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Co-ordinator

John Chapman ADC (International) Warrant 1982—2004

John Chapman has resigned after 23 years. The District is grateful to John for his contribution over many years as GSL at 11th Letchworth, ADC Leader Training and ADC International not forgetting his help at St George's Day Parade.

His service with the District Team has ensured the success of Letchworth and Baldock as one of the foremost Districts in the County.

Dave Hawkins DC

Vicki Luker - BSL 12th Letchworth ADC (Beavers)

I am pleased to announce that Vicki Luker has accepted my invitation to become ADC (Beavers).



I trust that you will all support her in this role to ensure the success of the Beaver Section

Dave Hawkins DC.



Letchworth & Baldock District Scout Council Letchworth Garden City Guide District Scouts and Guides District Barbecue Wymondley Wood Thursday 8 July 2004 6.30 pm onwards



Adult £5.00 Child £2.50 (Under fives free) Family Ticket £12.00 (2 Adults/2 Children)

Contact your Scout / Guide Leader or Sue Lovelock, 19 Campers Road,
Letchworth Garden City SG6 3QJ 01462 672043 E-mail
F.lovelock@ntlworld.com

or Maureen Kell 107 Spring Road, Letchworth Garden City, SG6 3SL 01462 684665
E-mail douglaskell@amserve.com for your tickets

The Letchworth & Baldock District Scout Bulletin



Pirate party Sleepover 12th Letchworth and 1st Ashwell

- We went for a disk hunt and won!
- We made lots of things – pirate hats and eye patches to dress up in.
- We watched Muppet Treasure Island.
- We were all in two groups to sleep, in sleeping bags.
- We all played a map game but unfortunately the other group came first.
- Our favourite part was sleeping away from home – no brothers or sisters.
- We were helpful – cleaning up and making our beds
- It was good to meet the other Beavers from Ashwell.
- We stayed up late – 11:15 pm!
- In the morning we had cereal for breakfast.
- We all got badges as well as certificates.
- It was fun to see Vicki dress up.
- Toby won the Beaver challenge race on the assault course. It was difficult but we all enjoyed it.

District Campfire and Barbecue

We had fun at the BBQ. There was a campfire and we sang songs. We played on the assault course. We played with balls and the diablos. The Scout Leaders made us burgers and hot dogs. Ray and Matt did the drinks and crisps. We met other Cubs and Scouts. We really enjoyed ourselves. We also held an England flag because it was St George's Day.

Stephen, Matthew, Jamie, Ben B and Toby.

Things we like about Beavers

I liked playing tag. I liked making mints for Mother's Day. I liked the shark game. I liked tasting the French food.

Daniel W and James

I liked getting the cups and smelling them. One of the cups had curry in and another had ketchup in it.

Amun

I liked making the peppermint creams best and I liked the drawing about St George and the dragon.

Joseph

I liked making the peppermint creams best of all, then the smelling of the vinegar and the rest of the pots.

Alex H

I liked smelling the pots. I liked drawing about St George and the dragon. I liked making the peppermint creams.

Arun

I liked cooking best.

Bradley

I liked making rice crispy cakes for Mother's Day. It smelt like chocolate. It tasted really nice and crispy.

Jack

I liked when we smelt the cups and wrote the smells down. I liked playing the game in the dark when you take your shoes off.

Daniel D

I have been to Beavers for two weeks because I have only just started. We have so far learned about St George. We did a little play and Robin the helper played the dragon. Ray, our new Beaver Leader, played the beautiful princess. I really liked this play about St George. It was fun.

Hem and Charley

St George's Day Parade

Sunday was St George's Day. We had to do a parade. We started to walk to St George's church. We sang songs and we did the Beaver promise with all the other Beavers. The flags went out before us. After that we joined the Scouts and Cubs from our Group. We walked back to the swimming pool and had a Group photo. Then we went home.

Alex S

One Sunday in April I did something special celebrating St George's Day. I went on a parade. All the District marched from the Letchworth paddling pool to St George's church. It was a half a mile walk. We sang lovely hymns in church then it was time to dip the colours. Then we walked to the swimming pool to meet our Mums and Dads.

Adam and Stefan

County Cub Football Tournament

23 May 2004

On a hot sunny Sunday in Stevenage we took ten keen Cubs to play the County 6-a-side Football Tournament. With thirteen teams originally set out to play, one team didn't turn up, therefore all teams were awarded a 1-0 win against the absent team.

