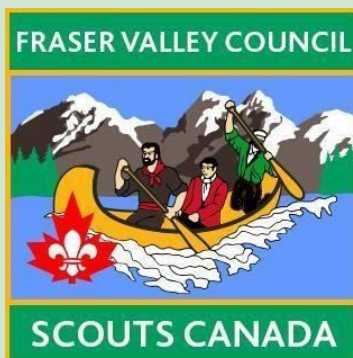




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## Fraser Valley Council Scoop - October 28, 2022

(To all Active Volunteers, Rovers & Venturers)



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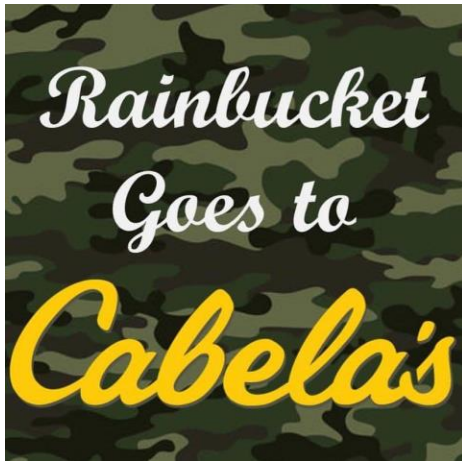
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**Rainbucket**  
November 11 - 13, 2022

We invite all Venturers, Rovers, Rangers & Link to join us at Camp McLean for a weekend of Outdoor Adventure!

[For more information and to Register](#)



**Vancouver Canucks Scout Night**  
December 3, 2022

As a valued member of the Scouts community, the Vancouver Canucks would like to welcome you to Rogers Arena for our annual Scouts Night!

We invite you to watch the Vancouver Canucks play the Arizona Coyotes on Saturday, December 3rd at 7:00pm.

[Purchase Tickets](#)



# Chief Scout and Queen's Venturer Awards



On October 22nd, we had the privilege of honoring and recognizing the 2021-2022 Chief Scout and Queen's Venturer Award Recipients in person.

Congratulations to the following youth for achieving their **Chief Scout Award**:

- Gabriel P. – 1<sup>st</sup> Abbotsford
- Perrin H. – 1<sup>st</sup> Central Surrey
- Emile L. – 1<sup>st</sup> Cloverdale
- Nithik S. – 1<sup>st</sup> Cloverdale
- Anna M. – 1<sup>st</sup> Fort Langley
- Jay (Sophie) W. – 1<sup>st</sup> Fort Langley
- Juliet F. – 1<sup>st</sup> Fort Langley
- Ayla S. – 1<sup>st</sup> Glenayre
- Julia D. – 1<sup>st</sup> Glenayre
- Quinn C. – 1<sup>st</sup> Laityview
- Declan J. – 1<sup>st</sup> Pitt Meadows
- Owen H. – 1<sup>st</sup> Pitt Meadows
- Tristan A. – 1<sup>st</sup> Pitt Meadows
- Isaac F. – 1<sup>st</sup> Walnut Grove
- Aidan I. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Central Surrey
- Kenneth L. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Central Surrey
- Nigel L. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Central Surrey
- Niko F. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Central Surrey
- Ryan C. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Central Surrey
- Blayre H. – 3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverdale
- Chloe S. – 3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverdale
- Cooper S. – 3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverdale
- Maddalena M. – 3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverdale
- Sam V. – 3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverdale
- Aryan J. – 5<sup>th</sup> Coquitlam
- Cyrus O. – 5<sup>th</sup> Coquitlam
- Darien G. – 5<sup>th</sup> Coquitlam
- Annabelle S. – 6<sup>th</sup> Chilliwack
- Jane I. – 6<sup>th</sup> Chilliwack
- Finn T. – 10<sup>th</sup> Coquitlam
- Sophia K. – 12<sup>th</sup> New Westminster

Congratulations to the following youth for achieving their **Queen's Venturer Award**:

- Anthony G. – 1<sup>st</sup> Abbotsford
- Samuel K. – 12<sup>th</sup> New Westminster

This could possibly be an extra special award this year with the award named "Queen's"!



## DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



**St. John Ambulance**

**Standard First Aid Training - Fraser Valley & Lower Mainland**

# SPOTLIGHT



## Beaver Blast Off!

Over 300 + Beavers and 100+ Scouters converged on Camp McLean on October 8th, where they spent a sunny day learning new skills, meeting new friends and having a BLAST!. Pioneering skills, campfires, survival skills and hiking were enjoyed by all. Thank you to all the Scouters that helped to make the first Beaver Blast Off Day a tremendous success!

## Camp Byng Announcement



Please be aware, that after much consideration, Camp Byng is temporarily and completely closed and will not be taking any future bookings. If you believe you have a Byng reservation for the future, please contact [Simon Evison](#) or [Cathy Hauen](#). This closure includes but is not limited to work parties.



[Watch the video from Tessa.](#)

## Open Call for Youth Advisors: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Team

Are you passionate about ensuring that Scouting is something all people can participate in and enjoy? Do you want to be a part of a team that is actively working to bring a youth voice and perspective into major conversations around various DEI Initiatives within Scouts Canada? Are you interested in working alongside other youth, scouters, Scouts Canada Staff, and various subject matter experts to promote and support the inclusive and engaging kind of scouting environment that we all want to see happening?

The Scouts Canada DEI team is looking to assemble a team of youth who will meet regularly to discuss and collaborate on a variety of topics and initiatives surrounding current DEI concerns, with the goal of bringing a strong youth perspective to DEI work in scouting. We want to hear everyone's perspectives, regardless of knowledge or background, since everyone's voice is important and diversity is crucial to this conversation.

As long as you are passionate about improving the scouting experience, we can teach you everything else that you need to know. Being a part of this team will provide you with the opportunity to regularly meet with other youth to discuss and collaborate on various initiatives, and to participate alongside scouters, staff, and subject matter experts within

our champion task teams which are currently operating under the DEI team. Meetings will be happening on a monthly basis, dates/times are to be determined.

If you are interested in being a part of this team, or if you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the Deputy National Youth Commissioner – Diversity, Equity and Inclusion:

Tessa LeBrun  
[tessa.lebrun@scouts.ca](mailto:tessa.lebrun@scouts.ca)  
Text: +1 (519) 718-3204

## Apple Day and Volunteer Crests!

Apple Day and Volunteer 2022 Crests will be available for shipping in November. If you are interested in purchasing the crests, please visit Scout Shop and join the mailing list to be notified of their availability.



[Order Apple Day Crests](#)



[Order Volunteer crest for your scouters blankets!](#)



## Scouts Tracker Update: News Feed Upgrade

**New Features** are being introduced to ScoutsTracker to better Communicate with Sections and Parents:

- Posts can now have attachments
- The "Banner" image position can be specified, allowing for left/right text wrapping in addition to the traditional "above the text" banner (because I noted that a lot of posts had small images, which were more pleasingly presented as wrapped images rather than banners). Also having a mix of layouts makes for a more engaging News Feed presentation.
- Section accounts can now create their own posts (previously, on Committee accounts could). This replaces the existing clunky implementation of the "Troop News".
- You can now instantly create a News Feed post for any upcoming event.
  - It'll automatically use the event crest, if any, or as with any other post, you can upload your own image
  - It'll have an automatically-generated Action button which will take the user to the event without having to find it on the calendar
  - The post expiry will be automatically set to coincide with the end of the event
  - A brief synopsis (what/when/where/how much) will always be automatically inserted at the top of the event, so Scouters never need to worry about conveying out-of-date information
- A cleaner look (more in line with FB's look-and-feel)
- Committee accounts can now upload their Group/Council insignia. This has two effects. First, is that it is used as the avatar for Committee-generated posts. Second is that the appropriate image now shows in the Group and Council insignia entries section's/group's badge inventory.

