LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER FOR SCOUTERS AND OFFICIALS

THE PLINSTON TROPHY

MAY DAY IS THE DAY FOR THIS YEAR'S ART AND HANDCRAFT EXHIBITIONS - and there are in fact two exhibitions going simultaneously! One is for the work of Cubs, Boy Scouts, Senior Scouts and - yes! ROVER SCOUTS - and the rules of this are shown below. The second exhibition is open to the Guide movement in the District, with slightly different rules (to be discussed at the District Committee on 1 March) and with separate trophies for Guides and Brownies.

RULES FOR SCOUTS

- 1. The Exhibition will be held annually at time and place to be decided by a sub-committee of the Local Association. The second exhibition will be at District Scout Headquarters, Icknield Way, Letchworth, on Sunday 1 May 1966. Entries to be handed in between 10.30 am and 12 noon for judging and public exhibition in the afternoon. The Plinston Trophy to be presented to the winning Group at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 4 May 1966.
- 2. In the event of a dispute concerning any matter arising from the exhibition, the Art and handicraft Committee's decision must be accepted as final. The Committee is appointed by the District Commissioner and consists of a convener, SSL Colin Phillips, 29 Haselfoot, Letchworth, with the Assistant District Commissioners for Cubs, Boy Scouts, Senior Scouts and Rover Scouts.
- 3a. The following sections are eligible for entry, and will be referred to in these rules by the appropriate section number.

Section 1: Cubs of any Pack in the Letchworth & Baldock District Association.

 $\underline{\text{Section 2}}\colon$ Scouts less than 15 years old belonging to a Troop in the Letchworth & Baldock District Association.

 $\underline{\text{Section 3}} \colon \text{Senior Scouts of the Letchworth \& Baldock District Association.}$

<u>Section 4</u>: Rover Scouts and Rover Squires of Letchworth & Baldock District Association,

- 3a. If a boy has passed his eleventh birthday on the date of the exhibition, the entry must be entered in Section 2; if he has passed his fifteenth birthday, entries must be in Section 3; if he has passed his eighteenth birthday and is a Rover Scout or Rover Squire, entries must be in Section 4, either on behalf of Letchworth District Rover Crew or his own Group (to be specified on the entry form).
- 4. The exhibition_ will be divided into classes as
 follows:-

<u>Class A;</u> ART - Landscape, still life, poster work, lettering, black and white, figure drawing, and any similar type of original artistic production.

Class B: HANDICRAFT - Any type of hand-made article that is NOT eligible for entry in one of the other specialized classes.

Class C: WOODCRAFT - Home-made articles of "natural" (that is, not machined or commercially processed) wood, leather or skin, or similar material, having a definite "backwoods" or "woodcraft" connection.

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March 1966

St George's Day

DISTRICT CELEBRATION OF SAINT GEORGE this year is to be on Sunday 24 April, at St Hugh of Lincoln, Pixmore Way, Letchworth, by kind permission of the Rev. J.E. Hathway.

This will be the first time that the District Scout service has been held in a Roman Catholic church, and it will thus enable <u>all</u> Christian Scouts and Guides to worship together. It will of course be the usual Scout service, and will be conducted by three ministers - Anglican, Catholic and Nonconformist

NC66

NORTON COMMON CAMP 1966 will be from Friday evening 10 June till Sunday afternoon 12 June (subject to confirmation from Letchworth Urban District Council). Following the success of their "day trip" last year, the Guides will be camping there, too, this time. Scout and Guide sports will again take place, and it is hoped that a Jubilee display by the District Cubs may be a feature of the weekend. This will be discussed at Rock Council on 9 March.

Lochearnhead

THERE ARE STILL VACANCIES for the County Boy Scout Patrol Leaders' course at our Station from 16 to 25 April. This is a tremendous opportunity for real Superscout training. Enquiries, application forms -Jeff Robson, 67 High Avenue, Letchworth (phone 4954).

