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## Thinking Day Greetings



The theme of Unity from the World Conference last summer still rings in my mind as I remember those delegates from around the world who came together; sister Guides and Girl Scouts, friends in oneness of spirit and interest who have now departed to continue Guiding and Girl Scouting in their own countries.

That Unity will be re-formed during this our Special Thinking Day month.

Let us pray for peace and understanding in the World as we help our young people to enlarge their vision and awaken an interest in Guides and people of other lands and cultures.

My loving thoughts to you this Thinking Day.

*Patience Baden-Powell*

Chief Commissioner

## Cover

Our cover photograph this month was taken at last year's Knebworth '81 camp by Frank Randall. The group pictured here with their Thinking Day umbrellas included American, Dutch and Norwegian Guides.



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# Roundabout & Pick of the Press



## *Hands Across the World*

A smiling reminder that Thinking Day is with us once again.

These four smiling Guides from around the world are pictured outside Baden-Powell House. They were all in this country to participate in Folk Fest 10 last year. Photograph courtesy of Jonathan Player.

## *A Question of Balance*

'Belchamps', the South East Essex Scout Association camping ground at Hawkwell near Southend was the scene for the accompanying photograph of eleven year old Dionne Creary on the assault course last summer. This extremely well equipped ground is now used consider-

ably by Guides from all parts of the UK. According to Dionne's Guider, Edna Morris, Dionne performed outstandingly in camp, taking part in all activities, including learning to swim and dive. Dionne is a member of the 2nd Hornchurch Coy. Photograph and report courtesy of Denys Branch.





# Roundabout & Pick of the Press

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## Long Distance Guiding

Gillian Henderson has recently had to call it a day. For four years, Gillian thought nothing of driving 120 miles a night to help out with Brownies and Guides. This is the mileage she clocked up when paying her Friday night visits to the 2nd Ruddington Company from her home in Huntingdonshire.

Mrs Henderson's trip meant that, after a week of teaching at the primary school of which she is deputy head, she had to leave home in the rush hour with her RAF Chief Technician husband Michael as soon as they finished work and then wait until after the meeting to have a meal. If they didn't stay overnight with her parents, then they used to arrive home again about midnight. The Hendersons didn't often miss a Friday night meeting, and only once were the roads so bad that they didn't get through. Gillian



is pictured here receiving well deserved gifts at a farewell party given for her by Guides and Rangers — left to right: Sally Holden, Kirstie Woollard, Gillian Henderson and Linda Mather. Photograph courtesy of *The Evening Post*.

## Seeing is Believing

Sarah Kendall, 13, recently became the first in her Company to gain the braille communication Badge. Sarah, a member of the 1st New Haw Coy, had to learn to read and write braille, to lead blind people and to teach them to play games.

She also spent a 36-hour week helping at Rushton Hall School for the Blind with additional handicaps in Northampton, where her aunt works. This also helped her to renew her Service Flash.

Another aspect of the Badge was fund-raising for the blind, and she has raised money through a variety of activities, including carol singing. Photograph courtesy of the *Surrey Herald*.







## Berlin Revels

Left, an adventurous parent tasting food from the Canadian display on last year's Thinking Day at the Pichelsdorf District, Berlin. Below left and right, Brownies and Guides from the Pichelsdorf District sample food from the Israeli display. Below, another group of Pichelsdorf Brownies and Guides with some of their American Girl Scout visitors at the same celebrations. Photographs: Mrs R Thompson.



## Thinking Day

Let us build a bridge of Friendship,  
Not from wood or iron stairs,  
But with steps of understanding,  
To support a world of cares.

Let us plant a tree of peace,  
With tiny branches that will grow,  
To bear the fruits of hope,  
And unite the earth we know.

Let us build a ship of Trust,  
Not from oak or tempered steel,  
But with decks of honest service,  
On a firm and steadfast keel.

Jan Macnaughtan





# THINKING DAY 1981



The photograph above was sent to us by Mrs Leonie Hamilton, District Commissioner for Heswall District, Merseyside. It was taken outside St Peter's Church, Heswall, Wirral after their District Thinking Day Service last February. The photograph shows from the left: Wing Commander K M Stoddart, Lord Lieutenant of Merseyside, Mrs Pam Webb, District Assistant, Mrs Leonie Hamilton and Rev Robin Morris, Rector of St Peter's Church.



The photograph on the left represents a novel way of collecting money for Thinking Day, developed in Oxfordshire a couple of years ago. Units were asked to produce a collage using mainly coins. Some Units found that although the actual collage did not take up too many coins, they nevertheless collected a large sum in 'preparation', which was all added to the fund. We are grateful to Mrs C Ruiz, International Adviser, for the report and photograph.



# Roundabout & Pick of the Press

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## Royal Rides

**HRH The Princess Anne** is shown here handing **three-year-old Adrian Manby** a special rosette to commemorate her visit to **Manor House Farm, Willoughby, near Alford** recently to meet members of the local group of the **Riding for the Disabled Association**.

Helper **Elizabeth Dickson**, of the **1st Alford Com-**

**pany**, looks on (centre), as does **Carol Simpson** (right) another helper. Earlier they had taken part with **Adrian** in a special riding display watched by the Princess, who is patron of the **RDA**.

**Elizabeth's** interests in helping the disabled to ride began while she was working for her **Service Flash**. *Photograph courtesy of the Grimsby Evening Telegraph.*

## Safety in Surrey

Last year, the **Surrey Constabulary** introduced their **Child Safe '81 Campaign**. This was aimed at young children in an effort to reduce the numbers killed and injured on the roads of **Surrey**.

Pictured below are a happy group of **Brownies** from the **4th Dorking Pack** proudly displaying their **CHILD SAFE '81** badges, which have just been presented to them by **WPC Gillian Glover** and **Cadet Gillian Biggs**. *Photograph courtesy of the Surrey Constabulary.*





**G**uiding in Allesley began 50 years ago, in a room in the Old Rectory. Frances Cordeaux, a Guider in Radford, was asked to form a Company because of the enthusiasm of a number of girls in the village. She soon found the room far too small for the growing numbers and the Company moved to its present home in the Village Hall. Miss Cordeaux recalls walking through the woods from Corley to take meetings and Church Parades!

Miss Cordeaux was succeeded by Iris Webster (née Harvey), who still lives in the village and is the present President of the local Women's Institute. Freda Wood became Captain in 1937, having been an assistant for three years, and held this position until 1979. Under her care the Company continued to flourish, and had many successes in such things as Drill Competitions, Swimming Galas, Arts and other competitions. Her camps were unrivalled, and much of the British Isles, including the Isle of Man, Jersey and Guernsey, have been visited by the 40th. Mrs Wood encouraged her Guides to experience all aspects of Guiding, including service to the Community, Badge-taking, Hiking, Camping, First Aid, Map Reading, etc. In 1968 the Company held the Coventry Division record for the number of First Class Badges gained in a year (14), and in the five months, six Guides gained the top award — the Queen's Guide Badge. The Company has produced 35 Queen's Guides since 1954, when Maureen Broomfield was the first girl in the Division to gain the Badge.

In 1954 a contingent cycled to Oxford for the World Conference, which is held every three years in different member countries. In 1975 the Conference returned to England and this time a Guider attended as an Aide, helping with the background organisation. During this time she attended a reception given by Her Majesty the Queen at Buckingham Palace and was presented to her, and HM Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother and HRH The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon.

Appropriately, because the Company is thinking of 'Beginnings', the present Guider, Mrs Jackie Watton, took the Guides to Brownsea Island for the summer camp this year. It was here that Baden-Powell held his first experimental camp for boys in 1907.

Over the years members of the Company have moved from Allesley, but ex-Guides, Guiders and helpers returned from such places as Sheffield, Blackpool, Southampton, Worcester, Gloucester and London for a Celebration Get Together last October at Allesley Village Hall. Many are still connected with Guiding, and our first Guider is President of Coventry North Girl Guides. During the evening the present Guides showed something of their present programme, and Lucy Harris was enrolled by the Division Commissioner, Mrs Muriel Dexter. The Celebration Cake was cut by an original member of the 1930s company, together with one of today's Guides. There was plenty of time for reminiscing and inspecting the display of photographs of Allesley's Guiding History, plus other treasures.

The 50th Birthday was marked by letters of congratulation from Mrs Betty Clay (daughter of the late World Chief Guide), and from the Lord Mayor of Coventry.

About 120 ex-Guides and Guiders attended the celebrations, and the cake was cut by Mrs Marjorie Bridges (née Butler) — a Patrol Leader in the 1930s, and by Lynn McStay, a present Patrol Leader. The Guides presented the Association for Brain Damaged Children with a set of Dolls House furniture — the House being in their new home in St Paul's Road.

Among the many sentimental gifts that were presented were an old Guide Enrolment Badge and a carved Trefoil, given on behalf of the 1950s Guides.



Top, one of the displays — the farm's association with Guiding started in the 1940s. Above, Lois Simpson — Queen's Guide 1972, who helped with mounting the displays. Among many other exhibits, the displays included almost 200 photographs arranged in ten year sections. Right, Guide Tromie Dodds serving refreshments. Below, Marjorie Bridges (née Butler), PL in 1930 and Lynn McStay, PL in 1981, cutting the 50th birthday cake.



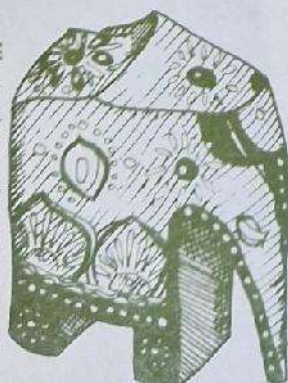
Gillian Grute, on behalf of the 40th City of Coventry (South) Company, in the village of Allesley, has sent us this account of the celebrations recently held to celebrate the 50th birthday of the Company. We are grateful to John Prince for the photographs which appear on this page.

# GOLDEN YEARS





# Thinking Day 1982



For my Thinking Day message this year I would like to send you the words of Mrs Mukta Wijesinha, World Committee Member, and now Chairman Promotion Committee, when she made her presentation to the 24th World Conference in France:

'Coins, it is said, were minted in the shape of a circle because they were meant to roll from person to person. Let us look at some of these coins; a franc, a peso or peseta, a drachma, dollar, kuru or shilling, a yen, a Baht, a kroner Centaro, a penny — coins of all nations all rolling in on Thinking Day to the World Bureau, not because they are in excess, but given in love and through hard work, imagination and dedication.

A penny for your thoughts. Remember where we heard that. Yes, it was in 1932. That was how it all began, almost 50 years ago.

Well, if all the members of WAGGGS, in all 104 countries, each gave their penny this year, can you guess how much we'd have? Yes, only £80,000 — £40,000 less than our target. Isn't it a shame we cannot give more, and yet we have so much to be thankful for. In this golden jubilee year of the Thinking Day Fund let us make a golden resolution. Let's add a penny more for our thoughts each year — one for Thinking and one for Thanking. Thank you by any other words sounds lovely and exciting. Think and Thank — let us raise our voices in thankful remembrance.

We leave with you today an elephant — one that never forgets — ever. Take it home with you to every corner of the world. Show it to the girls as a reminder from WAGGGS. 22nd February is Thinking Day, but every day can be Thinking-Thanking Day. Roll in the coins — the circle has no ending — today we hope you will also roll in more than a penny into our Elephantine Tills.'

Please pass this message on to all your members and remind them that we should be thinking of our sisters around the world *every day*. Let us all try to be more international in our outlook; being part of a world Movement is something we should all appreciate and help our girls to understand.

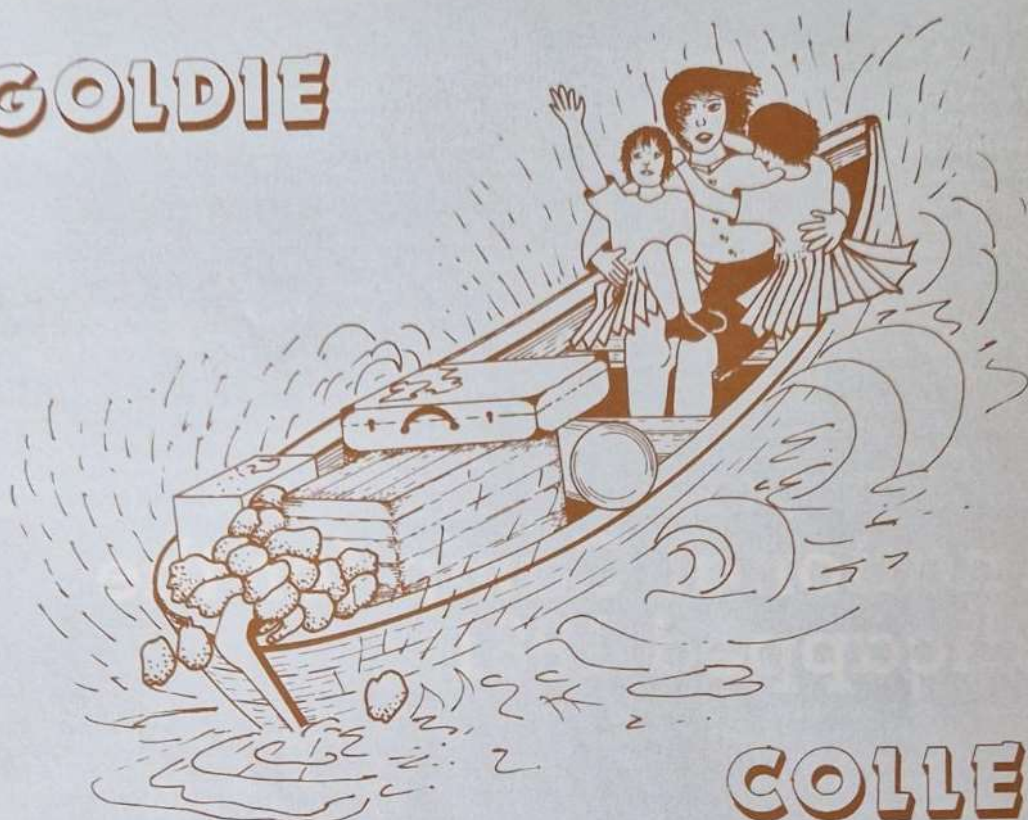
*A Thinking Day message from  
Jo Caesar, Director of the World  
Bureau.*

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# GOLDIE

Anne Moffat



# COLLEGE

*Kate Marsden reports on what turned out to be a memorable if hair-raising trip to Goldie College in the remote West Solomon Islands. Kate Marsden is the Equipment Secretary of the Solomon Islands Girl Guides Association, and is resident in Honiara, the capital of the Solomon Islands.*

When an invitation came to attend the annual Bazaar and Queen's Guide Presentation at Goldie College in the remote and lovely West Solomons last September it seemed a marvellous opportunity. We have lived in the capital Honiara for four years and I had never ventured to any of the many, many scattered islands. Honiara is a city of 20,000 people, with most of the amenities you would expect in a town: airport, hotels, factories, hospital, shops, offices and traffic. By contrast, the vast majority of the population live in villages with no electricity, few roads and only recently (perhaps) a water supply. Schools and clinics are often a difficult walk away or more usually a canoe trip.

Flying west over the mountains of our Island Guadalcanal we were soon staring down at the tiny coral

atolls and lagoons so reminiscent of 'O' Level text books. Munda airstrip was laid by the Japanese in WW2, and the terminal building is still a Nissen hut. After the air conditioned cabin, the standard Solomons temperature of 29°C and high humidity hit us hard. Even after four years of such heat it still is exhausting at times!

