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ALL SCOUTERS AND ADULT LEADERS OF THE MOVEMENT

# PERSPECTIVE

ALL REALLY SENSIBLE MEN agree that the prudent course is to be neither bigoted in our attachment to the old nor rash and impractical in keeping an open mind for the new, but to make the best of both dispensations.

-from Androcles and The Lion by G. B. Shaw

RESILIENT MINDS: In my travels I sometimes meet Scouters whose mental rigidity is positively distressing. I find it hard to understand how men of this type can impart to their own Scouts the attitude of mind necessary to live in this period of history. Surely if boys are to develop the resiliency of mind helpful to sound living in a much orbited world, they must be led and inspired by men who, themselves, are capable of seeing good in other points of view and in other areas of experience than their own. . . . Let us help each other to open wide our minds and hearts to the possibility that on occasion the other person of other thinking and other experience may be right.

-D. C. Spry, Director, Boy Scouts World Bureau

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: Five Cub leaders represented Canada at the 1st International Cub Leaders' Conference at Gilwell Park, England. — The 8th Ontario Rover Moot was held at Blue Springs, Ont. — At the annual conference of provincial commissioners, provincial presidents and members of the executive, an appeal was made to keep working toward a goal of 100,000 members enrolled in the Movement. — Sir Alfred Pickford, speaking at the Ontario conference, emphasized that "Scouting should spread its influence throughout the world as an antidote to the bitterness, suspicion and hatred rife today".

-from The Scout Leader, June-July, 1938



# **OUR COVER PICTURE:**

An American and a Canadian Boy Scout show there are no differences when it comes to peeling potatoes. Robert Meath of Syracuse, New York, Troop 223, and Rickey Reid of First Fort Henry Troop C, Ontario share the task.

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How many campers make a camp? How many camps make a campground? How many are enough? How many are too many? These are questions which have become important in the present trend of millions of people toward outdoor recreation.

Although agricultural produce and livestock have been regarded for a long time as crops, it has been comparatively recently that modern thinking has looked upon forests, fish and wild life as similar crops of the land. Just as the climate and the soil and its fertility are governing factors in the kinds and quantities of agricultural produce and livestock, so are these factors of similar limitation in the production of forests, fish and wild life. Land of certain characteristics can produce and maintain a certain number of animals in harmony with the environment. Waters of certain size, location, character and fertility can produce certain numbers and species of fish. This ability of the land to produce and maintain is referred to as carrying capacity.

In recent years, another crop has grown in prominence. This crop depends upon the land and waters mixed with varying amounts of space, scenery, trees,

many campgrounds; a campground will support just so many campsites; a parking area, so many cars; a beach, so many bathers; a picnic area, so many picnic tables; and even a footpath, so many walkers. There may always be room for one more, but at some time, a situation of intolerance may be reached when over-use or misuse destroys the environment and its ability to support outdoor recreational activities.

The carrying capacity of land for recreation varies with the recreational activity. A popular sand beach, attractive to thousands of visitors on a weekend, could be considered to have a high carrying capacity. The beach is not destroyed by pounding feet and splashing water. Similarly, an organized picnic area with lots of tables, fire places, garbage containers, drinking water and frequent maintenance would have a high carrying capacity for picnickers. The same applies to a developed campground planned for a number of drive-in sites, equipped with tables, fireplaces, drinking water, garbage collection and sanitary facilities.

In contrast, in group camping areas where groups are free to erect tents where they wish within the allotted



# **Going Camping?**

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Timely comments for nature lovers across Canada who wish to enjoy our country's singular natural beauty.

"Jasper" courtesy of Maclean's

vistas, fields, marshes, shorelines, beaches, fish for catching, and animals for seeing. It requires the freedom to enjoy these resources by camping, picnicking, bathing, boating, hiking, driving, loafing, and simply being among these natural assets. Outdoor recreation, as a crop, depends upon what the land can produce and is harvested by an annually increasing army of vacationists. Among these are the organized groups, such as Boy Scouts and Girl Guides who, by reservation, are welcome to camp, without charge, in allotted areas in forty-one of eighty-four provincial parks across Ontario.

The group camping areas are usually located away from the regular public campgrounds so that the groups may enjoy some degree of privacy for their activities and ceremonies, such as evening campfires. As the groups return each year and as other groups appear, the use of the particular areas increases. One can readily see that this pressure creates unavoidable wear and tear upon the camping area. Some of this deterioration is avoidable, however, and it is this which every group must recognize.

As with any crop, the land has limitations or carrying capacity for recreation. Any park will support just so

area, the carrying capacity may be very low. This is particularly true in wooded areas in which steady use tends to destroy the vegetation. In open fields, however, the capacity can be high because the grassy vegetation comes back fairly quickly.

If we consider the number of campers and the use to which the areas are subjected we must realize, if the camping environment is to survive the onslaught, that the style of camping must change. We can no longer imitate the early woods travellers and voyageurs. This is strictly old-fashioned and belonged to a time when the country could stand the impact of a few people moving through it. Today, the environment will not stand the numbers of campers cutting boughs for beds and poles for shelters and varieties of cooking devices. Axemanship cannot be practised on live trees and birch bark must not be regarded as material for cups and souvenirs.

Perhaps it is unfortunate that books on woodlore and camperaft lead one to want to undertake all the interesting projects which they describe. We must recognize, however, that most of these projects depend upon the

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destruction of the natural surroundings. Let us, therefore, regard camping in a modern light with modern equipment and ideas. Let us regard camping, not as an end in itself, but as a means to participating in activities which cannot be enjoyed at all, or as well, at home. Such activities may include swimming, boating, fishing, hiking, camp-cooking (stones make the fireplace and green wood does not burn), photography, wild life and botanical observations and other interests which do not destroy the environment. If poles are required for tents and projects, it may be possible to arrange with the park superintendant for a supply which can be used again and again by many groups. We must overcome the desire to pit our wits and skills against the wilderness. There is no longer any wilderness and we now know better methods by which we can gain enjoyment and appreciation of our natural environment.

This brings us to canoe-tripping which depends upon reasonably natural surroundings, encompassing large areas from which mechanical means of travel are prohibited and in which primitive means of travel, such as by canoe, by horse or by foot are encouraged. The requirements for such recreation are solitude, quiet, an environment for inspirational enjoyment and the sense of personal achievement which comes from paddling, portaging and map reading.

The canoe country is one of our most valuable assets and yet, by virtue of its inaccessibility, its protection and maintenance depend upon the people who use it. Upon canoe trippers, therefore, rests the responsibility of fire prevention, garbage disposal and campsite cleanliness. If all trippers were aware of, and practised the rules, the canoe country would be spared annual deterioration. These simple rules are:

 A folding spade or similar digging tool is essential for digging garbage pits, latrines and trenching the tent.

- Dig garbage pits and latrines back in the woods, at least 300 feet away from water and the actual campsite.
- Cut both ends from cans and burn all garbage (cans, peels, papers, left-overs) to sterilize or to reduce to ashes.
- Flatten all cans, wash all glass containers and bury these and burned garbage residue when cold. This avoids odour and garbage-seeking bears.
- In rocky terrain, where digging is impossible, sink glass containers and burned cans in a deep part of the water.
- 6. Build the fire on a rock or bare mineral soil away from humus, old logs and roots and near water. Keep the fire small and make certain it is dead out before you leave. Use lots of water, stir the wet coals with a stick and look for hot ashes among the rocks of the fireplace.
- Leave tent poles stacked against a tree for the next camper to find.
- 8. Leave some sheltered firewood for the next camper.
- 9. Before leaving, inspect the campsite for forgotten equipment, and ask yourself if you would like to be the next one to use the site.

It must be emphasized that these suggestions are for canoe trippers and not group campers on permanent locations. In these, conditions vary from park to park. Campers, therefore, must check with the park superintendent for the local rules regarding garbage disposal, firewood and sanitary facilities.

