



Scouts Canada 2010-2011

# White Pine

## COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT



It starts with Scouts.



# Council Leadership

## Council Service Team

Gord Varey - Council Commissioner  
Dave Fletcher - Past Council Commissioner  
David Millie - Council Youth Commissioner  
David Milile - Deputy CC of Program  
John Parks - Deputy CC of Recognition  
Stewart Bowman - Deputy CC of PR/Communications

Karl Holliday - Deputy CC of Training  
David Reid - Deputy CC of Property  
Dave Fletcher - Deputy CC of Service  
Debbie Lyng - Council Treasurer  
Sheila Fraser - Council Secretary

## Key Council Volunteers

Bruce Atchison - Chair of Finance Committee  
Barb Pokorski & Victor Woodburne - Popcorn Coordinator

Victor Woodburne - Scoutrees Coordinator

## Area Commissioners

Warren Shaw - Algonquinte  
Sue Reinhart - Kawartha Waterways  
Rob Shafer - Lakeshore Ridge  
Mike Hurley - Oshawa

Diana Gould - Owasco  
Jim Walter - Trillium Highlands  
Debby Corneal - Whitby

## Area Youth Commissioners

Cameron Bywater - Algonquinte  
Myra McGowan - Kawartha Waterways  
John Thompson - Lakeshore Ridge  
Keldon Ledward - Oshawa

Tanja Sack - Owasco  
Brad Reaman - Trillium Highlands  
Tyler Parrott & Colin Grainger - Whitby

# Council Commissioner

**Gord Varey – Council Commissioner**

This, my first annual report to you, will outline the many things that I have been involved in during the first year of my term as your Council Commissioner. The spring of 2010 was also when the other members of our Council Key 3 joined in – Barry Hardaker came on as Council Executive Director (CED) replacing Warren McMeekin; and David Millie came on as our Council Youth Commissioner (CYC) replacing Dylan Reinhart who was promoted to National Youth Commissioner. Congratulations Dylan, and welcome Barry and David!

White Pine Council has faced many challenges in recent years and we have been working to resolve many of them.

We held a weekend long retreat in July with our Council Youth Commissioner, and all but one Area Commissioner (prior commitment). We familiarized ourselves with each other; strategized the challenges we faced; and mapped out how our council would function going forward. This was followed up a few weeks later when I spent a day in August with the staff side of our Council from our administrative centre.

White Pine Council (WPC) became one of a couple of test markets for a new Service Model initiative that Scouts Canada designed. We now have service standards to base visits on. Our testing was well accepted, and with a few minor adjustments by everyone involved (including other testing Councils and National staff), a formal version has been drafted.

White Pine Council had suffered great financial woes throughout previous years, and through the hard working efforts of our new accountant – a person with no prior Scouting experience – she managed to not only get a handle on these issues, but she also handled our year-end audit and prepared for the AGM – all within the first few months of her job. Congratulations Lyn!

As for resolving our financial shortfall (debt), we embarked on open discussions with Scouting and Community members; analyzed a variety of options presented; and made a decision to move forward with a single action – the sale of a portion of unused land. Our decision is based on a brighter future through revised management practices of our property and administrative functions – all so that we can offer better programming for our Youth. When I took on this position, I made it clear that my focus would be on Membership, Training and Servicing.

Membership - is the purpose of why there is Scouting. Our membership has been on the decline in recent years and we need to grow for many reasons.

Training - we held a successful 3-weekend Wood Badge Part II for all Sections and over 50 participants received their recognition.

Servicing – we are returning to face-to-face contact with our Scouters. Sections and Leaders need to get acquainted with those



not necessarily involved with delivering the program such as Area and Council Service Scouters and Management.

We implemented a couple of strategic events this year, and attended a National Leadership Summit to get all Areas aligned with Council and/or National plans. We held Growth Symposium for 60+ Area and Group/Section Scouters to develop their own Area Growth Plans. This will better position each Area to start the next year and sets goals and targets to achieve throughout the year. We wrapped up our year with a day long Year-in-Review workshop at which we analyzed our accomplishments, identified any pitfalls, and laid the groundwork to start our new year.

I worked diligently over the first few months getting a full team in place and I congratulate all of my team, both the volunteers and the staff, for their dedication and hard work over the year.

In closing, I would to thank all of our Scouting members, Youth and Leaders, for making this a successful year for Scouting.

