



On your marks... Get set... CO SCOUTING

- Read this resource for activity ideas to keep you and your group buzzing with excitement for the entire year!
- Choose at least one activity for your group to complete each month, try putting it to a vote and pick the most activities that are most popular in your group.
- Look out for the monthly edition of our "Scouting Around" newsletter for further event updates and program ideas.
- Share your adventures on social media using the hashtags #ScoutsTT and #GoScouting.
- Send us photos and articles from your adventures to be highlighted.

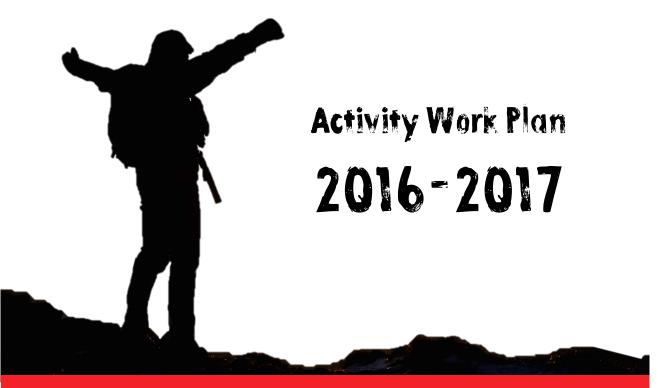












October Scouting Brothrhood

November Let's make a Splash

December Cubs 100

January New Experiences, New Adventures

February Lessons in Character

March Let's Go Outdoors

April Aim High

May Science & Technology

June Environment: Leave No Trace

July Let's Go Camping

August National Pride

At ScoutsTT, we believe Scouting programs should be available to all youth, no matter their location, background or economic circumstances.

We want all young people to have the opportunity to join Scouting and to have a unique, fulfilling and quality experience.

In looking at the program and how it is executed it is important to note the World Body's policy on Youth Program. WOSM states the following:

Scouting is a Movement of progressive selfeducation for young people. According to Scouting's educational approach, each person is born with a unique potential, which can be developed in a constructive direction. Making this potential a reality involves developing all of one's capacities – physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual. This is done by providing a supportive and organised learning environment, which stimulates and challenges each young person during his or her formative years.

The essential part of the Scouting experience

lies in the Youth Program. Youth Program in Scouting not only refers to the activities, but also to how and why they are done. Overall, activities are seen as means rather than goals in themselves, and they create opportunities for each person to develop skills, attitudes and acquire knowledge. Young people are the main players in this non-formal educational process that also requires adequate Adult Support, which is usually provided by adult volunteers.

Our Activity Plan, used in conjunction with our revised Youth Program seeks to deliver a higher level of adventure and excitement to our members, while laying the foundation for character development.

It is premised on a firm belief that Scouting is done at the level of the Patrol and Group.

At a National level our objective is to create opportunities for our members to experience and pursue as many areas of interest as possible, while also creating an environment for youth to experience the brotherhood that is scouting.

Many of our National events therefore will

the Mission of Scouting is to contribute to the education of young people, through a value system based on the Scout Promise and Law

Scouting - the world's leading

Delivering the Promise!

Delivering Adventure and Fun, Building Character

cater to specific interest areas and your group's participation is encouraged.

In March of 2017 we will hold a National Rally to commemorate 105 years of the Association's formation and it is our expectation that all of our members will join us as we celebrate this tremendous milestone.

Our new program is built around Six Development Areas

- 1. Character Development
- 2. Creative Growth
- 3. Personal Development
- 4. Social Development
- 5. Spiritual Growth
- 6. Emotional Development

As leaders and volunteers it is important that we deliver the promise to our young people and to our communities at large. Scouting must deliver the adventure that our members crave and yearn for, but must also deliver on our promise to society to create a better world.

Community Service, Outdoor experiences, Character and Personal Development are fundamental to the delivery of a quality experience to young people.

I urge leaders to think creatively and actively engage your members in shaping your Group plans and activities. Youth involvement is a critical driver of growth in the movement and will be the impetus for building better programs for your groups.

Good Scouting to you all!

Roger Berkeley
National Scout Commissioner



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2	International day of non-violence		
11	UN International Day of the Girl		
16	World Food Day Scouting for Food		
14-16	JOTA-JOTI - Scout HQ, Arima, San Fernando, Goodwood Tobago.		
17	International Day for Eradication of Poverty		
22-25	Interamerican Youth Forum. Houston Texas		
24-29	Caribbean Chief Commissioners' Conference & Interamerican Scout Conference. Houston Texas		
28	Scouting for Food Gift-a-Bag Distribution		

Connect and Build Worldwide Friendships



OCTOBER 16 Scouting A Scout

Cub Scouts

- Participate in JOTA/JOTI
- Have your cubs do an activity to welcome new recruits in to the P
- Do a good turn for another scou
- Choose another country that has Cub Scouts and teach your Cubs about Cubbing there.



