipped sites. No solid shelter. Pack Holiday House equipped for 18 Brownies. Applications from 1st February for campsite to: Miss Rentfrew, 150 Aros Drive, Glasgow G52 1TJ. Applications for Pack Holiday House to: Mrs MacGregor, 58 Woodlands Crescent, Glasgow G46 7SR.

Beattock Outdoor Centre — Dumfriesshire. The Centre, a former school, is administered by Dumfries District Scout Council and is available for use by Scouts, Guides and other youth organisations. Ideal for Cub Scout and Brownie Guide Pack Holidays. Electrically heated building — modern kitchen with electric and color gas cookers. All crockery, cutlery and cooking utensils available. The Centre has one large Dormitory with bunk beds for 22 and a Leaders' room to accommodate 6. Separate toilet and shower facilities. Users must provide sleeping bags or sheets. Good base for outdoor activities — hill walking, nature studies, pony treks. From Beattock Village A701 nineteen miles to Dumfries — two miles from Moffat and is convenient for M6 and A74. Sae for details and booking form from: Mrs M Crosbie, 5 Corberry Avenue, Dumfries DG2 7QH. Tel: Dumfries 0387-3519.

Seaton, East Devon with its seaside Headquarters available for Pack holidays and indoor camping. Sae please to: Mrs M Hardwick, 18 Townsend Road, Seaton, EX12 8BD.

Are you interested in outdoor pursuits? Then, why not stay in a pleasant 16th century cottage, fully furnished to accommodate 12, and situated in the beautiful Derbyshire dales. For details send sae — Mrs Miller, Small Dale Farm, Small Dale, Buxton, Derbyshire SK17 8EA.

Outdoor Pursuits. Canoeing, Rock climbing, Mountain Walks, Pony Trekking, Orienteering. All equipment provided. Fully qualified and insured. Sae Mike Scott, Croeso, Belgrave Road, Fairbourne, Gwynedd.

Bronteland Farm Holiday. 16th-century barn converted by Guider into two cottages (6-8) and serviced accommodation 14-24. Parties any Branch welcome. Jean Brown, Currer Laithe, Keighley BD21 4SL. Tel: 0535 604387.

Holiday House (Unequipped) sleeps 18 girls. Sae: Mrs Humphreys, 28 Chatsworth Gardens, New Malden, Surrey.

Northumberland High Pennines (Wilderness Area). Self catering accommodation open all year round at Allen-

heads in pine clad converted chapel (28 persons) and separate cottage (5 persons). From £2.00 per person/night all inclusive. Ideal outdoor base for youth groups, clubs and families. Write or phone Allenheads, Northumberland. Tel: (043485) 239.

Midlothian Guide Training Centre. Vogrie House, Gorebridge, Near Edinburgh. Pack Holiday House, fully equipped for 32. Electric cooking, color gas heating. Apply: Mrs Turner, 2 Manse Road, Carrington, Midlothian. Also fully equipped camp site with solid shelter for 30. Apply Mrs Armstrong, 36 Lanark Road West, Currie, Midlothian.

Come and camp in Luxembourg. We have three nice places to offer you in different parts of the country. For further details please apply to: Association des Girl Guides Luxembourgeoises, 61a route de Trèves, 2630 Luxembourg, Luxembourg.

Warren Farm, Beaulieu. Hants Camp sites. Solid shelter. Toilets. Private beach. Apply: Miss Knox, School House, Blackmoor, Liss, Hants.

Chigwell Row Camp Site. Oaklands Farm, Chigwell Row, Essex has equipped and unequipped sites available for 1982. Solid shelter on each site, flush toilets, tuck shop and well stocked canteen. Bread, milk, meat, frozen foods, etc., supplied by arrangement with Warden. Swimming pool on site. Canoeing and archery can be arranged. Chigwell is a delightful site only a short bus ride from Hainault station which is on the Central Line direct to the West End of London. It is an ideal site for Companies wishing to visit London from camp. Details from: The Warden, Chigwell Row Camp Site, Oaklands Farm, Chigwell Row, Essex. Large sae please. Illustrated brochure 55p.

Church Hall available for Pack Holidays during school vacations. Quiet country village set in beautiful S. Notts countryside. 2 miles from M1. Tel: Kegworth (05097) 2236.

Farnham, Surrey. Herons Wey, Surrey West County Campsite. Nine sites, solid shelter, permanent toilets. Woodland, river. Bookings from January 1st. Details: Miss Hawkins, 2 Sumner Road, Farnham.

Somerset. All year holiday/active centre in beautiful Quantock Hills. Sleeps 16 + 3 + 2. Some tent space. Equipped for 24. Sae, Briggs, 36 Old Road, N Petherton, Bridgwater.

Pony Trekking Camp. Secluded Farm Site in the Welsh Mountains. Trekking in high wild country on bomb-proof ponies, perfect for beginners. Absolutely no experience necessary. 'Ponies of Britain' approved. Private lake. Country drives by Pony and Trap. Full Trekking Holiday including site fees — £22.75 per person. Sae for brochure to L. A. Gale, Brynamwg, Penwch, Tregaron, Dyfed. (Tel: Llangeitho 629).

For Winter Ski-ing. Summer Camps or Mid-Term Breaks, don't make a final decision until you have seen our brochure. On beautiful Speyside, in the heart of the Scottish Highlands, this modern outdoor centre provides self-catering accommodation for 32 people in 2- and 4-bedded rooms. Ski-ing, hill walking, canoeing, sailing and pony trekking are some of the many activities to be found in the area. Write for details — stamp appreciated. The Warden, Badenoch Christian Centre, Kincaid, Kinross, Inverness-shire, PH21 1NA.

Lake District — Group Holiday Accommodation: Troutbeck, Windermere, Cumbria. Troutbeck School accommodates 24 people on a self-catering basis. Dormitory for 20 and two staff rooms, dining room, fully equipped kitchen, central heating. Open all year. £2.30 per person per night — minimum charge £35.00. Please write for full details to: The Secretary, Troutbeck Charitable Trust, 14 Church Street, Ambleside, Cumbria.

Educational Cruises: The specialists in Canal Cruises for School and Youth Groups. Skippered campers and luxury cruisers from four centres for your week or weekend cruise. Book early for 1982. Educational Cruises, 54 Station Road, Rearsby, Leics.

