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DISTRIBUTION OF CO-ORDINATOR

At the meeting of the LA Executive Committee on 10 March, it was decided. to extend the free issue of CO-ORDINATOR to the Secretaries of all Group Committees in the District. So far the only persons to get it free have been warranted Scouters and lay members of the Executive Committee, plus a few special people like Badge Secretaries and the Guides' DC, and, some chap in Thundridge who gets a complimentary one.

All this cost the LA £11:19s.9d. last year, and we hope it was worth it.

Anyone else who is interested may subscribe to CO-ORDINATOR, at 3s. a year payable to Letchworth District Rover Crew - treasurer Jim Davidson, 10 Orchard Close, Letchworth.

Welcome, then, to the Secretaries! If any of them have been subscribing, and would now like a refund, or would care to transfer their subscription to someone else in the Group; please let Jim know.

Could you please let us know, too, if we have anyone wrong on this list? As far as we know, Group Secretaries are:-

- 1A - Mrs E. Holloway, Ashwell End Farm
- 1B - Mr R. Hilditch, 38 The Leas
- 2B - Mrs L.J. Daniels, 45 London Road.
- 3B - see below
- 1L - Mrs M. Collins, 96 Bedford Road
- 2L - Mrs B. Hooper, 63 Lammas Way
- 3L - Mr E L. Shaw, 191 Icknield Way
- 4L - Mrs J.M. Reeves, 151 Baldock Road
- 5L - Mrs I. Coram, 15 Highfield
- 7L - Mrs S. Noakes, 11 Bur.sland
- 8L - Mrs U. Fisher, 44 Danescroft
- 9L - Mrs P.M. Scott; 88 Bedford Road
- 1W - Mrs'D. Harradine, 28 Friars Road

WELCOME TO THIRD BALDOCK

On 24 March, the inaugural meeting of THIRD BALDOCK SCOUT GROUP was held at the Methodist Hall, just a week before the first Pack meeting of 3B Cubs. A Group Committee was formed under the chairmanship of Mr Cottenden, of 26 The Tene (who receives this month's free edition of CO-ORDINATOR as the Committee has not yet met to elect a Secretary).

The new Cub pack will wear a navy blue jersey, and the Group neckerchief is to be sky blue - decisions made by the casting vote of two prospective Cubs who were present at the meeting - Julian Cottenden and Leslie Dodds.

Though 3B will be a sponsored group of the Methodist church, membership will not be restricted to boys attending the Sunday school - though of course the Cubs will be encouraged to do so.

COUNTING TIME

As we are all well aware, the first of this month is the operative date for the annual census and payment of the capitation fee.

GSMs are reminded that census forms are really wanted PROMPTLY this year, so that the CC can add up the county and send his postcard to the Chief Scout, with the news (we hope) of an increase in the Hertfordshire total.

The national capitation fee is FIVE SHILLINGS for each person listed on the census form, plus ONE SHILLING a head (for the County, to cover insurance), plus TWO SHILLINGS a head for the Local Association: a total of EIGHT SHILLINGS, to be paid to the District Treasurer, Mr George Fletcher, 15 Broadwater Avenue, Letchworth, as soon as possible. If it can be paid before Bob-a-job Week, all the better, but he will be understanding if Groups cannot manage it till after this

NEW BADGE SECRETARIES

Mrs Elaine Pynches closes the badge account at 14 Lordship Lane on Wednesday evening, 31 March, before she shortly joins her husband in Renfrewshire.

From Thursday 1 April, the District Badge Secretaries will be Mr and Mrs S.H. JUBY, of 32 Bowershott, Letchworth. Telephone 3685. They are hoping to carry on where Roy and Elaine left off, and to be available at home at any reasonable hour. The Badge Shop "surgery hours" at DHQ, Icknield Way, Letchworth, will recommence on Tuesday 6 April, and will be on TUESDAYS from 7.45 to 8.45 PM until further notice.

All Scouters will join us in thanking Mr and Mrs Pynches for having done this important job so very well, and equally Mr and Mrs Juby for taking it on.

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1965 BOB - A - JOB ZONES

CHANGES IN THE SCOUT POPULATION and in the geography of Letchworth have made the Bob-a-job zones unfair since they were drawn up about five years ago, and the LA Executive Committee last month approved adjustments to the zone boundaries. These are intended to bring each Group's zone nearer to an approximate 1,000 households, and to create a new zone for 9L, which did not have one before. Details are as follows.

