

INTERNATIONAL SCOUTING EVENTS

Opportunities for BSA Youth and Adults to Camp with Youth and Adult Members of Other WOSM-affiliated National Scout Organizations (NSOs)

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Opportunities for BSA youth and adults to camp with youth and adult members of other WOSM-affiliated NSOs range from World Scout Jamborees and Moots to weekend cross-border international camporees. They all provide the type of international experiences that only Scouting offers.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS WITH BSA NATIONAL CONTINGENTS

BSA youth and adults participate in some WOSM world and regional events as part of BSA National Contingents. Events with national contingents are typically jamborees with participants ages 14 through 17 and moots with participants ages 18 through 26. Participants in jamborees are “youth” and participate in the jamboree experience including travel to and from the jamboree as part of jamboree troops. Participants in moots are “adults,” participate in the moots in international patrols, and arrange their own travel to and from the moots.

UPCOMING WORLD AND REGIONAL INTERNATIONAL EVENTS WITH BSA NATIONAL CONTINGENTS

SOUTH KOREA - 25th World Scout Jamboree - August 1 to 12 + pre-jamboree touring - ages 14 to 17 at the time of the jamboree - 50,000 Scouts from more than 170 countries. **REGISTRATION FOR THE USA CONTINGENT IS NOW CLOSED.**

PORTUGAL - 2025 World Scout Moot (ages 18 to 26 while at the moot)

POLAND - 2027 World Scout Jamboree (ages 14 to 17 while at the jamboree) - <https://jamboree2027.org/>

OTHER UPCOMING WORLD AND REGIONAL INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

BANGLADESH - 2022 Asia Pacific Jamboree - December 11 to 19, 2022 - The website is <https://apr.onirbanbd.com/> and Bulletin #2 is at <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WLjQc-BrPdCYmLk3Fljabi3G3365lcz/view> The BSA does not plan to send a contingent to this jamboree.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS THAT ARE AT LEAST 7 DAYS LONG AND ARE OPEN TO BSA UNIT AND COUNCIL CONTINGENTS

Many WOSM affiliated NSOs open their National Jamborees to contingents from other countries. There are very few BSA contingents at jamborees in other countries. A BSA unit or council contingent can often arrange to pair with a Scout group from the host country that is participating in the same jamboree, share a campsite with them, and borrow group equipment such as tents, stoves, and cooking equipment from them. That provides the BSA contingent with a unique experience, and they don't need to bring group gear. Many jamborees in other countries are a week to a week and a half long. That allows a BSA unit or council contingent to include time on their trip for sightseeing. Age ranges in this event list are from the jamboree websites that show age ranges. They are useful in finding a jamboree that is a good age fit for a BSA unit or council contingent. According to the BSA AGE APPROPRIATE GUIDELINES FOR CAMPING at <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-686.pdf> Scouts BSA youth must be at least 12 years old to participate in jamborees.

IMPORTANT – There are still many Covid-19 related requirements to enter different countries, and those requirements will probably change by the time the events on this list take place. BSA contingent leaders should monitor the Covid-19 related requirements to enter every country they plan to visit and to re-enter the U.S.A.

Many WOSM-affiliated NSOs do not hold jamborees on World Scout Jamboree years like 2023 and have not yet announced 2024 jamborees, so the current list is short. Check back later for an updated version of this list.

If you are considering travel by land to and from a Scout event in Canada, you should check on special USA-Canada border crossing rules that allow members of organized youth groups under the age of 19 to cross the border into Canada and back into the USA using their birth certificate as a substitute for a passport.

SPRING 2023 INTERNATIONAL EVENT OPEN TO INDIVIDUAL ROVERS (AGES 18 TO 26)

KENYA - 1st Africa Rover Moot - April 15 to 25, 2023 - Rowallan National Scouts Camp in Nairobi - The website is at <https://www.scout.org/africa-moot-2023>

SUMMER 2023 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS OPEN TO BSA TROOP AND CREW CONTINGENTS

THE NETHERLANDS - Haarlem Jamborette - August 5 to 16, 2023 - Spaarnwoude Recreational Area, a nature reserve located between Amsterdam, Haarlem and Velsen - held every 4 years - ages 10 to 17 - **Registration is open now and spaces fill quickly.** The websites is at <https://www.haarlemjamborette.nl/>

SWITZERLAND - Kander100 celebrating 100 years of Kandersteg International Scout Center - July 27 to August 8, 2023 - **The expression of interest form was closed on April 1, 2022. You can submit your request to be on the waiting list and they will get back to you as soon as they have a space.** Their website is at <https://2023.kisc.ch/events/kander100/>

WINTER 2023-4 INTERNATIONAL EVENT OPEN TO BSA TROOP CONTINGENTS

NEW ZEALAND - 23rd New Zealand Scout Jamboree - Dec. 30, 2023, to Jan. 7, 2024 - - Mystery Creek Events Center, Hamilton, New Zealand – The website is at <https://www.nzjamboree.com/> Click on “Resources” in the top right for jamboree information. This jamboree is for members of New Zealand’s Scout section which is for ages 11 to 14, and the maximum age for international participants is 14, so BSA participants must be ages 12 to 14 on Dec. 30, 2023.

