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Fraser Valley Council Scoop - June 2, 2023

(To all Active Volunteers, Rovers & Venturers)



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Upcoming Events and Key Dates (also on Fraser Valley [website](#))

- NEW - Woodbadge I & II Scouter Development Map @ Virtual - June 7, 2023 6.30pm
- Youth Awards Ceremony - June 10, 2023 @ St. Nicholas Church, Langley
- Fraser Valley Summer Day Camp - July 10 - August 25, 2023 @ Camp McLean
- Camp Logjam - August 28 - September 1, 2023 @ Camp Capilano
- NEW Adventure Day - September 9, 2023 @ Camp McLean
- Group Conference - September 16th, 2023 @ Scottish Cultural Centre
- NEW Cub Start - September 22 - 24, 2023 @ Camp McLean
- NEW Scouting Skills Development Day - September 30, 2023
- NEW Beaver Blast Off - October 7, 2023 @ Camp McLean
- NEW Troop Kickoff - October 20-22, 2023 @ Camp McLean
- NEW Rainbucket - November 3-5, 2023 @ Camp McLean

Development Opportunities

- St. John's First Aid Schedule - Updated through July!
- WoodBadge I & II Scouter Development Map Sessions

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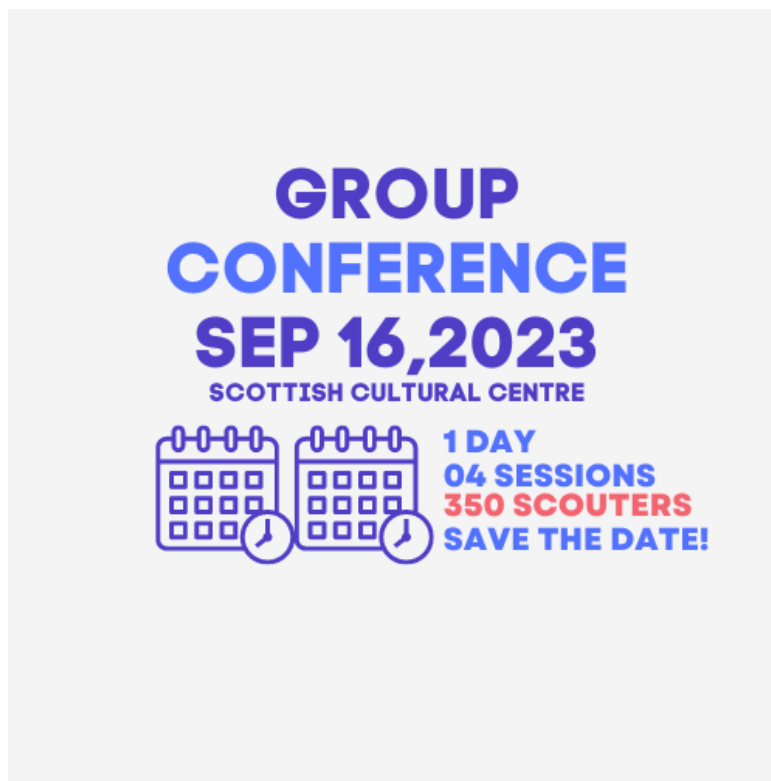
- Wilderness Rendezvous

Employment Opportunities - NEW opportunities posted

Safe Scouting - Safety in Snacking?!



SAVE THE DATE - Group Conference



Empowering Groups to Impact Communities, Inspire Adventures, and Create a Brighter Future for all Scouting members. More information to come.

Pacific Jamboree 2024 !



PJ EXPLORES THE WORLD! Lace your boots and fill your water bottles, Pacific Jamboree 2024 is getting ready to explore the world! Patrols will explore all corners of the world and its wonders within! Where will you explore?

Registration opens in September 2023.

[Pacific Jamboree website](#)



Looking to build some new skills, sharpen existing skills, or pick up some new knowledge while meeting other Scouters?

Discounts offered for Scout Groups



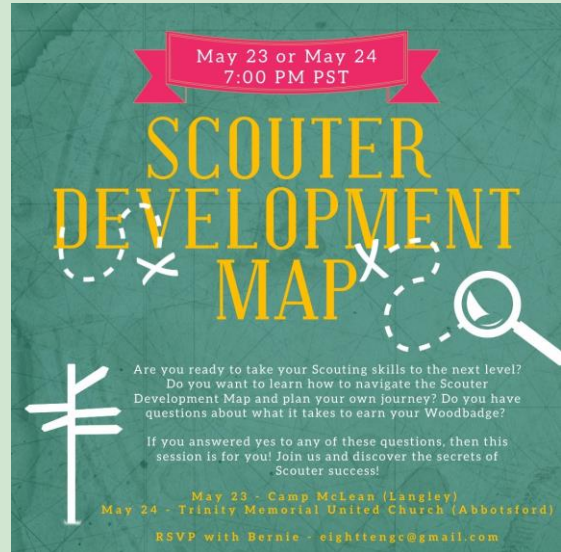
St. John Ambulance

Locations across Fraser Valley and Lower Mainland

To Register and for more details for Standard First Aid Training

WoodBadge I & II Starter Session - Virtual June 7th @ 6:30pm

Join us for an evening to learn how you can take your scouting skills to the next level! Whether you're a new volunteer or a seasoned veteran, this session is designed to help you navigate the Scouter Development Map and plan your learning journey.



