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Only eight weeks—till the opening date of Camp Matinecock—July 2nd! Then, once again the paradise of Queens boys will swarm with life and play throughout the long summer days and nights.

The Camp Catalog and application blank will be ready for distribution within a week or two. Your copy may be obtained then, from your Scoutmaster.

Parents will find in this year's edition a vivid reflection of camp life, replete with information of special interest to them. We have tried to make it a faithful picturization of the camp, itself.

Special consideration is to be given to troops organizing one or more patrols of campers, with patrol leaders in charge. So far as can be conveniently arranged, each patrol will be assigned to its own tent and the patrol leader may preside as tent leader. It is our desire to encourage patrol organization—originating from the home troop—to camp at Matinecock as a unit and return home as such.

Plan now, in your patrol and troop meetings, to make reservations early. If all your applications are filed at one time and serial numbers issued to the individual applicants, your organization will be assured. Entire troops, registering with their Scoutmasters, will be accorded the same group privileges.

A WORD TO THE WISE! Groups of eight, making reservations for the first and second week periods, will be assured of tent accommodations by themselves.

CAMP-O-RAL

All over the Borough patrols of Scouts are preparing themselves for the big Camp-O-Ral. They are going out over night almost every week-end perfecting and improving their camping ability.

Queens Council has been very fortunate in securing the services of some very able men to act as Judges for this contest.

The Chief Judge will be A. W. Beeny, Scout Executive, Stamford Council, B. S. A., Connecticut.

J. W. O'Farrell, Assistant Executive of Brooklyn Council, has promised assistance from our neighboring Borough. Howard Covey and R. P. Anderson, Scout Executive of Nassau and Suffolk Counties, have also promised assistance from their respective communities.

H. McNeill Privette and C. L. Metz, Scout Executives of North Hudson and Montclair, New Jersey Councils, respectively, are coming over the river to assist in putting across the best Camp-O-Ral in the history of Queens.

With all these men coming from all over, some traveling great distances to assist us, it is essential that we do our part and have every District in Queens represented by two patrols.

Transportation can be had by bus direct to camp site. Scoutmasters and District Commissioners who may be interested should get in touch with Queens Scout Headquarters for additional information.

It will be possible for us to accommodate about twenty-five officials with meals and housing. However, we do not have enough blankets, so you will have to bring your own. Reservations for this accommodation are to be made at Queens Scout Headquarters as quickly as possible for "first come, first accepted." A charge of \$1.50 will be made for four meals, starting with lunch on Saturday and ending with lunch on Sunday.



CALENDAR



BOARDS OF REVIEW

(Bring membership cards and blue certificates for second class and warrant applications)

Astoria—Remsen St. Reformed Church.	May 8
Bayside—Masonic Temple	May 23
College Point—Fellowcraft Club	May 3
Far Rockaway—Smith Bldg., Room 411.	May 28
Flushing—Town Hall	May 23
Forest Hills—First Presby. Church....	May 10
Glendale—157 Foxall St., Ridgewood....	May 28
Hollis—9028—187th Place	May 9
Jamaica—Town Hall	May 14
Laurelton—Springfield Gardens	
Presbyterian Church	May 13
Newtown—Presbyterian Church	May 21
Peninsula—First Congregational Church.	May 16
Queens Village—Community House....	May 28
Richmond Hill—High School	May 6
Richmond Hill—High School	June 3
Ridgewood—P. S. 88.....	May 15
South Ozone—P. S. 96.....	May 1
South Ozone—P. S. 96.....	June 5
Whitestone—Grace Church	May 27
Woodhaven—St. Matthew's Par. House.	May 1
Woodhaven—St. Matthew's Par. House.	June 5

COURTS OF HONOR

(All applications to be filed at Headquarters at least ten days before Court of Honor meets)

Astoria—M. E. Church	May 23
Bayside—Masonic Temple	May 23
College Point—Poppenhausen Institute..	May 31
Far Rockaway—Smith Bldg., Room 411.	May 14
Flushing—Town Hall	May 23
Forest Hills—10 Harvest Street.....	May 14
Glendale—2880 Myrtle Avenue.....	May 16
Hollis—Masonic Temple	May 16
Jamaica—Training School Annex.....	May 28
Newtown—Amer. Legion Club House..	May 28
Peninsula—211 Beach 146th Street.....	May 28
Queens Village—Community House	May 28
Richmond Hill—High School	May 20
Ridgewood—Homelike Church	May 17
South Ozone—P. S. 96.....	May 1
South Ozone—P. S. 96.....	June 5
Whitestone—Methodist Church	May 3
Whitestone—Methodist Church	June 7
Woodhaven—Whiting Memorial Hall....	May 8

THINK!

