



2004 – 2005 Annual Report

Scouts Canada



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Annual Report



Mission

The mission of Scouting is to contribute to the education of young people, through a value system based on the Scout Promise and Law, to help build a better world where people are self-fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society.

Principles

Scouting is based on three broad principles which represent its fundamental beliefs. These include:

Duty to God: Defined as, "Adherence to spiritual principles, loyalty to the religion that expresses them and acceptance of the duties resulting therefrom."

Duty to Others: Defined as, "Loyalty to one's country in harmony with the promotion of local, national and international peace, understanding and cooperation," and "Participation in the development of society, with recognition and respect for the dignity of one's fellow-being and for the integrity of the natural world."

Duty to Self: Defined as, "Responsibility for the development of oneself." This is in harmony with the educational purpose of the Scout Movement whose aim is to assist young people in the full development of their potentials.

Practices and Methods

We define Scouting Practices as a system of progressive self-education including:

- **A promise and law,**
- **Learning by doing,**
- **Membership in small groups,**
- **Progressive and stimulating programs,**
- **Commitment to the values of doing one's best, contributing to the community, respecting and caring for others, contributing as a family member,**
- **Use of outdoor activities as a key learning resource.**

Chief Commissioner and
Chair of the Board:
Mike Scott
St. Catharines, Ontario



Report to our Chief Scout and the
Corporation of the Boy Scouts of Canada
for the period September 1, 2004 to
August 31, 2005.

Executive Commissioner and CEO:
J. Robert (Rob) Stewart
Ottawa, Ontario

Chief Scout:
Her Excellency The Right Honourable
Adrienne Clarkson, C.C., C.M.M., C.D.
Governor General of Canada

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Message from the Chief Commissioner

I remember clearly my first message to you as your Chief Commissioner, in which I outlined my priorities. I wanted to focus the organization on the “heroes of Scouting,” the section Scouters who deliver the program to our youth members; I wanted to increase the leadership role played by those youth members at all levels of our organization and I wanted to grow Scouting’s presence in Canada’s ethnic communities.

It has been an eventful three years and it is a time that I will remember with a great deal of pleasure. While there were some challenging moments, the vast majority of my experiences have been very positive. After all, I have had the chance to meet and spend time with some of the greatest people in Canada; both young and old, all members of Scouting.

Indeed I have learned that all of our members care deeply about our organization and that if there are disagreements between volunteers it is about how we will accomplish something. It is not about the goals that we all agree on. If there was any doubt about that, the strategic planning process we are engaged in has proved it to be true.

You may find it interesting that I don’t consider that I have completed any “major” projects during my term but I believe that is because, as I have said in the past, Scouting is a living, breathing entity that is constantly evolving. We are never “finished,” we have merely reached another way station in Scouting’s journey. That’s not to say we haven’t accomplished anything; in fact we have made huge strides in many areas. There have been many successes in introducing Scouting to aboriginal and ethnic communities; we have more young people in positions of significant responsibility than ever before and we are rapidly improving our ability to communicate directly with our section Scouters, both to listen to their opinions and provide them with support.

I would like to thank all our volunteers for the incredible amount of time and effort that they have contributed to Scouting in the past year. Without you there is no Scouting. I would also like to thank all our members for the great hospitality and kindness I have received in my travels across Canada to visit with you at camps, jamborees, Beaverees, Cuborees, training programs and yes, many, many meetings.

I have enjoyed it all immensely. Thanks and Good Scouting!

Mike Scott
Chief Commissioner



Message from the Executive Commissioner & CEO

As I reflect on the past year and look forward to the future, I continue to be inspired by the incredible contribution made by the thousands of volunteers who support the Scouting Movement. Each week, in thousands of communities across this country, adults are providing leadership to young people that will impact the quality of life in Canada for generations. That is the key element of the Mission of the World Scout Movement.

It is very satisfying to watch our youth members grow into mature young adults who are ready to serve their community and the world. Young people now play crucial roles in decision making at all levels of the Movement including positions on the Board of Governors and the National Operations Advisory Committee.

As we move towards the 100th Anniversary of Scouting in 2007, we reflect on the growth of the Movement to now include 28 million members in over 160 countries throughout the world. In Canada, we experienced growth in over 700 groups during 2004-05.

This year our members were honored to participate in a program with Veterans Affairs Canada. Youth members nationwide were provided with a “Thank You” crest that was then presented to a veteran in their community.

As her term as Governor General has come to an end, we thank Her Excellency The Right Honorable Adrienne Clarkson for acting as our Chief Scout. Ms. Clarkson’s dedication to Canada’s many diverse communities reinforced Scouting’s commitment to welcoming new Canadians of every religious denomination and cultural background.

I would like to acknowledge the excellent leadership shown by outgoing Chief Commissioner and Chair of the Board of Governors, Mike Scott. Mike provided clear vision on the role of the leaders in our Movement and is responsible for our efforts to provide all the necessary resources for them.

Finally, I express my thanks to all the staff of Scouts Canada. This dedicated group has shown their passion and commitment to our Mission and Principles.

Yours in Scouting,

Rob Stewart
Executive Commissioner & CEO



Invitation to Remember

One of Scouts Canada's highlights this year was partnering with Veterans Affairs Canada to celebrate the Year of the Veteran. Together we developed the Scouts Canada 'Invitation To Remember' program and produced Thank You cards complete with crests thanking veterans and peacekeepers that have served or continue to serve and protect Canada. These Thank You cards were distributed to each Scouts Canada member who in turn presented them to veterans. Youth and leaders alike presented these cards to brothers, sisters, parents, grandparents, great grandparents and neighbours.

The program was launched in the Barney Danson Theatre at the new War Museum in Ottawa on March 22, 2005. The Honourable Albina Guarnieri, Minister of Veterans Affairs and Mike Scott, Chief Commissioner, Scouts Canada, launched the program, and a number of Scouting youth presented Thank You cards to veterans also in attendance.

This program has been a huge hit across the country. Scouting members have great stories of presenting the Thank You cards and the response that they have received from the veterans. We have presented the Thank Yous in Royal Canadian Legions across the country and have been invited to attend local and national veterans' ceremonies. Scouts Canada members describe a tremendous sense of pride in Scouts Canada and themselves as they present these to our veterans.

Members of Scouts Canada will present one hundred and fifty thousand veterans from across Canada with the Thank You cards. What a tremendous way to show our appreciation and respect!



Climate Change Education and Action Program

Scouts Canada youth are changing the world! One of the best examples we have of this is our Climate Change program; in partnership with the Delphi Group, The Government of Canada, and corporate sponsors Alcan Inc. and Nexen Inc., we rolled out this program in the fall of 2004.

The Climate Change Education and Action Program (CCEAP) fits in well with Scouts Canada's Mission to help build a better world. We have a long history of environmentalism through planting Scouttrees, bottle drive recycling, community clean-ups, and no trace camping. Climate change is a critical issue for all Canadians. This new program will bring about awareness and action among Canadian Scouting youth and their families.

