

1st Binbrook Fall Camp – Beavers

Location: Mount Nemo Scout Camp (staying in Confederation Lodge)
Date: September 30 – October 2nd, 2011
Cost: \$15 for just the day, \$20 for two days, \$25 for the weekend.

Details:

Cost includes all food and drink, and a camp badge.

The Beavers would be eating and sleeping, in a heated and fully plumbed cabin.
The 1st Binbrook leadership will be there ensuring everyone's safety, at all times.

As parents you are more than welcome to come out and spend the weekend as well.
(If you'd like to stay overnight as an adult, we require that you have a Police Check on file with us. We can provide you with a letter of introduction if this is something you would like to do.)

We recognize that for many you're all new to this, and to 1st Binbrook, so we've put together some options for you and have listed them below.

You have the option to bring your Beaver, for any of the time periods, and stay with them if you wish. Similarly, dropping them off and picking up later, is also perfectly acceptable. *(Transport is your responsibility due to regulations, but car-pooling with other parents is encouraged!)*

If you have the time to stay, that's great, and we may ask you to help with some of the games and events. We do try and encourage the kids to work with leaders and each other though, to help them develop some personal independence... so you can still be nearby your child, but also let them operate on their own. ☺

Beavers span a transitional age for youth, where they are just starting to be OK with being away from Mom & Dad for periods of time. Depending on your youth, you are more than welcome to choose your options.

We just want to include them in as much of the program as they are comfortable with.
(and sometimes **they** are more comfortable with it than we are as parents! ☺)

- Option 1** – Come for the whole weekend. Sleep over Friday and Saturday nights, in the cabin. Arrive after dinner Friday night by 7pm September 30th, leave Sunday morning 10am.
- Option 2** – Come out Saturday morning, stay over Saturday night, come home Sunday morning. Arrive Saturday by 8:30am, leave Sunday morning 10am.
- Option 3** – Come out Saturday morning, stay for the day. Arrive Saturday by 8:30am, leave:
 - a** – before dinner, at 5pm.
 - b** – after evening events and campfire, at roughly 9pm.

Again, parents are more than welcome to come and stay.
Required equipment is minimal, and we'll provide a detailed list, including schedule and map/directions. We will of course have a detailed contact sheet for each youth with us at camp, and if any youth has a problem, or needs to talk to Mom & Dad, or wants to go home earlier than planned, we'll contact you without hesitation. This is the best part of Scouting... the outdoors. We want them all to have a good time, and leave with only fond memories.

If you have **ANY** questions or concerns, please feel free to ask, inquire, or just openly discuss your thoughts and feelings. Again, we know, it's all pretty new, and we want everyone to be comfortable.

Andy (Hawkeye) – (905) 692-0693 – (416) 428-4200 Cell.
Pam (Bubbles) – 905-692-0693 – (905) 906-9693 Cell available during camps for emergencies.



Fall Camp Suggested Kit List

1. **First Rule: PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD HELP TO PACK THEIR GEAR!**

This way they will know what has been packed, and maybe even where it is located.

2. Please keep in mind we will be spending most of our time outside, and getting dirty, so where you can, send old clothes, so that if they do get dirty, it will not be a big deal.
3. A good habit they can learn, is to pack clothing in the large Ziploc (or similar type) bags. Things will always stay dry (in camping years to come), and this also helps kids keep their clothes sorted, dirty from clean. It also doesn't hurt to toss in an extra bag or two, just in case particular items become moist or dirty.
4. Please label everything, with the child's name, or initials (assuming they know them). For those hard to label items, like cutlery, or cups/bowls/plates, I will have a power etching tool with me on the weekend, and if they request it of me just before we eat, I will happily put their initials/name on their items for them. (permanent)

We will endeavour to teach the kids to keep their kit together and tidy, but there's still no more annoying curiosity, than to send a kid to camp with 4 pairs of underwear, and have them come home with only one... ☺

5. Please pack everything but sleeping equipment, into one bag. At this age, backpacks and other such camping equipment is not necessary, but it can help kids to keep their kit tidy, if they have only one bag to keep everything in.

