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We hope you are all settling into Autumn and looking forward to all the possibilities of a new and colorful season!

We are always looking for ways to simplify and streamline processes and improve as a Council, and more importantly, as a Community! If you have any thoughts or suggestions for making Scouting even better and stronger in Fraser Valley, we invite you to please reach out to any one of the Council Key 3 members or to your Group Support Scouter. We welcome the feedback!

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[Around the World in 60 Days](#)

The challenge has begun. Join us as we rove around the world. First stop – makin' waves in Australia. Where will next week take us? Download the [Scouters Guide](#) or visit the weekly challenge page, [Around the World in 60 Days](#).

Make sure to encourage your groups and sections to submit their weekly challenges – the link is on the weekly challenge page. Don't forget there will be weekly prizes and opportunities to vote on weekly winners starting next week.

A Parent Guide has been created and can be downloaded [here](#). It's a pared down version of the Scouter's Guide and gives parents a sneak peek into what their child will be doing each week. It's filled with resources and other activities parents can try at home with their kids. Spread the word to parents and encourage them to get involved as much as possible

HAVE FUN! And don't forget to post on social media using the hashtag **#ExplorersNeeded**

[Scout Coffee and Scout Popcorn \(Reminder\)](#)

Calling All Popcorn Lovers

In case you missed it, the Scout Popcorn campaign **launched Oct.1**. Your Group can now [sell some delicious popcorn](#). It is not too late to register your Group and raise funds to embark on more amazing adventures! [Register Now](#).

Good Coffee for a Good Cause

Back by popular demand, Scout Coffee will be returning as a year-round campaign starting **October 15**. Follow [this link to register](#) your Group now and get started on some more great fall fundraising.

To find all the resources needed to fundraise and more info on Scout Coffee and Scout Popcorn, visit our [Trello Fundraising board](#).

You can also visit [Scout Popcorn](#) and [Scout Coffee](#) for more information. If you have any other questions about either of these fundraisers, please email popcorn@scouts.ca or coffee@scouts.ca.

Scouts for Sustainability Youth Panel

Scouts Canada will be hosting a Youth Sustainability Leadership Panel on **Sunday, October 24th at 11am PDT**. This unique panel features three teenage sustainability leaders and will allow youth from across Canada to explore youth leadership, sustainable actions and opportunities to collectively explore the UN's SDGs. It's an excellent tie-in to the Around the World in 60 Days Challenge and a great chance for older sections to hear what their peers are doing to advance SDGs in their own communities.

The webinar is free and open to all youth, not just Scouting youth. Spread the word!
<https://www.scouts.ca/news-and-events/news/2021/09/youth-sustainability-panel-explores-leadership-and-sustainable-action>

Resources & Ideas - Onboarding Toolbox

The Group Support Centre has put together a virtual [volunteer onboarding toolbox](#). This tool has been created to help Groups with onboarding new volunteers. You are welcome to use these tools as you see fit within your groups. Each of the screening components has been broken down into separate documents/pages so you can share with your volunteers only the requirements that they have outstanding or need assistance with to avoid overwhelming them.

If you have questions or need assistance with onboarding volunteers, please reach out to your Group Support Scouter.

Save the Dates

The New Rainbucket: Back from the Dead! - Rainbucket is officially coming back from the dead after a worldwide pandemic! This time with a new location! This year we will be at Camp McLean for November 12-14th for our usual festivities! We hope to see you then! For more information please visit www.rainbucket.ca

Vancouver Scout Night – November 20th, 2021 at 5:00pm
Vancouver Canucks vs. Chicago Blackhawks. Open to all members and families in BCY.

Spotlight



What an exciting weekend to kick off October. Fraser Valley saw 150 Cubs and 54 Scouters from 14 Packs descend upon Camp McLean for a weekend of Cub skills, including archery, fire building, pioneering and knots, shelter building, and a Howler's Council, plus so much more. McLean was taken over with excitement and laughter, and smiles were evident wherever you looked, regardless of age.

A huge thank you to all the Scouters who helped to make Cub Start a huge success (it would not have been possible without you) and to all the youth who made it an amazingly fun weekend for everyone!

Upcoming Events & Key Dates

- October 7 – Listening Session: Beginning our Inclusion and Reconciliation Journey. To register and for the full list of upcoming Listening Sessions, please visit: <https://www.scouts.ca/news-and-events/news/2021/09/indigenous-listening-session>
- October 15-17 – Scout Kickoff
- October 18, 7:00pm – Fraser Valley Council Pack Scouter Mug Up – [Join](#)
- October 21, 7:00pm – Fraser Valley Council Troop Scouter Mug Up - [Join](#)
- October 21, 8:00pm – Fraser Valley Company and Crew Mug Up (for Venturers, Rovers & Company and Crew Scouters) - [Join](#)
- October 24 – Being a Scouter the FUNdamentals - [Register](#)
- November 12-14 – The New Rainbucket: Back from the Dead. More information to come.
- November 16, 7:00pm – Fraser Valley Council Pack Scouter Mug Up – [Join](#)
- November 18, 7:00pm – Fraser Valley Council Troop Scouter Mug Up - [Join](#)
- November 18, 8:00pm – Fraser Valley Company and Crew Mug Up (for Venturers, Rovers & Company and Crew Scouters) - [Join](#)
- November 20 - Cub Skills – For more information check out Scoutstracker or contact Peter Scurr at petergrantscurr@gmail.com
- November 20, 5:00pm – Vancouver Canucks Scout Night – Vancouver v. Chicago. More information to come.

For a listing of all the upcoming Section Scouter Skill sessions and Group Committee Sessions, please visit the [Explorers Needed Calendar](#).