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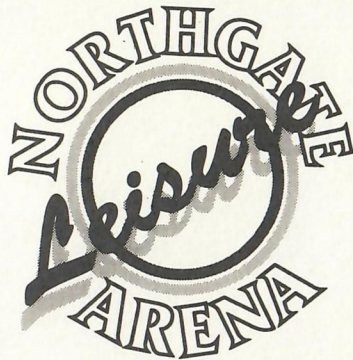
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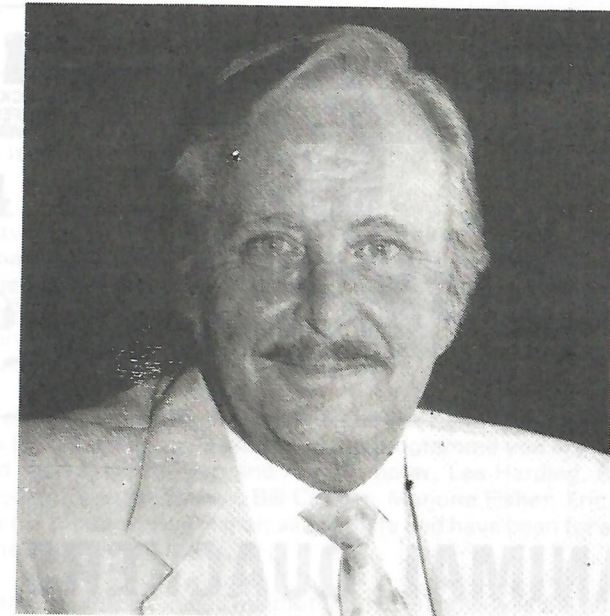
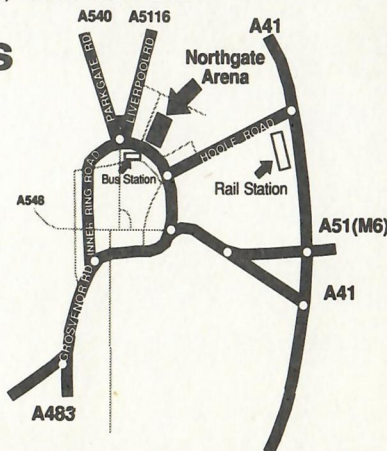
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TO: THE GANG SHOW (Chester) 1990

Serving in the RAF during the war, I was posted to the Middle East. There, I was invited to join a Gang Show. Squadron/Leader Ralph Reader rehearsed us, knocked us into shape and even toured with the show for several weeks! I remember it being very hard work as it surely is for you today. Have a super show folks.

I wish you all continued success. Great stuff!

Kind Regards

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Good evening and welcome to the nineteen ninety production of Scoutabout.

As I considered what I should write for this programme I suddenly realised that this is the twentieth show Chester District has staged at the Gateway Theatre.

In those twenty shows about 2,400 cubs, scouts and leaders have performed approximately 400 sketches, lineups and musical items supported by 1,000 backstage staff and watched by over 61,000 members of the general public. Of course many of the people included in those numbers have been counted more than once because Scoutabout is supported both on and off stage by the 'regulars'.

I have a copy of the 1969 programme and the names of many of those involved in that show are also printed in the programme you are reading now. Dave and Jean Proffitt, Alan and Ann Sumpter, Les Harding, Robin Ferris, Gerald Roose, Graham Bulmer, Bill Cooper, Marjorie Fisher, Eric Wilson and of course our producer Roy Fisher: all are there and have been for almost every one of the last twenty years.

The programme also reminded me that the 1969 show was the first in Chester District to include ladies on stage, a tradition that has continued over the years.

Tradition is what Gang Show is all about and that is why it continues to survive in this age of canned entertainment. That and the fun and team work that is generated between all ages during rehearsals and the week of the show.

The tremendous support off stage has also become a tradition and many of you will no doubt have seen that 1969 show and those that came before and after it. It is the continued enthusiasm of our audiences that enables 'the show to go on'.

