

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 meeting date: 16 MAY 2019

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B-P Bits:



B-P living in Kenya due to the war and Doctors orders March 1941: % here I lie idle, watching others doing my work, without lifting a finger to help them. The great consolation, however, is that they are young, keen, and energetic, devoted to the welfare of the movement, far better than I to steer it through present difficulties, and having a wide outlook which enables them to recognize and grasp the opportunities which will come, for making the Movement of yet greater national and international value to the organization of peace after the war. With great content I leave it all in their hands, and to them I whisper God bless you and prosper your efforts.+

Collectors' Corner: Boy Scout Action Figures





National Thailand Rover Moot 2019

In commemoration of the 100 Years of Rover Scouting, Thailand hosted a Rover Moot with the theme, "Service for a Better World". Around 12,500 Scouts, both local and international participants, gathered for five days of communion with nature, international solidarity and community development projects. The moot emphasized on the key components of the Better World Framework – the Messengers of Peace Program, the Scouts of the World Award Program and the World Scout Environment Program. The Scouts were oriented with the basic framework about the said programs and were taught of the various opportunities that they could do to contribute in creating a better world.

Scouting in Guyana



The Scout Association of Guyana had its origin as a branch of The Boy Scouts Association of the United Kingdom in 1909 and joined the World Organization of the Scout Movement in 1967. The Boy Scouts Association appointed a District Commissioner, District Committee and its Executive Committee. In 1920 these became the Colony Commissioner, Colony Boy Scout Council and its Executive Committee. The British Guiana branch of The Boy Scouts Association changed its name to The Scout Association of Guyana In the 1960s, Scouting in Guyana was able to boast of Land, Sea and Air Scouts and Rovers. Sea and Air Scouts no longer exist. Scouting in Guyana was probably at its peak around 1969 when their Diamond Jubilee was celebrated and the 3rd Caribbean Jamboree was held there in August. In 1974 the government formed the Guyana National Service, a compulsory youth organization. This affected the organization's numbers. Some leaders joined the National Service where they were paid. While there was no ban on Scouting during this period, the organization was obliged to keep a low profile. With changes in the political situation came renewed support for Scouting in the 1980s.

In 1909, a Scout Troop was formed at Queen's College and the Scout movement spread rapidly with Troops being attached chiefly to church schools. Many of the Anglican and Roman Catholic priests who came from England to serve in Guyana had received Scout Leader Wood Badge training at Gilwell Park. To obtain the highest rank in Guyana, a Scout must pass the normal proficiency tests, and, in addition, must be able to obtain badges in agriculture, which prepares each Scout to feed himself from his own produce.

World Jamboree History – BSA Hosts 12th World Jamboree in Idaho in 1967



With its theme *For Friendship*, the 12th World Jamboree attracted 12,011 Scouts from 105 countries. It was held at Farragut State Park in the Rocky Mountains of Idaho. from August 1 to 9, the 60th anniversary of Baden-Powells experimental Boy Scout Camp on Brownsea Island. Amongst the distinguished visitors were World Chief Guide Olave Baden-Powell, actor James Stewart and Vice President of the United States, Hubert H. Humphrey. Memorable features of the Jamboree included a reconstruction of Baden-Powell's Brownsea Island campsite, arena shows, Skill-o-Rama, adventure trail, the specially stocked fishing area and boating and other water activities on Lake Pend Oreille, in addition to a visit to a rodeo and a repeat of the Friendship Wide Game introduced at the 11th World Scout Jamboree in 1963.

