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Below is her reply —

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ELIZABETH R.

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Below is her reply -

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ROUGH RIDE

Ranger Guider Katy Silcock took unexpected guests, London's Capital Radio disc jockeys Dave Cash and John Sachs, for a rollicking ride aboard Battersea Guides raft at Battersea Park on Capital Venture Day in July.

Thousands of young visitors enjoyed hundreds of free attractions, including the raft and tree climbing course the Guides built.

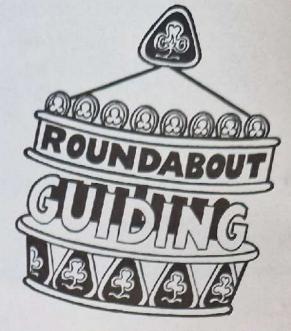
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Having A Go

This photo shows Mrs Jagdamea Johnstone, a trainer from India, during her recent visit to the Midlands 'having a go' in the Wedgwood factory. Stay!

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HELPING OTHERS



2nd Purford Brownie Pack are shown here meeting some members of their local fire station. The Brownies have been participating in a project which involved them meeting the various types of people and organisations who 'help people'. Other visits have included a trip to Woking police station, the curate from the local Church of England, and an ambulance driver complete with his ambulance, in which the lucky Brownies toured.





Priceless Treasure

The Wythall District Standard is shown here during its Dedication at St Mary's Church, Wythall last December. The Standard was designed by a local Guide Guider, Mrs Beth Richardson, and is being held by three Brownie Guiders, left to right: Mrs Jenny Hill, Mrs Anne Berry and Miss Rosalind Hudson.

The Standard was embroidered by volunteer Guides who also attend Bournville College of Art overseen by the class tutor, Miss Bingham, and an ex-County Commissioner, Miss B Martineau.

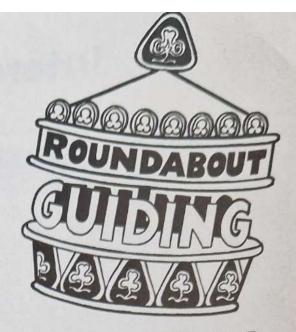
The original design was transformed into an actual size drawing by an architect, with photo-copies taken so that the embroiderers had templates to work from. The time from conception to completion of this priceless treasure was five

Photo: courtesy of Elizabeth Prater

HEADQUARTERS

The comedian Leslie Crowther kept his promise to the Trowbridge Guides when he officially opened the new Guide quarters earlier this year. He attended the Guides' fund-raising autumn fair in 1980 and vowed to return when the result of their fund-raising efforts was finally finished. All of the Guide Units in the Trowbridge, Wilts, area will use the hut, for which the 30 local Units had raised £20.000.

Photo: courtesy of The Wiltshire Times





This picture shows enrapt Brownies from the 4th Braintree Pack learning the art of making corn dollies at Thaxted in Essex

Photo: courtesy of Miss J E Ruggles



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A song from the USA for an International Seminar on the theme of Communications Verse 1



In the garden was a china basin containing 55 pebbles, one put there by each girl and chosen from her country or area as a reminder throughout the week of the issues of their theme... Communication was the theme.

A satisfactory way of bridging the gaps in understanding between individuals or countries has occupied the world's leaders and its children for thousands of years, and the lack of a resolution has been responsible for events ranging from world wars to marriage break-ups. So crucial is this issue to world peace and stability, that 1983 has been designated International Year of Communications. In the first of a threepart three week package, 32 Rangers and Young Leaders from London and SE Region, and 23 visiting Rangers from other parts of the UK, Eire, Canada, Norway, New Zealand, Australia, USA, Finland and France, spent the week, 16-23 July, at Pilgrim Hall in Sussex at the invitation of London and SE Region. There they thrashed out the issues involved at a Seminar based on the theme of Communications; split into communications in Society and Communications in Guid-

The Seminar was the inspiration of Miss Joan Kemp — Commonwealth & International Adviser for London and SE England. On a visit to Sangam in India she was so impressed by the practical and intellectual content of their programme that she brought the idea back to the UK, and this almost unique Seminar to UK Guiding was set up under

the joint team leadership of Joan Kemp, Miss Mary Ramsay — Regional Ranger Consultant, Miss Pam Squire — Deputy General Secretary, London SE, Miss Christine Hicks — Regional Representative British Youth Council, Miss Wendy Archer — Member of CHQ Inservice training scheme.

The Rangers worked in groups on various aspects of the central theme relating communication in Guiding to communication outside the Movement both on a local and international scale.

The theme as it relates to Guiding and Guiding to the world was developed as follows:

Taking the essential elements of Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting:

- The Spirit and Ideal of the Movement
 The Principles of Membership of the Movement
- Breaking these down into —
- a) voluntary membership
- b) open-ness to all
- c) Political independence

Adding new elements arising from today's problems, particularly concerning communication between people, namely:

- A Respect for the cultural identity of individuals and of the group
- B Co-operation between young people and adults
- C Men and women sharing equally in the building of the world

Seeing these in relation to the Methods of the Movement —

 voluntary acceptance of the ideals expressed in the Promise and Law

- concern with the whole person
- learning by doing
- progressive self-training
- power of team work
- outdoor life
- adults engaged in the same enterprise alongside the young
- symbolism
- inter-action between the group and its environment
- service into practise

The delegates in their groups were asked to discuss Communications, choosing one topic from the following to pursue in depth:

The Promise and Law
Self Development
The Patrol System
Inter-action with the community

They met in groups periodically throughout the week, with some girls from abroad in each group. Discussions took the form of workshops, writing about and illustrating their choice of topic - thrashing out their differences and similarities and relating their conclusions to the community at large. Additionally aspects of their own culture were shared - crafts, song, dance and slides. The most enormous scrapbook I think I have ever seen, travelled over 12,000 miles with the Australians. It illustrated many aspects of communication in Australia, from telecommunications to communication with the deaf. They also brought miniature boomerangs for the girls to paint, and real ones to throw, only I believe it was a

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case of 'My boomerang won't come back!' The two Americans made pencil cases and 'Friendship Bracelets of Indian beadwork. I am wearing mine as I am writing this. There were many other crafts and contributions

I went down for the day on the Tuesday. As the Seminar ran from Saturday 16th to 23rd July they had not had long to settle down and get to know each other, and yet a scene of true international communication greeted me on my arrival. It was the morning coffee break, and everyone was assembled in the spacious oak panelled hall chatting and laughing. Afterwards they got into their groups and lively informal workshops began, some stretched out on the lawn, some in large and comfortable drawing rooms with all enveloping chairs, and windows affording views of the extensive grounds and fields beyond

word about Pilgrim Hall. Built in 1902, it is now owned by a charitable Trust which was formed in 1971, and functions as a Christian Hotel and Conference Centre, with accommodation for up to 110 people, and a well deserved reputation for good appetising food. There is a large and tempting swimming pool, especially tempting on the day I went, with the temperature up in the eighties; facilities for tennis, croquet, putting, table tennis and swing-ball. With that lot to tempt them the girls spent a large proportion of their free time mostly in the swimming pool, and there was much free time to give balance to the intellectual content of the Seminar. Events in the week included a day trip to Canterbury, films, discussions on their workshops, and a visit to local villages where, armed with tape recorders, the aim was to find out by interviewing a cross-section of the community, what amenities were lacking and what single benefit would improve communications among the inhabitants, and finally how to relate their conclusions back to their own communities

One of the fundamental truths about communication on a small or large scale is knowledge of self. Unless we know ourselves we cannot communicate our knowledge to others effectively. This was explored within groups and discussions, the whole Seminar ending with the delegates' conclusions and resolutions.

Thank you, London and SE, for the warm welcome given to me and a very pleasant day spent with you and the delegates, an international group of young people who must ring a quiet but persistent note of hope for the world.

Marilyn Daish **Publicity Assistant**

Photos by: Derek Davis





We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Guiders at the Seminar — Miss Joan Kemp, Miss P Squire, Miss M Ramsey, Miss W Archer and Miss C Hicks.

Many thanks for the triendship and happiness they provided for us; without them the whole event could not have been possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed throughout the world would never have been made. With love and highest regards from: Philippa possible and the links formed througho

THE NEW INTERNATIONAL

By M. P. D. Lawrence















Our Guide sisters in Finland work a programme which has the international dimension totally integrated in a very positive way. They call it the 'Red Thread' and it runs through every aspect of their programme. In the UK, at present, I am sure all fellow Unit Guiders will agree, that the international dimension generally makes a very haphazard appearance into Unit programming. Thinking Day of course, perhaps Girl Guide Friendship Fund, International Songs and Games — but with them, do we really develop the international aspect?

So as we begin to look forward and start to work with the changes in the Programme and while we're all enjoying the revival of enthusiasm and innovation that change inevitably brings, let us start by sewing some international thread into the fabric of the syllabus for the Trefoil Badges.

To start with we have three new international badges which have been designed to cover the three main areas of our Guiding internationalism. First and foremost WAGGS, secondly the ever important Commonwealth and lastly the newer but just as important link we have with the rest of Europe. The new syllabi give ample opportunity to learn about these areas in both a practical and theoretical way. In all three, there is scope for choice and yet a good all round basic knowledge must be gained before the badges are awarded.

The badges are independent of each other, but as in all international matters are inter-dependent and it is hoped that although one badge must be gained while taking the BP Trefoil, the other badges will be taken beforehand so as to complete the whole international picture.

All three badges are similar in their style and content therefore leaving no obvious pattern for taking them — unlike in the past when the Commonwealth Badge was invariably left to the very end! Now Guides

with different levels and areas of international knowledge and interest will be able to begin each badge at different times.

World Association Badge

This badge has two main sections. The first four clauses cover knowledge of the World Association, including the history of WAGGGS, World Centres, World Conferences, World Flag and World Badge. They also require that the Guide finds our about a member country in each of the five Continents, national information and present-day lifestyles of girls in each one as well as Girl Guide/Girl Scout details. The fifth clause gives nine practical options of which four have to be undertaken by each Guide. These range from dressing a doll in a national costume to planning an imaginary world four.

The testers for this badge will most certainly need to have first-hand knowledge of WAGGGS and will therefore be members or ex-members of the Movement. Your CCIA, if not actually testing herself, must be closely involved with the testing for the badge. She will also be able to assist in providing information, literature and general help for Guides undertaking the World Association Badge.

Useful GGA literature for this badge includes:

Trefoil Round the World Basics Brownies Around the World Books 1-4 Uniform Charts — Guide 1-4; Brownie 1-4 Badge Charts — Guide 1-3 Story of the four World Centres World Games and Recipes World Trefoil Sheet

Commonwealth

The syllabus for this badge has changed only slightly from the one with which we are already familiar. The badge still has four sections, the first continues to cover basic knowledge about the Commonwealth, its development and the position of the Queen in different Commonwealth countries. The second involves research and presentation about Commonwealth countries within WAGGGS, including the position of Branch Associations. The clause also requires the Guides to be able to point out various countries on a map to the tester. The next clause again requires research and presentation, this time about two Commonwealth countries in more detail. The two countries are to be from different parts of the

The last clause, like the last in the World Association Badge, gives nine more practical options of which four must be completed; these range from cooking a typical Commonwealth dish to finding out about the Girl Guide Friendship Fund.

The testers for this badge will require some WAGGGS knowledge and again as with the present badge, it is essential that your CCIA is closely involved with testing.

Useful literature for this badge includes:

Help Yourself to Know the Commonwealth; Trefoil Round the World; Leaflet on the Girl Guide Friendship Fund; Uniform and Badge Charts (Available from Guide Shops or















International Commissioner















through the GGA Trading Service)
The Commonwealth Fact Book; The
Commonwealth Today (Available from the
Commonwealth Secretariat, Marlborough
House, London SWIY 5HX.

Europe

This one is the really new International Badge. For the first time we have a badge solely concerned with Europe.

We in the UK are becoming more aware of Europe and taking an increasing part in its affairs. In Guiding the role we play within our WAGGGS European Region means that this badge is long overdue in our Programme,

The badge has four clauses, the first requires geographical knowledge of Europe. The second deals with the European Economic Community, requiring research and presentation. The third gives ten practical options with yet again four to be completed by each Guide. These range from visiting a European country and, on returning, giving a talk, to choosing five European countries and finding out something about the every-day lives of people living in them. The last clause instructs the Guides to find out how to obtain a passport and a Guide Introduction Card.

We hope that many Guides will take up the challenge of this exciting new badge. This is an area of vital importance to our country and one which every citizen should know and understand. We in Guiding can at least begin to sow the seeds of better knowledge and understanding about Europe in all our members. Again there is a similar pattern for testers; knowledge of WAGGGS as well as Europe, and again your CCIA will assist in testing.

Useful literature for this badge includes:

Trefoil Round the World; Basics; Europe Region Booklet; Uniform and Badge Charts (Available from GGA Shops or through the GGA Trading Service)

Various books from the Information Office of the Commissioner of the European Communities, 20 Kensington Palace Gardens, London W8 4QQ.

Interest Badges are only a part of our Programme and perhaps the three new International Interest Badges will be taken by only relatively few Guides unless we stimulate interest in the international side of Guiding.

As we are trying out new methods and testing ideas with the new Programme changes, why not use these three interest badges as the initial basis for developing the international dimension within the Programme. Stimulate interest by using clauses from the three new badges to cover parts of the Trefoil Badges. For instance in the yellow Trefoil Badge one of the six activities with your Patrol could be either.

1) Make a model of a typical house, famous building or landmark in the European country (Europe Badge, clause 3 (i)/Exploring the Arts) or

2) Plan an imaginary world tour, briefly visiting six different member countries. Describe the changes in climate, the different currencies, foods, etc., that you would encounter. (World Association Badge, clause 5 (i)/Thinking for yourself) or

3) With your Patrol entertain a visitor from a Commonwealth country (Commonwealth Badge, clause 4 (f)/Getting to know people).

Likewise in the green Trefoil Badge as the responsible part in a Patrol activity a Guide could either:

1) Find out about the European Economic Community and help the Patrol to make a display or scrap book about it (European Badge, clause 2/Thinking for yourself and Exploring the Arts) or

2) Find out something about organisations which help people in need throughout the world. With your Patrol choose a current project, plan and carry out a fund-raising event for it. (World Association Badge, clause 5 (c)/Giving Service) or

3) Find out some historical facts about Australia, Canada, New Zealand or India and present these in a way that appeals to you. Choose another Commonwealth Country and in a different part of the world from the one in which you have already chosen.

Compile a book of pictures and information or give an illustrated talk about it. This may include reference to family life, language, religion and famous people, natural features, methods of Government, industry, local currency and rates of exchange and current news items. Be able to recognise the flags of the country you have chosen. (Commonwealth Badge, clause 3/Thinking for yourself and Exploring the Arts).

By using this idea through the yellow, green and red Trefoil Badges, and sewing the international thread, somewhere into each badge, we really will be beginning to weave that International weft quite firmly into our Programme. The clauses of these new Interest badges make ideal starters, and of course they should be adapted and extended once the pattern begins to emerge and Patrol Leaders and Guiders get into the swing of working with these exciting new opportunities, but don't forget to ensure that you have enough International thread to go round and that every Guide has some to sew with.















THE LADY ALPORT

n Guiding, it is her work for the Trefoil Guild which comes most readily to the minds of those who knew Rachel Alport. Her death has filled us all with great sadness, and we shall miss her so very much. Rachel became President of the Trefoil Guild in 1969, in which capacity she served for eight-and-a-half years. She was involved in many activities in her own locality, as well as in a wider sphere, but Guiding was her special interest, and I know and saw how much of herself she gave to the Trefoil Guild. She was untiring in her efforts to visit meetings and gatherings wherever she was asked to do so - how many Chairmen and members have been inspired and encouraged by her enthusiasm and friendliness?

So I could go on, for in the eight-and-a-half years of her Presidency so much happened, and the Guild gained tremendously from her leadership. I cannot end this tribute, however, without a special mention of LINK, which Rachel founded 10 years ago, and which will always be associated with her. When she first made the suggestion of LINK there was some scepticism, for not everyone shared her enthusiasm. It took, therefore, some time to get off the ground, but she firmly and quietly persevered - and how right she was! Only a month before her death she was able to get to CHQ for the AGM of LINK a joy for her to see it so well established, and a delight for the members to have her with them. How fitting this was for what was to prove her last visit to CHQ.

We are grateful for having known Rachel, and shared her friendship. Surely our greatest tribute to her is to see that the Guild and LINK go forward in strength, in the way in which she visualised. To Lord Alport and his family we send our very deepest sympathy.



A Living Force

This article is reprinted from THE TREFOIL as we feel it will be of interest to our readers. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Trefoil Guild in their 40th anniversary year.

