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LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Monthly bulletin: free to Scouters and Group and District officials, annual subscription 34½p for other readers, except Scout PLs collecting from the District Scout Shop on Tuesday or Friday evenings. Subs and information for publication should be addressed to the District Information Officer, 80 Spring Road, Letchworth.

#### CALLING ALL-

- VENTURE SCOUTS!
- RANGER GUIDES!
- SCOUTERS AND GUIDERS!

Your help is needed!

The local branch of International Voluntary Service is asking for support with its projects in this area. These include, for example, gardening and decorating for old people.

JOHN O'CONNOR will be pleased to supply further details of the organization, if you phone him at HITCHIN 54141.

#### CO-ORDINATOR

THIS EDITION of CO-ORDINATOR is being produced in the unusual circumstances of the District Show Camp at Nortonbury Farm.

The Headquarters Marquee is serving as a general information centre and a newspaper office in its own right, where three daily editions of Nortonbury News'' are being edited, typed, printed and sold on the spot.

In between times, the mighty presses operated by Champion Hills Venture Scout Unit have switched to the production of this District newsletter.

FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF CHVSU comes this letter, taking up the points raised in last month's edition on the problem of distribution:-

"As was said by Kath Tippett, the troops should be responsible for delivery to their own members, but it was pointed out that this might make the lazy troops even lazier.

My feeling is that the troops would have the responsibility for delivery to the whole District. There are in effect 12 blocks (1-3L, 2L, 4La, 4Lb, 5L, 7L, 8LS, 8LT, 1B, 2B, 1A and CHVSU), so each block would deliver one issue per year, in the suggested following manner: September, CHVSU; October, 1-3L; November, 2L; December 4La; January, 4Lb...etc.,

A date would be set and if any were not delivered in time the troop or group would have to pay the postage for those leaving the district next month. This would be an added incentive.

Yours, Paul Brazier."

We await Groups' comments on this idea, and in the meantime carry on as well as we can. Thank you, everyone who is helping this month.

# Hertfordshire Youth Service Training Co-ordinating Committee

announce a series of residential courses which should be of interest to Scouters and Guiders. These include "College Students' Unions" (10-12 December) and "Senior Members of Youth Groups" (14-16 January), both at Hitchin Priory. A course on "Community Relations" is from 4 to 6 February 1972 at Pearse House, which we suspect may be in Hatfield, though this is not made clear in the literature so far received. For more information contact the Youth Service Training Office, Mid-Hertfordshire College of Further Education, Welwyn Garden City (WG 26318).

# District Greats

SCOUT Patrol Leaders and APLs are reminded of the next meeting of thoir.District PLs' Council, to be held at Fifth Letchworth HQ (Spring Road) at 1930 on Thursday 30 September.

On that occasion, among other business, PLs arc asked to present their claims, based on their Scouts' proficiency badges and camping nights and hike mileages, gained during 1971. Claims will then be assessed by the DPLC and points awarded. accordingly towards the DISTRICT GREAT PATROL HUNT competition - the winners of which this year will receive a prize, at present expected to be a free weekend at Baden-Powell House in Landon.

# Venez à la France!

AN INVITATION has been received from the Eclaireurs Unionistos in central France to join them in a summer camp at Chanat, in the heart of the Volanic National Park, in 1972. Several Letchworth Scouts have been to this area before, and will very strongly recommend it for a memorable camping and hiking area. Any Scouts in the District interested in taking up this offer are invited to co-ordinate ideas with Ken Johnson.

### BALDOCK GUIDERS

ALL account books should have been handed in for auditing by now.

A RIMINDER about the Guide Division competition: For the Patrol: a unit book of prayers, no larger than 8 by 10 inches. For the whole Unit: a frieze of "A History of Guiding". Entries are to be in to me by the second week in October.

A MEETING about the Christmas bazaar is to take place with the LA on Tuesday 14 September, 7.45 pm at Park Street School.

M.E. MARSHALL DC

## LETCHWORTH GUIDERS

WANTED - Old style Guider's uniform, including large brimmed hat, for local drama group's end of September production. Please notify Mrs Drylie if you have any parts of such uniform (size 16) which you could lend.

GUIDERS' MEETING: Tuesday 21 September, 7.30 pm, Thatched Hut, 20 Baldock Road.

CHRISTMAS FAIR meeting: Monday 27 September, 2.15 pm, Scout HQ, 35 Spring Road. Invite parents willing to make things.

GUIDE AND RANGER accounts are to be balanced and audited at 30 September.

DIVISION COMPETITION Guide section entries are to be in by 1 October; Ranger section entries by 1 November.

CHRISTMAS FAIR Saturday 4 December.

#### OFFER

Any unit interested in collecting old newspapers are offered a free supply at 4 Meadow Way, Letchworth. Please say you read about it in the District Newsletter.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Miss Joan Ludford (CSL 1-3L) has moved from Wilbury Hills Road, Letchworth, temporarily to:

53 Brampton Park Road HITCHIN SG5 1XE

# September 1971

- 3-5 Gilwell Reunion (for all Wood Badge holders), Gilwell Park.
- 9 DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, DHQ, 2000
- 11-12 National Father-and-Son Camp, Gilwell Park
- 11 STOTFOLD SCOUTS' SHINDIG
- 16 DISTRICT TROOP SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, DHQ, 2000: a representative from each Troop, please!
- 17 DISTRICT CUB SCOUTS' GAMES EVENING, Norton Common, 1830-2000
- 18 Great Patrol Hunt and County Venture
  Scout and Ranger Guide open annual
  HERTFORD-WARE RAFT RACE, starting
  at Marshgate Drive, Hertford, 1800
  or thereabouts. See Broadsheet for
  details.
- 26 TIPPETT TROPHY District Scout (and Guide) Cooking Competition, at a place to be announced. PLEASE USE THE ENTRY FORM ON THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE, OR A GOOD COPY THEREOF.
- 30 DISTRICT PATROL LEADERS' COUNCIL, 5L HQ, Spring Road, 1930. See page

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- 2 1-3L Group invite you to their DANCE at the Grange Community Centre
- 5 DISTRICT PACK SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, 47 Highfield, 2000
- 7 General Information training course
   (first step towards the Wood Badge)
   part 1, DHQ,
- 8 County Annual General Meeting, Hertford
- 9 MELVILLE'S NIGHT, Hatfield. See HSM for details and application forms.
- 16 Lofoten expeditions' reunion
- 21 General Information course, part 2
- 30-31 OPERATION NIGHTJAR for Scouts over 13

\*\*\*ALL ITEMS FOR OCTOBER CO-ORDINATOR MUST REACH KEN JOHNSON BY FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER, PLEASE!

APPLICATION The	FORM { Patrol of the	The Tippett Troph The Golden Spoon	(GUIDES) Troop / Company
wish to enter the Cook	ing Competition on	Sunday 26 September 1971. CO-ORDINATOR earlier this	We have read
PL's name	Address		

Entry fee of 10p is enclosed. \*\*\* THIS FORM MUST REACH DSL JEFF ROBSON, 67 HIGH AVENUE, LETCHWORTH, NOT LATER THAN MONDAY 13 SEPTEMBER.