

Co-ordinator 226

LETCWORTH & BALDOCK SCOUT
DISTRICT BULLETIN

FREE TO SCOUTERS, OFFICIALS AND FELLOWSHIP;
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March 1978

DISTRICT PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER, 80 SPRING ROAD, LETCWORTH, BY 24 MARCH, PLEASE!

It's all happening!

AFTER 10½ YEARS OF "CO-ORDINATOR", GROUPS ARE BEGINNING TO PLN AHEAD! MANY THANKS TO FIFTH AND TENTH LETCWORTH FOR PROVIDING COPIES OF THEIR 1978 PROGRAMMES. DATES OF THEIR FUNDRAISING EVENTS ARE INCLUDED IN THE

District Calendar

STARTING HERE - TO HELP US ALL TO CO-ORDINATE OUR ACTIVITIES AND BE PREPARED FOR EFFICIENT SCOUTING.

March 1978

- 4 Cub football: 1A v. 4L(G), Ashwell recreation ground, 1030
- 6 Hall Trophy quiz: 10L v. 1-3L replay just for fun, Jackmans Centre, 1930
- 10-11 "NORTHERN LIGHTS" Letchworth North & Stotfold Guide show, Central Methodist hall, 1930
- 12 DISTRICT CUB AND SCOUT CYCLOCROSS, Weston Park, 1000
- 14 District Executive Committee, DHQ, 2015
- 16 Lochearnhead Expedition briefing, St George's hall, 1930
- 17 Scout Fellowship film evening, Settlement, 2000
- 17-18 "NORTHERN LIGHTS", Central Methodist hall, 1930
- 18 10L jumble sale, Jacknans Centre, 1430
- 19 Cub football: 10L v. 4L(G), Lannock School, 1030
- 23 Scout Shop closed
- 24 Last items in, please, for CO-ORDINATOR 227
- 28 CO-ORDINATOR 227 bundles ready for Groups to collect, Letchworth Library
- 28 Scout Shop closed
- 29 - 1 April: "FLYING HIGH" Baldock Scout and Guide show, St Mary's School
- 30 Scout Shop closed
- 30 Troop Scouters' Council, 5L HQ, Spring Road, 2000
- 30 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 2015

April 1978

- 4 Scout Shop reopens
- 5 1-3L Group AGM, DHQ, 1930
- 6 Joint Pack and Troop Scouters' Council, DHQ, 2015
- 11 District Executive Committee, DHQ, 2015
- 13 Scout Fellowship presents the Jim's Mystery Tours Reunion, DHQ, 2015

April continued:-

- 25 5L Group AGM, 5L HQ, Spring Road
- 26 7L Group AGM, St Thomas's, 1900
- 27 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 2015.
- 28 Last items in for CO-ORDINATOR 228
- 28 Handing-in for arts and crafts contest, Highfield School, 1900-2100.
- 29 PLINSTON TROPHY ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW, Highfield School, 1300-1530

May 1978

- 2 CO-ORDINATOR Group bundles ready for collection
- 6 5L jumble sale
- 8 10L Group AGM, Jacknans Centre, 1900
- 9 HALL TROPHY QUIZ FINAL, 1B HQ, Park Drive, 1900
- 9 DISTRICT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 1B HQ, 2000
- 11 8L Group AGM, 8L HQ, Sparhawk, 1900
- 25 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 2015
- 26 Last items in for CO-ORDINATOR 229
- 26-29 5L Troop at Broadlands Jamboree
- 30 CO-ORDINATOR Group bundles ready

June 1978

- 10 5L clothes market stall
- 16-18 "CUBILEE" District Cub camp, Henlow Park
- 23 Last items in for CO-ORDINATOR 230
- 24-25 ICKNIELD SHIELD Patrol lightweight camping competition
- 27 CO-ORDINATOR Group bundles ready
- 29 District Patrol Leaders' Council, 1A HQ, West End

