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Greetings from the Editor

Following the National Baden-Powell Guild in Napier in April, I offered to take over the Editorship of Te Pukapuka again (I missed doing it)

I will be asking some of you if you would like to send me a resume of your Scouting life. I think it is good to hear of your activities prior to it being part of your eulogy. Enough from me there is a hell of a lot of reading in this issue, thanks Lesley.

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Patron's Patter

Greetings All,

May already, where have the months gone. Some of us went for a walk in our lovely Queens Park last week and the duck pond was very full, such clever birds to hide in the park during Duck Shooting season.

Congratulations to the organisers another successful National AGM.

It has been a very sad month, Murihiku Member for over thirty years, Pat Harris passed away after a tragic accident. Then, Central Otago Branch lost their strong stalwart Jean Mowat, who passed away suddenly two weeks later. Most of us have met Jean over the years and enjoyed her sense of fun, she was a great strength to her Branch. Our condolences to these Families, and to all other Members who have suffered a recent loss.

Welcome back Peter!!!! Nice to hear you are back in the Editors Chair. I am sure it is a relief for Lesley.

I am sending best wishes to Members suffering health problems especially to the two Murihiku Members who are presently struggling. We don't really appreciate our health until its challenged.

On a brighter note; Thought for the day;

"You don't stop laughing because you grow old. You grow old because you stopped laughing."

Take care, stay warm and keep smiling.

Regards Margaret

National Guildmaster's Comments

Life became rather busy before and after the National B-P Guild AGM. Beforehand I was assisting Graham and Glenys with organising the AGM.

Thank you, Graham for stepping into the role of National Guildmaster following the Triennial Conference in 2024. However, with work and family commitments he decided to step aside and become Deputy Guildmaster before the AGM, so I have stepped back into the role, to assist with steering the Baden-Powell Guild through the transition process to change from Branches of B-P Guild to become Branches of the New Zealand Scout & Guide Fellowship.

I am grateful to have Glenys Kirby as National Secretary and Cheryl Dalzell as National Treasurer with Graham Johnson as National Deputy Guildmaster, to help guide me through the change process. Also, Peter has offered to continue with being Editor of Te Pukapuka, many thanks to Cheryl and Peter. What a great team. The survey has been completed and sent out and some members have already responded. There is a printable copy of this in the body of this issue, in case you are not able to complete the survey on-line.

The complete list of all members has been compiled; thanks Glenys and the AGM Financial Report has also been completed. We made a very slight loss of \$102.82, which has been covered by the surplus from the AGM held in Tauranga in 2023. This was a great achievement, and a very well-run AGM.

Lesley Bowers, National Guildmaster

National Secretary Report

The National AGM, held in Napier has come and gone, friendships were renewed and new ones made. The fellowship of Guilding is still very much alive.

I would personally like to thank Rosina Wong-Hughes. Rosina wears 2 hats, not only is she the Secretary /Treasurer of the Little John Branch, she is also the Waiapu Zone Leader. With her help and support we were able to engage the Scouts and Leaders of the Greendale Tamatea Scout Troop to help over the weekend and having the use of their Scout Hall was an added bonus. They helped with the serving of food, went on the trip to Rissington and also participated in the Guilds Own, assisting Rosina who had organised it. Having their presence there reminded many of us of our scouting days and, from the comments of the attendees, they appreciated them being part of the AGM and they, in turn, got to know who we were and our scouting backgrounds.

From my perspective It is good to have Lesley (Guildmaster) and Cheryl (Treasurer) back at the helm and I would like to thank them both for stepping into the positions to steer us through the next year or so with the massive changes that will be taking place. To make the changes from Guild to Fellowship, it needs a team that works well together. I believe we have got this. I am looking forward to the challenges ahead and where these challenges will lead us. Many thanks to the Branches for helping me update the B-P Guild Register. This should make it easier for census time. Yes, it is getting close to that time of the year again. Sadly, we have lost two of our valued members Pat Harris and Jean Mowatt. My thoughts are with their families and Guilding friends.

Glenys, National Secretary

Minutes of the Baden-Powell Guild AGM held in Napier on 5th April 2025

Welcome: The attendees were welcomed to sunny Napier by National Guildmaster, Graham Johnson.

Graham announced that due to work and family commitments he had made the decision to stand down as National Guildmaster but would be willing to take on the position of Deputy Guildmaster. He further stated that he had discussed his situation with Lesley Bowers who has agreed to take over the position of National Guildmaster.

He also announced that Cheryl Dalzell will take over as National Treasurer and Glenys Kirby will continue as National Secretary.

Announcement was approved by acclamation and Graham was thanked for his service over the past 12 months.

Gary Froggatt opened the meeting with a scout Prayer.

Maureen Stevens was invested by the Guildmaster, Lesley Bowers as a new member for Town and Country.

Roll Call: A Roll Call of members present was taken from the AGM Booklet;

Graham Johnson, National Guildmaster, National Treasurer & Little John Branch; **Lesley Bowers**, National Deputy Guildmaster & Auckland Branch; **Glenys Kirby**, National Secretary and Town & Country Branch; **Cheryl Dalzell**, Town and Country Branch; **Gary Froggatt**, NZSGF & Auckland Branch; **Steve Hurley**, NZSGF International Secretary & Auckland Guildmaster; **Margaret McKibbin**, Little John Branch; **Carolyn Froggatt**, **Vicki Hurley**, **Simon Carter**, Auckland Branch; **Barbara Taylor**, **Trish O'Connell**, **Ian McGregor**, **Rosina Wong-Hughes**, Little John Branch;

John & Janet MacManus, Sally Cole, Murihiku Branch; **Peter McInnes & Joan McInnes, Mo Stevens**, Town and Country Branch; **Viona & Trevor Dyke**, Central Otago Branch;

Also present on Zoom:

Sue Page from UK Baden-Powell Guild (2 mins to Midnight there), Jo Read, Jean Bell Christchurch Branch, Helen Mitchell, Town & Country Branch, Margaret Blair-Young (Patron), Erena Weavers and Yvonne Fowler, Murihiku Branch, Alan Lockyer, Nelson Branch, Jean Mowatt, Central Otago Branch, Allan McDonald, T & C Branch, Valerie Candy from Auckland.