Seeking a definition of the Law and Promise recently, I turned to the Essential Elements of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting, published by the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. In that document was the definition I sought. Briefly it said '... the law and promise must be maintained and safeguarded in that they are the very foundation of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting, and continue to be the living force which makes the Movement unique'.

It was the words 'living force' which held my attention because this indicated development and change — a living force is not something static. The definition then went on to say 'The essence of the law is duty to others and the brotherhood of mankind, self-discipline, and respect for all living things'. It was the last five words in particular which rivetted my attention. They follow closely the words of Lord Clark in his memorable TV series 'Civilisation' when he said "we should remember that we are a part of a great whole which for convenience we call nature. All living things are our brothers and sisters."

These things do matter

Guiding and Scouting are noted for their out-of-doors activities and for their concern for the environment, but I would submit that the concern does not go far enough. There is an inclination to look at the environment in the parochial rather than the global sense and if we want to protect nature then we have to move away from the local into the global and be conscious of the inter-dependency we have one with another wherever in the world we live. For instance, rain containing acids and chemicals from factories in Europe drops on US and into OUR lakes and rivers, and similar rain containing similar ingredients from OUR factories drops on Scandinavia. In northern Sweden and Northern Norway there are lakes which a few years ago were full of fish and which are now empty. In a sense that particular example is almost minor in consideration of the air, land and sea pollution throughout the world, and of the misuse generally of the finite resources of planet Earth.

In Guiding and Scouting these things matter to us, these things are of concern because we have 'a respect for all living things' and the land, the sea and the air are living things in the same way as are plants, trees and animals. We have a sacramental relationship in this, a relationship which is between God and His creation — God gave us the earth to use, not to misuse, He gave it to human-kind in a custodial sense, not to have dominion over it. If we accept this sacramental relationship then we have no option but to treat all humankind as equals (as our brothers and sisters) and to do what we can to ensure that everyone has a fair share of the earth's resources. If we agree with this concept then we have to query by what

right we in the West (including the Soviet Union, Australia and New Zealand) use up 80 per cent of the world's finite resources (food, coal, gas, oil, etc.), consuming 75 per cent of energy, and 60 per cent of the world's protein. So although we share a common humanity with all the peoples of our planet some are more equal than others, and although we may help in our own small way to attempt to redress the imbalance by contributing to the Girl Guide Friendship Fund, the Thinking Day Fund, Christian Aid, Save the Children Fund, Oxfam, etc., we have to ask ourselves whether this is really enough. Because if we take the promise to its logical conclusion, e.g., that we are not an island but are involved in human-kind, then we are indeed accepting this basic covenant relationship between God and Creation and it becomes difficult, if not impossible, to ignore the sufferings of two-thirds of the world's people. Their hunger, their poverty, their homelessness, their illiteracy, their sickness and their pain is also ours. For all of us this has to become a part of our prayer life, for 'more things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of'.

There is much we can do

It takes people to change people and each one of us can do much in the places where we live. We can look at the quality of life in the places where we are and see in what way we can change things for the better. We can join practical and active environmental groups and so stand a greater chance of achieving improvements where we are, and also nationally and globally. Politicians tend to listen to well-informed groups.

We can read. Read Barbara Ward's 'Only One Earth' or 'Progress for a Small Planet' (Pelican paperbacks), or E E Schumacher's 'Small is beautiful' (Abacus paperback). Find out what kind of resources conservation schemes — recycling of waste, energy conservation, avoidance of pollution, etc. — are being tackled in the United Kingdom; the Nature Conservancy Council, 19/20 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PY, are helpful.

Do something, don't just sit there. However old you are, however young you are, the future of the planet is in your hands. To do nothing is to let this magnificent world in which we live go out with a whimper. It is not the threat of a nuclear war which is the greatest threat to the future of humankind, it is people's apathy to the dilemma of survival which faces the world in which they live, whose mountains they climb, in whose seas they swim and along whose rivers they canoe, and fells they walk. Let's not leave it to someone else. Let us play our own part as members of our Movement in the United Kingdom in solidarity with members of our World Association.

Joyce Scroxton

Chairman of Communications Committee

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Holiday Joys

As Guiders we have attended many trainings at Foxlease (and fallen in love with the house and surrounding area) but have never had the time, during our visits, to explore the forest and neighbourhood to the full, and as we were planning our holiday we decided to apply for the Holiday Period as detailed in the Training Calendar in GUID-ING This we did, and we were told we could go for as many, or as few, days as we liked during the 'Holiday Period' and could come and go as we pleased, so we booked from Sunday 17 to the final day, Saturday 23 July this year.

From the smiling welcome which we received to our final farewell to all our old and new friends, both among the Staff (who always make us feel welcome and at home) and other holiday makers, we had a wonderful holiday, with good food, comfortable accommodation, friendly atmosphere, swimming in the pool, and a variety of things to do, places to visit, or just to 'stand and stare' in the peace of the forest. Where else, we ask, could you find all these things for such a reasonable cost?

In fact, we would highly recommend this 'Holiday Period' to anyone, and would like to say, publicly, to Marjorie King and all her Staff, a big Thank You for our lovely holiday at Foxlease in the following words:

At Lyndhurst in the forest deep, stands our very own Foxlease,

That's where we went to stay for our holiday.

We trod so many forest paths, through gentle glade and woodland

The shimmering sunlight softly filtering through the leaves,

There were carpets of lovely summer flowers in every kind of hue.

We watched the deer who grazed so peacefully

And, just for one brief moment saw that magnificent white stag,

The little forest pones were everywhere about, as



friendly as could be.
We travelled across heathland, where the heather blossom waited to erupt.
Then back into the forest shade, the peaceful quiet

tranquillity.

We saw the squirrels, rabbits and the ants

They were all, so very busy with their chores.
The bird songs were con-

tinuous, 'Hark' to that woodpecker

If only we could see up into that great tall tree.

'Yes' we did the Tall Tree's Walk, no need to go to Canada to see Red Cedar Wood.

A boat ride then we took across the harbour sea,

To that lovely island of Brownsea.

We tried to imagine how those lads must have felt at that first camp so long

We shopped in Lymington, then we took a stroll along the harbour wall,

We paused for a while, and sat and watched the hovering little Terns,

Then quick as lightning they dipped into the sea, They had just been fishing

for their tea.
As each day sped along its way to Foxlease we re-

turned, The evening time brought laughter, music, games

All too soon our holiday must end, but one day soon we will be back

and songs.

For forest paths transversing, and the chance again to stay at Foxlease for our holiday.

Lois E Grant 2nd Uxbridge (St Andrew's) Brownies (Brownie Guider): 2nd Uxbridge (St Andrew's) Guides (Guide Guider)

Audrey J Edmonds, 6th Uxbridge (St Andrew's) Brownies (Brownie Guider); 2nd Uxbridge (St Andrew's) Rangers (Ranger Guider); Middiesex

Ballet Mania

I note with delight the degree of interest in introducing dance, and especially ballet, to young people which has been expressed in response to the article in Grapevine, July GUIDING, about the facilities offered by major dance companies.

I have made contact with a number of people who took advantage of my offer of free literature about the Royal Ballet and Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet.

May I, through the magazine, invite people to write to me clo GUIDING if they would like regular briefing on what will be available in terms of performances, study sessions and talks, printed materials and visual aids to help them to develop the interest waiting to be nurtured and extended.

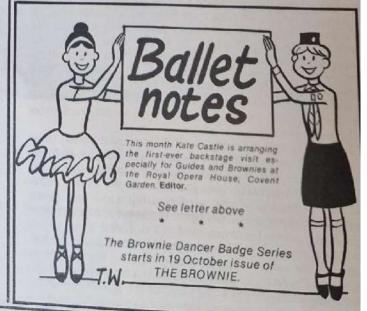
In addition, on behalf of the Companies, I would be very willing to prepare special events in collaboration with Guide leaders.

Kate Castle, Dance Education Officer, Royal Ballet and Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet, London

Third World

I have just returned to British Guiding after 21/2 years in Papua, New Guinea, with the Voluntary Service Overseas organisation, and so I am very aware of the plight of the Third World and its connection to us in the First World. I wonder how many people in Guiding think of the Third World as 'those poor people over there' and quell their conscience by putting 50p in the Oxfam box. To remind those people of some facts - according to the World Bank - at least 800,000,000 people are living in a permanent and chronic state of poverty and hunger and, according to UNICEF. 15,000,000 children under five die of malnutrition each year. To put this into perspective, Nestlés spends more on advertising than the total budget of the World Health Organisation.

So what can we Guiders/Rangers/Guides do to help? We can make ourselves more aware of the problems by reading some of the literature available and maybe GUIDING could produce some features on these issues. On an individual level and in our Units we can support organisations such as Traidcraft, which is Christian organisation which markets crafts, cottage industry products, tea and coffee - all of a very high standard - from Third World



Airing - Caring - Sharing

groups where the profits are being shared out fairly to the employees. I shall be pleased to put readers in touch with Traidcraft if they will write to me clo GUIDING.

If we truly want to 'do our duty to God and be of service to others', then here is a concrete place to start — we can no longer afford to sit on the fence and see people dying. We live in one world, not three.

A Fairnington, Ranger Guider, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear

Hear Hear

I would just like to say how disappointed I am that the channels of communication do not seem to work as well in some Regions as they do in North West England. I refer to the changes in the Guide Programme for one; It was a good two years ago or even longer that we were asked at a District Meeting for our opinions and to get ideas from the girls regarding their thoughts on the Programme or the Queen's Guide Badge.

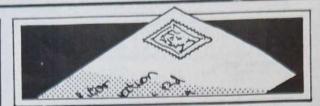
We duly wrote down our opinions and sent them off; it was easy to forget about this after such a long while but our memories were jogged when we read of the Programme changes in March GUIDING. Here were some of the ideas which we had put down so yes, some ordinary folk did get their say in the changes and it didn't only come from the top.

It is nice to know that thoughts do get passed from the 'grass roots' to the top of the tree! Thank you, North West England and our County for keeping us informed.

E Fry Guider, Heald Green North, Stockport

Recognition

How delighted I was to discover that the charming Morris dancers on the cover of July GUIDING were mem-



bers of the 2nd Twyford Brownie Pack.

Over twenty years ago, when I was very new to the Guide Movement, I was asked to open the Second Pack as the 1st Twyford had a very long waiting list. So nice to know they are still thriving and doing so well.

I wonder if any of today's Brownies have mothers who were Brownies in my Pack.

Muriel Foden (Mrs), Division Commissioner, Tiverton, Devon

Memories

Now I'm old enough to remember,

And I start looking back down the years, My memories come back and

haunt me, Bringing their smiles and their tears.

I started with such high ideals —

I was goirg to get to the top —
It took twenty years to get a

Queen's Guide, But I won't let that make me

stop!

For the girls have been worth every moment,

I've been learning a little each week:

It doesn't take long to estab-

They'll eat you alive if you're meek!

You rant and you rave at the naughty,

But they stay in your heart just the same;

It's the ones who are quiet and tidy,

That you never can think of the name!

The hikes and the camps and the parties —

There's seldom a minute to

And whenever the meeting starts flagging,

You have a few games up your sleeve.



After twenty-five years as a Guider,

The questions the girls now ask me:

'Were you there when Guides started, then, Captain?'
How old do they think I must he?

Yet, over the years I remem-

I'd not have a thing rearranged:

Despite all the worry and

It's only my waistline that's changed!

Christine Scott (Miss) 207th Birmingham Guide Coy, Birmingham

Dawn Hike

While the rest of the world was fast asleep, five hardy members of Scogui, Clive, Sally Ann, Graham, Joanne and Caron, preferred a night's walking down country lanes and up and down hills. (Set off time 1.30 am).

Setting out from Admin to car park we proceeded through the streets behind the University to Forest Road (B5350). Walking past Nanpanan and the Priory Hotel we continued until we came to the junction with the B5350. where we turned left (heading approximately South). We went down a small

hill and up a big one until we came to a stile at the left hand side of the road.

Going over the stile and following the footpath (ducking under the trees) we reached the summit of Beacon Hill (248m) at approximately 3.15 am.

By the time we had finished our coffee, the eastern sky was just turning red, prior to the sun coming up, and an owl and a cuckoo could be heard in the distance. The dawn chorus of other birds began.

With the stove now free, having drunk our coffee, we decided on an early breakfast, of a special hill top delicacy—hot dogs.

The object of the Night Hike was now upon us — the sunrise, for which we duly popped and drank two bottles of Pomagne to celebrate a spectacular opening to the day — a magnificent fresh start to a new day (4.30-ish am)

Mission accomplished, we tidled away, even picking up someone else's empty wine bottle, and headed 'home' to Campus.

As we were walking towards the Outwoods a red fox ran across our path. Taking the path through the Outwoods we saw, by the lodge, two magnificently coloured peacocks.

On exit from the Outwoods, we listened once more to the peacefulness of the morning, and returned 'home'.

Many thanks to all concerned with the exercise the park-takers, National Trust, Animals, Birds, the weather and finally the careful drivers who observed and took the necessary action when confronting us and our torchlights.

S C Roddie (Mr). LSU Scout & Guide Club. Leicestershire

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BACT





Knotty Partners
You will need: — 1 yard of cord per Guide — buttons or tokens to award.
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The Company forms up in pairs in a double circle. The outside circle moves clockwise, the inside one trace of the circle moves clockwise, the inside one trace of the circle moves of the pair to the the knot correctly anticlockwise, all singing. Prop goes the wease! On "Pop" they stop, pairing with the nearest Guide in the first Guide in each pair to the the knot correctly anticlockwise, all singing. Prop goes the wease! On "Pop" they stop, pairing for the others to the circle. The Guider calls out the name of a knot. The first Guide in each pair to the choice of the circle in the knot whilst they are waiting for the others to funish. The receives a token from the Guider! If Quides are very slow, set a time limit. Encourage to the others to funish the following knots are suggested: reef, circle filtch. Sheet bend, gouble overnaul, round turn and two half showing all the other and of the half sheet bend, gould be overnaul, round turn and two half showing and a circle and pair to the choice of card about 3 inches square, and a cifferent colour for each Patrol. Tell them to give each Patrol 16 pieces of card about 3 inches square, and a cifferent colour for each Patrol. Tell them to give each Patrol 16 pieces of card about 3 inches square, and a cifferent colour for each Patrol.

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You will need:— a 'Dear Doctor' letter for each Patrol.

The Guider prepares a letter for each of her Patrols, addressed to 'Dear Doctor', and coming as if from someone suffering from some common constitute such as pimples, sore feet, and so on. Here are suggestions.

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Dear Doctor.

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My feet get very sore undermost in the toes. Why is this, and what can I do about it?

How much exercise should I have each day, and what are the best kinds of exercise?

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Get each Parrol to make a list — after discussion — of twelve items that choposite their Patrol at the other end of the room. The Guides are then numbered,
on a separate slip of paper, and put all their Patrol's slips on a chair opposite their Patrol at the enter end of the room. The Guides are then number function their chairs, and select slips for the things they
would need to treat that accident, and take them back to the Patrol Leaders. (A Patrol may help a Guide before she runs to the chair, so that younger
Guides are not at a disadvantage; but no one may call out after she has run!

The PLs read out the items chosen by their Guides, and the rest of the Company comment. The Guide who has chosen the correct items wins the
points. Encourage the Guides to take only those things headed for the particular accident. If a Guide cannot find among her twelve items a thing she
needs, the Guider can ask her what else she could use that she might find at home.

Keep the accidents simple at first, e.g.

1. Little brother has fallen while playing in the garden, and has cut his elbow.

2. Father gets a splinter in his hand while he is painting a fence.

3. Mother slips on the wet kitchen floor, and sprains her wrist.

Just For Fun



The Cat And The Birds

"The Cat And the Birds
No materials needed.
Choose four shidren one to be a cat and three to be birds. The other children stand in a circle with a space between them — they are branches and leaves of a tree. The cat tries to catch the birds, who "fly" round the circle and in and out of the branches and leaves. When they wish they may touch one of the children in the circle, who then changes places and becomes a bird, and they become a branch or leaf. Once the cat catches the bird — one bird — the bird becomes the cat and the game continues.

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'The Dragon and the Princesses
You will need: — 2 blindfolds.
Two children are chosen — they are dragons. The other children are divided into two teams — one team will be Princes and one Princesses.
The dragons are blindfolded and sit in the centre of the room with about 4 feet between them. The Princesses stand at one end of the room, waiting to be rescued and the Princes at the other end. The Princes have to the area to be princesses, if the Dragon hears any sound, he points to Once a Prince has aftery passed the Dragons, without being neard and rescue a princess. If the Dragon hears any sound, he points to Once a Prince has aftery passed the Dragons, he must take a Princess and carry her to safety. If they are heard, they drop out of the game.

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last player to be in the game, becomes the Police Controller and the last player to be in the game, becomes the Police Controller and the last player to be in the centre of specific and the end.

