

Co-Ordinator

Remembrance Sunday

Saturday 8 November - Practice - Flag Bearers should meet at 11:00 hrs at the memorial.

Sunday 9 November - Scouts and Explorers Scouts should meet at 10:00hrs on Broadway for a 10:30hrs depart.

Squirrels, Beavers, and Cubs to meet by the memorial before 10:30hrs

This year they would like us to continue to parade after the service - dismiss Leys Avenue

Refreshments in the gallery afterwards provided by 7th Letchworth Scout Group)

District Cub Day Out - RAF Hendon

On the 5th of October I went to RAF Hendon with the District Cubs. The first machine we saw was a sea rescue helicopter. We then wrote about it in a worksheet. In hangar 5 we saw the Lancaster Bomber and looked through the special screens which used AI images to show what it would look like to be one of the crew mates. My Popa (great grandfather) was the navigator in one of these planes in the Second World War.

I got a coin press of the Lancaster Bomber to take home as a souvenir. Other things I enjoyed were the playground, going inside some of the planes and playing interactive games. I got a badge at the end for my camp blanket to help me remember my day out!!!

Ossian Earl
4th Letchworth Cubs

2nd Baldock Scouts Braid Wood Scout Camp

As part of earning my **Navigator Staged Badge** and **Expedition Challenge Badge**, I took part in a weekend walking camp at **Braid Wood Scout Campsite**

When we got to the camp on Friday evening we had to pitch our tents, and were then shown how to pack a rucksack for the expedition walk the following day. In the evening we went through the Countryside Code and practised using a compass and had fun modelling contour lines using Play-Doh which helped us to learn how to read maps accurately.

On Saturday morning we had to cook our breakfast and then we made sandwiches and trail mix for our hike. We set off in small groups and completed an 8-mile walk with a Leader, focusing on developing our navigation skills. We learnt how to orientate a map, identify landscape features, read grid references, and use a compass to stay on course. Each of us completed a route card which we then transferred onto our Ordnance Survey maps. After the hike we returned to the camp and cooked our evening meal, and then prepared the route cards for our hike the next day.

On Sunday we had breakfast and then packed up the tents and our kit and then we had to finish off our route cards and then started out on our hike. This time we did not have any Leaders with us and it was really fun to be allowed to walk on our own, but very tiring and we had to keep checking the maps to make sure we were heading in the right direction.

When we got to the final checkpoint it was such a relief as my legs were killing me.

Overall, it was really fun and a very challenging experience. Planning our own route and navigating without adult supervision gave me a real sense of achievement and independence. Although it was tiring at times, I really enjoyed the teamwork, learning new skills, and spending the weekend outdoors. I would definitely take part in a similar expedition again.

Matthew Clark. 2nd Baldock Scouts



"It seems like it would be a lot of work, (it was) but i still really enjoyed the expedition camp. Being put in a group that I didn't pick myself made me talk to a few scouts I hadn't properly spoken to for a long time before, and I found that quite fun. The walk itself with the beautiful views and navigating with the maps + compasses was a lot less boring than it sounds, trust me. I had a lot of fun, and that's just the walk. Even when we were at the campsite, we cooked food together and listened to music, and those things made the camp that little bit more enjoyable. Overall, I feel like I'm more confident in map reading and navigation as a whole!"

Diya - 2nd Baldock Scout



First, when we arrived, we pitched our tents. Then we played capture the flag till it was dinner time where we had (more than) one hot dog, which were good. But something was wrong with them (we later realised they were chicken not pork). Following on from that we plotted our maps and headed to bed.

We woke up at the crack of dawn with the morning dew in the air knowing we had a long day ahead of us. So we got up and chilled till they told us to cook, so we did, and even though it was hard as we were cooking on trangers we did it (somehow) then we left. It was hard, very hard. Because it was long I will only include best bits which is mostly the snacks, but the walk was fun as there were no cows (I hate cows) when we got back, we were tired, so we didn't do much except cook

Sunday the final day and the final challenge, we ate, packed our bags and loaded the cars to get ready

to leave when we did, it was practically the same as the day before, but we did get more lost. Then we ate ice cream and went home

Tom - 2nd Baldock Scout

Sleepover

4th Letchworth,, 5th Letchworth and 7th Letchworth Cubs had a movie night sleepover in the large hall at St Paul's Church

then watched a movie which was all set up on the big screen by Akela (George, 7th Letchworth).

They played a Minecraft based card game designed by Akela-Chill (Patrick), 5th Letchworth , ate take away pizza order by Akela- Tabqui (Russ), 4th Letchworth and

The next morning they got up and had breakfast rolls cooked by Darzee and Shere Khan.



PEAK ASSAULT - Hexworthy Dartmoor 17 - 19 October 2025

Four teams from the District took part in the County Peak Assault Event.



2 teams in the Explorer Scout Section, Oak Eagle ESU A and Oak Eagle ESU B who came third and twelfth respectively out of 26 teams who finished.

One team the in Explorer Scout (Training) section who came twelfth out of 28 teams who finished the course and one team in the Senior Section who came fourth out of 5 teams who finished.