July 1978

- 1 DISTRICT CUB SCOUT SWIMMING GALA
- 1 Round Tables' Carnival

Calendar

July continued:-

7-9 DISTRICT SCOUT AND GUIDE CAMP, Weston Park

15 10L stall, Hitchin market

16 BARTON SHIELD Patrol first aid contest

21-23 5L Troop fishing camp

28 Last items in for CO-ORDINATOR 231

August 1978

1 CO-ORDINATOR Group bundles ready

12-26 DISTRICT EXPEDITION, LOCHEARNHEAD

26 Last items in for CO-ORDINATOR 232

26 - 2 September: 1-3L Troop camp in Forest of Dean

September 1978

8-10 DISTRICT FAMILY CAMP, Weston Park

22 Last items in for CO-ORDINATOR 233

26 CO-ORDINATOR Group bundles ready

28 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 2015

October 1978

7 5L market stall

21 5L jumble sale, 5L HQ

26 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 2015

27 Last items in for CO-ORDINATOR 234

28 10L stall, Hitchin market

29 WHALEBONE TROPHY: OPERATION PHEIDIPPIDES for senior Scouts

31 CO-ORDINATOR Group bundles ready

November 1978

16 5L "FAB" autumn bazaar, 5L HQ

18 7L bazaar, Free Church Hall

18 10L bazaar, Howard Hall

24 Last items in for CO-ORDINATOR 235

28 CO-ORDINATOR Group bundles ready

30 District Patrol Leaders' Council, DHQ, 2015

See also all the County events listed on the back pages of "HSG"

NEW PRO 8L

PL Cliff Gulbis (40 Lammas Way, Letchworth: phono 71995) has been appointed Group Public Relations Officer for Eighth Letchworth.

NEW 5L 10L

For work and health reasons, Bill Dartford has retired from active Scouting with Tenth Letchworth, but happily he is staying with the Group as a member of the Group Council. Alan Lee, 65 Waddles (phone 72426) has now taken over as SL.

NO CSL 5L?

Mrs Maralyn Duxbury has moved to Stotfold and resigned as CSL, Fifth Letchworth.

Scoreboard

HALL TROPHY FIRST ROUNDS

February 1978

10L.....* v. 4L.....14

4L.....12 v. 1-3L...16

1-3L...17 v. 10L.....*

7L.....34 v. 2B"A"...19

2B"A"..23½ v. 8L(S)"B"...31

8L(S)"B"..27 v. 7.....39

2B"B"***...1 v. 8L(T)..20

5L.....30 v. 2B"B"..11½

8L(T).....35 v. 5L.....29

8L(S)"A"..31½ v. 1B....27

1B.....27 v. 1A....23

1A.....18 v. 8L(S)"A"..31

*Received instructions late. Just-for-fun replays arranged.

**Arrival delayed.

HOWES TROPHY (JUST-FOR-FUN LEAGUE) based on hall Trophy first rounds with scores averaged for "A" and "B" teams

1...7L troop+pack.....73

2...5L troop+pack.....59

3..(8L Spartans+Aeolians)

(8L Spartans+Dorians).....58

5....(8L Trojens+Aeolians)

(8L Trojens+Dorians).....55

7..(1B troop+Knights)

(1B troop+Templars).....54

9...1A troop+pack.....41

10...1-3L troop+pack.....33

11...2B troop+pack.....27½

(4Lt troop+Cavaliers)

12..(4L troop+Grenadiers).....26

(4L troop+Musketeers)

(BS unit)

13....(CH unit).....0

(10L troop+pack*)

*Just-for-fun replays arranged.

HALL TROPHY QUIZ

Drawn for second rounds (semifinals) at 23 February District PLs' Council:

8L Spartan "A" v. 8L Trojan

1-3L v. 7L

These rounds to be played by arrangement during March or April.

THE MOD TROPHY

This is now held by Fourth Letchworth Group, who took it from 8L at table-tennis on 8 February. Any Six, Patrol, Pack, Troop, or Scouter in 4L is open to challenge to any legal contest by opposite numbers in any other group. Record your challenge with District PRO Ken Johnson. If none is made by 14 March, the Mod Trophy reverts to the District for an open contest.

