

# Co-ordinator

## County Scout Cooking Competition

Eight teams from around the County took part in the County Scout Cooking Competition held in Stevenage in February. Districts hold their own cooking competition and the winner represents them at the County event. 1st Baldock who won the District cooking competition came a credible 6th at County level. There was a 30 point difference between first and last place.

Teams of four plan, prepare and cook a three course meal to a theme and budget.

Our very own Wendy Tierney, District Cub Scout Leader and the County Chairman, Mike Shurety were the judges.

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### Results (out of a possible 205 points)

| Position | Points | Team                                   |
|----------|--------|--|
| 1st      | 192    | 2nd Ware                               |
| 2nd      | 185    | 3rd North Watford (1st Abbots Langley) |
| 3rd      | 179    | 1st Batchworth Sea Scouts              |
| 3rd      | 179    | 1st Watton on Stone                    |
| 5th      | 175    | 1st Harston                            |
| 6th      | 170    | 1st Baldock                            |
| 7th      | 166    | Poplar                                 |
| 8th      | 164    | Gossoms End                            |



## Oak Eagle Explorer Scout Unit

Oak Eagle Explorer Scouts have been practising their first aid. The unit have been using an AED, practicing how to deal with choking (with the help of a choke vest) and trying to keep a casualty with a spinal injury stable while rolling them to clear their airway.



### 2018 County Expedition - Ekhaya eSwaziland 25 July - 13 August 2018

## Hertfordshire Scouts



In the summer of 2018 the District will have a group of Explorer Scouts and Leaders joining the County expedition to Swaziland. This is an amazing trip with the main aim being to work on the youth centre that is being built in the small village of Mailbeni.

We will be fundraising until we go to raise money for the trip, circa £2000 per participant, and also for the projects of the youth centre and soup kitchen. We are looking for raffle tickets, teddies, unwanted gifts and bottles to help us on our way.

To arrange drop off or collection, please discuss with your Group Leaders who can contact the Swaziland team.

**Clair Calver - Oak Eagle**



## The Kaitlin Anderson Award



I have set up an award called " The Kaitlin Anderson Award "

The award has been set up to recognise young people in Scouting from the age of 8 years old upwards, who have a disability that is either non visible or visible regardless.

The award is presented once a year at the district AGM in May, the first one is to be awarded this May 2017. The young people are to be nominated for the award by their Leader. Nomination forms have gone out and they are expected back by the end of March 2017.

The young person will be invited to the District AGM where the award will be presented.

Kaitlin was a member of 11th Letchworth Scout Group.

She attended Cubs and Scouts. She was an active member of the group, who never let her condition get in the way of her Scouting life or life in general .

Kaitlin had Cystic Fibrosis or CF, she was born with the condition. Cystic Fibrosis is an Autosomal recessive gene, it's a genetic lung disorder that can affect the Pancreas and other organs.

Kaitlin passed away on Monday 31st August 2015 aged 18 years old.

**Caroline Catherell**  
**11th Letchworth BSL**

## Lochearnhead Training Weekend

We set off from Offley and walked back to Letchworth. Luckily it didn't rain until the end! The Leaders were really nice and kind. At around 12.15 we stopped for lunch. We made some chicken soup on the trangias, it was lovely. We took a few stops on the way so we could rest. It was good to meet other people in my group for Lochearnhead. I'm really looking forward to going on the trip.

**Millie Hazzard - 8th Letchworth**





## 8th Letchworth Scout Group

We were invited to help the Friends of Norton Common with their conservation work within Norton Common. . After a brief health and safety talk on using the tools we set to work. We started by sawing some tree stumps down to ground, then we went on to help by cutting down scrub. They had a bonfire going to burn all the scrub. All the work being done is to clear the dead trees and plants and allow the remaining trees to grow better, also to make space to plant new trees, they had already planted some oak trees. Some of the cut tree trunks are used to make homes for wildlife and creepy crawlies. The conservation work is done this time of year as when it gets to spring all the birds and wildlife start nesting. It was really good being outdoors and seeing how much of a difference the hard work makes.

Ryan



## Martha Clampitt



Having spent nearly all of 2016 on my own at Fifth Letchworth Cubs, I am more than proud (I'm elated!) to introduce Martha "Baloo" Clampitt, our newly invested Fifth Letchworth ACSL.

A Canadian mother of three, Martha has a range of experience with autistic children, providing Fifth Letchworth with an intuition that strengthens our Group. At Cubs, our styles and approach complement each other often in a good cop, bad cop kind of way, but we always have fun planning and executing the programme, not the Cubs!

Martha is a training supervisor by day so has had to develop the skills which allow her to teach, understand and problem solve - all required in Scouting.

Her Canadian upbringing brings a slightly different perspective to my American one, and her resolve is strong. Still, I think we are going to need reminding of the British perspective so if you know of anyone who wants to work with two crazy North American women and a couple o' dozen Cubs, all of whom just wanna have fun, please ask them to get in touch.