Canal Cruising aboard our fleet of skippered narrowboats. Economy camping or luxury converted 12-berth craft, all with comfortable

bunks, catering saucepans, brockery, cutlery, etc. Luxury boats have fridges, showers, flush toilets and central heating. Warwickshire Fly Boat Co., 149 Hollyfast Road, Coventry, 0203 33 4228, or our base on Southam 2093.

Come camping on the canals — Charter a traditional narrow boat, fully fitted to accommodate 12 people in camping standard. 24 per pair of boats, with first class skippers to make everyone's holiday really enjoyable. Or self-drive a luxury 4 or 6 berth. Full details from: Foxton Boat Services Ltd, Bottom Lock, Foxton, Market Harborough, Leicestershire. Tel: Kibworth 2285.

Cruise the Bristol Avon. Exciting, inexpensive cruises aboard 12-berth narrowboat. Learn steering and lockwork under experienced supervision. Also available, 6-berth self-steer narrowboat. Weekend, short or long period bookings. Brochure: Bristol Narrowboats, 4 Whitland Avenue, Bristol, BS13 9QQ. Tel: 0272-641075.

Sunny Hastings. July and August, 1982 (Saturday to Saturday). Full board and accommodation in large house with garden and heated swimming pool, near sea, lovely walks. A day excursion to Brighton can be arranged. £38.00 per person if booked before Christmas, 1981. Reed, The Old Rectory, Hastings.

Alderney, the unsophisticated, unspoiled Channel Island. Small Guest House, owner operated offers escape to tranquillity and friendship. Farm Court, Alderney, CI 2075.

Felin Bach (Caernarfonshire County Camp-site). Caeathraw, Gwynedd. Large un-equipped camping area, for Guides and Rangers, and indoor accommodation in 2 hostels for Pack Holidays, or handicapped Guides in one. Available all year round. Snowdonia National Park half a mile, climbing and hill walking. Apply to Mrs P Jones, Bryn Meurig, Celyn Avenue, Penmaenmawr, Gwynedd LL34 6LR for new brochure, enclosing sae (foolscap).

Belchamps Scout Camp. For your summer camp next year, 30 acres of Essex countryside, adjoining woods of 360 acres (with unrestricted access), unrivalled pioneering equipment, camp fires and

chapel service. Good grass and plenty of room, central cooking or Patrol areas, open fires encouraged. Purpose-built indoor accommodation consists of 48 bedded hostel, equipped kitchen and dining hall. Ablutions block with free hot showers (ideal for winter training camps). Activities centre with rock climbing, abseiling, badminton, table tennis and basket ball, two mains toilets blocks, hospital room, drying room and Leaders' retreat. A nature trail, orienteering course, assault course and large games area, new this year 'Archery' site, competitions run during school holidays and arrangements for Badge work while in camp. Sports centre and swimming pool only 10 mins walk from site. Resident Warden, helpful service crew, excellent Provide (with full Grocery service). Come to Belchamps where Guiding's still 'Fun'. Sae (large) — Warden, Belchamps Camp Site, Holyoak Lane, Hawkwell, Essex.

'Our Chalet', for details of low cost inclusive arrangements to the International Guide Centre at Adelboden, contact the official agents, YHA Travel, 14 Southampton Street, London WC2E 7HY. 01-836 8541.

Holiday House — near Southport. Equipped, sleeps 21. Suit Brownies, Guides, Rangers, handicapped. Sae foolscap to Mrs Chester, 202 Fleetwood Road, Southport, Merseyside.

The Shaws Camp and Pack Holiday Site, Cudham Lane North, Cudham, nr Sevenoaks, Kent TN14 7QT; Tel: Biggin Hill 73413. 98 acres of unspoiled fields and woodlands set in beautiful Kent countryside. Two fully equipped Pack Holiday homes sleeping 25 or 20, equipped or unequipped sites for traditional camping; secluded areas for Ranger or Patrol camps. The site has a camp shop, an assault course and a permanent camp-fire site; it is ideally set for rambling, footpath walking and other rural activities, yet within easy reach of Orpington's new sports centre. Open all year. Large sae to Wardens for brochure.

Gaddesden Row Guide Centre. Equipped Pack Holiday Indoor Centre with Camp-site. Suitable Brownies, Guides, Rangers. Near Whipnade, easy reach London. Booking now. Sae to: J Webb, 8 Flint Cottages, High Street Green, Hemel Hempstead, Herts.

Lake District. Outside historic Cartmel village, exclusive use of sites on small estate. Ideal for Patrol or larger camps. Running water and toilets; barn available for occasional use. Past Groups have described as the best site they have ever camped on. Outdoor pursuits and pony trekking arranged if required. Write: Hill Farm, Cartmel, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria. Tel: Cartmel 477.

Secluded Field — surrounded by woods for traditional Guide/Scout camping. Use of swimming pool, shop and toilet facilities if required. Static caravans also for hire. Forest Glade, Kentisbeare, Cullompton, E. Devon. Tel: 040484 381.

Greater London. Now Booking for 1982. Michael Mallinson Scout Centre, Woodford Green, Essex. Comprises 10 acres situated on the edge of Epping Forest within easy reach of the centre of London. Modern indoor accommodation, including showers and flush toilets for 32 boys or girls plus teachers. Ample facilities for Company and Patrol Camps. Enquiries Mrs D Boswell, 95 Garner Road, Walthamstow, London E17 4HG. Telephone 01-527 7371.

Camp-Site, let to Girl Guides only, secluded, not isolated, in sheltered position. Approx 1 mile village and sea. 'Phone, water, wet weather shelter, some wood available. Tradesmen deliver. Moderate fees. Full details from: Mrs E Gale, Buckler's Bld, Burton Bradstock, Nr Bridport, Dorset. SAE please.

Norton Bury Scout and Guide Activity Centre ... Converted farmhouse with camp site adjacent situated in rural surroundings on the edge of Letchworth First Garden City, North Herts. Residential accommodation for 44. Further details from Mrs H Frankland, 26 Hillshot, Letchworth, Herts SG5 1SB. Please send SAE.

INSURANCE

Special camping equipment insurance now available for Guide Companies. An exclusive low-cost insurance plan designed to cover camping equipment all year round. This policy will enable you to have complete protection against loss or damage, including storm damage, for your camping equipment from as little as £6.00. Tele-

continued on page 49



SCOTTISH SWIMMING GALA

Over three hundred Guides and more than a hundred Scouts from all over Scotland flocked to the Royal Commonwealth Pool, Edinburgh for the first ever joint National Swimming Gala on Saturday, 10th October.

Outside the day was crisp and bright, with a stiff breeze to flutter the colours briskly on the mast-heads outside the main entrance.

