

GUILD News



Newsletter for the Baden-Powell Guild UK

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Come and join our Social Gathering at the Imperial Hotel, Eastbourne Friday 1st till Tuesday 5th April 2022

The Imperial Hotel is an impressive Victorian hotel, situated at the seaside end of Devonshire Place, in the heart of Eastbourne. Located just a stone's throw from the seafront promenade, the bandstand and just a short stroll to the town centre. There is plenty of parking in front of the hotel at £2 per night.

During the Social Weekend the Guild will hold the National AGM on Sun 3rd April

The hotel is run by the Daish's Hotel Group and the **brochure price** quoted at the moment for this date **Friday 1st to Tuesday 5th April 2022 is £234.00 per person, self drive. £254 by coach, see below.**



Member of the Guild Juan Dávila y Verdin, MBA participated in the COP26 in Glasgow last two weeks.

The United Nations Climate Change Conference, popularly known as a COP – “Conference of Parties” – is the most important global event to evaluate and major the achievements related to the preservation of our global environment.

Once a year, governments from all over the world, the private sector, and the civil society can meet, dialogue, and work together for almost two weeks to define the best routes and steps to follow to ensure sustainable development. This year more than 30,000 people from more than 200 countries and territories attended the event, which took place in Glasgow, United Kingdom.

What were your motivations to attend the COP26?

It was an absolute honour to be invited to attend this conference because I had the unique opportunity to participate in some interesting debates and panels with world-leading experts in Climate Change and sustainable development, and most importantly, as an observer I had been part of the Plenary Sessions where were discussed the preliminary drafts of the final document that was released as a conclusion of the COP26.

Since my professional background is in international relations, finances, and education, I recognise that those first-hand conversations were absolutely inspiring about what people can reach collectively if working together for a better world.

Pictures, Juan in the main conference hall and joined by 3 Swedish Girl Guides who were part of the WAGGGS Contingent.



Baden-Powell Guild UK Scholarship Prajwal School Makawanpur, Nepal.

We are delighted to say these are the first Scholarships that have been awarded to (L to R) Shomila Ghalan - class Kinder Garden. Samyog Rai and Anubhav Pudasaini - class Nursery.

The cost of these scholarships are £200 per child per year. This provides tuition, uniform, books, transport to school. Permission was granted by their parents to have their photographs taken for our Newsletter.



Branch News

Malvern Branch Again members have been busy supporting Scouting and Guiding activities. A Garden Planter for the Blackmore Guide Camp Site was presented by the Guild to replace an existing planter box. Picture shows the planter box being presented to The Local Malvern Trefoil Guild members who help to maintain the camp site.



A donation of £40.00 was made to the Malvern Mayors Charities. Novembers meeting was a lunch at the Royal Oak, Broadwas. The branch held a Christmas Coffee morning on Saturday 4th December inviting members of the local community. The Malverns District Jamboree Scouts helped with serving coffee and Mince pies and raised £60.00 towards their costs for the 2023 Jamboree in Korea. The sale of the Father Christmas figures raised more than £140.00. Member Keith Parks received his 10 year Scout Association Service Award, Keith's services to Scouting has been to serve as Appointments Committee member. The Certificate was presented by the Branch Chairman Allan Page.



Central Branch. Held their monthly meeting by zoom on the 9th December. Members wore Christmas jumpers and hats to give the Christmas spirit. A Christmas quiz was held, then followed by a discussion for planned activities for 2022.



Congratulations to Guild member Robert Nicol and Ellen Nicol upon receiving their Silver Acorn for services to Scouting. The Award came from the Scottish Scout Association.



Stourbridge & District Branch. It was with great relief that we eventually started to meet up again in the latter part of 2021. As with everyone the consequence of the pandemic had meant that our activities and physical social interaction were non-existent. So, with great relief and anticipation we were able to meet up and get used to the "new normal." Our Christmas evening was very much downsized this year to comply with Covid guidelines, the consequences being restricted numbers and therefore missing guests who have supported the event over many previous years. Nevertheless, a full Christmas Black Country themed programme including a Fish and Chip Supper ensured a successful and enjoyable evening.



Henfield B-P Guild. Happy New Year to you all. The Christmas period has been a very busy time for the Henfield Branch of the B-P Guild, this is when many of our main fund-raising activities take place. We started off in early December with a Jumble Sale & Auction which was held in our local Village Hall, this is always a popular event, and we had mounds of donated jumble to sell. It was great to see Tony Westwood back in the hot seat and taking control of the auction sale. All the hard work on the day really paid off and we made a healthy profit of £820. Another really important positive side to the jumble sale is that so many of the items are being repurposed and getting another life, and are not going into landfill as rubbish, any items that remain unsold at the end of the day are either sent for recycling or taken away by other charities or dealers for resale at a later date, so very little is thrown away or wasted.



