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DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL.

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

## Dates for the diary

April	2nd	10th Letchworth AGM	7.30 pm	10L HQ
	4th	Gold Arrow Award Ceremony	11.00 am	1/3L HQ
	8th	District Executive Committee Meeting	8.00 pm	Norton Bury
	8th	7th Letchworth AGM	7.30 pm	7L HQ
	10th	1st/3rd Letchworth AGM	7.30 pm	1/3L HQ
	15th	<u>DISTRICT SCOUT LEADERS' MEETING</u>	7.30 pm	Norton Bury
	21st	Gang Show dress rehearsal	5.30 pm	Plinston Hall
	22nd	Gang Show	7.00 pm	Plinston Hall
	23rd	" "	7.00 pm	" "
	24th	" "	7.00 pm	" "
	25th	" "	7.00 pm	" "
	25th	" "	2.00 pm	" "
	25th	St. George's Day Colour Party rehearsal	10.30 am	Ashwell Church
	26th	St. George's Day Parade	2.30 pm	Ashwell Recreation Ground
	27th	GSLs meeting	8.00 pm	12L HQ
	27th	DCSLs Meeting	8.00 pm	Norton Bury
	28th	2nd Baldock AGM	7.00 pm	2B HQ
	29th	4th Letchworth AGM	7.30 pm	4L HQ
May	6th	1st Ashwell AGM	7.30 pm	1A HQ
	7th	Local Council Elections		
	8th	8th Letchworth AGM	7.30 pm	8L HQ
	8th	12th Letchworth AGM	7.45 pm	12L HQ
	11th	1st Baldock AGM	7.30 pm	1B HQ
	12th	11th Letchworth AGM	7.30 pm	11L HQ
	13th	DISTRICT AGM	7.30 pm	NHDC
	17th	GARDEN CITY WALK		
	20th	District Team Meeting	8.00 pm	Norton Bury

## ST GEORGE'S DAY

ON SUNDAY, 26TH APRIL, AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ASHWELL.

Form up on the Recreation Ground at Ashwell at 2.30pm, as directed by Steve Lusty. The Colour Party will be in the hands of John Chapman, and will rehearse on Saturday, 25th April between 10.30 am and noon.

After the service, groups will parade under colours back to the Recreation Ground, where they will be addressed before dismissal by Bridget Hunter, ACC (Cub Scouts). The collection at the service will be for SCOUTAID.

IF THE WEATHER IS INCLEMENT, PLEASE GO STRAIGHT TO THE CHURCH. IF IN DOUBT, PHONE FRED BETWEEN 11 AM AND NOON, BUT ONLY ABOUT THE WEATHER!

# My job in the district

## 7. MIKE MANSFIELD: DISTRICT TREASURER.

Most people in Scouting in our District are only really aware of the District Treasurer at the end of March and early April, because that is subscription time. Well, that's life!

In fact, he has quite a busy year, which just happens to start on All Fools Day, which is very convenient, as it coincides with lots of other organisations and, of course, the Tax Year as run by Great Britain Limited. The first real event in the DT's year is his election at the Annual Meeting of the District Scout Council, when two officers and up to six members are elected. Then he gets to work.

During the course of the year, various projects come up for consideration at the District Executive Committee which have to be costed and, if approved, funds made available. Of course, if it is a big scheme, then plans will be laid in good time to raise the extra money needed before it has to be spent. To help with this, towards the end of the working year a budget is drawn up of the District's money needs for the next year. This helps the DEC to decide the rate for the District Subscription.

The last major job in the year is to draw up the accounts for the past year in the form of a balance sheet for approval by the Annual Meeting of the District Scout Council.

As the annual subscription is the main source of income for the DEC, it represents the start of the financial year, so the DT is naturally very keen to receive them all as early in April as possible before the Annual Meeting. Besides these jobs for the DEC, the DT may be asked for advice by Group Treasurers on financial matters, such as fund raising.

All this adds up to quite a busy time, so please spare a thought for your DT at the end of March and early April each year!

Next month: Roger Comley - ADC Fellowship.

