

# THE REGIONAL ROUND-UP

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## Cub Fun Day 2002

Debbie Doherty, ARC Pack

On May 11, Halifax Regional Cub Fun Day was held at York Redoubt. 351 youth attended, with 114 leaders/adults with them for the day. There were an additional 85+ volunteers working at the project sites, providing first aid services and security.

The theme for the day was *Jungle Olympics* and the youth experienced 15 different activities based on that theme. When asked if they had fun, the Cubs I am a leader with jumped and shouted that it was "a blast". Hopefully your Cubs were just as keen, as they had appeared to have fun that day.

Thanks to the team who assisted with the planning, attended the meetings and food services. Thanks also to all those who looked after registration, manned the events, cooked the hot dogs, marshalls, first aiders and also to the Halifax Police Youth Program.

On behalf of all of you, I must thank the youth for giving us also, the opportunity to have fun and join in the fellowship of the day. Hopefully you had a good day even with the sun and wind burn.

As with all events there were some learning issues for another year, and I am grateful for the support I received from all of you.

Have a great summer and see you in the fall!



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## Commissioner's Corner

Kari Robertson, Commissioner



### **CHANGE!**

*"If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always gotten."*

Where would we be without change? How often do things around us change? What are the benefits of change? What are the hazards of change?

Scouting, like the rest of the world, is changing very fast, and sometimes without any warning. This can be a very frustrating and difficult thing to adjust to. It is hard to hear "via the grape vine" that something that you have always done one way can no longer be done that way. We suddenly have to start doing something that we never had to do before, and there is no time or place to fit it into our program or schedule.

"Who is making all these decisions anyway?" "They never get our opinion on anything anymore." These are some of the comments I am hearing around the Region more and more. "The leaders are not getting the information and they no longer feel they have a say in anything." It may feel like this, and probably to some degree is happening like this. Things are changing so quickly from the National level that sometimes we cannot make the connections we need to get the proper communication down the proper channels to everybody. Let me see if I can help with explaining some of the reasons for the changes.

As you know, National sets all of our policies. Given the day and age and concerns around insurance coverage, it has become more and more necessary to put various restrictions on our policies. As you are all aware by now, in February there were 10 issues relating to risk management which suddenly surfaced. Most of these were as a direct result of needing to be aware of concerns that may put our youth in jeopardy. For those of us who are already in Scouting they go into effect in September, but for the new Scouter just registering they went into effect as of January.

We have a *Duty of Care* document. Do you have your own personal copy? Have you read the whole document? I hope your answer to both questions is yes, because this is a very important document and one you need to know. If you do not have a copy please get one from your Group Committee chair immediately or print it off the web page. It is our mission to Scouting. It is the backbone of our organization and I think if you were familiar with it you would then understand some of the reasons for the changes happening.

We will be scheduling workshops and training sessions on the

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many changes upon which we are about to embark. We want to keep you informed and aware of everything that is happening. Please keep tuned in to the Regional web page and/or check with your Area Service Team for dates and topics.

Talking about change, this has been a very big year of change for me. I have had a huge learning curve to start working on, and while I may not have achieved everything I set out to in the fall, I feel it has been a tremendous year with an incredible amount of learning and support from everyone. I thank everyone from Region and Scouters within the Region for your support. We are a T.E.A.M. and no doubt about it. Teams do much better than individuals. Together we can make Scouting a better program so the youth and their parents feel safe.

Let's make a promise to ourselves and to the youth to ask questions which will help us understand why, before we make judgments on issues and policies.

Change can be a wonderful thing. God must have thought so otherwise he wouldn't have given us four seasons. *"We cannot become what we want to be by remaining what we are."*

I hope you all have a marvelous summer, get some rest and relaxation which we most definitely deserve, and come back fresh for a new start in the fall.

Kari



## Pirates Invade Miller Lake!

Maurice Landry

On the weekend of April 13-14, pirates from 2nd Fairview, an Armview Area group, gathered in the woods surrounding Miller Lake to hold an all-section manoeuvres.

