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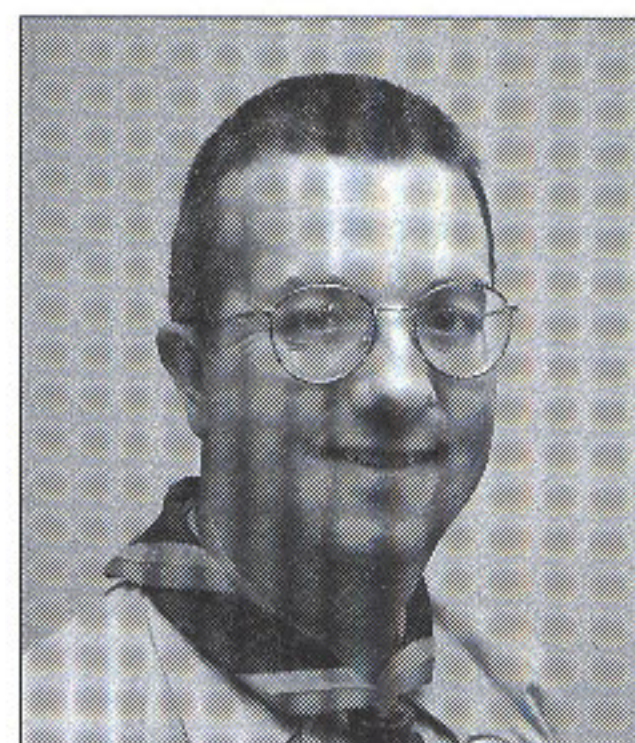


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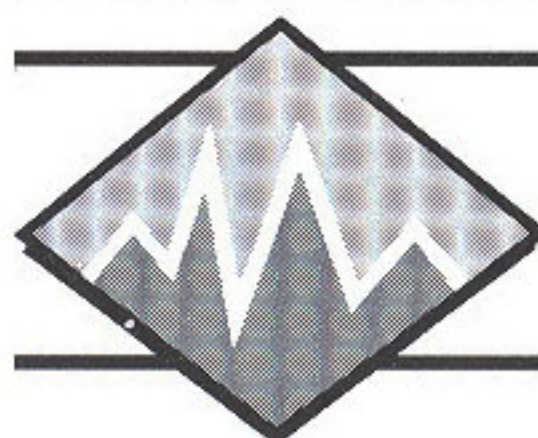
A century comes to an end – and for over half that century this Public Hall has been home to the Harpenden Gang Show. Take a good look at the cast when the curtain opens. Then think about the same young people climbing mountains, partying, hill-walking, carol-singing, canoeing, helping the poor, travelling to foreign countries, raising money for charity. What an incredible range of activities that they can take part in.



It is a great privilege for all of us backstage to be able to provide a forum where these 153 children and young adults can express themselves in music and dance. One more experience for the scouts of Harpenden to tuck under their belts.

(And don't let the Gang know I told you this, but I reckon they are excellent!)

Ewan Murray



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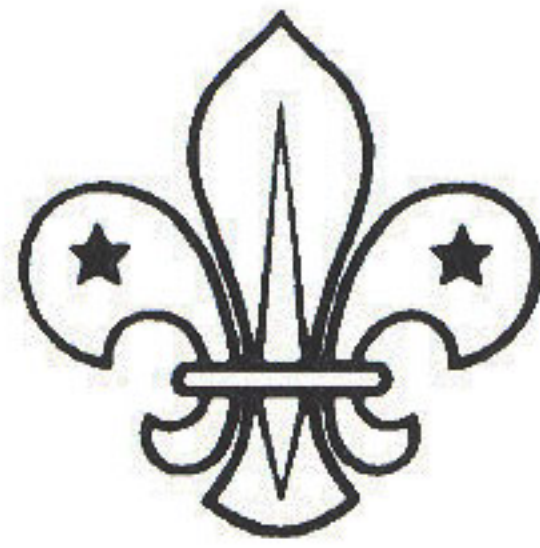
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SCOUTING IN HARPENDEN

Although the Gang Show is a very visible face of Scouting, it merely scratches at the surface of the activities that are open to boys and girls in the District of Harpenden and the neighbouring villages of Wheathampstead and Kimpton. The Scout Movement's primary focus is to help young people make the most of life and this is achieved by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training guided by dedicated adult leaders.

