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OFFICIAL NEWS-IETTER of LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK & ASHWELL SCOUTING.

D.C. visits Home Safety Quiz Finals

I was delighted to be at the final of the Home Safety Quiz between Hitchin and Letchworth which was organised by Mrs. Tessa Trueman of the North Herts District Council.

The Final was between 2nd. Hitchin Cubs and 7th. Letchworth Cubs. In a nail-biting finish the 7th. Letchworth won by one point. (There had to be three tie-breaker questions at the end to decide the winner. Ed)

I am sure that you all would wish me to congratulate the 7th. Cubs on winning for Letchworth. I congratulate everyone who took part, for talking with Mrs Trueman after the contest she spoke of the high standard of both Districts.

Peter Norton

BADGE SHOP----

- new arrangements:

Those who attended the District AGM will know that Mrs Mary Deary has resigned as Badge Secretary and that Mr & Mrs Bridge of 159, Baldock Road, Letchworth have taken over from her.

They will operate from their home on Monday and Thursday evenings, from 19.00 to 20.30 hrs starting on Monday 13th. June 1983.

Peter Norton

OPERATION FERRET..- RESULTS:-

Place	Points	Troop
1	50	1/3L and 4L 4L declared winners after a tie-break.
3	49	12L
4	43	5L
5	42	8L and 11L
7	41	7L

See last week's Citizen Gazette for details.

Lost & Found Col...-

FOUND: A Gold Watch has been found by the camp fire at Nortonbury during the weekend of 30th April 1983. The claimant should contact Mrs Eileen Phillips, 29, Haselfoot, Letchworth 71705

LOST: A number of GSL's (or their representatives) on the last Thursdays of the Month at Nortonbury, where they should be found collecting their Group's Co-ordinators!

FELLOWSHIP DATES..-

Wednesday 15th. June: Evening Coach Mystery Tour; meet at Arena Car Park at 19.30hrs. Cost £1.50. Contact Ken Bridge Letchworth 73874 to book seats.

Saturday 25th. June: Midsummer Madress Party, Fancy Dress Tramps' Supper at Nortonbury. Cost £2.50 per ticket from Alan Wright, Letchworth 5768.

Wednesday 6th. July: Evening visit to Bennington Lordship Gardens, 19.45 hrs Cost £1.66 each inclusive. Details of transport etc., later.

Join in the above events and have fun.

CUBS' FIRST AID COMPETITION - 1961 - 1983 - -

Back in 1961 this District saw the first of the Cubs' First Aid Competitions, and this gave everyone a realisation of the benefits of starting First Aid Training to boys at an early age.

With the exception of 1975, there has been a competition every year since, some of them out of doors in a 'camping' environment . . . and others inside if the weather was not good.

The results over the years are:

1961 - 4L	1969 - 7L	1976 - 8L(A)
1962 - 4L	1970 - 7L	1977 - 7L
1963 - 5L	1971 - 1B	1978 - 8L(D)
1964 - 9L	1972 - 7L	1979 - 7L
1965 - 7L	1973 - 7L	1980 - 7L
1966 - 4L	1974 - 7L	1981 - 11L
1967 - 7L	1975 - no	1982 - 11L
1968 - 7L	competition	1983 - 7L

this year's results - - -

TEAM	ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION	ARM & KNEE	CUT	BURN	TOTAL	POSITION
B - 7L	24	27	20	22	93	1
J - 11L	20	26½	19	24	89½	2
G - 1/3 L	18	25	19	22	84	3
F - 8L(D)	19	21½	22½	20	83	4
D-12L	14½	21½	20½	25½	82	5
A - 8L(A)	20	24½	17	20	81½	6
I - 1B(T)	20	23½	17½	16	77	7
C - 4L(M)	20	16	23	17½	76½	8
E - 1A	15½	19	19	20½	74	9
H - 1B(K)	18	22½	18½	11½	70½	10

What St John's said - - -

We are greatly impressed and very pleased with the much improved standards of First Aid at the above competition. The teams were a credit to their instructors.

The following are a few comments which we hope will be helpful:-

BURN of HAND: To combat shock always loosen tight clothes at neck, chest and waist.