Sylvia Cooms, an English Guider who has been at Goldie for ten years, met us and helped us to climb in the back of an ancient and rusty pick-up truck. You could see the dusty coral road through the holes in the floor! We sped along the only road in Munda through acres of coconut palms and past houses made from leaves. Bush dogs, 'pig-pigs' and 'cocoraco' (chickens) scattered as we approached. We reached the Mission Station and hospital after a few minutes and there was our next form of transport . . . the canoe.

I had my two little girls with me on this adventure. Nicola is four and Anna 20 months. Their eyes were wide in amazement, as mine were moments later as the driver and five schoolgirls started loading sweet potato, kerosene, groceries, various parcels, bedding rolls and . . . our small 'weekend' bag (which suddenly seemed huge). We were beckoned on board. Hoisting my dress in a less than ladylike way, I sat Anna astride my hip and waded

out to the canoe. The water reached above my knees long before I reached the boat! I kept looking into the sparkling waters, hardly noticing the fish darting so vividly around the jetty; instead I was remembering the evil stone fish which masquerades as a pebble in waters such as these, waiting to inflict its poisonous barb. I watched as Nicola was carried on board by a strong capable guide and tried to follow suit!

Why didn't she cause the canoe to lurch drunkenly, why didn't the waves lap overboard when she sat down and how did she look so comfortable on the narrow plank? It seemed an age before I had each child by me; we were squeezed together on such a tiny plank and I held them so tight that they were bruised! When the outboard motor started we then had to get used to the vibrations. Each of our senses was assaulted as we sped rapidly over the waves in the direction of the palm-fringed islands on the horizon. To be honest I was only barely aware of the sheer beauty of the lagoon: the dolphins, the sea birds, the fishermen in dugout canoes, and the flying fish. I was more aware of the amount of water which was coming over the sides and swilling about our feet, the thud on the bottom of the canoe as we hit a big

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When 1981 was announced as the International Year of Disabled People, I never dreamt that before the end of the year I would have been to an International Camp with four of my Guides — two handicapped and two non-handicapped.

It was November 1980 when I was asked if I could take two of my physically handicapped Guides to Denmark for an International Camp. I accepted first and thought about what I'd accepted afterwards. Yvonne Doe and Sheila Gwatkins were chosen, and we began filling in forms and trying to get passports. This presented a few problems because of the Civil Service strike — we really began to wonder if we'd ever get a passport in time. By Easter I was asked to nominate two non-handicapped Guides to join us, so Jennifer Sargeant and Kathryn Godden were chosen from the Company in which I am an Assistant Guider. Both of these girls had helped with the handicapped Guides before.

The end of the school year came very quickly and the weekend saw us all in our respective homes trying to get the maximum amount of kit into holdalls — how were we ever

the Danish Leaders with a minibus. We spent the first night staying in one of the houses at the Pindstrup Centre. This is a purpose-built centre for all types of handicap — no steps, door numbers raised from the wall for partially-sighted or blind, different textured paths in entrances, drives etc, sinks and kitchen units which can be raised or lowered for wheelchairs.

On the Tuesday everyone arrived. Monday had seen the arrival of three Norwegians, the Danish Leaders and us, but Tuesday saw the numbers rise to 120. Pitching tents was the first activity, followed by making gadgets from pine trees (under supervision, of course!) and square lashing improved 100%.

Thursday was the beginning of a 24-hour hike — everyone joined in. The hike was based on a Hans Andersen fairy story, and activities during the hike were related to the story. The night was spent in a home-made shelter of tree trunks, a tarpaulin and a groundsheet. This was about 2 ft 6 in high at the front and tapered to nothing at the back,

## International Camp for the Handicapped 1981

going to manage to carry it all? On Monday, July 27th, we all met just before lunch, and friends and families provided cars to transport four Guides, one Guider, two wheelchairs and seven large bags to Gatwick Airport. The British Airways/SAS ground staff were very helpful — nothing was too much trouble and after booking in and looking around the airport it wasn't long before Yvonne and Sheila were being put on the plane, with Jenny, Kathryn and myself following close behind.

After taking off we were provided with a meal and unlimited supplies of free soft drinks and we were all able to go up into the cockpit to watch the plane being flown. Carrying Yvonne down the gangway was no easy task — but why should she be left out?

At Turstrup Airport in Denmark we were met by two of

and was about 6 ft wide. This was erected in fields of kind local farmers — all the equipment having been taken out by minibus.

Sunday was International Day, and we prepared activities and food for others to try. We tried a ski slope (polystyrene and soapy water — with real skis!) from Norway, singing games and gateau making from Denmark, tossing the caber from Scotland and other various activities. This was followed by eating haggis from Scotland, spaghetti from Italy, cheeses from Norway and also dishes from Sweden, Finland, Luxembourg and Denmark. All this was followed by an International Campfire.

Monday's activities were based on the fairy tales of Hans Andersen, including miming and a games market place. This was followed by a disco and films, and the end of this saw everyone singing Auld Lang Syne in either Danish or Scottish dialect.

On Tuesday the Danish Guides and Scouts left, with many promises of letters to be written, and everyone else moved to indoor accommodation. The next three days were spent sightseeing with the Danish Leaders. The highlight was a trip to Legoland — a miniature village with other added attractions, all made out of Lego bricks. It was a very hot but superb day — even riding on a Lego train was a novelty — wheelchairs left abandoned on the platform of the Lego station.

On Saturday, August 8th, our luggage was eventually packed — how did we manage to get it all in? As we boarded the coach to travel to Aarhus for the last minute shopping there were more promised letters, return visits and offers of hospitality in various countries.

Once again the airlines were superb, and we arrived home happy, sad and tired all at the same time. Now we've got lots of photographs and slides to remind us of a fantastic two weeks with the very friendly Danish Leaders, who we'll never forget for their friendliness and hospitality.

*Miss Y Westwood, Guide Guider to the 1st London South East Company (for the Physically Handicapped), reports on last summer's highly successful International Camp for the Handicapped, which took place in Denmark.*



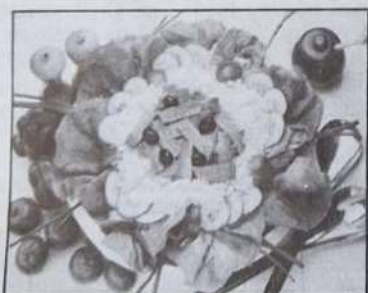


# Thinking Day Recipes

## American-Tongue-Salad

12 ozs cooked cold tongue  
4 tablespoons mayonnaise  
1 tablespoon Colman's American Style Mustard  
1 finely chopped hard boiled egg  
2 teaspoons capers  
lettuce  
½ cucumber, thinly sliced  
4 tomatoes quartered  
6/8 ozs cooked rice  
6 spring onions  
few black olives

Cut the tongue into thin strips. Beat the mayonnaise with the mustard in a small bowl. Stir in the chopped egg and capers. Lightly toss most of the tongue in the mustard mayonnaise. Place lettuce leaves around the edge of a serving dish and arrange a circle of tomato and cucumber, as in the picture. Add a circle of rice. Fill the rice ring with the tongue which has been tossed in mayonnaise. Arrange the uncoated strips of tongue on top in a lattice pattern and decorate with black olives. Arrange the spring onions around the edge of the plate. *Serves 4.*



## Sierra-Leone Individual-Curries-And Fresh-Pears

1 ¼ pound boned leg or lamb or shoulder  
Seasoned flour  
2 tablespoons oil  
1 ½ tablespoons curry powder  
1 beef stock cube dissolved in ½ pint hot water  
1 bayleaf  
1 tablespoon tomato puree  
Salt  
Freshly ground black pepper  
Juice of ½ lemon  
1 pear, peeled, cored and chopped  
1 large onion, finely chopped  
1 clove garlic, finely crushed  
2 ounces raw long grain rice per person  
Chopped parsley and paprika for garnish  
3 fresh pears, ready-prepared to eat  
Juice 2 lemons

Cut the meat into cubes and roll in seasoned flour. Heat the oil and brown the meat. Add the curry powder and stir for 2 to 3 minutes. Add the stock, bay leaf, tomato puree, salt, freshly ground black pepper, lemon juice, chopped pear, onion and garlic. Simmer for about 40 minutes or until tender. Serve in individual dishes with a border of cooked rice. Garnish the meat with chopped parsley and the rice with a dusting of paprika. With each dish of curry serve a fresh pear, ready-prepared and dipped in lemon juice. *Serves 4.*



## Spanish-Pie

1 ½ lb braising steak  
1 oz flour  
1 level teaspoon salt  
¼ level teaspoon pepper  
1 ½ oz lard  
2 large onions, finely sliced  
2 sticks celery, sliced  
8 oz can tomatoes  
1 level teaspoon tomato puree  
¼ pint stock or water  
22 Spanish stuffed green olives  
13 oz packet puff pastry  
milk for glazing

Cut the steak into ¾ inch cubes. Mix the flour, salt and pepper together and coat the meat. Melt the lard in a large frying pan and fry the meat quickly to brown on all sides. Lift it out and place in a 3 pint casserole. Add the onion and celery to the fat in the frying pan and fry for 2 to 3 minutes. Add the canned tomatoes with their juice, tomato puree and stock, and bring to the boil. Pour over the meat, cover and cook at 325° F, 170° C, Gas no 3, for about 2 hours or until the meat is tender. Add 12 whole olives, check the seasoning, then turn into a 2 ½ pint pie dish. Leave to become quite cold. Roll out ¾ of the pastry on a floured board, and cover the top of the pie, sealing the edges firmly. Roll out the remaining pastry and cut into 6 long strips, ½ inch wide. Brush the top of the pie with a little milk and lay strips of pastry across the top to make a diagonal lattice. Brush the strips with milk, make two small slits in the centre of the pie, and bake at 425° F,

22° C, Gas no 7, for 45 minutes, until the pastry is pale golden brown and the meat hot through. Garnish the lattice with the rest of the whole olives. *Serves 6.*



## Tarte-Aux-Pommes

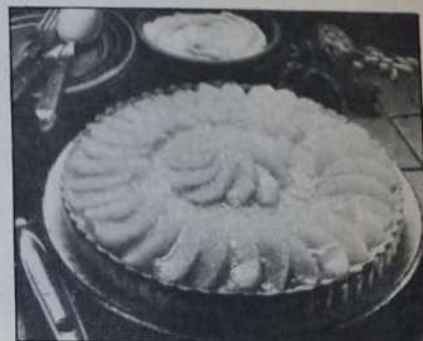
6 oz plain flour  
3 oz butter, fairly soft  
3 oz caster sugar  
3 egg yolks

Put flour into wide bowl and make a hollow in centre. Add butter, sugar and egg yolks. Gradually work ingredients together with fingertips of one hand until a dough is formed. Wrap and chill if possible before rolling out. Line a 9 ½ inch quiche tin with pastry, prick base and cover with greaseproof paper and dried beans to keep flat. Bake at Gas Mark 5, 375° F, 190° C above centre oven for 15-20 minutes. Lift out paper and beans. Return to oven for a further 5-10 minutes till brown. Leave till cold.

### Filling

2 13 ½ oz cans John West Apple Slices  
1-2 oz caster sugar  
2 tablespoons apricot jam  
Juice of half a lemon

Finely chop or puree one can of Apple Slices. Mix in sugar to taste, spread mixture over pastry base. Slice apples from second can finely and arrange over the puree. Measure apricot jam and lemon juice into saucepan. Heat gently until syrupy, stirring constantly. Sieve, then brush over Apple Slices while still warm. Leave in cool place to set. *Serves 6.*





# Know Your Snakes

Of the three species of snake indigenous to Britain the one you are most likely to see when at camp in the southern half of the country is the grass snake. Averaging around thirty inches in length it is usually a darkish green in colour, although olive-brown specimens, some with few or no markings (apart from the black-and-yellow-collar) are also to be seen. When preparing to shed its skin the grass snake becomes a uniform brown, sometimes black, and at this time could possibly be mistaken for an adder.

Feeding as it does mainly on amphibians and fish, the grass snake is naturally more abundant near ponds, streams, rivers and marshy ground. But it is almost as frequently found in open deciduous woodland and on rough commons, often some distance from water. In these dryer places, where frogs are uncommon, the grass snake will feed on toads, and occasionally on young birds and infant mice, although the majority of grass snakes prefer cold-blooded prey.

Lacking poisonous fangs, the grass snake is totally harmless to humans. When picked up it hisses loudly while struggling violently to escape, but makes no attempt to bite. If unable to wriggle free of its captor the grass snake may feign death, becoming suddenly limp

and seemingly lifeless.

The adder is found throughout Britain, with the exception of Ireland, where there are no snakes. In the extreme north of England and in Scotland any snake you chance to see is almost certain to be an adder.

Adders vary a lot in colour. Most adult females are a darkish-brown, but some are golden-brown or brick red; mature specimens are often reddish-brown or brick red; the markings being a darker shade of the basic colour. Adult males are usually pale grey or off-white with jet black markings, while young males may be a straw-yellow in colour.

Although a timid rather than aggressive snake the adder will bite readily if interfered with, lashing out suddenly with a quick stab of its poison fangs. Its bite is painful but rarely fatal, and with proper medical treatment full recovery is usual within a few days without any lasting effects.

The adder inhabits heaths, moors, and sunlit woods. It seems to have a particular liking for those islands of dry ground amidst boggy heathland, and probably because it is less likely to be disturbed in such places by intruders, and is also safe there from the heath fires which occur all too frequently in hot, dry weather.

Feeding chiefly on lizards and voles, the adder will also take small ground-nesting birds and their young when the opportunity occurs. Amphibians are occasionally eaten. When not food hunting the adder spends most of its time basking on sunny days, the exception being heatwave weather when it basks only in the early morning, spending the heat of the day in the shade.

Also found in much the same kind of habitat as the adder is the smooth snake, but your chances of seeing one are slim as it is the rarest of our three native snakes. Pale brown or greyish-brown in colour, this slender snake measures approximately 16 inches in length. It feeds almost exclusively on lizards, including the slow-worm, which it kills by constriction, in the manner of pythons and boas, before swallowing.

All three British snakes mate in the spring, anytime between early April and the end of May. In July the grass snake lays its eggs, an average clutch numbering about two dozen. A rotting log or tree stump, a large heap of decaying sawdust or other vegetable matter are the most favoured egg-laying sites. The eggs are left to incubate by themselves, and hatch within six to eight weeks. Fully formed, the infant grass snakes are ready to face their new life without parental guidance.

About the same time as the grass snakes' eggs are hatching — late August to mid-September — the adder and the smooth snake produce their young, numbering five to fourteen according to parent size. They too are capable of fending for themselves from the moment they are born. They will have been incubated inside eggs within the mother's body, and by warmth obtained from the sun.

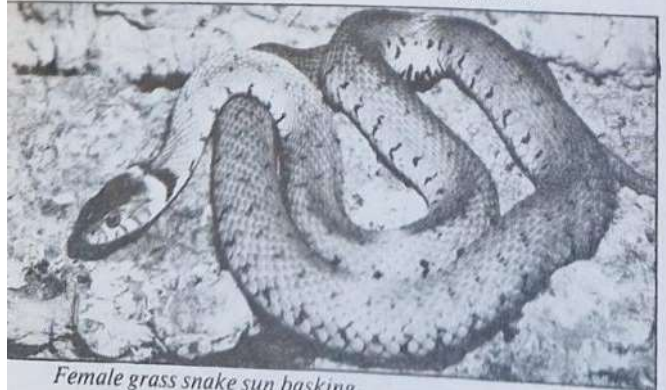
Snakes are most easily seen in the early spring and autumn when the sun is not strong enough to rouse them to any great activity, and they spend these halcyon days in lazy idleness, soaking up the sun's life-giving warmth.



