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Operation Good Deed is Back!

We are pleased to advise you that Operation Good Deed is back!

As you know, the purpose of Operation Good Deed is to return to the grass roots of Scouting, by generating a sense of good spirit and community. Operation Good Deed is a revival of doing something good for others. This is not to be considered a competition, but a recognition for doing good for others.

For those of you who are new to Scouting, or have never heard about Operation Good Deed, you may be wondering what it is all about. Operation Good Deed is open to all Sections: Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, and Rovers — youth members only. It is an excellent way of promoting the Scouting slogan, "Do a Good Turn Every Day."

How does Operation Good Deed work?

Youth members complete good deeds during the month of February and report them to their Section Leader. This person keeps a record of those performing good deeds, and reports the total number of youth participating, and the total number of good deeds performed by the entire Section. This information is forwarded on the report form to the Provincial Office or to me, by March 15, 2005.

All who participate will receive a certificate, for even a single good deed. Good Deed certificates will be mailed out to the Groups that have participated no later than April 30, 2005 (in time to be presented at your Section's year-end closing).

Further information is available from the Provincial Office, through your Service Team, or by e-mailing Ian Parker, the Provincial Co-ordinator for Operation Good Deed at hicks.parker@ns.sympatico.ca.

Some people ask, "Is there a difference between a good deed and a chore?" The answer of course is yes — chores are jobs that are assigned to youth, while good deeds are acts that are performed for others without being told to do them. The concept is one of caring and helping to make life a little easier for someone, by performing a random act of kindness.

Check out the December 2002 issue of the *Leader* magazine for some timely thoughts on good deeds.

Let's all plan to get involved with Operation Good Deed for 2005, and help to make it a success.

Ian Parker, Operation Good Deed at hicks.parker@ns.sympatico.ca



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It's time to plan your year!



Kari Robertson
Commissioner Halifax Region

It is hard to believe how quickly time passes. We get started in the Fall with all these great ideas and plans for what we will accomplish in the next few months, and before we know it — zoom! — spring is here and we start to wind down for another year.

Do you ever ask yourself why time goes by so fast? How often do you sit down in the Fall and map out what you want to do for the next 10 months of the year? Do you list everything you must do, including family, work, Scouting, pleasure and other commitments?

How busy are you? Are you satisfied with what you are doing? Do you say “yes” to a job only to find you don't have the time to do it the way you know it should be done? Or that you don't even have time to do it at all, but don't want to let down the person who asked you? Can you say “no” when someone asks you to take on a challenge?

What is Time Management?

We all want to do everything and we want to do it well, but sometimes it is just not possible and yet we keep trying to fit it all in. For some this just keeps them

energized; for others it burns them out, and we see them leaving the organization.

One of the many problems we have with declining membership is there are not enough bodies to go around to do all the jobs that need to be done, so we just keep piling all the jobs on the same people without thinking how much they already have to do. Not everybody can handle the same load. There are very many factors to be taken into consideration, but often we are all so busy we don't take the time needed to assess the situation before we ask a busy person to take on more challenges.

Ever hear the old saying, “If you want something done properly, ask a busy person to do it”?

Why is this? Well, a busy person is usually organized and, in order to accomplish everything, they have to be. Here is a list of things to consider if you want to try and manage your time more effectively (taken from *Extension Family Economic Specialist*).

1. *Spend time planning and organizing.* If you fail to take the time to plan, then you plan to fail.

2. *Set goals.* Goals give you direction. Set goals that are specific, measurable, realistic, and achievable. Your best goals will cause you to stretch but not break!

3. *Prioritize.* Prioritize your time to concentrate your work on items with the greatest rewards.

4. *Use a To Do list.* Don't be afraid to make up a list, but you must follow the list in order for it to be effective.

5. *Be flexible.* Allow time for interruptions and distractions. Make larger blocks of time for the jobs so an interruption doesn't throw it all out. “What is the most important thing I can be doing with my time right now?”

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ROUND-UP MARCH 18.

Articles submitted after that date will be published as space permits.

6. *Consider what your best time of day is.* Using your best time of day to work on your priorities is effective time management.

7. *Do the right thing right.* Doing the right thing is more important than doing things right. Focus on the effectiveness then concentrate on efficiency.

8. *Eliminate the Urgent.* Work

you are avoiding something, break it down into smaller tasks. By doing a little at a time eventually you will get it done.