Thanks

from DC and ADC for a livelier turnout at the February meeting of the Scouters' Council. But there was still no representation from 1A, 3L, 4L, 8L, 9L or 1W, when decisions were made which will affect them. Next Scouters' Council: 31 March.

District Marquee

IF YOU wanted it for the weekend of 18 June, please note that it is already booked for use at the County Cub Jubilee party at Well End.

PLINSTON TROPHY RULES (continued from page 1)

has been taken by the exhibitor. Special preference will be given to photographic work developed and printed by the exhibitor. If possible a note should be attached to the entry stating exposure, speed and aperture, also developer used for films and printing.

- Articles must be hand made. No article will be accepted that has been produced on a machine tool such as a lathe or similar powered equipment.
- 6a. The Plinston Trophy will be awarded for one year to the Group with the greatest number of points. Points may be gained by Section 1, 2, 3 and 4 entrants in Classes A, B, C, D and E, as follows:-

Five points for best exhibit in each section.

Four points for first prizes. Three points for second prizes Two points for third prizes One point, at judges' discretion, for each highly commended entry.

- 6b. The best exhibit in each section qualifies for any other award, such as first prize in its particular class.
- 6c. Each Troop, Pack or Crew of up to 20 boys may gain an extra 5 points if every member (figures based on the last census) enters at least one article in the exhibition. Troops, Packs or Crews not having a 100% entry will be awarded fewer than 5 points based on the percentage of the boys who have submitted an entry. For each Troop or Pack of more than 20 boys, 1 point will be given for every 4 boys entering up to a maximum of 5 points.
- Winners of the Plinston Trophy will be responsible for returning it to the convener of the Art and Handicraft Committee not later than the day preceding the exhibition in the following year.
- 8. There will be no entry fee. An unlimited number of entries may be made in any one section by any one boy.
- 9. The Scouter of each Pack, Troop and Crew are responsible for delivering the entries to the exhibition and collecting them for removal between 3 pm and 6 pm on the Sunday of the exhibition. The Committee will at all times take the greatest care of articles entered, but as the hall has to be cleaned up and vacated at the end of the exhibition, the Committee cannot accept responsibility for entris not collected by the respective Groups.
- 10. In order to help the Committee to keep the exhibition ending on an orderly basis, no one will remove exhibits from the hall without notifying a member of the Committee.
- 11. Judges will be appointed by the Art and Handicraft Committee. No person will be appointed as judge who holds office in any part of the Scout organization of this District.
- 12. The Committee reserves the right to

amend rules at any time between the end of the exhibitien and the publication of the rules for the next one

- 15. The Committee reserves the right to cancel a class for any reason such as lack of entries, etc., and to limit the number of points for a class that has.only a small number of entries.
- 14. EACH ENTRY WILL HAVE AN OFFICIAL IDENTI-FICATION LABEL, CORRECTLY FILLED IN, AND AT-TACHED SECURELY. The labels will be as unde-

 $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3" folded in half, making $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". On outer side of fold written:

> Class..... Age..... Section.....

On inside of fold: Name and address of entrant and his Scout Group

Poster Competition

Prizes of Gang Show tickets are offered for the best entries in each section in a HOME SAFETY poster competition sponsored by Letchworth District Rover Crew.

Section A: any Cub or Brownie in Letchworth and Ballock Districts.

Scerion B: any Boy Scout or Girl Guide under 15 in Letchworth and Baldock Districts. Section C: anyone over 15 in the Scout or Guide movement in Letchworth and Baldock Districts.

Posters must be on some theme of Home Safety training, done in any medium, size 15" by 20", labelled on the back with name, addres, name of unit and section. Entries to RSL Brian Watkins, 88 Southfields, Letchworth, by 1 April.