Apologies:

Auckland Branch: Warren Whyte, Ann Connor, Cheryl and Ian Davey

Wanganui-Manawatu Branch: Yvonne Parsons,

Central Otago Branch: Kay and Rodney Jopson

Murihiku Branch: Lorraine Cathcart

Town & Country Branch: Mike Crane, Dave Henry, Scott and Anoush Tingey, Judy Brown

Christchurch Branch: Yvonne Hopkins, Kath Kilgour, Patricia Dodds, Andrew Cook, Mollie Woods.

Moved: Margaret McKibbin, Seconded, Peter McInnes

Gone Home during 2024-2025:

Auckland: Stephen Evans (15 yrs), John McNair (9 yrs), Jan Marsh (12 yrs)

Little John: Ken Crombie (34 yrs)

Minutes of the 2024 AGM:

The previous Minutes were published in the Te Pukapuka as well as in the Booklet so I will take it that you all read them. Moved as a true copy Lesley Bowers Seconded Gary Froggatt

Correction: King Charles 2nd instead of 3rd. Unanimous passing of the Minutes

Matters Arising:

No matters arising.

National Guildmaster's Annual Report:

Graham read his report as published in the Booklet.

National Deputy Guildmaster Report:

Lesley gave her Report also published in the Booklet. 22 attendees not 21

National Patron's Report

Unfortunately, Margaret was unable to attend but is online. Lesley read her report which was as published in the Booklet.

Te Pukapuka Report

Lesley Bowers has taken over the production of this. Her Report was published in the Booklet.

NZSGF Report

Nothing extra to report. The Council Meeting minutes are available to those that would like to see them

Scout Museum Report

Lesley read this very interesting report from Paul van Herpt who is the National Scout Museum Advisor. He also puts out reports in the Scouts Alumni which is available online. Paul will also put information into Te Pukapuka

Scout Youth Foundation & Scouts NZ Update

Both these reports were published in the Booklet.

Gary reported that numbers of members are up slightly. Correction: Chris Wilson not Williams. Gary reported. The Scout Executive Board has approved the use of the word Scout in our title. Scout Youth Foundation as reported. As far as we can tell, the B-P Guild is not a Life Member yet. Lesley is waiting for a reply from them.

AsPac Region Report

As in the Booklet.

Stamp Bank Report

Report as in the booklet from Helen Mitchell.

Lesley moved that all the reports be accepted, seconded by Trevor Dyke,

Financial Performance & Budget

Cheryl read the Financial Report and then moved that it be accepted, seconded by Ian McGregor, Agreed and carried.

Trading Post: As a lot of items were sold at the Triennial Conference, the stock is down and has not been replaced. The Budget is more a Guestimate. The ISGF Levy is now €2.51 per person. This goes up after each ISGF World Conference. NZ being classed as one of the affluent countries, we pay more per person than the less affluent countries.

Branch Levy recommended by Lesley to stay the same at \$16. Everyone agreed that the 2026 fee will stay the same, unless advised otherwise.

Action Plan 2024-27

We put this in every year to remind people. You do not have to be retired from Scouting to be a member. Steve Hurley, Auckland Branch, mentioned that they are putting in greater effort which is starting to pay off with more members. They have a gazebo that they put up at the scout meetings and a number of people come up and ask about the BP Guild.

Gary thanked Lesley for the Action Plan and mentioned that it should be sent out to all Branches. The aim of the Action Plan is to attract new members and advises how are they going to do it and who is going to do it. It tasks younger members to attract newer members.

Steve Hurley challenged groups to stem the flow, and grow.

Branch Reports

Murihiku Branch: John MacManus wrote this report not Warwick Bruce.

Nelson Branch: As the Nelson SBS Bank is closing its support of charitable trusts, the bank account will be closed. As there are only 3 members, they will become Town & Country members and any money will be used for subs, or donated to a local Scout Group.

National Life Membership Presentation

Margaret McKibbin presented Lesley Bowers with Life Membership after all her long service. Margaret read out the long list of service from her beginning as a member of the Ward Brownie Pack in 1962-64, being assistant Brownie Leader in 1968 of this Pack, through to her being a committee member, Cub Leader and Group Leader in the Lincoln Scout Group, Auckland, and District Commissioner of the Waitakere Scout District and much more service. She joined the Auckland Branch of the Baden-Powell Guild in 2003 and served in many other positions through to the current day. Lesley well deserved this honour of the Life Membership.

Lesley thanked everyone for the honour. A stirring round of "For she's a jolly good fellow" was sung followed by a very enthusiastic BRAVO.

Sue Page sent Greetings from the UK and wished us well for the rest of our weekend before she signed off from Zoom.

Change of name from Baden-Powell Guild to New Zealand Scout and Guide Fellowship.

Steve Hurley/Graham Johnson moved: That based on the result of the Branch voting held September 2024, the B-P Guild change our official name to the NZ Scout & Guide Fellowship (NZSGF)

Carried

Baden-Powell Guild Bank Accounts

Lesley Bowers/Cheryl Dalzell moved: That Branch Officers be authorised to make the name change on the Branch bank accounts, from Baden-Powell Guild to Scout and Guide Fellowship, in their own time before April 2026.

e.g. Auckland Baden-Powell Guild to Auckland Scout and Guide Fellowship. Carried

The main part of the AGM has finished at this point. The rest of the meeting will be dedicated to a Power Point presentation by Lesley in response to questions and concerns put forward by the different Branches over the B-P Guild's move to change from B-P Guild to NZSGF

Meeting paused at 12.10pm for lunch and the afternoon bus trip.