The whereabouts of Fity Roy McCarthy is eagerly sought by his parents. He is believed to be connected with a Troop of Scouts somewhere in New York. His parents have not heard from him in two years.

Anyone knowing of him can relieve his anxious parents by communicating with Headquarters.

MISCELLANEOUS

- May 7 and 14—Scout Leaders' Training Course—Jamaica High School.
- May 11—Afternoon Outdoor Session Scout Leaders' Training Course—Queens Woods.
- May 11 and 12—Richmond Hill District Scout Leaders' Pow Wow—Camp Newcombe.
- May 12—Mothers' Day.
- May 13—National Council Meeting—Hotel Commodore.
- May 18 and 19—Scout Leaders' Training Course—Overnight Session—Camp Newcombe.
- May 25 and 26—Camp-O-Ral—Camp Newcombe.
- May 31 to June 6—Queens Boro Clean-Up Week.
- May 30—Memorial Day.
- July 2 to Aug. 27—Camp Matinecock—Sign up early.

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

During the months of May and June, Queens Council will conduct an intensive Membership Campaign for new Scouts.

In order that Queens may boast of 7,000 Scouts on December 31, 1929, it is earnestly requested that all troops whose registration is under 32 recruit and fill their ranks up to that figure. If every troop in Queens would so recruit up to 32 we would have 7,093 Scouts, without any of the other troops doing anything.

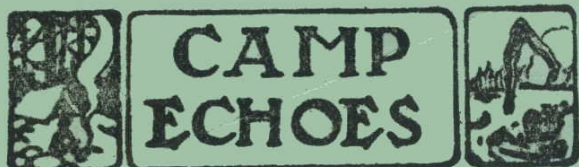
However, as there are always dropped Scouts and as all "drops" have to be "filled in" it will be necessary for the other troops also to add as many more Scouts as they can conveniently take care of.

This is the best time of the year to recruit, as boys are now thinking of the summer vacation. By holding out the prospect of Camp Matinecock to the boy you can "pull him in" with a minimum of sales talks.

Of course in the final analysis it is the Scouts who are the best "recruiters." It is possible for them to reach boys that the officials have no means of reaching or even knowing of.

So, Scouts, go out among your friends, tell them about the fun, and the camps. All about the great troop meetings and the various badges which may be won thru the Scout Merit Badge program. Do a good turn to your pal and acquaint him with the good times he is missing by not being a Scout. Get him in!

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CAMP NEWCOMBE

Camp Newcombe is not to be confused with Camp Matinecock. Both are Queens Boy Scout Camps. Each is dear to the heart of the lover of the out of doors and both are open to Queens Boy Scouts.

Camp Newcombe is the newly acquired Queens own camp site and has already been used by numerous scouts and many scout officials over week-ends after having applied for permit at Scout Headquarters. It is our all year round patrol and troop camp. Each group using the camp must provide their own adult leadership and may purchase food supplies from the Trading Post in camp.

In addition to the splendid equipment already installed a real surprise awaits you.

The Board of Directors of the Queens Boy Scout Sustaining Association, Inc., have authorized the erection of twelve log cabins for use by patrols and troops. Each cabin will be equipped with eight bunks, a stove and tables, a spacious porch surrounded by the atmosphere of the north woods.

Camp Matinecock is the Council operated summer camp. Located in the heart of the Ramapo Mountains, not far from Bear Mountain, New York, it lies nestled on the shore of Kanohwahke Lake.

Individual Scouts, patrols and troops may register for any period of time from one week up in accordance with the camp catalog which will be distributed in the near future.

A carefully selected staff of scout leaders from Queens will be in charge of all departments. Every opportunity is given for the passing of all outdoor tests, to say nothing of the two swims a day and the many other activities between Reveille and Taps.



Every Scout should plan to spend at least two weeks of his vacation at Camp Matinecock.

SUMMERTIME PROGRAM

Hurrah! Summer is coming and so is the summertime program! Something doing all the time—for the Scouts NOT in camp! Swimming, campfires, surprise trips to points of interest and one big "wow" of a stunt—the Aeroplane Contest!

Just think! Building your own model and flying it, exactly as our own Lindy began! Plans will be sent out to all Scouts interested in this contest. The eliminations are to be held in all districts and the winners are to "fly it out" at a big meet to be held somewhere in Jamaica.

