

COORDINATOR¹⁶⁷

LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

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DISTRICT CUBS'

FIRST AID RESULTS

Saturday 31 March

Place-Pack-Points

1.....7L....116

2.....8L....106

3.....4L(C)...99½

4.....5L.....93

5.....1A 84½

6.....10L.....83½

7.....1B(T)...83

8.....1-3L....82½

9.....2L.....81½

10.....1B(K)...79½

11.....4L(M)...74

- and the consequent effect on the Just For Fun League is:

1.....1B....432½

2.....8L....370

3.....4L....342½

4.....1A....295½

5.....1-3L....257½

6.....5L....226

7.....7L....173

8.....10L....134½

9.....2L.....85½

10.....(2B).....0

(CH)

POINTS FROM THE

TROOP SCOUTERS'

COUNCIL, 22 March

***Two section representatives on the District Executive for 1973-1974 are:

Eric Woodward, 20 St Mary's Way, Baldock; Laurie Cook, 22 Hill-shott, Letchworth.

***Operation

Chaingang (for

the Whalebone

Trophy) sub-

committee to

draft rules is

Les Burt, Laurie

Cook, Jeff Robson

and Keith Tindall.

***possibly 70 or

80 Scouts from

different troops

could be attending

the District Camp

at Barford on the

Great Ouse, 18-20

May. Full details

to follow.

***Next meeting:

2000, Thursday 3

May at DHQ.

CENSUS

IF ALL SECTION LEADERS AND GSLs HAD BEEN AS EFFICIENT AS WE HOPTD, THIS MONTH'S "CO-ORDINATOR" COULD HAVE INCLUDED THE DISTRICT'S 1973 CENSUS FIGURES. UNFORTUNATELY, FOUR GROUPS DID NOT MAKE THE DEAD-LINE OF 31 MARCH AS REQUESTED, AND DISTRICT SECRETARY PETER NORTON IS ANXIOUSLY WAITING FOR RETURNS FROM FIRST BALDOCK, SECOND BALDOCK, SECOND LETCHWORTH AND EIGHTH LETCHWORTH.

SAINT GEORGE

SUNDAY 29 APRIL 1973: For the first time, there should be room for all parents to attend the St George's Day service and sit in comfort. No church in the District is large enough, so this year's commemoration is being held in the Broadway Cinema, Letchworth, by kind courtesy of the management.

All Scouts, Guides, Cub Scouts, Brownie Guides and their respective Leaders are invited to take part in the parade to and from the cinema, but please note that correct uniform must be worn. Members without correct uniform are asked to go direct to the cinema, entering with parents and friends by the Gernon Road side entrance at 1415.

Correct uniform means what it says. Headgear will be worn. Non-uniform outer garments will not. All Cubs on parade will be in short trousers and long socks. Scouts' socks will be fawn or as near as possible (i.e., brown or grey not blue or red).

Assembly of uniformed sections is by the paddling pool, Howard Park, at 1345. Parade moves off at 1410 by Norton Way South and Gernon Road. Service starts at 1430 and ends at 1530. Parade re-assembles in the central walkway of Broadway (opposite College of Technology) and returns by Eastcheap where the saluting base will be, and then by Leys Avenue to Howard Park.

PARADE MARSHAL: ADC(S) Ken Hart. COLOUR MARSHAL: GSL John Baker. SALUTING BASE MARSHAL: DSL Jeff Robson. USHERS: Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides.

REHEARSAL FOR COLOUR PARTIES and for the Scouts and Guides giving the readings at intercession: SUNDAY 15 APRIL, 1000 hours promptly, at the cinema. Colours will be cased for this rehearsal.

The service will be conducted by the Reverend John Atkinson, and will follow a more modern style as recommended by the subcommittee of the District Patrol Leaders' Council with the District Secretary. A collection will be taken, and given to a Scout charity.

ORDER OF PARADE: Colour parties first; Cub Scouts, then Scouts, each by Groups as follows: 10L, 1A, 1B, 2B, 1-3L, 2L, 4L, 5L, 7L, 8L; then Brownie Guides by Packs and Guides by Companies as follows: 6L, 7L, 10L, 11L, 12L, 13L, 1S, 1W, 1A, 1B, 2B, 3B, 1L, 2L, 3L, 4L, 5L.

DISTRICT EQUIPMENT

Some Scouters may not realize the quantity and quality of District equipment which may be borrowed or hired. This list tells you who to contact. DC= Fred Eaves, 47 Norton Road, Letchworth. DSL= Jeff Robson, 67 High Avenue, Letchworth.

*MARQUEE, old but service-able (DC)

*3 PATROL TENTS (DC)

*2 DINING SHELTERS (DC)

*"Force 10" LIGHTWEIGHT TENT (1C)

*DISPLAY BOARDS and plastic letters (DSL)

*LOUDHAILER, battery-operated (DC)

*SWIMMING POOL, 16' square, 3' deep (DSL)

*SLIDE PROJECTOR (DSL)

*2 sets of green FOOTBALL SHIRTS (DSL)

*6 plastic BUCKETS (DSL)

*Plastic DUSTBIN (DSL)

*"SILVA" COMPASS outsize model for instruction (Eric Oldham, District Scout Shop)

*"GESTETNER" DUPLICATOR (Ken Hart, 38 Campfield Way, Letchworth)

*METEOROLOGY instructional colour slides (DSL)

*CASSETTE TAPE RECORDER (DC)

*"RESUSCI-ANNIE" DUMMY (Jonathan Savage, 49 Coppice Mead, Stotfold)

*OVERHEAD PROJECTOR (Ron Smith, Hill Farm, Odsey, Baldock)

*DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS with kitchen, heaters, loos, large screen for films, chairs, etc. (DC)

BALDOCK GUIDERS

5 APRIL: Guide Guiders' training, Barclay School, Stevenage, 7.30-9.30 pm

UNIT reports for-AGM booklet must be in by the first week in April, please.

