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grip on
things**

front PAGE

Week-night Guiding is about to start again after the many camps and holidays of the summer break.

As Guiders you will be preparing for a new intake of girls and planning possible programmes and activities for the autumn and winter.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for the wonderful work you are doing helping young people prepare for their future. Our society is changing so fast and, at present, involves, among other things, increased — and sometimes enforced — mobility. Guiding is often the one constant factor for girls and young women growing up in the Nineties.

It does not claim to be the cure-all

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for every problem — but we know that it does work. As Guiders you see this confirmed every time you watch a young person grow into a resourceful, imaginative, responsible adult — and you should feel justly proud.

We must all carry on looking wide and still wider — never being satisfied or complacent. I know that you share my belief in and commitment to Guiding and the important role we must all play in the continual growth and development of this world in which we live.

I send you all my good wishes for another year of Guiding.

JANE GARSIDE
The Chief Commissioner

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Round UP

PLAYING SAFE

Brownies from the 1st Millfield Pack, Peterborough know how to play safe. They brushed up their safety skills and learned how to make a 999 call to earn their Crime Prevention, Safety in the Home and Road Safety badges.

Rainbow and Brownie leader, Ann Stocks, said: 'They enjoyed themselves and mastered new skills at the same time. It shows you can have fun while you learn important things.'

Pictured, top to bottom, are Debbie Rusby (8), Kerry Barry (7), Carolyn Crippa (7) and Rowena Cahill (8).

TREKKING ON

North Essex Scouts and Guides took part in a three-day trek from Colchester to Alresford as part of Centrek — an initiative test involving log keeping, map reading and camping.

Each of the 166 youngsters carried equipment according to their bodyweight and, between them, they covered 2,800 miles.

The Golden boot for the best walk team was won by Kate Spray, Esther Rust and Portia Clayton of the 1st Dedham Guides, with Zoe Littlewood of 1st Great Bromley Guides.

Dedham Guide leader, Judith Hicks said: 'It was great fun. Everyone had such a super time.'

PETERBOROUGH EVENING TELEGRAPH

EVENING GAZETTE



Round UP

EURO FUN

Cancan dancers and stalls dressed in European colours added a continental touch to the annual fête and sports day held by Hampshire-based Hawley District Girl Guides.

The fundraising event had something for everyone from a fun fair and pony rides to a visit from Rex the police dog and his handler PC Start.

Hampshire Central Euro MP, Mr Edward Kellett-Bowman, who opened the event, is pictured here meeting Brownie Elka Humphreys from the 6th Hawley Pack.

Mr Kellett-Bowman chose the 6th Hawley Guides and 3rd Frogmore Brownies as winners of the best-dressed stall competition.

Winners of the sports events were the 1st Frogmore Rainbows, 6th Hawley Brownies and 3rd Frogmore Brownies. The Guide Sports Award went to the 6th Hawley and 1st Frogmore Companies.

All proceeds were donated to local charities and the Guide Movement.



GORDON LODDER



BERNICE GRESSWELL

HAPPY DAYS

1st Sidlow Brownies said goodbye to popular Young Leader Hannah Taylor with a surprise party.

After four years working with the Brownies in Surrey, 17-year-old Hannah had to leave, as she was moving to Bedfordshire with her parents.

Brown Owl Heidi Andrews said: "All the Brownies looked up to her, she was fun to work with. She was in charge of all the games and got the girls to do badges."

To thank Hannah the girls got together and organised a party. They brought food and invited former Brownies from the Pack.

Hannah had no idea about the party until she arrived for, what she thought, was going to be the usual meeting. 'She was quite shocked,' Heidi Andrews said.

But 1st Sidlow's loss was another Pack's gain, as Hannah (pictured centre) is now helping out with a Brownie Unit in Bedfordshire.

HOSPICE APPEAL

Cornish Guides have been busy raising over £7,000 towards the cost of building a children's hospice for the South West region.

All 6,000 members rose to the challenge given to them by Division Commissioner Sue

Moore. She asked them to raise £1 each.

Bude District Commissioner Jan King, pictured with appeal organisers Mr and Mrs Farwell, went one step further. She raised £500 by swimming in the icy Cornish waters on New Year's Day.



*When wedding bells
sounded for Guider Helen
Standish and former
Scout Keith Bevan,
Wombourne's Guides and
Brownies turned out in full
force to celebrate.*

Although it didn't grace the pages of the posh glossies, Guider Helen Standish's wedding could certainly be called a stylish affair — the biggest they'd seen in Wombourne for some time!

Almost *everyone* was there, including almost all the 3rd Wombourne and Blakeley Girl Guide Company in full uniform, and most of the Brownie Pack, too.

They all wanted to share Helen's Big Day because she and Guide Guider Sheila, her mother, are so involved with the girls, they're more like an extended family.

Wombourne, with the adjoining locality of Blakeley, is barely four miles from Wolverhampton but is still a pleasant, peaceful Staffordshire village with a cricket green.

And there the bonds have grown steadily stronger over two generations since Sheila Standish helped to form the Guide Company 23 years ago.

Naturally, Helen was a Brownie and then a Guide. She went on to become a Young Leader and then an Adult Leader, now acting as her mother's Assistant.

In that time she and Sheila have seen many a Brownie blossom. They didn't all become Guiders, of course, but when they grew up some stayed in the area and, eventually, *their* children joined the 3rd Wombourne and Blakeley Brownies and, later, the Guide Company, led by Sheila and Helen.

The Company, one of the largest in the District, is so popular that it has a waiting list of around 30.

That, says Helen, is because of its reputation for being a really active get-up-and-go sort of unit with lots of activity 'spectaculars', including regular skiing trips abroad.

Helen has led unit skiing parties to Austria, Switzerland, France and — before the tragic civil war — to Yugoslavia.

And the girls have all enjoyed the benefit of expert tuition from the Company's own coach — former Scout Keith Bevan, himself an accomp-

lished and experienced skier.

Keith teaches the girls the basics on a dry slope at Telford, in the Midlands, and then gives them on-the-spot coaching on the pistes abroad.

So perhaps it wasn't so surprising, after all, that they all wanted to see Helen go for the 'giant slalom' — when, on June 20, she became Mrs Keith Standish-Bevan!

One of her bridesmaids was her best friend from school days, Guider Julia Cosgriff.

But the other bridesmaid, 16-year-old Guide Elizabeth Bunn, was chosen by the groom because he began teaching her to ski when she was only 11 and she is his favourite pupil.

Helen's father, Don, led her up the aisle of the parish church, St Benedict Biscop. Her proud mother, holder of Wombourne's civic award for her Guiding work, kept a wary eye on the bride's very long train. Four Young Leaders were ushers.

Leading a very active Company, committed to doing exciting things, is not without its hazards, of course, as Helen has discovered.

While potholing with the girls near Caerphilly, in Wales, for example, she was the 'big cheese' who became well and truly jammed by the hips and had

A BIT OF A DO

had escaped and became trapped by a rope.'

In Austria Helen was struck by a ski bar on a lift and had to have 13 stitches in her lip, which had been almost ripped off.

But none of this has lessened Helen's zest for zippy Guiding. And, as the wife of the unit's permanent skiing instructor, she will remain in the area, where she intends to continue the mixture as before, with annual camps and lots of busy weekends.

And then, who knows? Perhaps in



Wedded bliss — Wombourne's Guides and Brownies share Helen's Big Day

to be prised free like a stopper.

'It was a harrowing experience,' said Helen. 'But even worse was when I became caught by my hair while abseiling and had to have it cut off in mid-air so that I could be freed.

'My hair had been tied up for safety but, owing to a high wind, some of it

the fullness of time there might be a Brownie by the name of Standish-Bevan eager to join the closely-knit 3rd Wombourne and Blakeley Pack and follow her Mum's trail.

Now that would really please Grandma!

Guiding in a



Saltash Ranger Helen Ainger

The largest Ranger unit in Cornwall, Saltash Rangers are famous for their long-standing record of Duke of Edinburgh's Award achievements. Last year the girls broke all previous records with a total of six Gold awards gained.

Five of the awards were presented at St James's Palace, London and more recent recruits are keeping up the good work, with five Rangers currently working towards their Gold award.

Maybe the secret of this Unit's success is that everyone plays an active part in deciding which activities to try. Their Executive Committee is chaired by 20-year-old Sarah Tait.

'At the moment we have 26 Rangers on our books,' Sarah explained. 'We find we get groups of friends who all want to become Rangers together. And then word gets round that Rangers is a good thing to do.'

It seems there's no end to the exciting events the girls are willing to tackle. So far these have included

hiking, rock climbing, boat trips and tenpin bowling.

Wendy Hewling, now 18, has been a Ranger for three and a half years. 'I've done rock climbing and abseiling, which I'd never done before I joined,' she said. 'And I've also helped out with a Brownie unit.'

At just 24, Ranger Guider Sue Wharton is not much older than most of the Rangers. She took over from Joy Nodder who, until she retired at 65, built the Unit into the success it is today.

Taking over a Ranger Unit when you are still Ranger age is a bit daunting, Sue conceded. But she was eager to take on the challenge. 'I had been a Ranger since I was 14, it wasn't as though I was someone coming into it new,' she explained.

'So it wasn't as bad as you might think. I've had loads of help from my two Assistant Guiders, Lisa Hookway and Tanya Eatwell.

With it being such a large Unit there were worries about whether I would be able to cope with the girls. But, in fact, it works extremely well.



Home sweet home, the Unit in their special Ranger Den

ction

'I am just one of them really and some of the Rangers have said we get along with the girls because we are on the same wavelength.'

At 22, both Lisa and Tanya are also Ranger age. But Sue does stress that age isn't everything. 'The Unit was doing really well when Joy was in charge, so I wouldn't say that it was all to do with my age,' she said.

Even though they enjoy loads of fun activities, the girls still take time out to help local people. Every year they

of her outstanding commitment to the local community.

Demelza, who has been a Saltash Ranger for more than a year now, was given the award for her community work and, of course, for her commitment to Rangers. 'Demelza does an awful lot in the community and makes a great contribution to the town. It was a very well-deserved award,' Guider Sue said.

But Demelza isn't resting on her laurels. She is currently working hard towards her Queen's Guide Award, as

Ranger Guider Sue Wharton (left) and Assistant Guider Tanya Eatwell are not much older than the Rangers



TREVOR BURROWS

choose a special service project.

Currently the girls are busy thinking up ideas for their fundraising drive for a children's hospice to be built in North Devon.

At present, the nearest hospice is in Oxford — a long way for families in the South West to travel. And the new hospital will offer a welcome break to families coping under the strain of caring for a terminally-ill child.

The Rangers aim to raise £500 for the appeal. Their money-spinning efforts have so far included a money-chain, a fun run and raffles. They also spent a weekend running a children's crèche, with the takings donated to the fund.

Every year, a group of Rangers help run a camp for underprivileged children from Cornwall. This year, for the first time, some of the Rangers are helping with a weekend camp for mentally handicapped children and adults.

Their good work doesn't go unnoticed either. Ranger Demelza Green was awarded the title Young Citizen of the Year by the town council in recognition

well as the bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

Now Saltash Rangers have been selected to pilot the new 15+ programme for the senior section. The pilot scheme runs for 12 months and five Rangers are busy working on it.

'It is a new scheme which is being piloted all over the country — and we are one of those Units chosen,' Sue explained. 'We have to evaluate the scheme and then give feedback. The group has done a lot of "community service" type things.'

County Commissioner Angela Thomas has known some of the girls since they were Brownies and has watched them grow up in Guiding. Some have gone on to become Young Leaders.

'I must admit, a lump has come up into my throat when I've seen some of them receive their certificates as Young Leaders,' she said.

'I'm very proud of this unit. I think it shows that if you have a good thing going, people will always want to join.'

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TEA PARTY TIME

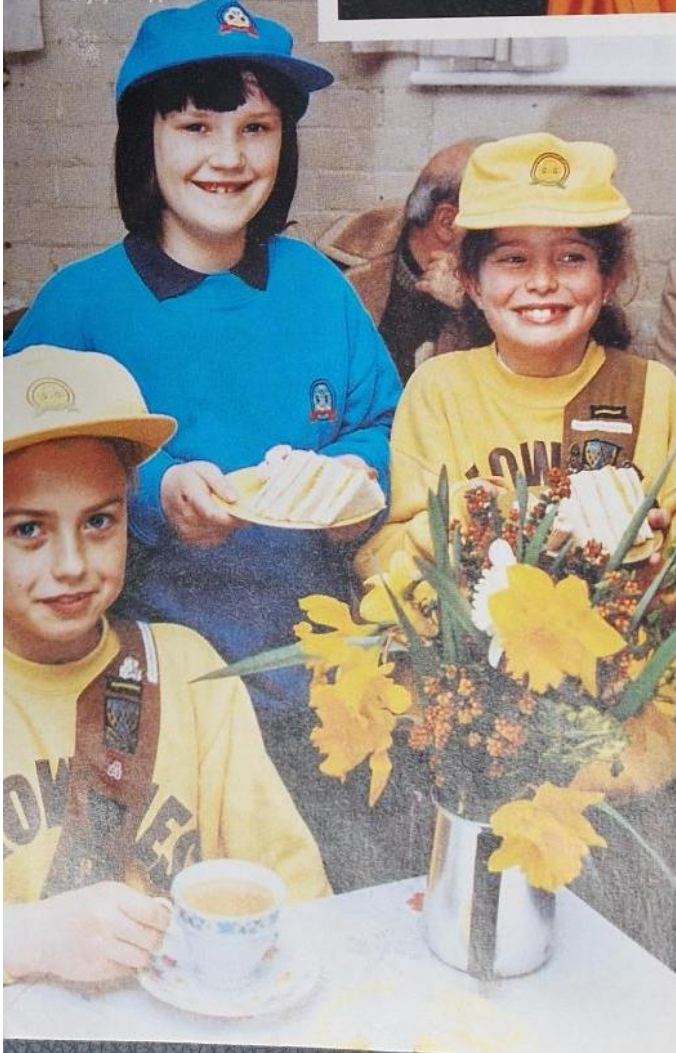
It was probably the biggest tea party in the world. Even as far away as China tea was served as part of a mammoth fundraising event to help buy Broneirion for Guides Cymru.



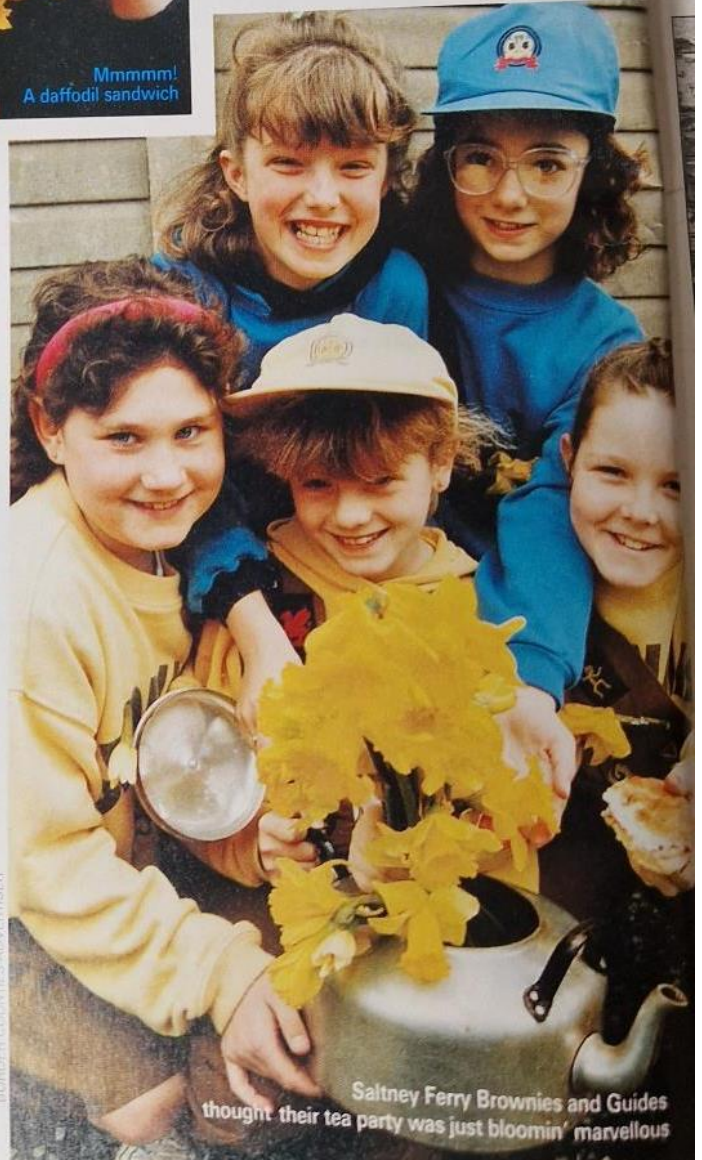
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Mmmmm!
A daffodil sandwich

Tea for three:
Oswestry Guides and Brownies
enjoy a cuppa and a sandwich



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Saltney Ferry Brownies and Guides
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The doors of 336 venues in Wales, England, Ireland, Germany, Hong Kong and, most appropriately, China were opened at exactly 3pm on March 28 to offer tea, sandwiches and cake to everyone who came. The event was Guides Cymru's Daffodil Tea Party — a tea-drinking extravaganza worthy of the Mad Hatter himself.

In all, 33,421 Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers and leaders brewed up to enjoy a cuppa in village halls, schools, institutes and Brownie Houses, as well as some more unusual places.

Machynlleth Guider Joyce Harris had gone on holiday to China with three friends and was in Beijing on the crucial date. But, determined to do their bit, they'd stocked up with the required provisions — taking tea to China so to speak!

When the time came to put the kettle on they were actually in Tiantin — the Temple of Heaven — Park. So they went ahead and held the smallest tea party of the event then and there.

And in the Chinese University of Hong Kong in Sha Tin, the sister of one

Rainbows and Brownies dressed up as daffodil flowers. Noticeboards were adorned, doorways were decorated and daffodils bloomed in buttonholes, vases and even teapots.

The 4th Haverfordwest Rangers originally wanted to hold their tea party on a raft. But the weather turned nasty, so they modified their plans and took tea in canoes on a swimming pool.

At Broneirion itself Guiders from Shropshire, who were attending a training weekend, joined the fun. Over the border in their home County, fellow Salopians held their own parties.

Guides Cymru Chief Commissioner Ruth Griffith attended the North Wales Area Trefoil Guild meeting at Llandudno, where over 100 members made sure they helped to swell the tea drinkers.

One group of Brownies held their party on Pack Holiday, while Guides Cymru's former Chief Commissioner Ray Charles was an honoured guest at another party at Brown Owl's House in Pontardawe.

In Gwent Chepstow Guides and Brownies were presented with two

taneously and was taken up by the Broneirion Liaison Committee, which co-ordinates fund raising in the Welsh Counties.

They approached the *Guinness Book of Records* to find out whether they could aim to set a world record.

This called for close monitoring of the number of people attending to drink tea at the allotted time which, of course, could be different from the number of tickets sold.

Authentication certificates had to be signed at each venue by 'two independent witnesses of some standing in the community'. Which was the perfect excuse to ask more guests.

So 'Gryff', the Garden Festival Wales' mascot, was invited to drink tea with the Mayor at the party hosted by Newport West District and attended by 362 other guests.

And another mascot, the 'Islwyn Bear', left his home in the Cwmcarn forest to authenticate numbers at Newbridge. With a suitable pawmark, of course.

Mayors, doctors, vicars, bank managers, chartered accountants, nurses, computer consultants and TV and radio presenters were all coaxed into providing authenticating signatures.

The party spirit spread across the border into England, where parties were held in Kent and at Waddow and a daffodil-decorated Foxlease. Guides at Lorne in Northern Ireland also joined in the fun.

British Guides in Germany weren't going to miss out on a taste of home either. Nearly 900 people went to eight parties at the BFPO stations.

No one, however, is quite sure exactly what happened in the Metropolitan Police Car Pound in London's Warwick Road, where no less than 54 people are said to have taken tea. An event authenticated by both a traffic warden and a police officer.

So far, the Daffodil Tea Party has realised over £22,000 for the Broneirion Appeal. This brings the fund to a total of £411,000 — not far off the £500,000 Guides Cymru need to buy Broneirion.

But was it the biggest tea party in the world? The jury is still out on that question and Guides Cymru are now waiting for the verdict from the *Guinness Book of Records*.

SUE KIRBY

● The next event to look forward to is the Broneirion Flower Festival from September 18-20. Each County will help to decorate the house and there will be flower arranging competitions and demonstrations. Tickets to visit the house cost £1, and tickets for the flower arranging demonstrations £3.



Daffodils blossomed for these lasses from Carmarthen

of the Welsh County Commissioners invited 19 people to tea in her flat, decorated with real daffodils.

But, of course, most of the partying took place in Wales, with Welsh Guides turning out in force to raise money to save their headquarters for future generations of girls and Guiders. Hotels, restaurants and, of course, tea rooms were taken over for a tea-drinking extravaganza.

Adopting the daffodil, one of the Welsh national emblems, as the theme for the event ensured the tea parties blossomed.

delicious daffodil cakes baked specially for them by the Army Apprentices College. And in Caldicot over 200 people crowded into one Guide hut for a tea party.

At the largest bun fight, held in the Market Hall in Brecon, 412 people were spotted enjoying a good cuppa. And 375 tea drinkers were recorded at the second largest party at the Welsh Tabernacle Church Hall in Barry, East Glamorgan.

It was Janet Rees, PRA for Breconshire, who had the original idea. Like all the best ideas, it developed spon-

CHANGES IN PERSPECTIVE

In July's Hotline members were told of a decision taken by The Council at its meeting in May to move towards having one Promise Badge and logo for all sections.



Enrolment Badge, 1910-18



Enrolment/Promise Badge, 1922-32



Promise Badge, 1968 onwards



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It is just one of a number of changes being considered as the Association paves the way for successful Guiding in the next century... and beyond. The latest steps in a natural progression which still retains all that is best from the early, heady days when the Founder was establishing the great game of Guiding.

As a talented artist, he was well aware of the importance of non-verbal messages and would undoubtedly have been completely at home in this visual age, when image is all.

However, in seeking to rationalise the Promise Badge situation there is no likelihood of throwing the baby out with the bath water. In suggesting a new badge for all sections, there is no intention of losing the Trefoil shape.

It is, however, possible to interpret the Trefoil in a contemporary way, signalling the Association's ability to absorb new ideas and trends, while continuing to hold on to established beliefs and values.

The Chief Commissioner, Jane Gar-side, explained the thinking behind the proposal, when she presented the Vision Statement and its objectives at the meeting. Then she said: 'Words on paper are all very well but, in order to signal to all sectors of the public the very real changes the Association not

only seeks to initiate, but must initiate, we must give serious thought to our Promise Badge and logo.

Thoughts of unity lead to the view that there should be one Promise Badge and logo for all sections, coupled with a keener use of the names Rainbow Guide, Brownie Guide and so on.'

As the Nineties have seen the Movement renewing itself with the launch of the *Guiding Manual*, the extremely successful uniform designed by Jeff Banks and user-friendly *Guide Handbook*, it seems this is the ideal moment to re-interpret the Trefoil.

Of course, it's not really a revolutionary

idea. There have been many changes in Promise Badges and logo — not always the same thing — over the years.

On early membership and enrolment cards, the Trefoil was encircled and topped by the phrase 'Be Prepared'. By 1921 the words 'The Girl Guides Incorporated' had been added and the Trefoil and motto had been rearranged.

The way in which the Trefoil was drawn changed quite significantly in the thirties and this was reflected in the Promise Badge (originally known as the Enrolment Badge).

