



Girlguiding

Catton and Spixworth District

February is a special month in Guiding because Lord and Lady Baden-Powell had the same Birthday - February 22nd. In 1926 that day was name "Thinking Day" when the Guide Movement thinks of other Guides throughout the world, and raises money for WAGGGS (World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts).

This year is a Centenary year and a special Thinking Day Service is to be held at Norwich Cathedral with Spixworth and Old Catton Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Senior Section and Trefoil Guild taking part in the choir, drama and the Candle Ceremony.

As promised in November 2009, more of 1st Old Catton Guide history; we are into the 1940's now, and during the war the Guides made baby clothes for poor families, collected acorns to feed the pigs and rosehips to make rosehip syrup. The Senior Guides cultivated a vegetable garden and with the profits made from selling the vegetables, parcels were sent to the sailors on H.M.S. Lord Stonehaven. This ship was later sunk, but some of the sailors survived and joined other ships.

Old Catton Village Hall in the 1940's had no indoor toilets, just a sentry box shaped shed with a bucket and squares of newspaper on a string. Unfortunately the "Honey Cart" used to come and empty the bucket on a Guide night!!! Those were the days.....

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