



Cape Cod and Islands Scouter

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Caribbean Weekend

It was another successful Venturing weekend on the small Caribbean Island of Cape Cod, Sept 9-11. 14 different Venture crews from all over New England traveled to Camp Greenough.

Some 145 young men and women "suffered" through movie nights with popcorn, BBQ chicken with all the fixing's plus Zip lines out at COPE, sailing, canoeing, swimming, volley ball, archery, shooting, throwing tomahawks, kayaking at Gray's beach, mountain biking and to top it all off a beach party with a bonfire, music, and just all round FUN.

Up in the life guard tower, we had MC Tinkerbelle, aka Kendra Sanders, and DJ Hillary Purcell shuffling the tracks and down on the sand Keith Stranger leading the Cha Cha slide.

Isn't this what Scouting is all about? Good people, good times, good food and great fun.

Many thanks to Keith Stranger, Hillary Purcell and Kendra Sanders for a great weekend. The Adult staff in the Kitchen Charles, Terri, Chuck, Bo, Jeff and Linda Out in the Field. Russ Van Norman Archery, Bill Monroe shooting and tomahawk, Steve Purcell COPE, Jeff Winslow and Family for water front activities. Plus everyone else who helped to make this year as good as the last. Again thanks to all and still Jammin'

Kevin Radford



Emergency Preparedness Award

Can every registered Tiger, Cub, Webelos Scout, Boy Scout, Venturer, Sea Scout and Adult, even the Executive Board complete the requirements for the Emergency Preparedness award?

With the tragedies that have happened on the Gulf Coast, last year's snow and the possibility of hurricanes on Cape Cod, how can we afford not to be ready? Every registered Scout on Cape Cod should be ready and able in times of emergency.

You will notice that the requirements change at every level of scouting. There is a recognition Emergency Preparedness BSA pin, No. 00540 (civilian wear/uniform, centered on left pocket flap). It will be awarded when requirements are met. Only one pin may be worn.

Requirements can be found at <http://www.scouting.org/pubs/emergency/award.html>

Message from the Scout Executive

Participant or Spectator?

As part of the "Race to Cub Scouting" recruiting campaign, we are trying to emphasize that Scouting is a family program. Here are some points to make when talking to parents of prospective Cub Scouts:

Is your son getting the start in life you want him to have? If he is 7 years old now, he will be on his own in another 12 years. If he is already 9, he is halfway to adulthood. We all hope that our children will be the kind of people we can be proud of, and that their lives will be happy and productive. Will he have had the character-building experiences he will need, when he is on his own so soon? Scouting is a way you can guide your child's character.

The Scouting program involves young people with the kind of friends you would like them to have, working with adults of good character who will be positive role models for them.

Scouting builds up children. They learn life skills that help them develop confidence and a positive self-image

Scouting gives you a chance to have real quality time with your son and entire family. Parents are encouraged to be participants, not spectators.

Scouting gives children and families a way to reinforce and put into practice values such as reverence for God, respect for the dignity of others, serving those in need.

And let's not forget, Scouting is fun!

Yours in Scouting,
Mike Riley, Scout Executive

Camp Greenough Pioneer Project Day October 15, 2005

Come one and all. We will meet at the Dining Hall at 08:30 a.m. Please contact Jeff Stranger jstranger@comcast.net ahead of time if you would like your Troop, Pack, or Crew to do a particular project. That way you can bring the necessary supplies needed to complete the project.

This is a great way for all the units and youth to have a part in making Camp Greenough a better place and come and have some fun.

Jeff Stranger, VP Properties Cape Cod & Islands Council
508-364-3172 Cell voice mail

Next council wide event is October 29th at Camp Greenough, Tenderfoot 5K and Frightfully Fun Day. More information on these and any upcoming events can be found in the council calendar and on-line at <http://www.scoutscapecod.org/>



Training
www.scoutscapecod.org

Teetonkah (Scoutmaster/Asst. Scoutmaster) Nantucket, October 9-10.
 \$25 plus camping, etc.
 Includes New Leader Essentials.