12. *Learn to say "no".* This is such a small word and so hard to say. Block time for important but often not scheduled priorities, such as family and friends. You must be convinced you and your priorities are important;

"If we learn to balance excellence in work with excellence in play, fun and relaxation, our lives become happier, healthier and a great deal more creative."

– Ann McGee-Cooper

toward reducing the urgent things you must do so you will have time for the important. If your To Do list has deadlines, you will keep important items from becoming urgent.

9. *Practice the art of intelligent neglect.* Can you delegate or eliminate anything from the To Do list? Work on tasks you must do alone.

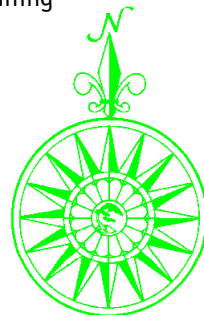
10. *Avoid being a perfectionist.* A perfectionist, paying unnecessary attention to detail, can be a form of procrastination.

11. *Conquer procrastination.* When

this is the hardest part. Once you are convinced of their importance, saying "no" is easy.

13. *Reward yourself.* Celebrate achievement of goals. Promise yourself a reward and keep your promise! Doing so will maintain balance in your life between work and play.

Good luck to all of you with your challenges and jobs of this Scouting year. Hopefully you will find this to be of some use when planning your activities.



Group Committees, are you lost? Can we help you?

Marilyn Moore, ARC Group

If you are a new member, or even if you have been volunteering on the Group Committee for some time, you may be feeling left out and feel that you are stumbling around in the dark.

Do you know the registration process? Do you understand your duties as a Group Committee?

Do you feel connected to Scouting? Do you know where to go to get help?

If your answer to these questions is "No," then you are probably feeling lost in the dark. We can help.

Committees are a group of volunteers who have taken on the duties of planning, preparing and delivering the Scouting program to the youth in your community. As a member of the Group Committee, your job is to support the

leaders who are working directly with the youth. You form the administrative part of Scouting in your community, thereby allowing the leaders to concentrate their efforts on conducting a good fun-filled program for the youth.

Being lost is no fun. You are probably in no danger of being lost in the woods in the dark, but the stress level associated with not knowing what your responsibilities are can rise to uncomfortable heights.

There are resources within the Scouting organization to help you. Within your Area, the Area Commissioner can assist you in finding the resources you need. There may be a Service Scouter assigned to help Group Committees (called the Assistant Area

Commissioner for Groups or AAC Groups). If an AAC has not yet been appointed in your Area, then you can go to the Region and ask for help from the Assistant Regional Commissioner for Groups (ARC Groups).

If requested, workshops and training can be conducted at the Group, Area or Regional levels. There are people at all these levels who can visit and assist you or put on a training event.

If you have questions that can be answered over the phone or by e-mail, do not hesitate to get in touch with the ARC Groups.

A Group Committee Handbook is available on the internet. Go to the National Site www.scouts.ca. Click the For Leaders section and then Administration to find the Group Committee Handbook. This will tell you the structure of the Group Committee, the responsibilities of each position, how you should be supporting the various sections (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts etc.), how to handle finances, etc. Not connected to the internet? Let us know and we will make sure that a copy is available to you.

Feeling disconnected from Scouting? Get connected by building a supportive network within your Group. Don't just be that "group of people," who meet once a month to hear reports and decide where the money will be spent. Build a supportive relationship with your leaders. Visit the sections, but remember to call the Section Leader before making a visit so the person will be expecting you. Offer to help with the program for that night; don't just go and stand in a corner watching. Prepare for the visit by becoming familiar with the structure of the section you are visiting and how they run the program. Reassure the leader that you are not there to supervise, but rather that you want understand what goes on in the sections and that you are there to help, not to criticize. While at the meeting, look for ways to support the leaders. Show them that you appreciate their efforts.

Questions you need answered? Want someone to visit your Group Committee? Want some training? Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me by phone at 835-9562 or by e-mail: maribil@eastlink.ca.

Colonies: If you're looking for leaders, look within.

*Maurice Landry, Commissioner, Armview
Philip Landry, Scout, 2nd Fairview*

Prior to accepting the position of Commissioner for Armview Area three years ago, I was a Colony leader for many years. So when our son, who went through three years of Beavers, three years of Cubs, and is in his first year of Scouts approached his mother and I last year indicating that he had been asked to become Keeo for the Colony, we were of course, very proud.

