

## St George's Day Parade and Service

The sky was blue and the sun shone, uniforms were smart, faces were happy.

Over 450 Young People and Leaders assembled in "the donkey field" in Ashwell on Sunday afternoon ready for our annual St George's Day parade, which this year was hosted by Ashwell Scout Group.

The parade was headed by the three District Standards and lead by Chris King and our local M.P., Mr Oliver Heald and his wife. We brought the village to a stand still as we made our way to St Mary's church. Our short service was hosted by the Reverend Dr Simon Chambers, vicar of St.Mary's. The vicar is no stranger to Scouting, his previous parish contained Brownsea Island, the birthplace of Scouting.

The church was filled to bursting point with very little standing room left. During the service we renewed our Promise and we were entertained by readings and a play by the Ashwell Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and accompanied during the hymns by the Salvation Army Band. The parade then headed back to Ashwell School where it was dismissed. It was a glorious afternoon, many invited guests and dignitaries attended the service and joined us for a cup of tea at the finish. Our local Councillors and M.P. were very impressed with the turnout and behaviour. They thought it a great advert for Scouting and all the good things it does for the Young People.

Thanks to all those who attended and to the Leaders for encouraging such a magnificent turn out.



## District Cub Scout 6-a-side Football Competition

### 28 March 2009

On March 28 the District Cub Six a Side football event was held at Lordship Farm School, Letchworth. Rather than playing indoors to guarantee the weather it had been decided that we would risk the vagaries of the British weather in March and play on the school field instead. Luckily, even though it was occasionally cold in the wind, the rain did hold off until everything had finished and had been packed away, then the heavens opened and decided to give us a fantastic hailstone storm!

We had seven teams entered who played a total 42 games between each other in a round robin event. Each team had a minimum squad of 6 and a maximum squad of ten and so it was estimated that at least fifty Cubs from the District played in the tournament. After the first few games most team managers had decided that it was better to play with the slope away from the school rather than up the slope and so great discussions then arose as to whose turn it was to play with the slope in the next game.

After four hours of football we had a tournament winner who were 2<sup>nd</sup> Baldock who managed to win four and draw two of their six matches without conceding a single goal!

They now have the privilege of representing the District at the County Six a Side football event in Chorleywood on 10 May.

Whilst the Cubs were playing football the parents and other supporters spent their time eating bacon rolls that had been cooked by CubJam Leaders and 12<sup>th</sup> Letchworth parents as a fundraiser for both. In fact the bacon sandwiches went down so well that all local supermarkets had run out of rolls by the end of the tournament!

Many thanks must be made to all team managers who ensured that their teams were at the right pitch at the right time and the referees who ensured that all games were played fairly.

**Steve Hardman**  
**Tournament Organiser and Akela, 12th Letchworth**





**Winners - 2nd Baldock**



**Runners Up - 8th Letchworth**





# **Letchworth and Baldock District** **Scouts Air Rifle Competition** **2009**

**Date: Saturday 9 May 2009**

**Time: -team slots to be advised**

**Adults/Explorers turn up between  
10am and 2pm**

## **TROPHIES**

- *Winning Scout Team*
- *Winner Scout Individual (Team members only)*
- *Winner Explorer Individual*

**Teams register by Saturday 2 May**

### **Entry fees:**

- **Scouts £3 per team of 4**
- ***Register team in advance***
- **Explorers 50p individual entry**
- **Adult Individual £1\***
- ***Explorers and Adults pay on the day.***

***\*Scout Association members only.***

**To be held at ;-  
Wrayfield Farm  
Stotfold  
SG5 4NR**

*‘plinking’ practice range*

*‘Ring the bell ‘ win a chocolate bar*

*Full rules and time slot will be issued on registration of Team*



Rules are also available for teams and individuals on the District Website  
[www.lbdscouts.org.uk](http://www.lbdscouts.org.uk)

Permission to shoot forms must be completed for each entrant and handed in at registration on the day.