Choose one child to be in the centre of a circle, which is made up of the remaining children. The child in the centre turns the rope round in a circle a few way, he is out. The rope can be raised a little at a time to make it more difficult.

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"Tennis Bell Race
You will need: — 2 tennis balls.
The players are divided into two equal teams and air on chairs facing each other. They are about 1 yard apart. The Leader of each team is given a tennis ball which she must balance between her feet, which are stretched out. When 'GO' is called she must pass the ball to the next player by keeping her feet it. This goes on down the team and the first team finished is the winner. If a ball drops, it must go back to the beginning of the team and start all over again.

again.

The Mummy Game
You will need: — One tollet roll per pair or Patrol.
This game is played in pairs. One player is the mummy the other the wrapper. Each pair has a tollet roll. On the word 'Go' the wrapper begins wrapping her partner. She must use the whole tollet roll and make her partner look as much like an Egyptian mummy as possible. After a set time limit (about 3 mins) the judge stops the game and tries to decide on the best mummy. (This can be done as a Patrol).

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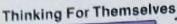














You will need: — 14 numbered postcards with a clue written on each — A sheet of paper per player numbered 1-14 — Pen or pencil — Possibly a dictionary 8. A furthat is stealthy.

1. A fur that is hot.

A fur that is a measure.

A fur that is rich.

A fur that is found in every house.

A fur that is at the greatest distance.

A fur that is earnest.

9. A fur that is fierce. 10. A fur that is a plant.

11. A fur that is a furnace.

12. A fur that rolls up.

13. A fur that grows in the shade.

14. A fur that is a passion.

The cards are placed around the room and the players are told that the answer to each clue

begins with FER or FUR. Give about 10 mins for them to write down the answers.

Answers 1. Furnace. 2. Furlong. 3. Fertile. 4. Furniture. 5. Furthest. 6. Fervent. 7. Ferment, 8. Furtive. 9. Ferocious. 10. Furse. 11. Furbelow. 12. Furl. 13. Fern. 14. Fervour.

*Hide and Seek in London

This does not have to be in London, but could be in your own city or town — or even your meeting place. One player is chosen to hide himself in London. The others have to discover exactly where he is by asking questions. The 'hider'

The first person to discover where he is hiding, then has his turn at hiding. (This is good for Local Knowledge). can only reply by answering Yes or No.

*Find the Word

Choose a fairly long word which has no letter repeated in it. Write out the word in Capital letters for the number of players you will have, e.g. 24 players - word 24 times. Cut up all the words into single letters and hide them around the room. Explain that each person must collect so many letters e.g. 10, if your word had 10 letters in it. Once they have their letters, then they make up a word. It must be shown to you.

*Earth, air and water

The players sit in a circle and one player has a clean handkerchief which he throws to someone else saying — Earth, or Air or Water.

Having thrown the handkerchief he quickly counts to 10. The person to whom the handkerchief has been thrown has to give the name of an animal which lives in either: Earth, Air or Water — whichever was named by the person throwing the handkerchief. This he must do before 10 is counted.

If he cannot think of one, then the first player throws the handkerchief to someone else, but if he is successful he does the throwing. Anyone who fails three times to name a creature is out.

Observation



*The Postcard Game

You will need: - 3 or 4 picture postcards per person, cut in two.

The cards are cut in half and one half is kept, the other half is placed around the room where they can be seen. Each player is given half a card and goes off to find her missing half. When she brings back the completed card she is given another half and goes off again. This continues until you have no cards left. The person with the highest number of completed cards is

the winner.
*Advertisement Guessing

You will need: - 20-25 numbered well-known advertisements with the wording covered or cut out - pencils and paper for each player - check list for yourself.

The advertisements are placed around the room, and the players have to try to write down the name of the advertiser for each advertisement.

The Moon has

You will need: — a walking stick.

The players sit in a circle and the person 'ON' stands in the middle. She has a walking stick and with her stick, she draws a circle, two dots, and two lines. As she draws she says 'The moon has two eyes, a nose and a mouth'. She then asks if any of the players would like to draw the same picture and she will tell them if they have done it correctly. When a player offers, she passes the stick to her in her Left Hand. Then someone else can have a turn, if the person who has just drawn passes the stick with her Left Hand, she is told that she did the drawing correctly. If she uses her Right hand she is told she was wrong.

Street Names

You will need: — 1 local street map per Patrol (Estate agents are often obliging).

Give the girls a given time to make lists of streets with the names of flowers, trees, girls' or boys' names, places, or with strange names. Collect up the maps, and ask questions to reveal how observant the girls have been.

Which road does Ashbury Terrace turn off? How would you get from the Post Office to Eva Gardens? Which road runs between East Road and Long Street?'

"Nature Shapes

You will need: — 20 pictures of clearly defined natural objects — pencil and paper. On the Word 'Gol' a Guide from each Patrol runs to the Guiders, and they are shown a picture. They run back to their Patrols, and without speaking, draw the object. The Guide who guesses correctly what it is, goes to look at the next picture. The Patrol which draws the greatest number of identified objects in a given time, wins.

Suitable natural objects:

Leaves: oak, holly, elm, sycamore, ash, horse chestnut, ivy, dandelion. Flowers: daffodil, violet, primrose, snowdrop, pansy, fox-

Variations: When the Guides are more experienced they can be given the name of the object to be drawn, rather than be shown the glove, tulip, bluebell. Fruits: acorn, conker, sycamore key, blackberry. picture.



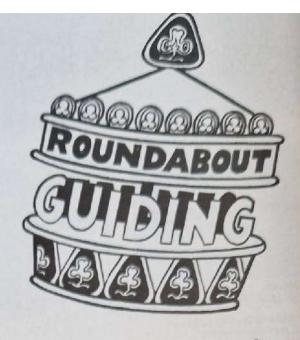
Sing For Joy

On Sunday, 17 July of this year, the 1st Sholing (St Mary's) Guide Company celebrated their 60th Birthday with a Thanksgiving Service at St Mary's Church, Sholing, Southampton, during which the Guides sang 'Sing for Joy', and one of them read a passage from 'Be Prepared — The Official Guide Handbook, 1963 Edition'. After the service, the Guides marched back to the Scout Hut, where they have their meetings and where they held the reception.

Quite a few 'old Guides and Guiders' joined them for their celebrations, including a King's Guide and a First Class Guide, but their guest of honour was Miss Violet Hyatt who, with Miss Penney, started the Company on 2 July, 1923. The Company had been informed that it was Miss Hyatt's birthday the day before, so after she had cut the birthday cake, she was presented with a posy of flowers and a card by one of the Guides.

A lovely day was had by all, and it is certain to be a day Miss Hyatt will remember for the rest of her life, as she was so thrilled by everything.

Photo: courtesy of Alan Bealing



Too Much Litter!

Recently the 68th Bradford Brownie Pack has been picking up litter in Heston Woods for their Adopt and Cherish project, sponsored by The Girl Guides Association, the Keep Britain Tidy Group and the Midland Bank. The Brownies picked up so much litter, as readers can see here, that reinforcements had to be called out!

Photo: courtesy of Telegraph and Argus





Guides from the 1st Tiverton Guide Company are shown here with their model of the Kon Tiki raft sailed by Thor Heyadahl. The Kon Tiki model was one of the exhibits at the Guides' arts and crafts fair, which took place at Heavitree Middle School earlier this year.

Photo: courtesy of Express and Echo



STAFFORDSHIRE BROWNIE REVELS









The hordes of excited Brownies who flocked to the Brownie Revels in Staffordshire on July 10 this year had an extra treat in store for them. The printers of their very own magazine, THE BROWNIE, are situated very nearby in Tamworth. The Tamworth Herald Co Ltd had a stall at the Revels stocked entirely with copies of THE BROWNIE, and they were giving them away free to the lucky Brownies. The free copies of the magazine included the first part of the Wizard of Oz competition reflecting the theme of the Revels.

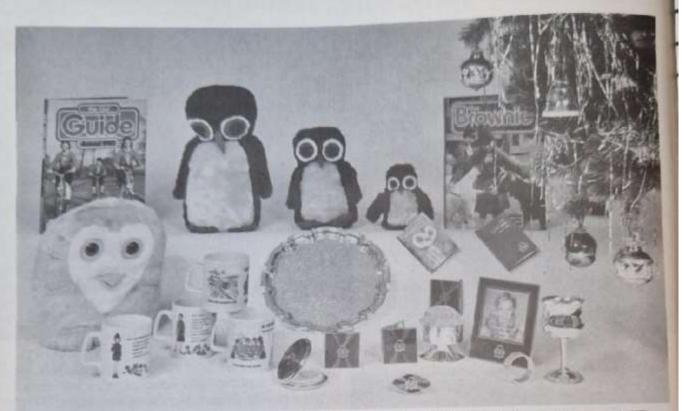
The Chief Commissioner, The Lady Baden-Powell, who was present at the Revels, was generous with her comments about the display, and it is hoped that Tamworth Herald's gesture will introduce THE BROWNIE to the

Brownies in the Midlands.

For a full report, see next month's issue.







POST EARLY FOR EASIER CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

It doesn't make sense to leave your Christmas Shopping to the last minute because you end up having to buy what's left on the shelf, rather than what you would really like. So why not start choosing a few gifts now from the super selection put together by the Girl Guides Association. What's more, they're all available as mail order offers, which means you can send for them by post, saving your legs and your money too. So post early for Christmas and make it a special one for those who are special to you.

Please tick in the appropriate square the items you require. If you require more than one, please write the number in the square. Add 50p (small order charge) for all orders under £10.

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These items are also available at any of the Girl Guiden Association Shops at 17:19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT, 130 Green Lane, Palmers Green, London N13 5UN, 5 Ryder Street, Birmingham B4 7NE, 209 City Road, Roath, Cardin CR2 3XX, 117 St. George's Way, St. John's Precinct, Liverpool 1 and 14 Feraday Street, Manchester, who can supply all your Guiding requirements.

When you buy from the movement, we all benefit.

THE theme of the camp was 'Wide Horizons'.

With 200 Guides, many from overseas, it was necessary to split the camp into seven subcamps, each with their own identifying scarf colour. These were: Scott — Bunting Yellow; Cabot — Saffron Gold; Columbus — Dark Green; Cook — Hyacinth Blue; Amy Johnson — Sky Blue; Shackleton — Emerald Green; Livingstone — Scarlet (Rangers).

We were fortunate enough to have The Lady Baden-Powell to perform the opening ceremony.

There were a lot of activities available as well as our camp duties. These included abseiling, tencing, archery and many water sports, including sailing, canoeing and windsurfing.

Also, during the week, we had the chance of a day out to St Fagans (Welsh Folk Museum), Long-leat or Wookey Hole. We enjoyed the activities and the day trips chosen.

During the week the Rangers organised a Fancy Dress Party for us on site, which was wellattended, and was won by a girl dressed as Robin



E Charters







Hood. Several Guiders also took part.

An international afternoon also took place. Each camp and country performed a wide range of songs, dances and sketches, and a good time was had by all.

When I went abselling, the climbing of the ladder was the most off-putting part of the whole experience. When I got to the top I was looking forward to the jump. I could see for miles around, right over the camp. I was harnessed up and I had to climb out and lean backwards. Then I started to bounce. I had got to the bottom safely and I wanted another go.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Jean Brown for organising an international Camp in our Region, and we are sure this is echoed by the Guides from Zambia, Denmark, Norway, Nova Scotia and the islands of Jersey and Guernsey and others from the South West Region.

Esther Payne, 2nd Portishead Coy Cathy Probert, 2nd Yatton Coy



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The HEART of the PROMISE

RESIDENTIAL TRAINING

BY WENDY INGLE

Guiders from Southend East, with friends from neighbouring Divisions, came together on a mercifully mild March weekend to explore the Law and Promise through the Arts. The weekend began intriguingly with a kit list which included hot water bottle, wellingtons, and a musical instrument. The hottie was, I am pleased to report, unneeded; two guitars and a set of handchimes were put to good use; and I never did discover why I needed my wellies.

We took over the dining hall, with a lovely wood fire, and the bunk-house of the local Scout site, and settled in for two days of uninterrupted Guiding — no radios, no TV, no newspapers to distract

We started gently, with a slide show tracing the development of the Arts as a means of worship. We focused mainly on church building, and the beautiful trappings of our places of worship. We heard some examples of the music which has been created for use in the church. We passed briefly over 'religious' painting, as such a vast subject would need a weekend to itself to do it justice. We saw only sufficient to remind us how varied work in this medium has been.

We moved next to the use of words, pictures and symbols to explore the Law and Promise for ourselves: choosing one challenge from a selection including — a leaflet to explain the Law

and Promise to a Brownie's parents — a prayer for Rangers or Guiders at a training — a five-minute radio programme on the subject. Our efforts were displayed to the group for their comments or admiration!

The afternoon began in learning many new songs, and renewing acquaintance with others, all with a theme of prayer and worship.

We relaxed and recovered through the evening to another slide sequence accompanied by music and readings (many taken from 'Sharing').

Sunday was devoted to putting together our own act of worship; its theme, 'The Way.. This, it was suggested, presupposes that we are lost, so we went our separate ways to work out the implications of this. One group, supervised by Miss Angela Hughes, devised a dance depicting rejection and loneliness. The music group, with their trainer Mrs Jennifer Porter, rehearsed and adapted appropriate sorigs, and learned to play the hand chimes.

A drama group worked out three situations on the theme. First we saw a distraught housewife coping (poorly) with two small children, and unable to make any friends. In an office where perks (in this case a call to Australia on the office phone!) are the norm. We saw how the church-goer with her conscience was rejected and disliked. A third scene de-

picted Guiders (a salutary warning this) chatting about their camping plans and carelessly excluding the young Guider who knows nothing of the subject.

All our pieces were dovetailed together with prayers and readings chosen and spoken by a fourth group, under the skilful guidance of our Mrs Marjorie trainer. Middle. Slightly desperate rehearsal followed, then we were ready to present our act of worship to our invited guests. We worked through the misery and hopelessness of being 'lost', the search for The Way, and the final joyful realisation that Faith is the Way. It was an exhilarating experience and, I think, a true act of wor-

There is much to said for a residential training; so much more can be achieved than in any two separate days. 'The Heart of the Promise' not only gave us ideas and material to try, and adapt, with our own Units, but I am sure also stretched us as individuals. Such a weekend, with Commissioners and new Guiders alike trying new skills, and accepting challenges they might otherwise never contemplate, must add much to the life of the Division.

It should be noted that all this hard work was punctuated by breaks for coffee, tea, and magnificent meals. We were wonderfully catered for and our thanks must go to those Guiders and supporters who gave us their time to see us so well sustained; as well as to the committee who steered the idea through 18 months of planning. Much hard work went into the preparation of the weekend, and to such graceful touches as flowers in the rooms and rugs on the floors, for which, thanks.





The Royal Review of the Boys' Brigade — 2 July, 1983

by Mrs G D M Reid The Scottish Chief Commissioner

The Boys' Brigade was founded in Glasgow by Sir William Alexander Smith after the first meeting in a Church Hall in North Woodside Road, which took place on 4 October 1883, and the Girl Guides Association wishes The Boys' Brigade warmest congratulations as it nears the end of its centenary year. We acknowledge with pride a long association with the Brigade, which finds its focus not only at national level, but also within the local community, where there are often very close links between Guide Units and the BB Company, embracing both co-operation over the use of Church premises and resources, and, often, joint or shared activities. Among many highlights of the Brigade's celebration of its 100th year, was the Royal Review of The Boys' Brigade on 2 July, 1983, when Her Majesty The Queen graciously inspected representatives of a 175,000 strong Brigade, of which she is Patron.

The setting for the event was the Parade Ground of Holyrood Park, immediately adjacent to the royal palace, where thousands of spectators were able to make the most of the 'free' vantage point of the grassy slopes of Arthur's Seat, the elephant-like hill which dominates the City of Edinburgh. Officers and boys from every District in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland were on parade - some 2,400 of them, in nine Companies - and they marched proudly along the Queen's Drive and into the Parade Ground to form in orderly ranks and await the arrival of Her Majesty. Justifiably, the BB can boast of its Bands, and spectators on the hillside and within the Parade Ground itself thrilled to the sound of the Pipes and Drums, Bugle and Brass Bands who alternated with consummate skill in providing the musical accompaniment, and leading the Parade, throughout the event.