After the bus trip to Weka Point and Little John's grave at Rissington, we re-joined the meeting at 3.30pm after a very enjoyable afternoon tea served to us by members of the Greendale Tamatea Scout Group.

MOVE of BADEN-POWELL GUILD (Inc.) to NEW ZEALAND SCOUT and GUIDE FELLOWSHIP (Inc.)

Questions, Answers and Discussions from Members.

This will be emailed to all branches for discussion - not for debating ad infinitum.

A very good presentation by Lesley, with input from Steve and Gary.

In answer to a question of what would happen if 8 groups voted no then there would be no discussion but as all Branches but one voted yes, we will make the move.

Gary Froggatt suggested that we send out a list of options, as a survey to all individuals, and based on the results, we then make the changes. Also send out the same questions from today and the answers so we don't double up. Moved Steve Hurley and seconded John MacManus.

Lesley Bowers commented that it is a slow process and we will take as long as it takes to **all** move forward together.

General Business

Venue for 2026 AGM:

A couple of options to ask. There will be an AGM next year. Suggestions were Murihiku or possibly Auckland.

Meeting closed at 4.40 pm.

Presentations were made to:

Longest serving member attending AGM: Barbara Taylor, Member 1705 Little John Branch
The Greendale Tamatea Scouts who helped in the kitchen for service towards their badge work
Greendale Tamatea Scout Group for use of hall – Rachael Assistant Group Leader on behalf of the Greendale Tamatea Scout Group accepted the certificate

Rosina Wong-Hughes Little John Branch, for organising the Guilds Own.

Rosina also took the certificate to be presented to the Weka Point Team to pass on to the three great workers who showed us around on our Saturday afternoon trip.

One to Nancy Paviour-Smith for her contribution of baking.

The raffle made \$222.00. A donation of the raffle money was to be made to the Greendale Tamatea Scout Group, made up to a total of \$500.00, for spending on the Scout Hall or any other appropriate works.

The Trading Post made \$102.00

A fun and meaningful Guilds Own was held on the Sunday morning, with Greendale Tamatea Scouts, followed by photos and a very nice lunch. Congratulations and thanks were given to the National Team and Little John Branch for the very enjoyable AGM.

POWER POINT PRESENTATION by Lesley Bowers

Slide 1:

Move of Baden-Powell Guild (inc) to New Zealand Scout and Guide Fellowship (Inc) Questions, Answers, and Discussions from Members

Slide 2: Incorporated Societies Act

Between 5th October 2023 and the 5th April 2026 there are 2 Acts in force

The Incorporated Societies Act 2022 (2022 Act) applies to your society if

- Registered for the first time on or after 5th October 2023 or registered before 5th October 2023 and has re-registered since then.

It was pointed out that we are working on two Acts at the same time. *The Incorporated Societies Act 1908 (1908 Act) applies if your society registered before 5 October 2023 and has not yet re-registered.* This applies to the B-P Guild, NZSGF and Trefoil Guild.

Steve Hurley will take a copy so members can receive this

Slide 3: Incorporated Societies Act and Charities Commission

1. How will this be written into the minutes as the result of a vote change to NZSGF.

Answer: *This has already been documented in the NZSGF minutes and will be confirmed at this AGM*

2. Do we need to de-register the B-P Guild with Incorporated Society/charities Commission or is it just a change of name.

Answer: *The B-P Guild will be de-registered from both*

3: What are the Banks and Incorporated Societies requirements of proof of Guild Branches consent to de-register or change name of entity

Answer: *Just a name change with the bank and the minutes of the AGM meeting stating this as proof.*

4: Do we have a model of the new constitution to comply with the new Act.

Answer: *This is in the process of being updated by the NZSGF Council with all requirements included. There is now a difference in requirements with a Disputes section added, and this will be rectified.*

Slide 4: Baden-Powell Guild of New Zealand Incorporation

Number 222495, Date of incorporation 26th January 1979. NZBN: 9429042589495. Incorporated Society Status - Registered. Incorporated Societies Act 1908, Charities Services Registration CC42604.

Answer: *When first registered the name Baden Powell did not have a hyphen even though his name had one. So, the NZ Baden-Powell Guild added the hyphen at a later date, (about 16 years ago).*

Slide 5: The Trefoil Guild

- is a Branch of Girl Guiding – it is not a separate entity.
- Will remain affiliated to NZSGF as previously – but are not moving to the NZSGF
- Is still a member of the ISGF
- Will the Trefoil Guild have more voting power

Answer: *No. A letter has been sent from Girl Guiding to clarify they are still affiliated with NZSGF*

Slide 6: Trefoil Guild in NZSGF

- Was Trefoil an un-registered organisation when it was accepted into the International Fellowship of former Scouts and Guide

Answer: *No*

- Why was Trefoil's situation not advised at the 2024 Triennial Conference?
Answer: *Because we didn't know. This came to light on further investigation.*
- If Trefoil had voted for the Merger in 2024 and become Fellowship Guilds what would have happened when this 'unregistered organization' problem was unearthed?
Answer: *Nothing.*
- What does Fellowship mean relative to B-P without Trefoil?
Answer: *No Change*
- Why do we no longer receive the Fellowship Message from the ISGF?
Answer: *This is sent out every year – same date – and is published in the Te Pukapuka for those who are interested. Branches can go to the ISGF website or check out Facebook page as well.*
- The no changes assertion in 2024 for a Merger was 'no changes' is this obviously not a new Vote. As advised previously 'No Changes' but there seems to be. Answer: *That was before the vote was taken. It is explained further on in the presentation.*
- Would Trefoil not come under The Fellowship Inc. Society if join?
Answer: *Already part of the NZSGF.*

Slide 7: Structure of NZSGF (Inc)

- What will new structure be for NZSGF Council?
Answer: *Still in the development process – but it will change.*
- Current Council Membership is 1 B-P Guild, 1 Trefoil Guild, 1 LSGF and 3 other members plus 3 ex officio members (LSGF co-ordinator, National B-P Guildmaster, Trefoil representative)
Answer: *This will change*
- There is no official uniform, wear the uniform you were invested with.
Answer: *This may change.*
- No investiture process
Answer: *Everyone is already invested at Branch level*
- There is now an official NZSGF Scarf
Answer: *Black with a Maori design braid around the edges and NZSGF fern badge on the V.*

Slide 8: NZSGF Membership

New Zealand joined ISGF in 1958.

