



*Welcome to
Cranberry Harbors District
January Roundtable
via Zoom*



Some notes on tonight's virtual meeting

- Slides (.pdf) will be posted to District page, Council website
- Questions, Comments – use google forms for “parking lot”
 - link to form: <https://forms.gle/1tbGnBBrH4JudgMv5>
 - PLEASE, mute your phone/microphone (limit background noise) when you are not speaking
- Comments on Zoom Meetings:
 - Your view somewhat device dependent
 - Use Chat for comments/questions during meeting
 - Also for attendance record, please provide name, unit type, number and town
 - You can minimize speaker window (avoid blocking slides)
 - Control bar (not all features active)



Opening: The Scout Association (UK): Scouts Made Me



Video link:

<https://vimeo.com/462965158>

Opening Prayer adapted from content in the Chaplain and Chaplain Aid Handbook, Capital Area Council, Texas
https://www.bsacac.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/chaplain_and_chaplain_aid_manual_2015.pdf

Cranberry Harbors Jan. Roundtable – Agenda



- Virtual meeting notes
- Opening & Prayer
- Welcome to New RT Attendees! (Are you on the email distribution?)
- Attendance Record – please identify yourself, your unit & town in the chat
- District KEY 3 – District Chair (vacant), District Commissioner, District Executive
- Safety Minute: Hypothermia
- Other Hot Topics / Announcements
- Membership – where do we go from here?
- Breakout Sessions:
 - Cubs: Continue in this zoom session
 - Scouts BSA: Sign in to Vince's session (note: Mark McCulloch will address summer camp plans)

**Let us
give you
a hand**



Welcome New Roundtable
Attendees!

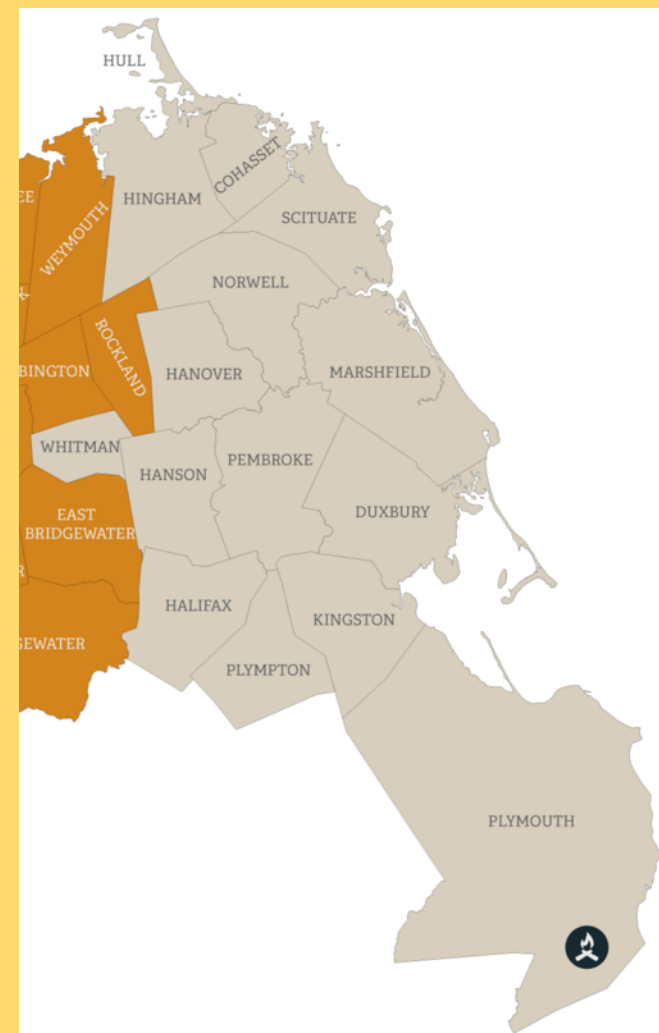
Thanks for participating!

