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## CONTINGENT LEADER'S REPORT

In an unforgettable experience the eighteen members of the Barbados Contingent renewed their Scout Promise along with over 40,000 of their fellow Scouts from nearly every country in the world. The occasion: the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Scouting – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2007. The place: Hylands Park in England, the site of the XXI World Scout Jamboree – for 16 of them. For the other two, Brownsea Island the birthplace of Scouting.

This is only one of the unforgettable experiences of the Barbados Contingent at the XXI World Scout Jamboree. The Jamboree was held at Hylands Park, Chelmsford, Essex in England – the country where Scouting was founded 100 years earlier by the then Sir Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell – later Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell. The Jamboree was attended by over 40,000 Scouts and Leaders from nearly every National Scout Association in the world – the largest Jamboree ever! The Jamboree site, which was over 100 acres, with its population of over 40,000 became the 4<sup>th</sup> largest town in Essex for the duration of the Jamboree.

The eighteen-member Barbados Contingent comprised 10 Scouts, 3 Venture Scouts and 5 Leaders. The Contingent was divided in two sections: The Troop and the Contingent Support Team. The Troop, which comprised the 13 boys and the 2 Troop Leaders, camped in Dune Subcamp. The Contingent Leader and the 2 Deputy Contingent Leaders made up the Contingent Support Team and they camped in the Adult Subcamp.



### PRE-JAMBOREE PREPARATION

The preparations for attending the XXI World Scout Jamboree officially began on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2006 with the registration of the Contingent with the Jamboree Office at Gilwell Park. Prior to the registration, the Chief Commissioner, Dr. Nigel Taylor appointed Mr. Trevor Jones ADC as the Contingent Leader and a Pre-Registration Form was submitted to the Jamboree Office in August. Actual preparations did not start until after September 2006 as all of the resources of the National Scout Committee were tied-up in the preparation of the Contingent to the Caribbean Jamboree held in August 2006.

However, from as early as April 2006, a tentative fee had been calculated (\$3,000.00 - \$3,500.00) and initial information was circulated to the Troops. An actual fee could not have been calculated at that time due to the fluctuations of the Pound and the uncertainty in airline prices at the time. In November the fee was set at BDS\$4,000.00 providing no further increases of the Pound or airfares (by this time the Pound had climbed from \$3.40 to \$3.80 and was expected to reach \$4.00). Even though the Pound eventually climbed to \$4.20 we were able to maintain the \$4,000.00 fee by fund-raising.

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Selection of boys and Leaders by the Districts was not completed until late December 2006. On 4<sup>th</sup> January 2007 a meeting was held with the 28 boys selected by the Bridgetown District; the Northern and Southern Districts did not submit any boys. At the time it was hoped that this number would not fall below 24 boys as this would allow us to send 6 Leaders. The number of Leaders was restricted by the number of boys – 2 Leaders for every 9 boys.

Six Leaders were selected from the names recommended by the Districts, with each understanding that if the number of boys decreased significantly the number would have to be reduced to 4 or possibly 2. Three Ventures over 18-years old were also selected for the International Support Team.

By June, the number of boys decreased to 11 and this was boosted to 13 by the receipt of 2 scholarships from the Regional Office. This meant that the number of Leaders had to be reduced to 4. Permission was sought to register the 5 Leaders (1 had withdrawn by this time) and the Jamboree Office granted special permission for the extra Leader. Also all three members for the IST had withdrawn. It should be noted that the main reason for withdrawal from the Contingent was the inability to pay the fee.

Demands of the Contingent Leader for this Jamboree were great. Unlike the American and Caribbean Jamborees, an overwhelming amount of information was received from the Jamboree Office. The Jamboree organisers attempted to provide the contingents with all the information they could need. As a result it took a great effort to go through the continuous flow of circulars, bulletins notices and emails received. This was further complicated by the fact that a lot of the information enclosed did not apply to our Contingent or had been given already. However, the relevant information could only be ascertained by going through the whole package. In the future, the Contingent Leader for a Jamboree like this will have to be relieved of some of his other duties so that he can give his full attention to the duties of Contingent Leader.

### **PRE-JAMBOREE ACTIVITIES**

Regular Leaders meeting were held to plan and coordinate the Contingent's preparations for the trip, their time at Jamboree and plans for after Jamboree. These meetings took place at least once a month, increasing in number as the Jamboree approached.

Contingent meetings were also held during the preparation for Jamboree. The main purpose for the meetings was to prepare the boys for the trip so as to maximise the experience for them. It also provided an opportunity for the boys and Leaders to get to know each other better. Meetings were also held to prepare the equipment and the Contingent Pavilion displays.

A Pre-Jamboree church service was held at James Street Methodist Church at ask God's blessings on the trip. The service was attended by all of the Contingent members except one (he had already left the island) and some of their parents.



### **PARENT'S MEETINGS & FUND RAISING**

A number of parent meetings were held to update parents of the Jamboree preparations and to get their feedback on the plans. These meeting also allowed for the parents to contribute to the planning and execution of the fund raising events. They were also meetings held with the Scouts and their parents to correct any problems especially in the wearing of Scout uniform.

Three fund raising activities were held to raise funds to support the Contingent by providing some necessary personal equipment and for the post-jamboree trip. The provided personal equipment included 3 Activity T-Shirts, a Gym Bag, a Windbreaker, 2 Rain Ponchos, 2

National Scarves, a Duffle Bags (for those who did not attend the Caribbean Jamboree), and a pack of Badges for trading.

The fund raising events held were:

- Fish Fry – 5<sup>th</sup> May 2007 at Hazelwood
- Sponsored Walk – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2007
- Sale of Contingent Badges, National Camp Badges, and Scout Hats

It was originally planned that 40% of the money raised from the Sponsored Walk would go towards the boy's fee. However by June, the Pound had reached \$4.20 and a decision had to be made about the post-jamboree trip, as the cost would take us over budget. At the parents meeting held to discuss the trip, the parents unanimously agreed that the very last option should be to cancel the post-jamboree trip. After some discussion the parents agreed to complete at least 2 Sponsored Walk sheets. In the case of those who completed 2 sheets, they would forfeit their 40% share. For those completing more than 2 sheets, they would reduce their share to 33%. This allowed the Contingent to raise enough money for the trip

The Contingent members & their parents were able to raise over \$11,000.00 from their efforts. In addition to this, the Contingent received a contribution from Headquarters of the money left over by the Caribbean Jamboree Contingent. The contribution was used to purchase the tents needed by the Contingent.

### COMMUNICATIONS WITH HOME

From experiences at the American and Caribbean Jamborees, we anticipated that communications with home could be a problem especially cost-wise. After some discussion the Contingent's Leaders agreed to a two-part solution. The first was to acquire UK Sim Cards for the Leaders' cell phones. The numbers would be given to the parents so that they could contact the Contingent at their expense as oppose to the Leader's expense. The Sim Cards proved to be a further asset once the Contingent reached the Jamboree site. Because of the distance between campsites, it was the main means for the Troop and Support Team to communicate

The second was to set up a website through which the Contingent and those at home could keep in contact. Through the site ([www.bbsascoutcommittee.org](http://www.bbsascoutcommittee.org)) a log was posted, photos uploaded and a bulletin board setup. The website, originally setup for 3 months, was successful and it was agreed to extent the life of the site to as long as financially possible.



### JAMBOREE

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July the Contingent assembled at the Grantley Adams International Airport for 2:20pm for the flight to England. After checking-in the Group took photos and carried out a last minute check before falling in. The Contingent was briefed by the Contingent Leader and the Chief Commissioner before saying warm good-byes to parents who were present at the airport. The flight departed Barbados at 5.25pm and arrived at London Gatwick around 6:10am (2:10am Barbados time).

After clearing immigration and customs the Contingent was met by representative from the Jamboree. It should be noted that while at immigration I was commended by more than one of the officers on the deportment and behaviour of the boys. To quote one of them, "...your boys are a credit to you." While waiting for another Contingent to exit customs, we were joined by





Nathan, our "missing" Contingent member who was already in England. On exiting the building we experienced a "mild English morning" of 15°C – thank God for the windbreakers!

We were transported to the Check-in Centre by coach along with the Grenada and the Dominican Republic Contingents. After a few hitches Mr. Roach and I were able to register the Contingent – the last two amendments to the Contingent List submitted to the Jamboree Office were not recorded and had to be done now. An hour and a half later, we left the Check-in Centre on the same coach

(Mr. Roach and I were the only ones to disembark) and proceeded to the Jamboree site. On arrival at Hylands Park, our driver made a mistake and entered through the wrong gate. It so happened that when he was stopped by the staff and we were told to disembark, we were about 10 feet from the Troop's Subcamp entrance, saving us a "20 minute" walk from the Main Gate to the Subcamp with all of our gear.

Mr. Roach checked in at Subcamp Headquarters and the Troop was shown to its area. The Troop shared its area with Belize, who had setup already, and Bahamas, who arrived later. After getting the tents pitched and having lunch we decided to make the trek to the Adult Camping Area where the Support Team camped. Accompanied by some of the boys carrying the bags and cases with the equipment and displays for the Contingent Pavilion, we made the "20 minute" walk to the Adult Camping Area. With the bags it took more like 40 minutes to get to the area and then another 10 from the area's entrance to where the Support Team camped. After a long day of travelling and setting-up, everyone settled in for an early night.



### OPENING CEREMONY

After a really cold night and morning, the sun came out before the opening ceremony and changed what promised to be a bleak day into a warm sunny one. Jamboree got off to a spectacular start with a show, parade of flags, fireworks and a royal appearance from the Duke of Kent (President of the UK Association) and HRH Prince William. From as early as 11:00am, the various Subcamps started arriving at the Arena escorted by a knight on horseback accompanied by a "fair maiden". By 1:00pm we were all seated on the grass awaiting the start of the opening ceremony.