As we are constantly looking to develop the physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials of our youngsters the activities offered are very broad. Camping and outdoor pursuits feature largely in the programme and include short one or two nights' camping on local sites where the youngsters can learn not only the basic camping skills but also such activities as abseiling, rock climbing, pot holing and archery in a noncompetitive environment. As the youngsters get older then these activities get tougher, with expeditions to the wild parts of the UK and Europe in both summer and winter including exhausting team competitions where the skills in map reading are as important as physical strength.

Our community involvement programmes stretch far and wide, Beavers collect funds to buy equipment for Beavers in Ghana and Cubs collect and distribute over 4,000 Christmas cards for the elderly in the town. Others collect litter, look after elderly people's gardens and paint rooms for local charities whilst the older ones in the District help the underprivileged children from the East End of London enjoy a day of outdoor activities at Gilwell Park, Scouting's Headquarters in the Essex countryside. Christmas hampers are delivered to families in Tower

Hamlets on Christmas eve as a result of extensive fund raising by the Venture Scouts, many of them getting up early on a bleak December morning to go to the local railway station and help relieve weary commuters of a bit of change for a worthy cause, backed up by a rousing pop group.

The ultimate of course is the chance to attend the world Jamboree and early in 1999 two boys from the District joined some 2,000 Scouts from the UK and flew to Chile to meet up with over 35,000 Scouts from all around the world; a truly memorable experience.

Finally, we do need more leaders, administrators, committee members and supporters of all kinds. If you feel you would enjoy helping in some way do contact your local leader or give me a call directly.