Teetonkah (Outdoor Leader Skills)
 Camp Greenough, Oct 29 & 30,
 \$35 includes camping & food.
 Contact Rangerbob_02664@juno.com

University of Scouting & Pow Wow,
 Massasoit Community College, Canton
 November 19 8:00 AM to 4:00
 Cost: \$20

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C.O.P.E. news

COPE Extreme Makover

On August 20, a dozen dedicated volunteers moved and repaired elements, trimmed trees, spread woodchips, and created new viewing and picnic area. VERY much appreciated. Especially Rick Hilger, who brought his tractor & chipper *all the way from NH* just to lend a hand.

The *new COPE trail* is in operation, and currently boasts three new low COPE elements. Many thanks to Mike Riley and his crew of meatball carpenters for building us the rugged new "Whale Watcher" element. It has been a big hit with the nearly 300 participants who have experienced it so far!

Operating the *zip line* has been made more efficient, thanks, in big part, to Eric Johnson, who rebuilt the dismount platform, and added a pair of tires, making the job of the take-off person so much easier. Thanks, Eric!

About a dozen new Instructors, and Instructors-in-Training (I-T's) are in various stages of training to join the COPE staff.

The entire *freshman class of D/Y High School* participated in a specially designed COPE program, which ran twice daily during the second week of September. Kudos to all C&I staff for a job well done.

Powderhorn 2005, Pat II, a cluster council resource training event for Scouters, was held at Camp Greenough Sept. 15 - 18. Two dozen Leaders from five councils experienced a complete program of low and high COPE elements as part of their six days of training. Several C&I Scouters were on staff, and presented several of the sessions, including, Cooking, Project COPE, and first aid.

There are openings on the COPE committee, and on the COPE staff. Please contact me for info: Steve Purcell: spurcell99@comcast.net



Message from the President

It seems like every time I look at the news headlines these past few weeks, I am reminded of how important the scout motto "Be Prepared" is to every person on God's Earth, not just those who happen to wear the scout uniform.

Were the residents of the Gulf Coast prepared to deal with Hurricane Katrina? In most cases, probably not. Was our country prepared for an adequate response, probably not.

But I can tell you that scouts and leaders from Cape Cod and Islands Council, both past and present, WERE prepared to swing into action when the calls began to come in.

At least one alumni, Geoffrey Bartlett from Nantucket, remains in Louisiana with the Massachusetts Emergency Medical Response Team.

An Eagle Scout and former District Executive, David Viera, is with the Sheriff's Department helping to care for the evacuees now living at Otis.

Our Falmouth scout units were prepared to swing into action quickly and raised almost \$2,000 for the Red Cross. And of course, Sue Peterson was prepared to take on the enormous task of coordinating the council's response to the devastation.

I applaud all those scouts and scouters who have helped out, and all the rest who certainly will help as the reconstruction of thousands of lives goes on thru the coming weeks, months and years.

The BSA has an emergency preparedness award available to scouts and scouters at all levels. I hope that each one of our units will embrace this program, so that our scouts, their families, and our communities will be even better prepared when the next call for help comes, be it here at home or around the world.

May the Great Master of all Scouts be with us, till we meet again.

Bill Monroe

Projects at Camp Greenough

We have a long list of projects that need to be completed by Spring of 2006. This list will be posted on the web site soon.

Can every unit in the Council take on one project? While you are completing this project, your camp site fee will be waived. Please remember that our Council is made up of all of us, not just the people working at the Service Center.

We need to support our Scout Reservation. Please contact me to see what you could do. Jeff Stranger, 508-364-3172

Camp Greenough Ranger Wish List

- 4X4 & 6X6 Pressure Treated Wood (can be seconds, to be used for erosion control)
- 1/2 and 5/8 sheets of plywood (to put doors on pavillion at Nauset Campsite and enclose it for winter use)
- 2X6 and 2X8 8 and 12 foot long (for framing of doors at Nauset site)

If you have or know of someone who would be willing to make a donation, please let me know.

Jeff Stranger, jstranger@comcast.net or
 508-364-3172

Message from Sue Peterson, Cub Roundtable Commissioner

Special thanks to the Korean War Veteran Color Guard who participated in the opening ceremony of Chuckwagon Derby. They made it really something special. Thanks to all the staff, including the Scout Troops, Mayors, parents and Order of the Arrow who did a FANTASTIC job feeding the masses.

