

## 1ST HOLT TROOP

### LOG BOOK

# SANDRINGHAM CAMP 1948

## 1ST HOLT SENIOR SCOUTS



Brian Phillips

Barry Phillips

F.G. Wiley (SM)

Brian Payne Dennis Salmon

Ken Fairclough

Jet (the dog)

R. Breeze

Allan Durham

|               |        |             |
|---------------|--------|-------------|
| F.G. WILEY    | S.M.   | 1947 – 1953 |
| L. BROWN      | A.S.M. | 1947 – 1949 |
| E.R. DENMARK  | A.S.M. | 1947 – 1951 |
| B.L. PHILLIPS | A.S.M. | 1947 – 1957 |

## PRESS CUTTINGS

### NORFOLK CHRONICLE

#### SCOUT APPEAL

An appeal for the uniforms of former scouts was made at the annual meeting of the 1<sup>st</sup> Holt troop.

Mr. R. Byford, who presided thanked the officers and committee. Officers elected were: Chairman, Mr. R. Byford; vice chairman, Mr. L. Phillips; secretary, Mr. A. Gale; treasurer, Mr. D. Ringer; Scoutmaster, Mr. F.G. Wiley, assistant Scoutmaster, Mr. E. Denmark; committee Miss Hales, Mrs Fancy, Mr. Allison.

### Revival of Holt Scouts

Eight boys from Holt had been visiting the Sheringham Scout Troop and gleaned ideas for a proposed troop in Holt.

The Troop was formed on the foundation of the eight original as patrol Leaders and Seconds.

### NORFOLK CHRONICLE

#### **Holt Revival of Boy Scouts**

With the object of reviving the Boy Scout movement in Holt, a meeting was held in the vestry of the Methodist Church, the Rev. A. Leslie Adams presiding.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr. R. Byford; secretary, Mr. Gale; treasurer, Mr. D. Ringer; scoutmaster, Mr. F. Wiley; asst. scoutmaster, Mr. J. Brown; committee, Mr. F.J. Ralph, Mr. S.D. Fish, Mr. E. Starling and the Rev. A.L. Adams.

It was proposed to use the Methodist Hall in New Street, for drills and other purposes.

The financial report by Capt. Slator revealed that funds were at a low ebb and that the equipment had been found to be inadequate.

It was decided to make an appeal to the public for uniform, equipment and funds, and it is hoped that the appeal will meet with a ready response to enable this movement to progress and provide the youths of Holt with healthy recreation and training.

## NORFOLK CHRONICLE

April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1948

Military Whist – a successful military whist drive was held in the Church Hall on Friday in aid of the 1<sup>st</sup> Holt Boy Scout Troop. Mrs Waller presented the prizes to teams led by Mrs. Gee, Miss Caston, Mr. C. Abraham and Miss Payne. Winners of competitions were Mrs Briggs, Mrs. j. Taylor and Miss Macro. Mr. R. Harmer acted as M.C. and thanked all the donors of prizes and all who had supported the event.

## NORFOLK CHRONICLE

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SALVAGE – having previously collected jars now help with the waste paper drive.

SALVAGE – The 1<sup>st</sup> Holt Boy Scouts will make a collection of waste paper, cardboard and rags, after Whitsun holiday. Will those with quantities for disposal please communicate with the Scoutmaster, Mr. F. Wiley, Peacock Lane.

YOUTH PARADE – The first public appearance of the Scouts in Holt.

R. Rowe announced the hymns, and

B.L. Phillips read the lesson.

YOUTH PARADE – in celebration of Empire Youth Sunday (9th May) there was a parade to the Methodist Church for the Sunday morning service of the 1<sup>st</sup> Holt Boy Scouts, under Assistant Scoutmaster I. Brown, the Holt Girl Guides (Captain Mrs Lewis) and the 1<sup>st</sup> Holt Cub Pack, with Miss Allman in charge.

THE TROOP'S FIRST LARGE CAMP WAS ATTENDED AND ENJOYED BY  
ABOUT THIRTY OF THE INVESTED SCOUTS DURING WHITSUN 1948

**WHITSUN 1948**

**The Troop's first large camp was attended and enjoyed by about thirty of the invested Scouts during Whitsun 1948**

**Scouts at Camp** – The 1<sup>st</sup> Holt Boy Scouts, numbering 27, under the Scoutmaster F.G. Wiley and Assistant Scoutmaster L. Brown, enjoyed their first experience of camp life, when they attended the county rally held at Sandringham Park during the Whitsun holiday. The 'Gateway' made by the Holt contingent, assisted by major Kerridge, was exhibited and much admired.