Smooth snake with newly-born young.



Courting male adder approaches a basking female.



Female grass snake sun basking.

All photos Leonard G Appleby

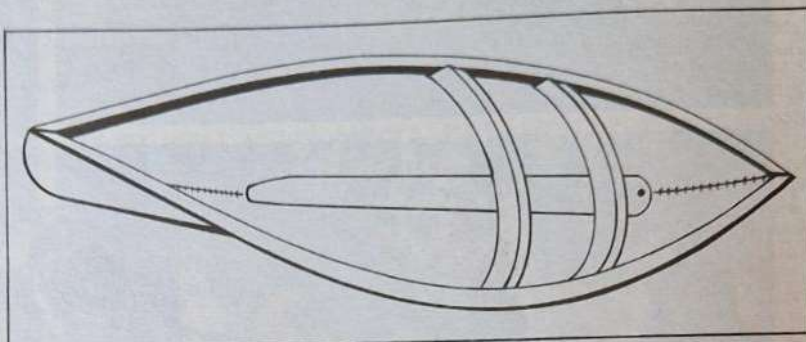


# Getting Afloat Economically

It is perhaps typically paradoxical that as interest in watersports has grown, especially among young people, the cost of participating in such sports has risen dramatically. This is due in part to the fact that the majority of small craft, such as canoes, dinghies, surf boards, and wind-surfers, are made from plastics derived from oil-based resins, the cost of which increases with the ever upward spiral of oil prices. One partial solution is to return to earlier, pre-plastic, methods of small boat construction, but since these are very labour intensive there is little saving in cost to the customer. Savings are possible either by building from a kit, or from plans. Kit building using plywood, and often the method of construction commonly known as 'stitch and glue', is popular, the best known example being the 11 ft *Mirror* dinghy. However, even building from a kit cannot be called inexpensive these days, just less expensive than buying ready-made; the cheapest way of acquiring a small boat is by building from plans. This has several advantages over kit building — you can shop around for your materials, they can be bought as required, and savings can often be made, if more than one craft is to be made, by buying enough materials to qualify for quantity discounts — this is a distinct possibility with groups such as Guides.

If we first consider kayaks, one of the most popular small craft, it is possible to hire the necessary moulds from suppliers of glass-fibre and resin, thus making possible the construction of GRP kayaks by amateur groups. This is the GRP equivalent of kit building, however, cost savings may be less than one might hope and some teachers and group leaders are reluctant to become involved in full scale GRP construction with its possible health hazards if handled incorrectly.

Plans are still available, I believe, for building kayaks (and one Canadian type canoe) using the old fashioned canvas and lath method of construction but this is outmoded now it is possible to make both kayaks and canoes from marine grade plywood. The available plans for plywood kayaks include those using the traditional method of construction with this material. This involves the building of a light framework, similar to that used for canvas and lath construction, which is then clad with thin plywood glued and pinned to the framing. There is considerable satisfaction to be gained from building by this method but it does require rather more woodworking skills than the two more modern methods which I shall describe next.



Plywood hull of DK designs showing keelson, two gunwale strips and the two deck beams.

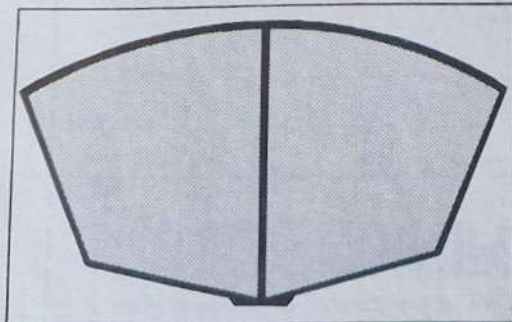
The first of these came into being some years ago and has become known as the 'stitch & glue' method as already mentioned in connection with the *Mirror* dinghy. At this point necessary to mention the first of two boat design terms; plywood boats usually have what is called a *hard chine* shape; this simply refers to the cross sectional shape of the hull, the chine being the angle formed where the bottom panel meets the side panels — see sketch one. If unsympathetically used plywood can produce very 'boxy'-shaped hulls and one method of improving the shape at the cost of increased complexity and weight is to introduce more than one side panel on each side of the hull. There are 'stitch & glue' kayak plans available for both hard chine and multi chine hulls. It must be pointed out that this method of construction involves the 'stitching' together of pre-cut plywood panels using either short lengths of copper wire or nylon monofilament fishing line of an appropriate breaking strain. The seams thus formed are then sealed and reinforced by covering them with a laminate of glass-fibre tape and resin. The amount of GRP works is thus nothing like that involved in building a complete GRP craft of similar size.

The second of the modern methods of utilising plywood for kayak construction is one which I devised to produce simply a *round bilge* hull shape from plywood — again the term round bilge refers to the cross sectional shape of the hull and is generally accepted as being better than the hard chine shape. See sketch two.

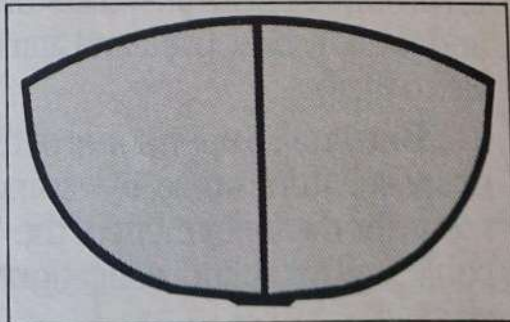
Normally to build a round bilge hull from plywood or thin veneers requires a male mould

which is almost as complex as the completed craft, and indeed there is one kayak plan available using this method, which is good for producing a number of identical kayaks once the mould is made. However, the DK method came into being some years ago when I was seeking a means of making round bilge kayaks from 3 mm plywood without the need for moulds, jigs or building boards. In fact at no time does the hull itself have to be fixed down while construction is in progress, so it may be hung from the roof between building sessions. The DK method produces a strong, rigid monocoque hull with no cross members in the hull other than a pair of deck beams which fix the beam and support the deck and cockpit. Each full size adult kayak requires only two 8 ft x 4 ft sheets of 3 mm thick marine grade plywood; one sheet is used for the deck and the other is cut into four panels which are joined to form a pair of hull sides of the required length. These two side panels are glued and nailed to a keelson; a pair of gunwale strips are fitted and the hull is ready to have the ends drawn together and sealed as in the 'stitch & glue' method. The two deck beams are glued into place and the hull is ready for internal finishing; this done the deck is fitted, the coaming made from off-cuts and the kayak is nearly complete. The plans allow for the gunwales and keel line to be clad with a layer of glass-fibre tape and resin as are the ends but they could be equally well finished with half round wood mouldings to minimise the use of GRP. For those who don't mind the

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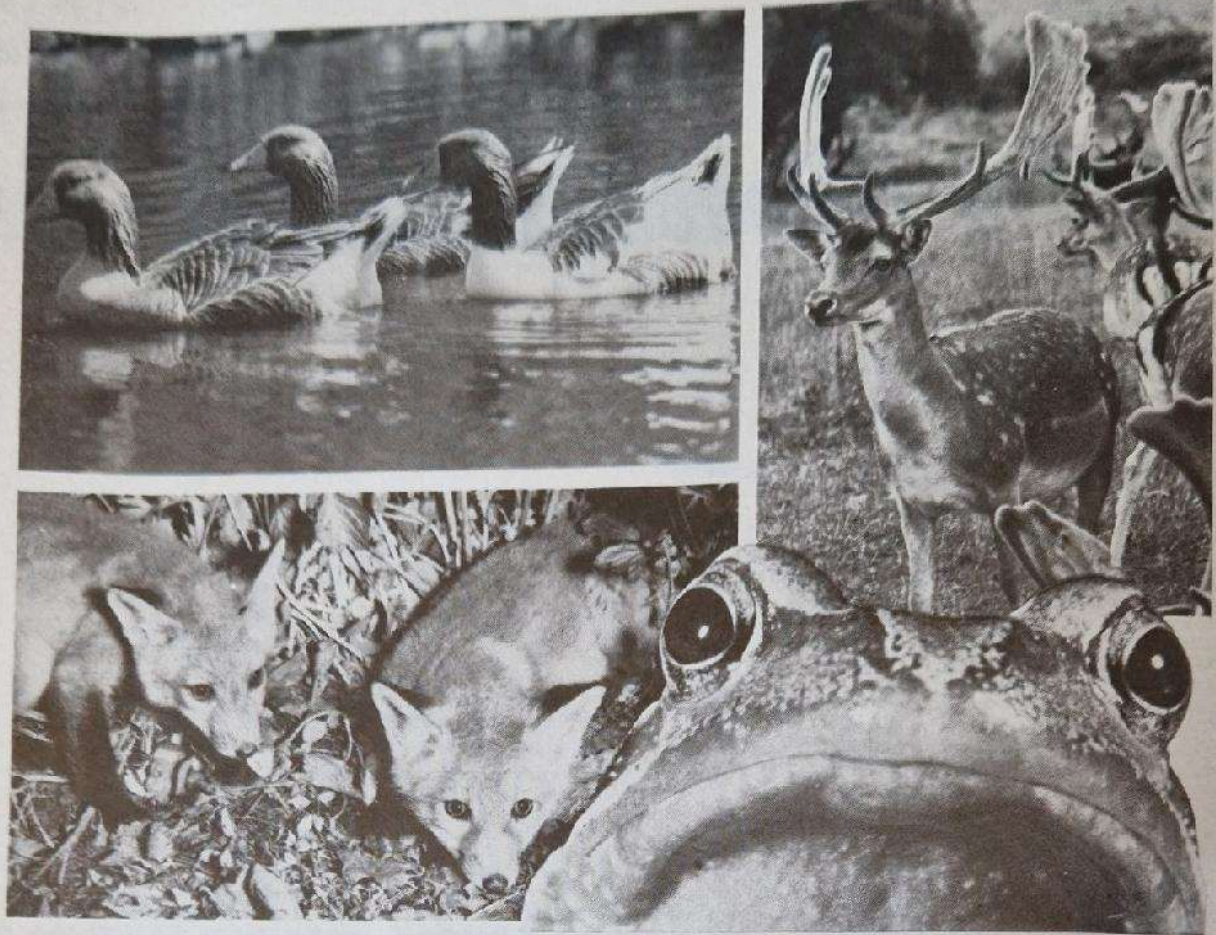


Sketch 1



Sketch 2





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# WIDE GAMES

by Ruth Black

## Part 5 — continued

Where signs made from articles (stones, sticks, leaves, etc) may be moved or destroyed because other people are in the area, it may be possible to lay trails of prints made with a "tracking iron". This is virtually any article which will make a distinctive print (like a footprint) in soft earth, sand or mud. It will probably pass unnoticed by any but the sharp eye of the tracker and the trail will remain undisturbed. A tracking iron can be made quite easily from a piece of hardwood with a pattern of small nails or hobnails

and/or metal strips hammered into it. It can be strapped under the shoe, attached to a stick or used to print by hand (rather back-breaking).

All sorts of patterns can be made.

### Points to remember:

Signs laid on the ground should be on the right hand verge of any road used by traffic, so that the girls face on-coming traffic as they follow them

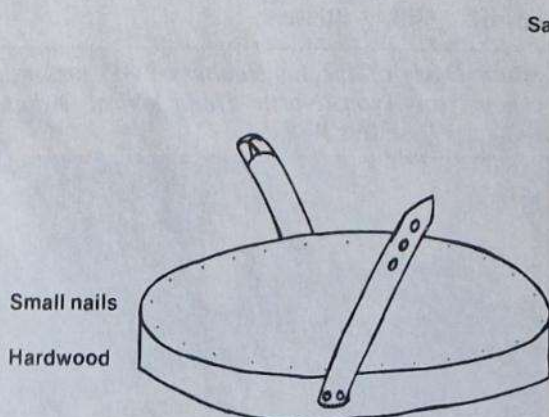
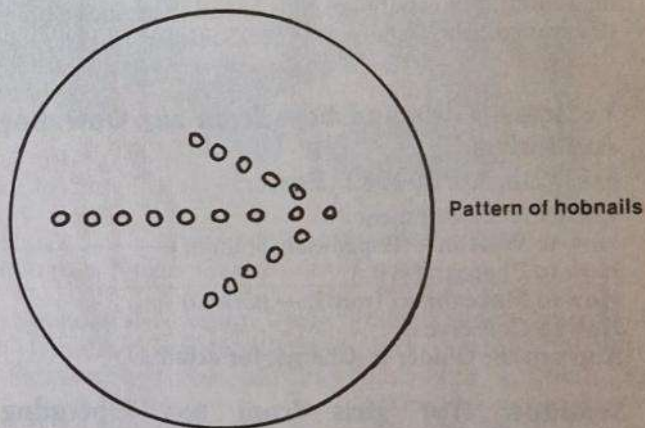
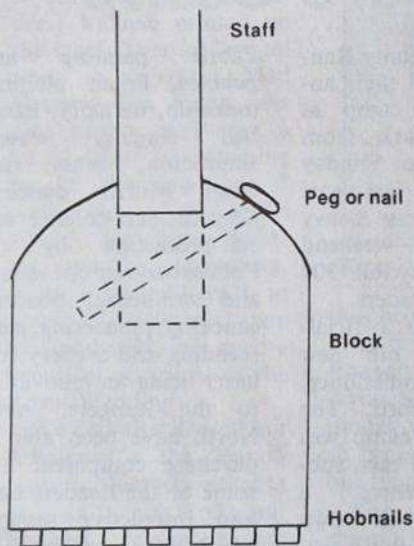
It is no use laying signs in the middle of a path, an unwary person will kick them

Where the trail follows a proper path or track the signs need to be only at regular

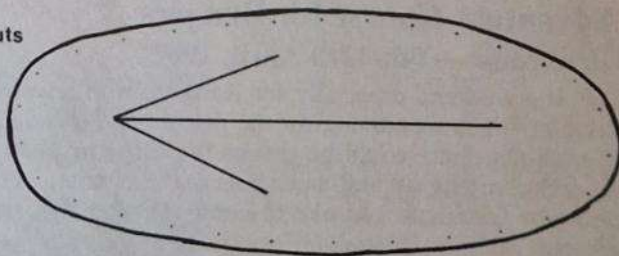
intervals, but where the trail goes at random eg through a wood, each sign should be within sight of the previous one

Always lay very clear signs at junctions or any point where confusion might arise.

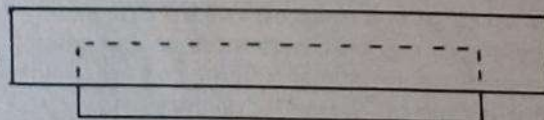
A trail is a means of moving your players through an area in the direction you wish them to take. It is not a wide game in itself, although for young or inexperienced Guides it can be a challenging and exciting activity on its own. As part of a wide game, it is a useful device for leading players into ambushes or finding particular items.



Saw cuts



Metal strips hammered into saw cuts





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### Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Courses

**Glenbrook (Expedition Section)**  
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### Adventure Course for Rangers

**Glenbrook — 9th-12th April, 1982**

This is a weekend especially for Rangers, with a warm welcome for those coming for the first time. Depending on requests, there could be groups for canoeing, walking and climbing as well as exploring the district. Perhaps two friends would like to come together and try something new.

### 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. Apply to the Guider-in-charge, Lorne, Craigavad, County Down, Ulster, for details.