Sue Peterson (suep12369@netzero.net)

Note: new email address for Amy Zahn: Amy.zahn@verizon.net

**For information about
monthly Roundtables
go to www.scoutscapecod.org**



CALLING ALL "RETIRED" UNIT LEADERS!!!

During your tenure as Committee Chair, Scoutmaster or Cubmaster did you ever wish there was a person to give you a hand with any of the following tasks?

- Re-chartering help
- Quality Unit award
- Unit inventory
- Leader inventory
- Unit program planning
- Unit problem solving
- A knowledgeable unit resource

That person would be your unit commissioner. We are struggling to find adult volunteers to fill these positions. Upper Cape, Lower Cape – all program levels. If you have recently resigned from a key leadership position, but are interested in staying involved, please consider signing on to serve as a Unit Commissioner.

I ask every adult involved in the program to think of people that you have served with over the years that might be willing to fill a commissioner slot. The need is great.

I would like to explore unit commissioners dedicated to specific program levels. Do you absolutely love and understand Cubs? Why not serve as a Cub Scout UC for local unit(s)? Prefer the Scouting program? How can your experience be put to good use serving as a Scouting Commissioner? Has your involvement been with Venture Scouts? There is need for help there too.

**Can you help? Like to learn more?
Do you have a list of potential candidates?**

Please contact me:

Jo-Ann Ferris, 508-896-7614 or joferris@capecod.net

Scout Calendar, also on www.scoutscapecod.org

October, 2005

1. Popcorn Sale begins
3. Roundtables/Cub Scout Leader & Troop Committee Training
5. Rosh Hashanah
5. Upper Cape District Committee & Commissioners
6. Martha's Vineyard District Committee
7. Salute to Scouting Breakfast Dennis
8. Scoutmaster Training
8. Owl & Baloo training
10. Columbus Day
13. Yom Kippur
15. Pioneer Project Day
21. Salute to Scouting Breakfast Orleans
25. Executive Committee
29. Tenderfoot 5K Run
29. Frightfully Fun Family Day
29. Teetonkah (Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills)

November, 2005

2. Upper Cape District Committee & Commissioners
3. Martha's Vineyard District Committee
4. Turkey Shoot
7. Roundtables/Popcorn Orders due
11. Veterans Day
11. Race to Cub Scouting Pinewood Derby @ Cape Cod Mall
11. Museum of Science Camp-in
17. Popcorn Distribution
22. Executive Board
24. Thanksgiving
25. Thanksgiving (Scout Center closed)

December, 2005

4. Falmouth Christmas Parade
5. Roundtables
7. Upper Cape District Committee & Commissioners
8. Martha's Vineyard District Committee
9. Popcorn money due
20. Executive Committee
25. Christmas Holiday
26. Christmas Holiday
27. Service Center inventory
28. Service Center inventory
29. Service Center inventory
30. New Year's Eve Holiday

Impressions of the Powderhorn Training course

45 Adults from our surrounding cluster councils Narragansett, Old Colony plus our own Cape Cod and Islands completed their POWDER HORN training experience this weekend at Camp Greenough. This Training is spread over two full weekends. The first weekend was completed out at Camp Squanto in the Miles Standish forest, the second weekend brought adult Scouters from all over New England to good old Cape Cod.

Everyone thinks that this training is for Venture Scouts. Well, I met Cub scout leaders, scout leaders and a few venture leaders. Just about every type of scout leader took this training in an effort to make the program they bring back to their boys the best that there is. I had the pleasure to be in the kitchen with our own President Bill Monroe and VP of Camping Jeff Stranger. While on staff for the course Tim Millar was out and about on his Mountain bike all weekend. This is a great course and should be considered by all adult Scouters. If you know Bruce and Bonnie Showstack from Old Colony Council, you will know what a great course they offer.

