

2.081 Elements of a Camp Fire Programme

To be successful, a camp fire programme should be just as well organised as the rest of your programme.

If you are lucky enough to have a guitar-playing member of your camp, be sure and use him or her to the fullest.

Start your camp fire with an opening song. This will set the mood and get everyone settled in for the balance of the programme. You can and should be able to put together a book of songs familiar to your group. The St. John Ambulance Camp Fire Song Book is available as one resource.

Use any of the following in building your programme:

Skits Cheers Prayers

Poetry Chants & Yells Opening/Closing Jokes Songs Words of Wisdom

Games Cadet Code of Chivalry

Just as you build a fire from kindling and gradually add larger pieces of wood until you have a good size fire - a camp fire programme must start with kindling [the opening] and build to a peak. As with a fire it will start to diminish and so will your campfire programme.

In leading a camp fire programme, remember:

Be Loud Be seen Be confident Rehearse Set the tempo Move around

ENCOURAGE ALL!

2.082 Leading a Camp Fire Programme