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THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN
OF LETCHWORTH AND BALDOCK
DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

PETER NORTON.

This month we lose our District Chairman, Peter Norton, as he is leaving Letchworth for a few years to set up a printing works in Egypt.

Peter has been associated with Scouting in the District for a period of nearly thirty years. In this time he has also served as District Commissioner and District Secretary.

We will miss the foresight and enthusiasm which has enabled him to keep Scouting alive and healthy in our District over the years.

Our best wishes go with Peter and Ellen and we shall look forward to tales of Scouting in Egypt.

LETCWORTH GARDEN CITY CORPORATION COURSES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

Letchworth Garden City Corporation is offering sponsorship on the following courses to young people in the Garden City.

1. OUTWARD BOUND. -- Sailing, canoeing, orienteering, hill walking, rock climbing and camping expeditions.
2. JUBILEE SAILING TRUST. - Voyage on the 'Lord Nelson' from the 10th. - 16th. April 1993. Applications from disabled and able-bodied people over 16 years old.
3. MUSIC AND ARTS COURSES. -
 - a) Dartington Summer School of Music - A week at the Summer School. Applications from people over 16 years and with musical ability. (preferably Grade 6+)
 - b) Other Arts Courses - (Cover Art, Music, Theatre, Ballet etc.) Sponsorship available on short courses specified by applicant.

Full details and application forms from the District Secretary.
Mike Johnson, Letchworth 685179.

LETCWORTH NORTH AND SOUTH GUIDES AND BROWNIES "GUIDES ALIVE".

Over 80 girls and Leaders will entertain you with this musical at Plinston Hall from the 17th. - 20th. February 1993. Curtain up 7.30pm.
Raised seats Adults £4.00 Child £2.00. All on the flat £1.50.
Tickets available from Sheila May. Letchworth 673427.

GET WELL WISHES.

We wish Diana Marshall a swift recovery after her stay in hospital.

JOB WEEK.

Any Group wishing to participate in Job Week please contact Mike Johnson as soon as possible.

BADGES.

From February 1st. all Scout Badges will be increased in price. Please do not moan at the Badge Secretary, it is not his fault.

REGIONAL ADC CUB SCOUTS WEEKEND CONFERENCE. FERNY CROFT. HAMPSHIRE.

A hundred ADC's arrived on Friday 15th. January and over a buffet meal got to know one another.

On Saturday morning Gwyn Turnbull gave a spirited talk, the rest of the day was spent at activity bases - Fun with string, bakwoods cooking and crafta. The evening was taken up with a 'Brain Game'.

Everyone returned home on Sunday morning after a very enjoyable weekend.

Chris Parr. ADC Cub Scouts.

SIXERS AND SECONDRS TRAINING WEEKEND. 23rd,24th. JANUARY NORTONBURY.

Sixty three Cub Scouts attended an enjoyable two days training at Nortonbury. The bases included Compass work, Knots, Games and the Role of the Sixer and Second. I hope they have taken some good ideas back to the Pack with them. Many thanks to Scouts and Leaders from 1st.3rd. Letchworth and 1st. Baldock, also the Service Team for running some of the bases.

It was a shame that two Packs did not take part they missed out on the training and in making new friends.

Venetia Crowther. District Cub Scout Leader.

1st. BALDOCK COMMUNITY SPIRIT.

On the 18th. of December Twenty Beavers went to Temple Court Sheltered Accomodation where they sang Carols for the elderly inhabitants.

The Cubs presented them with bowls of hyacinths and the Scouts went down a few days before and put up the Christmas decorations.

They were also presented with book marks and cards which the Beavers had made.

In a letter of thanks they said how pleased they were, it was a happy time for them especially those unfortunate not to have grandchildren. They hope the movement will grow and flourish for the boys sake.

GANG SHOW 1992.

I read with some interest KJ's critique of this years Gang Show and I was pleased that he noted the problems encountered by the production team and cast.

It was unfortunate that he wasn't able to attend Saturday's show which was a far more confident performance altogether showing that there is a solid base to build upon for the future.

Regarding the introduction of "outside material" it was felt that this was necessary in some areas and was on the whole a success as it blended quite well with the more traditional material.

Whilst KJ's review was on the whole constructive and highlighted areas for improvement already identified by ourselves it should be remembered that everybody connected with the Gang Show especially the cast are in need of a vast amount of encouragement and support as they are amateur thespians ill the very broadest of terms.

Our verdict on 1992's show is WELL DONE.

Finally given that the problems are in the past we like KJ look forward to rave reviews in the future.

JF Wright. Gang Show.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

WILL ALL LEADERS PLEASE NOTE THAT THE GANG SHOW FOR 1993 WILL BE HELD AT THE PLINSTON HALL ON FRIDAY 10th. AND SATURDAY 11th. DECEMBER.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CUBS,SCOUTS, GUIDES, VENTURES ARE AWARE OF THESE DATES. DETAILS OF CAST SELECTION ETC. WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER IN THE YEAR.

BEAVER SCOUTS.

4th. Letchworth 'Friday' Beaver Colony reopened on Friday 15th. January.

NIGHTJAR.

It was disappointing that Nightjar had to be cancelled due to lack of support. For those who are interested 'Bacchus' have agreed to organise another one on 27th. March. Please get your application in on time.

SEVEN CENTRES DRAW.

Tickets will be delivered to Groups during the first week in February. Proceeds will be divided 50/50 between County and Group.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY PARADE AND SERVICE.

This year the St. George's Day Parade and Service will be held at St Mary's Church in Baldock.
All details will be in the March edition of the Co-ordinator.

SCOUT SHOP.

The Scout Shop will be closed on 16th. and 18th. February.

DISTRICT DIARY.

FEBRUARY.

3rd.	Gang Show Meeting. 8.30pm. 1st.3rd. HQ. Warrants Committee.
6th.	St. Albans Gang Show. Arena Car Park 1.15pm.
11th.	District Executive Meeting.
15th.	G.S.L. Meeting.
17th.-20th.	Guides Alive. Plinston Hall.
18th.	Administrators Evening. Nortonbury.
22nd.	Beaver Leaders Meeting. Fellowship Meeting. Guide HQ.
23rd.	LAST DATE FOR ITEMS FOR MARCH CO-ORDINATOR.

3rd.	Warrants Committee.
4th.	Initial Training (2nd. Evening.)
6th.	District Cub Six a Side Football.
8th.	Cub Leaders Meeting. 32 The Rowans. Baldock.
11th.	District Executive Meeting.
25th.	District Team Meeting. LAST DATE FOR ITEMS FOR APRIL CO-ORDINATOR.
27th.	Nightjar.
29th.	Fellowship Meeting, Guide HQ.