BRUISED ARM & LOOSE KNEE BANDAGE AT SPORTS DAY: Do sit patient down and then enquire what happened. Stay with patient and send a message

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by an adult, if possible, for Parent or Guardian, or 'phone.

ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION: When finding a person on the ground, speak to him; if he does not answer check if he is breathing (hand on chest, cheek against his nose and mouth). If not breathing clear mouth then give artificial respiration until he breathes himself.

When placing in the 'recovery position' after rolling him on to his side, draw leg up FIRST then do the rest.

Always loosen tight clothing and keep warm with coats or blankets.

CUT HAND: Do sit or lay patient down to combat shock. Look for foreign bodies in the wound. Do not use antiseptic neat - always dilute it, and remove adhesive plaster gently.

*A. Savage S.R.N. W. V. Savage
(St. John's)*

Changes at Nortonbury--

There are three recent changes on the Nortonbury Management Committee in which Co-ordinator readers will be interested:

1. Barbara Crombie has resigned as Secretary. The new Secretary is Lesley Lowe, of 114 Icknield Way, Letchworth. (Tel: 72641)
2. Barbara Crombie is now the QM, responsible for all consumables at the centre, and to whom all requests for consumables should be made.
3. Helen Frankland resigned from the job of Booking Secretary on 1st. April.
Her successor is Hazel Liddle of 53, The Crescent Letchworth.
(Tel: 2798)

We will be very pleased to help you in any way concerning Nortonbury, so please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any information or assistance.

Lesley Lowe
Lesley Lowe (Mrs)
Secretary.

AN INVITATION--

YOU, THE READER, AND YOUR FRIENDS
ARE HEREBY INVITED

TO attend the Nortonbury A. G. M. on
Wednesday 8th. June 1983, at 20.00hrs
at Nortonbury.

Bring your raffle tickets with you as you may win a prize when this is drawn during the meeting.

If you have any queries, please contact me.

Lesley Lowe, Secretary.
Letchworth 72641.

YOUR NEXT CO-ORDINATOR--

The next Co-ordinator collection date is Thursday 30th. June 1983.

All copy for the July edition must be received at 47, Highfield by Sunday 26th. June 1983.

J.F.B. (Editor)

CO-ORDINATOR EDITOR GETS BLAST!

criticism by readers...

Hurrah! At last a letter to the Editor! Co-ordinator readers are certainly reading their news-letter in gratifying depth.

Over the past few months I have printed a number of prevocative (albeit, I hope, un-harmful) comments and have been waiting for some reaction which would prove that this publication was really read and therefore worth the effort put in to produce it.

In issue 282 the Barton Shield results were published, accompanied by the comment: "What a pity that no entries were received from 4L, 10L, 11L, 1A, 1B and 2B!"

One of the Groups mentioned has written to say that they were not happy with this comment. In fact "...a considerable effort to enter a team from xL had been made by the Cub Scout Leader concerned, and when the team entry did not materialise she felt unnecessarily castigated by..." the above comment.

As the Barton Shield is a Scout Competition I wonder how her Cubs would have fared had she succeeded in getting a team?

The majority of Leaders co-operate extremely well in collecting (or getting collected) their co-ordinators and distributing them on time. My provocative comments are intended to chivvy up the ones who regularly leave me with a pile of un-collected co-ordinators! Or to create an awareness of something.

It seems that my comments have been taken to heart by a Group which really is functioning well, instead of one which could do with a bit of a 'chivvy'. Perhaps the ones that need it don't read Co-ordinator?

JFB.

GANG SHOW NEWS

Things are going well towards getting the Show on stage in November.

Some items have already been cast, and the 'Costumes' team have been meeting and arranging their wrk programme.

The next rehearsals:- 18.00hrs on
Sat 28 May: Ventures, Rangers & Scouters.
Sat 11 June: Scouts & Guides. 16.00hrs.
Sst 25 June: Ventures 18.00hrs.

Jumbo at fifth..

5L are to hold a

JUMBO JUNK SALE on 18 June, 14.30hrs
at their HQ in Spring Rd, Letchworth.

Their Chairman, Jim Jurdon, says they will be happy to 'rescue' your junk (but preferably saleable) at their Scout HQ, or if you can't get it to them please contact Jim on Letchworth 2265, and he will make arrangements to get it.