It all started early Saturday morning when over 70 youth, leaders and parents descended on the 2nd Fairview and Birch Cove cabins. Once all the equipment was stored, the fun began.



## Chief Scout and Queens Venturer Awards

Greg Fenwick, ARC Troop



We have 12 Scouts who are receiving their Chief Scout Award this year:

Alex Bell, 1st Timberlea	Roy MacInnis, 1st Bedford
Michael Broadfield, 2nd Fairview	Ryan Robski, 4th Sackville
Oliver Edwards, 1st Timberlea	John Saunders, 2nd Beaver Bank
Jason Elliot, 4th Sackville	Thomas Smith, 6th Sackville
Alex Hallett, 36th Halifax	Eric Snow, 4th Sackville
Zack Henderson, 7th Bedford	Ryan Stoyles, 4th Sackville
Mason Hindle, 1st Timberlea	Jonathan Townsend, 1st Birch Cove

We also have three Venturers receiving their Queens Venturer Award this year:

Michael Boutilier, 1st Bedford  
 Ryan McCaffrey, 1st Bedford  
 Laura Ripley, 1st Emergency Scouts

We are very please to offer these young people the well deserved congratulations of Halifax Region and urge them to continue with Scouting in what ever area is available to them, either moving up to the next section or helping with the leadership teams of other groups.

Halifax Region will be hosting a joint thank to the recipients of Halifax and Dartmouth on June 1st and this is being held at St. John's United Church in Fall River.

For further information call: Greg Fenwick 865-8415.

Five different teams of youth participated in events such as "Climb the Rigging," "Walk the Plank," "Climb the Mast and Retrieve the Halyard," "Cannonball Firing Practice," and "Dead Man's Walk." Other events included making eye patches and pirate hats. One of the favourite events was making pirate ships and racing them down the fast flowing brook. After the big sword fight late in the afternoon, it was time to eat.

Food is never a problem at 2nd Fairview for we have our own chef on staff. Mr. Derek Taylor (Malak) who is a chef in real life, and his galley crew served up some great meals. For lunch they dished out pirate's gruel (chili and corn bread). For supper, mop heads and cannonballs (spaghetti and meatballs) were served up. All this was washed

down with lots of pirate's blood (fruit punch) and grog (root beer soft drink). Along with the above there was always a good supply of scurvy dogs (hot dogs) available. The next morning golden coins with tree sap and landlubber fingers (pancakes and sausages) were forced upon the shipmates.

Saturday night brought a great mug-up and campfire, which was started by a flaming cannonball descending from the sky. After the fire died everyone was off to bed, with the Beavers and Cubs sleeping inside the cabins and the Scouts sleeping in tents.

After a good night's sleep, everyone had breakfast followed by Scout's Own. Equipment was then packed up and everyone sailed back to their home port.

## THE CAMP LONE CLOUD



# SPIRIT



SPRING, 2002

## Appointments

James Robertson, Chair, Camp Management Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Olivia Hasler to the position of Director for the 2002 season. Olivia is currently a student at Mount Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick, and will be responsible for the overall management and operation of the summer camp program. Olivia is no stranger to Camp Lone Cloud having spent the past two summers with us. Most recently, she held the position of Program Director and prior to that was a cabin counsellor. Her experience and enthusiasm will serve to be a great asset to the camp.

Todd Keddy has been appointed as Ranger for the upcoming season. Todd as well, is no stranger to Camp Lone Cloud, having worked with us over the past several years in a variety of capacities. Todd will be responsible for co-ordination of rental groups and supporting work party activities.

Ian Campbell will be returning to the position of Leadership Director. Ian has a wealth of knowledge in this field and has been working diligently over the winter months updating and enhancing the Leadership Program documents, ensuring we continue to meet the needs of those who partake in the program.

