



GIRL GUIDES SA FRIDAY FRENZY

Friday 14 August 2026

FROM THE STATE COMMISSIONER & STATE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Thank You, Golda – A Legacy of Safe Guiding

This fortnight, we want to take a moment to sincerely thank Golda, who is stepping down after many years of dedicated service as our Risk Manager. Throughout her time in this integral volunteer role, Golda has been a steady and knowledgeable presence, supporting Units and Regions across the state with their risk assessment reviews and helping to embed a genuine culture of safe Guiding.

Her commitment has meant that our leaders have always had somewhere to turn for guidance on managing risk thoughtfully and practically. On behalf of everyone at Girl Guides SA, thank you, Golda, for your years of care and dedication.

As we farewell Golda in this role, it's a timely reminder of just how important it is to follow our risk assessment process. Well-documented risk assessments help us plan proactively, spot potential hazards before they become problems, and give us a clear, defensible record to refer back to if an incident ever does occur. Please reach out if you have any queries about the process. As this role has not yet been filled, timeliness in submitting and reviewing risk assessments is especially important, as they're currently being picked up by other volunteers in the interim.

We look forward to seeing everyone's exciting activities for the remainder of Term 3 and into Term 4!

Kind regards

Bev & Mel

State Commissioner and State Executive Officer



GONE HOME

Gone Home – ELIZABETH JOAN (BETTY) PEDLEY 1934–2026

Girl Guides SA advises members of the recent passing of Association Life Member Betty Pedley.

Betty passed away in her sleep on Sunday morning 2nd August 2026. She was a true guide with decades of service and, most recently, a long-term member of Blue G's Trefoil Guild. Funeral arrangements are for Wednesday 26th Aug at 10.30 am at Alfred James, 543 Marion Rd. South Plympton. [Click HERE for live stream.](#)

Betty's outstanding contribution to Guiding was recognised by the Boronia award (Good Service 1987), the Emu (1993) and in 1999 by recognition as a Life Member of GGSA. She gave excellent service in many areas, showing her kindness and ability to generate enthusiasm in Guides and adults for the wide challenge of Guiding. She always looked for the positives in any situation, and she had great rapport with Guides, particularly in her roles at Marino and Regency Park. She served as a Brownie Leader for 10 yrs, Guide Leader at Marino for 12 yrs, and at Regency Park Guides for 8 years.

Retiring from active involvement with units around 2013, she wrote 'I am a very happy Blue Gs Trefoil member.'

Enrolled in 1969 (Aust), Betty had certificates presented for her Years of Membership and Service each ten years to 30, and then each five years thereafter.

Betty started as 1st Marino Pack Asst Brownie leader 1969–1972 and Brownie Leader at 2nd Marino Pack 1972–1981, followed by Guide Leader 1st Marino Co 1981–1983 and from 1991 Unit Leader at Seaside Guides 1999 to 2004. She was also at 1st Regency Park Guides (Extension Guides) as Asst from 1989, Leader from 1991–1996 and went with them to the large Sydney camp. For many years Betty was a regular attendee on adult staff at the Handicapped Children's Camp.

Betty earned her qualifications in camping indoors and outdoors, both with smaller numbers and then larger camps. She was an indoor and outdoor certified QM and served as South Met Region ROAAC (1989-1994). She filled in as caretaking District Leader Seacliff for a time.

At State level Betty Pedley served on the International Committee (with Noreen Dunn/Audrey Toller) for 10 years and was appointed State Multicultural Consultant 1993-1996 (including caretaking Leader of 5th Adelaide 'Asian' Guides).

She attended a variety of trainings, region days and state events, and did Guide training courses including training and camp skills.

Her Leadership awards included the Asia Pacific Leadership Qualification 1988 and Advanced Leadership 1992.

Betty Pedley will be missed by her many friends in guiding.



Thank you to those who have volunteered - please check your email in the coming weeks to see the times you have been allocated from your preferences. Please confirm this as promptly as possible.



Please click [HERE](#) for the instructions on completing the new Child Safe Child Friendly online module.

If you have any questions or would like further information please contact :

office@girlguidessa.org.au



You work in a Unit, that belongs to a District, who all work within a Region, all under the governance and operation of Girl Guides South Australia.



OUR MISSION

**EMPOWERING GIRLS
AND YOUNG WOMEN**
to discover their
potential as leaders
of their world

 **GIRL GUIDES
AUSTRALIA**

- Ponder this if you will and reflect on how you may be able to consider your contribution to this Mission.