May I thank you and the members of the Gang for the support you have given in the past and which I know you will continue to give. I hope, like me, you are looking forward to the next twenty years of Scoutabout.

KEITH MUSSELLE, District Commissioner

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May I extend a very warm welcome to you all to 'Scoutabout 1990'. I sincerely hope that you will enjoy our show and if so, tell your friends, and come and see us again next year.

Gang shows are a tradition — and a challenge! They are a tradition started by the great Ralph Reader, and undoubtedly after 37 years, part of the tradition of Chester Scouting.

'Scoutabout' is a tradition, in that we are blessed with back stage helpers, many of whom have given literally years to the show. I could not hope to calculate the number of years of experience we have back stage.

It is also a challenge — why? Because each year there are new fresh young faces on stage. Yes — we are lucky to have a nucleus of 'regulars' — but we also have boys and girls new each year, and the challenge is to produce a show with the talent available.

Anyone connected with show business will appreciate the hard work involved in all departments, and what a credit it is to Chester Scouting, that young people give so many hours of rehearsal time to take part in 'Scoutabout'.

Tradition and challenge are the hallmark of our producer Roy Fisher. Having shouldered the main responsibility as producer of all but a handful of Chester's 37 'Scoutabouts', and being involved in the production in some part of each and every show, he certainly upholds the tradition, and each year rises to the challenge of a new show.

I pay tribute to everyone connected with 'Scoutabout 1990' and thank you the audience for your continued support.

ERIC PLENDERLEATH (Chairman of Scoutabout)

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The thrill of a lifetime is waiting for you, it's time you were staking a claim,
Let the rafters ring, and your heart will sing
It's a Great, Great, Game.

You'll play on a wonderful journey, beyond the realms of Mars
Ev'ry night, On your way's alight with a million lucky stars,
You gotta get in boys, and take it from me, In putting your worries to shame,
You can learn the break of the left hand shake,
It's a Great, Great, Game.

The Clock

I know a city that beckons to me — No matter where I roam,
She's no Mona Lisa, and the leaning tower of Pisa
Is better known than the timepiece of my home.
But though I wander all over the world, I'll make it plain to see
I'm proud to be a Cestrian, Where the Eastgate is that's good enough for me
(Say it again) Where the Eastgate is that's good enough for me.

Welcome

Let's have a time about now, Doing the town about now,
Why should we be forced to wait, for the date until it's far too late?
Gotta go places — and how! And it's the time about now,
IT may be treason to rhyme and reason, But it's the season and all we want is —
Putting the blues to rout — Something to Shoutabout —
Welcome to Scoutabout now.

Happy Ending

There is a happy ending. To clouds of darkest blue.
If you just keep your eye, on the rainbow in the sky.
You will find the sun comes shining through.
There is a happy ending to the worries on your way
If you only will do what the good book tells you to
You will find a bright horizon of skyway blue
To bring a happy ending to you.

The Lady Jives

Sole and heel your dancing shoes, Drop the drawbridge, spread the news.
Roll up the carpet and you'd better come down, Lady MacBeth is going to town.
Get the girls from Elsinore, March the men from Agincourt,
Pick up the rhythm as you gather aroun', Lady MacBeth is going to town.
High jinks, Low jinks, Flat out and no retard,
No-one cares, if the Bard is the Bacon or the Bacon is the Bard.
Here comes Stratford in your reach, All once more in-to the breach, Come on
Come on ye women and ye men of renown, Lady MacBeth is going to town.
Lady MacBeth is a-going to town.

Credits: All songs and sketches by Ralph Reader except "Can Can Girls" by
Wilcox & Rutherford.
"Lilliput" and "Henry VIII" by Jim Foote
"Granma" and "Bells" in association with Wrexham Gang Show.

