



## CO-ORDINATOR N° 303.

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# SCOUTING & UNEMPLOYMENT.

There is now available from BP House, fact sheets in a folder describing the work of the 'Scouting and Unemployment Programme', and advising on responses received locally.

As you may already know, certificates are already available to help job-seekers who hold the Queen's and Chief Scout's Awards, and if you have any boys who fall into this category you can obtain the certificates by sending a 31cm x 15cm stamped addressed envelope with your request to 'The Scouting & Unemployment Programme Officer, Baden-Powell House, Queen's Gate, London, SW7 5JS.'

A certificate is now being issued, similar to the above, but applicable to Wood-Badge holders. New recipients of the Wood Badge will receive one automatically, but those who already hold the Wood Badge may order one direct, sending a SAE as above.

VENTURE SCOUTS: HQ has prepared a pack of information and advice sheets for unemployed Venture Scouts, and it is suggested that all Units should have these. They are available free of charge, but packaging and postage costs 50p which must be enclosed when sending for these from the address above.

## The Scout Shop--

bad news: We shall close for the summer break after business on July 25th., and re-open on September 3rd.

So, quick orders for camp NOW, please. Of course if you are really desperate you can ring Letchworth 682752 at any time in the holiday - whether we can help you is another matter!

now the good news: Starting on September 3rd., we shall be trading from 18.30 - 20.00hrs on Tuesdays & Thursdays, (an increase of ½ hr in each session) BUT we must make it clear that we have to begin to clear the Hall at 20.00hrs. Please, therefore, arrive at the Shop in good time, and ensure that your buying is completed by 20.00hrs.

Those of you who use the Shop regularly will know that we have Leaders coming from as far away as Gamlingay, Aston, Huntingdon, Benington, S. Stevenage & Henlow (to name but a few!); therefore, if local

### This month's Quotation:

'Let only he who is perfect complain of the diligent efforts of others' A. Wiseman.

leaders can come early it would be most helpful, and might even help to disperse the human traffic jam!

Thanks for your help & have a good holiday,

*Paul & Peter Barker*

P.S. We have a considerable quantity of 24mm & 16mm Sisal Rope which is occupying useful space at our house! It is being sold at last year's price and also comes with a 15% discount. First come, first served!

P.P.S. We also have 2 two man tents - a Chieftain and a Rambler 200. Also at last year's prices AND 15% discount. Any takers?

## YOUR NEXT CO-ORDINATOR:

The SEPTEMBER CO-ORDINATOR is to be printed during the last week of August - 25th. Aug is the deadline for news!!! Don't collect your copies - Laurie Cook has kindly agreed as the Scout trop is closed that week.

# Scouts' Activities - - -

The Scouts' Cooking Competition, the 'Tippett Trophy', will be held on 29th. September, at Norton Bury, and the Scout Leaders have met and agreed the menu and rules. Copies of these will be made available to Troops before the summer holiday so that patrols may practice their skills prior to the event.

SL Frank Lax will be organising the Swimming Gala for the Scouts this year. It will be held at Stevenage Swimming Pool again this year, a joint decision reached after consultation with the Cub Scout Leaders, on November 2nd.

The ADC(Scouts) is investigating possible alternative venues for the next 'Operation Nightjar', and further details will be given later.

SL Peter Elmers is now the Scout Section representative on the District Executive Committee for 1985/6.

7 Letchworth Scout Troop have 'mislaid' 2 canoes, named 'Pike' and 'Delta'!!!!

Anyone know where they are?

## The Icknield Shield - - -

This competition, based on standing patrols of a Troop undertaking a hike and an over-night camp on a pre-arranged route, was extended this year to include participation by composite patrols

Standards were higher this year but it was a great shame that out of the scores of patrols in the district only three Troops entered a standing patrol! And only three others entered a composite. What happened to the rest of you?

The results. in marks out of 1,000, are as follows:-

Standing Patrols (min 4 members)			
Place	Troop	Patrol	Marks
1	11L	Golf	924
2	11L	India	872
3	11L	Juliet	814
4	4L	Echo	776
5	1A	Alpha	769
6	1A	Bravo	734

The composite patrol results are in the next col.

## Icknield Shield results (Cont'd)

Composite Patrols (min 4 members)			
Place	Troop	Patrol	Marks
1	7L	Foxtrot	868
2	12L	Kilo	847
3	11L	Hotel	737
4	2B	Delta	678

The boys whose patrols achieved the three highest sets of marks were:-

### 11L Golf (Hawk Patrol)

Chris Bates	PL	)	
Neil McCallion	APL	)	
James Granger		)	924 Marks.
John Elvin		)	

### 11L India (Kestrels)

Dean Kemp	PL	)	
Andrew Tolputt	APL	)	
Paul Nauton		)	872 Marks.
Fergus Maxwell		)	

### 7L Foxtrot (Composite)

Graham Cox	PL	)	
Graham Wright	APL	)	
James Blacker		)	868 Marks.
Mark Beaumont		)	

# CUBS' ACTIVITIES --- and a 'knockout' appeal to C.S.Ls --

The date for the Cubs' 'It's a Knock-out' competition is July 14th. (It was changed from July 7th!), and it starts at 14.30hrs. It will be held at Norton Bury.

