

CO-ORDINATOR

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HOW'S THE G A N G S H O W GOING?

People have been asking, so CO-ORDINATOR has gone into the matter for you. We spoke to John Baker, musical director now also in charge of much of the general production. Rehearsals, he said, have been well attended after we got clear of the party season.

But there are only FOUR STURDY TS LEFT before the Show now, and it is very important that no rehearsals are missed. The Gang Show committee is grateful to all Scouters and parents not actually involved who have given the boys the encouragement to take part, and to everybody who has been making the time and space available for the hard work to be done.

It is hard work, not least for the Cubs and Scouts in the cast who, as John Baker says, "voluntarily submit themselves to a certain amount of hard treatment from me!" In appreciation of the boys' efforts, he hopes that every reader of CO-ORDINATOR will do his best in the way of propaganda for the Show, for it is upon us, the friends and relations, that the success of the Gang Show depends in the first instance.

You will find a booking form attached to this CO-ORDINATOR. Don't fill it in immediately, but see how many more friends you can get together first, and try booking a large party. We think you can promise them our best Gang Show so far!

Readers of "The Scout" will have seen on 18 February that our District Show is making news already. Posters will be spread over north Hertfordshire and south Bedfordshire very soon, and this year the United Counties buses are carrying small colourful advertisements. The bus company will also be running special late buses from the theatre after the show on Friday and Saturday, to Baldock by way of the Grange estate. So let's sec EVERYBODY there! In the words of the opening number: "You can't get along without us - we can't get along without you."

BARTON SHIELD RESULTS: 3L TRIUMPH AGAIN!

Criticizing performances after this year's contest, Mr John Barton said that by and large individual tests were done very well. Remember, though, that number 4 in the team only has to know tenderfoot stuff (cleaning and dressing) so those 10 points should be a pushover for every patrol. On teamwork in the incident, he pointed out some neglect of possible aids - rolled-up newspapers for splints, or even a helping hand by the casualty himself! And nobody checked safety of improvised stretchers.

Some teams finished equal in total points, so those gaining more on individual tests were placed higher, as follows:

1	.....3L	.....42	points
2	.....2L	.....40	
5	.....1L	.....40	
4	.....7L	.....37	
5	.....2B	.....35	
6	.....4L	.....35	
7	.....3L	.....34	
8	.....2L	.....32	
9	.....4L	.....30	

E Q U I P M E N T E X C H A N G E

Pioneering work often involves use of pulley blocks - you know, those metal wheely things with a hook, like you get on clothes lines. There must be dozens of these lying forgotten in garden sheds, who would be only too pleased to be introduced to the nearest Senior Scout patrol. Can you help?

Free to the first Scout comer is a derelict trailer at Gavin Jones Nurseries. Col.G.J., B-P Guild president, offers it to any Scouts who'll take it fair conversation or use of its good timber.

And UNEX, Mrs Foster's uniform exchange, is increasing its turnover. Will Group committees please enquire from the parents of any boys who have for some reason left the movement? We hate to think of a moth inside a uniform instead of an Owl or a Peewit. All offerings, please, to UNEX at 7 Campfield Way and enquiries are welcome there at any time within reason.

MARCH ONWARD

WITH
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=====M A R C H 1 9 6 1=====

- 6 LA executive committee, DHQ, 8.0 (all Scouter and Lay members, please:)
- 9 Scouters' council, DHQ, 8.15 (all SMs and acting ones, please:)
- 10 1A open evening, Ashwell School, 7.45
- 10 Coffee evening for Guide tent fund, Church rooms, Commerce Avenue, Letchworth,
- 11 District Gang Show rehearsal, DHQ, 6.0 7.30.
- 11 County Rover get-together, Phasels Wood, Rucklers Lane (off Hempstead. Road).
Kings Langley.
- 11-12 County Old Wolves' palaver, 4St Albans HQ, 4 p.m. Saturday to 5.50 p.m. Sunday
- 13 1L Group committee, DHQ, 8.0
- 14 2B Group annual general meeting, Catholic hall, 7.30
- 14 Guiders' District court of honour, Ranger hut, 7.30
- 18 7L Scouts and 5L Guides jumble sale, DHQ, 3.0
- 18 District Gang Show rehearsal, DHQ, 6.0
- 18-19 Kent Cup first aid competition, Howe Dell School, French Horn Lane, Hatfield
- 18-19 Scouters (S) conference, Morgans Walk School, Hertford
- 19 Roman Catholic Scout Guild Ki-Ro halfway, St Albans
- 23 3L Group annual general meeting, DHQ, 7.30
- 24 Letchworth & District B-P Guild visit to Houses of Parliament
- 24 2B jumble sale, Catholic hall, 7.0
- 25 District Gang Show rehearsal, DHQ, 6.0
- 25-26 Preliminary training course for Rover Scouters, Sandridge
- 26 British Summer Time begins.
- 28 Everything in for CO-ORDINATOR 23, please:
- 31 Annual census and re-registration of Scout Groups
- 31- 2 April Attempt at Tour of Hertfordshire on foot by 1B-2B Seniors and anyone else
interested

=====A P R I L 1 9 6 1=====

- 2 Distribution of CO-ORDINATOR 23 by Rovers and Rangers
- 3-8 National Bob-a-job week
- 5-8 Our District Gang Show, St Francis' Theatre, 7.30
- 6 Visit of Guide HQ mobile training van is CANCELLED
- 8 Inter-county cross-country for Seniors, Essex
- 8-9 Pioneer badge course, Well End
- 9 LDRC Group annual general meeting, DHQ, 8.0
- 15-16 Boy Scout Scouters' conference, Hatfield
- 15-16 Roman Catholic Scout Guild "Duty to. God" course, Hatfield
- 22 Rover-Ranger Dance, St Paul's hall, 7.30, 3s. including refreshments
- 25 National Scout service, Windsor
- 28 1L Group annual general meeting, DHQ, 7.45
- 29 County executive committee, Well End
- 30 District St George's Day parade and service, St Mary's church, Baldock

=====M A Y 1 9 6 1=====

- 3 District Cubs' first aid competition, DHQ, 6.30
- 6-7 Queen's Scout reception, Gilwell Park
- 6-7 Boy Scout PLs' weekend, Well End
- 13 Fourth Tour of Hertfordshire (Seniors, cycling), beginning at 8.0 a.m.
- 17 LA annual general meeting, DHQ, 7.45

=====J U N E 1 9 6 1=====

- 3-4 International weekend, Gilwell Park: are you going?
- 10-11 County Marathon, Brocket Hall : how many teams from your Group?
- 17 Wolf Cub open afternoon, Gilwell Park are you taking your Pack?