The ceremony started with a musical presentation featuring the traditional music and dance of the four regions which make up the UK Association - England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Each presentation was accompanied by Scouts from the region running through the aisles dressed in traditional costumes and carrying huge flags and two hot air balloons. This was followed by a procession of flags from

the countries represented at the Jamboree. The Barbados Flag was carried by Lamar Francis, while Daniel Neblett raised the Barbados Flag at the Avenue of Flags at the front of the Arena.



After a couple of speeches and a message from Her Majesty, it was "discovered" that the World Flag needed to officially open the Jamboree was "missing". It was quickly found and "delivered" by members of the Royal Air Force, four of whom braved strong winds to parachute in with it. It was then quickly raised and the Jamboree declared officially open. After the Opening Ceremony, the Troop returned to their Subcamp while the Support Team familiarised themselves with some more of the Jamboree site.

## DAY 2

The Jamboree Programme started in earnest from the next day. It was also our first wet morning: the rain had fallen constantly during the night. Of course this did not alter the programme. Despite the wet and COLD and a few leaking tents, spirits were high among our boys. Despite the cold and rain, there are no complains or moaning and I think the boys should be commended for this display of true Scouting Spirit. The Troop left for their Programme Activity, **Starburst**, which was located offsite. **Starburst** comprises a community services project and demonstrates a Scout's promise to "help other people". Our boys were transported to West Horndon in Essex where they cleared and painted a bridge along with some other Scouts. After lunch they took a short walk to the nearby estate of a multi-millionaire, and toured the grounds before returning to the Jamboree Site.



As the Troop left for their offsite Programme Activity (Starburst), the Support Team set off determined that they would finally find our Contingent Pavilion.

First the Team visited Jamboree HQ (30min walk from our campsite). From there we were directed to the Contingent Support Centre which is different from the Adult Support Centre which is located in our campsite – now if this was explained one of the times we visited the Adult Centre trying to find info on the Pavilion we would have found it before. When we reached the Contingent Support Centre (30min walk from HQ), we discovered that our booking was lost. We were then sent to see if we could find a free space among some Pavilions being shared. We found an unoccupied Pavilion and reported our location with the hope that the Contingent assigned to it would not arrive later to claim it (luckily they didn't). With our area



located, we set about marking our claim. Leaving Mrs. Jones to "hold" our spot, Mr. Hunte and I journeyed back to our tents in the adult area (30min walk), to return with the big suitcase with the display boards. Our return trip only took 20min as in true Bajan style we found a shortcut. The Troop joined us after their return to the Jamboree site and helped with the set up before spending some time at the Plaza. The Team also made another important discovery today – on one of our visits to the Support Centre we noticed a sign "reminding" Contingent Leaders of the daily Contingent Leaders' Meeting at Jamboree HQ. At my

first meeting the next morning I realise that I was not the only one who did not know about the meeting. Several other Contingent Leaders first heard about the meeting by seeing the "reminder" or by accident while speaking to members of other Support Teams. At that meeting I also discovered that we had a mailbox at the Support Centre – a fact which was never mentioned when we first visited the Centre or during the subsequent visits that day. When we finally checked the box, we found quite a bit of mail including invitations to Contingent

Receptions which had already gone and an invitation to send two Scouts to be part of the welcoming party for the Duke of Kent and HRH Prince William two days earlier.

### **TROOP'S PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES**

On a daily basis the Troop's day started with the "regular" morning activities. After that, the Troop would then move to their morning programme activity, followed by lunch which they prepared in the morning and took with them. After lunch they would then go to their afternoon programme activity before returning to their Subcamp. On their return they would prepare dinner and after dinner the boys were free to relax, visit the other Troop area, or take part in the evening Subcamp activities. These activities included: sports, games, arts and crafts, entertainment and a carnival.

On some days the Programme Activity would be for the whole day, while on the others the morning and afternoon activities were different. In addition to **Starburst**, the Troop participated in the seven other Programme Activities:

**World Villages** provided an opportunity to explore cultures, hobbies, arts, crafts, food and much more of the countries worldwide. Participants would spend one day in each of the two World Villages – **TerraVille** and **AquaVille**. Over 540 activities were provided in the World Villages by various National Scout Organizations attending the Jamboree. In addition to the activities, a spectacular show took place during the lunchtime period.



**Splash!**, which was an all-day activity, was a water themed day with activities both on and off the water. It took place 75km from Hylands Park at Alton Water Reservoir in Suffolk. Activities on the water include: kayaking, canoeing, dinghy sailing, bell boating, pulling and raft building. Only 4 of our boys participated in the activity. The others opted not to participate when they were informed that they would have to wear their

soft-wear not slippers during the activity ("secure footwear" was required as they were unsure of any debris that may be at the bottom of the reservoir). The prospect of have wet cold shoes for the day was not inviting. They watched from the shore as Emaro, Lamar, Adrian, and Perry enjoyed the activities provided even though they got wet (needless to say that the reservoir is not heated). Those on shore enjoyed themselves as well. Like good Scouts they made the best of the situation and entertained themselves.

**Gilwell Adventure** was a one day activity at Gilwell Park, the "Home of Scouting" in the UK, and was divided into 4 zones. In Challenge Valley Participants would get wet and muddy as they tackled an adventure course. In the Discovery Zone they would have a chance to find out more about the history of Scouting and to explore Gilwell Park. The Mountain and Motion Zone offered a wide selection of adventurous activities and in the Scouting Skills Zone Participants were able to try out a variety of traditional and more modern Scouting activities.



**Trash**, a half day activity, was designed to encourage Participants to think about how they can re-use everyday materials and what impact their actions have on the planet. In International Patrols, Participants took part in the activity in each of the Music, Arts, Knowledge and Challenge Zones.

**Elements** was a science and technology based half day activity focusing on the science that affects us and can be learnt from each of the four elements: fire, air, water and earth. After a



welcome activity for all Participants, they were split up to spend time in one of the four Elements Activity Zones.



**Global Development Village** was a half day activity designed to help Participants reflect on issues and challenges facing the global community. The session began with a motivational drumming session, followed by a two hour workshop on one of four themes: environment, health, human rights or peace. The activity would end with a special event where Participants were encouraged to make a commitment to help make the world a little better when they return home.

In addition to these Activities the Programme also provided three half day sessions for Choice Time. During Choice Time the boys were free to choose the activities they wanted to participate in or to spend the time visiting the Plaza or other Subcamps. The Choice Time activities included: **Energise** (activities under the themes of: Circus, Life Skills, Active, Relax and Art), **Global Development Boulevard** (over 70 interactive exhibitions/stands showcasing the work of organisations in the UK and world who work together to combat global issues), **GloBus** (six



converted London Double Decker Buses with activities under one of the themes HIV/AIDS, Children's Rights, Global Travel/Eco Tourism, Women's Rights, Slavery and Water), **Faith & Beliefs Zone** (informative displays and a range of activities offered in partnership with members of the World Scout Interreligious Forum and other faith communities represented in Scouting), and the **Scout Exhibitors** (including the Contingent Pavillions, the International Badgers Club, International Scout and Guide Fellowship and the International Guild of Knot Tiers), and Amateur Radio (an Amateur Radio Station operating 24 hours a day).

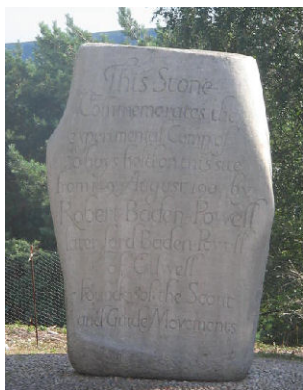
### SUPPORT TEAM'S ACTIVITIES

The Support Team's daily routine started as well with the "regular" morning activities. After breakfast at the cafeteria, the Contingent Leader would attend the daily Contingent Leaders' Meeting while the other two members would open the Contingent Pavilion. After the meeting, the Contingent Leader would visit the Resource Centre and clear the mailbox before joining the other Team members at the Pavilion and update them. The rest of the day was spent interacting with the visitors to the Pavilion which was open to visitors from 9:00am to 6:00pm daily. After 6:00pm. the Pavilion was closed and some of the displays packed away. Daily Leaders meetings were held either at the Contingent Pavilion or the Troop area after the Troop returned from its programme activities. On a few occasions the meeting was held by cell phone as it was not possible to meet in one location. In addition to this the Support Team attended the Receptions hosted by various Contingents – some days attending as many as three receptions. By the time the Team returned to the Adult Campsite, they would have to go straight to the cafeteria for dinner before it closed. After dinner, the team would relax for a while before heading to bed.



### BROWNSEA ISLAND

On 30<sup>th</sup> July at just before 5:00am., Mr. Charlemagne woke Nathan Lorde and David Griffith so that they could get ready for their experience of a life time. David & Nathan had been selected to represent the Contingent at the Centenary celebrations on Brownsea Island – the



“birthplace” of Scouting. At 6:30am they assembled at the main gate along with the other selected Scouts for the journey to Poole Harbour. The group was divided into four Subcamps: Bulls, Ravens, Curlews and Wolves. They travelled by coach to Poole, and then by ferry to Brownsea Island. On arrival at Brownsea Island, there was a short opening ceremony, followed by lunch and a visit to the Rhythm Center. At the Rhythm Centre they made makeshift instruments to use at that night's carnival. Dinner was followed by the carnival and concert which was a time of noise and jubilation.

The next day the participants took part in various activities including Archery, Coracle Building, a Nature Walk, a Conservation Project, and visiting the Health Global Development Center, the Scouting Regions' Tents, the amateur radio station and the replica of the 1st scout camp on Brownsea Island. At 2:30 Nathan, along with some others from his sub camp, were taken on a nature walk. The day concluded with Scouting's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party complete with bands, juggling acts and biscuit eating competitions.

On 1<sup>st</sup> August the day started early with a carnival followed by the Scouting's Sunrise Ceremony. The ceremony, which was beamed live to the Jamboree site, was an emotional affair, with a promise renewal and a point when everyone crossed the “Peace Bridge” to shake one another's hand. A short closing ceremony was held 10:35am at which each participant received a parting gift of a scarf and a badge commemorating the camp. The ferry and coach rides back to the Jamboree site were a far cry from the original journey – the first journey was a group of “strangers” on their way to Brownsea; the return journey a group of friends returning from an exciting and memorable experience.