ACTIVITY IDEAS

Scouts

- Participate in JOTA/JOTI
- Take part in an activity with Scouts from another Troop.
- Host a Cub Pack and have your scouts train them in an activity or skill.
- Have each patrol select a member country of WOSM and describe scouting in that country.

Venture Scouts

- Participate in JOTA/JOTI
- Have your Venture Scouts arrange to organize and lead an activity for Scouts or Cubs
- Participate in Scouts of the world award. (See Requirements on page 26.

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1	Start of New Scout Program		
5	Cub Scout Leaders Meeting Diego Martin		
5	NLC Training National HQ 0900hrs - 1300hrs		
5	Fishing Outing, Cedros District		
6	Triathlon and Boat Festival 1st Presentation		
12	Meeting of National Youth Council 0900hrs		
12	National Council Annual General Meeting National HQ 1400hrs		
13	Memorial Day		
19	UN International Men's Day		
12 - 20	Sea Scout Exhibition Scout Headquarters		
20	UN Universal Children's Day		
26	National Fishing Day Hosted by Cedros District		

NOVEMBER #16

MEETING ACTIVITIES FOR CUBS: GAME WATER BALLOON RELAY

Cub Scouts work as one or more teams to move water balloons from a starting container to a container about 10-30 yards away. There is only one rule, if a Cub Scouts has a water balloon in his hand, he may not move his feet. Once he gets rid of that water balloon, he may move wherever he wants.

Give the Cub Scouts 1-2 minutes before starting to strategize. One way to do this effectively are to form lines to pass the balloons down. Another option is to split into teams of two or three and once one member throws, he runs closer to the bucket to receive a pass.

If Cub Scouts are struggling with this, adults should be ready to help.

SKILL TRAINING

- Discuss water safety with your cubs.
- Get an instructor to teach a water based activity:
 - Mini Water Polo
 - Snorkelling
 - Swimming
 - Paddling or Rowing





SKILL TRAINING

 Conduct a Learn to Swim Program

 Introduce your Scouts and Venture Scouts to Life Saving.



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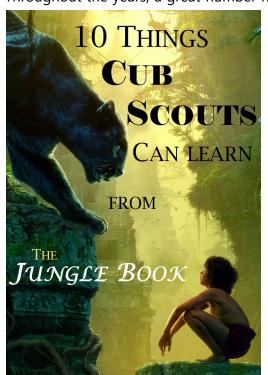
Interamerican Leadership Training

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Throughout the years, a great number hav







around the world. Since it 1916 (then known as Wolf have embarked on an ent and camaraderie; an cinating classic, The Jungle

e emerged from their Cub

Scouting experience and became amazing

Scouts, Rovers, and successful members of society. Today, the pack is around 13 million strong and growing, thanks to our leaders and volunteers! While Cub Scouting may vary slightly from country to country, they remain united by their love for nature, enthusiasm for doing good turns, singing, dancing, acting, playing games... In other words, doing fun things with their fellow Cubs.

- Follow Akela
- 2 Stay close to your family
 - Choose your friends wisely
- 4 Work together
- 5 Keep physically strong
- 6 Listen to your teachers
- 7 Learn all you can
- 8 Learn from everyone
- Spend time in Nature
- 10 Show respect



4	Official establishment of Rover Section.	
4	Commemoration of the 105th Anniversary of granting of National Charter	
7	NLC Training National HQ 0900hrs - 1300hrs	
7	Cub Scout Leaders Meeting Scout Headquarters	
14	Messengers of Peace Seminar National HQ 0900hrs	
14 - 15	Cub Scouts Family Campout National HQ 1700hrs - 1200hrs.	
14	District Chairs National Round Table National HQ 0900hrs - 1300hrs	
28 - 29	Commissioner Training National HQ 1000hrs - 1500hrs	
29	National Family Day: New Adventures National HQ 1000hrs - 1500hrs	
31	Deadline for National Membership Registration for 2017.	

JANUARY 17 **New Adv** SHOOTING SI

Cub Scouts

- Try two new adventurous activitie You could try Archery, Swimming Go-Carting, Zorbing, Climbing, Hiking, Biking, Kayaking, etc.
- Visit a place of interest.

