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OF LETCHWORTH AND BALDOCK
DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

CHIEF SCOUT'S AWARD.

Congratulations to Ben Lawrie of 1st. Baldock Scouts on gaining his Chief Scout's Award. Ben has set a fine example to his fellow Scouts in Baldock by the quality of his Scouting and by his community involvement.

DISTRICT CUB SCOUT CAMP.

240 Cub Scouts, Leaders, Helpers, ex DC's and Leaders and friends of Scouting, celebrated 75 years of Cub Scouting at Nortonbury during the weekend of 7/8/9th. June 1991. This was a marvelous weekend, the Cub Scouts learned the Old Grand Howl, Jungle Dances, new Camp fire stunts and songs did lashings, made party hats and decorated labels for balloons which were released on Saturday afternoon (one has reached Kings Lynn, have any more been found?) Invited guests were entertained and shared in our party tea at which we had a Birthday Cake decorated as a Birthday Badge. This was made by Clive Parr. In the evening we were in good voice for the Camp Fire. Sunday morning after Cubs Own, the boys were treated to fun time, the aerial run way, organised by Peter Ellmers, and the assault course built by the Service Team were a huge success. We were expecting a few squashed Cubs after the earth ball game, but they kept coming back for more. We were grateful to the Executive Committee for manning the Tuck Shop, and the two Fellowship members who made tea for the visitors. The weekend would not have been so successful without the Service Team who gave up so much of their time, they made the entrance gate, blew up the balloons, patrolled the site and organised the car parking, we only had to ask and it was done. Thanks to all of you.

QUOTES FROM 8th. LETCHWORTH AEOLIANS.

"The best thing about it was the eggy bread, it was lovely."

"The thing I liked about it most was the obstacle course."

"My favourite song was the one about the worm."

"The food was very good and a very big thankyou to the Cooks and Helpers."

"We do things at camp that we don't do at indoor Cubs, it was lots of fun singing round the Camp Fire."

BEAVER SCOUTS.

We have a new Colony at 5th. Letchworth. On June 5th. 10 prospective Beaver Scouts (or 'Kits') spent an hour with Ann Martin and Lynn Fleetwood playing games and had lots of fun. We wish them well.

Colony times : Wednesday 5.15 - 6.15pm. Scout HQ. Spring Road.

B.S.L. Ann Martin, Letchworth 683948

District Day Out.

On Sunday May 12th. 83 Beaver Scouts spent the day at the Lee Valley Countryside Centre. Every Beaver had a great time - pond dipping, mini orienteering (a team from 4th. Letchworth Friday were presented with prizes for being the fastest around the course), being scientists (looking for insects in various habitats) and being artists (building models with logs, grass cuttings, bark chippings etc.)

Beaver Scouts continued.

It isn't easy to keep this age range of boy occupied and interested for any length of time - but the staff at the centre managed it for a whole day ! They provided the Beavers with a fantastic day.

JAMBOREE BARN DANCE - ASHWELL.

Many thanks, to everyone who made this event such a success, especially Eric Gurney and his son Stewart for allowing us to use their barn and being so helpful in setting it up. Thanks also to the Ashwell Executive Committee, the Scout Fellowship and Letchworth Lions Club for manning the bar.

The evening raised just over £600 and proved to be a most enjoyable and friendly event. We were pleased to entertain a group of Russian visitors to a true country event.

COUNTY LOTTERY.

I would like to pass on Alan Melville's thanks to those of you who sold tickets and contributed to the District total of approximately £1200. The draw will take place on 3rd. July and the prizes will be presented at the County AGM on 8th. July.

SCOUT COMPETITIONS.

- a) County Camping Competition 27-29th. September at Weston Park.
Maximum of three patrols per District. Application forms are available from the DC and must be returned by 7th. September.
- b) Green Beret Challenge 15-17th. November at Phasels Wood. Application forms will be in September HSG.

NORTONBURY ASSAULT COURSE.

Congratulations and thanks to the Nortonbury Service Team for the excellent assault course which they have constructed. This is a real asset to the Activity Centre.

DISTRICT DIRECTORY UPDATE FORMS (Pink or Green).

Thankyou 1st. Ashwell, 4th. Letchworth and 2nd. Baldock for returning your forms promptly. Will all other Groups please follow suit in the next week, we can then make a complete District Directory.

DISTRICT DIARY

JULY

- 1st. Cub Leaders Meeting.
- 3rd. Warrants Committee.
- 4th. Initial Training.
- 8th. County AGM.-.
- 13th. Champion Hills Barn Dance.
- 15th. Swimming Gala.
- 18th. Executive Committee.

The next edition of the Co-ordinator will be published in September.