



AUGUST 2016

What's New

Myanmar Scouts joins WOSM

The World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) welcomes Myanmar Scouts -- the National Scout Organization of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar. WOSM currently has a total of 164 National Scout Organizations in more than 220 countries and territories around the world.

Scouting was introduced in Myanmar since the 1950s and was disbanded in 1964. Membership before disbandment was over 100,000. Since the redevelopment of Scouting started in 2012, current membership is approximately 25,000.

The Union of Burma Boy Scouts was a full member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement in the early 1950s. They were active and had complied with their constitutional duties.

Scouting in Myanmar (Burma) was disbanded in 1964 due to change in the government system. In the decades following, Scouting units existed underground and the firm believers of the Principles of Scouting continued the programme. This was evident when the regional team met old Scouts who continued the same Scouting methods. This is further manifested by the existence of their Scouting manuals, records, and uniform.

The legal registration and Constitution of Myanmar Scouts was approved by the Myanmar government. The Constitutions Committee, on behalf of the World Scout Committee, confirmed that all requirements of WOSM membership under Chapter III, Article V have been fulfilled. *From scout.org*

Scout Method revisited

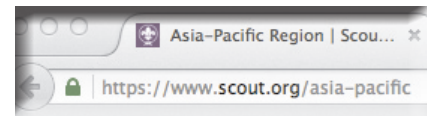
Revisiting the Scout Method is a way to encourage National Scout Organizations re-emphasize the World Youth Programme Policy in their activities and projects, taking into consideration the outcomes of the 1st World Scout Education Congress held in 2013.

The Asia-Pacific Region took the initiative to revisit the Scout Method through a workshop held at Tamkang University in New Taipei City, Taiwan on 12 to 15 August 2016. Forty-five participants from 13 countries came both from APR and other regions.

"The current 7 items of the Scout Method were defined in the 1990s, more than 20 years ago. To help young people face this fast-changing world, it is



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2016 events

National Strategic Planning Workshop

29 August - 2 September
Timor Leste

APR Finance Sub-Committee Meeting

2-3 September
Singapore

APR Workshop on AIS Performance Efficiency

3-6 September
Macau

APR Forum on Risk Management

5-8 September
Malaysia

APR DRRMTC

10-15 September

5th ASEAN Scout Jamboree

15-20 September
Malaysia

APR Workshop on Environment Education in Scouting

19-23 September
Thailand

SWA Discovery Workshop

25-30 September
Philippines

BTC for Leaders of Adults of Cambodia Scouts

26-28 September

time to revisit the Scout Method and make modifications as needed. This is what makes this workshop important", said Dr Ie Bin Lian, Workshop Director, at the opening ceremony.

Participants of the workshop discussed the core values of Scouting, Leadership in Scouting, 21st Century Life Skills in Scouting and Implementation of Scout Method in the Troop/Patrols.

The workshop was supported by the members of the APR Programme Sub-Committee led by its Chairman, Devraj Ghimire, with resource person Mari Nakano who leads the Innovating Scouting Workstream of the World Scout Committee and Patrick Hedljug, a volunteer coordinating the Leadership in Scouting Unit, under the same workstream. – *From scout.org*

Strategic Planning in Timor Leste commenced

The UNE-TL workshop for designing the National Strategic Plan started on Monday, 29th of August, with the opening ceremony held at the Peony Hotel in Dili.

Amongst the 45 participants are the key Scout Leaders from UNE-TL, young Scouts and group leaders from various municipalities. Resource persons from Scouts Australia Mr. Chris Bates and Peter Blatch, Asia-Pacific Support Centre Prassanna Shrivastava are supporting the drafting of the National Strategic plan. Leaders from UNE-TL are part of the workshop team facilitators.

The opening ceremony was officially opened by the National Director of Secretary of State for Youth and Sports, representing HE Secretary of State accompanied by UNE-TL President Ms Idelta Rodrigues. Among the attendees of the opening ceremony was the representative of Partner for Human Development (PHD) and the acting Ambassador of Australia Ms Joannah Leahy who also addressed in her remarks the importance of contributing to the youth activities and non-formal education for youth.

The workshop will last for four days and participants are expected to actively participate in the discussions and identify key areas where UNE-TL would play a role in contributing to the state building processes. Few key agendas are finding the key strength and weakness, determining the key strategic priorities areas and formulating the Vision for the UNE-TL.

Gerakan Pramuka officially applies the Wood Badge framework

For so long, Gerakan Pramuka used its own symbol for adult leaders who pass the Wood Badge Advanced Course. Now, Gerakan Pramuka made it official to use the Wood Badge Framework – two beads for those who pass the Advanced Course, three beads for the Course for Assistant Leader Trainer (CALT) and then four beads for Course for Leader Trainer (CLT) participants who complete the action plan.