Now, having mentored many Keeos in my day, I thought that the experience, knowledge, and responsibility he would come away with would serve him well in the future. I explained to him that it would be fun and interesting, but also a lot of hard work. I remember making a comment that he might come away with a whole new appreciation toward leaders.

He, on the other hand, had different thoughts. Like many youth, he believed that most leaders are old and

are ready for "the home." The remaining ones must have somehow fallen from the turnip truck, and for that reason they had difficulty handling youth. He informed me that under his rule, Beavers would instantly fall silent and bow whenever he crossed their paths. They would also listen to instructions the first time around and repeating oneself would become a thing of the past. I just smiled and looked forward to a good lesson in leadership.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend his first meeting as Keeo due to other Scouting business. Although I'm getting old and sometimes I feel I'm ready for the home, I do remember the conversation we had after that first meeting. It went like this:

"How was the meeting?"

"Dad, you wouldn't believe it.

Those kids act like animals. At one point I had a kid swinging off my neckerchief while another one bit me. During one game, I was used as a

tackling dummy. All night they were loud and I had to repeat everything at least three times before they understood what I wanted. I'm exhausted and I'm going to bed."

After that conversation I sat in the kitchen and thought of all the valuable lessons he had learned that night. The next day he did say he had fun and that he would be returning.

Throughout his term as Keeo, no Beaver ever did bow or fall silent at his feet. He doesn't remember any Beaver ever doing the right thing the first time around, but I'm sure there were some who did. He did gain a greater respect for all leaders. He also had so much fun that he went to Lodges and Lairs with them.

Now I know there are many Colonies who do not believe in Keeos. Some believe that they have enough kids to take care of already. Others believe that only adults should be leaders and that youth input isn't helpful or necessary.

To those leaders I say, "Change, look within." Not only will you be helping your leadership team, you will also be helping a Cub experience a wonderful adventure.



Honouring by awarding

There are no special steps you have to take, no special requirements to complete, and you don't need to be in any particular position to make a submission. In fact, for each of you who received an award last year — wouldn't it feel good to share that recognition? If each time an award is given, the recipient turns around and recommends another person...well, you get the picture! The forms are available from the Scout office and on the provincial website. You will find a brief explanation of the award system and what is available. If you do not have access to the website, contact Tena at the Scout office 423-9227 or 1-800-557-7268 (ext. 25).

When you have made a submission and receive the award, it is important to ensure a suitable presentation takes place as quickly as possible. But remember — a "suitable presentation" does not necessarily mean "big and fancy." Sometimes the most suitable occasion is in front



HONOURS & AWARDS

Larry Arthur, 44th Halifax	Medal of Merit
Chris Day, 18th Halifax	25 year pin
Peter Koskolas, 44th Halifax	Medal of Good Service
Carol-Ann Lockhart, 18th Halifax	15 year pin
Carol-Ann Lockhart, 18th Halifax	Medal of Good Service
Jim MacLean, 44th Halifax	Bar to The Medal of Merit
Vaila Mowatt, 2nd Halifax	10 year medal
Larry Taylor, 22nd Halifax	Medal of Good Service
Father Gary Thorne, 2nd Halifax	10 year medal
Jim Williams, ARC Older Youth	10 year medal
Peter Wright, Treasurer, Halifax Region	Warrant of Appointment

of that small group of youth the leader(s) has been working with over the years. With a little cooperation from one of the other leaders or a group committee member, a closing horseshoe can become a "suitable occasion." Parents could

quietly be notified and asked to come inside for a few minutes — that's all it takes. After all, these are the people he/she has been working so closely with...so it's nice for them to see the presentation.



Camp Lone Cloud News

James Robertson, Chair, Camp Management Board

Congratulations to the entire Camp Lone Cloud staff under the leadership of Bryan Wright, Director for another successful season on our island paradise.

As the statistics reflect, our program continues to meet and exceed the needs of youth in the community.

The continued magic which results from the program each year is an amazing feat. Whether it be as a result of visiting jousts reenacting a duel on the field, a quiet stroll through the woods, a first trip in a canoe, the smell of wood smoke from that special closing campfire, a new taste experience from the kitchen, a talk with a special friend, or the craft that is clutched so tightly it dissolves. All this and so much more makes Camp Lone Cloud the special place it has come to be. The staff are the ones

who make the difference through facilitation of a well constructed program.

