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CO-ORDINATOR COMES OF AGE

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THIS IS OUR EIGHTEENTH BIRTHDAY EDITION  
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#### P E R S O N A L

Having retired as District Chairman at the Scout annual general meeting on 10 May, may I again express my sincere thanks for the beautiful cut glass bowl presented to me. It will always remind me of many happy hours spent on Scouting affairs over the years. We shall always treasure it.

My wife wishes to thank you all, too, for the lovely flowers presented to her on that occasion.

May the Scout movement go from strength to strength in the years to come. Cheerio, but not goodbye.

SYD AND MARJORIE BLAXLAND

#### N E W C H A I R M A N

of the District Scout Council is JOHN MOYS, 2 Paynes Close, Letchworth (5067). The District SECRETARY is still ALAN MARSHALL, 36 Haymoor, Letchworth (74927). The new District TREASURER is ALAN BELLIS, 25 Heathermere, Letchworth (5429).

The three elected members of the District Executive Committee for 1977-1978 are: LAURIE COOK, 22 Hillshott, Letchworth; Mrs NANCY BAKER, 47 Highfield, Letchworth (4782); and BOB WILLIAMS, 53 Hawthorn Hill, Letchworth (6727). Those nominated by the DC are: ROY PYNCHES, 12 Howard Drive, Letchworth (2043); FRED EAVES, 47 Norton Road, Letchworth (3564); and JIM MORLEY, 17 Wilbury Road, Letchworth (3276).

#### A T T H E A. G. M.

DC Peter Norton thanked all who have helped during his first year. "The District Team is enthusiastic and ever ready to help groups." We should soon be ready for extra packs, for it is our duty to the community to provide Scouting far and wide in Letchworth, Baldock, and the District.

Councillor Clifford Marshall, chairman of North Hertfordshire District Council, praised Scouting as "one of the pleasant organizations that help to open boys' eyes. You can take them and give them experiences they would never come across ordinarily. We can do nothing but applaud." Not only in service, but in colour and spectacle as on St George's Day, Scouting adds to the richness of life in the district. "Thank you, on behalf of the people of North Hertfordshire."

Assistant County Commissioner for Cub Scouts, Denis Smith, brought the CC's greetings, and urged us not to worry about the falling birthrate and its threat to reduce numbers of Cubs and Scouts in the near future. Our programme looks good, and will attract more and more.

NEW CHAIRMAN of 7L Group is Mr Bob Williams 53 Hawthorn Hill (6727). The retiring 7L chairman, Jim Proctor, takes over from Mrs Doris Smith as group secretary: his address is 87 Wilbury Road (5666).

NEW ADDRESS of 7L ASL Ian Trevena is 143 Sefton Road, Stevenage (721203).

NEW PHONE NUMBER of 8L ASL Nigel Pitchers is Letchworth 72431.

NEW ASSISTANTS welcomed to the CO-ORDINATOR mailing list this month are John Grimsey, New Farm, Weston Way, Baldock - formerly of 5 East Barnet, now with 1B Knights pack; and Frank Lay, 9 Lawrence Avenue, Letchworth, prospective ASL with 5L troop.

NEW INFORMATION like the above is always needed by the District Secretary and PRO. Please tell either of them!

NEW EDITIONS are now available at the District Scout Shop of "Policy, Organisation and Rules" - part 1, Organisation at 40 pence, and part 2, Training (with all the badge requirements and safety rules for hazardous activities) at 55 pence. The shop is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 till 8 pm, at DHQ, Icknield Way, Letchworth.

NEWSREEL PICTURES on super-eight film, of local Scouting events in Silver Jubilee year: that's the suggestion of Jim Bruce, ASL 1B, etc., who has already some footage on Operation Survival to start it off. If anyone else has brief shots they would like to contribute to a historical record of 1977, please see Jim. If anyone wants to see a similar movie magazine of 1961, see Ken Johnson.

