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SECOND ANNUAL COOKING COMPETITION

FIRST BALDOCK SCOUT HQ, PARK DRIVE (244333) : S U N D A Y 1 3 J U N E 1965

SECTION A : Boy Scouts and Girl Guides up to 15 years

SECTION B : Senior Scouts and Guides up to 18 years

START 10 a.m. Meal to be served by 1 p.m. Teams of FOUR.

MENU: First course: any thick soup (using sieved vegetables or thickening agent)

Second course: hamburgers (prepared on the site, from beef which may be
previously minced); fried onions; mashed potatoes; carrots.

Third course: any variety of fruit fool.

Teams consist of FOUR Scouts or Guides, all from the same Troop or Company. Extra points will be given to teams all from the same Patrol. They must report in correct uniform by 10 a.m., bringing all ingredients, utensils and firewood. A panel of three judges will be appointed, who will be permitted to examine and sample the meals at any stage of preparation. Hygiene, washing up and disposal all count. Cooking will be done on wood fires of any design, and proper tables, Utensil racks, etc., must be constructed on the site. Tinned, frozen, dehydrated, ready-mixed or pre-cooked foods may not be used.

DISTRICT WOLF CUB SPORTS

NORTON SCHOOL FIELD : 2.30 p.m.
S A T U R D A Y 1 0 J U L Y .

age limit: 10½ years. Spikes will not be worn. No Cub may enter more than 2 events and the relay.

Events: 80 yards, over 9½ years
60 yards, under 9½ years
20 yards hopping
20 yards balance
20 yards sack race
Relay (two over 9½, one under 9½)
High jump
Long jump
Throwing the cricket ball

Cards indicating the pack and event are being made and will be distributed to all CMs. These cards must be attached to each competitor.

DISTRICT CUB SWIMMING SPORTS

A date will be announced soon, and Cubs should start training now. If your lads want special swimming coaching, send their names straight away to the ADC(C), Mrs H. Moules, 1 Norton Road, Letchworth.

JUST TO REMIND YOU

The District Badge Shop is open at DHQ from 7.45 to 8.45 on TUESDAY evenings. At any other reasonable time, Mr & Mrs Juby are glad to help at 32 Bowershott, Letchworth (telephone 3685).

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE YOUTH SPORTS

Wednesday 30 June, 7 pm, Ridlins End Athletic Stadium, Shephall Way, Stevenage. Any Scout or Guide Group may enter one competitor, who may enter for three events plus relay. Age limits are:
Junior Girls over 14, under 16*
Senior Girls over 16, under 20*
Junior Boys over 15, under 17*
Senior Boys over 17, under 20*

*on 1 September 1964.

Entry fee 6d. per competitor. Entry forms are available now from Mr S.H. Kemp, College of Further Education, Stevenage, and must be returned to him by Friday 12 June.

"LET'S ENJOY OURSELVES"

This book is written for energetic young men by our County Commissioner. It is mainly about hiking in mountains, but not exclusively so, for other activities attracting the same qualities of fun and risk are naturally brought into the orbit of the discussion. In some ways it is a follow-up to "Mid Moor and Mountain" but it in no way takes its place and there is no duplication. Our badge secretaries have a small supply of "LEO" readily available. It only costs 8/6, and would make an inspiring present for an up-and-doing PL or Senior Scout.

THE PLINSTON TROPHY

There were one or two small errors in the totals published last month for the art and handicraft competition. Final correct Group positions were as follows.

1.....	7L.....	43 points
2.....	5L.....	27
3.....	1W.....	20
4.....	3L.....	17
5.....	1L.....	8
6.....	2L.....	6
7.....	(3L)	
	(9L)	3
9.....	(1A)	
	(8L)	<.....1

SCOUTS SPORTS SHIELD

Points won by Boy Scout troops in the sports events during NC 65 were as follows.

1.....	1B.....	10 points
2.....	2L.....	9
3.....	(1L)	
	(3L)	7
5.....	7L.....	6
6.....	1S.....	5 *
7.....	4L.....	4
8.....	(1A)	
	(9L)	3
10.....	2B.....	1
11.....	(5L)	
	(8L)	0

* Special congratulations to 1 Stotfold for taking part, even though district boundaries would have prevented them getting the trophy. The shield was won by 1L last year, 1A the two years before that, and 7L in 1961. There was no contest from 1957 to 1960, but 4L won it in 1956, and that is as far back as our records go. Can any Group produce more historical facts, please?

