

# Tritiya Sopan Testing camp

*Baden-Powell, the founder of the Scouting movement, once said: "A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room." What happens when a Scout spends a week at Camp? They have fun... and they grow.*

*AECS is glad to inform you that our four scout students attended and completed the Tritiya Sopan Testing camp at Dr. Annie Besant Scout Guide Training center, Doddaballapur, from 25th June to 29th June.*

*Our grade tflII students -Srujan Haritsa, Amogh k n, Aditya & Reyansh of grade IX, along with our school Scout master Mr. Shankar, attended the camp.*

*There were almost 450 students from various school who took up the tritiya sopan exam which is district level. Our students have completed and now eligible for state level exam. And this award will be issued by the governor of Karnataka and exam will be held in the coming year 2023.*

*AECS congrats the students for their active involvement and encourage all the scouts and guides to attend the camps and tests that will teach them teamwork, loyalty, ethics, leadership skills, patriotism and make them good citizens.*

*Few snippets from the camp –*



## REPORT OF THE FIVE DAY TRITIVA SOPAN TESTING CAMP

By 8:30am I arrived at the school. I had my school till 3:00pm. After school we all met our Scout master and gathered in a location and began from our school at 3:45pm after getting the blessings of our principal ma'am. We travelled to Doddaballapura's Dr. Annie Besant Park. In a school van we travelled along with our Scout master and four scouts (including me). By 5:30pm we reached there. They provided us with bunk beds in a dorm. We did nothing on that day. We were given enough time to find our positions and rest. They served us supper at 8:00pm.

**DAY 1:** At 5:30am in the morning we got up and started getting ready for the first day of the camp. We gathered close to the flag area. They created several bases and various patrols in it. We were in base 4. Then flag hoisting took place. We sang our Scout prayer and flag song. We then went to get breakfast at 8:50am. After breakfast we were to gather at a certain corner designated for base 4. It was so green and beautiful. They began reworking all of the concepts we learned about the history of Scouting, First Aid, Knots, lashings, etc. We then had our lunch and had an hour break till 2:30pm. Our sessions resumed at 2:30pm and lasted until 5:30pm. We had tea and refreshments at about 5:45pm. We then went back to our dorms to take rest. We had our dinner at 8:30pm and the lights were off by 10:30pm.

### DAY 2:

We awoke at 5:45am and prepared for the second day of our camp. We gathered at the flag area at around 7:30am. We had our breakfast at 8:00am. For the second day of training we had to return to the same designated corner. At 1:00pm we had a lunch break. We purchased the 'Scouting for Boys' book because we believed that it would be very beneficial for our Scouting. Then around 2:00pm we resumed our classes. We learned about advanced knots, use of triangular bandage, etc. We discussed about that night's campfire. Our school scouts and a few other scouts were assigned the task of performing a skit. Our skit's title was 'Amongst All'. Ours was a play based on the service oriented nature of a scout. We all prepared and the campfire started at 6:30pm. Our performance went very well. Then there was the campfire which was a lot of fun. We witnessed several excellent performances, sang numerous songs, and enjoyed the night. Then we had our supper at around 8:30pm and went back to our dorms by 9:30pm. We all studied for sometime and slept at 11:00pm.

### DAY 3:

We awoke at 5:30am and began preparing for our oral and practical examinations. At 6:50am we gathered in the ground in casual attire for BPSIX exercise. We then returned back to our rooms by 7:15am. We had flag hoisting at 7:45am. We ate our breakfast at 8:15am, before heading to the ground at 9:00am. They assigned us seats based on our school. They formed groups and assigned each group a distinct corner. We were in base number 2. They assigned each of us a chest number and I got 5b.

Then at about 10:45am our tests began. We had exams till 5:30pm. Then we planned for that night's campfire. We arrived at our dorms at 6:00 and had to gather at the campfire spot at 6:45pm. This campfire was more enterprising. It carried on until 8:00pm. We ate our dinner and returned to our dorms. Then we all studied for the next day's exam. At 11:30pm we all went to bed.

### DAY 4:

We awoke at 6:00am to prepare for the fourth day of the camp. We all assembled in the ground at 6:30am for BPSIX exercise. Then we went back to our dorms at 7am. We then gathered at the flag location at about 7:30am and ate breakfast at 8:00am. Our examinations started at 9:00am and lasted until 5:00pm. We got our refreshments. They were preparing for the grand campfire. Our instructor assigned us the task of bringing dry woods and twigs for the campfire. We then dressed up and arrived at the campground at about 6:30pm. We were all very excited. Screams of joy and excitement filled the campfire. That was the best campfire I have seen so far. Then at about 8:30am we ate dinner and returned to our dorms to study for the next day's writing exam. We then stayed till 11:00pm and went to bed.

