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Co-ordinator

A CORPORATE IDENTITY
FOR THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION



The new logo retains familiar elements which have stood the test of time. They have been combined to produce a modern looking eye-catching device, which we can all use to 'identify Scouting in the 21st century'. It is the first step along a carefully planned but exciting journey, which will see the gradual introduction of the new programme and publications in 2003.

The great strength of the Scout Movement is the fact that we have nearly 10,000 local Groups delivering a successful product to their local communities and in many different ways to suit local needs. It is important however that in those communities, our Members and our public recognise that we are a single organisation with all the strengths and benefits that brings.

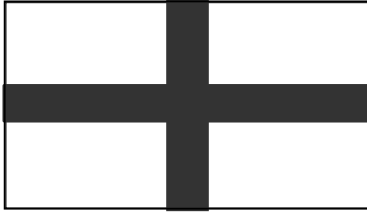
The basic document has been put onto ScoutbaseUK (www.scoutbase.org.uk) and it is from here that you can download electronic versions of the four principal logo variations. Further resources will be placed on the ScoutbaseUK as they are generated.

Shortly, you will be able to obtain a CD-Rom from the Information Centre at Gilwell Park, which will contain a range of masterfiles and templates for letters, faxes and memos.

(extract from letter from John Fogg—Director of Communications)

The Letchworth & Baldock District Scout Bulletin

St George's Day Parade and Service 22nd April 2001



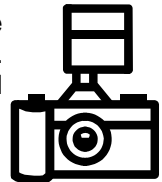
This year's St George's Day Parade and Service will be held at the Ashwell Parish Church, Ashwell on Sunday 22nd April 2001 starting at 3.00 pm. The parade will assemble at the Recreation Ground. Please assemble at 2.15 pm so that the parade can move off at 2.30 pm.

There will be a rehearsal for FULL COLOUR PARTIES WITH NECKER-CHIEFS ON Saturday 21st April at 10.00am.

Further details will be published in Co-ordinator as they become available.

Cuffley 5th Letchworth Camp 1st—3rd December 2000

When I arrived I went into a cold room. We got out our sleeping bags and I started to write this report. Akela wanted to see us because she wanted to settle us down into our rooms. After a while she gave us a hot dog. Then the under nine and a half had to go to bed but I was older so I was allowed to stay up until 11 o'clock. I could not get to sleep until 1.05 am.



The first activity was a photograph hunt, and after lunch we were split up so that each half of us could go either to the Assault Course or Archery. We went to the Assault Course for an hour. Then we went to the Archery. Some people went to build a tree house so less people were there. Eventually only four people were left so there were plenty of arrows to go round. The instructor shared out all the arrows and we had great fun.

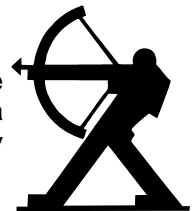
We came back to play some games. At 7 o'clock we played charades. Conor, Michael and I were a group. We did Cut Throat Island for our first go. Nobody guessed it so each won a sweet. After that we went to bed. It was 9 o'clock. Everybody had to go to bed then. I talked to Scott and William.

In the morning we had bacon and sausages. We went air rifle shooting. I shot down seven cans. We came back 5 minutes before we should and scared Akela.



Marks out of 10 ? I would give this camp 8 or 9.

After our last camp at Norton Bury when the rain did not stop and we slept in a mud bath, I was pleased to be sleeping inside a building with a Tuck Shop next door. Here, the days were dry and bright and not really cold.



My favourite activity was archery because I managed to hit the target. The sound of the arrow hitting the target is exciting.

The thing I did not like much was the Photograph Hunt because most of the pictures were hidden in places we could not find. Too difficult. Overall I think everybody had a great time ! Thanks for organising it.

Adam Booth
5th Letchworth.

District's very own Page 3



Bob "Rudolph" Williams



Deb "Fairy" Dilley



Monica "Mother Christmas" Thomason



Gary "Tartan War Lord" Robb



Graham "camouflage" Hopkins



Carl "Can You See Me" Speltinckx



Chris "The Big White Hunter" Gee



Dave "You Can't See Me" Hawkins



Dave "Where's my trousers" Upson

Millennium Volunteers

Millennium Volunteers is a new initiative to encourage 16 –24 years old to volunteer their time for the benefit of others.

It is designed to empower young people to undertake activity on local issues which they really care about using their skills and interests as a starting point.

All young people can participate, whether at school, in further or higher education, employed and unemployed and from different backgrounds and abilities.

Young people are expected to complete two hundred hours of voluntary activities spread out over a year. What they decide to do and how they plan to go about doing it will be set out in a Volunteer Plan. Young people will be equal stakeholders in the design and delivery of the voluntary activity they are involved in.

A combination of self-assessment, peer review and external evaluation will ensure the quality of the volunteering opportunities.

Millennium Volunteers Awards will recognise young people's achievements and commitment. The MV award of Excellence, signed by the Secretary of State, will mark the completion of the Volunteer Plan and 200 hours of voluntary activity. The MV Certificate will be a building block recognising 100 hours of voluntary activity. Young people will have the opportunity to access formal accreditation for their learning on Millennium Volunteers if they wish, for example to pursue Key Skills qualifications.