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## Avon North Rangers Camp

Avon North County Ranger Guides held their annual weekend camp at Woodhouse Park from Friday 11th to Sunday 13th September last year. Despite the very heavy storms a great weekend was enjoyed by all 300 Rangers and Leaders.

The camp was officially opened by our new County Commissioner, Mrs Doris Ward. The theme for our camp was Friendship, and each sub-camp represented a country of their own choice. During the weekend the girls had a choice of many activities, arts and crafts included rope horses, silk flowers,

Fabric painting and pebbles, Fijian plaiting, make-up, heraldry, hand-bell ringing, wound simulation, brass rubbing, Morris dancing, keep-fit, self-defence and self-protection by the Police, badminton, squash and swimming, boating, canoeing, pioneering, parascending and archery, the latter being an innovation to the Rangers. Avon North have been able to purchase equipment and some of the Leaders have had instructive sessions which now enables them to teach the girls.

The finale to our camp on the Sunday afternoon

*Susan Davis of the 1st Hanham RGU presenting the cheque to Avon North Handicapped Adviser for Rangers, Miss Jess Williams.*





# mainly for rangers

was great fun, but with a full sense of valued feeling to our theme of Friendship. We assembled in the marquee, where a team of Guiders had spent quite a time blowing up (by gas) 300 balloons. Each girl was given a label and a balloon, ready for the spectacular sight of sending them up together, wishing to spread our friendships far, hoping that whoever found the label and the deflated balloon would return it to the address we had printed on the label. Then off we all went to enjoy a Mad Hatter's Tea Party, the girls having really put a lot of effort into dressing up for this occasion. It really was a wonderful sight to see all the different costumes appearing, from mice and cats to bears and clowns, top hats and tails, and even a beautiful portrayal of the Royal Wedding.

We had also invited our Adviser for the Handicapped Members to visit us, and one of our Rangers presented her with a cheque for £500,

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Rangers learning archery skills from Ranger Guider Cathy Knight.

this being the result of a fund-raising effort by the Rangers and Guiders of Avon North to help raise money toward a mini-bus so urgently needed within our County.

The excitement over, camp was struck and flags were lowered; a

wonderful camp of friendships united will be remembered by all in Avon North.

To complete our weekend, some of the balloon labels have already begun to arrive back from as far as Czechoslovakia, Germany, France, Hamp-

shire, Sussex and Berkshire, some with letters and even a photograph asking for penfriends, so our friendship really has spread from Avon North Ranger Guide Camp.

Jean Greenwood

John Miles



## MARGOT ROGERS CUP

The picture on the left is of the 1st Falmouth Ranger Service Unit showing the team (plus Guiders) who entered and won the three year Challenge Cup for Rangers in the County of Cornwall known as the Margot Rogers Cup last year. Winning the Cup entailed three challenges, to be performed without assistance of Guiders:

1. A year's challenge involving a conservation project and log and the making of a 15 inch by 22 inch wall-hanging from any naturally occurring material.
2. A short dramatic sketch to be performed unseen until the day before the challenge, and without the use of props.
3. Power Cut Cookery — cooking a three-course meal on two single burners given ingredients on the day. The group produced an egg and bacon flan — yes! real pastry — among other things.



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## Keeping On

As PRO for Mid Division Northants, it has come to my attention that we have an unusual occurrence happening under our noses. Mrs Betty Ladner, District Commissioner for the Moulton District, retired on December 11th 1981 after 10 years' service to the district while still remaining in uniform, Guiding through her own Guide Unit. In her district we have six warranted Guiders and three trainee Guiders who have all been Guides under Mrs Ladner. Quite an impressive record for continuation in the Movement!

Susan Clipston (Mrs)  
Moulton  
Northampton

## Uniform Blues

I was dismayed to see the uniform change in *GUIDER* as a completed event. Although I am pleased to see the return of a useful tie, I wonder where the Guides are going to keep a note-book and pencil, and all the other bits they need.



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Our motto is still 'Be Prepared' and I find my Guides like impromptu challenges and 'accidents', but they will have nothing on them to respond to such a challenge.

Why can't we, the Guiders, with the girls, be given the chance to comment on the change before it actually happens? This also happened when the Local History badge

was just removed and not replaced by anything of equivalent value to the Guide.

L Barber  
Digsweel  
Welwyn

More letters about uniform next month, Editor.

## Transfer Thrift

I have just received a Brownie Transfer Form accompanied by the Brownie's sheet from the register from a Guider in Clevedon, Avon. This seems to be a thrifty idea, and I wonder if other Guiders might like to do the same.

Daphne Ruddle  
Brownie Guide Leader  
2nd Harrogate (St Mark's)  
North Yorks West

## Praise . . .

May I thank Mrs F M Lower for her very helpful and commonsense article on Epilepsy? I think epilepsy is an ailment which many Guiders dread being faced with, particularly at Camp, and I feel far easier about it, having read Mrs Lower's philosophical words. I have a girl in my Unit — a very regular camper — who suffers from petit mal, and the main problem is that occasionally she completely fails to do something I have asked of her, simply because I had failed to notice that she was off on a 'daydream' at the time of my request. She is, however, a sweet natured and friendly girl, although rather quiet, and she is a definite asset to the Unit.

I can't claim to read *GUIDER* from cover to cover, but nearly every copy has at least one thing which I cut out and keep for further reference!

Name and Address  
supplied

## . . . Indeed

I was very interested in Mrs Lower's article on Epilepsy. For two years' running I have worked on a children's epileptic holiday. The children are usually severe cases or they suffer from other handicaps as well, but they are treated as normally as

possible. We take them on outings and at any time a child is liable to have an attack in public. Afterwards, we carry on as usual, or if the child feels like sleeping we let him or her do so. Everyone reacts differently, and it doesn't take long to learn how each individual recovers.

Since the last holiday, a group of us formed a committee. Our two aims are to educate the public, and to raise money for the children's holidays. As Mrs Lower said, I hope Guiders will accept epileptic girls in their Units and treat them as ordinary children. They are quite capable of joining in the activities.

Anit Hooper  
Former Yately  
West Ranger  
Hants



## Media Moan

It made me a little sad to read the letter in December *GUIDER* concerning the camp attended by Peter and Prince from Blue Peter. I was unable to watch the programme in its entirety as I had to get to my own Brownie meeting, but what I did see I thought presented a picture of a smart Company of Guides enjoying themselves immensely, and I always understood that this was what camp was all about.

As for the comment regarding the content of the programme, this surely is completely out of the hands of the Company. I somehow do not think the BBC Producer would take kindly to being told by a Guider what to put in his programme.

On reading the letter I rather felt that some members of the Movement were following the trend of the media by picking on things which it may have been possible to improve rather than praising what was obviously a happy, well run

camp. I felt very sorry for the Guiders running the camp, and the Guides themselves, to be criticised in such a manner. Good luck to them, I say, in showing that Guiding is fun.

Mary Watkins  
Brownie Guider  
1st Windsor Brownie Guides  
Berkshire

## Stamp of Success

I would like to say a big 'thank you' for all the parcels of stamps you have been kind enough to send me throughout the year. Unfortunately,



I . . . can assure you that every parcel received is of great value to us.

this is the only way I can express my thanks, as so many of you have not sent your address to me. I can assure you that every parcel received is of very great value to us.

Barbara Hunt  
Hertfordshire Cheshire Home  
Hitchin

## Private and Confidential?

How very unkind of Mrs Pat Yarnall ('Brownies Howl', December *GUIDER*) to suggest that Brownies' very personal entries in their pocket books be read out for the entertainment of a Pack meeting!

I always understood the pocket book was intended to be by way of a diary and therefore the private property of the Brownie concerned.

Not all Brownies have the same standard of literacy and to be held up to ridicule in this way could do untold harm to a child's self-confidence.

I am glad Mrs Yarnall is not my District Commissioner.

L Swift (Mrs)  
Brownie Guider  
Redhill  
Surrey



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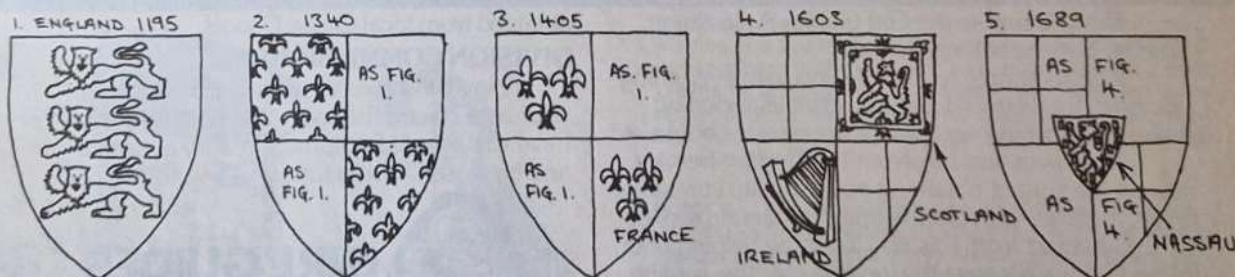
# Heraldry (12)

## Royal Heraldry

**R**ichard I or Richard Lionheart, sometime after 1195, had a great seal struck, on which he was shown on horseback bearing a shield on which were three lions passant guardant. This was the first true royal heraldic coat of arms and has been used by British sovereigns ever since. (Fig 1). Its blazon is: gules, three lions passant guardant in pale, or: That is, a red shield, with three golden lions walking across the shield from right to left one above the other. The foreleg furthest from the viewer is raised and the head is looking outwards. In 1340, Edward III quartered the arms of England with those of

number of fleur de lis to three — as Charles V of France had previously done (Fig 3). This remained the Royal Coat of Arms through the Tudor period until Elizabeth I died.

When James I came to the throne in 1603 he altered the royal arms to show that he was also King of Scots (Fig 4). He also included the harp to symbolise Ireland, azure, a harp or stringed of seven argent. This was because in 1542 Henry VIII had been styled 'King of Ireland', but bore no arms to represent his altered kingship. James I put this right and established his claim to be King of England, Scotland and Ireland.



France (Fig 2). That is he divided the shield into four, placing the arms of France in the first and fourth quarters — (the shield is 'read' from left to right like a book), and the arms of England in second and third. This was because Edward claimed the throne of France through his mother Isabella, only daughter and eventually the only heir of Philip IV of France. Edward claimed that although a woman could not succeed to the throne of France, it could pass, through her, to her son. The French did not agree and the Hundred Years War began. In 1405 Henry IV changed the Royal Arms by reducing the

James marshalled his coat of arms thus: first and fourth quarter, the Tudor coat of arms — that is France and England quartered as above, (2) — the arms of Scotland — or, a lion rampant within a double tressure flory counter flory gules — a red lion standing on its back leg nearest the viewer — its other three legs raised, on a golden background. Surrounding it is a border of two narrow parallel lines interlaced with fleur de lis pointing alternately inwards and outwards, (3) — Ireland. This remained the Stuart coat of arms until William and

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## Help! Help! Help!

'Get in touch with your DC' may seem to be the ideal solution to many problems, but a flash of blue on the hat doesn't always mean that a mini computer is stored within!

The District Commissioner may be newly appointed, or new to Guiding and in any case cannot be expected to have the answer to every query or question at her finger-tips. What then is the solution? Perhaps a plan of campaign might be useful.

- Don't profess or pretend to know all the answers! You are not expected to. Instead, arm yourself with the knowledge of where the answers may be found.
- Keep your Reference Books — POR — Commissioners' Handbook — Insurance Leaflets, etc. **Up-to-date and Get-at-able.**
- Never be afraid to seek advice from others more experienced or expert than yourself. Are you in touch with your CA and PHA? Can the County Training Team be of help? If all else fails call an extra District meeting and sort out the problem together.
- Seize every opportunity you can of attending Commissioners' Conferences, trainings and get-togethers. As much, if not more, help will be gained from chatting to other Commissioners about **their** problems as from the training itself.
- Visit Units whenever you can. This will help you to see and understand 'Guiding in Action'. You will also meet the Rangers, Guides and Brownies and will be constantly reminded what we are in business for!

Problems, when they do arise, quite often fall into these categories:

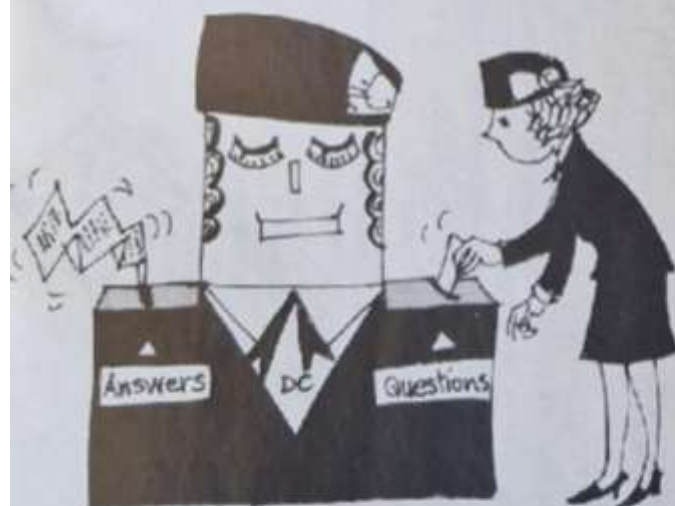


**People** Relationships between Guiders, parents, school caretakers, the Church and the general public to mention but a few. The Commissioner's Handbook can give you guidance but a great deal of tact and understanding is needed too.

**Money Matters** Fund raising, membership fees, weekly 'subs', raffles etc. Most of these queries can be answered from the booklet 'Fund Raising'. Have all your Units a copy of this? Variations between Countries/Regional on the yearly Membership Fees may be seen. Are you absolutely sure of what happens to the money in your area? Do all your Units charge a realistic weekly subscription that will cover rising cost of equipment and expenses? What about District Funds? Are you able to provide the 'little extras' for that special event or need?

**Insurance** Are we insured in/out of uniform? What about discos, outings, carnivals, equipment etc. etc. The Insurance leaflet, 'What Every Guider should know about Insurance', which is a must for all your Units, is a good help, and probably in your County there is an 'expert' (legal adviser) who can help. Failing this you can always contact the Legal Department CHQ for advice.

**Badges** Testing, standards, local rulings, where to wear and how to obtain. These will be some of the things that Guiders (and possibly parents) will want to know about. Handbooks and the Leaflet 'Badge Tests' will be of use here, but regular contact with your District Badge Testers will be of far greater and longer lasting value.

