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LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL MONTHLY BULLETIN

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GREATEST PATROL IN THE DISTRICT

PL Kevin Hunter broke the 8L hold on the Jim Northover Memorial Shield, after Spartan patrols had had it for five years in a row. Final scores for 1976 were:

| 1KINGFISHER 1 | Ashwell. | | .314½ |
|----------------|----------|---------|-------|
| 2PiNTHER 8 Let | chworth | Spartan | .306½ |
| 3PEEWIT 1 Ashw | 7e11 | | .236½ |

Bulldog 8L(S).155½ Eagle 7L.....139

Hawk 8L(T)....136 Lion 8L(S).....98 7

8 Ow1 5L......86½

9 Buffalo 8L(S)..71 Buffalo 4L....69 10

Wolf 1A.........68½ 11 Cobra 7L.....65

Hawk 7L.....64 13

14 Buffalo 1-3L...55

15 Bulldog 4L....49 16 Falcon 8L(T)...43½

17 Peewit $1-3L....37\frac{1}{2}$

18 Eagle 1-3L.....36

(Kestrel 8L(T))).34 19(Lion 4L

(Panther 7L) 22 Panther 1-3L...31

23 Tiger 5L.....30

2.4 Stag 5L.....23

25 Hawk 5L.....18 Panther 2B.....16

Fox 10L.....15 27 28 Beaver 2B.....14

29 (Eagle 10L)

(Tiger 1B) · · · · 10

31 Bulldog 1B.....9 (Stag 10L) 32(Tiger 4L

)....7 (Tiger 10L) (Buffalo 1B)

(Kestrel 1B)5

37^(Kingfisher 2B)

(Raven 2L

(Eagle 4L) (Stag 1B)2 *****

The December meeting of the District PLs' Council amended rule F to road "Patrol hikes: for each 2miles completed by each member; 1 point", and rule H to read "Patrol cycle jour-(CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)

1977 IS TIPPETT TROPHY YEAR - the biennial cooking competition for Scout patrols. On 27 January, the District PLs' Council approved revised rules (subject to ratification by Troop-Scouters' Council), to encourage as many patrols as possible to have a go.

During September or October a team of judges will visit each troop (or combined meetings) on normal

troop nights, specially set aside for the contest. 1. Patrol entries must be at least 4 Scouts including PL or APL Smaller patrols can take part but will not be eligible for the trophy.

2. Any portable gas or paraffin stove.may be used, but each patrol is limited to three burners. All normal utensils may be used, the meal will be served in a civilized manner and the patrols will eat it while properly seated at a table. Washing up is part of the contest, with water heated on the same stoves. 3. The competition menu is: (a) Vegetable soup, any variety;

(b) Pork chops, potatoes and two other vegetables; (c) Fresh fruit salad; (d) A non-alcoholic drink of the patrol's choice. Accounts should be submitted to the judges, who will award points for economy.

4. All food supplies must be shown to the judges at the start. Nothing may be pre-cooked or prepared in any way, and tinned, frozen, or dehydrated foods are not allowed.

(Present holders of the Tippett Trophy are Buffaloes 8L(S).)

SCOUT QUIZ

THE 1977 CONTEST FOR THE HALL TROPHY IS NOW ON. At the District PLs' Council on 6 January, the draw was as follows, with extra places for second ("B") teams to avoid byes. Troops will please hurry up and fix matches, informing the District Public Relations Officer (Ken Johnson). GROUP I: 1-3L, 5L and 1B, each to play the other two. GROUP II: 2B, 1A and 8L(S) "B" team. GROUP III: 10L, 8L(T) and 4L.

GROUP IV: 8L(S), 7L and 23 "B" team.

(Present holders of the Hall Trophy are 8L Spartans.)

Another AGM date to add to the list printed last month: 7L on 4 May. We still await 1A, 1B and 4L.

JYCIOCTOSS

ENTRY FORMS for the Cub and Scout cyclocross on 13 March are enclosed for all section Leaders. Please send them to ADC(S) Jeff Robson promptly, even if you have to make some changes before the event. (Present holders of the Cyclocros: trophies are 8L Dorian Cub pack and 8L Trojan Scout troop.)

is on the move again! First

Baldock PLs took it from Fourth Letchworth in an exciting morning's motor racing. ANY SECTION, PATROL, SIX, OR INDIVIDUAL SCODTERS can now challenge their opposite numbers in 1B to any thing legal which can be scored competitively. Challengers must provide any equipment needed, and register the challenge with the District Public Relations Officer who has the record book.

