

One World
One Promise

Letchworth and Baldock
District Scouts

centenary of
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St George's Day Parade and Service

Sunday 22 April 2007

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Over four hundred Scouts from Letchworth and Baldock District proudly paraded their colours along Norton Way South and Pixmore Way to Broadway Gardens where they were met by 250 families, friends and dignitaries. The Scouts had used their pioneering skills to turn the Gardens into a cathedral with an altar, gateways and their flags flying from the flag poles.

Father Paul Bennett spoke of the chivalry of St George and the importance to Scouts of their Law and Promise and Father Seamus Murphy conducted the prayers. District Commissioner Dave Hawkins led the Scouts and their Leaders in an reaffirmation of their promise.



Baldock Festival Week

Exhibitions in the Community Centre

Saturday 19 May - 10.00 - 4.00 pm

100 years of Baldock Scouts

To celebrate the centenary, Baldock Scouts have loaned Baldock Museum and the local History Society a collection of photographs, albums of cuttings and other ephemera which will be on display for the day.

It is well worth a visit.



District Day Visit to

World Jamboree -

Saturday 4 August 2007

Tickets are still available for the day visit to the 21st

World Jamboree at Hylands Park, Chelmsford.

This is your chance to experience the excitement and unique atmosphere of this special global community, where world Scouting, cultures, issues, faiths, cuisine and performance will combine to form the biggest ever World Scout Jamboree.

The cost is £20 for over 13s and £15 for under 13s. Transport is free.

Please contact - Dave Hawkins for further information 643432 / dc@lbdscouts.org.uk



World Jamboree

"Meet and Greet" at Luton Airport

I have been asked to recruit a team of volunteers to "meet and greet" participants to the World Jamboree as they pass through Luton Airport.

If you are interested in helping I would be pleased to hear from you.

The dates involved are - arrivals 24 and 29 July

departures 8 and 9 August

It is likely that we will have to cover the airport between 6.30 am and midnight but this can be modified when we have precise details of flight times.

Members of the International Service Team will also be at the airport.

Bob Williams

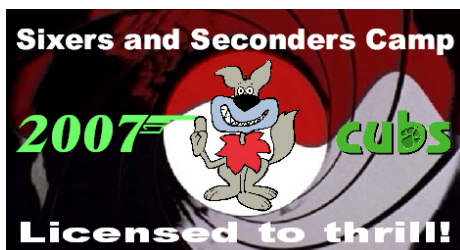
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Rotary Walk 2007

Hopefully your Group has registered to take part in the Rotary Walk on Sunday 20 May 2007. This is an excellent fund raising opportunity - so don't miss out, your Group can keep 75% of all the money you raise from

sponsorship. Let's have one hundred Scouts talking part in this the Scouting Centenary Year.





Being prepared!



Date: **31st March 2007**

Time: **09.00**

Location: **Wymondley Wood**

Over 50 Cubs from around the District arrive for the start of the 2007 Sixers and Seconders Camp. From the moment their parents drop them off, their mission starts. Primary mission objectives - have fun and learn new skills.

Remember last month's Coordinator – why the muddy clothes from such a warm and dry weekend? Here's



Challenge Base 1 – Assault Course

After the opening ceremony, there was time for the Cubs to complete one challenge base before lunch; the first of many excellent meals organised by Wendy Tierney.

Two further challenge bases were completed in the afternoon and then, after tea, a night time hike, camp fire and songs rounded off the busy day.

After a good night's sleep, everyone took part in a 'Cubs' Own' reflecting on 'why every individual is special', and then completed the final two challenge bases before gathering for the closing ceremony and then going home.

With two Scouting Staged Activity Badges up for grabs and seven mission challenges to complete, the stakes were high. **Being prepared** to survive the weekend away from home, join in with the adventure, help each other to get through to the end and have fun, was going to be vital!

The first challenge was linked to the Centenary Year and involved collecting 100 points worth of items and information from around the campsite. From finding out how many bolts are in the assault course (89 if you're interested!) to finding a feather or a dock leaf. The Cubs were kept busy whilst the whole arrival and registration process was completed.



Challenge Base 2



The leaders had pitched a range of tents on the Friday night at the back of the building.

Some Cubs slept there whilst others slept in the main building dormitories.

Every one of the Cubs completed their mission with flying colours; new skills were learned, new badges were achieved and everyone had a great time. The only casualties were some very dirty clothes and some very tired Cubs (and some exhausted leaders too!!).



Challenge Base 3
Shooting



Challenge Base 4 – Axes & Saws

Being prepared had another major role to play in the weekend's activities. This year I volunteered to organise and run the camp and, like all Camp Leaders, in the weeks leading up to it I made sure that everything was organised and that everyone knew what they were doing. As it turned out my preparations proved to be very worth while as, because of illness, I couldn't be there to run the camp.

My thanks go to all the Leaders and Young Leaders who ensured the camp ran smoothly; but especially to my wife, Dawn, who had been looking forward to a quiet weekend at home and ended up taking over my role at camp quite literally at the last minute! With Dawn running the scavenger hunt, 'Cubs' Own' and the emergency aid challenge base and Amanda Woolmer stepping in as Camp Leader, the camp was still able to ahead and, indeed, was a great success.