### **SUNRISE CEREMONY & FOOD FAIR**

The entire camp rose early on the morning of 1<sup>st</sup> August. Most were up by 5:00am to get ready for the Sunrise Ceremony. Subcamps had to assemble by 6:00am to then make their way to the Arena. This was done in a set order so that everyone would not arrive at the same time. By the time the Troop reached their place in the Arena, the Support Team was still in the



Adult Area waiting to leave. Although they had assembled just after 6:00am, the Adult Subcamp did not leave until around 7:00am -they were scheduled to arrive last. By the time the Team reached the Arena it was impossible to join the Troop who were somewhere in the middle so they stayed in their position at the back of the Arena.

The ceremony got started just before 8:00am with a live link to Brownsea Island. At 8:00am the UK Chief Scout blew the Kudu horn to summon the Brownsea campers and to welcome the dawn of a new century of Scouting (our celebrations have been focused on the new century instead of dwelling on the one that has past). After this we all renewed our Scout Promise in our own language and then prayers were offered by scouts from the various faiths represented at the Jamboree along with a short presentation about their religion. We were also entertained with a dramatic presentation of the first Scout camp and the subsequent growth of Scouting to the largest youth movement in the world. During this presentation we were represented by Marlon Daniel running with our National Flag during the segment where the flags of the Scouting countries “overflowed” from the back of the stage onto the stage and then





into the area at the front of the stage and then back again. The current Lord Baden-Powell (B-P's grandson) was then welcomed on stage to greet the participants. After a few comments,



he then read a copy of B-P's final message which he felt was still relevant and fitting for the occasion. The ceremony then closed with a challenge to those present to see if they could collect at least 100 signatures on their Sunrise Scarf (the scarf that they were given to wear to the ceremony) from those present at the ceremony. The Team finally left the Arena around 10:15am to return to the Adult area leaving the Troop members there still

collecting signatures.

After lunch the Contingent started to prepare for the food fair. The Food Fair was a display of traditional food/sweets from the different countries by the Troops in their Subcamps. On the previous day, Mr. Hunte and Mrs. Jones had travelled to Chelmsford (the nearest town) to purchase the additional ingredients required to make fishcakes. By 2:00pm the Troop had setup its display of fishcakes (prepared by the boys), sugar cakes (white, pink and ginger) and sweetbread. The sugar cakes and sweetbreads (brought from home for this occasion) were cut into small "sample sized" pieces. The Subcamp members were then able to go around and sample the different things on display. Of course the sugar cakes, sweet bread and fish cakes were a big hit - especially the sugar cakes. They were all gone before the end of the fair (we had 100 sugar cakes which we cut into 6 pieces each - I am not sure how many pieces of sweet bread or fish cakes we had). It was certainly an interesting evening,



That night a Gifts of Peace concert was held at the Arena featuring professional entertainers. Only some of the Troop members attended as most of the Contingent was too tired. A spectacular fireworks display brought a close to an excellent day.

### HIGH COMMISSIONER'S VISIT

On 3<sup>rd</sup> August the Contingent awoke with a sense of anticipation for today we were expecting visitors from "home" – the Barbados High Commissioner and Perry's family who were also visiting England. After breakfast we proceeded with our regular routines: the Troop headed off to **Trash** its scheduled programme activity; Mr. Hunte and Mrs. Jones headed to the Contingent Pavilion to open it; and I headed to my usual Heads of Contingents meeting. After the meeting, I checked with the others at the Pavilion before heading to the main reception area to await the High Commissioner's arrival.

Shortly after the scheduled time, the Barbados High Commissioner to the UK, H.E. Mr. Edwin Pollard arrived accompanied by Mr. Peter Sealy. They were welcomed by the Head of Guest Services and were then introduced to me and their assigned guide. I was surprised to receive a left-handshake from both of them but later found out that they were both former Scouts. Actually the High Commissioner had attended the 50th anniversary Jamboree in 1957 at



Sutton Coal Field also in England and Mr. Sealy is a relative of Mrs. Joan Blunte ACC.

The High Commissioner and Mr. Sealy were given a tour of the public areas of the Jamboree site including the One World Gardens, Arena, Global Development Boulevard, Plaza and World Scout Centre. They were unable to visit the Troop area as visitors were not allowed in the Subcamps. At

the One World Centre we toured some of the Contingent Pavilions, including a brief stop at the Trinidad & Tobago Pavilion, before arriving at the Barbados Contingent Pavilion. At our



Pavilion, the High Commissioner and Mr. Sealy were welcomed by Mr. Hunte and Mrs. Jones, who gave them a tour of the Pavilion.

Shortly after that we were joined by the Troop, who had arrived from **Trash**. The High Commissioner was introduced to the members of the Troop and then he made a few brief remarks to the Contingent. After this he chatted with the boys about their experiences at Jamboree so far and shared some of his funnier recollections from the Jamboree of 1957. We then presented the High Commissioner and Mr. Sealy with Contingent Badges and took a group photo.

The High Commissioner and Mr. Sealy then bided the Contingent farewell and proceeded to the reception area accompanied by their guide and me. At the reception area lunch was served to all the special visitors for the day. During lunch they were joined by the Jamboree Camp Chief and some of his staff who, after a welcome from the Camp Chief, mingled with the visitors. After lunch, the High Commissioner and I returned to the Plaza to see some of the displays and to look for Mr. Sealy who had left for the Plaza during lunch.



I then accompanied them to the visitor's gate where we said our goodbyes after I thanked them for visiting us. Before leaving the High Commissioner invited the Contingent to attend a reception the High Commission was hosting for visiting members of the BCL on 9<sup>th</sup> August. We exchanged contact information so that we could contact him when we arrived in London after the Jamboree.

### CLOSING CEREMONY

After a busy day we prepared for the Closing Ceremony. The Team had spent the morning attending the last Contingent Leaders Meeting after which there was the official presenting and receiving of Contingent Gifts. The Troop spent the day dismantling and packing up their area. During dinner the rain started to fall heavily. It was as if even the heavens were shedding a tear because we had come to the end of this fabulous activity. Of course the rain did not stop the Closing Ceremony and the Subcamp moved off on time for the Arena. The Contingent (Troop and Support Team) donned in our rain ponchos waited for a lull in the rain before heading to the Arena (Mrs. Jones did not attend as she had a migraine). By the time the Team joined the Troop at the Arena, they had already been seated on the cold wet grass (no standing allowed).



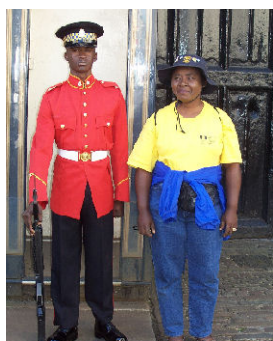
However, when the show began we were all enchanted by the colour and energy portrayed onstage. There were performances by the Jamboree dancers, Mexican dancers, an Irish band and Indonesian singers, among others. After the presentation, the Jamboree Flag was lowered and presented to members of the Swedish Association, who will host the next Jamboree in 2011. The Swedish Contingent then made a short presentation to whet our appetites for *"Simply Scouting"* in 2011.



The show ended at 11:00pm. with a long and spectacular fireworks display which illuminated the night sky accompanied by the singing of the Jamboree cast. It was fitting close to an exciting and memorable Jamboree.

## POST-JAMBOREE TRIP

After the Jamboree, the Contingent spent an extra four days in London. The Contingent stayed at the **Hotel 45** in Shepherds Bush and spent as much time as possible seeing some of the sights of London. On 8<sup>th</sup> August, our last day at Hylands Parks, the Contingent rose early and completed the task of striking camp (we had started from the day before by dismantling the Contingent Pavilion, and the Troop Gateway and packing up everything which would not be needed on the following day). By 1:00pm we had finished and had made the long trek to the main gate with our gear. We were assigned to Bus Stop #9 where we waited for our coach which arrived at 2:45pm. Arriving in London at the hotel about 2 hours later, we checked-in and assigned the boys to their rooms. Nathan was collected by his mother shortly after as he travelled back to Barbados with his family. The rest of the evening was spent exploring the immediate area around the hotel.



The next day, after breakfast (which was supplied by the hotel), we were collected by a coach for a prearranged guided tour. During the tour we saw several of the sights in London including Buckingham Palace, St. James Court, Parliament, Big Ben, and Trafalgar Square. While at St. James' we were able to witness the changing of the guards who were from the Jamaican Regiment. The tour ended at the Tower of London, where our guide left us. After touring most of the Tower we traveled by Tube to the Hotel. At the Hotel we quickly changed and set off by Tube to the Barbados High Commission for the BCL reception the High Commissioner had invited us to. A good time was had by all, especially the food – our first truly Bajan food since arriving in England.

The next day, the Contingent spent the morning in a shopping area before traveling after lunch to Madame Toussards. After an enjoyable tour of Madame Toussards, the Contingent traveled downtown to one of the large Game Arcades, where the boys spent the rest of the evening. Our last day was spent shopping. After breakfast the Contingent travelled to Oxford Street where they spent most of the day roaming the stores and doing some shopping. In the evening the Contingent returned to the Hotel, to pack and prepare for the trip home.



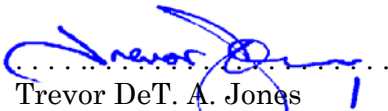
The Contingent rose early the next morning and had completed checking-out by 6:00am. – the time the coach was scheduled to arrive. We left Mr. Hunte at the Hotel as he spent some additional time in England with family. The coach did not arrive until after 6:30am. by which time all were wondering if we would make it to the airport in time to catch our flight. Although we arrived late, we were able to check-in on time as the check-in area was not crowded.



After an uneventful flight, we arrived in Barbados and quickly cleared Immigration and Customs. Outside the Arrivals Hall, we were greeted by family and friends. Also present was a Camera-man from CBC who filmed the arrival and interviewed the Contingent Leader. After a few words by the Leaders, the Contingent was dismissed by the Contingent Leader.

