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CUBS' FIRST AID COMPETITION.

date, place & times - - -

This year's Cubs' First Aid Competition is to be held on SATURDAY 19th. MAY at '8L HQ, Sparhawke, Grange Estate', and the times for the Packs to attend are as follows:-

10.00hrs	12L	11.05hrs	11L
10.15	7L	11.20	1A
10.30	8L(D)	11.30	4L(B)
10.40	8L(A)	The British Red	
10.50	1/3L	Cross are judging.	

The dates and times for the examinations for the Cubs' First Aid Badges will be announced Later.

12L New Meeting times

As from 1st. May 1984, Twelfth Letchworth meeting times will be changed.

The Troop will meet on Thursdays, and the 'Laurie' and 'Chaucers' Packs will meet on Tuesdays and Wednesdays respectively.

The 12L AGM will be on 8th. May at 20.00hrs.

4L AGM-time & place - - -

The 4L AGM on 16th. May starts at 19.45hrs and will be held in St. Paul's Church Hall.

ANOTHER BATCH OF WINNERS!

If you have not yet joined the District Executive 100plus Club you are missing out on a chance to win £25.00, which amongst other cash prizes is given away each month. This month the winners are:

£25:	Don McKinnon.	Ticket No.	59.
£10:	5L Group.	" "	115.
£5:	Mrs Oldham.	" "	77.
£5:	5L Group.	" "	118.
£5:	Mrs Ruth Baker.	" "	22.

You can join by ringing Don McKinnon, on Baldock 893133. Why not have a go?

PLEASE REMEMBER:

There will be no Co-ordinator to be collected on May 31st.! The Reporter, the Editor, the Typist, The Printer, the Collator and the Distributer are all on holiday - unless someone volunteers to deputise FOR HIM the next Co-ordinator will be ready for collection from 47 Highfield on Thursday 28th June. (By the way, last month's edition IS STILL AWAITING COLLECTION BY BOTH VENTURE UNITS - everybody else has had their's.)

ASHWELL - the tie breakers -

In a nail biting finish, 1A finished off St. Ippolytts Team with a tie-breaker to win the North Herts/Abbey National 1984 Home Safety Quiz Final.

The teams comprised Cubs from Packs in North Hertfordshire, and those in cont'd next col.

the final were, from 1A;
8yr olds Samuel King & Daniel Horne,
9yr olds Ben Chapman & R. Earlebach,
10yr olds David Mills & Richard Travis.

St. Ippolytt's Cubs were:
8yr olds A. Plumb & H. Williams,
9yr olds Ben Foley & S. Hodgins,
10yr olds C. Hewlett & D. Cowleshaw.

THIS YEAR AT NORTON BURY

some things that will be done...

This year's Norton Bury Management Committee's Hen. Secretary Lesley Lowe has given Co-ordinator the following information regarding Norton Bury:-

"The Corporation has renewed the lease for the top field with effect from 1st. April 1984.

The AGM has been arranged for Monday 2nd. July, when the Raffle will also be drawn.. This year the first prize is £150.00 voucher for any John Lewis store (eg Welwyn Department Store, Robert Sayles, etc.). Other prizes include a Coffee Percolator, a Radio, a Calculator and Beauty Treatment.

When the Grand Raffle Tickets are distributed a new 'information sheet' about Norton Bury will also be given out. Please make sure you buy some tickets and do your best to encourage your boys to sell them.

We have now embarked on the refurbishment of the ablution Block, which we hope to be completed by Easter, and the profits from the raffle are already allocated!

Inside the house we plan to turn the 'dust hole' in the Activity Room into an Activity Cupboard, and any games, books, jigsaws, etc. will be greatly appreciated.

Finally, a plea to all Leaders: Please make sure that your boys arrive at Norton Bury IN SMART UNIFORM.

Thank you, and good luck for the raffle!" (Lesley Lowe).

URGENT WARNING: Don't use your Canoes

unless they have been registered! To date VERY FEW canoes have been registered for this year.

To use a non-registered canoe CANCELS the Scout Assn. Member's Insurance Policy.