As at the 1st January 2025 there are:

- 168 Trefoil Guild members
- 108 B-P Guild members
- 35 LSGF members (plus 8 who have dual membership)
- A total of 311
- In 2019 there were 671 members

Question asked, will the Trefoil Guild have more votes than the rest. Answer: *No*

Slide 9: Questions for NZSGF

- Will a NZSGF membership register be kept?
Answer: *Yes, it will have to be. The B-P Guild has all this information in a register, e.g. DOB, when joined etc.*
- Will membership numbers for B-P and Trefoil continue in new system?
Answer: *Would like to see that – certainly under the New Act this is a must.*
- Will National Life Members still be acknowledged and not pay annual subs?
Answer: *This has yet to be discussed with NZSGF.*
- Will there be a Patron?
Answer: *To be decided*
- Will there be one application form?
Answer: *Yes. It will be a standard form on line, website and printed form*
- Will there be a Registration Officer?
Answer: *Hopefully yes.*

A brief discussion took place around B-P Guild members past records and how important it was to not lose this history. The B-P Guild has an extensive list of previous members records. It appears that there is a blockage in trying to get Guiding history as they have a legal requirement under the Act about accessing information. A requirement of the new Act is to have an accurate record of membership.

Slide 10: NZSGF Annual Census

- What time of the year, currently 30th June for the B-P Guild, January for the LSGF and ISGF at the beginning of the year.
- Trefoil Guild Census date is March each year
- Maybe the AGM should change - currently for B-P Guild before 31st March for Branch, and in April for national

A brief discussion took place about changes that would happen within the NZSGF structure and how important it was for all of us to be part of this decision-making process.

Census will need to change in the future. Under new Constitution this would have to change anyway.

Slide 11: When does move to NZSCF take place?

- Starting from National B-P Guild AGM 2025, name change can begin, followed by change of name on bank accounts.
- From then on, in a staged process with possibly AGM in 2026 to be the final AGM (depending on how long the process takes)
- Or the next Triennial Conference in Hamilton in 2027
- Note: the new Incorporated Societies Act comes into force by April 2026, so it would be appropriate to have this completed by then. But not a definite requirement.
- This will be completed with input from all B-P members, to ensure democracy prevails

3rd bullet point: 2027 is a more realistic time. However, we need to take into account that the new Incorporated Societies Act comes into force April 2026

Slide 12: Name change to NZSGF

- As per vote at the 30th September 2024, there were 7 votes for change, 1 vote against and 1 split vote
- As at the 25th March 2025, there are now 8 votes for change and 1 vote unknown
- In line with the ISGF rules for naming, NZ will accept the following Branch Name and Scout Guide Fellowship
- E.g Auckland Scout Guide Fellowship

Name Change to NZSGF: Advice to Guilds will be sent out.

Slide 13: Branch Bank Accounts to NZSGF

- Change name on Bank Account - can be processed over the phone. Phone 0800 269 249 (ANZ) and once you are verified, ask to speak to a personal banker in your location.
- Change the words Baden-Powell Guild (or whatever you have as your account name) to Scout Guide Fellowship
- Email minutes of AGM to authorise change.
- Or take a copy of the AGM minutes to authorise change to Bank
- You do not need to take all Authorisers to the Bank.
- Account number does not need to be changed - just the name

An enquiry was made to the ANZ Bank where the National B-P Guild Account was held. A very simple process to follow. Apparently the ASB also has a process to follow similar to this

Slide 14: NZSGF Branch Office Holders

- What are Guildmaster's' going to be called?
- Suggest Chair instead of Guildmaster
- Or Chairman or Chairperson (generic term)
- Secretary and Treasurer's name to stay the same

Slide 15: NZSGF Uniform

- Will the scarf change to NZSGF (Black Scarf)?
- Will uniform change? NZSGF suggest navy or white (same as current B-P Guild colour) Trefoil Guild already wear red.

- Uniform badge to be the NZSGF fern badge
- Other emblems and badges?
- Woggle - Lesley suggest the ASPAC one; or Steve Hurley possible 3D printed fern woggle
- Metal NZSGF badge can be worn
- Suggest keeping the diamond cloth badge on uniform as it is the same as the ISGF badge/logo

Slide 16: Photo

Photo of the Triennial Conference participants showing the mixture of the white/blue B-P Guild uniform and the Trefoil Guild red uniform

It was thought that they all blended in well together with the different uniforms as all wore scarves

Slide 17: NZSGF Annual General Meetings

- NZSGF currently has Triennial Meeting (every 3 years) plus a council meeting annually to pass accounts.
- B-P Guild has AGM annually.
- Trefoil Guild has AGM annually (except for 2025)
- What will the new structure look like in NZSGF

Will it be yearly, will it be Triennial? This will need to be worked out with the NZSGF

Slide 18: NZSGF Costs

- Will there be a charge for the NZSGF scarf and woggle?
- Will there be a charge for NZSGF membership badge?
- Will there be a charge for other NZSGF badges?
- Will there be a charge for uniform, if or when it changes?
- Is it paid for by NZSGF or paid for by Branches?
- Currently metal membership badge is paid for by National B-P Guild; scarf, woggle and badges paid for by B-P Guild Branches. Town and Country members scarf, woggle and badges are paid for by National B-P Guild.