Bryan Wright has agreed to assume the position of Waterfront Director for the second year. This will be Bryan's third year on staff, the first of the past three as counsellor. Greg Cherry will be in the position of Program Director for the season. Greg has spent many summers on the island, last year as a Leadership Counsellor, previously as a cabin counsellor and for a number of years as a camper. Anna Bone will be returning to the position of Food Services Director. Anna's working knowledge of the entire camp program, operation, and her skill in the kitchen will continue to be an asset to us and a highlight for all who set foot on the island.

**Other Staff:** This year we have been overwhelmed by the number of applicants for staff—a nice problem to have! It is felt that this response speaks well of the quality of the program and overall experience young people are enjoying. Unfortunately we were not able to offer employment to all 40 applicants! Offers of employment have been made to 15 individuals in addition to those named above. It is unusual for us to be so far ahead of the game, but this will allow us to increase our pre-camp training program, thereby enhancing the overall quality of this year's program.

Please join in welcoming Olivia and her team to these positions, and feel free to come and visit them on our Island Paradise.

## Camp Lone Cloud – A summer camp adventure for CUB AGED youth

By the time you receive this newsletter, brochures and registration forms will have been mailed directly to all registered Cubs in Halifax Region and neighbouring areas. Additional copies of the registration form are available from Area service teams. The dates for camp are as follows:

Week 1	July 7–13
Week 2	July 14–20
Week 3	July 21–27
Week 4	July 28–August 3
Week 5	August 4–10

Don't be shy, register early; before May 24 the cost is \$235. A 50% deposit at the time of registration is all that's required, along with post-dated cheques for the balance. After May 24, the fee will increase to \$255.

For anyone who has taken part in camps of this duration, you are sure to appreciate the value you will receive for your dollar spent. The fee is all-inclusive—meals, accommodation, supplies, and

this year a CAMP T-SHIRT is included!

## White Tail Beavers

Keep the White Tail Beavers in mind. Most likely they have participated in a Swimup Ceremony or are about to do so—let them know about Camp Lone Cloud.

What better way to start off their Cubbing experience than to spend a week at Camp. Spread the word!

## Leadership Program

Our Leadership Program has developed quite a reputation in the community!

We've always said that the youth themselves are the best PR. Before our mailing has hit the streets, the phone has been ringing and applications have been received for this year's program.

We offer three levels of leadership training: Junior, Advanced and Counsellor-in-Training.

Each of these programs begin on a Tuesday, with base camp on the mainland. For the rest of the week participants learn both hard and soft skills in preparation for the second component of the experience.

On Saturday, participants move over to Camp Lone Cloud and prepare to join the camp on Sunday and support the program, putting to use the skills they have developed the previous week.

The Leadership program has been undergoing an extensive review this past winter. Demand for the program has grown tremendously since its inception, and the time had come to create a more structured approach.

Ian Campbell, Mike Stewart and James Robertson have been meeting almost monthly since the fall, and the final document simply requires a few finishing touches. Some examples of enhancements to the program: each day will focus on a particular theme—communication, team building, group dynamics, etc.

Leadership staffing has changed; the counsellor of each level will work with the participants for the duration of the program rather than changing half way through when moving to the island.

We look forward to an exciting season, and welcome feedback on the results.

Check out our brochure or website for all the exciting details. Spread the word—space is definitely limited.

## Rental Opportunities

Planning a group camp or office picnic? Perhaps a school class is looking for a venue to hold an outdoor program...Camp Lone Cloud is available for rent to both Scouting and non-Scouting groups on a first-come, first-served basis. The rate structure is as follows:

	Scouting Group	Non-Scouting	Corporate
Day Rate	\$200	\$250	\$500
Weekend	\$400	\$500	N/A

For more information as to availability of dates and to receive a rental form, contact the Regional Office at 423-9227.

