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**** Dates to Remember – 2012 02 16 – Beyond average meetings ****

February 20-24, 2012 – Scout-Guide Week

(celebrating Robert Baden-Powell's birthday, on the 22nd of February)

The great ol' guy, who started it all. :-)

February 20th, 2012 – Annual Family Potluck Banquet Dinner (Monday evening)

Even if you're away for the long weekend, come home to a potluck dinner at the Ag Hall, and bring your family with you. Our Annual Scout Banquet is a long-standing tradition, and kicks off Scout-Guide week!

Location: Binbrook Fairgrounds

Time: 6-730pm

Bring: some food to share, fellowship, and your family.

We will provide: drinks, cups, plates, cutlery

Please RSVP with a rough number, just so we can guess at how many tables and chairs to set up.

I have been told by the Scouts that I have provide Triple Chocolate Cheesecake again, so I guess I'm on the hook for that...

February 26th, 2012 – Annual Church Parade (Sunday morning)

This year hosted by our friends at Christ Church Woodburn.

Location: 1307 Woodburn Road, between Guyatt and Golf Club. (set back from the road)

Time: arrive 1030am, for 1045am start. Bring the family, or meet us there.

Coffee and snacks afterwards.

We'll need some volunteers to carry in the flags, and do some readings.

For those who haven't experienced this event previously, each year a different local house of worship offers to host a special youth-focused service for us. Through this service, we celebrate youth, and what Scouting can accomplish together, at the end of Scout-Guide week. Our youth, also get to see what is for most the inside workings of a different faith than their own, and through that gain appreciation for people and the world around them.

February 29th, 2012 – First night at Waterford Sportsmen Club Rifle Range (Wednesday night)

6pm-10pm, including travel time.

Looking for volunteer carpoolers, please check your calendar. More info next week.

March 3rd, 2012 – Welland Big Rig Run for Scout Trucks (Saturday day)

9am-2pm usually, we'll need to work out some volunteer carpoolers for this.

This is where we'll go and race our Scout Trucks we have been building.

Parents welcome to join us. Lunch is provided/available as part of the event.

March 12-16, 2012 – March Break, off School (just FYI)

March 14th, 2012 – Trip to Sportsmen Show in Toronto (Wednesday day trip)

GO-Train from Burlington to Toronto and back.

Awaiting final answer on costs, to determine price. (was \$20 travel & entry last year)

Families/Parents, welcome to join us.

Everything adventure, outdoors, fishing, camping, boating, etc. A great trip.

March 23rd, 2012 – Night Ops at Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum (overnight Friday)

Arrival: 630pm Friday

Departure: 10am Saturday

Scouts said they wanted to do this interesting exploration, learning about history, aeronautics, and spending the night sleeping under living history.

Exact cost still being worked out, estimating \$32.

March 31st, 2012 – Help Run the Kub Kar Rally for all Cubs in Battlefields Council (Saturday day)

This is a CUB SCOUT event, that we've been asked to help run.

And, it's at St. Matthews's school, right here in Binbrook, so that makes it easy.

Some setup Friday night, and then 8am-3pm Saturday. (or some portion of, when you can help)
Scouts will handle helping run the races, as well as the food concessions.

April 4th, 2012 – Second night at Waterford Sportsmen Club Rifle Range (Wednesday night)

May 25-27, 2012 – All Sections Camp at Binbrook Conservation Area

June 8-10, 2012 – ORCKA Canoe Training Camp at Townsend Ponds (40 mins south of here)

August 4th-11th, 2012 Haliburton Scout Reserve – Our Week of Adventure Experiences 2012

Estimated cost for the week; \$360, food & transport included.

(that's before any subsidy and fundraising dollars put against it)

More details shortly. A week not to be missed!

July 6-13, 2013 – Canadian Jamboree (CJ) 2013 – Red Deer Alberta

We will soon need to start discussing real interest in this event.

Plane fares will be available this July.

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