

The Buckskin Courier

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September, 2023



Emergency Preparedness Event October 6-8, 2023 Summit Bechtel Reserve



Buckskin Council, WVU Medicine Thomas Hospitals to Host an Emergency Preparedness Event

The Buckskin Council and WVU Medicine - Thomas Hospitals are sponsoring an Emergency Preparedness Event the weekend of October 6-8, 2023.

THIS IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Lunch will be provided to those who Pre-register. All other meals are an individual or unit responsibility.

Camping is available for Scouts BSA and Cub Scout Families at a cost of \$5 per person for the weekend. Camping check in Friday 5 PM and Checkout Sunday by noon. Please select the camping option at registration on the website if you are camping. Registration is required for this event for both day visitors and camping. Please register at the Buckskin Council website at www.buckskin.org/events/emergencypreparedness-camporee/ or scan the QR code.

On Saturday, October 7, first responders and public safety agencies will be providing training and hands-on activities throughout the day from 9am to 5:50pm. Training and education will be provided around how to deal with situations such as fires, car crashes, natural disasters and public safety along with family emergency and community readiness.

Scheduled presenters include The West Virginia National Guard, HealthNet Aeromedical Services, West Virginia State Fire Marshal, National Weather Service and the Center for Threat Preparedness, among others, who will provide hands-on activities and/or demonstrations throughout the event.

Events on Saturday, October 7 are provided free of charge. Camping on Friday and Saturday nights (October 6-7) is available for Packs, Troops, and Crews. The camping fee is \$5 per person for the weekend.

Cub Scout Families may camp too! Bring the whole Pack for a great weekend at The Summit!

Lunch is provided for those who pre-register. Walk-ins are welcome but lunch cannot be guaranteed.

Register at www.buckskin.org





Council-District Operations Meeting (CDO) Saturday, September 9, 2023 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

H.B.Wehrle Service Center

2829 Kanawha Blvd East, Charleston, WV



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Council Calendar

September

- Popcorn Sale begins
 Labor Day Service Center & Shops closed
 IOLS, Camp Arrowhead
 Council District Operations mtg (CDO),
 Wehrle Service Center, 10:000 am
- Charleston Scout Shop open, 9:00 am 1:00 pm
 Executive Board meeting
- 15 BALOO, Camp Arrowhead
- 15-16 Vigil Reunion

October

- 6-8 Emergency Preparedness Camporee, The Summit
- 12 Executive Committee meeting
- 14 Charleston Scout Shop open, 9:00 am 1:00 pm
- 21 Huntington Scout Shop open, 9:00 am 1:00 pm
- 25 Popcorn Orders due by Noon
- 26 Council Trunk or Treat
- 27-28 OA LLD

November

- Charleston Scout Shop open, 9:00 am 1:00 pm
- 9 Executive Board Meeting
- 10-11 Popcorn Distribution
- Huntington Scout Shop open, 9:00 am 1:00 pm
- 23-24 Thanksgiving Service Center & Shops Closed

SPECIAL THANKS Volunteers

heart of Scouting and in the Buckskin Council we have a group who quietly serve you by making sure the newsletters and other key commu-

nications are prepared, labeled and mailed. It is important to let our leaders know who these folks are so you can thank them when you see them.

We always look forward to seeing our volunteers in the council office. The Newsletter is folded on the last Tuesday of each month, between August and May, starting around 8:30 am and ending around noon.

If you would like to join this great group of people, call the Scout Service Center at 304-340-3663 and let us know. We would greatly appreciate your help!!!!





Dear Scout Leaders,

The Scout Program Year is now in session. New Scouts should be filling our ranks and our experienced Scouts should be returning to have another great year of adventure and excitement!

Recruit early, recruit often. Every family should have the chance to experience the positive experience that comes from being a Scout Family. Extend the invitation to as many youth and families as possible.

The Buckskin Council Popcorn Sale starts this month on September 1. Each year hundreds of Buckskin Packs and Troops raise much needed unit funding by participating in the safe and very

profitable popcorn sale. Scouts also get benefits with a great prize program and learning to "earn their way". And the council benefits from the sale as well. It is a win-win-win situation.

Highlights for this years popcorn sale can be found in this issue of the Courier. Please take the time to familiarize yourself with this vital information.

Good Scouting to you and yours,

Jeffrey L. Purdy

Scout Executive

A sincere *Thank You* to our **Pacesetter Partners**

for helping support Scouting in Buckskin Council.

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Dutch Miller Sportsman Clay Classic

September 30, 2023 West Virginia Clays Inc, Hernshaw, WV

Whether you're a seasoned shooter or a beginner, you are invited to the Dutch Miller Sporting Clays Classic at West Virginia Clay, Inc. West Virginia Clays, Inc. is one of West Virginia's best skeet, trap and 5-stand sporting clays clubs. It is located in the scenic mountains just 18 miles from downtown Charleston, West Virginia.

Bring your own equipment and ammunition. Enjoy food and refreshments, plus prizes for top teams.

Have your choice of two Flights: Morning or Afternoon.

COST

\$400 per Team

\$100 per Individual Shooter

Morning Flight 8 a.m. - Noon

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Arrival & Registration 8:45 a.m. Welcome & Safety briefing

9:00a.m. - Noon: Flight 1 Shooting

Afternoon Flight Noon - 4:30 p.m.

Noon - 12:30 p.m. Arrival & Registration 1:15 p.m. Welcome & Safety briefing

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Flight 2 Shooting

EVERYONE: LUNCH Noon - 1 p.m.

WHAT YOU GET!

- 100 Targets
- 25 Skeet, 25 Trap and 50 Five Stand
- Lunch
- Prizes for Individuals and Teams
- Door Prizes and Giveaways

Sign up today at www.buckskin.org!



2023 Popcorn Sale

One fundraiser to support your unit's entire year of fun and adventure!

Popcorn is here to help you fund a fantastic Scouting program in the coming year. With the support of Buckskin Council and CAMP MASTERS, you can earn all the necessary funding through this single activity.

The Popcorn Sale begins September 1st!

Camp Masters has brought some new tools and features to help you make selling more fun and collecting payments even easier. They have listened and put together some activity guides that will help Scouts from Tigers through Scouts BSA connect the Popcorn Sale to advancement. They have a payment system integrated now so units don't have to set up a payment processing account to take credit cards at Show 'n Sell and Take order.

There are four ways to succeed with your popcorn

sale. The more methods you use, the better results you'll have.

- 1. Show-n-Sell
- 2. Show and Deliver
- 3. Take Order
- 4. Online Sale.

