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Fraser Valley Council Scoop - May 5, 2023

(To all Active Volunteers, Rovers & Venturers)



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Hyack 2023

12th New Westminster Scouts are thrilled to welcome Scout Troops from across the Lower Mainland back to Queens Park for Hyack Camp! Hosted by 12th New Westminster, Hyack Camp takes place on the weekend of May 26-28, 2023.

We've got an awesome weekend planned for you with tons of traditional Hyack Camp activities:

- Bubble soccer
- Human fooseball
- Foam sword jousting
- And more!

Date: May 26th - May 28th, 2023

Location: Queens Park, New Westminster (corner of 1st Street and Vancouver Street)

Cost: \$20 per person (includes Crest)

SAVE THE DATE Group Conference

September 16th, 2023

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





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



Scouts Canada Scholarships

Applications for the Scouts Canada Scholarship Program are now open! If you or someone you know are planning to attend a post-secondary institution in the 2023–2024 school year, and are currently an active and registered member of Scouts Canada, our Scholarship Program might be able to financially help you in your endeavors!

We see the Scholarship Program as a stepping-stone toward evolving the lives of today's youth into the well-rounded, motivated adults of tomorrow. Scholarships are awarded to Scouting youth who have demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities, and a desire to create a better world.

Deadline for submission is June 30, 2023.

To learn more about the different scholarships and the application process — visit the <u>Scouts Canada</u> Scholarship page. Good luck!

OPPORTUNITY - What is your Inspiring Story?

We'd love to hear your inspiring stories of how you:

- Center youth and start with "yes"
- Build genuine, trusting relationships
- Uplift diverse perspectives and appreciate the contributions of all
- Tap into the potential of the many while actively removing barriers

These are the moments that make us all proud to be Scouters. Let's spread the positivity! Post your story on Facebook and Instagram using **#proudscoutermoment**, on Facebook tag the <u>Proud Scouter Moment</u> Facebook page.





Volunteer Recognition

We have heard loud and clear that the current state of recognition is not working. The complicated process involves too many steps, which lengthens the amount of time it takes to recognize Scouters. There was also growing frustration with the misaligned adjudication processes that were happening, meaning that many Scouters were not being recognized for a variety of reasons.

In an effort to create a recognition system that recognizes the incredible efforts of our Scouters in a meaningful and timely way, the following changes have been implemented, effective immediately.

to the National Recognition Network: While we are fortunate to have such talented and dedicated people working to ensure all Scouters are recognized for their efforts, there is a need to reduce the amount of subjectivity and lengthy manual processes. In order to achieve this, we will be minimizing the Recognition Team to a small handful of individuals who will act as a Recognition Administrative team. Their role will be to maintain the processes and ensure the Recognition system is administratively supported. This team will not be making any strategic decisions or adjudications moving forward.

Changes to the Shipment Process: We will also be streamlining the shipping process to cut down on lost inventory, shipping costs and confusion around the process. All recognition shipments will be mailed directly to Group Commissioners, reducing the likelihood of medals and awards being lost or forgotten about.

FAQs

Scouts Canada Camping Hotline



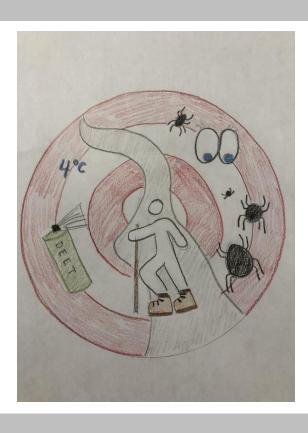
their "Camping Competency"

DON'T PANIC: Seasoned Scouters are on call to quell your camping calamity

This spring as part of our external public relations, we are introducing a 1-800 style Camping Hotline for Canadians with question on some common camping calamities to get expert tips curated by our knowledgeable scouters.

This campaign is building on the success of last springs campaign that surveyed Canadians about

More video are being produced but here is a sneak peak focused on shelters and keeping dry: "Gimme Shelter"



Borrelia Burgdoferi...Hard to Say, Easy to Avoid

Lyme disease, caused by the bacterium Borrelia burgdorferi, is spread through the bite of infected ticks. What is the best way to protect yourself from contracting Lyme disease? Preventing tick bites!

Earlier this year, we asked Scouts to put their creativity, knowledge, and talents into designing a crest, highlighting the importance of avoiding tick bites and highlighting Lyme disease awareness. We are thrilled with all the fantastic submissions. Congratulations to Calvin Bell from 1st Nottawa Group, in Shining Waters Council, for this inspiring design.

Council Voting Representation Nomination Time is Here!

Would you like to be a Council Voting Representative at Scouts Canada's Annual General Meeting? Or do you know someone who you would like to nominate? Nominations are open from Thursday April 20 to Thursday, May 18, 2023.

