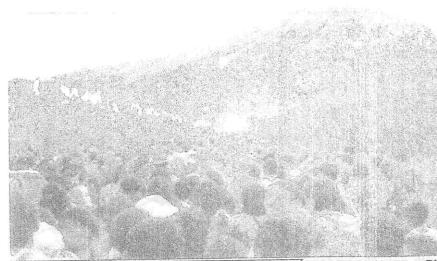
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# The Letchworth & Baldock District Scout Bulletin

# WORLD JAMBOREE - CHILE DECEMBER 1998 - JANUARY 1999



When Richard and I from 1st Baldock Scouts, left for the Jamboree we didn't know what lay ahead of us. This was a very daunting time, as Scouts from all over the world were going to be there. This meant we had to live with them for 2 weeks so we had to learn how to get along, as well as having to over come the language barriers but we all had the universal language of Scouting.

Stephen and I set off on different

days, Stephen on Christmas Day and me on Boxing Day. After the 30 hour journey we arrived in Chile. We were soon whisked through the airport and off to the Jamboree site. The site itself was huge, about 3000 hectares and it had to cope with 35,000 Scouts.

While we were here we had no time to rest, the first big ceremony was the opening ceremony. After this we spent most of our time doing numerous activities in the mountains and on the site. We also spent time getting to know our fellow members of the World-wide brotherhood of Scouting from all over the World. It all ended with a large closing ceremony.

Stephen and I found this once in a lifetime opportunity unforgettable and its effect on us will always remain in our memories. It is very strange to think that one month ago we were on the other side of the World enjoying ourselves in the hottest part of the World. If you would like to find out to more about the 19th World Scout Jamboree and what went on there, we will be presenting a talk around the District in the very near future. A big thank you from us for all the support by individuals, troops and the District.

Stephen King & Richard Matheson

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### HELP ME

Help me to be trusted Lord for without trust there is always doubt Help me to be loyal Lord for without loyalty how can I belong Help me be a friend Lord when others need someone Help me to remember my family Lord The Scouts both near and far Help me to have courage Lord when at times it seems so hard Help me use your time well as even now has passed Help me care for all things so others can enjoy their worth Help me hold my head high so I can look up to others Let me enjoy a jest Lord but let me not be a fool Help me be a Scout Lord and a good time had by all

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Nick Farmer 5th Letchworth GSL



# Ring the Changes

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### DISTRICT SCOUT COOKING COMPETITION

A cold January morning in a barn, in a farmyard, in the middle of nowhere, four Scout Groups from Letchworth and Baldock joined up for the now annual cooking competition. The idea was to whip up a three course meal using a fixed list of ingredients including sausages, bananas and even tuna.

They were to be judged in a variety of ways by a professional food hygienist Jennifer Leathers.

This included table setting, hygiene, food preparation and team work to name just a few.

The quality of food was extremely high with only the undone washing up mixed in with the vegetable peelings letting the teams down.

The winning team (4th Letchworth) led by William Lewis with Joel Miller and Matthew Robson won because of their consistency throughout and cooked up a sumptuous meal starting with Pitta Bread Surprise with crudités followed up by Stirfry a la 4th and finishing with a Chocolate delight which lived up to its name.

Matthew Hindley

7th Letchworth Scout

## WELCOME TO

The District extends a warm

welcome to the following new Leaders

Jared Walbridge

53 Swift Close

1st 3rd Letchworth ACSL

Letchworth SG6 4LQ

Tel: 625251

Clare Davis

10 Netley Dell

12th Letchworth ABSL

Letchworth SG6 2TF

Tel: 627573

Deborah Wren

29 Bowershott

12th Letchworth ABSL

Letchworth SG6 2ET

Tel: 634934



Graham Hopkins 8th Letchworth SL London Marathon

This year Graham Hopkins (Scout Leader 8th Letchworth) will be running in his fourth London Marathon.

Congratulations on this fine achievement

He is seeking sponsorship and he will donate the money which he receives to Childline and St Nicholas Nursery School in Stevenage.

Graham is busy training for the event and we wish him luck on the day.

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### THE WIZZY REALLY WET SHOW

As part of the Cubs Waterwise project the National Cub Scout Team set a challenge to all Cub Packs, last September to make a video about water.

The challenge was to make a 5 minute video incorporating 3 different items about water (one to be musical) that 6 Cubs would present on a video.