HOME SAFETY QUIZ - - -

keen competition from Hitchin..

Since the D.C's report, on page 1 of this co-ordinator, we have received a letter from Mrs Truman, The District Council Home Safety Officer, concerning the quiz and its possible future; this will be of interest to all Cub Leaders and is as follows:-

"Congratulations to the team of Seventh Letchworth Cubs who won the Home Safety Quiz for Letchworth last Wednesday. It was an enjoyable occasion and one which proved that the boys can do extremely well.

We hope you will enjoy having the cup for the year. It seems likely we may
→ try to repeat the quiz and perhaps make it an annual event.

Will you please convey to all the boys who came as observers my compliments on their good behaviour. They really were a credit to the Scouting body."

Yours sincerely,

Tessa Truman

Tessa Truman (Mrs)
Home Safety Officer

Our congratulations go also to 2nd Hitchin Cubs for putting up such a good fight in the final. JFB (Editor)

Fun for Scouts - - -

The special additional opportunities for Scouts, as mentioned on page 6 of this edition, will include:

Abseiling, Archery, Backwoods Camping, Camp Fires, Car Mechanics, Climbing, Competitions, Conservation, Hikes, Orienteering, Pioneerering, Team Sports, Wide Games etc.

Not everything on the list will be available at every site, but there will probably be others not mentioned.

If your boys are set on some particular activity, get them to write to the Warden of the Camp Site they would like to visit to see whether it will be available there.

In the next col. is information for your boys as to how they can 'get into the action'.

SCOUTS - HOW TO GET INTO THE ACTION!

First, read page 6 of this Co-ordinator, then make sure with your parents that its alright for you to go, and tell your Scout Leader. Choose the Site that suits you best for dates, activities and travel - then you just turn up!

It will help everyone if you let the Warden know in advance if you are coming with a number of other Scouts.

You'll need suitable activity gear, whatever else.

If you are going to camp, you will have to bring tent & equipment, and bread & milk enough to get you started. You'll be able to buy the rest of your food at the Camp Store at fair prices.

And don't forget to bring the money to cover the fee (65p per person) and whatever you'll need to buy.

SCOUT LEADERS - here's an opportunity for your boys!

WHERE THE ACTION IS - AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MORE SCOUTING FOR BOYS

Four of the National Camp Sites are offering Scouting activities during certain weeks this summer. The D.C. has copies of a general leaflet together with one copy of each of four special leaflets and a supply of individual leaflets for the Sites within reasonable travelling distance of this District.

This is a worthwhile effort to provide more Scouting for more Scouts without Leaders having to be involved.

Perhaps the most important feature of this scheme is being able to say to our boys "Come for a day, camp overnight if you like. Come alone or bring a Scout friends. Or collect as many of the Troop as you like and bring them, or bring the lot"

The arrangements for this scheme are simple and flexible, and the object of this announcement is to get the support of all Leaders in bringing this opportunity to the knowledge of all Scouts in your Troop and encouraging them to grasp the opportunity to enjoy more Scouting.

HERE'S WHERE THE ACTION IS:

FRYLANDS WOOD	23rd - 30th JULY.	WALTON FIRS	20th - 27th AUGUST.
TOLMERS	30th JULY - 13th AUGUST.	PHASEL5WOOD	22nd - 29th AUGUST.

WHAT IT WILL COST:

65p per head covers all activities and it costs nothing extra to camp for the night.

WHAT WILL THEY GET & HOW WILL THEY GET IT?

All these details will be found on page 5 of this edition of CO-ordinator.

WHO ARE THE CONTACTS?

Ira Chapman, Frylands Wood Scout Camp Site, Featherbed Lane, Croydon, CRC 9AA (Sanderstead (01-657) 1154.)

Alan George, Tolmers Scout Camp Site, Tolmers Rd, Cuffley, Herts, (Cuffley (0707-87) 2900)

Bill Cook, Walton Firs Scout Camp Site, Burwood Park, Cobham, Surrey, KT11 1HB (Cobham (09326)3243.)

Alex Doughty, Phasels Wood. Scout Camp Site, Rucklers Lane, Kings Langley, Herts, WD4 9NA. (H/H'sted (0442)52851)