

## **CO-ORDINATOR**

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## congratulations Colin

Colin Phillips, Assistant District Commissioner (Leader Training), was conspicuous by his absence at the St. George's Day Parade on Sunday. Whilst we were in Ashwell, Colin was at Windsor, being presented, at the national St. George's Day parade, with the SILVER ACORN 'for specially distinguished service' to scouting. Well done Colin!

## **Dates for thediary**

May	•	lst AshwellAGM Local Council Elections.	7.30 pm	1A HQ.
	8th	8th Letchworth AGM	7.30 pm	8L HQ.
	8th	12th Letchworth AGM	7.45 pm	12L HQ.
	11th	lst Baldock AGM	7.30 pm	1B HQ.
	12th	llth Letchworth AGM	7.30 pm	11L HQ.
	13th	DISTRICT AGM	7.30 pm	Council Chambers.
	17th	Garden City Walk.		
	20th	District Team meeting	8.00 pm	Norton Bury.
June	lst	District Cub Scout Leaders' Mtg.	8.00 pm	Norton Bury.
	6th	Jamboree Barn Dance	8.00 pm	Willian Barn.
	12th)			
	13th)	District Cub Camp		Norton Bury.
	14th)			
	27th) 28th)	Icknield Shield.		

# whoops!

Sincere apologies to 8th Dorians, who were somewhat put out when I credited Aeolians with second place in the Arts & Crafts Competition, when of course it should have been them. I'm grovelling lads, but delighted that you got to see and read Coordinator. How about you writing for it sometime - a report of something you've done perhaps?

### My job in the district

No. 8 - Roger Comley, ADC Scout Fellowship

The District Commissioner uses his 'team' of ADCs to develop the scout movement for all of us in the district. The Scout Fellowship has a 'team' which I try to use in the same way in conjunction with Laurie Cook, our Fellowship Chairman, (rule 1 - don't panic, rule 2 - ask for help).

To make our team develop we need to use all the resources available, and this is the purpose of an attractive programme to help us all to recognise our potential and use it, always keeping fun in mind. By attending gatherings of other fellowships, social, service or educational, the 'family' of our Fellowship will grow.

Our mixed sex membership is most effective, especially when we combine with the Trefoil Guild at every opportunity. Our Guide Show participation was very much appreciated as much as the involvement of 'various' members of all ages and sexes in our Gang Show 87.

By example I try to take advantage of many valuable experienced Fellowship members to learn how to use my potential. I am a member of the District Team and the Fellowship Team is available through Laurie Cook or me.

NEXT MONTH: Graham Smith, District Scout Leader.

#### **Fellowship**



The National Scout Fellowship Weekend is 12-14 June. Booking has to be made, so once again, please give names to Chairman Laurie!



TWO coffee mornings and botanic boutiques! 16 MAY and 6 JUNE, both at 22 Hillshott, Letchworth. A few working stewards would be welcome, please, as well as all the customers you can muster.



This is a District Event in aid of the Jamboree Fund. Fellowship members are required on the catering side: names to Laurie, please!



AND FOR OUR ROVERS (the Fellowship under 35) HEN '87 goes somewhere in Europe, 28 October to 1 November. Let's win it this time!. Keep in touch!

**RESIGNATION** 

Helen Wilson ACSL 4L(M)

#### **GANG SHOW**

The 1987 Gang Show was a great success. Most of the performers stowed real pleasure and enthusiasm on the stage, and particular mention must be made of the three 'unclaimed treasures', the four darling little pussies, and the chorus items "Open Road" and "Red, White and Blue". Well done everyone, and especially the tireless musicians in the corner. I enjoyed it a lot.

Alexandra Riley, Theatrical Correspondent.

So did the Editor, who would like to congratulate the scenery painters for some spectacular results. I suspect wider publicising of the auditions might have brought wider participation. Quite a lot of folk I know would have liked a chance to take part!



Donald Greenshields gave a great deal to scouting during the 70 years he was in the movement, first as Scoutmaster, and then District Senior Scoutmaster, and then for many years as a lay member of the 7th Letchworth Group Committee. Finally, on 14th April, 1987, he was called to rest. He will be sadly missed.

Fred Cogar.

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Every Scouter is expected at the District AGM, which will be held at NHDC Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth

ON

WEDNESDAY, 13TH MAY AT 7.30 PM.

Our guest will be the County Commissioner Mr. John Bennett.

Please attend in full uniform and come early for a glass of wine.

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## ST GEORGE'S DAY

There was a good turn-out for the parade and service on 26th April, and we had a grand day for it. Everyone looked smart, and the discipline was excellent. St. Mary's, Ashwell was a lovely setting, and the service was inspiring, with sane good music, and a short sharp talk on the subject of duty from the Rector, Rev. John Mullett. Bridget Hunter, ACC (CS) as usual made us all feel great with a few well-chosen words, and we all went hare, after renewing our premises, set up and raring to go for another year!



#### NEW VENTURE SCOUT UNIT

On Wednesday 15 April 1987, 9 proud young men were invested into their own new Venture Scout Unit by Rosemary Charsley, the ADC Venture Scouts. The ceremony held at the 11th Letchworth Scout Group Headquarters in Rushby Mead effectively inaugurated the 11th Letchworth Venture Scout Unit, thus providing the third Venture Scout Unit in the Letchworth and Baldock Scout District.

The ceremony was attended by the DC, Fred Cogar and Anne Lilley, ADC Cub Scouts, who was the founder of the 11th Letchworth Scout Group. The audience also included many parents, Scouts, Leaders and friends.

Those invested were: Dean Kemp (Chairman), Patrick Tomkins (Treasurer), Andrew Sims (Secretary), Mark Armstrong, Chris Bates, Andrew Little, Niall McCallion, Dean Parr and Colin Tomkins. The new Unit already has a full programme mapped out. Not unnaturally there is a high involvement in fundraising events to support the 3 (Niall McCallion, Chris Bates and Andrew Sims) chosen by the District to go to the Jamboree in Australia.

For Leaders it is hoped that Gordon Pettit (Ex Champion Hills Venture Scout) and Jim Grainger will be approved at the next Warrants Committee as AVSL's. In the meantime Rosemary Charsicy has kindly agreed to act as Temporary VSL.

We wish the Unit every success and trust it will continue to uphold the name of Scouting, Venture Scout Units and the 11th Letchworth Scout Group.

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