Birthday Cards

Nine Cubs' designs for the County Jubilee Birthday Card competition were chosen to be forwarded to the county final. Judges for the District heat on 13 February were art teacher Peter Wey and Cub artist badge examiner Ken Johnson. Finalists were:

Philip Aylott (1W) Anthony Butt (7L) Terry Butt (7L) Robert Carr (7L) Peter England (5L) Clive Hutchby (5L) Alan Malloy (1L) Simon Turner (1W)

Each received a Jubilee woggle as a prize from the District. So did Philip Lincoln (3B) whose design was too large to be sent on to the final, but too good not to receive recognition.

Cornings and Goings Mick Murphy, now resident in London, has

sent his resignation as SM 3L.

John White, formerly a first class Scout and Senior Scout in 3L, is now resident in Letehworth again, and prepared to give a hand with his old troop.

Sandra Woosnam, ACM 1B, has now transferred to ACM 3L.

As reported in the local press, two GSMs received warrants last month: Ron Page (1B) and Michael Spurr (4L).

Urgent! Help!

A.W. HURLL, CHIEF EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER AT HQ, has written to all Districts asking for up to data information and advance news of all service projects, both large and small, being carried out individually and collectively. Service to the older citizens, to the under-privileged, to handicapped people, to local communities, is often done but not often heard about. Any items such as these are urgently required at HQ, in order to provide information which is being sought by the "Daily Mirror" in its campaign to emphasize that side of today's youth which has not received its rightful share of press publicity - namely, service to others.

Details of any past, uresent and future service projects in this District, tocother with names and addresses of the leaders of such projects, should be given to the District press secretary (Ken Johnson, 80 Spring Road, Letchworth) who will forward all items to HQ,

"We would be glad", says Mr Hurll, "if this matter is treated with urgency."

Lay Council

THE LOCAL ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE is an elected body of Scouters and Lay members, who are not intended to act as representatives Of Groups. Nevertheless, some Groups naturally feel they do not have a say in LA affairs. To ease this situation, it is now proposed to form a Lay Council, composed of Group delegates. An explanation, and an invitation to the inaugural meeting, is being sent by Mr Reginald Jones, Assistant District Secretary, to all group secretaries and chairmen.

Anyone for Footer?

UNDER FLOODLIGHTS at Stevenage Colicge of Further Education tennis courts, at 7 pm on Tuesday 29 March, these will be a knockout competition of five-a-side football, open to all bona fide moobers of youth clubs and things, from 14 to 20 years old. The cost is 2/6 a team; preliminary rounds will be played during the previous week.

If your Troop, Senior Troop, or Crew is interested, write nn a decent bit of note paper:-

FIVE-A-SIDE FOOTBALL

| Name of Correspondent |
|---|
| Address |
| Phone number(home)(business) |
| We wish to enter one/two teams and enclose a |
| cheque/PO for (made payable to the |
| Hertfordshire County Council). |
| Date it and sign it, filling in all other |
| details required, and post it to Mr S.H.Kemp, |
| Stevenage College of Further Education |

Club.....

Usual five-a-side rules apply. Eight minutes each way. Go on. Have a go

Monkswood Way, Stevenage, to arrive by next

Tuesday, 8 March.

Badge Shop Leaves DHQ

FROM THIS MONTH, the Badge Shop Will be available at 32 Bowershott, and not at DIQ. Mr & Mrs Juby have found that more business is done at their hote address; anyway, so they now guarantee service there on TUESDAY BVENINGS from 7 to 9. Urgent orders will be met at any other reasonable time.

And while we are on the subject, may we remind Scouters and other customers that cash should be produced whenever buying badges. Please do not make things difficult for our Badge Secretaries by asking for credit.

