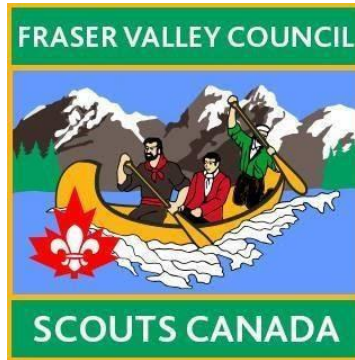


Fraser Valley Council Scoop - February 16, 2024

(To all Active Volunteers, Rovers & Venturers)



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"I Promise..."

We say this each time we gather.

"I Promise ..."

It lays the foundation for how we adventure together: Considerate, clean, respectful of each other, as adults and as youth.

"To do my best..."

To strive to be the best version of ourselves - one that listens, is trustworthy, supports others in being their best, and is a positive example to youth and adults.

Fully living this promise takes intention, is sometimes difficult, but always progresses towards a better world, and is at the core of what makes Scouts a transformative movement.

Without it there is little constraint to the negative impulses and temptations that damage what youth and adults see, frays and breaks relationships, Groups and adventures.

Thank you for being the awesome that is in you! For living your promise.



Blue Heron Trail Night Hike

Inviting all Groups to join in a Night Hike at Jerry Sulina Park in Maple Ridge. All sections will begin at 210th Street & Old Dewdney Trunk Road, and loop around the Blue Heron Trail ending at the Dyke, Harris Road.

Date: March 30th, 2024

Time: 5:00pm (groups will be sent out in intervals until 7:00pm)

Location: Registration at 210th Street and Old Dewdney Trunk Road, Maple Ridge

Cost: \$10/participant includes snack and crest

For more information please contact Doug Pearson at 604.219.6913

[To Register](#)



UBC NiteHike 2024!

NiteHike Goes Adventuring (Fantasy/D & D)
April 6th to 7th, 2024

NiteHike is a fun all night adventure which allows Cubs & Scouts (and energetic Beavers) to complete a series of fun and challenging Activity Stations throughout Pacific Spirit Park (Vancouver Point Grey).

Groups start off on the hike between 6pm to 8pm and have fun completing approximately 20-24 stations along the way that host games and challenges. The basic goal is to try to complete the entire NiteHike circuit while the more competitive groups also try to achieve high challenge scores at each of the stations in the shortest amount of time. Of course many groups simply like to take a slower pace, and enjoy the fun activities at each station and see just how long they can last into the night before heading home. Many groups do complete the entire circuit finishing by 6:00am the next morning.

The Activity Stations are created and run by Ventures and Rovers. Any Venturers or Rovers interested in running a station must plan and register their station on the website.

Registration opens: February 1st for Venturer/Rover Activity Stations & Mid March for hike Participants

For More Information and to Register



Cuboree - Mini Jamboree April 20th, 2024

Calling all Cubs! Join in on a fun mini jamboree.

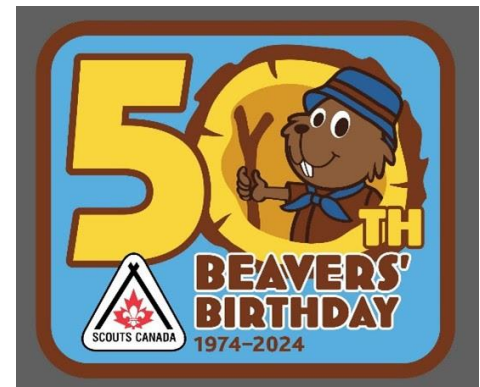
Location: Camp McLean

Time: 9:00am to 4:00pm

Cost: \$8.00/participant (includes snack and crest)

Registration Deadline: April 7th

For more information check our Scoutstracker or contact Barb Taylor barb.taylor@scouts.ca



Beaverie - 50th Birthday Party May 4th, 2024

Calling all Beavers! You are invited to share in a 50th Birthday party for Beavers.