How do you get started? The first step is completing the 2023 Popcorn Commitment Form. Find it in the appendix of this edition of the Courier or online at www.buckskin.org/popcorn.

Show N Sell

Show N Sell Order Due	August 16, 2023
Delivery and Pick up	Sept 1 & 2, 2023
depending on location.	
Unsold Product Return (Full Cases)	October 24, 2023

Take Order Sale

Sale Begins	September 1, 2023
Orders due to Council or Online	October 25, 2023,
by noon	
Distribution	Nov 10 & 11

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) July 14 - 19, 2024 Camp Arrowhead

What is NYLT? National Youth Leadership Training is a week -long course at Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV, that gives Scouts and Venturers the methods, skills and experience to become better leaders in their unit. The course centers around the concepts of what leader must be, what they must know, and what they must do; with a clear focus on how to accomplish this.

The cost is \$300 per youth, which includes: an NYLT field T-shirt, all meals and all course materials. A \$75 deposit is required. We will only be able to accept 48 participants for this course. Please register no later than June 10, 2024.

Who can attend? All eligible Scouts BSA and Venturing youth who wish to improve their leadership skills. To attend the course, you must have a unit leader recommendation.

Scouts: Must be 13 or older by June 2024 and First Class, or a member of a Crew, Ship, or Post, must be 14 and have completed the 8th grade.

Scouts BSA must not be 18 years old and Venturers must not be 21 years old by the last day of the course.

What Participants will learn:

Communications Team Development
Problem Solving Presentation Making
Ethical Decision-Making Resolving Conflict
Servant Leadership Setting Goals

Scouting EDGE

Working with Adult leaders & Youth in Administrative Areas All youth must complete a current BSA Annual Medical Examination (Parts A, B1, B2 & C)

Questions? Email the Course Director, Del Stonestreet at rds2s@aol.com

Experience the Best of West Virginia!

The Resort at Glade Springs & Weathered Ground Brewery Monday, September 11, 2023

Experience the Best of West Virginia plus benefit the Buckskin Council, BSA, Seneca, and Mtn. Dominion District

Tee Off at 1:00 pm

for a scramble style golf tournament at one of West Virginia's premiere golf course, the beautiful Cobb Course at Glade Springs. Scramble includes green fees, carts and prizes for play!

Dinner begins at 7:00 p.m.

Finish the day at Weathered Ground Brewery with live musical entertainment and a West Virginia themed dinner featuring a beer pairing to compliment each course.

While enjoying the music, dinner and gorgeous Weathered Ground Brewery, you can bid on a variety of "Best of" themed prizes in a silent auction, featuring items and experiences from some of the most notable stores and vendors in Southern West Virginia! For more information, contact Samuel Bosley at 304-573-5499 or go to www.buckskin.org.



Cub Scout Family Camp

Visit the Ghost Town!

October 20-22, 2023

Camp Arrowhead



October can be a time of scary happenings. But our Family Camp will be a fun experience for the entire family. Come visit Camp Arrowhead as it becomes a "Ghost Town". Nothing to be afraid of, just some Cub Scout fun and an exciting weekend of adventure.

This camp will consist of an activity day on Saturday and up to two nights of camping. Families are responsible for their own meals. Activities take place during the morning and afternoon, with a closing campfire Saturday evening. So come visit our Ghost Town for a good time of Cub Scout fun.

This Family Camp is the combined effort of Adena, Chief Cornstalk, and Shawnee Districts but all Cub Scout families are welcome.

Check-in (if you dare) begins at 5:30 pm on Friday.

Check-out (if you find your way out) is Sunday by 12 noon.

Cub Scouts and Tagalongs \$8.00 Adults/Leaders \$3.00 Children under 3 yrs old free

Register at www.buckskin.org

Michael Tygart Loop Trail Hike Satruday, October 14th Greenbo State Park

The annual Michael Tygart Loop Trail Hike begins Saturday, October 14th at 9:00 am at Greenbo State Park boat dock.

The Michael Tygart Loop Trail is a wonderful 7.5 mile loop trail at Greenbo State Park in Greenup, KY. The trail hike is hosted by Troop 154 in Bellefonte, KY. The scouts will be provide assistance as needed. You may hike all or part of the

There is no fee but the donation of one can of food per hiker would be appreciated. All collected food is donated to a local food bank. Optional patches are available for \$1.

Questions? Contact Pat Galliher at 606-324-9952.

H. Bernard Wehrle, Sr. Scout Leadership Service Center and Scout Shop 2829 Kanawha Blvd E Charleston, WV 25311 Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Phone: 304-340-3663/fax 304-925-0533

Huntington Scout Shop 1037 Sixth Ave Huntington, WV 25701 Monday-Friday 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Phone: 304-523-3408/fax 304-523-3409

Parkersburg Scout Shop 1117 Garfield Ave Parkersburg, WV 26101

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-5:00 pm (No Saturdays)

Phone: 304-422-4507/ fax 304-428-8594

Charleston and Huntington Scout Shops are open one Saturday a month from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

The specific dates are listed below:

Charleston Shop	Huntington Shop
Sept 9	Sept 21
Oct 14	Oct 21
Nov 4	Nov 18
Dec 16	Dec 16
Jan 13	Jan 20
Feb 10	Feb 17
March 9	March 16
April 13	April 20
May 11	May 18





Aquatics & Nature Camp Camp Cherokee, Louisa, KY NEW DATE! Sept. 8-9

Aquatics and Nature Camp is returning to Camp Cherokee. Now is your chance to take Kayaking, Fishing, Motorboating and a number of other merit badges that you couldn't squeeze in at Summer Camp. Come just for the merit badges on Saturday or Sunday. Or come and camp for the whole weekend while you earn a couple merit badges.

Scouts are \$15. There is no fee for Adults. Troops must provide their own meals.

Register at www.buckskin.org. until September 27th.

Be sure to read the Leader's Guide so you are prepared to have a great time at beautiful Camp Cherokee.

Directions - From US Route 23, turn on Route 3 West. Go 2.5 miles to Route 1185. Take Route 1185 2.5 miles toward the Marina. Boy Scout Road is on the left as you head toward the Marina. Follow the signs to the camp.

Facilities - There are no showers or running water at the camp. Participants and camping units are encouraged to bring water with them. Showers are located in the state park campground area (will require transportation).

Putnam County Gun Club Youth Day

Saturday, September 16, 2023 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Putname County Gun Club, Eleanor, WV Everyone is invited to the 28th Annual Putnam County Gun Club's Youth Day! There will be all kinds of events:

BB Guns Archery
Life Saver Throw .22 Shooting
Cowboy Shooting Sling Shot Shooting
Air Rifles

Everything is furnished. Don't bring any guns or ammunition. There will also be a consession stand where you can get food and drinks.