### CONCLUSIONS

I would like to take the opportunity to first thank the Almighty Father for a safe trip to the XXI World Scout Jamboree. Thanks also to the Chief Commissioner Dr. Nigel Taylor for the opportunity to lead the Contingent. I would like to especially thank the members of the Contingent, both boys and Leaders, for their support and exemplary conduct during the trip. Their conduct was evident by the many compliments I received including a letter from the High Commissioner attesting to this. To the parents who entrusted me with their sons, I thank you, especially for the way you rose above the challenges caused by a late start to ensure the trip was a success. Last but not least I would like to thank Consumer Guarantee Insurance Inc. and TJ Auto Supplies Ltd. for the assistance given and also to all those who supported our fund-raising ventures.

  
Trevor DeT. A. Jones  
Contingent Leader

## APPENDIX 1

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Barbados Boy Scouts Association  
XXI World Jamboree Contingent  
Statement of Income & Expenditure  
1st January, 2007 - 30th September, 2007**

**Income:**

Jamboree Fees	\$62,800.00	
Contributions & Donations	2,699.09	<sup>2</sup>
Fund Raising	11,376.97	<sup>3</sup>
Jamboree Bursaries (Regional Office)	6,409.91	<sup>4</sup>
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$83,285.97</b>

**Expenses:**

Airfare	35,370.70	
Contingencies	179.60	<sup>5</sup>
Contingent Pavilion & Food Fair	520.06	<sup>6</sup>
Contingent Website	318.37	<sup>7</sup>
Equipment	614.71	<sup>8</sup>
Gift for Host Association	120.00	
Jamboree Registration Fees	29,306.48	
Miscellaneous	563.08	<sup>9</sup>
Post-Jamboree Trip	9,478.27	<sup>10</sup>
Travel Insurance	1,512.00	
T-Shirts, Scarves, Duffle Bags, & Souvenirs	5,302.31	<sup>11</sup>
<b>Total Expense</b>		<b>83,285.58</b>
<b>Net Income Over Expenditure</b>		<b>\$0.39</b>

**Barbados Boy Scouts Association  
XXI World Jamboree Contingent  
Fund Raising Activities**

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Income</u>
<b>CONTINGENT BADGES</b>		
500 only Contingent Badges	US\$ 235.00	
100 only Large Contingent Badges	154.00	
Total Value	389.00	
Shipping/Handling	7.00	
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<u>US\$ 396.00</u>	
BDS Total	\$903.71	
Shipping, VAT & Brookerage	312.30	
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$1,216.01</u>	
Cost per Badge	\$1.47	
Cost per Large Badge	\$4.81	
258 only Badges for Souvenir Items at Cost		\$379.06
88 only Large Badges for Souvenir Items at Cost		423.64
165 only Badges Sold at \$3.00		495.00
8 only Large Badges Sold at \$9.00		72.00
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>\$1,369.69</u>
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>\$153.68</u>

**FISH FRY**

Ticket Sales		\$3,090.00
Bar Sales		230.00
Donations & Contributions		240.00
Sale of Excess Food & Drinks		221.48
Food Items	\$364.78	
Drinks & Ice	715.64	
Plates, Cups, Napkins, etc	121.39	
Security, Licences & Permits	50.00	
Sound System	0.00	
Tent, Toilet, etc.	0.00	
Miscellaneous	41.14	
<b>Total Cost</b>		<u>1,292.95</u>
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>\$2,488.53</u>



**OTHER**

Sale of National Camp Badges	\$70.00
Sale of Hats	150.00
Sponsored Walk (Less Expenses)	<u>8,514.76</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<u><u>\$8,734.76</u></u>

<b>Total Income from Fund Raising</b>	11,376.97
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**Barbados Boy Scouts Association  
XXI World Jamboree Contingent  
Cost of Souvenir Items**

**Cost of T-Shirts & Gym Bags**

60	only T-Shirts (3 Colours)	\$828.00
25	only Gym Bags	287.50
	Artwork & Screens	138.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,253.50</b>
	Cost per T-Shirt	\$15.51
	Cost per Gym Bag	\$12.92

**Cost of Windbreakers**

20	only Windbreakers @ \$12.99	US\$ 259.80
	Total Value	259.80
	Shipping/Handling	36.26
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>US\$ 296.06</b>
	BDS Total	603.60
	Shipping, VAT & Brookerage	208.58
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>812.18</b>
20	only Large Contingent Badges	96.28
	Labour Cost	80.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$988.46</b>
	Cost per Windbreakers	\$49.42

**Cost of Duffle Bags & Ponchos**

10	only Duffle Bag - 21" x 36" @ \$12.69	US\$ 126.90
42	only Rain Poncho @ 74¢	31.08
	Total Value	157.98
	Shipping/Handling	17.43
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>US\$ 175.41</b>
	BDS Total	357.62
	Shipping	305.84
	VAT & Brookerage	286.28
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>949.74</b>
25	only Large Contingent Badges	120.35
	Labour Cost (25 Duffle Bags)	100.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,170.09</b>

Cost per Duffle Bag	\$76.29
Cost per Rain Poncho	\$4.45

**Cost of National Scarves**

40 only National Scarves (Materials)	\$245.20
40 only Barbados Flag Badges	180.00
Labour Cost	300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$725.20</b>
Cost per Scarf	\$18.13

**Cost of Souvenir Packs**

258 only Contingent Badges	\$379.06
43 only Large Contingent Badges	207.00
27 only Barbados Badges	94.50
33 only Bridgetown District Badges	115.50
33 only Northern District Badges	99.00
60 only Barbados Flag Badges	270.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,165.06</b>
Cost per Pack	\$58.25

**Barbados Boy Scouts Association  
XXI World Jamboree Contingent  
Jamboree Fee Break-Down**

	<b>BUDGETED</b>		<b>ACTUAL</b>	
	<b>Per Member</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Per Member</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Contingent Size</b>		<b>30</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Camp Fee	\$1,808.10	\$54,243.00	1,628.14	\$29,306.48
Air Fare	2,100.00	63,000.00	1,965.04	35,370.70
Contingency	150.00	4,500.00	9.98	179.60
Equipment			34.15	614.71
Travel Insurance	30.00	900.00	84.00	1,512.00
Duffle Bags & Ponchos	60.00	1,800.00	65.01	1,170.09
Activity T-Shirts (3)	50.00	1,500.00	51.69	930.43
Scarves (2)	30.00	900.00	40.29	725.20
Windbreakers			54.91	988.46
Gym Bags			17.95	323.07
Badges & Souvenirs	20.00	600.00	64.73	1,165.06
Contingent Gift for Host	5.00	150.00	6.67	120.00
Contingent Pavillion			28.89	520.06
Contingent Website			17.69	318.37
Miscellaneous	20.00	600.00	31.28	563.08
Pre-Jamboree Activities	20.00	600.00	0.00	0.00
Post-Jamboree Activity	15.00	450.00	0.00	0.00
Home Hospitality			526.57	9,478.27
Donations	(100.00)	(3,000.00)	(149.95)	(2,699.09)
Fund-Raising	(200.00)	(6,000.00)	(632.05)	(11,376.97)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,008.10</b>	<b>\$120,243.00</b>	<b>\$3,844.97</b>	<b>\$69,209.52</b>
<b>Fees Collected</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>	<b>120,000.00</b>	<b>3,845.00</b>	<b>69,209.91</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$8.10)</b>	<b>(\$243.00)</b>	<b>\$0.02</b>	<b>\$0.39</b>

**Barbados Boy Scouts Association  
XXI World Jamboree Contingent  
Contingent Treasurer's Notes**

1. The exchange rate of GBP£1.00 = BD\$4.24268 was used to convert all GBP£ bills & receipts to BD\$. This was the selling rate received from the bank at the time of purchasing foreign exchange to take to England.
2. Donations were received from T.J. Auto Supplies Ltd. (cost of shipping & clearing of Windbreakes & Contingent Badges), and Consumer Guarantee Insurance (Travel Insurance).

A contribution of \$666.21 was received from the Association to supplement the money spent on equipment. This figure represents the funds left over from the XIII Caribbean Jamboree Contingent. The tents purchased with these funds will be turned over to Headquarters.
3. A series of fundraising events were held to help offset the cost of the Jamboree.
4. Two (2) Bursaries were received from the Regional Office as part of Operation One World. They had to be awarded to two Scouts who were not already registered with the Jamboree.
5. The Contingent was required to provide its own lunch on the first day at Jamboree as the first provided meal was dinner. Also it was necessary to purchase medication for those who were sick during the trip.
6. Materials were purchased to make the displays for the Contingent Pavilion. Sugar Cakes and the ingredients for fish cakes were purchased for the Food Fair.
7. A website was setup to allow the Contingent to keep in contact with family and friends at home. After returning home, it was agreed to keep the website running.
8. Required equipment not available from Troops or Headquarters was purchased. After the event some was sold and the remainder handed over to Headquarters.
9. Miscellaneous Expenses consisted of:
  - (a) Stationery items purchased (Receipt books, etc.).
  - (b) Fed-Ex fee for package sent to the Jamboree Office.
  - (c) Packing Materials - Duct Tape, Markers, etc.
  - (d) Top-ups for the Leaders' UK Cell Phones.
  - (e) Fees charged to change Traveller's Cheques to Cash.
10. The Contingent spent an extra four days in England after the Jamboree. This provided an opportunity to see more of London. This figure represents the cost for the extra days including, accommodation, tours, etc.



**Barbados Boy Scouts Association  
XXI World Jamboree Contingent  
Contingent Treasurer's Notes**

11. Each Contingent Member was provided with a pack which consisted of: three (3) Activity T-Shirts, two (2) Contingent Scarves, one (1) Windbreaker, one (1) Gym Bag, three (3) Rain Ponchos and one (1) Package of assorted Badges, Pins & Souvenirs. One (1) Duffle Bag and one (1) Hat was provided for those who did not attend the 2006 Caribbean Jamboree.

