



MARCH 2016

What's New

Myanmar National Scout and Guides Camp

The President of the Republic of Union of Myanmar who is also the Chief Scout, U Thein Sein, joined more than 600 Scouts & Guides at the opening of the 3rd National Camp held at Popa Mountain on 1-5 March.

In his speech, the President encouraged the young participants to pursue positive traits with determination as they are being prepared to take greater responsibilities for their country. Some old Scouts in their 70s were present at the gathering. They wore their old Scout uniform representing different branches of Myanmar Scouts – Scouts, Sea Scouts, and Air Scouts. Two Lion Scouts (highest achievement badge of Burma Scout Association) were also present.

Representatives of WOSM-APR and WAGGS-APR had an audience with the Chief Scout in the presence of Union Ministers and senior government officials. They were Vice Chairman Reiko Suzuki and Thian Hiong-Boon from WOSM while Ching-Ching Wee-Ong and Grace Tam from WAGGS in the presence of Chief Commissioner Dr Tin Nyu, Chief and Union Ministers. Special plaques were given to the President for his support for the revival and development of Scouting and Guiding in Myanmar.

Scouts support Earth Hour 2016 celebration

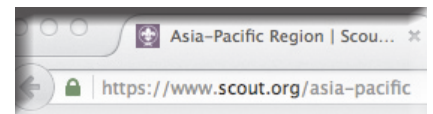
The Singapore Scout Association (SSA), in partnership with WWF Singapore, is once again proud to support Earth Hour for the eighth consecutive year since its beginnings in Singapore in 2009.

This year, Southeast Asian countries have established the objective of Shining A Light on Forests. The haze that terrorized Southeast Asia in 2015 led to nation leaders and organisations calling for protection of the forests and peatlands in Indonesia from being destroyed. The destruction of the peatlands through burning had raised air pollutant levels to dangerously high levels, affecting the lives of many and causing massive environmental damage.

Earth Hour 2016 in Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia were championing the



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2016 events

Visayas BSP Executives Conference

1-3 March
Philippines

BSP Eastern Visayas Key 3 Conference

3 March
Tacloban, Philippines

National Youth Forum for the Visayas

4-6 March
Tacloban, Philippines

Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Training Course

6-10 March
Ligao City, Philippines

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Regional Scout Committee Members' Orientation

8 April
Indonesia

RSC Meeting – Indonesia

9-10 April

protection of the peatlands by seeking members of the public to sign the petition. This petition aims to support peatland restoration, a moratorium/ban to development on peatland, and improved legislation to protect the peatlands. The success of this movement will also protect thousands of wildlife species living in the dense forests of Indonesia.

The Singapore Scout Association is proud to be a supporter of such a great cause. Members of the association were volunteers at Earth Hour 2016 to gather petitions from members of the public. The volunteers collected over a thousand petitions - a big step towards the target of 2500 petitions to be signed. These petitions will give WWF the needed support to push for greater forest and peatland conservations in Southeast Asia.

-- *The Singapore Scout Association*

MoP spreads across India

Bharat Scouts & Guides (BS&G) India is one of the leading organizations carrying out the Messengers of Peace (MoP) Initiative in the Asia-Pacific Region. India's vastness calls for several orientation programs to spread MoP as wide as possible.

At the second phase of MoP, BS&G India organized four Local Coordinators Gatherings in four states: East, West and North India. The first was held on 2-6 December 2015 at Solan-Himachal Pradesh where 34 leaders underwent the five-day Orientation Program. It was followed by Lucknow-Uttar Pradesh Gathering from 11-15 December 2015, attended by 85 leaders, then the Bhubneswar-Odissa Gathering from 26-30 December with 55 leaders, and lastly in Ramtek-Maharashtra from 2-6 January 2016 with 50 leaders.

During the orientation program, leaders had hands-on exercises, field visits and interaction with young people, where over 2,000 young people participated in the MoP modules.

Immediately after the orientation, leaders were briefed on the use of social media. They learned that through WOSM website scout.org, MoP service hours recorded has increase of over 1.2 million hours, service projects went up to over 600 and over 2,000 users registered in just two months.

Not only the equipping of the local leaders are being done, but also Scouting in this country is growing, and in some areas, Scout leaders are reignited and motivated to do MoP activities and projects.

All four gatherings was covered by multimedia giving wide publicity to the events, supported by State Chief Commissioners who were present in the events: Mr. Dinkar Burathoki in Himachal, Mr. Awadh Naresh Sharma in Uttar Pradesh, Mr. K. P. Mishra in Odissa and Mr. B.I. Nagarale in Maharashtra state.