THE GANG 1990

NAME	GROUP	NAME	GROUP
Graham Ashford.....	8th Chester	Alex Lewis.....	1st Saughall
Graham Bailey.....	1st Saughall	Christopher Lightfoot.....	35th Chester
Hannah Bartholomew.....	18th Chester	Paul Manning.....	25th Chester
Peter Benyon.....	18th Chester	Robin Marsden.....	1st Saltney
David Blomley.....	25th Chester	Alan Marshall.....	1st Mickie Trafford
Paul Brighton.....	25th Chester	Stephen Marshall.....	1st Mickie Trafford
Daniel Burrows.....	5th Blacon	Michael McHugh.....	5th Blacon
Tom Burton.....	14th Chester	Craig McIntyre.....	25th Chester
David Carter.....	18th Chester	Angela Morgan.....	18th Chester
Giles Challinor.....	8th Chester	Danny Morris.....	1st Upton
Wayne Challinor.....	8th Chester	Mark Morris.....	5th Blacon
Sam Cowley.....	1st Upton	Keith Musselle.....	District
Matthew Davies.....	40th Chester	Andrew Neal.....	25th Chester
Brian Dickenson.....	14th Chester	Laurence Nixon.....	1st Saltney
Anthony Dickenson.....	18th Chester	Lewis Nixon.....	1st Saltney
Paul Dique.....	1st Saughall	Andrew Owen.....	25th Chester
Morgan Donnelly.....	1st Upton	Charlie Phillips.....	25th Chester
Sam Donovan.....	40th Chester	Helen Plenderleath.....	1st Tarvin
John England.....	1st Christleton	Eric Plenderleath.....	District
Alan Espley.....	14th Chester	Matthew Pooley.....	25th Chester
Douglas Evans.....	1st Upton	Ian Powell.....	25th Chester
Matthew Evans.....	1st Saltney	Lesley Pritchard.....	35th Chester
Paul Evans.....	1st Christleton	Robert Preite.....	1st Christleton
Vicky Fellows.....	40th Chester	David Proffitt.....	District
Roy Fisher.....	8th Chester	Phillip Renshaw.....	1st Saltney
David Gallimore.....	8th Chester	Elliot Richards.....	14th Chester
Paul Gent.....	1st Christleton	Evan Roberts.....	1st Saughall
Jos Goodwin.....	14th Chester	Damien Robertson.....	1st Upton
David Gosling.....	18th Chester	Pauline Robson.....	Fellowship
Jeremy Gibson.....	8th Chester	Kai Sheen.....	1st Upton
Nathan Hadaway.....	35th Chester	Sebastian Shipley.....	1st Upton
Richard Hanfress.....	14th Chester	Ian Simcock.....	40th Chester
James Hanley.....	40th Chester	Kieren Skinner.....	40th Chester
Andrew Halsell.....	14th Chester	Mark Sutcliffe.....	14th Chester
James Hanley.....	40th Chester	Lee Swinnock.....	25th Chester
Craig Harris.....	14th Chester	Adam Taylor.....	1st Saltney
Andrew Harrop.....	1st Upton	Gavin Taylor.....	1st Saltney
Peter Hassell.....	35th Chester	Peter Taylor.....	25th Chester
Alison Hough.....	18th Chester	Rachel Taylor.....	18th Chester
James Houlbrook.....	1st Upton	Suzanne Taylor.....	18th Chester
Mark Howcroft.....	5th Blacon	Ian Tindell.....	35th Chester
Joseph Hughes.....	8th Chester	Christine Todd.....	18th Chester
June Hughes.....	1st Upton	James Walls.....	5th Blacon
Stuart Jackson.....	1st Upton	Christopher Webb.....	1st Saltney
Christopher Jardine.....	14th Chester	Gavin Whitley.....	1st Saltney
Daniel Johns.....	25th Chester	Dereck Whittingham.....	1st Upton
Lawrence Johnson.....	17th Chester	Alan Wigglesworth.....	1st Saughall
Chris Jones.....	40th Chester	Mark Wigglesworth.....	1st Saughall
Nigel Jones.....	14th Chester	Diane Williams.....	18th Chester
Pam Jones.....	40th Chester	Hugh Williams.....	Fellowship
Trevor Jones.....	40th Chester	Joy Williams.....	14th Chester
Michael Kelly.....	1st Saltney	Thomas Williams.....	40th Chester
Michael Kirby.....	1st Saltney	Jeremy Willes.....	17th Chester
Andrew Knowles.....	5th Blacon	Eric Wilson.....	35th Chester
Barry Langford.....	14th Chester	Chris Wood.....	1st Saltney
Andrew Lavender.....	1st Saltney	Neil Woodward.....	1st Upton
Andrew Leach.....	1st Saughall	Emma Wright.....	1st Upton
James Leach.....	1st Saughall	James Wright.....	48th Chester
Michael Lee.....	1st Guilden Sutton		



