

Arrowhead District Boy Scout Roundtable Newsletter

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May 2009 Theme:

Emergency Preparedness: Presented by Richard Muth, Director of the Maryland Emergency Management agency

Upcoming Monthly Themes:

June 09 - Health Care (Presenter needed)

BSA Merit Badges: <http://usscouts.org/usscouts/meritbadges.asp>



Related Websites:

Common Sense Community: http://www.scottcommonsense.com/toolbox_ec.aspx?WT.srch=1&WT.mc_id=5648662&iq_id=5648662

FEMA: <http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/>

CDC: <http://emergency.cdc.gov/>

American Red Cross:

https://americanredcross.com/services/disaster/0,1082,0_500_,00.html

Bird of the Month:

Cedar Waxwing

http://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/Cedar_Waxwing/id



Scoutmaster Minute Possibilities

- If I had eight hours to chop down a tree I would spend six hours sharpening my axe.
– A. Lincoln
- Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.
– Henry Ford

Knot of the Month: Whipping



This is just one way to whip the end of a rope. I find it to be the easiest. You start by laying a bight along the rope you wish to whip, the bight opening away from the end. Next you wrap the whipping line tightly around the rope. The length of the whipping you should be at least the diameter of the rope. I didn't have enough whipping line in the demo to do this but you get the idea. Next feed the line through the bight and the using both end pull the bight under the whipping turns and then trim the whipping ends close. The most important part of whipping is wrapping the line tightly.



The picture on the left shows cotton clothes line that has been whipped properly. The ends were then painted with water soluble paint. This piece is about five feet long and was one of my first attempts at lines to use for teaching.

Constellation of the Month: Hydra

Hydra – The Dragon, is usually identified as the many-headed monster slain by Hercules as one of his twelve labors. Hydra is the largest constellation. To find the Hydra first locate Ursa Major, directly under the Great Bear is the constellation Leo. The bottom line of Leo points to the head of the Hydra. *Information about the constellation from Constellations Knowledge Cards © Dona Budd*

View to the South

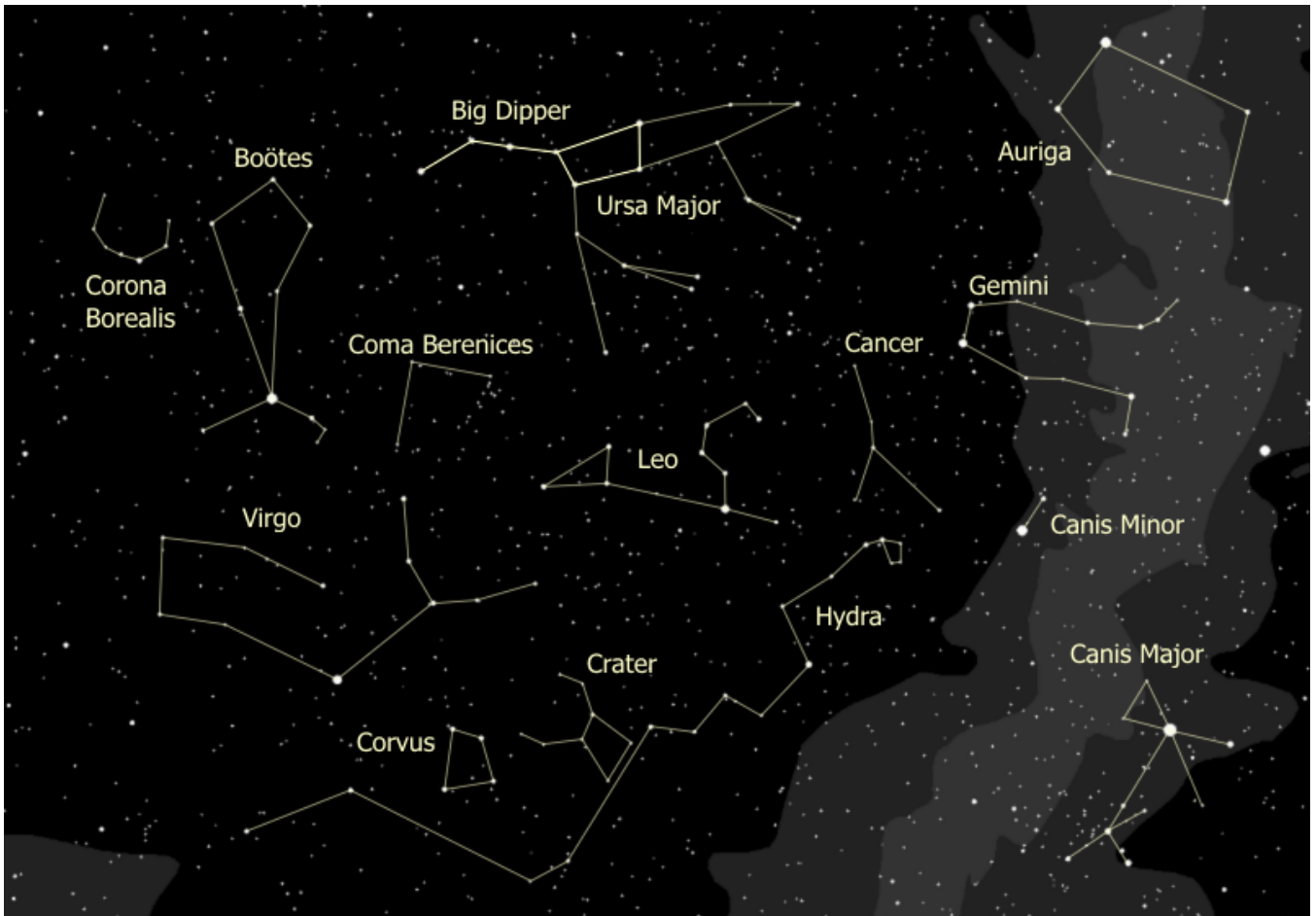


Image from the following web site:

<http://www.smokymtnastro.org/Seasons/Spring/Spring%20Sky%20Tour.htm>

**Are you trained for your position? Is your training current?
Every Scout deserves a Trained Leader.**