BS&G MoP Coordinator Mr. Krishnaswamy , with Mr. Madhu Awala worked hard for the preparations for all the gatherings and actively conducted the gatherings with members of the national and local teams. The gatherings were directed by S. Prassanna Shrivastava from World Scout Bureau, Asia-Pacific Support Centre, in consultation with the Asia-Pacific Support Centre Regional Director Jose Rizal C. Pangilinan and Regional Scout Committee member and Chief National Commissioner B. I. Nagarale, with Director K. Sukumara as advisors.

APR Sub-Committees orientation

11 April
Indonesia

APR Sub-Committees meeting

12 April
Indonesia

APR MoP NSO Coordinators Gathering

20-24 April
India

World Scout Seminar on Environment Education

18-21 May
Czech Republic

Senior Management Team Meeting

29 May - 4 June
Kuala Lumpur

APR Management meeting

15-17 June
Philippines

APR Staff Development Workshop

18-21 June

YP Development Workshop for Young People with Special Needs

26-29 June
Mongolia

3rd Prep meeting for 31st APR Scout Jamboree

30 June
Mongolia

2nd Int'l Jamboree (Pre-Jamb for 31st APR Scout Jamboree)

25 July - 1 August
Mongolia

100 years of Cub Scouting

WSB Circular No. 10

At the world level, WOSM has recently rolled-out a couple of initiatives to amplify the work of NSOs.

They are as follows:

- Cub Scouts Centenary dedicated page on scout.org (<https://scout.org/cubs100>). NSOs are invited to post stories/activities, photos and videos related to Cub Scouting and to include the tag #Cubs100 in the posts. Some suggested topics for the stories/posts are as follows:
 - o Stories and photos of Cub Scouts – their activities, the friends they have made, the fun they have together, etc.
 - o Stories from parents of Cub Scouts on how Cub Scouting has developed their children into more responsible and sociable individuals, and have developed leadership skills in their children, etc.
 - o Former Cub Scouts who are today “successful” in their lives o Photo album of “Me when I was a Cub Scout, and Now”
- Cub Scouts Centenary logo and identity guide. This document provides information and resources to help NSOs to clearly identify their Cub Scouts celebration with a global celebration unified visually through the use of this unique identifying brand mark.

King of Sweden spends time with Cub Scouts in Australia

A brief impression of the first centenary of Cub Scouting in Scouts Victoria with the Honorary Chairman of the World Scout Foundation and The King of Sweden, His Majesty King Carl XVI Gustaf, spent time with the youngsters, shaking hands and taking time out to chat -- it was all part of the global celebration marking 100 years of Cub Scouting of which the King is the Honorary Chairman.

8th National Cub Camporee

A beautiful sight of 6,000 Cub Scouts were in colourful traditional dresses as they welcomed the guests and participants of the 8th National Cub Camporee at the National Scout Training Centre, Mouchak, Bangladesh, on 22-27 January 2016.

The activity “We are all Kings” was one of the many activities prepared for the camporee making the atmosphere exciting and alive. Joining the 6,000 Cub Scouts were the 840 unit leaders, 460 Rover Scouts and 430 Scout Leaders.

The 5th World Scout Interreligious Symposium (WSIS)

The World Scout Interreligious Symposium will be held from the 27th to 29th of January 2017 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, New York. It is organised by members of the Boy Scouts of America’s Religious Relationships Committee and the Interreligious Forum of World Scouting (IFoWS, an informal network of religious groups/organisations in Scouting), and is supported by the World Scout Bureau.

Participants with interest in interreligious dialogue and with spiritual and religious aspects of Scouting are welcome, and those concerned with growing Scouting among religious communities. All participants need to be

HoC meeting for

31st APR Scout Jamboree

29-30 July
Mongolia

SWA Discovery Workshop

25-30 September
Maasin City, Philippines

RSC meeting

October

21st New Zealand Jamboree

29 December - 7 January
New Zealand

OTHER INTERNATIONAL EVENTS IN 2016

(worldwide and all regions)

24th Australian Jamboree (AJ2016)

3-13 January 2016
Australia

Founder’s Day

22 February, Worldwide

Africa Day

13 March

22nd European Scout Conference

17-21 June 2016
Norway

8th General Assembly of World Scout Parliamentary Union

3-5 August 2016
Sweden

5th World Scout Interreligious Symposium

September

International Day of Peace

21 September
Worldwide

approved by their National Scout Organizations.