## APPENDIX 2

### THE BARBADOS CONTINGENT

BARBADOS BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION  
XXI WORLD JAMBOREE CONTINGENT  
CONTINGENT LIST

**Contingent Leader:** Jones, Trevor DeT. A.  
**Deputy Contingent Leaders:** Hunte, Wayne  
Jones, Sonia A.

	<u>Patrol #1</u>		<u>Patrol #2</u>
<b>Leader:</b>	Roach, Hamilton R.	<b>Leader:</b>	Charlemagne, Ryan L.
<b>P.L.:</b>	Griffith, David E. R.	<b>P.L.:</b>	Neblett, Daniel A.
<b>A.P.L.</b>	Catlin, Adrian S.	<b>A.P.L.</b>	Francis, Lamar A.
	Bynoe, Emaro J. S.		Lorde, Nathan R.
	Daniel, Marlon J.		Mayers, Christopher P. A.
	Ellis, Perry R.		Sabazan, Rene A.
	Grazette, Curtis P. A.		Wiggins, William J. T.
	Seale, Kamal A.		



## APPENDIX 3

### CONTINGENT LEADER'S LOG

#### WE'RE ON OUR WAY.

The Contingent checked-in without any hitches. The process was completed relatively quick as they dedicated an agent to checking in the group.

Immigration and Security were cleared without any problem.

We just hope that the flight will not be delayed as we anxiously await boarding time.

Later.

Trevor.

Contingent Leader.

(2007-07-26)

#### WE HAVE ARRIVED!

At 6:10am (our time) we touched down safely at London Gatwick.

After a very LONG walk we reached Immigration. Immigration was cleared quickly as we were pulled from the line and sent to one officer who processed us without any problems. After collecting our luggage and clearing Customs (no problems) we were met and welcomed by reps. from the Jamboree. While waiting for another Contingent to exit the luggage area we were joined by Nathan, our "missing" Contingent member who was already in England.

On exiting the building we were able to test our windbreakers as we were greeted to a "mild English morning" of 15 degrees. De windbreakers wukking! Special thanks to whomever it was that came up with the idea of sourcing them.

It is now 8:20am and we are on the coach on our way to the Jamboree site. On our coach are Scouts from Grenada and the Dominican Republic.

It is now 7:30pm. and I am now able to continue this log.

We arrived at the Check-in Centre at 9:35am. Mr. Roach and I proceeded inside to register while the others stayed on the coach. As it was relatively early, the centre was not crowded. I was able to register the members of the Contingent Support Team without any problem but Mr. Roach had a few hitches. When he was registering the Troop, he realised that the last two amendments we made to the Contingent List were not recorded even though they were submitted to the Jamboree Office (the first in June and the second on 8th July). The corrections were made and after waiting awhile for the system to update, we were able to register them.

We left the Check-in Centre at 11:10am. and proceeded to the Jamboree site. After a "short" drive we arrived at Hylands Park. Our driver made a mistake and entered through the wrong gate resulting in him dropping us off in front of our Subcamp. It so happened that when he was stopped by the staff and we were told to disembark, we realised we were about 10 feet from the Troop's Subcamp entrance. Of course the boys were disappointed that they missed the "20 minute" walk from the Main Gate to their campsite. :-)

After getting the tents pitched and having lunch we decided to make the trek to the Adult Camping Area where the Support Team is camping. Accompanied by the boys carrying the bags and cases with

the equipment and displays for the Contingent Pavilion, we made the "20 minute" walk to the Adult Camping Area. Obviously "20 minute walk" is the English equivalent to "just round de corner". With the bags it took more like 40 minutes to get to the area and then another 10 from the area's entrance to where we would be camping. If Mrs. Jones, Mr. Hunte and I had attempted that trip on our own as required (we had to beg them to let the boys into the area with the bags assuring them that they would leave immediately) we would be at the hospital now - either on the ward or in the morgue!

We will obviously have to review our plans on visiting the Troop - I think we will have to choose a mid-point and meet there in the future.

I suppose the boys have had their dinner by now and are settling in for an early night. On our side of the site Mr. Hunte is already asleep. Mrs. Jones and I had our dinner a little while ago and after relaxing in the Hub for a little while are leaving for our area to follow Mr. Hunte's example.

Later.

Trevor.

Contingent Leader.

(2007-08-27)

### **JAMBO HELLO!**

Jamboree has began!

Jamboree got off to a spectacular start with a show, parade of flags, fireworks and a royal appearance from the Duke of Kent (President of the UK Association) and HRH Prince William.

After a really cold night and morning, the sun came out before the ceremony and changed what promised to be a bleak day into a warm sunny one.

From as early as 11:00am, the various Subcamps started arriving at the arena escorted by a knight on horseback accompanied by a "fair maiden". By 1:00pm we were all seated on the grass awaiting the start of the opening ceremony.

The ceremony started with a musical presentation featuring the traditional music and dance of the four regions which make up the UK Association - England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Each section of the presentation accompanied by Scouts from the region running through the aisles dress in traditional costumes and carrying huge flags and two hot air balloons.

This was followed by a procession of flags from the countries represented at the Jamboree. The Barbados Flag was carried by Lamar Francis, while Daniel Neblett raised the Barbados Flag at the Avenue of Flags at the front of the arena when our name was called. We realised that one of our members had defected to another country as he was seen carrying the flag of another country at the ceremony - don't worry Kamal, I won't call any names.

After a couple of speeches and a message from Her Majesty, it was "discovered" that the World Flag need to officially open the Jamboree was "missing". It was quickly found and "delivered" by members of the Royal Air Force, four of whom braved strong winds to parachute in with it. It was then quickly raised and the Jamboree declared officially open.

After the Opening Ceremony, the Troop returned to their Subcamp while the Support Team familiarised ourselves with some more of the Jamboree site.

After checking on the Troop (who were either relaxing, bathing, trading badges, or preparing dinner) we returned to our area where we had dinner, relaxed a little and then turned in for the night.



Later.

Trevor.

Contingent Leader.

(2007-07-28)

PS. We have had a problem charging our phones and the laptop. The service that is in our area is periodic and when operating the line is very long (20+ minute wait and then 1hr. for charging). Hopefully we will find our Contingent Pavilion tomorrow where we should have an electrical outlet. The WiFi is not operational yet either so I have been unable to access the internet with the laptop. I tried using the internet cafe but was unable to upload photos with their system. I will see what happens tomorrow.

TJ.

### **RAIN, RAIN, GO AWAY!**

We awoke this morning to a wet and COLD campsite. From about 8:00pm last night we received showers of blessings which lasted to about 5:00am. In the adult area it went from muddy to swamp! It looked like it would be a cold and rainy day but it started to clear up around 9:00am.

Several of us had problems with leaking tents but they were not too bad. We had some wet duffle bags and other items not in plastic bags. A couple of sleeping bags got wet but luckily it was not enough water to soak through to the sleeping campers. However, spirits were high among our boys. Despite the cold and rain, there are no complaints or moaning (except from the Support Team) and I think the boys should be commended for this display of true Scouting Spirit.

The Troop went to the Starburst Activity today. Starburst comprises a community services project and demonstrates a Scout promise to "help other people". Our boys were transported to West Horndon in Essex where they cleared and painted a bridge along with some other Scouts. The activity lasted from 9:00am to midday. They had lunch and then took a short walk to the nearby estate of a multi-millionaire, and toured the ground.

In the meantime the Support Team started to setup the Contingent Pavilion. Yes we finally found it after a visit to Jamboree HQ (30min walk), then to the Contingent Support Centre (30min walk), then to find out that our booking was lost, so we were sent to see if we could find a free space among some being shared. We found one and reported our location (hopefully the persons assigned to this tent will not turn up and we will not have to move). Of course once locating an area we need to setup to mark our claim. We left Mrs. Jones to "hold" our spot, and Mr. Hunte and I journeyed back to our tents in the adult area (30min walk), to return with the big suitcase with the display boards (20min walk - we found a shortcut). We will transport the other items tomorrow.

On the Troops return to the Jamboree site, they joined us at the Pavilion and help with some of the setting-up. They then returned to their site after stopping in the Plaza (the main Hub) for a while.

We plan to leave here around 7:00pm., find some dinner in the Plaza and then return to our area for some rest after a tiring day.

Later.

Trevor.

Contingent Leader.

(2007-07-29)

### WELCOME THE MORNING SUN!

We awoke from what was our coldest night so far, to bright sunshine and clear skies. The weathermen have predicted sunny conditions in their 3 days forecast. Let's hope it last for the rest of the Jamboree.

Our Brownsea participants left early this morning for the trip to Brownsea Island. Nathan Lorde and David Griffith had to be up at 5:00am to get ready for their early departure. I am sure that they will have a great time at this once in a lifetime experience - reliving the first scout camp 100 years to the day later.

The Troop visited the Global Development Village during the morning period. The GDV is a half day activity designed to help Participants reflect on issues and challenges facing the global community. The session begins with a motivational drumming session, followed by a two hour workshop on one of four themes: environment, health, human rights or peace. The activity will end with a special event where Participants are encouraged to make a commitment to help make the world a little better when they return home.

After lunch, they were free to visit the various tents/booths in the Plaza or to visit the other Subcamp areas to trade patches and make new friends. Mr. Roach joined us at the pavilion, while Mr. Charlemagne used this time to catch up on his sleep as he was responsible for waking Nathan & David and ensuring that they left on time.

The Contingent Support Team opened the Contingent Pavilion for our first full day. It was a busy day as there were a lot of visitors to the Jamboree site and several of them came into the World Scout Centre (where the Pavilion is). We were surprised by the number of people who knew where Barbados is located or had heard of Barbados although they did not know its location. There were several who had visited or honeymooned in Barbados or had friends/family that did. We were kept busy answering questions about Barbados and Scouting in Barbados.