Finding it hard to get started in the short matches we failed to score in the first seven games, and with a strong defence and extremely brave goalkeeping from "stand in" Cameron Gormill, we were very unlucky to lose four early games by just the single goal.

In the next two games our luck changed, with a brilliant goal from Kieran Willoughby sending our very supportive mums and dads cheering for the goal we'd been longing for all morning and a good part of the afternoon, Kieran then scored a second goal in the same match giving us our first official win of the tournament. In the next game another goal from Kieran and a superb goal from Ben Price set up another 2 – 0 win, just in time for the District Commissioner to cheer us on. Sadly this form didn't continue in the last two games and we returned to the form of the first 7 games.

This left us with 10 points and thus finishing 9th in the league out of the 12 that actually played, which is very respectable as the winning team (Rickmansworth and Chorleywood) were only 8 points ahead on 18 points.

All in all it was a thoroughly enjoyable day for all who took part and supported. Hopefully we shall have another team next year playing equally as well.

Many thanks to all mums and dads for taking the time out to support their children, and the Cubs themselves for behaving so well in the training sessions and the tournament making them a pleasure to work with. We are very proud of them all.

Well Done.

**Amanda Woolmer ADC (Cubs) and
Daniel Staines Manager.**



The results of the games were as follows:

Result Team Played

1 – 0	Watford South (absent team)
0 – 0	Bishops Stortford B
0 – 1	Hemel Hempstead
0 – 0	Elstree & Borehamwood
0 – 1	East Herts B
0 – 1	East Herts A
0 – 1	Rickmansworth & Chorleywood
0 – 0	Harpenden & Wheathampstead
2 – 0	West Herts
2 – 0	Stevenage A
0 – 0	Bishops Stortford A
0 – 1	Stevenage B

The team were:

Kieran Willoughby	1 st Baldock Knights
Ben Humberstone	1 st Baldock Knights
Michael Chapman	1 st Baldock Templar
Reece Tims	1 st Baldock Templar
Cameron Gormill	7 th Letchworth
Christian Grindal	7 th Letchworth
Daniel Fell	7 th Letchworth
Ross Pardy	4 th Letchworth
Richard Barrett	4 th Letchworth
Ben Price	4 th Letchworth



The above Cubs will receive their Physical Recreation and/or Sports Enthusiast badge if they haven't already done so.





District Beaver Scout Challenge
12th Letchworth HQ
Saturday 8 May 2004

Placing	Group	Points
1	8th Letchworth	20
2	1st Baldock	18
3	4th Letchworth	14
4	7th Letchworth	11
5	5th Letchworth	10
6	12th Letchworth	8
7	11th Letchworth	5



The 1st Baldock Cubs played in a six a side football tournament. Our team was Ben H, Ben P, Kieran, Reece, Ross, Richard, Daniel, Cameron, Christian and our manager was Daniel Staines (Scout Network) Our first games weren't too good but then we got our act together and played much better and won a couple of matches. At the end we came 9th out of 12 teams. We had a really good day and our ADC phoned Akela to tell about our great team spirit sportsmanship and general good behaviour. We met Cubs from all over the County even places we had never heard of.

Ben Humberstone

Dragon Boat Racing

I went to the dragon boat-racing tournament at Fairlands Valley sailing centre in Stevenage on Sunday 9 May . I was on the 1st Baldock Cub Scout team. We won the first race. We got to the semi-final. The race was very exciting. I enjoyed the day. We got a certificate at the end of the day. Next year we hope to win!

Louis Jani



We had a great afternoon with only a little rain which did not dampen our spirits. We had a knockout competition. Eight teams down to four then two then the final.

The Cub Packs taking part were

FIRST ROUND

12th Letchworth
 7th Letchworth
 2nd Baldock
 2nd Weston
 1st Baldock Templar
 4th Letchworth
 5th Letchworth
 1st Baldock Knights

SECOND ROUND

7th Letchworth
 2nd Weston
 4th Letchworth
 1st Baldock Knights

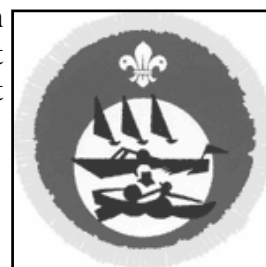
FINAL

7th Letchworth
 4th Letchworth

The Final was a very close race with 4th Letchworth winning by 1/2 a boat's length. Everyone had a very enjoyable afternoon. Every Cub who turned up on the afternoon had a go in the Dragon Boats. There was also the opportunity for some parents and Scouts to have a go.