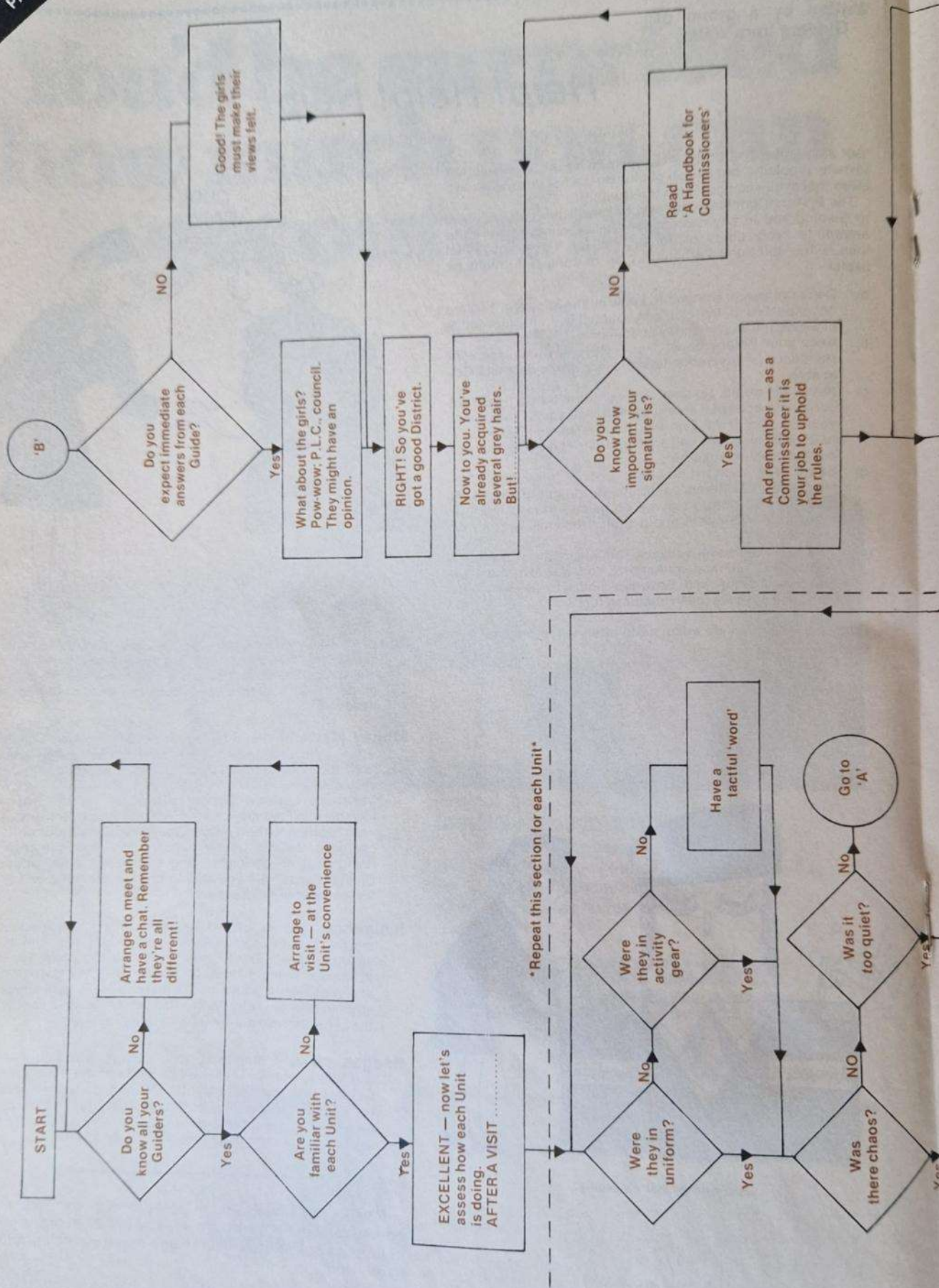


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Finally remember that a sympathetic ear, an encouraging word, and, above all, a sense of humour will help to smooth out problems and make your District a happy one.

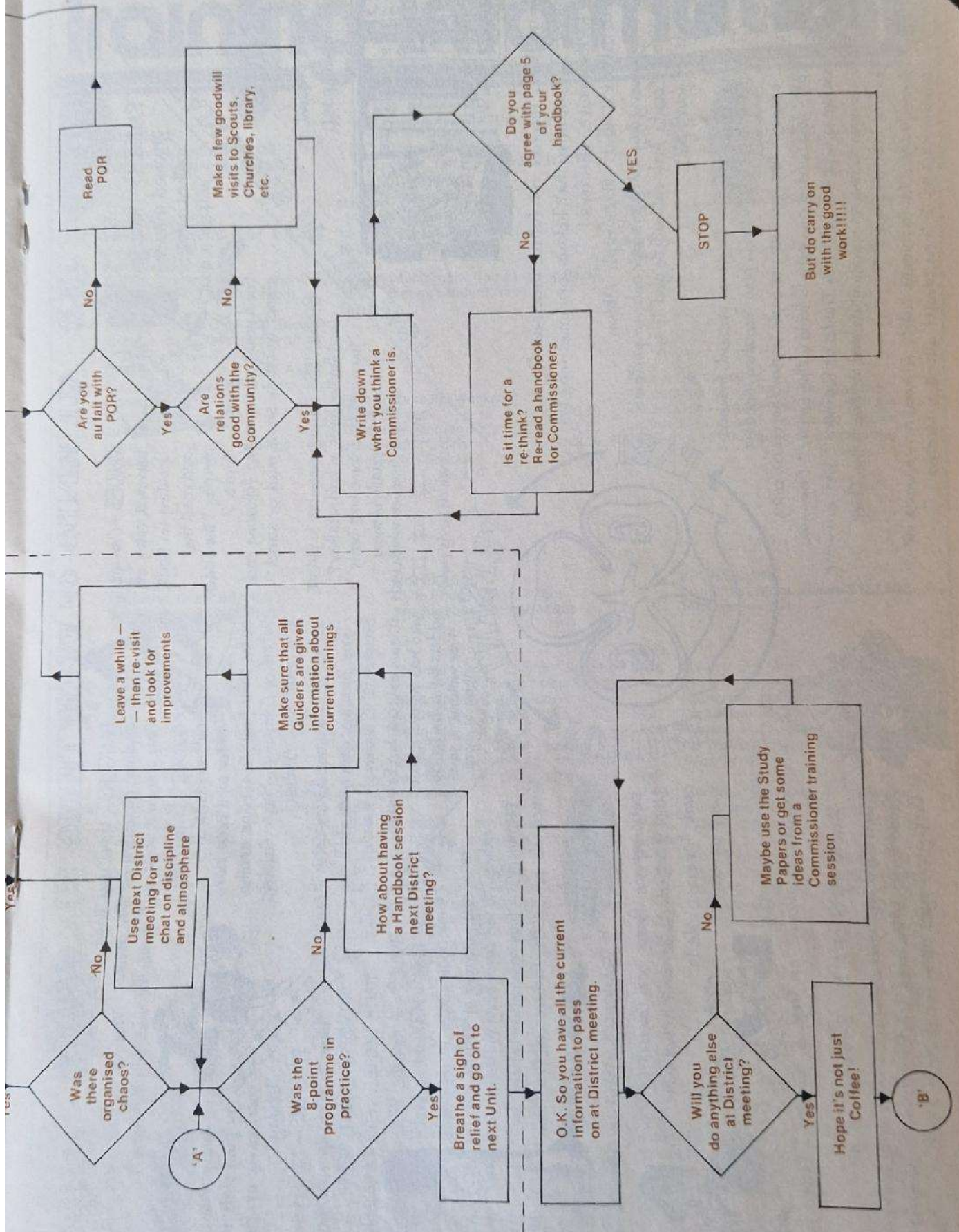


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# CHART FOR COMMISSIONERS





# ANIMALS

**RANGERS** - have you groomed a horse, bathed a dog, or milked a goat?



Could your patrol practice following each others' tracks in snow, mud or sand?

# ARCHIVES

"Today's present is tomorrow's past"



Do you keep records for future members to look at? Remember that Today's Brownies may be the Packs Future Guides!  
What about a Unit Photograph Album recording everyday activities not only important events. Your County Archivist may be glad to see old records of your Unit.

# ALL KINDS OF EVERYTHING

**GUIDES** - Can you borrow a copy of 'Scouting for Boys' and read the chapter 'The Elsdon Murder'?

**BROWNIES** - Do you remember to put out food for the birds in bad weather? You might find some bird trails around, especially in snow. Can you discover which birds hop and which birds run?

# ANCESTORS

Do your present members know how Scouting/Guiding began? Are you lucky enough to own/borrow a copy of 'How Guides can help to build up the Empire'. Can you share snippets with your Guides or Rangers? Has everyone in your unit had an opportunity to read or listen to the Chief Guides last message?

Encourage 'Old-fashioned' habits. All members - always let someone know if they cannot attend a meeting.

# APROLOGIES



# AGILITY

**RANGERS** - Have you tried angling, abseiling or skin diving? Weather too bad? Can you find someone to teach the Unit Yoga?

**GUIDES** - Enjoy the out-of-doors in winter and keep warm at the same time. Challenge another Patrol or Company or your Guides Patrol or Company or your Guides to a Leap Frog Contest.

**BROWNIES** - A game for six 'catch it quick' three Brownies each have a ball, one Brownie is 'it', two empty handed. 'it' can only catch a Brownie who has no ball. Ball holders throw the ball to those without to save them. Anyone caught beams it!

# ABILITIES

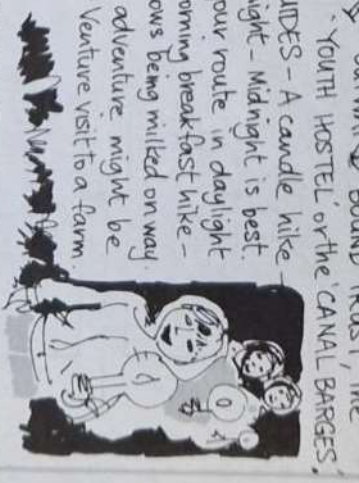
**RANGERS** - Practice job interviews - seek advice from local careers officer.  
**GUIDES** - Each Guide write a challenge card. 'Are you able to ...' swap around.

**BROWNIES** - Try the wide awake challenge on Page 4, Number 1 Record book.

**AWARENESS OF ALL** - Be aware of your surroundings, your community, your neighbourhood. Good Turns often need Tracking down or seeking out! Keep your eyes open for those in need.

# FUTURE PLANNING

**GUIDES** - A candle hike - late night - midnight is best. Check your route in daylight or an early morning breakfast hike - calling in to see cows being milked on way.  
**BROWNIES** - Your adventure might be turned into an Easter Venture visit to a farm.



# ADVENTURE

Are your units helping plan their next camp or Pack Holiday.  
**RANGERS** - Now is the time to book up with the 'OUTWARD BOUND TRUST', the YOUTH HOSTEL or the 'CANAL BARGES'.



# Training Information

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

**LORNE**  
Craigavad, Co Down,  
Ulster. Tel: Holywood 0231 3180

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

**March**  
5-7 Buckinghamshire  
12-14 London and South East England  
(by allocation)  
19-21 Kent Weald  
26-28 District Commissioners and District Assistants (by allocation)  
**April**  
2-4 Making the Most of the District  
(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)  
8-12 Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award  
**Easter** Course (Girls and boys from any Operating Authority)  
16-18 Middlesex South West  
23-25 Oxfordshire  
30-3 General Training (Making the most of the Forest)  
**May**

**March**  
5-7 Armagh  
12-14 Ulster Junior Council  
19-21 Tyrone  
**April**  
2-4 'Music in the Company and Pack'  
8-12 'Young Leaders Week'  
**Easter**

## Fees at Lorne Per Weekend

Ulster Guiders	£8.50
(Guiders other than Ulster)	£12.50
Ulster Trefoil Guilds	£8.50
Other Trefoil Guilds	£15.00

**March**  
19-21 Leadership in the Hills (Advanced Guiders only)  
**April**  
9-12 Adventure Course for Rangers

## Fees at Glenbrook

Per person (for weekend course) £12.50.  
All activities, equipment and VAT are included. Optional activities extra.  
Deposit of £2.00 cheque or postal order only.

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

**NETHERURD**  
Blyth Bridge, West Linton,  
Peeblesshire. Tel: 096 88 208

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

**March**  
5-7 General Training  
12-14 North Yorkshire West  
19-21 Lancashire East  
26-28 Making the Most of the District  
(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)  
**April**  
2-4 General Training  
8-12 Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award  
**Easter** Course (Girls from any Operating Authority)  
16-18 1. General Training  
2. Ranger Guiders  
23-25 Manchester  
30-3 General Training (including outdoor activities)  
**May**

**March**  
5-7 Brownie and Guide Guiders  
(including booking from Dunbartonshire S.E. Division)  
12-14 Brownie and Guide Guiders  
19-21 Districts  
26-28 Brownie and Guide Guiders — practical training with emphasis on making and using simple unit equipment  
**April**  
2-4 Brownie and Guide Guiders  
(including booking from Western Isles)  
8-12 Residential Course — Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme  
**Easter** 16-18 Guiders of all sections — Inside Out or Outside In  
23-25 Brownie and Guide Guiders  
(including booking from Renfrewshire)

**March**  
12-14 Making the Most of the District  
(District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)  
19-21 Welsh Trainers Conference  
26-28 General Training (places reserved for Wolverhampton North Borders Division)  
**April**  
2-4 General Training — Brownie, Guide and Ranger Guiders  
Patrol Leaders  
7-12  
**Easter** 14-18 'Four Fun Days for Guides'  
Ranger Guide and Commissioner Training (places reserved for Leicestershire)  
23-25  
30-3 Patrol Leaders  
**May**

## Fees at Foxlease and Waddow

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

## Fees at Netherurd

Shared room per day	£5.00
Double room per day	£5.00
Single room per day	£5.00
Deposit	£2.00
Training for non-residents	£0.50

## Fees at Broneirion

Shared room per day	£5.00
Double room per day	£5.25
Single room per day	£5.50
Deposit	£2.00

**Note:** Weekends marked \* are subject to VAT.





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**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.

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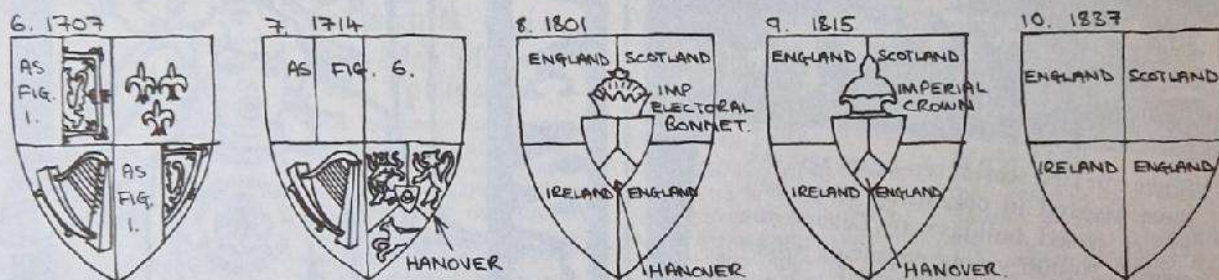
# Heraldry (12)

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Mary came to the throne in 1689 (Fig 5). As Prince of Nassau, William III, bore azure, semée of billets, over all a lion rampant or: That is a blue shield scattered all over with vertical gold rectangles and over all a gold lion rampant. (These are still the royal arms of Holland as William introduced them when he became Stadholder of the United Netherlands.) William superimposed this coat of arms on a small shield or inescutcheon in the centre of the Stuart arms. In 1707 England and Scotland were united by 'The Act for the Union with Scotland'. Great Britain had come into being. To mark this a

arms. This new coat was divided into three. In the first third — gules, two lions passant guardant or for Brunswick. In the second third, or semée (scattered) of hearts gules and overall a lion rampant azure (blue) — for Luneburg. In the lower third gules a horse galloping, white for Hanover. On an inescutcheon gules, the Crown of Charlemagne (George was the Arch-Treasurer of the Holy Roman Empire).

The Royal Arms were changed yet again because of the Act for Union with Ireland in 1801 (Fig 8). The royal arms of France were finally removed, and the arms of England were



new royal coat of arms was produced (Fig 6). The arms of England and Scotland were placed side by side or impaled, in the first and fourth quarters. The second quarter, France, the third quarter, Ireland. These arms of Queen Anne are quite distinctive and recognisable still, for no other Sovereign has borne them marshalled like this. At her death in 1714, the throne passed to the Hanoverians — George I was the great grandson of James I, and was not only Elector of Hanover but also Duke of Brunswick and Luneburg and the change he made to the royal arms reflects his German dominions (Fig 7).