Registration is \$5 per person - each one gets a t-shirt. Each participant needs to have an adult leader or parent to be responsible for them.

Camping is available.

For more information and to register, call David Thompson at 304-776-1950 or 304-539-5965



National Jamboree 2023 was a rousing success.

Scouts from across the council met more Scouts from across the country!

Council Scout Shops still have a few of our custom NSJ23 patch sets left. Pick one up today at your nearest Scout Shop!

\$20 per set

Thank You to our Buckskin Council Champions for helping to support Scouting in the local community!

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TAKHONEK LODGE ORDER OF THE ARROW, LODGE #617



September is here, and some members may not be too ecstatic due to school. Luckily, we do have some events coming up that will help stave off boredom. We may be nearing the end of the calendar year, but we still have many goals to accomplish before it ends.

Summer Picnic Pool Party and Brotherhood

Before we jump into new info, let us take a quick look at a previous event. The summer picnic was a success ladies and gentlemen. It was great to see so many people come out for the food and fellowship. It is also a chance to announce that we had four members receive their brotherhood.

Vigil/Vigil Reunion

The Vigil/Vigil Reunion will be held at the Summit, Sub Camp A on Sept. 15-16. This is for Vigil members only. www.buckskin.org/oa to register.

Fall Fellowship

Fall Fellowship is coming up from September 29th to October 1st. With summer camp season ending, I want to remind you that every the Ordeal in 2023. Also, if you missed the summer picnic, or were hood. Go to: www.buckskin.org/oa to register.

Emergency Preparedness Event - OA Service Corps

The Emergency Preparedness Camporee is coming up. It will be held from October 6th to the 8th. Lodge volunteers are only needed for Saturday, Oct. 7th. You can camp on Friday night for \$5, but you can also choose to just drive up on Saturday. Volunteers will receive a special, fancy, and shiny new patch for their collection alongside service hours that will count toward their lodge service flap. Please let us know if you can help. Go to: www.buckskin.org/ oa to register. More information will be provided as we receive it If your chapter would like to share news across the lodge or if you from the planning committee.

NOAC 2024

Attention Arrowmen! Sign-ups for NOAC 2024 are quickly approaching! Next year's NOAC will be held on the University of Colorado Boulder campus from July 29th to August 3rd. Interested Arrowmen can begin signing up in early October to attend this incredible event. Until signups are open, any Arrowmen who would like to receive more information can sign up on this form here: https://forms.gle/LhZd177kHCBW8TA16. transportation are currently TBD. More information about NOAC can be found at the NOAC 2024 website: https://oa-bsa.org/ program/events/noac.

2023 Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
Sept 15-16	Vigil/Vigil Reunion	Camp Arrowhead
Sept. 29 – Oct. 1	Fall Ordeal/Brotherhood	Camp Arrowhead
Oct 6-8	Emergency Prep. Event	Summit Bechtel Reserve
Oct27-28	Lodge Leadership Dev. (LLD)	Buckskin Council Office
Nov 3-5	Section E13 Forum	Camp Lazarus
Dec 9	Lodge Winter Banquet	Summit Pigott Dng Hall

Annual Lodge Officer Elections

Are you interested in running for a lodge office position for 2023? Download the form from www.buckskin.org/takhonek-lodgeresources-and-files, fill it out, and return it to be eligible to run. Positions include Lodge Chief, Vice Chief of Administration, Vice Chief of Program, and Lodge Secretary. Fall Fellowship will also have Chapter Chief elections held during the event. Due note, you do not need any special paperwork filled out to run for chapter chief, just lodge offices.

Hytone Provides Service to District

The Hytone Chapter recently did tremendous OA service at Camp Roland's Badge O Ree and fed the entire camp pancakes! We served almost 250 pancakes to 80 people and overall did 24 hours of service! The camp was very pleased with our efforts and real appreciative of the Hytone Chapter.

Unit Elections

This will be the last opportunity for Ordeal Candidates to complete troop can hold an OA election once a year if they have not already. While the call-out ceremonies exist, they are not required in the not eligible until after, this will be another chance to earn Brother- Ordeal process. With the Fall Fellowship coming up it is highly encouraged you hold your elections. Please contact a chapter or lodge officer/adviser to schedule your unit's election today!

2023 Dues

It is essential to remind you to pay your dues. You want to be allowed to go to events or buy merchandise, don't you? Go to https://www.buckskin.org/oa-events/2023-takhonek-lodge-duesand-fox-pass/ to pay your 2023 dues!!

Would your chapter like one of its events posted in the Courier or share information about a previous event?

have an idea for something you would like to see in the Courier articles, please email your article or ideas to the Courier author, Nolan Duncan, at ndunca1@gmail.com or his student email duncan186@marshall.edu

2023 Youth Officers			
Lodge Chief	Sarah Dudley		
VC Administration	Dawso	on Brown	
VC Program	Drake	Odell	
Secretary	Vacan	t	
Immediate Past Chief	Will D	udley	
	2023 Chapter	Chiefs	
Adena	Jayden	Burchett	
Adjudimo	Wyatt	Dennison	
Hytone	Blake Blankenship		
Kootaga	Hunter Trippett		
Seneca	Natalie Barnette		
Wapiti	Parker Hawkins		
	2023 Adult Ad	dvisers	
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Hytone	Brian Blankenship		
Kootaga	Jay Wilson	jw6180a@yahoo.com	
Seneca	Lee Webb	lealwe318@hotmail.com	





Training Corner

By Susan Williams

Hey there, fearless leaders of the Cub Scout adventure!

Hold onto your hats because we're about to drop a bombshell of excitement right into your scout spirit! Prepare to be amazed, as we unveil the 2023 makeover of the Cub Scout Position Specific Training Facilitator Guide!

After recently Introducing the overhaul of our online training modules for ALL Cub Scout Position Specific roles, we've turbocharged the Facilitator Guide to align with the latest changes in the Cub Scout program. Not only that, but we've turned up the dial on awesomeness by injecting the latest and greatest references to supercharge your training delivery.

But wait, there's more! Hold onto your Cub Scout hats, because we have included Family Packs and the formation of dens that embrace both the fearless girls and boys of our scouting family!

If you're a Cub Scout leader who hungers for face-to-face action, don't walk – sprint – to spread the word like wildfire. Round up your fellow scout enthusiasts and make a beeline to snag your spot in an electrifying live training session with your Council!