I would like to thank everyone for taking part and the Leaders for giving up their time.

A very big Thank You to Nigel De Roeck and Paul Drackford for being our helmsmen for the afternoon. Without them we could not have had such a great time.





Sedan Chair Race

The Sedan Chair Race took place at Wymondley Wood. Three teams entered, two from 7th Letchworth and one from 1st Ashwell. With interesting names, the 'Sturmpanzer Wagon' 'Jack Ass' and 'Kick Ass' they showed many different styles of lashings (some that have never before been seen!) and some very good square and tripod lashings. They enjoyed the building phase and wasted no time in their construction, at one point it looked as if big was best, but then when the passenger sat in the chair a quick rethink narrowed the design.

They were given the choice of being judged for the design before the race or at the end. They voted to be judged at the end. This was to prove a disaster for one team who arrived at the finish of the first of two rounds with only half a chair!

Time was given for them to carry out repairs before the second round of the race, and more time before judging.

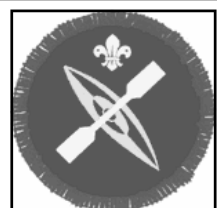
SCOUTS
BALDOCK

STURMPANZER WAGON 1st Ashwell	Building	Round 1	Round 2	Total Time	Place
Sam Butterworth	1st	3.14	3.04	6.18	2nd
Trystran Brenner					
Georgie Sheldrake					
Sam Abbott					
Paul Riddett					
JACK ASS 7th Letchworth	3rd	4.10	3.37	7.47	3rd
Kane Hawkins-Hill					
Christian Grindal					
Jack Woosey					
Aaron Kirkbridge					
KICK ASS 7th Letchworth	2nd	3.13	2.56	6.09	1st
Luke Harris					
Gemma Hunt					
James Hare					
James Hunt					
Jordan Grindal					

CHAIR

The following 1st Baldock Scouts passed the canoeing BCU Star Awards on Sunday 9 May 2004

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| 1 Star Award | - Jonathan Hatchett, Jonathon Wheeler and Ed Potts |
| 2 Star Award | - Amber Brough |



8th Letchworth Scout HQ Social Evening and Fund Raiser

The 8th Letchworth Group Chairman and Executive Committee would like to invite you to their

Event: Fish and Chip Supper
and Beetle Drive
Venue: 8th Letchworth HQ
Sparhawke
Date: Friday 25 June 2004
Time : 7.00 pm until late
Cost: £5.00 per ticket.

Bring your own drinks



There is also a choice of Chicken and Chips
and Sausage and Chips for children.

For tickets please contact:

Glen Mealing - 01462 630342

Happenings Around The District May 2004

5th Letchworth, 7th Letchworth, 8th Letchworth and 12th Letchworth

30 April - 3 May PAW (Patrol Activity
Weekend) - Tolmers

District Cub Football Trials

6th May Pixmore School

1st Baldock Scout Group

8 May Car Wash at Baldock Fire
Station as part of the Baldock Festival

District Beaver Scout Challenge

8 May Seven Colonies took part

District Cub Scout Dragon Boat Race

9 May Fairlands Lake

2nd Baldock Scout Troop

9 May Car Wash - Catholic Church
Car Park

District Cub Scout Football Training

15 May Practice for the County football
competition

Oak Eagle Explorer Scout Unit

15 - 16 May Harmer Green - Weekend Camp

Twenty Second Annual Rotary Club Letchworth Garden City Walk

16 May 12th Letchworth,
1st 3rd Letchworth, 1st Baldock,
5th Letchworth and Oak Eagle ESU

District Scout Sedan Chair Rally

16 May 1st Ashwell, 7th Letchworth

County Cub Scout Football Competition

23 May District Football Team
7th Letchworth, 1st Baldock, 4th Letchworth

2nd Weston Scout Camp

28 - 31 May Chalfont Heights



Congratulations to

Steven Woolmer ACSL 7th Letchworth
who has been awarded his Wood Badge in
the Cub Section

Simon Goodwin ASL 4th Letchworth
Tony Freeman ASL 4th Letchworth
who have been awarded their Wood Badge
in the Scout Section



June

1	Jeff Robson	01462 684954
8	Maureen Kell	01462 684665
15	Elaine Wigglesworth	01462 626218
22	Mick Balls	01462 893855
29	Mark Hill	01462 483422

July

6	Bob Williams	01462 686727
13	Chris King	01462 647901
20	Val Bartlett	01462 730817

Congratulations to

Sheila Tickner GSL 8th Letchworth
Edmond Tickner ESL Oak Eagle ESU
who have been awarded their 15 year Long
Service Award.