This is demonstrated most dramati-



GGA logo, 1912



GGA logo, 1921



GGA logo, 1930

cally in the sequence of badges for Brownies. It was the Founder's sister, Agnes, who designed the first Rosebud Brooch in 1914. This was followed in 1915-16 by the Acorn. From 1917-19 Brownies were presented with a cloth Entrance Badge, showing for the first time the figure of a Brownie (a male figure).



Rosebud Badge, 1914



Brownie Badge, adopted in 1919

In 1919 the metal Brownie man on a bar was introduced. This lasted until 1967 — the only break being during the Second World War when the badge became either a solid oval or rectangle to save valuable manufacturing production time. And when metal of any kind became very scarce, Brownies were allowed to invent their own Promise Badges.



Brownie Badge, post 1967



Brownie Badge, 1971 onwards

After the war, the design of the figure changed slightly but it was still a bar pin badge. It wasn't until 1967 that the 'silver' hollow Trefoil incorporating the Brownie figure was adopted to bring the section in line with the others. The solid background was added in 1971.

The Guide badge too has been reworked several times until the current design was chosen in 1968. Adult members may now wear a gilt or a silver badge, or one 'according to the Promise made'.

There are metal and enamel versions for Rangers (aquamarine) and Young Leaders (white). For safety reasons Rainbows don't have badges with pins. Instead they have brightly coloured triangular cloth badges with a Trefoil superimposed on an arching Rainbow.

In future it is proposed that there should be only one badge for all members, whatever their age, although the Rainbow Guides' badges will still be cloth for safety.

The move is fitting for an organisation that prides itself on being democratic and will eliminate any suggestion of them and us. It will also enable a member still to wear proudly the badge she first received as an impressionable Brownie throughout her years in the Movement, even if she goes on to become an adult leader.

Council members were shown one design, but have put off making any decisions until they can see other versions. And members throughout the UK are being encouraged to submit their own ideas for the badge. The designs will be submitted to Council members at their autumn meeting in November.

At the meeting in May, Council members saw examples of Promise Badges and logos from other countries, including New Zealand, Canada, Australia and the USA, which illustrated a wide variation in approach to the three-fold message originally encapsulated in the Trefoil.

Recently WAGGGS carried out a 'corporate identity uplift' aimed at promoting its image as a 'modern, dynamic organisation'. That involved creating a new World Trefoil that differs radically from the Trefoil shown on the World Badge adopted at the World Conference in 1946.



World Badge, pre 1991



World Badge, post 1991

However, although the image altered, the message remained very much the same — a worldwide Association promoting the love of humanity and adhering to the essence of the Founder's beliefs.

And it isn't just trendy 20th century groups who alter the sign by which a movement is known. Early Christians used the sign of the fish — not the cross — as a secret signal to fellow believers, when they were a persecuted minority.

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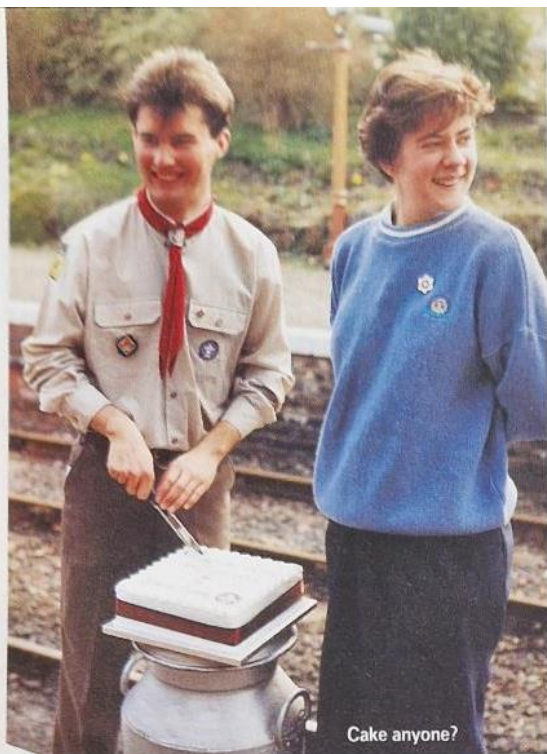
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A ride on the footplate of a steam train was the final treat on a very special occasion for two award-winning members of the Triton-Vandyk Venture Scout/Ranger Guide Unit.

Ranger Karen Scott and Venture Scout Mark Brewer received their Queen's Guide/Queen's Scout Awards in a unique ceremony at Arley station, one of the stops on the Severn Valley Railway.

The Solihull Unit, formed in 1970, has 'adopted' the station, which overlooks the river Severn. For many years members have spent weekends maintaining the station, including tackling painting, cleaning and track clearance.

So no one was surprised when Karen and Mark chose to have the presentation at the station. They arrived — by train, of course — to join 50 guests, 20 Unit members and a few slightly-bewildered sightseers and were ushered to a dais set up in front of an ancient locomotive awaiting restoration.

TED SCOTT



Members of the Unit get down to work



JUDITH MORLEY

The former Solihull Division Commissioner, Freda Perks read out the citation on Karen's certificate before she was presented with her Brooch by Greg Dodd, Scout County Commissioner for Solihull.

Guide County Commissioner for Warwickshire, Judith Morley, then pres-

ented Mark's badge, after hearing his citation read out by Solihull North District Commissioner, John Clayton.

Mrs Morley stressed the spirit of co-operation that exists between Guides and Scouts within the Unit.

The Station Master, who closed the waiting room to the public so the Unit

could hold an after-presentation party, thanked members for their hard work and produced his old Scout uniform to prove his support for the Movement.

Karen and Mark then cut a cake which was balanced on a milk churn before setting off on their train ride.

A medical student at Southampton University, Karen redecorated a school classroom and completed a 50-mile walk in North Wales, as well as taking part in an international Guiding event in Kenya while working for her award.

Mark, a chemistry student in Nottingham, took part in expeditions to Mont Blanc and the Peak District, taught ballroom dancing and learned to play the tuba to earn his badge.

Before the last guests had left, the Rangers and Venture Scouts were hard at work clearing the track.

Steaming ahead — Karen and Mark savour their Big Day

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CONCERT TIME

● *Swan Lake, Three-Cornered Hat, Peter and the Wolf, The Planets*... just some of the music included in this season's Ernest Read Concerts for Children at the Royal Festival Hall.

Now in their 48th year, the concerts are aimed at 7-12 year-olds. Each one, lasting about 75 minutes, features stories and music from a major work as well as brief 'lollipops', an audience song, quizzes, demonstrations, and a fun magazine to help with the listening.

There are also two carol concerts — all held on Saturday mornings or afternoons.

The first concert takes place on October 17; the last next year on May 15. For programme information and booking details send an sae (11cm x 22cm) to ERMA, 9 Cotsford Avenue, New Malden, Surrey KT3 5EU.

GREEN STAMPS

▼ The Green Issue — Royal Mail's latest 'special' — goes on sale at all post offices on September 15.

The four stamps, depicting ecological themes like acid rain and the ozone layer, were designed by children who took part in a Royal Mail/Blue Peter competition.

Textile design based on haircombs by Bose Ogona

Special issues — around eight are produced each year — make an ideal introduction to one of Britain's favourite pastimes: stamp collecting. If you're tempted to take up philately, start with *GUIDING's* Green Issue offer.

There are Green Issue presentation packs, containing all four stamps plus background information, for the first 25 readers who write in. Just send your name and address on a postcard to: Green Issue Offer, *GUIDING*, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT.

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stamps and collecting, contact the British Philatelic Bureau, 20 Brandon Street, Edinburgh EH3 5TT; Tel: 031-550 8900.

SILK AND CLAY

▲ *The Art of Celebrations*, on at the Commonwealth Institute until October 11, highlights the art and culture of the Bini people, Nigeria.

There are two complementary shows. One presents printed silks by Bose Ogona — flowing waves of colour with both abstract and traditional motifs.

The other looks at changes in the Bini way of life through the work of potter Tony Ogogo. On September 5 and 6, Ogogo will be giving pottery

demonstrations.

The Commonwealth Institute, Kensington, is open daily, admission free. Tel: 071-603 4535.

Mayan ceremonial mask



DEAF ACCORD

● The search is on nationwide for the BT Young Deaf Achiever of 1992.

The scheme, organised by Deaf Accord and sponsored this year by BT, aims to highlight some of the amazing achievements made by young deaf, deaf-blind or hard of hearing people.

In addition to the national winner and two runners-up, awards will also be made to ten area finalists.

If you know of a deaf person, aged 16-29, who has excelled in any field why not enter her for the Award. Nomination forms, to be returned by September 30, are available from: Deaf Accord, Suite 704, BP Charity Base, The Chandlery, 50 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7QY.



MEXICO PRE-'92

▼ As a finale to the Columbus Quincentenary — 500 years since Columbus 'discovered' America — London's Hayward Gallery is staging *The Art of Ancient Mexico*.

The exhibition, which comes to London after showing in Europe and Japan, covers the period 1000 BC to AD 1500 and features sculpture and pottery by pre-hispanic peoples like the Olmecs, Mayas and Aztecs.

The Art of Ancient Mexico runs concurrently with a show of 25 paintings by Bridget Riley, a contemporary artist renowned for her use of colour.

The entrance ticket admits to both exhibitions: £5 adult,

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then get into action for Ele-Week — a fundraising bonanza from October 5-10.

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towpath through a variety of landscapes including old wharfs, woods and marshes.

For more information, entry form and sponsorship details send an sae (9in x 6in) to Lee Valley Park Countryside Centre, Abbey Farmhouse, Crooked Mile, Waltham Abbey, Essex EN9 1QX. Entry forms must be returned by September 18.

FLOWER SHOW

▲ The fascinating world of flower photography is celebrated by a new touring exhibition, *Flora Photographica*, which has just opened in London.

The exhibition, with over 100 pictures, presents an intriguing survey of flower photo-

graphy from the 1850s to the present day. Many of the photos show flowers on their own, others include them in portraits — often to emphasise a character trait.

Flora Photographica continues at the Serpentine Gallery until September 20; it then goes to Edinburgh (Oct 3-Nov 22), Manchester (Nov 28-Jan 17) and Coventry (Jan 23-March 7). Admission free (except Edinburgh).

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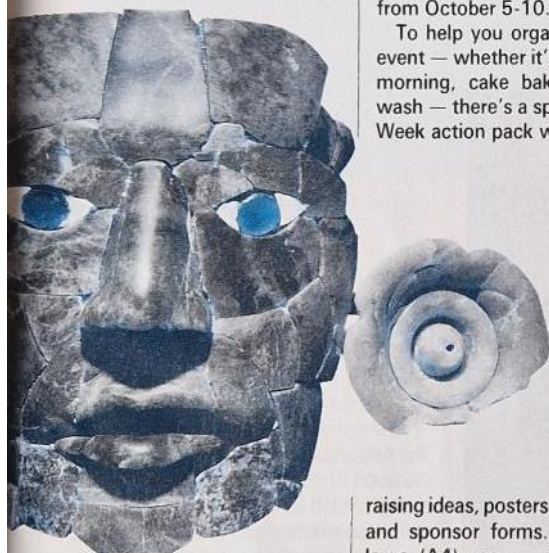
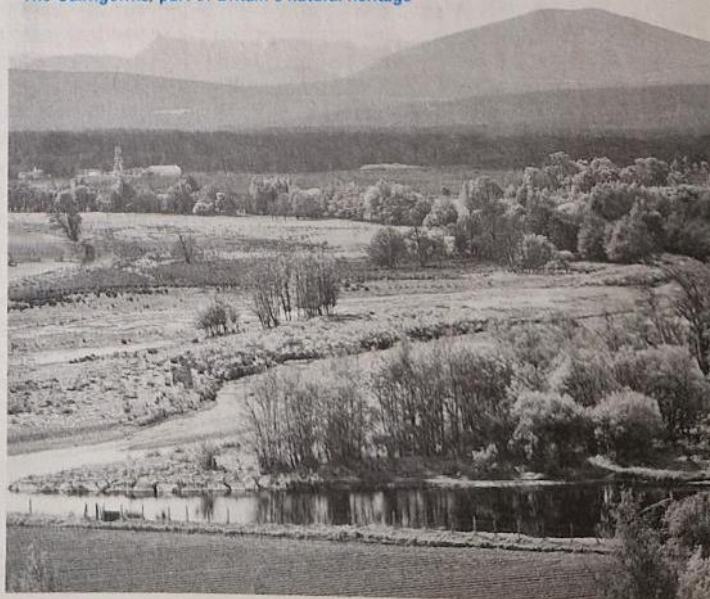
▼ Britain has just over 5,500 SSSIs — Sites of Special Scientific Interest. From mountains and moorlands to meadows and marshes, they are the very best of this country's wildlife habitats and must be protected to ensure our natural heritage survives.

Yet SSSIs are under increasing threat from new roads, forestry and neglect. A recent report shows that five per cent are being damaged or destroyed each year.

To halt this destruction, the World Wide Fund for Nature has launched an SSSI campaign. Details of the campaign and ways in which the public can help — like fund raising or looking after a local site — appear in a campaign leaflet and fact file.

To receive copies phone the SSSI hotline on 0483 426236 or send a sae (A4) to SSSI Campaign, WWF-UK, Panda House, Weyside Park, Godalming, Surrey GU7 1XR.

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● Ignoring a world ban, the ivory trade continues — illegally. So Africa's elephants remain at risk, and Elefriends must still campaign on their behalf.

The charity's campaign has two objectives. First, to support anti-poaching and conservation projects, and second, to halt the ivory trade.

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raising ideas, posters, stickers and sponsor forms. Send a large (A4) sae — with 64p stamp — to Elefriends, Cherry Tree Cottage, Coldharbour, Dorking, Surrey RH5 6HA.

HEART WALK

● Have a day out in the valley of the River Lee and, at the same time, raise money for the British Heart Foundation — the heart research charity.

This year's Lee Valley Park Walk, on September 27, has been organised in stages to cater for all abilities.

Walkers — individuals, families, groups — can choose between 25 miles, 12 miles, or less, so long as they finish at an official checkpoint.

The route, from Victoria Park in East London to Ware in Hertfordshire, follows the

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Madeline Dietrich
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EURO CONFERENCE

More than 300 representatives of nearly 60 Guide and Scout Associations from 25 countries throughout Europe gathered in Sweden for the seventh European Guide and Scout Conference.

They were joined in Helsingborg by guests and observers from the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS); the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM); the European Community, and newly formed and reformed associations in 13 countries in Central and Eastern Europe that are not yet members of either world body, including Lithuania,

but his country's elections prevented him from attending. However, the address was given on his behalf by the leader of the Czech parliament.

The theme for the conference was 'Scouting and Guiding — a vision for the future'. One of its major tasks was to discuss the way forward for the Europe Region, WAGGGS and the European Scout Region.



Working together for a shared future

Romania, Albania and Croatia.

Three years earlier, at the last conference in Cyprus, no one could possibly have imagined the changes that were about to take place in Europe, nor the vitality and excitement that these future members bring to the Europe Region.

The host committee, representing the five Guide and Scout associations in Sweden, worked extremely hard to make everyone feel welcome, and the opening ceremony was performed by King Carl Gustav.

To get through the programme, each day began with a delegation breakfast meeting at 7am and meetings, sessions and discussions often continued late into the night.

Vaclav Havel, then President of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, was invited to give the opening address

— For 20 years the two regions have worked closely together organising joint conferences, seminars and committee meetings. For some time it has been felt that the arrangements should be recognised on a formal basis, with the two regions working towards becoming a single entity — holding one conference, electing one committee and operating from one office with one budget.

The GGA's view is that it is right for Europe to move towards greater institutional co-operation, creating structures which could more efficiently serve all the members of the region.

The WAGGGS associations in Europe stressed that this proposal should be seen now as appropriate only for the Europe Region — a natural evolution of the successful co-operation enjoyed over the past 20 years.

Other regions throughout the world must be free to develop in ways appropriate to their situation. The proposal also emphasised the freedom for each national Guide and Scout association to adopt the structure of its choice.

A proposal was drafted for a plan of action and formal request for the question of co-operation between WAGGGS and WOSM and the specific situation of the Europe region to be placed on the agenda for the two World Conferences next year.

Then the two separate conferences (voting in this way was necessary for existing constitutional reasons) agreed almost unanimously to adopt the proposals for a trial period of six years. A task group is being formed to examine all aspects and will work closely with the newly elected committees.

The Europe Committee WAGGGS and the European Scout Committee were elected at these separate conferences. However, it should be the last time as, at the next conference — to be held in Austria in 1995, the single committee should be elected by the whole conference.

Judy Ellis, formerly UK International Commissioner, was elected, together with representatives from Ireland, Italy, Iceland, France and Germany.

Members of the delegation took part in workshops on a variety of topics, including the examination of social trends; membership management; sponsorship; image and identity; and education for equal partnership.

Towards the end of the conference week recommendations for future areas of work for the region were considered. The Association's delegation was directly involved in proposing, or seconding, a number of these, including a request to the committees to study setting up reciprocal arrangements for the transferability of leadership qualifications across Europe and mutual recognition of the achievements of young people.

Others emphasised the importance of co-operation between associations in Europe and those in developing countries, the need for co-operation on programme development for the senior age range and the value of networking.

To a large extent delegates worked closely with the UK Scout Association delegation on the development of and voting for the recommendations.

Guiding and Scouting has much to offer young people in Europe and it was certainly evident in Helsingborg that all associations are determined to move forward confidently together, acting with vision for a shared future.

SUE TAYLOR

International Commissioner



ANTHEA WHITWORTH

Whoever said 'It's only one evening a week' was way out in their estimation. It's amazing the amount of free time I had in August. I kept lifting the telephone to see if it was still working!

A weekend camp passed by in the usual chaos. We were still making gadgets when it was time to go home. Part of our plan had been to look at Stage 1 Knotter — because the girls wanted a 'square' badge for a change. So we did. We looked at it but we didn't actually do much of it.

The Robins cooked bread rolls in their home-made camp oven, dampers on sticks, and eggs in orange skins for their own leaving party, no guests invited. Then they made popcorn as their contribution towards the other Patrols' midnight feasts which they gatecrashed.

I'm still trying to clean the billycan they cooked the popcorn in.

We planned the summer activities for a normal meeting day thinking that would make it easier to remember, but even payment in advance made little difference. One mother actually phoned to ask — unsuccessfully — for her money back because her daughter forgot the date.

The Robins did the first session as an Action Plus treasure hunt with a few games interspersed. Several Guides

who hadn't had time to forget turned up, and it was generally successful.

The second meeting was also popular with the Guides because it was swimming and already paid for. It was less popular with me when they all decided to play let's drown Guider.

I found that I can stay under water for quite a long while!

Next came cycling. We met in the school car park to practise our skills before heading for adventure. Only two Guides turned up and one had a puncture, so we did a repair lesson first. In fact, we did a lot more map reading than actual cycling. Still, it was constructive.

Finally came the hike with almost the same scenario as last year — Claire plus sister, fighting this time over who should have the dog and who should push the pushchair, while

last year's baby toddled alongside.

As they had to be back early, I sighed with relief and we did a very short walk. So how come I got to carry the dog?

Next year will someone please remind me not to plan Guide activities for the summer — even if it does seem a good idea at the time.

I was still left with a few weeks of peace to catch up on the essentials of life like spring-cleaning... late for this year, not early for next. I also tackled the roses which missed out on their spring prune.

Finally, I did have a chance to get the deckchair out and watch the grass grow, sew a few more badges on to my neglected camp blanket (I'm up to 1985 now), and stroll along the riverbank to check the best places this year for sloes, crab apples and blackberries. That's the life!

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GUIDE GUIDER

THE AMERICAN CONNECTION



Beverly Gayhardt, Executive Director of NORAGS, compares notes with two Czech Guiders

Barbara Reid, a District Commissioner and Trainer in Nottinghamshire reports back on the conference of North Atlantic Girl Scouts in Guiding (known as NORAGS).

“I thought British Guiding was full of jargon until I discovered NORAGS! What would you think if someone described themselves as ‘I’m a short Charlie seventy niner’?”

Confused? So was I, until I realised many NORAGS members are attached to American military bases and the jargon they use often refers to their ranking within the military.

After seeing an item in *GUIDING*, three other Trainers, Gillian Kendall, Susan Westwood, Sarah Clarkson and I joined NORAGS’ leaders at their

annual residential conference in Sonthofen, Germany, to exchange ideas and learn from one another.

The theme of this year’s conference was Earth Matters, and it was fascinating to compare our environmental problems with those facing the Americans. Although they are years ahead of us in convenience foods and so on, the Americans are desperately trying to cope with the hazards created by their easy lifestyle.

The American delegates provided us with food for thought. Many of them, through their military links, are required to transfer from base to base at regular intervals. Volunteers therefore tend to follow their daughters’ progress up through the Movement rather than staying with a fixed age group.

They thought it strange we do not do the same, and were astonished to discover we chose to serve as Guiders for years at a time. The average length of service for many of their volunteers was quoted as three months!

Our research into Anglo-American relations spilled over into our leisure time. This included a session in the sauna where not even steamy heat and hot wooden slats could stop our discussions!

A great ‘icebreaker’ was exchanging badges or patches as they are known to Girl Scouts. Our metal County badges were in great demand and we were frequently asked if Nottingham really existed!

The conference also gave us a unique opportunity to meet Czech, Polish and Hungarian Guiders. Our Rainbow Trainer, Susan Westwood, was thrilled to meet one Czechoslovakian leader whose company had received parcels of pens, paper, crayons and books from her District.

The Czechs told us they did not lack food but were desperate for Guiding training aids, craft items and ideas and English people to help them improve their English language skills. We also learned that similar needs exist in Poland.

The Polish and Hungarian Guiders revealed that working women had achieved parity under Communism but were now striving to restore femininity without losing that equality.

We explained the difficulty that British working women still face in trying to achieve promotion in a male-dominated workplace. We were given the impression that no such problem exists in America.

Other British delegates came from locations as diverse as Bonn, Madrid, Sardinia, Rome and Turkey, where they had attached themselves to the Girl Scouts as there were no local Guiding organisations. There were also a surprising number of Girl Scout leaders from Scotland and East Anglia.

The phased withdrawal of many US personnel, known as ‘Drawdown’ is causing a great deal of upheaval within NORAGS. Many families are returning to uncertain futures in the US or transferring to other bases, as yet unknown.

I am sure Girl Scouting will help many girls through the difficulties they will experience during this difficult time. If you should find any transferred to your area in the UK please help them to make them feel welcome.

Now we’re back, we’d like to run a similar conference locally and it would be great to see one organised nationally. ☺

BARBARA REID

PILOT BADGE

Please note that the initials IPPD which appear on the new Pilot badge stand for 'Piloted Programme Development'.

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Speakers will include Ann Mitchell on the Diamond Jubilee of Our Chalet and groups who have visited Our Cabana and Sangam. Anyone who has visited a World Centre and wants to contribute a display or pictures is welcome to do so.

Although the meeting will officially begin at 2pm, visitors can arrive at any time from 11.30am onwards. Lunch will be provided at a cost of £3.

For more information contact Mrs Marie Ruiz at 37 Davenant Road, Oxford OX2 8BU; tel: 0865 58293. Mrs Ruiz will need to know numbers in advance so, if you plan to attend, please let her know by October 10 at the latest.

FUN DAY

A Fun Day is being held at Waddow Hall, Clitheroe on September 20, organised by the Young Friends of Waddow. Guiders are invited to take their units along to join in the many activities. As there are only a limited number of places, apply now. Those who don't have a unit, or whose girls can't attend, would be welcome as helpers (limited overnight accommodation is available).

Write now for information to: the Guider-in-Charge, Waddow Hall, Clitheroe, Lancs BB7 3LD. Remember to enclose a sae.

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FLAVOUR OF INDIA

The Friends of Sangam (UK) is holding a Friends Gathering on Saturday, September 26 at The Scout Hut, Hanley Avenue, Bramcote, Nottingham. The event begins at 10.30am with stalls and crafts followed by an Indian lunch at 1pm.

