



# 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.

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## BP Bits:



Maj General B-P, 1902

After the siege of Mafeking and the end of the Boer War, Britain had control of the former Boer republics of Transvaal and the Orange Free State. The South African Constabulary was established to be a peace-time army, somewhere between a police and a military force, to pacify the former republics which were now part of a united South Africa under British rule. Baden-Powell was put in charge of the South African Constabulary, as a leader with exceptional ability to organize the force from scratch in a short time. He quickly recruited a force from the two British colonies, the Cape and Natal, which were now part of the Union of South Africa. He also recruited officers and men from Australia, New Zealand, Canada, India and Ceylon, England and Ireland. B-P wrote about establishing the Constabulary in his book "*Lessons From the Varsity of Life*", including the following: "I designed a uniform for the men on my experience of work in different climes, of an economical type and one which differed in appearance from that of the Army. Since officers and men had to be continuously on duty and therefore always in uniform it was essential that this should be not merely smart but also comfortable to wear. We therefore adopted khaki coats with roll collars and khaki shirts and collars with neckties, instead of the military stand-up stock collars. For headgear we wore Stetson hats with flat brims...fitted with a feather cockade."

## Collectors' Corner: Scout Medallions



International Catholic Awareness, French Girl Guide Medallion of Promise, B-P 2007 WJ, Rotarians, St George Patron St of Scouts, B-P 2 different, Australian Scout Medallion on green ribbon, World Crest, BSA 1910s, Society of Medallists and reverse 1952 – Building Toward Unity Youth of the Scout World

Have you been to **World Scouting's Channel on YouTube**? Check it out for some great videos of Scouts in Action.

There are videos of Scouts from Burundi, El Salvador, Kenya, Japan, Haiti, South Africa, and Sierra Leone providing disaster relief and other services to their communities. Many other topics are also available.

## Scouting in Japan:



The Scout emblem makes use of the national chrysanthemum.

Starting as boys only, the organization was known as the Boy Scouts of Japan from 1922 until 1971, and as Boy Scouts of Nippon from 1971 to 1995, when it became coeducational in all sections, leading to neutral naming.

Scouting was introduced to Japan in the autumn of 1909 by at least two Japanese teachers, Akizuki Satsuo and Hōjō Tokiyuki, who had visited England in 1908. A Japanese translation of Scouting for Boys was published as early as 1910, and a few sporadic troops sprang up without any cohesion. The 1923 Great Kanto earthquake brought the work of the Scouts of Tokyo and Kobe to the notice of the general public. Scouting in Japan suffered almost complete eclipse in World War II. The occupation period was difficult on Scouting. Because of the financial situation, Scouting memorabilia from that time is rare and highly prized, many badges being printed on paper.

In 1971, BSJ hosted the 13th World Scout Jamboree. The 23rd World Scout Jamboree will take place at Kirara Beach, Yamaguchi in 2015. The theme will be "和 Wa: A Spirit of Unity". The kanji "和" is also part of the theme.

## Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund:



Canadian Badgers' Club



Canada's Scout Brotherhood Fund supports a number of projects; two of the more recent ones being Scout service projects in the Tsunami disaster and the Pakistan earthquake. The Brotherhood Fund's main source of revenue has always been Scoutrees; other revenue is gathered through investment income, council donations, Canadian Badgers Club's auctions, individual donors and group twinning.

In Uganda a project for Scouts with a \$5,000 grant from Scouts Canada, developed a farm project that allowed the village people to become financially independent in their daily living. As a result, now there is enough fruit, vegetables, milk and eggs for the whole community. This not only helped the village, but also taught the local youth how to farm and implement a bartering system.

Other examples of the Brotherhood Fund at work include: a Canadian group who raised money to buy a cow for a Street Scout group in Nairobi; a Beaver colony who contributed to a penny jar to help support a Rover crew that went to South Africa to build a community centre for a township Scouting group — the Rovers then met with the Beavers on their return and showed them what the money from their penny jar did; the computer system that Scouts Canada bought, and installed for training Scouters in 10 Southern African countries — giving them a communication tool for training that just didn't exist before.

In Indonesia two villages about three kilometers apart had clean water from a well dug between the villages. Scoutrees financed the digging, the pump, pipes and a simple communal tap system in each village. Indonesian Scouts dug the well, laid the pipes, installed the system and explained its operations to the village people. For the first time, these people had access to clean water, thus improving their quality of life and health.



## The 14th World Scout Moot will take place at Awacamenj Mino Camp, Québec, Canada from 8 - 18 August 2013.

The host organization, l'Association des Scouts du Canada, is eagerly preparing to welcome up to 5,000 young adults from around the world to Canada for this once-in-a-lifetime Scouting experience! Participation is open to members of all National Scout Organizations between the ages of 18 and 25 inclusive. Those aged 26 and over are encouraged to attend the Moot as members of the International Service Team.