AGINFO 20 (2026)
WAGGGS Global Advocacy Champions Network 2026–2027
Call for Applications

WAGGGS is recruiting for its 2027 Advocacy Champions network. This is a unique opportunity for Girl Guides and Girl Scouts aged 18 to 30 to strengthen their advocacy and leadership skills, champion gender equality and sustainable development, and represent the voices of girls and young women at the local, national, and international levels.

If selected, Champions will join a global network of young women working to influence change, engage in international advocacy opportunities, support their Member Organisations and lead projects in their own communities.

Champions will receive training and development opportunities covering advocacy, communications, public speaking and WAGGGS' priority issues. They will have opportunities to engage in global spaces such as the UN Commission on the Status of Women. The 2026–2027 cohort will also include young women participating in the Girl-led Action on Climate Change programme.

Who can apply :

- Active members of Girl Guides Australia (GGA) between 18–30 years of age (throughout the 13-month term of engagement)
- Are registered on the WAGGGS Volunteer Network. If you are not already registered, GGA must work with you to complete the Application Form (see link in how to apply). Applications from candidates who are not registered on the Volunteer Network will NOT be considered.

- For the full selection criteria, please refer to the Terms of Reference (at the link in the 'how to apply' section below)
- GGA will select one candidate as our nominee to WAGGGS.

How to apply :

1. Read the WAGGGS Global Advocacy Champions – Terms of Reference for eligibility, responsibilities, time commitment and details on the application and Member Organisation (MO) endorsement process.
2. Applicants are strongly encouraged to apply as early as possible. Processing of application forms will commence as soon as your application is received.
3. Complete the two application forms:
 - o WAGGGS Global Advocacy Champions Application Form – including 500 word essay and two minute video
 - o WAGGGS Volunteer Resource Pool Application Form
4. Arrange two written Referee Reports – one Guiding referee and one Character referee:
 - o Referees should not be family members and should have known you for at least two years.
 - o Referee reports must include the referee's contact phone and email, how long the referee has known you and in what capacity. Follow-up phone calls or emails may be undertaken with referees to clarify the referee report or to seek additional information.
 - o Referee reports should describe your experience, skills and qualifications to meet the selection criteria in the WAGGGS Global Advocacy Champions – Terms of Reference.
5. Send your completed application forms and two Referee Reports to international@girlguides.org.au for Australian consideration.
6. An interview will be required – this will be arranged as soon as your application is received.

7. GGA will seek your State Commissioner's endorsement to your nomination. We will also complete membership and compliance checks with your State Girl Guide Organisation.

8. GGA will complete the Member Organisation endorsement sections and submit the application forms for the selected candidate. Applications must not be submitted directly to WAGGGS.

Key dates:

GGA Closing Date : Monday 7 September 2026 at 5pm AEST

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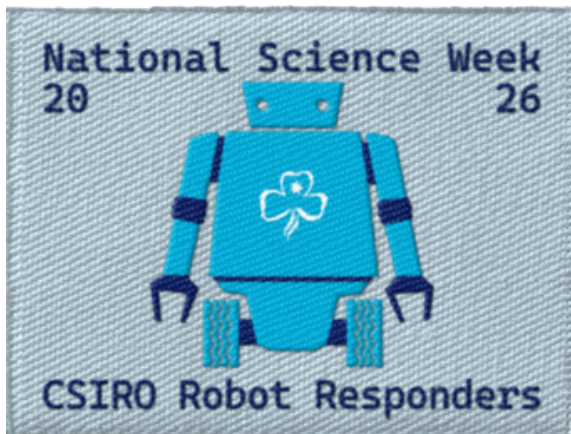
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National Science Week – Robot Responders

Do your Guides like robots?

Are they in the STEM activities or being creative?

National Science Week happens every year in mid-August, this year from 15th–23rd.

You are invited to switch this one-off program into your term and make some robots, either just for fun or you can enter this competition.

Your Guides could have the opportunity to:

- Investigate real-world challenges
- Design creative solutions
- Think like engineers
- Collaborate with others
- Test and improve ideas
- Develop resilience through problem-solving

GGA information for the challenge: click [HERE](#).

CSIRO information for the challenge: click [HERE](#)

This challenge in collaboration with CSIRO can be completed online, or using materials that you print off, and includes an optional model robot activity which is likely to appeal to younger Guides.





TRAIL JAM

Did you miss out on a hike this year?

It's not too late to be involved as the warmer weather steadily approaches...

Plan for 2027!