**Scouts at Sandringham**

The first big post-war Boy Scouts rally was held at Sandringham Park at Whitsuntide, when about 1,400 boys from all over Norfolk attended.

County Commissioner Col. H. J. Cator was presented with the Silver Wolf, the highest Scout award, for his long and loyal service. General John Shea, the Chief Scouts Commissioner, made the presentation.

A telegram was sent to the King expressing the gratitude and loyalty of all the Scouts for the wonderful rally he had made possible for them to have at Sandringham.

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Holt Scouts took the Holt Owl to Sandringham at Whitsuntide and erected a magnificent gateway to their camp. In addition to bearing the Holt Owl, it also contained finely carved models of horses, cows, geese and rabbits, emblematic of Holt's weekly market. The boys who made the gate are in front of the cheering troop.

**SANDRINGHAM 1948**



**CAMP BADGE**



## NORFOLK CHRONICLE

### WHIST DRIVE IN AID

#### OF SCOUT FUNDS

July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1948

For the Scouts – the proceeds of the Military Whist Drive held in aid of the 1<sup>st</sup> Holt Boy Scouts amounted to £10 13s. 4d.

**MILITARY WHIST** – A military Whist Drive, in aid of Boy Scout funds, was held in the Church Hall on Thursday. Mr. F.G. Wiley was M.C. and Mrs E. H. C. Briggs presented the prizes to 1<sup>st</sup>, Egypt (31 flags) – Mrs Bumphrey, Mrs Pert, Mrs. E. Riches and Mrs. E Jacobs; 2<sup>nd</sup> South Africa (30 flags) – H. Hobart, W. Hobart, h. C. Sergeant and V. Warne; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Switzerland (30 flags) – Mrs. Howell (Snr.) Mrs. Howell (Junior), J. Foster and B. White. Competition prizes were won by Mrs. B. Vince and F. G. Wiley. Mr. Wiley's prize was a cake, which he gave to be sold for the funds. The purchaser was Mrs. Briggs. Donors of prizes were Miss Allman, Mrs Dawson, Mrs. Faircloth, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Keeler, Mrs. Ringer, E. Brown, R. Byford, J.T. Briggs, D. Fish, R. Harmer, E. Starling, R. A. Starling and F. Sheldrake. Tea at the interval was served by lady helpers. The organisers thanked all who had helped to make the evening successful.

## NORFOLK CHRONICLE

JULY 30<sup>th</sup>, 1948

BOY SCOUTS – Thanks for the loyal support given by the committee of the 1<sup>st</sup> Holt Boy Scouts was expressed by the chairman (Mr. A. Byford) at the annual meeting held in the Youth Centre Hall, New Street on Friday. Mr. A. Gale (secretary) reported a successful first year in which the number of Scouts enrolled amounted to 35. The balance sheet presented by the treasurer (Mr. D. Ringer) was regarded as satisfactory, and enabled equipment to be purchased for the Scouts. Regret was expressed at the impending departure of the rev A. L. Adams and he was thanked for his guidance and help. All officers were re-elected.

## NORFOLK CHRONICLE

SEPTEMBER 17<sup>th</sup>, 1948

Military Whist – a military whist drive in aid of Holt Boy Scouts, was held in the Church Hall, Holt on Thursday. Mr. F.G. Wiley was M.C. and Mrs J. Taylor presented the prizes to the following winners: 1<sup>st</sup> (Norway) Mrs. Adcock, Mrs. Mears, E. Loades and c. Adams; 2<sup>nd</sup> (Yugoslavia) G. Bullen, H. Hobart, W. Hobart and H.C. Sergeant; 3<sup>rd</sup> (South Africa) Mrs. Doy, Mrs. Bentley, Mrs. Riseborough, and J. Gee. A competition for a parcel of groceries was won by J. Gee. The donors of prizes were; I. Basham, I. Baker, R. Byford, A. Cockaday, b. Elsden, A. Pocock, f. Ralph, D. Ringer, H. Siddall, R. Reynolds, Miss Allman, Mrs. Pert, Mrs. Keeler, Mrs Wire and C.E. Winn. Mrs Taylor thanked all who attended and helped to make the evening successful. Refreshments were served by Mrs Briggs, Mrs. sale and members of the Holt Troop.

“Ambitious” Scout Week planned

The realisation that he had undertaken a most ambitious programme in arranging a Scout Week for Sheringham was made clear by the Scoutmaster of the 1<sup>st</sup> Beeston Regis Group of Boy Scouts (Mr. F. Fuller) when he spoke at a meeting of Scout representatives including Mr. d. A. Dudley (Field Commissioner) and Lt-Col. W. J. Spurrell (District Commissioner) in Beeston Church Hall, on Monday evening. Members of the parents committee and representatives of the Sheringham branch of Toc H were also present.