The registration fee for the symposium is 250 USD, and will cover accommodation (3 nights) and meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner).

What's Upcoming

International Training of Trainers

The International Training of Trainers is an event organised by Scouts et Guide de France (France) with support from WOSM. The purpose of the event is to provide advanced training to experienced trainers who are looking to further master their abilities to design and operate training systems. The event also provides an opportunity for National Scout Organizations to come together and exchange innovative ideas on how to approach the process of reviewing their training systems according to modern training principles.

The training will be held in both English and French and open to all NSOs around the world.

Goal

The ITT aims at enabling experienced trainers to master the abilities of a training organiser, from designing to operating training systems, in the context of their respective scout association's orientation and actual issues, having/keeping as an ultimate goal the training and development of adults in Scouting.

Outcomes

After attending the course participants will be able to:
Develop the concept, principles and process of training;
Develop a training system using the principles and methods of modern training;
Explore and experiment the World Adults in Scouting Policy and the Global Support System approach.

Target audience

Commissioners, Leaders and professional staff responsible for developing and implementing training strategies (e.g. Adult resources Commissioners, Youth Programme and Training Commissioners, other national Commissioners).
Multiple registrations per country are welcomed.

Requirements

Participants will have already achieved Assistant Leader Trainer level in their association (or equivalent) and have five years of experience
They are familiar with the principles of training systems and training techniques
Ability to work and speak in good quality French or English

Attendance on this training is accepted upon endorsement of your National Adult Resources Commissioner or National Training Commissioner and International Commissioner of your National Scout Association.

Training certification, stating training outcomes and individual performance, will be issued by SGDF and WOSM. Training recognition is the responsibility of the sponsoring National Scout Associations.

Practical information

Location of Training

Centre National de Formation des Scouts et Guides de France Château de Jambville - 78440 JAMBVILLE - +33 (0)1.34.75.40.84

3rd Eurasia Scout Youth Forum

4-5 October 2016, Armenia

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

21st New Zealand Jamboree

29 December 2016 -
7 January 2017
New Zealand

Cost of course

537 euros per person (without transportation)

For online registration, visit <https://ittstif.typeform.com/to/TPwp2b>

For complete details: <https://www.scout.org/internationaltraining>

For proper coordination, please notify the Asia-Pacific Support Centre upon registration by any NSO in the Asia-Pacific Region.

APR Workshop on revisiting The Scout Method

The Asia-Pacific Support Centre in collaboration with the General Association of the Scouts of China will organize the APR Workshop on revisiting the application of The Scout Method in August 2016.

This is also intended to contribute to achieve the targets under "Innovating Scouting" of the WOSM's global Triennial Plan 2014-2017, which reads "to revisit The Scout Method to accurately reflect 21st century developments and the World Scout Youth Programme Policy."

Participants from other regions are welcome to this workshop.

Date and Duration

12 – 15 August 2016. Four full days, inclusive of a half-day tour but not including arrival and departure. Participants are expected to arrive at the workshop venue on 11 August 2016 and may leave on 16 August 2016. Please plan to arrive at

Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport (TPE).

Venue

The venue will be in Tamkang University, located at Yingzhuang Road, Tamsui District, in New Taipei City, Taiwan (R.O.C.).

Workshop Fee:

The workshop fee is US\$150.00, which should include inland transportation between the international airport and the workshop venue, food and accommodation for five days and workshop documents/kit, and half-day educational tour.

However, please note that participants from other region must be endorsed by their National Scout Organisations.

For more information, please contact:

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Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on Adults in Scouting Performance Efficiency

The Asia-Pacific Support Centre of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, in collaboration with the Scout Association of Macau, is organizing the Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on Adults in Scouting Performance Efficiency on 3-6 September in Macau.

The objective is to provide avenue for key leaders at regional, national and sub-national levels, such as Chairman/Vice-Chairmen and members of APR Adult Support Sub-Committee, National AIS Committees, Members of National Training Committee to efficiently and effectively support in the implementation of World Adults in Scouting Policy.

Date and duration:

3-6 September 2016 (Four full days, including a half-day educational tour). Arrival day on 2 September and may depart in the evening of 6th.

Venue:

The Scout Association of Macau
Headquarters, Taipa, Macau

Fee:

USD 150.00 per person, which will include local transportation, food, accommodation for five nights, workshop documents, workshop souvenirs (folder, bag, t-shirt), half-day educational tour.

For more information, please contact:
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APR Plan 2015-2018

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APR Workshop on Revisiting the Scout Method

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APR Specialists Panel

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10th Indonesia National Scout Jamboree

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