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PROGRAM IDEAS

Scouts

- Introduce a new activity into the program.: Shooting sports, Zip Lining, Zorbing.
- Have Scouts try a new activity for the month. This could be a new sport or outdoor activity.

Venture Scouts

Have your venture scouts arrange an high adventure activity, incorporating new activities.

FEBRUARY 17

2	World Wetlands Day			
4	NLC Training National HQ 0900hrs - 1300hrs			
4	Cub Scout Leaders Meeting Morvant / Laventille			
11 - 19	National Scout Week			
	Carnival Extravaganza			
12	Media Launch: Investment In Character Campaign			
18	Teaching Character Traits Workshops			
22	World Founder's Day: BP's Birthday			
26	National Celebration of Founders Day			

"No one can pass through life, any more than he can pass through a bit of country, without leaving tracks behind, and those tracks may often be helpful to those coming after him in finding their way".

Founders' Day: Brownsea Island Night

In August 1907, Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, ran an experimental summer camp based on his book Scouting for Boys. It ran for eight days on Brownsea Island on the southern coast of England. To mark Founder's Day, why not run a Troop meeting based around the Brownsea Island camp? On each day of the camp, have a particular theme.

Here are a some ideas for the themes, you can run all or some of these during a patrol or troop meeting or activity around Founder's Day (22nd Feb). You might also consider adding extra elements, like having some scouts dress up as if it's 1907, or learning about the history of your own scout Group as well.

BROWNSEA ISLAND CAMP THEMES:

DAY 1: Preliminary Setting up and forming Patrols.

DAY 2: Camping Basic camping skills.

DAY 3: Observation Navigation, tracking, and observation skills.

DAY 4: Woodcraft Studying the natural world.

DAY 5: Chivalry Scout Law and Doing Good Deeds.

DAY 6: Saving a Life Emergencies skills

DAY 7: Patriotism Active citizenship.

DAY 8: Games Activities based on the camp skills learned.

Lessons in Character

THE SIX PILLARS OF CHARACTER













Character development should extend into every aspect of our members' lives. Character development should also extend into every aspect of our Program. Scout Leaders should strive to use the 10 points of the Scout Law throughout all elements of the program—service projects, ceremonies, games, skits, songs, crafts, and all the other activities enjoyed at meetings and outings.

In an already packed meeting, finding time for character education can be a challenge. Most of these ideas can be worked seamlessly into your meeting plan to build character and to develop a sense of community in your Group.

With all of the things that your Group does for its scouts, how does it address one of its primary objectives--not just teaching skills, but helping them to become good people? Every pack or troop can set a tone of honesty, respect, and kindness toward others. To help you get started, explore these ideas:

- 1. Ask Scouts to write pledges for the character traits that describe how they will fulfill their promise to follow each pillar. Then have them sign the pledges. Keep the signed pledges on file and refer to them when behavior doesn't reflect the pillars of character.
- 2. Plan, or have your scouts organize, patriotic events. We suggest a "Red, White, and Black Day" and other events could be held around patriotic holidays. You might schedule a display or concert that features patriotic musical selections by a band or chorus. Readings of quotes or stories about the presidents can also be shared as part of the day.
- 3. Have each Six or Patrol do a skit that incorporates one or more of the six pillars. You can host a Character Counts Campfire evening for your parents.

Scouting T&T 105th

MARCH 17 20 Mile Challenge 4 Seven Fitness Challenge This Challenge is open to all Scouts, **NLC Training** Venture Scouts and Rovers, as well National HO as adult leaders and volunteers. 0900hrs - 1300hrs **Cub Scout Leaders Meeting** You may use this activity to raise Naparima funds for your Group or chosen charity. **Outdoor Survival Training** Requirements: National Scout Rally • Teams of up to 8 persons must 105th Anniversary collectively complete 100 miles. San Fernando District • Must be registered members of District & Zonal the Movement. Commissioners' Meeting Choose a registered charity of 19 their choice and register at Na-Couva 1000 - 1200hrs tional HQ as a challenge participant. **National Scouts** 25 - 26 • With your Group or District ar-100 Mile Challenge range a rowing or hiking trip, District or Group Activity during the period 25-26th March Cub Scouts 25 2017. Trekking Challenge Trip must have a mini mum distance of 20 Deadline for Youth Award miles 31 Applications to National HO OOR ETHIC

Let's Go Outdoors

Outdoor adventure is the promise made to youth when they join Scouting. Young people yearn for outdoor programs that stir their imagination and interest.

