



# Nature Calls



16<sup>th</sup> Ajax Scouts  
Newsletter

January/February 2012

Troop



Welcome to 2012 and an exciting 2nd half of the Scouting year.



## Announcements - Reminder

Please ensure your youth brings a bottle of water for the evening when we're in the school gym. We often play games and the youth are not permitted to go down the hall to the water fountain.



With winter season upon us, please ensure your youth brings a **pair of indoor shoes** to help managed the dirt and muck tracked into the school's gym.



## Emergency

**January 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**Emergency Preparedness**  
**St. Patrick's Catholic School Gym**  
Activity Uniform

Again the Scout motto is "Always Be Prepared". Tonight we will be discussing

Emergency Preparedness. This is useful for the entire family at home as well. We will be discussing various emergency situations and what should be included in emergency kits for different situations.



**January 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**Range - Rifles**

**Camp Samac Range**  
**Activity Uniform**

(Enter from the north entrance off Conlin Road past Simcoe St.)

Tonight we will get a second chance at the rifle range. Last time we spent more time learning the rules of the range and how to use the rifles. We will spend more time on target practice to prepare us for the Rifle Tournament in March.



**January 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Great Canadian Superstore - Cooking Class**

(North on Kingston Road west of Harwood, by Best Buy)  
Full Uniform

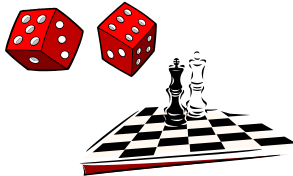
Youth will be learning to cook in foil giving them new options for cooking at camp. The 2nd and 3rd years will also be shopping for camp.



## January 27-29<sup>th</sup> Winter Camp

Woodland Trails, Aurora, ON  
Arrive in Full Uniform

Winter Camp! This will be our most extreme camp. Make sure your winter pack and gear is well prepared. Please arrive at 7:00 sharp to ensure you have plenty of time to pitch your tent before "mug up". If you have questions, contact Troop Leader or Troop Counselors.



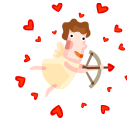
## January 31<sup>st</sup> Speed Gaming Night St. Patrick's Catholic School Gym Activity Uniform

It involves board games..... Lots of them..... and a clock. Bring your favourite board game.... no electronics for this one.



## February 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Hockey - Practice night Activity Uniform

We will be practicing for our Floor Hockey Tournament scheduled for February 25th. This is a linking event with our 3rd year Cubs who are also invited to the Tournament.



## February 14<sup>th</sup> Archery Range The Range at Camp Samac (enter from the north entrance off Conlin Road past Simcoe St.) Activity Uniform

We'll be meeting at Camp Samac to learn and practice archery shooting for the upcoming competition in April. Please ensure your youth are dressed for the evening weather as we may be heading outside for part of the evening activities



## February 21<sup>st</sup> Tobogganing or Swimming

Pauline Park or McLean Centre

(Ravenscroft north of Rossland, just before the big bend towards the new Sobey's or McLean Centre - McGill and Westney Rd.)

Activity Uniform and warm clothing for outdoor winter weather or swim suits.

Weather permitting we will be going tobogganing at Pauline Park. Bring your favourite toboggan. Please dress for the weather. This is our primary activity. If there is not enough snow, we will be going swimming at the McLean Centre instead. Please check your emails the night before. We will send out the itinerary based on the conditions on Monday night.



## Wednesday February 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Baden Powell Activity - TBD

Our annual Baden Powell Birthday event will

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take place on this night. Activity and location to be determined. Stay tuned for a future announcement.



## February 25<sup>th</sup> Floor Hockey Tournament

**Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School at 1395 Harwood Ave. North, Ajax**  
**Activity Uniform**

This is our annual Floor Hockey Tournament. We start at 9:00am sharp until 3:00pm. Cost for the tournament is \$10 which will include a pizza lunch. Please bring a white shirt and a dark shirt as the teams will be alternating shirts throughout the day.

Non-marking shoes are mandatory, street gloves only and no hockey equipment. We will be provided with floor hockey sticks and goalie equipment. Deadline for signing up is February 7<sup>th</sup>.

### ***Troop Scouter***

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### ***Troop Counselors***

Lori Dolan

Peter Sack

Gina Love

**Please do not hesitate to contact any of our leaders if you have questions or concerns.**



## February 28<sup>th</sup> Swimming or Tobogganing

**McLean Centre or Pauline Park**

(McLean Centre - McGill and Westney Rd. or Ravenscroft north of Rossland, just before the big bend towards the new Sobey's)

**Activity Uniform and swim suits or warm clothing for outdoor winter weather**

Depending in the conditions the previous week, again we will either be swimming or tobogganing. Check your email the Monday night before. Cost for swimming will be covered by dues.



### **Contact Information**