

~~COORDINATOR~~ 160

SEPTEMBER 1972

LETCWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT  
SCOUT COUNCIL MONTHLY BULLETIN

Free to Scouters and District officials; 32½p annually to anyone else: subs and news to go to District Information Officer, 80 Spring Road, Letchworth.

## NORTONBURY CAMP 1972

Sorry.

### 17 SEPTEMBER

is the last date for entries in the Scouts fishing competition on 11 November: details were in August CO-ORDINATOR.

### 23 SEPTEMBER

is the last date for entries in the B-P Guild Cup competition for Scout Patrols: details on page 2 this month.

### SONG WORDS

Letchworth Guides' DC Mrs Margaret Drylie has suggested that the actual words of camp fire songs are not always known by those who draw nearer in the gloaming. So we begin an occasional series of authentic lyrics which you may cut out and paste in to your own song books.

WITH THE SCENT OF WOODSMOKE

(Tune: "Lilli-Marlene")

\*\*\*With the scent of woodsmoke drifting on  
the air,  
And the glow of firelight we always love  
to share,  
Visions of camp fires all return  
And as the logs flame up and burn  
We dream of bygone camp fires and long for  
those to come.

\*\*\*Tongues of yellow fire flickering up on  
high,  
Reaching twisting fingers up to a starlit  
sky,  
Voices recall songs old and new,  
Songs once dear to our fathers too,  
Who dreamed of bygone camp fires and  
longed for those to come.

\*\*\*Gently dying embers cast a rosy glow,  
Voices slowly sinking to tones so soft and  
low,  
Slowly upon the still night air  
Fall faithful voices hushed in prayer,  
That dream of bygone camp fires and long  
for those to come.

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Your favourite camp fire song can be included in the CO-ORDINATOR collection, if you let the DIO have a copy of the words. Does anyone have the full words of a song called "Norwegian echo", please? And we would like to get the words of one which begins "The ink is black, the page is white". Can anyone help us with these?

RANGER GUIDES AND VENTURE SCOUTS  
announce a

## FOLK FEST and BARBECUE

at District Scout Headquarters on  
**SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER**  
from 7.30 pm. Meal tickets 20p each, obtainable from First Letchworth Rangers, and 19 Stoneley, Letchworth.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF LETCWORTH announces a

## SPONSORED SWIM

in aid of Letchworth Girl Guides' new HQ,  
on **16 SEPTEMBER**

at St Christopher School swimming pool, starting at 2 pm. Length: 25 metres. Swimming time: 30 minutes per person. Guides, Scouts, parents, friends, are all invited to take part - get an entry form and gather sponsors, returning the form by Monday 11 September to Mr Ellard, 5 Manor Way.

LETCWORTH FREE CHURCH CHOIR AND FRIENDS  
present a

CONCERT VERSION OF

## THE MIKADO

at Norton School on MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER at 7.30 pm, in aid of Letchworth Guides' District Headquarters. Programmes 25p from Bennetts, The Arcade, or Spinks & Son, Leys Avenue.

The District

## SWIMMING GALA

has been brought forward one week, and will now be held at Stevenage Swimming Pool on the evening of

## SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER

Please note this amendment in all diaries!

## 24 VOLUNTEERS?

District Scout Leader Jeff Robson has been looking yet again at the state of District Headquarters - and actually doing something about it. He now thinks that there is an actual possibility of getting the building and its surroundings presentable, if two dozen people (Scouts, parents or friends) will make a firm commitment to do one job each, on one evening a month before the winter. You would have to bring your own brush, hammer, chisel or saw, or a spade or shears. Just three working evenings; How about it? See Jeff or phone him at Letchworth 4954, as soon as possible. He'll welcome any volunteers from Letchworth & Baldock District - for this is YOUR District Headquarters!

LETCWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT

## SCOUT SHOP

reopens on TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER from 7 till 8 pm.- and then every Friday and Tuesday.

LEITCHWORTH GUIDERS

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Tuesday Guiders' meeting, 7.30 pm, The Thatched Hut
- 8-10 Patrol camp-permits
- 12 Tuesday Trefoil Guild Meeting
- 16 Saturday Cake stall, Leys Avenue (morn-ing); sponsored swim, St Christopher pool, 2 pm.
- 21 Thursday Brownie Guiders' training, Congregational Church hall, Kneesworth Street, Royston, 7.30 pm. Please let me know on 5-September how many Guiders from each unit are going.
- 23 Saturday Training and conference for all Guiders, Cheshunt, 10.30 to 5.30; Lochearnhead reunion, Scout DHQ, 7 pm.
- 30 Saturday All Guide and Ranger units' accounts should be balanced and sent in for audit.

GUIDE DHQ

A lot of hard work has been put in on the building during the last few months. The County Commissioner has agreed to come and perform the official opening on Saturday 28 October.

If any unit has money it has raised towards the HQ, I would be glad to have it in, as I now have some bills for curtains, cupboards, etc., that I would like to settle with cash.

M.C. DRYLIE  
DC

SCOUTING SEPTEMBER '72

- 5 Pack Scouters' Council, 16 Brandles Road, Letchworth, 2000: at least one representative from each Pack should attend, please!
- 5 District Executive Committee, DHQ, 2000
- 7 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 1900; open to all PLs and APLs, in uniform, and to Scouters as observers only.
- 9 Interdistrict Cub Scout Quiz, Letchworth & Baldock v. Stevenage, at Graveley
- 14 Troop Scouters' Council, DHQ, 2000: at least one representative from each Troop should attend, please, SL, ASL or SPL!
- 16-17 District Cub Scouts' Weekend at The Warren
- 16 Hertford-Ware Raft Race - the final event in the County Great Patrol Hunt for 1972: start at Hertford Lock about 1400
- 23 Lochearnhead reunion, DHQ, 1900,
- 23-24 County Camping Competition, Well End: all best wishes to the Panthers and Buffaloes of 8L Spartans!
- 28 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 1900
- 29 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 161
- 30-1: Operation Tarzan for senior Scouts: entered teams will be informed of all details, but watch the local press!

OCTOBER '72

- 7 Gang Show '73 first meeting, DHQ, 1830
- 8 B-P Guild Cup Patrol competition see below

B-P GUILD CUP 1972

This biennial competition returns this year, on SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER. It is open to any actual and permanent Scout Patrol in Letchworth & Baldock District, and consists of a whole day's activities on foot, covering a distance of not more than ten miles. Each Patrol must report in uniform at 0930 and is advised to carry waterproof clothing, a 2½ inch map (sheet TL 23), and light lunch including the means of making themselves a hot drink. Clues and checkpoints will be found at given eight-figure map references. Each Patrol must be led by its PL or APL, preferably both, and though the minimum number of bodies is two; larger patrol teams will stand a better chance. The contest ends with the presentation of the trophy at District Headquarters at approximately 1730. Entries must be notified on the form below, to be sent with 10p entry fee to the District Information Officer, 80 Spring Road, Letchworth, NOT LATER THAN SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER. No later entries will be considered in any circumstances whatsoever, without exception. Points gained count towards Just-for-Fun League and District GPH.

B-P GUILD CUP

AUTUMN PATROL COMPETITION  
SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER 1972  
ENTRY FORM

The following members of the \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol, \_\_\_\_\_ Troop, wish to enter the competition. (Minimum number is TWO, including PL and/or APL and subject to approval by the organizers, but the more members of the Patrol who are involved the better.)

				FIRST NAME	SURNAME	RANK	DATE OF BIRTH
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10p entry fee enclosed. SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ (PL) OK by me: \_\_\_\_\_ (SL)