Congratulations to all who took the course I know you will take back some great ideas to your units. *Kevin Radford*

An International Adventure

In June, the email started to fly, "We are scouts from Poland... this summer we'll be on the Cape Cod (exactly in Harwich) and we would like to meet you..." They signed the message "CZUWAJ!", which is the greeting that reminds Polish Scouts to be always ready to serve and help others.

"Peter" Zadrożny, from Otwok, and "Margaret" Osuch, from Karczew, are adult Scouters who enjoy working with Boy Scouts and Girl Guides in Otwok District, which is about 30 miles south-east of Warsaw, Poland. Over the next several weeks, they arrived and began working at a CVS in Harwich, initially getting a ride from Hyannis with a CVS manager, and finally able to afford a small used car.

As part of their working summer vacation, they wanted to meet with American Scouts and leaders to learn about our methods, customs and traditions, and to exchange Scouting experiences. They asked if they could make a presentation about their Polish customs and uniforms.

On August 11th, after several visits with Peter and Margaret, we were finally able to arrange a cookout at Camp Greenough, and had a great turnout from Troop 76, Troop 50, Troop 80 and Crew 76.

Over hot dogs, hamburgers and lots of potluck dishes, we had the opportunity to really get into the differences and similarities between our Scouting cultures. Not only did members of our 2005 Jamboree Troop bring pictures, Peter and Margaret had lots of their own camping pictures – any everyone had lots of stories to go along with the pictures.

The highlight of the evening was probably learning Polish games and having some great fun with our new friends. "Who has the whistle" was a classic, but "Pass the Rabbit" was hysterical!

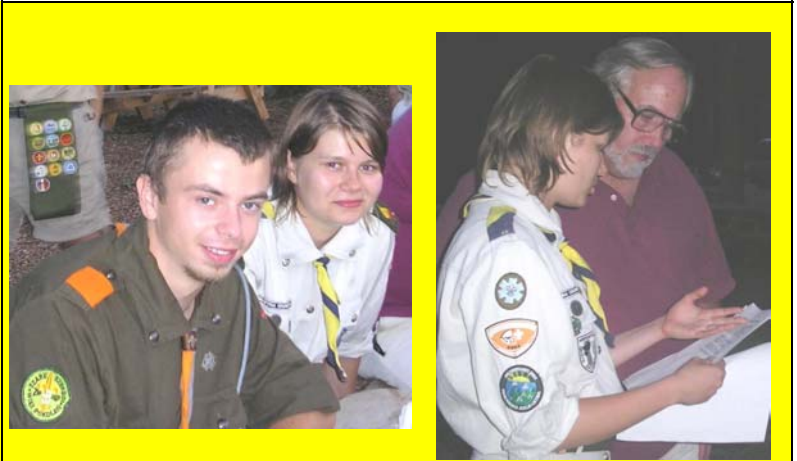
A great surprise turned out to be the presentation of plaques containing Polish patches and insignia, which now occupy a place of honor at our Council Service Office. Peter and Margaret were also given a number of patches and insignia to remember their visit.

One of the lessons learned from their visit was the fact that Scouts and Scouters visiting other countries need to be aware of the protocols in place that cover international travel. It is especially important in this day and age that the local Council arrange for its members to contact the appropriate International Commissioner or the office of the International Executive so that their counterparts in another country know that a traveling Scout or leader is a member in good standing.

Peter and Margaret will soon be on their way to Buffalo, NY, for a visit with family and arrangements have been made for their introduction to the Greater Niagara Frontier Council.

We wish our new friends a wonderful visit with the Scouting community in Buffalo, and a safe trip home to Poland.

CZUWAJ! (be prepared in Polish) Tim Millar



Our new friends, Peter and Margaret (Above left). Margaret explains are part of the Polish Scouting program to Mike Mahoney, Troop 80 Committee Chairman. (above right)



Lower Cape District Chairman Tim Millar accepts a plaque from Margaret and Peter commemorating their visit.



A small, but important, part of the World Brotherhood of Scouting.