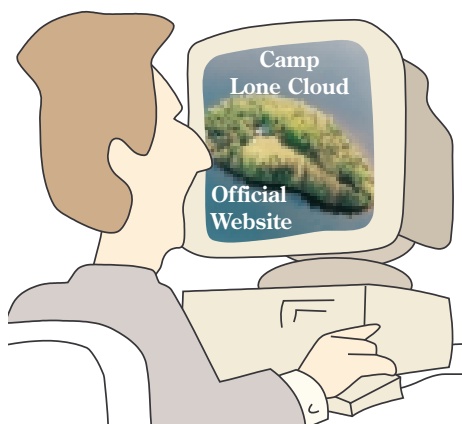
## Campership

Our promotional brochure for Camp Lone Cloud indicates that "No child will be denied the opportunity to experience Camp Lone Cloud due to financial constraints."

Requests for support from the sponsorship fund have been steadily increasing over the past few years. It is becoming more and more challenging to seek out funds to offset these requests.

Please help us by identifying sources of funding for sponsorships. Some suggestions are service clubs, sponsors, and casual day collections at the workplace.

Our thanks to all for their generous contributions. Won't you consider adding your name to the list?



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**CHECK IT OUT!**

## Bring a Buddy

Often young people are hesitant to leave home and spend a week away from what is familiar—family and friends.

We encourage everyone to come and enjoy the spirit of Lone Cloud, so if you know of Cubs who would like to come but aren't quite sure about it all, let them know (and encourage them) that they may bring a friend with them whether or not they are currently registered in Scouting.

For those youth who attend camp and are not members, we ensure that a Scouts Canada National Registration form is completed and their registration fee paid from within the camp fee, thereby entitling them to all privileges and benefits of any registered member.

## Wanted!

Camp Lone Cloud is in great need of 'new to us' watercraft.

As we are located on an island, our mere existence depends on transportation to and fro. Our needs range from rowboat, to canoe, to 14ft. aluminum boat, to a whaler!

Any offers may be directed to James Robertson, Chair Camp Management Board, 429-7089.

Many thanks in advance.

# An update on training within Halifax Region

Karen O'Toole, ARC Training

As some of you may already know, Peggy Weaver is no longer ARC for Training, I am. On behalf of Halifax Region, I would like to thank Peggy for her dedication. Training is very close to Peggy's heart and she worked tirelessly to give the Scouters of Halifax Region the highest calibre of training possible. Thanks Peggy for all you have done for training in the Region as well as the province.

Now, having said that, trying to follow in Peggy's footsteps is going to be a BIG job. I am asking for your patience as I try to learn the ins and outs of this position.

The Region has had another successful

year of training. We held various courses and workshops, and although I don't have the exact numbers on hand, I know that approximately 140-176 people attended these sessions.

Congratulations to everyone who took the time to take training this year. I know it can be a struggle sometimes to arrange the time away from family and friends, but I am sure you will agree that it was worth it. I hope you came away with a clearer understanding of your role in Scouting and a better appreciation of Scouting's role in today's society.

I would also like to say a big thank you to all the trainers who led or worked on courses this year. It takes a lot of time

and effort to plan the courses, arrange for trainers, research the subjects and keep up-to-date on all the changes taking place. Thank you trainers for your dedication.

Speaking of keeping up with the changes in training—there are quite a few coming down the pipeline from National for next year. We still don't have a lot of information on it, but as soon as we know, you will know. Diane Burns, APC for Training is going to Ottawa to get all the information, and will then pass it on to us. So keep tuned—I think you are going to like what you hear!!

Have a great summer—we are working on next year's training schedule and hope to give it to the Area Commissioners at next month's RMT meeting.

Take care, and Good Scouting.



## Halifax Region Training Calendar 2002–2003



ALL PARTICIPANTS **MUST PREREGISTER BY PHONE OR EMAIL:** Karen O'Toole 868-2991 or Kareno@hfx.eastlink.ca.

