

Greetings and Welcome to Subcamps at PJ 2011

Quest for the Rings!



What is a Subcamp? Well, it is a specific area at the Jamboree set aside for camping of either the Scout Units (Lothlorian, Newfogleith, Ent and Gondor), or the Offers of Service (Avalon). The Scout Subcamp area is located uphill from the arrivals field in terrain that ranges from flat to “gently sloping” with some big, medium and small trees and some areas with no trees. A couple of creeks meander through the Subcamp area but this is NOT an invitation to go play in the water! Creeks and their neighbouring slopes are out of bounds areas and not to be entered, waded through or have rocks, logs or other debris rolled into them. These creeks are home to many creatures and water sources for others and need to be respected.

Subcamps are:

- Home away from home for approximately 2000 Scouts / Leaders and up to 600 Offers of Service
- Home to the most refreshing brisk showers you can imagine! We offer shower buildings with mountain water fresh from the hillsides, no time wasted running it through a hot water tank first ☺
- A reliable source of information, support and assistance for Scouts, Scouters and Volunteers. Each Subcamp is staffed by a great team of volunteer Service Scouters who want to get to know you and your Scouts, and be available to answer any questions, give suggestions and generally make your stay the best it can possibly be.
- Someone to talk to if a Scout or a Leader is struggling with something at the Jamboree including homesickness, personality challenges or just plain needing a friend. We also provide access to spare sleeping bags should any accidents occur that require a sleeping bag to be sent away for cleaning. This does not cover such large volume requirements as improperly stored gear during a rainstorm so please ensure all tents and gear are properly stowed everyday.
- A place to go if you have questions or problems regarding food rations, and a place to drop off surplus rations on a daily basis. We try to redistribute these or deliver to local Food Banks to ensure minimal waste is generated at our Jamboree.
- A Team of people who keep track of the whereabouts of all their campers all day long just in case of emergency. Please ensure you check in and out of the HQ each day so we know who is where and that everyone is headed in the right direction!
- Self contained. Located within the Subcamp area will be an Activity Hub:
 - a First Aid Centre for those boo-boos that cannot be looked after with a good cleaning and a band-aid.

- a Program Changes shelter where Leaders can discuss program and advise if they are unable to attend certain activities.
- a discreet area reserved for those Leaders who need to catch a few minutes of smoking time. As per BP & P, smoking is not to take place anywhere within view of the youth therefore we have created a private space to service the needs of our smokers and ask that you only light up in this designated zone. This is also a safety matter as the forest can get very dry during the summer and we do not want to deal with fires lit by cigarette debris.
- Rivendell, the headquarters for all Subcamps and home of your Deputy Camp Chief for Subcamps as well as the Team Leaders for Youth and Administration in the Subcamps. We are there to support the very important Subcamp volunteers in each of Avalon, Gondor, Ent, Newfogleith and Lothlorian.

What a Subcamp is not:

- A babysitting service. Unit Scouters are responsible for their youth at all times during the Jamboree. If Scouters wish to attend such activities as Indaba (see Program page) or the Trading Post, it is their responsibility to ensure that Scouts are properly supervised in the unit campsite during their absence; **Scouts are not to be left Leaderless in the Subcamp areas.** Leader coverage can be done through shared leadership with neighbouring Units or switching off available time between Leaders within the Unit. This down time is very important for Leaders so please work together to give each other a break!
- A garbage dump. Please ensure that all food scraps, boxes and wrappings and other waste is placed in the dumpsters conveniently located in each Subcamp. This needs to be done on a regular basis so that garbage does not pile up to a nasty mountain by departure day.
- A shuttle service for people or gear. Anything you bring to Jamboree is **your** responsibility to hike from the arrivals area to your campsite and back down again on departures day. Do a test run and have your Scouts pack the loaded box around your neighbourhood to make sure they can carry it up the hills at PJ!

Subcamp Hilites:

Scouts and Scouters are encouraged to walk along the roadways and visit other Subcamp Headquarters.

There are Scouts from across Canada and other countries taking part in our Jamboree – come find them, visit with them and learn what they do for fun in and out of Scouting!

Inquire at your Subcamp HQ's for such things as Scouts Own sites, sing-along evenings or anything else you would like to do – the Subcamp Service Scouters are there to make your stay at PJ safe, informative and FUN.

The Subcamp Teams seem to have an argument going as to which is the BEST Subcamp at Jamboree – join in the fun and help grow the Scouting Spirit in YOUR Subcamp and make it the Best place to be!

