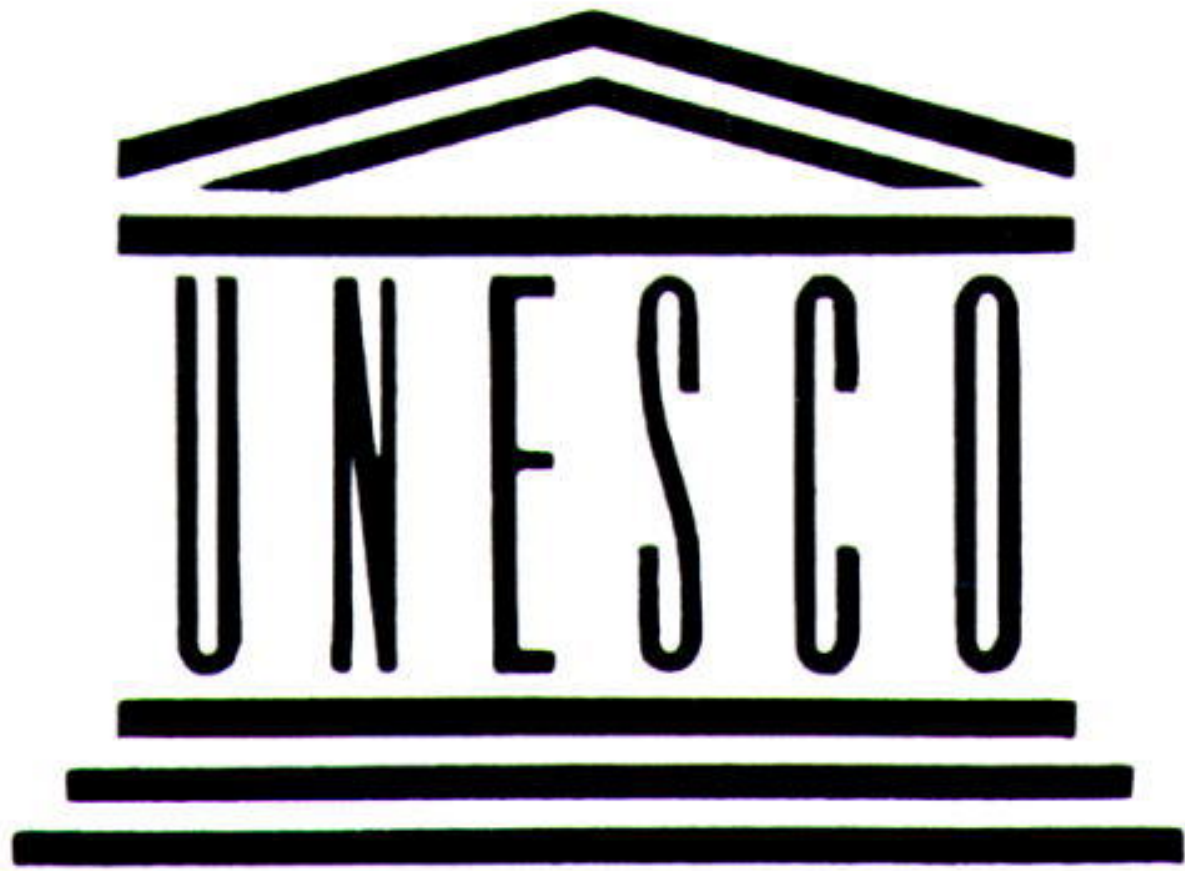




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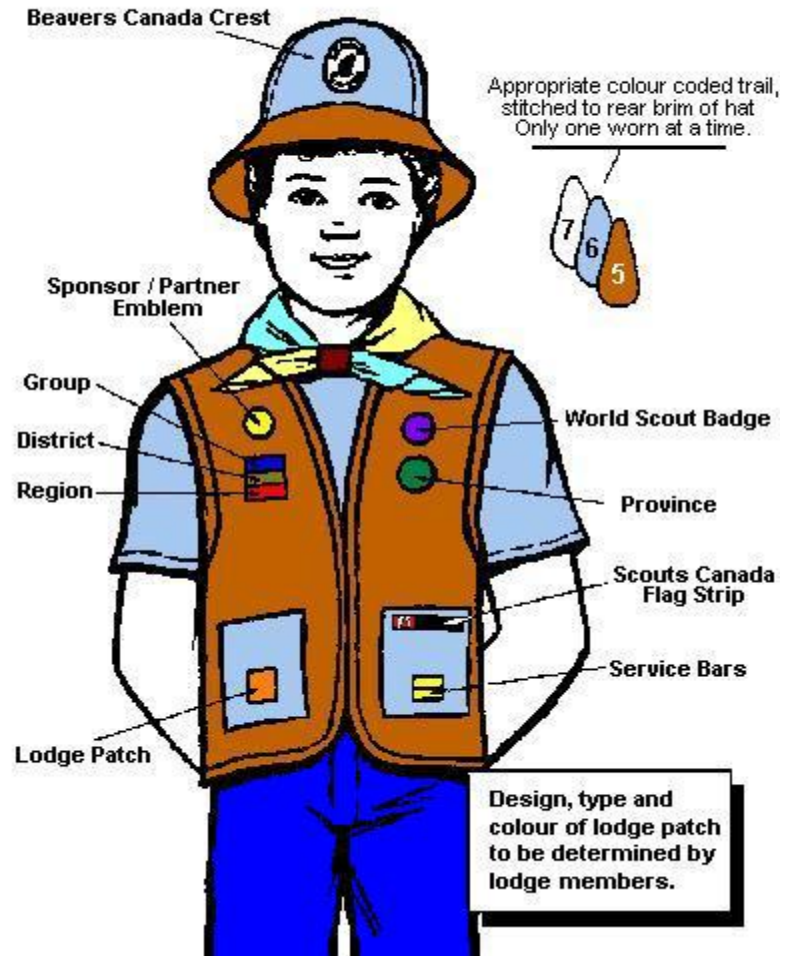
*Scouting: Creator par excellence of
Human and Social Capital, or
Modern Adults Leading Post-Modern Youngsters*

Sir John Daniel

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Beaver Uniform and Badges





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Girl Scout Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Welcome to the Girl Scouts of Chicago site ... an overview of the impact we make on girls' lives.