In the afternoon there will be a planning session and slide show with competition.

Anyone interested in the work and activities taking place at the World Centre is welcome as well as all Friends of Sangam.

Further details are available from Mrs Margaret Wellock, 7 Boscombe Avenue, Morecambe, Lancs LA3 1LW.

TALKING SENSE

Sensing technologies that enable scientists and engineers to work in demanding and inaccessible environments are the subject of the Institution of Electrical Engineers' Faraday Lecture presented by British Gas.

The hour-long presentations are free and designed to encourage students to consider engineering as a possible career.

Older Guides and Rangers are just the sort of audience for whom the lecture 'The Sense' was intended. It will be given at 18 venues throughout the country starting this month at Liverpool and ending at Leicester in March.

For further details contact the Institution of Electrical Engineers at Michael Faraday House, Six Hills Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2AY; tel: 0438 313311.

ON YOUR MARKS

The Royal Air Force Rutland Walk 1992 will take place on Sunday, September 27. There are three routes — 40km, 27km and 13km long — to choose from but they all pass along the scenic shores of Rutland Water.

Walkers take part in a relaxed, non-competitive

event and everyone who completes their chosen route will receive a medal and a certificate. There are also trophies to be won by the individual or team who raises the most money.

A camp site will be available for the night of Saturday, September 26. Weather permitting, a flying display will take place while the walk is in progress.

All money raised goes to national and local charities. However, the major beneficiaries this year are the Spastics Society, the Rutland Accident Care Scheme and the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund.

If you would like to take part please write for entry forms to: Royal Air Force Rutland Walk, Royal Air Force North Luffenham, Oakham, Leicestershire LE15 8RL.

SANGAM POST

Next summer a new Guider-in-Charge will take over at Sangam, the World Centre at Pune in India.

A three-year (renewable) contract is on offer to candidates who should ideally be aged between 35 and 55 and possess 'the qualities of tolerance, flexibility, commitment to Guiding, stamina, an interest in other cultures, knowledge of and interest in the culture and history of India and her people'.

Suitably qualified applicants should apply — including full CV — to the Director of the World Bureau, Olave Centre, 12c Lyndhurst Road, London NW3 5PQ; tel: 071-794 1181 by December 1. A full job description plus terms and conditions of employment will be mailed on written request.

SPECIAL OFFER

Parties of Guides and Brownies with their leaders will be welcome this month at either of the Jamboree Saturdays at Chester Zoo.

Any members of major youth organisations in uniform can take advantage of the special discount rate of £2 per person — adult or junior — on September 19 and 26.

GUERNSEY REMEMBERS

PART 2

The outbreak of the Second World War brought an abrupt halt to the spread of Guiding on Guernsey. But since then the island's Association has gone from strength to strength.



Guernsey Guides greet King George VI and Queen Elizabeth during their visit to the island in June 1945

Parents on Guernsey faced a stark choice in 1940: send their children to 'safety' or keep their families together on an island under the heel of the occupying Germans.

For Guiders too it was a sad time. Mary Le Poidevin had finally received her warrant as a Guide Captain just four months before the Germans landed. 'I had over 30 girls and no proper Lieutenant', she recalled.

'I had all sorts of plans. Then one summer night I went down to meet my Guides at Delancy Park. They said: "Oh we can't stay, we've got to be at the harbour at midnight".'

Boats fresh from bringing battle-

weary soldiers home from Dunkirk had been despatched to rescue the children. About 5,000 crammed the holds bound for Canada, Scotland and the North of England.

Among them was six-year-old Rachel Raby and her younger sister, Jane, who later became Guernsey's Bailiwick Commissioner. Rachel remembers hundreds of children all wearing 'Mae Wests' (life jackets) and, on arrival, being taken to a cinema where the WVS distributed mugs of tea and jam sandwiches... 'sheer nectar'.

For some becoming a refugee meant liberation. Edith Le Patourel, now Guiding's archivist on Guernsey,

explained: 'I enjoyed my years away. It was a release from my mother's strict supervision.'

But fellow Trefoil Guild member Muriel Le Page believes the separation made a lasting difference to family life on the island. 'Families were apart for five years — that's a big slice out of a child's life. Brothers and sisters were split up and grew apart.'

Girls from the island's Intermediate School were sent to Rochdale — that's why so many people on the island have Lancashire accents, Rachel insists. Their Brown Owl, Miss Bessie Clayton, who taught divinity and needlework, soon applied to the area Division Commissioner for permission to carry on Guiding.

The local Rotary Club sent a toadstool and other equipment was supplied out of Headquarter's relief fund. 'Nobody had taken their uniforms with them, so we got some second-hand from people in Rochdale and were allowed to wear our box-pleated gym slips,' Rachel recalled. 'We had a lot of fun.'

Eventually there were two Guide Companies, the 4th run by Miss Nora Rowe, and the 4thA, as Miss Clayton decided to 'move up' with her girls when they became Guide-age.

The Guernsey girls raised money for the GIS, the Guide International Service, did war work handling camouflage netting and staged house-to-house collections for waste paper and toys and books to be sent to less fortunate refugees.

They were given temporary membership of Rochdale Division and the 4thA Guides carried off a District Challenge Banner.

A farewell rally was held before the Guernsey girls returned home when

Rochdale presented them with King's Colours and two colour carriers with silver engraved shields.

They were given 'in acknowledgement of the good Guiding shown by Guides and Guiders in the hope that the colours and the toadstool will always keep alive the memory of your friends in the north.'

In return the Guernsey Guiders placed on record their 'deep appreciation' of the friendship they'd received.

The evacuees' return was staggered so the youngsters' education did not suffer.

Mary Le Poidevin and Gwen Renouf spent the war years on Guernsey as nurses. And they were among the members of the Movement who proudly donned their uniforms to parade before King George VI and Queen Elizabeth in June 1945, when the royal couple visited the island. The occupation had ended on May 9, which is still celebrated with a public holiday.

Nell Falla married only two months before the invasion, she remained on the island to look after her widowed mother. 'During the war I never forgot my Guide Promise, it certainly helped to know how to make do and mend,' she said.

'I went to the meeting held after the war ended and we didn't really know how to cope with all the dozens of girls who turned up.'

A welcome home camp fire was arranged to greet the girls and leaders who were returning to the island.

Nell went on to run a Guide Company and a Sea Ranger Unit. She became Island Captain (Ceremonial Adviser) — 'I like things done properly,' she explained. Her daughter and granddaughter have followed her into the movement and her daughter-in-law, Jenny, is the present South District Commissioner.

Both Mary and Gwen left the island to complete their formal nursing training. Back trouble brought Mary home to the island. Gwen is now also retired and both are members of the Trefoil Guild.

Gwen recalled that in the Thirties the island didn't have a Standard unlike mainland Counties — Guernsey is classed as a County and is part of South West Region. Just before the war it was decided to make an Island Standard.

It was designed during the war and a secret call went out for gifts of material and embroidery thread as none could be bought. The Standard was dedicated in 1947 when the World Chief Guide visited the island and is still in use today, although the white linen has yellowed with age.

The Guides were soon re-establishing

their position in the life of the community. In 1948 the island's first Queen's Guide, Jean Noyon, was presented with her badge and certificate by Lady Cochran, Chief Commissioner for England.

The Festival of Britain in 1951 was marked by the lighting of a beacon by Guernsey Guides.

Five years later the Association's President, the Princess Royal, visited the island.

The Sixties began with a visit from the World Chief Guide as part of the Association's Golden Jubilee celebrations. She returned in 1969 for what was to be her last visit to the island.

It was a proud moment in the island's Guiding history when, in 1984, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother opened the specially-built Guide headquarters at Rue Mainguy, Vale.

The 75th anniversary of the Movement was celebrated in 1985 with a different event every month including an exhibition at Castle Cornet and the opening of a Guide shop.

In 1983 the title Island Commissioner was changed to Bailiwick Commissioner to show that the island of Alderney is one of the five Districts within the 'County' and Jane Wilson took over the role.

She retired in March handing over to Sue Veillard, who had served 'a long apprenticeship' having been the Association's honorary secretary for eight years.

Currently there are five Ranger Units, 12 Guide Companies, 19 Brownie Packs and seven Rainbow Units in action, as well as an active Trefoil Guild and a supportive Friends of Guiding group.

Although the number of girls enjoying Guiding remains fairly constant, Sue Veillard admits that even on the islands it is hard to recruit leaders as more and more women go out to work.

There were Busy Bees on Guernsey before Rainbow Guides were officially launched. Jane Wilson explained: 'One Brownie Pack's numbers were down due to the falling birth rate. But we didn't want it to close, as we knew there were young girls coming along.'

'So we started an under-age group with a leader known as Mother Bee. They were allowed to join in the Brownies' games... then, when I heard about Rainbows starting, I realised we'd got them already.'

One link with the past ended last summer when the 1st Guernsey Company which has always met at Ladies' College moved out. It now has a new meeting place and has been registered as the 14th Castel Company.

Sue Veillard is keen to continue the tree planting and conservation work

begun on the 41 verges (a Guernsey method of land measurement) of fields the Association now owns. 'One of the



JANE WILSON

fields is one of the few marshlands left on the island where certain wild flowers grow and we want to preserve it,' she said. As part of last year's South West Region's Environment Challenge, the Association planted 90 trees on the land.

Tree planting on land belonging to the Association



NORA WARNER

Guernsey with its miles of coastland paths and sandy coves is ideal for promoting outdoor activities. One event Jane Wilson will never forget is taking part in the Round the Island Walk, when she slipped over and cut her leg. As she's the island's Walking Adviser that set the girls giggling, once they knew she wasn't badly hurt.

The walk usually lasts about four days and those taking part have to walk round the 52-mile perimeter of the island sticking to headland paths, beaches and scrambling across boulders.

Jane intends to carry on as Walking Adviser and she serves as a member of The Council. She's come a long way since her Brownie days, when dressed as a snowflake she shared in the island victory celebrations.

Bailiwick Commissioner Sue Veillard (left) and her predecessor Jane Wilson

A WET WEEKEND



All aboard for WOW — the Association's Weekend of Water '92 — that takes place on September 18 to 20.

Over the past few months we've been suggesting ways that units from Rainbows to Rangers can take part in fun events and activities. Guiders too are encouraged to join in the action.

The event is wide-ranging. The only rules are that your activity must be based around water and take place over that particular weekend.

Whether you choose to go canoeing, investigate pollution levels in a local river or simply count seashells on the shore you will be extending the girls' knowledge in a fun way. You will also be reinforcing the message that water is a valuable resource that must be guarded not wasted.

It doesn't have to be something the whole unit does together. Each Patrol in a Guide Company may work on a separate idea. Guiders will, of course, have to make sure they've enlisted enough adult help to cover all the activities.

SAFETY HINTS

To avoid contamination from polluted water always follow these safety rules.

- Cover cuts and grazes with waterproof plasters.
- Wear rubber gloves if you are putting your hands into the water.
- Never drink river or sea water.
- Wash your hands with soap and tap water before eating or drinking.

It's also a chance to drum up some good publicity for Guiding by telling the local media what you're planning.

If the local paper sends along a photographer be sure to ask for copies of the pictures and send them to CHQ. They'll show the organisers just what you've been getting up to and might even find their way into *GUIDING*.

After you've completed your activity, all you have to do is to send a large sae marked WOW to Guiding Activities, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT and you'll receive a certificate of participation.

If you want to get involved but are stuck for original ideas, look back at May, June, July and August's *GUIDING*. Or get hold of copies of *GUIDE PATROL* for June, August or September.

GO FOR IT

Older Brownies and their Guiders will soon be discovering a new extension to the Brownie Programme, when the *Go! Challenge Book* is available from the Trading Service, Guide shops and depots later this autumn.

The challenges build on the Brownie Programme. Brownies aged nine or over are encouraged to stretch themselves, show their skills, demonstrate how responsible they are and share their adventures with the Pack.

With more than 30 challenges divided into three themed sections, there is plenty of choice and ideas to appeal to any Brownie, no matter where she lives or how few resources are available to her locally.

One section encourages Brownies to express their own ideas by cooking

a dish using a fruit or vegetable they haven't tried before; making a 'guess the sounds' tape; exploring ways of looking good and keeping fit; or becoming a newspaper editor!

Another section gives Brownies the chance to get out and about and use their ingenuity — to follow a trail, become a weather expert; or design and build a bridge.

Artistic Brownies will enjoy the third section — they could design their own bedroom (and work out how much it would cost!); cheer up a place or person or create a Freda mobile.

Guiders will appreciate the hints with each challenge and Brownies are encouraged to complete the challenges using their own initiative. A Brownie has to complete one challenge from each section to gain her *Go!* badge.

AFRICA APPEAL

Improving education for girls, according to a director of the World Bank, may be 'the most important long-term environmental policy in Africa and in other parts of the developing world.'

It's a solution that members of WAGGGS have long advocated. This year the Girl Guide Friendship Fund has chosen to support community projects in four African countries through its Christmas Good Turn Appeal — Help Africa.

Money raised by units throughout the UK will be sent to Zimbabwe, Sierra Leone, Tanzania and Lesotho where Guiding thrives, sometimes fighting against enormous odds.

The GGFF is continuing its new policy of only helping Guiding/Girl Scouting in WAGGGS member countries; Branch Associations; Europe and the UK.

Last year it was decided to no longer nominate outside charities for the Christmas Appeal because GGA members give generously to other charities at unit, District and Division level.

The Chairman, Lady Crowther-Hunt said then 'There are tremendous needs in Guiding today both here in the UK as well as all over the world.'

NEEDS

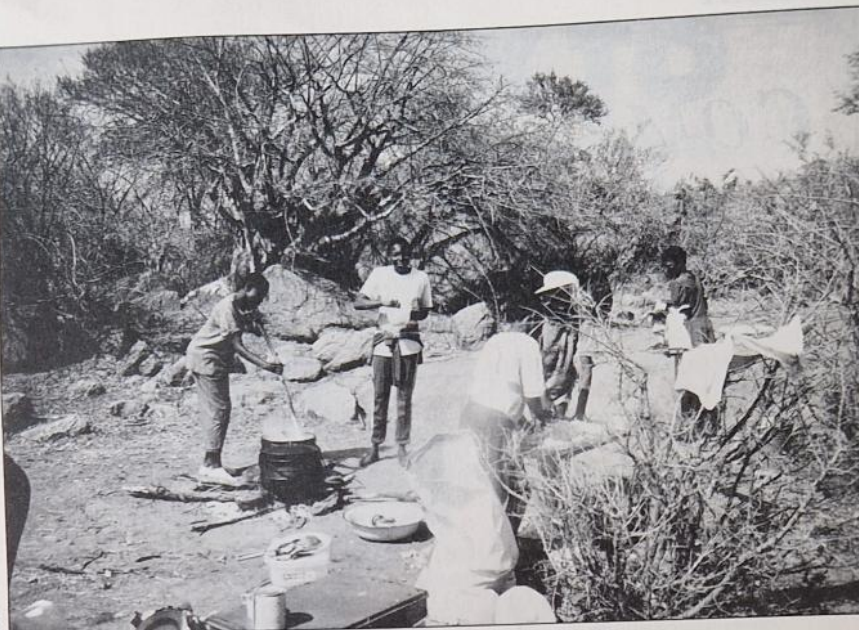
This is certainly true of the countries chosen this year.

Sierra Leone needs typewriters for a job training project.

Tanzania is also running a job training project and is short of sewing machines.

In both these countries secondary education isn't compulsory and there is no State-funded job training. The projects run by the local Guide Association offer the girls there a chance of equipping themselves to find a job.

Lesotho has recently had a fire at Guide headquarters and urgently needs to replace equipment, even paper is



Guides setting up camp in the Zimbabwean bush

desperately needed.

Zimbabwe needs help with the second stage of a project run by Rangers that, in 1990, won the prestigious Olave Award.

Each month in the run up to Christmas we will be focusing on one of these countries.

CAMPAIGN

To launch the campaign we look at Zimbabwe, which is currently celebrating 80 years of Guiding.

The Girl Guides Association of Zimbabwe began in Mutare in 1912, only two years after Guiding began in the UK. Zimbabwe became a full member of WAGGGS in 1972.

Today the headquarters are in Harare and the country is divided into nine provinces, which are then sub-divided into Divisions and Districts.

There are currently over 10,000 girls and leaders in Brownie, Guide and Ranger units.

Welcoming the GGFF's African initiative, the Chief Commissioner, Mrs Marjorie Samudzimu said: 'Throughout its history the Zimbabwean Association has devoted much of its time to rendering service to the community by helping with projects such as resettlement programmes; health for all by the year 2000; the eradication of illiteracy; and the promotion of self-reliance projects, all

of which aim at improving the quality of life.

This has been done through our Guiding programmes and annual national challenges. The present outreach is to build up groups of young leaders and Youth Executives in each province.'

Your donations will be used to continue work on the Monte Cassino Mission Pre-school Project in the Macheke Resettlement Area, which lies east of Harare.

The secondary school at the mission has five Guide Companies and two Ranger Units. Mrs Samudzimu explained: 'These units have made a tremendous contribution to the community of the resettlement area in Macheke.'

'For their sustained efforts to this community since 1983, they were presented with the Olave Award in 1990.'

LITERACY

The girls have helped with programmes aimed at young mothers and parents on child care and literacy. They have raised large sums to support the Zimbabwean GGA and to buy basic necessities for the young mother and pupils, including shoes for the poorer children.

Now it is felt that those most needing help are the pre-school children. All youngsters entering primary

school are expected to have received some preliminary education in a crèche.

'At the moment,' explained Ranger Guider Sister Sturmia, 'two untrained ladies run a crèche for 65 children under a tree close to the primary school.'

The aim is to have a permanent building on the site which would cater for pre-school children, as well as serving as a meeting place for organisations and a centre for literacy classes.

GOING UP

So far the walls are up, window and door frames have been cannibalised from a derelict farmhouse and the roof is on.

Sister Sturmia said: 'The money for this stage was raised through donations. The authorities are grateful for the help received so far but have no means of financing the project. They have difficulty in raising enough money to pay the ladies who run the crèche.'

'Any help from the GGFF will be much appreciated,' said Sister Sturmia.

Any donations for the Help Africa Christmas Good Turn Appeal should be sent to the GGFF c/o Rosemary Mills, General Secretary's Department, Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT. Cheques should be made out to GGA (GGFF).

JOAN NORTON

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Today within the Girl Guides Association, there is an ever-increasing number of opportunities for adult leaders to advance our own skills. Nearly every weekend the Association's Training Centres offer some sort of course, whether it is aimed at improving our self-confidence or simply encouraging people to enjoy a walk in the hills.

After attending one of these sessions, we may be fortunate enough to be asked to take on new responsibilities such as those of District Commissioner or organiser of the latest County camp or District Revels.

We find ourselves swept along by our re-vitalised enthusiasm and begin to spend more time looking at the Association's headed note paper than our partners or other loved ones!

The highlight of the year comes when one is faced with standing up and giving a report at the appropriate meeting. At the time we all complain that we've had four committee meetings that week and groan about the extra work load, but we all know really that if we loathed the work involved we wouldn't be there.

Perhaps the questions we should be asking are: 'Are we being swept along

to oblivion?' and 'Do we sometimes forget why we really all hold our warrants?'

Although we would always deny it, this can often be the case. There are occasions when we struggle through a meeting because of lack of preparation, claiming we were too occupied with other business. The basic training that goes into our warrant is valuable, and we should not forget that, if there were no girls we wouldn't need a warrant, and none of these other opportunities would be available to us.

So let's all get back to basics. Take it in turns with the other adult leaders in your unit to take an across-the-board look at your meetings and re-discover why you're involved.

It may be the enjoyment of seeing a girl previously scared of heights reach the three-metre mark on the climbing

wall. Or seeing a girl receive a badge for which you know she has put in months of work.

Maybe it's the pleasure of seeing the girls in your unit work together, without supervision, to achieve something they really want.

It could be as simple as the personal thanks that you receive from a parent for ensuring her daughter enjoyed the Sunday afternoon unit walk.

The Girl Guides Association offers us all the chance to achieve our own personal aims but, whether you are County Commissioner, Division Public Relations Adviser or just good old Brown Owl, do not forget that our ultimate goal is to ensure that the girls set and achieve their own aims.

NICOLA FRENCH

North West Association
Junior Council Representative

BACK TO BASICS

When Hurricane Gilbert swept through Jamaica in 1988 it destroyed Jamaican Guide Headquarters. Now, four years later, the building of a new headquarters is finally completed. And it's partly thanks to the generosity of GGA members.

The force of the hurricane ripped the roof off the original building. When news of this devastation reached Britain, the GGA acted quickly. They found two sponsors who donated tarpaulins to cover the roof. But this was obviously only a temporary measure.

An urgent Disaster Fund was opened at CHQ and contributions poured in. Soon a cheque for £3,500 was on its way to the Jamaican Girl Guides Association and work on a new building went ahead.

Finally, last April, the new building was completed. Prince Edward, on a visit to Jamaica, unveiled a commemorative plaque and planted a lignumvitae tree in the grounds.

Two Jamaican Rangers also received their Duke of Edinburgh Scheme Gold Awards from the Prince.

inset: The recently completed office block at headquarters

AFTER THE HURRICANE

Jamaican Brownies welcome Prince Edward to their brand-new headquarters



THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICA

ELECTION RULES

1993 COUNTRY/REGION ELECTIONS FOR THE COUNCIL OF THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION

The Girl Guides Association is governed by The Council. Here, the General Secretary, Marjorie Hayter, answers questions on The Council's role and the election procedure.

Why do I need to know about these Elections?

It is the responsibility of all Guiders and Commissioners to ensure that The Council is fully representative of all parts of UK Guiding.

What is The Council?

The Council is the governing body of the Girl Guides Association. The Association's affairs are managed and regulated by an Executive Committee.

Who are its members?

Council members are either ex-officio or elected. Of the 37 elected members, three are nominated and elected in each of the Countries and Regions of the United Kingdom and nine by The Council itself. There is also one member to represent the Branch Associations.

Each elected member serves for a three year term of office, and there is, in most cases, the possibility of re-election for one further term.

Elections and retirements take place on a rotation system, so each Country/Region normally elects one person each year and The Council itself elects three.

What does The Council do?

The Council:

- appoints the Chief Commissioner of the Association, the Deputy Chief Commissioner(s) and the honorary treasurer
- elects a proportion of members of The Council in addition to those elected by the Countries/Regions
- elects some members of The Council to serve on the Executive Committee
- assesses reports made to it
- initiates discussion
- makes all its decisions in the light of

what, in its judgement, is for the greatest good for the Association as a whole.

When does it meet?

The Council normally holds two full day meetings a year at CHQ in London. The AGM is held in May and the afternoon session is held at a larger venue in London, to allow people other than Council members to attend. The second meeting is normally held in November. Both are usually held on weekdays.

What does a Council member do?

A Council member:

- attends meetings of The Council
- helps to govern the Association
- keeps herself informed about the Association
- familiarises herself with the structure of Guiding, and with the role and purpose of the various committees
- if invited to do so, sits on committees, ad hoc committees, working groups or takes on an Association appointment as appropriate and represents the Association on other bodies as appropriate
- recognises her public relations role, both within the Association and outside it, in particular in seeking out potential Council members and encouraging them to stand for election
- speaks for herself as, once elected, she does not speak for or report back to, her Country/Region.

What sort of a person does she have to be?

She should be:

- knowledgeable about and with experience of Guiding at all levels, or, if not a member of the Movement, in sym-

pathy with its aims and ideas and have an understanding of its working methods

- able to take an overall view of the Association and of its role within the Youth Service
- a person of wide interest and relevant experience outside Guiding
- interested in and concerned for young people
- optimistic, forward-looking and adaptable
- able to listen, absorb and analyse
- articulate and not afraid to speak up or to make decisions.

