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## COOKING CONTEST '64

THE FOLLOWING IS A DRAFT OF THE RULES FOR THE PROPOSED COOKING COMPETITION FOR BOY SCOUT PATROLS, SUGGESTED AT THE OPEN SESSION OF THE RECENT PATROL LEADERS' TRAINING WEEKEND. THE DRAFT IS SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT AT THE NEXT SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, WHICH WILL ALSO DECIDE A DATE FOR THE COMPETITION.

1. Patrol. Teams are composed of five or six Boy Scouts, under 15, who will report in uniform. They must be genuine standing patrols, but may if necessary borrow from another patrol one boy who is not a PL or TL.
2. Place and times. The contest will take place at an open-air site, to which patrols will have access from 9.30 a.m. Patrols may have access to the site from 7 till 8.30 on the previous evening in order to prepare kitchens, including the construction of ovens.
3. Judging. A panel of three judges will be appointed, who will be permitted to examine and sample the meals at any stage of preparation, and award independently ten points for each of the following: (i) Preliminary inspection of raw materials and preparation. (ii) Hygiene. (iii, iv, v) The three courses. (vi) Final inspection of washing up and disposal. (vii) Judge's discretion. Points awarded by the judges will be added together, giving a maximum of 210 for any patrol. The patrol with the highest score will receive certificates, and a trophy to be held for one year.
4. Materials. Cooking will be done on wood fires of any practical design. Firewood may be brought to the site. Biscuit tins or oil drums may be used to construct ovens. All normal cooking utensils may be used, and proper racks will be made to hold them.
5. Menu. Three courses will be prepared and served in the correct order, at an hour to be agreed between the patrol and the judges on arrival at the site. The courses for the 1964 competition will be: (i) Soup - any variety. (ii) Braised beef, with sauce or gravy and three vegetables; or Baked white fish with parsley sauce and two vegetables. (iii) Fruit pie and custard; or Golden syrup pudding. Tinned, frozen, dehydrated, ready-mixed or pre-cooked foods may not be used.
6. Revision. The rules of this competition are subject to review at the first Scouters' Council of each year, when the competition menus for the year will be decided.

T I M B E R ! ! !

To their tree-logging service announced here last month, Third Letchworth Senior Scouts are now adding a firewood delivery business! Three bob for a large bundle. Enquiries to 7 Hillbrow, 4 Monklands or 71 Lytton Avenue. All in aid of troop funds.

OLD WOLVES - REMEMBER...

...that the County Palaver takes place in Hitchin next month (8-9 February) and that application forms (to be found in the December "HSN") must be in before 18 January. The ADC(C) Hannah Shannon is co-ordinating the transport arrangements, so do check with her.

B A R T O N S H I E L D

The 1964 First Aid contest for Boy Scouts in this district will be held at DHQ on Sunday 23 February. All details will be in the February CO-ORDINATOR. Get practising!

SORRY WE'RE LATE !

It had been intended to get this edition of CO-ORDINATOR in the post to you last Monday (30 December 1963). Unfortunately, the supplies of "Hertfordshire Scout News" had not arrived from Harpenden in time, and as that periodical is put in the same wrapper as CO-ORDINATOR for all our free (Scouter) readers, we just had to hold on and hope you weren't too disappointed.

W A N T E D

MEN for interesting painting commission (unpaid). Apply to DC or any member of Gang Show Committee. ALSO large type Scouts, Seniors, Rovers, Scouters, are URGENTLY REQUIRED to counteract present predominance of trebles in chorus work. Please bring deep voices and/or star-material talents to next rehearsal - SATURDAY 4 JANUARY, DHQ, 6 pm, and all subsequent Saturdays.