Mr. White, the committee secretary, gave a resume of the work of the Scout committee since its inauguration, and spoke of how the Scout Hut had been fitted out, mainly through the efforts of the committee.

The treasurer's report presented by Mr. Mayes, showed a total income for the year of £138 18s. 5d and an expenditure of £127 14s 3d. The balance, he said, was of very little use to face the coming year's work, it had consequently been decided to run a Scout week to raise the necessary funds.

Group Scoutmaster Fuller, outlined the events of the proposed week as follows: Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Scout Service in Beeston Regis church at 3pm; Monday partner whist drive at Tyneside; Tuesday, Scouting demonstration in Beeston Church Hall at 6pm, to be followed by puppet show, conjuring and possibly other items; Thursday, open whist drive. On this day the Scout troop will do a co-operative good turn; Friday talkie film show in Beeston Church Hall including Scouting films; Saturday, a grand treasure hunt and in the evening a Camp Fire with guest Troops.

He said that he felt that with the co-operation of parents and those interested coupled with a sense of team work, it could be successfully carried out. He thanked Toc H for the assistance they had already given and their promise of future support.

## **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

### **Holt**

Remembrance Sunday was observed in Holt with a united service at the War Memorial, preceded by a dedication of the memorial panels to those who fell in the 1939 – 1945 War. The large assembly included the men's and women's sections of the Holt British Legion, The St. John's Ambulance Brigade, the B.R.C.S. and the Boy Scouts. Members of the Parish Council and many others attended.

The various associations, with the combined church choirs formed up on each side of the memorial with Legion standard bearers in front facing the inscribed panels.

Traffic was diverted by the police during the service, which was conducted by the rector (the Rev. J. R. Southern) and the Methodist minister (the Rev. B. P. Marks). The service of dedication was followed by the rector saying: "In the faith of Jesus Christ, and in memory of those of this parish who gave their lives in the great conflict of 1939 – 1945, we dedicate these panels which bear their names." After prayers, the service of Remembrance commenced with the lesson read by Major J. K. Day (chairman, Holt British Legion). The names of those who fell in the war 1914 – 1918 were read by Mr. S. H. Mallett (president of the branch), and of those who fell in the war 1939 – 1945 by Mr. P. Bond. The words of Remembrance were said by the rector and prayers by the Rev. B. P. Marks. Wreaths were placed at the foot of the memorial. On the sounding of the Last Post the legion standards were dipped and raised again at the sound of the reveille. The standard bearers were Mr. d. Gent and Mr. A. Key.

Large congregations attended the services which followed in the two churches.

Holt – A united service at Holt War Memorial was preceded by the dedication of the memorial panels to those who fell in the second World War. The organisations included the men and women's sections of the British Legion, the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, the British Red Cross Society, Army Cadet Force and Boy Scouts. Members of the Parish Council and many others attended. The service was conducted by the Rector (the reverend J. R. Southern) and the Methodist Minister (the Rev. B. P. Marks). The lesson was read by Major J. K. Day, chairman of the branch of the British Legion.

Friday Oct 8<sup>th</sup>, 1948

Some of Holt's young blood



A PICTURE of the "up-and-coming" of Holt—the Scouts' XI. In the photograph are A. Chapman, B. Phillips, M. Allen, K. Faircloth (capt.), R. Breeze, R. Crowe, M. Cockaday, G. Hobart, E. Reynolds, D. Salmon and G. Bullock.

Christmas 1948

About 30 scouts have now passed their Tenderfoot and have been invested into the 1<sup>st</sup> Holt Troop.

## 1949

During this year the Holt Scout Troop continued to meet twice a week at first but attendances were slack. During the later part of the year meetings were once a week and attendances became more regular.

Mr. L. Brown resigned his position as A.S.M. and Mr. E. R. Denmark (formerly of a Norwich troop) became A.S.M.

Meetings were still being held in the New Street Methodist Hall.

Waste paper had been collected and stored and sold to a Norwich firm after the storage shed was full.

Equipment has been brought from the committee funds and two tents are on permanent loan from the D.C.

## January 1950

The Methodist Church having sold the New Street Hall, the Scouts have to find another place for meetings.

Mr Denmark has kindly put a spacious loft at our disposal and all equipment has been put there.

## February 1950

The regular attendances in the Troop are reduced now and the 'faithful few' are working on the loft, making it into a permanent 'Scout Room' for future meetings.

All our equipment is now stored here.

