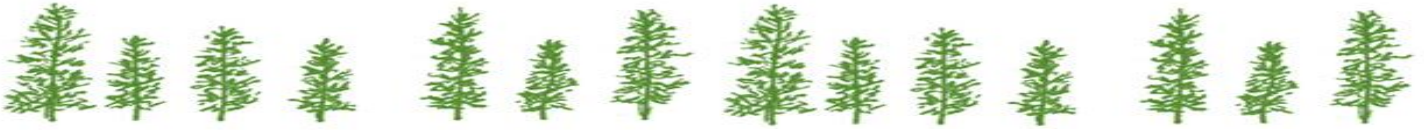


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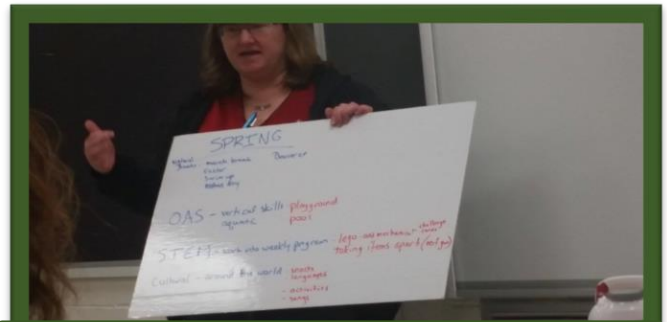


February 2017

Scouts Do Stuff!



Scouters at 19th Peterborough like puzzles too!



2017 Scouters Con was an awesome day of learning!



White Pine Council Youth Network celebrates Whitby's former AYC Michelle's birthday!

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Newsletter produced by Council Youth Network. Questions, comments, submissions, or know youth interested in volunteering for the newsletter? Contact Council Youth Commissioner, Evelyn Robertson at evelyn.robertson@scouts.ca

Meeting Night – Scout-Guide Week!



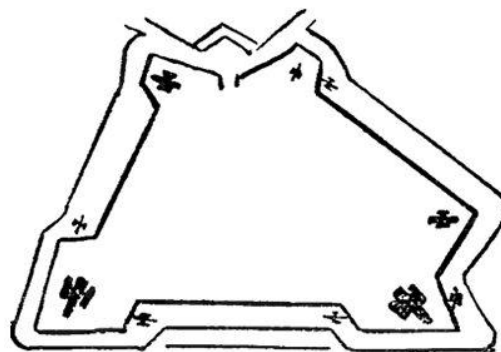
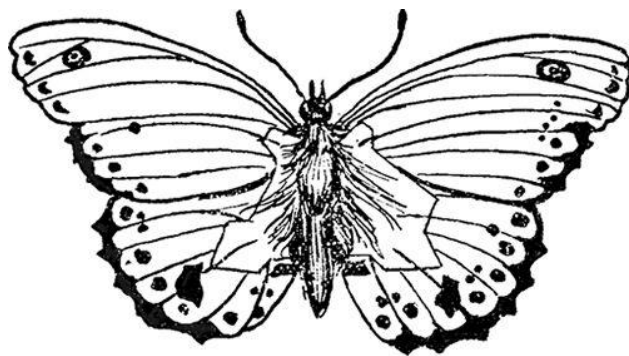
Family Campfire

- Invite parents, siblings, and friends to join the group in an indoor (or outdoor) campfire to celebrate Scout-Guide Week
- Have the youth lead their favourite songs
- Let youth pick and create skits to present to everyone
- Invite any siblings to come out to a meeting to join the group in the future
- Have a happy and fun Scout-Guide Week!



Activity- Lord Baden Powell as a Spy

- When BP was in the military, he served as a spy. He pretended to be a naturalist or artists and would map out enemy's fortresses disguised in his sketched and paintings of butterflies and leafs
- Show the youth some of these sketches (<https://publicdomainreview.org/2013/07/10/robert-baden-powells-entomological-intrigues/>)
- Place some objects around your meeting hall and get the youth to try to disguise these objects in a map the same way



End the meeting by singing Happy Birthday B.-P. and enjoying a piece of cake and something to drink!

A Scouters Pack is Always Heavy

As I pack my bag for camp I realize that a Scouter's backpack is never light. I try to instill in my youth the idea of packing light, but here I am looking at an assortment of odds and sods, wondering why I never seem to have any spare room in my backpack. I start to question the necessity of some of the equipment I carry and then I start arguing with those voices in my head, as I do before every camp. Do I really need 4 camp blankets rolled and tucked in the bottom of my bag? Then I hear that little voice in the darkness, "Scouter I'm cold!!" Okay, they can stay. Do I really need 10 pairs of new socks? "Scouter, I forgot to pack socks and the ones I'm wearing are wet!!" I'll find room for them too, I guess.