Camping is part of the Canadian heritage. During the years it has undergone some changes, but basically it will always depend upon our understanding and appreciation of the camping environment. It is up to us to use it wisely with full consideration for others, now and in the future, who also deserve to enjoy and appreciate our natural environment.

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DECIDE

# PEACE, BUT NOT AT ANY PRICE

At the time when Scouting's attention is, focussed on Greece and the Eleventh World Jamboree, this series of articles looks at another world gathering of youth—a conference held under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association.

The ten-day conference was called by the World Alliance of Y.M.C.A.'s with its headquarters in Geneva. Like a jamboree, it provided an opportunity for members of a world-wide movement to meet in international fellowship. Both boys and girls, however, met around the Y.M.C.A. conference table.

A previous international conference of youth and adults had been held in 1955 at which time there had been a desire for a world conference entirely for youth. This Y.M.C.A. World Conference, held in 1960, was a realization of that dream.

The Canadian delegation to the conference comprised thirty-two young men and women. It is interesting to note that many of those attending the conference were Scouts. The report of the Canadian delegation describes

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these as "consisting of approximately twenty-five delegates representing various countries. Many of the delegates served as interpreters and helped those who were unfamiliar with the various foreign languages." As would be expected, language was a difficulty but "all participated wholeheartedly and much was accomplished".

Arnold W. Fraser, a Canadian who is World Boys' secretary and director of the conference, writes vividly of the programme in *World Communique*, published by the World Alliance of Y.M.C.A.'s.

"These 791 young people from forty-seven countries gave us some insight into how they will face the future. They proved their worthiness and their willingness to grapple with the problems of their inheritance.

"What did they talk about? Well, such imponderables as war and peace,

and the nature of authority, and such simple homely subjects as their families, their friends, their schools, churches and careers.

"Strangely enough, they were far more realistic than idealistic. They recognized that Christians may differ about many things, that political and economic problems demand political and economic answers, and that Christians have different ideas about how these problems must be faced. They knew there could be no panacaea for racial strife or social injustice but they affirmed the necessity for relentless effort in uprooting such evils wherever they exist.

Also strangely enough, they are not pacifists as many were in the period of the thirties. It is true their most ardent desire is for peace, but they know that there are some things for which they must stand up and be counted, and if need be when the moment arises, fight. Yet they will not join battle merely on the basis of propaganda but feel the urgent necessity of doing everything to preserve a just

of doing everything to preserve a just and honourable peace. They are not a generation of cowards, nor are their heads in the clouds. They seek peace, but not at any price."

Arnold Fraser goes on to describe how the teenage delegates talked and exchanged views about the new emerging nations and the hours of discussion on the racial question. "We are convinced", the delegates said "that serious international problems arise from the fact that man has been unable to recognize the equality of all races", but they were convinced from their own experience "that racial and cultural differences are a source of enrichment for life".

"Discussion on the nature of authority was tough going", writes Arnold Fraser. "The youth at Hilversum rejected the confusion of the older generation. The still small voice of conscience was much debated and there was an obvious relationship of the discussion to questions of personal life. But one thing became clear,—youth desires to know that authority which will indicate the way of real life. As a conference of the Y.M.C.A., much of this discussion was within the framework of Christian beliefs. But the conference was also attended by non-Christian delegates. Here for most of the participants, was a new dimension to life. And here was one of the richest parts of the conference experience, for it was this wideness of diversity that helped the delegates realize that God indeed has the whole world in His hand".

But all was not discussion. A sports programme in the afternoon provided an excellent release for the tensions built up during the morning sessions. The Canadian

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delegates talked about the team games of one barrack against another when "co-operation reached its height as each barrack included delegates from every corner of the world. . . Probably the most popular sport was bicycling (which) provided both exercise and sight seeing."

Highlights of the conference included key addresses: The opening theme address "In His Hand?", when Dr. Paul M. Limbert, Secretary General of the World Alliance, urged delegates to face the basic issues of their relation to the world and to God; Dr. Tracy Strong speaking on "War and Peace"; the youth director of UNESCO, Piene Francois, speaking in French on, "This Generation of Youth" and emphasizing the need for youth to have an intellectual and spiritual strength.

There was also the tour of the Zuiderzee Works in Holland, a project to fill in the well-known Zuiderzee and use reclaimed land as a prosperous farm area. And, of course, the Plenary Sessions of the conference when, with the help of simultaneous translation, general conference statements were negotiated and finally accepted; and a "summary of experience" was presented by a Resolutions Committee and "given a thorough facelifting through amendments of the delegates".

A summary of the accomplishments of the conference is given by Arnold Fraser:

"Thanks to the World Youth Conference, the Y.M.C.A. can understand this generation of youth much better. In their own right the Hilversum delegates lifted the veil between generations and showed themselves as they are. Here is something of what they revealed:

- —Youth, so often thought to be silent, are capable of expressing themselves.
- —Youth can make friends across political, racial, religious, cultural and economic frontiers. And they want to do it because they think it is important—and it is.
- —Youth are keenly interested in finding out about the world around them. They want to know others, and their problems. They believe that they can help bring unity. In fact, they show that amidst adversity, they are a unity.
- —Youth want to discuss the real problems with which they are confronted.
- —Youth want to do something significant with their lives, not only in the future, but now. They seek action.
- —Youth are ready to accept responsibility.
- —Youth want training in leadership commensurate with the size and nature of the responsibilities that are and will be theirs."

Like the Y.M.C.A., Scouting has a mission to youth. Whether it is jamborees, moots, or conferences, every opportunity must be examined to ensure that youth will gain the most value from the experience. International brotherhood is an elusive ideal, however, and such events require more than dewy-eyed optimism if this ideal is to be achieved.

Several thousand youth in the close proximity of a high campsite does not, in itself, create lasting ties of peace and understanding. Whatever is accomplished, will be the result of hard work and careful planning by those responsible for the event.

# Scoutscope

# STRIKES AND SPARES

The North Yonge Bowl, in conjunction with the 4th York Mills, Toronto, Ont., group committee, recently sponsored a public bowl with fifty percent of the proceeds going to the Scout troop. The troop members are all retarded children who bowl every Saturday morning at the North Yonge Bowl.

Hard work by the promoters of the big evening ensured door prizes and bowlers were asked to dig deep and roll a lot of games. The Scout funds are earmarked for the purchase of more tents for use in the summer camping season.



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# RADIO LINK

At present there are eight active Scout groups with about 200 members in the Arctic. All have been twinned with groups in southern Quebec. The southern "twins" provide the northern groups with help by supplying uniform items, literature and information. An amateur radio network has been arranged to provide a more reliable and instantaneous link with the Arctic as mail delivery is slow and erratic, particularly in winter. Recently, Air Vice-Marshal J. B. Harvey, AFC, DC, Chairman of the Eastern Arctic and Northern Quebec Scout committee, officially opened VE2CBS, an amateur radio station operating out of Montreal, which will help bring Eskimo Scouts closer to their southern "brothers".

# BLOOD TYPED

The First Sherwood Scout Troop, P.E.I., established a first in Prince Edward Island recently, when some forty Scouts underwent blood typing by technicians from the provincial department of health.

In the case of the Scouts, assistant Scoutmaster William Stafford said, "such information will be of great benefit to Scouting authorities when the boys attend summer camps." The Scouts will be required to carry their blood type card with them at all times so that it will be readily available should they become involved in a serious accident.

Scouts from the Neepawa Troop, Man., performed an operation as part of the entertainment at the annual banquet. The Persian cat being held aloft was only one of the oddments which were "removed" from the "patient" who was stricken when he discovered the pie he was eating was made of cat meat.

# BOTTLE AHOY!

Sixteen-year-old Scout Carl Copp of Sussex, N.B., threw a bottle into the Atlantic ocean on September 3, 1960 while vacationing with his family at Barachois, Nova Scotia.

