Cub Information
Welcome to the Junior Brigade of Fort George 2016!

Welcome

The Committee for the Scout Brigade of Fort George thanks you for your registration! Please read the enclosed documents and share with your leadership team attending camp to ensure you can Be Prepared.

For many of you this will be your first time to this camp, but even for the Veterans there are always changes, so we will start from the beginning.

Camp Background & Structure:

The Scout Brigade of Fort George began in 1984. The event is sponsored by the Greater Toronto Council of Scouts Canada and is always held the third weekend of September. It is a historical themed camporee where youth from Scouts Canada and the Boy Scouts of America come together to learn about the life of a soldier in the British or US Army in 1812-1814.

The Brigade is comprised of 6 Regiments:

- 6th US Regiment
- 49th Regiment of Foot
- 8th (King's) Regiment
- Royal Newfoundland Regiment of Fencible Infantry (RNR)
- Artillery (British/American)
- Canadian Fencibles / West Point Academy (Cub Scouts aka the Junior Brigade)

Camping:

Our Fencibles/West point Regiment are Yellow Companies. You will be grouped into numbered (1-5) Companies. Each Company (Coy) will have between 2 and 4 Cub packs, and up to 40 people. You will camp as Coy's, and your activities will be run as Coy's and you will parade as Coy's. We ask that you also eat in Coy's to get to know one another.

For your Group To Do Before Camp:

- Please refer to the Site Map provided in this package.
- **Ensure that ALL your Adults and participants have this site map with directions to camp and where (which company) they are camping on the map.**

- All youth and parents should know their proper Scout Group name, and the Regiment they will be camping with at Camp.
- It would be Most helpful if Cubs and parents knew the Name of their Scouter – not "Akela and Baloo"
- **It is recommended that you send each parent your Scout group name, Regiment and site number for camp.**

Example: Billy is part of the 1st Toronto Cub Scouts, camping with Canadian Fencibles, Site and Company Yellow #3

Cub camp Schedule:

- Please refer to the **Cub Program** Schedule included in the package for specific times.
- Ensure that your Group is ready for Marching/Program times, and meal times
- This is a Large camp, it does not wait for latecomers
- **The Cub program staff will require Scouters to assist in running all the activities Saturday. We ask that Scouters and parents chip in and help the youth enjoy their time at camp.**

What to Bring:

1. **Gear:**
   Communicate/work with the other groups in your Company (provided) to share gear and equipment

   - Besides all the personal gear and tents that you bring, each site/company should bring a large shelter (garage tent) sufficient for all to sit under, tables to eat at and enough chairs to sit on.
   - Garbage bags and a hand wash station for your site/company.
   - Personal equipment, sleeping bags etc.
   - Camp chair for each person (there are No picnic tables on site)
   - Lanterns for your site
   - Fire extinguisher
   - Group First Aid Kit
   - National and Section/Unit Flags. Feel free to display these at the front of your camp site
   - Note: for those that are unable to tent-camp, you may bring tent trailers, but they must be located in the parking areas. For those that require overnight cpap (breathing) machines, there is a location available with electricity. Please ask for more details.

Be Prepared! The weather is varies greatly in Niagara. Please remind your Youth and Adults to pack for cold nights for sleeping, damp mornings and hot days.

2. **Regimental Cub Uniforms:**
   - As this is a re-enactment camp, we too must play our part. The Cubs all camp together, but portray the part of Two Regiments. The Canadian Cubs represent the Canadian Fencibles and the BSA Cubs represent the WestPoint Academy.
   - To look the part, we ask that your Scouters and youth bring the following to wear during the Saturday afternoon parade:
     - **Canadians: Red T-shirts**
     - Americans: Blue T-shirts
     - If your group has them, the youth can wear straw hats or black military style shakos like the Scouts
   - We will provide the appropriate coloured Neckers for the parade: Canadians get yellow, Americans red
   - In 1812 there were no Cub or Scout uniforms, so they won't be required during the camp!
   - In case of bad weather we suggest bringing large clear Ponchos or large clear plastic garbage bags with holes cut out for arms and head to wear over your uniforms.