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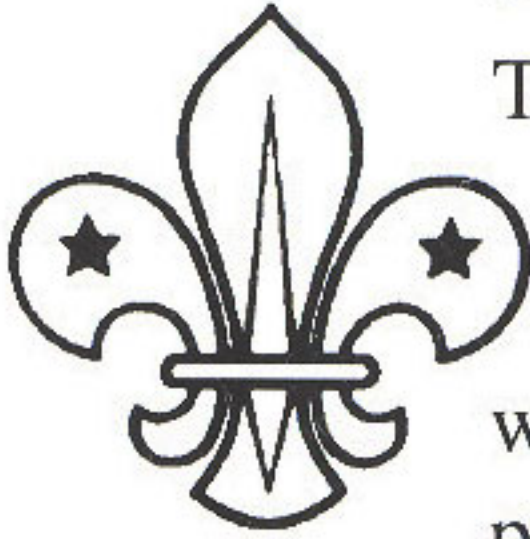
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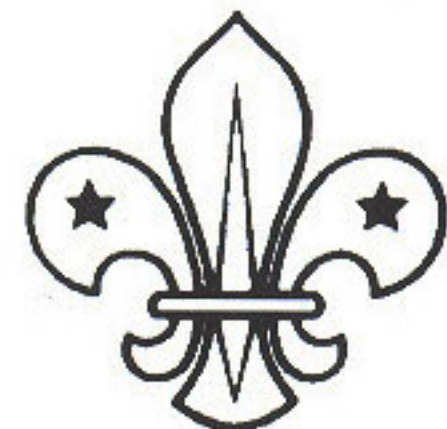
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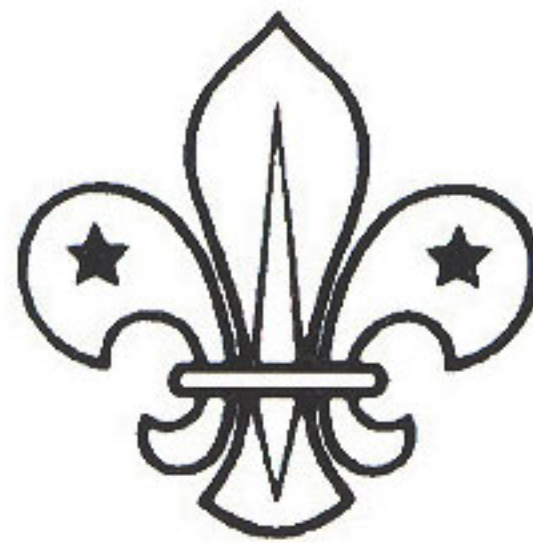
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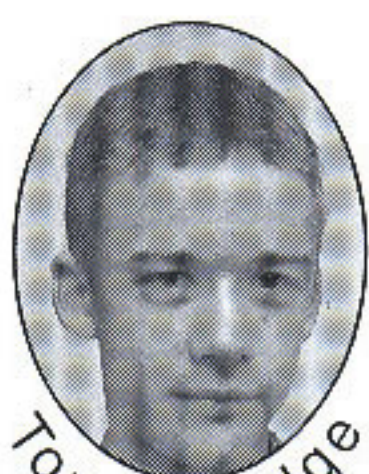
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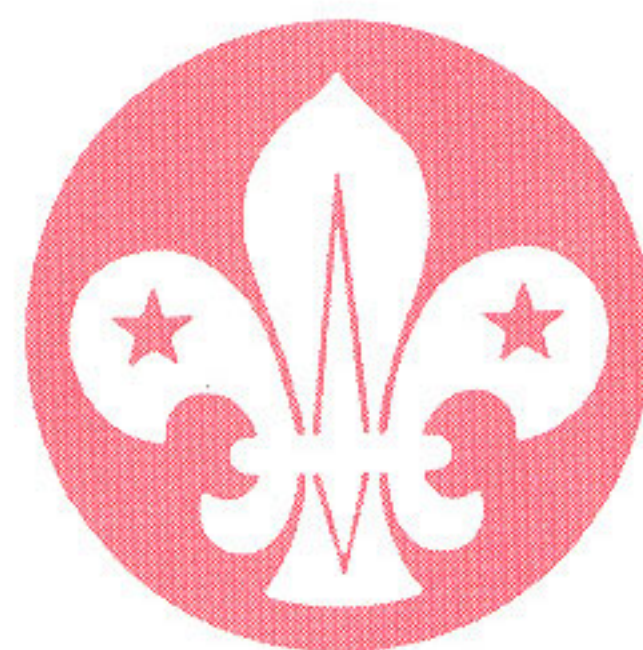
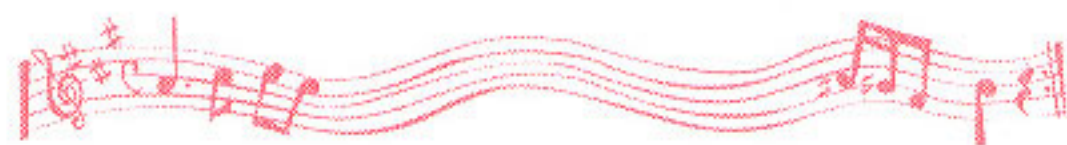
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ACT ONE



