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## For LETCHWORTH Guiders

Many thanks to all who helped with the arrangements for Thinking Day. The collection amounted to £9.62½, and after a donation has been sent to the church the rest will be forwarded to the Thinking Day Fund.

We shall need four new committee members for the Local Association in April. If any Guider knows of any parents who'd be willing to serve, please contact Mrs Drylie. The committee meets eight times a year and organizes the Christmas coffee morning and one or two other fund-raising events. Also needed at the same time is a new treasurer: someone with some knowledge of bookkeeping is essential for this.

I would also like someone with a good knowledge of Guiding to write up the Guide news for the local papers. Possibly one of our Assistant Guiders might like to tackle this. A telephone would be an advantage but not essential.

Guiders going to the training at Stevenage on 6 March with spare places in cars - please contact me as I have a number of Guiders requiring transport.

Next Guiders' meeting: 7.30 Tuesday 16 March at the Thatched Hut, 20 Baldock Road - and keep your fingers crossed that the electricians have been and connected up the supply!

Wanted: the following issues of "Hertfordshire Guiding" to complete a set for the District records: October 1967; February 1968; February 1969.

County AGM will be held at County Hall, Hertford at 3 pm on Saturday 20 March. All Guiders are invited to attend. Please let me know if you are going so I can advise the people supplying the tea.

We have had some response to the Green Shield stamp appeal for the minibus for handicapped Guides. 1L Guides and 13L Brownies have sent in one book and 1L Brownies two books. How are the rest of you getting on? You don't need to wait for the post to restart as Miss Kestin sees Dr Everett fairly regularly and will pass the books on.

Don't forget to bring your family parties to St Francis' Theatre on 15-17 April to see the fabulous Gang Show.

M.C.DRYLIE

## THIS MONTH

EVERY GSL is most urgently requested to consult his section leaders and find out how many Cubs, Scouts and Venture Scouts they have got; and then to enter the true figures accurately and promptly in the spaces provided on the annual census form which you HAVE got (despite the fears expressed by the County Secretary in this month's HSN). It should then be very easy to get the completed form to the District Secretary, Peter Norton, 74 William Way, Letchworth, by 9.15 pm on Wednesday 31 March. Please let us have no repetition of the mutually embarrassing prevarications of previous years. Let Letchworth & Baldock be the FIRST District in the County this year! \*\*\*ALSO please remember to list all those Scouters whose service has ended during the past twelve months for whatever reason.

### MONDAY 1 MARCH

Hall Trophy Quiz, round 2: 8L Trojans v. 5L, Northfields School, 2000.

Champion Hills VSUs investiture of five new Venture Scouts, DHQ 2030. All SLs and PLs welcome: uniform, please.

### WEDNESDAY 3 MARCH

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, DHQ, 2000

### THURSDAY 4 MARCH

DISTRICT PATROL LEADERS' COUNCIL, 5L HQ (Spring Road), 1930. All PLs and APLs are required: uniform, please.

### SATURDAY 6 MARCH

First-Third Letchworth Group invite you all to their DANCE, Grange Community Centre, 2000. Tickets 32½p.

### SUNDAY 7 MARCH

District intertroop football, round 1: 7L v. 2L

### TUESDAY 9 MARCH

DISTRICT PACK SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, 16 Brandles Road, Letchworth, 2015

### SATURDAY 13 MARCH

Baldock Guides' Arts & Handicrafts exhibition, Brandles Close School, 1400-1600

SUNDAY 14 MARCH (date and place-subject to confirmation) District intertroop football, round 2: 2B v. 2L or 7L, and 1-3L v. 8L(S)

### SUNDAY 21 MARCH

#### DISTRICT CYCLOCROSS COMPETITION

This contest is open to any number of Scouts from any troop in Letchworth & Baldock District, and also to any number of Venture Scouts from any unit in the United Kingdom of Great Britain & Northern Ireland. Age limits are the sixteenth birthday for the Scout section, and the twentieth birthday for the Venture Scout section. (CONTINUED)

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Trophies will be awarded for one year, to the fastest individual in each section, and a team trophy to the Scout troop with the four competitors returning the shortest aggregate time. Certificates will be awarded to the fastest competitor in each age group - 11; 12; 13; 14; and 15 years old; and 16-19 years old inclusive.

Competitors will be required to go on or with unpowered bicycles along a course of approximately 2 miles of Ashwell Street at Ashwell, starting at one-minute intervals.