1st Baldock (Knights) Cubs rose to the challenge - 6 Cubs volunteered to appear in the video and they had a quick practise to work out what they were going to do. The rest of the Pack devised the scenery and practised the song. One Cub designed a costume for the main character and Akela made it during the week.

The camera was set up and filming commenced. During the musical item we had our own 'rain storm' in the Scout Hut (David and Chris were armed with a watering can and a hose pipe!!!).

Akela edited the video and sent it off to Gilwell Park just beating the deadline of 30th November 1998.

But that's not the end of the story! The video made by 1st Baldock (Knights) Cubs has been selected as the southern region winner. Now along with the other 11 regional finalists from around the UK, 6 Cubs will be going to the Grand Final on Saturday 20th March to be held at Baden-Powell House in London.

At the final the 6 Cubs have to give a live performance (lasting no more than 10 minutes) on the subject of water conservation.

Congratulations to all the boys involved. Watch this space for the results of the Grand Final.

Andrea Soulsby CSL - 1st Baldock (Knights)





## HERTFORDSHIRE CUB SCOUT SWIMMING GALA

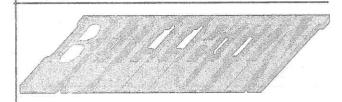


For the first time in a number of years the County Cub swimming Gala was held in St Albans on Saturday 30th January 1999. Letchworth & Baldock District Cubs were represented by a joint team of 9 Cubs from 12th Letchworth, 2nd Weston and 4th Letchworth. The Cubs competed in a number of heats and relays, and a number made it into the finals.

Though we did not finish in the first 3 we all had an enjoyable time and learnt a few lessons for next year.

Thanks to Wendy Tierney 2nd Weston, Ann Gutteridge 4th Letchworth and Rachael Baines 12th Letchworth for organising the team and thanks to the Cubs who took part. We look forward to next year.

D Hawkins ADC(Cubs)



Tony Foxton 2nd Weston ASL

Mark White 1st Ashwell SL

Ian Murton 1st Ashwell ASL

Julie Waldock 1st Ashwell CSL

All attended the Distroit Phase 1 and 2 training at Norton Bury, Thursday 28th January 1999.



CONGRATULATIONS

Wizzy's Really Wet Show

Congratulations to 1st Baldock (Knights)
Cub Scout Pack whose "Waterwise" Video
won the Region 3 heat.

1st Baldock (Knights) will now compete in the final of the competition against all the other regional winners.

The final will take place at Baden-Powell House in London on Saturday 20th March 1999.

The Cubs will have to give a performance lasting no more than 10 minutes on the topic of water.

I am sure that you would like to join with me in wishing them all the best in the final. Dave Hawkins ADC(Cubs)



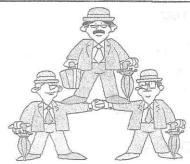
Summer Fayre - June 1999

A first meeting has been held by representatives from Groups to plan the Summer Fayre. This is a new event in our calendar to help Groups raise funds.

The venue is the Howard Park (Paddling Pool), Norton Way South, Letchworth.

The event has received enthusiastic support from Groups who have already planned an interesting and exciting range of stalls and entertainment for the occasion.

Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting and for the enthusiasm which has enabled such a successful launch.



### MEET THE DISTRICT TEAM

We are holding a cheese and wine evening at 2nd Baldock HQ, Catholic Church Hall, Limekiln Lane, Baldock on Thursday 18th March at 8 o'clock for Leaders, members of Group



Executive Committees and parents to meet the District Team. This is an opportunity to learn about the support that we can give groups and exchange ideas.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

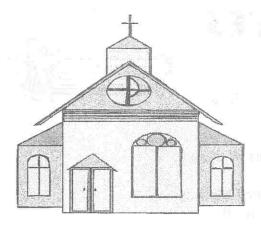
# Celebrate! MILLENNIUM CELEBRATIONS

I have invited representatives from Groups to join a working party to plan our Millennium Celebrations. We want to make this a memorable year for our Scouts.

There will be a millennium camp and a special St George's Day Parade and Service together with other events and mementoes yet to be decided upon.

Please discuss this within your Groups and come up with ideas to make this an unforgettable year.