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FIRST HALF

- One The Gang's All Here
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- Six Love
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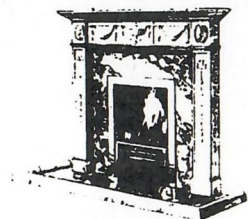
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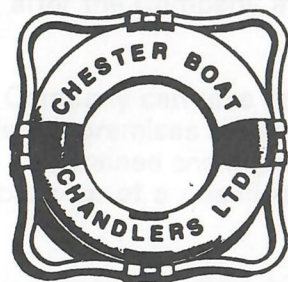
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1. Robert Baden-Powell
 2. Brownsea Island, Dorset, Aug 1907
 3. August 1908
 4. January 1908
 5. Wolf Cubs
 6. October 1965
 7. Rover Scouts
 8. 1920, Olympia, London
 9. Ralph Reader
 10. Maj. Gen. Michael Walsh
 11. October 1967
 12. October 1982

SCOUT HISTORY QUIZ

1. Who was the founder of the Scout Movement?
2. When and where did this begin?
3. When was the first proper Scout Camp held?
4. 'Scouting for Boys' was first published in . . . ?
5. 'Junior Scouts' were renamed in 1916 to '.....'?
6. When did 'Wolf Cubs' become 'Cub Scouts'?
7. How were Senior Scouts renamed in 1918?
8. When and where was the first World Jamboree held?
9. Who was the creator of the 'Gang Show'?
10. Who is the present Chief Scout?
11. When was the Venture Scout section launched?
12. When were 'Beavers' introduced?

Answers on Page 20

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18th Chester Scout Group
25th Chester Centurion Cub Scouts
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1st Christleton (Wednesday) Cub
Scouts
1st Saughall Cub Scouts

THURSDAY

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1st Christleton Scout Group

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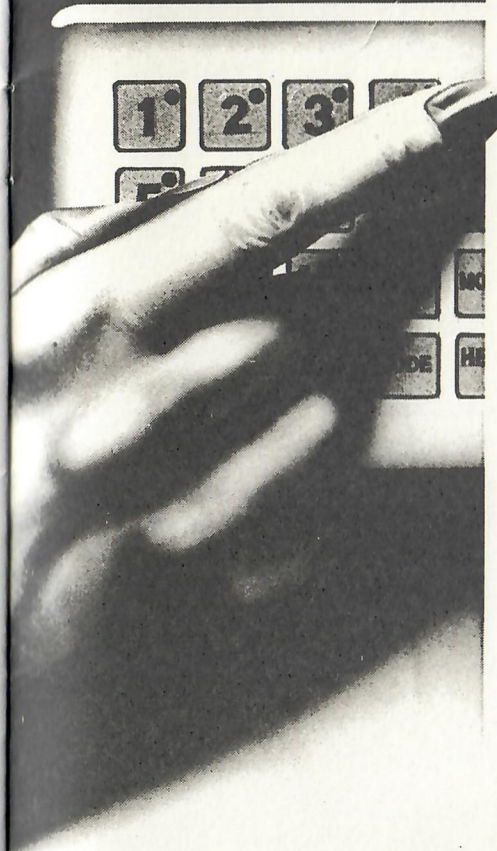
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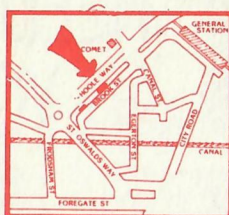
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