First Aid Contests

| BARTON | SHIELD | FULL RESULTS | |
|--------|--------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Place. | Troop | Team leader : Points | (of 80) |
| 1 | 3L | Bryan Imber | 72 |
| 2 | 2L | Paul Gay | 61 |
| 3 | 3L | Chris Thornton | 54 |
| 4 | 7L | Tim Whitfield | 50 |
| 5 | 2L | Chris Gee | 47½ |
| 6 | 2L | Tim Leathers | 47 |
| 7 | 1A | Brian Collins | 45 |
| 8 | 4L | Mark Juby | 39½ |
| 9 | 5L | Richard Biggs | 37 |
| 10 | 7L | Keith Comley | 36½ |
| 11 | 5L | Martin Bentley | 32 |
| 12 | 1L | Alan Eaves | $31\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 13 | 1L | Glen Baker | $30\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 14 | 1B | Darryl Jones | 29½ |
| 15 | 8L | Malcolm Carthy | 29 |
| 16 | 5L | Barry Moore | 23 |
| | | | |

| CUB F | LRST | AID | CONTEST | | |
|-------|------|-----|---------|----------|--------|
| Place | Pocl | κ % | Place | Pack | % |
| 1 | 4L | 99 | 7 | 3B | 72 |
| 2 | 7L | 97 | 8 | 5L | 71 |
| 3 | 3L | 91 | 9 | 8L Monda | ıy 65 |
| 4 | 1W | 81 | 10 | 8L Thurs | day 59 |
| 5 tie | e 2L | | 11 | 1L | 55 |
| | 9L | 73 | | | |

KENT TROPHY (COUNTY COMPETITION)
Congratulations to Bryan Imber and 3L for coming first with 256½ points (of 380).
Mark Juby and 4L fifth with 177, Paul Gay and 2L seventh withh 169½ and Richard Evans and 5L fifteenth with 131

Just For Fun

ADDING POINTS WON BY ALL GROUPS in the two District events above, we start the Just For Fun League for 1966:

| 12L228½ |
|--------------------------------|
| 23L217 |
| 3183 ¹ ₂ |
| 45L163 |
| 5153 |
| 6138½ |
| 71L117 |
| 881 |
| 99L |
| 1072 |
| 1145 |
| $1229^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
| 132B and LDRC0 |
| |

For Group Good Turns

Dear Priends:

As Honorary Appeals Organizer for the Parents and Friends of Bromham Hospital for the Handicapped I am making a special appeal. I have pledged myself to raise £160 to buy a CLINICAL AUDIOMETER. This important piece of equipment is used by the Speech Therapist, and enables her to detect degrees of deafness, to check hearing loss and fluctuation of the organs which control sound and speech. The Hospital can borrow one, but this is not very satisfactory, as I feel sure you will agree. To have one available all the time can make a world of difference.

It is hard enough not to walk, nor to grip a toy or enjoy normal facilities, but not to speak though maybe possessing vocal chords is tragic.

To sec children dance, to hear their chatter, listen to their songs gives real pleasure.

Would you help me to help those handicapped children, to provide equipment which may in time enable a child to say its first word.

This small hospital on the outskirts of Bedford does a wonderful work among children who cannot enjoy normal lives.

The dedication of doctors, nurses and therapists is an inspiration and helps to soothe the sadness of parents whose children need special care.

This hospital cares for and trains local handicapped children, maybe some you know, some you have seen. Please HELP.

Any donation, however small, will be appreciated and can be sent to me.

Harry Pidd

8 Heathermere, Letchworth

Stamps

HERTFORDSHIRE SCOUT NEWS reports this month that 100,000 Green Shield stamps came in during the period mid-January to mid February, bringing the total to 174,000: just over a tenth of the number needed to buy the minibus for the Handicapped Scouts and Cubs of Hertfordshire. ACC Charles Cade asks: "Can we have 150,000 stamps this month?"

Volunteer

FOLLOWING the appeal in last month's CO-ORDINATOR, there was a phone call from a volunteer at breakfast time on the Monday. Consequently, switches have been pulled at various points in the county, and now the distribution of Hertfordshire Scout News is under the care of Mrs D.E. Eaves, of 47 Norton Road, Letchworth. In this month's HSN, a note from the County Secretary welcomes Mrs·Eaves to the secretarial staff, and thanks her for undertaking this job.