Respectfully,

Gord Varey

# Recognition

## ***John Parks – Deputy Council Commissioner Recognition***

What a fantastic year all seven Areas in White Pine Council had. The result of a great and sustained effort from all areas simply means that a large number of our adult volunteers have been duly recognized for their contributions to Scouting. Job well done everyone. These efforts will serve as a strong foundation for the new and simpler recognition system that is to be launched in the 2011-12 Scouting Year.

- National award numbers stayed the same as last years – great consistency for the council.
- The percentage of National awards over the last 2 years is averaging 5.15%.
- All forms of recognition combined represented a - to adult ratio of over 30%.
- The total recognition to adult percentage for White Pine has been greater than 25% for 6 straight years.

I wish to congratulate each and every award recipient. You have been recognized for your service to Scouting. Each and every award is Scouting's way of saying "Thank you". Your continued outstanding service is what drives this organization – keep up the fantastic work.

All seven areas have phenomenal people and teams dedicated to the goal of recognizing those people who provide outstanding service to Scouting. It is your people that are to be given all the credit for all achievements within this Council. Thank you to each and every Area:

- Everett Dalmas – Algonquinte
- Doreen Miller – Kawartha Waterways
- Mary Anne Rowlands – Lakeshore Ridge
- Mike Gilston – Oshawa
- Barbara Saliba – Owasco
- Edson Johnson – Trillium Highlands
- Viola Tebble - Whitby

To all the people that submitted nominations, I say thank you and offer my personal gratitude. There are many - many worthy recipients and thanks to your submissions, a good number of them have been duly recognized.

White Pine Council is grateful for all the work done by Ladka Stodola in the EOAC office. She works diligently to ensure all the awards are processed in a timely fashion. Thank you Ladka.



# Congratulations

***White Pine Council is pleased to announce the following recognition:***

## **Medal of the Maple**

Amanda Howell – Oshawa  
Daniel-John Soper – Oshawa  
Christopher James Foster – Oshawa  
Justin Post – Kawatha Waterways  
Stephen Alexander Delore - Whitby

## **Certificate of Commendation**

Monika Webster – Kawartha Waterways  
Diane Lamont – Kawartha Waterways  
Dennis Hewett – Kawartha Waterways  
Jennifer Young – Lakeshore Ridge  
Gwendolyn Thornton - Lakeshore Ridge  
Brad Ferguson – Lakeshore Ridge  
Ron Reid - Lakeshore Ridge  
Ian Lowe - Lakeshore Ridge  
Warren Coleman – Whitby  
John Sproxton – Trillium Highlands

## **Medal for Good Service**

Stephen Underwood – Kawartha Waterways  
Chris McMahon – Kawartha Waterways  
Carol Brewer – Kawartha Waterways  
Brian Lee – Kawartha Waterways  
Jeff Newhook – Kawartha Waterways  
Paula Milage-Garrah – Kawartha Waterways  
Brad Hilker – Kawartha Waterways  
Chris Keating – Kawartha Waterways  
Wendy McHardy – Lakeshore Ridge  
Marion Kalina – Lakeshore Ridge  
David Moore – Lakeshore Ridge  
Phil Mandryk – Lakeshore Ridge  
Stephanie Huggins – Owasco  
John Kikic – Oshawa  
Mike Tucker – Oshawa  
Melissa Meisinger – Whitby  
Neil Wesener – Whitby  
Lisa Schummer – Trillium Highlands  
Lillian Dunnett-Farrow – Trillium Highlands

## **Medal of Merit**

Keith Noorlander – Oshawa  
Pam Gutcher – Oshawa  
Jane Marnoch – Lakeshore Ridge  
Susan Dermarkar – Lakeshore Ridge  
Ian Thomson – Lakeshore Ridge  
George Chambers – Kawartha Waterways  
Marg Nelson – Kawartha Waterways  
Lorrie Heigh – Kawartha Waterways  
Bruce Bonner – Kawartha Waterways  
Ronald Ross – Kawartha Waterways  
Wayne Seddon – Whitby  
Craig Howard Rendall – Whitby  
Bruce Atchison – Trillium Highlands  
Doug Buchanan – Owasco  
Jim Gauvin – Owasco

