

# GUILD News



**Newsletter for the Baden-Powell Guild UK Issue No 37 Mar 2026**

**Chris enjoys his hobby.** Chris Bardell a member of the Milton Keynes Branch has for many years been a keen model train enthusiast. The model layout on display here is of the Newport Pagnell station and area in a time gone by. Chris also has a number of other model buildings as part of his collection. **Nice collection Chris**



**More news from Milton Keynes Branch. Bucks Radio Tour de Vale Charity Bike Ride.** Back In June we staffed one of the refreshment points for this event organised by “[Wheelpower](#)” The national charity for wheelchair sport based at Stoke Mandeville Stadium, the birthplace of the Paralympic Movement. This is an annual event which we have supported for several years and indeed look forward to each year. They have several different routes to suit all levels of cyclist, the youngest we have seen take part being 8 and the oldest being over 80 on all sorts of bicycles from top of the range road bikes, who we only saw as a blur as they zoomed past us, to tricycles hand powered recumbents , foot powered recumbents etc. Next year we really must remember to take a “clicker” with us so that we can actually answer the question “How many riders stopped at your refreshment point”



## Our International Project

Prajwal Shiksha Saden English School has conducted various classes on the occasion of its 36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Many thanks to all the students who participated in the various sports programs in the classroom and hearty congratulations and best wishes to the students who are first, second and third



## Peter is now on his way home.

Round the world cyclist Peter Young is now in Changmai, Thailand between the 6<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Dec, Day 221.



Juan's visit to Mafikeng. Central branch member Juan paid a visit to Mafikeng during his visit to South Africa. Juan also made a visit to Lord and Lady B-P's grave while on tour.



Ayman Afifi a member of the Egyptian National Scout and Guide Fellowship welcomes Allan and Sue to Egypt. Ayman kindly gave a tour for Allan and Sue to visit the Egyptian Museum, the Pyramids and a cruise on the river Nile. Thank you, Ayman, for giving up your time and being an excellent host.

# Come and Join our Social Gathering on the Wirral Cheshire from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> May 2026 to include the National AGM.

## The Itinerary

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May.** We meet at the National Waterways Museum, South Pier Rd, Ellesmere Port CH654FW in the cafeteria for 1pm. Followed by a visit of the Waterways Museum. Then travel to your pre-arranged accommodation. For an evening meal we will meet at the Hungry Horse, High St, Bromborough CH62 7EZ for 6.30pm.

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May, A trip on the river Mersey.** We will meet at the (Secombe Ferry Terminal) off Birkenhead Rd, Wallasey CH44 6PH for 11.20am for a river cruise (To pay by card only) Trip lasts nearly an hour.

Following the River Cruise we then travel to the Williamson Art Gallery and Museum, Slatey Rd, Birkenhead CH43 4UE **Entrance Free.** Meet in Cafeteria, followed by a visit of the Gallery and Museum.

You may like to retire to your accommodation. Later we meet for an evening meal at the Hungry Horse, High St, Bromborough CH62 7EZ for 6.30pm

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May,** We meet at the Lady Lever Art Gallery, Port Sunlight Village CH625EQ for 10.30am. **Entrance Free.** Cafeteria on site. Following the visit to Lady Lever Art Gallery, we travel to Poulton Hall, Poulton Rd, Poulton CH63 9LN. We meet in the Music Room at Poulton Hall at 2.15 for 2.30pm to hold our National AGM. The AGM should take no longer than an hour. The Social Weekend will close by 4pm.

## Accommodation on the Wirral. To book your accommodation try these.

Royal Oak, Bromborough CH62 7EZ. Tel 0151 334 2917.

Bridge Inn, Bolton Rd, Port Sunlight CH62 4UQ Tel 0151 645 8441.

Village Hotel, Pool Lane Bromborough CH62 4UE. Tel 0151 556 4595.

Travelodge, Pool Lane Bromborough CH62 4UE Tel 2039 668 654



# NSGF-UK. The National Scout and Guide Fellowship- UK



## We are twinned with NSGF- Spain. In

Spain they are known as Amistad Internacional Scout y Guia- Espana, which is the association for adult Scouts and Guides. In 2024 they hosted the 30<sup>th</sup> World Conference.

They also maintain an office in Aguadulce (Almeria) for scouting activities and fellowship. On 1<sup>st</sup> February, Spain's Annual Assembly took place. The picture shows the new executive elected for the next 3 years.



## Partiokillat – SPYP/SGSF – Finland

Visit to London, this is their programme, if you would like to join them at any point, they would be pleased to meet UK members.

Tour Programme, London 3rd-7<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2026, arrival London Heathrow, bus to Hotel President, 56-60 Guildford Street, London WC1N 1DB - Dinner at 6 p.m.

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> visit to WAGGGS Pax Lodge, 12C Lyndhurst Rd, London NW3 5PQ, Flag raising ceremony at 9 a.m. Showing round the WAGGGS home, and shop, lunch.

Free time in London in smaller groups, footprints of scouting, Hyde Park, Harrods, National Portrait Gallery, Westminster Abbey, Baden-Powell House 65 Queen's Gate, Kensington, London, SW7 etc. In the evening some London musical or Pizzeria Express Jazz Club Soho or dinner somewhere near the hotel.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> - Free time in the morning then visit to Gilwell Park, arrive at 3 p.m. This is the Gilwell Reunion weekend. Departure back to the hotel at 10 p.m.

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> from 9.00 a.m. sightseeing with a Finnish guide: Lunch in a pub, Sightseeing continues walking with the guide and Five o'clock tea. Evening free.

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>, Free time in the morning, Checkout at noon.

## Guild 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 2027

### To Celebrate our 50th Anniversary

We would like our members to take part by designing a 50th Anniversary cloth badge.

The parameters of the badge must be 60mm diameter or square .

The Guilds present fleur-de-lis to be used in the design.

The name of our organisation ( Baden-Powell Guild UK)

50 Years 1977-2027

Colours to be used. **Blue**, **Red**, **Gold**, **White**, **Black**

Designs can be posted or sent online together with your name and address.

The entries must be received by the first 1st September 2026. £20.00 will be awarded for the best design.

Please forward your designs to the National Secretary by post 29 Grit Lane WR14 1UR or E-Mail

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### Keep informed and get in touch

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