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Infoletter # 6 Roverway 2012 is happening - this year!

Happy New Year to everyone from Roverway 2012 project organization! The Roverway 2012 project organization ant hill has been working hard during the final dates of the registration. Heads of Contingents from all over the world have been filling the hundreds and yet hundreds of registration forms, and the team is getting ready to form the tribes in order to get started with the preparatory activities, or "Be prepared" as we call them. Did you forget to register? Have you been receiving contacts from people who would still like to join, but didn't do it yet? No worries, just read further and find out, how you can still join the one and only Rover and Ranger event of 2012!



The first round of registrations ended in numbers 3215

Finland is getting ready to host the greatest event of the year, Roverway 2012!

We are thrilled to announce that the first round of registrations ended with 3215 names on the list. People from 32 countries all over Europe and also further have already made the decision to not miss the event that everybody talks about this year. From Italy more than 450 people will join, Les Scouts - Fédération des Scouts Baden-Powell de Belgique, have more than 300 people registered participants to the event! Let alone the hundreds of Spanish, Austrian, Portuguese, or the biggest ever contingents to Roverway from Malta or Cyprus that will be there to celebrate and create the Roverway 2012. The Heads of Contingents have done an amazing job!

If you still think that this could be something for you, there will be a chance for post registration! The post registration will start on the 1st of February, and end on the 31st of March. Bear in mind the great IST opportunities and join the group of facilitators to get your share of the European Rover and Ranger Spirit! Contact your Head of Contingent http://www.roverway.fi/general/heads-of-contingent

for more information!

The Subcamps have been named

The three subcamps of Roverway 2012 have received their official names: Sisu, Urho and Tarmo.

Sisu is the Finnish word for perseverance and "guts", Urho stands for courage and valor, and Tarmo means energy and vigor. All three are also Finnish male names, as well as the names of Finnish icebreaking ships which are used to help other vessels navigate the frozen-over Baltic Sea during winter. "Like icebreakers, scouts and guides can break through seemingly impossible obstacles, especially when working together", explains Roverway's Education Director Jaakko "Piitu" Piitulainen.



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Have you already checked out the Roverway products?

The Roverway webshop is open! You can find at http://innoflame.fi/store/roverway/

Manufacturers for Roverway 2012 products have been chosen from European enterprises that commit to the values of sustainable development. European companies and their certified high-quality products are best suited to be the official products of the finest Guiding and Scouting event in Europe. All in all, official Roverway 2012 products are of an elegant design, durable materials and eco-friendliness.

The stylish look of Roverway 2012 products aims to point out, in addition to interests of endurance and ecology, the values of the event. This is especially visible in shirt prints, the pictures of which present the essential educational objectives of Roverway: the relationship to oneself, to others,

to nature and to society. The web shop itself keeps these objectives up, too. The witty product descriptions make the message of each product very clear. Big and showy logo products are excluded; this choice is one more attempt to make the items last longer. There is no compulsory product for all included in the camp fee. Instead, every participant may decide which things to purchase, according to their own will and need.



Webex - the place to be!

In December, we were happy to host 2 meetings for the international teams of Roverway 2012 on Webex! The first meeting was for the Rover Representatives. We had good conversations along the lines of how we are making sure that the voice of the participant aged is heard throughout the organizing of the event. We discussed e.g. how the voice should be delivered in all the communication during the event itself.

Heads of Contingents met online on the 12 of December. We wanted to open the floor for all the questions, change feelings about the status of the preparations, get feedback and give some insight into what is going on with Roverway 2012. The meeting worked out so well that we planned to host at least one more before the event.

see.feel.follow -song is here!

The song of Roverway 2012 was published on the 21st of January. The event song was composed by a participant aged Otto Huokuniemi, and he, along with a group of Rovers, did a great job in the studio. Go, listen and learn before next summer: http://www.youtube.com/watch? v=j5yJdqmCGNU&list=FLf2AOYwgJ0DgK7kKyyPOCzQ&index=1&feature=plcp

The Finnish Forests are waiting for Roverway 2012! Picture: Heikki Laurila



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