Welcome Martha! We are so pleased to have your knowledge, experience, personality and character at Fifth. Martha was invested at Fifth on 24 January 2017.

**Joni - CSL 5th Letchworth**



### ROTARY ANNUAL CHARITY WALK SUNDAY 21 MAY 2017

Hi, it's that time of year again! The Rotary Charity Walk. This year:  
**SUNDAY 21 MAY 2017.**

All Walk Information/ Registration Forms are online .....so the links can easily and quickly be sent to thousands of others.

<http://www.lgcrotary.org.uk/#!annual-walk-info/c1nxc>



# 60th Anniversary - Fifth Letchworth

On 22 February 1857 the founder of the Scout Movement was born, Lord Baden-Powell. Skip forward 100 years to February 1957 and Fifth Letchworth Scout Group was registered. So the Scout Movement celebrates 160th anniversary of the birth of Lord Baden-Powell and the District celebrates the 60th anniversary of Fifth Letchworth Scout Group in 2017.

## October 1963

Hertfordshire Scout News (HSN) was restarted after a break of nearly 30 years. The first cover photograph, by Roger Keeney showed Trevor Thorne from Fifth Letchworth Troop, returning from an activity day out.



October 2006 - Hitchwood

## Geoff Smith



2007

## July 2007

Fifth Letchworth Scout Group celebrated its Golden Jubilee with a reunion, exhibition and barbecue.



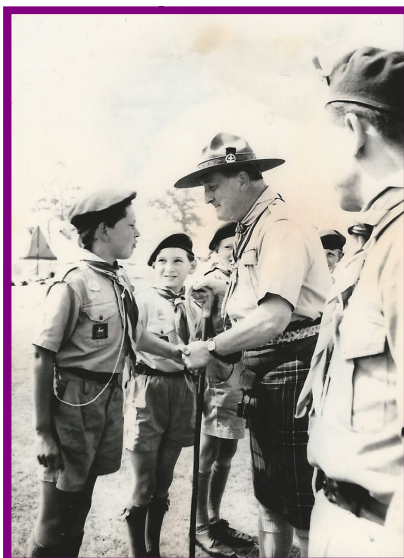
## August 1965

### Jamboree Cymru

Chief Scout, Sir Charles Mclean, with Trevor Thorne and Fifth Letchworth. (Photo)



2008 - Harmer Green



July 2010 - Norfolk

## January 1979

The Tiger Patrol of Fifth Letchworth took part in a *Scouting Magazine* cooking competition. Their menu included Steaks kebabs, American bean salad and Barbecued Jamaican oranges. Their guests were Derek Pollard HQ Commissioner for Scouts and their GSL John Churchill.



# Achievements



## Chief Scout's Bronze Award

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Draven Cavanagh | 8th Letchworth  |
| Daniel Church   | 11th Letchworth |
| Dylan Griffiths | 8th Letchworth  |
| Arthur Hamilton | 8th Letchworth  |
| Thomas Park     | 8th Letchworth  |
| Harley Sayer    | 11th Letchworth |
| Tilly-Mai Sayer | 8th Letchworth  |
| Toby West       | 11th Letchworth |



## Chief Scout's Silver Award

|                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Charlie Cornell | 1st Baldock (Templars) |
| Millie Hamilton | 8th Letchworth         |
| Adam Hodge      | 1st Baldock (Templars) |
| Lola Parkin     | 1st Baldock (Templars) |
| Hannah Treagus  | 8th Letchworth         |
| Jaden Shorrock  | 8th Letchworth         |



## A warm welcome to

Martha Clampitt     5th Letchworth ACSL

## Congratulations to

Robin Bentley     1st Ashwell Chairman

On receiving The Chief Scout's Commendation  
for Good Service.





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## 2017 Diary Dates 2017

### March

- 4 - 5 County Explorer Chiltern Challenge
- 6 8th Letchworth AGM
- 12 County Scout Triathlon Lees Wood
- 18 County Cub Bushcraft Day
- 24 Red Nose Day
- 24 - 26 Training Camp (Lochearnhead)
- 27 Wymondley Wood Committee Meeting
- 30 Scout & Guide Shop Closes
- 31 - 1 Apr District Gang Show

### April

- 1 - 2 District Sixers & Seconders
- 2 District First Response Course DHQ
- 6 District Executive Meeting
- 7 County Queen's Scout Award Dinner
- 8 District Officers' Meeting—County Led Well End
- 14 Good Friday
- 17 Easter Monday
- 20 Scout & Guide Shop reopens
- 23 St George's Day Parade and Service
- 25 Wymondley Wood A.G.M.
- 28 - 1 May PAW Tolmers
- 28 - 30 Oak Eagle ESU Camp Great Barford

### May

- 1 May Day
- 11 District AGM
- 14 District Scout Shooting & Archery Competition
- 17 7th Letchworth AGM
- 19 11th Letchworth AGM
- 19 2nd Baldock AGM (Provisional)
- 21 Rotary Sponsored Greenway Walk
- 29 Spring Bank Holiday



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