Let's make history together as we dive headfirst into the ocean of knowledge, soaking up the latest and greatest updates. Together, we'll continue to light the path for our young scouts as they embark on their awe-inspiring journeys of growth and discovery!

You, dear leaders, are the heartbeat of our Cub Scout community, and we're bursting with gratitude for your unwavering dedication. Here's to the future, here's to adventure, and here's to YOU!

For this or any other Cub Scout or Scouts BSA leader training, call Sue Williams, Carol McCarthy or your district training chair.

Basic Adult Leaders Outdoor Orientation

This one-and-a-half day course is designed as an introduction to the Cub Scout outdoor program for leaders interested in adding a camping component to their Pack activities.

BALOO training consists of an online pre-requisite component in addition to an overnight hands on practical. BSA's Cub Scout level camping policies will be taught along with the discovery of the necessary tools to help units carry our a successful camping experience. Completion of this course is mandatory for a MINIMUM OF ONE adult on a Pack overnighter.

When: Sept 15-16, 2023 Where: Camp Arrowhead

Fee: \$25

Register: www.buckskin.org/training

By Tuesday, Sept. 12th

Questions: Sue Williams

buzy2buzy@gmail.com

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training

Working as patrols, this hands-on course provides adult leaders the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors. Upon completion, leaders should feel comfortable teaching Scouts the basic skills required to obtain the First Class rank. Along with Scoutmaster Specifics this course is required of all direct contact leaders registered in Scouts BSA Troops in order to be considered "trained".

When: September 8-9, 2023
Where: Camp Arrowhead

Fee: \$25

Register: www.buckskin.org/training

by Wednesday, September 6th

Questions: contact Rosann Brooks

rosann1030@aol.com

Training Calendar

September

-8-9 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) at Camp Arrowhead

15-16 Basic Adult Leader Orientation (BALOO) at Camp Arrowhead

July, 2024

14-19 National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT), Camp Arrowhead

Council Chair	Sue Williams	buzy2buzy@gmail.com 217-741-0900	
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Mtn Dominion	Daren Law	marshall.d.law@gmail.com 540-235-6467	
Seneca	Carol McCarthy	designsbycarol@gmail.com	
Shawnee	Rosann Brooks	rosann1030@aol.com	



Adena District

Serving: Cabell, Wayne, Lincoln, WV; Lawrence, OH; Boyd, Carter, Lawrence, KY Counties carl.sullivan@scouting.org www.buckskin.org/adena

Adena Event Calendar

September

Septemi	per
1	Popcorn Take Order Sale Begins
4	Labor Day – Scout Office and Shops Closed
7	Roundtable – 6:30pm
8-10	Circuit Rider Camporee – Jackson's Mill
8-9	IOLS – Camp Arrowhead
9	Council District Operations Meeting – 10:00am
15-19	Am Veterans Traveling Tribute - Olive Hill
15-19	Am Veterans Traveling Tribute - Parkersburg
15-16	BALOO – Camp Arrowhead
15-16	OA Vigil Reunion - Summit
21	District Committee – 6:00pm
23	Rocket Launch & Fun Day - Camp Arrowhead
29-Oct 1	OA Fall Ordeal/Brotherhood – Camp Arrowhead

October

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5	Roundtable – 6:30pm
5-8	Pumpkin Festival – Milton
6	Michael Tygart Hike – Greenbo State Park
6-8	Emergency Prep Camporee – Summit
19	District Committee – 6:00pm
20-22	Cub Family Camp – Camp Arrowhead
25	Popcorn Orders Due in Council Office
27-28	OA Lodge Leadership Development-Council Office

November

Novemb	er
2	Roundtable – 6:30pm
4	Flag Placements @ Spring Hill Cemetery
10	Popcorn pickup
16	District Committee – 6:00pm
18	Huntington Shop open 9am-1pm
23-24	Thanksgiving – Scout Office & shops closed

ROUNDTABLE

The Monthly Roundtable Meeting returns to the schedule in September. These meetings will be held in person at the Gathering Place, Kenova, WV. The meeting will also be shown via Zoom for those who may not be able to attend otherwise. Roundtable is held the first Thursday of each month beginning at 6:30pm.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE

The District Committee Meeting will be conducted via Zoom Video Conference at 6:00pm. These meetings will continue to be held via Zoom until we are able to meet in person.

These meetings begin at 6:00pm on the third Thursday of each month. All units should have a representative attend. All District Committee members and Charter Organization Representatives are encouraged to attend.

Adena District Committee

District Chair	vacant	
District Vice-Chair	vacant	
District Commissioner	Alvin Watts	304-751-5686
District Executive	Carl Sullivan	304-523-3408
Nominating Committee	David Amsbary	304-697-5757
Fund Development	David Lunsford	304-733-2780
Community FOS	vacant	
Product Sale	Melanie Young	304-523-3408
Membership	Jane Mills	304-417-1422
Training	Sue Williams	217-741-0900
Program Chair	Robert Shields	304-638-4536
Camp Promotion	Jon Keelin	606-739-9232
Advancement	Ed Dzierzak	304-634-6189
Marketing	Jeremy Reed	304-972-9116
Cub Scout Roundtable	Melanie Young	606-928-4903
OA Chapter Advisor	Jon Keelin	606-739-9232

BE SURE TO CHECK THE COUNCIL WEBSITE AND DISTRICT FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES REGARDING SCHEDULED EVENTS.

AQUATICS CAMP

Aquatics Camp at Camp Cherokee has been reschedule for September 29-October 1 to attend this camp due to equipment issues.. Small Boat Sailing, Kayaking, Fishing, Motorboating and a number of other merit badges will be offered. Come just for the merit badges. Or come and camp and have a great weekend while you earn a couple merit badges. Check the council website at buckskin/adena for full details. The course catalog and prerequisites are available on the event link.

FALL SIGN-UP EVENTS

The sound of school bells, the smell of burning leaves, the cheers for your local football team can only mean one thing – It's Fall Recruitment Time. Start planning now for your "Adventure On" sign-up event. Develop your unit's program calendar and budget. Think about something special you can do with your new and returning scouts during the sign-up event. Get a head start by checking out the Council and District activity plans at the annual Program Kick-off event on August 12 at Camp Arrowhead. The recruitment giveaways this fall are rockets. Watch for launch days on September 23, and October 21.

POPCORN SALE

I don't know of a Scouting pack, troop or crew that doesn't need some extra money for their program. Popcorn can help. The Take Order part of the sale begins September 1. All popcorn and prize orders are due in the Council office by October 25. Product pick up for the take order sale will be Friday, November 10. Be sure to contact Melanie or Carl to schedule a pickup time. Location is to be announced.

