

London Over The Border  
County Standard which was  
dedicated in 1952 at St.  
Mary's church, Walthamstow.



The Guide world badge



The county badge of Guides in London, the Tower of London on the River Thames.



The Orb is one of the oldest insignia of sovereignty and was used originally by the Romans. As our standard was dedicated within six months of the coronation of our Queen, the College of Heralds allowed the Orb to be incorporated into the standard.



Our motto, the initials of which remind us of our Founder, Lord Baden Powell of Gilwell and his wife, Lady Olave Baden Powell, the World Chief Guide.



When the Standard was designed there were six divisions which were West Ham, Ilford, Barking, East Ham and Leyton and Walthamstow. The devices of these divisions are : -

The **ship** representing the docks of West Ham. The **bunch of grapes** symbolising the Hampton Court vine, which came originally from the grounds of Valentines House in Valentines park, Ilford. The **crossed crosiers** of Barking on the **ermine** of East Ham. The **lion** for Leyton from the arms of the Frauncy family, who were the early owners of the Manor of Ruckholt. The manor later passed into the hands of the Wellesley family, who were prominent citizens of Wanstead. The **sleeve** of the Tori family, Lords of the Manor of Walthamstow from 1140 to 1310.

Nowadays, the county extends to Chingford and Woodford, both of which were part of Essex Guides until the 1970's.