JUST FOR FUN

Adding up all points won in district contests so far this year (Operation Burnup, Cub first aid, Barton Shield, Plinston Trophy and Scout sports) we get these amusing but meaningless ratings:

1.....	5L.....	811 points
2.....	1B.....	646
3.....	2L.....	607
4.....	7L.....	387
5.....	9L.....	247
6.....	3L.....	243
7.....	1L.....	174
8.....	8L.....	141
9.....	4L.....	94
10.....	1A.....	78
11.....	2B.....	74
12.....	1W.....	20
13.....	3B.....	3
14.....	LDRC.....	0

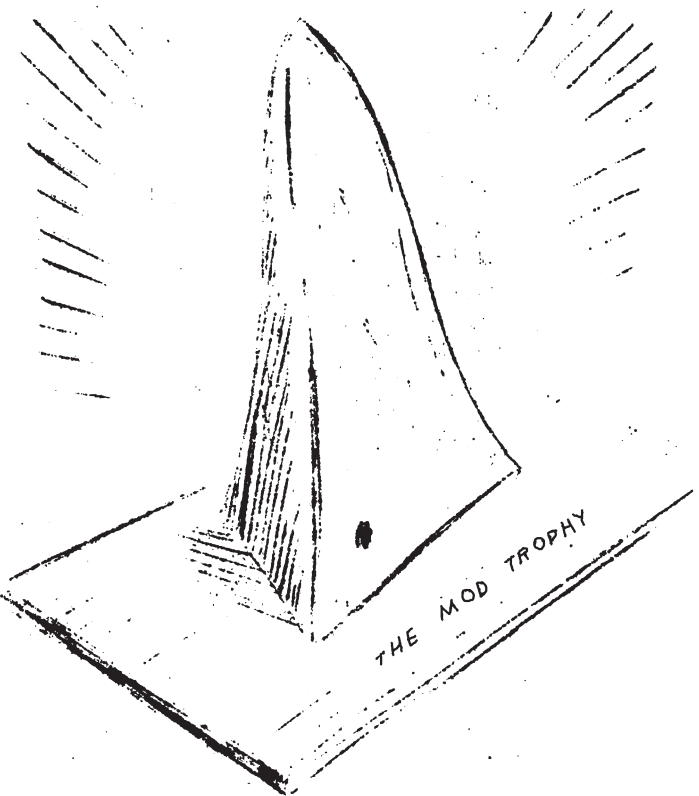
Next changes will be on 13 June, at the cooking competition.

THE MOD TROPHY

Briefly summarizing its movements so far, we remind you that it went to 2L in January for winning the quiz printed in CO-ORDINA'TOR. Their Senior Scouts were challenged by 7L to badminton and lost. 5L Seniors then challenged 7L to chess, but the defenders held the trophy until their Cubs were challenged by 9L to a football match played on 31 March. 9L won this, and their Boy Scouts received a challenge from 2B, again to football. After some delays, this was fixed for Monday 24 May, but as 9L could not raise a team after all, the Mod Trophy went by default to 2B. Their ASM was thereupon challenged to snooker by the ASM of 5L, and we understand that this match is to be played in the middle of this month. Either Group - 2B or 5L, depending on who wins - will then be open to challenge at any type of contest from any other Group in the District. Cubs may challenge Cubs, Boy Scouts may challenge Boy Scouts, and so on. Anyone for tennis? Roller skating? Road walking? Polo? Pingpong? Crisp eating? Ballroom dancing? Pram racing? Tiddlywinks? Woodchopping? Pillowfighting? Spelling bee?. Swimming?

All the challenging troop or pack has to do is provide the equipment and inform the press secretary.

Incidentally, the Mod Trophy is nine inches high, weighs five pounds, and looks something like this:

"COMMON NEWS"

Sixteen copies of Saturday's edition of the Norton Common newspaper, and 13 of the Sunday edition, are still available, should anyone have lost the copy they bought at NC 65. KJ has the spare ones, so ask him rapidly if you want one.

GROUP CHAIRMEN AND SECRETARIES

The List which was included in the District annual report contained a few errors, and has since become out of date owing to changes at various Group AGMs. As far as we know, this is the correct list at the time of going to press.