Challenge

From the March HSN: "ANY BOY SCOUT FOOTBALL TEAM prepared to challenge Second Hertford? Phone Reg Marsh at Hertford 5832."

LETCHWORTH GUIDERS' NOTES

THINKING DAY FUND

The church collection at St Paul's last Sunday amounted to £6:11:9*. The pennies given in the hall afterward s were as follows. To tape recorder for Jamaica 18/4*; to motor car for Nigeria £1:0:3; to Guide books for Ghana 16/4. Altogether £9:6:9 will be forwarded to the World Bureau, If any Guiders have further contributions from girls who were absent, please let Mrs Drylie have them as soon as possible.

T U E S D A Y 1 M A R C H: District Committee at 29 Haselfoot, 8 pm. Each unit to send one Guider, please. We shall endevour to cover all Brownie matters first so that Brownie Guiders can leave early, and also it won't matter if Guide Guiders are a little late.

W E D N E S D A Y 2 M A R C H: Guide Guiders training at Hitchin, Brand Street Methodist Church schoolroom, 7.15-8.15 pm. If you haven't already applied please phone Mrs Rhodes, Stevenage 55493, immediately.

S A T U R D A Y 1 2 M A R C H.: Coffee Morning at Civil Defence Hall, 10 am to 12 noon. Fourth Letchworth Guides are preparing coffee and cakes; District Rangers are having a stall for all groceries, and any suitable contributions would be welcomed. Also your support, and of course your girls with their mums and dads. All' in aid of our District HQ.

T U E S D A Y 15 M A R C H: Trefoil Guild meeting at the Ranger Hut at 7.45 pm. Any Guiders will be welcome and if you know of someone who used to be a Guide please bring them.

M O N D A Y $\,$ 21 M A R C H : LA Committee at 185 Icknield Way at 2.30 pm.

S A T U R D A Y 26 M A R C H: LA and TG Jumble Sale, Church Rooms, Commerce Avenue, 2.15 pm. Your help is asked in making known the fact that we want jumble and in recruiting some adult help from the parents.

S A T U R D A Y 2 A P R I L: Camp Training at Stevenage. See County booklet for details and don't forget to apply early.

L O O K I N G F U R T H E R A H E A D: Keep Friday 17 June - Sunday 19 June free for the County Training Camp, All Guiders may come, and Senior Branch members over 17. Brownie Guiders will be specially welcome if they would like to help at Guide camps as QMs, first aiders, etc

NORTON COMMON CAMP. See page 1.

SCOUTS' JUBILEE
LETCHWORTH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL have agreed to prepare a special flowerbed to commemorate the diamond jubilee of the Scout movement (1907-1967). This will be on show throughout the summer of next year, probably at the lower end of Hillshott.

JMT3

THE DREADED JIM STRIKES AGAIN! In a notice circulated this week to all Senior Scouts and interested Scouters and Rovers, Jim says that plans for his third Mystery Tour have now been completed and he can tell us a Little more about the exercise.

Steel-nerved Seniors will, it seems, depart from the District on Friday 29 April in the early evening and return between 7 and 8 pm on Sunday 1 May. After they have left, the organizers will inform parents of their sons' whereabouts, but meanwhile reassure them that the Seniors will not be expected to do anything that parents would take exception to.

The ADC(S) has agreed that JMT3 may be regarded as a test for part of the Venturer badge, provided that the conditions of the badge are strictly adhered to and also that their own Scouter agrees to it.

It is important that firm applications for places on the exercise are received by KJ as soon as possible. When applying, Seniors should indicate whether they wish to be tested for the Venturer badge at the same time.

Without giving away any secrets, Jim says that no special training will be required, but the Senior Scouts will be expected to do a compass march during the weekend.

The cost of the exercise is fl a head, and any refund will be made when results are announced and trophies presented.