We had visitors from across the country and abroad throughout the season — St. Pierre Miquelon, four Scouts from Scotland who left their mark by constructing a gateway to the campfire circle, and leadership youth from Ontario, Germany and Japan.

Each Area Commissioner has been provided with a detailed synopsis report on this past season which you are encouraged to peruse at your leisure. As well please take the opportunity to view the season's pictures at www.camplonecloud.ca.

Should you have feedback from any youth who participated in the program, please forward it on to the Camp Management Board.

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*Interested in joining
the team? Drop a line
to the Chair...*

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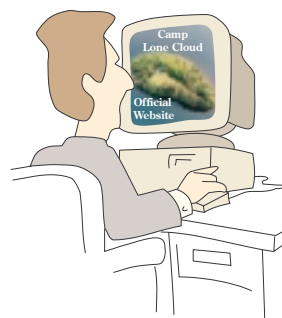
Human Resources Development

Canada, Employment grants

Halifax Regional Municipality, Capital Grant for roof replacement

NS Sport and Recreation, Leadership Lodge grant

New Wave, Exceptional customer service



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CHECK IT OUT!

Employment Opportunity **CAMP DIRECTOR** Camp Lone Cloud

The Camp Management Board is currently receiving applications for this position. The successful candidate will be energetic, forward thinking, highly organized, possess a keen sense of time management and a desire to help young people grow and develop (staff and youth). They will be able to demonstrate strong professional communication ability both verbally and written. The successful candidate will possess a Pleasure Craft Operator's Card; have current Standard First Aid certification and a clean current Police Record Check (PRC). Scouting experi-

ence an asset as well as previous camp management experience.

This is a term contract position, approximately covering the period April 1 through to September 30.

The Camp Director is responsible for management of the staff, program, facility and administrative functions related to the entire operation of the summer camp program and facility rentals at Camp Lone Cloud. They will, in conjunction with the Camp Management Board, hire, train, supervise and evaluate staff sufficient for the operation of the program. They will be an integral part of the pre-camp training program to ensure all staff are fully prepared for the delivery of the summer program. They will be responsible for writing and delivering staff evaluations mid season and final, with copies

to the Camp Management Board.

Applications are available online at www.camplonecloud.ca and should be delivered to Scout Headquarters, 6232 Quinpool Road, Attn: James Robertson, Chair, Camp Management Board.

Application must include a detailed resume, physical fitness form, photo release, copy of current standard first aid certification, pleasure craft operator card and cover letter outlining the rationale behind your interest in and ability to deliver on the position.

Closing date: December 31, 2004.

Please visit the Camp Lone Cloud website — www.camplonecloud.ca — employment tab for the most up-to-date information on employment opportunities.

BUY A LOG FOR THE LODGE

In memory of Adrian Jay, Camp Director 1995–1997, the Camp Management Board has committed to the construction of Adrian's Leadership Lodge to house the ever-growing leadership program offered at Camp Lone Cloud.

Design is complete and a \$10,000 grant toward the development has been awarded to the organization from Nova Scotia Health Promotion Sport and Recreation.

Please help us make this project a reality. Contribute \$15.00 as a tax deductible donation to "Buy a Log for the Lodge." Your name will be added to the donors' list and

mounted on a plaque in the facility.

Spread the word and encourage, friends, family, fellow Scouters, co-workers to join you in furthering Adrian's vision. Should you be interested in more details on this project, please contact James Robertson, Chair, Camp Management Board. All donations may be sent directly to headquarters — please ensure that they are clearly marked for "Adrian's Leadership Lodge".

Thank you for your support.

2004 Camp Lone Cloud Statistics

Registration Statistics 2004

Program	Arm-view	Hfx. Area	Basin Lakes	Harbour West	Sespenaak Centre	St. Marg's	Dart-mouth	Tri-County	Valley	Colchester	Lunenburg	Other	No District	Total
Camper	17	21	16	6	19	2	20	5	6	3	0	1	77	193
Junior	5	3	2	1	4	1	10	0	1	2	0	2	32	63
Advanced	4	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	28	37
CIT	0	7	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	1	33	46
TOTAL	26	32	18	7	23	4	35	5	9	6	0	4	170	339
2003	24	19	20	0	16	13	34	0	11	7	2	7	182	335

Budgeted in 2004 for 150 non registered campers

Registration Statistics Comparison

Program	BUDGET	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Camper	193	193	184	241	211	204	144
Junior	50	63	62	58	47	41	22
Advanced	50	37	45	62	38	24	31
CIT	35	46	44	39	20	28	16
TOTAL	328	339	335	400	316	297	183

Good Program – Quality Program

Drew Taylor, Commissioner, Basin Lakes

During registration week I had the opportunity to talk at length with a number of Scouters about their plans for the upcoming year. Needless to say, I heard an abundance of great ideas about what their section might be doing over the next months. The plans that were being discussed were extensive, incorporating what worked well in the past and considered variations on the past themes to improve them.

