

COORDINATOR

LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK
DISTRICT
SCOUT COUNCIL
NEWSLETTER

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THE L.A. HAS DISAPPEARED!

ATTENTION IS DRAWN to the renaming of a number of Scouting bodies with effect from 1 January 1967.

The LOCAL ASSOCIATION is now known as the DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL, and the former L A EXECUTIVE is now the DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

At Group level, that which was the GROUP COMMITTEE (sometimes wrongly known as the "Parents' Committee") is now the GROUP COUNCIL. Any meeting purely of the Scouters of a Group - which used to be the GROUP COUNCIL - is now quite simply called the GROUP SCOUTERS' MEETING, usually called, not by the GROUP SCOUTMASTER, but by the GROUP SCOUT LEADER who has taken his place. You know that CUBMASTERS are now CUB SCOUT LEADERS, and SCOUTMASTERS have been replaced by SCOUT LEADERS. Don't forget that the COURT OF HONOUR has given way to the new PATROL LEADERS' COUNCIL, and that its chairman is not a TROOP LEADER but a SENIOR PATROL LEADER.

Friends and relations may also be reminded that BOY SCOUTS and WOLF CUBS have all been abolished, and we now have SCOUTS and CUB SCOUTS.

CUB SCOUT FOOTBALL

PLEASE LET MRS TIPPETT KNOW (48 High Avenue, Letchworth 3037) BY THE NEXT CUB SCOUTERS' COUNCIL (20 February) if you intend to enter a team for the Cub Scout Football Competition. If she does NOT hear, it will be assumed that you are NOT entering.

AGE LIMIT

PLEASE NOTE that the age limit for ALL CUB SCOUT COMPETITIONS is now 11 years, on the date of the competition.

DHQ MAINTENANCE

The District expresses its thanks to First-Third Letchworth Group Council members Mrs Watson, Mr Dainton and Mr Howes, for their work and initiative in providing DHQ with the long-overdue fire buckets. All users of the building are asked to make sure that these buckets are on no account used as litter receptacles.

A book is to be provided for the signature of Scouters in charge of meetings acknowledging that all windows are whole at the start of the meeting. This is not to fix blame for breakages, but to help in getting them mended promptly.

Fuses at DHQ have in the past been "mended" in a highly dangerous manner, and this must not occur again. All Scouters will please pay particular attention to this; any electrical failure should be reported at once to John Baker at 47 Highfield (Letchworth 4782) or in emergency after hours to Eastern Electricity (Letchworth 5454).

SUBSCRIPTIONS UP

The District Executive Committee meeting on 11 January 1967 considered the cost of producing and distributing CO-ORDINATOR. The Committee and the representative of Letchworth District Rover Crew agreed that this newsletter should continue to be sent free each month to all warranted Scouters, Group Secretaries, members of the District Executive Committee, and District officials, the cost to be borne by the District Scout Council.

The Committee further decided that the subscription payable by all others who wished to receive CO-ORDINATOR monthly should be raised from 3/6 to FIVE SHILLINGS a year.

Subscriptions will continue to be valid until the completion of twelve months' issues; renewal reminders will then be sent and the new subscription of 5/- should then be sent to the Treasurer of Letchworth District Rover Crew, David Ringrow, 83 Wilbury Hills Road, Letchworth,

TRUSTEES

The District Executive Committee has approved the adoption of a new Board of Trustees to replace those remaining on the board adopted in 1937. The new Trustees are to be: Mr Geoffrey J. Fletcher, Mr Gordon F. Imber, Mr Edward G. Smith and Mr Miles F. Tabor.

OPERATION FERRET

ALL SENIOR SCOUTS - yea, verily, ALL SCOUTS OVER 14 AND UNDER 20! - are required to take part in the next contest for the WBALEBONE TROPHY, on Sunday 19 February.



OPERATION FERRET is a Senior-sized, scavenger hunt of unparalleled unpredictability

beginning at 10 a.m. Scouts in the above age range, representing their Groups, will report to DHQ from 9.45 a.m. onwards to receive lists of the 60 objects required to be found by 4 p.m. There is no entry fee, and no entry form is necessary. Only Scouts between 14 and 20 may hand in the objects at 4 p.m., but there is no restriction on the numbers of helpers they may get during the day, provided that all objects are acquired completely legally. A label must be securely tied to each object produced, showing its list number and the name of the Group entering it. Three judges will award points with inscrutable impartiality, and their decision is final. The Group with most points wins the Whalebone Trophy. All objects except one must be removed from DHQ as soon as possible after adjudication.

Limited audience accomodation will be available to readers of CO-ORDINATOR. Also, you may have room to watch.

NEW ADDRESS

Graham Mulchinock (3B): 60 Common View,
Letchworth

APPOINTMENT

District Extension Representative (to act
as liaison officer for handicapped
Scouts): Harry Frankland, 71 Ridge
Avenue, Letchworth.

