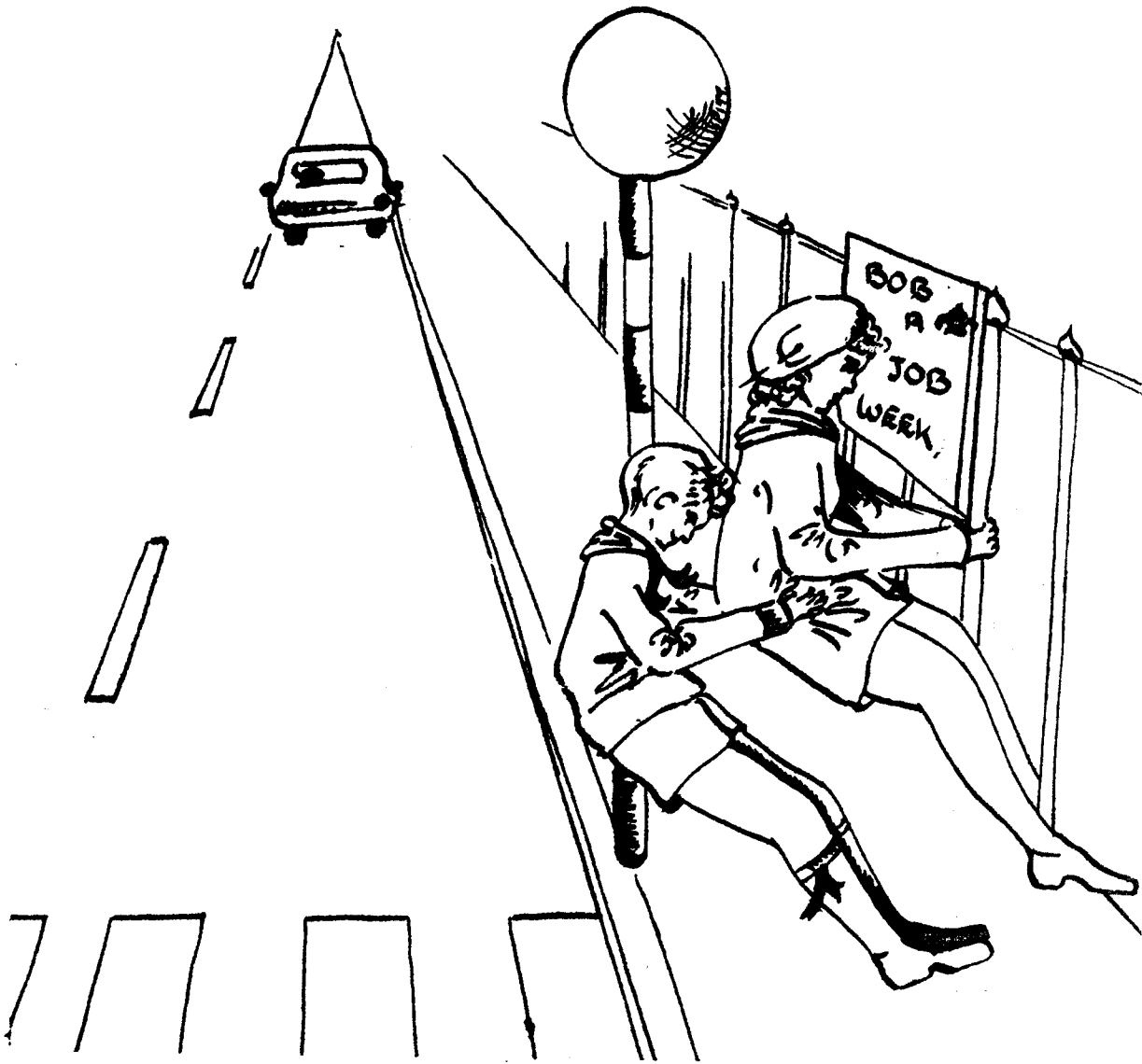




THE ARROW



BY RAMSDEN & DOWNHAM SCOUT GROUPS

PACK NEWS - From Akela

ACTIVITIES The Pack got off to a flying start in District Events, when we entered the District Handcraft Show in Billericay on March 14th. Our first venture in this field, resulted in the Pack gaining 1st place and being awarded the District Cub Scouts Handcraft Shield. Individual awards went to Michael Hopwood, Keith Tipson, Nigel Hopwood, Andrew Clark and Michael Rogers. The remaining awards were for group entries. WELL DONE PACK.