Without fail, the Leaders knew what their youth would like and what they had planned in past years. After all, leadership is knowing what works, isn't it? Of course we as Leaders have to know about what works well, but does that mean that only they know it?

What is the role of the Leader?

We have had training which points us in the right direction with regard to program planning. It focuses on the concepts of having short-, medium- and long-term plans which try to incorporate all the program elements. The training also includes the premise, especially at the Pack and Troop levels, that the youth should have a part in the planning process. The Leaders are thus relieved of some, and increasingly more, of the planning process as the youth became older. Ultimately, the youth would plan and execute the program themselves with Leaders advising and supervising activity.

So, what was going on here, I asked myself.

First, why would we be planning out our year during Registration Night?

Second, what is the quality of the program planning being done without the input of the youth?

Last, why would Leaders try to plan out three to six months without some of the necessary information they require? Planning of the annual program is not something to be done *ad hoc*; it requires serious thought and consideration of a variety of issues.

Ideas lead to research which points to the intended result. Plans have to be massaged to bring them into sharp focus, matching goals with resources, and ultimately the approval of everyone concerned — youth and leader alike.

The goals we constantly pursue are to get OUT of the meeting place and put the fun back into Scouting. As Leaders we must do more than pay lip service to the idea of youth involvement in the planning. Youth leader-

ship is becoming more of a focus in our program, at all levels.

Ask your youth about what interests them and what they would like to accomplish during the short-, medium- and long-term. If you have to, push them toward participating in the planning of activities, meeting nights, camps and finding resources to help the program along.

Get youth representation on your Group Committees as they can offer unique perspectives on just about everything. They see the program from the point of view as the receiving group, should they not have some input and control over what is being offered to them?

Scouter Robert Young Receives 2004 Municipal Volunteer Recognition Award



Left to right: Mayor Peter Kelly, Scouter Robert Young, and Councillor Condo Sarto.

On Wednesday, April 14, 2004 Scouter Robert Young received a 2004 Volunteer Recognition Award at a special reception at Halifax City Hall. Robert was one of 80 citizen volunteers to receive the 2004 award. Rob has been Akela with the 2nd Hammonds Plains Cub Pack for the last five years, but has been involved in Scouting in the Halifax area for the last twenty years. As his wife I am very proud of him, and know that Rob was very honoured that his Scouting colleagues would nominate him for such an award. – Ann Young

What is this Training/Mentoring/Coaching stuff anyway?

Karen O'Toole, ARC Training



We have had several questions in the past few months about training and how it all works. Well in a nutshell, here it is:

It looks like we may be able to clear up some of this confusion with whether people should be called a coach or a mentor. Well, the Province has decided to try and make this a little easier on all of us.

For the past number of years when a person decided to become a trainer, they were assigned a mentor from the ARC Training. This mentor would stay with the potential trainer through training sessions, help with planning sessions and evaluate the trainer after sessions. The mentor would continue with the trainer after the Basic Trainer course was taken, and continue with the person until at least one course was delivered with the trainer delivering a session, and evaluated once again.

If the trainer was recommended to the ARC Training for Trainer I accreditation, that would end their relationship. The trainer continued along on his own without the guidance of a mentor and the mentor was assigned to a new potential trainer.

Now National has decided that mentoring would be a good thing to do with new leaders, however these "mentors" would be leaders with their Wood Badge I or II accreditation, working with the new leader. Well, so as not to confuse the mentor with the new leader or trainer, Province has decided to call this person a "coach" instead of a mentor.

There are two basic ways to get your Wood Badge training: by coaching or by participating in a course plus coaching.

