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Another Scouting season ... almost feels like going back to school!

By: Brian Peebles, DAC Communications (Woggle Editor)

Welcome back everyone to another Scouting year, it kind of reminds you of going back to school; you make new friends, catch up with old friends and figure out if there are new leaders in your section. Well, we'd like to welcome our new faces to Wellington Area as well as new faces in new places.

Shawn Jones is our new Deputy Area Commissioner for Membership Development and Growth and Emily Oliver is our new DAC Youth. Alisa Kuemmling is our Registrar, Rob Conley is our DAC Training, Wayne Zinger is our DAC Group Support, Virginia Peebles is our DAC for Area Support, Dianne Hilborn is our co-ordinator for Honours and Awards and Yours Truly is the DAC for Communications.

We'd also like to welcome you to the inaugural release of the new Woggle! We hope that you enjoy the new format and the exciting opportunities it creates for us to communicate with you. Please note that this is my first edition of the Woggle as the editor so I'm still learning the tricks of the trade. The Woggle will be published in a web-friendly format, which allows me to use my extensive knowledge of web programming and colour.

I would like to also welcome Dominoes Pizza and Dairy Queen as our new Friends of Scouting. They've offered their services to distribute flyers on our behalf to promote Scouting - a big thanks to those sponsors along with Sentex Communications and KH&A who continue to support us in any way throughout the Scouting year.

Besides the flyers and the Woggle one other task that I'll be working on is to freshen up the look and feel of our website. One aspect that I would like to include in the website is to display photos that represent what Scouting is about. These photos can be about camps, badges, team work, awards or just having fun. Please provide original photos on CD or DVD and contact me to arrange for me to pick up the disk. **Please note: that for pictures of youth/leaders submitted; you will need to have a photo consent form on file for their use on any publications.**

Along with giving the website a new look, I've received a few ideas on how to



improve and produce an efficient website. I'm open to all ideas big and small and will be documented accordingly.

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Thoughts from behind the wheel

By: Shawn Jones, DAC Membership Development and Growth

I began this submission, as I do most ideas that will be transferred to paper, behind my steering wheel. Where I find loads of time to think of everything, but work. I was asked to take on this position in mid August following a long summer of emailing our AC Conrad many of my, sometimes crazy, ideas. I first introduced the Domino's flyer idea at the last AVM, to some lukewarm reviews. Showing this past summer that I do actually have follow through was most likely the largest contributing factor to this new position. Being coined the "ideas guy" is something I'm not so sure of yet.

I'm excited to be working with the people that we have on Service Team in Wellington. And look forward to working with many people who are not.

Current Tasks / Hot Topics

Mobile signs have been used to promote Scouting throughout Guelph.

Custom made flyers promoting Scouting in Wellington Area will be placed on 7,000 Domino's pizza boxes throughout the month of October, at both of Domino's locations, within Guelph. At the same time 6,000 flyers will be placed into takeout bags in Dairy Queen Drive Thrus, at both Dairy Queen locations, within Guelph. Flyers will also be taken to each public library branch and placed in their community information racks. We're currently working with the Wellington Gilwell Club to advance funds to purchase Apple Day "Bag Signs."

Things for EVERY Scouter to investigate

The recruitment program that CEC has developed called S.T.E.P. (Share The Excitement Program) is really quite something. It's a "How to Guide" for recruiting. Everything from timelines and agenda, to suggested room set-up for an information night. It is all described within the program. CEC has also decided to offer rewards to recruiters. If you require more information regarding S.T.E.P., feel free to contact any member of the Service Team.

Part I Training is now mandatory within your first year of becoming a leader. Check Wellington Area's web site for training dates.

Public appearances are important. Make us proud. Don't forget the public only gets to see Scouting in action a few times a year. Have your youth dressed for success this coming Apple Day. Think about having your entire group participate in your local Santa Claus Parade in November. It's more work for leaders, but fun for the youth.

Ask the ideas guy.

Planning a group fundraiser or event? Drop me a line for some promotional ideas. Before you spend your hard earned money elsewhere.

Goals, vision, mission and dreams
Realistic assessment of strengths
Openness and vulnerability
Wonder, a sense of
Tough-minded expectations
Hope

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Success at Fort George

By: Scouter Ron Lohr, 31st Guelph

For any Group who hasn't experienced "The Scout Brigade at Fort George" you are missing a premiere international event! I'm thinking it is one of the best kept secrets on the Scouting calendar. This was the first time our Troop, the 31st Guelph, participated and I'm sure it won't be the last. We were graciously hosted by the 9th and 26th Guelph and placed in the 8th (King's) Regiment subcamp with them as part of a militia unit.