While Mr. Hunte & Mrs. Jones opened the Pavilion this morning, I attended my first Contingent Leader's Meeting. These meeting had been taking place since the beginning of the Jamboree, but we were never informed of them. While at the Resource Centre yesterday, I happen to see a notice reminding Contingent Leaders of the meeting. (We were not the only ones who did not know of them). At the meeting I realised that several of the concerns we had, had already been raised and addressed. It was just a case that we were not aware that the minutes of these meetings and the answers to the questions raised at the meeting had been placed in our mailbox. YES, we have a mailbox. Apparently it is located at the Resource Centre. Before this I had been in the Centre on 3 occasions and no one mentioned that we had a mailbox and there was mail in it. I cleared the mailbox that afternoon and along with the minutes there were invitations to receptions that had already taken place or were taking place as we read the mail, information on the opening ceremony (long gone), etc. However, now that we know, we will check it twice daily.

Later.

Trevor.

Contingent Leader.

(2007-07-30)

PS. We finally got our Sim cards so the full list of telephone numbers is as follows:

Hamilton Roach	011-44-7972-363511
Ryan Charlemagne	011-44-7972-822364
Trevor Jones	01144-7972-363617

Wayne Hunte      011-44-7972-821208  
Sonia Jones      011-44-7972-822381

### SPLASH! . . . . NOT!

We awoke to bright sunshine and clear skies again (it goes without saying that it was cold last night). The weathermen seem to be on the ball.

The Troop participated in **Splash!** today. **Splash!** is an all-day activity that takes place off-site. As the name implies it is a water themed day with activities both on and off the water and takes place 75km from Hylands Park at Alton Water Reservoir in Suffolk. Activities on the water include: kayaking, canoeing, dinghy sailing, bell boating, pulling and raft building. Only 4 of our boys participated in the activity. The others opted not to participate when they were informed that they would have to wear their soft-wear not slippers during the activity ("secure footwear" was required as they were unsure of any debris that may be at the bottom of the reservoir). The prospect of have wet cold shoes for the day was not inviting. They watched from the shore as Emaro, Lamar, Adrian, and Perry enjoyed the activities provided even though they got wet (needless to say that the reservoir is not heated). Those on shore enjoyed themselves as well. Like good Scouts they made the best of the situation and entertained themselves.

The Contingent Support Team got off to a late start this morning. We had had a late night as we did not close the Pavilion until late and then we visited the plaza for awhile before returning to the Adult Area. I barely had breakfast before I had to rush off to my Contingent Leaders Meeting. However the other two members of the Team missed breakfast and had to get something on their way to open the Pavilion. After my meeting, I visited the Troop area to find that they had already left. I then proceeded to the Pavilion to relieve Mr. Hunte and Mrs. Jones. They then took the shuttle to town (Chelmsford) to purchase supplies for the Food Fair on 1st August and a couple of things we need for the Contingent. They did not return until evening, which meant I had a busy day dealing with the visitors to the Pavilion. Luckily, they were not as many as the day before.

After they return from Splash, the Troop stopped by the Pavilion on their way to the campsite to download their pictures from the day's events. I am hoping to upload some more soon but the problem is I get about 70 to 100 photos from the boys and then I have to go through them to decide which to upload - I cannot upload all as space is limited.

We closed up after 7:00pm and returned to our area for dinner and then bed as we have a very early morning tomorrow - Sunrise Day.

Later.

Trevor.  
Contingent Leader.  
(2007-07-31)

### HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY!

The entire camp rose early this morning. Most were up by 5:00am to get ready for the Sunrise Ceremony. Subcamps had to assemble by 6:00am to then make their way to the arena. This was done in a set order so that everyone would not arrive at the same time. By the time the Troop reached their place in the arena, we were still in the adult area waiting to leave. Although we assembled just after 6:00am, the Adult Subcamp did not leave until around 7:00am - we were scheduled to arrive last (I could have gotten at least 40 minutes more sleep). By the time we reached the arena it was impossible

to join the Troop who were somewhere in the middle. We watched from the back of the arena. Luckily the night had not been too cold and the morning warmed up quickly - in fact it turned into our hottest day so far.

The ceremony got started just before 8:00am with a live link to Brownsea Island. At 8:00am the UK Chief Scout blew the Kudu horn to summon the Brownsea campers and to welcome the dawn of a new century of Scouting (our celebrations have been focused on the new century instead of dwelling on the one that has past). After this we all renewed our Scout Promise in our own language and then prayers were offered by scouts from the various faiths represented at the Jamboree along with a short presentation about their religion. We were also entertained with a dramatic presentation of the first Scout camp and the subsequent growth of Scouting to the largest youth movement in the world. During this presentation we were represented by Marlon Daniel carrying (or should I say running with) our National Flag during the segment where the flags of the Scouting countries "overflowed" from the back of the stage onto the stage and then into the area at the front of the stage and then back again. The current Lord Baden-Powell (B-P's grandson) was then welcomed on stage to greet us. After a few comments he then read a copy of B-P's final message which he felt was still relevant and fitting for the occasion. The ceremony then closed (around 9:00am) with a challenge to those present to see if they could collect at least 100 signatures on their Sunrise Scarf (the scarf that we were given to wear to the ceremony) from those present at the ceremony. We finally left the arena around 10:15am to return to the Adult area. A check with the Troop showed that only one Scout had returned to the area as yet.

By this time it had become a very warm day (almost hot) actually warm enough for some of us to wear short pants.

On our return to our area, we had lunch and then prepared to go to the food fair. The Food Fair was a display of traditional food/sweets from the different countries by the Troops in their Subcamps. On the previous day, we had purchased the ingredients to make fishcakes and the boys started to prepare them until we joined the Troop. We joined them in their Subcamp around 2:00pm with the sugar cakes and sweetbread we had brought from home for this occasion. The sugar cakes and sweetbreads were cut into small pieces and these were put out on a table in front of the Troop area. The Subcamp members were then able to go around and sample the different things on display. Of course the sugar cakes, sweet bread and fish cakes were a big hit - especially the sugar cakes. They were all gone before the end of the fair (we had 100 sugar cakes which we cut into 6 pieces each - I am not sure how many pieces of sweet bread or fish cakes we had). It was certainly an interesting evening; I know I sample several things that were new to me.

After the Food Fair, the Support Team returned to the adult area, while some of the Troop attended the Gifts of Peace concert at the arena. Later a spectacular fireworks display brought a close to an excellent day.

Later.

Trevor.

Contingent Leader.

(2007-08-01)

### HIGH COMMISSIONER VISITS

We awoke with a sense of anticipation for today we were expecting visitors from "home" - the Barbados High Commissioner and Perry's family who were also visiting England.

After breakfast, I headed to my usual Heads of Contingents meeting, as Mr. Hunte and Mrs. Jones headed to the Contingent Pavilion to open it. After the meeting, I checked with the others at the Pavilion before heading to the main reception area to await the High Commissioner's arrival.

In the meantime the Troop had completed their regular morning activities and had headed off to Trash. Trash is a half-day activity designed to encourage Participants to think about how we can re-use everyday materials and what impact our actions have on the planet. The activity contains four zones: Art, Challenge, Knowledge & Music.

Shortly after the scheduled time, the Barbados High Commissioner to the UK, H.E. Mr. Edwin Pollard arrived accompanied by Mr. Peter Sealy (who is a relative of ACC Joan Blunte). They were welcomed by the Head of Guest Services and were then introduced to me and their assigned guide. I was surprised to receive a left-handshake from both of them but later found out that they were both former Scouts. Actually the High Commissioner had attended the 50th anniversary Jamboree in 1957 at Sutton Coal Field also in England.

The High Commissioner & Mr. Sealy were given a tour of the public areas of the Jamboree site including the One World Gardens, the Arena, the Global Development Boulevard, the Plaza and the World Scout Centre. They were unable to visit the Troop area as visitors were not allowed in the Subcamps. At the One World Centre we toured some of the Contingent Pavilions, including a brief stop at the Trinidad & Tobago Pavilion, before arriving at the Barbados Contingent Pavilion. At our Pavilion, the High Commissioner and Mr. Sealy were welcomed by Mr. Hunte and Mrs. Jones, who gave them a tour of the Pavilion.

Shortly after that we were joined by the Troop, who had arrived from Trash. The High Commissioner was introduced to the members of the Troop and then he made a few brief remarks to the Contingent. After this he chatted with the boys about their experiences at Jamboree so far and shared some of his funnier recollections from the Jamboree of 1957. We then presented the High Commissioner and Mr. Sealy with Contingent Badges and took a group photo.

The High Commissioner and Mr. Sealy then bided the Contingent farewell and proceeded to the reception area accompanied by their guide and me. At the reception area lunch was served to all the special visitors for the day. During lunch they were joined by the Jamboree Camp Chief and some of his staff who, after a welcome from the Camp Chief, mingled with the visitors. After lunch, the High Commissioner and I returned to the plaza to see some of the displays and to look for Mr. Sealy who had left for the Plaza during lunch.

I then accompanied them to the main gate where we said our goodbyes after thanking them for visiting us. Before leaving the High Commissioner invited the Contingent to attend a reception the High Commission was hosting for members of the BCL the night after we are due to arrive in London. We exchanged contact information so that we could contact him when we arrived in London after the Jamboree.

After they left, I returned to the Contingent Pavilion. The Troop had left shortly after the High Commissioner and was visiting the various Pavilions and the Global Development Boulevard. We were later visited at the Pavilion by the Ellis' (Perry's family) who spent a while with us discussing their trip so far.

Later in the evening, the Troop returned to their Subcamp for their usual evening programme. The Team closed the Pavilion at the scheduled time and then we make the trek back to the Adult Area for dinner and a deserving rest after a busy day.

Later.

Trevor.  
Contingent Leader.  
(2007-08-03)

### **JAMBOREE ENDS WITH A BANG!**

We awoke this morning with a different feeling in the camp. All around tents were being struck. Several people would be leaving right after the closing ceremony, some before depending on the flights, trains, boats or busses they were able to book. All three of the Support Team went to the Contingent Leaders' Meeting this morning. As it was the final meeting it was in uniform, as there would be a Contingent Leaders Photo and the official presentation of gifts to the host association. This is why one of the others was needed as we had to take our own photographs of the presentation. As it was the last, the meeting was short. Then came the task of trying to get a hundred and something adults together to take a photo (getting them to stay still was impossible - and we talk about the boys). We then waited to present the gift from the Contingent to the Jamboree Director. After this was completed, we collected the gift for our Association from the host, and then Mr. Hunte and Mrs. Jones proceeded to the Troop area to see how they were progressing with their dismantling.