## **Bar to The Medal of Merit**

Susan Sweet Lebeau – Kawartha Waterways  
Evelyn Blackbourn – Kawartha Waterways  
John Parks – Kawartha Waterways

## **Silver Acorn**

Mike D'Orsay – Kawartha Waterways

## **Bar to The Silver Acorn**

Arnold Allen – Kawartha Waterways  
Lenore Allen – Kawartha Waterways

## **Award for Gallantry**

Jarrett Nugent - Oshawa

## **Certificate for Meritorious Conduct**

Joshua Walton – Trillium Highlands

# Operations

## **Jeff Benson – Council Operations Manager**

On a daily basis, we process registration packages; manage PRC issues; prepare recognition materials; print membership cards; develop membership reports; process certificates of insurance; review contracts; order popcorn; pay a camp's hydro bill; process refunds; train new Group Registrars; take camp bookings; prepare training participant lists; collate annual reports; process subsidy requests; update web sites; and the list goes on... But most importantly, every year things seem to be getting better and better.

For the past number of years we have been refining our recording of the registration packages that come to the Council office. This "refining" has resulted in being able to more accurately track what is in the MMS verses what we have "In Office", which has resulted in our ability to consult with the Groups to resolve outstanding issues sooner. More importantly, at the end of each Scouting year, we must reconcile what is in the MMS to the registration bills that we pay National, and I am pleased to say that we have been steadily closing the discrepancy of unresolved memberships. This coming year we have made even further modifications to address these as well.

On the financial side of the house, we are doing well in relation to controlling expenses with only a few exceptions that were beyond our control. Our Council Accountant, Lyn Williams joined the team a little over a year ago and has put our financial reporting back

into shape. Thanks Lyn! One challenge that we have been trying to overcome is filling the position of Council Treasurer. We have placed ads, posted website opportunities and utilized word-of-mouth to seek out a volunteer willing to take on the role without success. The search continues...

"Being Prepared" is not just for the program people in Scouting – it applies to the administration of the office as well. In keeping with the changes that National had been doing as part of the "Action Plan", Councils, Areas and Groups were all asked to play a part. Specifically, one large event that we were preparing for was the launch of the new Association Management System (AMS) or "MyScouts.ca", which required a great deal of MMS clean-up. Even though the system's launch date was postponed, the upfront work that we were all able to accomplish has moved us miles ahead. With the June 30th deadline, registrations were entered in the MMS by the Groups saving the office significant hours of verifying that the members were indeed registered. Once again over 40% of our regular membership was pre-registered and ready for Scouting in September. Not bad at all!

Once again, I have to take the opportunity to thank our administrative staff (Ladka Stodola, Lynn Levitan, Pamela Bazinet, Carolyn Pink and Lyn Williams). I see the volume of work that they deal with on a daily basis and I am impressed with their cheery demeanors regardless of the circumstances.



# Membership Development

## ***Perry Kirkbride - Council Field Executive***

We were able to accomplish many things in 2010/2011. A special thanks to those of you who spent countless hours assisting us in reaching our goals. We appreciate all of your support and thoughtfulness through this past Scouting year. We could not do what we do without all of our dedicated volunteers.

With the help of too many people to name in this report we were able to do the following:

- **School talks:** 15 schools across 10 locations, visiting 90 classrooms, talking to an estimated 2000 students.
- **Community Events/Display Opportunities:** With assistance from many groups and areas, we were able to attend a multitude of events and activities where we offered displays to showcase our active programs in local neighbourhoods.
- **High Profile Youth Events:** We were able to be active at large scale events to run programs for youth and feature 'Scouting

fun' at the 'Racing against Drugs' program. This event saw over 3000 participants that were able to race a cub car down the track for the first time. We also had a presence at the Ground Water Festival. The festival is a weeklong event in September that takes place at Camp Samac and has over 4000 grade four students. Thanks to all the volunteers that came out to help make it a huge success.

- **Council Operated Programs:** This year we offered 2 weeks of Extreme Adventure at Samac North and 8 weeks of Summer Camp at Samac in Oshawa with over 1000 weeks of camp booked and surpassing last year's totals.

We look forward to next year as we continue to strive to surpass last year's membership totals.



# COUNCIL





# Revenue Development

## ***Natalie Benson – Manager, Revenue Development***

Scouts Canada, White Pine Council is proud to recognize the many Corporations, Foundations, Small Businesses, Service Clubs and Government Agencies that have provided us with the necessary funding to operate the programs and projects within White Pine Council.