(Adena District - continued on page 15)

Chief Cornstalk District

Serving: Logan, Boone Mingo Kanawha, Braxton & Clay Counties in WV & Pike County in Ky. bill.bryant@scouting.org

www.buckskin.org/chiefcornstalk

Chief Cornstalk Event Calendar

September

1	Popcorn Sale begins
1-2	Popcorn show and sell Pickup
4	Labor Day – Council Office & Shops Closed
8-9	IOLS, Camp Arrowhead
8-10	Circuit Rider Camporee – Jackson's Mill 4H Camp
9	CDO – 10:00am, Charleston
15-16	BALOO, Camp Arrowhead

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Cornstalk District Committee Meeting

November

4	Charleston Shop open 9am - 1pm
10-11	Popcorn Distribution
16	District Committee meeting
23-24	Thanksgiving - Service Center & Shops closed

Unit Charters

If you need any assistance with Unit re-chartering please contact Billy Bryant at 304-687-0476 to schedule an appointment. If you have any youth members that need financial assistance to continue their journey in Scouting, please send an email to bill.bryant@scouting.org

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Chief Cornstalk District Committee

District Chair	Mark Linville	304-369-2795
District Commissioner	Jon Dudley	740-683-2265
Field Director	Billy Bryant	304-340-3663
Vice Chair	Jeffrey Brandt	304-982-5546
Vice Chair	Steve Snodgrass	304-837-3302
Membership Chair	Kevin Abdalla	304-345-8091
Community FOS Chair	vacant	
Family FOS Chair	Mike Kawash	304-768-3948
Product Sales	Jessica Hunter	304-389-8842
Special Event Chair	Steve Downey	
Program Chair	Grace Ann Tolbert	304-988-9537
Training Chair	Bonnie Starling	304-965-7680
Advancement Chair	John Teare	304-550-3516
Camping Chair		
Marketing Chair		
Cub Day Camp	Kara Cvechko	304-573-6720
Cub Day Camp	Alicyn Spencer	304-380-4167
District Chaplain	Danny Pauley	304-561-7666
OA Chapter Advisor	Scott Dennison	

Fall Recruitment

Fall is the time that we traditionally invite new Cub Scouts to join our program. The District Executive will be calling each of the packs to schedule a time and place for your roundup. Traditionally these are held on Tuesday and Thursday and do not need to be on the same night that the Pack Meets. If you would like to schedule your roundup you can call Billy Bryant @304-687-0476.

Cornstalk District Committee

The Meeting is the third Thursday of each month at 6:30pm. Anyone can attend, help plan upcoming events, and receive information about the Council and District activities.

WV Methodist Men Circuit Rider Camporee

The Circuit Rider is returning for 2023 and is open to all Scouts BSA troops and Venture crews! Units do not need to be sponsored by a United Methodist Church to attend this great event. In addition to the numerous free activities provided like past events like the frozen t-shirt contest and cast iron cookoff, the United Methodist Men and WVU Jackson's Mill are pleased to offer special programs this year. Each will last approximately one hour and be led by a program coordinator from Jackson's Mill. Scouts and their Scout-age guests can sign up for one, two, or all four of the special programs offered for a fee of \$10 for each Scout or Scout-age guest. Class spots will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Each class will be offered five times throughout the day with a limited capacity for each offering. Go to Buckskin.org for more information!



Kootaga District

Serving: Wood, Jackson, Wirt, Roane, Ritchie, Calhoun counties in WV, and the communities of Belpre, Little Hocking, and Coolville in Ohio/michael.fletcher@scouting.org www.buckskin.org/kootaga

Kootaga Event Calendar

September

1	Popcorn	Sales	begins

Labor Day - Wehrle Service Center & Shops closed

8-10 Circuit Rider 33, Jackson's MIll

9 Council -District Operations meeting (CDO), 10:00 am

12 District Roundtable & Committee meeting

October

6-8	Emergency Preparedness Camporee, The Summit
13-15	Kootaga Trails Fall Camporee, Camp Kootaga
25	Pancorn arders due

November

10-11 Popcorn Distribution

Roundtable @ 7:30 attend by zoom or in person.

Location TBD

District Committee @ 6:30 attend by zoom or in person. Location TBD

23-24 Thanksgiving - Service Center & Shops closed

Read your Courier for details: We are one council, just look at all the activities going on for the benefit of Scouts and Scouters:

Popcorn Sales

The Popcorn Sale begins September 1st. Encourage your scouts to sell online as well as in-person. Go to www.campmaster.org for details on how to have the best popcorn sale ever. Unit orders are due by October 25th.

Emergency Preparedness Camporee @ The Summit

Cub Scout packs, Scouts BSA troops, and Venturing crews are all invited to The Summit for the Emergency Preparedness Weekend. Saturday activities are free and lunch is included for those who pre-register by the deadline. If you wish to camp, there is a \$5 per person fee. Register at www.buckskin.org.

Kootaga Trails Fall Camporee

This camporee is scheduled for October 13-15. Details are being drafted

Training(s):

(BALOO) Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation is outdoor leader training for Cub Scout leaders who want to take their packs camping. September 15-16 at Camp Arrowhead. (IOLS) Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills is outdoor leader training for Scouts BSA leaders. This training, in addition to Scoutmaster Specifics, Youth Protection training, and Hazardous Weather training will complete your basic leader training. September 8-9 at Camp Arrowhead.

Kootaga District Committee

District Chair	Vernon Criss	
District Commissioner	Christopher Burk	304-615-5648
District Executive	Michael Fletcher	740-707-0010
Comm. & Marketing	Kathy Wise	304-482-7576
FOS Chair	Susan Barber	
VC Membership	vacant	
Product Sales	vacant	
Camping	Keith Morrow	740-590-7687
Advancement	Patrick Shook	304-481-1792
Training	Pete Conklin	304-455-5064
OA Chapter Advisor	Jay Wilson	304-481-3731

(NYLT) National Youth Leadership Training is leadership training for youth members. This training will give your scouts the skills they need to make your troop and crews run properly. July 14-19, 2024, at Camp Arrowhead.

Scout Roundup! - It has begun. Let's set a date for the DE to visit your unit Roundup.

Trunk or Treat - Christ United Methodist Church, October 27, 2023 from 6 p.m.—7:30 p.m. Games, Fun and Treats.

Camp Kootaga: Summer camp is being reviewed to discuss how we can do even better. We're already planning 2024 and looking for next season's staff. Several suggestions were made in the Wednesday leaders meeting that we are going to work on implementing in 2024.

