## **BP Service Association**



# OTTER BADGES AND AWARDS

This training manual is for use by members of the BP Service Association. This manual may be photocopied for BPSA Scouting Groups. Copyright BP Service Association 2009 © all rights reserved. No unauthorized use without the written express permission of the copyright owner. 2009 Edition This scheme is designed to develop and stimulate the Otter and give a variety and interest to the Program. It is progressive throughout the period between 5 years and 8 years of age and should be spread over the full three years. The scheme consists of an Investiture Badge, Four Progress (Paws) Badges, a Raft Camping Badge, a Safety Badge, a Service Badge and finally a link to the Timber Wolf Pack with the Swimming Otter Badge

#### **INVESTITURE BADGE:**

- 1) Know a little about Otters (the animal)
- 2) Know the Otter Motto (Busy and Bright)
- 3) Know the Otter Salute and Sign
- 4) Know a little about B-P, the Founder of Scouting
- 5) Take part in an Opening and Closing Ceremony
- 6) Know the Otter Law
- 7) Know the Otter Promise

#### **SAFETY BADGE:**

- 1) Know your name and address
- 2) Know your phone number
- 3) Be able to print your name
- 4) Know how to cross the road safely
- 5) Know about safety with strangers
- 6) Know the basic rules of health and hygiene
- 7) Know about safety around the home
- 8) Be able to tie your own shoe laces
- 9) Know what 911 is for and how to call it
- 10) Know how to put a Band-Aid on a cut
- 11) Know your Mom and Dad's full names

### HELPING BADGE (RED PAW):

- 1) Know about helping others and sharing with others
- 2) Know about cleanliness and caring for your clothes
- 3) Be helpful around the house
- 4) Do a good turn for a relative or a neighbour
- 5) Take part in a Kim's Game
- 6) Take part in the Message Game
- 7) Know how to wash dishes and clean up a table
- 8) Take part in a Raft good turn
- 9) Visit an Old Folk's Home and help serve tea and cookies
- 10) Help set up your meeting hall

### **ACTIVITY BADGE (BLUE PAW):**

- 1) Be able to throw and catch a ball
- 2) Take part in a night hike
- 3) Take part in two day hikes
- 4) Be able to sing 3 songs
- 5) Have an awareness of children with disabilities
- 6) Know how to Skip Rope
- 7) Take part in team and solo games or sports
- 8) Know how to be a good loser and a good winner

#### HANDICRAFT BADGE (TAN PAW):

- 1) Draw, and colour, a scene or event from a story
- 2) Draw a picture of your house
- 3) Make a Thank You card
- 4) Make a model
- 5) Make a collage
- 6) Collect 25 stamps and mount them in a book
- 7) Make two craft items
- 8) Tie a reef knot
- 9) Make a bird feeder from a milk jug
- 10) Visit a petting zoo

#### **NATURE BADGE (GREEN PAW):**

- 1) Know about caring for the outdoors
- 2) Name 6 animals that are kept as pets
- 3) Make a scrap book about Otters
- 4) Collect 10 flowers and 10 leaves and press them
- 5) Grow a seed in a water soaked paper towel
- 6) Grow a carrot top in water
- 7) Take part in a Raft Nature Walk
- 8) Take part in a trail clean-up
- 9) Plant, and take care of a tree for at least a year

### **SWIMMING OTTER BADGE:**

- 1) Know the story of Mowgli
- 2) Know the Timber Wolf Motto
- 3) Know the Timber Wolf Salute
- 4) Know 2 knots Clove Hitch and Figure 8 Knot
- 5) Have the Safety Badge
- 6) Have earned all 4 Paws
- 7) Visit the Timber Wolf Pack 3 times

### **RAFT CAMPING BADGE:**

1) Awarded to an Otter who has spent a minimum of 5 nights camping.

#### THE SERVICE BADGE:

- 1) Visit the local Police Station and find out some ways to help prevent crime
- 2) Visit the local Fire department and find out the danger of fire and some ways of preventing it
- 3) Find out about preventing accidents
  - a) in the home
  - b) on the road
  - c) in the playground
  - d) in the swimming pool
- 4) Find out about recycling of waste, what use can be made of recycled items and take part in a recycling operation
- 5) Find out the effects of vandalism on an area and how the cost of repair effects your family
- 6) Visit the local Ambulance Station and learn about what they do