It is the Leader's responsibility to ensure that any canoes used by his boys are registered, even if they do not belong to his Group!

The 1984/85 Registration Plate is coloured Orange and if it is not stuck on the canoe the canoe must not be used on Scouting Activities. (Dave Liddle)

For Your Diary:

MAY. See your April CO-Ordinator pg 3,

JUNE:

- 4 CSL's Meeting N/Bury 20.00hrs
- 4 PL's Council 4L HQ 20.00hrs
- 7 Dist Exec N/Bury 20.00hrs
- 9 Scouts' Operation 'Who Dares' (Details at PL's Council)
- 15 Cuba' District Camp at N/Bury on the theme of 'Olympics'
- (17 Cub Camp finishes.)
- 16 Gang Show Rehearsal for Scouts and Guides 8L HQ 17.00hrs
- 24 Last Day for news for July Co-ord.
- 28 Co-ordinator Collection 20.00hrs
- 30 Scouts' Icknield Shield Comp. (Details at PL's Council)
- 30 7L Wilbury Fair Wilbury Playing Field, 14.00hrs

CUBS' GANG SHOW
REHEARSAL - - -
SUNDAY 13TH MAY
at 8L HQ at 15.00hrs.
CSL's: Please remind
your Cubs - we need
more cubs in the show.

district directory--

Please note that Graham Smith's new address is:-
 35, Lamb Meadow, Arlesey, Beds.
 Phone: Hitchin 834629.

SUBS/MEMBERSHIP FEES by 'DEED OF COVENANT' - - -

Cubs and Scouts' Parents who pay Income tax at the standard rate on part of their income should have their attention drawn to the advantage (to us) of paying their sons' subs and membership fees by 'deed of covenant', for a period capable of exceeding three years. Four years as the minimum is the period usually chosen.

Under this scheme, the Parent enters into an agreement to pay his sons' subs/membership fees to the Group. The agreement is signed under seal; this condition is conveniently satisfied by the attachment of an adhesive wafer, obtainable from any law stationer.

Having done this, the Parent's payment is treated, for income tax purposes, as being the Group's income and not that of the Parent. The Parent will, however, have already paid tax on his income from which he paid his son's subs, so the Group - being a charity - may claim a refund of that tax already paid.

For example, if a Parent agrees to pay £13.00 a year for four years, the argument to the income tax authorities is:-

"To the Chief Inspector of Taxes (Claims), Stanley Precinct, Bootle, L69 9BB.
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Mr A. has entered into a binding agreement to pay us a subscription for four years, and the money this represents is accordingly not considered part of his income for that period."...(Income and Corporation Act 1970, S.434)..."But you have already had tax on a gross amount of £20.00 which was not then his income.

So we, as a charity exempt from income tax, call on you to hand over to us the £7.00 tax which you took from the money whilst it was in Mr A's hands."

And if the agreement with Mr A. (which is called a "covenant") is in order, the income tax authorities will do so; and the Group thus gets £20.00 - (that is £13.00 paid by Mr A. and the £7.00 obtained from the income tax authorities), whilst Mr A. still pays only what he has previously promised, namely £13.00 out of his taxed income.

The form for re-claiming the tax each year can be obtained from the Bootle office. The first year that tax is reclaimed, the Covenant must be sent in with the form; and each year there must also be included a certificate: eg (form R185 (A.P.)), obtainable from the Chief Inspector of Taxes (Claims), and signed by the parent, is sent on the first and last year, and in intervening years form R248A is completed, on which all deeds of covenant are listed where the annual payment on each is less than £30.00 (or other stated figure)

Further details, together with a specimen 'Covenant Form' can be obtained from 'The Scout Association - Legal Department' by asking for their handout titled 'Subscription by Deed of Covenant'.

J.F.Baker, ADC(PR).

SCOUTS - WE NEED YOU
at the 1st rehearsal for the GANG SHOW
ON SATURDAY 16TH JUNE 1984
at 8L HQ, Sparhawk Grange Estate
at 17.00 hrs. please don't forget!

It was a great disappointment that no Scouts entered the Music Festival!