



Wood Badge Project

All Leaders must complete a Wood Badge Project prior to receiving their Wood Beads and Gilwell Scarf. You can start your project at any time but most Leaders choose to start after enrolling into a Scouting Leadership Course.

Your task is to put together a survey of at least 10 open questions on a topic which is important to you. Some **examples** are:

- Scouts Owns and Ceremonies
- Expeditions, Camps & Sleepovers
- Adventurous Journeys
- Lightweight and Camp Cooking
- Promise and Law
- Achievement Pathways
- Outdoor Adventure Skills
- Special Interest Areas
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Linking between sections
- Youth member retention
- Promoting Scouting to the public
- Social Issues and Health Awareness
- Risk Management and Activity Safety
- Safety issues around the Scout Hall

You then need to interview a cross section of people from different backgrounds such as youth members, other Leaders, parents, the public, etc. It can be conducted by face-to-face conversation, email, online tools such as survey monkey, video conferencing, or phone.

Some example questions that you could ask for a topic on **Scouts Owns** are:

- What is a Scouts Own?
- Why are Scouts Owns important to you?
- What part do Adults and Youth play in a Scouts Own respectively?
- Where can you do a Scouts Own?
- What are some memorable Scouts Owns that you have been involved in?
- Do you think Scouting conducts good Scouts Owns?
- How can Scouts Owns be linked to religion and spirituality?

From the information you collect, write a short report following this format:

- Describe your topic
- Summarise who you surveyed and the responses you received
- Discuss anything new you learnt about your topic or Scouting
- Analyse any differences between responses and why they were different (for example, did adults and youth have differing views)
- Reflect on what your results mean for Scouting and your own group
- Suggest practical recommendations related to your topic
- Detail what you might do differently in the future since completing the project

Your project will be discussed on the course, in your patrol. Please bring a copy of your report with you and be prepared to go into detail on what you discovered. If you need help getting started, please let us know!

Your project is due **one week prior** to the course. Projects can be submitted to:

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