

COORDINATOR 60

May 1964

LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUTERS' NEWS

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SIXTY glorious MONTHS

THE PUBLICATION OF THIS SIXTIETH EDITION OF CO-ORDINATOR completes (if you work it out) a continuous run of five years.

If readers will forgive us for being a bit sentimental, we look back on these sixty months with a slight sense of achievement and the hope that CO-ORDINATOR has done a little bit towards helping Scouting (and Guiding) to run a little bit more smoothly, and so in the end to be a little bit stronger than they might otherwise have been.

Looking back to the very first words of CO-ORDINATOR 1, in June 1959, we repeat our apology:

"WHAT'S ALL THIS ABOUT? This is CO-ORDINATOR, which is intended to co-ordinate ideas of Scouters and Cubbers by helping to ensure that everyone concerned knows what is going to happen. Letchworth District Rover Crew are producing and distributing, but it is our hope that everyone will join in the provision of material."

We are still hoping. But we are still aware that even after five years, some of our readers seem to miss the important bits and forget to pass on the District notices and announcements to their troops or packs. Ah, well. It'll be just the same after the next five years!

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LETCHWORTH DISTRICT ROVER CREW in June 1959 consisted of eight blokes, only one of whom is now left among us, as ARSL, with another as an honorary member over the age limit, who is now one of the District's foremost SMs. See if you can spot them from that old list: Martin Brown, John Collins, John de Louvois, Arundel Hoyer, David Northover, Jeffrey Robson, Maxwell Vines, and Peter Wey.

In that same month, Scout Notes in "The Citizen" reported the second Tour of Hertfordshire, in which the 3L team of John Butcher, Michael Degnan and Gerald Sturman won the team trophy. New Scouts invested in the 3L troop were Alan Ball, Philip Barrett, Chris Flemming, David Hiles, Roger Howes - and Lawrence Sapsed, moving up from 5L Cubs because there was no 5L troop.

Nigel Bush, Leslie Chapman, Brian Cherry, David Simmons and Stewart Smither had just pioneered the new 1A Scout troop, along with Mike Nally, David Skerman and Andrew Thompson.

Patrick Byrne had just got his second class in 2B, and 4L Senior Robin Edmett had his first class. And at the Well End PLs' weekend, 7L sent a delegation of Mick Scholfield, Terry Scoot, David Dawson and Stephen Page.

It is good to know that a fair number of these bodies still enhance the Movement.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS...

...from several more subscribers, their three bobs. Please accept this where appropriate as your official receipt. - -

DISTRICT BADGE SHOP

ROY AND ELAINE PYNCHES, joint Badge Secretaries, announce the opening of a new service to save Scouters that long long trek to 14 Lordship Lane. They will be open for business at DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS EVERY WEDNESDAY from 6.45 to 7.45 pm, beginning this week.

Scouters please note that special proficiency badges can not be supplied without the properly signed counterfoil of the badge certificate.

Watch this space for further announcements of other items to be carried by the District Badge Shop. It is hoped that a wide range of Scouting equipment will be available for purchase at a not inconsiderable discount for the benefit of both Group and District.

GANG SHOW GOOD TURN

To boost the fortieth anniversary celebrations at St Paul's Church, some of the Gang Show cast are wanted to do their stuff in the church hall at 8 pm on Saturday 9 May - entering by the SIDE DOOR, unless they want to pay to get in. So stand by, please, Dancing Girls, Garden Bottom Fairies, and 20 or so older chaps to rock the hall with choruses.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

ADC Leslie Brown's postal address is now: Over Springs, High Street, Ashwell, BALDOCK, Hertfordshire.

SOCIAL NEWS TO FILL UP THIS CORNER

Max Vines was 25 on 26 April. Bill Launay (former 1W Scout) is 18 on 29 April. David Northover is 24 on 30 April. Trevor Thorne (5L cover boy on the first edition of HSN) is 13 on 2 May. Brian Davey (new 1A Rover Scout) is 18 on 10 May. Ian Pilkington (4L) 20 on 12 May. Geoff Shaw (formerly 3L, now Second of 5L Ravens) is 14 on 22 May; John Ward (erstwhile 2B Scout) is 17 on 26 May; Marilyn Emmerton (Bagheera of 1L) is 22 on 28 May. Jim Bruce is 46 on 1 June.