Then he forgot about the incident.

Recently, Alexander McArthur, a resident of Tiree Island, off the west coast of Scotland, wrote to Carl saying he had found the bottle.

The bottle was intact and the note was legible after twenty-eight months afloat in the Atlantic.

# 4TH WORLD INDABA

We regret that the 4th World Indaba, which was to be held in Finland in August, 1964, has been cancelled due to insufficient indications of attendance.

# OPEN DOORS

Thousands of doors were opened by hundreds of Boy Scouts during Boy Scout Week in the South Plains Council, Lubbock, Texas. Neatly uniformed Scouts opened doors of local business, each with a big smile on his face. The Scouts were living examples of the Scout Law,—be helpful, friendly, courteous, and kind—as they opened the doors and welcomed customers.

There are always pots to be scoured. Scout Don Robson got the job this time.



# Introduction

This guide contains suggested programme themes and ideas for Wolf Cub packs, Boy Scout troops and Rover Scout crews. As the name implies, this is intended to be used as a guide only, when programme plans are drawn up for sections.

# How to Use

Programme planning should begin by sections, ite., sixers' council, Cubmaster and assistants; Court of Honour, Scoutmaster and assistants; crew executive, Rover Scoutleader and assistants.

- 1. Refer to the basic handbooks—The Pack Scouters Handbook, The Troop Scouters Handbook, and The Crew Scouters Handbook.
  - 2. Study the planning guide.
  - 3. Draw up your own planning guide.
  - 4: Co-ordinate section plans.
  - 5. Present section plans to group committee.

Adjust plans to include group activities, e.g., father and son banquet.

- 6. By sections, develop short range plans.
- 7. For suggested details and highlights, for short range plans, consult *The Scout Leader*.



# A PLANNING GUIDE FOR PROGRAMMES

GREW	ders Kit)	Communications—speech —gestures —signs —symbols —music —art —nime	Red'Cross St. Johns Ambulance Emergency Measures Organization Search and rescue teams
TROOP	Introduction of Fitness Programme (Use the Fitness Through Scouting—Leaders Kit) Physical Fitness Testing Section Administration HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITY Track and Field	Gommunications—Radioman Badge Signaller Signaller Badge Signaller Badge Mobilization plan Signs and symbols Patrol insignia HIGHLIGHT AGTIVITY	Casualty simulation Junioř St. Johns Rescusitation Feeding—field kitchen Shelfër Emergency Scheme
PACK		Personal exercises Sense training—sight Games for autumn Communications Science experiments Wolf Cub activity Film on communications	First Aider Badge Personal skills—wrestling Wolf Cub activity Film on fire prevention or safety
THEME	"Basic 'Fitness''	"Fit for Space"	"Fit for Emergencies"
HTNOM	September 1963 2 Labour Pay	October 14 Thanksgiving. Hallowe'en 24 U.N. Bay Fire Brevention Weck UNICEF	November  11. Remembrance Bay 30. St. Andrew's Day Young Canada's Book Week

TROOP	adge Service—hospital Turns —nursing home adge Film projectors Film showing	HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES Christinas Party	ing man kis—toboggans on Winter sports	HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES towman Survival Project	hsip Badge Personal fitness: R.C.A.F.—5 BX Quest on religion Quest on brotherhood	HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES U.N. Dinner	Rules of health Dental and medical checkups Hiking and camping gear Light weight equipment Personal gear	HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES Wide Game
PACK	Rules of health Toymaker Badge Sense training—sound Wolf Cub activity Film on good manners	HIGHLIGH Chris	Team Player Badge Sports and hobbies Homecraft Badge Collector Badge Wolf Cub activity Film on crafts	HIGHLIGH Operation Snowman	Personal skills—boxing Sense training—taste Church parade—Religion and Life Award Personal fitness Wolf Cub activity Film on BP. or jamboree	HIGHLIGH Parents' Night	Star activities Games for spring Wolf Cub activity Film	HIGHLIGH Wid
THEME	"Fit for Service"		"Fit for Fun"		"Fitness through Scouting"		"Fit for Action"	
MONTH	December 25 Christmas		January, 1964 1 New Year's Day 8 BP. died 1941		February 14 St. Valentine's Day 22-29 Boy Scout Week BP. Sabbath BP. Sunday		March 1 St. David 17 St. Patrick 27 Good Friday	29 Easter Sunday 30 Easter Monday Passover

MONTH	THEME	PACK	TROOP	CREW
April 21 Queen's birthday 23 St. George Nat. Wild Life Week	"Fit for Citizenship"	Cyclist Badge Adopt a tree Sense training—touch Guide Badge Personal skills—skipping Wolf Cub activity Film—"Bicycle Safety"	cons Badgo conversion Badges GHLIGHT ACTIVITII	Quest on duties of citizen Visit to court Quest on democracy National resources CARE or UNICEF
		Conservation Display		Vocation Parade
May 10 Mother's Day 15 Citizenship Day 20 Queen's Official Birthday Clean-up Week Forest Fire Prevention Week	"Fit for the Olympics"	Athlete Badge Outdoor activities Gardener Badge Games for summer Wolf Cub activity Film—"Hook, Line and Safety"	National Scout Olympics Re-testing Training programmes Cleanliness	Amateur vs. professional Olympic events Officials and duties Equipment (service)
			HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES	,
			Olympics	
June 21 Father's Day 24 St. Jean Baptiste Shut-ins' Day	"Fit for Exploring"	Guide Badge Sense training—touch Wolf Cub activities Film—"Play Safely" Orienteering Race	Orienteering Map and compass Compass course Bee-line hike HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES	Navigation Traffic rules Logkeeping Rally procedures Car Rally
July/August 1 Dominion Day	"Fit for Adventure"	Summer programme Swimmer's badge Wolf Cub activities	Patrol hikes Patrol weekends Every Scout a swimmer Swimming classes Waterfront The swim! HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES	Exploring Canada Red Cross instructor Help Scouts Waterfront supervision The swim!

# RELIGIOUS CALENDARS 1964

It is an accepted principle in the Boy Scout Movement, that Scouting events will be arranged so they do not conflict with the religious obligations of Scouts and Scouters. This calendar outlines the important dates observed by the various religious denominations and is produced to assist those planning Scouting events to avoid scheduling training courses, camporees, weekend camps and conferences, which would interfere with the religious obligations of members of the Movement.

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Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Jan. 6	Feast of the Epiphany
Jan. 27 - Feb. 2	Christian Youth Week
Feb. 12	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 23	Boy Scout Sunday
Mar. 22	Palm Sunday
Mar. 22-28	Holy Week
Mar. 27	Good Friday
Mar. 29	Easter Day
Арг. 23	St. George's Day,
	Patron Saint of Scouts
May 7	Ascension Day
May 10	Christian Family Sunday
May 17	Whitsunday or Pentecost
May 24	Trinity Sunday
Aug. 15	Repose of the Blessed Virgin
	(Orthodox)
Sept	Rally Day
Oct. 4	Worldwide Communion Sunday
	(World Council of Churches)
Oct. 11	Thanksgiving Services
Oct. 25	Reformation Sunday
Nov. 29	Advent Sunday
Dec. 25	Christmas Day

# Important

- Protestant, Anglican and Orthodox boys are taught to say morning and evening prayers and grace before meals. They should be given every encouragement to follow these practices on Scout activities.
- Provision should be made at camp for all boys to attend services of their own denomination if possible.
   If not possible, a service conducted by the Scouters and boys, of a character acceptable to the denominations participating, should be carried out.
- Efforts should be made to obtain the services of ministers of various denominations to conduct services for their own Scouts on Sundays as an alternative to the above.
- 4. Scout events should be timed so as not to conflict with major religious festivals, or to interfere in any way with the regular religious obligations of any Scout.