GREATEST PATROL (CONTINUED-FROM-PAGE 1)

neys: for each $\frac{4}{2}$ miles completed by each cycle: 1-point." These amendments take effect from 1 January 1977.

A reminder that non-uniform pullovers and other garments worn over uniform at the District PLs' Council meetings cause points for attendance to be automatically halved, brought about a very satisfactory improvement in the appearance of all the delegates to the January meeting. Points for the 1977 Jim Northover Trophy contest so far, are as follows:

Letchworth North & Stotfold Guides

FEBRUARY...

- 20 Thinking Day at St George's church: assemble in the hall at 2.15.
- 12 Skills and camping
- 16 Paper collection: L North Rangers
- 22 County Singing Group
- 15 District meeting, DHQ, 7.30 pm.
- 26 Camp PLs' training 10.15 an to 4 pm at Walsworth Road Baptist hall, Hitchin

MARCH...

- 5 LA jumble sale at St George's
- APRIL...
- 1-2 Arts and crafts at Highfield school
- 16 Market stall at Hitchin
- 22-24 Residential training at Waddow Hall
- 24 St George's Day parade
- 29-1 May: Sion reunion at Coetmor Mill M A Y . . .
- 9 Guiders' and their PLs' training
- 14 Barn dance at St George's
- 17 AGM at DHQ
- JULY...
- 9 District sports

***LOST PROPERTY. An orange and white towelling robe and blue goggles left after the swimming gala are awaiting collection. Guiders, please ask around, and contact Mrs Crombie (71062).

***"NORTHERN LIGHTS" REVUE at the Methodist church, Pixmore Way, at 7.30 pm on FRIDAY & SATURDAY 11-12 MARCH and FRIDAY & SATURDAY 18-19 MARCH. Tickets 40p for adults, 20p for children. Advance booking from 21 February, from Mrs Fellowes, 38 Western Way (phone 73257).

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FEBRUARY...

Thursday 17: Guiders' meeting, 1B Scout HQ, 8 pm.

Saturday 19: Colour rehearsal, St Mary's church, 10 am. Flag bearers and two escorts, please; one Guide from each company as reader and one Ranger.

Sunday 20: Thinking Day service at St Mary's church, 3 pm. Meet in church hall, 2.30.

Friday 25: Town packs only - Brownie Guide competition closes. Forms to be returned at next meeting.

Saturday 26: Patrol camp permit training, Walsworth Road Baptist church hall, Hitchin, 10.15 am for 10.30 till 4 pm. 15p a head: a must for any girl wanting to take her permit later in the year.

MARCH...

Saturday 19: County AGM, Hertford.

Saturday 26: Handicraft competition, Bowls pavilion, Avenue Park; Norton Road, 9 am till 4 pm: visitors from 2 pm. Get your entries in early as judging takes place at 11.30.

EXPRESS TO ALL GUIDE GUIDERS IN THE TWO LETCHWORTH DISTRICTS

The <u>musical section was omitted</u> from the arts and Crafts syllabus. This is the same as last year except that there are no restrictions on numbers for any items. If in any doubt, ring Eileen, 71705. Entries are to be in by 19.March.

Plinston Trophy

THE SCOUT DISTRICT ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW is on Saturday 2 April. Lots of, copies of the rules have been printed and are being circulated to GSLs and Group PROs, who are asked to ensure that every Patrol and Six gets at least one copy for itself. There are more available if you want them.

GPROS - and an ADC

WHO IS YOUR GROUP PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER? Are you giving him the news to pass on to the local press through the District PRO? Fourth Letchworth have a new GPRO in <u>Chris Nicholson</u>, 52 Penn Way (72374). Others are: 1A: <u>Kevin Hunter</u>, 29 Wyndmere Farm, Steeple Morden.

1B: Andrew Brett, 5 Ashwell Road, Bygrave (892142

2B: <u>Simon Appleyard</u>, 37 High Avenue, Letchworth (71804).

1-3L: Mark Goodwin, 111 Wilbury Road (3622.

5L: Alastair Green, 185 Icknield Way (3446

7L: Robert Williams, 53 Hawthorn Hill (6727)

8L: Mark Roberts, 13 Danescroft (3510).

10L: Peter Dartford, 54 Maddles (71866). AND YOUR ADC(C) HARRY FRLNKLAND has a new phone number - Letchworth 74847.