

# Co-Ordinator

## Letchworth and Baldock District Scouts

### WYMONDLEY WOOD

Scout and Guide Centre



### 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SATURDAY 25 MAY AND

SUNDAY 26 MAY 2013

Ariel runway  
Circus Workshop  
Face Painting  
Branding  
Trampoline  
Go Karts  
Bowling Alleys  
Raft building  
Inflatables  
Camp Fire  
Archery  
Shooting  
Crafts  
Other activities  
will be bought in  
depending on the  
numbers  
attending.



Come and join us and help celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the opening of the Wymondley Wood Scout and Guide Centre. Saturday 25 May for Rainbows, Beavers, Brownies and Cubs and on Sunday 26 May for Guides, Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Senior Section, Young Leaders and Scout Network. Only £10.00 per young person for the day. Activities start at 10.00 am ending with a campfire at 4.00 pm

For more information please contact your section Leader or

Saturday Vicki Gage [vgage@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:vgage@hotmail.co.uk)  
Jacob Tyler [j.a.g.tyler@me.com](mailto:j.a.g.tyler@me.com)

Sunday Claire Winchester  
[drclairewinchester@googlemail.com](mailto:drclairewinchester@googlemail.com)

## Chiltern Challenge

Two teams from Oak Eagles ESU competed in this year's Chiltern Challenge.

Chiltern Challenge is Hertfordshire Scouts very own Explorer Scout Competition. Over a weekend in March, teams of five pit their wits against a series of challenges designed to show their skills, ingenuity and team working.

Saturday saw the usual mix of physical and mental team challenges, including flag dominos, "jousting" for plastic balls and spaghetti towers, as well as an assault course and orienteering.

Saturday evening was spent navigating across the Hertfordshire countryside over a 20 km course, with more team challenges, before retiring to Phasels Wood (some very much later than others).

Chiltern Challenge has been running since 1978, when it was run by the Chiltern Venture Scout Unit for local Scout and Guides. Since then the event has flourished and is now run by the Scout Network for the Explorer Scout section. Chiltern Challenge now attracts entries from around the UK.



**St George's Day Parade  
and Service  
Sunday 21 April 2013  
Letchworth Garden City Church**



This year's St George's Service will take place on 21 April at the Letchworth Garden City Church in Icknield Way. The Service will start at 3.00 pm. The Parade will form up on Howard Park Gardens next to the Paddling Pool.

Please arrive at the assembly point in good time to be ready for the parade to move off promptly at 2.30 pm in order to arrive at the Church in time for the service.

After the service the parade will reform in the Church car park and parade to Norton Common for dismissal.

The hymns for the day will be

**Colours of Day**

**When a Knight won his Spurs**

**Our God is a Great Big God**

**All Things Bright and Beautiful**

**and two verses of the National Anthem**

There will be a retiring collection on behalf of Juvenile Diabetes Research.



A rehearsal for the Colour Parties will take place at the Church at 11.00 am on Saturday 20 April

**A DAY OF ACHIEVEMENT  
AND CELEBRATION**

National Scout Service and Parade  
Sunday 21 April 2013



The District will be represented at the Windsor St George's Day Queen's Scout parade by our very own six Queen's Scouts - Hayley Palmer, Kim Martin, Ross Taylor, David Nunnington, Joe Hartley and Chris Woor.

The event dates back nearly 80 years and recognises the outstanding achievements of both adults and young people through a parade and service held annually within Windsor Castle by gift of Her Majesty the Queen.

**ENJOY THE DAY**

## Gang Show 2013

It is amazing how much children will do when asked. In previous years the theatre's fire notices (which have to be announced before each performance) have either been read from a script or pre recorded – but not this year. The whole passage was learnt and recited from memory. Not once was there a script on stage as the whole cast had all learnt their lines and sometimes that meant a whole 5 minute sketch with just two people. Yes, there were technical issues but not one member of the cast was ever phased by them and in true theatre tradition the show went on.

All this is made even more remarkable when you realise that the average age of the cast was ten years old, but for this cast it was very mature ten year olds.

The show itself had a wide variety of songs and sketches taking us to the country after finding out about the weather, a night at the cinema before we were invaded by Martians, a beautiful ultra violet theatre filled with zombies and the 'Tragedy' ending that revealed the crew as children. A very entertaining evening with very competent performances.

A big well done to everyone involved

Now "I've got to go – it's the end of the show – **TRAGEDY**"

**'The Producers'**



### Events and Social Diary

**Event:** GMA and Barbecue  
**Date:** 11 May  
**Venue:** District Headquarters,  
**Time:** 16:00 hrs to 19:00 hrs  
**Cost:** £7.00 per head

**Saturday 29 June a picnic at the Forest of Marston Vale**

**Sunday 28 July a Garden Party at the Manager's house , 4 Sanderling Close**

**Sunday 1 September "Fred's Cream Teas" from 15:00 hrs to 18:00 hrs £5.00 at the gate.**

**Further details to follow as and when they are published.**

### **Co-Ordinator**

There is no need to register on the District website to view current and past editions of Co-Ordinator. Just go to [www.lbdscouts.org.uk](http://www.lbdscouts.org.uk) and click on the Co-ordinator link in Resources on the home page (left hand side)



## Wymondley Wood 10th Anniversary Gateway - Phase 1



Poles delivered 21 February 2012



Position marked out ready to have the holes dug - 14 March 2013

### 16 March 2013 - Working Party



As part of the Wymondley Wood 10th Anniversary a gateway has been commissioned.