Scouting has always promoted a very healthy respect and awareness for the environment. In order to bring climate change

into the picture, a select number of badges have new climate change elements added. In addition, a climate change crest has been developed. In order to earn the crest, youth do a series of GHG (green house gas) reducing activities, including an age-appropriate home energy audit.

Engaging youth in actions to address climate change is a critical element to any nation's strategy, and a significant contribution to sustainable development for years to come.

Youth are a key segment of society and have proven to be an important group on actions to address environmental issues in the past. Youth are also a key point of influence for other segments of society (e.g., families and communities). If communities and citizens come to understand the risks of climate change and how they can play a role in reducing the impact of climate change, they can become an integral part of the solution.

Youth are an important source of creativity, enthusiasm and drive for actions to address climate change.

We estimate an excess of 2000 tonnes of greenhouse gasses were saved by the end of our first year!



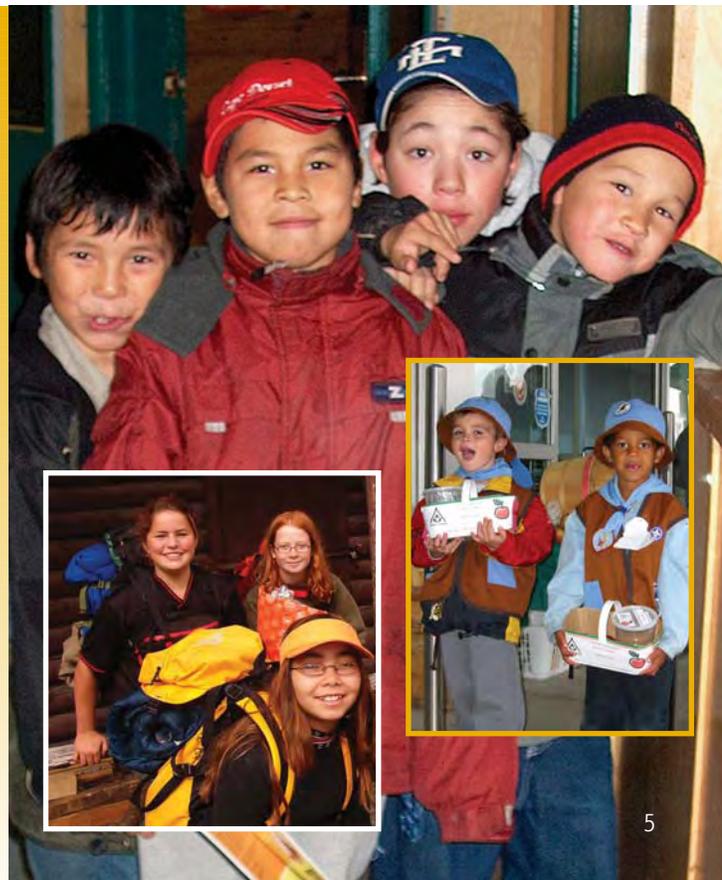
Diversity

The face of Canadian Scouting is ever changing!

Scouting welcomes all cultures and religious denominations to our membership. In fact, our diversity and addition of new cultural and religious groups is what keeps our Movement a vital part of the world's mosaic! We are so proud to welcome new Canadians as part of our Scouting family; you contribute a unique perspective and enhance our programs by adding depth and richness.

Our goals are to increase and maintain the acceptance of all diversity within Scouting; affect systemic change within Scouting to reflect and empower all forms of diversity; to develop resource materials to meet diverse needs; and to increase cross-cultural training of leaders and staff members.

Our main focus is to bring enjoyment, harmony, inclusion and character building to all youth and leaders in our community and to welcome them into Scouting. We know that we can count on all members of Scouts Canada for their continued support in achieving our objectives.



National Update

Program

This year Program Services and the Program Committee worked with the Council Commissioners to develop a network of Scouters responsible for adult development and began to review how the Adult Development program was working in their areas.

The Coaching/Mentoring method and On The Job training seems to be the most efficient for new leaders but many still enjoy attending courses and meeting others. We continue to work with the councils through the network to fine tune these methods.

With the generous support of the Turnbull Family (prominent in the education field in Ottawa), we have launched the Turnbull Family Scout Challenge. Two \$2,500.00 awards will be presented each year to winning groups. Criteria for the award: researching and retracing a route of historical significance, at least four days in length, including some form of community service; meeting with youth and Scouting members from other cultural communities and submitting a log. The first award went to the 17th Ottawa Southminster Scout Group for their backpacking trip to Auyuittuq National Park on Baffin Island.

Climate Change resources provided to our members included JUMP-STARTS for Colony, Pack and Troop, interactive web based energy audits for Cubs and Scouts, as well as a Climate Change Resource Book. Five Cub badges, four Scout badges, and the Venturer World Conservation Badge were adjusted with additional climate change focused requirements.

Other initiatives that the Committee is investigating include Scouting in Schools (partnering with schools to teach Scouting skills in the classroom with a practical experience at camp), and opportunities to involve and include families in Scouting activities. We have also spent significant time reviewing and commenting on the Strategic Planning document circulated by the Board and look forward to a completed document around which to focus next year's initiatives.

Planning for Centennial celebrations for 2007 has begun and a team is being built to put together CJ'07 at Tamaracouta Scout Reserve in Quebec (July 25 – August 1, 2007).

Thanks to the generous support of the Turnbull Family, the 17th Ottawa Southminster Scout Group received the first Turnbull Family Scout Challenge award for their backpacking trip to Auyuittuq National Park on Baffin Island.



Photos courtesy of Frank Taylor, 17th Ottawa Southminster Scout Group

Communication Services

Our national web site has a new look! To improve two-way communications for both the field and the general public, a "Help" button was added to the home page. It links to a newly-configured page where contacts are listed for various types of assistance. To further showcase Scouts Canada's commitment to multiculturalism, a "Multicultural" button and page were added – this will feature content in a variety of languages, and stories of multicultural Scouting across Canada. The profile of Scout Popcorn has been increased with the addition of a homepage button; and last but not least, the CJ'07 web site is officially up and running!

Scouts Canada enjoyed some excellent external publicity this year. As part of the "Year of the Veteran", Scouting youth were featured in one of four official posters launched in Canada. Furthermore, newly-designed full page colour ads were displayed in two major Canadian magazines, "Today's Parent" and "Canadian Parent."

Field Services

This past year has been busy with field visits to all councils, meetings with Council Executive Directors/Council Commissioners and working with the various Administrative Centres in their daily operations.

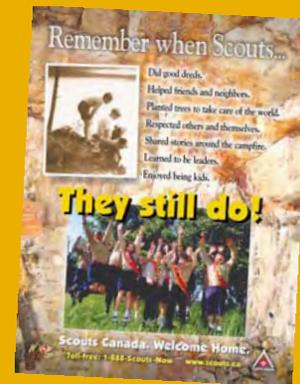
Membership recruitment and retention continued to be the focus for CEDs/Council Field Executives, Council Development Workers and Area Commissioners. With very active participation from the field (volunteers and staff), we reviewed the registration process and will be implementing a revised process that involves the Council Administrative Centre, the Area Commissioners and Council Field Executives. We have also streamlined it to make it more "user friendly."