The picnicking crowds on Arthur's Seat, suddenly multi-coloured in water-proof garments as a brief shower threatened the proceedings, were first to spot the Queen leaving the Palace Gate - not, as anticipated, in the State Range Rover, but in a magnificent open coach drawn by two handsome greys, with footmen resplendent in red livery. The grey clouds, which had lowered ominously, were miraculously dispelled, and enthusiastic

cheering greeted the colourful procession. Her Majesty, looking radiant in a matching outfit of bright Kingfisher blue, was accompanied by her lady-in-waiting, and followed, in a second coach, by the Brigade President, The Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, KT, and they drove to the Royal Dais facing the Colour Party and Escort Company formed from the London Battalion, to be greeted by a triumphant fanfare of trumpets. A simple Act of Worship, conducted by Brigade Vice-President the Reverend R G Ashman, included the singing of the hymn 'Underneath the Banner'; then Her Majesty, accompanied by Lord Elgin - and the sun! - mounted the State Coach to inspect the Parade, providing a very special memory for those privileged to be part of it. On her return to the Royal Dais, the Queen was presented with an illuminated scroll, containing a loyal address to Her Majesty, which was handed over, from his wheel chair, by, effectively, the smartest boy on parade, Staff Sergeant Alastair MacPherson of Uphall. Her Majesty then received from Martin Johnson, a Junior Section boy from Nottingham, a copy of 'The History of the Boys' Brigade', and spoke to both boys for several moments. At the request of the Brigade President, Her Majesty addressed the Parade, and was able to recall the words of her father, King George VI, when he spoke at the BB's Diamond Jubilee

'Sir William Smith builded better than he knew for he started not only a great movement but one from which all our present widespread youth training was designed to spring . . the BB will go forward from strength to strength because it is built upon the twin pillars of religion and discipline."

The Queen referred again to the vision of the Founder, which has a special relevance for the boy, even in today's very different society, and was able to highlight particular aspects of the Programme which guide him towards true Christian manliness.

Three resounding cheers echoed from Arthur's Seat, and the Queen was delighted to spot, on the slopes opposite to her, a giant

BB formed on the hillside by red-jerseyed Anchor Boys, cleverly revealed as they doffed their inconspicuous anoraks; then Colonel C H K Corsar (husband of a former Deputy Scottish Chief Commissioner) as Vice-President of The Brigade led the March Past, which paid tribute to the dedicated hours of rehearsal and preparation on the part of those organising the Parade. The nine companies were thereafter able to line the route of Her Majesty's return to the Palace, and to acclaim enthusiastically the presence and the very obviously genuine interest of their Royal Patron.

Spectators who cherished vivid memories of the 1933 Review at Queen's Park in Glasgow when a mammoth gathering of more than 32,000 Officers and Boys paraded in the presence of Prince George and some 50,000 spectators (and it is recorded that at least 130,000 Officers, Boys, ex-members and public were present inside and 80,000 left outside at the Jubilee Conventicle in Glasgow's Hampden Park!) were heartened by the quality of the 1983 marching and the smart appearance of the uniformed ranks, enhanced by the simple white crossover stripe of the traditional haversack, and they rejoiced in the happy camaraderie of the occasion.

The Programme for the Review was simple, but memorable; a fitting tribute to a Movement whose strength lies not in a brief moment of spectacle, but in the achievements of its past, in the sound contribution which its adherents make to the life of society today, and in its aspirations for the boys and men of the future. In 1904, the reviewing officer of the 21st Birthday Drill Inspection and Review of the Boys' Brigade in Glasgow was Major-General R S S Baden-Powell, CB. Hon Vice-President of The Boys' Brigade, and is was largely as a result of Sir William Smith's challenge to B-P to develop his ideas on Scouting for boys, particularly those who were members of the BB, that the Scout Movement, and later Guiding, were born. It was fitting that B-P's granddaughter-in-law was able to attend the Centenary Review of the BB in 1983 as the present Chief Commissioner of The Girl Guides Association.

'Sure and Steadfast'



The object of The Boys' Brigade is the advancement of Christ's Kingdom among boys and the promotion of habits of Obedience, Reverence, Discipline, Self-respect and all that tends towards a true Christian Manliness, and its aims and achievements have been recognised at all levels and in many parts of the world. The Movement is introduced. parts of the world. The Movement is interdenominational within the Protestant churches, claiming a current membership world-wide of some 420,000 in over forty countries. News of Centenary Events makes impressive reading; from

the world record beating attempts at anything from playing musical chairs to playing in the largest band in the world, to the naming of the special locomotive 'The Boys' Brigade' and record fund-raising achievements for numerous worthy causes aided by special Centenary Appeals and by individual and group sponsored events. There is absolutely no doubt that the Brigade is alive and well in 1983, and the launch of its new Company Section Award Scheme with effect from 1st September 1983 reinforces its faith in the future.

In 1983 a casket was sealed with a message for the boys of

In 1983 a casket was sealed, with a message for the boys of 1983, and the contents have been revealed at the Centenary Salute, held in Ibrox Stadium (home of the Rangers Football Club) in August, during the climax to the year's celebrations. What message has been left for the boys of 2033?

PROGRAMME

With the changes in the Guide and Ranger Programmes you will find that throughout the Training Programme for 1984 there will be oppor-tunities not only to provide help for Guide and Ranger Guiders, but also Young Leaders Advisers, Division and District Commissioners, and

General Training October-December 1983

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

A 'General Training' weekend is the most suitable training for new

Making the Most of the District

Waddow - 2nd-4th December 1983

These weekends are intended to help the District as a whole and aim to give each group a chance to work together, and discover the support members of a District can give each other in working as a team. For Guiders there is help in understanding the unity of the Programme across the Sections and other matters of common concern (the Promise, self-programming, working in groups) and time is set aside for points which relate particularly to the Commissioner's role, both as leader and representative of her District, and what training in the District involves.

Although this is not the most suitable weekend for very new Gulders, Commissioners are invited to bring a group of Gulders of all levels of experience and all Sections. If your District has no Ranger Unit perhaps the Ranger Guider of the Unit which serves your District could be asked to join you?

Ranger Guiders

Foxlease - 25th-27th November 1983

This weekend offers Ranger Guiders an opportunity to train together as a separate group and to find help with the many (and new) aspects of the job. Why not get together with other Ranger Guiders in your County and come as a group? The more the merrier.

Caving and Rock Climbing

Glenbrook — 11th-13th November 1983, 6th-8th April 1984

Open to both Guiders and Rangers, the weekend offers an opportunity to try something new, or to gain further experience. For those who wish there is also pony trekking as an optional extra

Arts Training (Music, Dance and Drama)

Waddow — 18th-20th November 1983

The aim of this weekend is to help those who want to arouse enthusiasm in Guiders to make Music, Dance and Drama integral parts of their Unit programme. It is intended primarily for County Arts Advisers, their Assistants and prospective Registered Experts. The accent will be on the active pleasure to be derived from Arts activities and the need to give Guiders confidence. There will be specialist and general sessions. (Craft is only omitted because of the Training at Alnwick in October.)

Music in the Guiding Programme

Foxlease - 2nd-4th December 1983

This is an ideal chance to come together with others who love to sing and make music: come and learn new songs, revel in the 'oldies', and

take a fresh look at the place of music in your Unit's programme.

There will be two groups at the weekend: 1. For Guiders working for/with their Music in the Pack or Campfire Leader's Certificate. 2. For Guiders wishing to extend their song repertoire and to increase their

The World is Your Neighbour (Guiding today in our multi-racial society)

Waddow: 27th-29th January 1984

Foxlesse: 16-18th March 1984

As Britain is becoming more and more multi-ethnic, these weekends aim to help Guiders prepare their Rangers, Brownies and Guides to live and be part of the multi-cultural society of the future.

New Year Training

Foxlease — 29th December-3rd January 1984

A practical opportunity for Guiders working with a Unit to explore the place of the Arts in the Programme and to enjoy some relaxation at

Waddow 29th December-3rd January 1984

A training opportunity for Guiders to air and share in a variety of skills whilst relaxing in the peaceful atmosphere of Waddow.

The Guide and Ranger **Programmes**

1. Division Commissioners

2. Ranger Guiders and Young Leaders Advisers

Waddow - 6-8 January

As this is the first training on the calendar at Waddow in 1984 it seemed right to devote it to the changes in the Programme. As Commissioners, Ranger Guiders and Young Leaders Advisers are all involved, we have split the training into two separate groups, though no doubt there will be opportunities for everyone to get together at some stage. The training teams will include both the Ranger and Young Leader Consultants.

Guide and Ranger Trainers' Training

Foxlease — 13-15 January Waddow — 13-15 January

This weekend will combine an appraisal of the way in which the Programme modifications are working in Units at the moment with an opportunity to share ideas and formulate a possible foundation for future

Training in the Programme

Foxlease - 6th-8th January 1984

Waddow - 10th-12th February 1984

In order to help Guiders who already hold an Adult Leader's Certificate and are looking for further help, particularly with the changes in the Guide and Ranger Programmes, these weekend trainings in 1984 will replace the General Training weekends. It is anticipated that most District Commissioners will have been able to arrange training locally for those Guiders working towards their Adult Leader's Certificates. Please note that there are two separate groups.

1. Brownie and Guide Guiders. 2. Ranger Guiders and Young Leaders

Advisers

International Weekend

Glenbrook - 17th-19th February 1984

This weekend is for Ranger Guiders and Rangers (either from the same Units or on their own). The programme will explore the International aspect of Guiding as well as including opportunities to explore the district and join in various activities. The aim is to gain something for yourself, to get fresh ideas to pass on to your Unit and to enjoy getting out of doors, depending on the weather and your energy.

The Adult Leader's Certificate in the District (District Commissioners and/or **District Assistants**)

Foxlease: 10-12 February 1984 Waddow: 17-19 February 1984

During this weekend, the Adult Leader's Certificate will be looked at in detail. Help will be given on how the new Guider can best be intro-duced to her job, how really applicable training can be found, and how the best can be made of visiting the Units of other Guiders, and how the Commissioner, District Assistant and District can best support her locally. Applications will be welcome from District Commissioners with their Assistants, or Commissioners on their own. District Assistants who have specific responsibility for helping new Guiders will also be

The District Team

Foxlease — 17th-19th February 1984, 13th-15th April 1984

Waddow — 3rd-5th February 1984

In 1984 these weekends will replace the current Making the Most of the District weekends. While the aim and content of the training will be basically the same, the emphasis will be on the District Team, and District Commissioners are asked to bring Guiders who already hold the Adult Leader's Certificate.

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November

4-6 Avon North

11-13 South West England (by alloca-

18-20 London and South East Eng-

land (by allocation) 25-27 1. General Training

2. Ranger Guiders

Waddow

November

4-6 Advisers for Handicapped Members and Trainers (by allocation)

11-13 Leeds

18-20 Arts Training (Music, Dance and Drama)

25-27 Greater Manchester North

Glenbrook

November

11-13 1. Rock Climbing

2. Caving

Broneirion

November

5 Welsh Programme and Training Committee
6 Welsh Executive Committee
11-13 Young Leaders
18-20 Welsh Trainers' Conference

25-27 Welsh Development Project

Event

Lorne

November

4-6 International 11-13 Brownie Guiders 18-20 Guide Guiders 25-27 North Belfast

Netherurd

November

4-6 Brownie and Guide Guiders (includes Edinburgh Raeburn Division)

11-13 Brownie and Guide Guiders (includes Perth and Kinross)

18-20 Ranger Guiders

25-27 International Selection

Fees at Foxlease and Waddow

Shared room per day £7.50
Double room per day £8.00
Single room per day £8.50
Deposit of £2.00 cheque or postal order only.

Weekends marked with this sign are subject to VAT.

Fees at Glenbrook

Shared room ifor weekend chursel £14.00. All activities, equipment and VAT are included. Openhal activities extra Deposit of £2.00 chaque on postal order only.

Foxlease

December

2-4 Music in the Guiding Programme

Waddow

December

2-4 Making the Most of the District (District Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)

Broneirion

December

2-4 Leaders and Assistants for International events (by invitation)

9-11 Christmas Arts

Lorne

December

2-4 International

9-11 10th December Training Coordinators and Trainers

Netherurd

December

2-4 Brownie and Guide Guiders (includes Edinburgh Blackford Hill Division)

9-11 Trainers

HOW TO APPLY TO A TRAINING CENTRE

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

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

Note torturfher details about training weekends, see the Programme Notes love that

Foxlease

December

29-3 Jan
1984 New Year Training
6-8 Training in the Programme
1. Brownie and Guide Guiders.
2 Ranger Guiders and Young

Leaders Adviser
Guide and Ranger Trainers'

13-15 Guide and Ha Training

20-22 Oxfordshire
27-29 Advisers for Handicapped
Members and Trainers (by allo-

cation)

Waddow

January 1984

29 Dec- 3 Jan

New Year Training

The Guide and Ranger Programmes

1. Division Commissioners

2. Ranger Guiders and Young

Leaders Advisers
Guide and Ranger Trainers'

Training

20-22 North West England (by alloca-

27-29 The World is Your Neighbour (Guiding today in our multi-racial society)

Broneirion

January 1984

13-15 'Trefoil Badges' — training for Guide Guiders

27-29 District Commissioners' Train-

Glenbrook

January 1984

13-15 Instructors' Weekend

Lorne

January 1984

6-8 International 13-15 East Belfast 20-22 South Antrim

27-29 Ranger Guiders and County Young Leaders Advisers

Fees at Netherurd	
Shared room for day	26.50
Double room for day	€6.75
Single room for day	€7.00
Deposit	\$2.00
Training for non-residents	20.50
Fees at Broneirion	20.00
Shared room per day	20.00
Double room per day	26.00
Single room and	26.25
Single room per day	€6.50
Deposit	€2.00
Fees at Lorne per Weekend	
Uister Guiders	£8.50
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Other Trefoil Guilds	€8.50
- Her Heron Guilds	£15.00

HEAR and NOW SUPPLEMEN





Hear and Now is a pull-out for Rangers, Young Leaders and Young Guiders — if you don't come into this category, by all means read it, and then pull it out and pass it on to your Young Leader or Ranger Unit. If you do come into this category, then here it is at last: a supplement for you, about you, and by you. It gives you a chance

to air your views, share your experiences and to glean ideas from other people of your own age.

We've only got enough material to keep it going until Christmas, so if the supplement is to continue, we need your support right now! We want to hear about unusual things you or your Unit have done, problems you are having, or have had as a Young Leader or Guider, games or activities you have organised, your opinions on Life, the Universe and everything . . . And more than anything else we want to see you in Action. Send us photographs of the things you get up to: we all know what you look like when you're being presented with a certificate, but the mind boggles when we hear how you fell into a bog, or taught the Brownies how to 'Strip the Willow'
... But please remember to state the name of the photographer and to enclose an SAE if you wish us to return

So if you feel you've got something to say, put pen to paper now and send it to: Hear and Now Supplement,

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Speak Out!

An opportunity for you to air your views, share ideas, speak your mind.

you've realised we're out here and we're going to have a whole supplement devoted to us - the Guiders and Commissioners of tomorrow! But now we've got it, please don't fill it with pictures of smart Guides and young ladies doing nothing very much at all, and please don't let it turn into a chatty/gossip girls' magazine. Let's hear more about people's struggles and successes with

Hurray! Well done! At last Guides today; let's have some ideas for unusual and interesting activities - and their disasters! At present no-one ever seems to write except to report successful events, or are we the only ones for whom things sometimes go wrong?

Thank goodness for an opportunity to bring Guiding to life let's hope it's good!

Allison Pollard Jane Doyle

I have just watched the silliest film I have seen for a long time. The heroine was a typical Romantic Woman slightly built, very pretty with waistlength flowing hair, very rich with a glamorous job and a tendency to turn utterly hysterical at the first hint of anything remotely strange or unpleasant such as heavy breathing on the telephone line!

It was quite obvious she had never been a Guide, since she had no initiative, was incapable of making any kind of decision or natural deductions about her problems, did not seek expert advice, wore totally unsuitable clothes for most occasions and kept walking alone round dark, misty docks, ruins or deserted mansions. The only sensible thing about her was her vehicle - a sort of Beach-Buggy-cum-Land Rover, which would have been very useful at camp!

She was a man's picture of a heroine - helpless, beautiful, ourselves as beautiful (I hope we helpless or silly. Or do girls are in a Catch-22 situation. simply wish not to be thought 'sensible' because this word in

qualities, that a foolish woman shall be promiscuous. preferred him.

The stereotypes of males, and even more so of females, persist and become evident at peak viewing time on Saturday night! We all watch, bemused by the satin sheets, the dazzling white mansions, the beautiful clothes, thinking, 'This is what I should 'This is how I like to have." should like to be.' But should we? I am convinced that while we might wish to look like her, none of us really wants to be like her. We should like her job and her money, but in our hearts we know that in real life she could not held down that job for one week, she is neither clever nor tough enough. Half the population watching this distorted image of womanhood are real women. It seems harmless, a little eerie, not particularly violent, not particularly sexy. How can it hurt us?

