



# Pax Lodge

Celebrating 30 years

1991-2021

## Let's Celebrate: 30 Years at Pax Lodge!

March 15, 2021 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the official opening of Pax Lodge, the third building to house a WAGGGS World Center in London.

We are celebrating our history and having fun along the way.

From the *Pax Lodge 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary team*

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## World Centres in London



Our Ark (1939-1959)

Our Ark was the first London world center. It was located near the current Girlguiding headquarters. In May 1939, Our Ark opened to all Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from around the world. When the United Kingdom entered World War II the following September, Our Ark truly lived up to its name and became a sanctuary for those fleeing the war. After the war, Our Ark continued to welcome those coming to London for conferences, seminars, trainings, and personal travel as well as short-term living quarters while working in London.



*Olave Baden-Powell cut a cake decorated with dolls dressed in Girl Guide and Girl Scout uniforms from around the world that were donated by Danish Guides.*



*Guides and Girl Scouts greet each other with a left-handed handshake.*



## Olave House (1959-1988)

The staff of Our Ark made their move to the new location in one day! They started the day on Palace Street and ended on Longridge Road. In 1963, when Our Ark celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the name was changed to Olave House to honour Olave Baden-Powell, the World Chief Guide.



*HRH Princess Margaret visited Our Ark in 1962*





## Pax Lodge (1991-present)

Although open for business in 1990, Pax Lodge was officially opened by HRH Princess Benedikte of Denmark on March 15, 1991. Pax Lodge was named to honor Robert and Olave Baden-Powell, who had Pax in the names of their homes—Pax Hill in England and Paxtu in Kenya. Lodge was part of the name of the building, Rosslyn Lodge, that now houses the World Bureau. *Pax* is Latin for peace.



## Dove logo

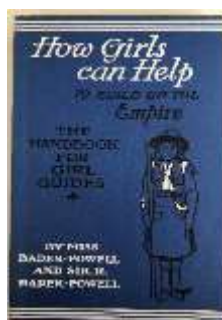
A contest was held to design a logo for Pax Lodge. The winner was the Pax Lodge dove created by an Australian. The dove symbolizes peace, the waves are a reminder of our roots in Our Ark, and the WAGGGS logo reminds us we are a part of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. Alternatively, you will find a logo with the double decker bus—reminding us of London!



## Our Founders in London

Agnes Baden-Powell (1858-1945)

Agnes was the younger sister of Robert Baden-Powell, the founder of Boy Scouting. When girls wanted to join the Boy Scouts, B-P recruited his sister to organize Girl Guides in the United Kingdom. She loved music, art, the out-of-doors, and kept a beehive in her home near Hyde Park. Along with her brother, she wrote the original handbook, *How Girls Can Build Up the Empire*. She considered herself the "Grandmother of Girl Guiding." The first Girl Guides were from Pinkney's Green who still call themselves "Miss Baden-Powell's Own."