This past year saw the implementation of the Council Operating Procedures manual for use at the Council/Area and Group level. This came as a result of the various procedures needed as a result of our Bylaw. Again, the various volunteers and staff in the councils were consulted and provided excellent feedback.



Improvements to our national web site include new "Help" button and homepage buttons.

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Full page ads were displayed in two major Canadian magazines.

Information Management

The IM department at the National office has been rebuilt with new personnel and new procedures. The new team has a strong and energetic perspective to their work and towards the goals and objectives of the Scouting Movement.

Largely based on feedback from our membership, we at the IM group have been evaluating and implementing ways to improve the current systems and processes. Like all technology, IM is constantly evolving and will continue to do so as we upgrade and improve the Membership Management System's performance and functionality.

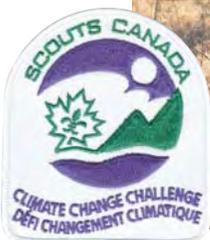
The new registration process for 2005-2006 has been simplified and streamlined. Councils, Council Registrars, Area Commissioners and Council Field Executives now have a key, central role in the process.

Retail Services

Retail Services' primary goal is to provide a cost efficient system where our membership can access reasonably priced uniform and program materials that they will need to operate their Scouting programs throughout the year.

Over the past year we have seen an increase in the average sale per member increase by \$3.50. All profits generated from the sales of outdoor gear help us to offset our fixed costs and allow the Scout Shops to continue to operate in delivering program materials to our membership.

Over the last 12 months we have conducted an extensive review on establishing an E-commerce Scout Shop. In order to continue to provide a good level of service to the membership across the country, Retail Services will continue to look for methods of reducing its internal costs of doing business. Scouts Canada will also continue to solicit our membership for their support in using their Scout Shops as an option for purchasing their outdoor product needs.



Climate Change resources proved to be of great benefit to our members. Section badge requirements were adjusted as well.



Photos courtesy of the 15th Sudbury Scout Group

Human Resources

Scouts Canada has completed the employment restructuring of its council and Scout Shop operations, eliminating over 70 full-time positions.

Employees have worked hard to adjust to their revised relationships, roles and responsibilities, while continuing to focus on provision of services towards increasing membership and retention.

Most important, consolidation in our administration and senior management levels has provided councils to reallocate some of the salary savings towards new Council Field Executive and Community Development Worker positions.

Despite the staffing reduction, the volume of activities remains, and we are grateful to the many volunteers who have taken up the challenge. Employees' support of Scouts Canada's strategic plan is designed to be achieved in concert with the continued enthusiasm and commitment of the volunteers with whom they work.



International Relations

Scouts Canada is well represented in Scout activities at the international level. Some of these during the past year were support of the Extension Scouts (Street Scouts) program in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania (the New Brunswick Council is a major backer of this program); and financial support of Scout projects dealing with the Tsunami disaster in East Asia.

We also have countless cross-border activities with the Boy Scouts of America, and an ongoing bi-annual Calgary/Japanese Scout exchange. The Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund supports the material cost of many community development projects which our Canadian youth members take on in developing countries.

Jack Sinclair Receives Bronze Wolf Citation



Congratulations to Canada's Jack Sinclair on being awarded the Bronze Wolf. Former President and International Commissioner, Jack Sinclair served as International Commissioner of Scouts Canada from 1992 to 1997. The Bronze Wolf is the only award made by the World Scout Committee; it is given solely in recognition of outstanding service by an individual to the World Scout Movement.

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Photo: Africa Region Office

Council Highlights

Cascadia Council

The council has seen a considerable number of successes during the past year. Some of our successes include moving the Designated Funds issues to almost completion, development of a new process to include groups in the voting structure of the council, the formation of the Member Development and Recruitment team to deal with membership issues, completion of a proposal to link the Trans Canada Trail with the Scouting program for the 2007 centennial celebration, and another successful Camp Walnut for our youth leadership team.

Pacific Coast Council

This year has seen us getting back to emphasizing camaraderie and fun as we seek to improve our recruitment and retention of members. Some of the many initiatives that have continued to bring success to the Pacific Coast Council include the expansion of the Scout group involving children from ESL classes, and the Scout Expo, promoting Scouting in the community. Events such as the Science World Sleepover, Nite Hike, Camp Wolf Howl – summer camp for Cubs, Rovent, Mardi Gras, etc., continue to attract many youth and their leaders who come together in the spirit of Scouting.

Fraser Valley Council

The past year proved to be both rewarding and challenging for the Fraser Valley Council. From a program perspective, it was another great year. Council sponsored events were well supported and these included Camp Kick-off for Scouts, Cuborees and Beaverees. Our Summer Cub Camp ran once again for five weeks and now serves as a model for other councils. We are continuing to develop the jewel of our Council, Camp McLean, in partnership with the generosity of the Art and Pearl Van Der Linden Foundation.

Chinook Council

Chinook celebrated Alberta's centennial by hosting the 1st Scout Brotherhood Jamboree - a jamboree without borders. The event welcomed Scouts and Venturers from across Canada as well as units from the United

States and Denmark. Exciting program activities reinforced the objectives of the Scout program and provided opportunities for patrol leaders to practice their leadership skills.

Youth at risk at the Calgary Young Offender Centre and Woods Homes participated in Scouting. Youth with developmental challenges at Medicine Hat's McCoy High School entered their 3rd year in Extreme Adventure. Core groups reached out to youth in the Chinese, Vietnamese and Muslim communities. The council is working with the Sudanese community to start a Scouting group in 2006.

Saskatchewan Council

The council began the year with hundreds of youth enjoying and participating in the annual Jack England Camp in Regina. Throughout the year many more enjoyed camps and events from Scout Hockey nights to Klondike Days in February, with a Cub Camp in the spring.

The Council Service Team is concentrating on improving development of our Adult Volunteers, by ensuring all adults have the opportunity of "on time" training, hopefully resulting in Scouters with a positive attitude and confidence to deliver an excellent program to our youth. A new and improved website was launched in the spring to better serve Saskatchewan Scouting.

Manitoba Council

Manitoba Council kicked off the Scouting year with 600 Cubs and leaders attending the 2004 Wolforee camp at Portage La Prairie's Island Park. The council sponsored a number of camping and outdoors activities including Klondike Derby, Scouting Skills competition at the Red River Exhibition, an Extreme Adventure canoe trip in Northern Ontario and Cub and Scout summer programs. Our first ever Scouter's Conference attracted 125 Scouters and Venturers.

Northern Lights Council

NLC has had another busy year. We started off with another successful Scout Popcorn Campaign in the fall. Our Leadership Breakfast in Edmonton was well attended and generated funding plus created public awareness in Edmonton and the surrounding area.



Parade Float – It's a Winner!

This summer NLC hosted a Jamboree at Camp Woods. Over 1,100 youth from Beavers through to Rovers attended. NLC ran a thriving summer camp program which ran out of our Adventure Centre. Archery, rock climbing and a trip to the greatest indoor show on earth – the West Edmonton Mall – were some of the highlights.