Who pays the expenses of Council members?

The Association pays travelling and subsistence expenses on its agreed scale to members who attend Council meetings.

Is uniform worn?

Uniform is normally worn for the AGM but not for the autumn meeting.

When does the Election process begin?

Nominations are now being sought in the Countries/Regions for the 1993 elections to The Council. As a Guider or Commissioner you have the right to nominate someone to stand in the elections.

A candidate put forward by a Country/Region is not subject to any geographical qualification and may be a woman or a man. Council members are elected for the individual contributions they can bring to the decisions on behalf of the Association.

How are the Elections managed?

The functions of The Council and the Executive Committee are controlled

by the Royal Charter granted by King George V in 1922. In order to meet the changing needs of the Association, Supplemental Charters were granted by King George VI in 1949, and by Queen Elizabeth II in 1960 and 1981. In addition to the Charter there are currently 46 Bye-Laws, which give the method of carrying out the provisions of the Charter.

All elections to The Council are, therefore, conducted in accordance with the Charter and Bye-Laws of the Association which govern the composition of The Council, and the term of office of each elected member.

The Association is in the process of asking the Privy Council to amend some of these Bye-Laws. Until these amendments have been agreed, the existing Bye-Laws remain in force.

A candidate for election must, at the time of her election, be over 18 and must not have reached her 61st birthday (Bye-Law 3).

If you would find it helpful to have a copy of *The Girl Guides Association: Charter and Bye-Laws* please apply to the General Secretary at CHQ.

What is the Election procedure?

The Election procedure is as follows:

1 Any Guider or Commissioner may obtain an official nomination form from her Commissioner, who in turn can get it from the County Secretary.

2 The nomination must be made on this official *Nomination for Election to The Council* form by two Guiders or Commissioners holding a warrant or an appointment in the Country/Region concerned, the permission of the nominee having first been obtained.

3 The completed form is then sent to the County Secretary, via the appropriate Commissioner, by a date decided by the County concerned.

4 County Commissioners must arrange, if necessary, for a secret ballot at a meeting of the County Executive Committee, to select one name from among those nominations received, for forwarding to Country/Region Headquarters by mid-December, or thereabouts, in each year. The date is set by the Country/Region Executive Committee.

5 The Country/Region Executive Committee then holds an election to select

one name from all the County nominations, for submission to the Association General Secretary at least three months before the date of the Association's AGM.

6 The names of the successful Country/Region candidates are noted by The Council at its AGM, and they become members of The Council the following day.

Where can I get further information?

From your Commissioner, your Country/Region Headquarters or from the General Secretary at CHQ, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT.

How can I make a Nomination?

If you know somebody who would be a suitable candidate for your Country/Region election please obtain a nomination form from your Commissioner and start the ball rolling.

The more nominations submitted the healthier The Council elections will be.

MARJORIE HAYTER
The General Secretary

Once the summer holidays are over most people start making plans for the festive season. If you are wondering how to celebrate this year how about choosing to spend New Year in a country house enjoying excellent food and good company?

Foxlease, the GGA's Hampshire Training Centre, can offer that and more. Visitors are promised plenty to keep them busy, or the chance to simply switch off and relax.

The Georgian house was given to the Association in 1922 and, as part of the 70th anniversary celebrations, a Birthday Bonanza is being organised from Tuesday, December 29 to Sunday, January 3.

To celebrate the actual anniversary a party was held on February 28 with 70 specially invited guests, some of whom had visited Foxlease in the very early days. The guest list also included former Guiders-in-Charge, Trainers, Guiders and Friends of Guiding.

Now it's your chance to spend five nights drinking in the atmosphere while helping to celebrate 70 years of successful Guiding at Foxlease. There'll be time to explore the New Forest and the surrounding area, as well as get to know the house.

This is a non-uniform event open to any member of the Movement whether 16 or 70-plus.

Our official entry into Europe will be

foxlease FESTIVITIES



Celebrate the
New Year in style
at Foxlease

marked by the lighting of a beacon and guests will find out about '1992 And All That'.

The Trainers will be Micky Mitchell, Cilla Bragg, Averil Taylor and Sheila Dawson-Campbell and there will be 70 challenges, providing something for all ages and tastes. The activities planned include tree planting, parlour games and plenty of fun and frolics to get the next 70 years off to a good start.

The last date for applications is

December 1 but write now to make sure of a place. You don't have to stay for the whole event. A five-day stay costs £70 for full board. There are some bursaries available for under-25s — ask about availability when you apply.

To reserve a place send a deposit of £9 and a sae to Mrs Hilary Chittock, Guider-in-Charge, Foxlease, Lyndhurst, Hants SO43 7DE. Cheques should be made payable to the Girl Guides Association.

Open Door

AN INDIAN TALE

Often, in the cool of the early morning, the old man used to go down to the river. One day, as he sat on its bank watching the water's restless flow, his attention was caught by a swirl of movement just below him. He looked down and saw a rotted log floating seawards, but now held back by a clump of reeds.

On the log there was a scorpion. Doubtless the creature, from its home on the stony shore, had darted towards an insect prey on

the log. But, at that very moment, the log had slipped away from land.

The current, twisting the log this way and that, suddenly wrenched it from the reeds' clutches and whirled it downstream, leaving the scorpion clinging to a reed.

The old man took pity on the struggling creature and wondered how best to rescue it. If he held out a stick he might succeed in getting the scorpion on to it. Yet, just as easily, he might knock the creature into the river where it would drown. So

he decided there was no option but to wade out and catch it in his hand.

He took off his sandals, rolled up his trousers and, hesitatingly — for the bank was steep and his knees stiff with age — he clambered down into the water.

As he stepped towards the reed clump, he heard a noise behind him and, looking up, saw a passer-by on the bank watching.

The old man reached out to the scorpion, deftly plucked it off the reed, carried it back to land and let it go.

Not before the scorpion had stung him brutally, causing him to cry out in pain.

'You asked for it,' said the onlooker unsympathetically. 'Why bother to rescue a scorpion? Everyone knows they have a cruel sting.'

The old man, his hand already red and swollen, replied: 'It is the scorpion's nature to sting. It's my nature to save.'

'Because the scorpion is being true to its nature, is that a reason for me to deny mine?'

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News Focus

TASTING TIME

Come and have a go — that's the challenge Nottinghamshire Rangers, Young Leaders and Venture Scouts threw at their friends earlier this year.

They invited their pals to spend a weekend having a 'taste' of the sort of activities available through Guiding and Scouting.

It was their first time under canvas for some of the 130 young people who met at Elton camp site.

Their first tasks involved cooking a three-course vegetarian meal on a single burner



All the fun of the great outdoors

stove and constructing the highest tower possible out of straws and string.

Next day outdoor-types could sample climbing, abseiling or backwoods cooking, while two expert conservationists led a ground clearance squad. Teams built pioneering structures and tackled challenges involving planks and milk crates.

The more artistic could experiment with photography and painting on silk.

Proof that the event was a success was the many requests for a repeat performance next year.

Coming Next

IN GUIDING OCTOBER

Queen's Guide at War
memories of The Gulf
New Series
a man's eye view



Calling Canada
Rainbow birthday
celebration
Medieval Mayhem
Bronzeion's young friends
Brownie Day
photo special

IN GUIDE PATROL OCTOBER

Getting Crafty
puppet making
Computer Crazy
coping with computer
jargon



Out and About
visit a town hall

Tasty Treats
delicious dips
Action Stations!
basic car maintenance

IN BROWNIE September



Playing Safe
road safety games
Pretty Patchwork
patching it up
Designer Prints
magic with potatoes
Dem Bones Dem Bones!
finding out about bones
PLUS
Puzzle Special



AND IN RAINBOW GUIDE EXTRA

Rainbow Rabbit in the Park
Here Comes Autumn
spotting seasonal changes
Story Time
how the ostrich beat the
hedgehog.





The President, Princess Margaret, accepts a bouquet from Assistant Brownie Guider Nicholee Flatman

A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Through Guiding young women build up their self-esteem equipping them for the future our President, Princess Margaret, told members at the 69th Annual General Meeting.

Speaking at Kensington and Chelsea Town Hall, London, Princess Margaret said that since 1988 she had presented brooches to 414 Queen's Guides.

'Over the years, I have noticed that more of them are being able to retain their links with Guiding now that the age range for the senior section has been extended.

These young women, who have worked so hard and achieved so much, obviously enjoy their Guiding and are keen to continue their involvement. They and the thousands of other young women in this age group are our leaders of the future and will also contribute much to society in general.

'In Guiding they learn to work as part of a team carrying out unfamiliar or daunting tasks and also working out things alone thus building up self-esteem in just the ways required by industry and commerce and service in our country and overseas.'

Princess Margaret explained that The Council had spent time that morning considering a Vision Statement (see July's *Hotline*) for the Association as it faces the challenges of the last

decade of the 20th Century and the beginning of the 21st.'

She added: 'As members of the Association we shall all be involved in bringing that vision to reality.'

Earlier she had welcomed members to the May meeting along with friends of Guiding, members of firms with which our Association does business and representatives of other national voluntary youth organisations.

The President reminded members that she had been a Sea Ranger, adding: 'I am particularly glad to welcome six representatives of the Sea Ranger Association and to know there is increasing friendship between our two Associations.'

After hearing reports of how past and present members of the senior section celebrated their 75th anniversary, Princess Margaret said she looked forward to hearing what is finally decided about its future following the pilot schemes now taking place.

The activities of Guiding in all areas continued unabated Princess Margaret said, and she had thoroughly enjoyed her own visits to Berkshire and

Northampton.

That this Association continues to be a powerful influence in the lives of the girls and young women of this country is entirely due to the hard work and enthusiasm of all our members and the support of countless other friends of Guiding.

'I thank you all for your dedication and commitment to the ideals of Guiding,' she added.

Princess Margaret went on to thank the 'equally committed' members of staff and complimented the General Secretary, Marjorie Hayter, who retires in October on carrying out her duties as the administrative head of the Association with 'loyalty and sincerity'.

Miss Hayter, said Princess Margaret, had 'earned the respect of both staff and volunteers and steered the Association through several changes by doing her best to ensure stability and continuity for the future. I shall miss her.

'On behalf of you all, I wish her a long and happy retirement ... and I wish The Association continued success for the future.'

NO HOLDS BARRED

Guiding with no holds barred was the promise for the future made by the Chief Commissioner, Jane Garside. In a hard-hitting speech she insisted that Guiding should be relevant to its setting and to current needs. But real, long-lasting success, she said, depended on the Association putting its house in order.

We must think of renewal — of deepening our beliefs before widening them. If we wish to play our part in

helping young people to learn that there is a *right* way — then muddled leadership and uncertainty of purpose coupled with blind optimism will not do.

The Association must have a clear vision of its future. We must know where we have come from and where we are going. We must be prepared to stand up and be counted,' she insisted.

Earlier Mrs Garside had pointed out: 'Our future has to be a Guiding with "no holds barred". We must build on

the essential aims and strengths of the Movement, without getting bogged down by detail or overweighted with bureaucracy.

'Simplicity, flexibility, openness, trust and total honesty have to be the main thrust of our approach to Guiding for the young people of today and tomorrow,' she said.

'We need to be aware of the many social problems which affect young people, such as unemployment, single parent families and homelessness and

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discover what the Association can do to help.

'We must reach out to those who are unaware of what Guiding has to offer or that it is a worldwide, all-embracing Movement.'

The Chief Commissioner didn't disguise the difficulties of fulfilling that aim. 'In many cases we are failing to provide Guiding for the young people who really need it, while we wait for adult recruits who "fit in" to our current style. We are probably missing out on the energy and untapped skills of countless women who could contribute so much to Guiding, if we would only encourage them.'

'Guiding should be relevant to its setting and to current needs, and these needs should be identified by the Districts and Divisions where Guiding happens.'

There were currently, she pointed out, over 700,000 girls and women learning about responsibility through team work and leading others.

They were also, she said, 'learning about pride, justice, honour, kindness and judgement, (old-fashioned words

We are concerned about and involved with the problems of today's world.

that perhaps we don't hear enough of today), and living according to their Promise and Law.

'As a nation, we are getting better citizens because of it. This alone is worth being positive about and worth telling the world about.'

'After 80 years of working with girls and women, we can, as an Association, surely claim to know something of this subject.'

Garside said that members must be 'prepared and happy for staff to take on some of the heavy workload'. She called for members to increase their trust in the senior volunteer/staff partnership, adding 'We are, after all, working together for Guiding on behalf of girls and women.'

The Chief Commissioner went on to say that in the future senior volunteers and staff must be recognised, and accepted, by members as 'providers of support' and be seen to be positive at all times and open, honest and clear about any decisions taken.

'We hope to provide teams of specialists, or "task forces", to innovate as required; create short-term appointments to develop specialisms as they arise, without necessarily having permanent Advisers.'

'Above all, we have to look at adapting the structure of the Association to meet the needs of its present members. We hope to do what is right for the Association by involving everyone in the debate and disseminating any changes as widely as possible.'

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'Above all, the Districts, Divisions, Counties, Countries and Regions *must* not lose their local flexibility and remember that it is certainly *not* essential for each layer to mirror the one above.'

More adult leaders were needed so that Guiding could be offered to every girl who wanted it, but Mrs Garside admitted that there was no easy answer.

'We run inner city initiatives and rural programmes. We stress adventure and the many benefits. We have image-solving projects and recruitment campaigns. All have their place — but real success that is long lasting can only come from within. The future of Guiding depends on putting our own house in order first.'

Emphasising the need for 'renewal', Mrs Garside said individual renewal meant imitating the Founder who believed there was good in all young people and devised Scouting and Guiding to develop it.

Collectively, she went on, renewal meant creating and nourishing the essential elements which distinguish the Movement:

- The Patrol system.
- Young people making their own decisions.
- A balanced Programme.
- That special relationship between young person and adult and between the young people themselves.
- Our Promise and Law.



The Chief Commissioner, Jane Garside with the General Secretary, Marjorie Hayter

Calling for a 'large percentage' of decisions to be taken 'where Guiding happens' at District and Division level, Mrs Garside said this was where participation had real meaning, particularly for 'our all-important young members'.

She added: 'Part of the District Commissioner's role is to develop

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good people — to persuade young Guiders that it is no longer considered "pushy" to volunteer. And that they must not wait to be invited, but be encouraged to offer their talents and skills to the Movement — in whichever way they can — or we shall certainly lose them.

'Guiding can surely help to develop that maturity and confidence in young people that leads to them having the courage of their own convictions.'

'I would like us to be in a position where the government of the day, and the media, would automatically think of consulting the Association on topics concerning girls and women, and so recognise our expertise in this field.'

Turning to the public's conception of Guiding, Mrs Garside said: 'I would like to remove the last remaining "giggle" out of the public's image of Guiding.'

Then people would appreciate that the Association offered an 'exciting, challenging programme for girls and unparalleled opportunities for women.'

'I would like them to acknowledge that we are concerned about *and* involved with the problems of today's world (the "real" world as the Junior Council call it!) both nationally and internationally, once and for all destroying the image of small girls just playing games and knitting!' she added.

As volunteers now have less and less time to devote to Guiding, Mrs

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'None of these need any checks on how good or how popular is the image being projected. Each means concentrating on basic Guiding rather than on the politics.'

Mrs Garside quoted a prophetic warning from the Founder: 'First I had an idea. Then I saw an ideal. Now we have a Movement and, if some of you don't watch out, we shall end up with just an organisation.' She asked if there was any reason to think he would say anything different if he were alive today?

Members should ask themselves:

- Is the Movement *simple* to understand or operate?
- Is it *flexible*, meeting the needs of all types and conditions of young people?
- Is it *open* to all and is it serving *local* needs?

These four words — simple, flexible, open and local — are the guide to what I believe the Association wants. The complex administrative structure that the Association has built up during the past 80 years is in danger of suffocating our initiatives and our aims,' she said.

Young people and adults are drawn to the Movement because 'they see us having fun. It is as *simple* as that!' Mrs Garside explained.

'So, the next time someone decries the youth of today, tell them about the Guides out there every day helping themselves and their community.

Tell them, in the nicest possible way

of course, to stop complaining and do something positive about it.

When they criticise our Promise and Law, ask why they feel unable to tolerate *our* method of moral guidance. Are they suggesting that moral guidance should be abandoned or that we should change our views to suit theirs?

'Ask them what is the point of being a technological giant, if one is a moral pigmy?

'Explain that we don't offer our standards to make life difficult — but to make it easier. But, above all, invite them to come along and see Guiding in action.

'Let us pay our young people the ultimate compliment by shouting their achievements from the roof-tops, and by telling everyone, at every occasion, how proud we are to be Guiders.

'Guiding does not claim to be the cure-all for every problem — but we know that it *does* work. We see this every time a young person grows into a resourceful, responsible, imaginative adult.

'In an age with so many forces pulling against young people, we cannot guarantee the right future — but we *can* certainly shorten the odds!' she said.

In her welcome, Mrs Garside thanked the audience for their 'commitment and enthusiasm for Guiding' and she paid tribute to the 'unfailing, enthusiastic support' that Princess Margaret gave to all Guiding events.

In greeting the Chief Scout, Garth Morrison, and Simon McCowan, Chairman of the Scout Association Committee of the Council, Mrs Garside referred to the co-operation between the two Associations. It 'continues to grow and is particularly active at local level, and within the fields of Programme and Training and Outdoor Activities,' she said.

Mrs Garside continued: 'One of our great success stories of the past year must be the publication of the new *Guide Handbook*, which was developed

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totally in response to young people themselves.'

It was, said Mrs Garside, just one example of the way in which the Association 'is putting its trust in young people to make decisions about their own programme *and* being seen to act on them.

'It is all too easy for we adults to appear to devote too much time and attention to the planning of meetings, which produce an ever-increasing mountain of paperwork; to worry about membership numbers and finances; and, perhaps, overlook at times our main function, which is to provide a programme that will help girls and young women prepare for their futures in this ever-changing world.'

DOORWAY OF OPPORTUNITY

Many young people in today's troubled and changing world were subject to either the lure of cosmetic consumerism or abject poverty and despair claimed Mrs Jan Holt.

Guest speaker Mrs Holt, who is Director of the World Bureau of WAGGGS — the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts — said that the need for WAGGGS, whose core values remained constant, was greater than ever before. It provided a doorway of opportunities for young people and mature women whose status had been eroded because of their gender, being disabled or having the wrong colour skin.

Earlier she referred to the part the UK GGA has played — and continues to play — in the development of WAGGGS.

She outlined the ways in which the World Bureau and the World Committee operated. Both were, she said, currently working towards the implementation of the four goals set by the 1990 World Conference:

- To promote the advancement of girls and young women.
- To strengthen the financial resources and financial management.
- To increase membership of WAGGGS by 5 per cent each triennium.
- To provide education in a changing world.

Mrs Holt described WAGGGS' 'courageous decision' in changing its corporate image and announced that a young British designer was also working on up-dating the uniform.

As one method of increasing income WAGGGS was exploring the possibility of forming a trading company.

Two new projects were being initiated — a refugee scheme and a 'Clean up the World' scheme following the success of WAGGGS Water Badge.

Work would continue, she explained, to strengthen and maintain a good relationship with WOSM — the World Organisation of the Scout Movement.

In the run up to the 1993 World Conference, the World Committee was evaluating the Experiment in Co-education begun over ten years ago when boys were admitted to six WAGGGS' organisations.



Maureen Reid, Chairman of Programme and Training, introduces the guest speaker

GEORGE STURDY

Looking to the future, Mrs Holt said that WAGGGS had to play a far more active role in terms of advocacy, networking and communication, allying itself with the UN and similar agencies so that it could become 'a real broker for peace'.

Recalling a recent conference, Mrs Holt described how 54 International Commissioners met together in harmony, the core principles of Guiding having enabled them to overcome any problems, issues or barriers.

Finally she reminded members that WAGGGS' future was the GGA's future, its strength was WAGGGS' strength.

FIRM FOUNDATIONS

The Chief Commissioner's theme of renewal was taken up by the Honorary Treasurer, Edward Holding, who described 1991 as being 'by any standards a year of outstanding success'.

He said: 'We are going through a process of "renewal", not reconstruction, not a revolution, but renewing our thoughts and looking again at the way ahead.

'This is a continuing process which will go on for a long time to come, and indeed may never cease. This is where the real challenge lies.

'Change is taking place, but it is not change just for the sake of change. It is change to meet the needs of young people today and, perhaps more importantly, the needs of young people tomorrow.



Edward Holding,
Honorary
Treasurer

'We must think ahead, we must not just react to situations as and when they arise. The imperative is action, not just movement and ... this is what is happening now. We must show girls and young women what they are missing, *not* so much that we are missing them.'

Agreeing that it was easy to devote too much time to administrative matters rather than programme initiatives, Mr Holding guaranteed that if the ideas suggested were good ideas in 'commercial terms', then there would be a market for them and funds generated to pay for them. 'That is the crucial message,' he added.

He revealed that around 89 per cent of the £1.5m that had been set aside for future capital expenditure would be used for projects 'which will improve directly the quality of Guiding'.

However, he warned that the Association could not, obviously, be cavalier in the way it looked after its finances. 'We cannot just trust in the Lord and say that He will provide. As we know, He only helps those who help themselves.' The Association's finances were, he assured members, in 'extremely good hands'.

The Treasurer said that by relying on 'firm financial foundations' instead of 'blind optimism' the Association's plans for the future could be realised, 'as

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts can be obtained from the Communications Division at CHQ.

long as we continue to be both careful and prudent in our decision making'.

In 1991, he explained, the excess of income over expenditure nearly doubled, due mainly to the surplus on trading. The new uniforms were immensely popular causing a back-log of unfilled orders to build up at the end of 1990. This meant that the figures for 1991 really represented 14 months of trading.

Subscription income had gone up in 1991 due to the rate increase rather than the membership going up, although recent figures show membership has risen by more than 20,000.

At its meeting before the AGM, The Council discussed future strategy after hearing the Vision Statement and Objectives outlined by Mrs Garside.

A special Hotline was included in July's GUIDING to make sure this important information reached grass-roots Guiders quickly.

For anyone who missed out the statement and objectives will be included in October's GUIDING.

Looking at the surplus in detail, Mr Holding said 40 per cent had been transferred to cash reserves, while, £1.5m had been used to buy new stock to 'make sure that those items that everybody wishes to buy are available when they want them'.

He continued: 'The Balance Sheet is stronger than ever and, of course, this is due to the injection it has been given by our surplus of income over expenditure.' The Association wasn't just sitting on the surplus and watching the interest build up, Mr Holding said.

'Our resources are being deployed ... £1.5 million has been committed to future capital expenditure; 89 per cent, or thereabouts, of that money is going towards the projects which will improve directly the quality of Guiding.

'Another large proportion of it will be spent on information technology improvements at CHQ and elsewhere, again with a view to improving the service that the Movement obtains from CHQ,' he added.

Announcing that the subscription for 1993 would be £3.80 — an increase of only 5p, the Treasurer explained: '1991 by any standards has been a year of outstanding success and it is only right that the Movement as a whole should, on this occasion, share in that success.

'But I must put in the obvious caveat, we cannot promise to keep the subscription increases to that sort of level in all future years. We must make sure that subscription income finances the running costs of the headquarters operation.

Finally, he said that in many units, Districts and Divisions were increasingly being required to pay charges by their present bankers. In the light of this discussions had been held with Giro Bank, who 'have generously agreed to take on all GGA accounts free of charge'.

'The launch of this will be set out in a future issue of GUIDING. As they say: "Please watch this space". And, obviously go on buying it.'

