Shape Our Future: Join the Road Show

Dear Volunteers,

Thank you to everyone who joined us this past Tuesday for our first Key-6 Council Road Show in Norwood. Your time, engagement, and thoughtful input are truly appreciated. The feedback we received was valuable, and we are grateful for your willingness to share what is working well and where we can do better.

For those who were unable to attend, we strongly encourage you to join us at one of our upcoming Road Shows. **The next one is tonight**, and we would love to see you there.

Tonight's Road Show: Thursday, February 5, 2026
6:30–7:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 PM)
AMVETS Post
79 Superior Drive
Natick, MA 01760

These Road Shows are your opportunity to hear directly from the Key-6 council leadership, learn more about our Strategic Plan, membership, changes, programs, ask questions, share your concerns, ideas, and suggestions. The first half of the evening focuses on sharing information; the second half is dedicated to listening to **YOU**. We will be taking notes and bringing your feedback back to the council office as we work to strengthen our support of units and volunteers. Your voice matters, and we hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to be part of the conversation. If tonight doesn't work for you, additional Road Shows are scheduled next week.

Additional Upcoming Road Shows:
Wednesday, February 11, 2026
6:30–7:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 PM)
Braintree Masonic Temple
403 Washington Street
Braintree, MA 02184

Thursday, February 12, 2026
6:30–7:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 PM)
Pembroke Knights of Columbus
48 Schoosett Street
Pembroke, MA 02359

Thank you for all that you do for Scouting and for our youth. I hope to see you at one of our stops.

Yours In Scouting,
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Mayflower Council Roundtable Feb. 2026

Thanks to all who participated in our February Roundtable. Slides from the session are posted below. Also, please find the Weather related safety and when to cancel an event information sheets, a recap of the comments on converting Scouts BSA troops to family troops along with the intent to convert form, and the presentation on Mayflower Summer

programs including the Camp Squanto specific items discussed in the Troop/Crew/Ship breakout. The Cub breakout slides are included in the main presentation in the Cub Announcements & Events section.
Next roundtable is Wed. Mar. 11 at the Furnace Brook Middle School in Marshfield. Our main presenter is Blake Dinius, Plymouth County Entomology Extension Educator who will discuss insect hazards and invasives. This promises to be an interesting and informative presentation, I hope you will join us.
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Weather-Related-Safety
When to Cancel an Event Due to Weather
Recap of converting Scouts BSA units to Family Troops comments
Intent to Convert to Family Troop Form
SummerOfAdventure_MayflowerSummerCampPrograms

The Secret Resource for Scouting Success

From the Desk of Rich Carlson, Council Commissioner
Any good team needs a good coach to help provide the pathway to a successful season. Look no further than Coach Vrabel of our Super Bowl-bound New England Patriots. Many experts agree that his leadership and relationship-building have been the reason for his team's extraordinary turnaround this season.
The Role of the Unit Coach Truth be told, Unit Commissioners—or as we like to call them, "Unit Coaches"—have been around since Scouting first started. In fact, they were a key element developed by Baden-Powell and Scouting's founders. Unit Coaches are not a secret at all, but rather Scouters whose primary job is to work with unit leadership and committees to develop a custom vision for success. By

establishing an ongoing relationship and having meaningful conversations, they use their experience to bring out the unique strengths of each unit.

Why Your Unit Needs One:

- **Expert Guidance:** They help navigate the “playbook” of Scouting.
- **Local Intel:** They have a detailed understanding of what’s happening in your community and within the Mayflower Council.
- **Problem Solvers:** Got a question? Ask a Unit Coach. If they don’t know the answer, they’ll find it for you.

We Need You on the Sidelines The unfortunate fact is that we currently have far more units in our Council than we have Unit Coaches. You can help us turn that around by stepping up to use your Scouting knowledge in service to local units.

We provide the training and support; all you need is a desire to see every Scout learn and grow in a positive environment. You can become a Unit Coach for a newly assigned unit or even for your own.

Interested in leveling up your unit or joining the coaching staff? Contact me.

Yours in Scouting,

Rich Carlson

Council Commissioner