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Welcome to a new Scouting year!

By: Brian Peebles, DAC Communications

If you go to www.wellington.on.scouts.ca today you will see a note that says "As of Sunday September 6th 2009, this page has moved to: <http://w.scouter.ca>". So not only have we re-vamped our web site but we've changed our web site address. We've also changed our WScouter address to wscouter@wellington.scouter.ca, if you're not on the list please go to our web site and sign up. And Conrad has created a new blog that allows all of the areas in Central Escarpment Council to add postings.

So, here are the new web pages listed, please go to them and update your bookmarks: web site: <http://w.scouter.ca> (notice the single 'w'. You can also use wellington.scouter.ca if it's easier to remember) blog: <http://blog.scouter.ca>

With the new web site address there are new email addresses, groups will still have email addresses similar to before (i.e.: emails for the 29th Guelph will be forwarded to 29thguelph@w.scouter.ca). Please note the following email address changes:

@wellington.on.scouts.ca	@w.scouter.ca	Who it goes to
dacarea	support	Harold Lee (was Virginia Peebles, and changed email address)
dacgroup	group	Paul Schadenberg (changed email address)
program	program	Peter Gamblin (was Harold Lee)
mediapr	mediapr	Shawn Jones (was Brian Peebles)
mediapr	communications	Brian Peebles (changed email address)

One of the new features of our web site is the new calendar. Not only will you see events and activities for Wellington Area but for Central Escarpment Council as well. The Central Escarpment Council's Calendar will comprise of events from the 8 areas that are part of the Council. Because our new calendar is live and activities can be added or updated at a moment's notice *we've decided to not print the calendar*. If you've read Steve Kent's action plan one thing that he points out is that we need to improve communication between our areas, groups, sections, and parents. With the improvements we've made to our new calendar everyone including parents and leaders can simply go to our website and click on the calendar link and all of the events for Wellington Area are listed.

You may have noticed that on our Area groups page that some groups have their own web site. If you're interested in having a group web site please speak to Conrad or myself and we can set one up for you.

The Woggle is distributed electronically via the Wellington web site and is no longer

printed for distribution or mailed out.

Check this out !!!!

By: Brian Peebles, DAC Communications

Check this out is an initiative of mine to get the word out as to what goes on at area events and activities in the Woggle. This initiative will also be used if groups want to write about what they've done as activities and where they've gone to make new memories. So enough from me, Check this out...

Cyprus Lake and BOATsmart

By: Scouter Ron Lohr, 31st Guelph

31st Guelph at Cyprus Lake



Looking down from the cliffs of the Peninsula.

Anyone considering a different sort of Scout camping trip should take a look at the group sites at Cyprus Lake in Bruce National Park at the tip of the Bruce Peninsula.

We planned our June camp as a 3 day camp, having the Scouts skip school on Friday. After setup and lunch on Friday we did the 4 or 5 km hike from Halfway Log Dump to The Grotto and back to our site. This walk along the limestone cliffs of Georgian Bay is spectacular and some even went for a quick (emphasis on "quick") dip in the frigid waters. Everyone climbed down into the cave at The Grotto.

On Saturday morning we bagged lunches and took a tour on the Blue Heron ferry which included viewing a couple of shipwrecks in Big Tub Harbour. We were let off on Flowerpot Island where we hiked to the lighthouse and had lunch. We were treated to more spectacular rock formations and the Scouts also kept busy chasing water snakes. In the afternoon we stopped at the ice cream shop in Tobermory before heading to Dorcas Bay (Singing Sands) for a swim before dinner.

The trip requires a bit of organization. There are only 3 group sites so they should be booked early. Look on the Parks Canada site for Bruce National Park for a phone number. Contact information for the Blue Heron can be found on their website www.blueheronco.com. Our costs worked out to under \$100 per Scout. Contact me if you want more information.

31st Guelph is BOATsmart!

Something I always had in the back of my mind is to see if I could work a boating course into our program so that my Scouts could get their Pleasure Craft Operator Card. My son and I already had our cards because we are active boaters so last year I went ahead with the idea.

I first contacted BOATsmart! and found that someone would be glad to come to one of our meetings and administer the exam. BOATsmart also has a free online study guide (<http://www.boatsmartexam.com/manual.cfm>) which is broken into 6 modules. These modules were worked into our meeting plans and we would spend a little time on a module whenever we could. Training was spruced up with games, props and real life stories. We slowly worked our way through the modules and picked a date in April for the exam.



Learning to operate motor boats safely!!!

The weekend before the exam we had a "refresher camp" where we skimmed over all the modules again and set up a buoy course in a field to practice navigation. The key to answering exam questions is using common sense and this was pointed

out at every opportunity. A few aspects like buoys and boating laws required memorization. The exam consists of 36 questions and 27 right answers are required to pass.

Exam day came and 8 Scouts and 2 leaders sat down to write. All of them passed! We followed this with a camp at my cottage where the Scouts learned how to run a boat. Everyone in Canada is now required to have the card to run any motorized boat. The card is good for life.

Scouter Ron

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Award for Fortitude

By: Robert White, 1st Guelph firefighters



Being honoured with the Award for Fortitude.

9th Guelph Venturer Tim White (left) and Group Commissioner Diane Hilborn examine Tim's certificate for the Award for Fortitude, which was presented at the annual Group camp this summer.

Tim received the award for his Scouting achievements even though he's been diagnosed with an autism-spectrum disorder. Involved with Scouting since his enrolment as a Beaver at age 5, Tim has developed everyday social and leadership skills which have led to the Chief Scout Award, two terms as Company president, a Centennial Commemorative Medal and his role as a SIT with the 1st Guelph St. James Cub Pack.

Rover Rant

By: Gerry "Bear" Carr

Heidy-Ho Rovers, roverettes, and wannabe's !!!

The dawn of another scouting year is upon us. Have you gotten together for your 1st meeting yet? Why not?

A reminder that the demographics of a company or crew will change over time. . While a troop is a static program remaining pretty much unchanged from year to year. Changes with co/crew programs change with personnel and section focus. Embrace change for improvement of program (or FUN) !!!!!

Some of you are still feeling the after shock of all the bull-doddy that was going on last year. Some have so much drama in their lives they feel they must share . I can't speak for anyone but myself, I have enough drama in my own life & I do not wish to share that of others. Lets leave the school yard shenanigans in the school yard! If graduation has bestowed itself upon you there is no longer school yard - nuff said.

Note to self: Do not share drama!

There are so many sources of information about camps and moots it is hard for one person to keep up to it all. This is good info to share! When you have info on an event. Please post a note on wscouter, or let me know and I will post, or let Conrad know and he will note it in the AC's BLOG (which is updated regularly). Include a link if there is one.

The co/crew support team has yet to be selected. I am heading up the team this year. If you're interested drop a line and let me know. I'd like to get people who have

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not been on the team before. I won't turn familiar faces away though. If I should not get any offersyour next phone call or email could be me.

I had a nasty fall while using "The Apparatus" . I was using peanut butter for stick and mayonnaise for slide. Too much mayo and there I was , airborne.....bang.....boom.....crash.

Keep on scouting!!!!

Gerry "Bear" Carr
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Editor's Note: Brampton Area has setup and maintained a blog that is geared towards Venturers and Rovers in Central Escarpment Council. You can bookmark their site <http://senioursectionscec.wordpress.com>

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Training ...

By: Virginia Peebles, DAC Training

Welcome back to another wonderful year of Scouting.

So far there are 40+ participants for the Wood Badge Course; and I am expecting more by the end of the weekend. Please ensure that all the leaders in your group that don't have their Wood Badge I; get it this fall!!

There is Wood Badge II course hosted by Shining Waters Council. The dates are September 25-27; and October 30-November 1st @ Woodland Trails. Contact Lorie Eaton, Deputy Council Commissioner for Adult Development at: teaton@bmts.com.

CEC will be hosting its own Wood Badge II in the spring; dates to follow.

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Wellington Area Recognition Workshops

By: Diane Hilborn, DAC Recognition

Did you know?

- The 3 R's of membership in Scouting are: Recruitment, Retention, Recognition
- It takes more effort to recruit a new leader than to retain an existing one
- The turn over rate of adult volunteers nationwide is about 40% every year
- Those who stay with us for 3 to 5 years and run programs that meet or exceed section standards are eligible for the Certificate of Commendation
- The Council goal is to recognize 5% of our Adult Members this year

Recognition - both formal and informal - is an important part of retaining members. Scouts Canada has a National Program dedicated to formally recognize the efforts of our membership. It's not a mystery - it just takes a pen, paper and a little bit of time.

The rewards are great!

- Leaders who are recognized for their contributions are re-energized and share this enthusiasm with their sections and youth
- Adults see themselves directly connected to the movement - beyond their child's involvement
- Wellington will help lower the national turn over rate
- Wellington will strengthen the membership in our groups

It all starts with documenting the scouting career of a fellow scouter. Learn how:

Join us for a Recognition Workshop

Location: Barber Scout Camp		
Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm (Pick one of the following dates)		
Mon, October 19	Thurs, October 29	Tues, November 10
RSVP to Diane Hilborn DAC, Recognition recognition@w.scouter.ca		

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@w.scouter.ca or call him at 519-763-5849 and provide the following information:

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

Area Events

Group Registrations

Group Registrations are held at Barber Scout Camp on October 1st, 7th and 13th. Please book a time for either of those three nights with Alisa as members from Central Escarpment Council are present.