*If you do not receive the roundtable emails
and would like to, email Dennis Gleason or
put a note in the chat including your email,
name, unit and town.*



District Chair Comments

- Position vacant –
- Please provide nomination suggestions to Mike Josti, Dennis Gleason, or Jack Colamaria





District Commissioner Comments

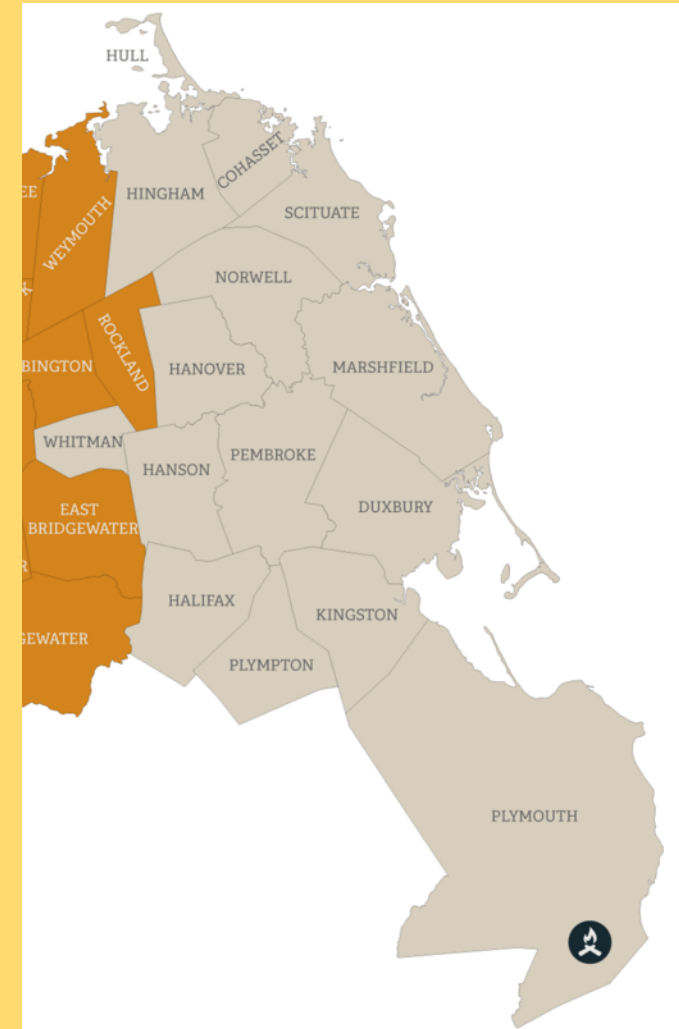


Charter Renewal Status (*Thanks to all who contributed to the effort*):

- 50 units complete on-line (some with paperwork/other follow up actions to complete)
- 2 units still working online (as of 1/5)
- 7 units dropped
- 2 units not logged in – working issues
- **Charter Posting in process** - some defective issues may need to be cleared
 - *Can't accept electronic applications until posting complete*
 - **MUST RE-AUTHORIZE "KEY-3 PLUS 3" AND COR DELEGATE after posting**
- **Membership decline (see slides later)**
- **Zoom Roundtable difficulty** – informal interaction difficult
 - Try to make a new friend (chat?)
 - Town-wide cooperation
- **Need more Commissioners**
 - Email suggestions to Dennis



District Executive Comments





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HEALTH AND SAFETY

BSA SAFETY MOMENT

HYPOTHERMIA



Risk Factors-

- Exhaustion—Lower cold tolerance
- Victims who are very young or old—body's thermoregulation is not at its peak
- Alcohol or drug use—can alter a person's ability to sense a drop in body temperature and keep them from knowing when it's time to get out of the cold or add clothing
- Certain medical conditions—can affect one's ability to regulate body temperature
- Medications—sometimes can affect the ability to regulate body temperature
- Cold, damp weather conditions



Reference link:

