

## **Buffalo Plains - Western Trails 2009 Cuboree**

### **4 Feb 2009 Planning Meeting**

The following groups attended the Cuboree meeting: (Cubs/Ldrs)

1 Castlefire  
1 Fort Saskatchewan  
1 Gibbons  
4 Fort Saskatchewan  
5<sup>th</sup> St. Albert  
25 Christ Church  
38<sup>th</sup> Edmonton Garrison  
56 Kirk  
116 Lynnwood  
119<sup>th</sup> Edmonton  
129 Luther

Packs that had called and were not able to make the meeting:

1st Vegreville  
1 Blueberry  
1 Onoway  
191 Batyrn

### **Cuboree Date**

May 29 – May 31<sup>th</sup> 2009

### **Location**

Camp Chickakoo Lake Scout Camp has been selected for this year's Cuboree. Campsites are in the woods.

All camping gear and personal kit will have to be moved into the campsites either by the participants or, if you have one, using a cart.

**Camp Site Allocation** – To assist in the movement of Packs into the campsites, there will be an on-site meeting prior to the Cuboree (24 May). We will require one representative from each Pack attending for the weekend.

**Parking** - There is limited parking on-site so we will be controlling where vehicles can be parked. Each Pack will be allocated two Parking Tags for on-site parking. All other vehicles are to be parked in the Main parking area.

Entrance to the camp will be strictly controlled on Friday evening.

Packs are encouraged to arrive on site as a Group and to concentrate their Pack and personnel kit on as a few of vehicles as possible. Vehicles that do not have a pass will be directed to the Main Parking lot and Cubs will have to walk in from that location. The trail to the Camp will be marked.

Parkland County will be contacted for authorization to park vehicles overnight in the Main Parking lot. One or more volunteers will be sought to sleep at the Main Parking lot for security.

**Pets** – There are no pets allowed at the camp.

**Map** – a map to the location will be forwarded to all participating Packs prior to the Cuboree.

### **Registration**

Any Pack planning on attending must advise register by 15 April 09. Funds must also be paid at this time. This date will allow Crests and T-shirts to be acquired on time.

Because of the size of the site we are establishing **a maximum Cub registration of 200 Cub campers.**

### **Fee**

The Cuboree fee is \$15.00 per Cub and \$15.00 per leader, parent, or scout helper.

### **Bank Account**

It was moved that Jim McAllister be added to the list of signatories for the Cuboree account.

### **Theme**

This year's Cuboree theme is "Survivor"

### **Saturday Activities**

Groups will be created by mixing members of the Packs into the number of Activity Groups. Each Activity Group will be given a designated animal as their figurehead.

Groups running activities should plan to keep the youth occupied for the entire 45-60 minutes. A horn will be sounded signaling the rotation change. Groups are encouraged to have a backup game be it active or inactive such as a word game they can use as necessary to fill the rotation time

If your group is running an activity and need some help, we have a number of people that have offered their assistance. Also we will require leaders/adults to escort and stay with the Activity Groups for the day as they travel between the activities. If you are able to be one of the escorts please attend the leaders meeting on Friday evening.

Activities that have been taken on are:

Canoeing – 1 Gibbons / 4 Spruce Grove??

Fire Starting – 129 Luther

Archery – 119<sup>th</sup>

Leather Craft – 56<sup>th</sup> Kirk

Craft (Woggle?) – 5<sup>th</sup> St Albert

Finding Your Way – 1 Vegreville

There is a requirement for some additional activities, please advise Ray or Jim if you have some suggestions.

### **Sunday Activities**

With the number of rotations required, we will conduct at least two rotations on Sunday morning. In addition there will be a Scouts' Own (25 Christ Church has volunteered to co-ordinate).

### **Beavers/Scouts/Venturers/Rovers**

This is a Cuboree for Cubs and not an all section jamboree, however groups may invite the following:

- White Tail Beavers that have swum up to Cubs.
- A limited number of Scouts, Venturers or Rovers as helpers (OOS) at their campsite and to help run an activity.

### **Cuboree Banker**

A sub-account has been established through ATB Bank in St Albert. The two signatures for the account will be Jim McAllister and Ray Dunn. Registration cheques are to be made out to "Scouts Canada – Buffalo Plains Cuboree"

### **Crests**

We are seeking submissions from Packs for a design for the crest. All submissions must be in by 16 March. Submissions are to be passed to Ray. Crests should not be any bigger than 4" x 3" and should not contain more than 7 colours. Background colour should be indicated. "BUFFALO PLAINS – WESTERN TRAILS CUBOREE 2009" SHOULD BE INCLUDED ON THE CREST.