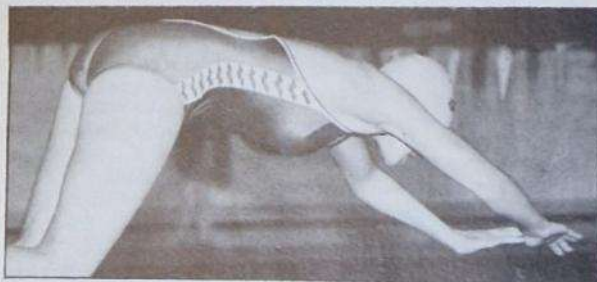
The event was sponsored by those old friends of GUIDER, Webb Ivory, and their Managing Director, Michael Coane, had made the journey north of the border to watch the proceedings and to present the Webb Ivory trophies, which included pennants and two magnificent silver plated salvers to the top Guide County.

The event was notable for smooth operation, due to careful planning between the Scottish Guide and Scout headquarters' Units, together with the Scottish Amateur Swimming Association and the British Swimming Coaches Association, who were on hand, in some considerable



strength, to make sure it all went like clockwork. Also there was June Paterson-Brown, Scottish Chief Commissioner, together with her counterpart from the Scouts, Garth Morrison. The Lord and Lady Provost of Edinburgh took the morning out of a very busy schedule to watch the events and to present many of the awards.

David Shute, who acted as linkman between the Association and Webb Ivory, took the photographs and wrote the above commentary.



What's on

The fierce warrior below is just one of the many fascinating exhibits on view at the **Great Japan Exhibition: Art of the Edo Period 1600-1868**, which runs until 21st February at the Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London (closed 21st-27th December).



Royal Academy

More What's On on page 50

Thomas Carlyle 1795-1881 A Centenary Exhibition

Thomas Carlyle was one of the intellectual giants of the nineteenth century; historian, essayist, philosopher and prophet. His mystical conception of the universe, his desire to grasp the essence of things, his passionate belief in justice, his hatred of humbug, and his exposure of contemporary evils, made him an influential and controversial figure.

As a biographer Carlyle was deeply interested in portraiture, declaring once that a good portrait of a historical figure was worth a dozen biographies. Inevitably he was himself much portrayed, and his pungent criticism of the various likenesses of him handed down to posterity forms an amusing counterpoint to the images themselves. He sat for some of the greatest artists of the age, to the pre-Raphaelites Thomas Woolner, Ford Maddox Brown and John Everett Millais, to the apostles of high art G F Watts and Julia Margaret Cameron, and to that arch aesthete James McNeill Whistler, whose famous portrait from

National Portrait Gallery



Thomas Carlyle: a drawing by Samuel Laurence c. 1841.

Glasgow forms the centrepiece of the show.

The spirit of hero-worship which Carlyle fostered helped to bring about the foundation of the National Portrait Gallery, of which he was an early trustee, and this aspect of his career is covered through portraits of his heroes and a small documentary section. The exhibition is at: **National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place, London WC2**. Telephone 01-930 1552, until 10th January 1982. **Monday to Friday, 10.00-5.00. Saturday 10.00-6.00. Sunday 2.00-6.00. Admission free.**

There is an illustrated catalogue price 50p (by post UK 75p).

The London Transport Museum

The new London Transport Museum of buses, trams, trolleybuses and trains, is now open in the **Old Flower market building at Covent Garden**.

Inside is told the fascinating story of nearly two centuries of public transport and its impact on the growth of London.

There's so much to see and do. Try your hand at the controls of an Underground train, work the points and signals in the special tunnel exhibit, or just browse around the fascinating displays, and of course, the world-famous London Transport posters.

The Museum has a souvenir shop where posters (old and new), books, postcards and other mementos of your visit are on sale, a lecture theatre and, for students, a research library. There is a Coffee Shop also, to help you enjoy your visit.

The London Transport Museum is open every day, including Sundays, from 10.0 a.m. to 6.0 p.m. (except Christmas Day and Boxing Day).

Admission is £1.80 (adults) 60p (children). Special reduced prices for children, senior citizens and pre-booked parties. Telephone 01-379 6344 or write to the London Transport Museum, Covent Garden, London WC2E 7BB.



Both pics: London Transport



EPILEPSY- AN UNKNOWN QUANTITY

Guider Mrs F M Lower, herself a mild epileptic for many years, describes the symptoms of epilepsy, what one should do to help an epileptic in trouble and how the epileptic Unit member fits in.

In this Year of the Disabled Person the problems of the mentally and physically handicapped members of our community have had considerable airing. Epileptics have hardly been mentioned, as far as I'm aware, although epilepsy is a disease still feared by the majority and the opportunity the Year gives for educating the public about it is in danger of being neglected. As Guiders should we not try to inform ourselves about any handicap which could afflict members of our Units?

The basic cause of an epileptic fit is an interruption in the electrical currents of the brain. What for most of the time is a perfectly regular pattern runs wild for anything between a few seconds and an hour. This 'interruption' can result in either a *grand mal* or a *petit mal* attack.

The *grand mal* fit is perhaps one reason why non-sufferers fear epilepsy. In ancient times it was believed that epileptics were possessed by the devil and it was called 'the falling sickness' because with the onset of *grand mal* the epileptic will lose consciousness completely and possibly (although not inevitably) twitch down one side of the body. The recommended treatment is the same as for anyone

losing consciousness (ie loosen any tight clothing, make sure the airway is clear etc.) with the additional proviso that should the patient roll round the floor in a convulsion she can't do herself any damage on projecting pieces of furniture etc.

A *petit mal* episode is much less frightening for the spectator. It may appear only that the sufferer is 'day-dreaming', the difference between a fit and a pleasant pastime being that on regaining consciousness the epileptic may well need to rest.

I've been a mild epileptic for forty-three years and I have to tell you that a fit doesn't generally worry us! In fact I can distinctly remember resenting efforts being made to 'bring me round' on at least two occasions! In recent years new drugs have been produced which control (although probably never eliminate) the fits and it is a case of selecting the right drug for any particular epileptic.