Battlefields Council

The annual Battlefields Regional Camporama (BR6) continues to be a highlight of the year for many troops. Battlefields Council demonstrated a “can-do” attitude by increasing Scout Popcorn sales in 04/05. The volunteers in the Hamilton-Wentworth Area deserve congratulations on development and implementation of a volunteer help desk to assist the flow of information to and from the Southwestern Ontario Administrative Centre in London, while ensuring help was accessible for their local Scouting families.

Greater Toronto

Over the past year Greater Toronto Council has been making strong inroads with the Tamil, Jewish, Chinese, and Filipino communities, in part due to a video targeting those communities developed by the marketing students at Ryerson University. The Alders Area was successful in reaching 100% of last year’s membership. The council had many members attend the Central Canada Jamboree at Camp Tamaracouta in Quebec as well as the Tri-Council High Point Camp held at Goodyear Scout Camp in Ontario.

Central Escarpment

Central Escarpment Council had a successful year. Wellington Area reached 100% of last year’s total membership. The council is also making progress targeting the multicultural communities within its boundaries. Popcorn was a very strong fundraiser this past year and the Council exceeded \$500,000 in sales. There was strong participation at the Tri-Council High Point Camp at the Council’s Goodyear Scout Camp.

Shining Waters

Shining Waters Council has started a new French group in Barrie, Ontario, helping the Simcoe-Phoenix Area to exceed 100% of last year’s membership. They also had a very successful year with increased Scout Popcorn sales of \$465,000.

We are working to increase the diversity of our members by reaching out to more cultural and religious communities, and positioning our image to be more reflective of our demographics.

Northern Ontario

Ontario Lieutenant Governor James Bartleman’s literacy initiative this year included, three week summer camps on fly-in reserves in Northern Ontario. The purposes of the summer camps were to provide learning opportunities for youth 5 to 14 years old, to enable those young people to build self-esteem, develop skills, further their education, and have fun. Scouts Canada took a lead role in a coalition of organizations that was formed to make this program happen. The collaborative included the Nishnawbe Aski Nation, National Indigenous Literacy Association, YMCA, Toronto District School Board, Frontier College and World Literacy Canada.

White Pine Council

The year started with a tremendous Council Beaveree. Jamboree On The Air came along next and the excellent facilities afforded through the use of Mosport International Raceway brought record numbers out to this annual event. The ever popular and exceptionally well run Operation Alert Camp at Camp Samac was next on the Council event list and the participating youth had a great weekend as usual.

Tri Shores Council

The Scouting year in Tri-Shores got off to a great start, with a Beaver Sleepover to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Beavers. The council Cubo-rama was held in June with over 1,100 youth and adults attending, breaking all records since the inception of Tri-Shores Council. Summer had a variety of SCOUTSabout programmes as well. Thirty Cubs enjoyed a composite camp with the theme being Cub Camp - C.S.I. (Camp Sylvan Investigation). Tri-Shores Council partnered with the Windsor-Essex Hospice to hold a camp for youth whose families are being affected by a life-threatening illness. For four days, over 19 youth enjoyed a Scouting program while also providing the hospice staff an opportunity to nurture and support them.



Voyageur Council

There was an Open house to kick off the year at Scout Headquarters. One local television station, The New RO, had Scouting on many times through the year, along with radio ads throughout the Valley. Renegades Scout Day, Beaveriee (Grace Jones), Camp Slush (Petawawa Venturers and Rovers), RSVP Camp (Rovers, Scouts, Venturers) were some of the council sponsored events. A big undertaking behind the scenes for the whole year was the registration for CCJAM '05.

The Ottawa Food Bank gave Voyageur Council their highest award, *The Apple Award*, for the work we do with the Food Drive every November.

Quebec Council

This year saw a focus on developing alliances and sustaining the needs of varied communities, families and youth. Council staff reached out to our dedicated volunteers and orchestrated a recognition dinner in the context of Canada's National Volunteer Week and our Council Service Team/Community Development Workers introduced Philippine, First Nations, Egyptian and Chinese groups to our extended Scouting family. Tamaracouta Scout Reserve also hosted a joint Central Canada Jamboree that drew over 2,400 participants and revolved around the theme of the Wild West.

Cette année, nous avons concentré nos efforts sur la création de liens avec les différentes communautés, familles et jeunes et la satisfaction de leurs besoins.

Le personnel du conseil, dans un souci de se rapprocher de ses bénévoles dévoués, a organisé un dîner d'honneur pour ses membres dans le contexte de la Semaine nationale des bénévoles. L'équipe de service et les agents de développement communautaire ont eu le plaisir de nous présenter de nouveaux groupes de scoutisme issus des communautés égyptienne, chinoise, philippines et des Premières nations, qui viendront enrichir notre grande famille scout. Par ailleurs, le Jamboree du Canada central a eu lieu à la réserve scout Tamaracouta, plus de 2 400 participants ont pu vivre au rythme de l'Ouest sauvage.

New Brunswick

Many Scouts, Venturers and leaders representing fifteen groups culminated their Scouting adventures by participating in the Central Canada Jamboree held in Quebec and Scotia Jamb in Cape Breton. Over one hundred

Venturers and leaders paddled and participated in a variety of exciting challenges along the Miramichi River in the Annual May Weekend Canoe River Run. More than four hundred Cubs and Beavers had great winter fun at the Southeastern Area Giant Sliding Party in February. Scouts, in turn, gathered for the Annual Moosehorn International Camp joining with American Scouts from Maine for a great start-up camp in September. We were especially pleased to welcome the Papineau First Nation Cub Pack as a new group last year.

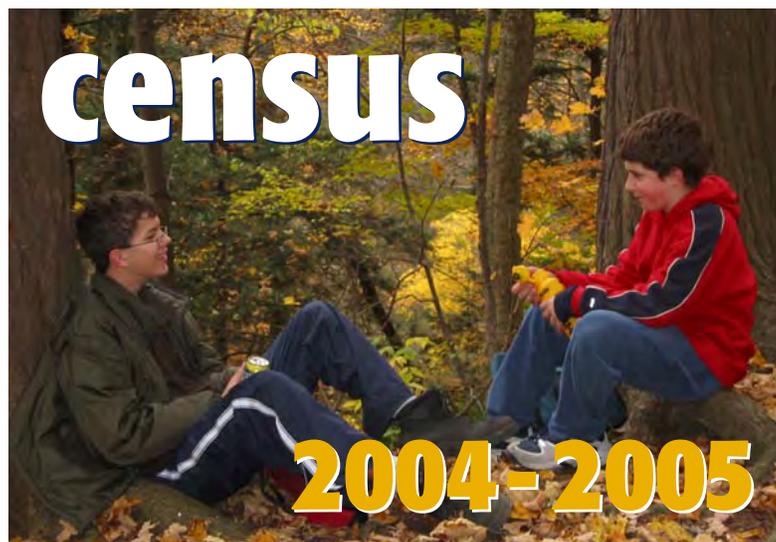
Over seven hundred and fifty New Brunswick Scouting members planted over fifteen thousand trees and raised over two thousand dollars to support the Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund. New Brunswick Scouters continued their support of their adopted brotherhood project, the Kenya Extension Program (Street Scouts), by raising over thirty five hundred dollars during Scotia Jamb 2005 towards this worthy project.