Theme may be included if desired by the creator of the crest.

### **T-shirts**

Packs must submit their T-shirt sizes at the time of Registration.

T-shirt colour selected was Orange with Black Letters.

**Water**

Packs are to bring their own water for drinking and washing. All youth should have a water bottle with their name on that they carry with them, and all activity stations require a water source for the youth to refill their water bottles.

**Food**

Each Pack is required to provide and prepare their own meals for their Pack with the exception of the Saturday evening dinner. The Saturday dinner will be provided as part of the Cuboree Fee.

**Saturday Dinner:**

The meal will consist of hamburgers, hot dogs, vegetables, and dessert.

A volunteer is required to co-ordinate the meal. If necessary, Ray – 38<sup>th</sup> Edm Garrison will co-ordinate the purchase of the food.

Packs are to advise Ray if they are able to provide a barbeque for the Saturday evening meal, we require up to four barbeques.

All Packs are to provide one or two volunteers to help in the preparation and serving of the Saturday dinner along with the clean up. Names of volunteers are to be passed to Jim.

The format for feeding will be the allocation of timeslots to each Pack. Cubs are to remain in the vicinity of their campsite until their designated time.

**Toilets**

There are at least four toilets located on site. Packs are to be prepared to assist in the clean up of an assigned toilet during the weekend.

Four toilets will be rented and placed near the main building.

Packs are required to bring along toilet paper for the weekend.

**Garbage** – There are no dumpsters on site so Packs must be prepared to take out any garbage they produce.

**Group Identification**

Youth are to wear their Group Necker as a form of identification. The youth will be split into random Activity groups for the activities at the opening ceremony.

**Free Time**

At past Cuborees it was important that the youth have enough free time to enjoy the camp with their friends. The schedule has taken this into account. It is to be noted that there is a lake within spitting distance and lots of wooded area. Leaders will have to be prepared to monitor both locations whether the Cubs belong to their Pack or another Pack.

**KNIVES** - Packs are reminded that Cubs are not to be in possession of knives. Knives are to be used only under Leader/Adult supervision within the Pack's campsite. If one of the activities requires knives, the organizers will co-ordinate having the knives at the area in which the activity will be conducted..

### **Campfires**

A formal campfire will be held on Saturday night after sunset. Groups should prepare a skit, a song and a cheer for the formal campfire. Groups will need to advise the Campfire Chief early Friday evening as to their plans, allowing the Campfire Chief time to organize the campfire program.

Depending on the area conditions, campfires may be permitted at individual campsites in fire rings already established at sites.

Parkland County will be contacted a few days prior to the event to confirm if campfires will be allowed. If campfires are allowed they must be properly located and constructed and the campfire site restored prior to the Pack leaving. Campfires must be attended at all times by an adult until they are fully extinguished.

As there may be limited quantities of firewood or deadfall, Packs should be prepared to bring some firewood. This situation can be better confirmed during the on site visit.

### **Badge Trading**

It was decided badge trading as an overall activity will not be done. Groups may do this individually if they prefer. Proper badge trading is one for one with a handshake to seal the deal.

### **Friday/Saturday Participation**

Packs that cannot participate for the full weekend are welcome to participate on Friday/Saturday or Saturday only. Costs are for the same as for the weekend. An area will be established at which they can set up or place their material.

### **Wet Weather Plans**

In the event of extreme weather that would make it impossible to complete the Cuboree, the event will not be rescheduled. T-shirts and crests would be distributed along with any fees that have not been spent (prorated).

The camping area will be used to a maximum and open areas are limited so Packs may find that large Garage Tents may not be useable.

### **First Aid/Emergency Procedure**

A First Aider has been identified

The First Aid Station will be set up in the on-site building.

An emergency plan for the Cuboree will be issued to Packs.

### **Campfire Blanket**

A Scout blanket will be purchased and groups are asked to bring one of their Group's crest and a few left over or spare badges and safety pins to pin the badges onto the blanket at the Saturday evening campfire. A draw (for all Cubs attending) for the blanket will be held during the campfire.

### **Scouts Own**

25<sup>th</sup> Christ Church has volunteered to co-ordinate the Scouts' Own on Sunday morning. If any Scout (OOS) wish to assist, contact 25 Christ Church.

Each Pack has an opportunity to select a youth from their group to contribute to the Scouts Own. The item chosen should not be lengthy and if possible no more than a minute. Advise the co-ordinator if there is interest.