What of the epileptic Unit member? In Guiding we treat everyone as an individual and this is particularly important for handicapped people, whatever their disability. The electrical interruption I spoke of can be triggered by almost as many causes as there are

epileptics — flickering lights on TV, tension (I spent at least one childhood birthday in bed resting after a fit!), or even an allergy. No doubt parents will explain their daughter's problem so that you can watch out for any possible dangers. Normal Guiding activities should present no problem — our Safety Rules are carefully thought out to prevent accidents in any case, ie an epileptic young Guide should not go swimming alone, but the Rules forbid this in any case. Camping, although it can be strenuous, is quite within our capabilities, although obviously the potential risk of cooking on an open fire should be borne in mind. The First Aider will need to liaise closely with parents as to the right drug dosage for the Guide/Ranger, what type of fits she suffers from and does she need anything once it's over? For instance, I am invariably sick and after a seizure all I need is a bucket and a bed.

Being a long-term epileptic I reckon I can speak with some authority about the difficulties and restraints the disease imposes. Epileptics are prone to depression and/or aggression. Both can be overcome as one grows to maturity and as Guiders we can watch out for and help

cope with these problems. I don't drive a car, which means that either I walk to visit a Unit in my District (yes — this Guider keeps fit), I cope with the frustrations of public transport or my long-suffering husband drives me there. My District Guiders are all very understanding and lifts are organised without my asking after any Guiders' get-together. Maybe I'm helping them give service.

Perhaps the real handicap of epilepsy is public ignorance. I have been told (a) 'but you look quite normal' (what do people expect, I ask myself?) (b) 'but all epileptics are mentally deficient' (well....!). We are normal most of the time! There are some mentally defective epileptics, just as there are mentally deficient spastics, but one must not generalise. So, please, if you're approached to admit one of us to Your Unit don't worry. The Brownies/Guides/Rangers will probably reap considerable benefit from learning how to cope with a disability and you could help to push back the boundaries of ignorance, so helping your fellow-citizens. Surely this is 'keeping the Guide Law'?



In Memoriam

continued
from page 23



burden on the staff. Happily, she was persuaded otherwise, because her experience and understanding were invaluable. The Rangers loved her, and greatly appreciated having a member of staff with time and patience to talk and listen to them. She had a wonderful sense of humour, and joined in all the fun which is somehow intensified by the joy of handicapped girls when sharing in normal experiences usually denied them. This was particularly evident when every fourth or fifth year the camp was replaced by a holiday abroad, with its wealth of new contacts, undreamed of vistas, and excitements not always welcomed by the organisers! Dos accompanied parties of handicapped Rangers to Holland, France, Belgium and Switzerland, always making a unique contribution to the success and happiness of the venture.

Mrs Nichols is seen here (left) in a photo taken in 1956.

Her interest in handicapped people was not confined to the Guide Movement. She was, for many years, on the Governing Body of the Royal School for the Blind in Leatherhead, and a member of the Mental After Care Association.

Dos will be remembered for her kindness and courage. She was always ready to take part in her younger friends' activities and would surmount all difficulties. It was no mean feat to swim off the Italian coast with one stiffened hip and one fairly new replacement joint! She would, however, urge her friends to go without her if she feared to impede their progress or prevent them from enjoying any expedition to the full. When her sight deteriorated she derived great pleasure from Talking Books, so it is a fitting tribute that this cause has been chosen as her Memorial.

AMB

There will be a Thanksgiving Service for Mrs Nichols in the Council Chamber at Commonwealth Headquarters at 5 pm on Tuesday, 8th December, 1981.

Members of the East Lindsey Division in the North Lincolnshire and South Humberside County were saddened by the death on 30th September of Miss Phyllis Cordeaux. Phyllis was warranted in 1930 and became Captain of the 7th Louth Guides as well as Brown Owl of the 7th Louth Brownies. She was a District and then a Division Commissioner, finishing her term of office in 1964. Phyllis still continued running her Guide and Brownie Units for many years and a vast number of girls will remember her for her great camping expertise.

The Princess Royal was present at the County Rally in 1950 at which Phyllis had given such invaluable help in the historical pageant — a subject in which she was very knowledgeable.

In 1954 Phyllis was awarded the Medal of Merit for her Guiding work. As a Commissioner in Louth once said of her 'She has been and still is a truly wonderful person, and many girls have reason to be thankful for her help and guidance.'

MCT

Margot Mosley had been deeply involved in Guiding from her early days, an involvement which lasted until the day of her death. She helped to form the 1st Burton Joyce Coy, in 1923, the first Coy in the Gedling District of Notts., and a friend of mine, who was the first PL in that Coy, remembers Margot as being a most efficient Guider and an enthusiastic camper. Having moved to Alford in 1930, she started a Ranger Coy, became assistant CA in 1932, County Badge Secretary the same year, a position she intended retiring from next year, after 50 years invaluable service. She became Alford District Commissioner in 1935, resigning in 1946. During all this period she was always ready to help in the District in any way, Badge testing, etc and particularly helping with camp fire singing. Latterly, her failing health prevented her doing any active work, but her interest in Guiding never failed, and it was always a pleasure to visit her; her death leaves a tremendous gap, not only in the County, but in the District and in her church. Perhaps a few words that she wrote to that first PL on her 21st birthday may serve to illustrate her attitude to life — A Happy Life. My wish to you, with Health to work and work to do, And

Peace and Hope to light the way,
with Love beside you every day.

MW

It was with regret that we learned of the death of Mrs Jean Smith (nee Kitch) at the early age of 51. Jean was a Guide in the 5th Kingston Company and a Sea Ranger in SRS Victor. Then she became 'Tawny Owl' in 5th Kingston Pack and 'Brown Owl' in 12th Kingston Pack. She also held the appointments of District Secretary and Assistant District Commissioner in Kingston. Later she moved to Grayshott where she became District Assistant with special responsibility for Brownies.

Despite severe physical handicap Jean was an excellent Brownie Guider, much loved by her Brownies. She was also a tower of strength in the District, several District Commissioners relying on her help and support. She was always ready to help and 'train' new Guiders and her unfailing cheerfulness earned her the admiration and respect of all who came in contact with her.

ALW

Miss Muriel Wynzar, who died very suddenly on August 16, 1981, became a Guide Lieutenant in a Stockton-on-Tees Company about 1925 and later held Warrants as Captain, Brown Owl, Cadet Captain and District Commissioner. Towards the end of 1944, Muriel came south and held Warrants as Cadet Captain and District Commissioner in the County of Middlesex West.

Although unable to continue active Guiding after 1949 when appointed District Careers Officer for Staines, she retained her interest and enthusiasm for Guiding, and enjoyed the contact with girls of Guide and Ranger age. For many years, Muriel Wynzar was a member of the Guide Commonwealth Circle, serving on the Committee for some ten years, and was a member of the Staines Loyal Association Committee and Trefoil Guild.