And so goes the arguing as I place everything back in my bag. Extra toques, gloves, scarves (all brand new), hand and toe warmers, flashlights with spare batteries, glow sticks (for my tent so the youth can find me in the darkness as well as extras for those who can't sleep without a light on), rain ponchos, tarps, spare bedroll... and the list goes on. Everything has a place and it also has its own little voice too. Add to this my extra-large "personal" first aid kit (I keep it in my daypack so I can get there quickly if I am called upon in the night), personal stash of toilet paper (you can **NEVER** have too much of that), hand sanitizer, books, manuals, teaching aids... When I'm done and I'm packing it out to the car my neighbour looks over and asks me why I have so much stuff just for a weekend camp. I tell him "It's a Scouting thing, you wouldn't understand."

I know our motto is "Be Prepared", however, sometimes I wonder if I'm going a little overboard with my kit, but then that little voice chimes in and reminds me that the youth look up to me for guidance, wisdom, skills and leadership, so how could I disappoint them by not living up to the motto we all share. Believe me, you'll know you are passing on your skills when you hear a little voice at camp, outside your head this time, saying, "Don't worry Scouter; they can borrow one of mine. I brought extra this trip." Its little moments like this that let us know that we, as Scouters, are making a positive impact on the lives of the youth.

Being prepared not only means having the equipment, plans and backup plans to keep you and your youth safe, it also means being prepared to share your knowledge, wisdom, experience and equipment so that your youth can have a positive Scouting experience that they will carry with them throughout their lives. The reason my pack is so heavy is because is because many years ago, Skip, my Scout Leader, passed on his wisdom to all of us young Scouts. He taught us that a Troop is only as fast as their slowest Scout, as strong as their weakest Scout and family to all Scouts. And as family we are there to help each other in whatever way we can, and this is why my pack is so heavy.

As a Resource Scouter I try my best to make myself available to youth and fellow Scouters to help with training. Please feel free to email me at <mailto:gill@i-zoom.net> if you would like me to share my resources and skills with your Area, Group or Section.



Bring-A-Friend!

When: March 3-10, 2017

Where: All of Canada

How: Invite anyone to come out for a meeting or special event! Or send an evite from

<http://www.scouts.ca/bring-a-friend/>



Why:

Many current Scouting youth were introduced to the program by a friend, and a Bring A Friend invite is all it takes to give someone their first taste of Scouting fun!

Did you know we have referral incentives?!

Youth: If a youth brings a friend to a meeting and then they register for Scouts, they may be eligible for a \$20 incentive!

Scouters: If you recruit a new non-section leader to serve on group committer (only) you may be eligible for a \$30 incentive!

Contact your ASM for more details!

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Congratulations to our White Pine Council CJ'17 Participants!!!!

Scouts Canada sent out the updated list of registrations on Feb 2 and White Pine Council is doing great. Our Offers of Service number 69 Scouters, Venturers and Rovers. Our Patrol registration lists 29 patrols with 176 Youth and 66 Troop Scouters participating. Well done!

To help all participants White Pine Council is hosting a training CJ'17 Pre-camp which is highly recommended by Scouts Canada. Pre-camp is May 5 to May 7, 2017 at Brookwood Scout Reserve, 8th Line S, Norwood, ON.

<http://www.kwascouting.ca/site/?file=camps/brookwood-camp>

This camp provides an opportunity to use your CJ'17 patrol equipment, arrive as a patrol, test a sample of your menus and camp in a CJ environment. You will arrive at camp as a patrol, unload at the gate and carry all of your gear to your assigned campsite. Only patrol participants registered with CJ'17 are eligible to attend.

We will be holding training/information sessions for Youth and Scouters on Saturday to cover all aspects of long term camping and travel to a Canadian Jamboree. This ensures Scouters and Youth get the best out of their Jamboree experience.

Registration is available on the White Pine Council website.

www.wpc.scouts.ca and [Online Registration](#). This year you are able to register online. The deadline to register for this pre-camp is March 20, 2017.

We look forward to seeing you at CJ'17 Pre-camp!