### DAY 5:

We woke up at 5:00am and packed some of our luggage. We were all upset since we would only be at the campsite for a few more hours. At 6:30am we gathered in front of 'Kantirava Bhavan' for all bath prayers, and returned back to our dorms at 7:30am. We then headed to the flag area for the prayer and flag song before eating breakfast at 8:00am.

The exam started at 9:00am. It was quite easy for us because we were prepared for the exam. We wrote our papers and handed them over to the scout masters over there. All of the examinations had been successfully completed. We then wandered about for a few hours before going to buy books. The concluding ceremony took place at 1:00pm. All of the scout masters offered motivational talks. Then we returned to our rooms, packed our stuff, our belongings, tidied the room, said our good byes to the hostel and went to eat lunch at around 1:30pm. After lunch, along with our Scout master we went to the top of elephant trolley (which was a hundred feet high). We snapped a few pictures there, came back down, got our baggage into the van and left at 3:45pm. We slept in the vehicle and arrived back to the school at around 4:45pm. This camp was a lot of fun. We are all really eager about our upcoming camp.

I would like to thank my school and my teachers for giving me such a wonderful learning opportunity.

### Tritiya Sopana

-Srikanth S. Hanitha

On Friday 24th June 2022 we started from our school at 3:30pm with the luggage of for 5 days camp. In the school van we shifted our luggage and started with new excitement. We took about 20 mins to reach the camp site. In between we had a lot of fun. We slept and enjoyed a lot. After reaching we came from our vehicle, inhaled fresh air, between ground, dry air, green & some farms to the concerned officer. Then we were allotted a room to with bunkers on beds. We got adjacent beds for sleeping. The reading day was filled with confusion of books, papers and people. We went for food at 8:30pm and came back at 10pm. Then we kept reading till 10:30pm and we slept in sleeping bags. We got up at 5:30am and went to the toilet and bath. We went to ground at 6:30am with plastic books in a bag. We got to know we had a preparatory camp for 2 days. They brought up all the things we had learnt and some new things. We also got tracks in between too. We could also read till 1pm after the preparatory camp. We found an old teacher who also helped us reading. On the exam day filled with full tension and pressure we were also reading eating breakfast. We had both writing and practical exam. Writing exam was very easy with only 3 book questions. We wrote with new confidence and wrote it. The practical exam was held for almost 2 days. The question were from the position that we had learnt in the preparatory camp. Each topic was for 5 marks. We got very good scores in each test.

### CAMP REPORT

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The Bharat Scouts and Guides Karnataka organised a 5 day Tritiya Sopana Testing Camp from 24-29 July 2022. We started our journey after interacting with our director and my friends. I was very excited for the camp. I ensured all the necessary material were packed. We reached the campsite on 24th and settled in our dormitory. The next 2 days we revised and practised for the test. We had a campfire in which our school performed a skit with other students. The remaining days, tests were conducted that consisted of writing, oral and practical exams. The practical exams comprised of tying knots and estimation. I had the opportunity to also take part in food service. I learnt a lot in these 5 days.

I would like to thank my school, school director Ms. Meena Gode and my scout masters for giving me this opportunity. I'm eagerly waiting for my next camp.

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### MY BSG TRITIVA SOPAN TESTING CAMP

I was so excited for it. We went to Doddaballapur on 24th June 2022. We reached there at nearly 6:00 or 6:30 PM. We went to our dormitory and kept our luggage and at 8:00 we went for dinner. The food was very tasty. After eating dinner, we went to our base and we slept. Next morning we woke up and went for brushing and bathing. Then we assembled at ground for our prayer and flag song. Then we were divided into our troops. We had 2 days preparatory camp and 3 days testing camp. In the first 2 days, we learnt all new things and even did revision. At 2:00 PM we went to eat our lunch and the classes would get over by 5 PM. Then we had a 1 hour campfire and then dinner. Even the next 3 days, the schedule was same. We gave our exams, which went very well. On the last day, we woke up at morning, took bath and attended the all faith prayer. Then we ate our breakfast and gave our last writing exam. Then we ate our lunch. Then we had closing ceremony in which we got to know that we passed. On 29th June 2022, we came back to our home. We truly enjoyed the camp a lot.   
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