## W A T E R   A C T I V I T I E S

The range covered by this heading is widening! District Admiral Peter Deary reports that all is now set for the Cub Scout SWIMMING GALA at Letchworth pool on Saturday 2 July, 5.30 pm till about 8. Cub Scouts and Brownie Guides, of course.

Then there is OUR RESCUE LAUNCH, The District has been given a motor boat and trailer. All it needs is a bit of cleaning up, which is going on each Thursday evening at DHQ, after Scout Shop. All potterers-about who'd like to help, can.

October is not far off, and it brings the Scouts' NATIONAL REGATTA, Read about it in "Scouting" magazine, or get details as they arrive, direct from Peter Deary, 17 Howards Wood, Letchworth.

## A PHOTOGRAPH OF PARIS

taken from the Eiffel Tower, dropped from a displayed set at the Plinston Trophy exhibition. Ken Johnson has it in the CO-ORDINATOR file, if the owner wishes to claim it.

## HALL TROPHY SCOUT QUIZ

Semifinal results:

1-3L.....46 v. 8L(S)"B".....71

7L.....62 v. 4L.....61

Final result:.

8L(S)"B"....39 v. 7L.....35

First-round aggregate scores will be added to troops' totals for the Howes Trophy ("Just for Fun League") when all first rounds have been played, or for the July CO-ORDINATOR, whichever is the sooner. 1B and 5L still have to play their first round; 1A and 2B"A" have played theirs, but the score is not to hand as we go to press.

## C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S

are very much due to the Bluetit Patrol of First Letchworth Guides. In the County patrol competition called "GPH - Get People Happy" they finished third of all 68 patrols in Hertfordshire who took part. They did every activity in the five months of the contest, ending with the weekend camp at Hatfield Park on 28-29 May, for which they were also placed third of 36 patrols in camp.

Overall winners were again the First Elstree Bluetits with 156 points; First Hatfield Hawks (SCOUTS, chaps!) came second with 142; and Catherine Bavin's Letchworth Bluetits made 130.

Swallows of First Letchworth Guides made number 25 in the charts, with 49 points, and Tigers of Fourth Letchworth (men!) were equal 51, with 17½ points.

## D A T E S   I N   J U N E   1 9 7 7

- 1 Jim Bruce's birthday
- 6 Spring bank holiday
- 7 Jubilee holiday
- 13 PACK SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, St Paul's, 2000
- 16 TROOP SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, DHQ, 2000
- 17-19 \*County "Cublarks" camp, Weston Park
- 23 JOINT PACK & TROOP SCOUTERS' COUNCIL, DHQ, 2015
- 24 LAST ITEMS IN FOR CO-ORDINATOR 218, PLEASE!
- . . . . .
- . 28 GROUPS' BUNDLES OF CO-ORDINATOR & .
- . HSG READY FOR COLLECTION AT LETCH-. .
- . WORTH LIBRARY, FOR IMMEDIATE .
- . DELIVERY .
- . . . . .
- 30 DISTRICT PATROL LEADERS' COUNCIL, Ashwell Village Hall (TL 263394), 1945

## D A T E S   I N   J U L Y   1 9 7 7

- 1 Champion Hills barn dance, Newnham
- 2 Cub Scout and Brownie Guide SWIMMING GALA, Letchworth pool, 1730
- 3 John Baker's birthday
- 11 Scout County AGM, Hertford
- 11 Pack Scouters' Council
- 11 Philip West's birthday
- 12 District Executive Committee
- 14 Keith Tindall's birthday
- 23 1-3L Troop depart for Coetmor Mill
- 26 August CO-ORDINATOR ready for collection and delivery

## D A T E S   I N   S E P T E M B E R

- 12 Pack Scouters' Council
- 13 District Executive Committee
- 17-18 County Camping Competition
- 22 Troop Scouters' Council
- 23-25 JMT7
- 24 District Cub Sports

\*Omitted from the June list:

18-19 JUNE : Icknield Shield patrol  
lightweight camping competition

This space is for your group to announce its autumn bazaar, Christmas sale, barn dance or whatever, to avoid clashing with three others on the same day:-

Information to District PRO, please.