The Queen

1. Don't Stop

2. Pots and Puns

3. Millennium Bug

4. Aux Champs Elysées

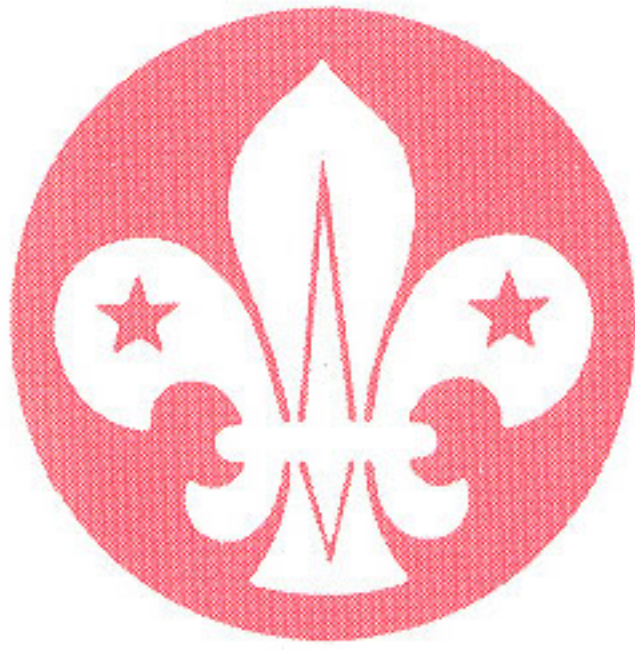
5. We Can Can-Can

6. Situations Vacant

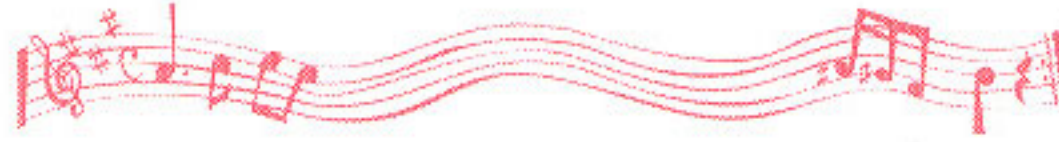
Interval

Producer & Musical Director – Ewan Murray

Choreographer – Angela Archer



ACT TWO



7. Jungle Fever

8. A Man Of Letters

9. I Will Follow Him

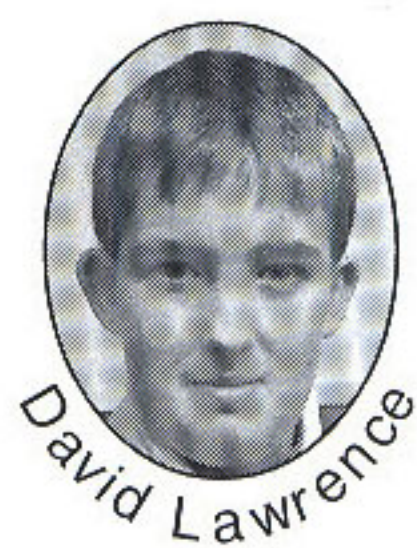
10. Hand Up Your Sticks

11. Line Up Hoe Down

12. On the Town

13. Bring On Tomorrow

*The Gang kindly requests that you do not take photographs
or use video cameras. Thank You.*



David Lawrence



Hannah Lewis



Nick Lewis



Claire Linacre



Daniel Ling



Jason Ling



Oliver Ling



Emma Long



Jessica Long



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Helen Mann



Matthew Mannell



Michael Marchant-Jones



Laura Mastel



Alex McKay



Jacob McLean



Emily Meade



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Nathan Wood

STAGE STAFF

Assistant Producer	Jemma Finch
Production Assistant	Richard Turberville
Music Arranger	Chris Pettitt
Rehearsal Pianist	Graham Thomson
Scenery Designer & Stage Manager	David Keen
Stage Hands and Scenery Crew	Mark and Jennifer Hubbard, Colin Jeffs, Darren Lowry, Sue Mann, Helen Mann, Phil Robinson, Kit Yardley, Nick Bonner, Adam Robinson
Wardrobe	Dorothy Cawrey assisted by Marion Goodson, Margaret Melville, Jeanette Bowers, Beryl Jeffs, Pam Woodford-Smith, Sue Brooker, Ros Mulholland, Penny Chapman, Jane Walter, Liz Barringer, Elaine Brind, Susanne Woods, Chrissy Hunter, Helen Mellor, Liz Davie, Mavis Whiteway, Andi Barringer, Jan Hall, Dot Whitehouse, Georgina Jeffrey, Jill Picken, Fran Coulter
The Band	Reeds – Lucy Campbell, Chris Pettitt, Sue Pollitt; Trumpet – Jamie Stoneman, Tim Benwell; Trombone – Richard Turberville; Piano – Graham Thomson; Bass – Gareth Covey-Crump; Drums – Neil Duncan; Guitar – Russell Husbands
Lighting Designer	Dennis Paddison
Lighting by	The Harpenden Lighting Pool
Sound	Robert and Susie Hemmin
Make Up	Jeremy Finch assisted by Harpenden Venture Scouts
Properties	Brian Woods
Call Boy	Andrew Barford
Cub Number written and produced by	Richard Harrington
Assisted by	Jo Busby, Albert Elliott, Liz Jack, Yvonne Lowry, Tina Miller
Scout Room	Liz Davie, Dorothy Whitehouse, Helen Mellor, Liz Scott
Box Office	Phil and Lois Robinson
Front of House	Kit Yardley
Stewards	Carl Peter assisted by Venture Scouts
Refreshments	Helen Peter with the assistance of parents and leaders
Confectionery	Jan Yardley
Programme	Bob Finch
Publicity	Vacant – volunteer please