As we go through the rest of the kit list, please bear in mind that the Fall can be a challenging time of year for weather, and so we try to **Be Prepared** for any circumstances. Some items may look odd, or seem redundant, but better to bring home some extra clean socks, than to have cold feet.

Day Campers

CLOTHES:

2 pairs of socks
2 pairs of sweat pants or cotton pants (no jeans, they don't wick sweat away)
Sweat shirt/sweater
2 t-shirts
2 pairs of underwear

OUTER WEAR:

Warm water repellent coat
Water proof Boots
Normal running shoes
A hat for the sun
Warmer winter hat
A pair of warm gloves/mitts (check the weather before packing)
Rain gear (coat or poncho)
Splash pants that are water proof
Indoor shoes/slippers

TOILET ITEMS:

Toothbrush and paste in a Ziploc bag
Soap and wash cloth in a Ziploc bag (or several of those disposable moisten and lather cloths that they make for kids now)

Other Items:

Child's full uniform
A flash light or lantern, with extras batteries
Campfire blanket (can be just a normal loose blanket)

Overnight Campers

CLOTHES: 6 pairs of socks
4 pairs of sweat pants or cotton pants (no jeans, they don't wick sweat away)
3 Long Sleeved Shirts
2 Sweat shirts/sweaters
3 t-shirts
4 pairs of underwear
2 pairs of PJS and a night hat (a toque is fine)

OUTER WEAR: Warm water repellent coat
Water proof Boots
Normal running shoes
A hat for the sun
Warmer winter hat
Scarf
3 pairs of warm gloves/mitts
Rain gear (coat or poncho)
Splash pants that are water proof (NO SNOW PANTS)
Indoor shoes/slippers

TOILET ITEMS: Toothbrush and paste in a Ziploc bag
Soap and wash cloth in a Ziploc bag (or several of those disposable moisten and lather cloths that they make for kids now)

BEDROLL: Sleeping bag
Small pillow
Foam ground mattress (or self-inflating mat, or similar)

Tip: Roll all of them together tightly, tie with strap or string, and put in a garbage or waterproof laundry bag, to reduce luggage and keep it all dry and clean.
If any other bedtime security/comfort items are suspected as necessary, roll them up with the sleeping bag, and then they will be there waiting when they tuck in for bed.

Other Items: Child's full uniform
A flash light or lantern, with extras batteries
Campfire blanket (can be just a normal loose blanket to wrap up in)