The support that these organizations provide is generous and invaluable. It is with sincere thanks that we recognize the support from the following:

- **Government of Ontario, Ministry of Health Promotion and Sport:** Through the Healthy Communities Fund, support to our SCOUTSabout Program.
- **Government of Canada, Environment Canada:** Through the Eco Action Program, support to our Climate Change Action Program.
- **Scouts Canada Foundation:** Funds to support our Extreme Adventure Program at Camp Samac and through the No one Left Behind Program contributing to membership assistance programs within White Pine Council.
- **The Samac Foundation:** Contributions towards Camp Samac including: the Ontario Line Clearing (to clear the hydro lines), a new lawn mower for the camp, a new utility vehicle as well as a significant contribution to the general operations of the camp.
- **Oshawa Rotary Club:** Funds to initiate a membership assistance fund to assist needy youth to participate in Scouting Programs.
- **Rotary Club of Oshawa (Parkwood):** Funds for our Leadership Development Program at Camp Samac in Oshawa.
- **Ontario Power Generation:** Funds to continue our membership assistance fund to support as many youth as possible in participating in Scouting programs.
- **John Howard Society:** Funding to assist the Council in operating the Summer Camp Programs held at Camp Samac.
- **Durham College:** Funding to assist the Council in operating the Summer Camp Programs held at Camp Samac.
- **Government of Canada, Human Resources Skills Development Canada:** Funds to assist White Pine Council in hiring staff for the summer months at Camp Samac and Adventure Base to deliver our summer camp programs.
- **BMO, Employee Charitable Foundation:** Funding towards upgrades at Camp Samac.
- **Durham Community Foundation:** Funding towards the Camp Samac Nature Centre.
- **Government of Ontario, Ministry of Training:** Funding towards two staff positions in the Council (a Ranger position at Camp Samac and a Community Development Worker in the Council).
- **TD Friends of the Environment:** Funding towards the environmental programs in the Council.
- **Earth Day Canada, Community Environment Fund:** Funding towards our Council Climate Change Action Program.
- **General Mills Canada, Champions for Healthy Kids Program:** Funding towards the White Pine Council's SCOUTSabout Community Program.
- **Scouts Canada, Ontario Incorporated Body:** Funding towards our Council Marketing and Promotions strategy.
- **Individual Donors:** Many thanks to parents, individuals and Scouters for personal contributions towards our 'Send a Child to Camp' project during the summer months. These donations were well spent and contributed to many youth having a valuable opportunity to attend summer camps.

In Summary, Scouts Canada, White Pine Council has had a successful year raising funds to operate the needs of local Scouting. Thank you to our many supporters for funding these worthwhile initiatives. We appreciate your assistance.

# Sponsors Recognition

*Thank you to our many Contributors.*



# Algonquinte

## **Warren Shaw – Area Commissioner**

I have formally visited all groups, met leaders and youth.

Reviewed with current leaders any problems that they have or they foresee having.

Insured that recruitment for both leaders and youth was in place and in fact running.

Made it well known that courses for all levels were available including the e-learning. I have suggested that everyone taking the e-learning tool try and take courses offered by our area in the fall or if a problem arises then we will make the course available in another area.

Worked with all groups to make sure that program tools were available and in fact being used. Those who were having problems with the program, I made myself available to assist them in a couple of cases driving to the meeting night and in one case at the leaders home.

As much as possible I attended all end of year BBQ's and kept the plus side of Scouting in the fore.

I received a lot of feedback especially on the change of Registration time and the difference in the cost at late registration. I think I was able to get people to understand and it is being accepted on the whole.

We have a person dedicated to leader recognition and he is doing a very good job. The job Scouts Canada did with the 1st year leaders gifts was excellent and hopefully will be an ongoing campaign. We will be

handing some out at the family get to know everyone Area Jump off BBQ on August 31st along with start of popcorn and just some good fun with all leaders and their families.

I am working with GPC's to ensure that our youth get the recognition they deserve when achieving awards or specialized badges.

I am sorry to say we had one active Scouter go home this year. Carl Pitman will be greatly missed.

The courses we have un in the 2010 – 2011 year have been 1 Wood Badge I in all 3 levels, Beavers, Cubs, & Scouts. One first aid course.

