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**After a year of effort, the village of Mansonville has officially received the title of, “Mansonville = Cœur Villageois” by Eastern Townships Tourism.**

Through involvement with the Eastern Townships Tourism where Potton has highlighted its many natural attractions as well as its historical and cultural heritage, the Municipality of Potton worked alongside its citizens to put together an action plan with concrete steps taken to make the village more attractive to both residents and visitors with an aim to improve the accessibility to the Andre-Gagnon Park, a green space with a lot of potential, both in terms of outdoor activities and relaxation.

The hope is that citizens will gradually rediscover and reclaim an environment that will not only offer them wider access to different services and activities but also a better quality of life.

Finally, by receiving the Cœurs Villageois accreditation, Mansonville will appear on the Tourisme-Cantons-de-l’Est website and will benefit from greater visibility among tourists. To celebrate the accreditation and discuss more about the impact that the accreditation will have on the village, local businesses and citizens of Potton were invited to a brunch of “Cafe-croissants” on Sunday, July 9 at 10:00am at the local tourist office.

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To prepare for all this fun, the scouts had to get to work. One of them explained:

“We had to get everything ready,” he explained. “We had a certain list of everything that we had to bring. We had to practice. We built cooking camps and stuff like that.”

As the scouts and their leaders prepared to leave at 7 a.m. on Friday, the scouts did one final check of their packs. They each had two; a day pack and a huge camping backpack stuffed with supplies, most as big as the kids themselves.

“My bag is probably double my weight!” offered one scout. Another, more soberly, guessed that each pack weighed around 30 pounds.

The scouts will be back in the Townships by July 15.

**Ben by Daniel Shelton**

**Mansonville joins the Cœurs Villageois Network of the Eastern Townships!**

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