We were proud to be able to take Father Christmas out on his Sleigh rounds this Christmas, playing our Christmas carols around the village and meeting the excited children and adults too. The Elves did a fantastic job collecting many donations from the incredibly generous people of the village, the sleigh rounds and the High Street appearances earned in the region £3,900 over the course of December, which we find incredible. This will go a long way towards funding the events and good causes we support.

One of the last fund-raising activities that we have for the Christmas period is the Xmas Tree Collection and Disposal Service, this is where we charge people £10 to come and collect their old tree and dispose of it in an environmentally friendly manner. All funds that are raised by this service which we expect to be in the region of £1,400 go directly to the Henfield Scouts Community Centre Building Appeal (HSCC) www.henfield-scout-cc.org. This project is getting very close to the commencement of construction, and it is hoped that a start can be made in Spring 2022 after COVID slowed progress in 2021. Needless to say that every pound and penny counts and is vitally important for the construction of this new Scout building.

Very best wishes for a happy and healthy the New Year and stay safe.

Henfield B-P Guild.

Zak leads another walk. A group of Scout leaders from Hereford and Worcester took part in a County Leaders Walk led by Zak. The group are interested in gaining a Hill Walking Permit so that they can run their own hill walking activities with their own scout groups.

The walk took place on Saturday 5th December from Hay Bluff to Llanthony Priory. A distance of 15 kms.



National Scout and Guide Fellowship UK.

Joint National Committee. Our International Secretary has been appointed to be the UK delegate for the forthcoming virtual World Conference 26th-27th February 2022.

News from ISGF.

The 29th ISGF World Conference will now take place, online, on only two days Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th February 2022. Only the Conference Chair and Vice Chair and the Secretary General will be on the stage. There will be no on-line observers allowed.

With members around the World there will be time-slots for all regions to take part. The Virtual Conference will be recorded and can be accessed for everyone via the ISGF website after the conference.

Each National Scout and Guide Fellowship and the Central ISGF branch have the right to be represented at this meeting of the World Conference by only **one delegate** with voting rights.

17th Med Gathering and 6th Southern Europe Sub-Region Gathering. Will take place on the 24th -29th October 2022 in the town of Ayia Napa, Cyprus. For more details, contact the international Secretary sue.page3@btinternet.com

SMILE

By Spike Milligan

Smiling is infectious
You catch it like the flu.

When someone smiled at me today
I started smiling too.

I passed around the corner
and someone saw my grin.

When he smiled I realised
I'd passed it on to him.

I thought about that smile
then realised it's worth.

A single smile just like mine
could travel around the Earth.

So if you feel a smile begin,
don't leave it undetected.

Let's start an epidemic quick
and get the world infected!

Just for a laugh

Last night I grilled a chicken for 2 hours and it still wouldn't tell me why it crossed the road.

Did you hear about the man who was sacked from the calendar factory?
He took a few days off.

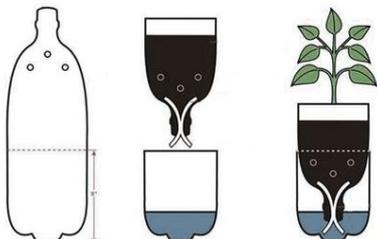
A traffic policeman pulled alongside a speeding car on the motorway. Glancing at the car he was astounded to see that the elderly woman behind the wheel was knitting. The policeman cranked down his window and yelled to the driver, "Pull over". "No!" the woman yelled back. "It's a cardigan!"

Our thanks to the Editor of Te Pukapuka.

2022 Environmental Projects. ! What are our members doing. We want to hear from our members what you are doing at home or in the community to help improve the environment & save energy. Write to us send us photographs. In each edition this year 2022 we will feature your projects and let you know what ideas at the online Workshop.

If you are going to plant some trees, 3 of the best trees to plant are Oak, Beech & Maple because they have a larger surface of leaves which generates more photosynthesis.

Old plastic bottles to plant herbs



Make some insect boxes and place in various parts of the garden.

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Baden-Powell Guild-UK Facebook now have 204 members. Are you a member !

Your Used Stamps. We are now supporting the 1st Thundersley Rainbows who are collecting used stamps in aid of Bone Cancer Research. Please send your stamps to the 1st Thundersley Rainbows c/o 20 Bowers Road Benfleet Essex. SS7 5PZ.

Keep informed and get in touch

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