2005 POPCORN SALE PRIZE PROGRAM

The following are available in addition to the prizes in the popcorn sale brochure:

Top Three Salesmen :

First Place: \$250 Cash (must have at least \$2500 in sales)

Second Place: \$150 Cash (must have at least \$1500 in sales)

Third Place: \$100 Cash (must have at least \$1500 in sales)

**Trails End Popcorn has other prizes available for those selling \$1500 or more!
\$2500 in sales qualifies the seller for the Trails End Scholarship program!**

In order to qualify for the top council prizes listed here, the unit must have the qualifying Scout's money paid in full at the Council office by the due date of December 9, 2005.

In the event of a tie, the winners will share equally the total of the affected prize positions.

New this year: **Mystery Houses!**

There are 15 Mystery Houses around Cape Cod and the Islands! The first scout to sell popcorn to these houses will receive a gift certificate to the Council Scout Shop. There is one \$100 certificate, four \$25 certificates, and ten \$10 certificates distributed among the houses. The owners do not know which certificate they have. The Scout must identify himself as a Scout and that he is selling popcorn for the annual popcorn sale. The homeowner will then give him an envelope with the certificate and congratulate him for finding a mystery house! Winners are asked to notify the council office so we can publicize their success.

Each Island has a mystery house. There is one mystery house for Eastham and Wellfleet and one for Truro and Provincetown. All other towns have one mystery house.



You'll have a ghoulish time at our Frightfully Fun Family Day! All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers and families are invited to enjoy a day full of activities including pumpkin carving, bat house construction, fishing, games, hayrides, and our "haunted campsite". The day will conclude with our "haunt cuisine" dinner. Cost for the day is \$12 per person and includes a special patch, pumpkin for each child, dinner and all materials for the different activities. Maximum cost is \$36 per family.

Please reply by October 21st!

Scout's Name: _____ Parent Name _____

Pack ___ Troop ___ Crew ___ Number ___ email address _____

Mailing address _____ City/Zip _____

Telephone _____

Number attending: Children _____ Adults _____

Payment Amount enclosed (make checks payable to Cape Cod and Islands Council) _____

Charge my MasterCard/Visa Card # _____ Exp _____

Name on card _____ Signature _____

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Plan Now for the Council Turkey Shoot and Outdoors Show November 5th!

This year's event for Webelos and Boy Scouts has a new one day format, with added ranges and instructors to avoid long lines and backups. All ranges will open at 8 am and close at 2:30 pm, with awards slated to begin shortly thereafter. More than two dozen firearms safety organizations, law enforcement agencies, sporting goods shops and sportmen's clubs are being invited to have display booths under the new big top tent on Walter Eldridge Field at Greenough Scout Reservation from 10am-2pm.

Troops and packs are encouraged to Camp for the Weekend, make camp site reservations thru the Council Office. Detailed information and a registration form will go out to unit leaders shortly and also available on line. Preregistration as a unit is strongly encouraged. The event will be sold out at 80 webelos and 80 boy scouts. Walk-ins accepted only if space available.

Jamboree impressions



President Bush addresses the Scouts. Troop 108 headed for arena.

Heard from one of our Sandwich Scouts: "It is very fun; there is a lot to do and trading patches is awesome," Favorite activities at the jamboree ranged from trapshooting to scuba diving. Many scouts are working to earn "Rockers," patches that show a person has completed a certain activity.

Overall, Scouts and Adult leaders were having a great time at the jamboree. Some Scouts would even like to come back as an adult or Scoutmaster to experience this again.



Units Earn more through Popcorn Sale

The "Captain's Kernels" (or generically known as the Popcorn Committee) has been hard at work putting together what is sure to be the biggest and best popcorn sale in Council history. Several improvements have been made to the sale including increased commissions to the units.

All units will receive a 30% commission and will be able to qualify for as much as a 35% commission.

Also, any unit that sells \$10,000 or more of popcorn will have the popcorn delivered to them.

Other improvements include enhanced prizes and improved products.

Check out www.scoutscapecod.org for forms and more information.

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To reserve your COPE time, contact raiken@bsamail.org or (508) 362-4322.

International Exchange Program Opportunities

The Boy Scouts of America have been invited to send an official contingent to the following international events.