Newfoundland and Labrador Council

The 1st Happy Valley Scout Troop in Happy Valley-Goose Bay, Labrador, attended the Nova Scotia Jamboree, driving the nearly 4000 km round trip across Labrador, through Quebec and New Brunswick to Cape Breton Island. All reports indicate that they had a great time at the Jamboree and on the road. Youth events held in the province included the Patrol Leader camp and the Venturer MOPS conference held at Camp Nor'Wes, the provincial camp site. About 170 Scouts, Venturers, leaders and instructors attended and learned some of the basic aspects of Scouting, and the Venturers had a challenging program including their version of "Nor'Wes Choppers" run by the 3rd St. John's Rover Crew.

Nova Scotia Council

Though the Nova Scotia Council continues to face many challenges there have been several signs of improvement and success that we are celebrating. Once again we have provided provincial level program activities/competitions for all sections as well as running a very well received and highly successful jamboree; our first in 18 years. In addition, through the efforts of a very dedicated team we have our training program back on track. Tied to this, we have worked out an arrangement with St. John Ambulance to provide free first aid training at any requested level to all youth and leaders registered within the council.



| SECTION | Total |
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| Beavers | 27,814 |
| Cubs | 30,486 |
| Scouts | 16,295 |
| Venturers | 4,776 |
| Rovers | 933 |
| SCOUTSabout | 3,839 |
| Extreme Adventure | 250 |
| Other | 144 |
| TOTAL YOUTH | 84,537 |
| ADULTS | 25,713 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 110,250 |

SCOUTING *WORKS!*

Each month *Leader Magazine* features "Scouting Works" – testimonials from youth who have been awarded a Foundation Scouts Canada Foundation academic scholarship. Here is a small sampling of their comments:



Scouting has been a key component in my development as an individual. Through its co-educational environment, I developed positive values, sound morals and strong leadership qualities. It is my goal that these values are passed on to others, creating a "chain of leadership."

– **Lori Anne Donald,**
Midland, ON



My years in Scouting have played a prominent role in developing my character, bettering my skills, and giving me the opportunity to enjoy myself. Not only has Scouting helped make me a better person, it helps make the world a better place too.

– **Nicholas Avdimiretz,**
Sherwood Park, AB



The friendship and challenge found on camping and canoe trips created an excellent time to unwind and to enjoy the company of the many friends whom I have met through Scouting. As a Scout leader I have enjoyed helping younger members develop themselves through Scouting.

– **Alex Conrad,**
Lunenburg, NS

Corporate Campaign Donors

Donations made from Sept 1, 2004 to Aug 31, 2005

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Awards

Jack Cornwell Decoration

(For high character and courage – youth members only)

Tyler Aboultaif (Cub), Edmonton, AB
Tristan Knapp-Fisher (Scout), Sidney, BC

Award for Fortitude

(For perseverance despite physical or mental impediments to involvement)

Derian Bailey (Cub), Camrose, AB
Douglas Troy Birney (Venturer), Scarborough, ON
Linda Campbell, Ile Perrot, QC
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Brianna Kaitlyn Dawn Nichols (Scout), Victoria, BC
Michael Oliver (Cub), Richmond, BC
Nelson James Potter, Toronto, ON
Diane Simoes, Pefferlaw, ON
Cameron Steffler (Cub), Barrie, ON
Barbara Anne Stephens, Courtenay, BC
James Stoetzel, Calgary, AB
Patricia Stoetzel, Calgary, AB

Bronze Cross

(For gallantry)

Andrea Jennae Elliott, Brentwood Bay, BC
Curtis Irwin (Scout), Kemptville, ON
Daniel Morningstar-Thomas (Scout), Niagara Falls, ON
Shawn Stauffer (Beaver), Cameron, ON

Certificate for Gallantry

(For gallantry)

Fabrizio Corso (Scout), Montreal, QC

Medal for Meritorious Conduct

(For especially meritorious conduct)

Robert Holmgren, Powell River, BC
Dustin Anthony Lafleur, St. Albert, AB

Certificate for Meritorious Conduct

(For meritorious conduct worthy of recorded commendation)

Andre David Apperley (Beaver), Petawawa, ON
Anne Lee Chong, Unionville, ON
Linda Coote, Hawkestone, ON
Antonio Devito (Scout), Anmore, BC
Roberto Estrada, Montreal, QC
Jeffrey Ge, Vancouver, BC
Canon Ho (Venturer), Richmond, BC
Ada Lam, Richmond, BC
Neville Garred George Meyer (Scout), Victoria, BC
Liam O'Neill (Cub), Hamilton, ON
Ken Lorne Penley, Orillia, ON
Trevor K. Penley (Scout), Orillia, ON
Richard Robertson, Porcupine, ON
Eric Russo (Scout), Anmore, BC
Robert St. Amant (Scout), Orillia, ON
Philip Tsang, Unionville, ON

Silver Fox

(For service of the most exceptional character to Scouting in the international field by persons who are not members of Scouts Canada but who are associated with the World Organization of the Scout Movement)
Fawzi Farghali, Cairo, EGYPT

Silver Wolf

(For service of the most exceptional character to Scouting, normally of national importance)

Leo J. Bruseker, St. Albert, AB
David Cooper, Markham, ON
Bruce Grant, St. John's, NL
Emily Joyce Mullen, Didsbury, AB
Michael Scott, St. Catharines, ON
David Harry Searle, Vancouver, BC

Silver Maple Leaf

(For service to Scouting in excess of 25 years as a member of the executive staff. Awarded at retirement)

Robert C. Butcher, Ottawa, ON
Garth A. Johnson, Winnipeg, MB
Brent D. King, Surrey, BC

Bar to the Silver Acorn

(For further especially distinguished service to Scouting)

Manfred Chan, Richmond, BC
Alexander Hadden, Richmond, BC
Jon E. Hall, Edmonton, AB

Maureen McConnell, Brandon, MB
Grace Seabrook, Victoria, BC
William Zahara, Surrey, BC

Silver Acorn

(For especially distinguished service to Scouting)