### **Consent Forms and Physical Fitness Forms**

Each Pack is responsible to complete a Camping and Outdoor Activity Application approved by their Group Committee (a copy is to be brought to camp). Packs are also responsible to have a copy of the Scouts Canada Parent/Guardian Consent Form and physical fitness forms for all members of their group at their campsite. This includes the physical fitness forms for the Leaders and parent helpers.

The Parent Guardian Consent forms must indicate archery and canoeing as an event in addition to Buffalo Plains -Western Trails 2006 Cuboree.

If a Pack has a youth where the parent or guardian has not approved the youth to participate in archery they should inform Pam with the 119<sup>th</sup> Edmonton at the Friday evening Leaders meeting.

Packs need to bring the registration summary attached to a copy of their group's physical fitness forms for all in attendance, these forms will be left with the First Aider at the first aid station. These forms will be treated as confidential information and they may be picked up after Sunday closing; any forms not picked up will be shredded.

### **Be Prepared**

Be sure your youth come prepared for a good time; this will include things like hats, sunscreen, **insect repellent**, and rain gear.

**Departure** – Packs will be permitted to depart after noon on Sunday but, prior to departure, must have their Camp Site inspected by Jim or Ray. Last year we left the camp very clean and we want to continue this tradition.

**Camp Memento** - We will investigate the potential of creating a memento that can be left at the camp.

### **Cuboree Meeting Dates**

The next Cuboree meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 15 April 7:00 at 15223 96 Street in Edmonton. This is also the last day for registration.

If you have any questions or would like any additional information contact one of the following:

Jim McAllister	<a href="mailto:j.mcallister@shaw.ca">j.mcallister@shaw.ca</a>	phone 921-2126
Ray Dunn	<a href="mailto:dunnfam@telusplanet.net">dunnfam@telusplanet.net</a>	phone 478-0155
Rose Tindill	<a href="mailto:r.tindill@telus.net">r.tindill@telus.net</a>	phone 960-0760

**Buffalo Plain - Western Trails Cuboree Registration Form**  
**May 29- 31 2009**

Group Number & Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Contact Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Activity that your Pack will be involved with: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \$15.00/ youth \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$15.00/leader \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$15.00/scout helper \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$15.00/adult helper \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number Registered \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt order:

Youth 14-16 \_\_\_\_\_

Adult S \_\_\_\_\_

Adult XL \_\_\_\_\_

Adult M \_\_\_\_\_

Adult XXL \_\_\_\_\_

Adult L \_\_\_\_\_

Adult XXXL \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Larger Cubs will fit an adult small or medium, shirts fit slightly on the small size.

Total Number of T-Shirts \_\_\_\_\_

All cheques made payment to: **Buffalo Plains Cuboree**

**Registration Deadline is April 15, 2008.**

Registration fees may be submitted at the 15 Apr meeting or

Registration may be passed to Ray Dunn 15223 96 Street Edmonton, AB T5E 6C3

**Total Amount Submitted: \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

## 2009 Cuboree Agenda (Proposed)

**Friday late afternoon/early evening** - Arrival and set up anytime.

9:00 PM Leaders meeting - one Leader from each group should attend.

T-shirts and crests distributed.

### **Saturday**

9:30 AM

Assemble at flagpole

Opening Ceremony

Grand Howl / O' Canada / Break into Activity Groups

10:00 to 10:55 Cuboree activity

11:00 to 12:00 Cuboree activity

12:00 PM

Return to flag and break into Packs for lunch.

1:20 PM

Assemble at flag and break into assigned groups and continue activity rotations.

1:30 to 2:25 Cuboree activity

2:30 to 3:25 Cuboree activity

3:30 to 4:25 Cuboree activity

4:30 PM

Assemble at flag and break into packs

4:30 PM –6:00 PM

Free time

Volunteers to assist with Cuboree Dinner to report to meal prep site.

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Cuboree Dinner (Packs will be given a time to attend)

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Free time

10:30 PM (Approximate)

Formal Campfire

Assemble at main building in preparation to proceed to the formal campfire site.

Prior to assembly remind your pack of the formal campfire rules- assemble quietly, we then proceed single file to the campfire site, no flashlights, no talking, no clapping or booing (cheers are used).

### **Sunday**

9:30 AM

Assemble at flag, Scouts Own

10:00 to 10:55 AM Cuboree activity

11:00 – 11:55 AM Cuboree activity

12:00 Noon

Assemble at flag, Closing