The victors—first and second—will receive, as a reward, a trip through one of the large aeroplane plants. Just imagine yourself, Scout, being photographed with some noted aviator! Won't that be an event to remember? Well—two of you Queens Scouts are going to win—so hop to it!

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Scout officials, besides recruiting Scouts for their troops or districts, can also help by recruiting their friends and neighbors to be Scout officials. These men could be of assistance either by bolstering up some weak troop or by starting other troops in sections where one or more is needed, to take care of the boys who want to be SCOUTS.

Will you Help?

FORESTRY

The attention of Queens Scouts is called to new growth of life bursting forth with the progress of Spring. Along hedges, fences and numerous other places tree seeds are sending forth their tendrils into the soil and unfolding tiny leaves skyward.

If these are collected carefully and nursed along they will grow into the same kind of trees shading our walks today. Start your own little nursery by gathering this tender growth, and planting it in a small section in your garden; six inches apart is sufficient. Next Fall they can be moved to the nursery already established at Camp Newcombe.

Scouts may in this way establish lasting memorials to their troops.

REVISED REQUIREMENTS

The National Council have recently revised the requirements for the Merit Badges of Photography and Pathfinding, as noted below.

To obtain a Merit Badge for Photography, a Scout must:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of what a camera is and his familiarity with its essential parts, and explain the purpose of each of the following: Finder, lens, shutter, diaphragm opening, bellows, focusing scale.
2. Understand the basic principles of composition, explaining such points as harmonious grouping of objects or individuals, careful selection of background, good handling of light and shade.
3. Submit twelve good quality pictures taken by himself, but not necessarily finished by himself, demonstrating his knowledge of the principles stated in Requirement 2. Not more than six pictures may be submitted from any one of the following groups, and the collection must include one from each group.
 - Group A. Landscapes or water pictures.
 - Group B. Groups of persons or animals.
 - Group C. Person; domestic animal or bird; wild animal or bird; article made by Scout for some Scout Requirement.
 - Group D. Architectural subjects or street scenes.
4. Demonstrate a knowledge of the steps required in the developing and printing process.

To obtain a Merit Badge for Pathfinding a Scout must:

1. Demonstrate a general knowledge of the district within a three-mile radius of the local Scout Headquarters or his house so as to be able to guide people at any time, day or night, to points within this area.
2. Knowing the population of the five principal neighboring towns and cities as selected by his Guide or Counselor. Demonstrate directions for reaching them from Scout Headquarters or his house.
3. If in the country, know the breeds of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs owned on the five neighboring farms; if in the city, demonstrate directions to tourist camp and to five places for purchasing food supplies.
4. Demonstrate how to direct tourists from his home to gas, oil, tire and general auto repair service.
5. Give phone number, if any, and directions for reaching the nearest police station, fire fighting apparatus, Court House or Municipal Building, the nearest County Farm Agent's office, doctor, veterinarian and hospital.
6. Know something of the history of his community and the location of its principal places of interest and public buildings.

7. Submit a scale map, not necessarily drawn by himself, upon which he has personally indicated as much as possible of the above required information.

CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

Scouts are co-operating in the Borough wide clean-up campaign. Ten thousand posters are to be distributed announcing the crusade on "Clean-Up for Health's sake."

In co-operation with the Board of Health the Scouts will clean up dirty lots. Here is a splendid opportunity for real community service and the fulfillment of the Public Health Merit Badge.

HELP

A group of older Scouts who are willing to work are wanted to plant seedling trees at Camp Newcombe. This is part of the Council's reforestation project. Arrangements can be made to house the groups over Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

This work must be done as soon as possible. Communicate with Headquarters for details. Who's first? Several groups are wanted, 13,000 trees are waiting to be planted.

LAG B'OMER CELEBRATION

A Monster Lag B'Omer Celebration for the Boy Scouts of the Jewish Faith will be held at the Lewisohn Stadium of City College, 138th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, on Tuesday, May 28th, at 3 P. M. Doors will open at 2 P. M. A most elaborate and entertaining program has been arranged. A parade and review, including an Indian Demonstration, Archery Demonstration, Music, prominent speakers and other interesting numbers. Among those expected to speak are Chief Scout Executive James E. West and Mayor James J. Walker and perhaps Governor Roosevelt. Movietone pictures will be taken of the affair.

Those attending will be excused from School for the afternoon session of that day upon presenting a note to the teacher from the Superintendent of Schools. Copies of this note may be had at Queens Scout Headquarters. The affair is being conducted by the Boy Scout Extension Bureau of the United Synagogue of America.