

# BARBADOS BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION

## E-MAIL MEMO

**FROM:** Chief Commissioner

**TO:** District Commissioners, Chairman – National Scout  
Committee, Chairman – National Venture Scout  
Committee

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**SUBJECT:** National Scout Badge Day

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As Trevor would have emailed to the respective leaders some time ago, the Scout PAF as sponsored by UNAIDS, by the December 15, 2008 had some funds in credit which was available to the Barbados Boy Scouts Association. Though these funds were not of a great amount, they were available to be used but had the condition that it had to be spent by December 18, 2008.

To this end I was able to get the agencies to allow us to purchase some materials for a National Scout and Venture Scout HIV/AIDS Day. This National Badge day will be held at the Headquarters of the Barbados Boy Scouts Association on January 24, 2009. Please note the below mentioned information.

Date of Badge Day:	Saturday 24th January, 2009
Registration Time:	8:30 - 9:00 a.m.
Registration Fee	\$ 3
Opening Ceremony	9:15 A.M.
Time for Badge Presentation	4:00 P.M.

The National Scout and Venture Scout Badge Day will take the same format as that for the Cub Scout. The major difference will be that the Scouts will be required to fully complete all the requirements of the Course. With that in mind, the following is to be done prior to arriving at Headquarters on January 24, 2009.

### THE SCOUT

1. The Scout must submit this work in a properly bound book or booklet. No untidy work will be accepted.

2. The Scout should complete the OPTIONAL Section of the Badge requirements prior to attending the National Badge Day. During the Morning session these books will be collected and reviewed by a leader who would have completed the HIV/AIDS Course for Leaders. (The Scout will be required to purchase his own book for the OPTIONAL Phase of the Course).
3. Upon Registration, a Book (Exercise and /or Scrap) will be given to the Scout for him to complete the MANDATORY Phase of the requirements. Please realize that this will be done on location during the pre-lunch and post lunch sessions.
4. Upon arrival at Headquarters at Registration, all scouts will be placed in Patrols to work on the mandatory assignments. Discussion sessions will take place during the morning session while in the patrols.
5. Resource Personnel from UNAIDS, UNICEF, The National HIV/AIDS Commission and the BBSA will be on location to assist.
6. Lunch will be provided at no cost to the participants.
7. The Non refundable Registration Fee is \$3. If the Participant has successfully completed all of the required assignments he will be eligible upon review of his work to the receipt of the Scout HIV/AIDS Badge.
8. The Badge Ceremony will take place on the same evening at 4 o'clock.
9. Uniform is to be worn.

## THE VENTURE SCOUT

All of the requirements listed above for the SCOUT is also directed for the Venture Scout. Please note the exceptions.

1. The Venture Scout will follow the same procedure as that listed for the Scout.
2. He must complete all the OPTIONAL Work, prior to his attendance at the Badge Day on January 24, 2009.
3. His COMPULSORY (SEEN BELOW) will be conducted in an abridged form by the necessary authorities. This will be done in the pre lunch session.

The Venture Scout must demonstrate a good understanding of the subject matter. He must participate in an HIV/AIDS Awareness Course sponsored by the Barbados Boy Scouts Association or the Barbados HIV/AIDS Commission. He must also produce a coloured poster, a poem or an essay on the subject of HIV/AIDS.

I am submitting the requirements for the various sections. Please ensure that those Scouts attending have the necessary copies.

**NO SCOUT WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE NATIONAL BADGE DAY IS HE HAS NOT COMPLETED THE OPTIONAL WORK PRIOR TO THE COURSE.**

Please remember that that the Book / booklet **MUST** be submitted for checking possibly at Registration or at least during the morning period.

Finally, only those Leaders who have completed the HIV/AIDS Course and are badge certified should be invited to assist in the general administration of the Course.

Please make sure that this information is disseminated as soon as possible. Thanks. If there are any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Chief Commissioner

## **THE SCOUT**

The Scout must complete **ALL** mandatory requirements and **any four** of the optional requirements.

### **Requirements for Scouts - Mandatory**

1. The Scout must demonstrate that he has adequate knowledge of the following:
  - a) The transmission of HIV
  - b) The prevention of HIV and other STIs
  - c) The description of HIV and AIDS
  - d) The spectrum and course of HIV and other diseases
  - e) The role of HIV Testing
  - f) The role of Schools and Communities
  - g) HIV/AIDS in Children and Adolescents
  - h) Psychological Development of Adolescents
  - i) The Advances in HIV/AIDS Treatment
  
2. The Scout must produce a poster, poem or an essay on any aspect of HIV/AIDS.

### **Requirements For Scouts – Optional**

1. The Scout should:
  - a) Describe behaviours that may lead to HIV infection
  - b) Identify the places in the community that provide care and support to people living with HIV/AIDS
  - c) Make a list of the traditional roles of boys and girls in the community and explain how the society helps to form these roles.

