



1st Bolton Scouts

TROOP BULLETIN #4

27 September 2014

Next Meeting: Monday September 29th Duty Patrol: Blue Jays
Uniform Required: Activity
Location: Albion Hills Conservation Area, Pleasantview Site

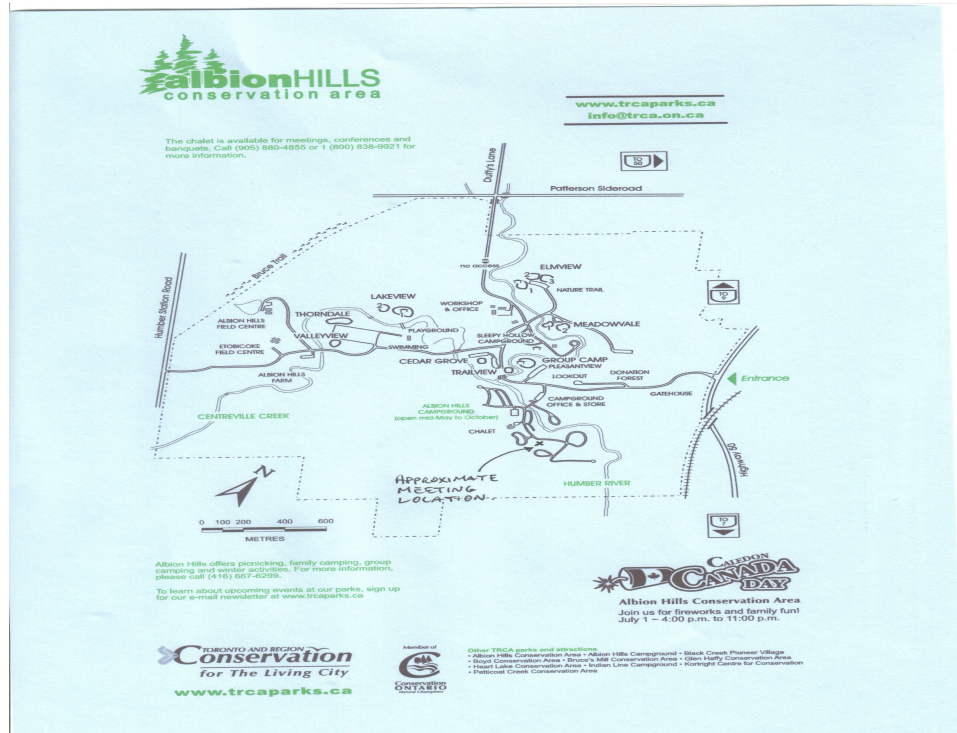
Monday's Meeting – September 29 *Stoves and Lanterns and Dutch Ovens... oh my!*

We will be outdoors again this week, up at Albion Hills Conservation Area, on the Maple Lane site.

We'll be learning about stoves and lanterns and learning to handle the kind of equipment we will be using at most of our camps this year. Also, Scouter Steve will be showing us how to prepare some yummy treats cooked with coals in Dutch ovens.

As for any outdoor activity, each Scout should be prepared with a water bottle, flashlight, appropriate clothing for the weather and something to carry these in (small day pack). Uniform is NOT needed... outdoor wear is best. A necker should be worn as a minimum. **Also, bring a mug, a bowl or a plate... and a spoon!** These will be needed to sample the delicacies.

From Bolton, head north on Highway 50, and turn left into the entrance to Albion Hills (north of Old Church Road, north of the CPR underpass). Follow the main road in, turn left towards the campground. At the fork in the road, turn left. Continue past the Chalet to Maple Lane campsite. See the map above for approximate location.



Parent Meeting

On Monday October 6th we will be holding a **parent meeting**, during the same time as our regular Scout meeting. While the youth are having their Troop meeting, I will be available to meet with the parents. I'll have a presentation on many aspects of our Scout programme, including weekly meetings, Troop structure, badges and awards, camping and outdoor activities, equipment, and much more. There will also be ample opportunity to have your questions answered.

