**Camp Skeeter 2025**

**Skeeter Goes Goth**

 [*www.skeeter.ca*](http://www.skeeter.ca)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/campskeeter](http://www.facebook.com/campskeeter)

Camp Skeeter: May 16–19, 2025

**Hosted By: 1st Van Isle Rovers**

What is Camp Skeeter? It’s a camp put on for everyone to have FUN! Once at Camp Caillet, you will be treated to a long weekend filled with friends, games, challenges of strength, and dancing. On Monday morning all campers will be treated to a complimentary breakfast of pancakes and delicious syrup provided by your Skeeter Crew. All you have to do is pay a nominal registration fee and follow the rules below.

**Important things to note:**

* Camp Skeeter is open to all members of Scouting age 14 and over and all members of Guiding age 15 and over. 4th year Scouts who are 14 years old are allowed to attend at the invitation of their Venturer Company. A REGISTERED advisor MUST accompany all participants and be camping with their group for the duration of the weekend. A Rover Crew is allowed to come without an advisor as long as they have a designated person in charge.
* There must be at least two leaders, and a ratio of AT LEAST one leader for every ten participants (1-10)
* **MUST HAVE MYSCOUTS/iMIS PRINTOUT OR SCREENSHOT** as proof of registered members of Scouts Canada/Girl Guides Canada. *Those unable to provide proof of registration will not be allowed to stay at camp, so try to include them with your registration so you don’t forget.*
	+ Members of WOSM or WAGGGS
* Please bring everything you will need to eat, sleep, and use during the entire weekend. Once you arrive at camp you will not be allowed to leave the entire weekend. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
* Remember to bring decorations to beautify your campsite, as well as yourselves. Awards will be given out throughout the entire weekend!
* If you or any of your youth **have any medical conditions or disabilities,** please let us know prior to the camp so that we may better accommodate your/their needs.
* Absolutely **NO** **Thursday arrivals**. Camp gates open at noon on Friday.

**Please do NOT bring:**

* Generators are not permitted.
* Portable speakers are permitted; however, volume and music content are up to the discretion of camp staff. Please be considerate of fellow campers.
* Wood fires will not be permitted. There will be a communal fire in the campfire pit (Weather permitting). Propane fire pits are permitted.
* Absolutely no boffers or weapons of any sort!!

**Illegal Drugs, Alcohol, and Marijuana**

These are ***NOT permitted at camp***, or any Scouting or Guiding event. If you are caught with any of these, you will be sent home ***immediately!***

**The Fun Stuff...**

**Theme**

This year’s theme for Camp Skeeter is “Skeeter Goes Goth” So throw on an all-black outfit and slap on your darkest makeup, as you prepare for an eerie weekend! This year’s events will have a goth twist to them. You are welcome to decorate your campsite with and wear costumes based on the theme, there will be prizes and awards.

**Swimming Information**

\*\*\* **Don’t forget your bathing suit!** The swimming trip will be on Sunday the 18th for $10 per person. The site includes: showers and swimming at the pool.

\*\*\* Please keep in mind that the logistic of trips to the pool are a nightmare and to expect wait times as we will only have one bus. (and no, we cannot just rent two buses as it is too expensive).

**We also have big plans to keep you entertained - Check out:**

* **Friday Night – Movie Night**

If you get your gear set up early on Friday night, check out our movies playing on the dance floor! Bring your own chair!

* **Saturday or Sunday Night (TBD) –Talent Show**

For all those campers with secret (or not-so-secret) abilities! Try to show us what you’re good at on the Skeeter stage.

* **Dances will be on the Saturday and Sunday**

The dances may be overwhelming for newcomers, but the returning campers will be happy to show them the ropes.

* **Other Amazing Events**

Hike, Food Eating Contest, Trivia, Sports Activities and much more.

**Saturday Night Barbeque:**

The annual barbeque, catered by your Skeeter Staff, will be served on Saturday evening. For a nominal fee of $15, you will be treated to a steak dinner served with, a potato, bread rolls, salads, and of course a dessert! For a vegetarian option we serve veggie burger patties in place of meat.