Location: Camp McLean

Time: 9:00am to 4:00pm

Cost: \$8.00/participant (includes snack and crest)

Registration Deadline: April 21st

For more information check out Scoutstracker or contact Barb Taylor barb.taylor@scouts.ca

Magical Adventure

Save the Date

All Scouting families are invited to join us for a magical adventure at Camp McLean in the Summer of 2024.

More information to be revealed in time.



Council Commissioner for Fraser Valley Council



Would you like to make a difference in the growth and development of youth in Fraser Valley and across Canada? Are you energetic, organized... a natural leader who can work at the top level to support and lead hundreds of volunteers? Do you enjoy being part of a dynamic team?

If you are interested, we invite you to submit your application for the volunteer position of: **Council Commissioner— Fraser Valley Council**

The Council Commissioner is the leading volunteer for Scouting in Fraser Valley Council with a membership of over 2,700 youth and supported by more than 800 volunteers. Working closely with the other two members in the Council Key 3 (Council Youth Commissioner and Council Relationship Manager), the Council Commissioner is responsible for supporting and growing the Scouting movement in Fraser Valley Council, as well as being a vital member of the National Service Team and setting the direction for Scouting in Canada.

The Council Key 3 works together in partnership to provide support to ensure safe, high-quality programs through key behaviours of the Five Priorities and the Group Health Navigator. Members of the Council Key 3 (CK3) share their responsibilities and partner appropriately with each other to coordinate their strategy, actions and communications with volunteers, employees, youth members, and other stakeholders. Each

Council Key 3 is tasked with managing their team in accordance with the policies and strategic directions set out by the Board of Governors.

Appointed by and accountable to the National Key 3 of Scouts Canada, this position requires a time commitment of 40 - 50 hours per month. The appointment is for a one-year term, renewable for a maximum of three years. Travel throughout the Council to attend meetings and events will be required.

With the completion of the term of the current Council Commissioner, Fraser Valley Council is seeking an individual with lots of energy, excellent time management skills and strong relationship skills to assume the role.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Demonstrated leadership, management, problem-solving, delegation and decision making skills;
- Proven ability to inspire confidence, team effort and leadership in others
- Effective interpersonal and excellent communication skills;
- A strong Scouting background or equivalent volunteer experience;
- Registered or ability to become an active member of Scouts Canada.

If you believe you have the skills, qualifications and knowledge necessary to do the job, please forward your resume (including work experience and any Scouting experience) with a cover letter to fraservalleycouncil@scouts.ca by **March 4, 2024** .



Chief Scout, King's Venturer & Canadian Rover Awards Ceremony

Fraser Valley Council will be holding its Youth Recognition Ceremony on June 1st, 2024 at St. Nicholas Parish Centre in Langley.

If you know of a Scout, Venturer or Rover that has completed their Top Section Award, please submit or have them submit their information by April 15th, 2024.

[Submission](#)



Camp McLean Spring Clean Up

March 16, 2024

"Free" Camping! Save the date!!!!

On March 16, 2024, Camp McLean will host a Camp Clean-up/Maintenance Day. Groups and individuals are invited to camp for free in exchange for a day of work. The Camp Committee will also supply lunch on the 16th and an informal campfire in the evening.

The Camp needs a lot of work, so please consider coming out to help.

RSVP to Greg Kear (greg.kear@gmail.com) with approximate numbers; we will harden up the headcount once we are closer to the event. Thank you!



**DEVELOPMENT
OPPORTUNITIES**

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

Fraser Valley Council Community Learning

Planning for Camp & Volunteer Recruitment

Inviting all Scouters Venturers and Rovers!

Date: Tuesday, February 20th, 2024

Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm

Location: Camp McLean, Ericskon Lodge

Planning for Camp

Come out and learn how to plan a camp! We will be learning about using themes: incorporating scouting skills; tips and tricks for keeping camp on track; creating an itinerary and engaging youth in the planning process. Walk away with a plan for camp!

Volunteer Recruitment

Or join us for an engaging and collaborative evening where we'll collectively brainstorm and share best practices for recruiting new Scouters. Together, you'll explore creative ideas and proven strategies, providing you with valuable insights to elevate and strengthen your Scouter recruitment efforts.



Coffee and tea will be provided, we just ask that you please bring your own mug.

