
COORDINATOR

MONTHLY NEWS SERVICE FOR LETCHWORTH AND BALDOCK
DISTRICT SCOUTERS

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NINETEEN FIFTY NINE AND ALL THAT

All what? Eiat achievements will this district remember for 1959? Which was the occasion of the year? You may have your own ideas. Glorious G-orhambury, perhaps. We ourselves feel sure that the first appearance of CO-ORDINATOR was the most significant event, but every month brought something worth while. Here are a few examples.

JANUARY :. the first going-up ceremony in the history of 2B
FEBRUARY : the second Cub pack at 2L took root, to flower in June
MARCH : our £77 BP Memorial cheque was handed over at IHQ
APRIL : the best District Gang Show yet packed 'em in
MAY : the new Scout troop at 1A came into existence
JUNE : two Queen's Scout badges, in 3L and 7L (both now in LDRC!)
JULY : the beginning of the first-ever Scout patrol in 1W
AUGUST : our District Scouts ranged from Cornwall to Caithness
SEPTEMBER : perfect weather at the Icknield Shield, won by 1B
OCTOBER : great public response to the second Scout'n'Guide campfire
NOVEMBER : new rules, and second-class hikes were eagerly started
DECEMBER : Marathon certificates presented - two firsts, two seconds

Now here's a list of results to get you guessing. What do these scores mean?
7L 38. 3L 54. 1B 31. 4L 28. 2B 22. 2L 21; 1A 14. 5L and 1W 15. 1L 12. LDRC 3.

Well, we'll tell you. These figures show the number of times that members of each Group have been mentioned by name in the "Citizen" Scout Notes during 1959. If anyone suspects favouritism, the compiler of the notes apologizes, and he thanks the Scouters of 7L, 3L and 1B for helping his task by regularly providing information, verbally and in writing, which he is only too happy to pass on to the general public. You, too, can have your Group plugged entirely free of charge during 1960, if you will let K, Johnson have details of who does what.

Incidentally, since the Scout Notes began, just over two years ago, 256 individual Cubs, Scouts and. Scouters have been named, some of them several times over.

THINKING OF STARTING SOMETHING?

For any troop which aims. to found a new patrol this year, this quick reference list of the present patrol names may prove useful. According to our records, the District has four Eagle patrols (1L, 5L, 4L and 7L), four Kestrels (1L, 3L, 1B and 1A), and four Peewits (1L, 3L, 1B and 1A). There are three lots of Hawks (1L, 7L and 1B). Twin patrols are Beavers (4L and 2B), Kingfishers (3L and 1A) and Owls (2L and 1B). Unique in the District are 2L Bulldogs, 1B Falcons, 2L Foxes, 2L Gannets, 2L Golden Plovers, 7L Lions, 2B Merlins, 4L Panthers, 1A Rattlesnakes, 1B Ravens, 7L Rhinos, 4L Swifts, 1W Tigers (from next week) and 1W Wolves.

Scouters: Find out if your PLs read "The Scout" for 5.12.59. In the Council of Thirteen was this suggestion. "Do you know the Curlew Patrol (or whatever Patrol yours is) from the Troop the other side of the District? Why not invite them to spend an evening with you? If this is successful - and it should be - try inviting all the Curlew Patrols from the District - that should be a wow!"

GOOD TURN WANTED

We hear that three 5L Scouts are planning a fortnight's excursion at Easter, but are lacking a tent to hold them. If anyone would lend them such an article, SS Gerald Sturman would be overjoyed to hear about it at 70 Bedford Road, Letchworth.

ANY JUMBLE SALE organizer please. note that Mr V.S.Gravett of 329 Norton Way South 'Y informs us that he has some things to be disposed of. Don't all rush at once.

BIG QUESTION

Why did so few turn up to the meeting about the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme? You knew about it, because we told you in CO-ORDINATOR. But the response was poor. Why? Television? Lack of interest? Lack of Scouts and Seniors? Republicanism? Sloth? Apathy? Or did some Scouters forget to pass on the news to the lads concerned? Write your choice of reason on a postcard, please, and send it to CO-ORDINATOR. We shall print all comments received and offer a small prize for the best.

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THIS MEANS YOU!!! PLEASE TAKE NOTE!!!

JANUARY

- 8 District coach trip to Harpenden Gang Show
- 9 2L Group party, 4.50 ; 4L party with 4L Guides ; 7L party with 5L Guides ; second rehearsal of our District Gang Show, DHQ, 6.0
- 14 Rock Council : ALL CUBMASTERS PLEASE ATTEND, DHQ, 8.0
- 16-17 Pioneer badge training course for Seniors, Well End
- 19 7L Cub party ; all news in to K.J. for Citizen Scout Notes, PLEASE
- 27 All news, dates and correspondence in to LDRC for CO-ORDINATOR 9, PLEASE
- 29 Letchworth & District B-P Guild annual dinner, Wilbury Hotel
- 30 5L Palladium pantomime outing
- 30-31 GSMs' training course, Boreham Wood
- 31 Distribution of CO-ORDINATOR 9

FEBRUARY

- 1 LA meeting : ALL MEMBERS OF THE L A PLEASE NOTE
- 5 7L Coliseum pantomime outing with 5L Guides.
- 6-7 North Hertfordshire Senior gathering, 2.0 Saturday to 4.0 Sunday. DSM(S) Jim Bruce has details, and his address is 21 Green Lane, Letchworth.
- 20 By popular demand! Another Rover Dance for one and all. St Paul's, 7.30, 3/-
- 20-21 and 5-6 March : Preliminary training course for Troop Scouters, SW Hertfordshire
- 27-28 and 5-6 March : Senior Pioneer badge testing, Well End

MARCH

Date to be announced: Cub first aid competition

- 13 Tempest-Hicks Cup competition (first aid, Seniors), Hatfield
- 19-20 County Old Wolves' palaver, DHQ ; Scouters (S) conference, Hertford
- 31 Census and re-registration of Groups

APRIL

- 2 Seniors' inter-county cross-country in Buckinghamshire
- 2-3 County Troop Scouters' conference, Hatfield
- 16 Census figures to reach County Secretary by this date
- 18-25 Bob-a-job Week

SEE ALSO the last edition of CO-ORDINATOR, and, of course, the next one.