I'd like to encourage all parents of our Scouts to attend this meeting, whether you are new to the Troop or have been here for years, and whether you have attended a parent meeting in the past or not.

October 6th will also be investiture night for all of our new Scouts, and parents are welcome to attend the ceremony at the beginning of the meeting (and then head downstairs for the parent meeting).

Camp Reviews

When we go camping, we need to find out what worked, and what to improve. This is part of what we do in Scouting both as youth and as leaders – **plan, do, and review**.

So for each camp, we expect all those who attended to do a Camp Review.

This is very simple... the minimum is:

- 3 things you really liked about the camp (be as detailed as you can)
- 3 things you didn't like
- 3 things you would change or do differently next time

The suggestions for things you didn't like or would change need to be things actually within our control. There's no point saying you didn't like the weather, or suggesting we only camp on sunny weekends. Make your feedback as useful as possible, and we will use it to plan future camps.

Please e-mail it to Scouter Andy who will forward it on to the Scouters and PLs so your suggestions can be part of the plan for our next great camping experience.

And for those of you working on your Year-Round Camper award... a camp review (submitted within two weeks of the end of the camp) is a must for each segment's requirements. Without the camp review, you won't get the award!

Get Popping with Scout Popcorn!!!

By now most of you should have received your Scout Popcorn sales package for this year.



This is our big fund-raiser, and is the reason we get to do so many great things, have such great camps, and use fantastic camping equipment.

There are few fund-raisers where 60% of the sale price goes right back into the organization's great programs... but Scout Popcorn does just that. 60% of the sale price *stays in Scouting* and over 2/3 of that comes right to 1st Bolton so we can do even more great things this year.

If you didn't get a popcorn package, let us know... and get those sales going!



Upcoming Meetings

Here is the schedule for the next few weekly meetings. Please note this is subject to change as external circumstances dictate, so please check the weekly handout and the website each week for any updates.

Date	Theme	Location
Monday September 29 th	Stoves, Lanterns, Dutch Ovens	TBA
Monday October 6 th	Investiture, Parent Meeting	BRYC
Monday October 13 th	No meeting -Thanksgiving holiday	
Monday October 20 th	Hallowe'en prep, Patrol Gear	BRYC
Monday October 27 th	Cub Scout Hallowe'en Party	BRYC

Upcoming Events

Throughout the year we have many activities scheduled, including hikes, camps and special events. We'll post information on these as soon as we know the dates, but please check the handout and website weekly as sometimes circumstances force us to change a date or location. There will be more activities added throughout the year, but these are the ones already on the schedule:

Apple Day	October 18 th	Bolton Fairgrounds
Jamboree-on-the-Air and Internet	October 18 th	Bolton Fairgrounds
Remembrance Parade and Service	November 9 th	Bolton
Adirondack Camp	November 21 st – 23 rd	Blue Heron camp, near Acton
Bolton Santa Claus Parade	December 6 th	Bolton
Winter Pre-Camp	December 13 th – 14 th	BRYC
Winter Camp	January 2015	TBA
1 st Bolton Kub Kars / Scout Trucks	February 21 st 2015	Humberview S.S.
1 st Bolton Annual Scouting Banquet	February 21 st 2015	Humberview S.S.
Yellow Briar Area Races	March 7 th 2015	LDS Church, Brampton
Swim Up Ceremony	April 20 th 2015	BRYC
Troop Lightweight Hike Camp	April 24 th – 26 th 2015	Bolton & area
D.I.B.C.	May 8 th – 10 th 2015	Camp BEL
Summer Troop camp	July 2015	Kalamazoo, Michigan
Yellow Briar Area – Denali trip	July 4 – 19 2015	Denali, Alaska
Yellow Briar HSR Composite camp	July 25 – Aug 1 2015	Haliburton Scout Reserve

See you all on Monday!

Yours in Scouting,



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