A very happy birthday and many happy returns to all of them, and to all those whom we didn't know about and who are not on that list. As CO-ORDINATOR is 5 years old at the end of this month, we hope they will all understand.

DISTRICT PLs' TRAINING WEEKEND CAMP

Planned for 1-3 May, this has now been POSTPONED to a later date which will be circulated as soon as possible.

APOLOGIES FROM TEE PRESS SECRETARY

He, and not Les Collins, was entirely responsible for typing the colossal clanger about turning "right" instead of left, in the St George's Parade circular sent out in the middle of April. There must be something about Baldock. Didn't someone once give the order "Eyes right - LEFT!" on a parade in that town?

GUIDE NOTES

PATROL LEADERS' TRAINING: Please remember the District training on Friday 8 May, at Norton School canteen, 7 - 0.30 pm. All PLs in the District may come; if the PL can't manage it, her Second may come instead.

BROOKE BOND TEA: 3B Brownies are collecting the fronts of these packets, in order to secure a donation to the Wild Life Preservation Fund. If you have any packet-fronts to spare, please send them to Mrs Keech at 40 The Leas, Baldock.

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE CAMP RECORDER: Mrs Wright's new address, from 29 April, will be: 84 Ninesprings Way, Hitchin.

POLICY, ORGANISATION AND RULES: DC Mrs Drylie has a few copies of the new edition available at 2s.6d.

BADGE LISTS: Guide and Brownie lists must be in to respective secretaries by 12 May, please!

APRIL 1964

- 29 7L annual general meeting, St Thomas's hall. 8 pm

MAY 1964

- 1 - 5 Patrol Leaders' training weekend, Well End (Note: the District PLs' weekend arranged for these dates is now postponed)
- 2 - 3 Chief Scout's reception for Queen's Scouts, Gilwell Park
- 6 LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, Letchworth Grammar School Hall, 8 pm. Nominations for officers NOW, please, to Honorary Secretary, Mr A.M.Wood, 25 Cloisters Road. Letchworth.
- 8 Gang Show party, DHQ, 6 pm
- 9 Sixth Tour of Hertfordshire for Senior Scouts (on bicycles), starting 8 am. Nearest local start and check point: A505 at Letchworth Gate, opposite St Paul's.
- 9 7L jumble sale, DHQ
- 12 5L Group annual general meeting, Westbury School hall, 6.45 for 7 pm
- 13 1A Group annual general meeting, Primary School hall, 7.30 pm
- 15 - 18 COUNTY CAMP AT GORHAM BURY (St Albans)
Sunday 17 is visiting day for parents and friends only
Monday 18 is visiting day for Cubs and the Chief Scout only
- 25 5L Troop jumble sale, DHQ, 3 pm
- 27 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 61

JUNE 1964

- 1 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 61
- 6-7 South Eastern Counties Rover Moot, Gilwell Park
- 6-7. Scout Wood Badge Part 2 course, Well End (first of four weekends)
- 12-14 International Weekend, Gilwell Park
- 15-14 Scout Wood Badge Part 2 course, Well End (second of four weekends)
- 20-21 Boy Scouts' County Marathon (see new rules in March edition of HSN)
- 20 Cub Open Afternoon, Gilwell Park
- 21 First District Cooking Competition, Elbrook, Ashwell (see rules in January edition of CO-ORDINATOR with small amendments in February)
- 24 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 62
- 26-28 Scout Wood Badge Part 2 course, Well End (third of four weekends)
- 27 4L Summer Fair, St Paul's Hall, 2.30 pm
- 29 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 62

JULY 1964

- 4 Scout Day on Norton Common
- 4-5 Scout Wood Badge Part 2 course, Well End (last of four weekends)
- 29 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 63

AUGUST 1964

- 3 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 63
- 26 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 64
- 31 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 64

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