



It starts with Scouts.
Tout commence avec les Scouts.

MANITOBA UPDATE

January 3, 2014

This message is being distributed to all Scouters, Venturers and Rovers in Manitoba.

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Commissioner Message from our new Council Commissioner Elizabeth French

Happy New Year!

I look forward to meeting and working with all of you to make Scouting the premier youth organization in Manitoba.

Providing an engaging and challenging youth program will be the key to our future growth. How do we achieve this? Supporting our volunteers! Providing service visits, learning and training opportunities will help to achieve our goals.

Membership growth is essential to our future. We are close to meeting our membership target but more youth need to benefit from our methods!

We need to find more ways to get our message out the Scouting is the best youth program available. A challenging program will ensure our members register year after year.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Lorne Erb for his service as Council Commissioner. Lorne was a tireless champion of youth leading youth.

We have a lot of work ahead of us! Have fun and Good Scouting!

Elizabeth French



Elizabeth will have a scouts.ca email address soon. To contact her now please email Manitoba@scouts.ca.

Upcoming Events: Please check the Council website for more information.

[Venturer Program Planning Meeting for Scout Amik Winter Camp](#)

01/06/2014 - 7:30pm - 9:30pm

[Pembina Trails & NW Winnipeg Areas Joint All Section Leaders Meeting](#)

01/10/2014 - 7:30pm - 9:30pm
17 Wing Chapel - 2235 Silver Ave

[Scout Amik Winter Camp](#)

01/24/2014 - 01/26/2014

[Westman Area Winter Cub Scout Camp](#)

02/22/2014 - 02/24/2014

Camp Wannakumbac in Clear Lake, Manitoba

The camp is for Cub Scouts. Our theme is the Winter Olympic's.. Activities will include tobogganing, snowshoeing, x-country skiing, campfire and other great activities. Each group is responsible for putting on an activity. We will be sleeping in cabins. Cooking is done by the camp staff.

The cost this year is \$62.00 per person (\$60.00 camp fee and \$2.00 camp badge).

Registration will be until February 8th/2014. Please contact Scouter Kevin (kevinstruck@hotmail.com or 204-728-5413) as soon as possible because space is limited.

[East Winnipeg/Service Area 9 Area Kub Kar & Scout Truck Rally](#)

02/22/2014 - 9:30am - 3:30pm

Announcing the 43rd Annual Klondike Derby

Scouts/Pathfinders - Saturday March 1st, 2014 Cubs/Guides - Sunday March 2nd, 2014 Camp Amisk

What's new this year?

- Registration is now \$45.00 per team
- Klondike is now a Lug-a-mug event. Bring your your mug for hot chocolate or drink after the event.

Registration form is available at <http://klondike.shawwebspaces.ca/>

A workshop to help new leaders to prepare for the Klondike Derby will be held on Thursday Jan.16, 2014 at 7:30 pm at Glenwood Community Club, 27 Overton Street Winnipeg.

Please register by sending an email to klondikederby@gmail.com before January 10th, 2014

Klondike Derby Key Dates

Jan 10, 2014: Deadline for registration for Klondike Workshop

Jan 16, 2014: Klondike Workshop

Feb 22, 2014: Deadline for registrations

Feb 26, 2014: Notification of start times.

Questions about the Klondike Derby can be directed to theklondikederby@gmail.com

Manitoba Summer Camps

Quest is a canoe tripping camp for youth who are Second year scouts and older. Quest 2014 will be based at the Liz Lake Scout Camp, just south of Thompson, Manitoba and will paddle on the lakes and rivers in the Thompson area.

More information about **Scoutlook** will be available soon.

You can find out more about all events and camps at <http://mbc.scouts.ca/ca/events?page=1>



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Applications are being encouraged for the following positions: Please send you resume and cover letter to manitoba@scouts.ca subject line volunteer opportunities

Area Commissioners

Agassiz Basin, Lakeland and NW Winnipeg

The Area Commissioner (AC) is the key contact person for the Council in an Area. The AC and the Area Service Team support Groups

- Helping Groups develop a membership growth
- Recruiting, screening training, providing feedback and recognizing for volunteers utilizing the Volunteer Recruitment and Development (VRAD) Strategy
- Planning and evaluating program that exceed Quality Program Standards
- Develop effective communication between the Groups and Council.

Area Youth Commissioners

Youth looking to take on an additional role should contact Council Youth Commissioner Ryan Lucenkiw for further information regarding Area Youth Commissioner Positions.

TRAINING

Hello Scouters!

For those of you still looking for training.... Well... my posting a course has not met with your needs, so here is the deal. YOU decide when you want a course, YOU set up the location, YOU let me know at least two weeks ahead of time and I will bring the course to you! Sound good? Well let's make it even better. If a Saturday does not work for WB1 training....fine.... how about two nights 3 hours each? I'm game if you are!

Michelle Crick

DCC Training

Scouting in your Council



Chris Cumming has made some great improvements to the Council website <http://mbc.scouts.ca/>

A Council website is a work in progress. If you have event information or suggestions how the website can better serve our membership please contact Chris at mbcouncilwebsite@shaw.ca

Don't forget how easy it is to thank someone. Look for the



Icon on the Scouts Canada or Manitoba Council websites