

THE BOYS' BRIGADE - NORTH WEST KENT BATTALION - D.E.A. COMMITTEE.

Minutes of Assessors Meeting held on Monday, 5th April, 1976 at Milton Road Methodist Church, Gravesend, at 8.00 p.m.

Ni Price opened the Meeting with prayer.

Members present: 19 Assessors, all attending Snowdonia at Easter.

Apologies were received from A. Marshall, C. Marshall, B. Greenwood, A. Smith
R. Colechin, K. Thomas, M. Clarke, P. Cheney, D. Hollands.

TRANSPORT- The Coach will be arriving at 5.30 a.m. at Milton Road Methodist Church, Gravesend and departing at 6.00 a.m. PROMPT. It will be supervised by G. Melrose and T. Batt. Cars will be expected at Gravesend at 5.30 a.m. unless Robert is otherwise notified. Stops en route will be Newport Pagnell Services on the M.1. and Shamrock Cafe, Wellington at about 12 noon. Any problems en route 'phone Mr. & Mrs. Hardy at Gravesend 4364 and leave a message for us. Petrol will be paid by cheque at the end of the weekend. Numbers attending are 31 Assessors, 3 Cooks, 32 Bronze, 28 Silver, 14 Gold. Total 108.

Petrol Economy - Utmost importance for economy at ALL TIMES. A lot of Petrol Stations now offer 8p. to 10p. per gallon off. We shall be paying for about 350 galls. of Petrol - £35 can be saved by using money off garages where available. A Driver's log sheet will be provided which, if correctly filled in, will indicate all the D.E.A. mileage that you do. In some instances there are long waits between checks, we do not expect to pay for any running around you wish to do whilst killing time.

Cooking and Equipment.- This has been arranged by Paul Cheney. The three cooks are Sandra, Jean and Caroline. Will assessors remember to bring Thermos Flask with them for taking out hot drinks during the day. Also please bring your own teatowel. Each Assessor should have his own I.D. card. Please bring this with you. If you don't have one, please arrange with Mick Hobden. It has been suggested that all assessors should have their own set of emergency rations as we expect the groups to have. Also to wear the proper and suitable clothing etc. Ni offered the use of two gas bottles and Colin will be bringing one. G. Steel will be taking a Tent which can be used for the Glydes check on the Friday. Mick Hobden's address-3 Fatherwell Ave. West ^{Malting}.

Accommodation - This will again be at Williams Farm. Details are set out below. The kitchen will be used by the three cooks only and will not be used for the eating of meals by anyone. All Assessors to look out for alternative accommodation and let us know of any possibilities.

Radio Medway. - This has been arranged by John Young and from Wales C. Marshall will be speaking live on Radio Medway as follows:-

Good Friday between 8.30 and 9.00 and between 16.30 and 17.00
Easter Saturday " 8.30 and 9.00 " " 16.30 and 17.00
Easter Sunday " 8.30 and 9.00
Paul Buckley will be in the Studio each time to speak to Colin.

Base Camp. Supervision of boys/girls when not on Expedition. This has been arranged so that two pairs of Assessors are in charge of base camp each day. It will be their responsibility to ensure that groups are camped up and also ready to leave base to start their expedition allowing plenty of time to travel to their starting point. They MUST make sure that a group going out on Expedition have their I.D. cards, orange cards and the emergency telephone number.

Telephone - It is anticipated to use a different 'phone box this year. The one situated at 734572 on the A.5. just west of Dol-Ga. If this 'phone is not in use we shall have to revert to Capel 'phone box; but the new one allows for easier parking and stopping to give or take messages. A rota has been worked whereby a pair of Assessors with a car, man the box for periods of about 5 hours between them, i.e. 10 - 3 and 3 - 8. Will everybody PLEASE ensure that they 'phone in about every two hours or sooner in an emergency or before leaving an outlying area.

Logs and Logs Meeting.- Logs to be sent to appointed assessors, as listed later, by Friday, 17th May. Each group of Assessors to study Logs during that week and at least one Assessor, if not all, from each group, to attend the Meeting on Sunday, 23rd May at 8 p.m. at 176 Colyer Rd., Northfleet, Kent.

Easter Service. - It was agreed that in our present accommodation an Easter Service is not very feasible, and it was suggested that any Assessors available may like to go to a local Church Service and take any of the groups that were finished, along with them if possible.

ACCOMMODATION ARRANGEMENTS.

- LARGE BUNK HOUSE - C. Marshall, A. Price. D. Hollands & B. Greenwood (floor).
R. Colechin, R. Hardy, P. Cheney, D. Thilthorpe.
- SMALL BUNK HOUSE - P. Underhill, A. Marshall, M. Sayer, J. Kelly, G. Steel,
L. Norley.
- WOOL BARN - K. Thomas, A. Webber, K. Francis, G. Melrose, M. Hobden,
S. Brookes, S. Filmer, A. Smith, J. Hamilton, K. Burbridge.
- CORNER BARN - K. Ingram, J. Gledhill, M. Clarke, S. Walker, C. Beevis,
T. Batt.
- CARAVAN - Jean, Caroline, Sandra, Jo.

TRAVELLING ARRANGEMENTS.

CARS.

DRIVER

PASSINGERS.

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| R. HARDY | D. THILTHORPE, G. Potter, A. McFarlane. |
| R. COLECHIN | S. WALKER, |
| A. WEBBER | P. Ames, A. Hubbard, B. Sayer. |
| K. FRANCIS | MISS UNDERHILL, J. HAMILTON, P. Stevens. |
| S. BROOKES | J. GLEDHILL, N. Fuller, N. Fuller. |
| C. MARSHALL | D. Brown, A. Collis, P. Stead _____ from CAMBRIDGE. |
| A. MARSHALL | _____ from Nottingham. |
| C. BEEVIS | M. SAYER, S. Beevis, J. Stocks . |
| P. UNDERHILL | T. Coates, N. Hayes, S. Norton. |
| S. FILMER, | K. INGRAM |
| A. SMITH | L. NORLEY, K. BURBRIDGE, K. THOMAS. |
| M. CLARKE, | J. KELLY, P. Hobson, P. Fisher, G. Sell. |
| D. HOLLANDS | J. PARKER, M. HOBDEN, G. Barclay. |
| G. STEEL | A. Fromm, S. Moore, A. Robertson. |
| B. GREENWOOD | G. Cullum. _____ from CAMBRIDGE. |
| P. CHENEY | MRS. CHENEY, MISS DICKINSON, A. PRICE. |

COACH - G. MELROSE.

T. BATT.

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| B. Hicklin | F. Jeal | S. Lewis |
| C. Humphreys | J. Kent | D. Marshall |
| J. Moss, | S. Marriott | T. Crittenden |
| K. Seaton | H. Talbot | V. Fromm |
| G. Smith | J. Thomas | P. Lawson |
| S. Card | J. Berry | A. Morse |
| J. Horrex | A. Coombes | R. Palmer |
| D. Miles | L. Horn | S. Lower |
| K. Ryan | J. Naylor | M. Pickard |
| P. Shadbolt | B. Perry | A. Dray |
| K. Smith | G. Phillips | K. Fassum |
| M. Baker | A. Ralph | C. Painting |
| D. Belfield | D. Rogers | R. Payne |
| D. Upple | M. Rogers | C. Skinner |
| S. Harvey | J. Fielder | G. Tomsett |
| S. Riley | K. Baxter | K. Hobson. |
| S. Collings | M. George | |