

SCOUTING 2007 ONE WORLD, ONE PROMISE

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Although the Centenary of Scouting is still over two years away your District Team has been considering ways in which we can celebrate this important anniversary.



The focal point of the year will be 8 am on 1st August when Scouts around the world will renew their promise, 100 years to the day when B-P opened his first experimental camp on Brownsea Island.

In our discussions we have looked for a variety of activities, which will appeal to all members. No detail has been agreed yet, and to be a success a large number of volunteers will be required to plan and organize each event. Our principal thoughts, in no particular order are listed below, other ideas are welcome.

Gang Show

St George's Day Parade

Black Tie Dinner and Dance

Updated District History

Scout Uniform Day - Local Schools

Exhibition of Memorabilia

Renewal of Promises



Remember, Remember the 31 January 2005

Yes! Yes! I know it's wrong but I wanted to get your attention!

31 January is just around the corner and I thought it might be a good idea to remind Groups the census, sorry, I've said it now, is on the horizon. If you start thinking about it now then when I call for the data, it won't come as quite the shock it has sometimes been in the past.

The census will relate, as always, to the persons in your Group as at 31 January 2005. The Internet reporting site will be available again and I will be able to provide passwords if you want to have a go. Otherwise, I will enter your data if you prefer.

Please think about the details you've got to collect about the boys, girls, Leaders, helpers in your Group; starting now might seem early but a bird in the hand.....

**Ron Smith
Census
Co-ordinator**



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Dinner

7th Letchworth Scouts -
St Albans Cathedral

The County Fellowship Quiz

Venue: Welwyn Garden City

Date: 5 February 2005

Cost: £7.50

Teams of eight are required and there is a fish/chicken and chips/jacket potato supper.

Please let Margaret Durrant know if you are interested.



Fellowship Trophy

It has come round to Letchworth and Baldock Fellowship's turn to challenge for the Fellowship trophy. We have to challenge Hertford District Fellowship.

Date: 19 February 2005

We need some ideas as to what we should do as a challenge - suggestions please.

Margaret Durrant
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**HAPPY
SPECIAL
BIRTHDAY**

**SUE
LOVELOCK**

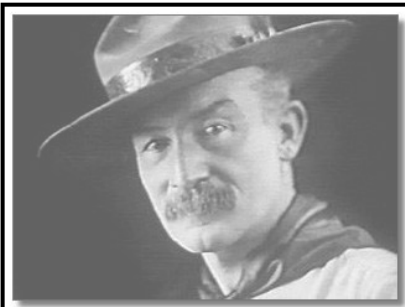


Founders Day/ Thinking Day Service 2005

The 2005 Founder's Day/ Thinking Service will take place on Saturday 19 February 2005 at Westminster Abbey and St Margaret's Church, Westminster.

Admission to all the Services is by ticket only and attendance is open to all Members and Associate Members of the Movement and Administrators. It is hoped that young people will be encouraged to attend the Services.

To obtain your tickets please visit www.scoutbase.org.uk



Wear the EuroJam Badge

Everyone can wear the EuroJam 2005 UK Uniform Badge from now until the end of 2005. The badge costs just a £1 and can be ordered from the Badge Secretary.



The Badge should be worn above the left pocket.

**District Family Quiz
Saturday 26 February 2005
Details will be with your child/ren's Scout Leader shortly.**

The Outdoors Show 18 - 20 March 2005



The UK's largest show for outdoor enthusiasts is back at the Birmingham NEC from 18 - 20 March.

Once again The Scout Association has teamed up with the show's organisers to provide specially discounted tickets for Members.

All members of The Scout Association who turn up to the show in uniform can buy tickets on the door at advance prices. Advance prices are £11 Adult, £6 Child. (under 16 years). There are special offers for a group of 10 or more, please call 0800 378985.

More details of the show can be found on their website

5th Letchworth Cubs Dinner and Entertainment Evening

I have just had the most enjoyable evening of food and entertainment at 5th Letchworth Cubs.