GROUP	CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY
1 Ashwell	S. Whitehead, High Street	Mrs E. Holloway, Ashwell End Farm
1 Baldock	N.A. Thompson, 2 Byrd Walk	R. Hilditch, 38 The Leas
2 Baldock	K. Marshall, 205 Baldock Road, Letchworth	Mrs L.J. Daniels, 45 London Road
3 Baldock	M Cottenden, 26 The Tene	B. Cottenden, 42 Pryor Road
1 Letchworth	F, Eaves, 47 Norton Road	Mrs M. Collins, 96 Bedford Road
2 Letchworth	T. Sparrow, 61 Lammas Way	Mrs B. Hooper, 65 Lammas Way
3 Letchworth	T. Howes, 5 Redhoods Way	Mrs Crawshay, 94 Pixmore Way, and P.C. Rose, 194 Icknield Way, jointly
4 Letchworth	S.G. Ransford, 28 Hillshott	Mrs J.M. Reeves, 151 Baldock Road
5 Letchworth	F.A. Hawley, 45 West View	(*)
7 Letchworth	(*)	C.W. Rose, 75 Bursland
8 Letchworth	J. Morley, 7 Stoneley	Mrs U. Fisher, 44 Danescroft
9 Letchworth	J. Jaszczak, 162 Pixmore Way	Mrs P.M. Scott, 88 Bedford Road
1 Weston	R Clements, Hitohin Road	(*)
L D R C	M. Dilley, 6 Croft Lane, Letchworth	M. Dilley, 6 Croft Lane, Letchworth

(*) to be elected at the next meeting of the Group Committee

PHOTOGRAPHER BADGE

Mr D.W. Brunt, 21 Willian Way, has been official Examiner for this badge for some years, but only recently has anyone shown interest in taking the examination. If this interest should be spreading among Scouts, we have an offer to instruct in the technical side of the photographer badge. Scouters should apply direct to Mr R.D. Howard, 41 Kimberley, Letchworth.

WHIT MONDAY SHOW

East Hertfordshire Scouts and Cheshunt & Hoddesdon Guides are holding a Whit Monday Show at Cheshunt Secondary Modern School, College Road* at 2 pm. They are trying to raise £2,000, and assure the Scouts and Guides in our District that if they can come along, individually or in parties (and with parents and friends) they will find something of interest and enjoyment. Arena events will go on all afternoon, and there are all sorts of sideshows, a model railway, dancing display, pony rides and so on.

*College Road is the beginning of B 156, leading westwards from A 1010, in the middle of Cheshunt town.

ONE CAMP FIRE BLANKET

was left behind at NC 65. Shivering owner please apply at 8 Campers Road, Letchworth. There is also a Scout beret there waiting to be claimed..

COFFEE MORNING

Do tell anyone available to drop in at 231 Icknield Way, Letchworth (near the main gate of the Common) on Friday 11 June, 10 till 12. Tickets are 1/6, and it's all in aid of 8L Cub funds.

FOR LETCHWORTH DISTRICT GUIDERS

Our HQ Building Fund is now £163:7s.5½d. Keep it up and keep the money rolling in! The sooner we get it to the Post Office the more chance we have of coming up on Ernie.

Brownie Revels will be on 26 June at the Cashio Lane playing field (by kind permission of Mr John, Norton Secondary School). Time: 3 to 6 pm. Brownies to bring a mac, a packed tea and a mug for the drinks provided. If wet, we shall be in St George's Church Hall. Come to the committee on 3 June for further details.

If anyone still has money or unsold tickets from the Coffee Morning, I shall be glad to have them handed in as soon as possible, please. M.C.D

DATES FOR GUIDERS - SEE PAGE 4

EXPORT TRENDS

Roger Keeney is at present in his native United States, but plans to be back in the District for good by August. Latest forwarding address: A1C Roger B. Keeney, AF 12531449, 48 TAC Hospital, Ward 5, RAF Lakenheath, Suffolk.

Roland Millbank, formerly RSL at 4L and lately Bea-Spouting in Bedfordshire, left Biggleswade on 10 May, heading for Australia, probably permanently. We'll print any address we hear of.

BOB-A-JOB

For comparison with previous years, the District Treasurer would be glad if all Group Scouters would let him know their totals raised in Bob-a-job Week. Please send a postcard to Mr G.Fletcher, 13 Broadwater Avenue, Letchworth, or phone Letchworth 5494. Thank you.