For Scouters and Rovers, Jim has a request for help with transport. It is hoped to accommodate twelve teams of two Seniors, but this depends on cars and trucks available, as public transport cannot be used to get people home as before. Volunteer drivers can expect to cover about 200 miles over the weekend, but will of course be reimbursed for petrol.

Unfortunately, both JMT3 and the Plinston Trophy exhibition have to be on the same day, Sunday 1 May, but it is hoped that all those who will be away for that weekend will make previous arrangements - perhaps with Group committee members - to see that their section art and craft entries are properly submitted.

Seniors United

BALDOCK is moving towards a federal Senior system again, with the latest news that 2B representatives are once more attending the weekly training sessions alongside the still growing numbers of 1B Seniors.

In Letchworth, attendances are now being recorded on Tuesday federal meetings from 1L, 2L, 3L, 4L, 5L, 7L and 9L. Average weekly attendance in February, however, dropped to 14.5, following the encouraging figures of 16.6 for December and 17.5 for January.

Garth Jones has now handed the acting leadership of 2L Senior troop to Rover Squire Michael Hooper, while Ken Johnson's supervision of 5L Senior records has been handed to PL(S) Graham Rowson.

All Letchworth Scouts from $14\frac{1}{2}$ to 18 are welcome to the federal meetings, any Tuesday at DHQ, 1955 to 2205 hours.

Cooking and SWIMMING SCOUTERS' COUNCIL on 23 February agreed that the annual COOKING competition should be held in September rather than June, in order to allow plenty of training and practice during summer camps. The date tipped is 18 September.

At the same time, the Scouters thought that the annual SWIMMING sports should be held in June rather than September, as the amounts of light and heat arc more favourable at that time of year. It is hoped to arrange the District meeting for Tuesday 28 June, at the Bondor pool in Baldock: confirmation later.

For Proper PLS

NO SELF-RESPECTING PATROL LEADER should need persuading to go to Well End on 14 and 15 May. This is the occasion of the County training weekend for PLs of the Boy Scout section, and all these young fellows with stripes on their pockots will find it of real benefit in their job of leadership. Make sure that this subject is on the agenda of your next Court of Honour!

Icknield Shield

BOOK THIS DATE NOW: the annual camping competition for Boy Scouts is on the weekend of 10-ii September.

July Challenge

LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK were fairly well represented in the Boy Scout County Marathon last year at Well End. How about a target for 1966? EVERY troop in the District sending in a team! The dates: 2-5 July: It's not a long-distance race, but only a shorrish hike and a weekend contest in camping and other skills,

Mod Trophy

A DATE IS BEING ARRANGED in the next few weeks for the seven-a-side rugby match in which 4L, holders of the Mod Trophy, have to defend it against 7L Boy Scout troop. If any section of any group wishes to make a challenge to whoever wins, in any form of legal contest, this can be booked now by informing the press secretary.

Not for the Squeamish
"FIRST AID FOR AIRCREW", the training film
in sound and colour, was postponed from 8
February, but is now to be shown at DHQ on
Tuesday 8 March at 2100 hours. Any interested readers of CO-ORDINATOR are invited

GANG SHOW!

BOOKING FORMS are now available for this year's District Gang Show (St Francis' Theatre, Letchworth, 13-16 April). Seats at 4/-, 5/- and 6/-, children under 14 half price. All seats on Wednesday are 2/6, with reductions for block bookings. Make sure of your place by getting a form now from anyone in the cast, or from Mrs Nancy Baker, 47 Highfield, Letchworth (4782). The public booking office opens at Beddoes, Station Road, on Monday 4 April.