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Ralph Reader

The Harpenden Gang Show is based on an original idea by the late Ralph Reader C.B.E.



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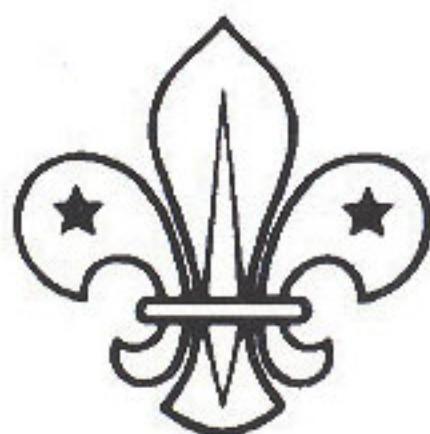
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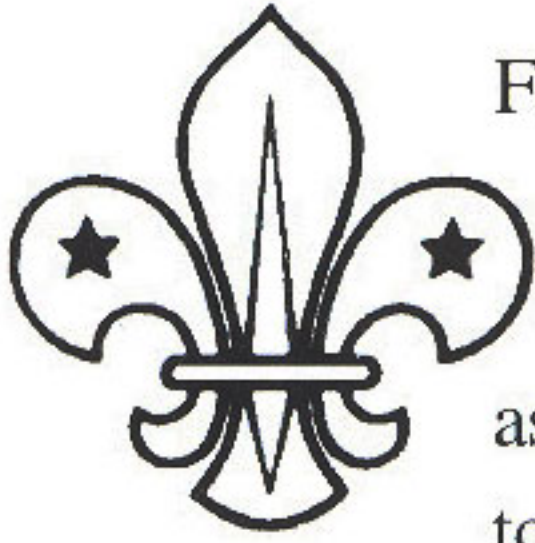
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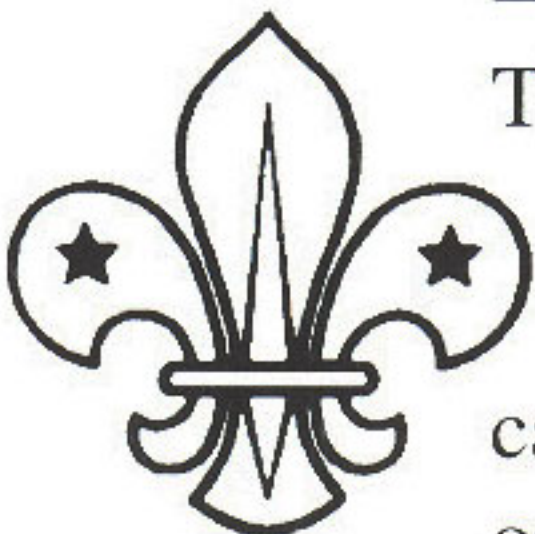


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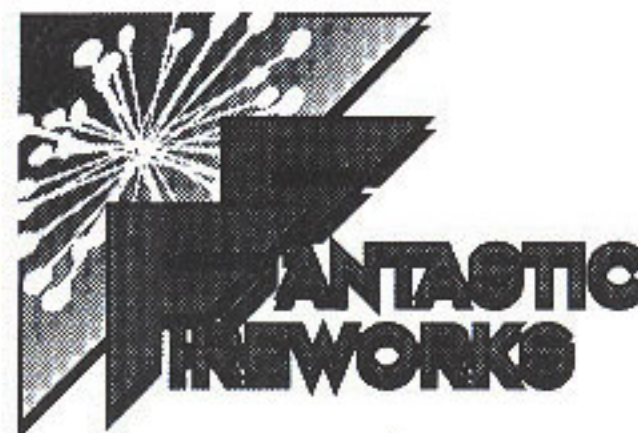
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A WORD FROM MARILYN