The first three quarters remained as they had been for Queen Anne, but in the fourth quarter he placed his German

placed in the first and fourth quarters, those of Scotland in the second and the harp of Ireland in the third. The German arms were placed on an inescutcheon in the centre and ensigned with the Electoral Bonnet. After Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo the frontiers of Europe were settled and Hanover became a kingdom, so in 1816 the Bonnet was replaced by an arched crown (Fig 9).

This remained the coat of arms until Victoria came to the throne in 1837. As no woman could rule in Hanover, the kingdom passed to her uncle. The German arms were removed and the result was the royal coat of arms as we know it today (Fig 10).

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latter it is possible to re-inforce the bottom of the hull where hard use is anticipated by cladding it with a layer of glass-fibre cloth or mat and resin.

Plans are available for single seat and double seat (which may be used as a large single) adult kayaks; there is also an 8 ft long junior single seat kayak, the DK 8, which has a carrying capacity of approximately 100 lb. The DK 8 requires only one sheet of 3 mm thick plywood for its construction.

Cost of the kayak plans is £3.00 in the UK (£3.50 overseas) from the author — see later

for address.

For those interested in small dinghies rather than kayaks the DK designs also include the popular IMP sailing dinghy. This is a hard chine pram dinghy constructed by the 'stitch & glue' method from only two sheets of 5 or 6 mm thick marine grade plywood and is within the capacity of anyone who can measure and handle a saw and hammer! The IMP is 2,340 mm long (7 ft 9 in) x 1,225 mm beam (4 ft 1 in) with a standing lug sail of 2.7 sq metres (30 sq ft).

Plans for the IMP cost £5.50 in the UK (£6.00 overseas). Orders for kayak and IMP plans should be sent to: Dennis Davis, Tomain-nan-Eun, Isle of Coll, Argyll, Scotland.

Please state clearly which plans are required — single seat kayak, double seat kayak, DK 8 junior, single seat kayak, or IMP dinghy. Cheques and P.O.'s should be made payable to Dennis Davis.

Readers wanting further information on the DK kayaks should look at *The Book of Canoeing* by Dennis Davis, published by Arthur Barker, which includes photographs of a DK kayak under construction and in use. For general canoeing interest *Teach Yourself Canoeing* in the TY paperback series provides an inexpensive introduction. The author will also be pleased to answer queries regarding the DK kayaks or the IMP if a SAE is included for the reply.



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# HQ notices

## Thinking Day Fund

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

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

Please mark the envelope 'Thinking Day' and include the name and address of the sender and the Unit, District etc.

A stamped addressed envelope (size at least 6 in x 4½ in) MUST be enclosed if a receipt is required.

## Blackland Farm and Glenbrook 1982

We are looking for Guiders who would like to spend a working holiday at Glenbrook (our Training Centre in Derbyshire) or at Blackland Farm (our CHQ Camping Centre in Sussex) for one or more weeks during the peak camping periods over Spring Bank Holiday and from late July to the last weekend of August.

Accommodation is provided in a caravan which is ideal for friends working together and all your expenses are paid.

The basic job is to suggest or organise various activities (including crafts) which appeal to Guides and are suitable for the sites, but each Centre has its own variations.

Why not write for details now, letting us know which Centre you are interested in and the dates you could offer to:

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

## County Weekends in 1982

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 1982 is drawn up after this date and once this is completed no further applications can be considered.

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

## District Commissioners and District Assistants

26th-28th March, 1982 Foxlease

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

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

## Campsites and Holiday Houses

**Important:** Will all users of this publication please note that applications should not be made for any site not appearing in the 1982 list (even if it was included in 1981). Local goodwill could be adversely affected if this unwritten rule is disregarded, so please don't use an out-of-date edition — the 1982 edition is now available. It is also on sale to Advisers, Commissioners and Duke of Edinburgh's Award Co-ordinators who do not receive a copy through other channels. Please apply as last year to

your County/Region HQ enclosing a cheque/postal order for 64p (including postage) made payable to the Girl Guides Association.

## Preparing for a Celebration

Foxlease—7th-9th May, 1982

Linked to a real celebration — the Foxlease Jubilee — this is a weekend for Guiders holding a Training Licence, and prospectives, who would like to use an arts skill in their Training. They need not have been a specialist trainer. Music, Craft, Dance and Drama are all included.

## Family Week

Foxlease—28th May-5th June, 1982

For those who really find it difficult to arrange to get away to a residential training, this is a pleasant mixture of training, and time with your family. Husbands, and children aged two to eight years are welcome.

There will be training sessions in the morning, while husbands take care of the children, but the afternoon will be free for family activities; there will also be some optional activities and sessions for those who wish to join them. Write to the Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease.

## Leadership in the Hills (Advanced)

Glenbrook—19th-21st March, 1982

This weekend is for Guiders only, and is linked to the Walking Safely Training Scheme. Please note that this weekend is for those who have reached Stage III.

## Ranger Guiders Waddow—16th-18th April, 1982

We hope that by having this Ranger Guider weekend during (hopefully!) better weather with lighter evenings, there will be more of you able to come to Waddow for a

general training on the many aspects of the job for which you need help — So Please Ask!

## General Training (including outdoor activities)

Foxlease } 30th April-  
Waddow } 3rd May, 1982

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

## (Places for Guiders with handicapped members in their Units) Waddow—14th-16th May, 1982

This weekend is a General Training for Guiders of all sections, with able-bodied Units and those whose Units contain some girls with a handicap. Miss Joan Barlee, the Adviser for handicapped members, will be present to give specialist help to any Guider who needs it.

## Olave House and Baden Powell House, London

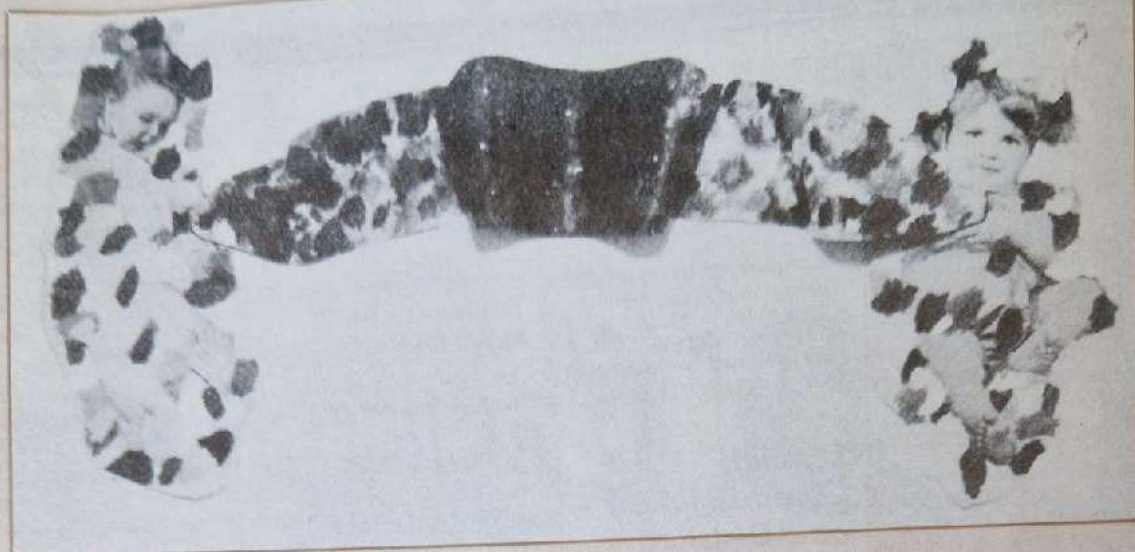
Permission forms are required for parties staying at these centres and must be completed in the usual way. Completed forms should be sent to: Miss B Sadler, 41 Wilmington Avenue, London W4. Telephone (01) 995-3968.

## Girl Guide Postage Stamp

The Greater London Croydon Girl Guides are celebrating the first Girl Guide postage stamp, to be issued in Great Britain on March 24th, with a souvenir cover and first day of issue cancellation in Croydon. The envelope will have our County Badge printed on it and inside will be a card giving a brief history of Guid-

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Midnight Babies, 1980

## In Brief

... **Maori Cloak On Display At The Royal Scottish Museum** — The splendid Maori cloak made of Kiwi feathers, which is the property of HM The Queen, is now on display in the Royal Scottish Museum. The cloak is on display in the Costume Gallery on the first floor of the Museum. Tel: (031) 225 7534.

... **The English Concert** — with Trevor Pinnock, Lecture Theatre 1, University of East Anglia, Norwich, Norfolk. 8 February.

... **Life In Cities** — This exhibition explores aspects of city life: the attraction of people to cities and their movement within them, as well as other facets of urban development. Admission free. Until 26 March.

... **Black Film Festival** — Twelve evenings of feature and documentary films by black Independent film makers. Tickets — £1.50 (£1.00 for students, OAPs + claimants). 1-3 February. Phone: **01-602 3252**, both at Commonwealth Institute.

... **Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet** — Grand Theatre, Leeds — week commencing 1 February, Monday, Tuesday (matinee and evening), Wednesday, Thursday, Swan Lake. Friday, Saturday (matinee and evening) Solitaire, Card Game, Paquita. Phone **01-240 1200** for information.

... **Photographer As Printmaker**, exhibition at The Photographers' Gallery, Great Newport Street, WC2. 10 March-11 April.

... **Bridget Riley** prints at Polytechnic of Central London, Concourse Gallery, 35 Marylebone Road, NW1. 7 June-25 June.

... **Harold Gilman** — A retrospective of 106 works at Royal Academy — Diploma Galleries, Burlington House, Piccadilly, W1. 25 February-4 April.

... **Ten 20th Century Houses** at William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, E17. 1 May-22 May.

## Ger Van Elk

Arncliffe, Bristol

3 April — 15 May 1982

The Arts Council exhibition of recent painting, sculpture and a selection of earlier work is the first major British public showing of Ger van Elk. Born in Amsterdam in 1941, van Elk has filled the Dutch Pavilion at the 1980 Venice Biennale, been given a one-man exhibition at New York's Museum of Modern Art (as well as at a score of other venues) and featured in such important surveys as *Documenta* (Nos 5 and 6) and *Europe in the Seventies* (Chicago and US tour). Van Elk's work will be a revelation to the public in this country, though it has long been admired by British artists of the younger generation. About being an artist, Ger van Elk said: 'It used to be a trade like that of artisans. Nowadays an artist is most often a person who does tricks and entertains a small audience in a special way.' Van Elk has been entertaining — and dazzling — audiences for years, using a battery of visual tricks: painting, sculpture, photography, film, video.

All of the pieces in this exhibition were made in the last decade, and all use photographs as their starting point. But van Elk's witty, iconoclastic and surreal additions in other media (although no longer using film and video) always break the accepted conventions of photographs, and transform them utterly. There is a small, but illuminating selection of older works (mostly drawn from the major retrospective recently seen in Paris, Basle and Rotterdam). Ger van Elk has made four works especially for the exhibition (one is used on the exhibition poster). They convincingly demonstrate that his view of the world is as imaginative and original as ever. The exhibition is at the **Serpentine Gallery, London** until March 7 (Tel: 01-402 6075) and at **Arncliffe, Bristol** from April 3 to May 15.



# ON · WHAT'S ON

## Completed Wellcome Museum

The Wellcome Museum of the History of Medicine is a department of the Science Museum. It is largely based on the collections made by Sir Henry Wellcome FRS (1853-1936) which were transferred by the Wellcome Trustees on long-term loan to the Science Museum in 1977. Sir Henry was a pioneer manufacturer of tableted medicines, owner of the firm of Burroughs Wellcome Ltd. With his profits he set up research laboratories and promoted exploration, and in addition he became one of the great collectors of the twentieth century. His intention was to create a museum of man, dealing with mankind's social history, especially in medical terms. He collected widely, dealing with medicine in all ages and throughout many cultures, and the collection contains some 150,000 objects.

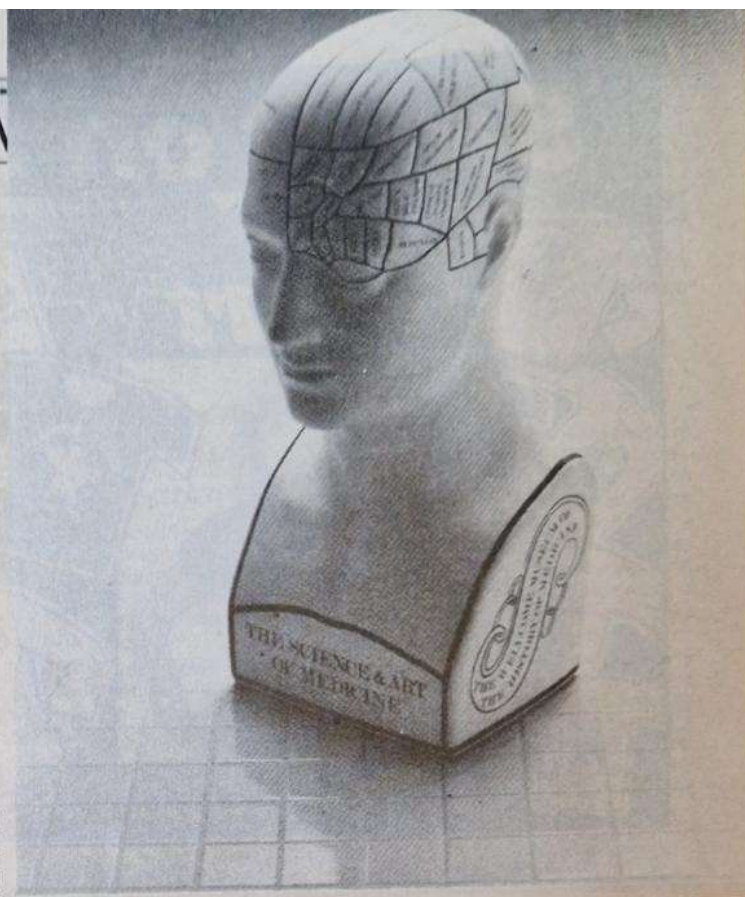
The Wellcome Trust has made available to the Science Museum £650,000 towards cataloguing and conservation expenses. The Science Museum is devoting two galleries to the display of items from the Wellcome Collection.

The first of these galleries, GLIMPSES OF MEDICAL HISTORY, opened to the public in December 1980. This gallery contains a series of scenes, recreated in several ways, to help the visitor to understand how it might have felt to have been a patient or doctor at other times and in other places, and to appreciate the extraordinary range of activity developed by mankind in trying to understand and treat disease.

The major new gallery, THE SCIENCE AND ART OF MEDICINE, with its 537 display units, provides a detailed story of developments in all branches of medicine in a variety of cultures, with specific reference to the scientific basis of medicine. This new gallery is intended for a wide range of visitors, from senior school children to members of the medical profession.

Together the two galleries represent the largest and most comprehensive display devoted to the history of medicine anywhere in the world.

Museum hours: Monday-Saturday 10.00-6 pm; Sunday 2.30-6 pm.



On the 7th, 18th and 19th of this month, the new Opera Company presents the British premiere of Edward Cowie's *Commedia* at Sadler's Wells Theatre. For further information, please ring 01-837 1672/1673/3856.

