

# Co-ordinator

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FOR ALL THOSE CONCERNED  
WITH SCOUTING  
AND GUIDING  
IN LETCHWORTH AND  
BALDOCK DISTRICT

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## ON THE GUIDERS' SIDE

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Warrants: Two Guiders have recently received their warrants: Mrs Brett as Captain of 1B and Miss Wilson as Brown Owl of 4L (St Paul's).

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### Freedom from Hunger:

We are very sorry that last month's total was incomplete. However, here are the full details. From Letchworth Guides and Rangers to the Letchworth fund: £135. From Baldock Guides to the Baldock fund: £80. A total from this District of £215. SCOUTS - CAN YOU BEAT THAT?

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Camper Badge: A week-end camp will be held to test this, probably 13-14 July. Any more candidates?

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Guide Guiders Training: 25 May, 2-6 pm, probable venue Brand Street Methodist Church Schoolroom, Hitchin. Miss Blackall on the first class badge.

## GOING-UP AGE FROM CUB PACK TO SCOUT TROOP

The April edition of "The Scouter" announced changes in the rules, to become effective on 1 September 1963. The rules will then read:

227. (i) To become a Cub a boy must have reached the age of 8, but not have passed the age of 10 years and 6 months.

(ii) A Cub may go up into the Scout troop on attaining the age of 10 years 6 months. No Cub may remain in the pack after his eleventh birthday. The actual age between these two limits at which he goes up will be agreed by the CM and SM.

244. (i) To become a Scout a boy must have attained the age of 10 years 6 months. Above this age he may become a Scout, Senior Scout or Rover Squire in accordance with the respective age limits specified in the relevant rules.

(ii) In the case of a Cub, the CM and SM must agree the actual age at which he is to be admitted to the troop. (See Rule 227 (ii).)

## GROUP SCOUTER WARRANTS

The same edition of "The Scouter" announced that in future, when a Group Scouter warrant is held, a change of rank within the Group concerned may be made, without the issue of a new warrant, on the recommendation of the GSM (and of the Sponsoring Authority where applicable). The LA and the DC must be satisfied that the applicant is qualified and continues to be suitable. Change of rank will be notified to HQ by means of Forms GW/C by the LA Secretary, and will become effective when official acknowledgement has been received from HQ.

## WHITSUN WORKING PARTY AT LOCHEARNHEAD

About a dozen volunteers are wanted to help in the work of conversion and reconstruction of part of the Hertfordshire Scout Station during Whitsun week. It would be useful if applicants have some knowledge of carpentry, bricklaying, or electrical fitting. The working party will be fed free in return for their work, but will be expected to find their own way to and from Lochearnhead. Names and particular qualifications should be given to the Registrar, Mr Leslie Timms, 24 Benslow Rise, Hitchin, as soon as possible, with dates between which volunteers can be at the Station. The work will be under the personal direction of Mr Roger Foster, builder member of the committee, and Mr Norman Hyde, architect member.

There are still some vacancies for general duties at Lochearnhead during the summer. Offers or enquiries should be made to the CC, Mr Melville Balsillie, 14 Kings Road, Barnet.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Anyone who may wish to communicate with Richard Watson, 3L ASM, should note that his address is now 15 Campers Road, Letchworth.

## APOLOGIES

from Press Secretary for non-appearance of Scout Notes in "The Citizen" on 26 April. They were sent in just too late. If you want to see what the notes were for that week, get a "Hertfordshire Express". They're in that, on page two.

## TENT FOR DAD

Scouts in South Africa have come up with a good idea - a tent for Dads. At the annual Troop camp a special tent is pitched for fathers, and Dad is invited to come for a day or for the whole of the camp. He brings his own sleeping kit and eating gear and helps the Scouters run the camp.

## GANG SHOW DATES

The 1963 Gang Show will be staged at the Golders Green Hippodrome from Monday 21 October to Saturday 2 November. This is a month earlier than usual, to try to escape the foggy weather which in recent years has made travelling difficult.

## SCOUTS SET UP RADIO STATION.

Patients in the 600-bed Hertfordshire & Essex Hospital at Bishops Stortford now have their own closed-circuit radio station. The scheme has been sponsored and set up by the First Thorley Scout Group. The station goes into action for two hours every day and includes local news bulletins, church services, quiz shows, concerts and short stories. The Group hope to be able to extend this service eventually to other hospitals and old people's homes in the area. They also aim to add commentaries of local football matches to their range of activities. Local churches have been fitted up with microphones, and ministers of all denominations have been invited to conduct the nightly five-minute "epilogue". Says one of the organizers: "Although we are only an amateur concern, high standards are our aim."

## THE WORLD JAMBOREE

The list of countries sending contingents to the Eleventh World Jamboree in Greece grows each day, but the 1,500-strong UK contingent is still the largest. France comes next with a contingent of 1,200 and Denmark third with 660. At the other end of the scale are Kenya, Salvador and the Bahamas who are all sending a contingent of one. But whatever the size of the many contingents, the plans made by the organizing staff at Greek HQ will ensure that every Scout at Marathon has a wonderful time.