The Jim Northover Memorial Shield 1978

SCORES to 23 February

Position	Patrol	Leader	Points
1...	Buffalo 1-3L.....	Graham Osborne.....	51
2...	Eagle 1-3L.....	Jonathan Paterson..	36
3...	Bulldog 8L(S).....	Stuart Bruce.....	21
4...	Panther 8L(S).....	Cliff Gulbis.....	17½
S...	Buffalo 8L(S).	Stuart Wardman-Browne..	17
6...	Eagle 7L.....	Clive Laing.....	5½
7...	Lion 8L(S).....	Michael Foster.....	4½
8...	Panther 7L.....	Robert Williams.....	4
9...	Hawk 5L.....	Timothy Jurdon.....	3
10..	(Cobra 7L.....	Andrew Plumb)	
	(Owl 5L.....	Mark Sheldrick)	2½
	(Beaver 2B)	(Bulldog 4L)	
12	(Hawk 8L(T))	16(Eagle 2B)...	1
	(Kestrel 8L(T))	(Hawk 7L)	
	(Tiger 5L)	19..Stag 5L.....	0½

RULES

Each year between 1 January and 31 December points will be recorded for each Patrol in the Letchworth & Baldock Scout District, with the object of discovering the most active and successful Patrol of the year. The Patrol gaining most points by 31 December each year will hold the Jim Northover Memorial Shield for the following year, and also receive a small prize, the nature of which may vary.

Points in sections A and B will be awarded automatically, and no claims are necessary.

- A. In all District patrol competitions:
 for each patrol entering.....5 points
 for the patrol finishing in
 last place.....1 point
 for each place higher in the
 results table.....1 point
- B. Attendance at the District Patrol Leaders' Council:
 for a PL in uniform.....2 Points
 for an APL in uniform.....2 points
 for both PL and APL in uniform at
 the same meeting.....5 points
 for a PL or APL not in uniform...1 point
 for a written apology for absence,
 or previous verbal apology to
 the Chairmen, ADC(S) or District
 PRO.....½ point

Section C is suspended.

Points in sections D to J will be awarded with the approval of the District Patrol Leaders' Council, if claims are made on the appropriate form, submitted to either of the two Council meetings following the event and within the same calendar year, such events being activities under the following headings which involve at least three members of the patrol, including the PL and/or APL, except for individual claims under sections I and J.

- D. Service projects to the District, Group or Pack, or the community:
 for each half hour's service by
 the patrol.....1 point
- E. Patrol camps in tents, barns, bivouacs, hostels, open air or Scout headquarters other than that of the patrol's own group (but not including any vehicle or building such as a railway station):
 for each member of the patrol
 for each night.....1 point
- F. Patrol hikes:
 for each 2 miles completed by
 each member.....1 point
- G. Patrol canoe journeys:
 for each 3 miles completed by
 each canoe.....1 point
- H. Patrol cycle journeys:
 for each 4 miles completed by
 each cycle.....1 point
- I. Proficiency badges won by members of the patrol:..
 Interest badges.....5 points
 Pursuit, Sea and Air badges...7 points
 Service badges.....10 points
 Instructor badges.....10 points
- J. Progress-awards received by members. of the patrol:
 Scout Standard.....5 points
 Advanced Scout Standard.....10 points
 Chief Scout's Award.....15 points
 Service Flash.....15 points

PREVIOUS WINNERS

1971.....Panther patrol, 8 Letchworth
 1972.....Buffalo patrol, 8 Letchworth
 1973.....Panther patrol, 8 Letchworth
 1974.....Panther patrol, 8 Letchworth
 1975.....Panther patrol, 8 Letchworth
 1976.....Kingfisher patrol, 1 Ashwell
 1977.....Buffalo patrol, 1-3 Letchworth

New Cyclocross

The 1978 cyclocross contests for Cubs and Scouts take place on Sunday 12 March at Weston Park, from 1000 to 1700. Revised arrangements will apply, following the "discussion document" circulated in 1977 with the exception of clause 7. This was rejected by the Troop Scouters' Council on 23 February, and replaced by a clause to award the Scout team trophy to the troop entering the fastest four cyclists, calculated on average lap times. Although no such amendment was made by the Pack Leaders' Council, it is proposed to apply the same condition to Cub Scout teams.