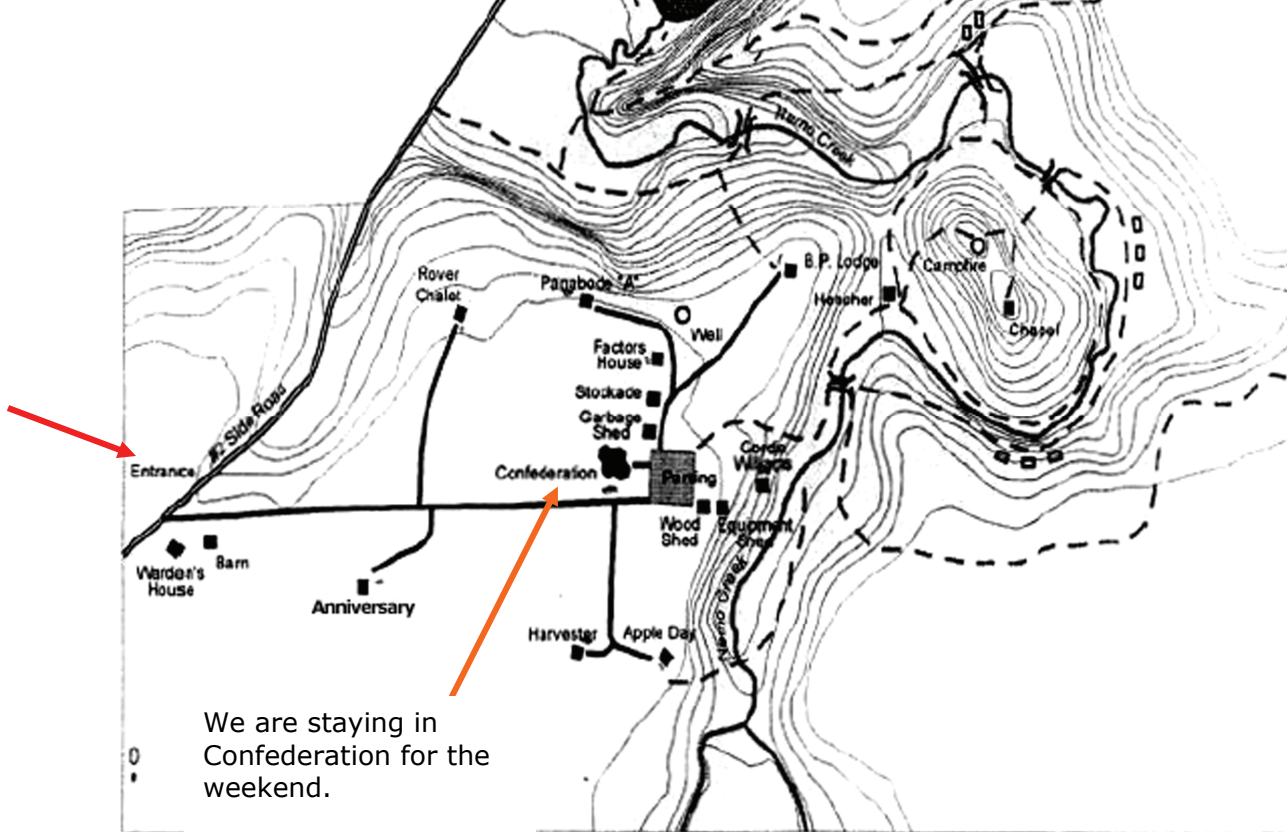
ALL MEDICATIONS: ARE TO BE PUT IN A ZIPLOC BAG AND CLEARLY LABELED WITH INSTRUCTIONS. PLEASE GIVE TO HAWKEYE UPON ARRIVAL TO CAMP.
Similarly, any special needs, sleeping habits, or other concerns, can be jotted down and handed in at arrival time.

Bedtime Notes: For overnight campers at this age, if you suspect there may be a challenge with bladder control, feel free to discreetly pack appropriate supplementary absorbent underwear with their PJs. We will maintain your discretion. At the same time, we will already reduce liquid intake in the later evening, and encourage bathroom visits before bed, and if they wake during the night.

Equipment Sources: Both the Scout Shop, and Canadian Tire's camping section, have good options, for anything you don't already have. Feel free to call the Scout Shop before driving down, and ask questions... they are very helpful there. (905) 528-4662

Questions? – Ask. Everyone is new, there are no stupid questions. (905) 692-0693 - Andy
We will be staying in Confederation Lodge for the weekend. See map below.