Register for Virtual Session



Update

We currently have a member of our team work on the backlog of the Certificate of Commendation (CoC) flashes for all twenty Councils. The backlog is to get every group whole up to March 31, 2023. Starting April 1, 2023 it will be the groups' responsibility to purchase them from scoutshop.ca. Currently, the CoCs are out of stock. The target is to have them back in stock for the Fall, so Groups will be able to purchase them in bulk, and present them in a timelier fashion.

Recognition is also working on organizing a mailing for the backlog of Long Service medals. If there is a Recognized Date with the 02/22 with the year ending in 2020-2023, that will be included in that mailing.

Scoutshop

Group Bulk Order App!



The retail team is happy to announce the upcoming rollout of several features designed to address some of the most common feedback we receive from our members:

- *shipping costs and difficulty determining the correct size of uniform to order.*

We have worked with an outside developer and our fulfillment partner, Lowe-Martin, to create a custom feature to Scoutshop.ca that will allow for groups to place orders whereby every participant can purchase their own order that will be combined into a group

order and shipped to a single location with no shipping charge.

To help with determining sizing we are working to create a series of videos illustrating how to properly measure for the correct size and have partnered with True Fit. True Fit is an app that allows users to enter some basic information about themselves and will then recommend which size to order.



Uniform Inventory: Update

Looking for a uniform that is out of stock?

Our mass uniform order is expected to arrive in late August, replenishing the stock of everything that we have run out of early.

Unfortunately when planning for the 2022-23 scouting year back in the fall of 2021 it was quite difficult to know what our uniforms needs were going to be and we came up short in some areas. The lead time on a uniform order is 8-9 months. By the time we knew we would be short the next order had already been placed.

The retail team has worked hard to move this order up to replenish our uniform supply as quickly as possible.

We can appreciate how frustrating it is to be looking for something that is out of stock. In the meantime we invite you to sign up to be notified when your uniform is back in stock on the product page on Scoutshop.ca.



Properties Self-Serve or Broadcast?

The Grass is Greener on the inside of a Scouts Canada property!

Sign up for our Property Focused Newsletter or visit the Trello Board for forms, facts and a growing archive of information.

- Trello Board:

<https://trello.com/b/LN8QC4Ht/scouts-canada-properties-camps>

- Join the Mailing List:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/0IiVQCr/PropertyNewsletter>

RESOURCES & IDEAS

Resources and Ideas to fuel your adventures



Wilderness Rendezvous Challenge

The Wilderness Rendezvous Challenge is back!

Entering its 4th year, we have decided to expand the ways you can explore! This challenge is for any section or even families to get out and explore their local areas! Between June 1 and September 30th, we are challenging you to get out and hike for 25km or Bike, Canoe or Kayak for 50km!

[For more information and to register](#)



Career Opportunities

Enjoy making an impact in your career? If so, Scouts Canada might be the place for you. While working here you get the opportunity to make a real impact on the lives of youth in a fast-paced, fun environment.

Employee engagement is our priority to ensure employees' work-life balance and mental health. We offer flexible work arrangements. We believe in feedback to enable teams to work more effectively toward their goals.

Personal growth is important to us which is why we offer our employees skills and professional development opportunities.

Interested in a fun, adventurous, flexible and fast-paced opportunity in the non-profit sector? If so, apply at Scouts Canada today.

[View Opportunities](#)



SAFETY WEEK

There's Safety....In Snacking?!?

As the warmer weather approaches, we are reminded by recent incident reports of youth experiencing fainting and overexertion that a nutritional snack and adequate hydration are a must before, during, and after activities:

- Ensure that everyone is fueled up in advance of the planned adventure. Sometimes, not everyone sees the instructions that say that participants should arrive already having eaten breakfast, for example.
- Double-check that participants are prepared with an adequate water source for the adventure
- Keep allergies in mind! Be aware of members' food allergies like nuts, eggs, dairy, and gluten, and be sure that snacks on the adventure are safe for everyone.
- Some youth need to be reminded to have a snack or to take a few gulps of water;

take time as a Patrol, Section, or Group to have a break and refuel with needed calories and fluids. Scouting can be strenuous!

For more information on our culture of safety, stay safe series for youth and other safety tips, visit www.scouts.ca/safety

SPOTLIGHT

OPEN HOUSE

Local Groups working together to build volunteer interest!

A number of groups in Western Coquitlam neighbourhoods pooled resources to hold an open house together.

The goal was to see if any families were interested in volunteering to get youth into scouting and off waitlists. It worked, youth got to sample a meeting, 15 families across the neighbourhood signed up with interest to volunteer as saw the benefits of Scouting!

Well done to everyone that collaborated to make this concept happen and work so well!



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