HCB



Presenting the second and final part of Celia Sims' article on campanology. The first part appeared in last month's issue of GUIDER.

Now we've seen how a bell is rung, we can go on to consider change-ringing: the ringing of several bells together by a band of ringers.

The theory of change-ringing is mathematically complex, but it's only necessary to understand the basic principles to see how you ring your bell in relation to other ringers in the band.

The collective name for the bells in a tower is a 'ring' of bells. There are often six or eight bells in a ring, but there may be more. The heavier the ring, the deeper the sound of the bells.

'Rounds' is the simplest sequence bells ring. They sound in order from highest to lowest — treble to tenor, 123456, 123456, 123456...

When you're ringing, you try to ensure your bell strikes evenly and rhythmically in the sequence. You do this by listening, and watching the rope of the bell you're following. With practice, you learn to judge the gap to leave.

Instead of 123456, 124356 could be rung. To make this change, bell number 4 is pulled in to ring sooner, while bell number 3 is held up to ring later. Bells number 3 and 4 are said to have changed places — 4 is now in 3rds place and 3 is in 4ths place.

In 'call-changes', the simplest form of change-ringing, the bells start in rounds and continue until a new 'change' is called. This is repeated until the next call, 124356, 124356, 124356...

Bells may only change places when striking in adjacent places in all forms of change-ringing. However, more than one pair of bells may change places at the same time — 123456 could become 214365.

'Method-ringing' is a more complicated form of change-ringing. It entails the practical art of ringing an ordered series of changes without the calls used at each change in call-changes.

A 'method' is the way in which an ordered series of changes is generated. Unlike call-changes, a new change is rung at each stroke in method-ringing. This means bells are constantly changing places and must be held up, or pulled in accordingly. Unless you can handle a bell competently, you won't have much success at method-ringing!

There are many methods, each capable of producing many different series of changes of different lengths. Methods have quaint names, such as Stedman Triples or Grandsire Doubles.

Triples means the method is for seven bells, Doubles for five.

A method consists of a 'plain course', together with variations called 'bobs' and 'singles'. A plain course is a short series of changes showing the way bells change places in that method. The changes are written out one under another, showing the bells starting in rounds, moving through the changes in the plain course, and coming back to rounds. Bobs and singles alter the way some bells change places, and are used to lengthen the plain course.

Although, in theory, all series of changes could be written out in full and read like music, this isn't done. Instead, ringers 'learn the method'. Fortunately, you don't have to learn great strings of figures in order to learn a method. You just learn the path your bell follows through the plain course and the patterns to follow at bobs and singles.

You can learn a bell's path quite easily using a form of bell-ringing shorthand and describing various bell patterns. 'Hunting', 'dodging', 'making places' all describe simple bell patterns.

Knowledge of a method tells you the order of the 'places' in which you must ring. With practice, you acquire 'ropesight' which enables you to see which rope to follow as you ring in each of these places.

Competent ringers, with a comprehensive knowledge of a method, watch all the ropes while they ring. They can see the paths of other bells as well as their own and help less able ringers, or those who've gone astray!

One ringer acts as conductor, and only he need know where to call the bobs or singles to produce a series of changes of the required length. An attempt is only successful if all the changes in a series are rung, and the bells come back into rounds. Not all attempts are successful — even the best ringers sometimes make mistakes!

The important point to remember is that bells start in rounds, move through an ordered series of changes back to rounds again.

You will appreciate that ringers need to concentrate, so there's rarely any talking during ringing. One ringer may acknowledge another with a mere nod, smile or raised eyebrow as their bells' paths cross. When the bells start to clash, somebody's going wrong — then the shouting starts!

How about it then — is campanology the interesting hobby you're looking for?

I was lucky enough this summer to be a participant at WITAN '81, an international student Scout and Guide camp, held this year in Mustair, a village in the south east of Switzerland, only 1 km from the border with Italy. Everyone made their way there by different means.

Our accommodation was either in tents or in dormitories in the nuclear fallout shelter under the community centre in Mustair. We also had kitchen and washing facilities at the centre and it provided space for indoor activities. The programme was well balanced and not too demanding, which we appreciated, since the weather was scorching throughout the camp, and almost all of the British contingent (14 of

spectacular, and we were able to see many of the animals after which our Patrols had been named.

The following day the other Patrols went on hikes in the morning and the rest of us spent all day in workshops. Some of us made torches from wood and sacking, dipped in wax in preparation for Swiss National Day. In the evening, an expert on the locality gave us a very interesting talk in English on the valley, its culture, language and industry.

On Friday 31st July there was a choice of four hikes providing the chance either to climb mountains, or alternatively to walk into the next village, Santa Maria, to watch the weavers at work on their handlooms, and sample the

to the Transport Museum. Dinner at a restaurant on the river bank in Luzern was luxury and we had some time to explore the city, before settling down for the night.

The following day our tour continued with a 7 a.m. departure. Our first stop was at an Alpine cheesemaker's to watch the process from milking onwards. A real treat was a churn full of fresh milk, a bucketful of coffee, and bread and cheese. The next stop was at Andermatt, followed by two hours at another lake to swim in the afternoon. Our last call was in a little village, Bergün, with many houses painted in traditional Swiss style.

Wednesday, 5th August, was the international evening. This is a major event at every

WITAN '81

27th July - 7th August 1981



us) suffered from sunburn.

Tuesday 28th was the Opening Ceremony, patrol hikes and campfire. Each Patrol was named after creatures found nearby in the Swiss National Park, for example Mürmeli (marmot), Hirsch (deer) and Falke (falcon). Students of different nationalities were put together in the Patrols and came from 10 countries including Japan, Canada, Norway and USA. During the Patrol hikes we had the opportunity to see something of the area around the campsite, visit the village for the first time, and do some kind of activity at each of eight checkpoints along the way, such as making windmills, choosing a song from our Witan songbook to lead at the campfire, helping to prepare the evening meal and painting mugs to be used for the rest of the camp. Each day there were different activities.

We could choose one of a number of workshops such as basket-making, photography, milking-stool construction and dancing, all of which were led by the Swiss Scouts and Guides themselves. Four Patrols had the choice of either a short or a long hike in the afternoon in the National Park; the views were

local bakeries.

Saturday 1st August was Swiss National Day. Each Patrol had a task assigned, mainly clearing pathways through woodland, and it did not take too long, so the afternoon was free. The Swiss evening began with a buffet with traditional food, then a procession behind the village band to the school for speeches, and afterwards the torches were lit to that we and the villagers could go by torchlight to the bonfire and community firework display. We continued the celebrations back on the campsite until the early hours with singing and dancing.