Well done to all concerned for *being prepared* to muck in together to ensure such a successful camp.



Challenge Base 5
Emergency Aid

Phasels Wood NSRA National Youth Proficiency Scheme Air-Rifle Target Shooting Courses

Next Courses are : Date: Sunday 3 June 2007
Sunday 10 June 2007
Cost: £30
Time: 9.30 am - 5.00 pm

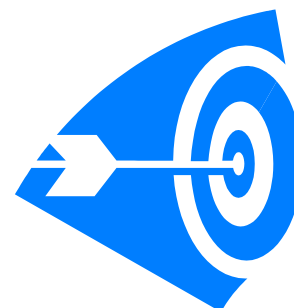


The course is run for one day and you will need to bring a packed-lunch
- a warm drink will be provided.

Phasels Wood GNAS Archery Leader Course

The course is run for 4 days. Participants must attend all 4 days. Please bring
a packed lunch. Warm drinks are provided.

Next Course: 11, 18, 25 November and 2 December 2007
(This is over 4 Sundays)
Cost: £160.00
Time: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm



For further information please e-mail
info@phaselswood.org.uk or telephone 01442 252851

**Remember the District has a training fund which can help you / the group with
the cost. For further details on how you can apply please contact Geoff Smith
01462 680006/ carfax.t21@btinternet.com**

Collection

**The St George's Day collection raised
over £320 for the local Young Carers
Charity. Well done one and all - an
excellent effort.**

District Treasurer

County Air Rifle Shooting Competition

Congratulations to James Madley of 1st Baldock
Scouts who secured a second place trophy in the
young rifles section and a 3rd place in the under
12 section of the County Air Rifle Shooting
Competition

Mike Wheeler ADC (Scouts)

Welcome to

Steven Hardman CSL
12th Letchworth

Ben Whitaker ACSL
7th Letchworth



Service Awards

Arthur Scott - Fellowship Treasurer - Chief Scout's Long Service Decoration - 40 years

Maggie Miller - 1st Baldock Committee - Bar to the Long Service Decoration 25 years

Eileen Hemmings 1st Baldock Committee

David Northover - Fellowship Member

Gill Rollason - 1st Baldock Committee

Long Service Decoration - 15 years

Congratulations to

Rita Hawkins - Editor Co-ordinator

on being awarded the Silver Acorn

Chris King - DESC

Ron Smith - Appointment Secretary / District Executive Member

on being awarded the Medal of Merit

Lesley Gwilt - District Scouter

Gareth Howell - SL 5th Letchworth / District Mountain Adviser / Web Master

on being awarded the Chief Scout's Commendation



Wymondley Wood Wardens

May

1 - 8	Bob Williams	686727
8 - 15	Chris King	637901
15 - 22	Maureen Kell	684665
22 - 29	TBA	
29 - 5	Shelley Wilsher	642026

June

5 - 12	Elaine Wigglesworth	626218
12 - 19	Ann Chapman	686772
19 - 26	Nora Hitcham	627905
26 - 3	Elaine Wigglesworth	626218



2007 DIARY

May

4 - 7	District Centenary Jamboree Camp	Wymondley Wood
9	Young Leaders' Training Module C	Wymondley Wood
10	District AGM	Wymondley Wood
12	District Beaver Challenge	12th Letchworth HQ
13	County Cub 6-a-side Football Competition	
14	District Cub Leaders' Meeting	
15	5th Letchworth AGM	5th Letchworth HQ - 7.00 pm
17	8th Letchworth AGM	8th Letchworth HQ - 7.00 pm
20	Rotary GC Charity Walk	Greenway Walk
23	7th Letchworth AGM	Wilbury Hall, Bedford Road 7.00 pm
26	Laurie Cook's Plant stall	22 Hillsott, 10.00 - 4.00 pm

June

4	Wymondley Wood AGM	Wymondley Wood Scout & Guide Centre
5	District Scout Leaders Meeting	5th Letchworth HQ
7	District Team Meeting	1 South Close
10	District Scout Barton Challenge	Barton Hills
14	District Executive Meeting	Wymondley Wood - Wet Weather Shelter
15	4th Letchworth AGM	St Paul's Church - 7.00 pm
16	District Centenary Sports Day	TBA
19	District Dinner and Dance Meeting	1 South Close
22 - 24	County Explorer Event H.E.A.T.	TBA
25	County A.G.M.	Castle Hall. Hertford
30 - 1 July	County 25/40 Mile Walk	Oxford - Thames Path

July

4	Young Leaders' Training Module D	Wymondley Wood
7	District Dinner and Dance	Spirella Ballroom
9	District Cub Leaders' Meeting	TBA
10	District Beavers Bangers and Bash	Wymondley Wood

Watch out for details of the District Sports day which will be sent directly to all Leaders. Please note change of date from 9 June to 16 June. The Sports day will involve all sections.

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