

CO-ORDINATOR

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THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF LETCHWORTH AND BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL.

Free to Leaders and Group Officers: £1.20 annually to others.

Dates for the diary

March	6th-8th	Peak Assault.		
	9th	District Cub Scout Leaders' Meeting	8 pm	Norton Bury.
	11th	District Executive Committee meeting	8 pm	Norton Bury.
	15th	District Cub 5-a-side Competition		Hitchin College.
	16th	District Group Scout Leaders' Meeting	8 pm	11L
17th-31st		DC ON HOLIDAY - ALL ENQUIRIES TO COLIN PHILIPS.		
	21st	Arts and Crafts Competition		Highfield School.
April	2nd	10L AGM		
	3rd-5th	Patrol Leaders' Training Weekend.		
	8th	District Executive Committee Meeting	8 pm	Norton Bury.
:	20th-25th	Gang Show		Plinston Hall.
	27th	District Cub Scout Leaders' Meeting	8 pm	Norton Bury.
:	27th-28th	Icknield Shield.		
	28th	2B AGM.		
	29th	4L AGM.		

*********************** # DATA PROTECTION ACT # Notice to all Holders of Scout # Appointments:-# We propose to maintain Leader Records # # on a computer, and are required under # the above to give you the opportunity # to object. We shall record details # # of appointments, awards and training, # # and addresses. These details will # # not be made available outside the # # Should you wish to dismovement. # # cuss this, please contact Bob Williams, # # District Secretary. # #

Capitation

The capitation fee bas increased again this year, and is payable for all members of the movement, INCLUDING BEAVER SCOUTS. The District Quota bas been increased by 5p, after being held for many years:

HQ £5.25
County £1.20
District £0.55

Total £7.00

My job in the district

6. Anne Lilley, ADC (Cub Scouts)

What is my job? After only six months I am still finding out.

My main concern is being able to communicate with all the Cub Scout Leaders, listening to their problems and trying to help. Having been a Leader, I find it easier to step in and run a pack meeting at short notice when needed. I am visiting all Packs and enjoy meeting the Cubs. I think it is important that they get to know me. My job is to assist Leaders, not to take over; they are the people who do all the good work with the boys. I am at meetings to chair and advise if necessary.

I feel we must have more contact with the Scout section, so liaison with the ADC Scouts is important, also to bave a good working relationship with the DC, Training Team, Venture Unit and the Fellowship. Attending County functions and visiting other Districts brings new ideas and helps to improve standards.

No one person can shoulder all the running of the Cub Section, so delegation is essential, and with three first-class District Cub Scout Leaders my task is much lighter.

A big problem is the shortage of Leaders, and without than Packs cannot run with full efficiency, however willing Leaders may be.

Next month: Mike Mansfield, District Treasurer.



The Gold Arrow

Congratulations to: Lee Devereaux 10L Stephen Brody 11L Edward Riley 12L Stephen Hawkins 11L

Warrants

Warrants have been approved for:-

Malcolm Bartlett Assistant Scout Leader 10L
Dean Parr Assistant Scout Leader 11L
Michael Rollason Assistant Scout Leader 1B

The next meeting of the Warrants Committee will be on Wednesday, 18th March at 8 pm at Norton Bury.

Cub Scouts

- 1. Please note: Leaders' meeting 11th May now changed to 27th April.
- District 5-a-side Competition, 15th March, Hitchin College. Queries to Mark Simmons. All cubs must be under eleven years old.
- ALL RAINBOW BADGES SHOULD NOW HAVE BEEN REMOVED.

Wanted

Gang Show costume ladies need BROWN TIGHTS, BROWN HIGH-NECKED JUMPERS, CHECK MATERIAL - DRESSES OR SKIRTS OLD CURTAINS - NOT OLD JUMBLE.

Contact Anne Lilley.

NORTON BURY

Norton Bury needs a new Secretary, as Lesley and Andrew Lowe, our long-serving Secretary and Quartermaster, are moving away. We are very sorry to lose than, and thank than for their sterling service.

Anyone who can, and will act as Secretary for our monthly meetings is asked to contact Barbara Cranbie (tel. 671062) or John Moys (tel. 685067).

NARCONON AND DRUG ABUSE

The following warning has been received from Scout Headquarters:

The 'Narconon' organisation, which is linked with the Church of Scientology, has recently approached Scouters in South-East England offering talks, counselling sessions and programmes on drug abuse, and drug prevention education.

The organisation also claims that it has given lectures to Scout Leaders.

Despite the way in which the organisation presents itself, we believe Narconon is primarily concerned with fund-raising and recruitment for the Church of Scientology.

JAMBOREE

Latest contributions to the Jamboree Fund:-

£100.00 1/3L £63.95 Eileen and Colin Philips fran Christmas card sales. £55.87 Fellowship 'Old Gold' collection. £33.21 Fellowship - profit from Swimming Gala.

MANY THANKS TO YOU ALL

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The carol singing at Tescos before Christmas raised £32.32 for Children in Need. Beech Springs VSU raised £72 for SOS SAHEL, a scheme for tree-planting in the desert.

Barn Dance

The next major fund-raising event for Jamboree funds is a Barn Dance at Willian Barn on 6th June. Tickets at £3.00 will include refreshments by the Fellowship and tombola.

WELL END

Well End require people to assist with the running of the site, and any assistance you can give, however small, will be appreciated. If you are only able to manage ONE day in the year to help the Warden, Keith Atkins, and his team, it will ease the burden.

Better still, why not organise YOUR Troop, Group, Unit or District Fellowship to help as a team during the year.

If you are able to help in any way, please contact the Warden, Keith Atkins, Hertfordshire Scout Activity Centre, Well End Road, Boreham Wood, Herts., telephone No. 01-953-2326.

LETCHWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUT FELLOWSHIP

All our "regular" meetings are fairly memorable, but Friday the Thirteenth of February was more memorable than most. We were lucky enough to acquire one of Hertfordshire Scouting's all-time superstars, whose reputation brought a packed house of all age groups, including two entire Scout troops who were especially welcome guests. So, too, were a delegation of Venture Scouts from Royston, whose presence seemed to inspire our speaker to his most stunning performance. He was, of course, ADC for Rover Scouts in Conrad Ascher's specialist subject was, of course, "Scouting and the Law", as he is, naturally, an expert in both. He was able to give very valuable advice to Scouts and Venture Scouts on what they might or might not get away with, in legal terms, and to all of us on the most useful things to say when we are arrested. Our legal responsibilities in charge of young people, and our own potential careers as magistrates were among the serious subjects covered in Conrad's unique style, which left us limp with laughter and, if not any wiser, a great deal better informed.

Now the Fellowship faces the big problem - "How do you follow that"? We just hope to have half as much fun with an evening of silly games to celebrate the Spring Equinox. Suitable scouting sustenance will be provided, AND IT SHOULD START IN FIRST/THIRD LETCHWORTH HQ AT 7.30 PM ON 21ST MARCH. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS AT £1.00 FOR GUESTS AND £0.80 FOR CARD-CARRYING FELLOWS.

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