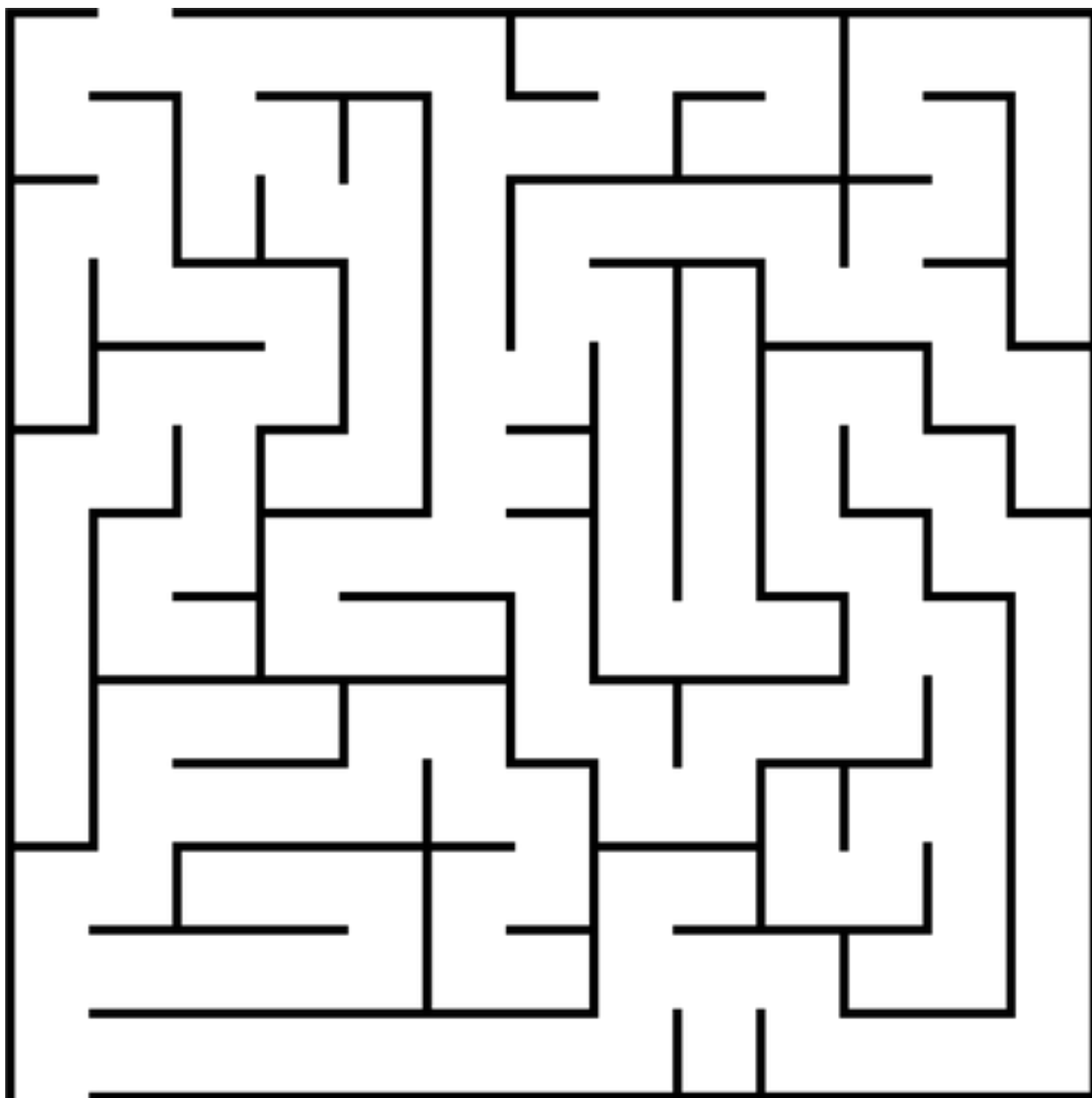


*The Handbook for Girl Guides or How Girls can Help build up the Empire: the facsimile edition was first printed in 1993*



Agnes donated this grandmother clock to Girlguiding Headquarters.

# Help Agnes's bee find her way to her hive



## Juliette Gordon Low (1860-1927)

Juliette Gordon Low, whose nickname was Daisy, became friends with Agnes and Robert Baden-Powell and started Girl Guide units in Scotland and London. She was from Savannah, Georgia and, in 1912, founded Girl Scouting in the United States. Like Agnes, Juliette was raised to be a proper Victorian lady and would have known how to use her fan to communicate. She was also a talented artist, including blacksmithing. Juliette gave up her leadership of Girl Scouts in 1920 when she focused on the creation of an international organization that eventually became the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.



*Juliette Gordon Low (r.) with Robert & Olave Baden-Powell*



*Juliette Low at the World Conference at Foxlease, July 1924*



*Victorian girls had very long hair, but Juliette's had to be cut short after taffy, a candy that had the consistency of chewing gum, was braided into it.*



## The Language of the Fan

Juliette Low grew up in a wealthy family in Georgia. Proper young women learned to communicate by using their fans. A young man would know what she was thinking by how she held her fan. Using a piece of paper, make a fan and let your friends know what you are thinking.