**Limited tickets available, register early!**

**Free Complimentary Breakfast on Monday**

Comprised of golden pancakes and delicious syrup provided by your Skeeter Crew.

\*\*\*Activities subject to change \*\*\*

**For all the official rules and regulations for activities see:**

[**www.skeeter.ca**](http://www.skeeter.ca) **or email** **chief@skeeter.ca**

**Scavenger Hunt**

This year’s scavenger hunt list is below and how it works is simple. If you can convince us what you brought matches an item from the list, you get a point. There will be a prize for the group that brings the most of the items on the list to camp.

* Black makeup
* Spiked choker and bracelets
* Black trench coat
* Plastic vampire fangs
* Chipped black nail polish
* Teased hair
* Fishnet fingerless arm gloves
* Flying buttress
* A copy of *Dracula*
* Murder of crows
* A coffin
* Siouxsie and the Banshees
* Marilyn Manson
* My Chemical Romance
* An Evanescence CD
* Some obscure music from the internet that is “deep”
* Ebony Dark'ness Dementia Raven Way
* Sack of Rome
* “My parents will never understand me” and “It’s not a phase”
* Hot Topic / Spencer’s
* Pentacle

**Transportation and Parking**

**Shuttle Information:**

There is a $2 per person charge to ride the shuttle, payable when you get on the shuttle. Please bring exact change as the money taker won’t have any. The following are the scheduled shuttle departure times from the BC ferry Terminals going to and from camp.

Ferry times may change after this information is posted. Please check our website (www.skeeter.ca) for up-to-date information on shuttles. The finalized schedule on departure shuttles will also be provided at camp.

Ferry schedules are also available on BC Ferries’ website.

* Horseshoe Bay - Departure Bay: <https://www.bcferries.com/routes-fares/schedules/daily/HSB-NAN>
* Tsawwassen - Duke Point: <https://www.bcferries.com/routes-fares/schedules/daily/TSA-DUK>

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| **Friday (May 16) Shuttle Bus Information 2025** |
| **Ferry Leaves Horseshoe Bay** | **Ferry Arrival Departure Bay** | **Shuttle Leaves Ferry Terminal** |
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| 1:25 pm | 3:07 pm | 3:20 pm |
| 4:00 pm | 5:42 pm | 6:00 pm |
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| **Ferry Leaves Tsawwassen** | **Ferry Arrival Duke Point** | **Shuttle Leaves Ferry Terminal** |
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| 3:15 pm | 5:15 pm | 5:30 pm |

**\*\*\*Please be aware! We will not be meeting any other ferries and will NOT be providing any ferry pickups on Saturday and Sunday. Please plan accordingly \*\*\***

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| **Monday (May 19) Shuttle Bus Information 2025** |
| **Shuttle Leaves Camp** | **Ferry Destination** | **Ferry Time** |
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| 8:30 am | **Tsawwassen** | 10:15 am |
| 9:15 am | **Horseshoe Bay** | 10:55 am |
| 10:00 am | **Horseshoe Bay** | 10:55 am |
| 10:30 am | **Tsawwassen** | 12:45 am |

**Note:** the last bus will only run to Tsawwassen if needed and if the last Horseshoe Bay bus has enough room the buses will be combined. Please try to make the earlier bus if possible as we will not be running any more buses than these. If there is not enough room on the last 2 buses due to earlier buses being empty you will have to find your own way to the ferry.

**Vehicle Travel:**

If you are traveling by vehicle to camp, check out www.Skeeter.ca for maps and information!

**Parking:**

Once your vehicle is done unloading gear at camp, you will be directed on how to park in the parking lot on site to maximize the number of vehicles we can fit. We will do our best to keep parking nice and organized so everyone can make their ferries and make it home on time. Please let us know if you are aiming for the 8:00 am ferry or earlier and we will try to park you near the front. We appreciate everyone’s patience and understanding with this! If you have any questions or concerns about parking, please email chief@skeeter.ca

**Drop Off:**

There will be a strict ½ hour drop off limit before cars will be towed.