Please RSVP to: Dionne Kozak
at dionne.kozak@scouts.ca



Do you and your team have a skill you would like to learn or improve?

Are you looking for hands on learning in your section or group?

Are you in search of a Subject Matter expert for some guidance or mentoring?

Fraser Valley Council has Support Scouters who are willing to mentor, come to you and help build skills or provide in section support.

If you are interested in having some training done locally or are looking for in section support, please contact your Group Support Scouter or email fraservalleycouncil@scouts.ca.

Volunteer Opportunities



Fraser Valley Summer Day Camp is looking for volunteers to be part of an amazing adventure team helping to offer Summer Scouting opportunities.

- Group Counsellors
- Full time and Part time Program Staff
- Camp Support Staff

Come have fun with us during the Summer and make a difference in the life of a child.

For more information or to apply:

[Youth Volunteers](#)

[Adult Volunteers](#)



Summer Camp Job Opportunities

Every summer hundreds of Scouting youth attend camp to learn, explore, meet new friends and make life-long memories. Be part of those summer memories through Summer Camp Job Opportunities.

CAMP MCLEAN (LANGLEY, BC)

- Assistant Camp — Director Camp McLean
- Program Staff / Camp Counsellors — Camp McLean
- Lifeguard — Camp McLean
- Kitchen Coordinator — Camp McLean
- Maintenance Staff — Camp McLean

Other positions are available at our summer camp properties this summer, including Camp Samac (Oshawa, ON), Camp Opemikon (Maberly, ON), Haliburton Scout Reserve (Haliburton, ON), Woodland Trails (Whitchurch-Stouffville, ON) and Camp Byng (BC).

For other Summer Camp Job Opportunities, visit: [Summer Camp Job Opportunities](#)



WINTER CHALLENGE PROGRAM

Sasquatch Seekers

In the deepest darkest Canadian wilderness lives an elusive creature known as the Sasquatch! Some people think that it is a mythical creature and others believe that it is real! Some hikers and campers have spotted clues from the creature; fur hanging from trees and bushes, footprints in the mud, half eaten fruit, berries and meat, and shadows in the twilight.

Over a 4 week period, your job is to confirm yes or no if the Sasquatch is mythical or not. Using your handy journal track the progress of your investigation. Sasquatch Seekers is a journey of discovery to examine the facts if the Sasquatch is real or mythical. Trudging through forests, tracking over snowy landscapes, or traversing through rivers, the hunt for the Sasquatch has begun.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to download the Scouter Guide.

Check out the Teaser Video!



Outdoor Learning Store

Free Virtual Workshops for Educators and Leaders working with Youth

Stories in the Wild: Animal Tracks & Traces
With Wild Educators, Jill Jennings and Patty Kolesnichenko

Date: February, 20th 2024 - 4:00 PM Pacific / 7:00 PM Eastern

Join Wildsight educators Patty Kolesnichenko and Jill Jennings as they dive into a world of mystery and intrigue, of tracks and traces, of clues left behind by creatures you often do not see – a world of animal signs. Animal tracks and signs create the perfect scaffolding to storytelling, investigation, imagination, and FUN – all found in nearby nature.

Patty and Jill will share Wildsight's "Stories in the Wild: Animal Tracks and Traces", a resource that will bring the stories of the snow (or mud) to life! A track sheet with lifesize tracks and accompanying lesson plan, activities, and natural history cards will help educators to teach their learners how to become nature detectives and solve the mysteries left behind by our wild neighbours.

[Register for the Webinar](#)

For those who are interested but unable to attend live, sessions are recorded and posted on their [Recordings Page](#) , along with many other free workshop recordings related to outdoor learning.

SPOTLIGHT



Scouters from Pacific Coast and Fraser Valley Councils spent the day on February 10th at Camp McLean having fun learning Winter skills - staying warm, cooking, and shelters - and learning about the Sasquatch Seekers challenge.

Thank you to all the Scouters for your participation and for all that you give to Scouting.

Thank you to all the facilitators for sharing your skills and expertise, and to Bernie for organizing a great learning event.



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](#)



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