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Denbighshire Girl Guides

[Note: Denbigh was the earliest guide company in North Wales when it was formed by Rosa Ward (1893-1984) Cai Dai, Denbigh in 1912. She held a number of offices in the Girl Guides Association, especially Denbighshire County Commissioner (1917-46) and County President (1946-56) as well as National Vice President (1961-84). The collection of records includes a number of papers relating to guiding activities at company, district, county or national level. These items were often displayed in exhibitions to mark jubilees of guiding nationally (formed in 1910) and in Denbighshire].

Denbighshire County Association

Record books

- 1-2. Record books of activities of Denbighshire Girl Guides, including certificates, photographs, historical notes, sketch map of Segrwyd, Denbigh (1913), drawings, tickets, programmes, newspaper cuttings, correspondence, greetings cards.
[compiled for anniversaries of guiding in 1932 and 1962]
1. 1912-31 (1 vol, 1 bdle).
 2. 1932-62 (1 vol, 1 bdle).
- 3-4. Record books of activities of Denbighshire Girl Guides (including photographs, reports, newspaper cuttings, historical notes, programmes, letters and other papers).
3. 1912-40 (1 vol).
 4. 1941-73 (1 vol).

Minutes

- 5-9. Minutes of county meetings of guiders:
5. 31 May 1919 - 4 November 1944 (1 vol).
 6. 10 March 1945 - 13 June 1955 (1 vol).
 7. 8 October 1955 - 3 December 1963 (1 vol).
 8. 18 February 1964 - 27 November 1973 (1 vol).
 9. 1944-5 (1 bdle).
10. Minutes of development committee meetings. 10 November 1930 - 3 December 1945 (1 vol).

Attendance lists

11-12. Lists of attendances at county meetings of guiders:

- 11. 1944-51 (1 vol).
- 12. 1951-62 (1 vol).

Reports

13-17. Reports from local guide companies:

- 13. 1920-9 (1 file).
- 14. 1930-4 (1 bdle).
- 15. 1935-9 (1 bdle).
- 16. 1940-6 (1 bdle).
- 17. 1946-62 (1 bdle).

18-19. County annual reports:

- 18. 1963-73 (1 bdle).
- 19. 1965-73 (includes photographs and newspaper cuttings)
(1 album).

20. Camping census reports for Denbighshire (1960-72) and for Wales (1968-73). 1960-73 (1 bdle).

News-sheets

21. News-sheets September 1931 - May 1937 (1 bdle).

Accounts

22. Accounts of subscriptions and expenditure. 1951-61 (1 vol).

23-24. Accounts for contents of parcels, sent to Germany:

- 23. 1970-80 (1 vol).
- 24. 1972-83 (1 vol).

Events

25. Photographs, programmes, correspondence, minutes, newspaper cuttings and papers relating to the coronation rally at Denbigh Castle. 1937 (1 bdle).

26. Photographs of a county rally at Denbigh Castle. 23 February 1946 (1 bdle).

27. Newspaper cuttings, photographs and letters relating to a county rally at Acton Park School, Wrexham (1947) and other activities of Wrexham guides, including a visit to London and a visit of the Chief Guide to Wrexham. 1947-51 (1 album).

28. Papers of Phyllis Chorlton, a ranger from Colwyn Bay, at the

World Conference camp at Foxlease, Hampshire. 1950 (1 bdl).

29. Photographs of a county rally at Foxhall, Denbigh (1952) and newspaper cuttings of a visit of the Chief Guide to Welsh guide headquarters at Broneirion, Llandinam (1955). 1952-5 (1 album).
30. Photographs, programmes, correspondence and papers relating to the coronation rally at Denbigh Castle and photographs of the Queen's visit to Rhyl. 1953 (1 bdl).
31. Newspaper cuttings, photographs and papers relating to county activities, including the royal visit to Wrexham (1953) and events to mark the diamond jubilee of guiding (1970). 1953-70 (1 album).
32. Photograph album of county camp fire at Foxhall, Denbigh to mark the centenary of the birth of Baden-Powell. 1957 (1 album).
- 33-36. Papers relating to Windsor world camp to mark the centenary of the birth of Baden-Powell:
 33. Photographs, newspaper cuttings and papers. 1957 (1 file).
 34. Scrapbook of newspaper cuttings. 1957 (1 vol).
 35. Application forms, information sheets, correspondence and related papers. 1957 (1 bdl).
 36. Photographs and related papers. 1957 (1 bdl).
- 37-38. Papers relating to the visit of Lady Baden-Powell to the memorial Hall, Wrexham:
 37. Photograph album. 1958 (1 album).
 38. Programme of events and related correspondence. 1958 (1 bdl).
- 39-40. Papers relating to celebrations at the Parciau, Wrexham and St Giles' parish church, Wrexham for the golden jubilee of guiding:
 39. Photographs. 1960 (2 albums).
 40. Programme of events and newspaper cuttings. 1960 (1 bdl).
41. Papers relating to attendance of Denbighshire guides at the celebrations in London of the golden jubilee of guiding. 1960 (1 bdl).
- 42-43. Papers relating to celebrations of the golden jubilee of Denbighshire girl guides at Denbigh town hall:
 42. Photographs. 1962 (1 album).
 43. Correspondence, accounts and programme. 1962 (1 bdl).