The climax of the Gang Show is always the Finale, when the curtain rises on the whole cast, wearing Scout uniform. For the audience this is 'lump-in-the-throat' moment. And yet uniform is often much derided in contemporary society . . .

In August 1979, James Kingham and I took the newly formed mixed Venture Scout Unit on an expedition to Ireland. We stayed in a hostel adjoining the monastery at Mount Mellera, at the foot of the Knockmealdown Mountains, and had a wonderful time enjoying the glorious scenery, local hospitality, an hostelry. But one evening it all changed.

Father Francis came in during the course of our meal, with a very grave face. 'My fellow countrymen have killed your Lord Mountbatten.' Suddenly we were surrounded by suspicion and fear and doors that had been open were closed to us. The next day we were due to visit the Waterford glass works and expected, as on all outings, to wear our uniform. But I was worried that, in a climate where hatred had suddenly become a reality, this might be a provocative act. I consulted the Abbot and will always remember his answer: 'The Scout uniform is an outward and visible sign of an international brotherhood of peace and goodwill. If you deny your uniform, terrorism will have triumphed'. We wore it to Waterford.

For many years the Venture Scouts have formed the largest group attending the Remembrance Service, wearing their uniform, and there are always murmurs of approval from the onlookers. Somebody once remarked that 'Harpenden is the place where you can walk down the High Street in Scout uniform'. Those you see on stage tonight are worn with understanding and pride.

