

## **CHATHAM DISTRICT**

## **GARRY OAK RESTORATION CREST**

The <u>Garry Oak Restoration Crest</u> is meant to be given to girls who learn about the Garry Oak Meadow ecosystem and its importance, and who participate in an activity to help restore Garry Oak Meadow habitat.

This is a locally developed crest, and must be put **on the camp hat or on the blanket**, not on the badge scarf.

**Purpose:** To learn about one of Canada's most endangered habitats, our local **Garry Oak Meadow**, and how to restore and conserve it for future generations.

- 1. Visit a Garry Oak Meadow.
- 2. Explain what the **Garry Oak Meadow habitat** is, and name some of the plants and animals that live in it together.
- 3. Learn about **3 invasive plants** that are destroying this habitat, and tell how they are doing this.
- 4. Learn how you can help to protect and restore Garry Oak Meadow Habitat. Do one of the following:
  - Remove invasive plants from a Garry Oak Meadow
  - Collect acorns and grow Garry Oak seedlings
  - Plant native wildflower seeds in a Garry Oak Meadow
  - Another activity that helps to restore or protect a Garry Oak Meadow
    Note: get permission and/or advice from a naturalist or park attendant prior to planting or remove.

\* Note: get permission and/or advice from a naturalist or park attendant prior to planting or removing vegetation from a Garry Oak meadow

More information on Garry Oak Meadows can be found at http://www.goert.ca/

Leaders can keep records and test their own girls. If any assistance is required to fulfil or test for the crest, please contact Margaret Lidkea at 250-595-8084.

These crests can be purchased for **\$2.00 each**. Complete the crest order form and/or contact hbrass@gmail.com to order crests.

All units in SVI Area are invited to participate, or Lower Mainland units who have Garry Oak Meadows in their neighbourhoods too!



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## GARRY OAK RESTORATION CREST ORDER FORM

Unit:	Date: _	
Contact Guider:	# Crests:	
Contact Phone/Email:	Amount owing \$2 per crest	
Where did you visit a Garry Oak Meadow?		
Which 3 invasive plants did you learn about?		
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Which project did you undertake to protect or restore the Garry Oak Meadow?		
Further comments or questions about this crest:		