*** JUNE 1965

Thu 3 Brownie Revels Committee at 9
Haselfoot, 8 pm
Mon 7 Cheshunt Scout & Guide Show
(see page 5)
Mon 7 Names to be in for Miss Wright.
for Guide training on 21 June
Sun 13 Scout & Guide COOKING COMPETI-
TION (see page 1)
Fri 18 to Sun 20 County Training Camp,
Hatfield. Park
Mon 21 Guide Training, Hitchin, 7.15
pm (see County booklet)
Mon 21 County conference questionnaires
to be in
Tue 22 Trefoil Guild, Ranger Hut, 7.45
Sat 26 BROWNIE REVELS (see page 3)

*** JULY 1965

Tue 6 Guider Committee, Iorton School,
8 pm

IDLE THOUGHTS OF A CO-ORDINATOR TYPIST
WITH A BIT OF SPACE TO FILL UP

(THINKS: That was a comical picture
on the front page of The Citizen, all
them Scouts mourning a dead dinner.
Good job they cut off the bloke who
was in Scout shirt and blue jeans.
Not good for public image. Common
Camp is as much a shop window as the
Gang Show. Ugh to jeans with Scout
shirts. Or Cub jerseys. Bad luck on
those two other districts - jeans and
Scout shirts in a Stevenage Bob-a-job
picture, Cubs in jeans at St George's
Day!!! in HenlCW. Ever so ugh. All
very well to have overtrousers in the
winter, but peeling off longs when you
get to troop meeting is sheer oissy at
this time of year. SMs should take a
firm stand. Why are we so sloppy in
public? Seniors look okay in uniform
longs, but not in camp! Norton Common
ugh! And why are we letting under-15s
wear Ambulance badges? POR 430 says
definitely not. Same with Troop Lead-
ers - age must not be less than 15.
POR 238. Even saw a Senior Sixer not
long ago, and they went out years ago!
We ought to stick to the rules. Cubs
under 8 aren't permitted, and 10½ is
the top age for district competitions.
Some people said over-15s were in a
Boy Scout competition, and someone
did too many events in the swimming
sports. Not cricket.. Not Scouting.
Also time more Groups kept Scouters
out of Group Committees. Not their
job to be there. I won't half get
told off about this. Oozy think he
is wivviz tatty ole yellow plom?
Well, I think it's fair criticism;
and I think Scouts can take criticism
kindly and happily. Parents went and
phoned up the Gazette for not raving
about the Gang Show. Not the spirit.
Not Scouting. Ugh.)

*** MAY 1965

31 Sooutersf Council (with particular
reference to Cooking Competition), ,
DHQ, 8 pm

*** JUNE 1965

11 Coffee morning for 8L Cub funds, 231
Icknield Way, 10 am
12 4L Summer Fair, St Paul's Hall
12 7L jumble sale, DHQ
13 SECOND ANNUAL COOKING COMPETITION (see
page 1), Parl Drive, Baldock, 10 am
16 LA Executive Committee, DHQ, 8 pm
18-20 International Weekend, Gilwell
19 1L jumble sale, DHQ
23 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINA-
TOR 74
26-27 Boy Scout COUNTY MARATHON
26 The Gang Show Committee regret that
the reunion party tentatively planned
for this date has been postponed; but
all the Gang will be told of the new
date as soon as it is fixed.
28 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 74

*** JULY 1965

3 Cubs' afternoon at Gilwell
5-4 ALL-NIGHT BARBECUE for Letchworth &
Baldock District (full details next
month)
10 DISTRICT WOLF CUE SPORTS (see page 1),
Norton School field, 2.30 pm

*** AUGUST 1965

2 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 75
5-14 Jamboree Cymru, Ruabon, Denbighshire
30 Bank Holiday
30 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 76

*** SEPTEMBER 1965

- Rover Dance (date to be announced):
LDRC apologize for the cancellation
of the dance arranged for 8 May, but
hope to see you all at this next one.
11-12 ICKNIELD SHIELD COMPETITION
14 Rock Council, DHQ, 8 pm
19 Venturer badge testing
27 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 77

*** OCTOBER 1965

6 Fireman badge course begins, Letch-
worth Fire Station, 7.30 pm
24 British Summer Time ends, 5 am.

*** NOVEMBER 1965

1 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 78
13 B-P GUILD CUP COMPETITION
20-21 OPERATION NIGHTJAR '65
29 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 79

STOP PRESS

WORLD SCOUT FRIENDSHIP FUND

This had passed £4,000 last week, and all
LA Secretaries and Treasurers were asked
to check that ALL GROUPS HAND IN ANY OUT-
STANDING RETURNS so they can be sent to
HQ by 30 JUNE, when the fund closes.