Andrew Allan Ackerman, Fort St. John, BC
Lori Ackerman, Fort St. John, BC
William M.A. Baker, North Vancouver, BC
Arthur Murray Bates, North Vancouver, BC
Larry Beitel, Delta, BC
Shirley Bergsma, Spruce Grove, AB
Herbert E. Bromley, Calgary, AB
Kathryn Brown, Pickering, ON
Joseph Buhagiar, Springfield, NS
Wendy Canessa, Surrey, BC
Ross Coneybeare, Hawkestone, ON
Mary Jane Derrah, Fredericton, NB
Doug Donald, Midland, ON
Richard Earthy, Vancouver, BC
Frank Edwards, Beamsville, ON
Susan Fraser, Victoria, BC
Lacinda (Cindy) George, Fort McMurray, AB
Lyle Gustafson, Devon, AB
Roy E. Hockings, Toronto, ON
Garth Holder, Moncton, NB
Jim Howatt, Whitehorse, YT
Harold Gordon Hubber, Hamilton, ON
Ralph Jenkins, Timmins, ON
Chris Jennings, Terrace, BC
Michael Juleff, Victoria, BC
Robert Kalbfleisch, Waterloo, ON
Barbara Kenwell, Edmonton, AB
Kenneth Medlock, Delta, BC
Jeff Melvin, Moncton, NB
Patricia Morrison, Bedford, NS
Bonnie Olmstead, Jarvis, ON
Al Patterson, Brandon, MB
Bruce Walter Riddiough, Hamilton, ON
David Rocksborough-Smith, Vancouver, BC
David Ross, Ottawa, ON
Ken Shigeishi, Toronto, ON
Thomas Silvester, Winnipeg, MB
James Smith, Kelowna, BC
Maureen Spencer, Langley, BC
Michael D. Strachey, Calgary, AB
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Debra Ellen Watts, Richmond, BC
Jeffrey Douglas Watts, Richmond, BC
Linda Mary Way, Cayuga, ON
Wendy Yule, Leduc, AB

Bar to the Medal of Merit

(For further especially good service to Scouting)

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Ruth Barlow, Toronto, ON
Karoline Barr, Fredericton, NB
Jean-Pierre Busschaert, Dollard-des-Ormeaux, QC
Bruce Carruthers, Thunder Bay, ON
Roy Carstens, Calgary, AB
Ken Coone, Sussex, NB
Chuck Drewoth, Burnaby, BC
Brent K. Hussey, Dorval, QC
Kim Lanyon, Victoria, BC
Donna Lawson, Orillia, ON
James H. Le Vesconte, Calgary, AB
William Leach, Toronto, ON
J.R. (Burns) McLellan, North Vancouver, BC
Nadine Nicholson, Moncton, NB
Lillian Pimm, Vancouver, BC
Joseph Merrill Saad, Olds, AB
Stephen Sothy, Vancouver, BC
Teresa Tsui, Delta, BC
George Williams, Truro, NS

Medal of Merit

(For especially good service to Scouting)

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John Barker, Samia, ON
Ralph Barnes, Halifax, NS
Doug Barr, Fort St. John, BC
Rick Barr, Burnaby, BC
Jens Barsballe, Duncan, BC
Ada Bartlett, Hamilton, ON
Desmond Bazett, Victoria, BC
Alexander Bonnar, Toronto, ON
Dale Bort, Whitehorse, YT
Sharon Branscombe, Ward's Creek, NB
Carmen Bremner-Nemedy, Leduc, AB
David Broman, Kelowna, BC
Michelle Bull, Berwick, NS
William Butt, Conception Bay South, NL
Linda Callahan, Winterland, NL
Ivy Campbell-Roberts, Niagara Falls, ON
Kenneth Carey, Toronto, ON
Brenda Carstens, Calgary, AB
Marie Carter, Toronto, ON
Colleen Chambers, London, ON
Wanda Chevrier, Burlington, ON
Irene Ngar Yin Chu, Burnaby, BC
Rob Clayton, Port Coquitlam, BC
Mitch Cormier, Charlottetown, PE
Eva Mabel Craig, Sooke, BC
Douglas Culp, Fonthill, ON

Joy Cummings, Thunder Bay, ON
Catherine A. Desjardins, Burnaby, BC
Francene Donovan, New Haven, NS
David Donovan, New Haven, NS
Beverly Drouin, Chalk River, ON
Ron David Dyck, Campbell River, BC
Bruce Eggleton, Toronto, ON
Dwight Elliott, Mission, BC
Gordon C. Ellison, Calgary, AB
Brenda Frederick, Oakville, ON
Warren Freisen, Devon, AB
Teddy Fung, Thornhill, ON
Diana Gaiger, Victoria, BC
Michael Gaiger, Victoria, BC
Carolyn Garland, Lakefield, NB
Cindy George, Fort McMurray, AB
Andrew Goodall, West Vancouver, BC
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Kim James, Trail, BC
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Nazir H. Manji, Carstairs, AB
Colin Marriott, Brockville, ON
Michael Martin, Toronto, ON
Ivan Mather, Kimberley, BC
Randall Maze, Victoria, BC
Nathan McCurdy, Salmon Arm, BC
Sharon McDonald, Cambridge, ON
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Malcolm McGregor, Victoria, BC
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David McRea, Victoria, BC
Michael Mealey, Happy Valley, NL
Nancy Mendes-Walker, Duncan, BC
Chris Meyer, Victoria, BC
Patricia Michaud, Douglas, NB

Kerry Miller, Salmon Arm, BC
Rod Miller, Victoria, BC
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National Amory Adventure Awards

To Conquer the Golden Hinde

by the 10th Garry Oak Venturers (Victoria, BC)



At 2,195 metres above sea level, the Golden Hinde is the highest mountain on Vancouver Island. But the 10th Garry Oak Venturers were prepared to tackle an eight-day hiking trip through the demanding terrain in Strathcona Park to capture its heights.

Day One, August 21

We travelled to Nanaimo where a friend took us by boat to the Kurst Campsite on Buttle Lake, just inside Strathcona Park. Conditions were foggy and rainy, and visibility was poor, but we were all raring to begin.

Day Two, August 22

With a total elevation gain of 1600 metres up to Marble Meadows, it was a good warm-up for the days to come. Arriving at our first campsite at Wheaton Cabin, we considered our first day of hiking a great success.

Day Three, August 23

Rocks, pains and extreme terrain described this day. When we emerged on Morrison Spire, the view was astounding. After gazing our fill at the spectacular panorama all around, we descended into huge marble fields, where there were giant sinkholes formed by the eroded limestone.

The trail markers consisted of widely spaced cairns (small piles of rocks stacked on top of each other). After a short vertical climb we entered another, larger marble field. The rocks were covered in "worms" which made them razor sharp to unprotected skin.

Everything went well until we hit the unexpected: a sheer vertical drop. It took almost two hours to get everyone down. We then continued through an area of black rocks, which led to a very steep snowfield. The windchill made it icy cold, adding to our fatigue. Because of the thick fog, it was hard to find the cairns. We had to be extremely careful not to get lost.

The rest of the day was spent navigating Greig Ridge, which turned out to be a lot hillier than we had anticipated. By the time we set up camp we had hiked for 12 hours, yet everyone's spirits were still high.

Day 4, August 24

Our first sight of the mountain. There it stood, its rough grey peak pushing through the clouds. It was all uphill and gruelling that day with our descent ending at Schjelderup Lake. We set up our tents and a large tarp shelter, where we had a meeting and decided to leave some of our food and gear and pick it up on the way out.

Day 5, August 25

What do you know – this day turned out to be easier than we had thought. After climbing up a ridge, and back down the other side to Burman Lake, we began climbing the Golden Hinde. At lunch we went through an “emergency” scenario where we enacted the procedure we would follow if a group member became seriously hurt and in need of immediate evacuation. Not only was this a valuable learning experience, but it put the trip into perspective.