Sunday 2nd was a Free day. Many chose to go across the border to Italy for the day and others went on longer hikes in the mountains. In the evening, we were shown slides of Switzerland and also WITAN '79 in Norway, bringing back happy memories for many of us.

Monday was the beginning of a 2-day trip around Switzerland which meant getting up at 4 a.m. We all slept for some time before reaching our first stop, the monastery at Einsiedeln, then on to Weggis on the bank of Lake Luzern for a swim in the lake, followed by a boat trip

Witan, and each country presents a display, traditional food and entertainment, requiring a day of preparation. The British cooked Bakewell tart and Welsh cakes, and performed a mime to the monologue "The Battle of Hastings". The songs and dancing afterwards again continued into the early hours.

The last day of Witan 1981 was traditional, games run on a "Jeux sans frontières" basis, forming an inter-Patrol competition. This year it included such events as sack racing, throwing balloons full of water to each other and rolling Swiss cheeses (tyres in reality). The final evening meant more singing, dancing and presentation of gifts to our Swiss hosts.

Friday 7th. A sad day as we split up, some to a hiking post-camp, many heading for Zermatt by coach, then on to Zürich by train, and yet more by car or Interail ticket to other European destinations. Hopefully we will meet again in England next year when we host WITAN '82.

Margaret Wilton,
Assistant Ranger Guider,
Carlton Joint Unit,
Loughborough.

Student Scout and Guide Organisation

Individual Membership

The Student Scout and Guide Organisation is introducing a new class of free membership available to any student in a University, Polytechnic or College of Higher Education without a Scout and Guide Club.

Rallies

All individual members will be invited to all SSAGO rallies held once a term.

Publications

Each term SSAGO produces a 'Bulletin' appearing at the beginning of term and 'Secretary's Notes' appearing mid-way through term. Individual members of SSAGO can be sent these publications (6 in all) at a charge of £1 (to partially cover the cost of production and postage).

Scout and Guide Clubs

The other class of SSAGO membership is through a Scout and Guide Club. If there are enough individual members at a college, we suggest that you form your own Scout and Guide Club. Anyone wishing to set up a Club will receive the

fullest possible support from SSAGO.

Individual members of SSAGO may be able to share in the activities of a local Scout and Guide Club.

SSAGO Executive

The SSAGO Executive represents the views of all its members to both Associations. We will gladly raise and discuss with Headquarters any problems or questions put to us by individual members.

Insurance

Individual members of SSAGO who are not already members of either Association are strongly advised to become student members of the Scout Association (both male and female). This costs nothing and ensures that you are covered by the Scout Association's insurance policy. This will cover you for all Scouting activities (including SSAGO rallies). Details of this scheme are obtainable from the local Scout District Secretary where your college is situated. Your Student Union may provide you with some kind of insurance cover.

We will gladly answer any other questions you may have.

A camp to remember!



Since our first season ten years ago, we have assisted in organising camp and chalet based holidays to Europe for nearly 20,000 young people of whom 80% were Guides and Scouts.

The success of these holidays can be measured by the fact that of the 120 groups travelling with us in 1981 almost 50% have been with us at least once before and half of these have been at least twice before.

You can rely on Camptours experience to give your group a happy and successful summer camp in 1982. Send now for details of our biggest programme ever of inclusive summer camp arrangements in Switzerland, Luxembourg and Brittany. Fill in the coupon below:

Camptours

Summer Camps in Europe

To CAMPTOURS, Warren House, High St, Cranleigh
Surrey GU7 8AJ Telephone Cranleigh (04866) 3027

Please send me details of your 1982 programme of
tours to Switzerland, Luxembourg and Brittany.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

GU12

Accommodation for getaway people



For a tent to give reliable protection in fierce gales, heavy rain, snow, and bright sunlight it has to be of the highest specification. We have built our reputation on quality.

There is no better way of testing a tent than using it in severe conditions. Robert Saunders tents are sought after and used on many expeditions throughout the plains, mountains, deserts and valleys of the world, and we take note of each and every comment made by the experts and refine, improve, and invent whenever the need arises.

In its choice of fabric and design, the Hillsport has been developed to afford reliable protection at high altitudes. Horizontal side poles on flysheet and bell-end offer great stability, whilst horizontal poles attached to the inner tent give 18" walls for greater internal capacity.

Special Features: Flysheet made from 100% coated polyester. Large inner tent made from rot, water, and mildew proof polyester/cotton mixture. 2 large bell-ends for cooking and storage. Ground sheet constructed of 4-oz nylon, proofed to resist chafing.

Send for catalogue enclosing 25p to help cover cost and postage.

ROBERT SAUNDERS (CHIGWELL) LIMITED, Five Oaks Lane, Chigwell, Essex, England.



**ROBERT
SAUNDERS**
(Chigwell) Limited



London Festival Ballet

Sponsored by
National
Westminster
Bank

The Nutcracker

Music by Tchaikovsky

Christmas Season
26 Dec 1981-13 Jan 1982

Eves 7.30, Mats 3.00

Tickets £8, £7, £6, £5, £4, £3

Good Party Reductions
O.A.P.'s seats at £4 for all
mats up to & including
2 Jan (subject to availability)

Greater London Council

Royal Festival Hall

General Manager: Michael Kaye

01-928 3191



THE GIRL GUIDE FRIENDSHIP FUND

DEAR GUIDERS,

If the interest already shown in our three Christmas Good Turns to help the disabled is an indication of the final results, it looks as though we shall maintain our record of outstanding successes. A very special thank you to all of you who have already sent a donation, and to those who are even now putting the finishing touches to the bazaar, or the concert, or rehearsing carols, in order to support the Girl Guide Friendship Fund this Christmas.

Just in case there is anyone who does not know about our Good Turns, there are three projects to choose from:

'Operation Farmyard' in which we aim to provide all the livestock needed by **The Home Farm Trust** for two of their new homes for the mentally handicapped, Milton Heights in Oxfordshire and Lympe Place in Kent.

'Riding for the Disabled' in which we plan to provide a wide range of equipment needed by disabled riders, such as saddles, boots, reins, hats, etc.

'Ynysgain' where we want to help provide various items of equipment to enable disabled Brownies, Guides, Rangers and Guiders to visit this lovely camp and pack holiday site in North Wales.