**Candidates must fill out a REGISTRATION form for all WBI and Group Committee Courses. The form MUST be brought to the course along with the Registration Fee.**

**\*\*\*FEE STRUCTURE\*\*\*:** To allow for proper preparation, as well as notification of course/workshop cancellations, the training teams need to know the number of participants attending courses/workshops at least **15 days before the course date. So, out of consideration for all concerned, please register for all courses/workshops as soon as possible.**

**REGISTRATION FEES:** Wood Badge I and Group Committee Course - \$20.00  
Outdoor skills/Winter Camping - \$10.00 (when not part of WBI)

### September

Saturday, 28 Screening Workshop – **no charge**

### October

Thursday, 10 Forms workshop – **no charge**  
Fri/Sat 18/19 Group Committee Course - **\$20.00**

### November

Thursday 7 WBI Colony/Pack/Troop Part A -  
**\$20.00 (includes Nov. 7, 16, 17 & 26)**  
Saturday 16 WBI Colony/Pack/Troop Core  
Sunday 17 WBI Colony/Pack/Troop Core  
Outdoors  
Fri/Sat 22/23 Service Team WBI - **\$20.00**  
Tuesday 26 WBI Colony/Pack/Troop Part B

### December

Saturday 7 Winter Camping Skills - **\$10.00**

### January

Tuesday 21 Forms Workshop - **No charge**

### February

Friday 14 Deadline for registration for Combined Colony/ Pack/Troop WBI. Decision to "go or cancel" will be made on this date.

### March

Saturday 9 Building our Future Workshop – **No charge**  
Fri/Sat 21/22 WBI Combined Colony/Pack/Troop -  
**\$20.00**  
Sun 23 WBI Outdoor Skills – **\$10.00 (if separate)**

### COMING TO YOUR AREA at your convenience

These workshops/courses are available in your Area. All you need to do is call the contact person below and arrange a mutually agreeable date.

<b>Honours &amp; Awards</b>	<b>Earl Clarke</b>	<b>864-2571</b>
<b>Outdoors Resource</b>	<b>Dave Armshaw</b>	<b>477-7212</b>



## Regional Management Team Presentations

Earl Clarke, ARC Honours & Awards

At the Halifax Region Annual Meeting, held on February 20, a number of special presentations were made.

Regional Commissioner Kari Robertson presented Sandy Dumaresq with a gift and framed certificate to acknowledge her two years as an outstanding treasurer for the Region. Many thanks Sandy for your untiring efforts.

Kari also presented multiple year service pins and framed certificates signed by then Provincial Commissioner Harold Griswold, to four stalwart Scouters of the Regional Management Team.

The deserving recipients were Marilyn Moore, Basin Lakes Liaison – 25 years; Peggy Weaver, then ARC Training – 20 years; Steve Terrio, ARC Colony – 5 years; and Jim Williams, ARC Older Youth – 5 years.

Congratulations to all.



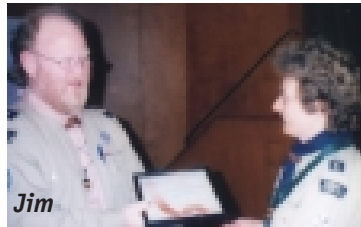
Steve



Sandy



Peggy



Jim



Marilyn

## Recruitment Workshop

June 20 – 7:00 for 7:30

The province has put together a package for recruiting of volunteers and this package will be given out at the end of the workshop. Workshop is open to all Service teams, Group Commissioners/Chairs as well as other group committee members and all trainers.

Call Kari Robertson for details of location and to register for workshop.



Steve Terrio, ARC Colony

## Halifax Region's Youth Committee Representatives

Greg Fenwick, NSYC Advisor

We have two new youth representatives for the Halifax Region Service Team: Rhys Macdonald and James Morrison.

As Halifax Region's representatives to the Nova Scotia Youth Committee, James and Rhys will be trying to create networks among the Scout/Venturer aged youth in our Region. Their role will be to obtain information for National as to the youth members' likes and dislikes, as well as to offer themselves as a grassroots sounding board with the youth at our various groups.

