



Be a part of Simply Scouting, the 2011 World Scout Jamboree on the fields of Rinkaby, not far from the town of Kristianstad, in the province of Skane, southern Sweden. Hosted by the Swedish Guide and Scout Council, the 22nd World Scout Jamboree will run from July 27-August 7, 2011. The purpose of the event is to bring together Boy Scouts Venturers, leaders, and staff to share international friendship and adventure for personal growth and development.

The upcoming World Scout Jamboree in Rinkaby, Sweden, promises to be one of the best ever. With 40,000 Scouts expected to attend from six continents and more than 114 countries, it's going to be a world-class event, one you can be a part of, if you start planning now.

At Rinkaby, you will get to live and learn with fellow Scouts and leaders from around the world. You'll be housed in tents, along with the BSA contingent, but you'll soon venture out to mingle with tens of thousands for two weeks of activities and adventure. That's right, a world fellowship exercise on an enormous scale! The jamboree site is near the coast on sandy ground surrounded by pine woods.

If you are a Boy Scout or Venturer who will be between the ages of 14 and 17 on July 27, 2011, that is, specifically born between July 25, 1993, and July 27, 1997, you may be qualified for one of the coolest Scouting events you'll ever attend.

It's Sweden's turn at a World Scout Jamboree, held once every four years, and it is a special window of opportunity for you, too. It's good to start your planning early. Approved applications are going to be highly prized.

Because there is only one contingent permitted to attend from each country recognized by the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), demand always exceeds availability and restrictions apply.

We will fly from a gateway city in the Central Region in to Copenhagen and then be transported to the jamboree site. There is no tour planned, in order to keep the cost as low as possible.

Cost is \$3,525 plus a \$10 non-refundable application fee. Travel to and from the gateway city is not covered.

I have often been asked, "How do you compare a World Jamboree and a National Jamboree?" You simply can't. Much of a World Jamboree is meeting Scouts from other counties and exchanging guests for dinner. The Global Development Village allows Scouts to explore areas about health and social issues. The jamboree site is close to the sea, so there will be aquatic activities. There is a day to go out and work with the local people on a service project. Sweden's resources are such that there should be terrific events. As of now, there is only one troop for Area 6, so the spots may fill up early.

Dr. Charles Goodwin has been named the Scoutmaster for the Troop from Area 6 of the Central Region, which includes 12 councils in Western Ohio, most of Indiana, and some of Eastern Illinois.

For more information or to register go to the web site at:

<http://www.scouting.org/worldjamboree.aspx>

If you have questions, please contact "Doc" Goodwin at doc236@woh.rr.com or by my cell phone at (937) 609-0222. BSA National doesn't have a shakedown planned as of now, but I plan to try to get to the various councils to meet the Scouts and parents.