We ask all units to reserve their 2024 camp sites soon. Reservation info and week by week graph can be found on the website. Reservations can be taken at anytime. Our ability to accept deposits should be open as soon as we can close the books on summer camp 2023.

We still have 4 campsites and one cabin that we would like to get adopted. Units who adopt these sites make a continuous commitment to maintaining, improving, and keeping the site/cabin ready all year long for campers.

In the next few weeks, we are kicking off the largest capital improvements camp projects that we have seen in many years. Several projects are already in process, and the plan is to complete all projects by December 31, 2023. Follow our progress on the Camp Kootaga Facebook page.

New Capital Improvement Projects

New climbing tower and zip lines

New kybo and shower house to be used by Iroquois, Mahonegan and Chippewa campsites

New 30X60 mechanical storage building

Purge all of camp and the warehouse of all scrap and junk

Complete the bouldering wall

Complete the roof on the rangers house



Mountain Dominion District

Serving: Monroe, Mercer , McDowell , Summers & Wyoming Counties in WV; Giles, Bland & Tazewell Counties in VA Samuel.bosley@scouting.org www.buckskin.org/mtdominion

Mt Dominion Event Calendar

September

1	Popcorn	Sale	heoins
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Labor Day - Wehrle Service Center & Shops closed
 Council District Operations meeting (CDO), 10:00 am

8-10 Circuit Rider 33 Camporee, Jackson's Mill

11 Best of WV Golf Tournament

21 Committee meeting, 6:30 pm, Stinson UMC, Princeton

October

6-8 Emergency Preparedness Camporee, The Summit

25 Popcorn orders due

November

10-11 Popcorn Distribution

23-24 Thanksgiving - Service Center & Shops closed

Important update on district events:

Please check the district website regularly for up to date information on upcoming events. www.buckskin.org/mtdominion

District Committee Meeting

We will have the Mt. Dominion District committee meeting and roundtable on September 21st. It starts at 6:30 pm and is at Stinson United Methodist Church in Princeton, WV.

Popcorn sales begin September 1st

It's time to begin planning your unit's Fall Popcorn Sale. Proceeds from this can pay for your entire year of program.

Show-N-Sell: Pre-order popcorn for your Scout's to sell in their local area - outside stores, at festivals, you name it! Place your Show-N-Sell order by August 16th. Pick it up Sept. 1st.

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Mt. Dominion District Committee

District Chair	Brian Blankenship	304-888-2842
District Commissioner	Jason Anderson	304-960-1096
District Executive	Samuel Bosley	304-573-5499
Cub Scout Prog Chair	Carrie Kozikowski	540-626-7929
Scouts BSA Prog Chair	Dan Trent	276-322-3911
Venture Prog Chair	Tim Wallace	276-963-0525
Training Chair	Daren Law	540-235-6467
Advancement Chair	Barry Nowlin	304-487-5632
Popcorn Chair	Trey Aliff	304-308-0405
OA Chapter Advisor	Brian Blankenship	304-888-2842
Membership Chair	vacant	
Religious Emb. Coordinator	Bill Fuzia	503-440-5185

Best of WV Golf Tournament

Experience the Best of West Virginia plus benefit the Buckskin Council, BSA, Seneca, and Mtn. Dominion District. Join us at the Resort at Glade Springs & Weathered Ground Brewery on Monday, September 11, 2023, for a scramble-style golf tournament at the beautiful Cobb Course at Glade Springs. Scramble includes green fees, carts and prizes for play!

Finish the day at Weathered Ground Brewery with live musical entertainment and a West Virginia themed dinner featuing a beer pairing to compliment each course.

While enjoying the music, dinner and gorgeous Weathered Ground Brewery, you can bid on a variety of "Best of" themed prizes in a silent auction, featuring items and experiences from some of the most notable stores and vendors in Southern West Virginia!

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Seneca District

Serving: Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Webster, Greenbrier and Pocahontas Counties in WV Samuel.bosley@scouting.org www.buckskin.org/seneca

Seneca Event Calendar

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1 Popcorn Sale begins

Labor Day - Wehrle Service Center & Shops closed
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Seneca District Committee

District Chair	Frank Jorgensen	
District Commissioner	Lori Hindson	304-237-7413
District Executive	Samuel Bosley	304-573-5499
Advancement Chair	Jeff Proctor	304-673-2640
Program Chair	OPEN	
Training Chair	Carol McCarthy	703-587-4453
OA Chapter Advisor	Lee Webb	
Venturing Chair	Dana McCorkle	304-573-4636

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Shawnee District

Serving: Putnam, Mason, western Kanawha Counties, WV; Gallia and Meigs Counties, OH michael.cidor@scouting.org www.buckskin.org/shawnee

Shawnee District Event Calendar

September

1 Popcorn Sale begins

4 Labor Day - Service Center & Shops closed 8-10 Circuit Rider 33 Camporee, Jackson's Mill

9 Council -District Operations meeting (CDO), 10:00 am

October

6-8 Emergency Preparedness Camporee, The Summit

20-22 Cub Family Camp – Camp Arrowhead

25 Popcorn orders due

November

10-11 Popcorn Distribution

23-24 Thanksgiving - Service Center & Shops closed

Circuit Rider 33 Camporee

hosted by the W. Va. United Methodist Men The Circuit Rider is returning for 2023 and is open to all Scouts BSA troops and Venture crews! In addition to the numerous free activities provided similar to past events like the frozen t-shirt contest and cast iron cookoff, the United Methodist Men and WVU Jackson's Mill are pleased to offer special programs. Each will last approximately one hour and be led by a program coordinator from Jackson's Mill. Scouts can sign up for one, two, three, or all four of the special programs offered for a fee of \$10 for each Scout or Scout-age guest.

When: Friday, Sept. 8 - Sunday, Sept. 10, 2023 Where: WVU Jackson's Mill, Weston, WV

Cost: \$4 per person to attend.

Includes: Event patch, facility, Jackson's Mill program activities Register at https://scoutingevent.com/615-CircuitRider33

Emergency Preparedness Camporee

The Buckskin Council and WVU Medicine - Thomas Hospitals are sponsoring an Emergency Preparedness Camporee. It features a variety of public safety related hands-on activities and demonstrations on Saturday, October 7, 2023. Activities and lunch on Saturday will be free. If you want to camp, the fee is \$5 per person for the whole weekend.

Meals are the responsibility of the units or individuals who are camping. Cub Scouts are welcome too! Activities provided by the Summit Bechtel Reserve will be available at an additional expense. A complete list of activities is available at www.buckskin.org. This camporee is open to everyone, so get signed up today.