Do you see that foolish pathetic heroine as what you ought to be? Do you want your boyfriends, your brothers, your silly, I cannot imagine she would future sons to want that kind of be a heroine to a woman. Do any girl-friend, wife, mother? We do of us imagine - or actually see model ourselves on the type of - ourselves as silly? We may see girl who seems most attractive to men and unless we train our men do) but surely no woman thinks to aim a little higher and ourit romantic or enviable to be selves to refuse to be fooled, we

When are we going to see some genuine heroine who has a gutsy the Oxford Dictionary is defined kind of courage, a dash of as 'having or showing good initiative, who thinks (and thinks sense, reasonable, judicious, logically at that!) and who copes moderate, practical' which con- with her problems herself first jures up images of wellington and with the help of friends, boots, tweed skirts and no make- male and female second, and experts third? When are we going For a man who sees the help- to see women portrayed as less, silly woman turning to the people who value themselves and strong, clever mate for comfort are valued by other women and and assistance, the picture men as people and not walking flatters him at her expense, at clothes-rails or sex symbols. least at first. However, what man Beauty and sex are lovely but the can be flattered by thinking that best of both last only a coma silly mate makes him look paratively short time. If that is good? It says little for his taste or all we have we shall soon be indiscernment that he picked on a tellectually and spiritually banksilly mate and even less for his rupt and if that is all we desire we

Rath Black



We would like to address this members of the Movement, we Guide Shops.

Guide Shop in the hope of find- could be specifically adapted for ing some inspirational literature, the Guide Movement, including for Guides and Rangers. However, through no fault of the this sort of material is greatly lacking - there was very little Young Leaders' handbook? for Guides and nothing, except the Ranger Challenge card and a prayer card, for Rangers. From this we have reached the conclusion that, as more senior

letter to those in charge of deter- must use our initiative and utilize mining the literature available at the material published for the Scouts and Venture Scouts! We recently visited our local Surely some of this material the different regulations.

We would welcome any ideas shop itself, we discovered that or suggestions to remedy this situation. Also, where is our

Helen Smith N Walsh Elizabeth Fish Southampton, Hants West

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- Strictly for Fun -

a report by Wendy Ingle

'Back to Gilwell, Happy Land . . .', in our case for the third Essex Venture Scout and Ranger Guide Sedan Chair Rally. The popularity of this event is amply demonstrated by its growth from 120 participants in 1981, the first year, to 450 this!

The weekend began on Friday night, and the Camping Field was soon dotted with clusters of tents, from tiny hike tents to spacious frames. A few late arrivals from the farther reaches of Essex were still pitching at eleven, which even in midsummer means pitching in the dark!

The programme got under way immediately with an energetic Barn Dance in the Storm Hut, followed, for those who were not conserving their strength for the morrow, by community singing or a chat round one of the scattered camp-fires, continuing into the early hours of Saturday. Not a weekend for somniacs this!

Saturday morning was free for the assembly of sedan chairs and perfection of fancy dress, and some weird and wonderful structures began to take shape; those near us featured much black plastic and tin-foil. The theme was 'futuristic', which did not appear to inspire the teams as much as might have been expected. There was a Tardis, rather a good one, and only one flying saucer. A few Units took a very pessimistic view of the future and appeared in rags and bandages.

After the judging by intrepid leaders of the Boys' Brigade, the chairs and teams were stripped down for action. It is possible to enter the best chair competition, best dressed team, and the races themselves - most Units did all three.

The course takes its toll of the chairs (and runners), but those Rangers whose chairs survived the first race were seen recruiting strong-looking Venture Scouts to join them for the mixed race.

The final race, the marathon, is a gruelling twice round the course, with the added hazard of flour bombs and similar missiles to be avoided. Finishers in this race were few.

Another dance with disco and live band completed Saturday. Again it was followed by singing and socialising - I don't know how they do it. Some of my own Unit, taking a break from the crowded Storm Hut, spent a while toasting marshmallows over an abandoned camp-fire, and then wandered off to watch the lights of Enfield across the King George reservoir - a surprisingly beautiful sight - before returning to the fray.

For those who could find the energy on a blazing hot Sunday the committee had laid on various diversions. An energetic Keep Fit session in the Storm Hut tested our stamina; while outdoors a few hardy souls allowed hemselves to be manhandled through a Judo demonstration - with many less hardy content to look on. Less taxing was a T-shirt deign session which provided an opportunity o make your own colourful souvenir.



Hitching a lift from the Vulcan Venture Scout Unit for the mixed

The Mad Hatter's Party from 'Alice in Martian Land'. The chair, partly obscured, is a tea pot.



For the closing Guide and Scouts' Own Service the amphitheatre of the Small Camp Fire Circle was crammed with Uniforms and dignified by the presence of both the Scout and Guide County Commissioners, who then went on to present the prizes. As proof of the informal, 'fun only' emphasis of the event the prizes were pennants distinguished only by the words 1st, 2nd or 3rd (and by the addition of tassels and fringes!) from the souvenir pennants awarded to every participating Unit - nearly 50 in all.

And so the Rally closed.

My own Unit have found the Sedan Chair Rally to be a good recruiting event. Invite along the old-enough Guides, those who are teetering on the edge of Rangering but hesitating to make the jump, ask them to 'make up the numbers', and often they are hooked. They like the freedom of the programme, enough to do but plenty of time to themselves - to discover the delights of Gilwell Park, play games, cool off in the pool and they discover that the Rangers are really quite a friendly bunch, and happy to have

QUICKIES

other sections of the Movement:

The girls sit on the floor in two parallel for her line. lines, facing each other and with their legs stretched out in front of them so that their feet touch in the middle: they have formed a ladder and their legs are the rungs. Go down the line giving each pair a name: Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Young Leaders and Guiders, starting again at Brownies until every pair has a name. You will call out cerapplies to a certain pair, that pair will stand games and activities to play with your up, run down the 'ladder' to the end, along Brownies and Guides, Send us the ideas and the outside to the top of the 'ladder', and

A game to teach the girls more about the then down the 'ladder' to their own places again. The first girl to sit down wins a point

You can vary the things you call out according to what the girls already know: Suggestions could be: Brownies; Guiders; brown uniform; woggle; aquamarine blouse; BP Trefoil; Unit in Council; Camper's Licence; 14 year old; Footpath; Young Leader's Certificate etc.

This spot is a swap-shop of your ideas for

A Young Leader's Thoughts on Commitment

It is stated that: 'The aim of the Young Leader Scheme is to provide a training in leadership which will be useful not only to those who wish to become Guiders, but also to those who take up work where leadership ability is required.'

My reason for joining the Scheme was to gain experience in leadership before beginning training as a warranted leader. In addition to this, the service I gave to the Pack entitled me to complete the service section of my Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award. A Young Leader has many functions whilst working with a Pack, one of which is to set a good example to the younger Brownies. By wearing my uniform smartly was encouraging the Brownies to take an interest in their personal appearance. The games and activities I arranged for them, hopefully helped them to become wideawake, alert, and observant, by teaching them to think for themselves.

I have found that the most effective way to gain experience in leadership, is to become thoroughly involved with the Pack, but by this I do not just mean turning up regularly and joining in the games. By taking part in the programme planning, example, not only did I become aware in advance of the part I would be playing during the meetings, but I also gained the experience needed if I am eventually to have my own Pack.

I was continually encouraged to help with all aspects of Brownie life — games, activities, badge work and handicrafts etc; and my practical experience and participation in these activities has been an important part of my training.

While on the Young Leader Scheme, I realised that a large amount of time and effort is involved if one is to plan a varied programme and run a successful Pack Discipline of myself was to play an important part with my involvement in the Scheme. Through working with young children, I have found that the Brownies Tike an orderly pattern in their

weekly meetings, and any break in this routine is immediately noticed and quickly pointed out "Where's Tawny Owl?" or 'Brown Owl, we haven't had Brownie Ring'.

This has made me realise that I must be regular, punctual and organised, I found that reliability and re-sponsibility are essential qualities to have, so that other Guiders and Brownies know that I will carry out anything I have undertaken. The Brownies' enthusiasm for whatever we plan to do in the programme and their obvious enjoyment at weekly meetings, makes any time and effort put into organising a meeting worthwhile.

To watch each girl's progress from her Promise Ceremony until her preparation for moving to Guides has made me very aware of the important role the Guide Movement plays in the development of the individual physically, mentally and spiritually.

The ultimate achievement of working for two years with the Pack, was receiving my Young Leader's Certificate, but in addition to this, I gained valuable practical experience and the stimulus to continue working with the Pack and to eventually become a Brownie Guider.

It says in the Ranger Handbook 'That A Guider has to want to work with people younger than herself, because of a liking and respect for them'; and through my work with the Pack I have found that by showing respect and understanding for the girls, they in turn, respect me, and I have gained their trust and confidence.

The happiness and fulfilment I received from working with the Pack as a Young Leader, gave me the enthusiasm I needed to begin training as a Warranted Leader, and thanks to the encouragement of the Pack, and the support of my Brown Owl, Tawny Owl, and District Commissioner, I am now well on the way to completing this taming.

F Dixon



Training Opportunities

For details of how to apply for any of these courses, please refer to the Training Calendar in GUIDING magazine.

- * Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Course (Girls and Boys, from any Operating Authority)
 - Foxlease: 19-23 April 1984
- * Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Course (Girls from any Operating Authority)
 Waddow: 19-24 April 1984
- * Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Course Expedition Training (Rangers and Young Leaders)
 Glenbrook: 21-28 April 1984
- * International Weekend
- Glenbrook: 17-19 February 1984
- * Caving and Rock Climbing Glenbrook: 6-8 April 1984

Have a Look at . . .

Don't forget to have a look at the rest of GUIDING magazine to keep yourself up-to-date with what's going on in the Movement. Features which may be of especial interest to you this

Practical Pages — indoor games, pp 14, 15; Coming in Next Month's TODAY'S GUIDE and THE BROWNIE: pp 38, 39:

Planning a Brownie Promise Ceremony, p 31; BYC, p 42:

International Seminar on Communications, pp 6, 7.

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Waddow. Clitheroe, Lancs, BB7 3LD Tel: (Clitheroe) 0200 23186 Glenbrook. Bamford, Nr Sheffield, S30 2AL Tel: (Bamford) 0433 51567

Craigavad, Co Down Ulster. Tel: (Holywood) 02317 3180

Foxlease

February 1984

South West England (by alloca-

The Adult Leader's Certificate in the District (District Commissioners and/or District Assistants)

The District Team (District 17.19 Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)

Foxlease

March 1984

London and South 2.4 England (by allocation) London over the Border

The World is Your Neighbour 16-18 (Guiding in our multi-racial society)

23-25 (Trainers, Commissioners and PR Advisers)

proach to the Promise (Guiders Apr

Techniques and Technology

In Good Faith - A Positive Ap-30-1

and Scouters)

Waddow

February 1984

The District Team (District 3-5 Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)

Training in the Programme 10-12 1. Brownie and Guide Guiders 2. Ranger Guiders and Young Leaders Advisers

The Adult Leader's Certificate 17.19 in the District (District Comandlor missioners District Assistants)

Trefoil Round the World (World 24-26 Guiding and International Activities)

Waddow

March 1984

Techniques and Technology (Trainers, Commissioners and PR Advisers)

Manchester South Yorkshire 16-18 Buckinghamshire 23.25 Lancashire East 30-1

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Glenbrook

March 1984

Training Safely Walking 16-18 (Guiders only)

Glenbrook

February 1984

International Weekend 17-19

February 1984

Training Conference - 'Coping with the handicapped mem-

bers in a Unit' 'Open' Days (by allocation) School Half

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March 1984

(a) Craft in the Unit 2.4 (b) Music in Guiding

General Training (Places re-16-18 served for Caernarfon and Pembroke)

Welsh Trainers' Conference 23-25 General Training (Places re-30-1

served for Gwent) Apr

Lorne

March 1984

County Tyrone 2.4

Outdoor Activities Advisers 9-11 and Pack Holiday Advisers

West Belfast 16-18

Ulster Junior Council 23-25

County Armagh 30-1

Apr

Foxlease

April 1984

Kent East 6.8

The District Team (District 13-15 Commissioners with up to seven of their Guiders)

Duke of Edinburgh's Gold 19-23 Award Course (Girls and Boys from any Operating Authority)

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Waddow

April 1984

North Yorkshire West 6-8

Leicestershire 13 15

Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Course (Girls from any 19-24 Operating Authority)

Advisory Guide Catholic 27-29 Council

Glenbrook

April 1984

Caving 6.8

2. Rock Climbing

Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award Course Expedition Training (Rangers and Young Leaders)

Lorne

April 1984

Young Leaders 13-15

BURSARY HELP AVAILABLE

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

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

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

This is paid at the Training Centre.

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

The CHQ Training Centres Bursary entitles Guiders to two-thirds of the fee for a two-day weekend training at Foxlease, Waddow and Glenbrook. The bursary is deducted from the fees at the Centre.

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

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

Lorne

February 1984

South Down 3.5 South Belfast

0.12 Brownie Guiders (Experienced) 7-19

Arts Weekend 24.26



England

he Barn and Beaverbrook Lodge, Foxlease

Applications should be sent to the Secretary, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants SO4 FDE, giving alternative dates and enclosing an initial deposit of £1.00 (which is non-returnable) and a foolscap SAE. Priority will be given to applicants who have not already stayed in either The Barn or Beaverbrook Lodge, Applications for the period 1st April-30th September, 1984 will be accepted from 1st October, 1983. The accommodation is sultable for handicapped members.

Foxlease Camp Sites

Applications for sites for 1984 should be addressed to the Secretary, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants SO4 7DE, and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates and approximate numbers should be stated, and whether an equipped or unequipped site is required. Camps begin on any weekday. Some sites are suitable for the handicapped. A £1.00 deposit (which is forfeited if the booking is cancelled) and a foolscap SAE should be included. Applications will be accepted from 1st October, 1983.

Foxlease Annexe

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

Waddow Camp Sites

Applications for sites will be considered in the first week of January and should be addressed to the Secretary, Waddow, Clitheroe, Lancs BB7 3LD, and the envelope marked 'Camp'. Suggested dates and approximate numbers should be stated, and whether an equipped or unequipped site is required. It is preferred that camps begin on Saturday. A 50p. deposit (which is forfeited if the booking is cancelled) and a foolscap SAE should be included.

Waddow Carayan

The Caravan is available for bookings throughout the year. For details apply to the Secretary, enclosing a SAE.

Waddow Pack Holiday House

Applications for Pack Holidays should be sent to the Secretary. The application must be accompanied by a written recommendation from the Guider's Pack Holiday Adviser and a foolscap SAE enclosed. The accommodation is suitable for handicapped members.

Glenbrook, near Sheffield

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

Glenbrook Campsites

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

Blackland Farm, East Grinstead,

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

Brownsea Island

Eight sites are available for Guide and Scout Camps from Easter to 1st October and South Shore Lodge sleeping eighteen plus leaders. For details apply to Mrs D Press, Green Gables, 55 Forest Drive, Staplehill, Wimborne, Dorset.

Olave House and Baden-Powell House.

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 C Pryce, 11 Riverains, 71 Vicarage Cresent, London, SW11. Telephone (01) 228 6763.

Scotland

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Camp Sites. Applications for equipped sites (four) will be considered from 10 January 1984.

Brownie House from Easter onwards are being considered now. During Scottish school holidays priority will be given to Scottish Packs.

Ranger Bothy. Sleeping accommodation for eight Rangers/two Guiders

One Camp Site, Brownie House and Ranger Bothy are suitable for handicapped members.

Holiday Caravan - 3-berth is available for Guiders and friends.

Apply to Secretary, Netherurd, enclosing foolscap SAE.

Wales

Ynysgain, Criccieth, North Wales

Applications for the use of three unequipped sites, all suitable for the handicapped. Ti Ni, a fully equipped (except for bedding) Brownie House. Ysgubor Hir, a single storey house, fully equipped (except for bedding) and suitable for the handicapped — can be made to Mrs J P Griffith, Swyn y Gwynt, Pen-rhyndevdraeth, Gwynedd LL48 6RH, telephone: 0766 770355, enclosing a foolscap SAE for site information, Ynysgain is within a few minutes of the sea

Broneirion, Llandinam, Powys

Holiday flats are available all the year round for family holidays or for parties of up to 12 Rangers with their Guider, Seitcatering, fully equipped, with metered electricity. Apply to Gulder-in-Charge Broneirion.

Broneirion, Camp-Site and Brownie House

Applications for Camp Site and Brownie House will be considered from January, 1984, and should be sent to: Miss P Lynch, 3c Pentwyn Court, Whitchurch, Cardiff, CF4 7BY, enclosing SAE

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

Ulster

Note

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

Holiday at Lorne

Lorne will be open as a holiday centre during July and August 1984. In pleasant grounds with lovely views and quiet surroundings on the shores of Belfast Lough. Lorne is only six miles from Belfast and is a good centre for sight-seeing

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

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

Lorne Camp-Sites

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

Irene McKibbin Memorial Cottage, Lorne

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

Magilligan Camp-Sites

Three fully equipped sites with double Calor gas stoves for 25 to 30 campers. Two miles of sands. Large three-room hut with an open fireplace. For details apply to Mrs R F Scott, Derrymore House, Limavady, Co Londonderry, enclosing SAE.