The projects close on **31st January 1982**, and it would be appreciated if you could ensure that your donation reaches us by that date. Do write and tell us how the money was raised, not only is it of interest to the GGFF Committee, it is also of great interest to the organisations we are helping.

All cheques and postal orders should be made payable to **The Girl Guide Friendship Fund**, and sent to the address given below. If possible could

you use one of the special Christmas stamps when sending your gift, so that we can also use these to benefit the Fund.

Thank you all very, very much for your support throughout 1981. We know it has not been easy to raise money for the hundred and one demands made upon us, but the support for the GGFF seems to be little affected. There is no doubt that 'A little kindness can bring a lot of happiness', and through the GGFF you have helped bring much happiness to Guides and Brownies overseas, and to the disabled of all ages.

A very Happy Christmas to you all.

RC

The Girl Guide Friendship Fund
17-19 Buckingham Palace
Road, SW1W 0PT.

CLASSIFIEDS



continued from page 41

phone or write for proposal form to: Fennell Turner and Taylor Ltd, Pinners Hall, Austin Friars, London EC2 2HE Tel: 01-638 0721.

Insurance. Reduced motor premiums for Guiders, Scouters, Civil Servants, Advanced Motorists. Professional advice for all

classes of insurance. We welcome enquiries for Group vehicles and premises, your home, life, mortgage, pension and investment requirements. Morden Park Insurance Brokers Ltd, 12 Colman Parade, Southbury Road, Enfield EN1 1YA. Tel: 01-366 1312/3.

BADGES

Guide County/Interest metal or cloth badges exchanged or bought. Box No. 74.

Badges, Badges, Badges — embroidered, printed, all kinds — produced to YOUR design. We shall be pleased to quote for your requirements. Consult the friendly specialists: Webb-Tolley Ltd, 26a High Street, Halesowen, West Midlands.

EDUCATIONAL

Write and Sell Children's stories. Mail tuition. Sales assistance. Free booklet: Children's Features (G) 5/9 Bexley Square, Salford, Manchester M3 6DB.

To advertise in *GUIDER*, *TODAY'S GUIDE* or *THE BROWNIE* — please ring Ann M Martin (01-834 6242) for details.

Please note: all advertisements for Venture Scouts/Ranger events published in *GUIDER* must be accompanied by the signature of the Guide County Commissioner, and all advertisements for camp-sites, Pack Holiday Houses and Activity Centres **MUST HAVE THE SIGNATURE OF THE COUNTY CAMP ADVISOR.**

When replying to advertisements please mention GUIDER

The Girl Guides Association takes no responsibility for statements made in any advertisements here or elsewhere in the magazine, or for any subsequent correspondence in connection therewith. The right is also reserved to refuse any advertisement not considered suitable. Advertisements for the sale of secondhand clothing cannot be accepted (except uniforms). Uniforms for sale should not be sent to CHQ, advertisers receive communications from applicants. **ALL COPY MUST BE RECEIVED BY 21st OF THE SECOND MONTH PRECEDING PUBLICATION (eg 21st DECEMBER FOR THE FEBRUARY ISSUE). ALL CHARGES 20p per word; BOX NUMBER £1.00 extra. PLEASE SEND REMITTANCE WITH THE ADVERTISEMENT TO: Miss A M Martin, Advertisement Manager, The Girl Guides Association, 17/19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT. 10% discount for series of 12. To reply to a Box Number, address your envelope to Box Number concerned c/o GUIDER. Please enclose SAE when replying to Box Numbers.**

What's On

continued from page 43

Robin Cousins Heads Wembley Cast In Holiday On Ice '82

The lavish American ice revue **Holiday On Ice** is deservedly billed as The World's Greatest Ice Spectacular.

Holiday On Ice '82 is the new presentation coming to Wembley Arena for the Christmas season, opening on **Boxing Day, Saturday 26th December** for a limited season until **28th February, 1982**.

Heading the huge international cast is Britain's skating superstar **Robin Cousins** — back at Wembley following his phenomenal success in last year's show. The line-up also includes another great name from the skating world, the lovely Korean-born Young Soon Choo, 1980 Women's World Professional Champion.



The show promises to provide action all the way, with big production numbers, lavish scenes with glittering costumes and fun for all the family from the skating comedy stars.

Specially devised as all-round family entertainment the production highlights include 'Magyar Memories' where the traditional Hungarian folk dance glides through to those magnificent rhapsodies and the enchanting 'Woodland Fantasy' where the forest comes alive, transformed into an animal wonderland of woodland creatures.

Now booking at Wembley Box Office, tickets for **Holiday On Ice '82** range from **£2.50 to £5.60** and there are reduced rates for children and Senior Citizens to all performances, including Saturday performances and the two shows each Sunday. For additional information or enquiries Tel: 01-902 1234.

... 9th December is the London Premiere of Agatha Christie's *Cards on the Table* at the Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, London, starring Gordon Jackson, Margaret Courtenay and Derek Waring. To encourage playgoers to book before a show has opened, the producers of *Cards on the Table* will offer very substantial reductions to parties of 15 or more, when seats are available, for any performances after 9th December, except Second House on Saturdays and Public Holidays. Please book with: Box Office, Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, London WC2 (01-836 9988). Please note that to qualify for these bargain prices these concessions are only available for seats that are reserved and paid for before Monday, 30th November, or within a month of booking the seats, whichever is nearer.

Nickleby And Me

15th December 1981-9th January 1982

The Christmas production at Chichester Festival Theatre this year is **Nickleby and Me**, a rollicking, rumbustious, melodramatic Christmas musical presentation of the story of Nicholas Nickleby, starring Alfred Marks, Alexandra Bastedo, David Firth and Ken Wynne.

Dickens spells Christmas and this musical extravaganza is no exception: it has all the traditional ingredients — a handsome hero, hissable villain and beautiful heroine — and lots more besides! Fireworks, acrobats and transformation scenes are a few of the attractions of this sensational family show.

The terrors of little boys in snow-bound Dotheboys Hall and the evil machinations of Sir Mulberry Hawk, the Regency Rake, spring with equal felicity from young Mr Nickleby's quill and no braver company than young Mr Crummles' Thespians could be found to bring them to life in a show brimming with Christmas goodwill.

Nickleby and Me has a four-week run from **15th December to 9th January**. Pre-Christmas tickets are priced at **90p, £2.25, £3.60, £4.50 and £5.00**, and post-Christmas tickets at **£1.00, £2.50, £4.00, £5.00, £5.50**.

Available from **Chichester Festival Theatre Box Office, Oaklands Park, Chichester**. Telephone (0243) 781312.

