

# THE LASH-UP

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The Official News Sheet of the Leander Sea Scout Troop incorporating  
Lines from laughs and learnings of lots of lazy loafing Leander Layabouts.

## Scoutmaster's Scribble

Once again it is lash-up time and, as we were unavoidably late with last month's issue, it has come round all too soon. Fortunately or unfortunately we have had no outside engagements since the last issue although Lori and Mitt represented Kingston at the Surrey Patrol Leaders County Court of Honour.

It has been a time of re-group - re-form and of settling down under three new Patrol Leaders and Daisy (I hope he doesn't take that the wrong way). Two things need mentioning; first, the importance of being at Headquarters in time for the meeting to start promptly at 7 p.m. and 2.30 p.m., it just isn't fair to whoever is responsible for the programme to come wandering in 5, 10 or 15 minutes late and, secondly, after the troop is dismissed to get straight off home, without hanging about.

I mentioned earlier about October being a month without much on. November certainly make up for this with Bonfire night, the Group Bazaar, and the Admiralty Inspection. Bonfire night has run its usual course with enormous bonfire, bags of bangers, and even a few pretties too. Please lets have everybody's support for the Bazaar. Its success brings new dinghies for the troop that much nearer, as well as a decrease in our overdraft.

Our Admiralty Inspection this year will be on 28th November which is a Tuesday. Will anyone who cannot possibly attend, please see that I get a note from their parents to that effect. To everyone else, be there on time, smarter than guardsmen and ready for anything.

Lastly I am pleased to say that last month there were three Oarsman badges, and three Second Class badges gained. Well done to those who passed them.

'B'

## Patrol Leader's Reports.

### Beavers.

One of the few things which happened during October was that we started having Patrol Meetings, which to some people are merely an excuse for a cup of coffee and a free fight. On the 7th we rowed to Richmond (for the day?) this was partly because it makes a change from rowing to Sunbury, and partly because if it is timed properly we could go with the current (or, below Teddington, tide) each way. A few tests have been passed this month, in fact Stephen even finished his Second Class on schedule, but (as always) there is still room for a great deal of improvement (in case you did not realise it,) the main purpose of Patrol Meetings is to learn things.

PETER

### Hérons.

Bear Readers "good news" this month we won the patrol competition, this was achieved by the passing of no fewer than eight tests, two of which were proficiency badges, "Well Done". Hugh should buck his ideas up, he hasn't passed a single test for three months. The latest event was the Guy Fawkes night on which we were duty patrol and provided fish and chips for the mass. I am glad to see the quick response by the patrol to deliver leaflets (Huh!)

LORI

### Seagulls

One of the most surprising things that happened during the month is Bloggs passing his enaphore and so his Second Class as senaphore was the last test for it. Although Bloggs has done well, the rest of the mob have passed some but not enough by the end of next month I shall expect to see two newly invested Scouts apart from a lot more Second Class tests. On the Friday evenings that I am free I'm willing to teach any of you lot in my patrol if I am informed before hand.

DAISY

### Storks

Guy Fawkes night has come and gone and the time has come for a burst of winter test passing (Moans, Boos, Hisses, from all), this month we were bottom in the Patrol Competition owing to a mass effort by all. Robert has not passed a test for ten months, John for one month (Hooray!), John L.C. for two months (Good), Chris for two months (Pull your socks up). Nothing has happened this month, worth speaking about so I will remind those of you who have been honoured to have parts in the play for the Bazaar to LEARN, LEARN, LEARN. One future engagement is to be noted - the Admiralty Inspection on November 28th. ALL in your best bibs and tuckers please.

MITT

THE COUNTY COURT OF HONOUR.

The County Court of Honour was held at the 1st Leatherhead Scout Headquarters on 22nd October. It started at 10 a.m. with a Scouts' Own, after which the Group was divided up into patrols (we were the Woodpigeons) to be inspected and generally get to know the Scoutmasters. After this we had games and instruction. Everybody including Mitt and I had lunch, tea (liquid) being provided by the Scoutmasters. When lunch was over we settled down to a general discussion. Next came some knotting games, led by Tig (Mr. Hymas Scoutmaster 2nd Han) and after that two Senior Scouts marked the floor off in chalk squares. This was a kind of huge Grid Reference. We were given some chalk a ruler, a compass and a sheet of instructions. From these we had to plot out an area of roads, filling in later with streams, churches etc., We should when finished, have landed on a certain spot, every Patrol but one got within six inches of the mark

The Court of Honour finished at 3.30 p.m. with a prayer and then we left.

LORI

TWITTERINGS FROM THE UNDERGROWTH by BIG EARS.

Latest from Paris on garter tabs - one worn inside the right leg.

Is it sailing or Sea Rangers that are popular on Sunday mornings - D..s.

We hope next weeks bon fire will be crowned by R.ch..d A..r.w's caliper.

There is no truth in the rumour that P.t.r H's bed is being installed in the chartroom.

Will mothers of members of the Beaver Patrol kindly note - the only official Troop Meetings are Tuesday and Saturday.

Is it true that A.d.B. S..t. practices yoga??

Watch out for M..t's super production on I.T.V. after its premier at the Bazaar.

Boats disposed of very cheaply - competitive prices - see N.e B..a.

"J.D.s ? A few of the younger members of this club are getting a bit unruly. I do hope that they soon learn to behave themselves. G.S."

(The above has been culled without comment and without permission from the 'Fifty Nine Times' (Ed.))

FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS.

November

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| 7th  | R. Rainsley's Birthday                               |
| 12th | Armistice Day Church Parade.                         |
| 15th | Scout and Guide Club 'Brains Trust'                  |
| 18th | Group Bazaar - Opening by Ethel Revnell at 2.30 p.m. |
| 27th | S. R. S. Victor - Open Evening and Sale - 8 p.m.     |
| 28th | Admiralty Inspection.                                |

December

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| 2nd | Scout and Guide Club Christmas Party. |
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