# ROMAN CATHOLIC

Jan. 1	*The Circumcision of our Lord—
	New Year's Day
Jan. 6	*Feast of the Epiphany
Feb. 12	**Ash Wednesday
Feb. 23	Boy Scout Sunday
Mar. 27	**Good Friday
Mar. 28	Holy Saturday
Mar. 29	*Easter Day
Apr. 23	St. George's Day, Patron Saint of
	Scouts
May 7	*Ascension of our Lord
May 17	Pentecost Sunday
Aug. 15	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin
	Mary
Nov. I	*Feast of All Saints
Nov. 29	Advent Sunday
Dec. 7	**Vigil of Immaculate Conception
Dec. 8	*Feast of the Immaculate Concep-
	tion
Dec. 23	**Day before Vigil of Christmas
Dec. 25	*Christmas Day
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\*Indicates Holy Days necessary for all Catholics to attend Mass.

# Important

- It is necessary for all Catholic boys to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
- No Scout of Catholic faith should be placed in circumstances that make it difficult for him to abstain from meat on Fridays and days of complete abstinence.
- Usually one Saturday of each month is Confession Day for the Catholic boy. Enquire about this before planning a week-end or overnight camp.
- A Catholic boy is taught to say morning and evening prayers every day. A reminder of this will be helpful to the Catholic Scout.
- Avoid hikes and Scout activities involving Catholic boys on Good Friday.
- Consult parish priest Diocesan or District chaplain when in doubt about anything of a religious nature concerning Catholic Scouts.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Complete abstinence from flesh meat.

# **JEWISH**

(see note 2) Feb. 22 Boy Scout Sabbath	
Feb 22 Poy Scout Sabbath	
reo. 22 Boy Scout Sabbati	
Feb. 27 Purim (see note 2)	
Mar. 28-29 Passover—commemorating the	
liberation of the Children of Israe	1
from Egyptian bondage	
Apr. 3-4 Conclusion of Passover	
Apr. 30 Lag B'Oner (see note 2)	
May 17-18 Shavuos—Pentecost—the giving	οf
the Ten Commandments on Mou	
Sinai	110
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Sept. 7-8 *Rosh Hashanah—Jewish New	
Year	
Sept. 16 *Yom Kippur—Day of Atoneme	
—devoted to fasting and repentan	ce
Sept. 21-22 Sukkoth—Tabernacles—Harvest	
Festival commemorating the dwe	el-
ling of the Children of Israel	in
tabernacles in the Wilderness	
Sept. 28-29 Conclusion of Sukkoth	
Nov. 30 - Dec. 7 Chanukah—Dedication days—cor	n-
memorating the victorious strugg	
for religious freedom in 167 B.C.	
(see note 2)	

\*Indicates Holiest Days of the Year.

# Notes

 All holidays begin at sundown on the evening previous to date given.

 All holidays are major holidays except Chanukah, Purim, New Year of the Trees and Lag B'Oner. Observance of these holidays does not interfere with regular activities.

 When there are ten or more Scouts of Jewish faith at camp it is customary to arrange a religious service for them on Friday evening before Sunset and Saturday morning. A Rabbi or a Scouter may conduct the service.

# CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Feb. 25	Boy Scout - Beehive Girl Fun Fest
April 14	Ward Family Night
May 12	Stake Drama Festival
June i2	June Conference

# Sunday Camping

Concerning religious observances in the "Mormon" Church, Councils should make note of the following Church policy regarding Sunday camping and activities.

It is the desire of the Church that Scout Troops sponsored by the Church do not schedule or participate in events that occur on Sunday. The same principle applies to Scouts of the Church who are members of other Groups. This includes travelling to and from camp on Sunday. The doctrine of the Church teaches boys that they have a "Duty to God" obligation that requires their presence in meetings on Sunday in the wards and branches.

# Special Note

The first Sunday of each month, with some exceptions, is Fast Sunday, when members abstain from eating for two meals.

A representative of the Primary Association, which is responsible for Cubbing, and a representative of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association, which is responsible for Scouting, will be in attendance at one quarterly stake conference each year in each stake.

Scout Executives and local council leaders should contact the chairman of the stake Scouting committee in each stake in matters of relationships and co-operation between the Church and the Boy Scouts of Canada.

# OTHER CHURCH CALENDAR DATES

Common to Roman Catholic and many non-Roman

	Churches
Jan. 1	The Circumcision
Jan. 25	Conversion of St. Paul
Jan. 26	Septuagesima Sunday
Feb. 2	Purification of the Blessed Virgin
Feb. 24	St. Matthias
Mar. 1	St. David
Mar. 17	St. Patrick
Mar. 25	The Annunciation
Apr. 25	St. Mark
May 1	St. Phillip and St. James
June 11	St. Barnabas
June 24	St. John the Baptist
June 29	St. Peter and St. Paul
July 25	St. James the Apostle
Aug. 6	The Transfiguration
Aug. 24	St. Bartholemew
Sept. 21	St. Matthew
Sept. 29	St. Michael and All Angels
Oct. 18	St. Luke
Oct. 28	St. Simon and St. Jude
Nov. 1	All Saints Day
Nov. 29	Advent Sunday
Nov. 30	St. Andrew
Dec. 21	St. Thomas
Dec. 26	St. Stephen
Dec. 27	St. John the Evangelist
Dec. 28	Holy Innocents

# STATUTORY HOLIDAYS—1964

New Year's Day	Jan. I
Good Friday	Mar. 27
Easter Monday	Маг. 30
Queen's Official Birthday	May 18
Dominion Day	July 1
Labour Day	Sept. 7
Thanksgiving Day	Oct. 12
Remembrance Day	Nov. 11
Christmas Day	Dec. 25
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QUEBEC ONLY	
The Epiphany	Jan. 6
Ash Wednesday	Feb. 12
The Ascension	May 7
St. Jean Baptiste	June 24
All Saints Day	Nov. 1
Conception Day	Dec. 8
OTHER SPECIAL DATES	
BP.'s Birthday	Feb. 22
Queen's Birthday	Apr. 21
V.E. Day	May 8
Mother's Day	May 10
Citizenship Day	May 15
Father's Day	June 21

Civic Holiday (in many centres)

V.J. Day

United Nations Day

Aug. 3

Aug. 15 Oct. 24

# W. NOEL REAKES APPOINTED FOR PEN PAL SERVICE

W. Noel Reakes, former assistant provincial commissioner for Lone Scouts in the Province of Quebec, has been named secretary of the Pen Pal Service for National Headquarters. Mr. Reakes will operate the service from his home as a goodwill offering of service to the Movement in Canada. The Pen Pal Service will remain under the general direction of the Relationships Department.

Mr. Reakes started his Scouting career as a Scout in 1918. He has served as Cubmaster, assistant Scoutmaster, Scoutmaster, group committee chairman, assistant district commissioner, director of Lone Scouts for Quebec and assistant provincial commissioner (Lone Scouts) for Quebec.

He is the holder of the long service medal with four bars, the medal of merit, the Silver Acorn and the Thanks Badge.

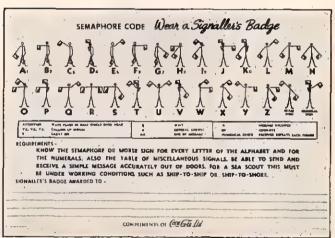
In his new position, Mr. Reakes will handle the regular flow of pen pal requests and promote this work in the interests of world brotherhood.



F. Noel Reakes

Requests for pen pals must have the approval of the Scoutmaster and should give the boy's age, grade in Scouting, rank, religious affiliation, languages spoken and hobbies. They should be sent to Mr. W. Noel Reakes, 319 Phipps Street, Fort Erie, Ontario, or, to the Relationships Department at National Headquarters.





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This month I want to pass on a few thoughts concerning an important decision which was made recently by the National Executive Committee and which could have far reaching effects on the future of the Scout Movement in Canada. I refer to the decision to proceed with the launching of the Canadian Boy magazine.