Glen Road Camp-Sites (nr Lorne)

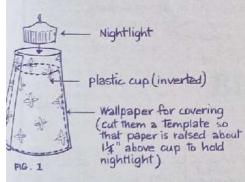
Fully equipped for 40 campers (one large and two small camps). Excellent hut for solid shelter and Calor gas. Bookings should be sent to Mrs F R Lee, 45 Gortland Park, Belfast, BT5 7NU, enclosing SAE.

Planning a Brownie Promise Ceremony

Mary has written and decorated the invitation to her family to come to her promise Ceremony in two weeks time — and, if you are a new Guider, you may have looked at the outline of the ceremony on page 34 of the Brownie Handbook, and thought how bleak it is. The Guiders' notes, however, tell us, 'The Brownies will usually like best the ceremonies they have made up themselves', the idea being that although the actual Promise-making is the same for all our Brownies, it can be framed by all sorts of supporting events and props, chosen by the Brownies.

Choosing is not as difficult as it sounds, and is an ideal way to introduce the Brownies to the idea of self-government. Pow-wow is the place where plans like this are made, and Rudyard Kipling's six honest serving men, 'What and why and when and how and where and who?' are also a Brownie Guider's most useful servants in helping her Brownies to plan.

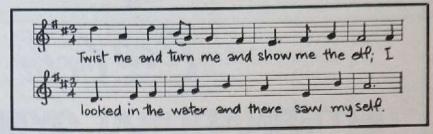
Don't expect instant miracles, however. At first they may only be able to vote on an idea of yours. 'Who would like to have Mary's Promise Ceremony by candlelight?' involves everyone in the voting process. If the vote is in favour, floor candles, placed well inside the circle, are safer than those held in the hand. Fig 1 shows a type the Brownies could make.



Discussion and then a vote on two possibilities involves real choosing — 'Could we make an arch for Mary to come through? (Fig 2) Or a mirror-pool for the centre of the ring?'

Quite soon, the open question, 'Do we need to make anything new?' will produce ideas, and the Brownies should then be ready to help to decide 'How?' the prop is to be made, so that they are gradually taking over more and more of the decision-making.

The same applies to the content of the ceremony. The Brownies won't produce ideas until they have some experience of the range of possibilities. So, for example, rather than asking, 'Shall we seemething?' teach them two songs.



and ask which they would rather use. 'The Brownie Promise Song' on page two of Music Time for Brownies is useful, and is on the cassette Songs and Singing Games for the Brownie Pack. Here is a simple two-part round, which is especially suitable if you have a pool as part of your ceremony.

You now have the beginnings of a ceremony, and most Packs can now make further decisions:

When shall we sing?

How is Mary to get into the ring?

Who is going to bring her to me?/hold

the arch?/get the pool ready?

If this is the first time you have tried to get the Brownies to plan a ceremony, don't try to do too much at once. Five or ten minutes is the best length for most Pow-wows, so it may take more than one session. Subsequent Promise Ceremonies will grow from that beginning, and the Brownies will gradually come to offer their own ideas in reply to your question, 'What else could we do?' I always take along one or two ideas, in case inspiration fails them —

How could we remind Mary of the things she had to do before she could make her Promise?

Could we invent a welcome chant?

Could we look for a suitable story we could read?

The ceremony itself will probably be quite short: we invite parents for the final half hour of a meeting, which gives us time to practise before they arrive, if we need to, and leaves us with about twenty minutes afterwards for some celebratory songs or games to round off the festivities. We now have a small fund of 'getting-to-know-you' and Promise games. Here are two of them:

The Name Game:

The Pack stands in a circle. The new Brownie says the name of another Brownie, standing on the opposite side, and begins to walk towards her. Before she is reached, the named Brownie must name another, and move off towards her, and so on and on, until there is a web of Brownies moving across the ring. Any Brownie reached before moving, sits down for a predetermined time.

Thank you, God Alphabet:

We begin this game by saying something like, 'Mary has just promised to do her duty to God. This is a game to remind us all of one of the ways we can do that by remembering to be grateful to Him.'

Each Six is given a pile of pictures, which they place face upwards in front of them. Pack Leader stands in the middle of the room, with a bag containing Scrabble letters. She dips in the bag and calls out a letter. The Brownies look for a picture beginning with that letter: the first Six to find one could have two points, and the other Sixes get one point, if they can find a picture.

One of my most cherished Brownie memories is of the evening when Pack Leader took a 'U' out of the bag. There was a long silence, while the Brownies searched ... umbrellas? ... unicorns? At last, the Sixer of the Imps held up a picture of a bottle of milk and said rather

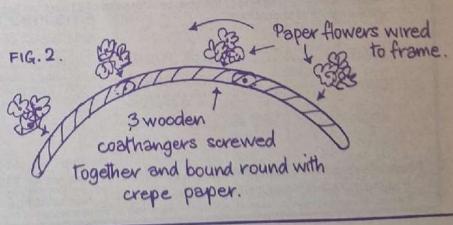
esperately,

'I don't think you'll let me have this, Brown Owl — but how about "Thank you, God, for Unigate milk"?'

I was just about to praise her for being wide-awake enough to spot it, when a very small Brownie at the end of the Six said, in scandalised tones,

'No, we can't have that — it's a Co-op milk bottle!'

Natalie M Webber Brownie Guide Consultant



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The Association's Awards Good Service

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Meritorious Conduct Certificate of Merit

Rachael Bowcock, Guide, aged 121/2, 1st Shawbury, Shropshire.

The New Guide Guider's Handbook

CHQ Publishing Department would like to bring readers attention to a printing error in the Guider's Edition of the new Guide Handbook.

Part Three, page xl, Camp Fire Leader's Certificate,

instead of Qualifications

A new song
 A non-musical activity
 should read

1. Have attained the age of 18 years

2. Have conducted two successful pre-test Camp Fires, one of which should (be with Rangers etc.).

Service Flash

The following words have been omitted from page 89 of the new Handbooks and page 65 of the Guide Badge Book. Please note that they should be included: 'This badge must be renewed within two years or the badge removed.'

Quest Scheme

This is now available for the Guide Section on a card, priced 20p, from Guide Shops and the Trading Service. It will appear in the 1984 catalogue, as stated in the new educon of the Guide Badge Bounger 66 and the Guide Scall Edition of the new Guide Idanobook.

Thinking Dayl Founder's Day Service

Saturday 18th February

Westminster Abbey and St Margaret's Church, Westminster

Important — Please Note. Admission to Westminster Abbey and, St Margaret's Church, Westminster, will be by ticket only.

Requests for tickets, should be addressed to The General Secretary's Department at Commonwealth Headquarters, stating the number of tickets required (a maximum of 20 per Unit), and the name or names of the Unit or Units involved. It is stressed that a ticket does not quarantee a seat.

All requests will be held until 17th October 1983 and on that day dealt with on a 'first out of the het' basis. Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope measuring not less than 4½ ins × 634 ins

The same form of Service will be held in both places of Worship. Further details will appear in future editions of all magazines.

Tickets are always in great demand and every year many requests for tickets cannot be met. If, therefore, your Unit has been fortunate enough to receive tickets within the past three years would you consider not applying for tickets for next year's Service, in order that other Units may have an opportunity to attend the Services.

Carol Concert

The London Guiders' Singing Group will be giving their second Carol Concert, with some audience participation, in St Margaret's Church, Westminster, London, on December 10 this year. Proceeds will be donated to the new Olave Centre in North London.

Programmes at 60 pence each, which will give admission to the concert, will be available from October 1. Please send remittance with

suitably stamped envelope— 9 in × 6 in — to Miss E O Bishop, 38 St John's Avenue, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 8HH. (Cheques payable to 'E O Bishop'.)

Blackland Farm, East Grinstead, Sussex Working Party Weekend

Friday evening — Sunday afternoon 25th—27th November

There is a great need for Guiders to check, sort and repair equipment at this CHQ camp site. The weekend is fairly hard work, but entertaining as well as being useful experience. The food is free and our cooks are superb.

Please send your offer of help by 1st November with a stamped addressed envelope to: Miss M Osborn, Isendean, Highlands Avenue, Uckfield, Sussex, TN22 5TD, who will send you full details.

Scout & Guide Trust Fund

On 30 June 1983 the value of a share in the above Fund was:

for selling purposes for buying purposes income yield 4.89%
The income yield is based on the previous two dividends paid and the price on the date stated

The Interim Dividend for the six months ended 30 June 1983 was fixed at 2.60p per share.

Short Term Investment Service

Monthly interest rate after deduction of management commission:

April 1983 9.47% May 1983 9.28% June 1983 8.69% Additional 0.5% pa for deposits of £2,500 and above.

Foxlease Singing Circle

If you enjoy both singing and Foxlease why not join our Circle? Evening meetings for those who live nearby, plus weekends for those who wish to get away for a musical break. Send a SAE to Foxlease for details.

Encore '84 — Festival of Song

The Girl Guides Association acknowledges the generous support given by Webb Ivory Limited for a national song festival for Guides, Rangers, Young Leaders and composite groups to be called Encore '84.

The finale will be held in Manchester at the Royal Northern College of Music on 20 October 1984.

Guidelines for choirs will be available through County/ Region Arts Advisers and full details will appear in the November edition of GUIDING.

Orchestral Course

At the time of going to press there are vacancies on the Orchestral Course for Grade 7 and over trumpet, trombone and tuba players and for Grade 6 and over double bass players. All applicants should have orchestral experience. Application forms are obtainable from the Programme Secretary, Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W OPT.

The Guide Badge Book

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Sefton — The Story of a Cavalry Horse, by J N P Watson. Souvenir Press. £8.95 hardback, £4.95 paperback.

Will any of us ever forget that fateful day in July, 1982 when an IRA bomb exploded in Hyde Park, London, killing and maiming men and horses of the Queen's Life Guard?

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There are pages and photographs in this book that will make you weep - there are also pages and pictures of great joy and humour. This is the only story of Selton published with the full cooperation of the Household Cavalry and both the author and publisher are donating yalties to the Household avalry's Charitable Funds.

Listening to Children: A Fresh Approach to Religious Education in the Primary Years, C/O, £1.75.

Some time ago a group of Shropshire teachers suggested that their approach to Religious Education would be simplified if they discovered more about the religious awareness of children by listening to what they were saying. For several years children in different Primary and Junior Schools were encouraged to talk freely among themselves on suggested questions and recordings were made. Listening to Children is the outcome of this experiment and it provides some fascinating material. The ideas expressed are most revealing and might prove surprising to those who have little knowledge of what children really think about God, religion, and morals. Although Brownie Guiders are not responsible for Religious Education as such, all who care about encouraging the children to grow in faith and keep their Brownie Promise would find something of interest and value in this little book.

A Leaf Zoo. Leisure Craft Series. Search Press Ltd, 85p. Leaf pictures, we have all tried these at sometime, but here is a book with a difference. A complete collection of really different animals to make up a zoo. Information on how to go about collecting and pressing the leaves in the correct way, plus the material required, are given in a well presented way. This is a real, yet simple art that does require plenty of patience but is very rewarding. This book is suitable for Brownies and Guides, who can choose to make anything from a simple haughty parrot-peacockostrich to a lackadaisical lobster with help from the lovely illustrations in both black-and-white and colour.

Spur Canalside Walks in the Pennines, by Anthony J Pierce. Frederick Warne, £1.25.

In the introduction to this Spurbook Footpath Guide, the author states that he has walked all 16 routes in the re-

cent past. They range from family strolls to a serious effort, and form a 'unique way of exploring some of the finest hill scenery in the country without actually walking up a steep hill! The distances vary from 31/4-123/4 miles, so take your pick.

The written instructions are clear and interesting, giving much historic detail and many fascinating insights into the area.

For those who cannot take hill-walking but enjoy the exercise, this is an ideal way of getting it, and this handbook will prove an ideal com-

panion.

This is Freestyle Wind-surfing, by Peter van Wagensveld, Fontana, £6.95. Don't be misled by the word windsurfing, it is what is known as freestyle boardsailing. It was inevitable that boardsailors would not be content to just sail or race. Peter van Wagensveld and some of his friends have put together a very attractive book which is beautifully illustrated. All the freestyle techniques are fully explained and graded according to the degree of difficulty. Many of the tricks included in the book would be very helpful for the committed boardsailing racer. Just as the sailing dinghy racer finds the best ways to get her craft ahead of the rest, so these boardsailing techniques have

However, this is a book for the very experienced boardsailor, so do not try to use it as a beginner's handbook.

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Described as an excellent book for an intelligent teenager this most unusual little book is certainly thought provoking. It is set out rather like a Birthday Book, with a heading recalling some event which happened on each day of the year. From this is drawn a suggestion for a very brief prayer and the subjects are topical and amazingly wide ranging. Clearly these ideas are intended not as a substitute for other prayers but as a supplement to stimulate

thought. While this book might appeal to some Rangers and Young Leaders it is more likely to be of use to adults.

NR

A Gift of Flowers, photograms by Frances Berrill, anthology by Helen Exley, Exley, £3.95.

Miss Exley has gathered a bouquet of some of the greatest writing in the English language on the subject of flowers. Poems by Keats, Browning, Wordsworth, Ten-nyson, Shakespeare and others make up one of the most delightful anthologies for a long time.

Frances Berrill's delicate photograms of wild flowers greatly enhance the chosen This book will appeal to all lovers of the country-

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Walks for Motorists - Hereford and the Central Welsh Borders, by Edwin J Davey. Frederick Warne, £1.95.

Hereford and the Welsh Borders are still among the quiet unspoilt parts of the country. The main industry of the area is arable and pastoral farming, so the walks occur either along quiet country lanes and through fields or over the upland pastures where you have the 'hills and sky for company'. These are the more strenuous.

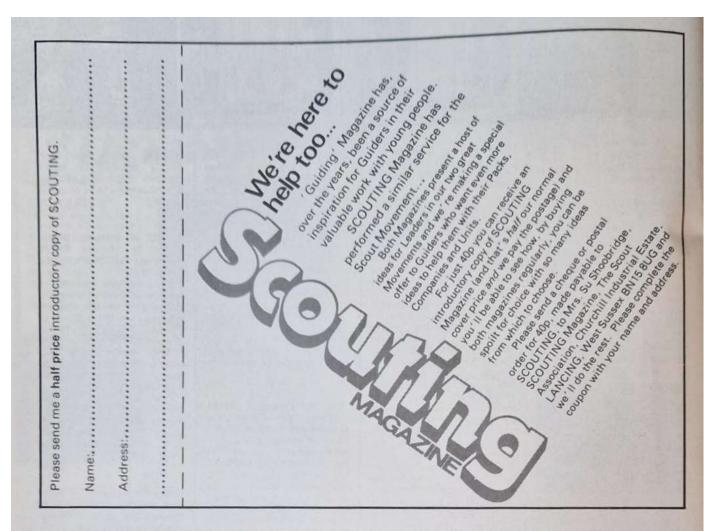
The written instructions for those walks are clear and detailed and easy to follow. The villages and beauty spots from which the walks start of through which they pass are well described and would attract any walker.

For a motorist who enjoys walking this book is a must for this area.

Great Walks of the Yorkshire Dales, by Frank Duerden. Ward Lock Ltd, £2.95.

Anyone spending a holiday in the Yorkshire Dales, who enjoys walking, would find this book invaluable. The routes vary from easy to very strenuous; the written descriptions are detailed and easy to follow, and the sketch maps, based on the 1:25000

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An interesting and thought-provoking article by Sister Frances B Howlett, IMM

The dinosaurs failed to evaluate their chance of survival! The GGA has outstripped other youth organisations by constant evaluation resulting in a Programme geared to the present generation of girls. Society has changed more in 80 years than in the previous eight centuries. Our planners are living in the present, looking ahead to the future. Congratulations!

Do I ever dare to make an evaluation of myself, my Unit, District and Division? It is best to start on a personal level, for if this is not done it is hardly likely I will be much help elsewhere. What about some questions in a quiet place? Who am I at this particular moment of time? What role am I fulfilling in Guiding 1983? Why? Am I enjoying my Guiding and how do I react to criticism or do I allow any? Key words to accompany my evaluation are:

Objectivity Truth Acceptance Talents Defects

Sometimes I may need a friend to listen to it, because as I talk I shall become sensitive to the truth of what I am saying, clarifying my own thoughts and feelings, coming finally to a sound conclusion. Time and a couple of tries are necessary. It is amazing what security and hope spring from being truthful with myself.