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Shawnee District Committee

District Chair	Leo Lopez	304-419-4554
District Commissioner	Rosann Brooks	304-881-1042
District Director	Michael Cidor	814-860-1562
Vice District Chair	Colleen Sergent	304-552-0297
Vice District Chair (Finance)	vacant	
Advancement Chair	Debbie Slack	304-340-3663
Program Chair	Mike Lamb	304-590-1354
Cub Program Chair	Melinda Craddock	304-727-0143
Camping Chair	Barry Lindley	
SBSA Scout Roundtable	Gerry Stover	
Cub Scout Roundtable	Colleen Sergent	304-552-0297
Product Sales	David Duncan	304-541-7559
Membership Chair	Traci Hudson	304-382-9679
OA Chapter Advisor	David Duncan	304-541-7559

BALOO COURSE

BALOO training is for Cub Scout Leaders interested in taking their pack or den on outdoor activities. This training is scheduled for September 15 - 16 at Camp Arrowhead. Scouters will learn the ins and outs of getting your Cubbies outside. There is an on-line module that participants need to complete prior to the in-person course. Training begins on Friday night about 7:00pm and wraps up around 6:30pm Saturday evening. The course is \$25.00 and and includes food. Register at www.buckskin.org/training.

INTRO TO OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP SKILLS

IOLS is a course required by troop and crew leaders to be considered fully trained. The course is at Camp Arrowhead on September 8-9. Scoutmasters and Crew Advisors can register on the Council website. The fee is \$25. Register at www.buckskin.org/training.

CDO Meeting

The Council-District Operations meeting (CDO) is Saturday, September 9th at the Wehrle Service Center. Thee meeting runs from 10:00am to 12 noon. District Committee members should attend to meet with their counterparts from across the council.

Council Trunk or Treat

Buckskin Council is planning a Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 26th at the Scout Service Center on Kanawha Blvd. We are asking for units to decorate a trunk or truck bed or parking space and pass out candy and information on their Pack. We will have music and some other fun for everyone, and members of the community are invited to have fun and learn more about Scouting.

Shawnee District Committee Meetings

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of most months. We have a zoom link available on the Shawnee page of the Council website. Meetings start at 6:30 PM and all are welcome to join. We discuss upcoming events, plan for recruiting, help units build membership and share ideas.

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COUNCIL DISTRICT OPERATIONS MEETING

Functional committee chairs of the District Committee are reminded of the CDO Meeting scheduled for September 9 at the Council Service Center. This meeting will begin at 10:00am and is scheduled to adjourn at noon. Join with your counterparts from across the Council to discuss specifics in your area of responsibility on the District Committee.

AMERICAN VETERANS TRAVELING TRIBUTE WALL

The Council has the unique opportunity to visit the American Veterans traveling Tribute Wall at two locations the weekend of September 15 through Tuesday, September 19. This 212 panel display offers tribute to the veterans who died in combat World War I thru the recent Afghanistan conflict. The Olive Hill presentation is hosted by American Legion Post 138 along with other community organizations and sponsors. This display will be open from 7:30am to 10:00pm nightly from Friday, Sep 15 thru Monday, Sep 18, and 7:30am to 6:00pm on Tuesday, Sep 19. There is no cost of admission. The display will be located at American Legion Park, Rt 60 and KY-174, just outside of Olive Hill, Ky.

A similar display will be in Parkersburg beginning Thursday, Sep 14 thru Sunday, Sep 17. Please check your local websites for information regarding times and location.

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CUB SCOUT FUN DAY & ROCKET LAUNCH

All Cub Scouts and their families are invited to Camp Arrowhead on Saturday, September 23 for a day of fun. New scouts who receive rockets for joining will get to launch their rockets as well. Shooting sports, fishing, LEGO building and more activities. Returning scouts will be able to purchase a rocket. Otherwise, this is a no fee event.

MILTON PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

October 5 thru 8 will be the 2023 Pumpkin Festival at Milton Pumpkin Park. An information booth about Scouting will be open during the event. In the evenings we will also have one of the inflatable BB ranges operating. Your help is needed both during the day and in the evenings to help with the booth and the BB shooting. Please contact Carl to let him know when you can help.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CAMPOREE

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MICHAEL TYGART TRAIL HIKE

The annual Michael Tygart Loop Trail Hike begins Saturday, October 14th between 9 am and 11 am at the Greenbo State Park boat dock. This trail is a wonderful 7.5 mile loop trail. Troop 154 will provide assistance as needed. You may hike all or part of the trail. A patch is available for \$1. Scouts BSA, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, church youth groups and their families are invited to hike the trail. A donation of one can of food per hiker would be appreciated and will be given to a local food bank. For more information, contact Pat Galliher at 606-324-9952.

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VETERANS DAY FLAG PLACEMENT

Scouts have a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate respect for our veterans by participating in flag placements at Spring Hill Cemetery in Huntington. Spring Hill placements will begin at 9:00am, on Saturday, November 4. Patches for the first 25 scouts. Other opportunities may exist at a cemetery near you. Check with your local cemetery.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

This annual service project benefits the local food banks in your community. Marked bags are available at any of the three scout shops. Please be sure to report the quantity of food items your unit collects and donates to your local food bank. The first two weekends in November are the traditional dates in the Council, but you can do this service project at anytime.

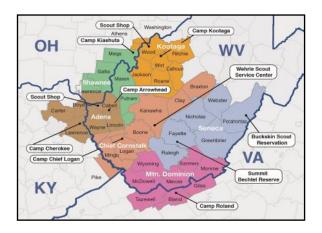
HOLIDAY LIGHTS

The holiday season gets busy with school programs and other special events at your church or place of worship. It makes it difficult to plan an area event for scouts. So, let's take advantage of the season! Adena District scouts are invited to find a holiday light display and have the scout's picture in uniform taken in front of the light display. Post the picture on the Council website along with the scout's name and address so we can mail a patch to the scout.

www.buckskin.org









THE MEMORIAL TRIBUTE FUND

A lasting way to remember someone you care about.

The Buckskin Council offers an excellent way to remember a Scout, family member, Scout volunteer, friend or community leader, through the Tribute fund. All funds received go to the operating cost in the year they are given. Anyone may, however, designate the donations for a specific purpose. (In Memory Of, Anniversary, Happy Birthday, Get well.)

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	2829 Kanawha Blvd. E







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^{***} Please email completed form to tara.a.pack@wv.gov



Unit Commitment Form 2023 Fall Popcorn Sale



Yes, my unit would like to participate in the Fall 2023 Camp Masters Popcorn Sale!

