

# Gilwell Gazette

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SR-866

## Gilwell Time

A number of you have commented on the lack of times on the schedules in the Gazettes. That is because we are on "Gilwell Time". This is a concept that dates back to the original Wood Badge courses and is based on the concept that when you are Scouting, time really isn't all that important!



Activities are planned to occur in a sequence rather than strictly following the real world clock. So take a break from the time constraints forced upon us outside of the gates of Gilwell and let your SPL worry about keeping the day progressing as it should and keeping us all on 'schedule'.

Speaking of the real world clock, don't forget that the end of Daylight Savings Time was pushed back to November 4th this year. On August 8, 2005, President George W. Bush signed the *Energy Policy Act of 2005*. This Act changed the time change dates for DST in the U.S. beginning in 2007.

## More History on The Beads

From 1923 to 1925 a small coloured bead was worn above the knot on the necklace. The beads were red, yellow or green and indicated to which section of the Movement the wearer belonged.

The Deputy Camp Chiefs and Akela Leaders were given four beads, of which one was an original Dinizulu bead. Assistant Leader Trainers wore, and still wear, three beads.

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## Troop 1 Returns To Gilwell

After three weeks of rest and relaxation, Troop 1 returns to Gilwell Field at Camp Karankawa. As I snap back to reality from my sleep deprived state, I realize that most of you have been very busy as well writing those tickets and having patrol meetings to work on your project, songs and skits.

The final weekend of SR-866 begins this morning and features the outdoor experience. This weekend is all about being outdoors, learning, fellowship and hard work while giving back to our environment and Camp K.

The Troop Guides report that your tickets are well on their way with a number of tickets already written and approved.

Welcome Back!



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"But the real way to get happiness is by giving out happiness to other people. Try and leave this world a little better than you found it and when your turn comes to die, you can die happy in feeling that at any rate you have not wasted your time but have done your best. 'Be Prepared' in this way, to live happy and to die happy - stick to your Scout Promise always - even after you have ceased to be a boy - and God help you to do it."

Robert Baden-Powell

# TRIVIA



## The Ideal Scout

This statue is called the Ideal Scout. There is an original and two copies.

Do you know where they are?

Which one is the original?

The Scribes would like to remind everyone that electronic devices (phones and texting devices for example) are not allowed during the classes and activities. In that spirit, we ask that this include the Trivia Questions in the Gazette. This will keep it fun for all of the patrols. Remember the first point of the Scout Law, A Scout is Trustworthy.

### The Last Trivia Answer:

The most important word in the Boy Scout Law is "IS".

Congratulations go to Sally Deckard of the Bear patrol for submitting the correct answer first.

## Beads

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Wolf Fang - Akela's Wood Badge

The Wolf Fang, the Akela's Wood Badge, was introduced in 1922 and went out of use in 1924 or '25. Akela trainers wore two teeth. There are known examples of wooden 'teeth'. The Akela Fang shown here (from the John Ineson Collection) belonged to Hazel Addis, one-time HQ Commissioner for Wolf Cubs and long-term contributor to Scouting magazine.

When the Beads ran out!



Baden-Powell's Personal 6 Beads

At the end of the first Wood Badge course, participants were awarded two of the original beads. B-P invited the winners to attend the Restaurant at Imperial Headquarters, where the awards were presented. Shortly afterwards, it was realized that the beads were a very limited

commodity and future winners were presented with only one bead, the recipient being sent into the Gilwell Woods to make a copy of it from fallen twigs.

## Gilwell Park

Did you know (continued)...

On the Buffalo Lawn is a bronze Buffalo, given by the Boy Scouts of America in memory of the unknown Scout who led to the creation of the Boy Scouts in America.

The land was previously owned by King Henry VIII, who built a hunting lodge for his son Edward. A later owner built around the lodge, which eventually became the White House.

Behind the White House is the stone balustrade from the London Bridge which was removed in 1923.



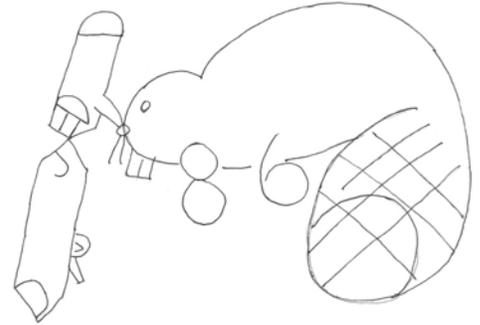
By 1929 there had been 29 Cub courses, 73 Scout courses, 8 Rover courses and 5 Commissioner courses - a total of 115 courses. If we suppose an average of 25 graduates per course, 2,875 beads would have been needed - and that is if participants only had one - never mind B-P's six and Sir Percy Everett's six! There cannot have been half as many beads as that in the original Dinizulu necklace. In fact, some accounts of Dinizulu's necklace state that the beads graduated from 4" downward (see the differences in size in the image above of B-P's six beads), though this is not apparent from the photograph of Dinizulu shown above. If this gradation in size were the case, there would have been even fewer beads available for B-P's purpose. The need for replica beads was acknowledged in Scouting for Boys 1926 edition which states "**The**

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# PATROL NEWS

## Bad smellin' teepee

Two Indians, Running Bear and Little Beaver went to the outhouse teepee, situated on the edge of a cliff. After using the outhouse teepee, they went back to the village. The next day, they again went to the outhouse teepee. Running Bear said, "Terrible, terrible, the outhouse teepee smells to high heaven! What should we do? We can't ever use it smelling like that!" Little Beaver suggested, "Why don't we just push the outhouse teepee over the cliff, and go build another one?" They both agreed and pushed the outhouse teepee over the cliff.



