

### St George's Supreme

THE MOD TROPHY GATHERING OF EXTRAORDINARY EXHIBITS ON 21 DECEMBER (results opposite) finally clinched Second Letchworth (Saint George's) claim to be the most active of the Groups in this District during 1969. Though their Scout Troop did not bother to take part, the Cubs went all out to win, and gained 195 out of a possible 200 points - which, added to the points won by that Group in all previous competitions last year, gave them the championship in the 1969 "JUST FOR FUN LEAGUE".

Fifth Letchworth, who have stuck solidly in second place behind the Second for the whole twelve months; were still there at the finish. The Fifth is the only Group in the District to have hit the top three places in the JFF League every year since 1963.

Fourth Letchworth emerged as the third most participating group of 1969, as they were in 1968. Eighth Letchworth stopped messing around in the mere hundreds of points per year, and knocked up their 1969 total to over a thousand, for the first time.

Seventh Letchworth and First Baldock, County-recognized "All Go Groups", were also in the more active half of this District league. In the less active half, 1-3L, 2B and 1A showed disappointing degrees of participation in District contests, being beaten in some cases by the Cubs-only 9L, and by First Freshwater-Totland who travelled hundreds of miles to take part in only one competition.

Champion Hills' figure is low because the only Competition for which they are eligible is the Arts and Crafts. contest. Let us look forward to an overwhelming entry from them this year.

#### JUST-FOR-FUN LEAGUE 1969

1....2L...1544*	8...9L...123½
2....5L...1260½	9....2B...118
3....4L...1217½	10...1F-T...117
4....8L...1116	11....1A....82
5....7L...765	12....1W....19
6....1B...684	13...CHVSU....9
7...1-3L...389	

\*This is half a point more than the highest total gained from all District competitions in the JFF League 1968.

#### TOP GROUPS IN RECENT YEARS

	First	Second	Third
1963.....	2L.....	4L.....	5L
1964.....	5L.....	3L.....	1B
1965.....	1B.....	5L.....	2L
1966.....	1B.....	1-3L.....	5L
1967.....	5L.....	1B.....	7L
1968.....	5L.....	2L.....	4L
1969.....	2L.....	5L.....	4L

### St Paul's Win Mod

EVERY UNLIKELY OBJECT REQUIRED FOR THE MOD TROPHY was found by Fourth Letchworth Friday Cub Pack. They produced a necklace of acorns, six mince pies, a map of Bognor Regis, a rugby football, exactly 8 feet 2½ inches of green string, 6d. entry fee, a nesting box, a cocker spaniel, a pair of skis, a prism, a gramophone record of the National Anthem, half a Pound of fungi, a Venture Scout in uniform, a Stotfold directory, a daffodil, a ten shilling note, ten rubber or plastic ducks, a frog, an English flag and a bowline tied in spaghetti.

All the Cub packs taking part got higher scores than the Scout troops, who had a different list which must have been harder. None of them produced a Matchless 498 or 500 cc. motor bicycle, a donkey, or a mayor, but at least one troop in each case found or made five hot sugared pancakes, a First Class Scout badge, December's Great Patrol Hunt instructions, a bikini, two ounces of oakum, 6d. entry fee, a Welsh dictionary, a copy of "Biz Biz", a commissioned officer of HM armed forces in uniform, a fully erected tent (with groundsheet) on a portable base, a metronome, a Potters Bar platform ticket, a skeleton, a violinist, a tape recording of church bells, a live Father Christmas and a bucketful of steam.

Scores were as follows:

1...4L Friday Pack.....	200
2...2L Pack.....	195
3 ( 4L Tuesday Pack ).....	160
( 7L Pack ).....	
5...5L Pack.....	150
6 ( 1B Pack ).....	145
( 8L Monday Pack ).....	
8...8L Trojan Troop.....	135
9...1B Troop.....	130
10...7L Troop.....	100
11...8L Spartan Troop.....	75
12...5L Troop.....	70

The winning Fourth Letchworth Group was immediately challenged by Seventh Letchworth to a football match with, each team composed of three Cubs, two Leaders and six Scouts.

### OPERATION NIGHTJAR

RESULTS OF THE CONTEST ON 29-30 NOVEMBER:

1 T. Brett, S. Canty (5L).....	84
2 A.Keech, C.Keech, S.Woodward (1B)..	77
3 T.Marshall, D.Maryon, S.Wright (7L)	62
4 I.Boyd-Brown, G.Callaway, A.Carter	
(1 Freshwater-Totland).....	56

5 S.Drown, S.Moore, J:Weeks (1 F-T)..55  
The orgaizers, Letchworth & Baldock District Service Team, congratulate them all but hope for a larger entry later this year.

