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THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN  
OF LETCHWORTH AND BALDOCK  
DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

ADC BEAVER SCOUTS.

Congratulations to Sheila Staines who has received her Warrant as ADC Beaver Scouts. Sheila has worked very hard to ensure the success of Beavers in this District and we wish her well in this new appointment.

WOOD BADGE.

Janet Bitmead and Chris Howard have completed their Wool Badge training and their awards will be presented at the 8th. Letchworth AGM. Congratulations to both leaders who have worked hard to achieve this success.

DISTRICT MOUNTAINEERING ADVISER.

I am pleased to announce that Paul Miller has agreed to take on this role. His address is 170, Howard Drive, Letchworth. Tel. 682090. Paul is an experienced hill walker and mountaineer so please involve him in your activities and seek his advice.

FIRST AID

Apologies to Michael Wright and Lee Crossman for omitting their names in the list of successful First Aiders.

PEAK ASSAULT, 1991.

District Placings :-

- 7th. Bacchus 'A' Team.
- 49th. Champion Hills 'A' Team.
- 56th. Beech Springs
- 71st. Champion Hills 'B' Team.
- 91st. Bacchus 'C' Team.
- 105th. Bacchus 'B' Team.

And a view from Bacchus VSU.

Peak Assault 1991 was an amazing success. Four teams from 11th. Letchworth coached up to Mid Wales for a wet and windy weekend.

After walking till about 3.30pm. on Saturday, most of us had an early night. We got up early on Sunday morning to finish around 11.00am. and to a welcome fry up, change of clothing and a quick nap till presentations were awarded at 2.00pm.

Bacchus performed brilliantly. Our A Team came 7th., our B Team 97th., and our C Team, despite being disqualified on Sunday for failing to light a stove came 107th. Never mind, better luck next time C Team. At 2.30pm. we all coached home, to leave the Welsh Moorland's to recover, and for us a long deserved bath !!!

S. Maxwell. Bacchus VSU.

## ST. GEORGE'S DAY PARADE - ASHWELL.

This years St. George's Day Service will be held at St. Mary's Church Ashwell on Sunday 21st. April starting at 3.00pm. The Parade will assemble on the sports field at the junction of Lucas Lane and Station Road. The War Memorial. (Follow the High Street through the village to its junction with Station Road and the sports field is on the left.) Please assemble at 2.00pm. so that the parade can move off at 2.30pm. On returning from the Church the Parade will dismiss at the sports field at about 4.15pm. Please inform parents that this will be the pick up point.

There will be a rehearsal for FULL COLOUR PARTIES in FULL UNIFORM at 10.15am. on Saturday 20th. April at Ashwell Church.

### NOTE 1.

Those units not turning up at the rehearsal or making prior arrangements with John Chapman (L.686772) will parade without their colours, as will anyone turning up on the day with Colour Parties not in correct uniform.

### NOTE 2.

If the weather is too wet proceed direct to the Church for a 3.00pm. service start.

### NOTE 3.

Please practise marching beforehand so that the Parade looks smart and gives a good impression of Scouting. Last year's Parade tended to be very untidy.

John Chapman.

## DISTRICT AGM. - TUESDAY 14th. MAY - BALDOCK.

Please note the change of date and venue.

North Herts District Council has refurbished the Council Chambers and consequently it is no longer willing to hire the chambers to other organisations.

As a result we will be holding our AGM on Tuesday 14th. May at St. Mary's Church Hall, Baldock. I hope every Group in the District will be represented.

## CENSUS 1991. (1990 in brackets.)

Beaver Scouts	109	(10
Cub Scouts	220	(248)
Scouts	151	(142)
Venture Scouts	43	(59)
Scout Leaders/Inst.	73	(84)
District Team	9	(10)
Scout Fellowship	14	(15)
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	619	(670)

This is the second successive year that our numbers have fallen. The bright spot is the increase in numbers in the Scout section. Otherwise it is very disappointing to note the significant fall in Leaders which is having a knock-on effect elsewhere. I hope all Groups will work hard this year to reverse this trend.

#### CUB SCOUT SIX A SIDE FOOTBALL.

This years competition was rated by Leaders and managers as the best ever. Without spectators all teams were able to watch the matches, the atmosphere was friendly and very sportsman like.

We were grateful to the Venture Units for running the afternoon, it all ran very smoothly.

One manager said he would rather watch the boys play than a professional match. I think we all felt like that after the semi-finals which were very exciting.

These were:- 11th. Letch. v 8th. Letch.Aeolians

2nd. Bald. v 4th. Letch. Cavaliers.

The final was between 11th. Letchworth and 4th. Letchworth Cavaliers.

The winners were 11th. Letchworth, they will go forward to the County Competition in April.

#### THE GARDEN CITY 15 MILE CHARITY WALK. Sunday 19th. May 1991.

Join the ninth Garden City 15 mile Charity Walk organised by the Rotary Club of Letchworth Garden City.

The registration fee is £1.00 per walker to cover part of the administration and refreshment cost.

Persons taking part under the age of 16 years must be accompanied by an adult at all times, either individually or a group.

75% of the money will be retained by the participants and 25% will be payable to the Rotary Club who will be donating to the Garden House Hospice and other charities.

Details are available from Rotarian Jim Morley. 17 Wilbury Rd. Letchworth. Tel. 683276.

#### OPERATION FERRET.

8th. Letchworth emerged as worthy winners of this year's event. In a day's scavenging they collected a wide array of items and almost tracked down all the items on the list. In hot pursuit were 2nd. Baldock, 1st.3rd Letch. and 7th. Letchworth.

Our thanks to 11th. Letchworth who organised the event.

8th. Letchworth will organise next year's event and we look forward to a new set of challenges.

#### COUNTY LOTTERY.

The Hertfordshire County Scout Council is organising a lottery to raise funds to support County activities and especially its activity centres. The main prize will be a car. Tickets will be 50p. each and the proceeds will be divided equally between Groups and the County.

Tickets will soon be available. This is a good way to support County and to raise funds for your Group, so please try to sell as many tickets as possible.

#### HERTFORDSHIRE TRAINING TEAM.

1. Leadership 1 (Cub Scouts)	May/June 31/1/2
	Sept. 20/21/22
2. Pack Holiday and Cub Camping,	June 14/15/16
3. Leadership 1. (Scout)	June 21/22/23
	Oct. 11/12/13
4. Introductory	Sept. 14/Oct.19/Nov.9
5. Leadership 2	Sept. 15
	Nov. 2/3

DISTRICT DIARY

APRIL

3rd.	Warrants Committee.
4/5/6	Gang Show.
11th.	District Executive.
14th.	Beaver Scout Challenge. Nortonbury 2 - 4pm.
15th.	Cub Leaders.
17th.	Scout Leaders.
20th.	St. George's Day Parade rehearsal - Ashwell.
21st.	St. George's Day Parade - Ashwell 2.00pm.
24th.	GSL's meeting.
	7th. Letchworth AGM.
27th.	Arts and Crafts. - Nortonbury.
28th.	Cub Scout Gold Arrow Award Day.
30th.	2nd. Baldock AGM.

MAY

1st.	Warrants Committee.
8th.	1st. Ashwell AGM.
10th.	4th. Letchworth AGM.
	8th. Letchworth AGM.
11th.	Cub Scout First Aid Competition.
12th.	Beavers - Lea Valley.
13th.	Cub Leaders.
14th.	District AGM.
25th.	Scout Fellowship Garden Party.