Our uniform consisted of a baggy white shirt and a straw hat and everyone was issued a musket to use (we had to make these in advance). The "military" uniforms were much more elaborate with colourful period tunics and shakos. There were 3000 registrants and seeing them all parading in uniform was a sight to behold. The camp was very well organized and we drove right into our campsite just outside Fort George with no delay on Friday evening. Saturday started with a march to Fort George for camp opening and then undergoing military training for the rest of the morning. After lunch back at camp we paraded through downtown Niagara-on-the-Lake and had some free time there. Then it was off to battle. We marched off into a field to face the American troops in an elaborate "capture the colours" game with the sounds of thousand of caps firing and the quiet boom of artillery. In the end we were outflanked and defeated.

After an eventful day and roast beef dinner we embarked on an hour-long "Ghost Tour" held at the Fort. The Scouts were substantially fatigued but many said the tour was the highlight of their camp. They slept well. Sunday morning saw us marching off to the Fort for more battles. The first battle outside the Fort's walls was hard fought but again ended in defeat. With Troops demoralized, tactics were changed and they finally won back the Fort in the final battle and all was well. Other available activities included a movie, an on-site candy store and Scout shop and a military museum at one end of the camp. A plus was that food was provided at the camp so there was no need to come up with a menu and buy food. A great event organized by a great group of people!



Scouts taking aim at Fort George.



Scouts Canada - Wellington Area Welcomes Dominoes Pizza and Dairy Queen as new Friends of Scouting in the City of Guelph and surrounding area.



Wellington Area Gilwell Club

By: Sandy Kiff

Welcome to a new section of the Woggle. What is the Gilwell Club, you ask?

The Gilwell Club has been around for ages and its members are Scouters that have completed their Part II Woodbadge Training. Everyone that has completed their Part II is automatically a part of the Gilwell Club, with no Club dues and no duties at camp for the first year. Whether or not you decide to stay is up to you. Don't be swayed by stories.....come out and see what we are all about. Some members are currently enrolled as leaders, some are involved at the Area level of Scouting, and some no longer take an active role in Scouting, but all share a common bond. They are committed to the youth in Wellington Area.

In September, members of the Club attend 'Reunion' at Blue Springs Scout Reserve. This is a great weekend spent visiting with fellow Scouters (especially those you bonded with during your training), and all sorts of fun activities. In the spring we had a social evening with a potluck dinner, which was lots of fun, and another is planned for November 1st. We also have a few regularly scheduled business meetings throughout the year:

- September Reunion Meeting - Elect an Executive
- November Business Meeting
- February Business Meeting
- June Business Meeting and BBQ

We do a lot more than just have meetings. Our members are very involved as volunteers and organizers at many activities within Wellington Area and Central Escarpment. Just to name a few.....

- Rotary Club RibFest - our only Fundraiser
- Wellington Area Cub-o-ree, Beaveree, and Beaver Burr
- Cub 6-ers and Seconds Workshop (with Brantford)
- Wellington Area 100th Anniversary Camp
- Central Escarpment Fall Camporee (Coming September)
- Kub Kars/18 Wheeler Rally/Beaver Buggies
- Helping maintain Barber Scout Camp

So come out and see what the NEW Gilwell Club is like. Our next meeting will be in November. Hope to see you there.

For more information contact Bob Davis, President, or Peter Jaspers-Fayer, Membership

He's Back with the Rover Rant

By: Gerry "Bear" Carr

Heidy ho there Rovers, Roverettes, and wannabe's.

Another scouting season is upon us and here we are unprepared! For a Movement that has "Be Prepared" as a motto we don't do a very good job. I know a lot of you out there are thinking "He's off his gourd" I have my program all laid out both short and long-term.

Yes perhaps you do but as a movement we do not. I say this because at the last Adventure Team meeting it was the same OLD faces as always. To be fair there were 2 new ones. We really need to get some new fresh ideas around that table! New ideas for program, and promotion of our program. Scouts has always done a poor job of promotion. I was out of the movement from about 12 till 30 something. During that whole time I thought Scouts was gone as I did not see anyone anywhere in a Scout uniform.

One of our New faces is Brian Peebles who is redesigning our website and taking over editor of the Woggle. I expect he is going to do great things with both!

Another New face is Shawn Jones (sounds like some sort of alias to me). Shawn has the daunting job of D.A.C. Growth and Development. He has more ideas than I have ever had. Some are a little "out there" but others are really really great! The problem with Shawn's job is it cannot be done alone he needs all of us to be on board and help him implement his ideas. I have found in the past that if you pop an idea out some one would say "wow great idea when are you going to do that". Shawn like myself and most of you out there has a work job (several in fact!) and there are not enough hours in a day to implement all the ideas. A lot of ideas need the hands of many because the task is so large.