Slide 19: Paperwork

- Membership card - will this continue?
- Standardised letterhead to change for consistency
- Promise at investiture (needs to be slightly updated) change last sentence from *“to meet my responsibilities in life with candour and determination”* to and *“actively support Scouting and Guiding in my community”*.
- Standardise all application forms so everyone is talking from the same page.

Will the promise at investiture change Steve was asked to come up with something by the next AGM - changing the last paragraph so more in line with ISGF. E.g the last line would need to be *“Actively support Scouting and Guiding in my community”*

Slide 20: Promise

Printout of amended promise showing what it would look like with the suggested change of words in the promise and the New Zealand Scout Guide Fellowship Inc replacing the Baden-Powell Guild words

Slide 21: Membership Fees to NZSGF

- Currently \$16.00 for B-P Guild, (\$11.00 sub + \$3.00 NZSGF travel fund) with \$2.00 subsidy from Nat B-P Guild.
- LSGF pay \$12.00 subs
- There would be one sub for all, plus your sub to run your Branch.
- What is the future of paying dual subs (LSGF, Trefoil Guild)

A brief discussion took place where members were informed that NZSGF feels it doesn't need to be more.

Slide 22: B-P Guild Constitution

- If change is coming anyway, why update the Constitution? No Need
- Need to be aligned with NZSGF Constitution - True
- If B-P Guild no longer exists, no need to be an Incorporated Society. NZSGF is an Incorporated Society and will be registered with the Charities Commission - In process
- B-P Guild Charities Commission annual report updated March 2025 again in 2026 if appropriate.

- Nominate someone to follow-up with these processes

Slide 23: Moving not winding up

- As per the B-P Guild Constitution 2020 (currently states)
- 20 Winding up of Baden Powell Guild of NZ (Inc) *Should there be a decision taken to wind up the B-P Guild, the Guild will follow the winding up procedures provided for in the Incorporated Societies Act. After satisfaction of all liabilities, any surplus assets and funds shall become the property of Scouting NZ*
- We are not winding up, so we decide what to do with the funds.
- None will go to Scout NZ unless we agree to donate it

Slide 24: NZSGF and Scouts NZ

If we become NZSGF members, will it mean we are more closely connected to Scouts NZ so, will

1. Fees go up - No
2. All assets then belong to Scout NZ - No
3. Will they have more control over what we can or can't do - No
4. Hence is each Branch still autonomous? Yes

We are a society in our own right, not a part of Scout NZ

Slide 25: Branch NZSGF Structure

- Remain the same except for Branch name change
- Name change on Bank accounts
- Guildmaster name change
- Scarf and badges could change
- Programme and all other aspects of Branch to still stay the same
- You will then be a Branch of the NZSGF instead of the Baden-Powell Guild

Slide 26: National Baden-Powell Guild

- National Baden Powell Guild funds distribution - on next slide
- National B-P Guild assets - the Common Seal
- *Flags, Banners and tablecloths? NZSGF flag instead of B-P Guild flag – Keep flag we have or pay a lot of money for new – no rush on this.*
- Historical Records - to Paul Van Herpt

Gary suggested the flag could go to the museum

Slide 27: Options to consider

1. Open a Town and Country Branch account.
2. Become Life Member of the Scout Youth Foundation, disperse remainder to Branches on a per member ratio (waiting to hear back from SYF)
3. Disperse all funds to Branches on per member ratio, to do what they wish
4. Refund all participants at the National AGM 2025
5. Keep some funds for the 2026 AGM
6. Help pay for NZSGF scarves, woggles, badges, uniforms
7. 50% to NZSGF for promotional purposes, rest back to Branches
8. Any other Suggestions

A brief discussion took place. Apparently, money set aside previously, in B-P Guild account, for promotional purposes had not been used. Money in the NZSGF was earned at the ISGF World Conference held in Christchurch and the surplus is just sitting in their account.

Steve Hurley suggested that we use some of that money to be used for new T-shirts etc for a consistent uniform.

Slide 28: Town and Country Branch

- Retain Town and Country Name (or become Central Branch as in UK)
- Become Town and Country Scout Guide Fellowship
- Open a T&C SGF Branch Account
- Idea to commence monthly Zoom meetings, so more inclusion and participation in the world of Fellowship - Lesley

- Encourage more input in Te Pukapuka
Positive comments on Town and Country being an official Branch with their own account instead of being part of National Account

Slide 29: Te Pukapuka publication

- See back of booklet for history of Te Pukapuka
- Does this continue under NZSGF?
- Does it remain in the same format? 5 Issues a year - emailed widely, nationally and internationally, with some booklets being copied and posted to individuals without email addresses. (15 copies an issue)

Thinking about in the future: The Te Pukapuka could go on the website as long as no personal information is in it.

Slide 30: Promotion of NZSGF

Presented by Steve Hurley

- Promotion through Scouts Alumni publication
- Promotional flags - can be shipped around NZ
- Gain better recognition from Scouts NZ
- Keep website updated
- Zone Leader lists of recently retired leaders
- Work more closely with Zone and Groups
- Promotion at Gang shows, Raft Races, ANZAC Parades etc

Slide 31: NZSGF Website and Facebook page

- Steve Hurley to discuss his ideas regarding website and promotion
- Facebook is open to all and is just an information platform as part of the website
- Recommend to keep the current "member only" Facebook page live for promotion and information sharing among members.

A brief discussion took place

It was important that Branches keep their history and Lesley recommended that we keep the Facebook page as a private page for ISGF members only. Personal information put on public sites must be kept private from the public. If we are careful, we can put Te Pukapuka on the Website and the private information taken out beforehand. The private information can be put on an enquiry page.

- Centralised list needs to be kept up-to-date and available on website for MEMBERS ONLY.
- Page for each Branch on website for info, history etc.
- A form to generate enquiry, then directed to correct place on website.
- Keep **Members only** Facebook page.

Conclusion

Every single member has a say on what they want and it is important that they put their views forward. Send out a list of options, as a survey to all individuals then make changes dependent on results. Send out some questions from today at the same time.