CEC Fall Camporee

The 2nd Annual Central Escarpment Council Fall Camporee takes place on October 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, 2009 at Blue Heron Camp (Blue Springs Scout Reserve). More details can be found on their website www.scouts.ca/cec/camporee.

Apple Days

Apple Days are October 15th to the 17th. Please speak to [Len Wiley](#) for information on your territory or the number of bushels you would like to order.

Part 1 Training

Training for new leaders will be at College Heights Secondary School. Beavers, Cubs, Scouts will be learning Module 5 on October 23rd and Modules 2-4 on the 24th. Group Commissioners will be learning Module 1 on the 23rd and Modules 2-4 on the 24th. To register for Part 1 Training, you can [fill out](#) the registration form on our website.

All Volunteers Meetings/Adventure Team

This meeting is set for November 2nd at Barber Scout Camp for 7:00 pm followed by the Service Team meeting at 8:45. All are welcome to join us.

Pioneer Camp

Pioneering Camp is November 6th to 8th at Barber Scout Camp more info can be found on their [flyer](#).

4th Brant/Wellington Joint Sixer Second Camp

If you've attended before, you know spots fill up quickly and there's lots of fun to be had! Plan now to join us Saturday November 14 to Sunday, November 15 at Camp Impeesa with your Sixers and Seconds for a jam-packed learning opportunity. We cover knots, formal/informal campfire, duties of the Sixer/Second, Sixer Council, care of tents, meal planning and much more! Crafts, games, scavenger hunt, formal campfire and Scout's Own complete the weekend. Registration packages available [here](#). For information, please contact Diane Hilborn scouterdiane@hotmail.com 519-766-9823.

Remembrance Day

Scouting participants are to meet at the Guelph Armoury on November 11th for 9:00 in full uniform. They will then line up and march to the Sleman Center at 10:00 for the ceremony and then march back to the Guelph Armoury for 12:00.

Free lunch will be served for the youth at the Guelph Armoury, leaders can go to the Guelph Legion to get their free lunch.

Guelph Storm Hockey

Please mark your planning calendars and plan to attend the The Guelph Storm Hockey game as they take on the Brampton Battalion at the Sleman Centre on November 18th. Puck drops is at 7:00.

Ticket prices are \$5 for all seats (Youth, Leaders, Family and Friends) All ticket orders will be done through Sarah Twigger at the Guelph Storm 519-837-9690 or by email stwigger@guelphstorm.com. All tickets sales will require a credit card number.

Group ticket sales will require that someone from the Group will have to provide credit card information for the Group ticket order. The Storm box office will try to seat all Groups together as best as they can. At times larger Groups are more difficult to seat the entire group together.

Please come out and support Scouting and the Guelph Storm.

Camp Corner

By: Gerry "Bear" Carr & Scouter Brian Millie, Camp Committee

To the "not fans of Barber" club. If you could let us know what the issues are. They will be taken under advisement during our planning meetings and incorporated as much as possible. It can't be fixed if we don't know it's broke.

Firewood : Use what you need but put the extra back in the woodshed. Please don't bring wood in as there is a risk of environmental pests. If you insist on bringing wood NO NAILS, SCREWS etc. the ashes will be spread in the parking area. Nobody wants a flat tire.

CUSCORO House: Do not let your youth do anything here they would not be allowed to do at your house. (like graffiti, plugging toilets, etc.)

There are several largish projects we need to consider. The perimeter fence is getting very run down. As the area near the camp is developed the problem of trespassers increases as does our liability. We would like to erect (hehe I said "erect") a compound around the woodshed to ensure our wood is used by campers and not disappearing to the far side of "Squatter's Flat". The C.W Barber Memorial Scout Camp sign needs to be re posted at the entrance to the camp. The furnace is at least 25 years old and was originally jetted for propane prior to having natural gas in the camp. We would need to "contract" to get these jobs done as we do not have the equipment or manpower on Camp Committee to tackle these jobs. There has never been provision put in place for capital improvements to any scout property...Go figure. In the current economy businesses are not as willing to donate goods or service.

As with all projects all it takes is money \$\$\$\$\$\$. It would be really great if we could get a fundraising clique in place. Members would be part of the Camp Committee but not obligated to work at the camp. As an area we need to be proactive about this as we cannot rely on SC being there to pick up the tab.

I feel it is important we get started on this immediately.

Gerry "Bear" Carr
Camp Committee

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November 2nd at 7:00
Barber Scout Camp

Booking Barber Scout Camp

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