## H A P P Y   N E W   Y E A R .

to all Scouters - especially those who are yet to complete their Wood Badge training. I am sure you will find that 1970 will bring you more happiness and success if you make a resolution to complete Parts A and B at least this year!

FROM THE ADC (LEADER TRAINING) JOHN BAKER

## F O O T B A L L   R E S U L T S

in the 1969-1970 Scout League

7 December:      8L, 8          5L, 2  
 14 December      8L, 4          4L, 2  
 21 December      4L v. 5L postponed  
 Matches arranged at time of going to press.  
 28 December: 8L v. 5L  
 4 January: 4L v. 8L  
 11 Januarys 5L v. 4L  
 18 January: 4L v. 5L  
 Each game is at 2.15 pm at Highfield School field, Briar Patéh Lane, Letchworth. All teams would welcome more supporters from their own or any other Groups. Do come along and cheer for somebody!

## C H A N G E   O F   M E E T I N G

From 7 January 1970, 1-31 Cub Scouts will meet at DHQ on Wednesdays instead of Tuesdays.

## I N V I T A T I O N

The Scouters' Council Secretary has written to the ADC (Cub Scouts) extending the Council's invitation to join them in their next meeting. All Cub Scout Leaders are included, and the meeting is to be held at 8 pm on 14 January at St Thomas's Hall, Bedford Road, when Troop and Pack Scouters will be discussing things of common interest.

## DISTRICT PATROL LEADERS' COUNCIL

The six Troops now giving regular support to the PLs' Parliament look forward to seeing PLs from the other Troops at the 1970 meetings, which are to be held monthly. The next one is on Thursday 1 January, at Fifth Letchworth HQ, Spring Road, at 8.pm. Mr Peter Deary has been asked to outline the new-style Scout Job Week arrangements; and the draw is to take place for the first rounds of the 1970 Hall Trophy Competition. All Pis and APLs may express their opinions on any other matter through the Chairman, Kevin Smith, 6 Highfield, Letchworth.

## O T H E R   D A T E S

## JANUARY 1970

7 District Executive Committee, 5L HQ, Spring Road, 2000  
 14 Troop and Pack Scouters' Council, St Thomas's, Letchworth, 2000  
 28 Pack Scouters' Council, 5L HQ, 2000  
 29 Last date for items for February CO-ORDINATOR to be sent to District Information Officer, 80 Spring Road, Letchworth, to whom all subscriptions (6/6 (32½p) ) should also be sent. CO-ORDINATOR is provided free to all Scouters, Group Chairmen and Secretaries and District officials.

## BALDOCK GUIDERS

I would like to wish you all a Very Happy New Year and especially in this our Diamond Jubilee Year!

It promises to be a year of intense activity and I'm sure if we all work together it will be a year to remember.

M.E. MARSHALL

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## D A T E

28 January, 7 pm at Knights Templar School: presentation to Mary Brenchley

## LETCHWORTH GUIDERS

The next Guiders' meeting is on Tuesday 20 January at the Ranger Hut at 7.30 pm. All Guiders in charge of units **SHOULD BE THERE**. If you cannot manage it, please send a deputy - or at least your apologies so we know you are aware of the meeting. Last time we made several new year plans. If you disagree with any of them, you should have been there to say so.

Our Thinking Day service is planned for the actual day (22 February) and we hope to follow it with slides of Our Chalet, Bownsea and Foxlease.

We shall be adopting a Jubilee project to provide something required by a local home or hospital - just what, we don't know yet, but we shall have a "wool drive" in the Easter holidays, with a possible summer repeat so that we can cover all the town. All girls will be expected to help in some way.

Guide badge lists are to be in to Mrs Drylie by 24 January - earlier if possible. Guides must be ready to do the badge the next day when their name goes in (it might happen) and not more than three badges per Guide, or their schoolwork is liable to suffer.

Brownie badge lists go to Mrs Moylett by 1 February; and please note we now have two new testers for the Brownies' Hostess badge: Mrs Hester, 54 Common View, and Mrs Deere, 9 Haselfoot, and you fix this badge yourself. Brownie Guiders with Hostess candid,tes should first contact one of the testers and arrange a convenient date, then plan with their Brownies an open evening or Promise Ceremony to which a few parents have been invited, and then get the Brownies to write their invitations to the tester.

## D A T E S

District Patrol-Leaders' Meetings Friday 23 January, Highfield School, 6.45-8.30. Please see that all your PLs know!

County AGM ; 21 March

Brownie Guiders' Training: 11 April, in Letchworth, on Pack Holidays

Brownie Guiders' Training: 12 May, Hitchin Camper badge tests : 16-17 May.

JUBILEE CAMP : 24-31·JULY

Guide Guiders' Training: 11 November, Stevenage