Based on the results of the vote that we move to the NZSGF a motion was put forward by Steve Hurley. That each Branch make the move in their own time and that communication be ongoing with Branches. However, it would be good if this could happen before April next year. seconded by John MacManus.

NZSGF will only recognise one section, however, all options are a possibility. This is a window of opportunity at the moment as Scouting has gone through a lot of changes. It is now that the connection to Scouts and Guides needs to be promoted and move forward away from the word GUILD to FELLOWSHIP. Lesley ended the presentation by saying, "This will be a long process and that we can take as long as we want to achieve the final outcome and work together as group. Branches can make Branch name change and bank account name change in their own time before April 2026. Also change the Guildmaster name to Chair, Chairman or Chairperson.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE 1 Jan 2024 – 31 Dec 2024**BADEN-POWELL GUILD OF NEW ZEALAND (Incorporated)****STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE****BANK ACCOUNT No 06-0746-0142101-00****FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER**

| INCOME | <u>2024</u> | <u>2023</u> |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Branch Levy's | 1,230.00 | 1500.00 |
| Town and Country Levy's | 255.00 | 255.00 |
| NZSGF Travel Fund Levy from Branches \$1 pp | 92.00 | 117.00 |
| Interest Received – ANZ Cheque Account | 235.37 | 26351 |
| Interest Received - ANZ Term Deposit | 917.50 | 765.00 |
| Donations | 24.00 | 34.00 |
| Trading Post sales (inc. postage) | 532.00 | 57.50 |
| Zoom Meeting Contributions | .00 | 25.00 |
| AGM Income 2025 (02 Account) | <u>1,259.90</u> | <u>2786.81</u> |
| | <u>\$4,545.77</u> | <u>\$5803.82</u> |

| EXPENDITURE | <u>2024</u> | <u>2023</u> |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Postage & Stationery | 30.00 | 199.00 |
| NZSGF Travel Fund @ \$3 pp | 366.00 | 580.00 |
| ISGF Levy | 530.70 | 1181.75 |
| Te Pukapuka Printing Costs (inc. postage) | 187.99 | 237.66 |
| Travel & Accommodation | 2,151.09 | 1973.00 |
| Trading Post expenses – Badges | .00 | 788.55 |
| Zoom Meeting Expenses | 229.90 | 212.86 |
| AGM Expenses (02 Account) | <u>.00</u> | <u>2422.37</u> |
| | <u>\$3,495.68</u> | <u>\$7,595.19</u> |
| Income over Expenditure 2024 | 1,050.09 | (1791.37) |
| | <u>\$4,545.77</u> | <u>\$5,803.82</u> |

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 31st December 2024

| | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Equity as at 1st January 2024 | 25,659.71 | 27,451.08 |
| Income over Expenditure | 1,050.09 | (1,791.37) |
| | <u>\$26,709.80</u> | <u>\$25,659.71</u> |

Represented by:-

| | | |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| ANZ Bank - Cheque Account 01 at 31 st December 2024 | 10,085.46 | 10,295.27 |
| ANZ Bank – AGM Account – 02 | 1,624.34 | 364.44 |
| ANZ Bank - Term Deposit | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 |
| | <u>\$26,709.80</u> | <u>\$25,659.71</u> |

Trading Post - Stock in hand 31 Dec 2024

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Quantity</u> | <u>Sale Price</u> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Finished Scarves with badge | 6 | \$6.00 |
| B-P Guild scarf badges | 150 | \$1.50 |
| Shoulder Flashes (sold in pairs) | 68prs | \$1.50 |
| Embroidered Badges - Shirt | 440 | \$0.80 |
| Flashes & membership badge pack | 12 | \$2.30 |
| Black leather Woggles | 20 | \$1.50 |

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|--------------------------------------|-----|-------------------|
| Metal Badges w/Clips - small round | 148 | \$1.50 |
| Silver Fern Metal Badges (NZSGF) | 22 | \$4.00 |
| NZSGF Silver fern cloth scarf badge | 30 | \$2.00 |
| Card & Envelope Packs (5 per Pack) | 14 | \$3.00 |
| Leather Bookmarks | 6 | \$2.00 |
| Trefoil/B-P Round Swap Badges | 183 | \$1.00 |
| Queen's Platinum Jubilee cloth badge | 60 | \$2.00 |
| NZSGF Triennial Conference 2018 | 57 | \$2.00 |
| King Charles III Coronation badge | 60 | \$2.00 |
| NZSGF/B-P/Trefoil/LSGF Jamboree | 66 | \$2.50 |
| Stock on Hand | | \$1,908.60 |

Stock - not listed above

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Membership Badges (metal) (no charge) | 90 |
| Investment cards (no charge) | 102 |

B-P GUILD FORECAST BUDGET = 108 members
for the year ending 31 December 2025

| Income | | Expenditure | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Levy 90 branch members @ \$15.00 | 1350.00 | Travel & Accom. Mtg & branch visits | 600.00 |
| Levy T&C 18 @ \$15.00 | 270.00 | ISGF Levy (€2.51pp) (approx.\$4.63) | 500.00 |
| NZSGF Travel Fund \$1.00 | 108.00 | NZSGF Travel fund \$3.00 | 324.00 |
| Extra Te Pukapuka Sales | 0.00 | Te Pukapuka costs | 200.00 |
| Trading Post Profit | 20.00 | Trading Post Expenses | 150.00 |
| Bank Acc interest | 800.00 | Stationery & stamps | 30.00 |
| Donations | 20.00 | | |
| Income over expenditure | | | 776.00 |
| | \$3000.00 | | \$3000.00 |



NZSGF Report

A meeting of the NZSGF Council was held in Hamilton on 8th March 2025. No report submitted to this issue.

BRANCH REPORTS

Wanganui/Manawatu Branch

In February we met at the home of Alan & Fay Giles. There we held our AGM and as Alan stepped away from the Guildmaster role, we welcomed Kenyon Moore to lead us.