Trail Jam stands for Trail Jamboree, and it is an international event initiated by Scouting that happens the second Saturday in May every year. Of course, in the northern hemisphere that is the beginning of spring.

Discussion points you may like to have with your Unit:



Reflect on how you challenge yourselves outdoors.



Plan to collaborate with other Units or Districts.



Think of the context in which this could be a part of your program.



Be creative in the place you choose to walk and what you choose to do.



How can you be mindful of the impacts you leave behind?



Make your challenge empowering for everyone and inclusive for all your members.



100 YEARS

OF GUIDING IN MAURITIUS

Centenary INTERNATIONAL CAMP

CELEBRATING A CENTURY OF FRIENDSHIP,
ADVENTURE AND LEADERSHIP!

2026



WHO CAN JOIN?

Girl Guides of Mauritius
(Bluebirds to Leaders)
Guides and friends
from abroad
(16 years and above)



CAMP DATES

25 – 29
NOVEMBER
2026



CAMP VENUE

Anse la Raie,
North Mauritius



DISCOVER

new places



EXPLORE

new possibilities



EXPERIENCE

new adventures



GROW TOGETHER

as one Guiding family



CAMPING &
CAMP SKILLS



NAUTICAL
ACTIVITIES



INTERNATIONAL
FRIENDSHIP



CAMPFIRE &
CULTURAL NIGHTS



EXCURSIONS
& MORE!

[Please click HERE for more information](#)

LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT NEWS



In conjunction with Scouts SA, we are now able to offer Leaders, adults such as Unit Helpers & Olave Program Members, a Youth Mental Health First Aid course. This course is now a single day, with some online preparation to do beforehand.

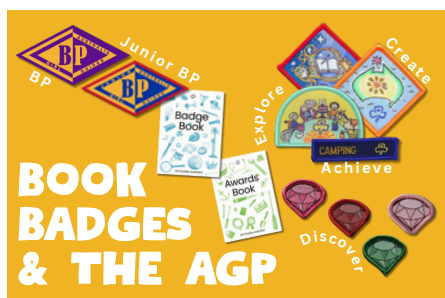
It would be great if we could get 4 or more GGSA members attending as this will help prevent the course being cancelled due to low numbers. This course is being held on Sunday September 27 and registrations close August 27. As this course is being run by an external provider, late registrations are not possible.

For more information, please follow the link [here](#).

It's time for Leaders to get back on the water and learn, update or extend your own water-based skills. Join the fun in **Leaders Out & About on the Water** being held at GTS Dolphin on Saturday September 12. Registrations close August 15. Check out more information [here](#).



Don't forget our other upcoming trainings:



Wendy Kirk will also be presenting a second session of her very interesting **Books, Badges & the AGP** on Sunday August 23 at 7.30pm, on Teams. If you missed the first session, now is the time to register so you don't miss out on this one.

Registrations close Sunday August 16. Online trainings like this one are open to all Leaders and Unit Helpers, no matter where you live. It would be great to see some of our country Leaders.

Do you have an idea that you think would be fantastic to share with others?

Then email the Learning & Development Manager Charlotte Firth at

learning@girlguidessa.org.au



Save the date

12-16 April

2027



5-8/9 year olds will have the option of a Monday to Wednesday or Wednesday to Friday. Youth 9+ will have a 5 day camp

Fundraising

Now is a great time to start thinking about fundraising so that everyone can attend this amazing camp. They will be able to make new friends, learn new skills, and have the time of their lives. Get your Guides together and see what wonderful ways they can come up with for your fundraising campaign.



We need people to join our team



We are looking for people to lead and be part of the team in the following areas:

Chair of the Committee

LIC of State Camp

Admin Team

QM Team

Program Team

Wellbeing/Health Team

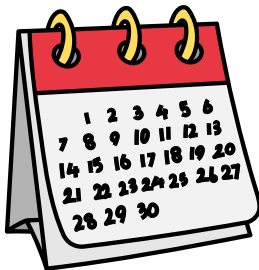
Finance Team

Subcamp LICs



Do you think you could be part of an amazing of team?
Do you want help create an exciting week of activities
for our Youth Members?

Then please email statecamp@girlguidessa.org.au with your details.



Our next online meeting will be Sunday 9th August 2:00pm,
a Teams invite will be sent once details are received.