HINGS GOING

- Letchworth Senior Scouts' Senate, 61 Howard Drive, 1930
- County Boy Scouts' Patrol Leaders' gathering CANCELLED
- 1B Scout Group Spring Bazaar, Church Rooms, Whitehorse Street
- Letchworth & District BP Guild meeting, Wilbury Hotel
- ROCK COUNCIL, DHQ, 2000: representatives of each Pack, please! 9
- 9 L A Executive Committee, DHQ, 2000
- 12 Letchworth District Guides COFFEE MORNING, Civil Defence Centre, Gernon Road, 1000-1200: cakes and groceries: all readers of CO-ORDINATOR cordially invited to drop in for a cup to help the Guide DHQ fund.
- 12 County representative cross-country for Senior Scouts
- 19-20 Cubmasters' County Palaver, Watford Technical High School, 1600 Saturday 1700 Sunday
- British Summer Time begins 0200 20
- 26
- Guido LA jumble sale
 5L Scout Group jumble sale. DHQ 26
- Tempest Hicks Trophy contest (Senior Scouts first aid), St Audrey's School, Hatfield 2.7
- 30 Last items in to the press socretary for CO·ORDINATOR 83, please!
- 31 Annual census and re registration Of groups
- SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, DHQ, 1930: representatives of each Troop, please!

APRIL

- Capitation fees due
- Inter-county cross-country for Senior Scents
- 4 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 83
- 7-17 Advanced Hike Leaders' Training Course, Lochearnhead Scout Station
- 10 Easter Day
- 11-16 NATIONAL BOB-A-JOB WEEK
- DISTRICT GANG SHOW; St Francis' Theatre, 1930
- 16-23 Boy Scout Patrol Leaders' course, Lochearnhead Scout Station (see page 1)
- 24 National St George's parade and service, Windsor
- 24 DISTRICT ST GEORGE'S PARADE AND SERVICE, St Hugh's church, Letchworth
- 29 1 May: JMT3 (see page 5)
- 30 lW Group Carnival, Weston Manor gardens

CALENDAR 1966

- PLINSTON TROPHY for Scout art and handicraft; and GUIDE AND BROWNIE ART AND HANDICRAFT COMPETITION, DHQ: entries accepted 1030-1200; exhibition and judging 1200-1500
- 2 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 84
- L A Annual General Meeting, DHQ, 1945
- 5L Group Annual General Meeting, Westbury School, 1930
- 11 1A Group Annual General Meeting, Primary School
- 14-15 Boy Scout Patrol Leaders' weekend, Well End (see page 5)
- 21-22 Pack Scouters' camp, Gilwell Park
- 28 4 June: Whitsun working party, Lochearnhead Scout Station
- 30 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 85

FOR JUNE 1966

- Wolf Cub Jubilee Year: National Pack Meeting, everywhere
- 10-13 NORTON COMMON CAMP for Scouts and Guides
- 11-12 Father-and-Son Camp, Gilwell Park
- 18 Cub County Jubilee Party, Well End
- 25 Cub Pageant, Royal Albert Hall, London
- 25-26 Gilwell International Weekend

Prize Competition

A DESIGN is wanted for the "C4" pennant for 1966. This is the County Commissioner's Camping Challenge to Boy Scouts, awarded for completing 20 nights camping in the calendar year. The design should be in one or two colours, suitable for silkscreen printing, and should include "C4" and indicate by words or symbols that it's a HERTFORDSHIRE SCOUT pennant and that it's for 20 NIGHTS CAMPING in 1963. Designs (obverse and reverse) to be sent to ACC Ken Seamen, 1 Vigors Croft, Hatfield, by the end of March. A prize of £1 worth of Scout equipment is offered for the best design sent in by then.

Warning

WRITING TO ALL SCOUTERS in this month's Hertfordshire Scout News, the County Commissioner asks some pointed questions about Headquarters buildings.

"Does the woodwork need paint? Are there any broken windows? Do the curtains need washing? Are the windows clean? Is the store tidy? Is the kitchen clean? Is there rubbish anywhere? Are the noticeboards in current use? Is the approach clean and tidy?"

Mr Balsillie adds that he intends to visit as many Headquarters in Hertfordshire as he possibly can during May and June, and hopes to bring some of the County Vice-presidents with himso he hopes that each building will be a real credit to Scouting by that time.