PRESS COVERAGE 1966

COLUMN INCHES in the "Citizen" Scout notes
during 1966 reflected as follows the news
coverage of local Groups:

7L...66½	2L...28	8L)
1-3L..58	4L...27½	9L)...15½
5L...52½	2B...26	3B.....9
LDRC..44½	1W...22½	6L.....6
1B...37	1A...19½	

Photographs illustrating Scout notes in the
three local papers during 1966 featured
Groups as follows:

1A **	4L *****
1B *****	5L *****
2B *	6L
3B **	7L *****
1L **	8L **
2L *****	9L **
3L *****	1W *****
	LDRC **

FOR BALDOCK GUIDERS

25 FEBRUARY: 10 am, Ashwell Church: colour
party and Brownie pennants rehearsal.

26 FEBRUARY: Thinking Day service, Ashwell,
3 pm. Coaches leave Baldock Secondary
School at 2.15 promptly. After the service,
all Guides and Brownies will meet at the
Village Hall for the District round of the
County Competition.

FOR LETCHWORTH GUIDERS

1 FEBRUARY: Badge lists in by today, please:
Guide ones to Mrs Smith, 9 Bowershott,
Brownie ones to Mrs Neal, 7 Lawrence Avenue.

4 FEBRUARY (BALDOCK GUIDERS N.B. AS WELL):
Camp Training at Hertford: venue has been
changed to 3Hertford Scout HQ, Port Vale.
As you approach Hertford from Watton at
Stone, go under first railway bridge, turn
left immediately into Beane Road, and Port
Vale is then first on the right.

7, 14, 21, 20 FEBRUARY: Artificial respira-
tion demonstrations (Holger-Nielsen and
mouth-to-mouth) for Guides, Rangers, Cadets
and Guiders. Have you returned the lists
yet? If Brownie Guiders would like to come
to any session, please see any Guide or
Ranger Captain, or Mrs Drylie.

8 FEBRUARY (ALSO FOR BALDOCK GUIDERS): A
reminder that the Guide Guiders' Training
at Stevenage has been postponed as this is
Ash Wednesday. New date will be notified.

11 FEBRUARY: Coffee morning, Civil Defence
Hall, 10-12. Refreshments by 6L Brownies,
grocery stall by 9L Brownies. Gifts welcome.

16 FEBRUARY: Guide & Ranger Guiders' Comm-
ittee, Norton School, 8 pm.

26 FEBRUARY: Thinking Day service, 5.30 pm,
Free Church. Brownies over 9 may come if
accompanied by at least one of their own
Guiders. Assemble 3 pm in Church Hall with
packed tea and a mug. Guides erecting dis-
plays for International Competition may

arrive 15 minutes earlier to arrange them.
Competition will take place after service.
We expect to finish about 6 pm.

CAMPING '67: Patrol Camp Permits will be
tested 26-29 May (either Friday-Monday or
Saturday-Tuesday, as suits candidate).
Names to Mrs Drylie by 16 February. At
the same time she will take names of any
Guiders who wish to tackle camping quali-
fications this year and wish to attend the
training camp on 16-18 June.

THE CONCORD GROUP

INVITE ALL SENIOR SCOUTS, GUIDES AND THEIR
LEADERS TO A

SOCIAL

AT 1B SCOUT HQ

ON SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY, from 7.30 to 10.30

- - We need you and your ideas! - -

**Please note the new telephone number of
Concord's Honorary Secretary Judy Squires:
Letchworth 5175

TRANSPORT

For moving equipment,
phone David at Letch-
worth 5590, or Pete at
Letchworth 5061.

MONEY FOR DISTRICT FUNDS

The District Scout Council has gratefully
received the following donations.

£9/3/- proceeds from the dance run by
the B-P Guild in January.

£15 from the 4L Group Council.

£5 from the 1-3L Group Council.

£5 from the 2L Group Council.

THINGS TO COME to...

JANUARY 1967

30 All Senior Scouts are invited to hear a
guest speaker: 1B HQ, 1930. Coffee; uniform.
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5 Barton Shield (District Scout first aid
competition), DHQ: details from DSL

7 District Scouters' Council, 1B HQ, 2000

18 District Cub first aid contest, DHQ:
see page 1

19 Operation Ferret: see page 1

19 Kent Trophy (County Scout first aid com-
petition), St Audrey's School, Hatfield

20 District Cub Scouters' Council, 48 High
Avenue, 2000

22 B-P's birthday: reception for all GSLs
and Group Chairmen, DHQ, 1930, to hear
report of Fletcher Committee

24 Last items in, please, to DIO, for CO-
ORDINATOR 94

25 Concord Social, 1B HQ, 1930: see above

27 Publication of CO-ORDINATOR 94

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5 Venturer badge incident course: details
from ADC(S)

8 District Executive Committee, DHQ, 2000

19 British Summer Time begins, 0200

19 Tempest-Hicks Trophy (Senior first aid
competition), St Audrey's School, Hatfield

c.19 Operation Montgolfier: details will
be in March CO-ORDINATOR

26 Easter Day

29 - 1 April: District Gang Show, St Francis'
Theatre

30 APRIL: Plinston Trophy contest