Arriving at this happy state I am now prepared to teach my Brownies, Guides or Rangers how to begin evaluating and forming opinions. Start with an outing and keep it simple with two questions. What did each the like best about the outing?

What did each one dislike the most? Let them work in Sixes with a 10 minute limit. Do we feel threatened when we hear criticisms of our ideas and arrangements? Believe that only when others feel free to criticise in front of you have you reached a living relationship. Criticism is a natural human function. If we can lead our girls to distinguish between constructive and destructive criticism we are building one of the fundamental foundations of citizenship.

After practice, expand your ground to a District event. In addition to the two basic questions ask each girl what they would like included or left out next time. Work in Sixes/ Patrols with the Sixer/Patrol Leader ensuring that everyone has a chance to speak. This is training in the principles of democracy and leadership. Let opinions find you calm and receptive as each Six or Patrol listens to the other. A wise Commissioner will also want to know what every Guider thinks in her District/Division about every event. At this level she has the responsibility to lead Guiders in a similar exercise to that of the Brownies, Guides and Rangers. It differs only in degree and depth. In this way all, from the youngest to the eldest, begin to feel part of a vision larger than themselves.

At least once a year go to a beautiful place, asking the girls to sit alone for five minutes evaluating their Promise. What does it mean to them? Encourage them to share in a listening atmosphere, but not every child need speak. Do this again using the Law and Guides can choose their favourite law or

on another occasion, the one they dislike the most!

Never preach, correct or discuss at these times. Just thank each one for sharing their unique experience and respect it. Insert a correction into a future programme where the individual child is helped to see a different point of view. The result is self confidence where the child is listened to respectfully. The result is truthfulness and openness where the child can express herself freely. In our multicultural cities it is necessary to know that there are many ways of doing the same thing and all can be right; just different.

Guides go through their shy and awkward stages. Persevere with no shock. There is much anger in teenagers as they attempt, all at once, to cope with parents, teachers, peers, society and self. Happy the Guide with a sympathetic Guider. By Ranger age this training in evaluation will begin to bear fruit in informed opinions. The more serious matters in our life deserve wise decisions. They can only come from a background of impartial advice, correct information, awareness of one's own deepest feelings and clearest thoughts, plus a period of discernment. Discernment grows from one's personal relationship with God, talking and listening within one's interior world. From all these elements a sincere informed opinion is made. Whatever the context, the young woman knows she has followed the most effective way open to her to make a decision. This makes good sense, good citizenship and good Guiding.

GOMING COMING

November BROWNIE Review

THE BROWNIE in November has lots of ideas, activities and fun. The first issue has a centre spread telling Brownies about Guy Fawkes and the Firework Code. Also included in this issue is a special recipe for the occasion. Other centre spreads appearing throughout the month include 'A November Walk', 'Remembrance Sunday', 'St Andrew's Day', and 'Scotland'.

Under the heading 'Brownies Make Things', Brownies can learn how to make a variety of musical instruments, a tambourine, a horn, humming combs, a guitar, chimes and a xylophone. These could be made use of at a Christmas entertainment, or used towards gaining an interest badge such as Jester or Music Lover. More craft ideas are a Brownie Purse and a Pencil Tube Holder — ideal as Christmas presents. 'Have Fun With Bottles' — making figures, these could be used as a nativity scene. Make Luminous Pictures — this idea is used when making Christmas lanterns. There is only one story next month, and it is on the Christmas theme: 'The Christmas Brownie', and appears for six issues. A lovely idea would be to read this each week at the end of the meeting, leading up to the Christmas holidays.

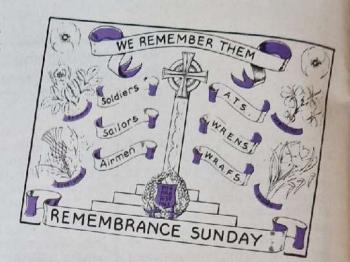
In the 'Brownies Help at Home' series they can learn how to use 'A Vacuum Cleaner', (clause 6 of the House Orderly Badge), and see how to prepare 'Baked Apples' in the clear and easy to follow instructions and pictures.

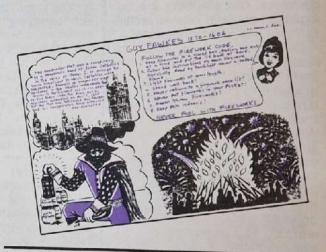
Throughout the month, in the Cookery Card series, there will be recipes especially connected to the themes of each issue.

General interest articles tell Brownies about 'The Recorder', Pets Corner — parasites found on dogs and cats. More interesting Ventures to try within the Pack, and more ideas for Brownies who are 'Almost a Guide'. There is a lovely picture to paint of the circus, letters to read from other Brownies, and plenty of puzzle fun.









TODAY'S GUIDE Review — Guy Fawkes and St Andrew's Day

November sees two special days in the Guiding calendar. The celebration of St Andrew's Day for all Guides in Scotland, Scottish Guides residing in other parts of Britain and those who belong to a St Andrew's Church and Unit. The Scottish Chief Commissioner will have a special message for all in this issue. A chart on the Firework Code should be read and followed for safety reasons. There is a special recipe page next month, to be included will be recipes for celebrating these two days. Guides will also find some mouth-watering recipes for fish.

Badges include the continuation of Local History (showing a beautifully illustrated chart), Speaker and Toymaker Badge. Articles of interest include: 'How old are our games and toys' and 'Guiding Round the World', telling the Guides all about the Movement overseas. The Pack Leader article for girls helping in Brownie Packs gives them ideas and valuable information

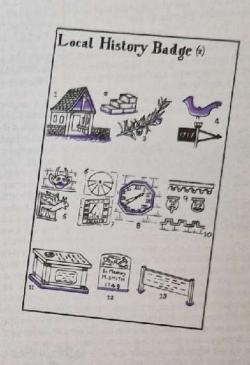
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For relaxation Guides can keep in touch with the latest trends and news from the world of fashion in Growing up is fun, music in Music Scene, and find out information on places to visit, books and films in the reviews. With Christmas soon upon us the Guides will find the second part of the Advent Calendar in this issue, and the last part of the Christmas play. Don't forget to tell the Guides to order their copy now.





TODAY'S GUIDE - How to help your Patrols to Celebrate St Andrew's Day

by Ruth Brown

WHAT does St Andrew's Day mean to you? Perhaps you remember that Andrew was a fisherman. Would one of your Patrols enjoy making a collage? Each Guide makes paper fish using coloured wrapping paper, ribbon, beads, etc. and cuts it out. Arrange the fishes in a group on a sheet of paper. Glue string over and around the fishes to indicate the net.

Another Patrol would perhaps try out a recipe using fish. Home-made fish spread would be easy, or maybe they will try something from one of the recipe pages in TODAY'S GUIDE.

A traditional Scottish recipe is featured in Have a Shot at Making Oatcakes. If the Patrol have difficulty in buying medium oatmeal, you can use 150g of ordinary porridge oats, of which about 110g have been processed in a domestic grinder. Two other Patrol activities with a Scottish flavour are included in our regular feature, Have You Tried This?

The PLC could plan an event, each Patrol conributing something different. Parents and friends can se invited to watch the entertainment, buy from the talls and join in the dancing. Planning of this kind takes time, so fix the date of your next PLC soon. Be sure to give time for each Patrol to make its own choice and carry it out. If your PLC want a change you could remind them that St Andrew is not only the patron saint of Scotland but also of Greece. How about a breath of warm Mediterranean sunshine to cheer up grey November? Posters, food, an improvised dance to one of Nana Mouskouri's records, a dramatised Greek myth . . .

Yet another way to celebrate St Andrew is to remember that he introduced other people to Jesus. Is this a cue for holding a new members' project? If your Company is already full enough, you could help the Ranger Unit find new members among your older Guides. Invite some Rangers and Young Leaders to visit you on St Andrew's Day. Each one could talk to a Patrol about the enjoyment of being in the senior Sections. Your Young Leader Adviser may feel that this does not cover Part 2, Clause 6 of the Young Leader's Scheme, but it will be very good practice. Such an evening could help your Guides to anticipate becoming Rangers or Young Leaders when they are old enough just as they looked forward to joining the Guide Company when they were Brownies.

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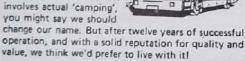
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arrived home yesterday, after two fantastic weeks on board the STA schooner, the 'Sir Winston Churchill'. I shall always be indebted to you for help-

ing to finance the trip.

I boarded the schooner at Southampton, a little apprehensive and feeling terribly 'green'. Shortly after having signed on we were fitted up with a harness and told to climb the rigging as far as the crow's nest, in this way we were almost forced into friendship with those on the rigging above and below us. We left Southampton on the Monday morning, having had basic training in handling the ship. We travelled up the Solent towards Dover, and straight across to France. It was at this point that I took the helm, at 4.00 am on Tuesday morning; the trainees do most of the work, directed by watch leaders and officers.

On Tuesday, 21st September, we arrived at Antwerp, having spent most of the day putting up sails and moving them to our advantage. We stayed until early Thursday morning, all of us having had shore leave at some time. Those who remained on board showed interested parties around the schooner, giving us a good insight into other people's views on what we all now considered to be 'our' ship. The ship was kept spotless by us, everything was polished, and the decks were scrubbed at least once a day.

Rotterdam was our next destination, we were to be part of a maritime festival, along with the other STA schooner, the 'Malcolm Miller'. We all had to get used to the swaying again, and having to hold on to our plates with one hand whilst eating with the other. The festival was well attended by the Dutch and Polish tall ships. It was a proud moment for us as we left Rotterdam with over half of our crew, myself included, up in the yardarms and out on the bowsprit on display.

We then began our long sail back to England, with Blyth, which is just above Newcastle, as our destination. We arrived feeling like hardened sailors, but all extremely tired, having had to be up at all hours of the day and night. Sunderland was our next port of call. I was the helmsman in this case, despite that fact,

we docked successfully.

We were all pleased to be back at sea again, the weather had changed completely. Instead of being at an almost constant 45° to the sea, we were now becalmed. It was beautiful, I shall never forget watching the dolphins and porpoises come alongside our ship to play. I had been lucky enough to have been on the dawn watch, and to see the sun rise on the beautifully calm sea. It was very exhilarating and made me feel very close to

Ve entered the River Humber on F lay, 31st September, and were ked by 7.00 am at Hull, our final destination. That afternoon we provided our own concert, and later went out to the local rugby club and took it by storm. We were up early, as usual, on Saturday morning, and had signed off by 7.30 am. It only seemed a few days since we had left Southampton. We had survived the fortnight without any major incident, and felt like one big happy family. It had been hard work, and sometimes unpleasant, but all of us had enjoyed ourselves overall, on what will be a voyage of a lifetime for most of us. I am sure that we all left the schooner a little more mature and certainly more tolerant of others, having to live so close to so many for such a long time. I certainly know what it is like to work in a team for an aim, it gave us all such great pride to watch a sail moving up a mast, to be filled with wind and move us over the sea.

I shall now be telling my Brownie Pack, I am a Tawny Owl now, about my travels, and early next year will be talking at the Division AGM of my experiences of a life on the ocean waves. I was sporting my Ranger uniform in the foreign ports and much interest was shown in it. I also had many opportunities to put the knots that I had learnt at Guides and Rangers into practice.

I must thank you once again for making all of this possible, my experiences, I am sure, will be most useful in my future

Guiding.

Karen Grayson Bere Forest Division Ranger

Camping Pakistan-style

First of all, please accept my deepest apologies for not writing this letter a year and a half ago! In 1980 I was very pleased and surprised to receive a Lady Baden-Powell Bursary for a lightweight tent. Since then I have had at least two occasions to enjoy it and am so sorry not to have written sooner.

My dream of doing some real camping finally came true in the summer of 1981 when I went with my family to the Kagham Valley. It took us three days to travel the thousand miles by train and VW microbus through hot, desert-like country to arrive at last in this cool, mountainous region in the North of Pakistan. We stayed at several different places in the Kaghan with my parents and youngest brother, Stevie, sleeping in resthouses while we four older children slept in tents (my 'dream-tent' and one borrowed from friends). We took turns to cook over woodfires in all kinds of weather and survived several crises - eg when we thought my sister had appendicitis and when the torsionbar of the VW broke crossing one of the three glaciers!

For me, the highlight was a walk to the top of a 12,744 ft mountain called Makra. We were camped outside a tiny rest-house within

a beautiful place called Sari (pronounced Surrey) off to the side of the main Kaghan Valley. Since the weather stayed fine, we set off (minus mum and Steve who stayed at the rest-house with most of our stuff) to climb the mountain that loomed invitingly in the distance. Two days previously we had made a 'reconnaisance trip' to the village at its foot called Pai where we now pitched our 'base! camp' by a clear mountain stream. As we were carrying our tents, sleeping bags, food for two days, cooking utensils, etc., and a change of clothes each, we were glad when we reached Pai in the late afternoon after a day's walk up a fairly steep though well-defined path. Refreshed by a good cup of tea and fresh milk provided by the friendly villagers, we had time to relax over a warm supper (cooked over a wood fire as usual) discussing our plans for the next day and watching the sun set - after which it got bitterly cold and we retired to our tents!

We made a fairly early start next morning, and leaving most of our gear including the tents in a villager's mud hut (inhabited not only by him and his family but also by two goats, a calf and numerous chickens!) we started off, taking only one small rucksack containing our picnic lunch. The climb was very steep and a cold wind was blowing and we had to stop fairly frequently for short rests when we sucked sweets to keep our energy up. There was still quite a lot of snow around, and several black, withered patches of grass and mud where the snow had only recently melted. It was lovely to see a few flowers beginning to spring up in these patches, and where the snow had been melted for some time there were beautiful wild flowers everywhere. We collected over twenty different varieties which we took back to show mum. There were even fields of edelweiss which is now so rare in Switzerland. We reached the top at about 11 a.m. (the climb took about three hours) and rested there for a while in the sun which was lovely and warm up there - although there was snow just below, the peak itself was covered in lovely green grass and beautiful flowers. Our one disappointment was that although the view was fantastic, the distant Karakoram mountains were veiled in mist and we could not see K2 (the world's second highest peak) as we had hoped. We had an early lunch (we were ravenous!) and then returned all the way to Sari, collecting our packs at Pai on the way. Just as the resthouse came into view it began to pour with rain, so we hurried on, deadtired but very happy, to be welcomed back by mum and Steve who had a big pot of steaming tea ready for us.

Last year I had another opportunity to use the tent when we did a demanding four-day trek in Kashmir, India. This month I am coming to England to live with my grandparents before going up to university in October. I hope I will have many more camping experiences in the future.

> Margaret Bavington 1st Karachi (British) Rangers



Pamela Edwards, BYC Vice-Chairperson

As you have already read in previous articles the main policy making body of BYC is the twice yearly Council meeting, at which all council delegates vote to determine the direction of BY's work. The elected executive committee carries out this policy. The executive is 17 in number and consists of four officers, seven non-party political representatives, four party political representatives and two local Youth Council members. The executive is elected once a year at the Annual General Meeting and it continues to meet every six weeks during its year of office, to develop the mandates set by Council.

Inevitably, the executive is expected to make decisions and direct its officers, in particular the chairperson, in certain matters. For example, how to react to government initiatives concerning youth issues - eg unemployment, training schemes and social policy.

Occasionally this is impossible due to the timing of meetings. When this happens the officers, who are in almost daily contact with each other, make the decisions.

The members of the executive also convene and chair BYC's working groups which meet about every two months. Members report on the progress of these groups to the rest of the executive committee.

What British Youth Council can offer you

BYC publishes many training aids for use with young people in their member organisations including youth clubs, student associations, Scouts and Guides. To participate fully in society people need to know what they are doing. How decisions are made, and how they can best influence those decisions when necessary. Often young people do not know how to do this and so they

can feel powerless and apathetic. BYC materials help leaders:

Help young people. Help themselves.

These training aids could be used extensively by Ranger Guides taking the new Queen's Guide. The materials cover such subjects as homelessness, young women, the EEC, racial harmony and young workers. They consist of information sheets, posters, role play games and other interesting and eye-catching ways of presenting the facts and stimulating discussion.

BYC also produces a tape/slide presentation of its own work and many training materials and help for the development of Local Youth Councils.

A full list of all BYC's publications can be obtained from British Youth Council, 57 Chalton Street, London NW1 1HU.

Buy them and use them - I think you'll be impressed!

Heraldry (31)

Brenda Hughes

Wiltshire North

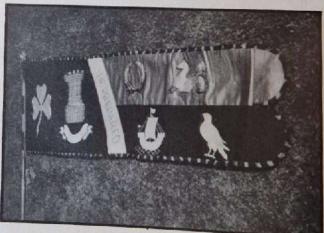
At the hoist Quartered 1 and 4 Azure a trefoil Or for Guiding, 2 and 3 Or a bustard Proper — the County Badge of the Wiltshires.