DEAR ED

STARTING EARLY WE TOO **KIT** EASILY,
AND AT THE BELL INN, ETON, WE PICKED
UP **JACK DAWLING** AND **ERNEST**. **ONE**
CHATTED A LOT, SO TIME PASSED
SWIFTLY. BUT RAIN ON THE MOTORWAY
WAS A **GRAVE** NUISANCE. AFTER LUNCH I
DECIDED TO **HAND OVER** THE WHEEL AND
STEAL AN HOUR'S SLEEP. BEFORE
REACHING **ULLSWATER** AT **MIDNIGHT IN**
GALE-FORCE WINDS.

NEXT MORNING ON TO SCOTLAND, WHERE
OUR HOTEL IS IN AS FINE A **GLEN** AS I HAVE
SEEN. WITH **RUSHING** STREAMS AT THE
BOTTOM OF A **STEEP** **LOVER'S** LANE. IT IS
ALL THAT IS **NOW** LEFT OF AN OLD MILL,
BUT **IT** IS **NOW** **RENOVATED**, AND VERY
SMART **INSIDE** - NO **OTHER** **ONE** FOR
MILES AROUND! **ERIC** **ROWS**, THOUGH
AWKWARDLY, LEAVING **ANNE** TO DOZE IN
THE **STERN**. EXCELLENT FOOD - NO GOOD
FOR TAKING OFF **INCHES** FROM THE **WAIST**
OR KEEPING WIDE AWAKE. NOTHING IS
WANTING, EXPECT PERHAPS **REGULAR**
KILTS AND **PIPERS**.

LOVE FROM **ALL**
ARDELLE.

Congratulations to joint winners The Soulsby Family
and Tim Jurdon for finding the name of all 30 birds in
the Easter Quiz.
A prize is in the post.

Subscription 2005

Calling of Treasurer's

To enable you to budget for next years
membership subscription.


The National Membership Subscription for
2005 will be £18.50

The County Membership Subscription will
be £10.50 - this is not a firm figure, but the
maximum that County will levy.

Together with the District subscription all
Groups should budget for £32 - £33 per
member.

Please remember that this is still good value
for money. The £18.50 per member that is
given over to Headquarters is to ensure that
all Scout Members are adequately covered
by insurance. It also covers programme
development and international support
provided by the Association

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JUNE

5	First Response half day course	1st Baldock HQ	1.00 pm - 5.30 pm
8	2nd Weston AGM	Weston Village Hall	
9	5th Letchworth AGM	5th Letchworth HQ	
10	District Executive Meeting	Wymondley Wood	
10	District Gang Show AGM	1st 3rd Letchworth HQ	
12 /13	Lochearnhead Training	Lightweight Camp	
12	County Beavers' Fun day	Phasels	
15	District Team Meeting	Wymondley Wood	
18	1st 3rd Letchworth AGM	1st 3rd HQ	
18 - 20	District Cub Camp	Phasels Wood	
18 - 20	7th Letchworth Scouts	Harmer Green - Weekend Camp	
22	District Scout Leaders' Meeting	5th Letchworth HQ	
25	4th Letchworth AGM	St Paul's Church Hall	
25 - 27	County 25/40 Mile Walk	The Chiltern Way	

JULY

2 - 4	2nd Baldock Cub	Harmer Green - Weekend Camp	
4	County Cub Records Day	Phasels	
5	County AGM	Castle Hall - Hertford	
6	District Beavers Bangers and Bash	Wymondley Wood	
8	District BBQ	Wymondley Wood	
12	District Cub Leaders' Meeting	1st Baldock HQ	
13	Lochearnhead Meeting	8th Letchworth HQ	
16 - 18	H.E.A.T. - Explorer Scout Event	Tolmers	
17	Lees Wood Family Fun Day	Lees Wood Scout and Guide Activity Centre	
24 - 30	1st 3rd Letchworth Scouts	Come to Tolmers - Camp	



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