

Winter Camp is coming!

Dates : Friday February 2 (drop off after 6:30 pm) - Sunday February 4, 2024 (pick up between 10 am and 11 am)

Location: Camp Opemikon - 1 hr 30 minutes from Ottawa (30 minutes past Perth)

- Camp Opemikon is our local main Scouts Canada camp.
- Directions are in the following link
- <http://www.72ndottawascouting.ca/formsandnotes/MapToOpe.pdf>
- We have 3 cabins (electric heating) booked for the weekend with a total of 54 spots. (Heated cabins .. well they have electric heat. Last year is was -40 the first night of camp. It was warmer than outside but it was still pretty cool in the cabins)

Cost options: There are 2 cost options for camp

- Full weekend: \$80/person all Saturday meals, Sunday breakfast plus snacks to keep the youth going
- Saturday only: \$45/person (includes lunch and dinner & snacks)

HOW TO REGISTER: EMAIL Scouter Henry (henry.starzynski@sympatico.ca). For Beavers, copy Scouter Sue (Ringtail - sue.robertson29@gmail.com) with details (Weekend or Saturday-only)

- We have a total of 54 beds available to us
- Of the 54, we need about 14 spaces for leaders, leaving 40 spaces for youth and parents
- Initial priority is being given to Beavers and Cubs who are not with a parent (of course, if a parent is also a leader, well, the parent is most likely coming!)
- Registration opens **December 1 for Beavers and Cubs and closes January 9**
- After all Beaver/Cub registrations are in, we will fill spots for parents of Beavers who wish to attend overnight, on a first-come basis. (Note: You need to have your 'parent helper' designation before camp). Please indicate your desire to attend starting December 1. Once the youth registration is closed, we will offer spaces to parents on the first-come basis (sort of like a wait-list)
- **Payment is required by January 15 (Cubs) or January 16 (Beavers).** (If payment dates are an issue, please email Scouter Henry henry.starzynski@sympatico.ca and we will work something out)
- How to pay? Well there are a couple methods
 1. E-transfer to 72ndpayments@gmail.com
 2. cheque to "Scouts Canada - 72nd Ottawa"
 3. Cash
 4. Scouter Henry will be at the Cubs meetings on 8/15 and Beaver meetings January 9/16 and if you want to pay via debit card using Square, that is an option (please let me know when registering)

- Why do we need registration #s so early? We have to give our FINAL numbers to Camp Opemikon January 12. With the busy Christmas / holiday season, it is easier to get numbers in starting in December.
- Because we pay for the cabins and catering in advance, ***there will be NO refunds after January 12.***
- Saturday **day-option** is great option too. We start our program around 9, end up around 4:30, with breaks to warm up, and have some free time. The costing option for Saturday includes lunch and dinner. Parents staying for the day do not need to get onto the 'parent staying overnight' waitlist.
- All meals will be catered by the Ope Crew. All meals are nut-free, **but if you want vegetarian meals, that has to be indicated in advance as well as any other food allergies**

Questions? Just ask myself (henry.starzynski@sympatico.ca) or Sue Robertson sue.robertson29@gmail.com