NEW CUBS will be invited at the close of Pack Meeting on 21st April at approximately 7.45 p.m.. Parents and friends welcome.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY PARADE - SUNDAY 26th APRIL.

ALL Cubs will assemble wearing full uniform in the Car Park at the rear of Woolworths, Billericay High Street, at 2.15 p.m. The Parade will proceed to the Archer Hall, Laindon Road, Billericay, where our colours will be presented at the Service to be held there at 3 p.m. OUTER GARMENTS must NOT be worn over uniforms. If the weather is cold, extra clothing must be worn beneath Cub Jerseys. Any parent who wishes to, may attend the Service in the Archer Hall.

Judging by the rapid growth in the Cub Pack since it was re-started in January, '69, it has proved beyond doubt that there is a need for Scouting Activities in this District. The Cub Pack is in full swing, but we can always do with extra help, either as part-time or full-time leaders.

Our main concern now is to start a Scout Troop. Should you know of anyone over 18 years of age who maybe is interested in this branch of Youth Service and would be willing to assist with forming a troop would you please be good enough to contact any member of the Group Council, or Scouters.

Boys wishing to join the Pack are advised to put their names on the waiting list as soon as possible as the number of places which become available are very limited.

DATES FOR DIARIES

MAY 2nd - Saturday DISTRICT OPEN DAY & A.G.M. To be held this year at BEAUCHAMPS SCHOOL, WICKFORD from 6.30 p.m. - Cub Scouts will be demonstrating various activities and training aids etc., and will be challenging 'Dads' to 'have a go'. Can you tie a sheet-bend, or a bow-line, tell the Plough from Cassiopia, or a Cumulus from a Nimbostratus? If not, let the Cubs show you!

MAY 14th - Thursday COFFEE MORNING & BRING & BUY etc. To be held at 46, Potash Road, Billericay. Please come and support us.

MAY 20th - Tuesday (School Spring Term Holiday) - Arrangements are under way for a Pack Outing to the Commonwealth Institute. Names to Akela as soon as possible please.

JUNE 20th - Saturday DISTRICT DAY OUT - to SCREENS PARK. Fun, games, Fishing, Venture Playground etc.

PACK HOLIDAY - ST. MARY'S BAY - Date fixed August 21st - 28th. (Friday to Friday). Detailed information should by now have reached parents concerned.

AUGUST 4th - SEPTEMBER 1st. (Inclusive) Pack Meetings WILL NOT be held between these dates.

Autumn Dates will include Barbeque/Camp Fire and Swimming Gala - more details in the next edition of THE ARROW.

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GROUP COUNCIL - NEWS & DATES

30th MAY - Saturday MOCK AUCTION - at - The Village Hall, Ramsden Bell House at 2.30 p.m. We want you to attend this interesting sale and we also need urgently any articles, big or small, to auction.

4th JULY - Saturday JUMBLE SALE - at Y.M.C.A. HALL, RAMSDEN. More details later, but once again we need jumble - so if you have things that are not good enough for our Auction, we will have them for the Jumble Sale!! Please contact any member of the Group Council or Scouters about large articles.

We trust that you have enjoyed having and reading THE ARROW. We also hope that it will prove useful to you in keeping up to date with the many events the Pack and the Group Council have arranged. The Hon. Secretary would like to hear from any parent or friend of Scouters that wish to help in anyway with events.

Our aims are to get the boys their own Scout Hut, and provide them with the many Aids to help them obtain their badges during their Scouting years. Also to keep them interested in working and playing together.

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