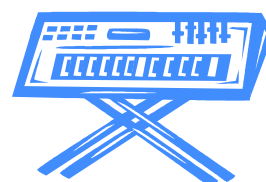
The entire guests were provided with a 3-course meal of Tomato Soup, Chilli with Rice (I had a special meal of Chicken in a tomato & herb sauce) followed by Apple Crumble & Custard. While we were eating we were entertained with Music, jokes and a few funny sketches. While eating After Eight mints we all



joined together and sang "I Closed My Eyes" and "Joseph's Technicolour Dream Coat".

A very big WELL DONE to everyone involved in the evening, which was a great success. I am looking forward to the next one!!!

Amanda Woolmer
ADC Cubs



Happenings Around the District

DECEMBER

10 - 11	7th Letchworth Scouts	12	8th Letchworth Cubs
	St Albans Cathedral		Xmas Party - Fancy Dress
	Sponsored sleep out in aid of the homeless.	17	Explorer Scouts
11	5th Letchworth Cubs		Oak Eagle Workshop
	Meal and Entertainment	18	Gang Show Xmas Party
	Evening	29	Sue Lovelock
11	Fellowship		Special Birthday
	Xmas buffet and quiz		

Happy Anniversary to

**1st 3rd Letchworth Beavers
1st Ashwell Beavers
both celebrate their 3rd
Birthday this month.**



Kate Hindley

Group Treasurer's

It was with sadness that I heard of the sudden death of Kate Hindley.

Kate was Group Secretary and then ASL at 7th Letchworth Scout Group between 1993 - 2001.

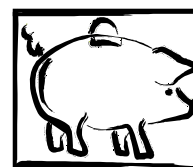
She leaves behind a loving husband and two sons. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

Census - Subscription

It's nearly time to break the piggy bank once again. Please ensure that all subscriptions are sent to Bob Williams by 4 March 2005 at the latest. Cheques made payable to Letchworth and Baldock District Scout Council.

The breakdown is as follows:

National	£18.50
County	£10.00
District	£ 3.00
Total	£31.50



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January

10	District Beaver Leaders' Meeting	8th Letchworth HQ
11	Lochearnhead Meeting	8th Letchworth HQ
12	Fellowship trip to Harpenden Gang Show	
13	District Executive Meeting	Wymondley Wood
18	Scout Leaders' Meeting	5th Letchworth HQ
20	Fundraising Meeting	Wymondley Wood
23	District Scout Cooking Competition	1st Baldock HQ
25	Parents' Evening—Lochearnhead	8th Letchworth HQ

February

5 - 6	Operation Ferret Competition	
10	District Executive Meeting	Wymondley Meeting
26	District Family Quiz	8th Letchworth HQ

March

4	District Scout Quiz	7th Letchworth HQ
8	District Administration Evening	8th Letchworth
9	District Executive Meeting	Wymondley Wood
11	Red Nose Day	
12	County Cub Swimming Gala	St Albans
17	St Patrick's Day	
18 - 19	District Gang Show	St Francis College

Welcome to



Simon Thomas
ASL 4th Letchworth
Tony Cracknell
ASL 4th Letchworth

Long Service Decoration

15 Years

Brian Plater 12th Letchworth ACSL

Service Certificate

10 Years

Nick Jewell 1st Ashwell CSL

5 years

Jackie Hare 7th Letchworth ASL

Mark Hill 7th Letchworth SL

Fiona Potts 1st Baldock CSL

Simon Wilson 5th Letchworth CSL

Sleepout in Cardboard City

On a very cold Friday in December I went with 7th Letchworth Scout Group to St Albans Cathedral to raise money for the homeless by sleeping in a cardboard box.

First we had to set up our boxes which took about 20 minutes, by this time it was about 9.30 pm. We had to go to the reception and have a tag put on our wrist saying "sleepout". This was in case anything happened to us. There was hot soup, coffee and tea available all night. There was a presenter from Three Counties Radio who interviewed me and some other Scouts from 7th Letchworth.

I managed to sleep even though it was very cold and hopefully we will have raised a lot of money for the homeless.



Harry Williams
7th Letchworth Scout