5 Cub Camps  
6 Scout camps & outings  
8 Venturer camps & outings



# Kawartha Waterways

## ***Sue Reinhart – Area Commissioner***

Kawartha Waterways had another successful year. We may not have reached our growth goals but we did succeed in offering the youth in the area the opportunities to widen their personal growth and the growth of Scouting in Kawartha Waterways and we did have 5 groups reach or succeed 100% growth.

The Area saw the opening of a new francophone group which has opened another door for the youth in our area.

We saw the raising of the Scouts Canada Flag at City Hall for the Scouting Guiding Week.

Two of our very own were honoured with the Bar to the Acorn. Big thanks to Lenore Allen and Arn Allen for your continuing service to Scouting and to the youth in Kawartha Waterways Area.

The youth forum is alive and well. The team this year hosted a sleepnot, ran the annual Beaver White Tail Day and ran the very first Flex training for Scout Age youth. The BYOT Moot ran by Area Rovers is also continuing to grow.

This year brought with it the first group to reach 100 years of Scouting in the Area. Congratulations to 1st Lakefield.

With the dedication and commitment of our Scouters and parents we sent 14 youth from KWA to the World Jamboree in Sweden. We had 10 youth participating, one as patrol leader and 3 as offer of service. Thank you to all who had a hand in giving these youth the experience of a life time.



# AREAS



# Lakeshore Ridge

## **Robert Shafer – Area Commissioner**

There are 11 groups in the Lakeshore Ridge Area and all sections are represented.

Over the course of the year the Colony section ran both a Winter Fun Day and a Beaveree in May. The Cub section ran their KubKar races at the Northumberland Mall in Cobourg in conjunction with the Scouts who held a 10-wheeler race. In May the Cubs held their annual Cuboree at the Cobourg Scout Reserve and we were joined by a group from Kawartha Waterways. The Scouts held their Commissioner's Challenge Camp at the Cobourg Scout Reserve in November. The Venturers held their area-wide "Snow Camp" at the CSR in January and plans were made to finish the Rideau Canal by canoe. Many of the Scout and Venturer sections within the Area held summer camps and canoe trips. This has proven very popular and is helping to make Scouting a year-round experience.

Over the course of the year we have tried to give Scouting a higher visibility within the community. Several of our groups participate in Christmas parades. The Area manned promotional booths in Bowmanville at the MapleFest, AppleFest and RibFest and at the Cobourg Ribfest. This will have an impact on our succeeding year's registration.

Popcorn sales went well in the fall and the Area hosted a Scoutrees planting in partnership with the Darlington OPG Station in May.

Our area camp, the Cobourg Scout Reserve, ran at full capacity during the Scout year and is financially sound. Ongoing maintenance

saw the installation of a water filtration and UV purification system. This will allow us to be compliant with the local Health Department requirements.

At the Area Awards Banquet we were able to award 4 Certificates of Commendation, 4 Medals of Good Service, and 2 Medals of Merit. Recognition was given to all Scouters who completed one year of service as well as those from 5-40 years of service. We also awarded area awards for Outstanding Scouter and for Group of the Year.

Our Area Scouter Forums have been well attended averaging 35+ adults and 4-6 youth members. We are striving to include more opportunities for youth to participate in a leadership role. An attempt was made to offer the FAST program to the Scouts and our Youth Commissioner will be following through on this in the coming year.

We held a Part I Woodbadge course for Colony, Pack, Troop and Company sections. I am pleased to announce that over 90% of our leaders have Part I training.

Overall, it has been a successful year in Lakeshore Ridge and we are hoping to grow both our membership and programs for the coming year.



# Owasco

## ***Diana Gould – Area Commissioner***

Scouting in Owasco Area is eventful and dynamic. A total of 831 youth along with over 200 leaders and parents participated in the Owasco “ees”, Beaveree, Cuboree and Camporee. Beaveree saw three Areas represented. Venturers provided Security and other assistance. Over 500 members raced their Beaver Buggies, Kub Kars or Scout Trucks. 93 Scouts faced off for the annual Troop Floor Hockey Tournament where Venturers assisted as referees and snack booth attendants. Owasco members showed well at the Annual Archery and/or Riflery Competition at Camp Samac. 4 Venturer Companies enjoyed the Inter-Company Bonspiel in April.