Bob Williams DC



# St George's Day Parade and Service

This years St George's Day Parade and Service will be held at St Michael's Church, Letchworth on Sunday 25th April starting at 3.00pm. The parade will assemble at the Paddling Pool, Norton Way South. Please assemble at 2.15pm so that the parade can move off at 2.40pm. On returning from the Church the parade will dismiss at the Paddling Pool at about 4.00pm. Please inform parents that this will be the pickup point.

There will be a rehearsal for FULL COLOUR PARTIES WITH NECKERCHIEFS ON Saturday 24th April at 10.00 am.

### **GANG SHOW**

The 1999 Letchworth & Baldock District Gang Show will be held at the Plinston Hall, Letchworth on Friday 26th March and Saturday 27th March. There will be evening performances on both days commencing at 7.30pm and a matinee on Saturday commencing at 2.30pm

Tickets are priced at £2.50 for the flat seating and £4.00 for the tiered seating. There will be a concession of one free ticket in every ten purchased (buy 10 pay for 9).

Tickets are available from John Wright, 41 Bowershott, Letchworth, SG6 2ET until 13th February, after this date tickets will only be obtainable from the Plinston Hall.

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### DISTRICT WORLD JAMBOREE BALANCE SHEET

INCOME	£	EXPENDITURE	£	
Jamboree Surplus 96/97	858	3 x £2590	7770	
Letchworth Heritage Foundation	750	Herts County Scouts		
Letchworth Civic Trust	250			
N.H.D.C.	225			
Letchworth Lions	50			
Letchworth Rotary	70	Managa	20	
Baldock Rotary	650	Money	1	
Scout Fellowship	150	TVIO I		
2nd Baldock	25	Mattare		
8th Letchworth	20	IVIUIIDID		
12th Letchworth	10			
District BBQ	346			
1st 3rd Letchworth	800			
1st Baldock	2000			
Owing	200			
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5 TOTAL	7770	TOTAL	7770	MORE

# DIARY DATES

5th- 7th Peak Assault

### **FEBRUARY**

1st

3rd

4th

4th

9th

10th

11th

12th

12th

15th

28th

Beaver Leaders Meeting

District Scout Troop

Millennium Meeting Phase 1 and 2 Training

Deadline for HSG

Half Term

18th ADC Meeting

Appointments Committee

PL's Committee Meeting

District Executive Meeting

County Chess Competition

Scout Fellowship - Xmas Dinner

MARCH		
Cub Leaders	Meeting	

1st	Cub Leaders Meeting
3rd	Appointments Committee
4th	District Troop

6th-7th Sixers & Seconders Weekend

11th District Executive

P.L's District Council Meeting 11th

12th Deadline HSG for April

County Cub Night Hike 13th

County Scout Cooking Competition 14th

Phase 1 and 2 Training 16th Meet the District Team 18th

22nd Summer Favre Committee Meeting

26/27th Gang Show 26/28th P.L's Weekend

27th District Beaver Challenge

# WARDENS - NORTON BURY

#### From 2 Feb Dave Hawkins 643432 9 Feb Peter Deary 686859 Michael Wright 16 Feb 679789 23 Feb Jeff Robson 684954 Ann & Ken Lillev 2 March 621271 9 Mrach Lee Crossman 634676 16 March Carol Emsall 674543 **Bob Williams** 686727 23 March 30 March Barbara Crombie 671062

### MEMBERS OF THE MOVEMENT

Make a note

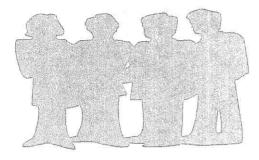
Clarification (Talking Points Issue 56)

Members include all youth Members and adults with warranted appointments. Members make the Promise and pay Membership subscription. Additionally adults make a Membership declaration and are subject to Form WE vetting procedures. Associate Members and non-members may opt to become Members.

The following adults must be at least Associate Members: members of the Scout Fellowship. District/County/Area office bearers, and certified

Instructors/Helpers/Advisers, Associate Members pay Membership subscription, make an Associate Membership declaration and are subject to Form WE Vetting procedures. Non-members may opt to become Associate Members.

Note that 'office bearers' only includes the key trustee appointments of Chairmen/Sectretaries/Treasurers of District/County/Area Scout Councils. Group 'office bearers' and other members (trustees) of Group/District/ County/Area executive Committees are encouraged to become at least Associate Members.



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