FIRST LETCHWORTH (850 households in old boundaries, now 1,025): Arcade, Bedford Road (from Ickniel Way to Corner Close), Bridge Road, Broadwater Avenue, Broadway (from Station Place to Town Square), Commerce Avenue, Commerce Lane, Cowslip Hill, Cross Street, Dale, Eastcheap, Hawthorn Hill, Haymoor, Ickniel Green, Ickniel Way (east of Archers Way & Spring Road), Leys Avenue, Longmead, Meads, Nevells Green, Nevells Road, Quadrant, Redhoods Way East and West, Rowan Crescent, Station Place, Station Road, Station Way, Wheat Hill, Wilbury Road (from Bedford Road to Grange Road), Wynd.

SECOND LETCHWORTH (1,405 old, 1,385 new): Ashdown, Blackhorse Road, Cashio Lane, Church Lane, Common View, Croft Lane, Cromwell Green, Cromwell Road, Eastern Way (south of Southfields), Eastholm, Glebe Road, Grange Road, Green Lane; Ickniel Way East, Lammas Way, Midhuret, North Avenue, Norton Road and Norton Village, Norton Way North, Orchard Close, Orchard Way, Southfields (south side), Western Way (south of Southfields), Westholm, Wilbury Road (from Grange Road to Eastholm), Woodhurst.

THIRD LETCHWORTH (740 old, 920 new): Baldock Road (from Spring Road to Bowershott), Barrington Road, Bowershott, Brandles Road, Cloisters Road, Field Lane, Lawrence Avenue, Lytton Avenue (from Meadow Way to South View), Meadow Way, Newlands, Norton Way South (from Meadow Way to Baldock Road), Paddock Close, Sollershott East with Sollershott Hall, Souberie Avenue, South View, Whitethorn Lane, Willian village, Willian Way.

FOURTH LETCHWORTH (1,435 old, 1,200 new): Allison, Baldock Road (east of Bowershott), Bayworth, Birds Hill, Boscombe Place, Broughton Hill, Chatterton, Crescent, Denby, Dimsdale Place, Dunhams Lane, Howard Drive, Jackmans Place, Jubilee Road, Lordship Lane, Pixmore Avenue, Pixmore Way (from Ridge Avenue to Baldock Road), Pix Road, Radburn Way, Ridge Avenue, Ridge Road, Waysbrook, Works Road.

FIFTH LETCHWORTH (845 old, 935 new): Alington Lane, Broadway (from Town Square to Hitchin Road), Burnell Rise, Campers Avenue, Campers Road, Chiltern View, Garth Road, Glade, High Avenue, Highfield, Hillbrow, Hitchin Road, Letchworth Lane, Manor Close, Manor Way, Pasture Road, Sollershott West, Spring Road, Springshott, Westbury Place, West View.

SEVENTH LETCHWORTH (1,570 old, 1,410 new): Abbots Road, Archers Way, Bedford Road (from Corner Close to Wilbury Road), Beech Hill, Bursland, Campfield Way, Eldefield, Hall Mead, Haselfoot, Highover Road, Ickniel Way (west of Archers Way & Spring Road), Monklands, Monks Close, Mullway, Runnalow, Saffron Hill, Valley Road, Warren Close, Wilbury Close, Wilbury Hills Road.

EIGHTH LETCHWORTH (1,325 old, 1,345 new): Burley, Caslon Way, Crossleys, Danescroft with Grange Court, Eastern Way (north of Southfields), Farm Close, Gaunts Way, Heathermere, Kimberley, Lindencroft, Linden Green, Link, Maycroft, Middlefields, Normans Close, Northfields, Ordelmere, Saxon Close, Southern Close, Southfields (north side), Sparhawke, Stoneley, Western Close, Western Way (north of Southfields), Whitehicks.

NINTH LETCHWORTH (0 old, 430 new): Gernon Road, Gernon Walk, Hillshott, Lytton Avenue (from Gernon Road. to Meadow Way), Norton Way South (from Meadow Way to railway), Pixmore Way (from Town Square to Ridge Avenue), Rushby Mead, Rushby Place, Rushby Walk, Shott Lane.

Please note that members of a Group are expected to refrain from canvassing in another Group's zone, though individual boys may of course do jobs for friends and relations anywhere. Baldock and Weston are not affected by the zone scheme, and Ashwell is not doing Bob-a-job anyway, as they have other fundraising ideas.