**Where is Skeeter?**

It takes place at Camp Caillet, 4163 Biggs Road, Nanaimo, BC

Don’t know where Camp Caillet is? Check out www.Skeeter.ca for directions!

**Contact Information**

If you have any questions about the camp, please contact:

Camp Chief: Trevor Ell – chief@skeeter.ca

Registration inquires: Eugene Hui – registration@skeeter.ca

Please mail registration packages to:

Camp Skeeter

c/o Eugene Hui

5310 Heather Street

Vancouver BC V5Z 3M2

**Check out** [**www.skeeter.ca**](http://www.skeeter.ca) **too!**

For **Emergencies Only** during the camp, please contact 250-213-9502

**Don’t forget your pocket change!**

**There will be snacks, drinks, and baked goods at this year’s canteen provided by the Camp Skeeter Staff.**

**Registration Form for Camp Skeeter 2025**

*We, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ❑ *Crew* ❑ *Company* ❑ *Unit* ❑ *Other* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ❑ *Division* ❑ *Council*

*In the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ❑ *Area (Girl Guides Only)*

\_\_\_ x $50 = \_\_\_\_\_ For Participant Early Registration **(Postmarked BEFORE May 1st)**

\_\_\_ x $55 = \_\_\_\_\_ For Participant Regular Registration **(After May 1st and at camp!)**

\_\_\_ x $45 = \_\_\_\_\_ For Leaders

\_\_\_ x $15 = \_\_\_\_\_ For the Barbeque **(Meat) (Includes full meal with dessert)**

\_\_\_ x $15 = \_\_\_\_\_ For the Barbeque **(Vegetarian) (Includes full meal with dessert)**

 **\_\_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed**

***Cheques Payable to: Scouts Canada - Van Isle Rovers***

\*\*\* Mailed Registrations need to be received **BEFORE** camp commences. Registrations should be in the mail by May 1st. No more “It’s in the mail” excuses. \*\*\*

**No Refunds after May 1st**

**\*\*\* MUST HAVE MyScouts/iMIS PRINTOUT OR SCREENSHOOT AS PROOF OF REGISTERED MEMBERS \*\*\***

***\*\* NO THURSDAY ARRIVALS \*\****

❑ **We, the above-mentioned group, agree to abide by the Agreement Form for the duration of Camp Skeeter 2025 (See last page of Registration Package or www.skeeter.ca for Agreement form)**

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The Advisor in charge of the above group that will be camping with said group for the duration of the camp is:

Advisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle License Plate(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**To make the registration easier please include an attendee list (next page) with your registration.**

**Participant List**

* Scouts Canada requires all groups (except Rovers) to have a minimum of 2 scouters when camping. If you are camping with another group to fulfill the 2-Scouter Rule, please put the other group’s name in line 2.
* If you include members from another group in your registration, please include their group’s name in parentheses.
* Remember to bring screenshots or printouts of MyScouts/iMIS rosters to prove that everyone is fully registered with Scouts Canada/Girl Guides of Canada

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| **Name as used in MyScouts/iMIS****(Preferred name in parentheses)** | **Advisor?** | **Cell Phone Number****(Advisors only)** |
| **1.**  | **Y** |  |
| **2.** | **Y** |  |
| **3.** | Y / N |  |
| **4.** | Y / N |  |
| **5.** | Y / N |  |
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| **11.** | Y / N |  |
| **12.** | Y / N |  |
| **13.** | Y / N |  |
| **14.** | Y / N |  |
| **15.** | Y / N |  |

**Camp Skeeter Agreement Form**

Due the camp’s close proximity to neighbouring homes and concern for their property rights, we ask you that your group abides by the following.

This is an official function of SCOUTS CANADA; all by-laws, policies and procedures of the organization apply.

Do not trespass on the property that does not belong to Camp Caillet (the Skeeter site). If campers are found trespassing on property that does not belong to us, they may be prosecuted, and the group will be sent home.

Quiet time will commence ½ hour after the dance finishes in order to respect both our own and off-site neighbours.

Please have the whole group read and then check on the registration form that the whole group understands this rule and will abide by it.

Thank-you for your cooperation,

- Skeeter Staff