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## BEAVERS

The next County Beaver Leaders' Meeting will be on Wednesday, 3rd June, at 8.00 pm. at Hertford.

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## HANDCRAFT

All who attended the Handicraft Exhibition can testify to its success, and the high standard achieved in all classes. Thanks are due to - Anne Lilley, the Convenor; Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. Sexton, Mrs. Sawyer, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Stokes and Mrs. Davies, the Judges; Ruth and Peter Baker - who made the presentations; Bridget Hunter for her summing-up; the parents for their support, and the boys and leaders who took part.

### RESULTS:

#### Blaxland Trophy (Cub Scouts)

1A (B)  
8L (Aeolians)  
4L (Cavaliers)

#### Watson Trophy (Scouts)

1/3L  
12L  
4L )  
11L )

#### Eaves Trophy (Adults)

Janet Bitmead 8L  
Anne Drew 10L  
Mark Simmons 1A

#### Plinston Trophy (Overall)

1/3L  
1A  
4L



## *Letchworth & Baldock District* **Scout Fellowship**

**PLANTS** - flowers and vegetables will shortly be available for sale in aid of the Jamboree Fund. Contact Laurie Cook or Fred Cogar if you want to know more!

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*   A G M   A G M   A G M   A G M   A G M   A G M
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*   Every Scouter is expected at the District AGM,
*   which will be held at NHDC Offices, Gernon Road,
*   Letchworth
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*                               ON
*
*               WEDNESDAY, 13TH MAY AT 7.30 PM.
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*   Our guest will be the County Commissioner
*   Mr. John Bennett.
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*   Please attend in full uniform and come early for
*   a glass of wine.
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## Appointment

Andrew Brett, AVSL Beech Springs VSU, has been appointed District Mountaineering Acviser.



## The Gold Arrow

Congratulations to: Simon Parr, Matthew Goodship, Matthew Datson and Daniel Hanks, all of 1st Baldock.

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## FORMS!

REMEMBER! YOU MAY NOT CAMP WITHOUT A FORM PC. New forms forCubs, Scouts and Venture Scouts are available from the DC, or from your Sectional ADCs

NB: The fee has gone up to £2.50.

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## THANK YOU

To Letchworth Business Systems, Ickniel Way, Letchworth for their donation of 1,000 envelopes for use in the District.

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## CUBS

DISTRICT SIX-A-SIDE FOOTBALL

1st Ashwell (A) beat 2nd Baldock in the Final at Hitcin College. They now go n to play in the County Competition on 25th April.

DISTRICT CUB SCOUT LEADERS' MEETING, 27THMARCH

One representative is expected from each pack. You moan when you don't know anything, so please come

Anne Lilley

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## SCOUT SHOP

The Shop will be closed after trading on Thursda, 9th April, and will re-open on Tuesday, 28th April. SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE STILL NEEDED TO HELP AT THE SCOUT SHOP.

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## FOR HIRE

7th Letchworth have a canoe trailer and a box trailer for hire. The price is negotiable, but hirers must arrange their own insurance. Contact: John Wright, 128 Bedford Road, Letchworth, in the evenings, telephone 673779.



What Next?

# Fellowship

## Thriplow Daffodil Day

● GET YOUR TICKETS  
NOW from Chairman  
Laurie Cook,  
22 Hillshott,  
Letchworth

Sunday  
12 April  
1987

COACH leaving Arena car park,  
Letchworth 1400  
and returning 1700

ADULT £2.50

CHILD £1.50

COACH FARE AND  
ENTRANCE FEES  
INCLUDED



## MONEY



The District Treasurer would like all census returns and membership subscriptions as soon as possible, please. Mike will be away from 12th April, and all financial matters for the months of April and May will be handled by the Chairman, John Moys.

Have you seen the leaflet "Membership Subscription by Deed of Covenant"? Available from BP House.  
A good read for all group treasurers!

## GANG SHOW

LETCWORTH & BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

GANG SHOW 1987 PLINSTON HALL BROADWAY LETCWORTH

	WED 22	THURS 23	FRI 24	SAT 25	SAT 25
	EVENING	EVENING	EVENING	EVENING	MATINEE
ADULT	£2:50				
OAP/CHILD	£1.00				

Please send me the following tickets, I enclose a self addressed stamped envelope, and cheque for £ : made payable to L&B District Gang Show.