## Exhibition at the Tate Gallery

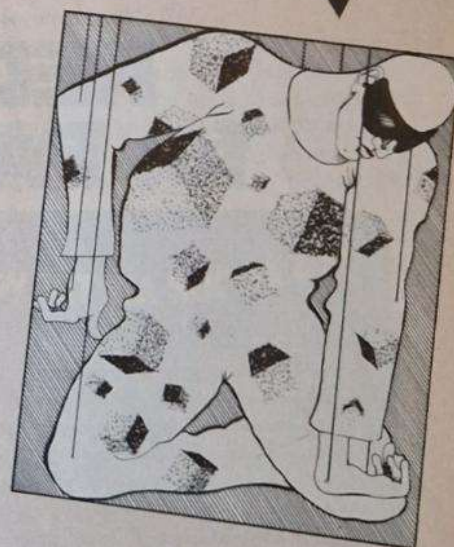
A major re-assessment of Sir Edwin Landseer and his work, organised by the Tate Gallery in collaboration with the Philadelphia Museum of Art, opened in Philadelphia on 25th October, 1981. Installed in a specially designed sequence of galleries, the exhibition consists of more than 150 paintings, drawings and engravings, from public and private collections, including that of Her Majesty The Queen. After closing in Philadelphia on 3rd January the exhibition comes to the Tate, where it will open on 10th February 1982 until 12th April.

The range of Landseer's art is wide, from domestic animal scenes to visionary epics, and if it is sometimes mawkish and sentimental, it can become savage and profound. Invariably characterised as a Victorian painter, Landseer's first work was exhibited in 1815, twenty-two years before Queen Victoria ascended the throne.

Landseer's success was phenomenal. He was a Royal Academician by the age

of twenty-eight, he was the favourite of society, numbering several dukes among his patrons. His reputation as the greatest animal painter of the age was unassailable and prints from his works were sold in thousands. Then suddenly in 1840 at the age of thirty-seven he suffered a severe nervous breakdown, for reasons which are not entirely clear. His later years were to be haunted by depressions, psychosomatic disorders and alcoholism. Surprisingly he continued to paint through all but the most severe attacks, his art seemingly deepened and enriched by his mental suffering. In the great deer pictures of the 1840s and '50s, Landseer emerges as an imaginative painter of a high order.

The Tate exhibition is presented with support from S Pearson & Son. The works have been selected by Richard Ormond, National Portrait Gallery, London, and Joseph Rishel, Philadelphia Museum of Art, USA, with the assistance of Robin Hamlyn, Tate Gallery. A special series of evening lectures will be given by distinguished scholars. Admission £1 (students and pensioners 50p). Please telephone 01-821 131 for further information.



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For further details please 'phone the National Theatre on 01-928 2033.

## Erratum.

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wave, and the occasional shark's fin!

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During the weekend we went on a bush-walk, swam in the tranquil Wana Wana Lagoon, watched the students parade before the wife of the Governor-General and Girl Guide President, saw custom dancing, listened to the Guides sing local songs as well as Guiding ones, watched a performance of Ipi Tombi, bought handicrafts at the bazaar and went to a birthday party. I was amazed to realise that I had not heard a car all weekend! Nor had I seen a fly (so common in the town) nor, most surprisingly, a mosquito. I think the sight which impressed me most was the lovely island girls wandering down to the sea at 6 am wrapped in a piece of bright cotton cloth. Laughing and splashing, they cleaned their teeth, combed their hair and washed under the palm trees.

Pervading the whole weekend was the thought of climbing back on board the canoe! My worries were increased at midnight on Sunday by the tropical storm which lashed the island and, we discovered later, loosed the canoe from its moorings. Sylvia tried to reassure me and by 7.00 am, miraculously, it was calm and we set off, arriving with only minutes to spare at the airstrip. We were soaking wet but very pleased with ourselves!

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# Double Acrostic No 49

by Brenda Hughes

- A. Country of alps and lakes. (11)  
 B. Larry the Lamb and Denis the Dachshund lived there. (7)  
 C. Given by Mrs Storrow. (3, 6)  
 D. Rabble. (8)  
 E. Standard of sailing ability. (13)  
 F. Openly done, not behind closed doors. (5)  
 G. Take four to Evita for preference. (9)  
 H. Smoked, chewed or sniffed, it is still a weed. (7)  
 I. A useful, rhyming chap. (5, 4)  
 J. A tall ship — a tea clipper? (4, 8)  
 K. It is assumed to be novel or counterfeit. (10)  
 L. It used to be our Ark. (5, 5)  
 M. Arthur's father, by trickery. (5, 9)  
 N. Jewish authority. (9)  
 O. The law gives prosperity. (6)  
 P. Could be a gap on the shelves, but more likely to be beyond the stars. (5, 5)  
 Q. His real point is similarity in character. (12)  
 R. 'Friends, Romans, Countrymen ---- your ears!' Shakespeare. (4, 2)  
 S. Arrangement of your teeth. (9)  
 T. A plant for baby birds. (9)  
 U. The best and broadest choice. (11)  
 V. Does it incubate hazels? (8)  
 W. ----- there, on the spot. (4, 3)  
 X. You need rage for an apostate. (8)  
 Y. Gluttonous. (8)  
 Z. Astoundingly huge. (10)

## 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.

A	4	126	36	59	148	54	75	44	17	67	24
B	234	11	115	1	63	143	110				
C	45	66	195	14	97	120	108	92	58		
D	31	211	188	144	229	155	96	12			
E	62	183	65	87	6	83	153	34	121	23	50
F	230	61	94	180	142						
G	64	92	98	185	135	228	194	147	112		
H	208	145	176	202	172	24	13				
I	222	47	85	29	201	170	20	11	103		
J	90	74	118	157	77	124	146	24	128	287	21
K	182	55	154	86	8	49	81	134	107	48	
L	95	178	164	21	27	148	189	227	230	197	
M	189	119	192	207	190	152	5	53	210	107	174
N	104	32	114	18	208	205	158	158	181		
O	75	193	179	204	200	74					
P	125	231	177	47	43	147	140	52	57	3	
Q	75	236	101	178	169	60	153	209	104	228	87
R	143	28	275	235	164	187					
S	132	177	232	7	22	92	147	144	57		
T	171	238	139	93	47	221	102	149	219		
U	51	224	80	217	127	162	38	59	84	187	53
V	186	186	122	74	212	35	47	2			
W	191	204	161	140	94	25	113				
X	68	181	278	88	10	187	204	42			
Y	218	116	17	78	223	108	195	224			
Z	150	61	108	154	70	165	30	46	14	123	

## SOLUTION TO DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 48 — Guider, January 1982

Music awake her; strike! 'Tis time;  
 descend; be stone no more; approach;  
 strike all that look upon with marvel. I'll  
 fill your grave up; stir; nay, come away;  
 Bequeath for death your numbness, for  
 from his dear life redeems you. You per-  
 ceive she stirs.

The Winter's Tale — Shakespeare.

The winner of Double Acrostic No. 47 (December GUIDER) is Mrs J Tupper from Bournemouth.

B	1	V	2	P	3	A	4	M	5	E	6	S	7	R	8	J	9	X	10	B	11	D	12	H	13	Z	14	Q	15	C	16	A	17	N	18	Y	19	I	20
J	21	S	22	E	23	J	24	W	25	A	26	L	27	R	28	I	29	Z	30	D	31	N	32	U	33	E	34	V	35	A	36	P	37	U	38	A	39	M	40
F	41	X	42	P	43	A	44	C	45	Z	46	T	47	K	48	K	49	E	50	U	51	P	52	M	53	H	54	K	55	A	56	S	57	C	58	U	59	Q	60
Z	61	E	62	B	63	G	64	E	65	C	66	P	67	X	68	A	69	Z	70	L	71	G	72	T	73	J	74	O	75	V	76	J	77	Y	78	C	79	U	80
K	81	C	82	E	83	U	84	I	85	K	86	E	87	X	88	V	89	J	90	M	91	S	92	A	93	F	94	L	95	D	96	I	97	G	98	W	99	C	100
Q	101	T	102	I	103	Q	104	Z	105	N	106	M	107	Y	108	K	109	B	110	I	111	G	112	W	113	N	114	B	115	Y	116	Q	117	J	118	M	119	C	120
E	121	V	122	Z	123	J	124	P	125	A	126	U	127	J	128	E	129	Q	130	N	131	S	132	E	133	K	134	G	135	V	136	J	137	N	138	T	139	W	140
P	141	F	142	B	143	S	144	H	145	D	146	G	147	L	148	T	149	Z	150	R	151	M	152	Q	153	Z	154	D	155	K	156	X	157	N	158	L	159	P	160
W	161	U	162	R	163	L	164	Z	165	J	166	S	167	A	168	Q	169	I	170	T	171	H	172	E	173	O	174	Y	175	M	176	P	177	L	178	O	179	F	180
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I	201	H	202	N	203	X	204	H	205	W	206	M	207	N	208	Q	209	M	210	D	211	V	212	R	213	O	214	Y	215	M	216	U	217	X	218	T	219	L	220
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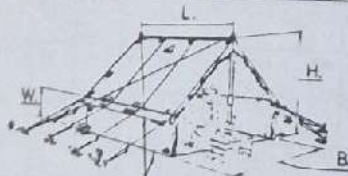


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## **TODAY'S GUIDE — Help your Patrols to use the Centre Pages**

by **Barbara Jones**

With the school holidays approaching, now is a good time to encourage girls in Patrols to look at their individual record sheets and to plan for the next few weeks. Their records are likely to reveal areas of the eight points which have been rather neglected and which could do with some attention. The targets on the centre pages of *TODAY'S GUIDE* will help the Guides to get themselves a variety of challenges while they are planning activities. They should be encouraged to do activities in order to be able to fill in the gaps on their record sheets rather than just drifting along.

Planning and carrying out an expedition as a Patrol will produce many challenges for the individuals involved and the holidays provide an excellent opportunity for such projects. Local history or Guide books from the library may provide ideas of places to visit or things to do. Some Patrols may need help with their planning, but don't be tempted to do it all for

them. Make sure that their parents know exactly what is planned and are happy with all the arrangements. Will an adult need to go along to meet them during the day?

Opportunities for 'Giving Service' can be a problem for some Guides. They should realise that 'Service' is not just their regular chores at home, but that it involves extra effort and time. A Patrol Spring Good Turn may be the answer. Help the Guides to notice some of the things associated with this time of year — flowers and young leaves, Easter eggs, birds . . . can they use some of these things for a good turn? They may need some suggestions of suitable local homes or organisations who may appreciate a Patrol visit. Visiting the elderly or sick can be difficult for children unless they are well prepared. They need to really think it through beforehand so that no one feels awkward or embarrassed. Thought needs to be given to what they will do, who they will meet etc. Afterwards encourage them to think about what they did, what they learnt and what they enjoyed.

## **Spring in Mind**

The March issue of *TODAY'S GUIDE* is packed with interesting and practical features. The cover picture on this month's magazine is especially for Welsh Guides, together with a message on the inside cover from the Welsh and Irish Chief Commissioners. Also there are special articles titled 'Things to make and do for St David's Day' and a cookery card recipe. We also have the same articles with an Irish theme for St Patrick's Day. For the Guides who have a good vocabulary there is a double acrostic by Janet Turner. The regular feature 'Growing up is fun' really has Spring in mind, with general hints on skin care and how to prepare oneself for the summer after the cold winter months with aids from Boots such as Moisture Creme bath. A popular article that appeals to all fashion conscious young ladies. The Patrol Leaders pages in the March issue deal with doing a good turn, and stained glass windows.

Competitions are always popular and this month you will find full details of the Tandemania Dawn Mission Challenge, together with an entry form. We also have a Public Relations competition in this issue. The first clause of the Naturalist Badge appears this month, and this is a good time of the year for Guides who are interested to start this Badge. 'Invent an observation game for your Patrol' is the title of the Do-it-yourself chart, and 'Come to the fair' is a new song by Sue Stevens. There is a story called 'Caves' written by a Guide for her Writer Badge, and all these articles, together with the usual features, all add up to a really bumper issue.

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## **Springtime BROWNIE**

Next month the *BROWNIE* takes us into Spring with a swing. A centre spread on 'Nature Spring Spotting' by Alan Major in the 10th March issue together with a chart on 'Brownies keep fit' being just two of the seasonal articles. Also in this issue we have the first clause of the Animal Lover Badge, and other Badges included are Artist and Musician. Throughout the month the Cookery cards include recipes from the Honey Bureau such as 'A honeyed hot drink' and 'Coffee Honey Crackles'. We have a recipe for Mothers' Day, and in the 17th March issue there is a special recipe for St Patrick's Day, together with a centre spread picture of St Patrick to colour. Also the 'All my own' page is on the St Patrick Day theme. Charts on 'Brownies help at home' deal with 'Polishing Brass' and 'Cleaning boots and shoes'. Under the heading of 'Brownies Make Things' we are shown how to make an 'Egg box window box', a floral brooch (a good idea for Mothers' Day) and 'How to make a box' (for a special present or to use to help save money towards Pack Holiday or that special Brownie trip planned in the summer). Don't forget to collect material well in advance when making things from the Handcraft strips. This month you will need colour paper, egg boxes, pipe cleaners and thin sheets of white card for the flower brooches and gift boxes. In the last issue of the month, we start thinking of Easter — a centre spread on 'Easter Handcrafts' and an Easter recipe card. Besides the features already mentioned we have a new story titled 'Sarah's special present' plus a 'Good turn chart' as a centre spread on the 24th March.

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An excellent reference book containing sections on all types of flags from all over the world, including national, royal, armed services and shipping. Most of the flags are illustrated with detailed colour prints. Each section deals not only with the use of the flag, but also its history and the political influences resulting in its present form. A supplement is included to update any sections that may have undergone recent changes. An expensive but comprehensive book suitable for students requiring possibly the best in this field.

PC

**The Sailing Handbook**, by John Davies. Published by Hamlyn. Price £3.50.

This introductory text gives a broad look at the different aspects of sailing from racing to navigation, including important details like knots and their uses, weather, boat maintenance and safety at sea. The book is well illustrated with over 200 colour photographs and diagrams on all aspects of the subjects covered and complex subjects are explained clearly and simply, making this a very good reference book.

'The Sailing Handbook' is designed to set the beginner off on the right track — especially in a sport which can be dangerous if approached the wrong way —

and throughout the book the safety element is emphasised; excitement of a good sail comes across loud and clear!

HB

**Environmental Education: Sources of Information 1981.** Department of Education and Science. Price £2.95.

This is an easy to use directory, listing organisations concerned with the environment in its widest sense, bringing together information about the services they offer throughout the United Kingdom yet leaving the individual scope to find out more for oneself.

Primarily compiled for teachers and lecturers the District Commissioner would find it useful. Over 250 entries starting with Agricultural Colleges and Arboricultural Association to the YHA and Zoological Society of London. A section on How to Use the Book and a Subject Index are also included allowing the child interested in Ferns to find that the British Pteridological Society could help her!

Many entries offer educational material, speakers or visits, therefore it is essential to use the current edition.

MM

**Setting the table — slide set** by Royal Doulton, Educational Productions Ltd. Price £3.15 + vat.

A new slide set has been prepared to show the basic principles of setting the table correctly. The set comprises a comprehensive booklet and twelve colour slides. The booklet introduces you to different types of table settings for a large range of occasions, together with helpful illustrations on table decorations. The slide set opens with a comparison between a well prepared table setting and a clumsy arrangement. They are shown in sequence and the text is used as a commentary. Included in the text are additional notes for teachers to compliment the commentary. The slide set could be useful to Guiders helping girls to attain Badges if it is felt the price is justified.

MSC

**The Children's Bible.** Published by Penguin Books Ltd. Price?

To condense the Bible into 256 pages, half of these taken up by pictures, is a daunting task, and the compiler of the Penguin Children's Bible has tackled it remarkably well.