For more information contact :- Gavin Conder ADC Scouts  
Tel 07920 711251 or 01462 624365 , E-mail:- [adc.scouts@lbdscouts.org.uk](mailto:adc.scouts@lbdscouts.org.uk)

# Hillbrow Park Consultation Event



What changes would YOU like to see?

Come along & give us your views

Thursday 21 May 2009, 5pm – 8pm

Westbury Primary School Hall

West View, Letchworth



To find out more  
please contact:

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[www.groundwork.org.uk/hertfordshire](http://www.groundwork.org.uk/hertfordshire)



Ben Underwood's colleague Graeme Endersby (Youth Works Manager) is also organising the youth consultation side and this will take place in the early part of May. Watch out for further details on the District Website.

There will also be a presentation evening on Thursday 18 June 5.00 pm - 7.00 pm at Westbury School Hall when Ben will bring along design proposals based upon the consultation work, and the community can give feedback.



## Regional Scout Cooking Competition



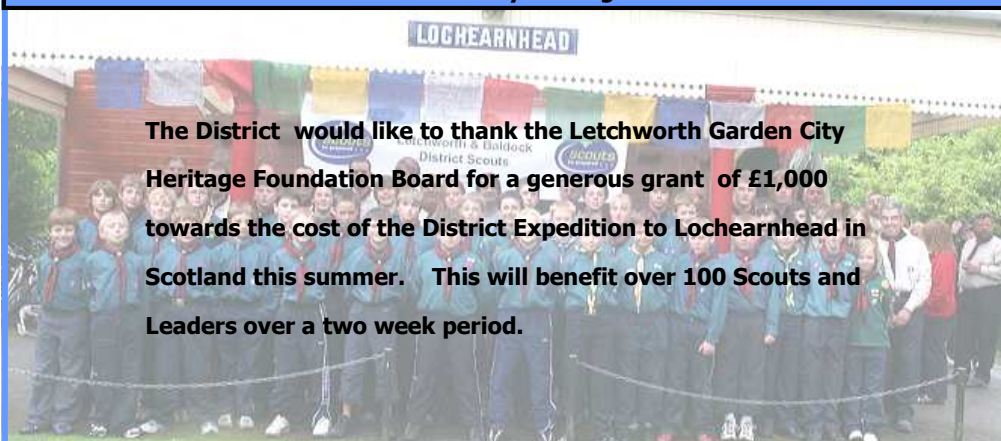
Eleven teams of Scouts took part in this year's Regional Cooking Competition held in Shurdington, Cheltenham in Gloucestershire. 1st Ashwell girls, Rosy Boxall, Katherine Chennells, Jemima Fryer and Josephine Lohar-Self together with 2nd Ware represented the County.

1st Ashwell achieved a very creditable 5th place overall and they were also second by one point in the dessert category.



## Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation

**The District would like to thank the Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation Board for a generous grant of £1,000 towards the cost of the District Expedition to Lochearnhead in Scotland this summer. This will benefit over 100 Scouts and Leaders over a two week period.**



## Parade of Queen's Scouts - Windsor Castle

Like the District St George's Day Parade and Service the sky was blue and the sun shone. During the day we saw many Hertfordshire Scouters including, Rikki Harrington, Ewan Murray, Steve Jordan, Steve Harris, Betty and Laurie Johnston and Kevin and Linda McKay and family. For the first time in a long time the castle was opened to the public so after having a tour of the castle we made our way to the quadrangle to await the arrival of the Queen's Scouts. The Band of The Coldstream Guards led the parade from the Royal Mews to St Georges' Gate.



**Dave Hawkins, Rikki Harrington, Ewan Murray and a Scouter from Harpenden**



The 17th Tonbridge Scout and Guide Band augmented by a Corps of Drums from the 3rd Davyhulme Scout and Guide Band brought up the rear of the Parade. Once the Queen's Scouts had formed around the quadrangle they were presented to Major General Sir Michael Hobbs KCVO CBE, Governor of the Military Knights of Windsor, representing the Queen and Peter Duncan the Chief Scout. After the parade the Scouts made their way to St George's Chapel for the National Scout Service.

**Dave and Rita Hawkins**



## World Scout Jamboree - Sweden 2011



Mike Aston - ACC (International) has asked for the following to be circulated Leaders.