2. The Scout should:
  - a) Find out the main causes of teenage pregnancies and explain how they can be prevented.
  - b) Explain four different ways of planning a family
  - c) Describe the dangers of STIs.
  
3. The Scout should:
  - a) Create a 3 stanza poem or a song on the dangers of STIs
  - b) Prepare and deliver a 5-minute talk on STIs
  - c) Explain what he considers as the biggest challenges facing his peers today.
  
4. The Scout should:
  - a) Produce a skit to demonstrate the effects of peer pressure
  - b) Organize and lead a session on the topic "My Role in the Fight Against HIV/AIDS"
  - c) Name four health Centres in Barbados where treatment for HIV/AIDS may be accessed.
  
5. The Scout should:
  - a) Produce evidence that he has practiced keeping fit regularly for a period of at least three (3) months
  - b) Design a postcard on the theme "NO TO SEX, YES TO LIFE"
  - c) Name and describe symptoms of three sexually transmitted diseases
  
6. The Scout should:
  - a) List behaviours that may lead to pre-martial sex and expose the youth to sexually transmitted diseases
  - b) Write a short essay giving his ideas on society's view on HIV/AIDS
  - c) Design a poster with the following words "DON'T DISCRIMINATE AGAINST HIV/AIDS INFECTED PERSONS".

## **THE VENTURE SCOUT**

The Venture Scout is a very young adult and falls squarely into the most threatened age group with respect to HIV and other STIs. He must therefore have a real appreciation for and understanding of HIV/AIDS and other STIs.

The Venture Scout must demonstrate a good understanding of the subject matter. He must participate in an HIV/AIDS Awareness Course sponsored by the Barbados Boy Scouts Association or the Barbados HIV/AIDS Commission. He must also produce a coloured poster, a poem or an essay on the subject of HIV/AIDS.

He must also demonstrate adequate knowledge of **any four** of the following:

1. a) Obtain the figures of the (5) leading countries in the Caribbean with respect to HIV/AIDS infections. This information should be collated to show the respective rankings.
  - b) Explain why mosquitoes do not spread HIV.
  - c) Prepare and deliver a short talk on "The Dangers of HIV/AIDS".
2. a) Develop and maintain a scrapbook for a period of at least 3 months. Collate the information to represent an identified theme.
  - b) Explain the physical and emotional changes associated with puberty.
  - c) Explain ways of preventing STIs.
3. a) Draw and label the human reproductive system, explaining the functions of each organ.
  - b) Explain the importance of testing for HIV infection.
  - c) Explain STIs stating their importance in relation to HIV/AIDS.

4. a) Write an essay of approximately one hundred and fifty (150) words on the subject "My Role Model."
  - b) Explain how conception takes place.
  - c) Define "opportunistic infections" stating their relevance to HIV/AIDS.
5. a) Write an essay on how the more liberal lifestyles of today's youth encourage the spread of STIs.
  - b) Name five (5) STIs, giving their symptoms.
  - c) List ten (10) behaviours that will predispose someone to contract STIs.
6. a) Write an essay on the topic "THE ROLE OF THE YOUTH IN FIGHTING HIV/AIDS."
  - b) Research and present a report on the cultural practices that fuel the spread of HIV/AIDS in the society.
  - c) Write short notes on the following"
    - i) Abstinence
    - ii) Discrimination
    - iii) Tolerance
    - iv) Human Rights
    - v) Sexuality

**THE BARBADOS BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION  
HIV/AIDS AWARENESS BADGE HANDBOOK  
BADGE REPORT**

**Name:**  
**Unit:**  
**Registration No.:**  
**Topic Date of:**  
**Completion:**  
**Signature Date:**

**Mandatory Requirements**

1. Date completed -----  
Signature -----
2. Date completed -----  
Signature -----
3. Date completed -----  
Signature -----
4. Date completed -----  
Signature -----

**Optional Requirements**

1. Date completed -----  
Signature -----
2. Date completed -----  
Signature -----
3. Date completed -----  
Signature -----
4. Date completed -----  
Signature -----

The bearer of this Badge Report Card has successfully undertaken all the activities required for the Award of the Barbados Boy Scouts Association HIV/AIDS Awareness Badge

Badge was awarded on:

Date:

Signature: