



Commissioner Technology Focus Group Status Report

April 4, 2018

Renamed Newsletter

- You should have noticed that with this issue the name of this document has changed from **Commissioner Tools Summary** to **Commissioner Technology Focus Group Status Report** which is more consistent with the content.

Commissioner Tools 2.0

- Progress continues on the new API driven version of Commissioner Tools. At this time the 'project' is closed for additional enhancements. We hope that testing will complete to allow deployment in the second quarter of 2018.

Mobile My Scouting App

- Version 2.1.1 has been released (Android build 65; iOS build 8). As a reminder, iOS releases usually lag Android by several days.
- If you are still using Azimuth (iOS only) – the icon which is pictured here - please delete and upgrade to MyScouting in the Apple Store.
- Recent enhancements include:
 - New Commissioner Tools landing page
 - New person search feature (search adults only) – This feature allows those authorized at the council and district level to search for adults down to the unit level. You must enter first and last name.
 - Organization Roster fixes
 - Notification Center fixes



New Youth Protection Training (YPT)

- After a bit of a rocky start, and some heroic and rapid modifications by the Information Delivery and ScoutingU teams to compress the size of the embedded videos, the new Youth Protection Training (colloquially known by some as YPT1) is generally getting great reviews.
- Several reminders:
 - The new YPT replaces all prior versions of YPT; YPT01 (Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting), YPT02 (Venturing) and YPT03 (Exploring).
 - ALL registered Scouters MUST take the new version of YPT before October 1, 2018 to remain YPT compliant. The new YPT will generate an updated completion and expiration date for YPT01. At this time the quickest way to know that you have successfully completed the new YPT is the YPT01 completion date: If it is before February 1, 2018 you did not take the new YPT.
 - The ScoutingU team also reminds us that "Completion of the training by all adult leaders in a unit is also required to recharter a unit after September 1, 2018."
- The New Youth Protection face-to-face training guide is now available. From the National Training Team, Scouting U: "The facilitator guide for the new and improved Youth Protection Training is now available. It has been determined that we don't want this product published on public electronic media sites, so it has been distributed to the local Council Scout executive this week. This face-to-face version of the training is intended for use by you and your Training team in your overall training delivery strategy. Please contact your local Council to get a copy and incorporate into your training plans for the remainder of this year.



Detailed Assessments in Commissioner Tools

- By now everyone should be aware that a unit Detailed Assessment must be logged into Commissioner Tools for the unit to contribute to the District and Council JTE dials for Unit Contacts. Unfortunately, there is still a minor formula glitch in the JTE and monthly CT District Summary Report developed by the Strategic Program Office that has some districts reporting in excess of 100%. While this glitch is being resolved, consistently correct information can be obtained by either manually reviewing and manipulating data found in the “District_Contact_Stats_2018” report in Commissioner Tools, or through automatic analysis of the data through the use of a Power Pivot table <https://tinyurl.com/PwrPvtTbIs>; the DC Visual Analysis Tool is recommended.

New Required Training for New Leaders to be Position Specific Trained

- Effective April 30th, 2018 new direct contact leaders must complete Hazardous Weather Training to be considered position trained. The attached FAQ and Position Trained Requirements PDF documents provide additional information. As noted in the FAQs:
 - Since 2008 there has been a requirement that at least one person on any tour or activity have hazardous weather training. It is also a requirement for all camp staff as part of the NCAP standards SQ-402.
 - If you are now trained in your current position, at this time you will not be “required” to take Hazardous Weather Training to be considered position trained. I.e., you will be ‘grandfathered.’
 - The old WS81 course is being retired, to stay current with your Hazardous Weather Training henceforth you must take the new SCO_800 course. (SCO designated courses are only capable of being completed on-line through the BSA Learn Center at this time.)

HOT TIP: Many Scouters will be taking training this month to complete their position specific training. Each individual should “take charge” of the documentation of their training, and we urge them to make sure that any instructor led training that is completed this month gets documented and recorded in Training Manager prior to the end of April.

Scoutbook Advancement Sync

- About 20% of units that are using Scoutbook have not activated Advancement sync; for those units leaders cannot ‘approve’ advancements until they do so. For more information and instructions on how to activate the Scoutbook youth advancement sync, see this page: <http://bit.ly/syncadv> .

Scoutbook Lite

- This free application will be the replacement for Internet Advancement for those units not using the full featured Scoutbook. Presently Scoutbook Lite is still being developed and is anticipated to be available in the second quarter of 2018.

Applying Technology to Commissioner Service Impact Session

- Registration for the first-of-its-kind Technology Impact Session hosted at the Patriots' Path Council (Cedar Knolls, NJ) Volunteer Service Center on May 4 (optional), 5-6, 2018 continues. This Impact Session is designed for those providing unit service – INCLUDING PROFESSIONALS! More information can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/y7egdarC> . Registration is \$45 and can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/TechImpactSession> .

Support

- Member Care Contact Center is available to offer support at 972-580-2489 Monday thru Friday between 7 am – 7 pm Central time, or by sending an email to myscouting@scouting.org. Please provide your name and BSA membership ID number in addition to specific details about your concern so that we can more quickly troubleshoot your issue.