Make this a Group day out!

Cub Scout Football

We have now reached the closing stages of the 1977-1978 football competition.

To date, Tenth Letchworth Cubs are unbeaten and are the favourites to win the Morgans Shield. Other teams in with a chance are Fourth Letchworth Grenadiers and First Ashwell. The deciding matches will be on the following dates:

4 March - 1A v. 4L(G), kick-off 1030 at Ashwell recreation ground;

19 March - 10L v. 4L(G), 1030 at Lannock, School.

Once again it promises to be an exciting finish to the season!

LEAGUE TABLE COMPILED ON 24 FEBRUARY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
10L.....	7	7	-	-	47	6	14
4L Grenadiers..	7	6	-	1	37	9	12
5L.....	8	5	-	3	35	11	10
4L Cavaliers...	8	5	-	3	45	33	10
1A.....	5	4	-	1	22	11	8
7L.....	7	4	-	3	25	23	8
1-3L.....	7	3	-	4	27	24	6
8L Aeolians....	4	2	-	2	17	13	4
1B Knights.....	7	2	-	5	14	33	4
8L Doriens.....	5	1	-	4	15	37	2
1B Templars....	6	1	-	5	10	53	2
4L Musketeers..	9	-	-	9	4	45	0

DEREK MUNSON, Football
Secretary

Anyone for TUG-OF-WAR?

There seems to be a great deal of interest in the District for a tug-of-war competition. Colin Phillips is drafting a set of rules which will be circulated for comments during March and published in the April CO-ORDINATOR.

Ideas so far are for teams to include ten Cubs catchweight (that is, with no weight restriction) and two categories of Scouts - boys under 8 stone, and catchweight. It is suggested that it should be open to any other youth organization which conforms to the age and weight qualification, and should be run in conjunction with another District event each year: in 1978, at "Cubilee" in Henlow Park on 17 June, and at the Scout and Guide camp at Weston Park on 8 July. Plaques will be given to the winning team and the runner-up, for keeps.

SCOUT SHOP

If you have read page one, you will have noticed that the District Scout Shop will have an Easter break on Thursday 23, Tuesday 28, and Thursday 30 March - reopening as usual on Tuesday 4 April.

Letchworth North & Stotfold Guides
present

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* N O R T H E R N L I G H T S *
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the 1978 revue
at the Central Methodist Hall,
Pixmore Way, Letchworth, at 7.30 pm
on
FRIDAY 10 MARCH * SATURDAY 11 MARCH.
FRIDAY 17 MARCH * SATURDAY 18 MARCH

Tickets now on sale from Mrs Fellowes,
38 Eastern Way, Letchworth (73257)
Adults 50 pence : Children 25

Leader Training

CONGRATULATIONS to four Scouters who have completed their basic training over the last month:

CUB - Jenny Adlam (4L) and Iris Kerrigan (5L)

SCOUT - Alan Lee (10L)

GSL & COMMISSIONER - John Churchill (5L).

I have had a request to run a general information course, which I am now planning for April. I'd be glad if all those Leaders who are interested would give me a ring at Letchworth 71705.

We shall also be having some special skills training evenings, and details of these will be in the April CO-ORDINATOR.

COLIN PHILLIPS
ADC (Leader Training)

SITUATION VACANT

"Seven year itch" is how Les Burt explains his decision to retire as the minutes secretary of the Troop Scouters' Council. Would anyone who's not so deeply involved offer to take on this service for a short period? See Mistaburt at 5 Burley, Letchworth, or phone 72119.

FREE OFFER

A table, 3 feet by 4½, dark brown, with one drawer and removable legs, is on free offer to any group or unit that can use it. Apply to Mrs Bunbury, 7 Milne Close, Letchworth (74109).

ARTS & CRAFTS

Extra copies of pages 5 and 6, with all the Plinston Trophy rules, are being enclosed for section Leaders. SLs are particularly asked to pass them to Patrol Leaders for action. More copies of the rules may be had from Colin Phillips.