Any questions please contact Alicia Buxton : statecamp@girlguidessa.org.au



EARTHKEEPERS CAMP



Earthkeepers Camp

AGES: 9 – 11 years

DATE: 25th – 27th September 2026

VENUE: Douglas Scrub Campsite

COST: Youth \$140 Adult \$65

CLOSING DATE: Friday 4th September 2026

Earthkeepers is an exciting, and fun environmental education camp. There is drama and mystery! You are invited to become an Earthkeeper in the magical setting of a “Lab” that belongs to a mysterious, unseen character known as EM.

An Earthkeeper carries a key ring with 4 keys representing Knowledge, Experience, Yourself and Sharing. Girls and Leaders earn two keys in camp.

A Leader needs to accompany girls on camp and then help them to gain their last two keys after camp. As a Leader you get to join in the magic too!

As an Earthkeeper you will become more in tune with the earth.

The Earthkeepers Team provides the whole camp program, catering, organisation etc. Leaders need to arrange transport to and from camp and assist with duties. No camping qualifications are required by the Leaders attending.

Accommodation is indoors but all activities are outdoors.

Registration is open – click [HERE](#). Letters to parents and Leaders plus ADM27 forms will be sent out to those registered. Don't miss out as numbers are limited.

Contact Dr Michelle Stone for more information on 0403 435 155 or

earthkeepers@girlguidessa.org.au



Ahoy, me hearties!
Shiver me timbers!

Get ready to come aboard!

There will be lots to do and plenty of bounty to come home with. Make a pirate flag, orienteering, Treasure Hunts, Sea Shanty Singalong and so much more.

It's all hands on deck, whether or not your Unit/Region is camping, this is a weekend for all members to have a fantastic time making new Guiding friends and having an exciting adventure!

**Pirate Pandemonum Camp
at Douglas Scrub Campsite
18-20 September 2026
REGISTER NOW! [HERE](#)**



SA Rovers invites you to...
Branch Moot 2026
2-5 October
Moonta, SA

Register Now!

👉 [Branch Moot 2026 – Guide Registrations – Fill in form](#) 👉

We would like to extend invitations to all Guides aged 18-25 (and helpers aged 18-30) to join us at our annual state camp! This year, we're heading to Moonta...

Your ticket includes : 🛏 Accommodation 🔥 Full Catering 🎪 Onsite Activities
🚴 Offsite Activities*(*bring some spending money; there may be optional extra's at some offsite activities!)

Tickets and Pricing

Have any questions about ticketing? Reach out to branchmoot@sarovers.com.au

GENERAL Participant	Full Weekend (Fri-Mon)	\$100.00	Participants will be invoiced after registering and payment is to be recieved before the event
	2-Nights	\$35.00	
	1-Night	\$40.00	
WEEKEND Volunteer	Full Weekend (Fri-Mon)	\$35.00	



FRIENDS of SANGAM
AUSTRALIA

Let's Celebrate
Sangam's
60th
Birthday

JOIN US FOR
AN INDIAN
DINNER

FOR

Trefoil Members, Leaders, Unit Helpers,
Olaves, family and friends.



Date

THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2026



Where

CHAKNA TANDOORI BITES
266 RUNDLE ST ADELAIDE



Time

5.30PM FOR 6 PM START



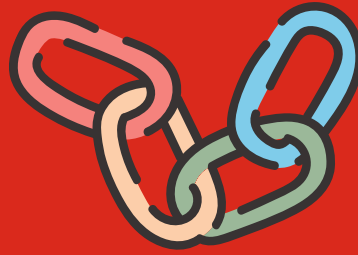
RSVP to Rosey

sangams60th@gmail.com

BY 5TH SEPTEMBER



QUICK LINKS



Here are some quick links to forms, instructions and other paperwork ...

MEMBERSHIP

[New Member Process](#)

[New Youth Expression of Interest Form](#)

[New Youth Online Form](#)

[Adult Membership Registration](#)

[Adult Volunteer Form](#)

[Trefoil Membership Registration](#)

[Sports Voucher Application Form](#)

[ADM.27 Form](#)

AWARDS

[Peak Achievement Awards Form](#)

[Years of Membership Form](#)

[Good Service Awards Nomination Form](#)

[Good Service Awards Non-Member
Nomination Form](#)

[Asia Pacific Nomination Form](#)

[Good Service Award – Bravery](#)

GUIDING

[Certificate of Currency](#)

[Incidents Form](#)

[Complaint Form](#)

[Out 1 Forms](#)

[Child Safe Child Friendly Online
Module Instructions](#)

[Unit Formation/Reopening](#)

FUNDS & RESOURCES

[Tuckerway Travel Fund](#)

[Guide Development Fund](#)

[Trefoil Outreach Fund](#)

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[2026 Calendar](#)