We are seeking to appoint Leaders and Assistant Leaders to be in charge of the Hertfordshire Units to the 22<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Jamboree in Sweden during the summer of 2011. The Jamboree will be held on the fields of Rinkaby, not far from the town of Kristianstad, in the province of Skåne, southern Sweden.

**The Jamboree Theme is *Simply Scouting*.**

The World Scout Jamboree is a place for Scouting in all its variety, from all across the world and presents an exceptional programme, with a wide range of activities and opportunities for all.

The World Scout Jamboree focuses on implementing the Scout method. The values and processes that make Scouting what it is can be experienced and considered together.

If you talk to any of the 12 leaders who led our three units to the 2007 Jamboree in Essex, they will tell you that the job was challenging but extremely rewarding - a never to be forgotten experience!

The Jamboree Unit Leader role involves managing the training of a group of 36 young people which may include 12 year old Scouts at the time of the selection process, and 17 year old Explorer Scouts when the Jamboree takes place. In the past, successful Leaders have been those capable of responding to the changing needs of such a wide age range and in particular capable of an increasingly consultative style of leadership. Units have benefited from managing their own affairs as much as possible.

So if you are interested in leading or assisting in the leadership of one of the Hertfordshire Units and are active in either the Scouts or the Guides in Hertfordshire, please contact me by Tele: 01707 658644 for an informal chat or email:

[acc.international@hertfordshirescouts.org.uk](mailto:acc.international@hertfordshirescouts.org.uk) for an application form.

**Mike Aston**

**Assistant County Commissioner (International)**

**Please feel free to apply if you are interested, all I would ask is that you let me know if you are doing so - Chris King DC.**



# 2009 cubjam Gilwell Park

**A contingent of 25 Young People from Letchworth & Baldock will be attending the national camp in May.**

1<sup>st</sup> Baldock      1 Cub  
 4<sup>th</sup> Letchworth   4 Cubs  
 5<sup>th</sup> Letchworth   6 Cubs  
 7<sup>th</sup> Letchworth   7 Cubs  
 11<sup>th</sup> Letchworth 1 Cub  
 12<sup>th</sup> Letchworth 5 Cubs  
 And 1 Young leader from 7<sup>th</sup> Letchworth  
 8 Leaders from all sections, 1 Beaver Leader  
 5 Cub Leaders and 2 Scout Leaders.



On the 29 March we held a getting to know you day at 8<sup>th</sup> Letchworth HQ where we all got to meet everyone who is going to Cubjam. During the day the Cubs saw tents that we would be sleeping in, they had their faces painted, made shakers and painted pasta to make necklaces for the carnival.

Cubjam is like Lochearnhead but for Cubs. The only difference is that they don't do hill walking. They take part in two day trips, one to Chessington World of Adventure and the other to Colchester Zoo.



On site activities are Archery, Aeroball, 3G swing, Climbing, Grass sledging, Jump mats, Go Karts to name but a few. In the evenings there is more entertainment, a Cinema and side show games

The theme of Cubjam is Carnivals. We will be in Blue Sub camp and we are called New Orleans. We will be making a carnival float in the shape of a Paddle Steamer. Everyone joins in the fun of making the float. The Cubs will be making Carnival masks, shakers, and drums.

We are looking forward to a wonderful time.

**Amanda Woolmer**  
**Letchworth & Baldock Contingent Leader**

## Adult Training

**Congratulations** to the following who attended a module 10 course and successfully gained their First Aid Certificate in April.

Nick Farmer	-	Hitchin District
Cheryl Woolmer	-	7th Letchworth
Peter Woolmer	-	District



## Badge Price Changes

Having succeeded in maintaining current badge prices at the same level for several years, the Scout Shops now find it necessary to change them.

The new restricted and un-restricted badge prices will come into effect on 1 May 2009.

Badge prices at the Scout and Guide Shop in Icknield Way, Letchworth will remain at the current price until 1st June 2009 when the prices will be increased accordingly.

County and District Badges are not affected.