Following the meeting we had our lunch. Then Alan showed us his many model railway sets, tracks, models he's made etc. And with such detail. Amazing how much he's got and has made. We were all really interested in everything he showed and told us about.

In March we met for lunch at Sanson at Viv's kitchen, famous for its cream horns. Following lunch, we went onto a little old church, that is now a gift shop, with an extensive range. Some members had a lovely shopping spree.

In April we met at Bulls Scout Hall and following our meeting and lunch, Kenyon showed us part of his extensive collection of scouting badges. All mounted in albums, with various topics, like the English badges one with a map of England with its counties, and a map of each county on the pages of appropriate badges. Also, albums of Canadian and Australian badges and other overseas ones, NZ events badges album and of course a great collection of NZ badges. Including many versions of the same badges displayed from over the years.

Both Alan's trains and Kenyon's badge collection were so detailed and interesting and well done, they both would have spent so many hours on them.

Also, in April, Kenyon helped on the door of the Bulls Model Railways Show which Alan and Fay were part of.

In May, we met in Palmerston North at another café called Rumour Has It. After that we visited the Wildbase Sanctuary in the Esplanade where rescued birds and Tuataras are kept and cared for, hopefully to release to the wild, but kept if not able to be. There were plenty of guides there to tell us about everything.

Yvonne Parsons - Scribe

Auckland Branch Report



On Saturday 15 March 2025, 14 of our members turned out for afternoon tea, followed by a lovely stroll around the gardens. What a beautiful place in the heart of Auckland City, complete with a small waterfall. Such a relaxing day out.



On Sunday the 13th April, at Awatuna Scout Den, we had a wonderful afternoon starting with the investiture of two new members, Valerie Candy and Don Whitcombe. Thanks to Vicki and Steve Hurley, we had games to play, also



Easter stones to decorate and other craft decorations to make, it was a fun time with members wearing their Easter hats. A great afternoon tea was also provided which everyone enjoyed.

On Sunday the 18th May, the Auckland Branch of the B-P Guild went to Henderson to play Tenpin bowling, 15 members attended it was a great afternoon of fun and laughter. Here are some photos of the event.

It was a wet drive home for all and a long drive home for Lesley and Katie.
Cheryl Davey

Central Otago Report

No report for this issue, but our sincere condolences are sent to Kaye and Rodney (Jean's daughter) and all members of the Central Otago Branch on the sudden passing of Jean Mowat.

Little John Branch Term 1 2025

Kia Ora, Greetings from a rather chilly morning in Hastings.



Out and About Feb – May 2025



Founders Day We had two events that members attended

Little John Branch Annual Meeting held 10.30 in the morning followed by morning tea.

Waiapu Zone Founders Day Celebration & Rangatahi Awards

It is always a delight to see young people recognised for their achievements.

Waiapu Zone Cub Day

Held at Westshore Scout Den Guild members attended and some participated in Land Scout events. So much FUN!

Westshore Cutty Sark Regatta Guild members paid a visit on the Saturday to see the local Sea and Land Scouts joined by Sea Scouts from Wellington sailing.



National Guild Annual meeting held at Greendale Tamatea Scout Den

we had almost full attendance of members. Highlights for our members was the bus trip to Weka point to view progress made since our last visit 2024, reunited with friends from other Branches, making new friends. It was a bonus to have the support of the Greendale Tamatea Scout section Rangatahi help with serving of food and attending Guilds Own with Kaiarahi.



ANZAC Poppie Laying two members joined Napier Scout Groups at the Napier Wharerangi Cemetery to lay poppies on Service men Graves. This was followed by a Scouts Own and the Laying of Wreath on behalf of Guild.

Enjoy Winter Season Everyone!

Rosina

Little John Branch Secretary.



Murihiku Baden-Powell Guild Report

There's so much happened in our lives over the last few months.

A highlight for Janet and I was our attendance at the B-P Guild's Annual General Meeting in Napier, where we met formally with members from other Branches to review our last year's activities and look forward to agreed changes.

Whilst a lot of our questions have been answered we came back with many others; these will probably be answered over time. At our Branch April meeting we discussed one of our concerns, the continuation of the organisation in view of the current state of the Scout movement. Where are our members to come from? The current state of Scouting in Invercargill shows we now have only two Scout Groups. In my "hey days", the 1960-80's, we

had about 20 Groups and that's where our current members come from; So many questions here?

2026 National B-P Guild AGM - We also discussed the possibility of us hosting the next AGM. Some positive feed-back which led us to set up a sub- committee who are now working on some possibilities, format, Venue, activities etc. We have a wonderful area for members to come and explore!

Social meeting - Last Saturday afternoon on a cooler Autumn day, we had an afternoon tea meeting at "The Cheeky Lama Cafe" at our wonderful "Queens Park" in the centre of our city. A good social meeting with 11 members present.

"Gone Home" Sadly Pat Harris, after a tragic accident, has "Gone Home". Pat, a valued member, joined the Scout movement in 1975 as an ACL for the Otapiri Scout Group. She was an enthusiastic Leader gaining her Cub Leaders Wood Badge in 1978. I understand she worked for the Group and the District for many years before joining the B-P Guild (No. 1677). She also served as a support Leader on the administration team at the Oamaru Jamboree in 1978. Pat's involvement in the Murihiku Baden-Powell Guild began in 1995 giving 30 years' service, including a term as Guildmaster in 2006, when the National AGM was last held in Invercargill. We will miss Pat and those Christmas Cards she did for everyone every year at our Christmas Celebration.

Our Condolences go to Len Harris and the family.

Do Your Best!