- Fan placed near the heart: *You have won my love.*
- Touching the fan with one finger: *I wish to speak with you.*
- Moving the fan across the eyes: *I am so sorry.*
- Opening the fan all the way: *Wait for me.*
- Covering the left ear with an open fan: *Do not tell our secret.*
- Dropping the fan: *We will be friends.*
- Opening and closing the fan many times: *You are mean.*



## Olave Baden-Powell (1889-1977)

In 1912, Olave Soames met Robert Baden-Powell and they were married later that year. She became the World Chief Guide in 1930. After B-P died in Kenya, she returned to England and lived in a Grace & Favour apartment in Hampton Court. Today, if you visit Hampton Court, you will find her apartment has been converted back to Henry VIII's kitchen.



*World Chief Guide's Standard*



*Robert & Olave Baden-Powell are buried in Nyeri, Kenya but there is a memorial to them at Westminster Abbey.*



*Lilith and Gill presenting Pax Lodge with Gill's grandmother's pins.*



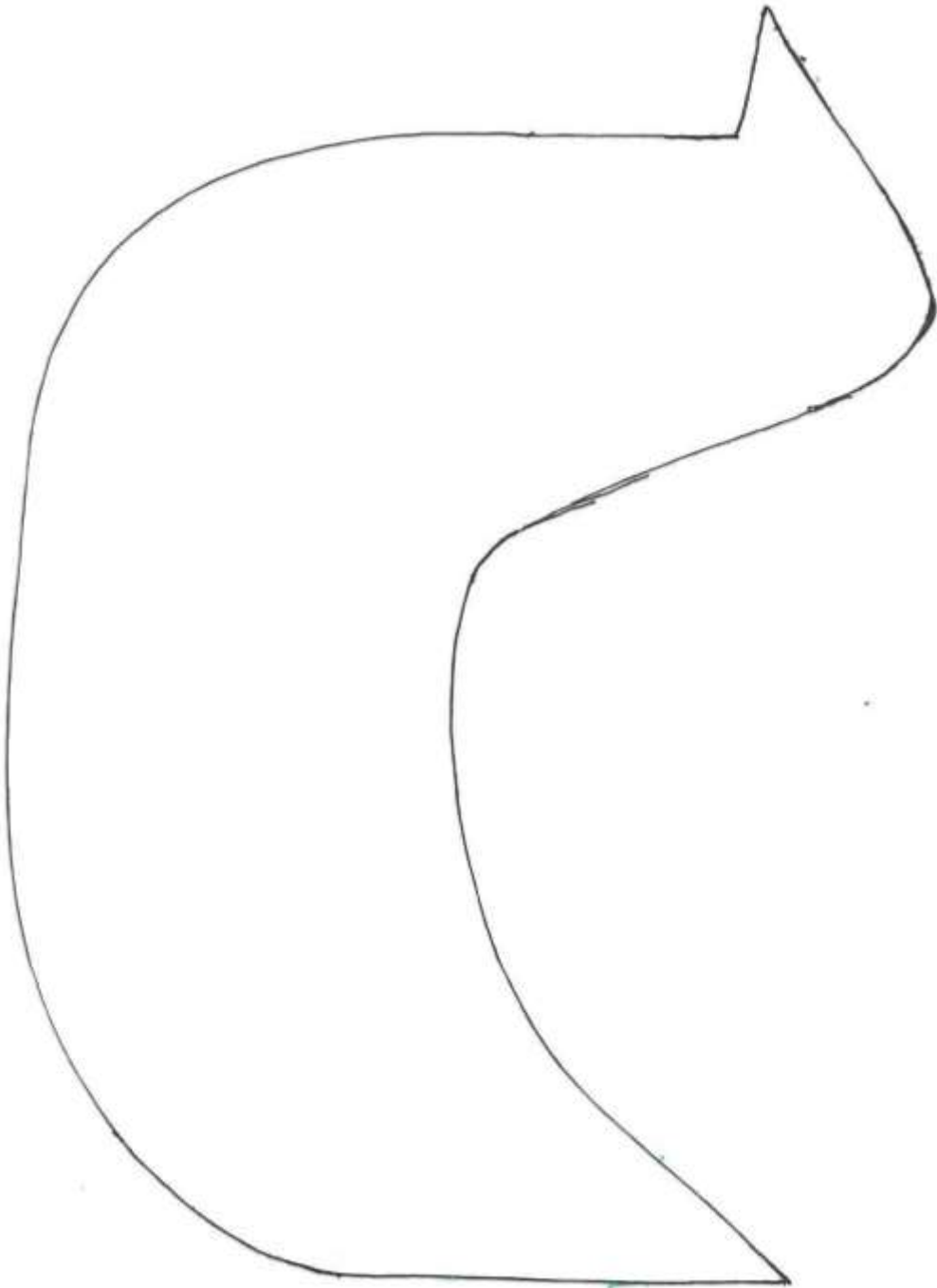
*The fireplace and stove are in King Henry VIII's kitchen. The World Chief Guide's Grace & Favour Apartment was above here. Julia shows where her bathroom & kitchen were in her annex—needed to accommodate her visitors.*