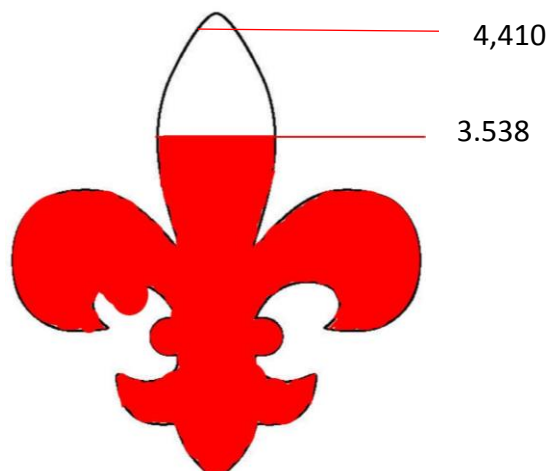
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Registration and PQA

Council Registration Goal **4,410**



Numbers reflect include youth and volunteers combined.

Area	# 2015/16	# 2016/17	# away from previous year
Algonquinte	202	207	+13
Kawartha Waterways	307	313	+16
Lakeshore Ridge	345	319	20
Oshawa	450	397	37
Owasco	538	465	53
Trillium Highlands	154	144	3
Whitby	628	598	19

Numbers reflect youth registrations only.

Program Quality Award

Don't forget to complete your seasonal Program Quality Standards to www.MyScouts.ca to *achieve your Program Quality Award for all Sections!*

To Complete Your Program Quality Standards:

- Review with your Section Scouters how their season went (what went well, what could be improved, etc.)
- Group Commissioners log into www.MyScouts.ca
- Click on the "PQA" tab
- Select the Sec on you are assessing, and click "EDIT"



Your Seasonal Assessment can now be completed!



It starts with Scouts.

Scout Shop

Scout Shop Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:30am-5:30pm

Saturday: 10am-4pm

Sunday: 11am-3pm

Have you done your
R-E-S-P-E-C-T training
yet?



Reminder: Current Scouters (and youth over 18) have until August 31st, 2017 to complete this online training

Cost: \$30.00*

*Training lasts for 5 years!

Login to www.myscouts.ca and click on TRAINING at the top of the page.

For more information: Google “Scouts Canada Respect Training” and click on the first link that comes up (“Respect in Sport for Activity Leader Training FAQs – Scouts Canada”) or talk to your ASM.



...And a Scouter says “Let’s Go!”

February 2017

Feb 19-26 - **Scout-Guide Week**

Feb 22 - **Thinking Day** Scouting's founder Baden Powell's Birthday, look for various celebrations and banquets.

March 2017

Mar 1 - **Program Quality Standards**, winter review

Mar 2 - **Council Team Meeting** (DCC's + AC's), Special meeting – 5 Priority Plan

Mar 4-10 – **Bring-a-Friend Week**, all sections, all nights

Mar 17-19 – **Tri-Council Planning Retreat**, DCCs, ASMs, Key 3s, and 2 AY/AYC per area

Mar 25 - **Tri-Area Earth Hour Campfire**, Camp Samac, 275 Conlin Rd E, Oshawa. 7:00 \$5.

Mar 25-26 – **Mental Health First Aid for Adults** who Interact with Youth, Whitby mall

April 2017

Apr – **Scoutrees** fundraising month

Apr 7-9 – **Wood Badge II Training**, Camp Samac, Oshawa

Apr 8-9 – **Camp Samac open Archery Competition**, 275 Colin Rd E Oshawa, ON

Apr 21-23 - **Music Moot**, Cobourg Scout Reserve. | [Link to Facebook Event](#).

Apr 22 – **White Tail Slap**, Beaver linking day, Camp Samac, Oshawa

Apr 22 – **Camp Samac Air Rifle Shooting Competition**, 275 Colin Rd E Oshawa, ON

Apr 23-29 - **National Volunteer Week**

Apr 29-May 7 - **Good Turn Week**, see www.one.scouts.ca/goodturnweek/ for more information.

May 2017

May 1 - **Open Fall Registration**, online

May 5-7 – **CJ17 Pre-Camp** Brookwood Scout Reserve, Norwood, Ontario

May 5-7 - **Camelot Moot**, Ontario. camelotmoot@gmail.com

May 13 - **Jamboree on the Trail**, 20th Anniversary.

May 14-20 - **Bring-a-Parent Week**, all sections, all nights.

May 27 - **Tri-Area Beaver**, 9:30-3:00, Camp Samac, Oshawa.