The qualification is appropriate for young people helping the training sections of the Scout Association. If anyone in your Group is interested they should contact Andrea Soulsby (01462 643992)

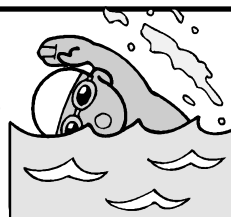
District Mountain Adviser

Welcome to Gareth Howell who is taking on the role of District Mountain Adviser. He can be contacted on 01462 677090 or at 29 Black-



Cub Scout Swimming Trials

Thank you to all the Cubs and Leaders who took part in the two District swimming trials at Hitchin Swimming Pool.



Out of the 20 Cubs who attended, a team will be selected to represent the District at the County Swimming Competition in March.

Thanks especially to Anne Gutteridge, 4th Letchworth and Wendy Tierney, 2nd Weston for organising the swimming trials and to Chris Gee, 1st 3rd Letchworth, James Standen, 12th Letchworth and Phil May, 4th Letchworth for helping on the nights.

Goodbye Michael

Goodbye to Michael Eve, CSL who has left 8th Letchworth after many years distinguished service. The District thanks him for the quality of Scouting which he brought to the pack. His services will be missed.

2nd Baldock - Chefs 2B Wins District Scout Cooking Competition



Start-

ers

2b or not 2b Salad
A delightful mixed salad with cottage cheese

Entrée

Chicken a la 2b
A casserole of diced Chicken Breast and seasonal vegetables served on a bed of fragrant rice

Dessert

Be pre-peared
A tasty little number of sliced pears laced with sweetened biscuits and smooth custard topped with walnuts and chocolate

Beverages

Fruit Juice
White or Red Wine

Only two points separated 2nd Baldock from the runners-up 1st Baldock, with 1st 3rd taking 3rd place. The Judges Jen Leathers and Lesley Lewis had to make some difficult decision as all teams were of a high standard.

Marks were awarded for food preparation, hygiene, which was of a very high standard, table setting and team work to name just a few.

Well done to all teams that took part and good luck to 2nd Baldock who will represent the District at the County Cooking competition in March.

2nd Baldock (Chefs 2B)

Richard Betts
Matthew Ivory-Webb
Robert Corr
Emma Gwilt

1st 3rd Letchworth (Bob's Your Uncle)

Ben Cheah
Michael Cheah
Tom Buttler

4th Letchworth (Ready Steady)

Adam Robson
Craig White
Phil Nunnington
Richard Lander

5th Letchworth

Saam Watts
Sean Flatman
Dominic Simin

1st Baldock

David Hull
Andrew Spencer
Robert Hatchett
James Willoughby

11/12th Letchworth (Green Tomatoes)

Philip Brown
Carl Wallis
Jonathan Flint
Matthew Hart

5th Letchworth

Yasamine Watts
Paul Murphy
Alex Wilcock

1st 3rd Letchworth (Galloping Gormless)

Hayleigh Gee
Josh Whitehead
Matthew Gee

Dear God

Thank you Lord for the earth and everything that's in it.
Please help us to respect your gift and keep it as beautiful as possible and help us to think and not pollute

Amen

Philip Glover
1st Baldock (Knights) Cubs

Don't Forget—Operation Ferret

17 / 18 February

Information will be with your Group shortly. If you require any further information please contact Dave Upson GSL 1st 3rd Letchworth on 01462 631047



1st Baldock centred their menu on a Valentines theme.

Starters—Sweetheart Cups, followed by Valentine Chicken and finished off with Happy Ever Afters. The other troops included such delights as Asian style chicken with mixed rice, Vegetable soup, Chocolate and Pear Flan, Chicken Stir Fry, Stuffed Red Peppers, St Paul's Saucy Soup, Parcelled Poultry and many more.

LOCHEARNHEAD NEWS

The Story So Far

Information for the expedition has been circulating for almost two years now. But now we are less than seven months away from travelling to Scotland.

The number of applications has reached a healthy number with the first week nearly at capacity. The second week not far behind.

I have not yet completed my journey around the troops, but hope to have done so by the beginning of February.

The number of leaders and other help is also coming along well.

What Next ?

We do have a date for your diary, **SUNDAY 1st JULY.**

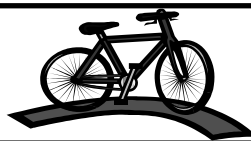
This is when we will be having a KIT CHECK on your BOOTS, RUC-SACS and SLEEPING BAGS. Plus any items of equipment that you would like checked for suitability for the expedition.



The Programme

The programme has not altered from its initially agreed format, with the main theme of adventurous activities in the mountains, on and around the Loch. As well as many things to keep you occupied while on Station.

So I hope that you have been busy planning your own programmes to prepare for the expedition, plenty of Map & Compass work, Canoeing, Sailing, Oh yes ! I hope that you all can repair a puncture in a cycle tyre?



You will also need to brush up on your Light Weight Camping skills, as you will need them in the mountains. Can you cook a hot three course meal for three, with only one burner ?