All Cub Scout Leaders are asked, by the ADC(Cubs), to ensure that AT LEAST ONE LEADER FROM EACH PACK meets her on Sunday 14th. at 09.25hrs at Norton Bury, so that from 09.30 to 10.30hrs they can work with her to ensure all preparations are made in readiness for the afternoon's activities. It is to be hoped that no-one will be unable to respond to this request nor 'chicken-out'!!

The entrance fee is 10p per boy, and they should be at Norton Bury in good time for the events to start at 14.30hrs promptly.

The 1st Baidock Cubs' Six-a-side Football team, as you know, won the District elimination contest and went on to represent us in the finals of the County Competition. Our congratulations go to them for getting so far, and our commiserations go to them as runners-up to Hitchin who won the County Trophy. Well done 1B.

The Swimming Gala, as reported on page 2, will be held on 2nd. November at the Stevenage Swimming Pool together with the Scouts' entries. Full details will be published later.

No celebrations have yet been planned for Hertfordshire, to celebrate the seventieth anniversary of Cubbing. We'll let you know when we hear more from County.

The Cubs' District Camp (Camelot and all that) was a great success, with sun and fine weather on the weekend of 14+/15/16 June at Norton Bury. Some Leaders told our reporter that it was the best-ever Cub Camp they had attended! The climax, when everyone, including the District Commissioner, got soaked with water will live in the memories of the Cubs for many a long day! (I bet the D.C. doesn't forget it in a hurry either!).

## DISTRICT TEAM..

The District Team, comprising the Section ADCs, the District Scout Leaders, the Dist., Cub Scout Leaders and the PRO, still meet regularly under the chairmanship of the DC, to review the progress of the District and all the Groups therein, and determine where and what help is needed in any part of the District.

Where any Group needs help or support in any

way the District Team is there to provide what is needed - and team members are currently 'outposted' providing help in with a number of Groups.

Items currently under consideration by the team include:

The possibility of arranging

- i) A District Sponsored Walk.
- ii) A District 'Jamboree' or Fun Event.
- iii) Special Award Presentation Functions.
- iv) Increased usage of Norton Bury.

If you have any suggestions for improving anything in the district pass it on to a Team Member.



# GANG SHOW '85



Do you know that the District Gang Show started a birthday 30 years ago, and apart from a break of five years is still going strong? So the Show 26th - 30th November this year will be our 25/30th birthday. And there are two things to be done to ensure we have a 'happy birthday', apart from staging the best ever show - one is for you to do and the other for us to do: your part is to publicise the show wherever and whenever you can and get as many people to come as possible; as for our part, we've done that already by reducing the top price for admission to the show from £2.00 to £1.75, thereby making all seats (Weds to Sat) £1.75, with children and OAP's paying only £1.00. The Tuesday seats are all only 75p.

We resume rehearsals on Saturday 7th. September, and again its up to you to help us by telling your boys who are in the show, and REMINDING them again, nearer the time. Thank you in anticipation of your continued help.

## CANOEING - BCU- STAR TEST RESULTS.

A Training Course at Letchworth Swimming Pool for canoeing was held over a 3 week period and was attended by 15 Scouts, one Guide and 2 Parents.

After a full day's practice on Saturday 29th June, they took their tests for the BCU star awards on Sunday, with the following results:-

### 1 Star Awards:

John Dixon	12L Parent.
Richard Golborne	1B
Stephen Beardsall	12L
Bruce Bealby	5L
Ian Wright	7L
Shaun Howard GSL	7L & Parent.
Ian Speltinckx	8L
Matthew Aldridge	1B
Dean Parr	BSVSU & 11L
Andrew Smith	12L
Derrick May	8L
Simon Olley	12L
James Brannan	1B
Paul Thomason	12L
Sindy Dixon	Guide
Andrew Howard	8L

Awards cont'd in next col.

### BCU Awards (Cont'd)

#### One plus Two Star Awards:

Darren Dixon	12L
Adam Humphries	8L
Jason Urbani	1B

#### Two Star Awards:

Christopher Chapman	11L
Karl Speltinnkx	8L

## CHARGE CERTIFICATES ---

At a meeting of the Herts Scouts' Water Activities Section it was decided that the standard required for a person to hold a 'Canoe Charge Certificate for B1 Waters' is to be as follows:-

To hold a current BCU 1 Star Award, plus the ability to rescue others.

If you have any queries please contact Dave Liddle on Letchworth 682798.

## FUTURE ISSUES ---

Co-ordinator will in future be printed ready for issue on the last Thursday of the month, eg. the particular month's edition will be available on the last Thursday of the preceeding month.

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