- 44-45. Papers relating to scout and guide week in Wrexham and district:
44. Photographs. 1966 (1 album).
45. Souvenir programme. 1966 (1 vol).
46. Newspaper cuttings, photographs, correspondence, reports and programmes relating to events to mark the diamond jubilee (1970) of the Girl Guides Association:- eisteddfod at Gregynog Hall, Newtown; joint conference with the scouts at Wrexham; fund-raising for a children's home in Hong Kong. 1970-1 (1 album).
47. Photographs and newspaper cutting relating to the biennial meeting at Wrexham of Guides Cymru. 1973 (1 album).

Wrexham and district local association

Minutes

- 48-49. Minutes of Wrexham local association meetings:
48. 28 September 1923 - 19 November 1938 (1 vol).
49. 18 February 1947 - 22 May 1963 (1 vol).
50. Minutes of Wrexham district guiders' meetings (no entries 1929-38, 1940-4). 23 March 1928 - 5 September 1951 (1 vol).

Certificates

- 51-52. Proficiency badge certificates for guiders in the Wrexham district (1924-8); letters written to Gwen and Edna Hughes of Glyndwr, Wrexham (1923-8); list of subscribers to Wrexham parochial church fund (1923). 1923-8 (2 albums).

Financial

53. Balance sheets and accounts. 1933-8 (1 file).
54. Reports and statements of accounts. 1955-67 (1 bdl).

Correspondence and papers

55. Correspondence of Mrs Mills, Wrexham district commissioner. 1958-63 (1 file).
56. County returns to Mrs Mills, Wrexham as brownie adviser for Wales. 1961 (1 file).
57. Miscellaneous papers relating to Wrexham district. 1964-73 (1 bdl).

Rosa Ward, County Commissioner

58. Typescript stories written by Miss Rosa Ward, for guides called

'Captain's story' (1912) and a girl guide weekend holiday (1923). 1912, 1923 (1 bdle).

Presentation volumes

59. Presentation volume to Rosa Ward, County Commissioner on the occasion of the coming of age of the Girl Guides, with the inscriptions of county officials and guides in the districts of Denbigh, Ruthin, Abergele, Wrexham, Colwyn Bay, Llanrwst, Llangollen and Chirk. May 1932 (1 vol).
60. Presentation volume to Rosa Ward (in 1945) in appreciation of her work as county commissioner, including photographs and histories of guide companies and brownie packs in the Abergele, Colwyn Bay, Denbigh, Llangollen, Llanrwst, Ruthin and Wrexham districts. 1914-45 (1 vol).

Photographs

61. Photographs of local guides mostly from the first Denbigh company, including at camps at Segrwyd; Bryn Dulas, Llanddulas and elsewhere (with photographs of Rosa Ward as county commissioner). 1914-52 (1 bdle)
62. Photograph of guides standing in formation with flags and standards [(?) near Llangwyfan Sanatorium, prior to the visit of King George V to open the hospital officially, 1920] n.d. (1 item).
63. Photographs of Denbigh guides preparing food for local defence volunteers at Bryn Bach, Llanrhaeadr (1940) with related letter from Rosa Ward (1979). 1940, 1979 (3 items).

Correspondence

64. Letter from Rosa Ward, enclosing rough notes on county events (1911-27) and notes on county activities. 1927-37 (1 bdle).
65. Correspondence and papers relating to financial support for an unemployed ex-serviceman from Penycae. 1932-3 (1 bdle).
66. Correspondence and papers relating to the planting of trees alongside the Trefnant-Mold road (1932) and near the Nant-y-Garth (1935). 1932-5 (1 bdle).
67. Correspondence of Rosa Ward, Cae Dai, Denbigh, County Commissioner. 1934-9 (1 bdle).

Ella Foulkes Roberts, Denbigh.

Art and design

- 68-74. Playing cards, some designed by Miss Foulkes Roberts of the

first Denbigh guides for use in games of recognition to be played by guide companies (including instructions) n.d. [c. 1920].