The 21 Owasco Area groups consist of 1121 youth and adult members located in the towns of Ajax, Pickering, Greenwood, Clarendon and Uxbridge. 10 Groups had over 100% of the previous year’s membership total.

The “out” was definitely in Owasco Scouting! Scouts, Venturers and Rovers paddled over 200 km throughout Ontario waterways on 5 to 7 night adventures. Troops and Companies took advantage of summer weather for week-long camps at Haliburton Scout Reserve. 6th Pickering Group donated a canoe to HSR in the memory of Venturer Jacob Cousins. Many Groups held All Section events which combine the outdoors and linking between the Scouting Sections. Owasco Link Day saw 53 youth enjoy activities with their future Scouting section. Owasco Scout Groups showed the fun of Scouting in their local Santa Claus Parades;

2 Groups were awarded “Best Float” in their class. An important part of Owasco Scouting is giving back to our local communities. Owasco Groups assisted with Santa Claus Box delivery to underprivileged families, coordinated by Scouter John Earley. Groups cleaned up local parks and green spaces, even cleaning up Duffins Creek while paddling with the “Great Shoreline Clean-up”. Owasco youth were in fine form as the Colour Party for the Ajax Home Week parade. Owasco youth participated in their local Remembrance Day Parade. Scoutree and other tree planting events were done in collaboration with local governments and organizations.

Accomplishments of Owasco members include 10 Chief Scout Award recipients, 2 Trainer II Accreditations and numerous Long Service and other special awards. 48 Woodbadge I (20 from e-Learning) and 23 Woodbadge II were presented to Owasco Scouters. Youth members completed Venturer Executive and Scout PL/APL training.

Owasco Area is proud of the Scouters, youth, families and friends who are dedicated to the success of their Group and Owasco Area. Thank you to our Scouters, families, Group partners and other organizations who provide support and believe in the ideals and mission of Scouts Canada. Special thanks to Audrey Pascoe, the previous Area Commissioner, for her perseverance and dedication to Owasco Area.



# AREAS

# Oshawa

## ***Mike Hurley – Area Commissioner***

Oshawa had a great year for program and growth. Oshawa had the highest membership growth in White Pine Council and had 12 out of 14 groups with over 100% membership this past year. Oshawa Area participated in and hosted 7 Beaver events, 9 Cub events, 3 Scout events, 1 Venturer event and 2 Wood Badge Part 1 courses. Three of these events were new. We also hosted the Chief Scout and Queen's Venturer Award Ceremony and White Pine Council AGM in November 2010. We opened a new Area Rover Crew (1st DC/ UOIT Service Crew) with 8 current members. Our Venturers and Rovers have been very

active in servicing at Camp Samac this year. Oshawa Area purchased and donated to Camp Samac a large-scale Chess and Checker Set for use in the new Program area. Many Oshawa Scouters contributed to the building of the new obstacle courses at Camp Samac and the 21st Oshawa refinished the floor in the Annex of Council Hall in the spring of 2011. We had 3 youth receive the Medal of the Maple, the highest in Council History. We had many Adult volunteers recognized again this year. We also participated in 6 public and community events to build awareness in the 2010/2011 scouting year.

# Trillium Highlands

## ***Jim Walter – Area Commissioner***

Trillium Highlands Area started off the year with the Popcorn Kick-off at the first Scouter Club meeting for the Scouting year 2010/11. The popcorn campaign went well, with an increase in sales, showing an greater in profit for the Groups. We had one youth and one leader achieve it to the top sellers group in White Pine.

During the last Saturday in Scout Week, most groups participated in displaying section specific activities. As an attention getter, we again held a Commissioners Kub Kar Challenge with. Celebrities from the City of Kawartha Lakes and Brock Township participated in three heats on the track. Needless to say the area Commissioner lost.

As spring approached we held Beaver Buggies and Kub Kars races. An increase in participants was realized at both events over the previous years.

As the weather warmed a joint Beaveree and Cubore were held at Balsam Lake Provincial Park. Again the great planning by the AAC's for Beavers Scouts and Cubs Scouts proved to be successful.

Trillium Highlands have put into place Planning Committees; for our Honours and Awards, to recognize the leaders and youth for the past years accomplishments and plans are well underway to host the CS/QV ceremony in Nov. 2011.