Coaching:

If you are interested in following this procedure, you first have to contact your Area Commissioner and ask to be assigned a coach. A coach is an experienced Scouter who has worked in your section (Colony, Pack, Troop,

Company, Crew) for several years, and has already completed their Wood Badge I and possibly Wood Badge II. You and your coach would work together to complete the Basic Program Planning and Delivery Core Learning Objectives and the Basic Program Planning and Delivery Specific Learning Objectives for (Beaver, Cub, Scout, Venturer, Rover) leaders, lead-

you to work directly with the youth or your leadership team. Taking a course gives you the opportunity to see how things are done, meet new people, get ideas and feedback from other leaders, and have a lot of fun.

You can also do the reverse: be assigned a coach, cover the objectives that we can't at a course, and then take the course. If all competencies are covered, you will be issued a woggle at the end of the course.

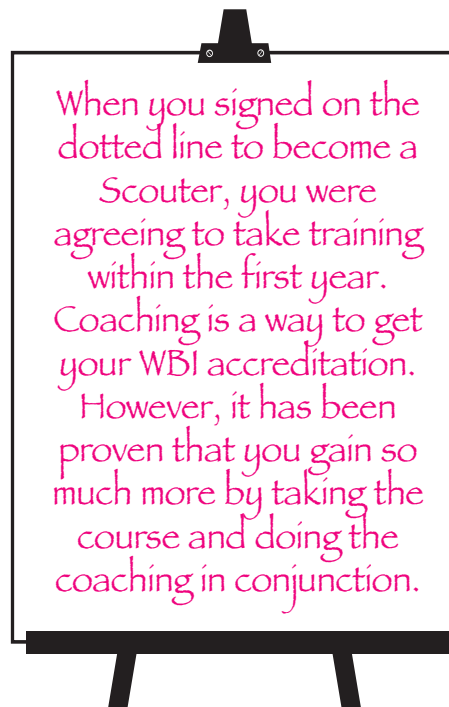
Outdoor Skills:

Outdoor skills are part #9 of the Basic Core Learning Objectives. However, we feel that in order for people to really understand and feel comfortable in the outdoors, you have to experience it first hand. That is why we have been putting on separate courses for this objective.

I hope this helps clarify the question of coaching. You are encouraged to choose whichever option best suits your needs.

Remember, when you signed on the dotted line to become a Scouter, you were agreeing to take training within the first year.

Coaching is a way to get your WBI accreditation. However, it has been proven that you gain so much more by taking the course and doing the coaching in conjunction.



ing to the achievement of Wood Badge I. These documents may be found on the National website.

It is the responsibility of the coach to sign off these competencies on your Progress Record. After the Progress Record has been completed, the coach will contact the Area Commissioner. The AC will then fill out an "Application for Woodbadge I Accreditation."

Once this has been received by the ARC Training, a woggle and card will be issued.

Taking a course and coaching:

With this option, you can take a course (for example, Wood Badge Basic, or Section Specific) and then be assigned a coach by your Area Commissioner to finish off what we could not cover during the course. These are competencies that require

Sorry, Alan!

In a previous issue of *Round-Up* we published a list of names of youth receiving the Chief Scout's Award. Unfortunately, we missed including Alan Robinson in that list. Congratulations Alan, on a great accomplishment, and congratulations again to all recipients of the Chief Scout's and Queen's Venturer Awards. You are the cream of the crop...the pick of the litter...the apple of our eye...you get the picture: you're the best and we're proud of you!

Cub Fun Day – 2004

Debbie Doherty, ARC Pack

Cub Fun Day was held on May 8, 2004 at York Redoubt. The theme for the day was "Cubs on Mars" and the weather was a little cool, as the wind was nippy.

There were four sites set up with three games per site, and these sites were organized by the following four areas — Halifax, Basin Lakes, Armview and Sespenskaak Centre.

I must thank so many for their assistance in organizing this event. The team consisted of Robert Bray (Halifax), Bill Wilson (Basin Lakes), Bryne Henderson (Armview) and Paul Savoie (Sespenskaak Centre). We met twice and shared many emails and phone calls.