While they were doing this, I had the "pleasure" of trying to find a fax machine so that I could fax some last minute details for our collection to our tour rep. Of course the fax was not near but I got to see a part of the site that none of our members had seen - Warehouse and Site Operations. The operations on this site never cease to amaze. The warehouse was an actual size warehouse - but a tent - a massive tent - but a tent. I then had to see the Jamboree Manager to ensure that our fees were all paid and to settle any expenses that had been incurred since at the Jamboree (Sim cards, etc.). This completed, I joined the Troop who had already completed dismantling their Gateway and other non-essential items.

After we had made our plans for the next day, the Support Team accompanied by some of the boys made our way to the Contingent Pavilion to dismantle the tent. On our arrival we found that one of the other contingents was in our tent. The Leader explained that they were spending the night there as they had to leave early in the morning and that they would dismantle the tent before they left. Of course we did not object.

The boys spent some time in the Plaza before returning to the Troop area. We decided to head to our area early, so that we would have enough time to eat and get ready for the Closing Ceremony. As we were having dinner, the rain started to fall (as predicted by the weathermen). During a lull we made it back to our tents but then it was down again. It was as if even the heavens were shedding a tear because we had come to the end of this fabulous activity. Of course this "light rain" did not stop those around us from preparing to go to the Closing Ceremony, as we (Troop and Support Team) huddled in our tents trying to keep dry and warm. As the rain eased a bit, Mr. Hunte and I donned our rain ponchos and headed to the Closing (Mrs. Jones remained behind as she had a migraine). By the time we reached the Arena, the Troop had also left their tents and was already seated - yes seated on the wet grass - you were not allowed to stand. Of course they were sitting on the ponchos.

The Ceremony started shortly after with flashbacks from the different activities at the Jamboree. This was followed by cultural performances from a few of the Contingents. This was followed by a brief presentation from the Swedish Scouts, who will be hosting the next World Jamboree. The Jamboree Flag was then lowered and handed over to the Swedish Scouts. This was followed by an amazing fireworks display. The Jamboree cast gave one final performance which included the audience singing along to the now familiar lyrics. The curtain came down around 11:00pm. with even more fireworks.



Everyone left the arena, returning to their campsites, discussing spectacular closing to this Jamboree.

Later.

Trevor.

Contingent Leader.

(2007-08-07)

### GOODBYE HYLANDS...HELLO LONDON.

We awoke to a cold morning - our last morning at Hylands Parks. A look at the sky revealed the promise of a sunny day. By 8:00am this was confirmed and we knew that we would not have a problem drying out the tents before packing. Our plan was to be packed and to move closer to the gate by midday as we were scheduled to arrive at the main gate (our departure point) by 1:20pm. By 10:00am, the Troop had also completed striking their tents and sent 5 of the boys to assist the Support Team with our tents and the equipment kept in our area. By 12:00am the Troop started to move towards the gate and was able to get their bags transported by one of the Jamboree vehicles. This service was not available in the Adult Area, so we started the long trek to the main gate with the 12 duffle bags and cases between the 8 of us. The additional help that we had summoned before starting did not arrive until we had made it 2/3 of the way to the gate. We arrived at the main gate just after 1:00pm and joined the rest of the Troop. After a light lunch, I then went to find out where we had to go to meet our coach. We were assigned to Bus Stop #9 and proceeded to move the bags to the Stop. The boys then went to collect the Troop equipment from the place where it was dropped off along with Mr. Charlemagne at the end of the main gate area (#9 is in the middle). By 1:45pm we had moved everything to Bus Stop #9 and were our coach which was supposed to collect us at 2:00pm. Of course the main gate area was "bare confusion" as you had a situation where 30,000 people were departing in a 48-hour period. Our coach finally got on the site at 2:45pm after having to go to North Weald to register and receive a pass for the Jamboree site. We loaded our bags on the coach and, as we boarded, we said goodbye to Hylands Park our home for the last 13 days.

We arrived in London at the hotel about 2 hours later. After unloading the coach, we discovered that we would not be staying at Hotel 65 but rather Hotel 45 (operated by the same people). Of course, the coach had already left, so we made the "trek" to Hotel 45 (approx. 10 buildings up the street). The Hotel is a converted house (for those of you who have never been to England, the houses are "attached" to each other similar to the way NHC build houses). The rooms are clean and very nicely furnished just small (but a lot bigger than a tent). They each have their own bathroom which is about the size of the ones we had at camp (if you put the camp toilet and shower cubicles together). However, they have hot & cold water (at camp the showers were hot only and the sinks cold only). After settling in the boys and Mr. Roach, Mr. Charlemagne and Mr. Hunte decided to take a walk and see our immediate area before getting something to eat. Mrs. Jones and I have decided to do some necessary laundry and afterwards get something to eat as well. (At least I will get some time to finish my logs while waiting for the laundry to finish.)

I think it is safe to say that we will all be going to bed early for a goodnight's rest in a BED.

Later.

Trevor.

Contingent Leader.

(2007-08-08)



## APPENDIX 4

### CONTINGENT NOTES

#### OPENING CEREMONY

*As experienced by Daniel A. Neblett*

After settling down for a couple days, it was time to officially open the 21st World Scout Jamboree. The amazing opening ceremony took place on the 28th of July, 2007. The Sub-camp leaders and mascots got the festivities started about an hour before we left for the Arena with small parties in each sub-camp. Following the parties we headed down to the arena where the show started around 1:30 with a spectacular display of fireworks followed immediately by dances introducing the four countries of the United Kingdom. Prince William and the Duke of Kent made their way through the crowd to the stage where they took up special places from which they could view the ceremony. The journey of the world scout flag from it's previous resting place in Thailand, via London Taxi, was shown on the screens just before it was delivered by parachutists who landed at Hylands Park. The WOSM flag was raised and this was followed closely by the parade of and raising of the national flags of the represented countries. The afternoon ended with a spectacular display of indigenous dancing after which we went back to our sub-camps and turned in for the night.

#### SPLASH!

*As experienced by Emaro J. S. Bynoe*

Splash was an offsite activity at Alton Water Reservoir in Suffolk. At Splash each person got a ticket which had on what type of water activity you would do. I got raft building. I went over to the point where raft building was being done. When I got there I had to wait until the session that was going on was finished and when it was finished the rest of us who were waiting to go in were allowed to go in. When I got in we waited until everyone was inside. The instructor told us that would be building a raft out of logs, barrels and some rope. We were then asked to get into groups of seven people but since the number of people was uneven my group had in eight scouts. My group was made up of three Scouts from Switzerland, one Scout from California and three Scouts from Philippians. We were shown an example of how the raft is supposed to look like. We put logs vertically parallel with thirteen inches separating them to each other with two feet in the middle of them and two other were perpendicular to the four logs. We then tied the joints together with six half hitches and the clove hitch. After that we laid the structure on four hollow barrels. We then wrapped the structure onto the barrels with rope and ending it off with a clove hitch.



When we finished the raft we got life jackets and paddles and lifted our raft by the lake. The instructor gave each group a bucket and told us that there was a Scout Leader on a floating platform throwing out balls. So we have to fill up our bucket with the balls and bring them back. A Scout from the Philippines swam to get the balls and bring them back. When our bucket was full we paddled back to shore. We were then told to dismantle the raft and put them back how we found them. Then we left.

### SUNRISE DAY & FOOD FAIR

*As experienced by Kamal A. Seale*

The 1st August, 2007 was an important day across the world of scouting. It was the centenary day commemorating the first ever scouts camp, which initially started scouting. Scouts around the world got up early to witness the rise of the sun. This day at Jamboree was called Sunrise Day.

The Barbados contingent woke up at 5 a.m., got dressed and ate breakfast. We replaced our Jamboree scarves with special sunrise scarves that were provided for us. The Sunrise Ceremony started around 8 o'clock with a video presentation of how scouts were helping others around the world. These included scouts working to help some countries recover from natural disasters. Footage was also shown from the first ever scout camp on Brown Sea Island.

Following these presentations, a video link was made with the scouts on Brown Sea Island. We saw that the scouts on the island had built a bridge; called the Peace Bridge, on the very spot where Lord Baden Powell opened the first scout camp. Like Lord Baden Powell, the English Chief Scout blew a Kudu horn to summon the Brown Sea campers. Afterwards he gave a speech explaining how he felt about the Jamboree. Following this, a speech written by Lord Baden Powell himself was read by his grandson, also named Baden Powell. After the ceremony, everyone was given the challenge of trying to get 100 different signatures on his or her sunrise scarf.

Sunrise Day was also a day of great cuisine because the various contingents prepared their countries delicacies. We prepared fish cakes and served sweet bread and sugar cakes, in which our fellow scouts from across the world loved. The Barbados contingent also got the opportunity to try other delicacies from other countries. These included peanut butter and jelly (PB&J) sandwiches from the USA, tea from the British and Brazilian banana candy.

### BROWNSEA ISLAND

*As experienced by Nathan R. Lorde*

After having awoken at 3:30am on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July and meeting the other campers from the Dune Subcamp, I along with them left for the entrance of the Jamboree site. We had breakfast and were placed in one of four Subcamps: bulls, ravens, curlews and wolves I was placed in the wolves Subcamp. We left by coach at 7:03am for Poole, arriving at this harbor around 12:30 pm. we boarded a ferry which took us at Brownsea Island within 15minutes of our boarding at 1:15pm. on Brownsea island there was a short opening ceremony, followed by lunch and a visit to the Rhythm Center. There I, along with my Subcamp, made makeshift instruments in preparation for this night's carnival. We then paid a short visit to the African scouting region tent and went to our Subcamps. We returned to the Marquee where we had previously opened the camp. We had dinner which was followed by the carnival and concert in the Marquee. Everyone then went to bed around midnight.