To: R.EDMETT (Box Office Manager)  
134, Bedford Road.  
LETCWORTH Herts SG6 4DZ  
Tel: LETCWORTH 671387

From . . . . .  
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A lot of folk have worked very hard to make this year's Gang Show a success. Support them and come  
Fill in this form today.



# FIRE!



## NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION YOUTH QUIZ

27TH MARCH, 1987

AT COUNTY HALL, HERTFORD.

Paul Light, James Grainger, Simon Hughes, Neil Westland with reserve Phil Scoot of 11th Letchworth became the County Champions with a total of 38 $\frac{1}{4}$  points, winning the 1st Round at Baldock and the Divisional Final at Stevenage. They were awarded the Trophy and a £25.00 cheque for the Troop, and a Polaroid camera for each team member.

Beaten finalists:-  
St. John's Ambulance Cadets, Berkhamsted.  
3rd Ware Scouts.  
1st Broxbourne Scouts.  
Chess Rangers, Rickmansworth.  
10th Harpenden Scouts.

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CANOE REGISTRATION and examination is now due for all canoes used on scouting activities in this district. Incorrect or non-registration as per POR renders the Scout Association insurance cover for leaders' liability invalid.

Local river licences are issued after registration containing details identifying the canoe, scout group, district and county. To register contact the District Canoe Adviser, Dave Liddle, 53 The Crescent, Letchworth, telephone 682798.

### CANOE COURSES FOR SCOUTS, LEADERS, INSTRUCTORS, ETC.

#### LETCWORTH OUTDOOR POOL AND RIVER GREAT OUSE.

TWO TYPES OF COURSE WILL BE RUN AS FOLLOWS:-

COURSE A: Designed for beginners. Dealing with elementary skills and leading to The British Canoe Fee: Union (BCU) 1 Star Award, which is the requirement for the Elementary Canoeist Scout £7.50. Proficiency Badge.

COURSE B: For those with, or capable of BCU 1 Star. Consists of more advanced skills and rescue techniques up to BCU 2 Star, which is the requirement for a Scout Canoe Charge Certificate.

Courses A and B will consist of three pool sessions of approx. 50 minutes each, held on Monday nights, plus a river training session and a river test session on the River Ouse. These will be held over a weekend and the tests will be conducted by Instructors and/or Senior Instructors of the BCU.

A & B fees include: Use of equipment, pool fees, badges and certificates (if successful). It does not include transport to and from any of the sessions.

NB: Those with their own equipment may find it to their advantage to bring it with them.

#### COURSE DATES AND TIMES ARE:-

<u>Pool sessions</u>	<u>Course No.</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Monday nights	A1 and B1	11th, 18th and 25th May.
between	A2 and B2	1st, 8th, 15th June.
7.00 & 9.00 pm.	A3 and B3	22nd, 29th June and 6th July.
	A4 and B4	3rd, 10th, and 17th August.

#### DETAILS FROM:-

Dave Liddle, 53 The Crescent, Letchworth.  
Telephone 682798.

# JAMBOREE

*Letchworth & Baldock Scout District*

## BARN DANCE

*at*

*Manor Farm, Willian.*

*Brian Hamilton Country Dance Band*

*Caller Brian Limerick*

*Saturday 6th June '87*

*8.00 till 11.30 p.m*

*Tickets £3.00 Supper incl:*

*Licensed Bar.*

*In aid of District Jamboree Funds*

We now have five boys attending the Jamboree. Congratulations to:-

Peter Thorogood	4L
Neil McCallion	)
Andrew Simms	) 11L
Christopher Bates	)
Lee Crossman	12L

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## ROTARY CLUB OF LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY



## THE GARDEN CITY 15 CHARITY WALK

Colin Phillips would like to hear from anybody who would be prepared to walk for the Jamboree Fund.  
Come and join us! Phone Colin now (tel: 671705).

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