The cost for the day was \$5.00 per person which covered the expenses of the day, including the cost of the Commissionaire and the cleaning of the washroom. We had the Halifax Regional Police Youth Group and the 1st Emergency Venturers and Rovers present for their expertise in their fields of security and first aid. Earl Clarke manned the front entry way which is always appreciated as this keeps Parks Canada happy that the buses can enter and leave without being blocked in. If Earl did not volunteer for this task we would have been charged for another Commissionaire so thank you Earl, on behalf of everyone, as this is quite a saving and we appreciate your assistance at the event. It was a little slow at the registration desk, but only because we had

fewer register prior to the event or we had to verify forms. I must thank Kari Robertson and Steve Terrio for their assistance, and my sister Wanda Morrison, who is not involved in Scouting, but does enjoy helping out.

Next on my list is the marshalls. Without them we would not have the timely flow from site to site and the groups would not be organized. I do not have a complete list as to whom you were but please accept my thanks. The cooks must be thanked as well, as without them the food would be not be cooked. Drew Taylor, thanks for your talents in organizing and ordering the food. I know we never seem to have an accurate number before the event, but you are always prepared. To the volunteers who man the events, I cannot thank you enough because if you were not there the youth would have nothing to do!

I hope you, the leaders and parents, realize that if you did not make the committment to attend there would not be an event. The crest was designed by Dave Winter and as usual it looked great. Thanks Dave. A huge thanks must go to the youth for coming out that day and allowing us to put on the event and for giving us the opportunity to have fun!!!

Hopefully I will see you next May 14, at York Redoubt.



Have you ever been to a Moosehead's game before?

Do you wish there was more hockey to watch this year?

Did you attend the Moosehead game during Scout Guide Week last year?

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**Sunday, February 20
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The Moose will challenge the Quebec Remparts



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Youth Events

SCOUT/GUIDE WEEK, February 20-27th, 2005. Contact your Area Commissioner for information on events in your Area.

JAMBOREE ON THE TRAIL, Saturday, May 14, 2005. You and your group are invited to participate in this worldwide Scouting event. Visit the website at www.jott.org for full details or contact Nanci Douglas at the Scout office.

CUB FUN DAY, Saturday, May 14, 2005. York Redoubt. Contact Debbie Doherty, 864-2892 for information.

Committee Meetings

TRAINING ADVISORY COMMITTEE meetings are held each month in the Spry Room at 7:30pm. Contact Karen O'Toole at 868-2991, or by email at kareno@hfx.eastlink.ca for further information.

THE REGIONAL MANAGEMENT TEAM meets in the Spry Room at 7:30pm. Contact Kari Robertson at 429-7089, or by email at james.robertson@ns.sympatico.ca for further information.

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THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM meets monthly in the Spry Room at 7:30pm. Contact Kari Robertson at 429-7089, or by email at james.robertson@ns.sympatico.ca for further information.

ASSISTANT REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS meet monthly in the Spry Room at 7:30pm. Contact Kari Robertson at 429-7089, or by email at james.robertson@ns.sympatico.ca for further information.

Training Events

BASIC PROGRAM & DELIVERY TRAINING (formerly known as Wood Badge I) is comprised of three modules: Basic Core, Basic Outdoor Skills, and Section Specific. It also includes doing some practical experience work back home with your section. Training fees are the total cost for the three components. The cost of the Basic Program & Delivery Training is \$20.00. If you are taking any of the components separately, they are \$10.00 each. If you already have your Wood Badge I and wish to take the Outdoor Skills course on your own, the cost is \$10.00. **ALL FEES ARE PAYABLE AT THE TIME YOU TAKE THE COURSE.**

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST PREREGIS-

TER by contacting Karen O'Toole at 868-2991, or by email at kareno@hfx.eastlink.ca. Participants must fill out a registration form for all Basic Program & Delivery Training and Group Committee courses. The form **MUST** be brought to the course along with the registration fee.

The following workshops/courses are available to be put on in your Area. All you need to do is contact the name indicated and make mutually suitable arrangements:

FIRST AID, Jim Williams 435-1968
HONOURS & AWARDS, Earl Clarke 864-2571

WOOD BADGE BASIC WRAP-UP & WOGGLE PRESENTATIONS, December 8, 7:30, Bethany United

Other

RMT YEAR END BARBEQUE, June 15, 2005, Camp Lone Cloud. *Clipper* starts running at 6:00 p.m. from the Camp Lone Cloud dock, Scout Camp Road. Contact Kari Robertson at 429-7089 for more information.

REGIONAL ROUND-UP ARTICLES DUE, Friday, March 18, 2005. Send your submissions to the Scout Office, attention *Round-Up* Editor, or by email to Sue Howard at schoward@eastlink.ca.