THE MOD TROPHY : LATEST MOVEMENTS

7L Seniors held the Mod Trophy on 1 March by beating 5L in seven out of nine games of chess. 9L Cubs then challenged 7L to football, but the weather on 20 March prevented a decisive match. A replay is expected on 31 March, and 2B Scouts are challenging the Scouts of whichever Group wins - to football. Any section can challenge the holders to anything!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Michael Murphy, acting SM 3L, is now at 62 Mullway (telephone Letchworth 5890).

DEFINITION OF A SENIOR SCOUT LEADER:

"He should be an ageing nonentity, merely there to take the blame."

(Melville Balsillie, speaking at the Scouters' Conference at Hatfield last month.)

THE NEW THING

PROVISIONAL RULES FOR AN ANNUAL SCOUT and Cub Handcraft Exhibition have been drawn up at the DC's request, by SSL (7L) Colin Phillips. Full rules are being circulated to District Scouters, but here is a digest of the regulations, which will be applied to the Handcraft Exhibition this year, at DHQ on Sunday 2 May: entries to be handed in between 10.30 am and 12 noon.

Prizes will be presented at the District AGM on Wednesday 5 May.

Classes: (1) Cubs of any Pack in this District; (2) Scouts under 15, of any Troop in this District; (5) Scouts over 15 and Senior Scouts of any Troop in this District. No entries from those over 18.

Sections: (1) ART - pictorial or poster work, painted or drawn. (2) HANDICRAFT - anything handmade that is not eligible for another section. (5) WOODCRAFT - home-made articles of natural materials. (4) COOKERY - cakes or anything suitable (recipes available). (5) - PHOTOGRAPHY - anything taken, developed and printed by the exhibitor.

No power tools, lathes, etc., may be used. The District Trophy will go to the Group with the highest points.

Points: 4 for Best Exhibit in Show, 3 for first prizes, 2 for second prizes, 1 for third prizes. Extra 10 points for any Troop or Pack in which each boy submits an entry, and pro rata.

No entry fee. Pack and Troop Scouters are responsible for delivery and collection of exhibits. Judges will be appointed, holding no office in this District.

Entries must have identification labels - postcard folded in half, with Section, Age and Group on outside, name and address of entrant inside the fold.

POINTLESS POINTS

Just for fun, we've added in the Barton Shield scores to Operation Burnup and the Cub First Aid. This leaves the Group totals so far this year as follows:

5L.....	784
1B.....	636
2L....,	592
7L	338
9L.....	241
3L.....	219
1L.....	159
8L.....	140
4L.....	90
1A.....	74
2B.....	73
3B, 1W.....	0

In this league more than anything, it's not the winning but the taking part!

GANGING UP

EVERYTHING IS SET FOR WHAT LOOKS LIKE BEING ONE OF OUR BEST DISTRICT GANG SHOWS AT ST FRANCIS' THEATRE FROM WEDNESDAY 21 TO SATURDAY 24 APRIL.

Bookings are coming in quite fast now, so to make sure of a good place, readers of CO-ORDINATOR are advised to get in rapid touch with Mrs Nancy Baker at 47 Highfield (phone 4782) for a booking form.

Tickets will be on sale to the public from 10 a.m. on MONDAY 5 APRIL, at F. Green (Stationers) in the Arcade, Letchworth, and every day (except Wednesday and Sunday) until closing time on the last night - if there's any left by that time.

And this is where YOU can give a hand! Maybe you don't see yourself performing on stage, or building scenery, or sewing glittering costumes - but all this sort of thing has been taken care of. What is still urgently needed is a handful of volunteers to sit in at Green's for an hour apiece, to look after the sale of the tickets. You will, we trust, be kept busy, but it is not madly tiring work.

So how about it? Mums and dads of Scouts or Cubs -- uncles and aunties - wives, husbands, sweethearts - you know someone who'd be willing to Fill this last vital link in the Gang Show setup.

DO PLEASE GIVE NANCY A CALL STRAIGHT AWAY- LETCHWORTH 4782.