# Whitby

## ***Debby Corneal – Area Commissioner***

Only in Scouting are the opportunities available to have Area Scouters attend the World Jamboree, other Area Scouters take Venturers on a Baltic tour and visit the World Jamboree and the Area Kub Kar track is at the World Jamboree for Scouts from around the world to race Kub Kars and Scout Trucks on it.

Area Youth started establishing a working Area Youth Network with Tyler Parrott taking on the duties of Area Youth Commissioner. Tyler attended both the Council Growth Symposium and National Leadership Summit. Colin Grainger is the Deputy AYC. Groups have started appointing Group Youth Commissioners.



Whitby Area put Scouting in the public eye. Groups were in the Christmas parades in Port Perry and Whitby. Scouting booths with activities were present at Whitby Heritage Days, Canada Day, Mindful Music, Brooklin, Blackstock & Port Perry Fairs. Our Area team supported Groups with local School Fun Fairs.

Whitby Scouting families continue their environmental program by supporting our year round Road & Trail Clean up focusing around Whitby's Scout Trail.

Whitby Area rebuilt a very active Service Team with Scouters focusing on their selected sections. These Scouters visited their sections 3 times during the year to ensure a great program quality for youth and support to their Scouters.

Whitby Area again sponsored the following events: Cubs' Pow Wow & Cuboree; and Colony White Tail Slap. Whitby Area Scouters also assisted with JOTA and Beaveree. Area specific events included: Colony Campfire Sharing Evening, Lazer Tags for Pack and Troop.

I can hardly believe by the time you are reading this, I will have served my first year as Area Commissioner. It seems like it was only yesterday I was the rookie commissioner on White Pine Council. I hope this year's new Area Commissioners have the fun meeting and working with the Youth and Adults in their Areas as I have with my Area.

Here is to a great year ahead for Scouting in Whitby Area, where we celebrate "It Starts with Scouts!"



# AREAS

# Scout Popcorn

## Barb Pokorski & Victor Woodburne – Popcorn Coordinator

The 2010 Scout Popcorn campaign saw many unexpected challenges this year but as the sales chart below indicates White Pine Council did very well with sales achieving \$488,407.

Algonquinte	\$31,663	Lakeshore Ridge	\$49,964
Kawartha Waterways	\$65,089	Trillium Highlands	\$52,028
Oshawa	\$92,505	Owasco	\$115,371
Whitby	\$81,787	Total Council	\$488,407

Well Done!

The success of the Scout Popcorn Campaign relies on youth participation; in 2010 White Pine Council had 191 youth achieve the \$600 sales club.

The Top Group sales by Area received a cheque from White Pine Council

Area	Group	% participation	Group Sales	Avg sales
Lakeshore Ridge	1st Port Hope	108.10%	\$9,784	\$244.60
Owasco	1st Uxbridge	76%	\$18,629	\$255.19
Whitby	1st Port Perry	77.10%	\$21,043	\$259.79
Trillium Highlands	1st Cannington	84.10%	\$9,735	\$263.11
Algonquinte:	1st Whitney	75%	\$ 3, 216	\$268
Oshawa	18th Oshawa	80.80%	\$19,705	\$312.78
Kawartha Waterways	19th Peterborough	78.70%	\$12,617	\$341

The top selling youth in each area received a certificate covering the National and Council registration fees for the 2011 – 2012 Scouting year.

Area	Group	Sales
WHITBY	Seiji DeLuca	1st Port Perry \$4,091
KAWARTHA WATERWAYS	Shelby Lebeau	19th Peterborough \$4,077
OSHAWA	Dylan Pearson	21st Oshawa \$3,743
OWASCO	Colin McLaren	9th Pickering \$2,205
LAKESHORE RIDGE	Matthew Moore	1st Port Hope \$1,833
TRILLIUM HIGHLANDS	Daniel Reaman	1st Omeme \$1,813
ALGONQUINTE	Marin Roach-LeClair	2nd Sidney \$951

Congratulations to everyone!

To have a successful campaign, White Pine Council has a dedicated team of Area Popcorn Coordinators and Council staff.

Algonquinte	Wendy Macdonald
Lakeshore Ridge	Doug Rowlands
Kawartha Waterways	Don Cranley
Trillium Highlands	Lisa Schummer
Oshawa	Phyllis Hurley
Owasco	Kin Wong
Whitby	Victor Woodburne
White Pine Council	Perry Kirkbride
White Pine Council	Jeff Benson
White Pine Council	Pamela Bazinet

Thank you for your time and dedication.