District Beavers Orienteering



On Saturday 20th September District put on an Orienteering event for the Beavers at Fairlands Valley Park. They had eleven markers to find around the park, they used a map with clues and collected the stamps on a card along the way. We had sixty two Beavers attend with their families, along with Cub and Scout siblings. Also one Explorer Young Leader (Isaac Brown) attended and said it was a great course and he had a great time. Fun for all ages! Attendees received a badge and a certificate at the end. It was so lovely to see Beavers working together as a team, strict instructions for the adults to just follow and let them read the map. Great to see them all use and develop their skills.

Hayley
Beaver Programme Team Lead



The Boyd Memorial Campsite and Activity Centre has been booked by the District for the Beavers 40th Birthday event. More details to follow, but in the meantime put the date in your diary **SUNDAY 4th OCTOBER 2026**. The Squirrels will also be celebrating their 5th anniversary and the Cubs 110 years across the UK. in 20206

District Scouts Nightjar Competition

Independent team

Place	Team name	Points
1st	Famous Fifth	147.5
2nd	12th Team 1	137.5
3rd	Puma (1st Ashwell)	125.
Training team		
Place	Team name	Points
1st	Fabulous Fifth	134
2nd	12th Team 2	124
3rd	4th Team B	120

The District Nightjar Night Hike took place in September and started and finished at the Ashwell Recreation Ground. There were a total of thirteen teams that took part, three of which were from the Explorer Scout Unit, Oak Eagle.

Watch out for reports from the Scouts in the next edition of Co-Ordinator.

District Cubs Shooting Competition RESULTS

GROUP	SCORE
1st Baldock	
Oscar	0/50
Awsytn	31/50
Luke	6/50
TOTAL	37/200
2nd Baldock	
Lilly	11/50
Imogene	22/50
Austin	19/50
Ollie	6/50
TOTAL	55/200
4th Letchworth	
Harry	42/50
Max	12/50
Zoe	6/50
Danial	10/50
TOTAL	70/200
5th Letchworth	
Mila	1/50
Daniel	43/50
Ffion	17/50
TOTAL	61/200
7th / 8th Letchworth	
Layla (7th)	17/50
Chester (8th)	30/50
Aidan (8th)	21/50
Joshua (8th)	29/50
TOTAL	97/200
12th Letchworth	
William	8/50
Oliver	7/50
Cody	8/50
TOTAL	23/200
1st Ashwell	
Callum	33/50
Hugo	18/50
George	0/50
TOTAL	51/200

TEAM SCORES	GROUP	SCORE
1st	7th /8th Letchworth	97
2nd	4th Letchworth	70
3rd	5th Letchworth	61
4th	2nd Baldock	55
5th	1st Ashwell	51
6th	1st Baldock	37
7th	12th Letchworth	23

INDIVIDUAL SCORE	NAME	GROUP	SCORE
1st	Daniel	5th Letchworth	43
2nd	Harry	4th Letchworth	42
3rd	Callum	1st Ashwell	33
4th	Awsytn	1st Baldock	31
5th	Chester	8th Letchworth	30
6th	Joshua	8th Letchworth	29
7th	Imogene	2nd Baldock	22
8th	Aidan	8th Letchworth	21
9th	Austin	2nd Baldock	19
10th	Hugo	1st Ashwell	18



Achievements / Awards



Wood Beads

Carrie Burton	2nd Baldock Beavers
James Burton	2nd Baldock Scouts
Ed Hartley	2nd Baldock Scouts
Gary Prowle	1st Ashwell Beavers

Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service Award



Simon Peacock	Senuna ESU
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Service Awards



Lisa Burgess	2nd Baldock Trustee
Julian Hall	1st Ashwell Scouts
Darius Kazubek	1st Baldock Scouts
Kathryn Matthews	2nd Baldock Beavers
Simon Peacock	Senuna ESU
Clare Saunders	7th Letchworth Trustee



Miriam Greener	8th Letchworth Trustee
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Sarah Cook	7th Letchworth Trustee
Helen Gray	7th Letchworth Beavers



Janet Condor	Event Support Member
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Diary Dates 2025 / 2026



NOVEMBER

- 9** Remembrance Sunday
- 11** Wymondley Wood Meeting
- 13** District Cubs Quiz
- 14 - 16** County Scouts Green Beret - Phasels Wood
- 17** Cub Leaders' Meal
- 23** First Response in Baldock gill@lbdscouts.org.uk to book

DECEMBER

- 9** Scout Section Christmas Social

JANUARY 2026

- 12** Cub Leaders' Meeting
- 13** Wymondley Wood Meeting
- 16 - 18** Fire & Ice - Tolmers
- 26** County Explorer Monopoly Challenge - London

FEBRUARY

- 8** County Scout / Explorer Cooking Competition

MARCH

- 14** County Cub Bushcraft Activity Day
- 22** County Scout / Explorer Triathlon - Lees Wood Scout Camp Site

APRIL

- 18 - 19** District Cub Sixers and Seconders Weekend

MAY

JUNE

- 6** County Scouts / Explorer Water Activities Day
- 7** County Cub Water Activities Day
- 20 / 21** County Squirrels in Trees (SITS) & Beavers in Tents (BITS)
- 22** County Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Well End Activity Centre



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