Not only is the decision to launch the magazine of great importance but of even more significance is the decision to meet the launching costs from within the Movement through the combined effort of the entire membership. This self-help aspect of the project will have an important bearing on its future success because each member will share a proprietory interest in the magazine.

There is a great need in Canada for a boys' magazine which will not only provide boys with good, wholesome reading but will also contain material on a wide variety of subjects that are of particular interest to them. We can be proud that by launching this magazine the Boy Scouts of Canada is filling an important need at a very nominal cost—a mere one cent per week, a fraction of what is now being spent on comic books.

From the standpoint of the Scout Movement, Canadian Boy will be most valuable because it will link all members and provide a national voice for the Movement, and it will also carry the story of Scouting into the home of each member. It will enable us, for the first time, to reach the parents of boys in their homes, and thus give assistance to Scouters by making known and interpreting to parents the aims and objects of the Scout Movement.

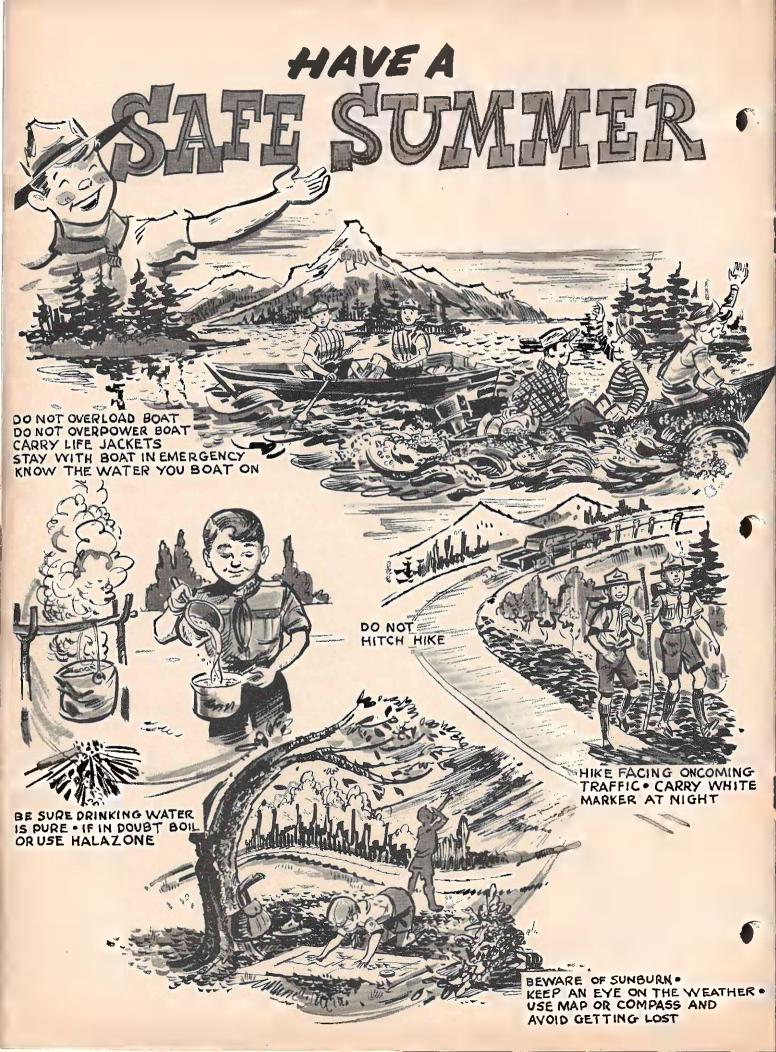
It is apparent that the success of the magazine will depend largely on the extent to which it reaches the boys. This can only be accomplished by the maintenance of accurate records. This is the important contribution which leaders will make to the success of the venture.

Recognizing that the magazine will be published primarily as a service to boys, we know that all the leaders in the Movement will support the project and will contribute to its success by keeping their records up to date. In this way they will ensure that all boys who enter the Movement will receive the magazine as soon as possible after joining.

It is equally important that leadership records be kept up to date because the magazine will be going to leaders on the same basis as to boys. \*

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Chief Executive Commissioner.





# 1962's Annual Report...



CANADA WIDE

Scouts enjoyed participation in the 2nd National Sailing Regatta. Photo used on front cover of the 1962 Annual Report.

# HIGHLIGHTS

FROM THE

1962 ANNUAL REPORT

AND THE

ANNUAL MEETING, 1963



J. J. BEEGER



# ... Scouting from sea to sea!

The 1962 Annual Report of the Executive Committee of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of Canada was presented at the Annual Meeting, held in Ottawa, May 10th, 1963.



NATIONAL DEFENCE

Golden Hawk pilot entertains an enthusiastic audience. Scouting brings space-age activities into its programme.

# **EVENTS**

The report includes brief accounts of the 4th National Rover Moot, 2nd National Sailing Regatta, National Explorer Delegate Conference, Icelandic Jamboree, Scottish International Patrol Meeting, Quinnipiac Council Camporee. Canadian Scouts and Scouters continue their active participation in these national and international events.

# APPRECIATIONS

Mr. R. C. Berkinshaw, Chairman of the Executive Committee, expresses appreciation to the following on behalf of the Executive Committee: Government House staff, the Government of Canada, provincial and civic governments, all those who provided financial support, volunteer workers, the press, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and the Canadian Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters, the Canadian Red Cross and the St. John Ambulance Association, the Girl Guides of Canada, and the Executive staff of the Boy Scouts of Canada.

# NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Summaries of the year's principal activities of the various departments at National Headquarters—Administration, Programme, Publications, Public Relations, Research Service, Relationships, Stores—are presented in the Annual Report by Chief Executive Commissioner Fred J. Finlay.

Camporees and competitions were held throughout the year across the land.

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<sup>\*</sup> LISTED UNDER BOTH HANDICAPPED GROUPS AND THEIR SPONSORING INSTITUTIONS, BUT INCLUDED ONLY ONCE IN THE TOTALS.



GUESS AGAIN! They're Scouts from the 1st Applewood Acres Troop of Cooksville, Ontario, engaged in providing some flawless entertainment entitled "Spring Flaw".



Mr. Rene Laham, left, of the Waltham Press, Ottawa, presented the original painting of the company's 1963 calendar to the Boy Scouts of Canada. This painting shows Scouts of many nations saluting together at the base of a flagstaff from which the World Scout flag is flying. President R. C. Berkinshaw, right, accepted the painting on behalf of the Boy Scouts of Canada and, because it was felt appropriate that the painting should be shared with the World Conference, Mr. Berkinshaw turned it over to Mr. R. T. Lund, centre, Deputy Director of the Boy Scouts World Bureau.

# Analysis of Groups and Sections

	Red Patch	Maple Leaf	Nfla.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	La Fed.	Total 1962	Total 1961
Groups	3	7	103	40	302	218	336	2162	359	245	573	790	454	5592	5413
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Troops	7	16	91	27	264	182	351	2054	314	218	513	671	340	5048	4929
Crews	-	2	3	1	12	13	42	308	19	9	34	39	79	561	496

# Cub and Scout Membership Trends 1952-62\*

		CUBS	so	COUTS	TOTAL		
YEAR	MEMBERSHIP	PER CENT CHANGE OVER PRECEDING YEAR	MEMBERSHIP	PER CENT CHANGE OVER PRECEDING YEAR	MEMBERSHIP	PER CENT CHANGE OVER PRECEDING YEAR	
1952	81,700		48,600		130,300		
1953	89,000	8.9	51,900	6.7	140,900	8.2	
1954	98,500	10.6	57,400	10.6	155,900	10.6	
1955	111,300	13.0	63,300	10.3	174,600	12.0	
1956	125,500	12.6	68,000	7.3	193,300	10.7	
1957	135,700	8.1	73,500	8.0	209,200	8.1	
**1958	143 300	5.6	84,000	14.2	227,300	8.6	
1959	150,100	4.7	93,300	11.0	243,400	7.0	
1960	157,000	4.6	101,000	8.2	258,000	6.0	
1961	165,800	5.6'	104,500	3.5	270,300	4.8	
1962	171,500	3.4	105,300	.8	276,800	2.4	

<sup>\*</sup>NOT INCLUDING ROVER SCOUTS.