Scouts Canada is a corporation created by an Act of Parliament and, as required, holds an Annual General Meeting (AGM). There are specific statutory requirements for an AGM, including approval of financial

statements, the appointment of public accountants for the next year's audit and the election of Officers and Directors.

To ensure fair and open representation of our membership at the AGM and any special meetings, three Voting Representatives are elected annually to represent each Council.

One of the three Voting Representative positions is reserved for a youth member, but it should be noted that all three Voting Representatives from a Council may be youth members. All members under the age of 27 years on September 1, 2023 are defined as youth.

This year's Annual General Meeting is planned to be held in November 2023. The format of the AGM (Virtual, in-person or hybrid) will be determined at a later date and be dependent on COVID guidelines. All Scouts Canada members born on or before December 31, 2008 can be nominated as a Voting Representative and can cast ballots for their Council's Voting Representatives.

There are two stages for the election:

- 1. Call for Nominations is open from Thursday April 20 to Thursday May 18, 2023.
- 2. Voting, where required, will be open from June 1, 2023 and closes on June 29, 2023.

Learn More

Volunteer Week 2023 - In Review



For 2023 National Volunteer Week we are Celebrating our Volunteers, both their individual and collective actions, in delivering youth adventures in Scouting. Our volunteers build kids up by providing opportunities to boost their confidence, increase their resiliency and have FUN! Because of our Scouter volunteers, our communities across Canada are more robust, interconnected, and vibrant! Scouting volunteers weave us together, strengthening the fabric of our community by sharing their time, talent and energy to support one another.

#NVW2023 #WeavingUsTogether #ScoutsDoStuff

Visit the Volunteer Week post on Scouts.ca



Summer Day Camp Opportunities

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

- Camp Director
- Part time Program Staff
- First Aid Attendants
- Group Counsellors
- Set up and Clean Up
- Camp Support Staff

For more information or to apply:

Youth Volunteer Applications Adult Volunteer Applications

To learn more about these opportunities and others, visit the Volunteer Opportunities page on Scouts.ca.



Career Opportunities

SUMMER CAMP JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Every summer hundreds of Scouting youth attend camp to learn, explore, meet new friends and make lifelong memories. Be part of those summer memories through Summer Camp Job Opportunities. Positions available at five of our summer camp properties this summer, including Camp Samac (Oshawa, ON), Camp Opemikon (Maberly, ON), Haliburton Scout Reserve (Haliburton, ON), Woodland Trails (Whitchurch-Stoufville, ON) and Camp McLean (BC).

View Summer Opportunities

Contract and Full Time Opportunities

Are you passionate about making a difference in the lives of youth? Interested in a fun, adventurous, flexible and fast-paced opportunity in the non-profit sector? If so, apply at Scouts Canada today.

View Opportunities





SCOUT TREK - COAST TO COAST

The webpage is now live.

Embark on Great Scouting Adventures while staying fit and having FUN!

Goal

From May to July, track how many km's your section hikes, paddles, bikes, or canoes, in fact any method of movement associated with the outdoor adventure skills.

All about Scout Trek



Group Guide to Myscouts

The Member Services Team has updated our Group Guide to Navigating MyScouts. This is an excellent resource for performing all critical MyScouts tasks that Groups will need to make sure they are properly prepared for registration.

Myscouts Group Guide



Personal Protective Equipment for Safe Spring Clean Ups

Scouting youth are enthusiastic about our communities and keeping them clean! Springtime clean ups are a common activity for this time of year, and when planning for an activity, we should always ask, "How is the safety of youth considered for this activity?"

Come to spring clean ups prepared:

- Have a safety moment are there any items that youth should not pick up or touch and should go get a Scouter immediately for? Is there a body of water nearby? What are the boundaries of the clean up?
- Properly-fitting Gloves are a must for picking up items that belong in the garbage, and when there's a chance of garbage or dust particles in the air, protective goggles will keep our eyes safe
- Is there a chance of sunburn? Who has the sunscreen? Is there a hat in your daypack?
- What kind of footwear/clothing is appropriate for the location?

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



Cuboree 2023

525 Cubs and Scouters enjoyed a fun filled Safari Adventure at Camp McLean. 32 Cub packs from across Fraser Valley took part in elephant nose jousting, gazelle races, animal tracking, first aid arcade, campfires, safari animal treasure hunts, and more, while earning OAS skills. Thank you to the 100 Scouts, Venturers and Scouters that helped run the stations.





Autumn Rover Moot 2023

Autumn Moot was a success thanks to all the Rovers and staff who helped make it possible! Over 30 Rovers from across BC came together to have a camping weekend full of fun, laughter, service project, archery, eating contest and much more. We welcome all Rovers to end our next Moot August 18-20th at Camp Barnard!

Meeting Scouts Canada's New CEO - Liam Burns



A lovely evening spent with Scouters from Fraser Valley and Pacific Coast Councils, getting to know Scouts Canada's new CEO, Liam Burns.







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