Stop Press — Barbican Previews

The splendid Barbican Arts Centre in the city of London opens officially next March. Included in the centre will be a theatre (to be the home of the Royal Shakespeare Company), three cinemas, a library, art and sculpture galleries, gardens, fountains, a lake, and a superb concert hall which will be the first home of the London Symphony Orchestra.

Look out for an illustrated feature on the Centre in the March, 1982 issue of **GUIDER**, but meanwhile if you hurry you can apply for tickets to attend a preview

concert in this magnificent building. On December 9th, there will be a Folk Evening; 12th, the London Symphony Orchestra; 16th, the King's Singers in Concert; January 22nd, the Philip Jones Brass Ensemble; February 1st, London Symphony Orchestra; and 16th, English Chamber Orchestra. Something here for all musical tastes, and tickets for all concerts are £2 each. Booking for these exciting previews is by post only, no personal or telephone applications will be considered. Write to **Preview Box Office, Barbican Centre, Barbican, London EC2Y 8DS**.

Christmas for Children at the National Gallery

Three activities are available for children visiting the Gallery over the Christmas period; **Meet the Artist: Thomas Gainsborough**, the quiz **Seen But Not Heard** and a **Competition** offering prizes. In **Meet the Artist**, a fully-costumed James Heard acts Gainsborough in an inspired educational activity, including conversation and gossip of the day and a re-enactment of the great artist at work. **Seen But Not Heard** allows children to study fourteen paintings involving children by studying a quiz sheet, which should be collected from the Orange Street entrance. Further information from the **National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London WC2N 5DN**.

The beautiful print below is just one of many on view at an exhibition of Goya's Prints at the British Museum. The exhibition is free and runs until 24th January, 1982. Not to be missed.

British Museum



... A Gala to celebrate St Nicholas Day on Sunday, 6th December at 7.30 pm at Sadler's Wells Theatre in aid of The Jaqueline du Pre Research Fund in co-operation with The Multiple Sclerosis Society. Booking has already started and further details can be obtained from: The Box Office, Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1R 4TN (01-837 1672/1673/3856).

**INTERESTED IN GEMS, MINERALS
OR LAPIDARY?**

GEMS

is the only British magazine to cover this subject and includes pages on collecting & gem identification as well as the fascinating hobby of lapidary

Annual Subscription £4.50 (6 issues)
Single copies 70p post paid.

from

THE RANDAL PRESS LTD.,
9 KENNET ROAD, CRAYFORD,
KENT DA1 4QN.



GIRL GUIDE SHOPS IN SCOTLAND



UNIFORMS BOOKS CAMP EQUIPMENT BADGES GIFTS (DISCOUNT SEALS GIVEN)

Personal Shoppers made welcome at all shops

Edinburgh
16 Coates Crescent
Edinburgh EH3 7AH
Tel: 031-225 3483

Glasgow
15 Elmbank Street
Glasgow G2 4PB
Tel: 041-248 4200

Aberdeen
11 Albyn Place
Aberdeen AB1 1YE
Tel: 0224 20875

Dundee
5 Panmure Street
Dundee DD1 2BW
Tel: 0382 22262

When you buy from the **Guide Shops** the whole **Movement** benefits.
Mail orders only from Edinburgh



Foxlease, Lyndhurst, New Forest

The post of
SECRETARY

at Foxlease, becomes vacant on 31st December, 1981.

The Secretary is responsible for assisting in the running of a busy training centre, the two holiday houses and the campsites as well as for the usual secretarial functions.

The successful applicant for the post will need to have accurate shorthand and typing skills, experience of simple book-keeping and a Guiding background. A current driving licence would prove extremely useful.

For an application form please apply in writing as soon as possible to:

**Hazel Douglas,
Personnel Manager,
The Girl Guides Association,
17-19, Buckingham Palace Road,
London, SW1W 0PT.**

DIY & SAVE ON TRAILERS



Complete trailers, parts and accessories. Trailers for hire.
200page Manual 50p+50p P&P

Mechanical Services Ltd.,
Belmont Rd., Bolton, Lancs.
Tel: Bolton (0204) 58434.
Stockists Nationwide - See Yellow Pages

Indespension

'BRAN TUB TOYS'



GOOD
PROMPT
SERVICE

DOLLS FOR DRESSING, WOOD BALLS
FUND RAISING PENS & PUNCH BOARDS
XMAS CRACKERS D.I.Y. SNAPS MOTTOS HATS
JELLY CASES, PAPER PLATES, STRAWS
XMAS DECORATIONS & TOYS FOR SANTA
NOVELTY BALLOONS
PAINTS & TOYS FOR PLAYGROUPS
GLUE, PIPE CLEANERS
RAFFLE TICKETS & JAMPOT COVERS

ASSORTMENTS
FOR
SMALL EVENTS
TO HELP
BOOST YOUR FUNDS

Send large S.A.E. for your
FREE
Trade List
To: D. Glover
(Wholesale Toys) Ltd.
Braxholme Mills, Dept. GDEX
Bradford Road, Bailiff Bridge,
Brighouse, Yorkshire.

Tel. Brighouse 719298
(STD 0484)

MAIL ORDER GUARANTEE

Errata:—

On page 11 of last month's issue, we inadvertently referred to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, as HRH. We apologise for this error; our Royal Patrons are always referred to correctly on page 3.

Editor

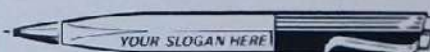
Mini-Cones Set 2

We apologise for the error in the name of the Brownie from Canada. The uniform shown is that of a Jeanette of the Guides Catholique du Canada (secteur français). The name will be corrected at the next reprint.

Commonwealth & International Secretary

QUALITY FUND RAISING and ADVERTISING PENS

SEE
BEFORE
YOU BUY



Send 50p P.O. for 16 page colour catalogue and assorted samples or 12p stamp for leaflet only

Lapel Badges



Your own design made to order.
Send for colour catalogue

PLAQUES! TROPHIES! CUPS! MEDALS!



Buy direct and
save CE's
Prices from
30p. Send
for
leaflet.

WESTFIELD LTD
DEPT 23 WESTFIELD HOUSE
HELENA ST B'HAM B1 2RJ.

117 C. 400



**Best wishes
for a topping Christmas
and prosperous New Year**

from everyone at Miller Leswyn.

**Miller
Leswyn**

Miller Leswyn Ltd., Queensbridge Works, Queen Street, Burton-on-Trent, Staffs. DE14 3LP.