In the outdoors, they have the opportunity to acquire skills that make them more self-reliant. They can explore waterways and hiking trails and complete challenges they first thought were beyond their ability.

Attributes of good character are instilled as they learn to Cooperate to meet outdoor challenges that may include extreme weather, difficult trails and dealing with nature's unexpected circumstances.

Scouts plan and carry out activities with thoughtful guidance from their Scout Leaders and other adult leaders. Good youth leadership, communication, and teamwork enable them achieve goals they have set for themselves, their patrol or squad, and their troop or team.

Learning by doing is a hallmark of outdoor education. Unit meetings offer information and knowledge used on outdoor adventures each month through-out the year. A leader may describe and demonstrate a Scouting skill at a meeting, but the way Scouts truly learn outdoor skills is to do them themselves on a troop outing.

Types of Outdoor Activities

What are typical Scout outdoor activities? For younger Scouts, less-rugged activities are more appropriate as they begin to acquire outdoor knowledge and skills.

These may include the following:

Outdoor Activities: Do zip-lining or rock climbing, experience archery or shooting on the range, horseback riding, sailing or kayaking.

Day hikes /Treks or activity trips: Reasonably short hikes (2 to 3miles or cubs, 5-10 mile for Scouts). Less intense but challenging environments.

Service projects: Daylong projects that may be related to conservation, food collection, building shelters, or healthy living activities.

Patrol activities: A Scout patrol may hike or camp with other patrols in the troop or with the permission of their Scout Leader and parents or guardians, may hike or camp on their own.

Weekend overnights: Groups that plan and carry out outings once a month attract and retain boys at a much higher level than those that have fewer outings during the year.

Group High Adventure: The highest level of challenge for a troop or unit is to plan and carry out its own high-adventure experience. These activities for more experienced Scouts are planned and implemented by youth members with coaching from their adult leaders.

APRIL 17

	NLC Training National HQ 0900hrs - 1300hrs		
-	Cub Scout Leaders Meeting Arima		
7	World Health Day		
7 - 9	Pioneering Course		
7 - 9	National Youth Leadership Training		
9	Pioneering Display 1000 - 1400rs		
15 - 18	National Roverway / (Moot Participants required)		
28	Deadline date for applications to Travel Overseas for July/August 2017		
23	Sounds of Peace Festival Campfire / Concert National HQ 1600 to 2100 hrs		
30	National Archery Championship Registration Closes April 15th		
30	District Council Training Seminar		

FLYING CONTEST

Ask Cubs to design a paper aero pl to fly as far as possible or for as long possible.

YOU WILL NEED

Paper plane (see instructions in I Scouting Around) Large open space Tape measure Hula hoop

ACTIVITY STEPS

- Mark a starting line on the gro for your Scouts to stand on and each them to throw their plane the same direction.
- Use a tape measure to record furthest distance thrown in me and centimetres, measuring from starting line to the point where plane first touches down - not to final resting place if it slides.



Aim High

VISIT PLACE OF AVIATION

Organise a visit for your Pack or Troop.

Have your scouts:

- Name an aircraft type you saw
- Indicate its Registration Number
- How many engines did it have?
- What was its maximum speed?
- Knots How many seats did it have?
- Speak to someone who works there.
- Find out what they do and what they enjoy the most about their job and write it down.
- Sketch an aircraft or interesting feature they saw.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

- Visit the Aviation Museum
- Have Kite Flying Competition
- Participate in Zip-lining or other "High Adventure" activity.
- Make and Fly Model Plane
- Visit a Shooting Range
- Arrange a visit to an Airport
- Complete one of the following proficiency badges:
 - 1. Archery
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.

DID YOU KNOW?

As a Scout you know your knots. But the word 'knots' is also used as a measure of speed in aircraft. 1 knot = 1 nautical mile per hour. Jet aircraft often measure their speed in 'Mach' which is speed relative to the speed of sound. Sound travels at a speed of Mach 1 which is 662 knots!