LETCHWORTH
& BALDOCK
SCOUTS

Arts and Crafts

COMPETITION

1978

1. The exhibition is held annually at a place and time decided by the District Scout Council. The fourteenth exhibition will be at Highfield School, Letchworth, on SATURDAY 29 APRIL 1978. Entries are to be handed in between 7 and 9 pm on Friday 28 April, and perishable items between 9.30 and 10.30 am on Saturday 29 April, for judging between 10.30 and 12.30 and public exhibition from 1 to 3.30 pm. The trophies will be presented to the winning group and sections at the conclusion of the exhibition.

2. In the event of any dispute, final decision rests with the Convenor appointed by the District Scout Council, namely ADC(LT) Colin Phillips of 29 Haselfoot, Letchworth.

3. The following sections are eligible to enter:

(A) CUB SCOUTS of any pack in this District;

(B) JUNIOR SCOUTS of any troop in this District;

(C) SENIOR SCOUTS of any troop in this District;

(D) ADULTS, namely Venture Scouts, Scouters, members of the Scout Fellowship, Group Councils or the District Scout Council, in this District.

If a boy has passed his eleventh birthday on the day of the exhibition, the entry must be made in the Junior Scout section; if he has reached or passed his fourteenth birthday, the entry must be in the Senior Scout section; if he has reached or passed his sixteenth birthday, the entry must be in the Adult section.

4. The exhibition is divided into the following classes:

(1) PAINTING - any original landscape, portrait, still life; abstract, etc., in oil or water colour;

(2) DRAWING - any original drawing or sketch in pencil, crayon, pen and ink etc;

(3) COLLAGE - any original design in fabric, paper or other material mounted on a base for wall hanging;

(4) METALWORK - handmade or machine-made original metalwork of useful or decorative articles;

(5) WOODWORK - as for class 4, but of wood, not being made from a kit;

(6) POTTERY - decorative or useful pottery, glazed or unglazed;

(7) SIMPLE HANDCRAFT - any article made from ordinary objects found around the house and garden;

(8) WORKING MODELS - not from construction kits;

(9) SPONGE CAKES - plain, with simple

filling and decoration, to the recipe of 4 oz. margarine, sugar, flour and 2 eggs (NO ENTRIES IN CUB SCOUT SECTION);

(10) LARGE CAKES - any description, with or without decoration, though this will be taken into account by the judges (NO ENTRIES IN CUB SCOUT SECTION);

(11) SMALL CAKES - at least six of the same type, as for class 10 (NO ENTRIES IN CUB SCOUT SECTION);

(12) WINEMAKING - home-made wines (ENTRIES IN ADULT SECTION ONLY);

(13) PHOTOGRAPHY - COLOUR SLIDES;

(14) PHOTOGRAPHY - HOME PROCESSED - monochrome or colour prints, with notes on processing methods;

(15) PHOTOGRAPHY - COMMERCIALY PROCESSED, - monochrome or colour prints;

(16) MINIATURE GARDEN - in container not larger than 12 inches across (NO ENTRIES IN ADULT SECTION);

(17) SPECIAL CLASS (A) OPEN TO ALL SECTIONS - design a suitable Letchworth & Baldock Scout District badge, with a short note to explain the designer's choice of symbols used. This may be from an individual or a number of people, and there is no limit on size or materials used. (B) OPEN TO SCOUT SECTIONS ONLY - construct a pioneering project model to a scale of not more than 1:16. The judge will take into account the correct use of knots and lashings.

(18) MUSICAL AND ENTERTAINMENT - entries will be accepted for singing; instrument playing; mime; puppets; recitation; acting; dancing; and conjuring, by individuals or any number of persons eligible in the appropriate section. (Entries will be grouped into classes according to numbers received. No item may exceed five minutes in duration. All music is to be supplied by the competitors. Entries for this class must be on the form below and delivered to the Convenor by Monday 9 April 1978. NO ENTRIES IN ADULT SECTION.)

