



# Scouting Around the World

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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 annual dinner: DINNER 22 August, 2019

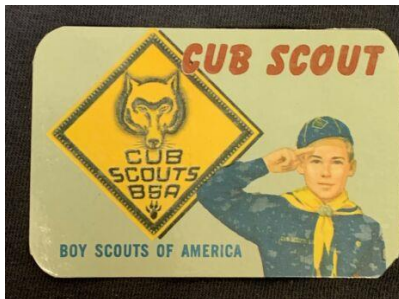
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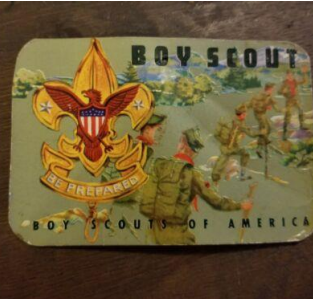


1910 Patrol Leaders: %The best progress is made in those Troops where power and responsibility are really put into the hands of the Patrol Leaders. It is the secret of success with many Scoutmasters. They find themselves able to go on and increase the size of their Troops by starting new Patrols or adding recruits to existing ones. Expect a great deal of your Patrol Leaders and nine times out of ten they will play up to your expectations; but if you are going always to nurse them and not trust them to do things well, you will never get them to do anything on their own initiative.+

## Collectors' Corner: Membership cards



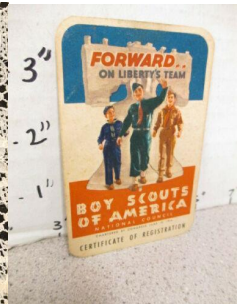
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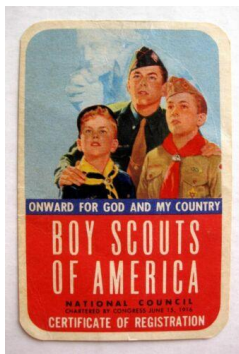
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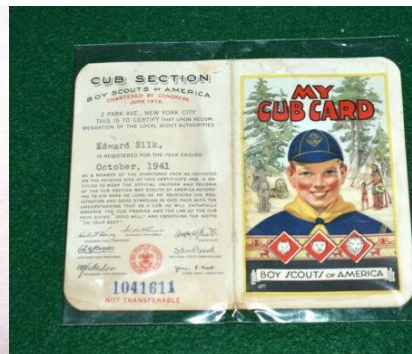
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1930s



On February 16, Nahuel Colombo, Rover Scout of the San Patricio Scout Group of Santa Fe Sur, District 2, Argentina won a NASA world contest, the "NASA Space Apps Challenge 2018". This consists of the cooperative resolution of problems aimed at solutions, in order to face the needs of both life on Earth and in space. Nahuel, together with a team of 5 young people, created «Deltamesh»: a system to closely monitor the physical and psychological integrity of astronauts on Mars. The project was chosen in the "Best Use Of Hardware" category among 1375 selected from 200 cities in 75 countries. The boys and girls will have the opportunity to see a space launch from a preferential location in the United States.

## Scouting in Mainland China



The historic membership badge of the General Association of The Scouts of China incorporated The Blue Sky with a White Sun. The characters are 勇仁智 (bravery, charity, wisdom).

Following the birth of the Republic of China, the first Scout troop was organized by Reverend Yen Chia-lin in Wuchang on February 25, 1912 and the Scouting movement spread rapidly all over the country. The General Association of the Scouts of China was formally established in Nanjing in 1934, and became a member of the International Scout Bureau in 1937. There were 570,000 registered members in 1941. However, all Scouting activities in mainland were ceased in 1949, when the communists took over mainland China.<sup>[4]</sup> The Chinese Scout Association was reorganized in 1950 after the ROC government was relocated to Taipei, and resumed membership in the International Scout Bureau as Scouts of China, After the Japanese occupied China, the military authorities did not consistently encourage the Scouting movement in occupied territories. Where local conditions were favorable, authorities would permit local Scouting or introduce Japanese-style Scouting,, and sometimes even made this compulsory. On the other hand, where conditions were not favorable, and anti-Japanese sentiments were likely to be nurtured through Scouting, the authorities would prohibit it entirely.. In May 1938, the Japanese Army and the puppet Chinese Government set up the Qingdao Chinese Boys' Corps, patterned after Japanese Scouting.

However, China now has multiple and originally separate Scouting activities within its borders. In 2004, the Scout Club of Hainan(, borrowing heavily from Scouting in terms of emblems, uniforms and activities, was founded in Hainan Province; it is, however, not affiliated with worldwide Scouting. An attempt to organize a nationwide Scouting organization in Wuhan was ended by the government in 2004. The Scout Association of the People's Republic of China , founded in 2008 serves Venture Scouts (15 years old to 20) in both genders as well as Rover Scouts (18 years old to 25).<sup>[2]</sup> The Rover Explorer Service Association operate groups in China.

## Volunteer Staff at Kandersteg International Scout Centre



Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC) is "the permanent Jamboree", a place where Scouts from all over the world can meet year round. Beautifully located in Kandersteg, Switzerland, it welcomes more than 12 000 guests from over 40 countries every year. The Centre is ran by an International volunteer Staff team, who spend between 3 months - 3 years ensuring that BP's dream of "the permanent mini-jamboree" is kept alive. The amount of service hours is the total amount of work from our Staff team of 70 volunteers during the last 3 months.

**Statement from the World Organization of the Scout Movement:** World Scouting warmly welcomes the decision of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) to open the remaining areas of their program to girls and young women. It is particularly historic that this decision was made on the International Day of the Girl which celebrates the world's commitment to empower and develop girls and young women. Scouting's commitment to co-educational non-formal education and the empowerment of young people is demonstrated in more than 200 countries and territories. As the umbrella organization for the Scout Movement globally, we strongly believe that equal opportunity for all is reinforced by this decision.