



Scouting Around the World

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National Capital Area Council International Committee

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The International Committee meets the third Thursday, every other month at the Marriott Scout Service Center, 7:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Upcoming meeting date: January 17, 2013

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BP Bits:



Family Tree - David Michael Baden-Powell (born 11 December 1940) is the heir presumptive to the Barony of Baden-Powell and the Baronetcy of Bentley. As the grandson of Robert Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, B-P is also an active member of the movement. Educated at Pierrepont School, Frensham, England he married Joan Phillips Berryman in 1966. They have three sons, named David Robert (6 January 1971), Alexander Peter (1973), and Myles Warrington (1975). They all live in Australia. B-P is active in the Victorian Branch of the Scouts Australia. In late July and early August 2007, B-P oversaw the 100th anniversary of the start of the world Scouting movement at Brownsea Island and stated that the movement was still going on strong. During 2007 he was also instrumental in preserving the caravan trailer, presented to his grandfather along with a new Rolls-Royce car, during the 3rd World Scout Jamboree in 1929. Baden-Powell was Master of the Baden-Powell Freemason lodge (no 488, Victoria), the first to be named after his grandfather, in 1930.

Collectors' Corner: Gilwell Park – Home of Woodbadge



BSA JOTA REPORT: The number of reports from the U.S. in this year's Jamboree-on-the-Air surged 200 percent from 2011, with 204 stations reporting their activities. These stations reported 18,537 Scouts participating—an increase of nearly 500 percent! Overall, the station reports represented 136 councils and 41 states. More than 1,000 amateur radio operators were involved in contacting all 50 states and 66 countries around the world.

“The Mission: Connect worldwide scouts to create a better world”

“If you are a scout who truly wants to be a part of making the world a better place, Scoutface is the place for you. As scouts, together we have created on this planet millions of projects and enormous acts of happiness. Nothing is more empowering than seeing what others are attempting and accomplishing. Let's share IDEAS, STORIES, PICTURES, VIDEOS, LINKS, anything that will contribute to the overall goal of creating a better world.

Scoutface is a not-for-profit organisation that believes in World Scouting's vision and mission. “

This is a very interesting site and works for anyone interested in finding “pen pals” as in the old BSA program. You can check contacts by country, places for hospitality, upcoming events, a website directory, and a marketplace. It also has a Messengers of Peace section. You do need a password to log in. It looks like the site has been around since 2007.

SCOUTING IN NIGERIA



Scouting started in Nigeria in 1915 as an Overseas Branch of the UK Scout Association. In 1916, the Boy Scouts of Nigeria were recognized by the World Scout Conference as an independent Association. This organization is open to boys of all religions, although its members are mostly Muslims and Christians of various denominations.

Program emphasis is on citizenship training and community service projects, services at national, state and community events, and providing first aid in case of disaster. Fish farming is carried out in rural areas to improve diet. There is a national community development project at Igbo-Ora, in Oyo State, which includes fish farming, agriculture and a training center for Scouts from all over the country. Scouts have planted crops including maize, melons and pineapples, as well as learned about mortar/mesh technology for the construction of low-cost housing. The project provides a training service to help local farmers learn new techniques.

The Association is divided into 19 states of which the Patron of Scouting is the Head of that State. As part of its Founders Day celebration in 2010, Scouts participated in an awareness campaign on the dangers of child abandonment, prostitution, women trafficking and drug abuse. They were also educated on the values of communal projects, group assistance to the needy, the fight against diseases, child abuse, and involvement in political thuggery.