ELECTIONS TO THE COUNCIL

COUNTRY/REGION ELECTIONS

The following members were elected (or re-elected) to serve from May 21, 1992, until the day of the 1995 AGM:

Mrs Jacqueline Goddard (re-elected), Anglia; Miss Patricia Tiley, London and South East England; Mrs Sheila Watson (re-elected), Midlands; Miss Hilary

Cooper, North East England; Mrs K Anne Thompson (re-elected), North West England; Mrs Alison Plummer, Scotland; Mrs Jane Wilson, South West England; Mrs Joanne Winter, Ulster; and Mrs Patricia Parry, Wales.

BRANCH ASSOCIATIONS

Mrs Constance Topping was re-elected to serve for three years until the day of the 1995 AGM.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Miss Denise King, Miss Amanda Medler, and Mrs Gillian Robertson (re-elected) were elected/re-elected to serve until the day of the 1995 AGM.

EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS

Mrs Gillian Robertson and Miss Ruth Sara (re-elected) were elected/re-elected to serve until the day of the 1995 AGM.

HIGHLIGHTS

PROGRAMME IDEAS FOR GUIDE GUIDERS

WADDOW:

November 20-22

This training is specially designed for Unit Guiders and Assistant Guiders who would like new ideas to provide an interesting and exciting programme.

Sessions include:

- use of the new *Guide Handbook*
- other GGA and external publications
- adapting the unit programme
- making adaptations for disabilities.

Come and enjoy a weekend of friendship, fun and new ideas.

NINE TO FIVE

WADDOW:

November 27-29

This training is for any Ranger, Young Leader or young Guider who is going out to work for the first time.

It will give you a chance to think about how you can improve your employment prospects.

Topics to be covered will include:

- preparing a curriculum vitae
- handling interviews
- managing your time
- presenting yourself well.

RAINBOW GUIDERS

FOXLEASE:

October 9-11

This training has been added due to popular demand. It is for all Unit Guiders and Assistant Guiders working, or planning to work, with Rainbow Guiders.

Topics will include:

- programme planning
- Promise and other ceremonies
- music and musical activities
- crafts
- story telling.

So come and enjoy a fun weekend of learning and sharing.

LOOK AFTER YOURSELF

FOXLEASE:

October 16-18

If you want to learn about how to make healthy food choices, how to exercise safely (gently!) and how to relax instead of getting tense — come along.

The training will cover:

- exercise: the theory
- gentle exercise: the practice
- what causes stress?
- how to manage your stress
- healthy eating — what to eat and why
- how to use these ideas in your unit.

This training will be taken by a local health authority trainer.

THE PATROL IN ACTION

FOXLEASE:

November 27-29

This weekend is open to all Guide Guiders, to gain fresh ideas and enable them to make better use of the Patrol system in their units.

Topics will include:

- ideas and activities for Patrol time
- Patrol Purpose Patches and Interest Pennants
- the Patrol Leaders' Council and Patrol Leaders training.

Come along and be inspired!

THE THINGS THAT MATTER

FOXLEASE:

November 13-15

Are you aged between 16 and 25 and a member of the Association? If so, these weekends are for you!

You will be given the opportunity to explore some of the important issues which directly affect your life.

Topics will include:

- independent living
- healthy lifestyles
- developing self-confidence
- exploring relationships
- the Promise.

There will be guest speakers, discussion groups, videos,

outside experts, practical activities and fun!

JUST THE JOB

WADDOW:

September 15-17 (midweek)

This training is for any adult in Guiding who, for whatever reason, wishes to embark on or return to paid employment. It will also be useful for those considering career changes.

Topics will include:

- preparing a curriculum vitae
- interviewing techniques
- effective presentation
- standards in the workplace
- time management.

ASSERTIVENESS

FOXLEASE:

October 13-15 (midweek)

Do you find it difficult to say no? If so, come and practise being assertive.

The aim:

- to discover what being assertive really means
- to gain confidence in dealing with awkward situations
- to practise effective communication
- to explore how to look and behave more confidently.

These trainings are open to anyone in Guiding and count towards the requirements of the Adult Leadership Scheme (Stage III).

SCIENCE GAMES FOR BROWNIES AND GUIDES

FOXLEASE:

October 16-18

- Are you looking for something different?
- Do you want some new ideas for your programme?

Why not come and enjoy a weekend of fun, exploring new ideas? This training is open to any Brownie or Guide Guider. However, if you work with another section many of the ideas can be adapted.

This weekend will:

- Supply you with help for those girls working on science badges.

- Give you ideas to try with the girls — and to put science into your programme.

- Enable you to have a go and try something new.

- Provide you with the chance to ask that question "Why...?"

This training counts towards the requirements of the Adult Leadership Scheme (Stage III).

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

WADDOW:

November 10-12 (midweek)

Who is it for?

This training will provide an opportunity for all Guiders to explore further the issues affecting the lives of young people today.

Guiders are in a unique position to support girls in making the right decisions for life. This training will look in depth at relevant topics, as well as arming Guiders with a wealth of resources and ideas.

Topics to be covered will include:

- teenage pregnancy
- child abuse
- drug awareness
- leaving home
- the wider world.

This training counts towards the requirements of the Adult Leadership Scheme (Stage III).

TRAINING SKILLS FOR ADVISERS

WADDOW:

November 20-22

Are you an enthusiastic and highly-skilled Adviser, working hard to promote your particular speciality in the County, the Country/Region or at Association level?

Could you benefit from acquiring a set of basic training skills to help you put your message across more effectively?

The Association has developed a weekend training package especially for you.

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At the end of it you will be able to:

- set aims and objectives for your training sessions
- evaluate your training sessions constructively
- use ice-breakers effectively
- use visual aids with confidence
- understand how adults learn
- use small group work effectively.

This weekend is for any Adviser who would benefit from gaining basic training skills to convey her speciality to other adults.

ADAPTING PROGRAMME IDEAS FOR GIRLS IN YOUR UNIT

WADDOW:
October 16-18
FOXLEASE:
November 20-22

This is to help Guiders and Assistant Guiders to develop confidence and competence in trying new approaches to meet the needs of individual girls in their units.

At this weekend you can:

- Have a really good look at our handbooks and publications together with resources from outside.
- Try out lots of ideas, adapting them to suit individual needs.
- Learn from and share with other Guiders.

This training counts towards the requirements of the Adult Leadership Scheme (Stage III).

FOXLEASE 70TH BIRTHDAY BONANZA

FOXLEASE:
December 29-January 3

This is your opportunity to spend five nights in a fine Georgian house and help to celebrate 70 successful years of Guiding at Foxlease, with time to enjoy the house, the forest and the surrounding area.

This will be a non-uniform event open to any member of the Movement. So, if you are between 16 and 70+, write now to book a place!

Fees: just £70.00, which includes full board and

accommodation. You may come for as many of the days as you wish.

There are some bursaries available for under-25s. Please ask when you apply.

Activities will include:

- parlour games
- 70 challenges — something for everyone
- fun and frolics for all
- tree planting
- beacon lighting to mark our entry into Europe.

TREFOIL GUILD HOLIDAY

GLENBROOK
October 5-8

Who is it for?

Any member of the Trefoil Guild (male or female), who wishes to come and enjoy a few days break in the beautiful Derbyshire hills.

What will you do?

The programme is very flexible and tailored around the requests of guests. You can relax in the beautiful surroundings, see the sights of Derbyshire or participate in the many activities available.

The cost is just £30. Bookings should be set to the Guider-in-Charge at Glenbrook.

CANOEING/CLIMBING/CAVING

GLENBROOK:
September 18-20

This weekend offers the opportunity to take a BCU 1 or 2 Star Certificate in canoeing, or to have a go at caving or climbing. You can try a combination of any two of these activities during the weekend.

Skilled instructors will help you learn and enjoy these sports.

ADVANCED WALKING SAFELY

GLENBROOK:
November 13-15

This weekend is specially designed to meet the needs of Guiders who want to develop their skills and confidence in leading groups in upland areas.

Theoretical and practical ses-

sions to be included are:

- map and compass work
- route planning
- navigation skills
- party organisation and management
- safety factors.

GO! CHALLENGE FOR THE OLDER BROWNIE

FOXLEASE
January 8-10, 1993

Do you have any nine-year-old Brownies who need a new challenge? Then the Go/Challenge Badge, being launched in November, is for you and your Pack. This exciting new badge is designed to meet the needs of the older Brownie who

wants a different or greater challenge than offered on the Journeys. Come to this weekend for an opportunity to look at the badge, consider how best to use it within the Pack and have a great deal of fun too!

For full details of future trainings, please send a sae to the Guider-in-Charge of the appropriate centre. Applications to attend any of the trainings mentioned should be made to the Guider-in-Charge of the appropriate centre, enclosing a £5 deposit and sae for Glenbrook and a £9 deposit and sae for Foxlease and Waddow.

TRAINING DIARY

FOXLEASE

October

13-15* Assertiveness
16-18 1. Look after yourself
2. Science games for Brownies and Guides

November

13-15 1. Team building 2. The things that matter
20-22 Adapting Programme ideas
27-29 The Patrol in action

December

4-6 Seasonal fun with music
29-Jan 3, 1993 Foxlease 70th birthday bonanza

January

8-10 Go! Challenge for the older Brownie
15-17 Training skills for Advisers

WADDOW

October

16-18 Adapting Programme ideas

November

10-12* Contemporary issues
20-22 1. Training skills for Advisers 2. Programme ideas for Guide Guiders
27-29 1. Nine to five. 2. Rainbow Guiders

December

29-2 Jan, 1993 New Year at Waddow

January

8-10 Programme ideas for Brownie Guiders

GLENBROOK

September

18-20 Canoeing/climbing/caving

October

5-8* Trefoil Guild holiday

November

13-15 Advanced walking safely

*Midweek

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RAINBOW GUIDERS

Looking at the shapes and sizes of things around us can introduce a great variety of ideas to the Rainbows — for most things they see can be defined by these categories.

SIZING UP

What is the biggest thing they can see? ... Can think of? ... Have ever seen? Do they think a dinosaur would be bigger than the meeting hall? How many things can they recall that are round like a ball? ... Or long and thin like a ruler? Suggest they investigate which cup holds the most water.

Talk about how they grew from being tiny babies and how tall they are now. Find out what size shoes they take and whose shoes are the biggest or the smallest. How many girls take the same size shoes?

All these sorts of questions are fascinating to children of this age and can awake in them both a scientific interest and thoughts about the world of fantasy.

SHAPES

Ask the girls to run and form the shapes you call out to them. For instance: 'Run and make a straight line' ... 'Hold hands and stretch out to make the longest line you can' ... 'Run and join hands in a circle' ... 'Break up and form two circles'.

Or 'Can you form yourselves into a triangle?' ... 'Now into a square?' (You may need to help with these the first time.)

Ask if they can think of any other shapes to make. For example: 'Make yourself as small as you can ... as tall as you can ... as thin as you can'.

This game encourages the girls both in working together and in using their ingenuity.

DRINKS TIME

Talk about all the different shapes of cups, mugs and glasses from which we drink.

The girls could each draw one sort. Stick the drawings on a big sheet of paper to exhibit.

This activity might lead to a discussion of the water needs of the world and how people can help by conserving water.

TARGET

For this game you need a piece of chalk and bean bags for each team. Draw a bulls eye target on the ground — a small circle in the middle and bigger circles around it.

The teams line up at an agreed distance and take turns to aim their bean bags at the target.

The team getting its bean bag nearest the centre wins that round. The bean bags are then thrown back to the teams for the next round.

and, next time you are out together, see if you can keep off the lines on the pavement, only walking in the squares.

MAGNIFY IT

See if you can borrow a few magnifying glasses. Let the girls look through them at a range of things: their hands, the floor, the wall, the bark of a tree, a leaf or a hair.

Let them compare the different degrees of magnification from one glass to another.

This activity encourages the girls to concentrate and to co-operate for a purpose.

Keep the square cut-ups safely in an envelope for other occasions. You might use them as one challenge in an obstacle course meeting, featuring various tasks for the girls to complete.

THOUGHTS

Suggest that the girls think about all the very big creatures in the world: the elephants, the tall giraffes and the huge whales in the sea.

Then ask them to think of very small animals like kittens and baby birds.

Encourage the Rainbows to realise all animals should be looked after and protected.



LYNN BREEZE

SING SONG

Do the girls know this action rhyme?

*I'm a little teapot,
Short and stout;
Here's my handle,
(one hand on hip)
And here's my spout.
(other hand up with elbow bent)
When it comes to tea-time
You just shout,
Lift my handle and pour me out.*

WALKING

Do you know the A.A. Milne poem about walking on the squares of the pavement to be sure the bears don't get you? Share it with the girls

I'm a little teapot

SQUARES

For quiet moments make some square cut-up puzzles. You'll need squares of as many different colours of card as possible — about 4-6ins square or more. Cut each square into four triangles — so each is different. Let the girls, working in pairs, remake the squares.

NEXT MONTH

By next month the nights will really be drawing in and growing longer, making night a very appropriate theme.

In preparation ask the girls if they can notice how much less daylight there is each day and how they have to turn the lights on sooner indoors.

'Obviously we are concerned with conservation,' she said. 'We hope we show butterflies in a natural environment. An environment which, in some parts of the world, is being destroyed.'

'Gone are the days, thank goodness, when children went around collecting butterflies with a net and suffocated them in a jam jar.'

'We definitely don't encourage such activities and would not stock nets in our shop. But I have been asked.'

Conservation is a key theme at the Park. There is a nature trail through wild flower meadows, passing

JACKIE TEVLIN



Who could resist this charming in Long Sutton's Pets Corner?

Brownies from the 8th Kings Lynn (St John's) Pack take a closer look at a tropical butterfly



JACKIE TEVLIN

But Helen claimed the Scarlet Swallowtail from the Philippines was even more dramatic.

Sixer Gwen thought the idea of collecting butterflies in nets was 'horrible'. She said: 'I don't think those people would be very pleased if a butterfly came up with a net and put them in a glass jar.' The Pack was obviously aware of environmental issues as each girl wore a Conservation badge.

The Park is open every day from Easter to November. For more information contact the Butterfly Park, Long Sutton, Spalding, Lincs PE12 9LE; tel: 0406 363833.

Or the British Butterfly Conservation Society, PO Box 222, Dedham, Colchester, Essex CO7 6EY; tel: 0206 322342.

JACKIE TEVLIN

ponds that are home to newts, frogs, dragonflies and leading into the old orchards, a haven for birds, butterflies and other wildlife.

Displays of falconry are staged and visitors can admire owls, hawks and eagles, who pose on their perches for eager photographers.

There is also a pets corner, mouse house and adventure playground.

GUIDING talked to the 8th Kings Lynn Brownies as they enjoyed their picnic lunch.

'I've never seen anything like the Paris Peacock,' said Natasha indicating a velvety, emerald green butterfly from South East Asia on the chart.

JACKIE TEVLIN



This pretty Postman butterfly comes from South America

THEME EVENING

PICTURE POSTCARD

For the next 11 months we will be running a series of 'Object Evenings', which will take particular, easily-obtainable objects and base a series of activities around them.

Most of the objects are throw-aways. This month's item is picture postcards and later we'll be using newspaper, plastic/paper cups, cardboard tubes, used Christmas cards, plastic bottles, egg boxes, buttons, balls of wool, match boxes and paper plates... so start saving.

front. These could show either views of famous places or scenery from different countries. Number them and put them around the room, and challenge the Guides to identify either the place or the country.

ACTIVITIES

SKILL 1: MAP SYMBOLS

Provide a set of postcards with an item on each that can be shown by a map symbol, for example, bridge, castle, cliff, wood and so on.

CRAFTS

SILHOUETTE PICTURES

Choose an interesting shape from a postcard, for example, building, boat, group of figures, tree and so on. Cut round it very carefully and cut out any 'spaces' within the shape if necessary.

Then paint the shape with black Indian ink. When it is dry, mount it on a piece of white card.

COASTERS/TABLE MATS

For coasters, cut the postcard into a square 8cm by 8cm and stick it on to a piece of thick cardboard the same size. To round the edges make a mark 1cm from each corner, then join each pair of marks by drawing round any curved object, for example, a cup.

To make round coasters, use a compass to draw a circle on the back of the postcard. This will take some skill to select a suitable part of the picture.

For table mats, cut the cardboard so that it is 2cm wider than the postcard at the top and bottom and 1cm wider at each side. Cover the cardboard with thin card or paper of a suitable background colour and mount the postcard in the middle. Some careful measuring may be needed for this! The corners can be curved as with the coasters.

To make heatproof mats, cork tiles could be used instead of cardboard, and the mats given extra protection by covering with clear sticky-backed plastic.

PATROL GAMES

SPOT THE SIMILARITY

About 20 postcards are needed, turned face down. The first girl picks up one card and then picks up a second. The aim is to find some similarity in the two pictures.

The rules could include a ban on obvious similarities such as sea, sky, grass and so on, in order to encourage

the girls to look for more unusual similarities.

If the girl finds a similarity that is acceptable to the other players, she keeps the two cards in front of her. If not, she puts both cards back. The next girl has a turn and the game continues.

In the second round, anyone without any cards plays as in the first round. Anyone who has already won two cards picks up another and tries to match it with her 'second' card.

Continue until all the cards have been won. The winner is the one who has kept the most cards.

ALPHABET POSTCARD

Choose a postcard with plenty of detail on it and challenge each Patrol to find something on the card beginning with each letter of the alphabet.

COMPANY GAMES

POSTCARD KIM

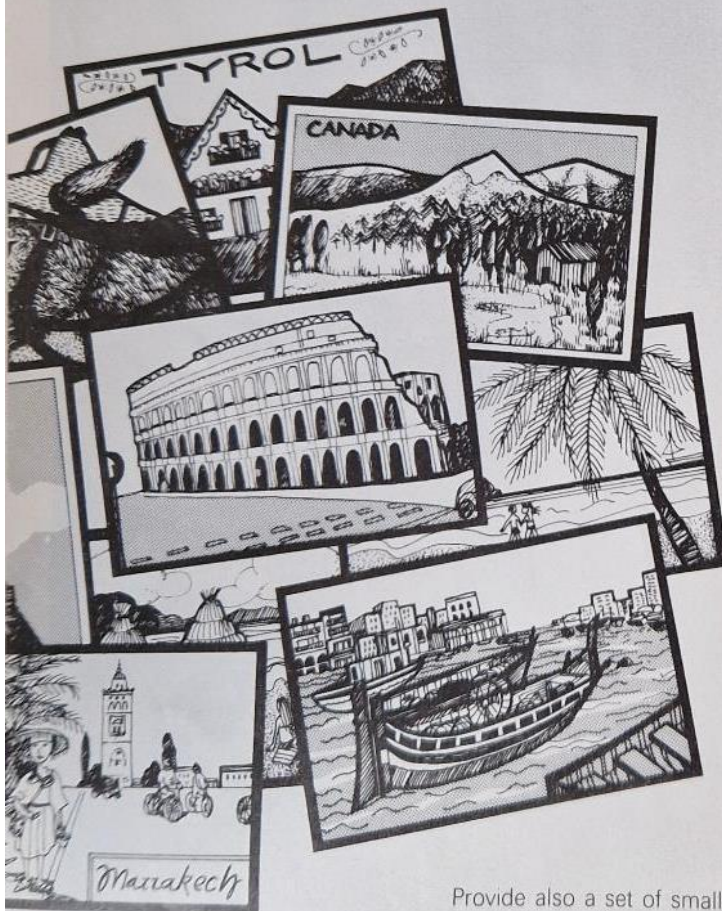
Give each Patrol a postcard and ask them to write down five questions based on what is shown in the picture. Each Patrol then passes its card to the next Patrol. The girls are given one minute to look at the picture, and memorise the details. Then they have to answer the five questions.

THROW A SIX

Using the same number of postcards as there are Patrols, cut the postcards into 'jigsaws' of ten pieces. Give each Patrol one piece of a postcard and put all the remaining pieces in one pile at one end of the room. Each Patrol has a dice, which they take turns to throw. Anyone who throws a six goes to find another piece of the Patrol jigsaw.

PAULINE WAINWRIGHT

● Next month you'll need lots of newspapers, especially news pages with big headlines, local papers and classified adverts sections.



Whether they're holiday souvenirs or simply pretty pictures, everyone has access to picture postcards.

OPENING

Choose ten or 12 picture postcards that do not have the name of the place on the

Provide also a set of small cards showing the map symbols. Guides have to link up the postcard with the correct map symbol.

SKILL 2: CLOUDS

Give Guides a list — or pictures — of different types of clouds, and ask them to find examples of as many different clouds as they can on a set of postcards.

ANTHEA WHITWORTH

GUIDE GUIDERS

At this time of year we welcome new members into many units. They will be thinking about the Promise and working through the eight challenges, including Keeping the Guide Laws. Try including a few activities based on the Guide Laws in the programme to help them get started.

HELPING HAND

Set out an obstacle race around your meeting place, using whatever you have available. Can you find things that they have to go around, under and over?

Divide the girls into pairs, and then ask one of each pair to put on a blindfold. The other one of the pair then leads her partner around the course, being as helpful as possible.

When they have negotiated all the obstacles, ask them to change places, so they each try leading, and being led. When everyone has finished, ask how they felt in each situation. Discuss the second Guide Law and try to bring out the need to trust, and the frustrations of trying to help!

Another, but quicker trust game, involves everyone standing in a circle facing sideways. When everyone is very close to their neighbours, they should be able to sit down on each other's knees without the circle collapsing. It usually takes two or three attempts before they get it right.

GIVING SERVICE

How long is it since the Patrols carried out a service project? If it is a while, challenge them to start thinking and planning now.

They could raise money for the Girl Guide Friendship Fund, which helps many people in Guiding.

This is also the time of year when local and national charities start advertising their Christmas appeals. Could they help one of these, or

join in something like the *Blue Peter* Appeal?

Perhaps they could link this to the fifth law, and do something to help wildlife or an animal charity. There are many good causes to choose from, and many ways to help.

If they are short of ideas, chapter 9 of the *Guide Handbook* will help. There are also ideas in the community section of *Action Plus*.

Remember too that a service project helps towards the Yellow and Green Trefoils clause 3C3 and the Red and Blue Trefoils clause 1.

LIFE ON EARTH

Care of all living things is the theme of the fifth law. Perhaps you can encourage the girls to use some of the ideas in the Trefoils.

If you have local conservation workers, they may be willing to help with such things as bird boxes and bat boxes.

Could the girls link local recycling facilities to their service project? Posters advertising where these facilities are to be found, will encourage awareness in the area.

TIME TACTICS

Are you well-organised? Do you 'make the most of your time'? Most of us find it difficult — at least some of the time.

Ask the girls to list what they have done since they got out of bed, and to estimate the time each action took. Then get them to add up all the time they spent eating, in the classroom, in front of the TV, doing homework and so on.

How much of the day do they spend doing these things? How much time do they think they wasted? Add this up as individuals, and then in total as a Patrol.

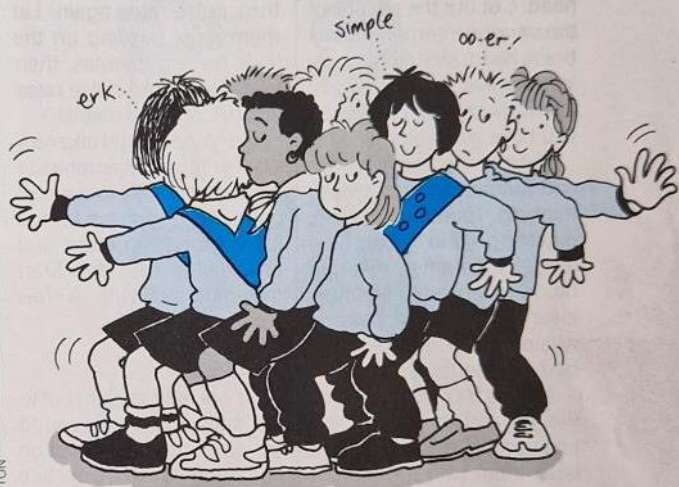
This can lead into a discussion on what they think is time-wasting, and what is relaxation. Do they think they could use time better?