The fly

Azure Semee of fritillaries. A motto bend Or, lettered Azure between to the dexter the iron horse for Thamesdown, a boar's head couped for Chippenham, Colne and Malmesbury and on sinister a horse's head erased Argent for Kennet and an eagle rousant for the West, all bordered with a twisted cord Or.







Isle of Wight

At the hoist Azure a trefoil Or for Guiding and the County badge of the island a castle Or above a motto band Argent lettered Or - Vectis.

The motto band white lettered Or.

The fly

Per fess Or and Azure. In chief a laurentic wreath Proper for West Wight and a dragon Argent for North Wight. In base a lymphad White pennon flying White for Central Wight and a falcon White for South-East Wight.

All bordered with a fringe Or and Azure





UPON invitation from the United Emirates' Guides the Dubai/Sharjah branch of British Guides in Foreign Countries visited the tented camp at Ras al Khaimah in March of this

The day was perfect, the sun shone and a made-to-measure breeze ensured that no one would become too hot. The buses arrived in Ras al Khaimah to everyone's idea of what a Guide Camp should be; tents surrounding a green field, with mountains in the background.

At the camp, waiting for them, were 200 UAE Guides determined to ensure that their guests would have a memorable day. The 50 visitors were shared out and taken to tents. The Guides were welcomed by the well-known motto 'Be Ready', made from stones placed in the sand. They were beginning to feel more at home then, and were prepared to join in with the planned activities.

Each tent had its own challenge for the day. One had a disco, another offered traditional Bedouin hospitality, another for making food and yet another for Arabic dancing. So many, and each tent was to be visited by all the British Guides. Lunch consisted of kebabs and rice. The group included one of the 1st Dubai Ranger Guides, who at 16, was nearer the age of the average UAE Guide.

After lunch the campfire was lit and the girls put on their entertainments, prepared beforehand. Language presented no problem; all understood each other perfectly, joining in songs together and laughing at each other's skits and mimes.

Below, Arab girls present a display of costume and dress throughout the Gulf area. The British Guides gave a demonstration of the well-known war chant from the Belgian Congo 'Ah Wune' - getting the circle to join in among lots of giggles. Below right, a pretty Arab Guide wears a Guider's cap on her head. Her uniform consists of a black scarf covering the hair, pale blue blouse with epaulettes, dark navy tie, Guide leather beit and a navy skirt worn over long white pantaloons. A real 'cover up' uniform as modesty in women is essential in this part of the world.

At last it was time to leave and the British girls bade their new friends farewell. How could they possibly tepay such generous hospitality — maybe with a traditional British supper of fish and chips? Maybe one day: in the meantime, thanks for a great day of friendship and understanding.

Arab Guides dressed in National Costumes



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A 'Pets In Winter' Evening

Remember Your Pets in the winter

The People's Dispensary for Sick Animals suggests some extra ways to help animals in the cold winter months

Outdoor kennels in which dogs are housed should be made draught- and damp-free. A piece of carpet hung over the entrance (which must face south during the winter) will keep out draughts. Clean, dry wood shavings or straw, frequently changed, will help to keep the dog comfortable and warm. Dogs and cats that have been out in the rain or snow should be thoroughly towel-dried.

All fires should be guarded where there are pet animals, as they could be burnt by sitting or sleeping too close.

Rabbits and guinea-pigs should be housed in dry, weather-proofed hutches and should be cleaned out at least twice a week. These pets will enjoy carrots, turnips and swedes as a substitute for greens or for variety during the winter months, and they should be given a regular extra supply of dry, good-quality hay. Their water supply must be checked daily in very cold weather in case it freezes

Budgerigars need to be in a draughtfree room, not too near a fire, and hamsters and other small caged pets will appreciate a little extra bedding during the cold months.

Outdoor fish will be starved of oxygen if their ponds are allowed to freeze over. It is wise to make a daily check. If the pond has frozen, the ice should be melted by supporting a kettle of boiling

Brownie and Guide Guiders — what about a Pets in Winter evening for your Pack/Unit? To give you some ideas, here are some hints for the care of Pets in the Winter, news about an exhibition to visit and news about a game to play.

water on the ice, taking care that it does not fall through. The ice must be melted and not broken as vibrations could cause damage to the fish.

Wild birds should not be forgotten during the winter - fresh bread, a piece of fat or a coconut half will save many birds from starvation. In very cold weather the bird-baths should be kept free from ice. And as an extra treat, wild birds will enjoy sampling special home-This may consist of 'pudding'. nuts, bacon rind, cake, bread crusts and bird-seed added to a bowl of melted fat and stirred, embedding a loop of string into it. When cool the 'pudding' can be removed from the bowl and hung outside - away from cats!

The National Cat Club Show

The National Cat Club Show, being held on Saturday, 10 December, is the largest cat show held anywhere, and attracts visitors from all over the world. On show are over sixty varieties of pedigree cats and kittens, with a special section in the gallery for mongrels.

Watching the cats being judged is one of the many attractions, but purses are emptied at some of the numerous stalls, selling everything a cat ever wanted, and

they same. Among the 2000 cats and the then some. Among the 2000 cats and kit-tens will be Jack of Blue Peter fame, with Janet Ellis signing autographs as well as appearing as one of the judges. Admission to the show is £1.50 for adults and 80p for children. The National Cat Club Show is open to the public from 10.30 am until 5.30 pm in the National Hall, Olympia. London W14.



New Game

The game is called Best Pal, and is based on 'The Twelve Golden Rules of the Pet Owners' Code of Conduct'. For details of how to obtain the game, plus a badge and a full colour wall chart on dog care, look for the special labels on cans of Pal Dog Food in your shops and supermarkets. Nine of the tokens from these special labels, together with 20p for postage, will enable your Brownies and Guides to play the Best Pal game. This offer is open nationwide until 31 January



Will Tomorrow Be Too Late?

The rather dramatic title to this article refers to the very dramatic number of children who are at present in care in Greater London alone 16,000, 9,000 of whom are teenagers. This means that those 16,000 children are missing out on home life, and the stability and security that it offers and, once they officially reach adulthood, will have to face the world without ever knowing what it is like to belong to a family. For children in their 'teens, especially, who have spent all their lives in care, there does inevitably come a point when it is too late to give them a chance of being part of a family, and it is this distressfact that concerns London's Fostering Information Service. It has recently

launched a campaign to find family homes for children over the age of twelve who are in care, and realises that, as this age group is the most difficult to place, it is necessary to publicly explode some of the myths which surround fostering in general and this so-called 'difficult' age group. There are too few foster parents who are coming forward, perhaps because they do not realise what is involved and expect it will be too demanding, or even because they simply haven't given it a second thought. While fostering is a big commitment, and not to be entered into lightly, many people have undue lack of confidence about their ability to nelp a child in this way. The campaigners, a group of

social workers from 32 London boroughs, point out that the volunteer families don't need to consist of the ideal nuclear family with a large house. The most important requirement is a family, or single person, of virtually any age, capable of looking after children who may need a lot of attention, love and understanding, and to help them learn to adapt to the family way of life after having been deprived during the formative years

Foster parents receive maximum support from social workers, and careful thought and preparation goes into the decision of a particular child's placement, with the child in question having the opportunity to express a preference for the



type of family he or she would like to join. An important feature in the broadening of attitudes within fostering is that social workers' attitudes have changed considerably in recent years, and greater attempt is being made to profostering mote publicly. London's Fostering Information Service, which consists of members from the 32 London boroughs, has published a 60-page 'Fostercontact' list which gives brief details on scores of youngsters who require foster homes, noting both good and bad points of their personalities, occasionally with personal comments and needs from children the themselves.

- A. Looks like a stop sign for a snake on the road. (7)
- B. The others. (4)
- C. Thin, leavened bread in the north.
 (8)
- D. We dash. Cleaned. (6)
- E. Tender. (4)
- F. She spun the thread of life from Clotho's distaff. (8)
- G. Is the film still secret? (2, 6)
- H. Long-sleeved Persian garment. (6)
- Hear thy Word. Find in it unrefined. (6)
- Ape means pet, sorted out being satisfied. (11)
- K. Macduff's son might have said this! 14, 2, 3)
- L. A tray for writing materials. (3, 5)
- M. A white soft rock and a broad, thin strip of timber, usually green or black. (5, 5)
- N. Concerning races. (6)
- 0. Caught, at sea. (6)
- P. Australian toothless, spiney monotreme. (7)
- I've hands, which rearranged, disappeared. (8)
- R. Sick and having no effect. (7)
- S. Arrangement in thin layers. (10)
- T. 'Hope -----eternal in the human breast'. Alexander Pope. (7)
- U. Derivative of hemp, smoked. (7)
- V. Escorted to your seat? (7)
- W. Ibis headed god of ancient Egypt.
 (5)
- X. Sounds like tortology, this nematode. Does it live in the water and the earth? (7)

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

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

Please send entries to:
'Acrostic' (insert appropriate number), The Editor, GUIDING, 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 GUIDING.

The winner of Double Acrostic No 61 (June GUIDING) is K Chivers of Henley on

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Solution to Double Acrostic No 62

'But let us come to the hostages.' One I know about,' I put in, 'I had Mr Julius here after breakfast.' Macgillivray exclaimed, 'Poor soul! What did you say to him?' 'Deepest sympathy but nothing doing.'

The Three Hostages John Buchan

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Members of the public interested in fostering can contact the Service, who will put them in touch with their local borough as well as supplying a copy of Fostercontact, 23 of the London boroughs have some of their children listed in this edition, and about 400 children are represented in all. Some London boroughs will re-house foster families who suffer from lack of space, but this depends on each local authority. Foster families also receive 'payment', which varies considerably according to the borough's funds and the needs of the child and family.

but the foster family will receive total support from the child's social worker, who will in no way be replaced by the family but will work alongside it. There is always an agreed length of commitment made by the foster family before the teenager joins the home, which can range from a few months to several years, which in turn may be converted into adoption. All fostering officers seek to place a child in a family that reflects the child's own ethnic background. There is more than a 75% success rate in the agreements made between foster families and teenagers, and many people who have fostered children

have found that the experience has enhanced the awareness and understanding of their natural children, and that contrary to the expectation that a disturbed or difficult teenager could emotionally harm other children in the family, it has been a beneficial experience all round.

The hard fact is that a person coming out of a children's home at the age of 18, without any idea of what it means to belong to a family, will be very poorly placed in society. Very few people would argue against the need for every child to experience a sense of family — whether it be a housefull of people or

simply one other person to whom that child can feel he or she 'belongs'. Fostering needs to be entered into seriously, but it is not necessary to have a string of archetypal qualifications in order to become a suitable foster parent. These children need homes now - before it is too late. Please write to the address supplied if you want to know more, or if you think that you are ready to give a child a home and a helping hand.

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'Wags' ears — later on. I will also be able to give you news of our second sponsored Hearing Dog, which, to fit in with the training schedule, will be selected next month.

We have already been asked for the information leaflets on our Christmas 'Good Turn' projects—the NSPCC Centenary Appeal, the Lord Mayor Treloar Sixth Form Extension and the British team for the 1984 Paralympics. Don't forget you can get your own copies by writing to:

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NR - Chairman

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First Series and Pathfinder | Maps are clear.

The introduction, which gives a wealth of information about the Yorkshire Dales National Parks, also includes useful addresses, instruction on how to use grid references, and section on safety and the Country Code.

A really useful handbook.

BH

Assembly Exchange, Edited by C J Redknap. Serswood House, £2.20.

Brownle Guiders often feel they would like to help the children with their Promise and wonder how this can best be done. Assembly Exchange, compiled by a group of Berkshire teachers, would be an invaluable help. Based on practical experience with under-elevens it contains descriptions of over seventy brief projects that have been successfully carried out and most of these could be readily adapted for a Brownie Guide Pack, for Powwow. general activities, or an open evening. There is an excellent collection of stories and the book also gives clear information about materials and illustrations needed and where they can be found.

The whole book is full of vitality, fun, and good sense, and is to be highly recommended.

NRW

The Ladybird Bible Story Book, by Jenny Robertson, Ladybird, £4.95.

Yet another book of Bible stories has been published, this time by Ladybird and Scripture Union in association with Yorkshire Television

Most of the well-loved stories are there, told in simple yet dignified language, and every page has large coloured illustrations of the excellent standard we have come to expect of Ladybird productions, which would be most attractive to a child, inevitably some familiar stories have had to be omitted, but this would be a very beautiful and helpful book to give to any child and at £4.95 is good value.

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Second Sight

Plant a Tree

veryone can help to replace trees lost from disease, development, old age and neglect by planting trees, but it is not always easy to find the time and space, and not everyone can ensure their efforts are successful. The Woodland Trust plants trees only in areas under its control, either on land that it owns or under special long-term arrangements with landowners.

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The Eggs Information Bureau have produced this recipe booklet, Eggs are Smashing. The booklet is available free on receipt of 121/sp stamped, self-addressed envelope, 8% in x 4% in from, Eggs are Smashing Booklet, Box No 101, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN25KB.



appeal launched by Kelloggs in the form of a back of pack promotion involves Kelloggs donating to for every Sunshine Tokan collected from the special packs, to the Sunshine Fund. which will use the money raised to provide education and Braille story books for blind children throughout Overs

Jaffa Calls

A call for some Bright Ideas from the younger generation has been issued by Jaffa oranges as the first stage in a project to find the two best Bright Ideas in the country today. The competition is open to children from five to fifteen years of age, with an entry period from October 1983 until February 1984, Entry forms for this competition are available from Jaffa Competition, The Citrus Marketing Board of Israel, Market Towers, 9 Elms Lane, London SW8.



The V and A Museum in London holds a major exhibition of Artists of the Tudor Court, until 6 Navember 1983.

Cinderella

London Festival Ballet are now appear ing in the regions as follows: October 10-22 Palace, Manchester, 24-29 Royal, Newcastle, 31-Nov 5 Hippodrome, Birmingham; 14 19 Grand, Leeds; 21-Dec 3 Hippodrome, Bristol. Cinderella will be performed in each venue except Leeds, and the repertoire includes the fulllength Onegin and a triple bill. Apply to the box office for party booking rates.

Guiders can obtain free, illustrated story sheets and notes for teachers about the ballet Cinderella by writing to the Education and Community Unit, London Festival Ballet, 39 Jay Mews, London SW7 2ES

ind Sight' a new the Royal National Institute for the Blind is now available on free loan. The file. which will be of interest to Units, clubs societies and schools, shows in 15 min. utes just some of the work which RNIR does to help the 130,000 blind people in the UK. The film is available from Appeals. RNIB, 224 Great Portland Street, London W1N BAA, telephone 01. 388 1266

National Army Museum

This surprising museum is in Royal Hospital Road, Chelsea, only a short bus ride from Guide Headquarters. Don't imagine it's full of tanks and weapons quite the reverse, its accent is on uniforms, artefacts and souvenirs, including many of the Boer War, featuring Robert Baden-Powell, the hero of Mafeking!

Entry is free to all parts of the museum, including the newly-opened exhibition 'Flanders to the Falklands', the story of the Army in peace and war. Full size replicas of scenes of Army life, with realistic sound effects, continuously running video films and models build up into a clear picture of the soldier's life. and how it has changed during this century. One can walk through a horribly lifelike reconstruction of the trenches in World War One, and experience the appalling conditions endured by millions of soldiers then, only to see another

World War break out 20 years later. Life in barracks is shown, with its spit and polish, including a check on the soles of the boots to make sure they are shining brightly! Service in Burma is shown by a realistic slice of jungle, complete with the sound of crickets, and at the end we see two contrasting soldiers of today, one in full dress Guardsman's uniform, and the other in the latest lightweight combat gear

The National Army Museum is open from 10 to 5.30 weekdays, 2 to 5.30 Sun-

days, admission free.

Ali Baha, a new Christmas play for young children and families will be performed at The Victoria Theatre, Hartshill Road, Stoke-on-Trent ST4 6AE in November and December this year. Telephone the Box Office on (0782) 615962.

... Wimbledon Theatre's production of Sinbad the Sailor, starring Ken Dodd as Sinbad, begins on Sat 17 December for one season. Telephone 01-540 0362/3 for further details.

The Arts Council is presenting an exhibition of David Hockney's thotographs at the Hayward Gallery from 9 November to 5 February 1984, Hayward Gallery, South Bank, London SEI.

iew editon of Snakes and Ladders, the Westminster Play Associin and around London is available by mail order from the WPA's bees, price 60p plus 30p p&p or from selected department stores, news-bly and bookshops. Write to Westminster Play Association, 147 15 Sept. London W2 1NA.

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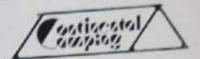
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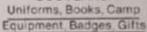
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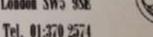
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