Entertainment was provided by singers from La Fédération des Scouts Catholiques de la Province de Québec under the direction of L'abbé Normand Laurin, A.D.A. and by a variety show entitled, "Spring Flaw", put on by Scouts of the 1st Applewood Acres Troop of Cooksville, Ontario, under the direction of their Scoutmaster, Dr. James A. Anderson.

Scouts from the 1st Applewood Acres Troop of Cooksville, Ontario, liven up the proceedings at the Annual Meeting.

# Cub and Scout Memberships as a Per Cent of the Eligible Boy Population 8 to 17 years, for Canada, 1952-62

	CU	BS	SCOU	TS	TOTAL		
YEAR	CUB POTENTIAL	PER CENT ACTUAL MEMBERS	SCOUT POTENTIAL	PER CENT ACTUAL MEMBERS	TOTAL POTENTIAL 8 TO 17 YEARS	PER CENT ACTUAL MEMBERS	
1952	537,800	15.2	668,100	7.3	1,205,900	10.8	
1953	564,200	15.8	687,700	7.6	1,251,900	11.3	
1954 1955	589,200	16.7	713,500	8.0	1,302,900	12.0	
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*1958	623,300	23.0	*939,500	9.0 8.9	1,562,800	13.9 14.5	
1959	630,400	23.8	990,700	9.4	1,621,100	15.0	
1960	647,500	24.2	1;036,800	9.7	1,684,300	15.3	
**1961	715,200	23.2	1,109,300	9.4	1,824,500	14.8	
1962	730,500	23.5	1,158,300	9.1	1,888,800	14.7	

<sup>\*</sup>ADJUSTED FOR CHANGE IN "GOING-UP" AGE.

<sup>\*\*</sup>CHANGE IN "GOING-UP" AGE.

<sup>\*\*</sup>ADJUSTED FOR CENSUS, 1961.

# ANNUAL MEETING

The annual Meeting of the National Council was held at the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, Ontario on Friday, May 10, 1963. Mr. R. C. Berkinshaw, President, was in the chair.

Richard Coulton Berkinshaw, C.B.E., LL.D., of Toronto, was re-elected President of the National Council. Mr. R. C. Stevenson, O.B.E., C.A., of Montreal and Lt.-Gen. Howard D. Graham, C.B.E., D.S.O., C.D., E.D., Q.C., of Oakville were re-elected vice-presidents.

Re-elected to office were: Fletcher W. Troop, Ottawa, Honorary Treasurer; Captain D. K. MacTavish, O.B.E., Q.C., Ottawa, Honorary Counsel; Earle T. Moore, Montreal, International Commissioner. Mr. A. J. Frost, F.C.A., Ottawa, was elected Honorary Secretary.

Commissioner L. H. Nicholson, Deputy Chief Scout, was presented with his wood badge parchment and beads by Wing Commander Frank Phripp who was the leader of the Commissioner's Part II Wood Badge Training Course for Troop Scouters.

Warrant Officer Con Furey, staff arranger with the Royal Canadian Air Force Central Band, presented the conductor's score of his recently-composed Boy Scouts of Canada march to President R. C. Berkinshaw. A

Thank You plaque was presented to Warrant Officer Con Furey by Commissioner L. H. Nicholson.

National committee and departmental reports were presented by way of a 20-minute filmstrip that illustrated details of the work carried on during 1962. Chief Executive Commissioner Fred J. Finlay provided the commentary for this presentation.

The following resolution was made at the meeting:

"RESOLVED that this Annual Meeting of the Boy Scouts of Canada record its warm admiration and deep respect for the fine contribution made to the Movement by the dedidated leaders of packs, troops and crews and the members of committees and councils who give so generously of their time, energy and talents in the interests of our members.

"FURTHER RESOLVED that this Annual Meeting acknowledge with appreciation that this service, given without anticipation of material reward, is essential to the future conduct and growth of the Boy Scout Movement in Canada."

Guest speaker at the annual dinner meeting was His Excellency the Right Honourable Viscount Amory, G.C.M.G., British High Commissioner to Canada.

# Statement of Census as at December 31, 1962

Provinces	Wolf Cubs	Boy Scouts	Lone Scouts	Sea Scouts	Rover Scouts	Rover Sea Scouts	Grand Total Boy Members	Adult Leaders	Dec. 31, 1962 Total	Dec. 31, 1961 Total
*O/Seas Army O/Seas Air Force NFLD. P.E.I. N.S. N.B. QUE. ONT. MAN. SASK. ALTA. B.C. LA FED.	305 554 1,780 895 7,228 5,345 11,718 75,993 11,374 7,604 19,303 22,934 6,425	189 273 2,379 659 5,439 4,271 7,081 41,544 5,580 4,051 9,520 12,050 9,454	85 15 6 6 60 39 124 35	18 65 329 1,432 192 — 59 331	10 36 4 85 115 269 2,211 134 51 240 336 1,467	58 155 7	494 837 4,235 1,558 12,855 9,811 19,461 121,395 17,326 11,830 29,157 35,651 17,364	69 136 446 216 1,416 946 2,140 13,079 1,939 1,304 3,454 4,229 3,006	563 973 4,681 1,774 14,271 10,757 21,601 134,474 19,265 13,134 32,611 39,880 20,352	563 1,057 4,285 1,600 14,213 11,225 21,253 132,782 18,896 12,757 29,756 38,966 18,964
TOTAL 1962 TOTAL 1961	171,458 165,799	102,490 101,750	404 403	2,426 2,334	4,958 4,345	220 224	281,956 274,855	32,380 31,468	314,336	306,323
INCREASE DECREASE	5,659	740	1	92	613	4	7,101	912		8,013
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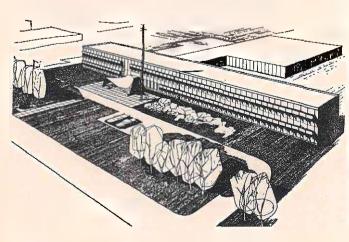
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Baden-Powell was once intrigued by the following story: Two African tribes had been at each other's throats for centuries. No member of either tribe dared wander far from his camp unarmed. Even when tribesmen went into the fields to till the crops they always carried spears and shields. They never knew whether an ambush lurked nearby. It was, of course, a natural thing to carry a spear and shield on a journey, but it was a nuisance to have to carry them about when working in the fields. Finally, the tribal chiefs got together and decided that it would be better all around if the tribes would live in peace. Both sides pledged to do so.

But, after so many years of fighting each other, neither tribe quite trusted the other. So when someone ventured forth, he would take his shield along—not his spear, but his shield—in case someone on the other side attacked him. This was an improvement, but the tribesmen couldn't help thinking how much better it would be if they were entirely unburdened. So, little by little, someone on either side would cease carrying his shield. And, beaming happily, he'd hold his free hand aloft when he returned. More and more people began to do so and, in time, it became the custom for everyone to go emptyhanded. Yet these tribesmen never seemed to get over

# By the Left

# Hand

the wonder of it, and would behold their empty left hands with considerable awe.

The grandson of an Ashanti Chief who fought against Lord Baden-Powell told this similar story: When the Ashanti Chief surrendered to Baden-Powell, Baden-Powell extended his right hand as a token of friendship. The Ashanti Chief, however, insisted on shaking hands with the left hand, explaining "the bravest of the brave shake hands with the left hand. They must throw away their protective shield to do so".