3. **Group food / Prep:**
   - Since the camp is catered, you do not cook full meals. You will only be required to provide water, drinks, hot beverages, and optional snacks for your group.
   - **Note* there is NO Sunday lunch provided for 2016.** Your group may wish to bring a small snack for after closing for your Group.
   - If you wish hot beverages; coffee/tea/soup/hot chocolate we recommend that you bring all the equipment and materials required to do so at your camp.
   - **Please note,** cooking or boiling water must be done on a fueled camp stove; we are not allowed open flames, fire pits or fire rings at camp.

This is a very busy, active weekend for all at camp. If you wish to bring supplemental snacks/drinks feel free. No peanuts please.

4. **Water*:***
   - **Each Group Must bring Water with you!** The Water delivery for camp starts Saturday AM. For water Friday night and Saturday morning, you must bring your water jugs prefilled.
   - **All attending camp Must bring a refillable water bottle with them**. It is each Group's responsibility to ensure that Everyone in your group refills their bottles several times a day, and has a full bottle before marching out of camp.
   - The camp does not provide water bottles or jugs

5. **Spending Money optional for Cub Youth:**
   - A small amount of spending money is an option for Youth to bring to camp
   - If your Group wishes to take your cubs, there is a small gift shop at the Fort, and an on-site Candy Shop and Scout shop Saturday evening.

Arriving at Camp Friday after 5pm

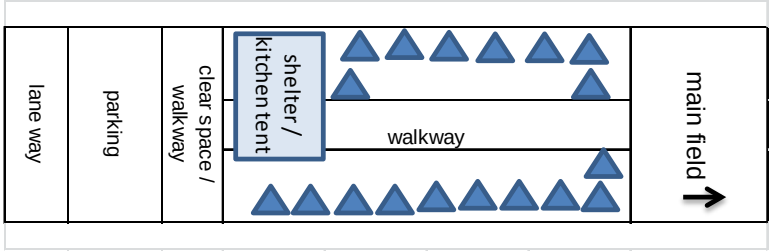
- Use the Entrance from John Street labelled #1 on the Site Map
- Security will direct you to your assigned Regiment
- Parking for the weekend is only permitted in designated areas. At no time are vehicles permitted on the camp field. Please refer to the site map for designated parking areas.
- If your group would like to arrive a bit early, pre-arrange with the cub camp chief

Check-In / Group Registration Friday Night:

- After 6pm, the Group Scouter in charge should present themselves to the Regimental Registrar in your Fencibles HQ Tent to check in and confirm final payment (if required).
- The Scouter will be requested to provide your full Group Scout name, your final Youth and Adult numbers attending camp

Suggested Site Layout & Camp Rules:

- This is a suggested layout of your Site. Place tents down pre-designated rows similar to the layout below.
- Please remember that when setting up camp, your designated site is shared with a number of other Groups, up to 40 people.



- Do not dig in the ground in or near the campsites. This is a historical ground and any disturbance other than tent pegs is prohibited.

Departure Sunday:

- Departure is Sunday after Closing Ceremonies and once your site is inspected by your Regimental HQ
- Once the site is inspected, your group's Camp badges will be given to your Scouter

Garbage & Recycling:

- **Recycling and Garbage:**
  - Each Group must bring their own Garbage and Recycling bags. They will not be provided.
  - Recycling and Garbage bins will be located throughout the camp
  - Recycling and Garbage bins are to be Left ONLY at designated areas
  - Your Group can either take your garbage/recycling with you, or take your Garbage and Recycling directly to the Dumpsters at the bottom of the field (bottom right corner on Site map)
  - Please note that plastic cutlery is not recyclable

First Aid:

- **First Aid:**
  - First Aid is located in the centre of the Camp field all weekend.
  - MedVents (Medical first aid Venturers) man the centre field station and are on patrol all weekend
  - **Pack accordingly for possible risk of mosquitos, ticks, ground wasps and poison ivy.**
  - Please see last page for tick information

If you have any concerns regarding Ticks, poison ivy or wasps please see First aid or security.

