

Design-A-Badge 2019: Beaver Scouts Go Back to Basics

23rd January 2019

Dear Scouter,

Beaver Scouts Go Back to Basics is a locally-organised national activity which aims to get Beaver Scouts living the wild life! A full information pack will be released later in the year for Colonies and Scout Counties to organise their special backwoods experiences in May 2019.

Beaver Scouts will be tasked with completing special ‘Challenges’ in the following areas:

- **B**uilding shelters
- **A**nimal friends
- **S**afe and sound
- **I**gniting fires
- **C**ooking
- **S**urvival kit

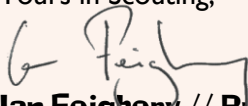
If a Beaver Scout successfully completes each Challenge during their Back to Basics experience, they will be rewarded with a special badge. The best part: this badge will be designed by a Beaver Scout!

Beaver Scouts can design their entry on a circular template, which can be found below. **The badge must contain the words ‘Beaver Scouts Go Back to Basics’**. The rest is up to the Beaver Scout: badge designs can include animals, flowers, trees, cooking on open fire, shelters... whatever the Beaver Scouts think of when it comes to backwoods and ‘living in the wild’! We would like the background to be coloured too!

Clear photographs or full-colour photocopies of the **three best entries** from each Colony should be e-mailed to beaverscoutsbtb@gmail.com by **Friday 15th February at 5pm**. Only e-mail entries are acceptable; do not post entries. We will leave the method with which the three best entries are selected up to you and your Colony. The National Beaver Scout Team will then select the best overall entry amongst all those received and will notify the Scouter via phone call.

Wishing all Beaver Scouts the very best of luck in this competition!

Yours in Scouting,



Ian Feighery // Programme Commissioner (Beaver Scouts)

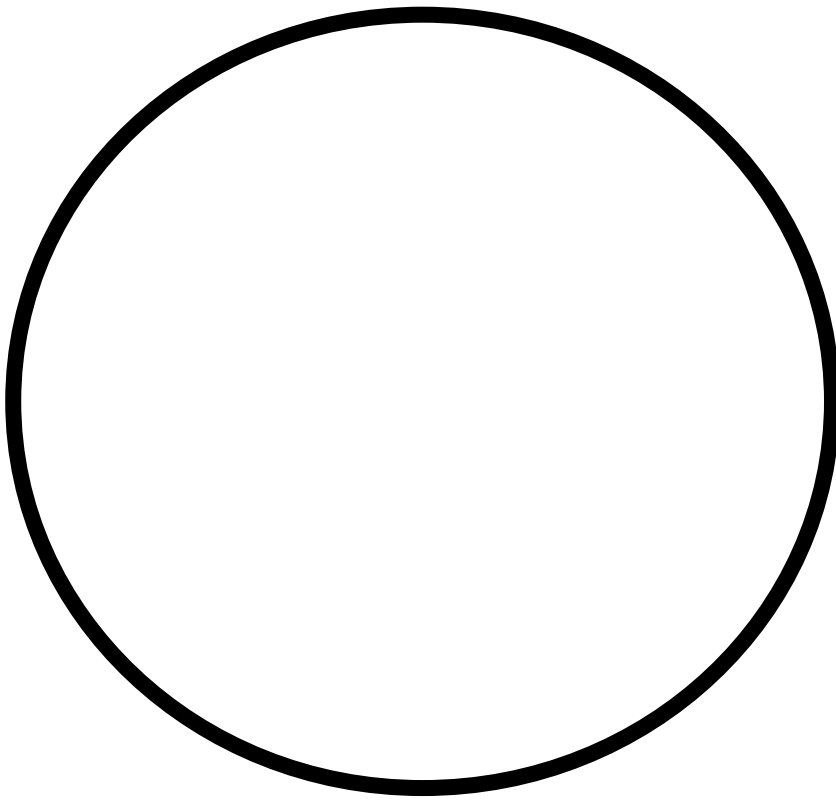


Have a look at past winning entries, from James from Waterford (2016) and Hannah from Donegal (2017)- colourful and effective. Remember that elaborate designs may not be seen on a relatively small badge- keep it simple!

Design Ideas

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| -Shelters | -Backwoods tools |
| -Fires | -Cooking on fires |
| -Flints | -Survival kits |
| -Irish wildlife | -Animal prints |
| -Flora and fauna | -Wilderness |
| -Weather | -Nature |
| -Safety | -First Aid |
| -Buddy system | -Leave No Trace |

Scouters, using your smartphone, please take clear colour photographs of the three best entries from your Colony. E-mail all three entries together to beaverscoutsbtb@gmail.com. Subject: Design-A-Badge 2019. We need your Group name and a contact mobile phone number in the body of the e-mail. By e-mailing, you consent to your mobile number being used to contact you only in the event of your Beaver Scout winning. Entries/ contact information will be deleted after a week of the competition closing. Strictly one e-mail entry (containing three shortlisted entries) per Colony. **Entries close at 15/02/2019 at 5pm.**



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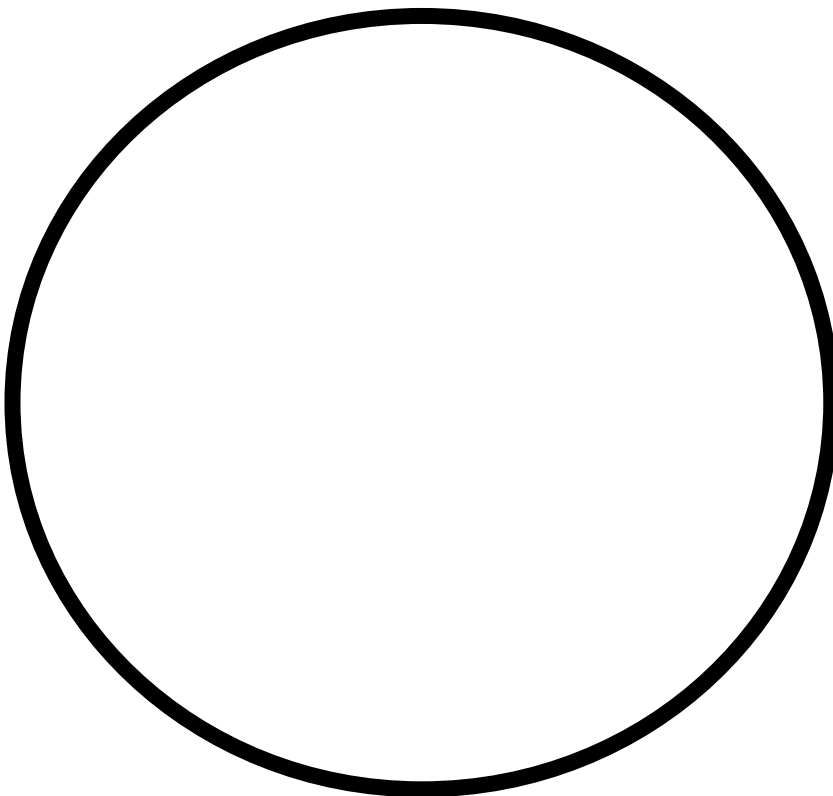
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