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GOOD BYE :: HAMBА KAHLE :: АUF WIEDERSEHEN

OUR CELEBRATION DAY

Cubs, V.I.P.'s and Officials visited the Join in Jamboree at Anniversary Day.



On our special day we had a lot of visitors at our Campsite. They came to celebrate our birthday ceremony together with all of us. First of all our lovely Cubs and Brownies arrived at 9.30 am, but also some important officials joined us for the ceremony in the morning.

At the beginning everybody listened to Cate's nice poem about Scouting. Afterwards Area Commissioner Elvis Mdaka welcomes the now approximately 900 Scouts, Girl Guides, Cubs and others at our Campsite.

He told the assembly how Scouting in Mpumalanga and the worldwide partnerships were initiated by Uwe Bothur (Germany), Trevor Banks (UK) and Dudley James (SA), who met on an International Jamboree more than 10 years ago. Without these partnerships, Scouting in Mpumalanga wouldn't exist.

Our Area Chairman Dudley handed a scarf over to Mathebula, to thank him for visiting our Camp. The Head of the Department of Agriculture and Land Administration has joined us to commend our work and efforts for the region and the environment. He emphasized the hopes and positive impacts you get as member of the Scout movement. Scouting is a great opportunity for the youths to change lives and to make something out of it.



Another speaker -Wilson Khoza from the Electricity Delivering Company Escom - addressed the Scouts to save energy to keep the environment in a good state and to give them a chance to react on the growing demand on electricity in the uplifting republic of South Africa. He was very glad to hear about the efforts of the Scouts to inform the people about using energy in a responsible way and that there has been a group changing old light bulbs to set up newer, more efficient ones.



The Ceremony ended with cutting the big Birthday Cakes that was done by the visiting officials and other V.I.P.'s like Dudley and Uwe. To close the official part of our Birthday Rebecca leads the whole assembly to sing some birthday songs like "Happy Birthday Scouting". It was a glorious ceremony.

Afterwards the Scouters offered several games and activities like Human pyramids, cycle games, concentration games with poles, obstacle runs (feet were tied together), throwing little hoops onto a pole,

moving with a hula hoop, jumping running and sliding





CUBS, CUBS, CUBS

The first Cubs arrived at 9:30am Every Cub enjoyed the party especially the jumping castles, as they are not used to it. Most of all cubs wish every Camp could have jumping castles. There was also a water



activity for the Cubs provided. Soap and water turned the slides into a very refreshing and also cleaning experience for our visiting cubs.

Everything was fun, the Cubs enjoyed a lot it was well organized. They learned new games and they wished they could also camp over night. John from 1st Nelspruit said he enjoyed the water activities and wishes that they can have their own Cubs Jamboree.

FORTUNA DUESSELDORF donated shirts

Shirts donated by the German Soccer Club Fortuna Duesseldorf were used the first time. 22 Scouts from our Camp had fun to play a soccer game in the late afternoon. Some get injured, but after all it was a friendly game. Photographer Chris, a fan of Fortuna, collected some nice captures that will be presented to the donor.



THE LAST BRAINTEASER

- A DIFFICULT ONE!

Unfortunately this time there has not been a correct answer to the Scout's brainteaser. And there was no answer at all for the Rover's one. So we decided to draw the lot among the wrong answers. The lucky winners are: 1st Matukane Amanda, 2nd Tsepha Ngwenyama. Now follows the conclusion to that brainteaser:

Cathy has six pairs of black gloves and six pairs of brown gloves in her drawer. In complete darkness, how many gloves must she take from the drawer in order to be sure to get a pair that match? Think carefully!!

Thirteen. She could possibly take out 6 black left hand gloves and then 6 brown left hand gloves, the next one would have to be either the right hand or left hand match.

SCOUTS ON-AIR

During the later morning hours Nobuhle, Magic, Goodman , Marco and Ross (from the UK) had the great chance to present themselves referring to Scouting on the Radio. After some songs were played a debate was started. Marco, Ross and Muza (the Interviewer) asked some questions about Scouting and Goodman, Magic and Nobuhle answered. Why do you like Scouting, What are the

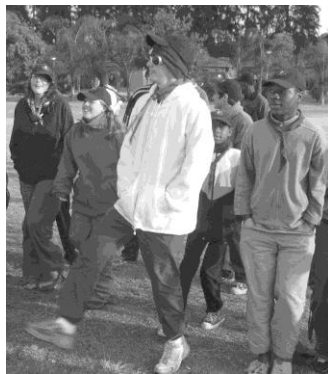
Scouting laws and what are the principles of Scouting, were only 3 questions they were asked. Goodman told us that he was very nervous but he was glad to having the opportunity telling the whole world what Scouting means. The group emphasized the social work Scouts in Mpumalanga are

doing such as: tree planting, providing information about children rights, education about Malaria, HIV AIDS and Cancer. Although our brave Scouts were a bit nervous and excited, they will never forget this special chance to present themselves on radio.



FUNNY PUNISHMENTS

This was quite an unusual example for a punishment- but it worked! For those who haven't seen it: Everybody who wanted to take a shower in not permitted times, was locked into the bathroom as a punishment.



GOOD BYE EVERYBODY

After four wonderful days in Camp, now it is time to say Good Bye. The last days were quite busy with doing social work around Nelspruit and White River, getting to know other cultures and finally celebrating the centenary of Scouting worldwide and 10 years of Scouting Mpumalanga.

Hopefully each Scout, Guide, Cub and Visitor can take a part of the Scout's spirit home. Therefore the organisation team would like to thank a special Scout's group.

Mafeking has been the main quarter of B.P.'s troops when he arrived in South Africa to fight against the Boers. Here, Boys Scouting has its roots. The Mafeking Scouts who joined our Camp this year were full of spirit. When they arrived on Wednesday they were singing and dancing all the time to encouraging the other Scouts. They helped with the food and organised great bases and activities for the youths. All in all, the organisation team likes to thank.



Let us come to some Feedbacks:

The guys from **9th Benoni** said the Camp was awesome, but there are a few things that should improve, like the food for lunch and the bedtime should be extended. The guys from **Mafeking** said it has been fantastic and they learned lots of new games and think it had been everything well organized. They would like to thank the Mpumalanga Scouts, for showing that they are the best in their field.

Stanley Adams from **Capetown** said the Camp was excellent; he enjoyed it very much and is looking forward to bring his team next year. He has a handicap sports team and also runs a pack of handicapped cubs. Santerner from **Nelsville** said the Camp was fun, but they did not enjoy the first day. Therefore they enjoyed the Service Day with painting the orphanage house and going to the MEC's house. They are looking forward to coming again next year.



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We all appreciate the hard work of our busy bees and we know without you this International JOIN IN JAMBOREE couldn't exist.



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