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THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF LETCHWORTH AND BALDOCK DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL.

WARRANTS

Welcome to the following Leaders who have been granted Warrants :-

Jackie Summers -Beaver Scout Leader. 4th. Letchworth. Jeanette Tindall -Beaver Scout Leader. 8th. Letchworth. Sarah Westell Assist. Scout Leader. 12th. Letchworth.

SCOUT FELLOWSHIP A.G.M. REPORT.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

We started the year by having an open evening with a talk and photos on the Pyrenees. In February we arranged a trip to St. Albans Gang Show. The Barn Dance was both well organised and attended. We helped at the Letchworth Gang Show as front of house and cast at both venues. Then there was the stall at the Ideas Fair with help coming from both District and County. We have raised funds for various Scouting and non Scouting needs. County Camp in May was a rewarding, if not hot and exhaustingly long week end, during which we provided gate marshalls and made 500 woggles, 896 hot dogs, 50 chilli and curry suppers and enough soap models to keep the whole camp clean. We were so busy we didn't get to meet the 'Chief'. Our next trip to Gilwell for the Fellowship Camp in June was slightly more

relaxing, but we still managed to make a profit.

There was a trip to Northampton Gang Show, the Cub and Scout Quiz's and the District Swimming Gala (which included an unexpected Trophy hunt.) Our biggest event and money raiser was of course Laurie's plant stall, but many of the Fellowship activities go unnoticed, simply because you don't want to brag about them, so my thanks go to Laurie and John, Janet and John, Joan and Dave, Amanda and Roger and most of all yourselves.

My most enduring memory of this year is sitting in 'Cooks' tent during Fellowship Camp holding an impromptu committee meeting and discussing a name for our Fellowship. Any ideas ?. We still haven't found one but have had some fun.

To reach a wider audience during the coming year we will be holding bi-monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of the month, starting from November. There will be a meeting, possibly a speaker, a cup of tea and anybody can come and see us.

Finally, thank you kindly for all your assistance during the past year and look forward to the future with re-newed vigour.

YOUNG FELLOWSHIP REPORT

The year started in November when a small number of us joined the District Venture Scouts on a trip to Coetmor Mill in North Wales. The trip involved some walking, climbing, and, as is required at Coetmor Mill, a great deal of partying (purely for relaxation Purposes !).

YOUNG FELLOWSHIP REPORT CONT.

This trip always proves to be great fun with all the physical and social aspects of Scouting being covered.

Over Christmas we did not meet, but a few of us did attend the Christmas binge at Baldock Church Hall, where for a mere £15 you could eat and drink all you wanted.

The early part of 1990 fades into one big blur and no-one can really remember what we did, if anything, or even if that part of the year actually existed. Any ideas on a post card please ?.

One of the first memorable weekends of the year was the Gilwell County Camp where Fellowships were attending as a working party. The female members worked their socks off while the males managed to get completely *****!(Typical) There were two attempts within the District on the Three Peaks. The first by Champion Hills VSU raised a few hundred pounds for Kevin Leadley to go on Operation Raleigh to Chile. The other was undertaken by a team led by Chris Lunnon who did the round trip keeping to all the speed limits (?) in under 48 hours. This incredible feat raised £2000 for Kidney Research. One meeting in April was spent eating pink and blue food - including, blue quiche, blue rice salad, pink salmon and pink mad cows disease! Gordons contribution was invaluable - Creme de Menthe with a bottle of blue food colouring in it. Tongues out everyone.

We went to the International Fellowship Gathering at Gilwell for the first t_ne this year. It is unlik4iy that we will be invited again following a small party around our campfire which ended at 5.30am. At this time it was decided to take Laurie a cup of tea as a token of thanks for all the times he has woken us up at an unearthly hour in the past. For the first time in history, Laurie was lost for words. During the same weekend we gained a trophy which we later had to give back!

Well, that's about all the big events covered. There are various other bits and pieces which are too numerous to mention, but were all tackled in the same spirit (or beer). We look forward to providing you all with more entertaiment and service (?) next year.

The Rampant Rhinos.

DISTRICT SERVICE TEAM

The service team which works so enthusiastically at Norton Bury is willing to help run Troop meetings on an occasion when a Leader is not available. If you wish to take advantage of this offer please contact:Michael Wright - Tel. 685768.

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Very few items have been submitted for publication in recent months. I can't believe that over six hundred scouts are meeting each week and are doing nothing! Indeed, I know this is not the case. Congratulations to the Young Fellowship for raising £2000 for Kidney Research, but why didn't you shout it loud and clear from the top of all Three Peaks?

WORLD JAMBOREE

The Hertfordshire Jamboree Unit is now undertaking a programme of activities to prepare it for Korea. They held a "Team Building" day at Norton Bury and at the end of this month they are going to Orchard Farm for the weekend. We still have a long way to go with our fund raising and are very grateful for the generous donations received from 5th. Letchworth and 8th. Letchworth.

DISTRICT CUB SCOUT QUIZ.

This is on Friday November 16th. at 8th. Letchworth HQ. We want to start prompt at $7.00 \, \mathrm{pm}$. Teams consist of - 1 -8 year old. 1 - 9 year old and 1 - 10 year old. All packs please enter a team. Uniform to be worn by boys and Leaders please.

DISTRICT DIARY

NOVEMBER

7th. Warrants Committee.

8th. District Administrators Evening. (Please note change of date)

14th. Scout Fellowship Open Evening - Guide HQ. Icknield Way 7.30pm.

15th. District Executive (Please note change of date.)

16th. District Cub Scout Quiz - 8th. Letchworth HQ. 7.00pm.

21st. New Cub Scout Training Programme - Local Launch - Pixmore School.

29th. District Team Meeting.

DECEMBER

5th. Warrants Committee.