Please welcome these capable young people as they call and visit at your group through the upcoming year. Welcome aboard guys!

### ANNOUNCEMENT, ANNOUNCEMENT, ANN-OU-OUNCE-MENT!

**Year End Barbeque – Camp Lone Cloud**  
**June 19, 2002 – 6:00 p.m. Mainland Dock**  
**Price – \$7.00 per person**

Come for some sharing of friendship  
and seasonal food. Campfire to close.  
If you wish to have a part in the campfire,  
please advise.

**ALL SCOUTERS WELCOME!**

RSVP: Kari Robertson 429-7089 or  
[James.Robertson@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:James.Robertson@ns.sympatico.ca)



**Just because you're out in the woods, enjoying the simple life, doesn't mean you can't eat like a king! The Round-Up Culinary Department has collected some tasty delights you can try next time you're sitting outside your tent in the great outdoors. Bon appetit!**



## Campfire French Fries

4 medium potatoes, cut into strips  
1 tbsp parmesan cheese  
1 tbsp margarine  
2 tbsp bacon bits  
Salt and pepper to taste

Place each sliced potato on a large square of heavy duty foil, dull side out. Sprinkle with salt, pepper and cheese. Toss to coat. Dot with margarine and sprinkle with bacon bits. Seal the foil, leaving a steam vent on top. Grill over hot coals for 30 to 45 minutes, turning two or three times, until potatoes are tender.

## Turkey and Stuffing Roll

1 thick slice turkey breast per person  
1 serving instant stuffing mix  
Margarine and water, according to stuffing instructions

Place turkey breast on a piece of heavy duty aluminum foil. Top with one serving of premade stuffing mix. Spread stuffing to cover meat. Roll meat and stuffing like a jelly roll. Wrap in foil and place on hot coals for 10-15 minutes. Turn frequently.

## Ham 'n Cheese Sandwich Bake

3 hard boiled eggs, chopped  
4 stalks celery, diced finely

1/2 cup grated onion  
1/2 cup grated cheese  
1 lb. shaved ham  
2 tbsp sugar  
2 tsp vinegar  
3/4 cup Italian salad dressing  
12 sandwich buns

Mix all ingredients together. Spread on buns. Wrap each sandwich in foil and place on hot coals. Turn frequently until toasted. Makes 12 sandwiches.

## Chicken in a Can

1 whole chicken, seasoned as you like and wrapped in foil  
1 large coffee can  
15 charcoal briquettes

Punch holes around the can 1" from the bottom and approximately 1" apart. Place the charcoal in the can and light. After the charcoal has ashed over, place the chicken in the can with legs up. It's OK if the legs stick out a little. Cook 3 hours (no turning is necessary).

## Camper's Pot Roast

4-6 pork or beef ribs or 2 lb. beef roast  
4 onions, cut into thick rings  
6-7 potatoes, peeled and cut in half  
1 large bag of baby carrots  
1/2 cup celery chunks

Salt and pepper to taste  
Barbeque sauce (optional)

Place ribs, potatoes, onions, carrots, celery, salt and pepper in large pot with lid. Cover with water. Place pot on fire and let cook slowly for a couple of hours while you fish, swim or enjoy the outdoors. To spice it up, remove the meat from the vegetables and place in pan with barbeque sauce. Stir over fire for 5-10 minutes and serve.

## Breakfast in a Bag

2 strips thick bacon  
1 egg  
1 paper bag  
1 stick

Cut bacon strips in two, place at the bottom of the paper bag, covering the bottom. It is important that you have thick strips of bacon as thin ones will stick and adhere to the paper bag when cooked. Crack egg and put in paper bag on top of the bacon. Fold the bag down four times and poke stick through from one side to the other so that the bag is hanging on the end of the stick. Hold over medium coals and watch the grease from the bacon protect the bag and cook the meal. When ready, place bag on table and slice open, as the bag now becomes the plate, for easy clean up!

*(Recipes have not been tested.)*