A special Jamboree song has been written by Tottie Constantoulis, wife of the Organizing Commissioner, with music by Manos Hadjidakis who was responsible for the hit song "Never on Sunday". It is a catchy tune with lots of Greek atmosphere and it will soon be picked up and sung by all Scouts at the Jamboree in August. We are expecting a good performance of the song by David, Peter and Chris when they get back.

# \* MAY 1963 \*

- 2 5L annual general meeting, Westbury School, 7.45 pm
- 3 1B open night, Park Drive, 6.30 pm
- 3 4L annual general meeting, St Paul's Hall, 7.30 pm
- 4 Gang Show party, DHQ, 6 pm
- 4 Rover-Ranger dance, St Paul's Hall, 7.30 pm (admission and refreshments, 3/-)
- 4-5 Patrol Leaders' Weekend, Well End (see CO-ORDINATOR 47)
- 8 LOCAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, DHQ, 8 pm
- 11. Tour of Hertfordshire for Senior Scouts
- 11 7L jumble sale, DHQ, 2.30 pm
- 12 Old Wolves' Wayfaring, Huntonbridge
- 12 County Rover Motor Moot
- 15 Badge lists to be in: Letchworth Guides to Mrs Smith, 9 Bowershott; Letchworth Brownies to Mrs Neal, 7 Lawrence Avenue; Baldock to Mrs Noble, 14 Ashtons Lane.
- 15 1A annual general meeting
- 18 2L jumble sale
- 18-19 Working party on maintenance and repairs, DHQ: all Scouters, Rovers, Seniors, slaves, serfs and supporters welcome
- 23 Last items in, please, to Press Secretary (80 Spring Road, phone 3920), for CO-ORDINATOR 49
- 24-26 County Caving Expedition to Somerset
- 25 2L annual general meeting, St George's Hall
- 26 Venturer badge part 1 testing: organized by District SSLs
- 26 Publication day for CO-ORDINATOR 49
- 31 Norton Camp '63 begins

# \* JUNE 1963 \*

- 1-3 NORTON CAMP '63 : everyone is expected, even (with a bit of luck) Lord Morrison?
- 7-9 International Weekend, Gilwell Park
- 11 Brownie Revels Committee, Baldock Secondary School, 7.30 pm.
- 15-16 COUNTY MARATHON
- 15 2B summer fete
- 15 Rover-Ranger dance, St Paul's Hall, 7.30 pm (admission and refreshments, 3/-)
- 15-16 Scout Wood Badge Course (first of four weekends), Well End
- 20 Trefoil Guild Garden Party
- 22 Brownie Revels
- 22 4L summer fair
- 22-23 County Rover Moot, Swans Nest Meadow, Weston
- 22-23 Scout Wood Badge Course (second of four weekends), Well End.
- 24 1B midsummer draw, Park Drive, 7.30 pm
- 28 YAC sports evening
- 29 Cub open afternoon, Gilwell Park

# Supplement to Co-ordinator 48

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## CUB FOOTBALL : THE PIXMORE SHIELD COMPETITION 1963

This will be held over three Saturdays, 11, 18 and 25 May, at Westbury School playing field (as other years). Please note that cars will NOT be allowed on the field.

First round matches are as follows:

9.30	Second Letchworth Friday	v.	Fourth Letchworth
9.50	Third Letchworth	v.	Second Baldock
10.10	First Weston	v.	First Letchworth
10.30	Ninth Letchworth	v.	First Baldock
10.50	Fifth Letchworth	v.	Eighth Letchworth Friday
11.10	Second Letchworth Thursday	v.	Seventh Letchworth
11.50	First Ashwell	v.	Eighth Letchworth Monday

Will any team who cannot enter please inform me as soon as possible, either at 7 Monklands, or by phoning Letchworth 4552 in business hours.

Will all Pack Scouters please try to give more co-operation in these matters? At the last three Rock Councils, several Packs have not been represented, nor has any apology for absence been received. I made a similar request to be notified regarding the First Aid Competition, but only one Scouter informed me. On the actual night I still did not know how many teams were entering, and this caused the competition to run longer than necessary.

We tell our boys on enrolling them that they are part of a world wide brotherhood, and that all other Cubs are their brothers. This should also apply in a District, for each Pack is part of a District and should therefore be given the opportunity of taking part in District events. This year the Gang Show Cub item again proved this lack of co-operation, for there were only a few Packs represented. While I am aware that many Scouters in this District are not interested in the Gang Show, some are even anti-Gang Show. Each one is entitled to his or her own opinions, but this should not deter the Cubs from entering, or even being encouraged to enter, the Gang Show. This is also a District event, and I repeat, each boy is part of the District.

The date for the next Rock Council has been fixed for Thursday 4 July, at 8.15 pm at DHQ. Please make an effort to attend, or at least to ensure that your Pack is represented. The Rock Council is your meeting, for your views, opinions, etc.

Yours in Scouting:

HANNAH SHANNON.  
A.D.C. (Cubs)