On the morning of the thirty-first the camp was awoken at 7am for breakfast at 8 and a morning of activities which one did with a group of about ten from one Subcamp. My group did archery, coracle building and visited the health global development center and the European scouting region tent. After lunch around ten 12:30 I visited the amateur radio station at 1pm and the replica of the 1<sup>st</sup> scout camp on Brownsea Island at 2:10. At 2:30 I, along with some others from my sub camp, was taken on a nature walk. We then participated in a conservation project where we cleared part of the forest of of a poisonous weed. After a short free period everyone had dinner at 6.30. I then took out some time with my friends to visit the Asia and Pacific and the Inter-American Scouting Regions' Tents. At 8.15 I joined the Scouting's Birthday Party at the marquee, complete with bands, juggling acts and biscuit eating competitions. Around midnight again everyone went to bed.

On the 1st August the camp awoke at 4.30 a.m. in preparation for the Scouting Sunrise Ceremony. It was preceded at 7.35 by a carnival. At 8.00 p.m. the ceremony began. It was an emotional affair, with a promise renewal and a point when everyone crossed the "Peace Bridge" to shake one another's hand. The band of Explorer Scouts which was part of the act the night before led the singing. After the ceremony we all had breakfast around 9.35, followed by a short closing ceremony at 10.35. We were all given a parting gift of a scarf and badge commemorating the camp. At 12.40 I boarded the ferry to Poole with all the new friends I had met in the Wolves' Subcamp. I then boarded a coach back to Hyland's Park, the site of the Jamboree at 1.20 p.m. The uneventful ride which ended at 4.40 seemed an almost unnatural ending to such an exciting two days.

## **BROWNSEA ISLAND**

*As experienced by David E. R. Griffith*

On Monday 30th July the anticipation of preparing for Brownsea Island was in the air for me, as I met up with the other campers of our Subcamp. After walking to the main gate, we were put into four groups which were named Bull, Ravens, Curlews and Wolves. We were then put on the buses and start on our drive. After two hours I awoke to find that we were at a gas station and we were told to sit on the bus. After 15 minutes we started to drive to Brownsea Island again and when we got to the dock, I boarded a boat call "Lady Princess".

On arrival at Brownsea Island, we were met by the Leaders of the Subcamp. While I walked I saw the flags of the country that were represented on the island. At the opening ceremony we were given the Brownsea scarf and we had to tie a friendship knot in the scarf of one of the other persons. After the ceremony we had lunch, and then we went to the Rhythm centre where we made instruments out of cups, paper, tubes and buttons. We also paid a visit to the memorial stone of the first camp and then we collected our bags and went to our Subcamp.

On awaking to the sounds of voices on the 31st July, we were told that we had some actives for us to do. I did a reaction course on which you use a bamboo, rope and pipe and try and get a golf ball to the end of it. I then had lunch and then I went around to the tent where there were displays from the Inter-American and African Regions. We also went to the place where the first 20-boy camp was held. I helped build a bridge which brought enjoyment to me and then we had a party for the night.

On 1st August, I awoke to the sounds of happiness of the Subcamp Leaders. After eating breakfast we had to do some tai-chi and then we took our flag and walked to the bridge. While renewing the Scout Promise a tear came to my eye, as I saw the Scouts from the different countries of the world renewing the Promise - it was cool. Afterwards we said goodbye to the Subcamp Leaders and returned to the Jamboree.

## **TRASH**

*As experienced by Marlon J. R. Daniel*

This activity was made up of four stages. Stage one was ART. In this stage we use discarded material to create the number 100. We used such things as cones, bottle and muffler. Stage2 was "KNOWLEDGE" - it was a quizz based on the world's waste. Stage3 was a practical activity constructing a walkway out of planks of wood and used milk cartons.

Stage4 was the best part of the "TRASH" activity. It was a "MUSIC" based section. In this stage we made music using trash cans as instruments - that section was called drums. The next section was

called metals which consisted of using shopping carts, and metal sticks. The third and final section was called shakers which consisted of using shack-shacks.

This activity lasted approximately one hour and all the members of the Barbados contingent took part.

### CLOSING CEREMONY

*As experienced by Nathan R. Lorde*

Under a steady drizzle we, the entire Barbadian contingent in the Dune sub camp, left our campsite around 8.15 p.m. for the closing ceremony in the nearby arena. We were all in our uniforms and covered in our plastic ponchos as we trudged through the wet conditions to reach the arena. On arrival most of us were annoyed at being made to sit on the cold and wet ground.

However, when the show began we were all enchanted by the colour and energy portrayed onstage. There were performances by the Jamboree dancers, Mexican dancers, an Irish band and Indonesian singers, among others. There was the lowering of the Jamboree flag and the handing over of this flag to the Swedish Scouts, who will host the next International Jamboree in 2011. These Swedish Scouts also performed a short role play for the audience.

To end the show there was a spectacular fireworks display which illuminated the night sky which was accompanied by the singing of the Jamboree cast. Some of us even engaged in throwing "glow sticks" into the air, as many of the other Scouts seated around us were doing in jubilation. When the ceremony ended at 11.00p.m. it was this wonderful display that we took away from the show, which was a fitting close to the enjoyable time we spent at the Jamboree.

### LONDON

*As experienced by Adrian S. Catlin*

#### **Day 1**

On Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of August 2007 we the Barbados Scout contingent arrived at hotel no. 65 in Shepherd's Bush only to find out that we were actually staying at hotel no. 45 which was not too far from there. We settled in the snug hotel fairly quickly where yours truly, Perry Ellis and David Griffith occupied room 9. We watched the thrilling TV series, *Heroes*, before we showered and went to sleep.

#### **Day 2**

We awoke at 6:15a.m and freshened up before we rendezvoused downstairs with the whole contingent to walk to hotel 65 for breakfast at 7:00a.m which was basically toast and juice. We returned to hotel 45 after breakfast and prepared to go touring London. The bus driver (Paul) came a bit late but we were set for our tour with our then tour guide Sarah Cooper. We visited Buckingham palace for the change of the guards as well as Big Ben among other places.

#### **Day3**

This day started like all the other days except that we were late for breakfast. After breakfast we went shopping near to where we were staying. We then went on the subway after which we did more shopping. We then visited Madame Tussards which was thrilling especially with the gentleman from 'Pirates of the Caribbean' who posed as a wax figure. As it became late the contingent decided to have a snack and then go to the arcade for a night of entertainment. Eventually, we made our way back to the hotel where we rested for the night.



#### **Day 4**

After we awoke and had breakfast, we went back to the hotel to rest for a short while. After everyone was finished breakfast, we headed for the subway to catch a train. After we arrived at our destination we were sorted into groups of three. After this, we dispersed and visited different locations that appealed to us. This was of course after we had something to eat at McDonalds. After being back and forth for quite a while we took a break after which we visited a shoe store that was not too far from the hotel.

After everyone had shopped to their hearts desire, the contingent returned to the hotel. Everyone then headed back out to have dinner but I stayed because I wasn't feeling well. Everyone eventually returned to the hotel where the contingent had lights out for the final time in London.

#### **Day 5**

The morning came like an unwanted stranger. Everyone prepared unwillingly to leave hotel 45 for the last time. The bus was late but it arrived nevertheless and the contingent was prepared to go to the airport and by extension Barbados.



## APPENDIX 5

### LETTER FROM THE BARBADOS HIGH COMMISSIONER

#### *Barbados High Commission*

H.E. Mr. L. Edwin Pollard, OBE  
High Commissioner for Barbados  
in the United Kingdom



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17 August 2007

Mr Trevor DeT A Jones  
Scout Leader  
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Dear Trevor

#### Jamboree Contingent

It was a pleasure to meet the Barbados contingent at the Jamboree site and again at the High Commission. I feel compelled to write and tell you how very impressed I was with the boys. Your entire team proved to be excellent ambassadors for Barbados. Many persons have commented on the good conduct and high evidence of discipline within the group.

Heartiest congratulations and do pass on my best wishes to the other leaders.

Yours sincerely

L. EDWIN POLLARD, OBE  
High Commissioner



## APPENDIX 6

### XXI WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE ITEMS

#### JAMBOREE BADGE & LOGO



#### JAMBOREE THEME

"One World – One Promise"

#### JAMBOREE SONG

##### JAMBO

You've got to try just a little, to make a better day  
You've got to try just a little, and your hope will find a way  
You've got to work just a little, to find the friend in you  
And if you hurt just a little, maybe a friend will help you too  
Face your doubt with unity, all the colours that you bring  
Live each day in harmony, come and sing it

##### Chorus

Jambo-Hello, It's a World Scout Jamboree  
A hundred years to date, let's all celebrate  
Jambo-Hello, join together always be  
One world-One Promise  
One world-One Promise

Why don't we help one another, that's what we're here to do

There's so much to learn from each other, to do the best that you can do.

Why don't we all work together, it's a better way to live  
And if we look to the future, we'll have so much more to give

Join the fun, here in the sun, it's our centenary  
Everyone, sing along, let the whole world hear us

### Chorus

Join-together, work-together, sing-together, (we will walk hand in...)  
We'll have fun-together, friends forever, to make the world as one

### Chorus

## PROGRAMME (DUNE SUBCAMP)

<b>Dune</b>			
	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Afternoon</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Friday 27th July</b>	Arrivals Orientation		
<b>Saturday 28th July</b>	Sub Camp Activities Opening Ceremony		
<b>Sunday 29th July</b>	Starburst		Challenge 100
<b>Monday 30th July</b>	GDV	Choice Time	World Showcase
<b>Tuesday 31th July</b>	Splash!		Vigil
<b>Wed 1st August</b>	Sunrise Day		
<b>Thursday 2nd August</b>	TerraVille		Party Time
<b>Friday 3rd August</b>	Trash	Choice Time	Spectrum
<b>Saturday 4th August</b>	Gilwell Adventure		Sub Camp Fiesta
<b>Sunday 5th August</b>	Choice Time	Elements	Hylands Games
<b>Monday 6th August</b>	AquaVille		Carnival
<b>Tuesday 7th August</b>	Packing up Closing Ceremony		
<b>Wed 8th August</b>	Departures		