

## 1st BEDFORDVIEW SCOUT TROOP

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Dear scouts and parents

**Troop Camp: 11 – 13 April 2014** 

The troop camp scheduled for 11 - 13 April 2014 will be taking place at Arrowe Park in Benoni.

A weekend of fun and adventure lie ahead, including an inter-patrol rafting competition as part of the preparations for Kontiki, which is just over a month away. (On the subject of Kontiki, please remember that today is the closing day for entries to Kontiki. Though roughly 15 scouts have thus far confirmed that they would like to attend, only one has paid his Kontiki fee. See the last newsletter for more information).

The cost of the camp is R180,00 per person, which covers all food and accommodation for the weekend. We will be arriving at the scout hall at 17h00 on Friday afternoon and you can be collected at the hall at 16h00 on Sunday afternoon.

I would particularly encourage those scouts who want to take part in Kontiki to attend. We will be making sure that your skills are up-to-scratch for the upcoming competition and we will be keeping an eye on participants to see who would make a good addition to the raft team. There will also be an opportunity for advancement – a great incentive for those scouts who will be attending the World Jamboree.



I apologise for the lateness in this letter providing details on the camp, the camp was originally to be run as a Springbok Camp for one of the PLs. Due to unforeseen circumstances this will no longer be the case.

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If you are keen on attending the camp, please let me know by no later than Monday 7 April 2014. Please also advise if you are able to assist with transport to and from the camp. Payment for the camp should be made into the troop bank account, the details of which are as follows:

1st Bedfordview Scout Group Standard Bank Eastgate branch # 018505 Account number: 022646221 Ref: Troop Camp + your son's surname



A rough kit list has been included at the end of this letter. Pathfinder candidates should pack their kit themselves, this is part of your advancement. Please also do not forget to bring a consent form with you to the camp, no consent form, no go!

Finally, please note that due to the camp there will be no regular scout programme on Friday. Those who cannot attend the camp but who would like to attend scouts on Friday are more than welcome to make arrangements with me to visit the camp on Friday evening.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in scouting

Andrew Campbell

## TROOP CAMP KIT LIST

- Sleeping bag with a pillow and a compact ground mattress
- A rain coat
- A hat
- A swimming costume and towel
- Full scout uniform together with a hanger to hang it on
- A bathroom kit (comb, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, shampoo, sponge, shaving kit (if you shave), face cloth etc)
- Insect repellent
- Sun cream (high protection factor, should be water resistant)
- Any personal medication
- Shoes suitable for wearing on your feet whilst on a raft or walking
- Strops or similar shoes for wearing in camp
- A 1 litre water bottle
- A torch with spare batteries
- A mess kit (plate, bowl, mug, knife, fork spoon etc)
- socks
- underpants
- 3 x shirts
- 1 x shorts
- 1 x warm clothing for the evening (very important)
- A duly completed consent form (attached)
- One or two plastic shopping bags to store laundry etc in
- A campfire blanket (only if you have one)
- A note pad and pen
- Your green card
- A sense of fun and adventure!