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MAY 17

Scouting Museum at National Headquarters Geo-Caching 5 - 7 Treasure Hunt Zonal/Troop Activity **Cub Scout Leaders Meeting** St. Joseph **NLC Training** 0900hrs - 1300hrs S Location TBD 8 _ 14 Global Road Safety Week **Cub Scouts Science Camp** 13 - 14 **Details TBD** SCOUTING FOR FOOD National Food Drive. 21 UNITED WAY NATIONAL DAY OF CARING

Launch of

Fun Outdoor Games Using GPS Enabled Smartphones

- 1. Geodashing is a game where a number of random locations are chosen for each game, then the winner is the person or team who visits the most locations before the deadline. As you might imagine, online teamwork is encouraged as the locations are worldwide. Head to the geo-dashing website to start playing..
- 2. GPS Missions. There are possible of several GPS missions, players can select any mission reach destination and answer questions asked. Players can be able to create their own missions and able to transform your location house into virtual historical sites as a marker in games. There are two categories in GPS mission game, they are GPS mission and upgrade of it, GPS mission pro that offers more service quickly and effectively.



SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Every Scout is encouraged to participate in this effort to "Do A Good Turn" for Trinidad & Tobago.

Youth members can earn a 2017 Scouting for Food (SFF) patch when the collect and contribute at least two bags of Food for distribution.

Collect your SFF cards from May 1st 2017 from your District Leadership.

Participation also counts towards their advancement.

Science & Technology

Kids show a natural tendency to explore their world. Science offers them the tools necessary to gain a better understanding of what they observe. Some may have a wide variety of interests in various scientific fields while others may have an interest in only one field. It will depend on the individual preferences.

Scout science activities offer the participants an opportunity to be introduced to different scientific fields

and gain experience through hands-on projects. You don't have to be an expert scientist in order to demonstrate the science projects. Do a little research and practice the experiments at least once before presenting it to your boys.

Just "Do Your Best" and don't hesitate to ask a local science expert for assistance. See April edition of "Scouting Around" for activity ideas.

Activities for Cub Scouts

- Run an activity incorporating the use of Technology
- Complete science based Proficiency Badges
- Conduct Science experiments
- Take your pack on a visit to Science / Technology park or center. Contact national office for arrangements for scouts to visit National Science center.
- Have an astronomy night out.
- Host a Science themed Science Camp



JUNE 17

Leave No Trace Seminar Location TBD National Scout Environmental Service Day **NLC Training** 0900hrs - 1300hrs Location TBD **Cub Scout Leaders Meeting** San Fernando World Environment Day **Totem Pole Finals** 17 Port of Spain 17 Ticket to Life Dinner TRO National Youth Forum



Environmental Service

Groups should organise and / or participate in service projects to promote awareness and sustainability.

Get READY for CAMP



ALL CAMPING OFF GEAR

FOR ALL REGISTERED YOUTH MEMBERS June 5th to July 15th 2017

Environment

WORLD SCOUT ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

The World Scout Environment Program is a collection of tools, resources and initiatives to support the development of environment education in Scouting around the world.

The program is based on a set of environmental principles and aims that provide a foundation for environment education in Scouting.

The World Scout Environment Program includes:

 Principles and aims for environment education in Scouting
 Framework for environment education in Scouting and the World Scout Environment Badge

- Program Activity Resources
 - SCENES Scout Centres of Excellence for Nature and Environment. These are Scout Centres that provide natural settings, offer environmental education programs and demonstrate good environmental management practices Scouts of the World Award, Environment Element

JUNE WORLD Convironment DAY

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 1972 to mark the opening of the Stockholm Conference on the Human Environment.

It is held each year on June 5. It is one of the principal vehicles through which the United Nations (UN) stimu-

lates worldwide awareness of the environment and enhances political attention and action.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

World Environment Day is celebrated in many ways. Activities include street rallies and parades, as well as concerts, tree planting, and clean-up campaigns.

Your Group can do displays, essay competitions, participate in clean ups, etc. or partner with other Environmental NGOs and Groups to bring awareness to the issue.

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ħ.	1	Scouting For Food Distribution
١.	1	Cub Scout Leaders Meeting Point Fortin
n-)	15	Start of Vacation Day Camps for Kids (7-11) at HQ
s	21 - 23	National Weekend Camp for Scouts
1	24	Start of Adventure Camps (11 -15) Paxvale
i	25	Start of 15th World Scout Moot
L	28 _ 30	Annual Commissioners' Retreat
	30	Program Round Table
B	Same	

Let's Go Camping

I SHOULD like to urge upon all Scoutmasters the great importance of getting their boys into camp during this summer. The camp is the thing that appeals to the lads. It is in the camp that the Scoutmaster really has his opportunity. He can enthuse his boys with the *spirit* that is required; the spirit is everything. Once that is developed, everything comes easy; without it, success in training the boys is practically impossible.

I don't care what sort of camps they are — tramping camp, week-end camp (provided that they come frequently), boat cruising, or woodland camp; all are equally valuable for the purpose in hand. But camp, in one form or other, is, I think, essential to the successful training of a Troop.