How many words can you make from the letters in *Olave Baden-Powell's* name?



# Dove

The dove is a symbol of peace and is incorporated into the Pax Lodge logo. Make your own flock of doves from origami or by using these directions.



Copy and cut out dove pattern.

Trace your hands to make the wings.

Cut out the wings.



Draw an eye on the dove—or use a hole punch to create it.

Glue the wings onto the dove's body.

Tie them to strings so you can display your flock of doves.



*Doves on display for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pax Lodge*



# The Pax Lodge Story

This is an interactive story. When the words in bold are read, there are actions for the group.

**Pax Lodge** – Say – “We wish you love, we wish you light”

**Our Ark** – Make an ocean ‘wave’ motion with arm

**Olave House** - Make a house with your hands

**Girl Guides/Girl Scouts** – Cheer and say, “We’re One Hundred!”

**Robert Baden-Powell** – Make a military salute

**Olave Baden-Powell** – Curtsey while doing a Guiding/Scouting salute

**World Bureau** – Hold hands with a partner and sing “It’s a small world after all”

**London** – Form a ‘London Eye’ or Tower bridge with a partner

**World Centre** – Give a Guiding/Scouting handshake with the left hand, done with a partner

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## *The Story:*

**Pax Lodge**, one of the four physical World Centres within WAGGGS, was officially opened in 1991 in northern London. Pax Lodge was not the first World Centre located in London. Pax Lodge was preceded by two former centres, Our Ark and the Olave House.

By the early 1930s, there were more than 1 million Girl Guides and Girl Scouts around the world. The World Bureau received constant requests for a World Centre similar to Our Chalet to be built in London. Our Ark was opened in 1939 near Buckingham Palace and the current Girl Guiding HQ. Over the 20 years that Our Ark was open, it was an international Guiding Centre. During World War II, Our Ark remained open and became a safe house for Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from all over the world.

By the mid-1950s, the popularity of Our Ark continued to grow as the vision for Girl Guides and Girl Scouts continued to spread across the world. The growing popularity of visiting Our Ark brought with it a need to expand the centre. In 1959, the second World Centre in London officially opened. This centre was renamed Olave House in 1963 in honour of Olave Baden- Powell, the wife of Robert Baden-Powell.

By 1978, twenty years after Olave House first opened, there were plans to once again move the World Centre location. In 1981, The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) leased 12c Lyndhurst Road, the current home of **Pax Lodge**. The name **Pax Lodge** was chosen for the third World Centre in London as a tribute to Lord and Lady Baden- Powell, who had used the Latin word for peace, *pax*, in the titles of their two homes. Furthermore, **Pax Lodge** was meant to represent the importance of creating and promoting peace in the Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting Movement. **Pax Lodge** is on the same property as the World Bureau because of Lady Baden-Powell’s dream to have the world centre and World Bureau together again.

## World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

The World Trefoil is the symbol of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS).

Every part has a meaning:

- The gold colour of the Trefoil represents the sun shining over all the children in the world
- The three leaves represent the three-fold Promise originally laid down by the Founder
- The base of the stalk is a copy of the heraldic *feu*, representing the flame of the love of mankind
- The vein through the center of the Trefoil represents the compass needle, pointing the way
- The two stars represent the Promise and Law

The World Trefoil, used also on the World Flag and the World Badge, is the unifying symbol.