- **Lost and Found:**
  - Lost and found are located at the top of the Field at Security Headquarters

Risk Management and Camp Rules

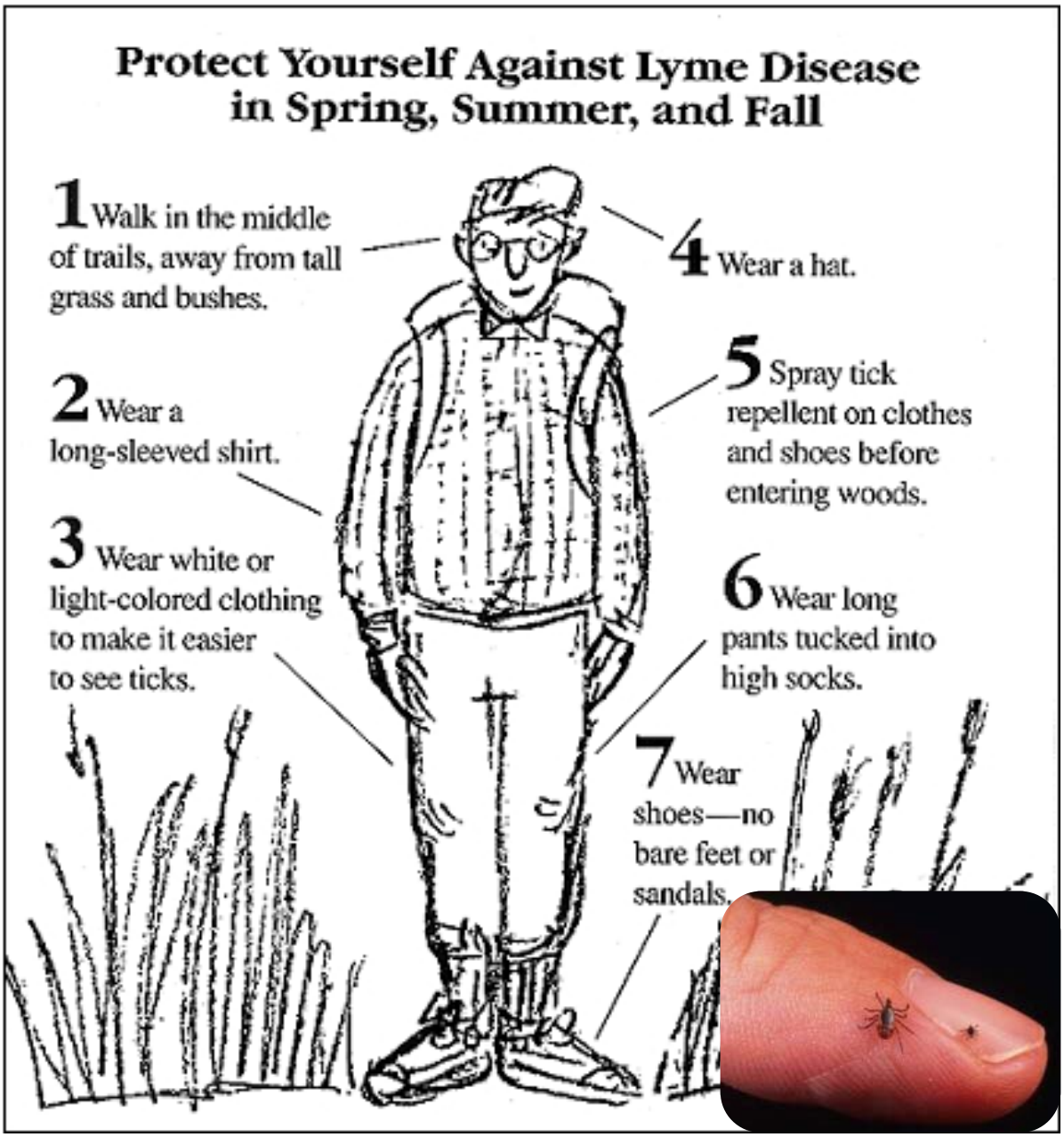
- The Scout Brigade of Fort George has enjoyed a privileged working arrangement with the owner of the property on which we camp – Parks Canada. The staff of Fort George have done everything we could have asked to help make out event a wonderful historic experience for our Youth and Scouters.
- **Consequently we must ask All participating Scout Groups/Units to respect Parks Canada's rules and wishes with regard to our use of their property:**
    - Respect the Fort's Buildings and property therein
    - **Stay off of earthworks around the Fort**
    - Once inside the Fort, you may go into the gun bastions, but please ensure that your **Youth do not go through the embrasures (Gun openings)**
    - Stay off the sloping ground around the Fort's magazine building. Use the pathways down the magazine
    - Historical artifacts should not be touched or handled
    - Respect and Listen to any direction from Fort Staff or Brigade Camp personnel
- The Scout Law governs the operation of ALL Scout Groups/Units at the Scout Brigade.
- **Each Scout Leadership Team is responsible for ensuring that all their members follow the Scout Law, the Polices of Scouts Canada and/or Boy Scouts of America respectively**
- While the Brigade has the responsibility for assessing and managing potential risks and safety issues posed by the planned activities, there are a number of times, when the management of the risk and safety falls more appropriately upon the Group/Unit Leadership Team.
- **Scout Groups must ensure that all participants and Scouters are registered in Scouting for the Current Scouting Year**