Dave Hawkins

## Wymondley Wood A.G.M.



**Date:** 22 June 2009  
**Time:** 7.30 pm for 8.00pm  
**Venue:** Wymondley Wood

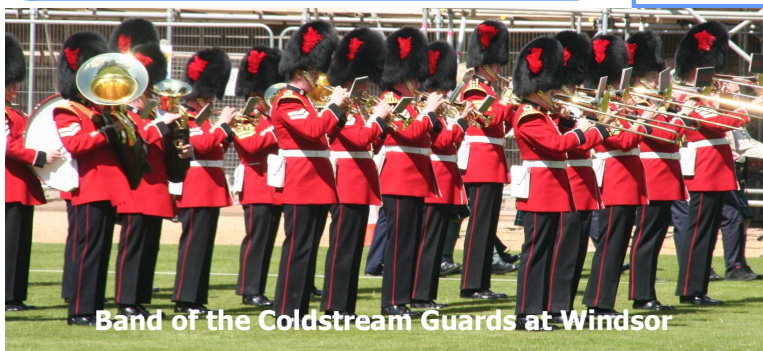
**All are welcome**

**RSVP:** Barbara Crombie - Secretary  
**E-mail:** [wymondleywood.org@hotmail.com](mailto:wymondleywood.org@hotmail.com)

## Correction

The e-mail for Matt Hart published in the April's edition of Co-Ordinator should have read

**[m\\_m\\_hart@hotmail.com](mailto:m_m_hart@hotmail.com)**  
 or e-mail Christine Hart at **[jmehart\\_1@hotmail.com](mailto:jmehart_1@hotmail.com)**



**Band of the Coldstream Guards at Windsor**

## Congratulations to

Ray Andrews Ex Leader from 4th Letchworth who now does his Scouting in Cambridgeshire. He was awarded the Award of Merit in recognition of outstanding service to Scouting.

## Recognising the achievements of our Young People



### Chief Scout's Bronze Award

Harry Godfrey	1st Baldock
Oliver Jones	8th Letchworth
Mae Reader	8th Letchworth



### Chief Scout's Silver Award

Thomas Hill	8th Letchworth
Richard Oldham	8th Letchworth
Ryan Purkis	8th Letchworth
Lewis Ryall	8th Letchworth



## A warm welcome to



Diana Cornell	ACSL	8th Letchworth
Susannah Goward	ABSL	1st Baldock
Paul Tyler	ASL	4th Letchworth
Richard Warren	ABSL	1st Ashwell



# DIARY 2009

## MAY

1	District Fellowship Social 'Kiss me Kate'	Gordon Craig Theatre
1 - 3	PAW (Patrol Activity Weekend)	Phasels Wood
1 - 4	Introduction to the Hills (County Event)	Orchard Farm
5	Lochearnhead Meeting	Wymondley Wood
8	7th Letchworth AGM	Wilbury Hall
9	District Scout Air Rifle Competition	Wrayfield Farm, Stotfold
9	District Beaver Challenge	11th Letchworth
10	County Football 6-a-side Tournament	Chorleywood
10	District Fellowship BBQ	38 Chiltern View
12	5th Letchworth AGM	5th Letchworth HQ, Spring Road
14	District AGM	Wymondley Wood
16 and 17	Lochearnhead Training	Herts. Young Mariners Centre
17	Letchworth Garden City Rotary Annual Charity Walk	Greenway Walk
23	Laurie's Plant Stall	22 Hillshott
24	Fellowship Picnic	Wymondley Wood
24 - 29	CubJam	Gilwell Park

## JUNE

7	Fellowship Trip	Bletchley Park
11	District Executive Meeting	Wymondley Wood
18	8th Letchworth Open Evening / AGM	Sparhawke
22	Wymondley Wood Scout and Guide Centre AGM	Wymondley Wood
27	District Beaver Day Out	Natural History Museum
27	Fellowship "Cub Day"	Boyd Field, Henlow
29	Wymondley Wood Meeting	Wymondley Wood

The youngest member of the Scout Movement involved in the Parade of Queen's Scouts at Windsor - Sunday 26 April 2009



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