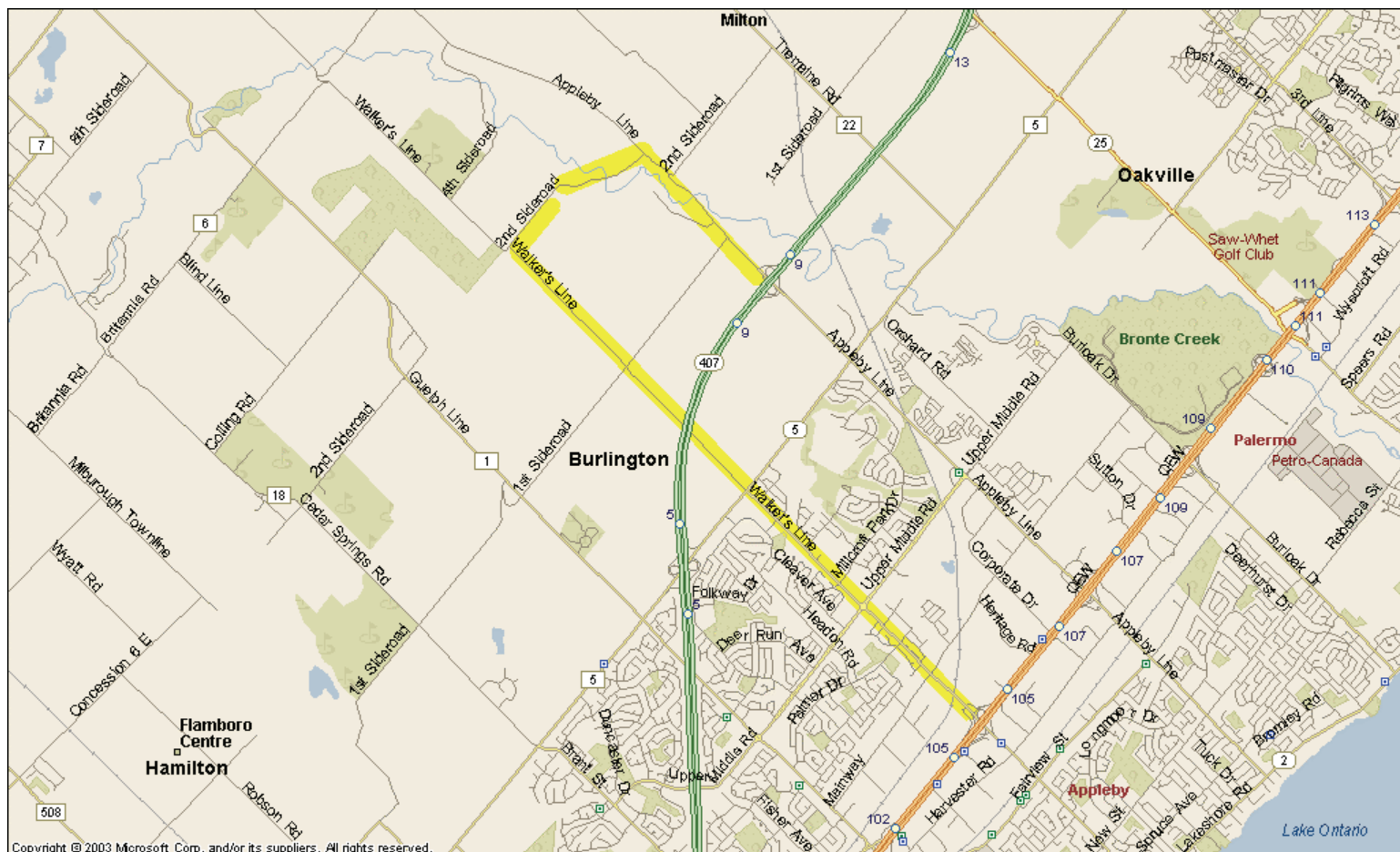
Main Entrance



We are staying in Confederation for the weekend.

Driving Directions from Hamilton/Niagara:

- Take 403 East/QEW East to Walkers Line
- Go North on Walkers Line (past Regional Road 5)
- Turn Right at #2 Sideroad (Stop sign is there)
- Camp Nemo is on South Side (right side)



Name of Youth: _____

We choose: (**please select one, and return the form in any case**)

- We are not available to attend at all, on that weekend.**

- Option 1** – Come for the whole weekend (Sept 30th – Oct 2nd).
Sleep over Friday and Saturday nights, in the cabin. **\$25**
Arrive Friday night by 7pm, leave Sunday morning 10am.

- Option 2** – Come out Saturday morning, stay over Saturday night, come home Sunday morning. **\$20**
Arrive Saturday by 8:30am, leave Sunday morning 10am.
This is the most common option, for Beavers at some of the other groups.

- Option 3** – Come out Saturday morning, stay for the day. **\$15**
Arrive Saturday by 8:30am, leave:
 - a** – before dinner, at 5pm.
 - b** – after evening events and campfire, at around 9pm.

- I also intend to attend with my youth for the same time period.**
(please just double the cost, and we'll be happy to feed you as well)

Contact information for that weekend:

Name: _____ Phone#: _____

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Signature: _____

Amount Paid: _____
(cheques payable to "Scouts Canada – 1st Binbrook Group")