This leads me to my next work VOLUNTEER. Just like on the Genuine Barber Scout Camp Volunteer Badge. The Camp Committee could use some new old faces. We have scads of people to run lawn tractors but few to fix plumbing, carpentry, cleaning and the other little tawdry jobs that need doing. Myself I have not had as much time as before. Family illness and relocating has taken more time than I could have imagined. So if you get to Barber and the "place is a mess" , the reason would be not enough hands to do the work.

Years ago there was a stipulation in the rental of the camp that the campers would do the camp a "Good Turn". AHEM!!!! that would be from the phrase "and do a good turn daily". The good turn could be litter clean up, returning wood to the shed, clear rocks from the grass, tidy campfire circle or chapel. The good turn would be in addition to cleaning Cuscoro House and involve your section youth. Lets bring back the "Good Turn" for all our sakes. This would also count towards your very own Volunteer Badge!

Next word is "OLD BOYS CLUB". I agree it seems that way some days. It was that way when I prybarred my way into it. To gain access all you need to do is tell us you want to play too(that's all I did). I promise we will let you do stuff and not scoff at your ideas. We really need to make both the Adventure Team and the Gilwell Club a "Younger Old Boy's Club". Talk to any of us and we will indoctrinate you!

Wow I sure am long winded today. I must have sumpin stuck in my craw!

In closing

- Apple Days Oct 16,17,18
- Pioneering Camp Nov 7,8,9
- Remembrance Day Nov 11
- W.B. 1 Nov 14,15,16

- Storm hoickey Nov 28
- Happy Winter Solstice Dec 21
- Have a Merry Christmas Dec25 (don't forget an 18 wheeler kit is a GREAT stocking stuffer)

Happy Scouting
Gerry "Bear" Carr
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Area Events

Group Registrations

Group Registrations are held at Barber Scout Camp on October 6th and 15th. Please book a time for either of those two nights as members from Central Escarpment Council are present.

Apple Days

Please speak to Len Wiley for information on your territory or the number of bushels you would like to order. According to Len, bushels of apples have gone up in price.

Pioneer Camp

For more information on the Pioneering Camp, please [download](#) the camp information forms.

Part 1 Training

Training for new leaders will be at Harcourt United Church on November 15th and 16 and at Barber Scout Camp on November 17th. To register for Part 1 Training, you can [fill out](#) the registration form on our website.

All Volunteer's Meeting

Will be at Barber Scout Camp on November 19th at 7:30.

Sixer/Second Camp

All pack Sixers and Seconds are invited to attend the Sixer/Second Camp at Camp Impessa on November 22nd and 23rd.

Storm Hockey Game

The Guelph Storm take on the Belleville Bulls at the Sleman Centre on November 28th. Puck drops is at 7:30. Wellington Scouting and Guiding will participate in singing O Canada. There will be rehersals at Westminster St. Pauls Church on November 13th and 20th.

All Section's Camp

Save the date, it's May 22-24, 2009 at Blue Heron(Blue Spring Scout Reserve). We got such a good response from the 100th Anniversary Camp, that you thought we could run another one every two years. More info to follow...



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Cub Craft Idea

By: Diane Hilborn, 9th Guelph

Always on the look out for free recyclable craft materials, 9th Guelph Cub Leader, Diane Hilborn, asked a co-worker, Keith Sopha, Manager of Housekeeping Linen and Space at Homewood Health Centre to save small boxes for her for a future craft. Keith provided 30 boxes! Thinking these would be great for a periscope craft down the road, Diane was surprised when Keith asked her for a photo of youth using the boxes. Keith wanted to include a photo in his powerpoint submission to the Recycling Council of Ontario Waste Reduction Awards to demonstrate that employees "think outside the box" for recycling ideas. This photo will also be included in the presentation Keith is making in October 2008 at the first Canadian conference to speak directly to the link between health care and the environment 'EcoCare 2008 conference' - a wonderful opportunity to advertise that Scouting is alive and well in Wellington Area!



Alex Hilborn proudly displaying his craft!

Woggle Opt-in Subscription Notice

At the January 2008 All Volunteers Meeting, it was announced that in recognition of going green... Wellington Area will be limiting the number of printed copies of the Woggle and they will only be available through an opt-in subscription service. This option is designed for those who do not have access to the Wellington Area Website to download the eWoggle (electronic copy). The subscription service may carry a small fee to cover any costs associated with providing the service.

Therefore as of the new Scouting year September 2008, printed copies of the Woggle will only be available based on an opt-in subscription. To opt-in please contact Brian Peebles by email: woggle@wellington.on.scouts.ca and provide the following information:

- Name and Group
- Mailing address (Street, City, Postal Code)
- Phone Number and Email address

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Booking Barber Scout Camp

All Volunteers Meet

Nov 22, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.
Barber Scout Camp

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