SUMMER 2024 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS OPEN TO BSA TROOP AND CREW CONTINGENTS

CANADA - Pacific Jamboree - a week-long jamboree held once every four years in British Columbia - The website at <https://www.pacificjamboree.ca/> says “See you at PJ 2023 at Camp Byng” but the Scouts Canada International Events List says the next Pacific Jamboree will be in July 2024.

ENGLAND - Essex International Jamboree - July 24 to August 3, 2024 - Boyton Cross, Chelmsford, Essex - ages 10 to 17 as of 7/27/2024 Their website is at <https://eij.org.uk/>

SCOTLAND - Blair Atholl Jamborette - July 2024 - ages 14-17 - The Blair Atholl Jamborette has been held on the grounds of Blair Atholl Castle every even numbered year since 1946 except 2020. Patrols are composed of 6 Scottish Scouts and 6 Scouts from another country. The website at <https://www.jamborette.org.uk/> has information on the 2022 jamborette, but it is not too early to start planning for 2024

CROSS-BORDER WEEKEND INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREES

There are a number of regularly scheduled weekend international camporees near the USA-Canada border and at least one near the USA-Mexico border that provide BSA troops and crews a low-cost opportunity to participate in international Scouting.

USA - CANADA CROSS-BORDER WEEKEND CAMPOREES are listed below from west to east. If the name of the event is in **green**, it is always held in the USA. If the name of the event is in **red**, it is always held in Canada. If the name of the event is in **purple**, it rotates back and forth between the USA and Canada.

Hessel International Scout Rally - held annually the 3rd weekend of September, Sept. 16 to 18 in 2022, at Chippewa County Fairgrounds, Kinross, Michigan, in Michigan's Upper Peninsula - (**Registrations are now open.**) - <https://www.facebook.com/HesselInternationalScoutRally/>

International Friendship Camporee - currently inactive - held on the American side of the bridge that connects Detroit, Michigan, and Windsor, Ontario, in the spring and on the Canadian side in the fall. A May 2022 email message stated: "We do not have a camp planned at this time for fall 2022." - <http://ifcamporee.org/>

CanAm Camporee - held annually on the weekend that contains the 1st Sunday in May, May 5 to 7 in 2023, at Camp Attawandaron near The Pinery Provincial Park on Lake Huron - <https://attawandaron.squarespace.com/camporee-information/>

Dorchester International Brotherhood Camporee (DIBC) - held annually on the weekend that contains the 2nd Sunday in May (Mother's Day weekend), May 12 to 14 in 2023, at Camp Bel near Dorchester, Ontario - <http://dibc.on.ca/DIBC/Home.jsp>

Genesis Ventmoot - held annually on the 2nd weekend in November, Nov. 11 to 13 in 2022, at Camp Bel near Dorchester, Ontario. for Venturing crews and Venturer-age Scouts - <http://genesiscamp.ca/>

Scout Brigade of Fort George Fall Campaign - held annually on the 3rd full weekend in September on the grounds of War of 1812 Fort George at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario - Reenacts a War of 1812 battle with Canadian Scouts playing British and Canadian soldiers and American Scouts playing American soldiers. - <https://sbfscouter.ca/> - There is a *Boys Life* (now *Scout Life*) video showing the event at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=So-a6mZl8fc> Registration is now closed for the Sept. 16 to 18, 2022, SBFSG. The 2023 SBFSG dates are Sept. 15 to 17.

Scout Brigade of Fort George Winter Campaign - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario - "Join us every winter for the Winter Campaign and bunk right inside the Fort! You'll stay in the blockhouse and eat your meals in historic Navy Hall down by the river." - <https://sbfscouter.ca/>

Join-In Jamboree - held annually in August, August 4-6 (or 7) in 2023, at Camp Samac in Oshawa, Ontario - The Monday is in parenthesis because there is an option of camping Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night and departing on Monday morning. - <http://www.joininjamboree.ca/>

World Brotherhood Camporee - "Each year the Loyalist Area Scouts Canada and the Longhouse Council BSA take turns hosting this event. In the even numbered years, it's held in the USA at [Wellesley Island State Park](#) in the Thousand Islands (across from Clayton, NY.) In the odd numbered years it's held in Canada at [Riverside Cedar Campground](#) (near Morrisburg, ON)". <http://www.cnyscouts.org/events/brotherhood/> has information on the Oct. 14 to 16, 2022, 49th annual World Brotherhood Camporee. The website for the years the World Brotherhood Camporee is in Canada is <https://brotherhoodcamporee.ca/>

Tri-District Camporee - held annually in mid-May - rotates between the northeastern USA and southeastern Canada. The website at <http://tridistrictcamporee.com/> has information on the May 13 to 15, 2022, Tri-District Camporee that was held at North Beach Campground in Burlington, Vermont, and a link to [Tri-District 2022 flyer](#) at the top left. The 2023 Tri-District Camporee will be held in southern Quebec. 2023 information will be posted on the website in late September or early October 2022.

USA - MEXICO CROSS-BORDER WEEKEND CAMPOREE - San Diego-Imperial Council International Camporee - held the 3rd weekend in September, Sept. 16 to 18 in 2022, at Mataguay Scout Ranch, Santa Ysabel, California <https://sdicbsa.doubleknot.com/event/international-camporee-2022/2896420>