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News Feed

Upcoming Meeting (by Bob Cheng) 2022-10-18

Dragon Tail Quest - Misty Marshlands (and Mug-Up)

- Date/Time: 2022-10-27 (7:00pm - 8:30pm)
- Location: School Gym (and outside)
- Special Dues: \$2

Always up-to-date details automatically inserted

Join us for the epic conclusion to the Dragon Tail Quest (and a celebratory weenie roast afterwards).

Dress for the weather as we'll be outside, and the marshes can get pretty damp at this time of year.

Show Event / Sign Up

Troop News (by Bob Cheng) 2022-10-17

Our very own Jenn recently participated in the World Organization of the Scouting Movement (WOSM) roundtable on the youth leadership in Scouting.

She (virtually) met Scouts from around the world, and together they worked all weekend to make some recommendations based on their collective experiences.

We are looking forward to hearing about Jenn's experience, and learning how YOU can get involved in similar initiatives!

1st Muddy Paw Group (by Master Mike) 2022-10-13

Hey Scouters

We still need a few volunteers to help our team of youth plan and organize our All-Sections Camp (sometime in May).

They're an awesome group of motivated youth, so it promises to be fun. Just send me an email if you're interested in getting involved.

-- Mike

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[Beaver Resources](#)

[Cub Resources](#)

[Scouts Resources](#)

[Vents Resources](#)

[Rover Resources](#)



The links above have all the key pieces for a great section in **one** place!

- Planning tools
- Sample meetings
- Scouter troubleshooting tips
- Badge portal, quiz
- Activities incl. STEM
- Top Awards
- Uniforms
- so much more...



## Section Resources

One of the "Wow's" from Scouter Development day was learning there is a "home page" for each section with **everything** you need **in one place!** Saves you time, searching and planning!



## Remembrance Day Resources

A great opportunity to bring history to life for your section!

When planning your activities for Remembrance Day (also National Veterans' Week), check out

### National Veterans' Week Speaker Program

Two easy options to include a member of Canadian Armed Forces!

1. Speaker Video Series available (all age levels and suitable for all audiences (pre-screen to check a fit for your section!)) or
2. Schedule an in-person or live virtual presentation

To Watch the video, or request a speaker, [click here](#). If you have questions or to contact the National Coordinator please call 1-833-223-8322.



# SAFETY WEEK

## Predictable is Preventable!

Historic data from our past incident reports suggest that 1 in 5 injuries in the November/December timeframe (winter) will be a result of a slip, trip, or fall. Slips, trips, and falls incidents are not just a result of outdoor activities - consider these past incidents:

- **Case Study 1:** During a game of flashlight tag in a wooded area, a youth stumbled on an exposed tree root, fell, and sustained a fractured ankle.
- **Case Study 2:** A youth slipped on a patch of ice, and fell backwards hitting his head, resulting in a concussion
- **Case Study 3:** During a gathering for presentation of badges, a youth was running in a crowd, tripped, and his front tooth (including the root) was knocked out.

What do they have in common and what is different? They are all slips trips and falls caused by different actions and they all occurred in different environments. They are also all major incidents that required medical attention and resulted in time lost from Scouting and other activities, like school or work for a parent attending to an injured child.

### Tips & things to consider:

1. Predictable is preventable – we know the environment changes drastically in fall/winter- we can do site inspections!
2. Have you involved youth in safety planning? Impact of youth-led safety moments.
3. Is the activity site suitable for the activity? Why play tag in low light conditions where there are abundant tripping hazards?

Check out some of our resources to help predict and prevent injuries:

Tool box activity to help engage youth into safety planning:

<https://scoutsca.s3.amazonaws.com/2022/09/toolbox-talks.pdf>

Meeting Space Risk Assessment:

<https://scoutsca.s3.amazonaws.com/2019/01/meeting-space-risk-assessment-checklist.pdf>



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