That is why Baden-Powell decided that the greeting of members of the Boy Scout Movement would be the clasp of the left hand, rather than the traditional right. To Baden-Powell, the right handshake symbolized a gesture of friendship. But a clasp of the left hands seemed nobler still for it signified the willingness of men to trust each other. \*

# THE S#LAR

# ECLIPSE OF JULY 20

Interested Canadians have reserved seats for one of nature's most awe inspiring sights. On Saturday, July 20th, 1963, granting clear skies, a solar eclipse of the sun will be visible. The path of total eclipse, about fifty-sixty miles wide starts at sunrise west of Alaska, swings through the Yukon, the north of Saskatchewan, and Manitoba, south of Hudson and James Bays, down through Three Rivers and Thetford Mines, and ends at sunset in the Atlantic Ocean after just touching the coast of Nova Scotia at Yarmouth.

If you are lucky enough to be in the path of totality, (see map below) you may be able to see the sun's corona, perhaps a few solar prominences, but dark adaptation of at least one eye for twenty minutes will be necessary. The whole process from the moon's first bite out of the sun's disc until its last swallow, takes about two hours. Totality lasts for about one minute in the centre of the path, less at the edges.

Outside the path of totality, it will become relatively dark—over 95% of the sun will be eclipsed at Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec and Halifax, nearly 90% at Toronto; over 80% at Winnipeg and Edmonton and 65% at Vancouver.

# WARNING:

DO NOT LOOK AT THE SUN WITHOUT EYE PROTECTION! During an eclipse in Australia in 1959, 170 people, mostly school children, suffered permanent damage to their vision. Many were unable to read again.

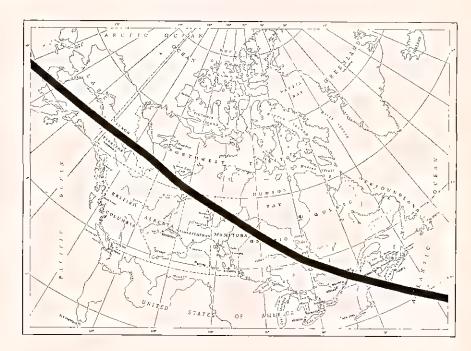
During an eclipse in Germany over 3500 eyes were burned. Remember, during partial eclipse, it may seem dark, but the portion of the sun's surface remaining visible is still as hot and bright as ever. Sunglasses do NOT provide adequate protection. Nothing less than two layers of completely exposed and developed black and white film is adequate. Do NOT use binoculars or telescopes without protection. Never put films or glass filters between the eye piece and the eye. Burning or shattering can readily occur. Place adequate protection over the objective lenses of any binoculars or telescopes being used.

It is well worth being prepared to view this solar event. Here are a few sample times for maximum viewing of partial eclipse:

Vancouver	1:40 p.m. PDT
Winnipeg	4:15 p.m. CDT
Halifax	6:45 p.m. ADT
Edmonton	2:50 p.m. MDT
Ottawa	5:40 p.m. EDT

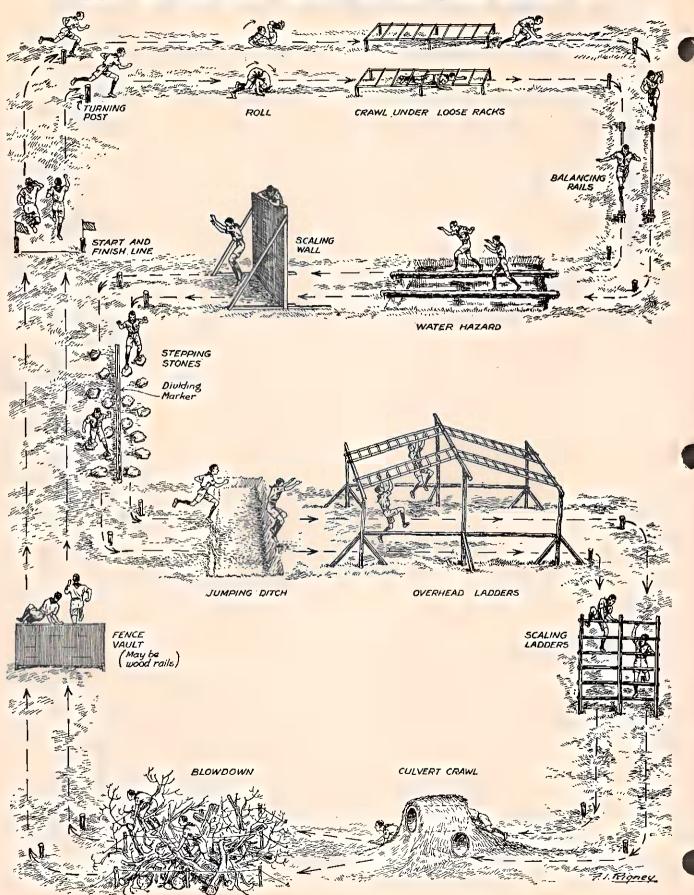
More complete and detailed information regarding time of occurrence, weather conditions expected, and proper safety precautions to be observed, can be obtained from libraries, the daily press or by contacting local amateur and professional astronomers.

Remember, be careful, but Be Prepared for this oncein-a-lifetime event. Your next chance to experience a solar eclipse may be twenty years in the future. \*



By:
DR. R. S. RETTIE
National Research Council
Cubmaster, 62nd Ottawa

# AN OBSTACLE FIELD RACE FOR SCOUTS



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THE SCOUT LEADER

# — Greece . . . here we come!

The departure of Canadian Scouts and Scouters for the 11th World Jamboree is only a few weeks away! Final adjustments are being made to ensure our Scouts having the time of their lives. We'll have to avert the danger of "over programming"!

The prejam camp will provide ample time for troops and patrols to "shake down" and develop the necessary team spirit. Time will be set aside for the Canadian contingent to become familiar with their host country's customs and life. Representatives of our federal, provincial and municipal governments will be on hand to say "Good Luck". Contingent members will participate in regular religious services being held in the vicinity.

Commissioner Nicholson, contingent leader, has been writing messages to all contingent members, keeping them informed on details and in some cases asking for comment. He has sent a special 64-page booklet on Greece which members should find of particular interest. Everyone will be supplied with special "thank you" cards to be signed by either Scouts or Scouters in appreciation of some kindness.

Tours have been arranged for the post jamboree period and our contingent will participate in them. Two, three or four-day trips will be arranged, depending on the time available. It goes without saying that everyone will tour Athens.

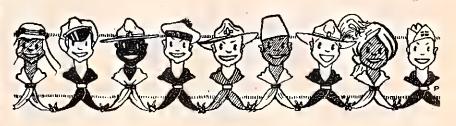
Each jamboree troop will have a chance to participate in a "Talent-O-Rama". This demonstration of skill and ingenuity will take place from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily. Some suggestions are: Flapjack making, model engineering, pioneering, solar cooking, lapidary, clambakes, or perhaps a musical.

Scouts have been encouraged to investigate possible arrangements with local news media to send home on-the-spot reports from Greece. Reports written by Scouts have a particular appeal and most editors will welcome the initiative of a Scout offering his services.

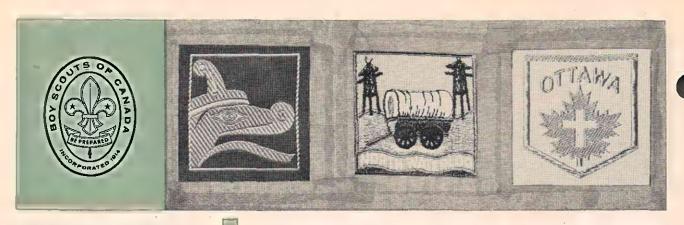
Jamboree Scouts will be sought out by community organizations, business clubs, Scout groups, et cetera, to tell their experiences and show their pictures. Be sure your group has a chance to hear or see a first-hand jamboree report.