We cannot forget the business's that donate their facilities and equipment so that we can sort and distribute the orders in a timely manner

Stoneleigh Property Management	Canada Material Handling Ltd
A.J. Manufacturing	Vandermeer Nurseries
Deck Transport	All-Can Distribution Canadian
Canoe Museum	Campbellford Wholesale
Oakwood Argomart	Preston Moving & Storage Ltd.

# Properties & Camp Samac

## *Marilyn Johnson – Property Manager*

### **Council-Wide Properties**

- Property wardens/rangers successfully completed a workshop in the winter.
- Wardens/rangers are reporting on annual compliance requirements including Annual Standards Checklist, Environmental Audit and Inventories.
- Schedule has also been set-up for reporting on Property Registration, Workplace Health & Safety and Environmental Checks as quarterly reports to the ED and CEO.
- Camps are also maintaining and reporting on annual usage statistics including number of calendar days camp is booked, number of campers and number of camper days.
- All camps have provided data for national committee overseeing action plan components related to camps.

**Council Camp – Camp Samac (Oshawa site and Adventure Base in Haliburton)** The Scouting year 2010-11 was a pivotal for Camp Samac in areas of facility maintenance, program development, governance and usage. Celebrating its 65th anniversary, the camp has seen the creation of the Samac Camp Committee (SCC). With the Strategic Directions of 2010-15 as its guide, members of the committee are working in areas of facility maintenance, program development, SCENES accreditation, marketability and risk management.

**Maintenance** and site upgrades are moving along at a steady pace under the direction of the Camp Warden and with assistance from our Rangers, camp committee members and numerous volunteers. Spring workday held in May will become an annual event. Thanks to volunteers who at this year's workday concentrated on interior painting and lawncare. The TELUS Community workday was once again held at Samac and this year's focus was clean-up of the flower beds at the Conlin entrance. Workdays were also supported by members of Area Rover Crews under the UOIT banner. After a building inspection, Beaverlodge has been deemed unsafe and is to be demolished. As the new year begins we welcome Lori-Lee Wilson-James on board as our newest ranger. Together with Ranger Dan MacDonald and Ryan Worden as our Camp Warden, these are the on-site team at both Samac locations.

**Program** underwent major upgrades under the guidance of the SCC program portfolio. An obstacle course at the Conlin entrance; team building challenges in Lakeland; human size chess board beside Cabin 1; and a half dozen programs-in-a-box are all now available for user groups. Thanks to partnership with Sir Sanford Fleming, the camp now boasts a tree interpretive hiking trail, starting on the ridge above cabins 5 and 6 then continuing along the Veteran's trail. Range usage has increased dramatically with archery being the most popular activity, and the reorganization of the Range Committee will see further program initiatives in 2011-12.

**MANY THANKS** to our dedicated volunteers, the Samac Foundation, camp committee members, range committee members, community partners CLOCA, Durham Art Festival, UOIT, Durham College, our Scouting, Guiding, school, and youth minded users, and staff support in maintenance, administration, revenue development and program delivery.

Statistics show an increase interest in our Council camp with all user groups up. Come out and help us celebrate the 65th anniversary. See you at camp.

<b>Camp Samac Stats</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>%+</b>
Calendar Days	296	329	11
Category A Campers	9,602	11,197	17
Category B Campers	5,994	6,808	13
Category C Campers	3,270	3,493	6
Range Users	2,931	3,802	29
Meetings # Attendees	422	685	62
Total Camper Days	41,012	45,668	10



# Council Growth

	<b>MMS</b>	<b>Growth (for 10/11)</b>	
	<b>09/10</b>	<b>MMS</b>	<b>%</b>
Oshawa Area	769	813	105.7%
Trillium Highlands Area	416	437	105.0%
Owasco Area	1,131	1,134	100.3%
Lakeshore Ridge Area	458	445	97.2%
Kawartha Waterways Area	751	723	96.3%
Whitby Area	860	821	95.5%
Algonquinte Area	477	418	87.6%
Council Operated Programs	734	751	102.3%
<b>White Pine "Core" Program (Areas Only)</b>	<b>4,862</b>	<b>4,791</b>	<b>98.5%</b>





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**Robert Baden-Powell**  
Founder of Scouting



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