We hope that the committee will soon have a meeting for re-election and election of officers and granting money from the funds for materials used in converting the loft into a 'Scout Room'.

## March & April 1950

In the 'Scout Room' the walls have been cemented over and electric light has been installed, which we hope the committee will pay for shortly. The Scouts have repaired the floorboards and fitted doors in. we hope to decorate it soon and partition off two dens for the proposed patrols in a few weeks.

Meetings are now held on Tuesdays at seven p.m. for the convenience of the majority of Scouts.

Regular attendees are: - E. Wallar, B. Payne, P. Simon, R. Fancy, D. Maun, M. Stolworthy, J. Cooper, B. L. Phillips, R. Jenkinson.

Subscriptions are now collected at 3d per week. It is hoped that many more of the invested Scouts will again become regular attendees in a few weeks.

## May 1950

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of May a full meeting was held and ten Scouts were present.

A camp was arranged for the Whitsun week-end and six scouts wanted to attend.

Two patrols were elected: -

| <u>Owl Patrol</u> | <u>Troop Leader</u> | <u>Fox Patrol</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| E. Wallar         | B. L. Phillips      | T. Collins        |
| R. F. Allison     | <b>Second</b>       | K. Williams       |
| P. Symonds        | B. Payne            | M. Stolworthy     |
| R. Fancy          |                     | R. Jenkinson      |
| J. Neal           |                     | D. Mann           |
| D. Stolworthy     |                     |                   |

It is hoped that two more boys will soon join the Scouts and so make the Patrols up to six in number.

Three of the Scouts became entitled to two year stars which will be issued at the Whitsun camp.

## June 1950

The Whitsun Camp unfortunately had to be cancelled because of nbad weather.

At a meeting of the committee it was decided to pay for all of the alterations that have been made to the H.Q. out of the funds.

The Troop is sending a team of ten Scouts to the local youth Clubs Sports to be held at Cromer on Wednesday June 28<sup>th</sup>.

Patrol points are being awarded for attendance and smartness at each meeting and a patrol outing has been promised to the winning patrol.

An open offer for a camp at Corpusty has been made by Mr. W. Cashburn.

Two pounds were collected during the Scout's 'Bob a Job' week.

On June 28<sup>th</sup> a team of Scouts went to Cromer to take part in the District Youth Club Sports. Eleven Scouts attended and one member had to drop from the team at each event as only a team of ten were needed.

There were fifteen teams and an equal number of competitions. Our team gained ninth place in the final placings. The individual placings were as follows: -

|                          | Place            |                                | Place            |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. 100yds                | 13 <sup>th</sup> | 9. Blind Goal Kick             | 6 <sup>th</sup>  |
| 2. 100yds Relay          | 10 <sup>th</sup> | 10. Netball Shot               | 5 <sup>th</sup>  |
| 3. Bowling at the Wicket | 10 <sup>th</sup> | 11. Quoits                     | 7 <sup>th</sup>  |
| 4. Ball in Bucket        | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 12. Potato Race                | 10 <sup>th</sup> |
| 5. Three Leg Race        | 15 <sup>th</sup> | 13. Long Jump                  | 10 <sup>th</sup> |
| 6. Hop, Step Jump        | 7 <sup>th</sup>  | 14. Medicine Ball              | 9 <sup>th</sup>  |
| 7. Football throw Ins    | 15 <sup>th</sup> | 15. High Jump                  | 12 <sup>th</sup> |
| 8. Obstacle Race         | 9 <sup>th</sup>  |                                |                  |
|                          |                  | Final Position 9 <sup>th</sup> |                  |

### July 1950

Painting was resumed on the H.Q. on July 4<sup>th</sup>

During the July meetings the H.Q. has been decorated and furnished so as to give it air that a Scout H.Q. should have.

A Saturday night meeting has been prepared as a patrol night when patrols will attend on alternative weeks. This scheme may be adopted later

On July 18<sup>th</sup> four boys who wanted to join the troop were provisionally enlisted with the understanding that they might later take the place of others who did not come up to standard.

### August 1950

During the bank Holiday week-end the first camp of the year was held at Saxthorpe.

There were two sleeping tents and a store tent, cooking was done on one fire and the boys took turns in cooking.

Four of the boys who attended were on their 1<sup>st</sup> Scout camp.

The time at camp was taken up with cooking, harvesting, swimming and rambles round the district.

We had visits from local Scouts and the vicar who kindly invited the boys to the vicarage for tea.

### September 1950

Another week-end camp was held at the start of September but bad weather prevailed and only four Scouts attended.