Challenge them to try a new hobby for the next month. It could be something simple such as reading and borrowing books from the library. Or they might ask someone to teach them a new craft, such as quilling or stencilling. There are some ideas in chapter seven of the handbook and in the

best thing to do, and agree c) refuse to do anything other than your choice...

And so on. You then need to decide how to score the answers.

If you don't have time, a Young Leader, or some of the girls themselves, might enjoy making up the quiz.



SARAH LENTON

creativity section of *Action Plus*.

Check in a few weeks time to see how they are spending time then! And get them to check which Trefoil clauses they have worked towards completing.

FRIENDSHIP

Could you make up a quiz which tests how good a friend you are? Check out the examples in magazines for ideas.

For example:

Q If your friend asks to borrow your favourite T-shirt. Do you:

- a) say no
- b) say yes, but worry all the time she has it
- c) say yes, and know she'll take care of it.

Q You want to go to a disco, but your friend wants to go to the pictures. Do you:

- a) go with her but feel cross
- b) talk through what is the

for the others to try. This would also show what they think reveals friendship.

Finally, to set them thinking about all the Laws, challenge them to write down the ones that they have kept in the last few days.

Ask them to note which laws are missing and make a real effort to improve for next week. Then check that they did. Are they honest? You will know who cheated and who avoided work!

The Laws are an essential part of everyday Guiding but it does no harm to focus on them every now and again.

CAROL HORNE

GUIDE PATROL, the new GGA publication is available by direct subscription from CHQ or by placing a regular order with your local newsagent and not through the Trading Service.

THE EIGHT POINTS

FIT FOR LIFE

The second in our series of activities for older Brownies based on the Eight Points. This month we look at *Brownies Keep Healthy*, which they will meet again when they move up to Guides as *Keeping Fit*.

To help Brownies get to know their bodies you'll need plenty of coloured card. Draw an outline of a torso and head. Cut out the shapes of the various internal organs: brain, heart, stomach, lungs, kidneys, liver, intestines from as many shades of card as you have available.

Then write their names and functions, for example, thinking, pumping blood, digesting and absorbing food, breathing, filtering blood and producing urine, cleaning the blood, passing waste matter through the body, on separate cards.

Ask the Brownies to place the organs in the correct position on the outline and label them with the correct name and function.

These exercises will help

Show the Brownies how to take their own pulses, by placing index and middle fingers on the inside of their wrists or on their necks, just right of centre front.

Count the beats for ten seconds, then multiply by ten to get the pulse rate for one minute. Record the pulse rate. Get them to run on the spot as fast as possible for 30 seconds, then record their pulse rates again. Let them relax by lying on the floor for five minutes, then take and record pulse rates again. Compare results.

Everyone should take regular exercise but emphasize that it is important to exercise gently at first and not for too long, increasing effort and time a little each day. Start the girls off with a few warm-up exercises.

ARMS

Arms are held straight out to the sides and twirled round six times in one direction and six times in the opposite direction. Gradually increase repetitions.



the Brownies find out how well they know their bodies.

Smile: Put your fingertips on your cheeks. The muscles contract, and then relax, as you stop smiling. Do the same with a frown placing fingertips on your forehead.

Blink: See how long you can keep your eyes open without blinking.

Wiggle: Wiggle your ears... if you can!

BACK

Brownies stand up straight, feet apart, arms by their sides. They slowly bend forward, breathing out, knees slightly bent, to touch the floor if possible, if not, as far as they can reach. They hold the position for a count of ten before returning to standing position, breathing in deeply. After resting for a count of ten, repeat.



SIDES

Girls stand up straight, feet apart, arms by their sides. First they lean to the right, stretching their right arms down their legs, left arms curved over their heads. The position is held for a count of ten. Repeat to the other side.

CALVES

Brownies stand with palms flat on the wall, their arms at full stretch. With legs straight and feet flat on the ground, they lean forward, bending their arms.

LEGS

Lying on their backs, girls pull one knee to their chests with both arms. The other leg is kept straight on the ground. Head and shoulders are then pulled up towards the knee. Repeat using the other leg.

Next, while lying on their sides, the girls lift the leg on top, keeping it straight and in line with their bodies. Repeat using the other leg.

Brownies enjoy testing their strength. Try them with press-ups.

Girls lie face down on the floor, hands flat on the floor at shoulder height, fingers pointing forwards with elbows bent. Keeping legs

and back straight, girls raise their bodies from the ground by pressing on their hands. See how many press-ups they can do in a minute.

Set the girls tests of endurance.

Jogging: Suggest they jog round a measured area such as a school sports pitch and see how far they can jog in ten minutes. Test their endurance over a slightly longer period each session.

Aerobic dancing: After warming up, get them to try the following to their favourite music:

- Jogging on the spot.
- Jumping on both feet.
- Jumping and circling both arms at the same time.
- Kicking high with alternate legs, clapping under each leg in turn.
- Kicking to the sides.
- Hopping, four on one foot, four on the other.

Remember, ten minutes devoted to dancing is long enough, follow with a cooling down exercise.

The girls should lie down with legs stretched, arms at their sides and fingers curled. Then they point their toes and stiffen their legs, making tight fists. Next they breathe in through their noses and raise themselves on to their elbows, pushing up chests

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and arching backs. After a count of five they slowly relax.

FOOD GAMES

Build up a supply of individual food pictures from magazines and packet labels. The Brownies make sets of playing cards from them featuring four of each type of 13 varied foods, some from each food group. Number each set 1-4. Well-known card games can be adapted to feature foods:

Happy Families becomes *Healthy Habits*. Players ask for 'Carrots number 3' or 'Bananas number 2'.

Snap! becomes *Snack!*

Strip Jack Naked becomes *Empty the Shopping Trolley*. You need to choose which foods represent Ace, King, Queen and Jack.

Old Maid becomes *Junk Food*. Prepare one wild card showing an item of junk food and exchange it for a card chosen at random from the pack, without the players seeing its face.

WORDSEARCH

Set the food wordsearch shown and ask Brownies to list each food they find under the following food group headings:

**FRUIT/VEGETABLE;
MEAT/FISH;
BREAD/CEREAL;
DAIRY...**

Brownies make a chart of these food groups, featuring pictures of examples of each. They then make a blank

chart giving a column for each of the five headings. Ask them to tick a column every time they eat a food from that group over a period of two or three days.

Suggest they compare charts at the next meeting.

OUTDOOR FUN

Outside is, perhaps, the obvious place to get Brownies to demonstrate their fitness.

FRISBEE THROWS

Overhand: The Frisbees are gripped with the thumb underneath and four fingers on top. Facing forward, each with an arm behind her back, Brownies bring the Frisbees forward quickly in an arc above their shoulders, keeping their arms straight.

Sidearm: Gripping their Frisbees with thumbs on top and two fingers underneath, the Brownies swing their arms down at their sides and then throw forwards.

Backswing: Brownies stand sideways, each one gripping the Frisbee with thumb on top and index finger under the rim. Next they swing their arms across their bodies, then swing their arms back and throw.

DOUBLE DUTCH SKIPPING

Two Brownies turn a pair of long ropes at the same time, one clockwise, one anti-clockwise so that when one rope hits the ground, the other should be high in the air. When they establish a steady rhythm a third Brownie skips into the ropes.

FOLLOW MY LEADER

This activity develops ball skills but needs a minimum of four players. Brownies stand in a circle, evenly spaced. One tennis ball is passed round the circle with the girls counting aloud as they throw it in an even tempo. Then a second ball is introduced at an even distance from the first. If there are enough players, try circulating a third ball.

DOG AND RABBIT

A game for six or more. The

Here are a few lively games that don't require equipment.

RED AND GREEN

Brownies pair off, one is red, the other green. If the leader calls out 'Stop', the Reds chase the Greens. If she calls out 'Green', the Greens chase the Reds.

SNAKE'S TAIL

Brownies stand in a line, each clasping the waist of the girl in front. The front player, the snake's head, must try to tag the last



Brownies are divided into two even teams with the teams standing alternately in an evenly-spaced circle. Two Brownies facing each other each hold a ball. At the signal, each girl passes her ball to the member of her own team on the left. The object of the game is for one ball to overtake the other.

player, the snake's tail, without the snake coming apart.

DANISH WRESTLING

In pairs, Brownies clasp right hands and place right feet alongside each other. Each tries to push the other off balance, making her move her right foot.

GILLIAN ELLIS

ANSWERS TO WORDSEARCH

C	R	E	A	M	B	E	A	N	O
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RANGER GUIDERS

The International Clause of the new Queen's Guide syllabus has quite a different look to it. The knowledge of international Guiding element, as opposed to international service, has been moved into Clause 3 - Service to Guiding.

WORLD LINKS

How knowledgeable are your Rangers about WAGGGS and the many exciting areas opened up by our belonging to a world organisation? Rangers involved in international Guiding events become aware that they really do belong to a family of Guiding that extends beyond the UK.

It is important that those who have taken part in an international camp or visit are given opportunities to convey that enthusiasm to members of both their own and other units.

Clause 3 of the Queen's Guide Award asks the candidate to share her knowledge of international Guiding with a choice of groups.

Candidates who have had personal experience of an event may find that they have a lot of experiences and knowledge to share. Candidates who, throughout their Guiding, have grown familiar with this very exciting aspect of Guiding will find it easy to enthuse.

As Guiders have you ever considered whether international Guiding for your Units revolves around Thinking Day, or do you seize on every opportunity to include international ideas? Are you aware that World Peace Day this month is likely to appeal particularly to the Ranger age-group?

September, when Rangers are starting new courses, waiting to leave home, beginning new jobs, can be particularly slow to get going. It is sometimes a good idea for the Ranger Guider to introduce some more specific activities of her own.

PEACE DAY

The third Tuesday in September is the official UN Peace Day. By using your leadership skills, you might be able to demonstrate to Rangers some variety in putting across their own international message.

Show them different ways of involving others in an internationally-based event. It would be particularly good if you could show that food is not an essential item!

It's too late to plan a major event for this year but perhaps you could sow the seed for a much broader involvement next year.

● The activities you choose should follow the theme, be fun and clearly demonstrate that Guides and Scouts are working for peace for one day, at least.

The evaluation of the activities should pave the way for what you might include next year.

GETTING ACTIVE

Activities: Make simple kites, check that they will fly and decorate them with peace symbols. On World Peace Day fly them in a fairly public place at a time when there are people about to ask why.

enlarge it. Rangers can use it as a base for:

● 3-D effect cards to send to friends both in and outside Guiding.

● Badges to wear on the day — all day. Badges could be made in card or felt, or you could try burning more permanent ones on to wood.

● Decorating long, thin banners that will fly easily from bedroom windows, from flat balconies, from flagpoles — not only at your meeting but at work and at school.

● Printing on T-shirts.

Make it your business to tell other people that Guiding and Scouting is involved in striving for a world in which there is peace. You could:

● Contact your local radio station and tell them.

● Flood music programmes with requests for peace songs.

● Write letters to your local paper.

TAKE TIME OUT

As a group, decide that at one particular time on World Peace Day, you will each take time out from what you are doing to light a candle and to spend some time in prayer or meditation. Each member resolves to try to get other people to join in.

Make a simple biscuit mixture, shape the biscuits in the shape of a dove and share them with other friends who are seeking for peace.

The activities you choose to do need not be complicated. Some may require the Rangers to bring one or two items for the following week but it would be possible to show that such pre-planning can be avoided, if they select the activity carefully and pitch it at the level of interest or skill of the group with whom they are working.

Through your example, you can involve the Rangers in World Peace Day, and show them how they might easily involve others in an international event.

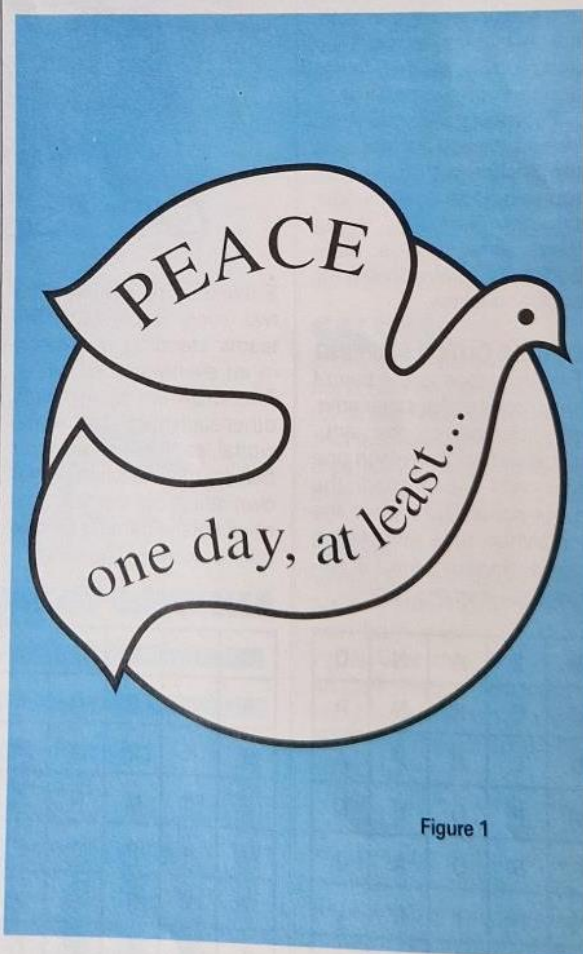


Figure 1

Remember:

● The message you give is for now.

● The method you use is an example of how it might be presented.

Create Peace badges/cards/banners. Take the peace symbol (see figure 1) and reproduce it as a template in a variety of sizes. You can photocopy and

YOUNG LEADERS

With fewer opportunities for meetings in daylight, here are some ideas to help the girls in your units enjoy the out-of-doors. Some of these suggestions may help you to complete Part II clause 8 of the Young Leader Scheme.

TURNING SOME MORE LEAVES

As the winds start to strengthen, the leaves begin to shower down providing instant equipment for a range of activities.

LEAF RUBBING

You will need: thin, strong paper; wax crayons, coloured pencils or soft (B) drawing pencils; leaves with well-defined veins and shapes.

Place the leaves on a firm, flat surface with the veins



uppermost. Place the paper over the top and rub evenly over the leaf with crayons or pencils. The rubbings can be cut out and used to make a collage. Or, if you have an autumn fair or fundraising event planned, why not use the rubbings to make a really eye-catching poster?

Alternatively, if you've collected leaves from around



your meeting place, challenge the girls to find the trees on which each leaf grows.

AUTUMN TINTS

Collect different coloured autumn leaves. Press them

between sheets of blotting paper in the pages of a heavy book. When thoroughly dry, use the leaves



to make pictures or collages, or mount them on card and cover with plastic film to make bookmarks, book covers or greetings cards.

A GOOD IMPRESSION

First make up a batch of non-edible salt dough using three cups of plain flour; 1 cup of salt; 1 cup of water and 1 teaspoon of glycerine or wallpaper paste.

Mix all the ingredients together and knead well until smooth. If the dough is too dry, damp your hands before kneading, or add a little more flour if it is too sticky. The dough may be kept in a plastic bag in the fridge for a few days.

Roll out the dough on a lightly-floured surface. Either cut out decorative shapes with pastry cutters, or cut squares or rectangles to make 'tiles'.

Using small leaves with well-defined veins, place the leaf vein side down on the dough shapes. Press firmly into the dough to leave an impression, then carefully remove.

Place the dough shapes on a foil-covered baking sheet and bake in the oven at 100°C-150°C for 30 minutes. When the surface feels firm, raise the temperature to 250°C and cook until dry, hard and very light brown.

The shapes can be painted and varnished once cool. If you want to hang them up, make a hole in the shape with a skewer or cocktail stick before baking.

NATURE'S BOUNTY

Collect a variety of fir cones and seeds such as sycamore keys, acorns and cups, horse chestnuts, beech masts and so on. These can be used in a variety of ways.

1 Make pictures or collages, or use to decorate small boxes.

2 Glue various seeds, cones and so on together to make models of animals or people. Add cocktail sticks or used match sticks for 'arms' and 'legs' if necessary.

3 Make an acorn 'web' decoration.

You will need long pins (the glass headed variety look attractive); a supply of acorns; scraps of coloured wool.

Push eight pins into the acorn. Tie a piece of wool around one pin, wrap it once around the next pin and so on, keeping each row close to the previous one (see figure 1).

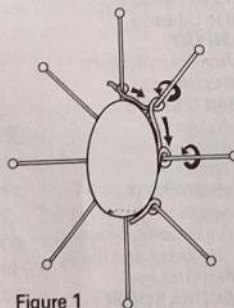


Figure 1

Change colour by tying in a different strand of wool, making sure the knot is at the back. When you reach the pin heads, tie securely and leave about 30cm of wool for hanging (figure 2).

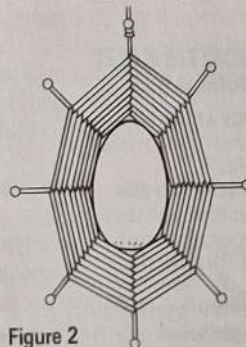


Figure 2

How about using gold-painted acorns and gold, red and green threads to make your own Christmas decorations?

Don't forget that if you collect acorns, seeds and so on, only collect enough for your needs — wild life relies on many of these autumn fruits to survive the winter.



NATURE'S PAINTBOX

You will need paint colour charts in colours appropriate to the season and thin card. Make a 'palette' for each Six/Patrol using the coloured squares from the charts.

Try to choose appropriate colours for the time of year. For example, browns and oranges for autumn; light greens for spring.

Challenge each Six or Patrol to find a natural object to match each colour on the palette.



OBSERVATION GAME

You will need a collection of natural objects which can be found at this time of year. Each Six or Patrol sends one member to look at one of the items. She returns to her group and, without speaking, draws the object.

She passes round the finished drawing and, when someone identifies it correctly, the next in line takes her turn. The winners are the Six or Patrol who are first to finish.

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HELEN AGER

2nd Dorking Guides
Tour with Surrey County
Youth Orchestra

ANNA DE FRAINE

1st Otlands Guides
Boots, sleeping bag

JENNI HIGGS

Strood Rangers
Sleeping bag, rucksac

CHERYL LARDEN

Young Leader
1st Northumberland Heath
Experiment in International
Living — Japan

JOANNE MAITLAND

3rd Whitstable Rangers
British Schools Exploring
Society trip to Iceland

NICOLA O'DELL

Medway Division Rangers
Sleeping bag

SALLY PARKER

2nd Cheriton Guides
Boots

NATASHA THAYRE

1st Hastings and St Leonards
Rangers
Boots, sailing wear, rucksac

VICTORIA THREKALL

1st Otlands Guides
Waterproofs

RACHEL WEIR

2nd Mile Oak Guides
Sleeping bag, boots

SARAH WICKHAM

4th Uckfield Guides
Sleeping bag

MIDLANDS

LISA BASLEY

1st Edgmond Rangers
Rucksac

KAREN BAXTER

Young Leader
1st Codnor Brownies
Visit to Japan

JULIA BRUSCH

2nd Halesowen Guides
Boots

JENNY CRAMP

Phoenix Rangers
International camp —
Norway

HELEN HEYES

1st Ellesmere Rangers
Rucksac

JUDITH HOMEWOOD

2nd Lichfield Guides
Visit to America

SARAH HOMEWOOD

Young Leader
3rd Lichfield Guides
Visit to America

RACHAEL HOPE

Young Leader
1st Offenham Guides
Boots

KATHERINE HUNT

2nd Matlock Guides
Visit to Japan

CAROLINE JAMES

Bayston Hill Raven Rangers
Tall Ships Race

CATHERINE LEE

12th Leek Guides
International camp — Japan

KAYE MITCHELL

Young Leader
4th Rugeley Guides
Visit to America

CAROLINE PARRY

1st Madeley Rangers
Tall Ships Race

JOANNE REID

Young Leader
Chilwell Rainbows
Project Trust — South Africa

EUSABETH SMITH

Phoenix Rangers
Rucksac

SALLY SMITH

Young Leader
7th Loughborough Guides
Waterproofs

CATHERINE SWIFT

Young Leader
1st Hathern Guides
Boots, rucksac

HELEN SYKES

4th Hinckley Guides
Sleeping bag

HELEN THOMPSON

Young Leader
1st Goodach Brownies
Rucksac

VICTORIA WEEKS

1st Allestree Rangers
Visit to Japan

NORTH WEST ENGLAND

ANN CHRISTIAN

Young Leader
6th Kendal Guides
Cumbria South expedition
to Nepal

KIRSTY FLETCHER

St Annes Rangers
Visit to Lithuania

HELEN KAY

Poulton Orion Rangers
Visit to Lithuania

SUSAN O'KEEFFE

Young Leader
1st Bryn Brownies
Tall Ships Race

HELEN STAINSBY

Young Leader
1st Gorse Covert Brownies
National Scout and Guide
Orchestra course

SAMANTHA SYMON

St Annes Rangers
Visit to Lithuania

JOANNE THOMAS

St Annes Rangers
Visit to Lithuania

CHRISTINE TUCK

Young Leader
12th Leyland Brownies
Canoe, paddle, spraydeck

NORTH EAST ENGLAND

LUCY ANDERSON

Malton District Rangers
Boots

NANCY CAMPBELL

2nd Ponteland Guides
Dancing lessons

JUDITH HUNTER

Young Leader
1st Herrington Guides
Visit to Kenya

VIVIANNE KAYE

Stocksbridge Rangers
Boots, rucksac, sleeping bag

CATHERINE QURESHI

Young Leader
27th Bradford Guides
International camp — Kenya

LUCY QURESHI

27th Bradford Guides
International camp — Singapore

RACHEL THOMAS

1st Whitby Rangers
Tent and rucksac

ANGLIA

ELSPETH ALLEN

Young Leader
3rd Harpenden Guides
Visit to India

SARAH BLAMEY

Young Leader
1st Middle Barton Guides
Schools Partnership Worldwide

SUZANNE BREWERTON

Potton Guides
Camera

JENNIFER BROOKE

Young Leader
2nd Cumnor Guides
Operation Raleigh

REBECCA HOWE

Eaton Rangers
Experiment in International
Living — Brazil

SALLY HYDE

1st Hertford Rangers
Visit to America

NATALIE LAIGHT

13th Leigh Guides
Cello

EMMA LUNNY

Young Leader
2nd Taverham Guides
Oboe

HELEN LYNCH

1st Wickwood Guides
Trumpet

ALLISON MACNAB

Young Leader
1st Wells Guides
Jamborette — Madrid

FIONA MACNAB

Young Leader
1st Wells Brownies
Jamborette — Madrid

DENISE MCGINLEY

Brentwood West District Rangers
Sleeping bag, boots

SALLY-MARIE RICKARD

1st Cronham Park Rangers
International camp, Luxembourg

PERDITA ROBBINS

Young Leader
7th St Albans Guides
Visit to America

JOANNA SMITH

1st Kedington Rangers
Jamborette — Madrid

KATIE SMITH

1st Kedington Rangers
International camp — Japan

ANNA TOWN

Young Leader
2nd Welwyn Garden City Guides
Shot putt shoes

RACHEL WATTS

Pitsea Rangers
Experiment in International
Living — Japan

NATASHA WEIR

1st Kennington Guides
Radio equipment

SUZANNE WEIR

1st Kennington Guides
Radio equipment

CLAIRE WOOD

9th Barking Guides
Clarinet

SOUTH WEST REGION

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Fleet Division
Experiment in International
Living — Japan

JANE BRENTON

Young Leader
1st Elburton Brownies
Project Trust — Zimbabwe

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4th Cosham Guides
Boots

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Living — Mexico

HELEN EDWARDS

1st Chalfield Guides
Rucksac, sleeping bag

HELEN FALLA

12th Exeter Guides
Sleeping bag, rucksac

KERENZA FENTEM

Young Leader
2nd Saltash Brownies
Rucksac

REBECCA FROWDE

Young Leader
1st Chapmanslade Brownies
Operation Lamina — Mexico

RACHEL GRAY

1st Hanton Rangers
Visit to Kenya

CHARLOTTE MOBBS

Nailsea Rangers
National Youth Choir tour

HILARY POWELL

Young Leader
5th Winchester City Brownies
Coat

JOANNA STURGESS

1st Caversham Park Guides
Clarinet

WALES

JANET BEBB

Young Leader
1st Newtown Brownies
Visit to Japan

FIONA JONES

Young Leader
2nd Llanelli Brownies
Experiment in International Living
— India

LEENA MCEWAN

1st Bulwerk Guides
Visit to Czechoslovakia

ESTHER HARRISON

1st Emllyn Rangers
International camp — Singapore

ULSTER

JANE HOPPER

Young Leader
1st Tempo Guides
Visit to India

SCOTLAND

LAURA FELDMAN

1st Wormit Guides
Bagpipes

Lesley Knight's hobby was a real boon for some Brownies who attended this year's Thinking Day celebrations in London.