<http://bit.ly/HypothermiaPDF>



Announcements

- ***Meeting/event requirements can change rapidly***
 - ***Monitor*** <https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/covid-19/> ***for latest info***
 - ***Check before planning or conducting ANY event***
 - ***Ensure regular communication with Charter Organization***
 - ***Review Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist:*** <https://bit.ly/MedScreenChecklist>
- ***Update Annual Health & Medical Record***
 - Need from all registered volunteers
 - Should be available at ALL activities (includes meetings)
 - Note: Part A contains photo release
- ***Still experiencing problems with National BSA Apps***
 - Patience, please – bankruptcy proceedings consuming resources
 - Check forums – fixes may appear there first
- ***Please purge old (paper) application forms – download as needed:***
 - Youth: <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-406.pdf>
 - Adult: <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-501.pdf> (need Mayflower CORI as well)

Announcements 2



- New District Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/319462451906131/>
 - Directly connected to Mayflower Council Facebook page
 - *Old page no longer accepting posts*
 - Remember when posting to eliminate youth's names and ensure to have permission to post pictures of youth
 - Page image:



- National Scouting Webinar: Social Media – Working with Scouting Facebook Groups – Wed. Jan. 20, 8 PM – sign up link: <http://bit.ly/BSA-MarketingWebinarJan20>
- Virtual Friends of Scouting Kickoff: Mon. Jan. 11, 7-7:30 PM
 - Sign up link: <https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/council-friends-of-scouting-kickoff/>
 - In 2020, Cranberry Harbors raised \$21,866.65 – funds are much needed



Service Project Of The Year

DUE: January 21, 2021

The Mayflower Council National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) is currently accepting nominations for the Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams national Eagle Scout service project of the year award (ESSPY).

This award is to recognize valuable service of an exceptional nature by an Eagle Scout to a religious institution, a school, community or other entity through completion of an Eagle Scout project.

The selection of recipients begins at the local level and is conducted through the council NESA committee (which may utilize a NESA awards sub-committee). The council NESA committee selects a recipient for their respective council from the list of submitted nominations and then forwards a worthy candidate to the National Eagle Scout Association for regional consideration.

Mayflower Council NESA committee will present a \$250.00 scholarship. The winner will then be placed in the regional level.

For Additional Information
please visit:

<https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/service-project-of-the-year/>





2021 Virtual Merit Badge University

March 1st – 31st

The Virtual Merit Badge University offers Scouts the opportunity to earn up to 3 merit badges, both eagle and non-eagle required with the help of our merit badge counselors. VMBU 2021 will be month long event running March 1st to 31st. Scouts may register for this event starting on February 1 and registration will close February 19th.

VMBU offers:

- Classes will be offered weeknights and weekends, number of required sessions will vary
- All Scouts are eligible to start with three badges and if space allows after the 19th, registration will be opened to add more.
- Scouts will sign up individually vs by the unit
- Adult volunteers with Youth Protection Training are needed to be part of the two-deep leadership in each class.

For Additional Information
please visit:

www.mayflowerbsa.org/2021-virtual-merit-badge-university/





Membership – Where do we go from here?



Membership – a current challenge

- 7 (of 61) Cranberry Harbors Units did not renew charters for 2021
 - Mostly due to low membership or low volunteer time/commitment
 - 2 of the above merged with other units
- Many units experienced drop in membership from 2020 to 2021.
- Pandemic restrictions are a significant (but not insurmountable) barrier to Scouting activities.
- National Bankruptcy news can have negative impact.

BUT ...

- Scouting still has a lot to offer our youth
- Leader enthusiasm key to success

Membership – what to do : Keep on Scouting!