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“In the old days the knights were the scouts of Britain and their rules were very much the same as the scout law which we have now...one great point about them was that every day they had to do a good turn to somebody and that is one of our rules.”





The Scout must do a good turn to somebody every day

Your workshops:

- moral and spiritual development;
- self-fulfilment;
- skills and knowledge; gender issues;
- employability;
- health education;
- youth participation;
- national development;
- culture of peace and inter-religious dialogue;
- education for sustainable development;
- world citizenship and the north-south divide;
- leadership and intercultural education.



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“Signs around a dead body”

“Tracking a burglar”

“Rescuing people from a
burning building”

“cattle driving and
slaughtering”

“...almost any activity a modern youth finds exciting is illegal...”

Duke of Edinburgh

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The young Romans...

“...lost the Empire of their forefathers by being wishy washy slackers without any go or patriotism in them”.

“It’s reassuring that today’s teenagers, often written off as surly couch potatoes, respond to Baden-Powell’s century-old formula of organised outdoor adventure with the same enthusiasm as their parents and grandparents. If more could be encouraged to join up Scouting could make a sizeable dent on problems such as childhood obesity and antisocial behaviour.

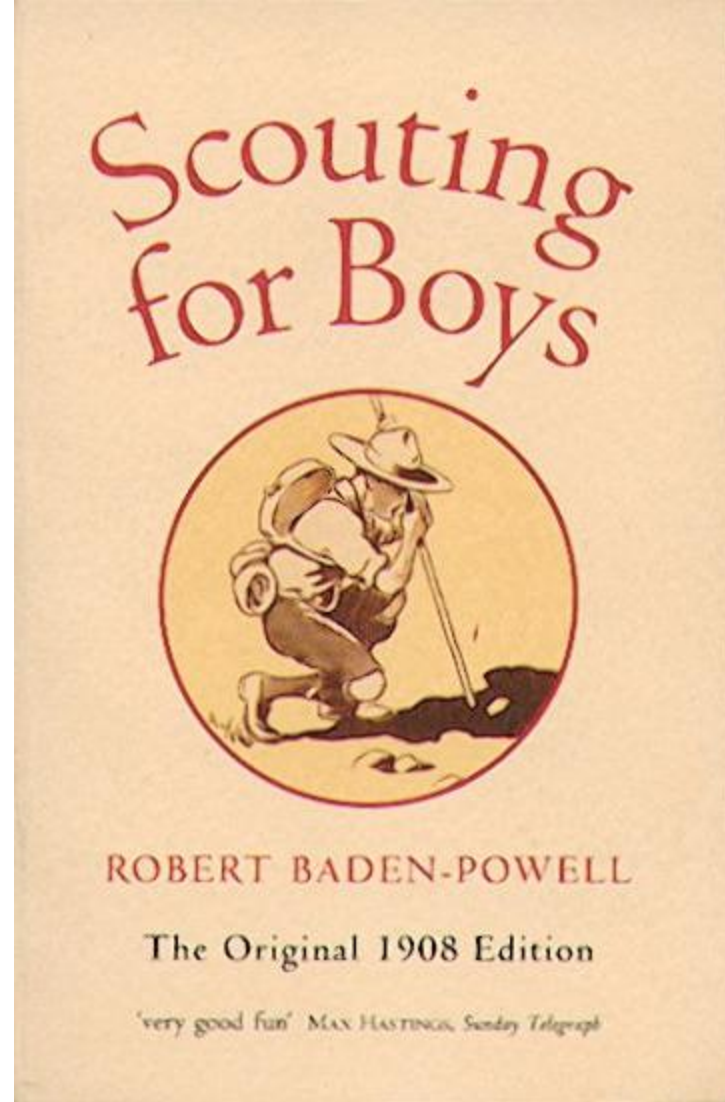
But in the current atmosphere of excessive child protection there just aren’t enough adult volunteers to go round, hence the waiting list to join the Scouts has reached 30,000. Perhaps the unpalatable truth is that the young are little different. It’s the adults of Britain who have changed.”

The Sunday Telegraph 2007

“Scouting is often seen as absurdly old-fashioned, yet the ethos that Baden-Powell bequeathed to his movement was in some ways perfect for our age. A firm believer in social equality he insisted, “A Scout is a friend to all, and a brother to every other Scout, no matter to what country, class or creed the other may belong”.

And these days Scouting’s emphasis on individual responsibility and the outdoor life makes it perfectly poised to take advantage of a backlash against the nanny state and the culture of overweening health and safety”.

The Sunday Times 2007



A post-modern work

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“A THOROUGHLY MODERN DOCUMENT”



Post-modernism:

- No general narrative
- Sceptical about order
- No objective knowledge



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- Volunteering
- Needs analysis

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SCOUTING AND HOST ORGANISATIONS

- The pros and cons of working with organisations that host Scout troops.



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