LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL BULLETIN: NUMBER 122

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DISTRICT SCOUT SPORTS RESULTS, 20 JUNE 1969

Details of names of winners and runnersup appeared in the "Citizen", 27 June. Troops total points were as follows

12L27
219
3(4L)17
51-3L15
67
75L0

JUST-FOR-FUN LEAGUE These points added to previous contests for 1969 give the current Group participation index as follows:  $1......2L......645\frac{1}{2}$  $2 \dots 5L \dots 383^{\frac{1}{2}}$ 3.....343½ 4.....4L.....197 5.....142½ 6.....1-3L.....95 7......9L.......75½  $8.....73\frac{1}{2}$ 9.....70 10.....48 11.....9

ICKNIELD SHIELD COMPETITION POSTPONED

12.....0

With only six entries in for the Patrol camping competition, due on 28-29 June, organizer John Davies last week announced that it had been put off. As we go to press, no new date has been announced

DSO ON FRONT PAGE AGAIN

District Service Organizer Lawrie Sapsed is in action. The announcement of his appointment in last month's CO-ORDINATOR gave little idea of the fact that already he has an active District Service Team regularly at work. Referring to themselves unofficially as "The Crew", their presence is being felt at public events and in various unpublicized fields. Indeed, so many jobs are on their schedule already that the DSO has asked us to note a few conditions.

- 1. For the time being at any rate, the Crew can only undertake to help at  $\underline{\text{District}}$  events.
- 2. In order to do even a District job adequately, they need adequate warning. A knock on the door the night before is not enough, so Lawrie asks, please, for no less than SIX WEEKS notice in writing of what help is needed by organizers.
- 3. If any financial profits should arise from the Crew's activities, and if no other arrangements are made with an event's organizers, this profit will be kept for the use of the Crew for the District.
- 4. Any function where motor transport needs to be provided by the Crew will be undertaken, but a contribution towards petrol etc, will be expected.
- 5. While the Crew will try to meet all requests for working parties, etc., they regret that some refusals may be necessary and unavoidable.

#### SCOUTERS' COUNCIL MEETINGS

Last month was not a good one for District communications. Many people could have done better in letting people know what was (or was not) going on. (The DIO includes himself in this criticism!) Worst failure of the lot was the District Scouters' Council arranged for one Tuesday evening, which apparently only two people knew about.

If you did know and didn't go, consider this an official rocket from the DC. If you didn't know, then please come to the next meeting and give someone else a rocket. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE DISTRICT SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, FOR THE SCOUT LEADERS OF EACH TROOP IN LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT OR THEIR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, IS ON

TUESDAY 15 JULY at 8 pm at DHQ.

LOCHEARNHEAD DISTRICT EXPEDITION, 16-23 AUGUST Plans are now in an advanced stage. A preliminary camp is to be held at Henlow next weekend (5-6 July) for all those taking part in the August expedition, from Hitchin District as well as oor own. Questionnaires should be returned to the DC  $\underline{\text{NOW}}$  -  $\underline{\text{not}}$  left until next weekend!!!

DISTRICT GANG SHOW 1970

This seems a long way off, but in view of the necessity for adequate preparation, there's a meeting about it THIS MONTH! Thursday 17 July, to be precise, at DHQ at 8 pm. In fact it is the AGM of the Gang Show subcommittee, but it is open to EVERYONE CONNECTED WITH OR INTERESTED IN THE DISTRICT GANG SHOW. All the facts, statements and accounts for 1969 are to be presented and discussed. All foreseeable problems of next year's production are to be looked at, on 17 July. Rehearsals are due to begin on Saturday 13 September!

The Gang Show is sometimes looked upon as the privileged territory of a few people - but the purpose of this month's meeting is to disprove that idea! Anyone with constructive criticism will be welcomed, and any volunteers to join the team in planning, production, music, make-up, on-stage, backstage, front of house or anywhere, will be welcomed with open arms.

If you have some hidden talent, or some contribution (no matter how small or how big) that you feel you could make to the Scouts' and Guides' greatest annual offering to the public - don't be shy. Come and join the gang on Thursday 17 July, DHQ. 8 pm.