Have you ever walked with a Ruc-Sac full of equipment ? Don't wait until you get to Scotland to find out.

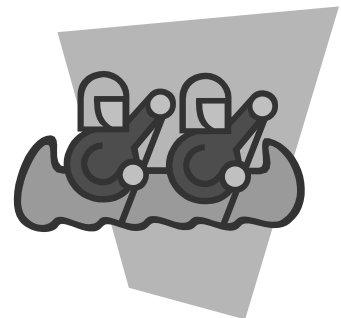
Will I Be With My Mates

You may well be as we will be dividing you into 'Patrols' of five or six members, taking into consideration both ability and age.

We are doing this to ensure that we do not ask too much of some people while holding back others.

However if you really wish to be with a particular friend then we will do what we can to accommodate you.

One of the aims of the expedition is for you to meet new people and form new friendships, and for you to further your Scouting experiences.



More Information Soon !!!!
Nick Farmer 56 Westmill Road, Hitchin
01462 627673

Norton Bury - Wardens

February

6	Shelley Wilsher	01462 642026
13	Ann Chapman	01462 686772
20	Sheila May	01462 673427
27	Pauline Gimson	01462 677993

March

6	Bob Williams	01462 686727
13	Jeff Robson	01462 684954
20	Dave Hawkins	01462 643432
27	Can YOU fill this place ?	

April

3	Lee Crossman	01462 634676
10	Nora Hitcham	01462 627905



Wardens at Norton Bury

Due to the resignation of some long standing Wardens we are looking for new volunteers at Norton Bury. It is an interesting job where you meet Scouts/Guides and their Leaders, not only from our District, but also from further a field.

You are required to open up for visitors and ensure that everything is in good order for them and check everything is left tidy at the end of the visit.

If you are interested or know of someone else who might help please contact Barbara Crombie (01462 671062)

District Scout Fishing Competition

2nd June 2001



Scout Leaders please make a note in your diary.

The District Fishing Competition will be held at Broom, Bedfordshire on Saturday 2nd June 2001.

Peter will be more than happy to speak to any would be anglers and arrange a coaching session before the event.

There will be an entry charge of £5.00 per participant. Contact Chris King ADC (Scouts) 01462 637901 or Peter Frankland SL 4th Letchworth 01462 490597 for more details.

District Arts & Craft Competition

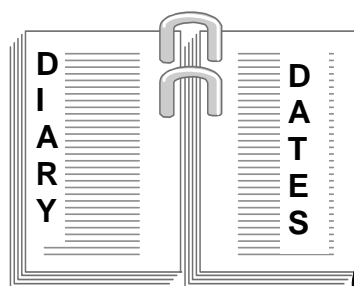
The date has been set for the District Arts & Craft Competition. It will be held on **SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER 2001**. This year's competition is being organised by the District Beaver Section.

The venue has yet to be decided but it is hoped that it will be either at Lannock School or Norton Bury.

Details and categories will be circulated to all Groups shortly.

The competition is open to all Leaders, Venture Scout, Fellowship, Scouts, Cub Scouts and Beaver Scouts as well as District Executive Members.





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FEBRUARY

8	District Executive Meeting	Norton Bury	8.00 pm
17/18	Operation Ferret	1st 3rd HQ	
20/23	Hatfield & Welwyn Gang Show		
24	County GSL's Conference	Hemel Hempstead	8.30 am -
26	Cub Leaders Meeting	2nd Baldock HQ	8.15 pm

MARCH

1	St David's Day		
2—4	County Peak Assault	TAB	
8	District Executive Meeting	Norton Bury	8.00 pm
10	County Scout Cooking Competition		
9/11	Phasels Wood Activity Weekend	Phasels Wood	
16	DEADLINE FOR SUBSCRIPTION PAYEMENT TO MIKE THOMASON		
19	GSL Meeting	Norton Bury	8.00 pm
21	District Team Meeting	Norton Bury	8.00 pm
24	District Beavers Challenge	Norton Bury	
24	County Cubs Swimming Competition	St Albans	
24/25	Sixers & Seconders Weekend	Norton Bury	
25	Mothering Sunday		
30/31	Letchworth & Baldock Gang Show	Plinston Hall	Various

APRIL

1	District Cub Football Competition	Lannock School	
2	Beaver Leaders Meeting	2nd Baldock HQ	8.15 pm
5	Scout Leaders Meeting	Norton Bury	8.00 pm
12	District Executive Meeting	Norton Bury	8.00 pm
13	Good Friday		
15	Easter Sunday		
21	St George's Day Colour Party Rehearsal	Ashwell	10.00 am
22	St George's Day Parade & Service	Ashwell	2.30 pm
27	1st 3rd AGM	1st 3rd HQ	

MAY

10	District AGM	1st Baldock HQ	8.00 pm
12	County Cub Football Competition	Baldock	
12 or 13	District Beaver Day Out	Gulliver's Land	
14	Cub Leaders Meeting	2nd Baldock HQ	8.15 pm
18/19	District Scout Camping Competition	Norton Bury	
23	District Team Meeting	Norton Bury	8.00 pm