

Night Owl 2015

25 – 26 April 2015



The Night Owl challenge will be held overnight at the Apple Hill Scout Reserve 25 – 26 April 2015 (18698 Kenyon Concession Road 2, Apple Hill, ON (GPS Coordinates N 45° 14.637' W 074° 45.597') accessible through the North Gate at GPS Coordinates N 45° 14.810' W 074° 45.873'. Youth and their equipment are to be dropped off/picked up at the designated parking lot and carried to the bivouac site in the North West Field (GPS Coordinates N 45° 14.637' W 074° 45.597').

The actual overnight hike, where the Youth go, as teams of 4-6 Youth, from station to station (manned and operated by Adult Leaders and/or Senior Youth) to undergo various fun challenges for points, starts shortly after the Opening ceremony at **7 PM Saturday night and ends at 1 AM Sunday morning** with the closing and trophy ceremony at about 7:30 AM. Teams may return to the main bivouac area in the North West field anytime they wish as long as they check at the Registration Table in the North West Field (GPS N 45° 14.637' W 074° 45.597') upon completion of trek. The team with the most points gets their name on the Night Owl Trophy and bragging rights for the year. **Groups may arrive onsite at AHSR as of noon 25 April to commence setup of camp/visit their stations that they may have volunteered to run.**

Participants are to bring the necessary gear to stay the night, as well as personal survival kits and personal first aid kits – each group are to ensure they have a qualified first aider as well as a group first aid kit onsite. Each group is responsible for any necessary feeding arrangements for their Youth including provision of snacks and drinks as required. Potable water will need to be brought by each group as there is no source of potable water in the northern part of Apple Hill Scout Reserve. As well, groups should not forget to bring toilet paper.

Note: To prevent infestations, no outside firewood is to be brought to camp – any firewood required will be available onsite.

The cost for this activity is \$10.00 per youth participant which covers the cost of the badge and camp usage fees and other minor expenses (groups will tack on their addition charges for their own Youth to attend) – despite what was mentioned this past February, this year there will have to be a \$5.00 charge for Adult volunteers/Leaders and Youth volunteers running stations/roving patrols to ensure this activity remains financially viable.

There will be no registration deadline to participate in this activity – registration will be done onsite Saturday 25 April. Names of volunteers to run stations will be sought out by separate email with a goal of having names for stations by no later than 22 April 2015.

More details will be sent out via separate email week of 24 March 2015 to Odawa Area Scout Troops and any Girl Guide Groups that may be interested in attending.

Note: No pets except service animals allowed on the Camp premises as per Scouts Canada policy (pets accompanying adults dropping off Youth must stay must stay in vehicles).

The map on the next page is for general reference purposes only – rough location of the various stations about which the Youth will hike overnight are identified on the map sketch by the use of LETTERS. This map will be updated after a site reconnaissance is completed about mid April where locations of stations will be confirmed. Copies of up to date sketches will be provided to all participants and volunteers on Saturday 25 April.