The inauguration of using again the Wood Badge was held at the first Indaba and first Gilwell Reunion, which was held at Cibubur Campsite on 20th August 2016. The activity comprised the adult leaders who accompanied their contingents to the Indonesia 10th National Scout Jamboree, held at the same place, from 14 to 21 August 2016.

Dr Susi Yuliati, Vice Chairperson for Adults in Scouting represented the Chairman of Gerakan Pramuka in giving the Wood Badge to 13 Leader Trainers. *with thanks to Berthold Sinaulan*

APR Workshop on Disaster Response Management

5-9 October
Japan

APR Workshop on Strengthening Internal and External Communications

11-14 October
Thailand

World MoP Seminar

12-16 October
Hungary

GSAT Hong Kong

15-16 October
Hong Kong

RSC Meeting

15-16 October
Thailand

13th Malaysia Scouts Jamboree 2016 KL International Scouts Jamboree

25 Nov-1 Dec

Everything is Possible Jamboree

14-21 December
Thailand

Hong Kong Scout 105th Anniversary

23-27 December

APR Workshop on Good Governance

Bangladesh

21st New Zealand Jamboree

29 December - 7 January
New Zealand

OTHER INTERNATIONAL EVENTS IN 2016

(worldwide and all regions)

5th World Scout Interreligious Symposium

September

International Day of Peace

21 September
Worldwide

3rd Eurasia Scout Youth Forum

4-5 October 2016
Armenia

What's Upcoming

APR Workshop on Strengthening Internal and External Communications

Date: 11-14 October 2016

Venue: Bangkok, Thailand

Participants: This workshop will gather 50 participants, in particular, the appointed Correspondents of NSOs, Young Correspondents, MoP NSO Coordinators, Scout journalists and persons responsible for their NSO communication and external relations

Topics

Understanding Internal & Communications to Improve the Effectiveness of the Organization • Understanding External Communications and target groups • New WOSM Digital Engagement • The Art of Storytelling • Visual Storytelling • Creating Social Media Content • Success Stories of NSO Scout MEDIA • How to organize a SCOUT Media • Sharing Scouting stories through multi-media • Developing an Internal and External Communications Strategy to support NSOs in the Region

5th ASEAN Jamboree

When: 15-20 September 2016 at Tengku

Where: Muhammad Ismail Scout Camp, Kuala Nerus, Terengganu, Malaysia

Theme: Cultural and Heritage Diversity

Participants: This event is open to all Scouts and leaders from different National Scout Organizations

Everything is Possible Jamboree

Scouts Western Australia and the National Scout Organization of Thailand (NSOT), are organizing the Everything is Possible Jamboree to be held at Vajiravudh National Scout Camp in Chonburi, Thailand on 14-21 December 2016.

With the theme "Scouting Has No Borders", this 8-day event will feature exciting onsite activities such as Leave No Trace environmental training, Messengers of Peace project, Cartoon Network Water Park, Bangkok Discovery days, beach visits and more that Thailand can offer.

For more info, visit Everything is Possible Jamboree Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Everything-is-Possible-Jamboree-Thailand>

6th Eurasia Scout Conference

6-8 October 2016
Armenia

-59th Jamboree On the Air

-20th Jamboree On the Internet
15-16 October 2016
Worldwide

5th Interamerican Scout Youth Forum

24-25 October 2016
United States

26th Interamerican Regional Scout Conference

26-29 October 2016
United States

3rd Arab Scout Youth Forum

1-5 November 2016
Oman

28th Arab Scout Conference

5-10 November 2016
Oman

II Interamerican Scout Camporee & XV Interamerican Scout Jamboree

27 December 2016
- 2 January 2017
Ecuador

2016 APR CIRCULARS

Circular No. 1, series of 2016

Habitat for Humanity International, Inc. and WOSM Partnership

Circular No. 2, series of 2016

APR Plan 2015-2018

Circular No. 3, series of 2016

Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on Adults in Scouting Performance Efficiency

Circular No. 4, series of 2016

APR Workshop on Revisiting the Scout Method

Circular No. 5, series of 2016

APR Specialists Panel

Circular No. 6, series of 2016

10th Indonesia National Scout Jamboree

Circular No. 7, series of 2016

Appeal to help Tropical Cyclone Winston survivors in Fiji

Circular No. 8, series of 2016

APR Forum on Risk Management

Circular No. 9, series of 2016

APR Workshop on Environment Education in Scouting 2016

Circular No. 10, series of 2016

Appeal to help Sri Lanka flooding and landslide survivors

Circular No. 11, series of 2016

APR Workshop on Disaster Response Management

Circular No. 12, series of 2016

Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Education Forum 2017

Circular No. 13, series of 2016

YAMG Coordinator 2016 - 2018

Circular No. 14, series of 2016

APR Workshop on Strengthening Internal and External Communications in Scouting

Circular No. 15, series of 2016

Celebrating International Day of Peace - 21st September 2016

Circular No. 16, series of 2016

9th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Leaders Summit

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