Connect the dots beginning at 1.

Do not connect:

8 and 9

15 and 16

22 and 23

30 and 31

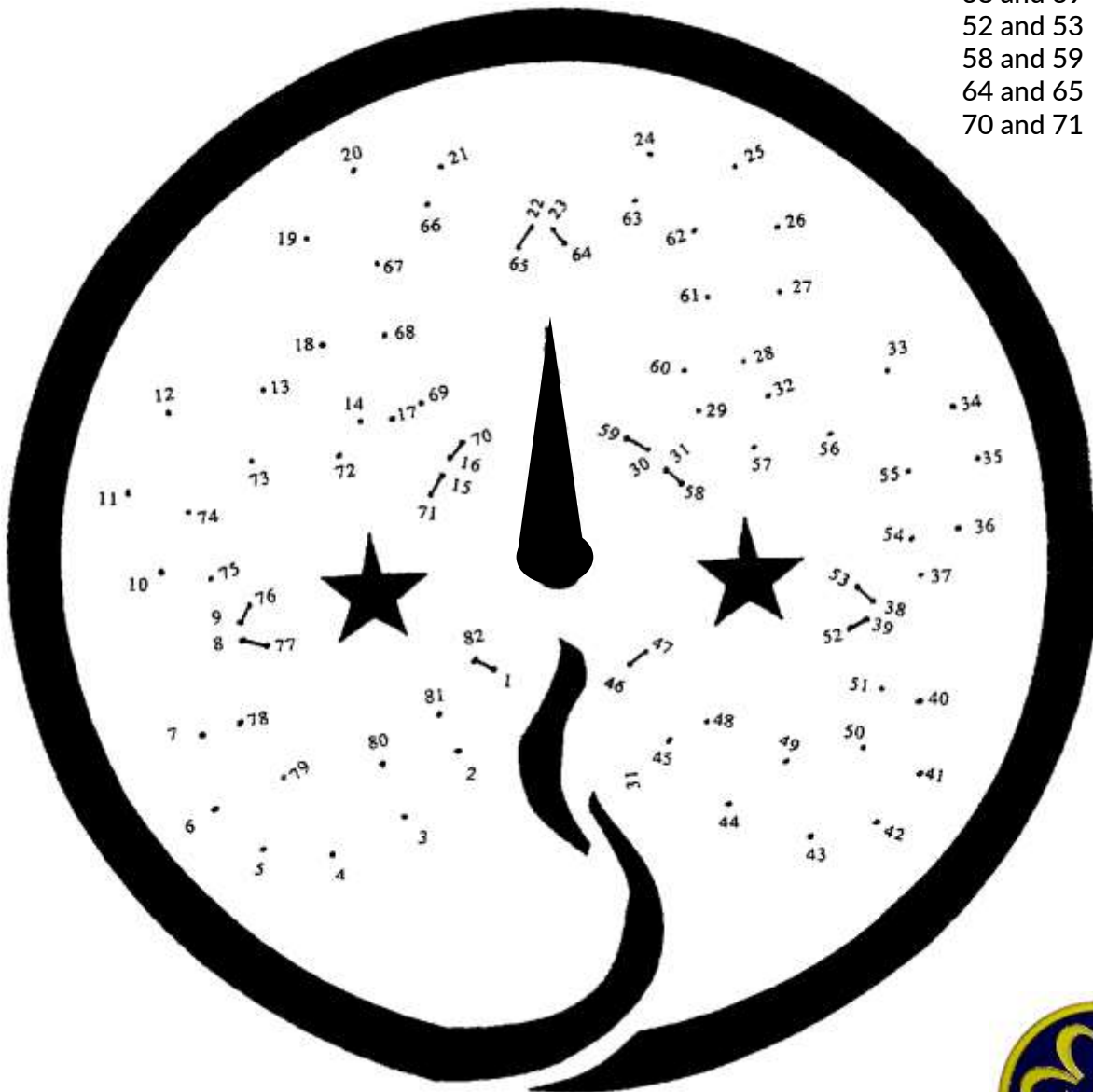
38 and 39

52 and 53

58 and 59

64 and 65

70 and 71



## Pax Lodge Bingo Directions

Print a copy of the blank Pax Lodge bingo card. Print a copy of the Pax Lodge Bingo Tiles. Choose 24 tiles to paste onto the bingo card (You can also choose 24 numbers between 1 and 49 to write on the blank card).

