

GUILD News



Newsletter for the Baden-Powell Guild UK

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Happy New Year to all our members

Members of Henfield branch collecting and delivering Christmas presents around Henfield village and the surrounding areas. [More on page 2](#)



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Branch reports

Malvern Branch made a visit to 10th Malvern Guides to make a presentation to Isla who will be heading to Bavaria in the summer of 2024. She needs to fundraise for the trip over £1000. The Malvern branch of the Baden-Powell Guild UK, gave Isla a crisp £10 note and a 'challenge' to turn it into as much as she can. Isla has already decided to purchase the material to make Candles to sell to family and friends. We look forward to finding out how much she raises and to hearing all about her adventure when she returns.

Branch member Sue made the presentation. Malvern branch also provided the costs for 12 Compass sets to the Beacon Explorer Scout unit to be used to gain their Navigation Badge.



Malvern branch held its Christmas Lunch on Tuesday 5th Dec.



Eastbourne Singing Circle. Members (above left) enjoying Christmas Carols . The music was led by Verena Leppard.

Henfield Branch. The members of Henfield branch continue to make progress with the new Scout HQ and Community Centre. The next stage will be to install the windows and room partitions. Members are raising more funds by collecting Christmas trees for disposal, see notice below.

Well Done Guys. You are a credit to your community



Henfield Scout Community Centre

We wish you a very Happy Christmas
And a healthy New Year!

**We'll Dispose of your
Christmas Tree
On Saturday
6th January 2024
For only £10 per tree**

Henfield B-P Guild will collect it from your home
and recycle it in an environmentally friendly way



Central Branch. Members of the Central Branch held their monthly meeting by zoom on Thursday 14th December. Other members from B-P Guilds in Australia New Zealand and a member in Switzerland joined the meeting. Members wore Christmas hats and jumpers and took part in a Christmas quiz.

National Guild AGM. The National Guild Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 24th March. The venue will be held at the 3rd Newport Pagnell Scout Group Headquarters Tickford Street Newport Pagnell MK16 9BG. Further details with an agenda will be sent to all members.

Used Stamps. Please remember to send all your unwanted postage stamps to the **1st Thundersley Rainbows, 20 Bowers Road Benfleet. Essex. SS7 5PZ. They are raising funds for Cancer Research.**

My work with Prajwal School Nepal by Sue Page.

In 2020 Purna Shrestha asked me if I would like to make sound recordings of English words and sentences for children at the Prajwal School in Makawanpur, Nepal to help their children learn English. My first objective was to set up the technology to be able to do the recordings and send the information to the school. It was a painful case of 'learn as you go' but eventually I had set up the files on my computer and online ready for uploading the words and sentences to transmit to the school. I also recorded the first set of words, and then set about recruiting Guild members to do the recording. This was not a great success, but in 2021 publicity on the project had brought interest from young people working towards either their Queens Guide or Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards.

I had already divided up the lists of words into blocks. I added to these the link to the Google Sharing folder.

I also produced a set of instructions on how to do the audio recording, labelling of words in the Sounds folder and how to upload to the online Google Sharing Folder.



Prajwal School - Instructions for voice recording

- 1) Read the word slowly and clearly.
- 2) When saving the voice file, please write the full word as a file name.
- 3) Save the words in a separate folder label e.g. Colours, Weather words etc.
- 4) https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ulHoJctlegfU2Y_qRh13jun-zVG5oOhs

6. Days of the week

1. Sunday
2. Monday
3. Tuesday
4. Wednesday
5. Thursday
6. Friday

In phase one, we recorded about 1000 words.

In March 2023 I received a request to record a set of words phonetically, having spent some time dividing the words into manageable sets, I was able to recruit 2 Ranger Guides working towards their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. They set to work and most of the lists were completed by September. I then contacted a local high school D of E group and was able to recruit 2 young people working towards their Gold D of E Award. I was able to meet them personally and give them some training, as well as the set of instructions. After the initial problems were overcome they have now almost completed work on the phonics and will soon be working on a new set of sentences and phrases. As they will be working with me for a year, I hope to complete this third set of words by September 2024.

I then recruited 2 Ranger Guides to do the recording. Louise and Amy and continued to record some of the word groups myself. Amy a Ranger Guide was working towards her Queens Guide Award, which she achieved in the summer of 2023.

prajwalschool.org

Learn English with Amy Jones, UK

Vocabulary - Weather



Guild Member Juan Davila Y Verdin COP28 DUBAI, UAE. December 2023

Juan said it was an honour and a privilege to attend the COP28 United Nations Conference on climate change in Dubai. As head of the delegation for the University of Peace to the United Nations (UPEACE). Since 1980 UPEACE has promoted the academic and professional development of a new generation emerging leaders worldwide, encouraging their positive contributions to society.

WAGGGS MAKES AN IMPACT AT COP28

COP28 gave an opportunity for WAGGGS to give girls a space to speak out and share their concerns and their key demands to the International Community, representing **8.9 Million** girls from 153 countries on the global stage. Seven Girl Guides and Girl Scouts made up the WAGGGS delegation.

Peters cycling hit by bad weather.

When Peter Yoong arrived into the UK by ferry from Rotterdam on Wednesday the 4th December with plans to cycle from Hull to Cumbria, bad weather had set in and this became too dangerous to cycle across England. So Peter packed his cycle into a crate and placed it in storage at Manchester Airport until his flight from the UK to America on 19th December. Peter contacted the National Guild Secretary Allan Page to say his cycling plans in England were on hold. So Allan invited Peter to come and stay with him and Sue in Malvern. Peter was able to meet Guild members here in Malvern, taken on a visit to the Morgan Motor Works and also experienced firsthand a large family social gathering.



ISGF 30th World Conference 2024.

Granada is a city in the south of Spain which has been a melting of cultures and has brought together people from all over the world. It is a friendly city where art, culture, gastronomy and crafts come together and where the sunsets in the Alhambra have a special charm.

What: 30th World Conference

Where: Granada, Spain

When: Tuesday 17 September – Sunday 22 September 2024

Theme: *Commitment*

Registration fee: includes all plenary sessions, lunches, tea breaks and dinner for 4 nights.

Accommodation: Hotel Los Abades Nevada Palace 4*, Granada.

For more details including costs and Registration please go to the website: <http://30Wconf.org>



ISGF Assistant Content Manager for website.

If you are seeking a volunteer opportunity, you may find the following intriguing.

Your primary tasks as assistant content manager will include editing incoming articles, adding content to the website, and setting up web pages. In the future, as you become integrated into this role, there may be an opportunity to replace the content manager, Leny Doelman, who has been the content manager of the ISGF website since its inception in 2008.

Next to the content manager you will be collaborating with a certified webmaster. In her role as a website designer, she will propose enhancements to make the site more user-friendly. Together with your help, we will take good care of the website keeping the content fresh and relevant, keeping the site user friendly, ensuring it remains accessible with feature and security updates.

If you are interested and possess the skills outlined in the job description, kindly send your motivation per e-mail to l.doelman@isgf.org along with your resume. Upon applying for this position, you will receive an acknowledgment email. Subsequently, we will commence the interview process with candidates via Zoom.

PEACE LIGHT - the flame is brought to Europe from Bethlehem

The main Peace Light distribution service was held on 9th December in Linz Cathedral, Austria. Scouts and Guides from all over Europe attended to collect a flame for distribution in their countries. This year it included a group from Ukraine.



The Peace Light also travelled all over Scandinavia.

Keep informed and get in touch

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