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THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN
OF LETCHWORTH AND BALDOCK
DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

#### JAMBOREE FUND 1995.

It is a tradition in the District that all Groups contribute to the Jamboree Fund. As it is now time to pay over the money a contribution of say £25 per Group would be most welcome. Of course, those Groups with Scouts attending the Jamboree will be raising substantial funds on their behalf,

## DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS EVENING.

This evening was very successful and productive, it is a shame that not all Groups were represented.

# DISTRICT SCOUT FELLOWSHIP AGM. 22nd. October 1994.

Although not very well attended this was an enjoyable evening. After the business refreshments were provided, then in groups of four with pencils poised we waited with trepidation for a K.J. Quiz. We were not disappointed, T am sure our answers were correct, but Laurie would not give us any points for them. Perhaps Cub age would be better next time.

### FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY MEETINGS.

The monthly meetings have been changed, they are now on the THIRD MONDAY of the month instead of the fourth.

## ST. ALBANS GANG SHOW 1995.

The Fellowship are again organising a trip to the St. Albans Gang Show to be held on Saturday 4th. February 1995. Adults: £7.50. Child: £6.50. Please contact Laurie Cook. Tel. 674046.

# LETCHWORTH AND BALDOCK DISTRICT GANG SHOW.

It is with regret that I announce that this year's Gang Show due to be perfarmed at Plinston Hall in November 1994 will not now take place.

After an optimistic and generally enthusiastic start, when it came to the first rehearsal after the Summer holidays we unfortunately only had 17 cubs and 4 scouts attend. This was insufficient to cast the show.

My personal enthusiasm for Letchworth and Baldock District Gang Show is not diminished and I hope to be involved in some capacity with the next show. May I sincerely thank all who helped and encouraged me.

Please look out for the rehearsals and auditions for the next Gang Show which will be in Autumn next year for staging in early 1996.

David L. Strong. Producer/Director elect. 1994.

We are sorry to hear that Valerie Cogar has been ill and wish her a speedy recovery. For those who do not know Valerie, her husband Fred was District Commissioner, they have since moved to Derbyshire. N

# 7th. LETCHWORTH - OUR TRIP TO BLACKPOOL.

On the weekend of September 16.17.18. a group of eleven District Friends spent the weekend in Blackpool. We travelled in the District mini bus and very comfortable it was.

The weather was very good and the 'lights' were great. None of us were brave enough to ride "THE BIG ONE". On Sunday we visited 'Last of the Summer Wine' country. The weekend was very successful and raised £90 for the Jamboree Fund. Many thanks to Shaun Howard for driving us there and back.

# PETERBOROUGH XMAS SHOPPING.

NOVEMBER 19th. 1994.-

Come and join us.

Depart Bedford Road shops. 8.30am.

Depart Grange shops. 8.35am.

Depart Peterborough 4.00pm.

£5.00 per person.

Book now by calling Fiona (0462) 676639 or Shaun (0462) 679209 Profits to the District.

#### 1st. BALDOCK BEAVERS AND CUBS.

Beavers and Cubs from 1st. Baldock Scout Group presented a notice board to the Health Clinic in Baldock. The notice board was bought with funds raised at Crazy Capers - a mini assault course for Beavers and Cubs, which is held each year, half of the money raised is always donated to a local cause.

# ABBOTS LANGLEY SCOUT FELLOWSHIP. too late for inclusion in HSG.

THE FINAL WORLD ASPIDISTRA SHOW.

All Venture Scouts and Fellowship teams are invited to :

IVINGHOE BEACON. 11.45pm. SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER 1994.

This is your last chance for your team to win,

BEST REAL/GENUINE ASPIDISTRA.

BEST LOOK A LIKE/ IMITATION (which in any way resembles an Aspidistra)

Just by walking from a Pub at least 2 miles away, carrying an Aspidistra or

Look a like to the Beacon.

Join in the celebrations - bring food, drink and jollity.

No vehicles are allowed within 2 miles of the beacon, and all real/look a like Aspidistra entries should be ready for judging at midnight. There is no entry fee. but many valuable prizes are up for grab,.

Dave Gray. Secretary. 0707 321421.

# NORTONBURY CHAPEL.

This is well under way. The Trefoil Guild have planted trees and shrubs, the focal stone has been placed and a seat built round the tree. The dedication will take place in the spring.

## DISTRICT DIARY.

NOVEMBER. DECEMBER.

2nd. Warrants Committee. 6th. Warrants Committee. 10th. District Executive. 8th. Executive Committee.

14th. Cub Leaders Meeting. 16th. Santa Drive. 2nd. Baldock.

18/19/20 Green Beret Challenge.

21st. District Fellowship Meeting.25th. District Cub Quiz. 12th. Letch.

## NORTH HERTS WINTER SANCTUARY.

The North Herts Winter Sanctuary is opening again this year. The NHWS provides shelter for the Homeless in North Herts over the winter period.

Not only do we need volunteers, we also need beds and bedding, lounge and dining room furniture, mens and womens clothing including underwear.

Food and Money donations over the period would also be greatly appreciated. If you are interested in helping people less fortunate than yourselves, can give a little of your time and would like to become a volunteer, working as many shifts as you feel you can (morning, evening or night).

Then please ring 0462 814186. For donations 0462 679789.

If you would like a talk on the North Herts Winter Sanctuary, contact Michael Wright.  $0462\ 679789$ 

# NIGHTJAR 22/23 OCTOBER 1994.

After heavy rain during the day on Saturday, 13 teams of girls and boys set off at intervals from Nortonbury, in dry and mild conditions to conquer Nightjar, 15 miles of walking (or running in some cases to make up time) interspersed with check points where the following tasks were undertaken - Knots, Lasnings, French Boules, Compass and Bearings.

No one was lost for any length of time and having reacned their destination - back at Nortonbury, SOME had a welcome sleep and all enjoyed breakfast cooked by the District Fellowship.

This year the competition was divided into Junior and Senior sections with the Juniors being accompanied by a Leader.

# Quotes from teams :

"Fun" "Excellent, even though we walked an extra  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles", "Weatner made it good" "Congratulations to the organisers", "Glad I did it", "Good to have Junior and Senior section".

Many thanks to Shaun Howard, this was his first event on becoming ADC Scouts. to everyone who stayed up all night manning bases, checking the paticipants safety and well being during their walk, parents who got roped in, and the District Fellowship for breakfast.

Bob Williams presented a certificate to everyone who took part and trophies to the winning teams.

## RESULTS.

Junior Section.

Runners Up 8th. Letchworth. Winners 7th. Letchworth.

Senior Section.

Runners Up. 7th. Letchworth. Winners 1st. Ashwell.