For Lesley's passion is collecting — including Brownie uniforms from all over the world.

So, when the girls wanted something special to wear on the big day, Lesley was happy to help.

'We dressed the Brownies in different uniforms from all around the world,' Lesley said. 'They looked absolutely super, and all had a wonderful time.'

'It's a marvellous way of spreading the word that it isn't just Britain that has Guiding — we're part of a world-wide Movement.'

Lesley's home in the picturesque village of Weald, Kent, provides the perfect setting for her collections. Her little cottage is stuffed with Guiding memorabilia — much of it collected on Lesley's travels.

Wherever you go in Lesley's home you'll come across a collection somewhere. Go to the fridge and there's a flock of owl magnets on the door. Walk through to the living room and on the wall there's a wooden display box filled with tiny china bears.

But Lesley's most impressive collection is the mass of Guiding memorabilia which she stores in her sewing room. Anything that won't fit in there goes up in the attic.

At the last count, Lesley had 44 bright and colourful Brownie uniforms from around the world. Then there are books filled with tiny metal badges, including Trefoils, Promise Badges and commemorative symbols from all over the world.

She has files of cloth badges of all kinds — from Japan's delicately embroidered emblems, to the bright, bold badges produced in America.

'In some countries they have to embroider their own badges,' Lesley explained. 'Each country has its own Programme, and the badges reflect the differing needs of each nation. So each badge means something different to me.'

Then there's Lesley's huge horde of Guiding teaspoons, as well as a selection of mugs, plates, tiles and assorted china. And not forgetting several thick books filled with Guiding stamps, cards and postcards.

Lesley has been pleased to discover



Lesley Knight — an avid collector of Guiding memorabilia.

that she's not the only eager collector. 'I joined something called the Badgers Club and that's where I found out that there are lots of other avid collectors,' she said.

Lesley's other passion, travelling, complements her hobby perfectly. It's on her travels that she picks up bits and pieces to add to her collections. And, through Guiding, Lesley has made many friends who bring things back from far-off places for her.

South Africa, Zimbabwe, Canada, America, Thailand and New Zealand are just some of the countries Lesley has toured, collecting friends and Guiding souvenirs along the way.

'When you travel around the world and meet other people involved in Guiding, it's surprising how much a part of it all you feel,' Lesley said. 'It is like a sisterhood — everybody is so friendly and welcoming.'

Lesley got her first taste of travel as a child when she was evacuated to Canada during the war and lived there for five years.

Back home in the Lake District, she briefly joined the Guides. 'It was a very small Company and eventually it just petered out,' Lesley recalled.

Years later Lesley married and her daughter Caroline joined the Brownies.

'She was a Brownie at a Pack in the village,' Lesley said. 'One day someone asked for volunteers to help out. And, you know how it is, before you know it, you're roped in!'

Then the District Commissioner asked if I could help with her Pack and, when that Pack got too big, it was split into two Packs and I became Brownie Guider of one.'

Lesley gave up Brownies because of illness in her family, but in the 22 years she's been involved with Guiding she has always kept in touch. Now she runs the local 'depot' from her sewing room. This involves storing a stock of up-to-date Guide uniform and accessories in her cupboards to save Guiders travelling up to London.

Included in Lesley's collection is a Rosebud doll kitted out in the original uniform which she made herself after much careful research. Now Lesley has a burning ambition — to get hold of an original Rosebud Badge for the doll. 'The Rosebud Badge is one of the real gems that I am missing,' she said.

NICOLA WHATMORE

● Anyone who can help Lesley should write to **GUIDING** at The Girl Guides Association, 17-19 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PT

SHINE ON

When it comes to fund raising Guide Hannah Spooner is a shining example to us all. Faced with paying for a dream trip to Japan she turned shoeshine girl and polished her way to success.

Asagiri! The very name of this international camp at the foot of Japan's Mount Fuji was enough to make any Guide dry-mouthed with excitement.

But the invitation to attend — extended to three leaders and ten girls from Cheshire — included a week's stay with a Japanese family and a nine-day sightseeing tour, based in Tokyo.

For any Guide, no matter how blasé about travel, it was just about the ultimate in 'dream' trips.

So what more could anyone want? Only money! A trifling £1,400 per girl, in this case.

Parents were asked to contribute £300 a head, where possible. The rest had to be raised somehow — an awesome prospect for a 15-year-old, even with all available Guiding support.

Here, the mother of one of the girls

who went on the trip, describes what the fundraising ordeal involved for Mum and Dad, while their daughter became a shoeshine girl for one gruelling, never-to-be-repeated day:

• Sue Storer, International Adviser for Cheshire Border, had been invited to attend the camp by the Girl Scouts of Japan, taking a small party of girls, but the cost of the trip was enough to make every parent quail.

At the initial briefing Sue warned us to aim at £1,400. The air fare alone would account for some £850. The anxious glances we exchanged said it all — there was no need for words.

Were our daughters old enough to cope without us on the other side of the globe? And, more to the point, how on earth were we to raise all that cash?

We and three other families living



within easy reach, set up our own fundraising group.

For our first effort — a fair in the church hall — the girls made beautiful Japanese-style posters. Our friends rallied round. Division and District Guiders supplied cakes and tins and the Rangers ran a jewellery stall.

Our District Commissioner had knitted two handsome scarecrows, adorned with a ladybird, a plump robin and a knitted basket, which was filled with knitted mushrooms.

As much as we longed to keep them, one scarecrow went in a "Guess my birthday" competition; the other in a "Guess how many crows I've scared this year" contest — each raising more than £30.

For my part, I sold my "own brand" preserves. I had bought countless tins of *Mamade* and robbed the neighbours of their jam jars. Every windfall from our trees I converted to apply jelly, before branching out into crab apples.

Then I picked the fruit from the japonica to create a pale pink preserve, flavoured with lemon. Surprisingly, people bought these concoctions. And not one case of food poisoning came to my notice!

Hannah and the other three girls worked hard in the kitchen, selling soup, coffee and fairy cakes.

We cleared £400 after expenses. Good, but that meant only £100 per girl. Hannah realised she needed to go solo and intensify her efforts.

Our family think-tank examined a number of ideas. We needed something original that wouldn't cramp the style of the other girls going on the trip. We heard of a lad who went on a sponsored run, dressed as a gorilla to fund his Operation Raleigh trip.

Maybe it was the thought of his blisters which prompted Hannah to think about feet and then, suddenly, she'd got it — a sponsored shoeshine!

Having obtained the necessary per-

mission, from the Division, the police and from Barclay's Bank, under whose portico the polishing was to take place, it was *Cherry Blossom* time.

All Hannah's artistic talent went into designing her sponsorship forms. Over three successive Saturdays she called at every shop in Wilmslow, describing the expedition and asking for sponsorship for the marathon shoe-shine.

By the fourth shop she had perfected her speech. By what seemed like the 400th, she was hoarse. Very few, however, turned her down.

Dad's contribution was to build the stand. This masterpiece comprised a sturdy wooden platform, reinforced with metal, strong enough to bear the weightiest of patrons, and a footrest, shaped like a shoe last.

At each side of the "dais", luxuriously upholstered with a carpet sample, was a handrail of bamboo, which gave the whole artefact a slightly oriental touch. This, Dad felt, was not inappropriate.

An upturned plastic milk crate, discreetly covered with a cushion, formed Hannah's seat. Her brushes, polishes and buffing rags she kept in mushroom boxes made of blue plastic and cadged from the local greengrocer.

The day dawned with a heavy frost and a sky the colour of mud. An eight-hour stint on the draughtiest corner of town seemed a horrible prospect.

But the local paper had announced that Hannah was going into business that day, so it had to be faced.

The first few pairs were the worst. That was when Hannah was still suffering from what might aptly be called "stage" fright. Then Guides, Guiders and school friends dropped by to lend a bit of support.

Next Grandma turned up and, seeing Hannah's nose blue with cold, returned with a hot water bottle, wrapped in a blanket. A lunchtime pizza was a further morale booster.

And the customers kept on coming,

with lots of smiles and banter. They paid a standard 30p a shine, but many tipped generously on top.

Hannah polished away until, by 5.30pm when her arms and hands were aching in every joint, her takings were £80.

Collecting the shoeshine sponsorship money involved another trawl of Wilmslow's shops. It took three Saturdays and a lot of patience but brought in a further £650, so the slog was well worthwhile. Hannah was more than halfway to Japan!

Meanwhile, the Brownies where Hannah had been Pack Leader, took part in a sponsored swim and gave her half their earnings.

County and Division helped, too, with more funds for each girl. Local firms gave small grants and Sue persuaded some Japanese companies with bases in this country, to donate sums to the group.

It was a long, hard slog but we found a wealth of goodwill and, eventually, targets were met and flight tickets bought. The girls were on their way.

For Hannah, after a hike half-way up Mount Fuji, snorkelling in the Sea of Japan, an overnight stop in a Buddhist temple and her stay with the Takahashi family, the Japan '91 expedition was a huge success.

Moreover, her friendship with the Takahashis has given her an invaluable insight into an eastern culture. She and Japanese Girl Scout Masae have corresponded ever since.

We were delighted when we learned that Masae had been selected to attend Cubic — Cheshire Border's international camp — in July but, after our experience, we couldn't help wondering how the Takahashi family had coped with the fund raising.

I don't know what they finally did, but I'd have suggested a sponsored shoeshine! ♡

MAGGIE SPOONER



Friendship grew up between Hannah and Japanese Girl Scout Masae

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YOUR LETTERS

SIGN OF THE TIMES

Letters commenting on the proposed changes to Guiding are still coming in. Extracts will be published at a later date. But here's part of a poem sent to the Chief Commissioner from the 21st North East Ranger Unit, Manchester:

Now in the name of progress, we do hear
That 'Girl' is being dropped, after 82 year,
When the proposed new Promise, had been read,
We knew that Guiding tradition, was now dead,
No longer will we be the Movement B-P started,
That path, we will soon, have departed.

PRACTICAL PACK

Thank you for the Abbey National/Girl Guides Savings Pack. This became for the Brownies a very practical, real experience when the Pack was one of 20 winners drawn and received a £50 cheque.

The Brownies are now busy finding out prices in order to choose what equipment to buy.

SALLY DIXON-LEIGH

Brownie Guider
15th Croydon Pack

● The following is an extract from a much longer letter.

ALL CHANGE

I think it is just over two years since the Scout Movement announced that they would accept girls into their units. At that time it was stated quite categorically that we were a Movement for girls and would remain so for the foreseeable future.

I agree with the sentiment that girls develop their own potential and leadership skills much better in a single sex organisation.

In view of this, I was a little surprised to be given copies of the leaflets *Joint Units* and *Advice on the formation of Scout and Guide or Guide and Scout Groups* at our recent executive meeting in Sheffield.

The only reference to Joint Units in the *Guiding*

Manual is for the Venture Scout/Ranger age group. This new leaflet is talking about *all* age groups.

I am not aware that we have had any intimation about this change. Has there been any discussion with the girls or their Guiders?

I appreciate that this makes sense in rural or remote areas where numbers are insufficient to form a Rainbow/Brownie/Guide unit. But elsewhere I am sure it would be complicated and, perhaps, cause friction between Guiding and Scouting.

I find the leaflet *Guide and Scout Groups* of even more concern. This adds another layer of bureaucracy, with more meetings for leaders and more paper work.

I cannot see any advantage from the girls' point of view either. In communities where Scouting and Guiding are flourishing we already have good relationships without all this formality.

On a practical level there are all sorts of difficulties. The approaches to fund raising and census/capitation of the two organisations are vastly different.

I am not against change and we have had some great improvements. The new uniform and handbooks are greatly appreciated. We are struggling with Action Plus,

which is an excellent idea but not so easy to put into practice.

I am unhappy about the way some changes come about. It would have been helpful if these leaflets had come out as discussion documents. Can I assume that Joint Units and Guide and Scout Groups will be the exception rather than the norm?

ANNE BARRACLOUGH

Sheffield West Division
Commissioner

FLYING THE RIGHT FLAG

A majority of people in Scotland wish for either devolution or full independence. In these changing days I feel it is wrong to insist Scottish Companies carry and fly the Union Flag.

Would it not be more appropriate to allow these Companies to choose whether they fly the Union Flag or the Saltire. Or, at least, to let us carry the Saltire as well as the Union Flag, as Scottish Scouts are allowed to do.

This need not only apply to Scotland. I am sure many English Companies, for instance, would appreciate the change to fly the St George's Cross.

DAWN HOTCHKISS

Guider
1st Old Kilpatrick Guides

GOOD MANNERS

May I just say how proud I felt the other day. I work for Barclays Bank as a part-time cashier in Plymouth.

I was serving a customer when I noticed he was paying in a Girl Guide cheque. Making conversation, I said I belonged to the Movement. He replied that he did illustrations for *GUIDING* and *BROWNIE*.

He then went on to say

that, although he works for many people, you are the only ones who always write to say thank you.

Such a small gesture, but, for most people nowadays, an overlooked courtesy. It just goes to show that our policies and principles are followed throughout the Movement.

Though we are encouraged to go with the times, our feet are still on the ground and the basics are not forgotten.

MRS KIM HOLMES

Brownie Guider and District
Commissioner
for Plympton East

UNIFORM ORDER

Nearly every group photo that *GUIDING* carries shows units in identical combinations of uniform. This is not the ideal!

Girls should have a choice of combination. Yet, month after month, you show photos with everyone in the unit wearing, for example, neckers and toggles, long-sleeved jumpers, hats and so on.

My Brownies have their own choice and they very rarely all look alike. Are the rumblings I hear on the grapevine true — 'Oh, our Guider says we're all to wear the blouses for church parade and no hats because she doesn't like them.'?

Are you guilty?

MARGARET L THOMPSON

55th Leeds (West Park)
Brownies

SUNSHINE BADGE

Brownies have their birthday badges and Guides work for their coloured Trefoils each year. Isn't it time Rainbows had a badge (perhaps a Sunshine badge?) they could receive a year after

making their Rainbow Promise?

After two years they are seven years old and ready for Brownies, taking with them their Rainbow badge, to be worn on their Brownie sash.

To five and six year-olds a year is a very long time. Such a badge would also give them another opportunity to 'renew' their Rainbow Promise.

ISABEL BLORE

Rainbow Guider
Bromfield District, Wrexham

YELLOW WINNERS

I must admit I was a little apprehensive when the new-style Brownie uniform came into being. As an older Brownie Guider I suppose one becomes set in one's ways.

But now that my Pack are almost all in the new uniform, how bright they all look.

I read with interest the letter from Gill Smith in June *GUIDING*. I also decided to ask my Brownies about the sweatshirt colour.

They voted 100 per cent for yellow sweatshirts. One of my youngest Brownies said that yellow is like sunshine and when the sun shines everyone smiles and is happy.

PAULINE HAYES

Brownie Guider
2nd East Barnet (St Mary's) Pack

TRAINING SUCCESS

We have now been to Waddow on two occasions in five months and we would like to express our thanks for all the help and advice we received.

The first occasion was the Adapting Brownie Ideas weekend in January which we enjoyed very much.

Our second visit, to a Look After Yourself course, was a bit different. Our Trainers, Sally Malcolm and Karen Thomas, were both excellent. We came away a little healthier with

promises to keep it that way.

And we enjoyed all the chores, chatting over the washing-up and laying of tables. It was a splendid way of meeting new friends. All we're waiting for now is a follow up to Look After Yourself.

Thank you to all the staff at Waddow for ensuring a warm, relaxed atmosphere.

DENISE DRIVER

Guider

KAREN COOLING

Assistant Guider
11th Dewsbury Brownies
W. Yorks

BADGE LOSS

Like Mrs D H Sheils and Mrs P M Carter, (whose letters appeared in March *GUIDING*) I too had a First Class-style Queen's Guide Badge. While we moved house, all our possessions were stored in a furniture depository which went up in flames. I'd love to be able to have a replacement if there was ever a re-issue.

MRS C ARROWSMITH

Assistant Guide Guider
1st Speldhurst Guides

LARGER LADIES

As one who has greeted the new uniform with almost open arms for the girls and for all Guiders who are size 14 and under, may I make a plea for those of us of more ample proportions?

Would it be possible to provide a dress or straighter skirt that would allow one to look a little less ample? The present skirt with its unpressed pleats hits us larger ladies just where it hurts most.

And, by the time you have gestured wildly to make a point when training, the blouse escapes and billows forth above the waist to match the fullness below.

I know we shouldn't look back but the tailored dress was so flattering to the more generous figure and, however enthusiastic the demonstration, stayed in one piece.

I doubled in size when I started to wear my new

skirt. Right, I thought, I will try culottes. My husband's face, as he struggled to contain his mirth, was matched by mine.

Please — just some garment that the more mature of us could wear with pride — a little less generous in material for the more generous in size.

JILL HANCOCK

Berkhamsted
Hertfordshire

SO USEFUL

Congratulations to all the staff and the working group who produced the *Guide Handbook* on such a wonderful achievement.

I was invited to a District Guiders meeting earlier this week just to explain one or two handbook/badge book queries. They were at great pains to tell me just how much the Guiders and Guiders were enjoying using the books together with *GUIDE PATROL* magazine.

My own very large Company endorse those sentiments too, they each received their handbooks and *GUIDE PATROL* magazine at the first meeting in January and have not looked back. Thank you from us all.

DOREEN SPORLE

Adviser for Members with Disabilities

MUM'S TREAT

As a Brownie Guider, I know how much depends on the support of mums and, as mums go, the 6th Barnehurst Brownies has a fantastic bunch. So we decided it would be nice to do something for them.

I explained to the Brownies we were going to have a Pack Venture and that it revolved around Mothers' Day. It was decided to entertain the mums to tea.

There were lots of ideas for sandwiches, some with rather unusual fillings such as banana and tuna. We decided on the more conventional.

Some baked cakes,

others made invitations and a third group doing their Speaker badge wrote beautiful prayers about mums, and agreed to greet the mums.

The colour pink was chosen for the theme and, the week before, the Brownies made serviette rings, doilies and some of them made decorated place names.

The evening arrived and, as each mum arrived, she was taken to her seat. While the mums were eating, the Brownies gathered in one corner and sang.

Later, as we stood in the Brownie Ring, we were given a card, cake, sandwiches, a rose and flowers. We were mums as well they said. As each mum left the hall a Brownie handed her a posy of daffodils.

We all thought it was one way of thanking our mums who give us so much help.

SHEILA NUNN

Brownie Guider
6th Barnehurst Brownies

MISSING CHUM

Can any of your readers help? I would love to get in touch with a school friend who was also my Patrol Leader, when we were Guides in Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire, between 1951-1954.

I moved away and, although we corresponded regularly for some time, I lost contact with Gillian Wentworth when I married in 1963.

At that time Gill and her husband John Middleton lived and worked in London.

She was such a keen Guide, I feel sure she must still have some contact with the Movement and I would love to hear from her again.

MARY GRANT

Guide Guider
Guernsey

● Write to Mary care of *GUIDING*.

More letters on page 60.

Someone suggested a sponsored silence. How absurd! No way could it work — not with that bunch of giggling chatterboxes, the 1st Regnum Rainbows, Chichester.

Why, they must be the noisiest Unit in the whole of Sussex West, if not in Britain, or at least that's what one of their Guiders believes.

So, quite rightly, that ridiculous idea was instantly laughed out of court by the other leaders.

Just for once, however, the Rainbows were serious. When they heard about the plight of babies and little children in Romania, they really wanted to help.

But how? The question defeated the Unit's leaders until, as often happens, suddenly they hit upon the ideal solution — a sponsored 'draw'.

Not only would it raise cash for deprived children in Romanian orphanages, but it might even keep the 1st Regnum Rainbows quiet for a while. Well, relatively quiet.

Guider Anita Honeywood, known as Poppy; Assistant Guider Pat Ware, Rosie; and Young Leader Sarah Gaffney, Robin, all have 'red-sounding' names because the Unit's tabards are red.

Rosie takes up the colourful story:

“We read in the local paper that two policemen from Selsey, near Chichester, had recently returned from Romania, where they had found babies and children in appalling conditions.

They were in orphanages without supplies of baby food, nappies, soap, blankets, cotton wool — even things like safety pins. The policemen were mounting a campaign to raise money to provide these essentials to take back with them to Romania.

As we expected, when the Rainbows were told about the Romanian children, they were keen to help.

We tossed various ideas around but once we'd got the non-runners — like sponsored silences — out of the way, it was coloured pencils at the ready for a sponsored draw.

The Rainbows were all given an A3-size sheet of plain white paper which had been ruled to provide eight rectangles, each headed by one large printed letter, arranged to spell the word RAINBOWS.

In each “box” the girls were required to create a drawing of an object appropriate to the letter at the top. Under the letter O, for example, it could be an orange, perhaps, and under W, a drawing of, say, a window.

Inspiration didn't come easily for some artists — we saw quite a lot of exposed tongues and a certain amount of cribbing!

With their completed drawings and sponsorship forms, the Rainbows then

TO ROMANIA WITH LOVE

Giggling chatterboxes they may be, but the 1st Regnum Rainbows take fund raising very seriously.

set off to collect the monies pledged.

Two weeks later a total of £85.75 had been collected.

Then came the really exciting part of the project: a visit to Sainsbury's to buy the goods. The entire Unit mustered in the car park, before we took the supermarket by storm.

We Guiders had already done a “recce” and had worked out that each Rainbow could buy four items to a total value of about £7.

Clutching their lists, the girls scurried down the aisles to select their four items. What fun it was!

With all the goods loaded into Poppy's trolley, we headed for the check-out.

By this time, we had been joined by Darren Graysmark, one of the police-

men. He chatted to the Rainbows, asking them about themselves and their purchases. Then it was all hands to the conveyor belt.

We were through in no time, with our goods packed in boxes so that they could be stowed in Darren's car.

The exercise had been well worthwhile, we felt. It had made our much loved and well cared for Rainbows think about children in foreign countries, who are a great deal less fortunate.

On returning from his next trip to Romania Darren plans to tell us all about it at one of our meetings and bring some photographs.

Perhaps we may be able to help again. But not with a sponsored silence — that's for sure!