And now—Greece, here we come!





By: J. F. McCRACKEN, A.D.C., Ottawa



# CANADA'S Colourful DISTRICT BADGES

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Left: Kitsilano District, B.C., is named for the Khatsalahuo branch of the Kwakiutl Indian tribe. The Sisiutl (dragon) is a good luck omen. The badge has the dragon head in green, yellow and red on a black background.

Gentre: The badge of Ontario's North Waterloo District shows symbols of the Ontario Hydro Electric System, conceived by three Waterloo residents in 1902, and a conestogo wagon of the type that early settlers brought to the Grand River Valley. Colours of the badge are green, brown, white and blue.

Right: Members of La Federation des Scouts Catholiques in the Diocese of Ottawa wear this light orange and green badge. The cross, centred on the Canadian maple leaf, indicates that the wearer is a Catholic Scout.



Do not write to any Scout office about badges or mailing lists to be used in making a collection of badges because they are unable to handle such requests.

# C.B.C. Radio Series

Commencing Saturday, June 1st, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation will present a weekly series consisting of thirteen programmes about the 11th World Jamboree in Greece. Ten of the programmes will originate from Canada and three from Greece.

The nation-wide broadcasts will include items by:
His Excellency John D. Kalergis—Greek Ambassador to
Canada; Commissioner L. H. Nicholson—Deputy Chief
Scout of Canada; Maj.-Gen. D. C. Spry—Director; Mr.
L. F. Jarrett—Executive Commissioner (Administration)
and Mr. P. S. Siebold—Executive Commissioner (Operations) of the Boy Scouts World Bureau; Mr. F. J. Finlay
—Chief Executive Commissioner, Mr. L. C. Houldsworth
—Executive Commissioner (Administration) and Mr.
S. H. Cutler—Executive Commissioner (Stores) of National Headquarters; and Scout representatives from all provinces.

Campfire songs from around the world, jamboree suggestions and world news as well as items from Greece, Europe, England, the United States, Nigeria and other countries, will be presented on the programmes. The last five minutes of each programme will be devoted to news from the regions and will be prepared and broadcast from the regions.

The time sequence for the broadcasts in different parts of Canada is listed below. Check the programme listings in your locality to avoid missing these programmes.

 Newfoundland
 8:30-8:45 a.m.

 Maritimes
 12:15-12:30 p.m.

 Ontario and Quebec
 1:15-1:30 p.m.

 Central East
 6:30-6:45 p.m.

 Mountain
 8:00-8:15 p.m.

 Pacific
 7:00-7:15 p.m.

Be sure to announce the forthcoming series at your next pack, troop or crew meeting. The programmes should help Scouts across Canada participate in the excitement and adventure surrounding the 11th World Jamboree in Greece!

Scout Robert Miller, newsreader on the programme, and Scouter Ted Miller are "warming up" for the show.

ED. BERMINGHAM INC.



# WHITE WATER CANOEING

The 4th Weston Troop has, for the past year, taken up white water canoeing and have entered canoe slalom competitions. In canoe slalom, gates are set up over a series of white water rapids. The gates are hung across the river and are about four to five feet wide. Time is clocked from start to finish and penalties for hitting or missing gates are added to the total time for the run. The competitor running the course in the shortest time wins.

This year, the Credit River Derby and Slalom Competition on April 6-7th has a special class for Boy Scouts under 18 years-of-age in the double-canoe event. There are several troops in Ontario that enjoy this exciting sport and I would be glad to hear from them or any others that might be interested in this competition.

ROGER PARSONS, Scoutmaster.

15 Langside Ave., Weston, Ont.

# NEWSLETTERS

The Mount Zion Scouter, official newsletter of the 83rd Edmonton Group, came off the press on March 22, 1963. It has been designed primarily, to foster parents' interest in the Scout Movement but will also serve as a news media for Cubs and Scouts.

Its aim is to provide interesting information for the boys and the parents in the 83rd Edmonton Group and the editor believes one way this can be achieved is through an exchange of newsletters with other groups.

If there are any groups prepared to share their ideas with the 83rd Edmonton Group, please send a copy of your newsletter to Mr. Andy Kjearsgaard, Chairman of Church and Public Relations, 83rd Edmonton Group, 14549 140 St., Edmonton, Alta., and Andy will be pleased to do likewise, and also to add your name to his mailing list.

S. M. MARLOW, Secretary-Treasurer.

11535 137 St., Edmonton, Alta. 

# Letters

# A LADY'S OPINION

May a lady Cubmaster say a few words on the uniform question? In the last six years, sixteen Cubs have gone up to Scouts from our pack. To many of these new Scouts, the broad-brimmed hat is the Scout uniform. Where it is not financially possible to obtain the complete uniform, the hat is the item they want first.

To my own mind, shorts are most attractive, being neat and business-like. I realize, of course, how little my opinion means in the long run, but I am sure few boys really dislike shorts. In a situation where all boys are wearing them, no boy would be caught without his.

Naturally, the attitude of the Scoutmaster sets the example for the troop. His influence is tremendous but in the long run shorts are not really the problem. When Scouts are participating in an active, adventurous, out-door programme with lots of imaginative leadership, Scouting for them will never become an argument about what they shall wear. They will be more interested in what they will be doing. Having four Queen's Scouts in the family, I feel I know about the problem.

> MRS. JEAN KANNE, Cubmaster.

P.O. Box 134, New Waterford, N.S.

# IN QUEST OF A SONGBOOK

I am interested in some really good campfire songs to teach my 1st Bell's Corners "B" Pack of 35 boys.

... I recall my Akela used to keep the boys spellbound when he brought out his guitar and sat 'round the campfire to sing some real campfire songs. . . It is be-

cause I feel community singing is part of Cub programming that I would like to secure a comprehensive book of well-known campfire and community songs such as Songs for Canadian Boys which was compiled by the Quebec Provincial Council in 1932. Enquiries at bookstands and music shops have indicated that the book is no longer in print. . . If there are any readers who have a spare copy of this song book which is not in use, please let me know and I'll make suitable arrangements to purchase it from them. Also, a melody copy of this book would be appreciated. . . .

ROY E. AMOS, Cubmaster.

20 Edgebrook Rd., Bell's Corners, Ottawa 6, Ont.

#### CLOUDED ISSUE

I note that in *The Scout Leader* (April, pg. 23), a question is asked concerning the wearing of parachutist wings on the uniform.

The answer given is "At present, the wearing of pilot's or parachutist's wings is not mentioned in P.O. & R. . . . We don't know of any special permission required beyond checking out plans with your group committee and District Commissioner."

I feel that Rule 337 of P.O. & R. is quite clear on the subject—'No badge cord, chevron, ribbon or other decoration may be worn on Scout uniform except

(1) Those authorized in these Rules

Since decorations or badges such as pilot's or parachutist's wings are not specifically mentioned, they should not be worn.

If the wearing of extraneous badges and decorations is to be left to the individual decision of group committees and District Commissioners, there will be a tremendous number of badges of all kinds appearing on our uniforms. If this is the intention of the National Council, the wording of Rule 337 should be changed to suit.

## INTERESTED SCOUTER

We regret that our comments did not clearly relate separately to the two questions raised in the letter concerned. Ed.



ALGONQUIN QUTFITTERS, Box S, Oxtonguo Lake, Ontario

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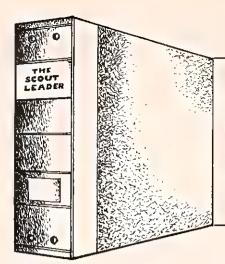
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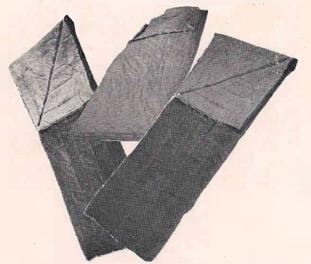
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