# LETCHWORTH GUIDERS BADGES -BROWNIESS

Mrs Moylett, 30 Field Lane, is taking over the arranging of appointments for Brownies' badges, and lists can be sent to her on the first of each month. BADGES - GUIDES

Two Local Association committee members, Mrs Rogers and Mrs Spinks, are now arranging Guide appointments, and lists are to oome in to Mrs Drylie at the beginning of each term (limit: three badges per Guide per term). Guides must not approach testers for their own appointments. Please make sure that the younger-Guides choose badges suitable for their age. Too many eleven-year-olds are asking to be tested on badges that need more experience and theoretical knowledge than they have - for example, Cook, Laundress, Speaker.

THANK YOU FROM THE ROUND TABLE
to. the Guides who washed up "umpteen"
cups, saucers, plates and glasses at the
Round. Table Fair... i.e., Susan & Isobel
Urquhart, Pamela Stillwell, Helen and
Sarah Moylett, Jacqueline & Elizabeth
Griffin, Margaret & Katherine Dennehy,
Margaret Hessian, Rosemary SquireU,
ALis.on Deary, Lisa Munns, Ann. Castle,
Lesley Stroud, Suzanne & Janet Cound,
Diana Magee, Diane Taylor, Pete Spinks,
Jenny Cole, Stephanie Mills, Sally Talbot, Carol Truscott, Lindsay Fellowes,
Linda Chapman and Amanda Holmes.

THANK YOU FROM THE FREE CHURCH to the Guides who entertained at the Garden Party... i.e., Guides from First, Fourth and Fifth Letchworth companies. (Sorry, I didn't get all the individual names. -M.C.D.)

### WANTED!

Accounts of Ranger or Guide or Brownie activities, for "Hertfordshire Guiding" by 14 July. How about that hike when Jenny got stook in the mud, or jumble collecting in Sollershott? Share your funny stories with the rest of us, by sending them to Miss M. Brenchley, The Vicarage, Dunton, BIGGLESWADE, Bedford-Shire.

## NEXT GUIDERS' MEETING

### - 16 September

## LOOK OUT FOR

the Scout and Guide cooking contest on 21 September. Details were in the January CO-ORDINATOR (page 2, section 6). The menu which you can practise now is; Green salad; Steak and kidney pudding; Apple fritters.

#### FOR THOSE IN DOUBT

Yes. The "Mr Robinson" mentioned in the "Evening Post" on 28 June was an intended reference to him whom we know as KJ. CUB SCOUT BOOK READER BADGE Official examiner Miss Joan Ludford, Children's Librarian at Letchworth UDC Public. Library, has found some recent candidates less widely read than they might be. Noting that the equivalent badge for Brownie Guides includes a selected book list, she suggests that CSLs may find the following list useful to any boys wishing to take the test. This is not a set reading list, but an indication of the type of books that a Cub Scout Book Reader should have read. Peter Pan J.M. Barrie The little grey men "B.B." Meindert Dejong - any books Kenneth Grahame: The wind in the willows Emil and the detectives Erich Kastner Clive King Stig of the dump Rudyard Kipling: The jungle books C.S. Lewis The lion, the witoh and the wardrobe - etc. Dr Dolittle series Hugh Lofting A.A. Milne Winnie-the-Pooh Mary Norton The Borrowers series Oxford University Press "Myths and legends" series Arthur Ransome - any books Worzel Gummidge Barbara Todd

#### GOOD NEWS FROM WESTON

J.R.R. Tolkien The Hobbit

Following a great response to a lively meeting last week, in which the only disaster was a last-minute shortage of sufficient sausages, two Wednesday evening meetings for potential Cub Scouts, Scouts and adult helpers are being held at the Village Hall on 2 and 9 June.

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- 1 DISTRICT CUB SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, DHQ, 2000
- 2 Weston open meeting, Village Hall 5-6 Hitchin and Letchworth & Baldock pre-Lochearnhead camp, Henlow
- 9 DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, DHQ, 2000
- 15 DISTRICT TROOP SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, DHQ, 2000 (see page 1)
- 17 DISTRICT GANG SHOW A G M, open to all, DHQ, 2000 (see page 1)
- 19 Local Yokels' Carnival

# AUGUST 1969

- 7 Mod Trophy Longdistanee Papertearing Championship: holders (1A) meet challengers (5L) at 5L HQ, Spring Road, 1900
- 16-23 Hitchin and Letchworth & Baldock joint Lochearnhead expedition