A few days later, the chief of the tribe called a pow wow. He asked, "Who threw the outhouse teepee over the cliff?" No one answered. He then told this story.

When George Washington was a little boy, his father asked, "Who chopped down the cherry tree?" Little boy George Washington answered, "It was I father." His father was so pleased with the answer, that he rewarded Little George Washington, and later in life, he became the Great leader of his nation.

"Now again, I ask, who pushed over the outhouse teepee?" Little Beaver said, It was I that pushed over the outhouse teepee, thinking he would get a reward. In that moment, the Chief jumped on Little Beaver and severely beat him. He ended up in the hospital.

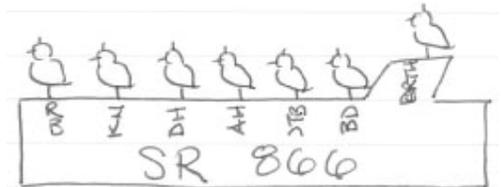
A month later, the Chief was visiting the hospital, and came across Little Beaver. Little beaver asked, "Chief, how come you beat me up?"

The Chief answered, "George Washington's father wasn't in the Cherry Tree!"

Submitted by Juli Martin

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The Bobwhite Patrol has been busy sending lots of emails and attending patrol meetings to "be prepared" for the final weekend of WoodBadge. We have practiced our presentation for Theodore Cleaver's Preschool Pack, studied our skit, fancied up our flag, ordered our outfits, tidied up our tickets, selected our song and preened our plumage in preparation for a wonderful weekend. Things we learned:



- 2 weekends of WoodBadge -----\$175
- New backpacking equipment -----\$450
- Learning that pink Beaver tails are flammable -----Priceless!!

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## Great News from the Bears!

On Tuesday, October the 9th after our first weekend J.R. Frausto's wife gave birth to their son Max. He is already practicing being a 'courteous' scout since he was kind enough to wait until after the first weekend.



# Beads

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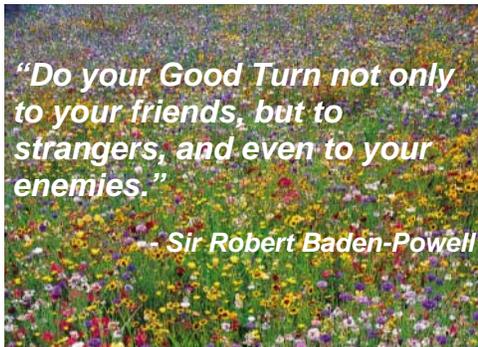
**Badge consists of two facsimiles of the Beads forming the necklace originally belonging to Chief Dinizulu . . . "**



Dingane, Shaka's half brother

Perhaps the introduction of the Akela Wolf's fang in 1922 was an attempt at further conservation, and its withdrawal by 1925 was a recognition of the fact that there was no further purpose in conservation, as all of the beads had run out.

When the beads had all been used up, Wood Badge winners might still be lucky enough to be awarded an original if, perhaps through death, some original beads had been returned to the Scout Association.



How many boots, could a Bobwhite wear, if a Bobwhite could wear boots?

Submit your answer (in writing) to Boots with name and guess... One guess per participant by Sunday breakfast.

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

WHAT	WHERE
Arrive and Meet at Pavilion by 8 AM	
Patrol & Troop Photos	Gilwell Field
Troop Assembly	Gilwell Field
Troop Activity - Travel to Overnight Experience	
Leave No Trace Campsite	
Patrol Campsite Setup	Campsite
Troop Presentation - Leading Change	Presentation Area
Short Break	
PLC / Lunch Prep	Campsite
Lunch	Campsite
Troop Presentation - Valuing People & Leveraging Diversity	Presentation Area
Short Break	
Troop Presentation - Problem Solving and Decision Making	Presentation Area
Troop Activity - Problem Solving Round-Robin	Presentation Area
Patrol Presentation—Managing Conflict	Campsite
Patrol Meeting	Campsite
Dinner	Campsite
Patrol Activity - Diversity Game	Campsite
Troop Activity - Troop 1 Campfire	Campsite
Troop Activity - Cracker Barrel	Campsite

# Scoutmaster Minute

Baden-Powell said this about camping:

“My ideal camp is where everyone is cheery and busy, where the patrols are kept intact under all circumstances, and where every patrol leader and Scout takes a genuine pride in his camp and his gadgets.”

Camping offers a unique opportunity for each patrol to really develop as a team. It's not only an opportunity to work together in developing team skills, but it also provides the chance to learn more about each other and to use that knowledge to excel. I expect all patrols in this troop will have a mountaintop experience and will take full advantage of the opportunity this experience provides.

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