B. Phillips has to leave the Troop at the end of the month to do his National Service.

B/ Payne is from then the T.L. and the patrols are: -

| <u>Owl Patrol</u> | <u>Troop Leader</u> | <u>Fox Patrol</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Wallar            | B. Payne            | Collins           |
| Allison           |                     | Williams          |
| Poulter           |                     | Stolworthy        |
| Fancy             |                     | Jenkinson         |
| Simmons           |                     | Neal              |
| Mann              |                     |                   |

Points now stand at OWLS – 141; FOX's 112

Which means that Owl Patrol goes on the outing on 30/09/50 to Sheringham  
A Court of Honour was held 26/09/50 (see minute book)

### October 1950

T. Collins was elected Secretary, b. Payne Treasurer, R. Fancy Assistant Treasurer, B. Allison Quartermaster at court of honour meeting.

Troop carried on as usual with two patrols.

### November 1950

Court of honour held & future programmes discussed and noted.

Williamsett, Maun & Waller have been behaving badly and are being placed on probation.

We attended the Remembrance Service at Holt War Memorial on the 11<sup>th</sup>, a wreath was laid by ourselves and we attended church and chapel afterwards.

On the 20<sup>th</sup>, two delegates from the troop B. Payne and T. Collins, journeyed to Cromer School with Mr. Denmark & Mr. Wiley to attend a meeting to consider the opportunity of a Council of Youth in North Norfolk. Many youth clubs were present and various proposals were agreed, which included monthly meetings beginning 15/01/51 when it is hoped to elect a Chairman, President, Secretary etc.

Williamsett and Maun are not pulling their weight and are behaving badly.

Two cubs have joined the Troop on probation.

## December 1950

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> 5 Scouts and Troop Leader attended a Church Parade & service in Beeston Church, refreshments were served in the Beeston Scout Headquarters afterwards.

Court of Honour held on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Williamsett and Maun were agreed to be turned out of the Troop, Waller has reformed and is taken off probation.

Future events were discussed with other business recorded in the minute book.

Troop now carrying on monthly.

On the 9<sup>th</sup>, Scouts went to Beeston and took part in a camp fire (Beeston Church Hall) we presented a sketch called 'Toothache'.

On the 19<sup>th</sup>, a party of Scouts went carol singing in Holt, proceeds in aid of National Children's Home, Sheringham. We collected £1 0s.10d

## January 1951

1<sup>st</sup> troop party at Mr. Denmark's

15<sup>th</sup> B. Payne & T. Collins journeyed to Cromer School for 1<sup>st</sup> Official Council of Youth meeting agenda included electing president. Future events proposed and discussed.

D. Cutler joined Troop (previously from Beeston Troop)

## February 1951

the Owl Patrol topped the points list and were invited to a party at Mr. Wiley's on the 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Troop Leader; P.L's & Seconds went to west Runton Scout Headquarters to meet the new Field Commissioner, Mr. B. Herbert with other Troops. Mr. Herbert taught us and demonstrated Scout Games & gave a talk on Leadership etc. we then had tea & discussed Scouting activities.

Court of Honour held on the 11<sup>th</sup>, discussions were held concerning social evening in march. Programme included tests for tenderfeet T. Hobart, F. Pauter, C. Denmark & M. Pauter.

On the 19<sup>th</sup>. K. Williamsett joined troop again on probation (owing to previous). It was noted that D. Atkins should succeed b. Payne at T.L. who is joining the R.A.F. on the 28/2/51.

Court of Honour was held on the 26<sup>th</sup> K. Williamsett placed on probation for 1 month. D. Atkins takes B. Payne position as delegate for N. Norfolk Council of Youth meeting.

Preparations were made for new play for social.

## September 1951

From 20/09/51 meetings are held on Saturday nights at 6:30 – 8:30pm

Local Association general Meeting, items by us at the end of the meeting.  
October 11<sup>th</sup> at 8pm Thursday.

Tony Collins      Scribe

R. Allison      Storekeeper

B.L. Phillips      Treasurer

29/9/51 – programme for the exhibition at the Annual General Meeting of the North Norfolk Boy Scouts Association to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 1951 was arranged.

Various tenderfoot tasks were passed.

## October 1951

Titch tried to take his Morse. The rest of the time was spent in discussing pieces in The Scout (magazine) and we had quite a sing-song.

2/11/51 Court of Honour – November 1951

Present were: - A.J. Collins, R.F. Allison, R. Fancy, B. Vasher and B. L. Phillips. R. Fancy would be able to attend on Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> and Dec 21<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> January. Next Court of Honour December 3<sup>rd</sup>, Robin Kacho would be second the Owls provisionally. Waste paper is being collected regularly and satisfactorily.