Entries must be submitted in writing, NOT LATER THAN SUNDAY 14 MARCH, to Patrick Byrne, 31 Mons Avenue, Baldock, giving (a) name of Troop or Unit; (b) name, address and phone number of Leader; (c) first name, surname and age (on 21 March) of each competitor; and enclosing 10p entry fee for each troop or unit so entered regardless of the number of individuals listed.

#### SATURDAY 27 MARCH

County Great Patrol Hunt First-Time-Down-The-Length-Of-Hertfordshire 53-Mile Walks first stage assembles at 1A HQ (Swan Street), 2305, for countdown preparatory to bash-off at Mobs Hole, 2400. See this month's "Broadsheet" for full details: note that all walkers before sunrise MUST wear light coloured outer garments and carry torches.

## NEXT MONTH

#### THURSDAY 1 APRIL

PACK AND TROOP SCOUTERS' JOINT COUNCIL, DHQ, 1945 - for ironing out all inter section difficulties and Link problems.

#### SATURDAY 3 APRIL

DISTRICT CUB SCOUT FIRST AID COMPETITION, St Paul's hall

#### SATURDAY 3 APRIL

County Great Patrol Hunt conservation projects, Oughtonhead Common, Hitchin

#### MONDAY-WEDNESDAY 12-14 APRIL

District Gang Show rehearsals at St Francis' Theatre

#### THURSDAY-SATURDAY 15-17 APRIL

LETCHEWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICTS SCOUTS AND GUIDES GANG SHOW 1971, St Francis' Theatre, 1930

#### SUNDAY 18 APRIL

County Cyclocross Competitions at Harmer Green; see HSN for details. Open to all Scout and Guide sections, and an alternative Great Patrol Hunt April project.

#### FRIDAY-SATURDAY 23-24 APRIL

LETCHEWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICTS SCOUTS AND GUIDES GANG SHOW 1971, Knights Templar School, 1930

#### SUNDAY 25 APRIL

DISTRICT PARADE AND SERVICE FOR SAINT GEORGE'S DAY; Ashwell, 1430. Full details will appear in the April CO-ORDINATOR.

## For BALDOCK Guiders

Guiders' Meeting, 7.45 pm 4 Parch, 1B Scout HQ. Please bring census forms and money.

Saturday 13 March. ARTS AND HANDICRAFT EXHIBITION at Brandles Close school.

Articles to be in before 11 am; judging starts at 11.15; visitors welcome 2-4 pm. All information has now been passed to the units.

Saturday 6 March; Guiders' training at Barclay school, Stevenage, 11 am.

20 March: County AGM, Hertford, 3 pm.  
M.E. MARSHALL

## BETTER ORGANIZATION

At the best attended Troop Scouters' Council in living memory, held at 1A HQ on Thursday 25 February, the recommendations of the Competitions Subcommittee were finally passed with the following amendments.

#### WHALEBONE TROPHY (OPERATION KON-TIKI)

To be held on 22-23 May; venue to be announced; separate section open to all Venture Scout Units; organizing committee, Michael Dilley, Harry Frankland, Gordon Reeds and a co-opted member from 4L.

#### ICKNIELD SHIELD : LIGHTWEIGHT CAMPING

The Icknield Shield is to be retained as an annual competition, to the proposed rules for a lightweight camping competition; organizing committee, Ken Hart, Jeff Robson, Rod Tiplady.

#### DISTRICT SPORTS

To be retained as an annual competition; metric measurements to be used for track events; organizing committee, Laurie Cook, Ken Hart, Jeff Robson.

#### TIPPETT TROPHY

This year's cooking contest to be held at 1B camp site, Bygrave.

#### OPERATION NIGHTJAR

This is the only competition this year to be open to troops outside this District, but the Nightjar trophy remains within the District.

1972 COMPETITIONS will be Football; Cyclocross; Hall Trophy; Whalebone (Tarzan); Icknield Shield (Lightweight); Barton Shield; Sports; B-P Guild Cup.

## HIGHER STANDARDS

A rota of regular visits to all sections by members of the District team has been prepared and goes into effect immediately. ADCs and the DSL will be paying particular attention to standards of programme and of uniform. Scouts especially are advised to watch that uniform is worn correctly, and it is suggested that activity dress be worn beneath, or changed into, for the appropriate parts of the meeting. Jeans with Scout shirts, coloured pullovers, etc, are not to be worn. Group Councils should consider financial help to boys genuinely unable to afford Scout trousers: your Shop rebate might be used for this contingency.