Scouts and Venturers who are at least 14 at the start of the event and not yet 21 are invited to apply. The events and estimated costs are:

- Asia-Pacific Jamboree- Sattahip, Thailand- December 2005 (\$1,200)
- SAJ/BSA Friendship Exchange- Japan- March 2006 (\$600)
- 14th Nippon Jamboree- Japan- August 2006 (\$600)
- 2006 Special Philmont Trek- Philmont Scout Ranch- August 2006 (\$0)
- 13th Caribbean Jamboree- Jamaica- August 2006 (\$750)

Anyone interested should contact the Council office for application.

Plan now for next year at Camp Greenough...

4 new Leave No Trace Camp (LNT) sites, expected October 15, 2006. These camp sites will be free of charge to Cape Cod & Islands units for a limited time. The sites will be located out by Muddy Pond section of the Camp. For more information, Jeff Stranger at jstranger@comcast.net or 508-364-3172

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**Cape Cod and Islands Council, BSA
 Turkey Shoot and Outdoors Show
 Saturday November 5th, 2005
 Greenough Scout Reservation
 Yarmouthport, MA**



This year's event promises to be bigger and better than ever with some changes to reduce lines, increase shooting time and add more fun!

All events are scheduled for Saturday. Troops and packs are encouraged to camp for the weekend. Make campsite and cabin reservations thru the usual process. Camping fees not included in event registration.

Webelos will compete in Archery at Nobadeer Campsite and BB Guns at Noepe Campsite. In between shooting sessions, visit the Outdoors Show at Eldridge Field where we hope to have as many as two dozen exhibitors of firearms, archery, fishing equipment, sporting goods, wildlife managers, law enforcement, and more!

There will be no opening ceremony, All ranges will be ready for shooters at 8:30am, and may even take early birds before that. Webelos should arrive as a Den and travel as a Den with adult supervision. Please try to be on site and have at least one range completed by 10:30am. Ranges will close to competitive shooting by 2:30pm with awards scheduled for all at 3pm on the Field. There may be some live fire demonstrations by exhibitors following the awards.

Ranges may close briefly around 12 for staff lunch. Lunch is on your own, but there will be a hot dog stand at the Outdoors Show and perhaps a trading post table and other items for sale.

Boy Scouts and Venturers can compete in 22 Rifles, Muzzleloaders, Shotgun and Archery. To be eligible for awards, Boy Scouts and Venturers **MUST** possess a **COACHES CARD** which they will receive after assisting on the Webelos Archery or BB Range for at least one session. Scouts waiting at any range or in the Show Area may be asked to go to the Webelos area at any time coaches are needed. Troops please have an outdoor skill related show and do ready as a backup in case vendor turnout in the show area is light.

Please remember that preregistration is required and the event is sold out at 80 webelos and 80 scouts/venturers. Registrations received after quotas are filled will be returned and walk-ins will be accepted only if there are unsold slots or if you buy no shows from another unit. There is no charge for visiting the Outdoors Show from 10am-2pm and all ages, siblings, parents, etc. are invited. No vehicles will be allowed to move beyond the main parking lot after 8am except vendors making deliveries and handicapped access. Some limited shuttle service may be available.

Turkey Shoot and Outdoors Show
 Unit Registration Form

Unit # _____ Circle: Pack Troop Crew Ship Adult contact: _____

Email: _____ Mailing address: _____ Phone: _____

Registering:

_____ Webelos @ \$15.00 each. Total: _____

_____ Boy Scouts @ \$20.00 each. Total: _____

_____ Venturers @ \$20.00 each. Total: _____

_____ Extra patches (adults) @ \$3.00 each. Total: _____

Grand Total Enclosed: _____

Charge my credit card: MasterCard/Visa _____ Exp Date. _____

Signature _____

Please make checks payable to Cape Cod and Islands Council, BSA.
 List names and ages of scouts on reverse. Registrations are transferable within your unit but not refundable.
 Please have completed registration and payment into Council Office by **Friday October 28, 2005**
Walk-in registrations accepted only if space allows.

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**Don't Miss the Special Pinewood Derby,
Friday, November 11th at the Cape Cod Mall!
This is an open race for all Cub Scouts!**

Registration: 12:30 PM

Race begins: 1:00 PM