Marilyn Hudson



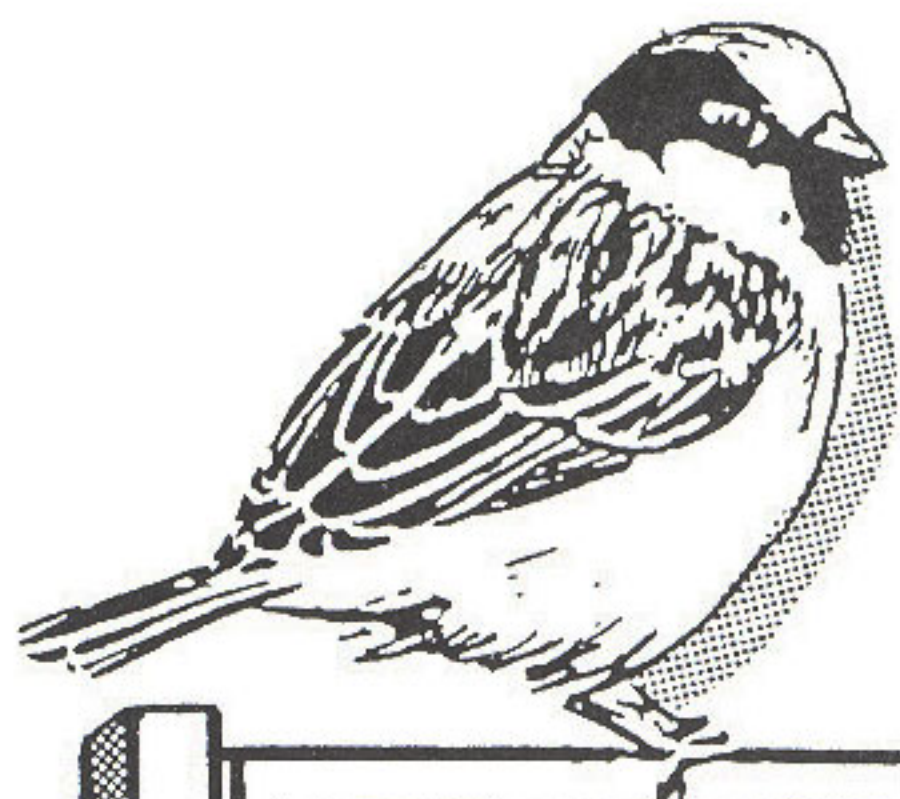
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The world around us is everything
The sound of music, the songs we sing –
And even from the coldest winter
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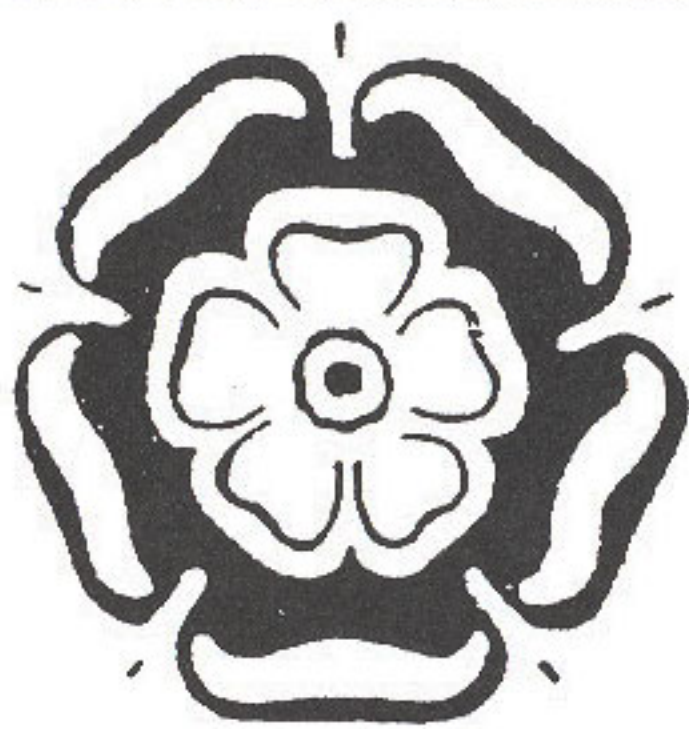
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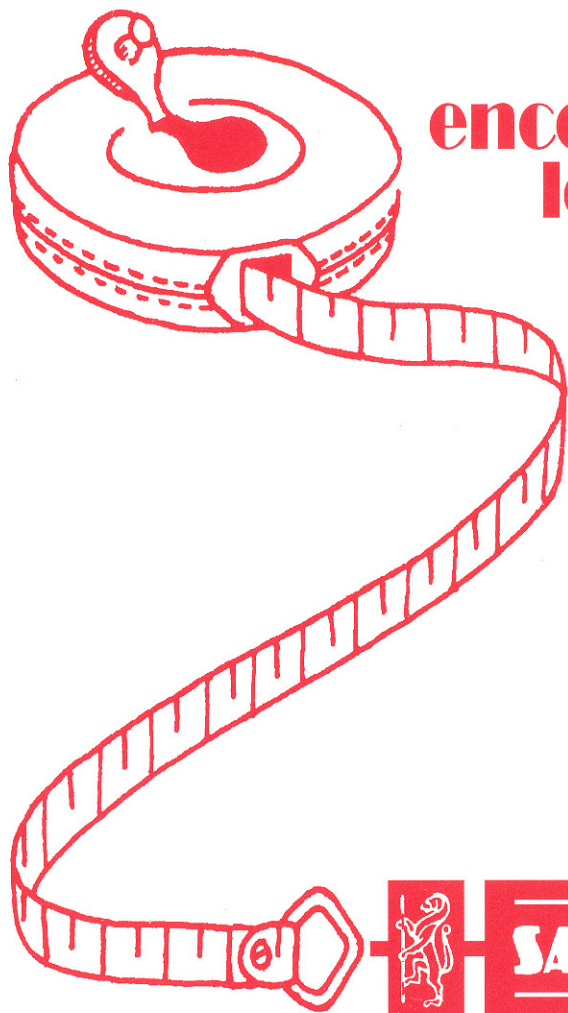
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