Day 6, August 26

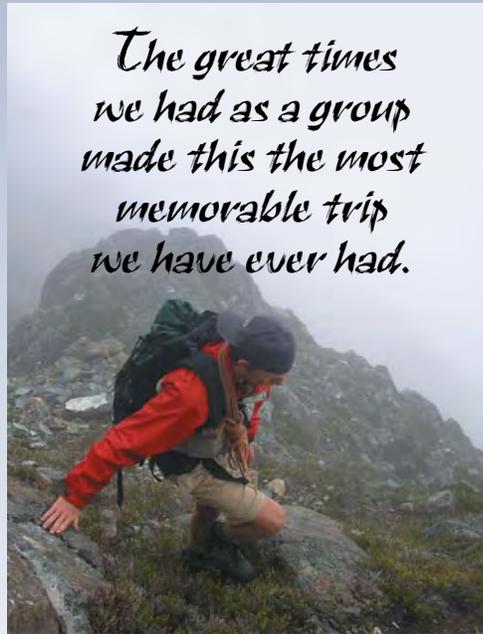
We bagged the Hinde! For the first time since leaving Victoria, we woke up to our first morning of sunshine. At one point during the morning, the

mountain exploded. Fifty metres to our left, a huge chunk of ice cracked off and started rolling. As it rolled, more ice and rock started shooting down the mountain. For what felt like minutes, but was probably around 30 seconds, the valley was full of rolling rock and ice. The chunks were up to a metre wide and the sound was deafening like thunder. Safely on our ridge, we stopped for a few moments to regain our focus before continuing hiking.

Scrambling up the last fifty metres, we finally arrived at the shrine on top of the mountain. After months of preparation, planning, training, and pain, we stayed at the top for a ridiculously short time. We took pictures of everyone, signed the logbook; and with one last glance at the surrounding fog, we headed down.

All in all, the trip was amazing and a great achievement. The amount we learned was immeasurable and the great times we had as a group made this the most memorable trip we have ever had.

– Mark Bazett, Marek Kobylarz, Jimmy Macauley, Byron Rotgans, Matt Swaile, Mike VanInsberghe (Advisors: Des Bazett, Rick Lloyd)



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NATIONAL AMORY ADVENTURE AWARDS

2nd Place

Adventure Seekers on the Chilkoot Trail

by the 1st Salmon Arm (BC) Venturers

Six days of driving, five days of hiking, a 40-hour ferry trip and 17 more hours driving to get home: the 1st Salmon Arm Venturers did all this to win second place for their hike on the Chilkoot Trail. Why? Because they're adventure seekers. Read their story in the August/September 2005 *Leader Magazine*.

Participants: Cory Sweet, Harlan Sweet, Jill Kalloch, Jennifer Amy, Justin Corrie, Justin McCurdy, Damien Plant, Neal Watt (Advisors: Jennifer Douglas, David Douglas)



3rd Place

Exploring Desolation Sound

by the 1st Campbell River (BC) Venturers

Seven nights and six days of kayaking through the area known as the Discovery Islands was the adventure of a lifetime. Through storms, waves, rain, and sun, the intrepid 1st Campbell River Venturers persevered, creating an adventure to remember for the rest of their lives. Read about their voyage in the October 2005 *Leader Magazine*.

Participants: Michael Alex, Eric Baikie, Steven Embury, Devon Garat, Reid Solberg (Advisors: John Robilliard, Ian Baikie)



Fundraising



“Changing the lives of so many by offering quality programs is a reality of good fundraising. Challenging our youth to experience new adventures through successful fundraising will ultimately keep our organization healthy and alive”.

*– Howard Osterer, National Director of Fundraising,
Camp Seeonee, Saskatoon, 2005*

Fundraising, in any organization these days is all too often mistaken as a substitute for program. Testimonials from participating groups across Canada support the message that parents don't sign up their kids to fundraise but to enjoy and participate in the same outdoor and rewarding activities that they had once experienced.

The need to fundraise must always come from within. Solid leadership, parent support and a high percentage of group participation will always be the necessary ingredients to a successful fundraiser and ultimately provide a great program-driven year of events.

Scouts Canada is proud to offer its membership two official winning fundraisers: Scout Popcorn and Scoutrees.

Scout Popcorn

Communication to all levels of Scouting was one of our key strategic goals this year. It all started when Executive Commissioner & CEO Rob Stewart and his family shared their message on our Scout Popcorn DVD. Over three thousand copies were distributed to groups in Canada.

Scout Popcorn Information Kits containing details about the upcoming 100th Anniversary Scout Popcorn programs, web site support, and the Trail's End Scout Popcorn system were distributed this fall. Council Field Executives' new support role in bringing the message to groups was very much appreciated.

Scouting groups were very receptive to the communication and support being offered. A new Scout Popcorn button on Scouts Canada's web site (www.scouts.ca) was a welcome addition. Check out the new "Fill it UP," and "Good Turn of Month" incentive award programs, as well as other support material offered on our Scout Popcorn web page.

Sales were up dramatically (over fifteen percent), along with more group participation. Two new products (a five way Chocolate Lovers tin and microwave Kettle Corn) were introduced, increasing our product line to eight delicious products.

Scoutrees

Scouting members continue to plant Scoutrees every spring; over seventy million trees since 1974! Scoutrees is recognized as one of our key environmental programs. Through sponsors and donors, income from this program helps fund local Scouting activities and council programs, as well as providing needed support to the Scout Brotherhood Fund for Third World development projects. Last year over \$15,000 went to the Kenya Extension Scouts (formerly Street Scouts program).

Scouts Canada is pleased to have St. Joseph Printing as our corporate sponsor to our Scoutree program. Their continuous generous financial support helps Scoutrees to operate successfully.

Fondation Scouts Canada Foundation

The Fondation Scouts Canada Foundation exists to support Scouts Canada, its councils and members. To meet its goals, the Foundation conducts both an annual corporate appeal and a direct mail appeal, with net income from these activities flowing directly to Scouts Canada. A Fellowship Program allows individuals to contribute in support of Scouting projects of a non-operational nature. Through sponsorships, we are working to raise funding for CJ 2007 (and additionally attract a multi-year funding commitment) to drive down the costs for this 100th year anniversary national jamboree. As well, we plan to increase participation in support of Scouts Canada projects by fundraising from private foundations.

In 2004-05 the Foundation made grants including: scholarships of \$1,000 each to 15 youth, over \$5,000 to five councils in support of their initiatives to attract new members, a \$5,000 Molson Leadership Award to Scouts Canada, and the first ever Turnbull Family Award of \$2,500 to the 17th Ottawa Southminster Scouts for their Arctic adventure.

Over 2,000 Scouting alumni have joined the 2007 1st Centennial Group, a special group for King's Scouts, Queen's Scout, Chief Scouts and Queen's Venturers. With 20 patrols across Canada, the participants are now planning special events to help celebrate Scouting's Centennial in 2007. Nearly 100 Centennial Group participants have contributed to the Centennial Scouter Fund. More information about this effort can be found at www.scouts100.ca.

The lives of thousands of Scouts Canada's youth members have changed because of all the hard work our volunteers and professionals do. Thank you! Your support has helped change the lives of many Scouting youth.