- Provide the best possible program to current Scouts
 - Maintain flexibility
 - Take advantage of all offerings
- Stay in contact with current volunteers
- Keep roster of dropped Scouts (and adults)
 - Make plans to reconnect when restrictions lifted
 - Recognize “school normalization” may be key
- Generate “**Why join OUR UNIT**” rationale
- Plan to address cooperative recruiting on a town-wide basis
- Keep your Charter Organization informed on unit activities/plans




Membership – what to do : ***BE VISIBLE ONLINE!***




- Review BSA's online registration/recruitment resources:
<https://www.scouting.org/resources/online-registration/>
- Check/update your Be A Scout Pin
- Enable on-line registration for youth
- Unit Key-3 (+3) access


20 Units found near this ZIP Code

1  Troop 0773 Holy Family Of Nazareth Catholic Church 2.3 miles

2323 Cheyenne St.
CHURCH/SCHOOL CAFETERIA
Irving TX 75062


Contact: Ralph Garcia
Phone: [\(214\) 226 - 8908](tel:2142268908)


 Boy Troop

 Online Registration available for this unit.

We meet on Tuesday nights from 7 PM to 8:30 PM in the school cafeteria. Please come and visit us to learn more about our Scouting program.

[Request More Information](#) [APPLY NOW](#)


2  Troop 0510 Woodhaven Presbyterian Church 3.2 miles

 Girl Troop

[Request More Information](#)

Membership – what to do : ***BE Responsive!***

- Use Organization Manager to your advantage:
 - Fee Explanation
 - Welcome Email
- Ensure someone (NMC?) monitors Invitation Manager and Application Manager



Pack

Organization Manager

Unit Pin

Roster

Reports

Types of Youth Applicants This Pack Accepts

☒ Girl Only ☒ Boys Only ☒ Both Boys and Girls

Email Settings

Fee Emails

☒ Include Fees/Fee Explanations

Fee Amount

Explanations for additional fees that your unit charges. This information will be emailed to applicants. [See Sample Email](#)

Online Registration Emails

☒ Welcome Emails

Please create a welcome email with information about your unit that will be sent to new parents and volunteers who are accepted to your unit. Suggested types of information you should include are: meeting information (location/time/frequency), leader contact info, any website/social media pages for your unit, cost/dues, etc. (Keep it brief as not to overwhelm them right after they join.) [See Sample Email](#)





Membership – what to do: Give us suggestions!

Google form to collect ideas:

<https://forms.gle/GnmBRjnBJ61pPSdq5>

Even “wild” ideas can spark
possibilities!

Please respond!

CH District - Recruiting Suggestions

Please use this form to provide suggestions for rebuilding membership post-pandemic

* Required

My Unit Type *

- ☐ Pack
- ☐ Troop
- ☐ Crew
- ☐ Ship
- ☐ District/other

Unit Number (00 for District) *

Your answer

Town *

Your answer

Suggestion for recruiting/rebuilding membership post pandemic

Your answer

List of Scouting Resources from the National Commissioner Service Team



Unit Service news

<https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/news-for-commissioners/>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1976324522626471/>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bsa.commissioners/>
<https://www.facebook.com/CommissionersOfTheBoyScoutsOfAmerica/>
<https://discussions.scouting.org/>

COVID-19 Resources

<https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/covid-19-resources/>

Program Support Resources

<https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/program-support-resources/>

Pack and Den Recruiting

<https://scoutingwire.org/marketing-and-membership-hub/unit-recruiting/>

Virtual Recruiting

<https://scoutingwire.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Virtual-Recruitment-Playbook-August-2020-final.pdf>

Online Registration

<https://www.scouting.org/resources/online-registration/>

Charter Renewal

<https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/internet-rechartering/>
<https://scoutingwire.org/marketing-and-membership-hub/new-unit-development/chartered-organizations/>

Commissioner Development

<https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/training/commissioner-basic-training/>
<https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/training/college-of-commissioner-science/>
<https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/training/national/>



Commissioner's Minute

"... we are very good at recruiting those who would have joined anyway ..."

How do we ***"Think outside the Box"*** ?



Image from <https://steamcommunity.com/>





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ROUNDTABLE



Be Informed Be Prepared

THANKS
For Your Participation
AND
For all you do for our Youth