BARTON SHIELD COMPETITION RESULTS

		Sunday 28 March
Position	Team	Points (max.110)
1.,.....4L (John Wood,	Andrew Smith, Garry Hemmings, Mark Juby).....	90
2.....2L (Martien Lafferty,	Peter Browning, Graham Thompson, Paul Gay).....	89
3.....2L (Brian Miller, Keith Sparrow, Chris Gee,	Andrew Oakman).....	86
4.....5L.....		85
5.....3L (Kent Trophy holders).		81
6.....9L.....		78
7.....9L.....		75
8.....1A.....		74
* 9.....2B.....		73
10.....1B.....		73
11.....5L.....		71
12.....7L.....		69
13.....8L.....		64

*2B are placed above 1B because marks were higher in the individual tests,

TEMPEST-HICKS TROPHY : Full results are not yet available, but at 5 pm on Sunday, 3L Seniors were lying third in the 21 teams from the whole county.



LETCWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION
LETCWORTH DISTRICT GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION
BALDOCK DISTRICT GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION

Saint George's Day Parade and Service

SUNDAY 25 APRIL 1965-: SAINT GEORGE'S CHURCH, NORTON : 3 PM

Parade Marshals: J. Baker, L.R. Brown, L. Collins. Colour Party Leader: J. Bruce.
Arrangements with the Church: Second Letchworth Scouters and Senior Scouts.

Assembly: 2.15 pm, Howard Park (by paddling pool) with the exception of Brownies who will assemble at the rear of St George's Church. Roman Catholic Groups will parade with other units, and special arrangements are being made for a service in St George's Hall..

Order of parade.: Colour party; Salvation Army Band; Groups (Cubs, Scouts, Seniors, Rovers); Guide units. (Note: It has been suggested this year that we march to the Church as Groups; practice in forming up and marching is advisable.)

Order of Scout Groups: 2L - 3L - 4L - 5L - 7L - 8L - 9L - tt - 1W - 1L - 1B - 2B - 3B. Order of Guide units: 1L - 2L - 4L - 5L - 10L - 1A - 1B - 2B - Rangers.

Route to Church: Norton Way South - Norton Way North - Common View. Colour party will form up outside church. Band will leave parade just before arriving at church and continue playing on grass verge on left-hand side. Parade will continue into Common View and car park at rear of church, marshals then directing units past colours into church.

Collection will be made for the Baden-Powell House Endowment Fund. A reminder should be given to younger members who may forget. Reading: First lesson by a Second Letchworth Scout; second lesson by a First Letchworth Guide.

Reassembly: Colour parties upon leaving church will form up as directed in car park. All other personnel will then fall in behind their own colours ready to move off.

Return route: Common View - Norton Way North - into Norton Common by first gate, Salute will be taken in the entrance drive to Norton Common.

COLOUR PARTY REHEARSAL: SATURDAY 24 APRIL, PROMPTLY AT 2.15 PM.. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE COLOUR BEARER AND AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF THE ESCORT IS PRESENT AT THIS REHEARSAL.

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OTHER FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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- 29 COMMON CAMP CONFERENCE and Scouters' Council, DHQ, 8 pm
- 31 Inaugural meeting of 5B Cub Pack, Methodist Hall, Whitehorse Street, 6 pm

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- 1 Capitation fee payable (see page 1)
- 3 First County Senior Scouts' Swimming Gala, Stevenage Swimming Pool, 7 pm
- 3 - 1 May : County Boy Scout PLs' camps, Lochearnhead Scout Station
- 13 4L Group annual general meeting, St Paul's Hall, 7.30 nm
- 19 - 24 : BOB-A-JOB WEEK (see page 2)
- 21 - 24 : ELEVENTH ANNUAL DISTRICT GANG SHOW, St Francis' Theatre, 7.30 pm
- 22 Letchworth B-P Scout Guild annual general meeting.
- 24 St George's Parade colour party rehearsal, St George's Church, Norton, 2.15 pm
- 25 DISTRICT ST GEORGE'S PARADE AND SERVICE, St George's Church, Norton (see above)
- 28 1B Group annual general meeting, Park Drive, 7.30 pm
- 28 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 72

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- 1 Get-together for the District's non-Sixer Cubs
- 2 Entries in for District Scout and Cub Handcraft Competition (see page 3)
- 3 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 72
- 5 LETCWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, with handcraft competition awards, DHQ, 8 pm
- 8 1B Group open afternoon, Park Drive
- 8 5L jumble sale, DHQ
- 8 - 9 Patrol Leaders' Weekend, Well End
- 11 Rock Council (uniform), DHQ, 8 pm
- 14 - 16 : District Patrol Leaders' training camp, Weston
- 21 - 23 : NORTON COMMON CAMP 1965