The construction is being carried out by Leaders from the District including 2nd Baldock and 8th Letchworth. The project is being managed by the gateway designer Peter Ellmers, GSL 8th Letchworth Scout Group.

It is being funded by a grant from Councillor Keith Emsall's locality budget, and Wymondley Wood. Thanks to Cleghorn Waring for providing the specialized hardware needed in the construction.

The gateway will be completed in time for the 10th Anniversary celebration at the end of May.

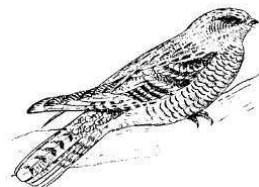
Watch this space for further photos as the construction continues.



## Mid Herts Night Hike and District Night Jar



Five teams from three groups represented the District. 4th Letchworth, 7th Letchworth and 8th Letchworth, took part in the Mid Herts Night Hike held over the weekend of 2/3 March in the rural area NW of the Mid Herts Scout District. This year the Letchworth and Baldock District Scout Nightjar Competition was held as part of the Night Hike.



4th Letchworth 'A' team came first in the out of District unaccompanied category and walked away with the Mid Herts Night Hike Trophy for their cabinet. 4th Letchworth Scouts took the District Nightjar trophy as well.

## Snippets

### Election of Members to the Hertfordshire County Scout Council

Nominations are being sought for members of the Hertfordshire County Scout Council. There are two vacancies available due to the rotational retirement of two of the current members.

Nomination form and more details are available on the County and District websites.

Nominations must be with the County Secretary no later than 12 April 2013. Nominations from the District should be sent to Janet Conder, District Secretary by 8 April at the latest.

The County Executive Committee exists to support the County Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the office and to support the delivery of Scouting throughout the County. The Executive Committee is accountable to the Hertfordshire County Scout Council.

It will involve attending six meetings a year, at moment held at Well End as well as the County AGM in June and it is for a three year period.

Training is provided and you will become a trustee for the three year period of the Hertfordshire County Scout Council.



The full course is approximately 14 miles. Most of the route follows the Greenway with good signing and offers many fresh views of the landscape and points of local interest.

This is a good fund raiser for your group as you keep 75% of the money raised by each walker. 25% is payable to The Rotary Club of Letchworth Trust Fund to support Rotary and local charities, e.g. the

Garden House Hospice.

An entry form and more information are available on the District website:

[www.lbdscouts.org.uk](http://www.lbdscouts.org.uk)

or on the Letchworth Rotary Club website:

[www.lgcrotary.org.uk/](http://www.lgcrotary.org.uk/)

### Hertfordshire Unit Leaders 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan in 2015



Applications are open for Hertfordshire Unit Leaders at the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan in 2015. For more information visit

<http://goo.gl/kLlj8>

or contact Matt Hart District International Advisor on

[m.hart.sfx@googlemail.com](mailto:m.hart.sfx@googlemail.com)

# Achievements

## Chief Scout's Bronze Award



James Bell	8th Letchworth
Ben Collen	8th Letchworth
Lewis Park	8th Letchworth
Daniel Spragg	8th Letchworth

## Chief Scout's Silver Award



Alexander Beevor	4th Letchworth
Joshua Hazzard	8th Letchworth
Harry Lewis	8th Letchworth
Georgia Martin	8th Letchworth
Maggie Read	4th Letchworth
Thomas Ryan	4th Letchworth

## Chief Scout's Gold Award



Jay Lamb	8th Letchworth
Thomas Smith	1st Ashwell

Chief Scout's Awards  
presented at 8th  
Letchworth AGM.



# Diary 2013

## APRIL

10	District Executive Meeting	Wymondley Wood
12 - 14	District Cubs Sixers and Seconders Weekend	Wymondley Wood
16	District Team Meeting	
16	District Beaver Leaders Meeting	
16	Scout and Guide Shop Re-opens	
19	7th Letchworth AGM	
20	Colour Party Rehearsal	LGC Church
21	District St George's Day Parade and Service	
22	Wymondley Wood AGM	Wymondley Wood
25	Scout and Guide Shop Meeting	District HQ
27	Young Leaders' Training Module A	
28	District Scout Barton Challenge	
30	Young Leaders' Training Module E	
30	District Scout Leaders' Meeting	Three Horse Shoes, Norton

## MAY

3 - 6	County Scout PACE	Tolmers
9	District AGM	District HQ
11	District Beaver Challenge	8th Letchworth HQ
11	Scout Active Support BBQ & GMA	District HQ,
12	District Scout Shooting. / Archery Competition	Wymondley Wood
13	District Cub Leaders' Meeting	8th Letchworth HQ
14	Young Leaders' Training Module F	
18	ASSET - Active Support Social Event	Tolmers
19	Rotary Garden City Walk	
23	1st Ashwell AGM	
25 - 27	Wymondley Wood 10th Anniversary Celebrations	
25 - 31	CubJam	

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Congratulations to Andy Clarke, 7th Letchworth ASL and Teresa on the birth of their baby daughter Chloe.

No doubt Andy will be going back to Scouts for a rest - and Andy thought that Scouts don't sleep!