F L A S H F R O M D C : "On behalf of the ADCs and myself, very best wishes for a happy new year to everybody in Scouting and Guiding. And I would like to add my congratulations to those Scouts who took part in the London-to-Letchworth walk just before Christmas: it was a fine effort!"  
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## SCOUT FOOTBALL LEAGUE

There is no formal proposal to start a district football contest for Scouts - yet. But people keep on asking about it, and now First Baldock have got a team ready to take on any challengers. Does any other troop feel like taking them on? If so, drop a card to Jim Reddall at 5 St Mary's Way, or fix things up at the next Scouters' Council. Then, if a third troop wants to challenge the winners of that match.....

## DEVON INTERNATIONAL CAMP, 15-22 AUGUST

Who's going? One or two groups in our District are making plans for a trip to Torquay. Time is going rather fast, so if YOUR Court of Honour is for the idea, please please please tell the DC as soon as you can, so that we can begin to get some co-ordination of transport and equipment on the way.

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## January 1964

- 3-11 Camping and Outdoor Life exhibition, Olympia, London, 10 am - 9 pm
- 7-11 SPADS pantomime "Mother Goose", St Francis' Theatre, 7 pm
- 8 District Gang Show Committee, 7.30 pm
- 9 LA Executive Committee, DHQ, 8 pm
- 11 Gang Show jumble sale, DHQ
- 11 First Ashwell group party
- 11 Gang Show rehearsal; DHQ, 6 pm
- 11 Seventh Letchworth troop party, St Thomas's hall, 4.30 pm
- 16 Scouters' Council, DHQ, 7.45 pm : AT LEAST ONE SCOUTER FROM EACH TROOP IS REQUIRED
- 18 Gang Show rehearsal, DHQ, 6 pm
- 22 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 57
- 25 Second Letchworth group open night, St George's hall, 5pm
- 25 Gang Show rehearsal, DHQ, 6 pm
- 25 Rover-Ranger dance, St Paul's hall, 7.30 pm
- 25-26 GSMS' preliminary training course, South West Hertfordshire (see HSN, page 46)
- 25-26 County Senior Scout Marathon, 8 pm - 4 am
- 27 Distribution of CO-ORDINATOR 57

## February 1964

- 1 Third Letchworth annual Sausage-and-Mash Bash
- 8-9 Hertfordshire Old Wolves' Palaver, Hitchin (see page 1, and HSN pages 28 and 36)
- 9, 16, 23 SMs' preliminary training course, Stevenage (see HSN page 46)
- 14 Letchworth B-P Guild sixth annual dinner, Wilbury Hotel
- 15-16 County SSLs' conference, Hertford (see HSN page 41)
- 22 Founder's Day service, Westminster Abbey, 11 am
- 23 Barton Shield competition (Boy Scout first aid), DHQ
- 29 District Gang Show jumble sale, DHQ

## March 1964

- 7-8 Camp Fire Leaders' course, Gilwell Park
- 8 County troop Scouters' conference, Hatfield (see HSN page 41)
- 11 (or 18) District Cubs' first aid competition
- 14 Guide PLs' county conference
- 21 - 4 April: Ski course, Kandersteg
- 27 - 4 April: Second Hike Leaders' training course, Lochearnhead (see HSN page 34)
- 29 Easter Day
- 30 - 4 April: National Bob-a-job Week
- 31 - 4 April: Tenth Annual District Gang Show, St Francis' Theatre, 7.30 pm

## April 1964

- 18, 20, 25 District Cubs' football competition: preliminary rounds and semifinals
- 26 National Scout service, St George's Chapel, Windsor

## May 1964

- 2-3 Chief Scout's reception for Queen's Scouts, Gilwell Park
- 15-18 Hertfordshire Scouts' County Camp, Gorhambury

## June 1964

- 6-7 South East Counties Rover Moot, Gilwell Park
- 12-14 International Weekend, Gilwell Park
- 20 Cub Open Day, Gilwell Park

(FOR FURTHER DETAILS OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL EVENTS FROM NOW TO 1967,  
SEE "THE SCOUTER", ONE SHILLING MONTHLY : ORDER FROM YOUR NEWSAGENT)