She has chosen to make the book a continuous narrative, beginning with the story of the creation and ending with St Paul's arrival in Rome.

The style is straightforward, most of the language such as would be understood by a child, and where there is teaching rather than narrative only, as in the Sermon on the Mount and some of the parables, the interpretation has brilliant simplicity and clarity.

Inevitably some familiar stories have been omitted, particularly regrettable in the gospel narrative and the Acts of the Apostles, and some stories have been reduced to such abruptness that the reader passes from one to another with breathtaking speed. One longs for just a little more explanation — eg why the Princess chose Moses as the name for her baby, how Naaman's servants persuaded him to wash in the river, etc.

But the most noticeable omission is any clear explanation that the story, though reverently and beautifully told, is only part of what is contained in the Bible. The book is described as a Children's Bible 'complete in one volume' and 'a modern Bible'. Though we are told that it contains 'Stories from the Old and New Testaments', only very brief oblique references give a child any idea that the Bible is a whole library of writings of many kinds, or suggest that he may want later on to discover for himself the fascinating books that have not been included in this volume.

The book is splendidly produced, with large, clear print, colourful, lively illustrations on almost every page, and a very attractive cover. It would delight most children and, given an explanatory foreword, could prove a most valuable introduction to the Bible.

NW

**The Kingfisher — Nature Handbook**, by Jeanette Harris. Published by Ward Lock. Price £3.95.

To take this with you on any excursion would be of great help, because there are sections on Mammals, Birds, Amphibians and Reptiles, Snakes, Fishes, Insects and other Seashore creatures, Trees, Wild Flowers, Mushrooms and Toadstools.

In fact, this small book would help you to identify almost any aspect of wild life you are likely to come across. The illustrations are extremely clear and the descriptions brief but very informative.

There is a useful chapter at the beginning of each section introducing the subject and giving clues and hints on identification and what to look for and where and when and how to look.

As an introduction to identifying wild life, this is a really useful book and would make an ideal present.

BH

**You and Your Handicapped Child.** Published by George Allen & Unwin. Price £6.95.

In this book a mother looks back on life in the family since the birth of her first child, now a young adult living away from home. From describing her feelings when told that her baby was physically handicapped to the building up of a family where two younger children had to be considered, with all the usual family problems added to those of the handicapped child, she gives an honest account of how she and her husband coped or how, with hindsight, they might have done better.

She gives a very clear idea of what help is now available for parents of children with various handicaps, dealing with holidays with or away from the rest of the family, educational choices, adolescence and young adulthood, and is especially sympathetic to the difficulties of mental handicap.

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isolation, despair, and perhaps resentment and frustration, in early days, and then in the practical advice given at all stages of a child's development. There is a section describing some of the more common forms of disability, with a short glossary of medical terms perhaps not heard before, and giving many useful addresses and a list of helpful books.

JB

**The Edge of Wonder**, compiled by Christopher Herbert. CIO. Price £1.95.

It is perhaps misleading to describe a book as 'for children', unless it is suitable to give a child for his own use. **The Edge of Wonder**, so announced, is a resource book which will provide adults involved in worship with children with much useful material for services, assemblies, etc. to stimulate thought and imagination.

Twenty-three themes have been chosen, each with one or two readings followed by

prayers and ideas for prayers. The readings are the work of children from primary schools, the prayers come from various sources, some being specially written.

In an important explanation of the origins and intentions of the book the compiler defends the inclusion of many unfamiliar and difficult words used deliberately and boldly. Emphasis both in the subject matter and the attractive illustrations on outdoor life in the countryside may depress would-be buyers from the inner city areas, but the book contains material which could be adapted by leaders working with girls of Guide and Brownie age in any area.

NG

**Themework** by John Bailey. Stainer and Bell. Price £5.50. With the constant demand for fresh ideas and stories **Themework**, a new book of Assembly Material for Junior, Middle, and Lower Secondary Schools, is a welcome publication. Produced by a

group of experienced and imaginative educationists it sets out material on twenty themes.

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The one problem about this

excellent book is its price — £5.50. Preachers and teachers will find it invaluable; would it be possible for several Guiders to share the cost of a copy?

SB

**The Royal Wedding and Stamps**, published by Stanley Gibbons, price £1.25.

If you are interested in stamps, you will find this book very interesting. Apart from the beautiful photographs of 'Royal' stamps from many Commonwealth countries, and accounts of Royal weddings of the past, the major part of the book is devoted to biographies of Prince Charles and Lady Diana and a short history of the Spencer family. There are also very interesting sections on the 21 previous Princes of Wales, including a list of them with a 'potted' biography and the wedding year of 1981.

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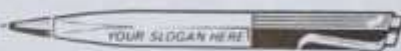
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The dragonfly, whose restless flight offers only transient glimpses of its brilliant iridescent colouring, begins life as a yellowish egg covered in jelly. This is laid by the female insect on the surface of a pond or stream and sinks to the bottom.

After five or six weeks the young larvae or nymphs hatch out and, at first, are barely distinguishable from other grubs that breed in the water. Their main difference is exhibited in their appetites, for young dragonflies are voracious feeders. In thirty minutes each one can eat its own weight in food.

The newly born nymph soon grows a hard protective shell which is thrown off and replaced a number of times during its development to allow for its growth. This process continues for two years and, as well as changing its outer skin, the little creature often changes colour, becoming brown or green according to its surroundings. By means of this camouflage, it can see its prey without being seen. Its eyes are on either side of its head so that it can see for many yards in each direction without moving.

It preys on mosquito larvae, pond snails, tadpoles and tiny fish which it seizes as it clings to a water weed. Shooting out a pair of pincers at the end of a long underlip called a mask, it grasps its victims and pulls them into its jaws. Then it folds the mask back under its face.

The dragonfly nymph has six legs but does not use them for swimming. Some propel themselves through the water by wagging their tails, others move forward by jet propulsion, squirting out water from their bodies as they go.

The shape of these savage little creatures changes at length into something resembling a flat beetle and at this stage each one climbs up a plant stem out of the water. There it stays, quite still, for some time, resting in preparation for its final transformation when it throws off its last, hard covering. This is achieved in stages and with much struggling. First the new back and head burst out, then the legs, after which it gives a strong lurch forward to achieve a fresh footing on the reed, so pulling out the tail end of its body from the old skin.

The creature that emerges is wrinkled and ugly but, as it swallows air, its body expands. Blood circulates through the veins of its crumpled wings and these gradually dry out in the sun. Pale at first, their beauty develops in flight. Within an hour, to quote Tennyson:

*'He dried his wings: like gauze they grew;*

*Through crofts and pastures wet with dew,*

*A living flash of light he flew.'*

Aptly called dragonflies because of their size, the span of their two pairs of transparent wings measures up to six inches. Yet this is less than one fifth of that of their huge ancestors who inhabited the earth in prehistoric times and were the first insects to fly. Active only when the sun shines, dragonflies are the tyrants of their world and terrorise other forms of insect life. Ceaselessly they dart and glide, sometimes even flying backwards, in search of food. Although they are not strong fliers and travel more slowly than bees and midges, they manage to catch these because of their exceptional eyesight.

Their large eyes contain thousands of tiny lenses, enabling them to see at every angle and, for this reason, they are known as Hawk Insects. They have also been nicknamed Horse Stingers because they persistently fly around horses and cattle in hot weather, feeding off flies and insects which torment the animals. In fact they have no sting and are harmless to humans and

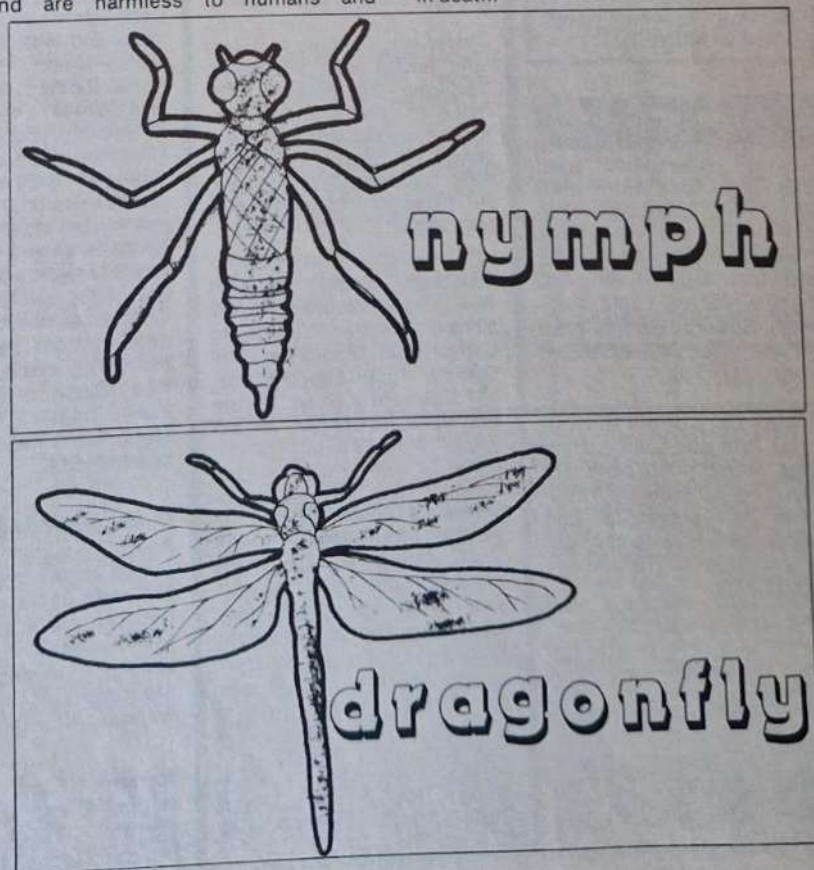
animals.

A belief in some parts of the country that the dragonfly will sew up the eyes and ears of naughty children while they are asleep has given it the name of the Devil's Darning Needle. Another fallacy is that it will fly in front of a snake in order to lead it to a child that deserves punishment for cruelty. On the contrary, some think that the dragonfly hovers over a snake hiding in the undergrowth as a warning to humans to avoid it.

In early summer, the male and female dragonflies are often seen flying together. They mate on the wing and travel long distances, the male clasping his partner's neck with his tail.

Recognised in Britain only as a useful insect that rids us of unwanted pests, it is systematically hunted in eastern countries. Roasted and eaten as a delicacy, it is said to have a flavour resembling the crayfish.

Sadly, this loveliest specimen of our insect world exists in its exotic state for no more than a few months and expires before the onset of colder weather. Seen alive and resting on a bush at night, it may be found next morning on the ground below, its vivid colouring faded in death.







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# In Memoriam

**Mrs Doreen Saunders**, of Corbridge, Northumberland, who died on 3rd November, 1981, will be widely and warmly remembered for her active work in the community, and much further afield.

Former students of Kenton Lodge Training College for Teachers and of the Education Department of King's College in the University of Durham (now the University of Newcastle upon Tyne) will recollect her as a friendly, energetic and demanding lecturer in Physical Education.

She had a lifelong association with the Movement, running a Unit for handicapped girls in the Sanderson Orthopaedic Hospital in Newcastle-upon-Tyne as long ago as 1927, and being Extensions Secretary for Northumberland from 1946 until she became

County Commissioner in 1960. From 1958 she was a member of the England Extensions Committee and was awarded the Medal of Merit of the Association in 1960.

During the ten years Mrs Saunders was County Commissioner of the 'old' County of Northumberland, apart from her other duties she set about visiting every Unit of Brownies, Guides and Rangers throughout the County, from isolated villages near the border and up the North and South Tyne valleys to the conurbation of Newcastle and the lower river and coastal belt. Her warmth, humour, and genuine interest in the members of the Movement whom she met in a great variety of places endeared her to a vast number of youngsters.

She was a friend of Olive

Baden-Powell, with whom she stayed at Hampton Court Palace. Many Guide leaders still talk of the happy occasion in April 1970 when Lady Baden-Powell was entertained by Mrs Saunders to a 'picnic' with the County in the Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Hexham.

In 1971 Mrs Saunders reverted to her work with the handicapped as Extension Adviser to the Association in North East England. She travelled as indefatigably as before all over the region, encouraging the involvement of handicapped girls in as many normal Guiding activities as possible — notably initiating the camp for handicapped Guides at Wellburn which is now a biennial event in North East England.

In Corbridge Mrs Saunders pursued many interests locally, including a close

involvement in the Church, Natural History and Hexham Musical Society. She used her car to deliver meals to the elderly and to take family visitors to relatives in hospital. She delighted in the time she could spare to spend at her cottage near Falsstone, and in allowing her friends to enjoy its peacefulness and the beauty of its setting. Her visits to her daughter and grandchildren in Canada were a great joy to her and she had many amusing anecdotes to tell of her trips.

All her many friends and acquaintances will remember her with gratitude for her friendliness, charm and sincerity, and for her selfless life of service.

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## International Canoe Exhibition

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new guide was produced. It results from the 'Farmer and the Teacher' conference, which was held last year and looked at the farm as an educational aid.

The book suggests a step-by-step approach to organising visits. There are check lists for teachers and farmers, and detailed guidance on costs, suitable subjects for different age groups, group sizes, follow-up work and so on. The understanding between visiting school-children — who come mainly from urban areas — and farmers, which results from educational trips, is a benefit which will lessen future conflicts between town and country dwellers. There is a comprehensive book-list and the names and addresses of many useful organisations are given.

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## The National Playing Fields Association

The object of the National Playing Fields Association is to promote the proper provision of facilities and adult leadership for the out-of-school play and recreational needs of children and young people, including the young handicapped. NPFA's most urgent task is to change adult attitudes and to raise both public and political consciousness to a new appreciation of the importance of play. Only when this is achieved will children's play receive the priority it deserves and demands.

The National Playing Fields Association was founded in 1925 by the then Duke of York — later George VI. The Royal connection remains to this day. The Queen is the Patron and the current President is the Duke of Edinburgh. The Association is a Registered Charity with a Royal Charter.

The name of the Association summarised part of NPFA's aims, which related to the provision of facilities, although NPFA's main concern has always been Children's Play. George V gave NPFA its first Playing Field. Today NPFA has nearly 90 Vested Fields and is Trustee for 470 King George's Fields — a total of over 5,000 acres.

At the outset, Counties were invited to



form their own Playing Fields Associations. These County Playing Fields Associations are affiliated to the National Association but are autonomous, raising money and giving financial aid within their county boundaries.

In the '30s, the Central Council of Physical Recreation, the Parliament of Sport, was formed — with an initial grant from NPFA. In 1969 the Sports Council was formed as the Government's Agency for the promotion of sport and physical recreation 'for the public at large'. However, the Sports Council has decided Children's Play does not come within its remit. NPFA was chosen by the Lord Mayor of London as his special charity of the year, and it participated in the Lord Mayor's Procession for the first time. For further information about NPFA's services and schemes, please write to: **The Public Relations Officer, NPFA, 25 Ovington Square, London SW3 1LQ. Tel: 01-584 6445.**

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The award, to the value of £1,000, could be in the form of a bursary or scholarship, items of equipment or books, depending on the eventual winner. Last year, the first year the Kearton Award was presented, two road safety projects were chosen to share the award. Wigan youth service received £750 for a motorcycling project in youth clubs, and Taverham High School, near Norwich, received £250 for its work with young cyclists. An occupational safety project from Reading and a home safety campaign from Newport in Gwent were commended.

For the purpose of the award 'young people' is defined as anyone under the age of 21 years. Application forms are available from Miss Shirley Hardwick at RoSPA, Cannon House, The Priory Queensway, Birmingham B4 6BS and must be submitted by May 1st 1982.

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