- 68. Bird recognition. (1 bdlle).
- 69. Tree recognition. (1 bdlle).
- 70. Principles of health and hygiene. (2 bdles).
- 71. Semaphore. (1 bdlle).
- 72. Morse code for names of animals. (1 bdlle).
- 73-74. Legends, saints, flags and countries of the British Isles (including tracings and explanatory notes). (4 bdles).
- 75. Cards drawn by Miss Foulkes Roberts, Denbigh relating to the history of guiding (1909-22). n.d. [1920s] (1 bdlle).
- 76. Cards drawn by Miss Foulkes Roberts, Denbigh showing guide uniforms [some drawn on the back of tickets for sale of work at Howell's School, Denbigh] (with tracings). 1920, n.d. [1920s] (4 bdles).
- 77. Certificates of merit awarded at arts and crafts exhibitions. 1924-34 (1 bdlle).
- 78. Letters written by Miss Crowther, Mirfield, Yorkshire to EFR. about the latter's design of cards and games. 1939 (2 items).

Notes

- 79. Notes of Miss E Foulkes Roberts [Denbigh] on a guide conference at Foxlease (1932); a conference of the Association of Head Mistresses with the Girl Guide Association at University College, London (1933); training meetings, county camps and guiders' meetings in Denbighshire and elsewhere (1933-6). 1932-6 (1 file).
- 80. Notebook containing newspaper cuttings from Colofn (later congl) Y Girl Guides [? from Baner ac Amserau Cymru] (1933) and from the Denbighshire Free Press (1937). 1933-7 (1 file).

Miscellaneous

- 81. Certificates awarded to guide companies at Llanrwst, Rhyl and Denbighshire. 1929-34 (5 items).
- 82. Photograph album and papers of Mrs MacNicoll of Ystrad, Denbigh relating to an international camp at Pax-Ting, Hungary. 1939 (1 bdlle).
- 83. Drawings of an air ambulance and lifeboat, partly contributed by Llanrwst guides during guide gift week to the nation. 1940 (2 items).
- 84. Photographs of guide camps at Pentraeth, Anglesey (1957) Hafod-y-Coed, St Asaph (1958) and Ulster (1959). 1957-9 (1 bdlle).

85. Correspondence and papers relating to the history of guiding in Denbighshire. 1961-2 (1 bdlle).
86. Newspaper cuttings and photographs relating to guiding activities at Colwyn Bay, Llangollen, Wrexham and elsewhere. 1968 (1 item).
87. Photographs taken from the guide handbooks, including Colwyn Bay brownies in 'Welsh Fargo'. 1968 (1 item).
88. Report from Colwyn Bay and district girl guides. 1969-70 (1 item).
89. Programme of variety concert at Garden Village, Wrexham in support of Offa District guides and brownies, Wrexham. 1973 (1 item).

Clwyd Girl Guide Association

90. Annual reports. 1974-5 (2 vols).
91. Invitations to annual meetings. 1976-87 (5 items).
92. Minutes of meetings of the clwyd county executive committee. 25 September 1973 - 9 October 1978 (1 file).
93. Agenda papers and minutes of meetings of the Clwyd county youth committee for the Queen's Silver Jubilee appeal and related correspondence. 1977-81 (1 file).
- 94-96. Orders of services of thanksgiving:
 94. Life and work of Lady Baden Powell (service at St Paul's church, Colwyn Bay). 9 October 1977 (1 item).
 95. Laying up of Denbighshire standard at St Giles's church, Wrexham. 4 July 1982 (1 item).
 96. Life and work of Rosa Ward, Vice President of Girl Guide Association (service at St Mary's church, Denbigh) (with biographical notes and appreciation by Mrs Martin). 9 December 1984 (3 items).
97. Report from the Denbighshire Free Press relating to the Llandyrnog guides presentation. 1978 (1 item).
98. Correspondence of Phyllis Chorlton, Rhos-on-Sea (Guide Archivist for Wales) with notes relating to the history of guiding in Denbighshire. 1978-82 (1 bdlle).
99. Miscellaneous letters and newspaper cuttings. 1981-2 (1 file).
100. Correspondence and papers relating to a brownie celebration holiday at Pontin's camp, Prestatyn. 1984 (1 bdlle).
101. Newspaper cuttings, programmes and newsletters (Galaxy)

relating to an international camp, held at Hawarden. 1985
(1 bdle).

102. Notes by local guides about international jamborees in Sweden and Iceland. 1986 (1 bdle).
103. Photographs of brownies in Clwyd, including Bodelwyddan brownies with Rhyl life boat and Beata Brookes (MEP, north Wales) and Rhyl brownies with Bishop Rice-Jones outside St Asaph Cathedral. n.d. [1980s] (5 items).

Miscellaneous

104. Annual reports and minutes of Clwyd Voluntary Services Council, with newspaper cuttings, relating to voluntary and community work by local guides. 1974-9 (1 bdle).