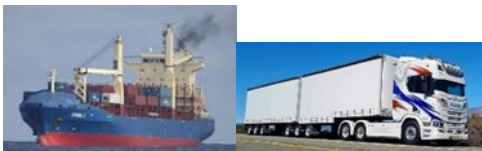
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AsPac Meetings and Gatherings 2025

The next AsPac Gathering will be held 15th – 19th September 2025 in Bandung, Indonesia. Cost is US\$300 for Twin share room, or US\$400 for single occupancy room. This cost includes: meals, airport transfers, Gathering kit (T-shirt, scarf, ID card, bag, badge, block note) and several souvenirs, programme and tours during the gathering. The venue is Sari Ater Komboti Hotel.



Zoom meetings are: 5th June – Environment Day, hosted by Maldives
30th July – International Day of Friendship, hosted by Indonesia



**DID YOU KNOW THAT:
IF IT IS SENT BY SHIP, IT IS CALLED A CARGO,
BUT IF IT IS SENT BY ROAD, IT IS CALLED A SHIPMENT**

UK Central Branch Zoom Meeting



This was held on Thursday 22nd May at 7.30pm (Friday 23rd May at 6.30am NZ time), but 4.30am (Australian time).

This was very interesting and informative because Sue Page, who is on the ISGF World Committee, gave us all an update on a recent meeting. Each Committee member has a Subcommittee for the different responsibilities, for example Greg Davies is the Deputy Chairman,

but also has the financial portfolio with a Team. This is working very well

'Gone Home'

It is with a heavy heart that I report that Jean Mowat, Central Otago Branch, has 'Gone Home' 7th May, 2025, after a short illness.

Jean has been passionate about Scouting and the Baden-Powell Guild for many, many years and was an amazing lady who cared about us all. She joined the B-P Guild in 2007 (No. 1904 – 18 yrs) and has held many positions in the Central Otago Branch, including Guildmaster and Secretary on many occasions.

This photo was taken at the National AGM in Nelson in October 2020.

Our thoughts are with Jean's husband, family, Guild family and friends.



'Gone Home'

Maurice Arthur, Whangarei, has 'Gone Home' on 13th May, peacefully, at his home, at 96, surrounded by his daughters. His health has been a gradual decline both physical and mental over recent years and his passing will be relief for his family as well as rest for him.

Maurice first donned the Leader's uniform in a Woodley, Berkshire Group before his War service in the Army. We believe he had lay or uniformed roles in the Lower North Island after his arrival in NZ, thereafter being involved in the B-P Guild in Whangarei. Maurice joined the B-P Guild in 1999, (No. 1736) and served for 22yrs. HQ has no record of his holding a warrant, but say some of their records are lost or burnt. Noteworthy was his practice of speaking to promote Scouting at every opportunity. We will certainly miss him.

His funeral was held on 16th May, 2025.



Maurice, ISGF World Conference, Sydney 2014

Survey Questionnaire for every individual to complete

B-P Guild change to New Zealand Scout and Guide Fellowship Branch

At the recent National B-P Guild AGM, it was confirmed that the B-P Guild Branches would change to New Zealand Scout and Guide Fellowship (NZSGF) Branches. From this and extensive discussion, there are several decisions that need to be made. It was agreed that we would use this survey to ensure we polled as wide a membership group as possible on these decisions and/or recommendations. In some cases, the survey questions will form a recommendation to the NZSGF Council and in others will be a decision for the current B-P Guild to action. A printed version of the survey will also be circulated and included in Te Pukapuka. Please only complete one or the other. Please also read the presentation document emailed by Glenys Kirby, National Baden-Powell Guild Secretary on 18th April as this provides additional background to this survey.

This survey should be completed by the end of July. The survey is for individuals, not your Branch – Thank you.

How we Progress and Change (tick appropriate)

1. Your name please

2. Choose your Branch of the B-P Guild

- Town and Country
- Auckland
- Central Otago
- Christchurch
- Little John
- Murihiku
- Nelson
- Wanganui/Manawatu

3. Your email address (if you have one)

4. Uniform – There is currently a mixture of Navy Blue and white shirt colours across existing B-P Guilds. How would you like this to progress, understanding that people will choose to wear the existing shirts for some time?

- Eventually all NZSGF members in one colour with the NZSGF logo/badge on them
- Branches to continue to use Navy or white with or without the NZSGF logo/badge on them
- Other

5. Currently each Branch of B-P Guild has a Guildmaster that chairs meetings and represents the Branch. What should we call them as Branches of NZSGF?

- Chair
- Chairman
- Chairperson
- Other

Distribution of National B-P Guild Funds

As at the National AGM, the National B-P Guild held just over \$26,000 in funds. As we transition to Branches of the NZSGF, these funds will need to be distributed. A number of suggestions have been made. The following questions and your answers will help form a recommendation from members that we can move forward with. For your information, the NZSGF does have approximately \$58,000 in funds with no immediate need for additional support.

- 6. Would you like to see some funds used to provide each of the current B-P Guild members supplied with a new polo shirt with the NZSGF fern badge on it?**
- Yes
 - No
 - Maybe
- 7. Would you like to see a portion of the funds used for the Baden-Powell Guild to become a Life Member of the Scout Youth Foundation?**
- Yes
 - No
 - Maybe
- 8. Are you okay with a small amount of funds held until the transition to NZSGF is complete?**
- Yes
 - No
 - Maybe
- 9. It is proposed that we set up a Town and Country Branch ahead of the move. This would allow these members to share in any funds distribution and then be a Branch of NZSGF so: Town & Country Scout and Guide Fellowship**
- Yes
 - No
 - Maybe
- 10. Are you okay with funds being used to pay for NZSGF scarves, woggles, badges etc?**
- Yes
 - No
 - Maybe
 - Other
- 11. Would you prefer to see all funds distributed to Branches on a per member ratio for them to use as they see fit?**
- Yes
 - No
 - Maybe
- 12. On what basis would you prefer funds to be distributed?**
- To Branches – per member based on last census
 - Part as per answers above and balance to Branches – per member based on last census
 - Half to NZSGF Council for promotional use and balance to Branches – per member based on last census
 - Other
- 13. Any other comments you would like to share?**