LOCAL Association AGM at Knights Templar School, 8 May, 7.30 pm. Shields for the handicraft competition will be presented. There will also be a bookstall, so come prepared.

LETCWORTH GUIDERS

3 APRIL: South Guiders' meeting, DHQ, 7.30 pm

6 APRIL: All art exhibits to be taken to Highfield School between 7 and 9 pm (except perishables, which go on Saturday morning between 9.30 and 10.30). Guide and Brownie trophies will be presented at our LA AGM on 9 MAY and not at the end of the competition as stated before.

10 APRIL: Trefoil Guild meeting, DHQ, 7.45 pm

15 APRIL: Colour party rehearsal for St George's Day, Broadway Cinema at 9.50 sharp. Guiders please see that Guides and Rangers reading the lessons attend this rehearsal.

29 APRIL: St George's Day parade and service (see page 1). Brownies assemble at the cinema at 2 pm promptly.

17 APRIL: North Guiders' Meeting, 7.30, DHQ. All Guiders, Assistants and Unit Helpers are invited. After business, tea and biscuits will be served.

9 MAY: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, Free Church Hall, 7.30 pm. Packs and Companies holding handicraft trophies please hand then to your DC as soon as possible.

11-13 MAY: Guiders' camp, Weston Park.

19 MAY: Trefoil Guild AGM, Hatfield; Letchworth South PLs' training, DHQ.

9 JUNE: LA raffle and coffee morning, DHQ; North Brownie Revels.

Water Activities

BOAT CERTIFICATES are now due for renewal. Any craft owned or on long loan to a Group must have a current certificate from the Water Activities Subcommittee. Examiners are Stephen Eaves (47 Norton Road - Letchworth 3564) for canoes and Peter Porter, 12 Holmdale for dinghies.

MEETING on 22 February, the Subcommittee agreed that a minimum standard for instructing Scouts in activities on C class waters would be the attainment of at least intermediate proficiency in the activity being taught. It is desirable that the District provides opportunities for instructors to reach this level. A Canoe Instructor day was held jointly with Hitchin District on 31 March and attended by Stephen Eaves, Stephen Smith, Graham Swallow, Gerard Yates and 5 Scouts holding the Canoeist badge.

A ROYAL YACHT ASSOCIATION day boat course is planned for May or June: anyone interested please contact me.

FOR DISTRICT water activity to flourish, each Group ideally should have its specialists (parents or Venture Scouts?) with a District focal point for opportunities. One such place offered to us is a membership block with Wyboston Sailing Club, next to the Ouse, for sailing, pulling, canoeing and fishing. To help to meet costs we are offering family sailing within the block to any Scout or Guide parents at £6.50 a year. Group representatives, GSLs and Leaders, please publicize this offer and introduce interested people to Peter Norton, 74 William Way, Letchworth, for more details.

GROUP WATER ACTIVITY REPRESENTATIVES so far appointed are: 1A, Graham Swallow; CHVSU, Gerard Yates; 1-3L, Stephen Eaves; 4L, Peter Porter; 5L, Paul Birch; 8L, Chris Morley; 10L, Wally May.

PETER DEARY

District Water Activities Subcommittee Chairman, 17 Howards Wood, Letchworth (6859).

SCOUTS IN APRIL

6 4L Group AGM, St Paul's
6 Arts and crafts handing-in, Highfield School, 1900-2100

7 *****
* Plinston Trophy : ARTS AND *
* CRAFTS COMPETITION, 1300- *
* 1500, Highfield School - *
* full details in February *
* CO-ORDINATOR *

7 Gang Show Committee Jumble Sale, DHQ

7 The HSN Pack meeting, Weston Park, 1500-1700

12 Glass and China Party, DHQ, 2000. A wide range of offers for all parents and friends, for immediate purchase, reservation or order. Teasetts from £1.60 upwards. All proceeds to Gang Show funds.

14 5L jumble sale, 5L HQ

15 St George's Day colour party rehearsal, Broadway Cinema, 1000 (see page 1)

18 District Pack Scouters' Council, 15 Northfields, Letchworth, 2015

25-28 *****
* Letchworth and Baldock *
* Scouts and Guides *
* **GANG SHOW** *

St Francis' Theatre, 1930

Booking forms now available from 38 Campfield Way or 31 Lordship Lane, Letchworth: reductions for parties on Thursday: BOOK NOW!

26 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 1900: all PLs and APLs (except those in the Gang Show) should attend. New chairman and secretary are to be elected, and further plans debated for District expedition in 1974.

29 SAINT GEORGE'S DAY PARADE AND SERVICE (see page 1)

30 1A Group AGM, Village Hall, 1930

SCOUTS IN MAY

1 Hall Trophy quiz final between 8L(S), 8L(T) and 2B or 4L(V), DHQ, 1900

1 DISTRICT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, DHQ, 2000

3 5L Group AGM, 5L HQ

3 District Troop Scouters' Council, Dal, 2000

4-5 County Patrol Gathering, Gilwell Park

16 and 23 General Information Course for Leaders, DHQ

18-20 District Scout Camp, Barford, Bedfordshire