AGP-OP LINK BADGE



Trial the Olave Program before your 18th birthday and link to the Olave Program after!

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The Olave Program is a personal development program for members of Guiding in Australia aged 18-30. It focuses on the three aspects of community, adventure and self-development. The Olave Program is underpinned by the Guide Promise and Law and the innovations and traditions of Australian Guiding.

The AGP-OP Link Badge has been developed to encourage Girl Guides aged 16 years and above to progress to the Olave Program.

The requirements of the Link Badge have been developed to reflect the skills and knowledge that members need in order to gain an understanding of the Olave Program. The Link Badge is a participation badge, and recognises that involvement is the key to appreciating the opportunities that can be offered in the Olave Program.

A member must be 16 years of age to start the AGP-OP Link Badge.

The badge is structured in two (2) sections.

PART A consists of six (6) challenges that need to be completed and verified by the member's 18th birthday. Completion of a challenge can be verified by an Olave Program participant who has witnessed the challenge, or an appropriate adult Guiding member with an understanding of the Olave Program. On completion of PART A, the member is presented with the "*AGP-OP Link Certificate*" by her Unit Leader and/or an Olave Program participant. The six (6) challenges can be done in any order.

PART B is completed once the member turns 18 years of age, remakes her Promise as an adult member and successfully links with the Olave Program. This must be done before the member turns 19 years of age. Successfully linking with the Olave Program can take many forms - from joining an Olave Program Peer Group to connecting with other Olave Program participants in her Region or State. The "*AGP-OP Link Badge*" is then presented to the new Olave Program participant by her Olave Program contacts.

To learn more about the Olave Program please check out the mobile friendly Olave Program Resource at <u>www.olaveprogramresource.org.au</u>. The Olave Program Resource is the "go-to-guide" for everything about being an Olave including the Olave Program Framework, peer groups, awards and the history of the program. It also includes useful links such as how to contact your State Olave Program Manager.

PART A: RECORD

Community

Olaves take opportunities to make a positive difference in their communities through volunteering, service and advocacy.

Community Challenge 1

Participate in a service activity at a Peer Group, Region or State level with other Olave Program participants. Examples include participation at community events, fun runs, Clean Up Australia Day, citizenship ceremonies. The service activity needs to be at least one (1) day (eight (8) hours) in length but may be completed over a number of meetings. Report what you did back to your Unit.

I completed this challenge by:

Verified by:	Age:
Signature:	Date:

Signature:

Community Challenge 2

Discuss with a current adult member of Guiding (aged 18-30 years or older) how the meaning of the Promise and Law has changed as you have grown older. Think about how an adult point of view can affect one's interpretation. Discussions can be face-to-face, over the phone, by internet or other communication means. This challenge can be cross-credited with the Queen's Guide Award.

I completed this challenge by:

Verified by:

Age:

Signature:

Date:

Adventure

Olaves take opportunities to challenge themselves through new experiences especially in the outdoors and internationally.

Adventure Challenge 1

Attend one (1) adventure activity based event with other Olave Program participants. Examples include State or Region Olave Program events, Guide/Olave Program combined events, camps or trainings, forums or conferences, or Peer Group organised activities. Report your findings back to your Unit.

I completed this challenge by:

Verified by:	Age:
Signature:	Date:

Adventure Challenge 2

I completed this challenge by:

Research international opportunities available for 18-30 year old members. This can be achieved by talking to your State or Region International Consultant or equivalent, contacting other Guiding members who have travelled overseas with Guiding or by visiting the WAGGGS website. Report your findings back to your Unit.

Verified by:	Age:
Signature:	Date:

Self-Development

Olaves take opportunities to develop skills and knowledge to enable them to grow as individuals.

Self-Development Challenge 1

Discuss with an 18-30 year old member the opportunities the Olave Program has provided them at an individual, local, Region or State level. Discussions can be face-to-face, over the phone, by internet or other communication means. Report your findings back to your Unit.

OR

Actively participate in the INSPIRE program with your Unit to learn more about the Olave Program and the opportunities it provides.

I completed this challenge by:

Verified by:	Age:
Signature:	Date:

Self-Development Challenge 2

Be able to explain the Olave Program Award scheme and list the types of challenges that are available to an Olave Program participant. This information can be found by talking to an Olave Program participant or on the internet. Report your findings back to your Unit.

I completed this challenge by:

Verified by:

Age:

Signature:

Date:

RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

Action	Date
Notify your Unit Leader that you are interested in the AGP-OP Link Badge syllabus	
Contact your local Olave Program participant(s)/Peer Group	
Start the AGP-OP Link Badge syllabus	
Start PART A (You must be 16 years of age. Sections may be completed in any order)	
Complete Community challenge 1	
Complete Community challenge 2	
Complete Adventure challenge 1	
Complete Adventure challenge 2	
Complete Self-Development challenge 1	
Complete Self-Development challenge 2	
Receive your AGP-OP Link Certificate from your Unit Leader and/or an Olave Program participant*	
Start PART B (You must be 18 years of age to begin and it must be completed before you turn 19 years of age)	
Remake your Promise as an adult member	
Successfully link to the Olave Program	
Receive your AGP-OP Link Badge from an Olave Program participant	

Once you have completed Part B of this syllabus, you will need to provide a copy of your Record of Achievement and your Part A Record to your State Olave Program Manager or her equivalent for endorsement. Once the endorsement below has been signed, then you/your Olave Program contacts will be able to purchase the AGP-OP Link Badge from your State Guide Shop. Endorsed by your State Olave Program Manager or her equivalent

Signature:

Date:

* The AGP-OP Link Certificate can be purchased through your State Guide Shop.

GLOSSARY

Adult Guiding member:	A member of Guiding aged over 18 years. They may or may not be involved in the Olave Program.
Olave Program participant:	An adult member of Guiding aged 18-30 years who is activelyinvolved in the Olave Program.
Peer Group:	A group of Olave Program participants who meet regularly (this also includes by electronic means). Peer Groups can be based on locality (eg. <i>Suburb Name</i> Olave Program Peer Group) or based on an interest group (eg. <i>Caving</i> Olave Program Peer Group). It may just be a random group of Olave Program participants who decide to group together.
Region:	this is a geographical area within a State. Each state organisation is divided into geographical areas called Regions, Areas, Divisions or Districts. If you are unsure what the equivalent in your State is, please contact your State Olave Program Manager or her equivalent.
State:	The State organisation of Girl Guides in which you reside.