

Fellowship Annual General Meeting Thursday 17th June 2010



We hope that there will be a good attendance at what will be the last AGM under the Scout Fellowship Banner, for if all goes according to plan after 17th June we will become Scout Active Support. At the moment we are not sure of all the changes that this will bring, but 'Active Support' will still be our Motto. Please do your best to attend. The guest Speaker for the evening will Colonel Alan Hall, County President.

You may not have been there when we formed the Romford Geriatric Patrol - before the Scout Fellowship arrived - but you can be there as we progress to SAS and will be able to say "I was there".

—ooOoo—

Birthday Greetings

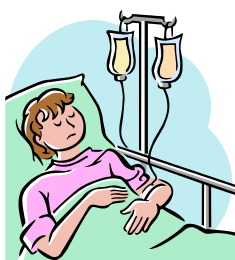
Many Happy Returns to those who celebrate their Birthday in June.

Geoff Hutton; Margaret Lovett and John Jones.



—ooOoo—

Sick and Wounded



At the time of going to print we have not heard of any serious problems among our members. We do know of some with continuing or long term problems and we remember those who look after their loved ones.

—ooOoo—

All Change

This edition of the Newsletter will be the final issue in its present form. With the change to Scout Active Support a lot of things will change and it seems a good time to make up ones mind to also make any changes.

(Continued on page 2)



Editorial Team
Co-Editors; Dennis Rolls. 57, Chase Cross Road, Collier Row, Romford. RM5 3PL (01708) 747150
Stan Lucas. (Fellowship Secretary) 86, Willow Street, Romford, Essex. RM7 7LB (01708) 767089
Design and Production: Graham Lucas. 86, Fairfax Drive, Westcliff on Sea, SS0 9AF (01702) 303408
Email: fellowship.news@blueyonder.co.uk
With thanks to Scouting Magazine for 'A Canny Crack' and certain articles.



(Continued from page 1)

Therefore, I feel it is a good time to stand down as Co-Editor. Over the years there have been a few times when, quite rightly, it was pointed out that some items have been misleading or incorrect - although in most instances it was because the Editorial Office was given incorrect information. On the other hand, many have expressed their enjoyment of receiving their Newsletter, which goes far and wide.

I would like to express my appreciation to Graham who slaves away setting up the basic copy ready for printing (and has also produced the District St George's Day Parade Order of Service for the last 12 years). Thanks to Ted Webster who has printed the finished item ready for posting and who was always ready to offer sensible advice and, of course, to Co-Editor Dennis for his invaluable support and input over the years.

From our records we know that the Newsletter has been published nearly every month for more than 15 years (the first edition we have on file is dated February 1995) and I would like to send personal thanks to all who have supported and encouraged us with our efforts.



Stan Lucas.

—ooOoo—

Ring the Bells!



The Fellowship Meeting for May saw a good crowd of members and friends enjoying an evening with the North Ockendon Hand Bell Ringers paying their third visit to us. The evening followed the usual programme of a selection of various pieces of music, ranging from the classical to the popular. The concentration of the ringers during the playing and the rapid change of bells whilst watching the score showed how much effort goes into becoming an efficient 'ringer'.

After a break for refreshments and a chat with the musicians there was, once again, a chance for members of the audience to have a tinkle under the watchful eye of the experts.

—ooOoo—

July Meeting

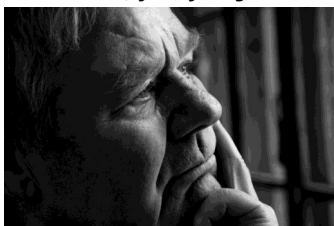
The annual barbeque will take place at District Headquarters on Thursday, 22nd July. All are welcome but please inform Ted Rose if you intend to join us so that we can have some idea of the numbers to cater for - there will be a charge of £4.00 per person. This will be the first meeting under the Scout Active Support banner.



—ooOoo—

The Chaplain writes:-

The Election is now behind us - whether you believed all the promises made, or the threats that if you did not vote for 'A' you would suffer all kinds of dire circumstances was up to you. What about this for a personal mandate, just for you?



Open the way for me to earn an honest living without anxiety; but let me never forget the needs of others. Make me patient and sympathetic with the shortcomings of others, especially of those I love; and keep me sternly watchful only of my own. Let me never grow hard with the unconscious cruelty of those who measure themselves by mean standards and so think they have excelled. If I must go where temptation is, give me strength to meet it without fear. Help me to be quick to see and to encourage without thought of self.