PAT WARE



Policeman Darren Graysmark takes charge of the goods

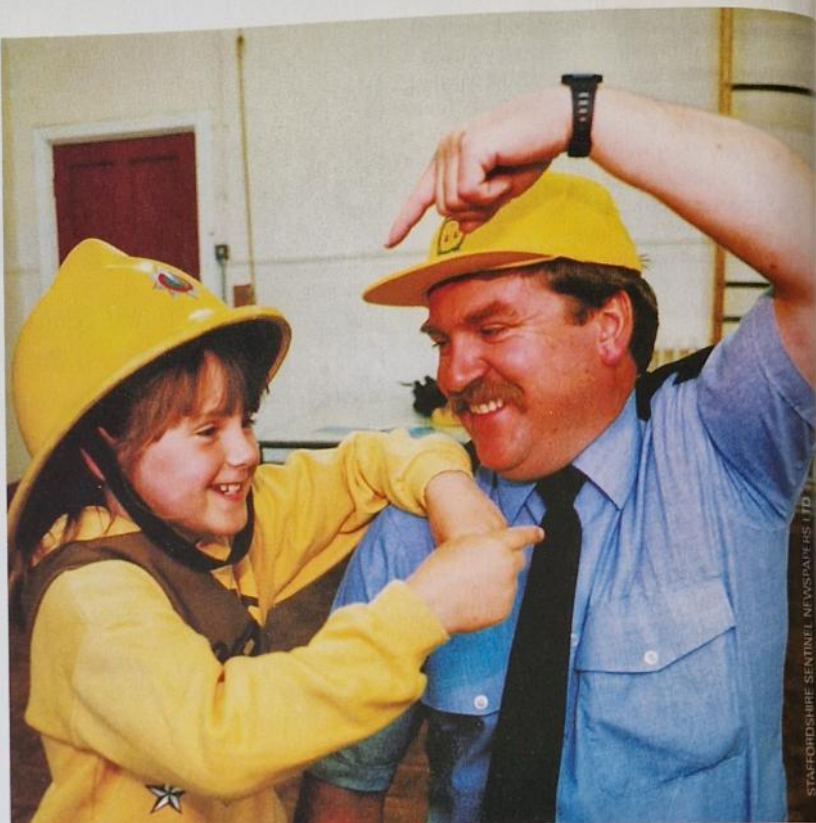
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Oopsadaisy! shopping isn't easy when you're Rainbow-size

PEOPLE *and* PLACES



CATHERINE JONES



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CHICKEN CAPERS

◀ It's tough being a chicken. Especially when Guides Hannah White and Fiona Maddocks insist you join in the fun during their 'Cartoon Capers' weekend at Champion House in Edale. But when the 204th Sheffield Guides start capering they just won't take no for an answer.

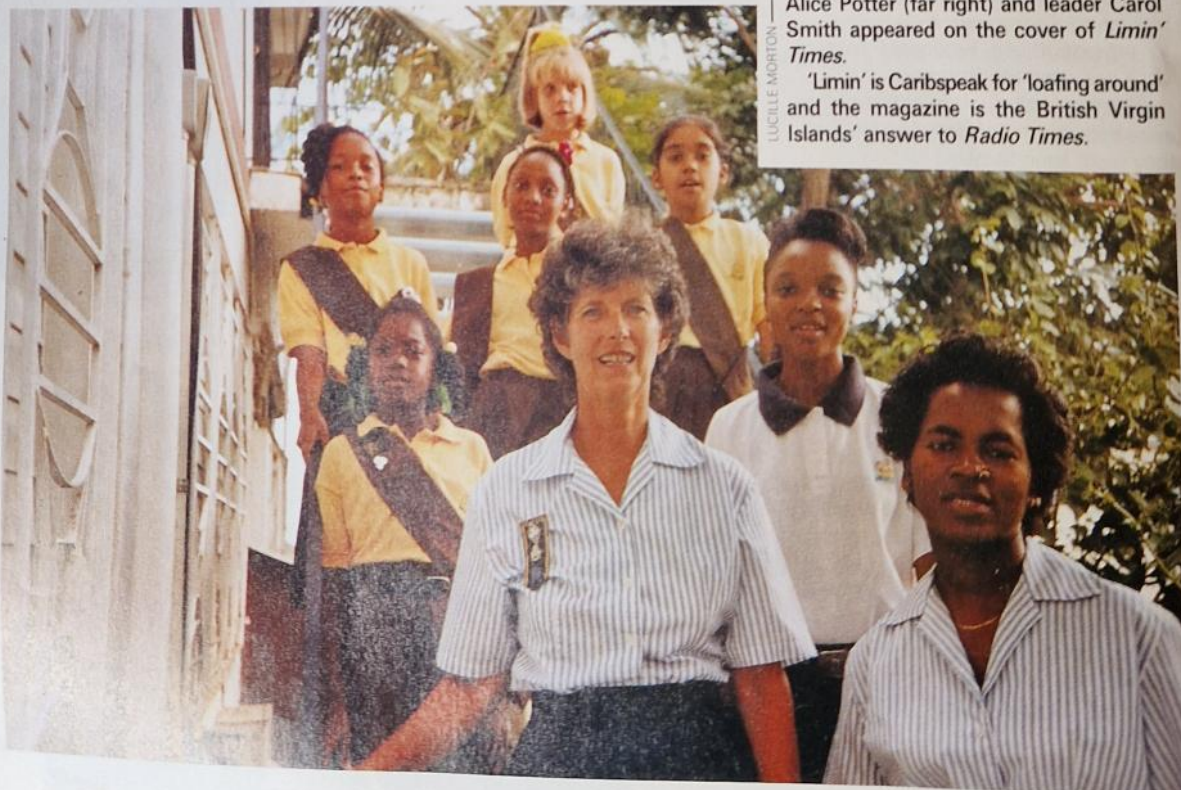
RADIO STARS

▼ Brownies from the 1st and 4th Tortola Packs in the British Virgin Islands took over the children's hour on their local radio station during Guide week.

This picture, showing some of the Brownies with Commissioner Penny Haycraft (centre), Deputy Commissioner Alice Potter (far right) and leader Carol Smith appeared on the cover of *Limin' Times*.

'Limin' is Caribspeak for 'loafing around' and the magazine is the British Virgin Islands' answer to *Radio Times*.

LUCILLE MORTON



HAT TRICK

Firefighter Chris Miles and Brownie Natalie Powell swapped hats for an evening when Chris was made an honorary Brownie. The friendly fireman was a real hit when he showed the 10th Longton Brownies round Longton Fire Station at Stoke-on-Trent.

So the Brownies arranged a return visit and voted him an honorary member of the Pack.

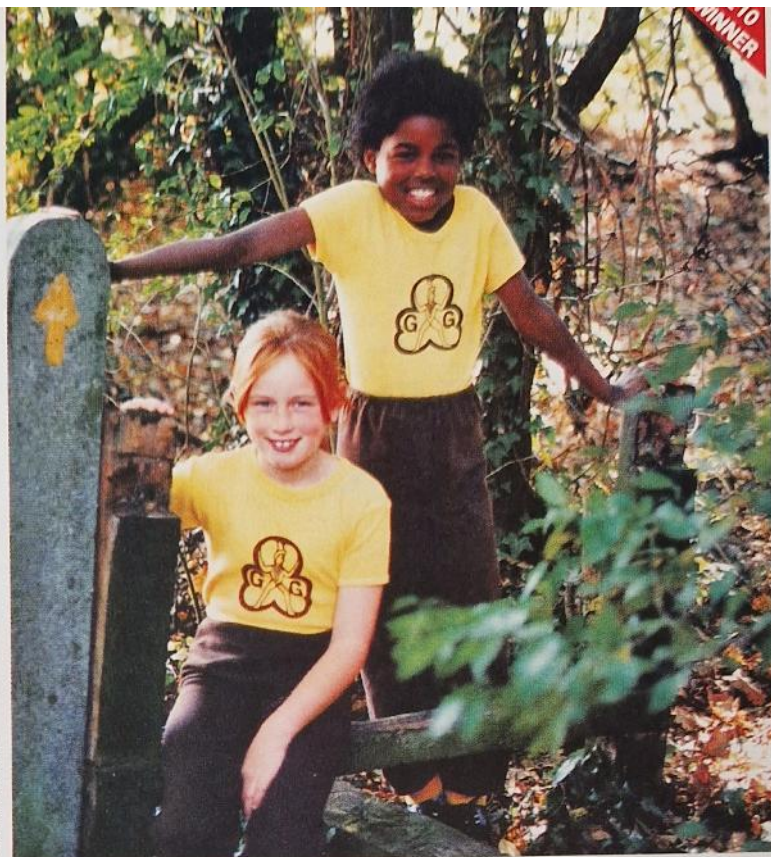
BABES IN THE WOOD

If you go down to the woods today... you might meet a Brownie or two. Our roving photographer came across this cheeky twosome from Dorset enjoying a stroll while they were on Pack Holiday at Dunsbury Girl Guide camp site.

CHILD'S PLAY

Believe it or not Guides Louise and Katy Sandel are hard at work. The sisters, both from 3rd Hedgesford Guides, were helping out at West Midlands Fire Service Nursery in Birmingham when working for their Child Care badge.

LESLEY WILLIAMS



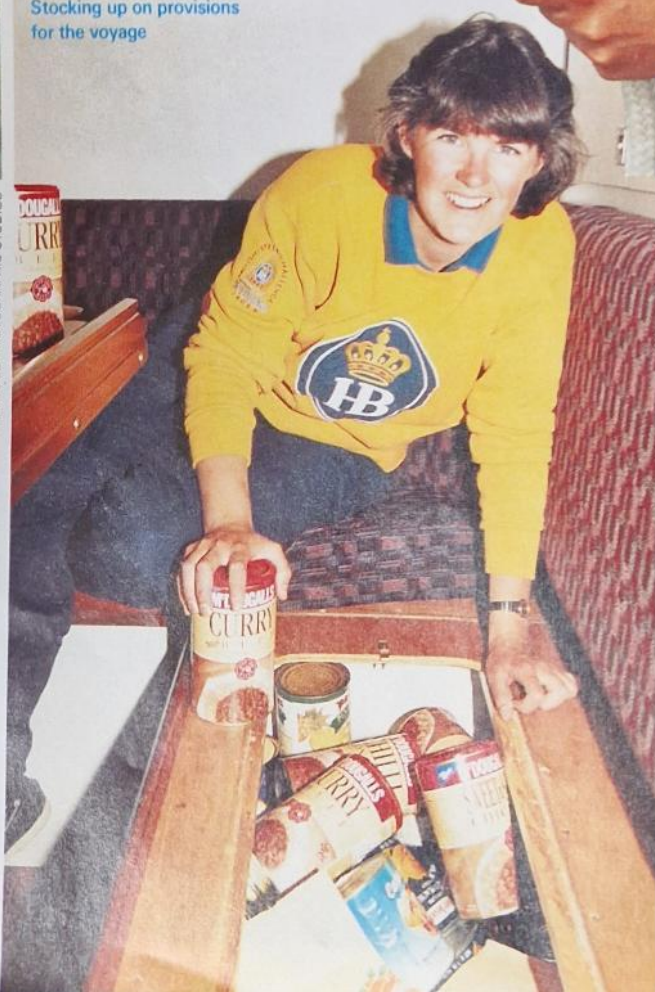
PAULA SEDDON

UNDER SAILOR'S ORDERS

Pippa Welch — all set for
the adventure of a
lifetime



Stocking up on provisions
for the voyage



VERWOOD PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIOS

This month, ten custom-built steel yachts will set off from Southampton on the first leg of the British Steel Challenge, an amazing round-the-world race. One of the volunteer crew is a Ranger Guider who blames the Guide Movement for her yearning for adventure.

Like Justine Cotton who described how she won a place in the race in June's *GUIDING*. 28-year-old Pippa Welch believes her ability to have a go at anything began in the Guides.

Before casting off Pippa explained how she's prepared for eight months before the mast.

How do I try to explain why I want to face 50 to 60 foot waves in freezing temperatures, or drift for days in the doldrums waiting for a breeze?

My reasons for taking part in the British Steel Challenge are straightforward really. It is the other people, or 'volunteers' as we have been known for the last three years, which really appeal to me.

The British Steel Challenge is a ten yacht match race, crewed by amateurs, whose ages range from 21 to 60. Men and women, with mixed abilities, from all sorts of jobs — including a nursery nurse, doctors, a butcher and several managing directors — will be taking part.

My involvement in this amazing adventure began on January 2, 1989 while I was watching yachtsman Chay Blyth on the TV regional news. He was talking about his search for 120 people to take part in a race around the world going the wrong way, sailing against the spin of the earth and the prevailing winds and tides.

It appealed to me instantly. But how would I raise £14,850 for the berth?

I rang the TV company for details and TVS filmed an interview with me, which was put out the following week as part of a news item on the race. I was selected as a volunteer shortly afterwards.

I blame my yearning for the unusual on the Guide Movement... in the nicest possible sense, of course. When you join the Movement, you enter into a new world. Or I did when I joined my unit — the 1st Odiham Guides.

I was given the chance to develop into an inquisitive, confident person, who would have a go at most things.

Camps were exciting, with sleeping outside, pioneering activities and wide games. During one summer camp, I was christened 'Subbekashe', meaning 'Spider'. Not because I have eight legs, but because, like the spider described by Robert the Bruce, if at first I didn't succeed, I kept on trying until I did.

I had six very enjoyable years, first as a Guide and then as a Young Leader. I even gained my Queen's Guide at the eleventh hour.

While I was a Young Leader, Division selections were held for someone to take part in the Tall Ships Race. I went forward but, alas, was not chosen.

A couple of years later, the sixth

form college I attended, held interviews for women to take part in the 1982 Tall Ships Race, from Falmouth to Lisbon in Portugal. This time, a couple of years older and wiser, I was successful.

The whole event was incredible. It was three weeks of comradeship akin to the Guide Movement and the best fun ever! This was my introduction to the sea and sailing. I saw dolphins and a whale, and experienced a few strong breezes across the Bay of Biscay. The view from the 120-foot high upper yard was something I will never forget.

The following year I took part in the same race from Weymouth to St Malo. Everything was just as good as I had remembered.

After a spell at a polytechnic, I returned to the real world with a bump and began looking for a job. I've spent the last six years working for the same company. I will have to give up my job as an analyst programmer in the

Our bunks are six foot by two, and each cabin holds two or three people. You soon learn how to compromise and be tolerant in such conditions. On week long trainings the watch system only allows a maximum of three hours sleep at any one time and you are always on call for emergencies.

The other daunting prospect is fitness. When I was at school I used to avoid running by playing goalkeeper in team games. Now I can't avoid running any more.

One particularly invigorating training session involved 12 volunteers plus skipper rowing to shore in an inflatable dingy. After a few warm-up exercises we went for a three mile run through Cornish countryside — very scenic — followed by a quick dip in Plymouth waters to cool off before rowing back to the yacht for breakfast. And this was in November!

While the crews are apart, living our



Learning together: Ranger Guider Pippa with the Odiham District Rangers

systems division before the race starts on the 26th.

From that evening in 1989 when I first heard of the British Steel Challenge I have had a new lease of life. Apart from the obvious pleasures of sailing, this race has given me the chance to meet some great people, which, to me, is what life is all about.

One of the directors of British Steel — the co-organisers along with Chay Blyth and his team — has said that if he ever has doubts about the project, he just has to meet some of the volunteers and he is caught up by their energy and enthusiasm. He then continues his work with renewed vigour.

I have taken part in a total of six weeks training on one of the yachts during the last three years. Trainings have covered everything from basic knots (I didn't disgrace my camping days), to stripping the winches, servicing the engine and going up the 87ft mast in a harness.

We've become familiar with yachting skills like sheeting in, reefing, helming and, of course, cooking on a stove that moves with the boat's motion.

normal lives, we keep the phone line busy, encouraging each other in our efforts to get fit and raise sponsorship. My particular battle has been raising the funds to cover my berth fees. I have written masses of letters, made endless phone calls and jumped out of an aeroplane at 11,000 feet for a tandem skydive. A fantastic experience.

In my spare time I am Guider for the Odiham District Rangers, who are teaching me a lot. I shall miss them during the eight months I will be away, but they have promised to make radio contact with my yacht — *Hofbräu Lager* — on Thinking Day next year. I should be crossing the Southern Oceans, from Tasmania to Cape Town, around that time.

I saw my yacht for the first time in April and have now been out in her several times. Everything is falling into place and she feels like home already.

The one person I should thank for giving me the chance to develop into the adventurer that I have become is my former Guide Guider. Who else but my mother! 9

PIPPA WELCH

PICNIC DELIGHT

I would like to share with readers my memories of a most enjoyable afternoon I spent with 150 Rainbows from Neath Division at their Rainbow Picnic.

It was a very hot Saturday in June and, after a morning spent frantically dashing around doing the weekly shopping, I arrived at the picnic just as it was about to start.

It was such a delight to see those happy little faces, full of expectation and excitement and looking so pretty in their gaily coloured tabards. We all had a wonderful afternoon. The children took part in an action-packed afternoon of craft, singing, nature and games, all based on the theme of Peter Pan.

The afternoon was rounded off with the Rainbows tucking in to their picnic boxes out on the lawn. And not a single

piece of litter was to be seen.

The team of Guiders, Unit Helpers and Trefoil Guild members are to be congratulated on their organising skills and dedication in making sure the event ran so smoothly.

SUSAN J POWELL

Division Commissioner

POLITENESS PREFERRED

An increasing use is being made of the Letters section to advertise plans for units' birthday celebrations.

I responded to one of these some time ago. I could not be at the party, but I contacted the Guider and, subsequently, sent copies of photographs with an explanatory letter.

I was very disappointed to receive no acknowledgement. An account of the event would also have been very much appreciated.

So I would say to those

who use *GUIDING* in this way, do be prepared to write some letters after the party, and not leave people feeling hurt and rebuffed.

CHRISTINE CROMPTON

Newcastle-upon-Tyne

SHUSH FUND

Some time ago you published a letter by Margaret Daubeney, who was living in India and working with the Delhi Commonwealth Women's Association at the clinic school.

I read it out to our Guides, and the reaction was as expected: What can we do to help?

A sponsored silence was suggested, much to our surprise. A unit of 34 girls — noisy girls at that — keeping quiet seemed rather a tall order.

But, as usual, they rose to the challenge and £72 was raised. This money enabled us to send £30 towards the TB treatment

for one of the children, and also to send some much needed items of stationery.

HEATHER O'HALLORAN

Guide Guider

Caversham, Berkshire

Letters should be kept as brief as possible and the Editor reserves the right to edit any contribution. Letters must carry the author's name, address and, if possible, a daytime phone number.

ANSWERS TO COUNTY BADGE QUIZ

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LONE LEADERS

To celebrate 80 years of Lone Guiding a special Australian Lone Leaders Training was held at Glengarry, Sydney — the first Lone training session ever held in Australia.

Among those taking part were Jill Walker the UK Lone Co-ordinator, Corrie Newell of 1st Devon Lone Rangers and Wendy Graham representing BGIFC Lones.

'We found it very interesting and very worthwhile,' said Jill. 'We don't get the chance to attend training sessions like this often enough. I wish there were more.'

'Now we'd like to pass on all we learned and to make everybody aware that these girls exist, that they do work and that they are happy working.'

The Lone Scheme caters for girls both at home and abroad who, because of studies, distance, disability or parents' work, cannot attend regular unit meetings. 'Ours are virtually all "paper" meetings,' Jill explained. 'Some groups get to meet once a year but some don't have even that chance.'



Celebrating in the sun (from the left) Jill Walker, Corrie Newell and Wendy Graham

Representatives from all the Australian states and from New Zealand were also present at the five-day training. It took as its theme *ALTERNATIVES* standing for 'All Lones together exploring recent needs accepting training ideas via enjoyable sessions'. The Lones' 80th anniversary was celebrated with a special lunch complete with birthday cake.

Jill was impressed by the planning that had gone into the event. 'We learned the best way to use audio tapes and discussed the possibility of using video tapes,' she said.

A graphic artist explained how 'paper' meetings should be planned. As well as dealing with basic skills and craft sessions, outdoor activities were also featured.

Jill described how they were asked

to cook a chicken in a cardboard box. 'We tried lining the box with tin foil, but my little group wasn't very successful — the box caught fire,' she recalled. 'So we ended up barbecuing it, but at least we finished on time. Then we had to explain it all on paper.'

'We were told how Brownies of the Air flourishes and shown some Brownie Magic Carpets (they are sent to new Brownies to use while making their Promise).'

'We admired — or otherwise — Australia's new leaders' uniform and discovered that their Brownies have gone blue! They now wear blue skirts and yellow T-shirts.'

'Lones may have been around for 80 years but it was clear that the New Zealand sticker given to everyone had got it just right — Lones are active.'

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LIFE style



BARBARA MILFORD FROM EPSOM, SURREY

Now Public Relations Officer for Surrey East, she looks back on many years of active Guiding.

I joined the Brownies at the age of seven and a half. Two of my sisters were involved and, as a Guide, I helped one of them, who was Brown Owl at a Pack in Southwark.

By the time I was old enough to join the Cadets (now Rangers), I felt that I had outgrown Guiding, and left to pursue other interests.

I thought no more of Guiding until my daughter joined a Brownie Pack in Epsom. They were desperately short of leaders, so I helped out. I was asked to become Brown Owl. When I started, the Pack consisted of six Brownies. A lot of hard work and recruiting (I actually went knocking on doors) paid off, and we soon had 30 girls.

At this point I started a waiting list. After two years another Brownie Pack was needed. As the new Pack grew, we started a third Pack. I became District Commissioner and remained so for ten years.

I didn't want to lose touch with the children, which is the whole point of Guiding, so I kept my Brownie Pack. During my time as District Commissioner, I became involved with different churches and met a wide circle of people, which was fascinating.

My fellow Guiders recommended me to the Division and, after a training

tutorial with the outgoing Division Commissioner, I took over the job. Although this gave me more contact with the parents and Guiders, once again I found myself further removed from the children. Because of this I continued to run my Brownie Pack.

Epsom Division consists of six Districts. I took care of approximately 75 Rainbow, Brownie, Guide and Ranger units. Altogether there were about 1,500 girls.

During my eight years as Division Commissioner, I met a great number of people, including the Queen but to me, everyone was important.

I think that one of the most unforgettable occasions was last year's dedication of standards at Guildford Cathedral. The service certainly brought tears to my eyes. But the most memorable moments for me were not necessarily major events but little things, like the smallest Brownie coming up and saying "I love you, Brown Owl".

We didn't really have any disasters, except one Brownie Christmas party to which we invited the Cubs. The Brownies stood mesmerised in one corner, while the Cubs devoured everything on the table!

I don't think Guiding has changed an awful lot over the years. The basics

will always remain the same. I do think that Guiding has become much more relaxed and friendly. For example, we would never have dreamed of calling Guiders and Commissioners by their Christian names.

There was always a lot of red tape and strict rules, but that is all changing. Obviously there must be rules and regulations, but Guiding is certainly moving with the times.

The introduction of the new uniforms has done a lot to promote Guiding. The updated uniforms have changed the whole image of Guiding.

Epsom Division is lucky because the Guides and Scouts have a close relationship. I feel that the two should work together, but that really depends on the units and leaders.

Liaison is especially important now that girls have been allowed into Scouting. Close co-operation is needed as most children join because their brothers, sisters or friends are already members.

Girls need an incentive to continue with Guiding. The Young Leader scheme helps to keep their interest. My involvement with the older girls opened my eyes to this.

I had to retire from both my roles as Division Commissioner and Brown Owl last year, because I had reached 65. I don't altogether agree with this ruling, but I can see why it is enforced.

I am now the County Public Relations Officer. This involves bi-annual meetings. I then report back to Region, and we discuss new ideas and suggestions. In this way a chain of information is maintained throughout the Divisions.

I look back on my time in Guiding with great pleasure. Once you are involved, Guiding can so easily become a way of life. The Movement continues to go from strength to strength, so we must be doing something right.

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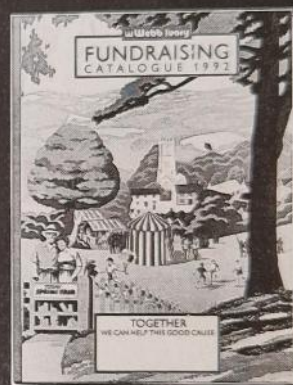
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