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AUDITORS' REPORT

The Boy Scouts of Canada National Operation

The accompanying summarized statement of financial position and the summarized statement of operations are derived from the complete financial statements of The Boy Scouts of Canada National Operation as at August 31, 2005 and for the year then ended on which we expressed an opinion without reservation in our report dated November 21, 2005. The fair summarization of the complete financial statements is the responsibility of management. Our responsibility, in accordance with the applicable Assurance Guideline of The Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, is to report on the summarized financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements fairly summarize, in all material respects, the related complete financial statements in accordance with the criteria described in the Guideline referred to above.

These summarized financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes. For more information on the entity's financial position, results of operations and cash flows, reference should be made to the related complete financial statements.

Chartered Accountants

Ottawa, Canada

November 21, 2005

THE BOY SCOUTS OF CANADA NATIONAL OPERATION

Notes to Summarized Financial Statements

Year ended August 31, 2005
(In thousands of dollars)

1. Basis of presentation:

These summarized financial statements reflect the operations of the National Operation only and do not include the revenue, expenses, assets and liabilities of the Councils, Fondation Scouts Canada Foundation and Canyouth Publications Inc.

2. Related parties:

Membership and insurance fees are collected from individual members of Scouts Canada primarily at the local Group level. National and Council fees collected by the local Groups are allocated to the National Operation and the Councils based on the membership fee schedules for the year.

The National Operation provides payroll services to the Councils and recovers the paid salary and benefits from the Councils. A senior volunteer of the Boy Scouts of Canada was until March 2005, president of the company that contracted warehouse services with the National Operation. As per the conflict of interest guidelines of The Boy Scouts of Canada, the appropriate declarations have been made.

3. Employee future benefits recovery receivable:

The employee future benefits recovery receivable represents the amount of the accrued employee future benefits liability, which relates to the employees of The Boy Scouts of Canada who are working at the Councils. The Councils pay the National Operation for their portion of the employer contributions under the plans in the year.

In the year, the Board of The Boy Scouts of Canada approved the allocation of the entire accrued employee future benefits liability between the National Operation and the Councils. In prior years, only the liability relating to post-September 1, 2001 employee service was allocated. This allocation has been recorded as an adjustment to Operating Fund deficiency, resulting in an increase in the employee future benefits recovery receivable and a decrease in the Operating Fund deficiency of \$1,343.

THE BOY SCOUTS OF CANADA NATIONAL OPERATION

Summarized Statement of Financial Position

August 31, 2005, with comparative figures for 2004
(In thousands of dollars)

| | 2005 | 2004 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Assets | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash | \$ 420 | \$ 1,307 |
| Amounts receivable | 1,041 | 1,542 |
| Inventory | 3,478 | 3,491 |
| Prepaid expenses | 670 | 276 |
| Membership fees receivable | 334 | – |
| Amounts receivable from Councils | 205 | 384 |
| | <u>6,148</u> | <u>7,000</u> |
| Investments | 3,745 | 3,547 |
| Capital assets | 2,682 | 2,970 |
| Prepaid pension costs | 739 | 699 |
| Employee future benefits recovery receivable (note 3) | 2,485 | 1,025 |
| | <u>\$ 15,799</u> | <u>\$ 15,241</u> |
| Liabilities and Fund Balances (Deficiency) | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Bank indebtedness | \$ 1,956 | \$ 1,814 |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 1,321 | 1,593 |
| Deferred revenue | 397 | 522 |
| Membership fees payable | 226 | – |
| Current portion of inventory payables to Councils | 431 | 438 |
| | <u>4,331</u> | <u>4,367</u> |
| Inventory payables to Councils | 536 | 1,056 |
| Loan from Provincial Council for Ontario | 508 | 500 |
| Accrued employee future benefits | 5,192 | 4,750 |
| Fund balances (deficiency): | | |
| Operating Fund | (2,047) | (2,643) |
| Restricted Funds | 3,523 | 3,181 |
| Investment in capital assets | 2,682 | 2,970 |
| World Scout Foundation Fund | 1,074 | 1,060 |
| | <u>5,232</u> | <u>4,568</u> |
| | <u>\$ 15,799</u> | <u>\$ 15,241</u> |

See accompanying notes to summarized financial statements.

THE BOY SCOUTS OF CANADA NATIONAL OPERATION

Summarized Statement of Operations

Year ended August 31, 2005, with comparative figures for 2004
(In thousands of dollars)

| | Operating Fund | Restricted and Endowed Funds | Total 2005 | Total 2004 |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Revenue: | | | | |
| Membership fees | \$ 2,709 | \$ – | \$ 2,709 | \$ 3,055 |
| Scout Shops sales | 5,225 | – | 5,225 | 5,460 |
| Insurance fees | – | 1,864 | 1,864 | 1,833 |
| Fundraising | 295 | – | 295 | 448 |
| Donations and sponsorships | 200 | 61 | 261 | 381 |
| Grants | 551 | – | 551 | 157 |
| Fees for services | 197 | – | 197 | 190 |
| Investment | 31 | 204 | 235 | 194 |
| Other | 269 | 31 | 300 | 382 |
| Revenue sharing – Scout Shops | – | – | – | 42 |
| | 9,477 | 2,160 | 11,637 | 12,142 |
| Expenses: | | | | |
| Salaries and benefits | 10,987 | – | 10,987 | 11,969 |
| Recovery of salaries and benefits | (7,493) | – | (7,493) | (8,435) |
| Scout Shops cost of sales | 3,021 | – | 3,021 | 3,171 |
| Insurance and legal | – | 1,551 | 1,551 | 1,196 |
| Communication and promotion | 270 | – | 270 | 384 |
| Occupancy | 214 | – | 214 | 256 |
| Property maintenance | 213 | – | 213 | 192 |
| Administration | 559 | 133 | 692 | 498 |
| Fundraising cost of sales | 188 | – | 188 | 448 |
| Canadian Leader magazine | 221 | – | 221 | 242 |
| Warehouse facility and freight | 190 | – | 190 | 252 |
| Council revenue sharing | 100 | – | 100 | 105 |
| Travel and meetings | 202 | 24 | 226 | 240 |
| World Bureau fees | 165 | – | 165 | 158 |
| Training and relocation | 105 | – | 105 | 68 |
| Program and grants | 552 | 52 | 604 | 40 |
| Other | 85 | – | 85 | 198 |
| Interest | 51 | – | 51 | 15 |
| Transfer to World Scout Bureau | – | 58 | 58 | – |
| Amortization of capital assets | 415 | – | 415 | 425 |
| | 10,045 | 1,818 | 11,863 | 11,422 |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses before the undernoted | | | | |
| | (568) | 342 | (226) | 720 |
| Endowed donations – World Scout Foundation | – | 14 | 14 | 31 |
| Restructuring | (467) | – | (467) | (1,184) |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses | \$ (1,035) | \$ 356 | \$ (679) | \$ (433) |

See accompanying notes to summarized financial statements.

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 Bob Butcher+

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 President & Executive Director
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 ~ Maternity Leave (May 2005)