(Continued on page 3)

Roll Up, Roll Up



The sun shone at Havering-Atte-Bower on the 22nd May, and the crowds came to the third annual Fair On The Green organised and run by the 3rd Havering Scout Group, in aid of their mini bus appeal. There was a lot of the old fun of the fair with the coconut shy, games of skill and rides suitable for the young folk. Despite rumours that the coconuts might have been glued in, we did see some winners. 'Plate smashing' did a roaring trade as did the Prize Every Time stalls. The Eastbrook Orchestra Band played selections of well known music and in the arena there were different dance groups ranging from Morris Dancing and Country Dancing to ladies shaking various parts of their anatomy - modesty does not allow us to mention more. The arena presentations were led by the Scout Group. and their Camp Fire songs. Roaming around the Fair were our tame Clowns Big Teddy and Little Willie, and visitors included our MP Andrew Rosindell and his party.

As before the refreshment room did a roaring trade, as did the ice cream sellers. We hope that the Group raised a good sum for their appeal. We did notice five Fellowship members lending a hand to the proceedings. Well done to all those from the 3rd Havering who organised and ran the event.

—ooOoo—

Local History

The new Havering Museum was fully opened on 26th May and is situated in the old Romford Brewery building. There will be an admission charge. Artefacts are separated into themes and there are also pods telling the stories of Havering Atte Bower, Hornchurch, Romford, Rainham and Upminster. Visitors are ensured of a memorable visit. We have no details of special events at the time of going to print.

—ooOoo—

Amusing Signs

- In a hotel foyer The lift is being fixed for the next day. During that time we regret that you will be unbearable.
- In a Athens Hotel Visitors are expected to complain at this office between the hours of 9 and 11am daily.
- Convalescent Home For the sick and tired of the Episcopal Church.
- Restaurant Our wines leave you nothing to hope for.
- Clothes Shop Wonderful bargains for men with 16 and 17 necks.
- Swiss Inn Special Today - No Ice Cream.
- Airline Office We take your bags and send them in all directions.
- Safari Park Elephants, please stay in your car.
- Photographers Out to Lunch; if not back by five, out for dinner also.

With thanks to 'Inspire'

—ooOoo—

History Lesson - Part 4

1932	Oct	The first Gang Show is produced by a 'Holborn Rover', later revealed as Ralph Reader, a theatre producer.
1935	Nov	A new design for the Thanks Badge is approved to replace the old swastika design after the Nazi Party adopted it as their emblem.
1937	Nov	Royal Command Performance for the Gang Show.

(Continued on page 4)

(Continued from page 3)

1938	Feb	The fourth Scout Law is amended to read 'A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout, no matter to which country, class or creed the other may belong'.
1939	Feb	National Service Badge is introduced for Scouts, Rover Scouts, Old Scouts and Scouters.
	Sep	Germany Invades Poland
1941	Jan	Baden Powell dies at Paxtu, Nyeri, Kenya. A Memorial Service is held at Westminster Abbey and Lord Somers is appointed Chief Scout in his place.
1945	May	Gilwell Park reopens after the war. During the year 12,000 camp there.
1946	Aug	Organisation for British Scouts in Germany established.
1948	May-Jun	First post war production of Boy Scout at Royal Albert Hall. (restaged in 1949, 1951, 1953, 1955 and 1959)
1949	Apr	First 'Bob-A-Job' Week.

—ooOoo—

So Long

As the last edition of the newsletter comes to an end we would like to thank everyone for their support, especially those who took the time to submit articles for inclusion; gave constructive criticism or supportive suggestions and those who have been appreciative of our efforts. It is very true that you can't please everyone but we did our best, and had some great fun doing so!

Therefore, on behalf of the whole editorial team (including the unsung heroes and heroines in the back room staff), we say "So long".

"In all of this, it is the spirit that matters. Our Scout Law and Promise, when we really put them into practice, take away all occasion for wars and strife among nations."

BP

"Try to leave this world a little better than you found it and, when your turn comes to die, you can die happy in feeling that at any rate you have not wasted your time but have done your best."

BP

"A word of encouragement during a failure is worth more than an hour of praise after success."

"Talent is God given. Be humble. Fame is man-given. Be grateful. Conceit is self-given. Be careful."

John Wooden

"Although there is no progress without change, not all change is progress."

John Wooden