ENTRY FORM FOR ARTS AND CRAFTS COMPETITION
1978, MUSICAL & ENTERTAINMENT CLASS

NAME _____

SCOUT GROUP _____

AGE ON 29 APRIL 1978 _____

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM _____

MUSIC BEING USED, IF KNOWN _____

Time of performance before judges will be sent to all competitors before the date of the competition

Arts and Crafts

(continued)

5. The Plinston Trophy will be awarded for one year to the Group with the greatest number of points gained in the Cub Scout and Scout sections. Groups with more than one Cub pack will have their points added separately to those of the Scout troop (and vice versa). Groups with equal plural numbers of Cub packs and Scout troops will have these sections paired by mutual agreement before the day of the competition.
6. Separate trophies will be awarded to the sections gaining most points: the Blaxland Trophy for the Cub Scout pack, and the Watson Trophy for the Scout troop. Any two or more packs or troops within the same group will be entered separately for these trophies. The Eaves Trophy will be awarded to the individual gaining the highest number of points in any or all of the classes in the Adult section.
7. Points will be given as follows. 5 for best exhibit in section; 4 for first prize; three for second prize; two for third prize; one point at judges' discretion for each highly commended entry. The best item in each section will not qualify for any other award of points. Extra points will be awarded in the Cub Scout section to the Cub packs according to the order of number of entries (that is, the pack with most entries receives 13 points, the next 12, etc.)
8. Winners of the trophies will return them to the Convenor not later than the day preceding the exhibition next year.
9. There is no entry fee, and no limit on the number of entries.
10. Leaders of each pack and troop, and individual Adult entrants, are responsible for delivering entries to the exhibition and removing them between 3.30 and 4 pm on the day of the exhibition. The Convenor and his assistants cannot accept responsibility for entries not collected at these times.
11. No one will remove exhibits from the hall without notifying the Convenor or one of his assistants.
12. Judges will be appointed by the Convenor. Except in special circumstances, no person will be appointed as a judge who holds office in any part of the Scout organization in this District.
13. The Convenor reserves the right to cancel a class for any reason or to limit the number of points for a class with a small number of entries.
14. Each entry will have an official identification label, yellow for Cub Scouts, green for Junior Scouts, pink for

Senior Spouts, and white for Adults, correctly filled in and securely attached. 15. An exhibit can only be entered for one year's competition..

Present holders:

Plinston Trophy, Eighth Letchworth Group
Blaxland Trophy, Seventh Letchworth and Eighth Letchworth Dorian Cub Scout packs, jointly.

Watson Trophy, First-Third Letchworth Scout Troop.

Eaves Trophy, Mrs. Josephine Sullivan, Fifth Letchworth Group Council.

The Scout Fellowship

OUR VOYAGE HAS BEGUN, and the Fellowship will again be dropping anchor in the appropriate sounding Cruise Room at the Settlement, at 8 pm on Friday 17 March. This is to continue the nostalgic mood of the previous gathering there, and to let Fellows show the treasured photos, logbooks, or other souvenirs they didn't bring last time. Two of KJ's sound films will be shown - "Auvergne 1970" and "The Lofotfilm" about which Melville Balsillie said "Some of those shots were quite good."

Because of limited space; this meeting is for MEMBERS ONLY - that is, those who have filled in their pink forms and paid their £1 Fellowship fee. Our Purser will be at the door with plenty more forms for those who want to sign on there, and official SF cards will be issued.

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On Thursday 13 April, it's the JMT Reunion. If you were involved in any of Jim's Mystery Tours, as competitor, driver, or general dogsbody, you are invited to DHQ, Icknield Way, Letchworth, from 8.15 for a unique historical review, prior to Jim's "retirement" (!) at 60, and the launching of JMT8 in the autumn. If you know the whereabouts of any JMT veterans, please pass on this invitation. There is no obligation to join the Fellowship on this occasion.

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For those who do care to come aboard, the Fellowship plans to make courtesy calls at Group AGMs, and to run an Explorer badge course at "Cubilee". We shall be in action at the District Scout and Guide camp, and the Family Camp, and any other event where we might be useful and can share the fun. Anyone over 18 who doesn't want to be too deeply committed is welcome in the Scout Fellowship.