The Brigade expects that each Scouting Group/Unit Leadership Team will be alert to Risk Management throughout the camp.

Please ensure that your Team are aware of the following:

1. In the event of an Emergency, please follow the established camp chain of command:
   -Group/Unit Leadership Team to Regimental HQ Chief to Camp Brigade HQ staff
   -likewise, you should expect to receive directions from the same structure
2. Please ensure your Group follows the direction of Regimental Staff, Brigade Camp Staff and Security personnel
3. **Please pack accordingly for these risks: West Nile Virus, Ticks and Ground Wasps**
4. **Cubs** must not bring cap firing Muskets or Pistols to camp
5. Anyone wearing a Scout uniform must not carry a weapon, musket or pistol.
6. There are NO real weapons permitted at camp.
7. Scout "Officers" may use metal swords as part of their uniform for parade or training demonstrations. But they must not be unsheathed at any other activities and certainly not during any battles.
8. For Scouts Absolutely NO other firing mechanisms, other than caps are permitted at camp.
9. For Scouts NO modifications of replica muskets, firearms, blasting caps, percussion caps, blanks, starter pistols, black powder etc are permitted at camp.
10. Free time at camp: Please keep your youth properly supervised during this time. It is your Group's responsibility to ensure that ALL your Youth return safely to you after the parade before you return to camp.
11. While in Town participates must wear their Costume or their scout uniform and act appropriately.
12. Free time Friday & Saturday evenings: Please keep your youth properly supervised.
13. Remember we camp in a park setting, which is open to the public and our entire weekend programme takes place in full public view.

Enjoy the Camp and Have Fun!



A tick is very small and can range in size from a poppy seed to a small grape (when engorged). They do not jump or fly.

- Ticks are normally found in forested areas or areas with long grass, where they attach themselves to humans and animals passing by.
- On humans, ticks normally attach to areas such as the groin, armpits, hairline or behind the ears.

Protect Yourself from ticks

- Wear light coloured clothing to help spot ticks
- Use insect repellents that contain DEET or Icaridin. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- Do daily full body checks on yourself, your children and pets after coming in from the outdoors

For more information: https://www.niagararegion.ca/living/health_wellness/disease-prevent/lyme-disease.aspx