And when in camp, it is again essential to have a definite program of work laid down for each day - with an alternative in case of its turning out wet. The camp must be a busy one and not a school for aimless loafing. I hope to hear of great developments in this line during the present summer.

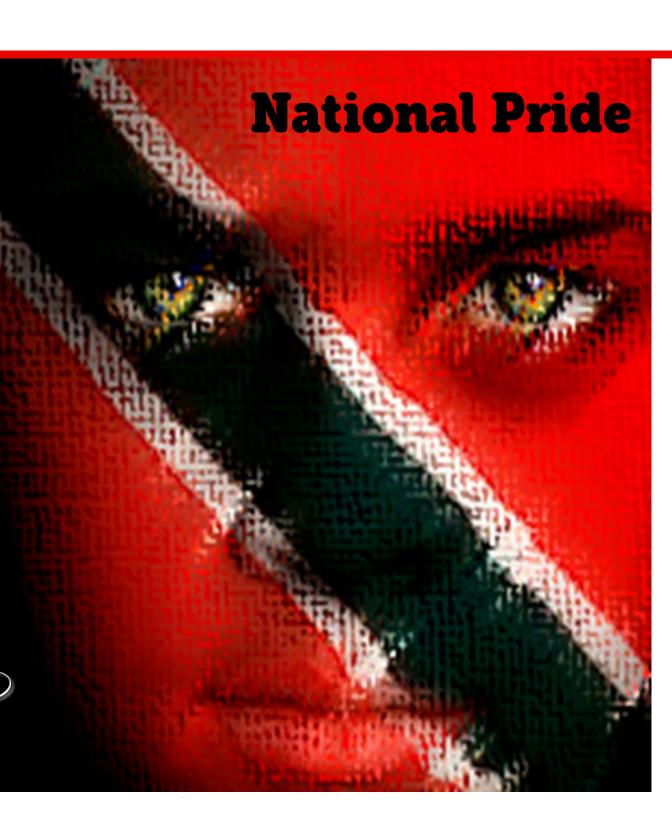
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AUGUST 17

5 - 13	Wood Badge Training Program Location TBD	
7	Opening of Applications for World Jamboree 2019	
7	Scouting For Food Distribution	
26	Leaders' Indaba	
31	Independence Day	
31	Fireworks Night Over @ National Headquarters	

- Take your group to the national parade
- Help decorate your community/ meeting place.
- Complete Patriotism and National Heritage of the badge requirements.





Please Practice Leave No Trace

leave no trace

CENTER FOR OUTDOOR ETHICS

- > Plan Ahead and Prepare
- > Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- > Dispose of Waste Properly
- Leave What You Find
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- > Respect Wildlife
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors





Requirements of the Scouts of the World Award

To gain this award you must:

- Be aged 16 to 25 and a member of the Venture Unit or Royer Crew.
- Attend a residential Scouts of the World Discovery, lasting a minimum of four days, based on one or more of the three themes: development, environment and peace.
- With the support of your mentor, finalise your plans for your voluntary service based on the theme explored on your Discovery.
- Contribute to a minimum of two section meetings for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts or Explorers (or the youth section of another organisation) to introduce and explore your chosen theme with them.
- Undertake Scouts of the World voluntary service, either in the UK or abroad, lasting a minimum of 14 days.
- Record and evaluate your experiences in the Scouts of the World passport.
- Meet with your mentor and report on what you have achieved during your Scouts of the World voluntary service. This should include feedback from the community which benefited from your project.

• Present your report to your Network.

Additional information

Awards standards

The award is based on personal best effort and not on fixed standards. Therefore, the quality of the personal effort is more important than the quality of the content and will vary according to your ability, age and other factors.

Special needs

If you have any additional needs, you should talk them through with your mentor, leader and/or Commissioner so that they can support you in gaining the award in a way that is suitable for you.

Timescales

It is recommended that the planning stage of the award lasts no longer than six months.

Although the length of time is specified for both the Discovery and the voluntary service, neither need to be completed in one go. For example, the Discovery could be completed over two or three weekends.

National Pledge

I solemnly pledge to dedicate my Life To the service of God and to my country

I will honour my parents,
My teachers, my leaders and my elders,
And those in authority

I will be clean and honest in all my thoughts, My words and my deeds.

I will strive, in everything I do
To work together with my fellowmen
Of every creed and race
For the greater happiness of all
And the honour and glory
Of my country.