If on the computer, everyone should be on mute. Once you complete Bingo, unmute and shout "Pax Lodge!"

The caller should her sheet on the screen so everyone can see which tiles have been called.



# Pax Lodge Bingo Tiles

1 Pax Lodge 	2 Pax Lodge Bus 	3 30 <sup>th</sup> anniversary 	4 Kusafiri 	5 1939 	6 1991 	7 Our Ark 
8 Pin Wall 	9 Patch Wall 	10 Olave House 	11 Granny's pins 	12 Our Chalet 	13 Sangam 	14 World Bureau 
15 Our Cabaña 	16 Languages 	17 World Flag 	18 1964 	19 Sisterhood 	20 Juliette 	21 Agnes 
22 Olave 	23 History corner 	24 Flag Display 	25 International Night 	26 Campfire 	27 Music 	28 152 Countries 
29 Friendship 	30 Tube 	31 London 	32 World 	33 Pax Garden 	34 Peace 	35 Dove 
36 March 15 	37 World Thinking Day 	38 Hampstead Heath 	39 Our Ark China 	40 Volunteers 	41 B-P Doors 	42 Diana 
43 Buckingham Palace 	44 Musicals 	45 Olympics 	46 Mary Poppins 	47 OWL 	48 London Room 	49 History 

# Pax Lodge Bingo Card

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## Pax Lodge Caller's Master Page

1	8	15	22	29	36	43
2	9	16	23	30	37	44
3	10	17	24	31	38	45
4	11	18	25	32	39	46
5	12	19	26	33	40	47
6	13	20	27	34	41	48
7	14	21	28	35	42	49

# Founders Word Search

A I P E P H C D N H Z O L Y Z Q Q V M P  
N S E R O B E R T B A D E N P O W E L L  
W I E P V C K G Z U W W G R O A G S A X  
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V A G N E S B A D E N P O W E L L T V A

Robert Baden-Powell  
Pax Lodge  
Agnes Baden-Powell  
Olave Baden-Powell  
Juliette Low

Beehive  
Salute  
Our Ark  
Friendship  
Be Prepared

Trefoil  
Taffy  
Olave House  
WAGGGS  
Dove

A I P E P H C D N H Z O L Y Z Q Q V M P  
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T O L A V E H O U S E U S L O E T W I L  
V A G N E S B A D E N P O W E L L T V A

# Pax Lodge Scones



## Ingredients:

- 225 (8 oz) self raising flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 30 g (1 oz) sugar
- 60 g (2 oz) butter
- 150 ml (¼ pint) milk
- 60 g (2 oz) sultanas (golden raisins)

To make scones, preheat oven at 220°C (425°F, gas mark 7) and lightly flour a baking sheet. Sift flour, baking powder, and sugar into a bowl and stir in the melted butter. Add the milk slowly until it becomes a soft sticky dough. Knead dough until smooth. Roll out till about 2 cm (¾ inch) thick. Use a round pastry cutter, place onto baking tray. Bake for about 12-15 minutes until golden brown. Leave to cool. Serve with cream and jam!

*(Recipe handed out at Pax Lodge 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary event)*

## Pax Lodge Song

By Julie Felix

*We wish you love, we wish you light,  
we wish you colours soft and bright.  
We wish you light, we wish you love,  
we wish you peace on the wings of a snow-white dove.*

And with our sisters by our side, we learn to lead, we learn to guide;  
We clear the path, we pave the way to peace on Earth, to a brighter day.

*Chorus*

Sometimes the road is hard and long, and yet together we are strong;  
and as we weave life's tapestry each colour blends in harmony.

*Chorus*

Wherever we wonder, wherever we roam,  
Pax Lodge will always be our home;  
A place where strangers soon are friends,  
I'll meet you there, where the rainbow ends.

*Chorus 2x*

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