Show & Sell	Take Order
Unit Number: Pack, Troop,	Crew, Ship, Post Adena, Cornstalk, Kootaga, Mt. Dominion, Seneca, Shawnee
Unit Leader:	
Unit Popcorn chairpers	on (this should be DIFFERENT than the unit leader):
Name:(Only one name per	unit and it must be the person that will be in charge of the unit's popcorn sale)
Address:	City:
We need a ph	nysical address for prize delivery!
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We m	ust have an email address in order for your unit to order popcorn or prizes!
Approx. nu	mber of Scouts in unit:
Number of	adults in unit:
Please complete this form	n and return it to the Buckskin Council Office.
You may mail the form to	o: Buckskin Council, BSA Attn: Fall Popcorn Sale 2829 Kanawha Blvd, E Charleston, WV 25311

or fax it to 304-925-0533

American Veteran's Travelling Tribute Wall Sept. 14th thru 19th

American Legion Park, Olive Hill, KY

A tribute to our Nations fallen heroes from WW1 to present day. Memorials from WW1, WW2, Korea and Vietnam. Also 9/11 memorial, Iraq and Afghanistan.

by American Legion Post 138, Olive Hill, Ky. There will be a designated for scouts to camp in the American Legion Park (Sept. 15th, 16th, and 17th).

All scout units including neighboring councils are invited to camp or visit. The park. There is no charge for camping or visiting the memorial displays. Scouts will be needed to help with parking, guide visitors through the

Memorial displays, police up the park and help with disabled
Visitors. Scouts will also be asked to participate in several
Ceremonies during the weekend a flag retirement
Ceremony Saturday evening. Scouts will need
Class A and B uniforms if possible.



This is a great opportunity to earn service hours for rank and fulfill requirements for several merit badges such as Citizenship in the Nation, American Heritage, Disabilities Awareness and more.

This is a great chance for scouts from all over KY., W.V., and Onio to Meet and work together.

For more information contact Mike Knight @ 606-225-2370

Buckskin Council, BSA

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation September 15-16, 2023 – Camp Arrowhead



BALOO is intended for new Cub Scout leaders or parent volunteers who have minimal camping experience but want to plan and carry out entry level outdoor experiences for the pack. The format for this training is an outdoor camping adventure. The course is designed to address a wide variety of topics which need to be considered when preparing for a Cub Scout outdoor activity. Some of the topics include Aims & Purposes, Planning, Campfire, Health & Safety, Equipment, Cooking, program ideas, and more.

Prior to taking the practical component, <u>participants must have completed the online component</u>. Both the online and the practical, must be completed in order to fulfill the "BALOO Trained" status. In the event the online component is not completed prior to the practical, the trained status is withheld until both components are successfully completed. The online portion is available through the BSA LearnCenter. Log onto my.scouting.org and select the BSA LearnCenter image on the right side of the home page. Complete the course named ""BALOO Prerequisite Training V2". Bring your completion certificate with you.

The next course will be September 15-16 at Camp Arrowhead. Check-in begins Friday at 6:30pm. All participants are expected to arrive by 7:00pm. The course is planned to conclude by 6:30pm on Saturday. The course is \$25.00 per person. This covers course material, cracker barrel on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

You should bring a sleeping bag or blanket, flashlight & batteries, personal items, a notebook and pen or pencil. You may bring your own tent or use a tent provide by the camp. Dress for the weather – the course goes on rain or shine.

If you have questions about this course, please contact Sue Williams at 217-741-0900 or buzy2buzy@gmail.com.

Registration Deadline - Tuesday, September 12, 2023

BALOO REGISTRATION FORM - SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2023

Name		Phone
Mailing Address		
City, State, Zip		
Email Address		
Pack #	Position	District
Detail any food allergies, please _		

Complete the registration form and return to:

Buckskin Council, BSA, Attn: BALOO – Camp Arrowhead 2829 Kanawha Blvd. East Charleston, WV 25311

Registration may also be completed using the Council website – www.buckskin.org

Buckskin Council, BSA

INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS

SEPTEMBER 8 - 9, 2023 — CAMP ARROWHEAD

What is IOLS? The Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) course builds and expands on the concepts and themes introduced in Scoutmaster Positions-Specific Training and Varsity Coach Position-Specific Training and provides Scouters with the confidence to take youth into the outdoors.

- ➤ Gives adult leaders a practical introduction to the patrol method of a boy-led troop by teaching many of the practical outdoor skills they need to lead scouts in the out-of-doors. In addition, the teaching methods, activities, and games model the variety of teaching used in effective and engaging Scouting programs.
- ➤ Hands-on participation is the best learning tool, and this course models the techniques used by effective Scoutmasters, and other leaders in the Scouting program. Attendees will see and experience different aspects of how Scouting works while playing the role of Scouts in a troop.
- Participants will leave the training experience with a full understanding of how the patrol method operates, a feeling of comfort in working with the instructing their Scouts, and an increased level of confidence taking Scouts outdoors safely.

What is covered in IOLS? .The course is designed to address a wide variety of topics such as Outdoor Ethics, Cooking, Fire Site Preparation & Building, Campfire Program, Interfaith Worship, Flag Ceremony and more.

What is the cost to attend? The course is \$25.00 per person. This covers course material, cracker barrel on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

When is IOLS training? The next course will be September 8 - 9, 2023 at Camp Arrowhead. Check-in begins Friday at 6:00 pm. All participants are expected to arrive by 7:00pm. The course is planned to conclude by 5:00 pm on Saturday.

What should I bring? You should bring a Boy Scout Handbook, a sleeping bag or blankets, flashlight & batteries, personal items, a notebook and pen or pencil. You may bring your own tent or use a tent provide by the camp. Dress for the weather – the course goes on rain or shine.

QUESTIONS? Contact Rosann Brooks 304-881-1042 or <u>rosann1030@aol.com</u>

Registration Deadline – Wednesday, September 6, 2023

IOLS REGISTRATION FORM — SEPTEMBER 8 — 9, 2023

Name		Phone
Mailing Address		
Email Address		
	_ Position	District
Detail any food allergies, please		

Complete the registration form and return the form with your registration fee to

Buckskin Council, BSA, Attn: IOLS - Camp Arrowhead 2829 Kanawha Blvd. East Charleston, WV 25311



ADENA DISTRICT SEPTEMBER FUN DAY and ROCKET LAUNCH

Camp Arrowhead 4081 Scout Camp Road, Ona, WV Saturday, September 23, 2023

Join with your fellow scouts to "Launch Into Scouting" as we celebrate the start of a new program year. New scouts joining will receive a rocket kit at their signup event. Returning scouts can purchase a rocket kit at the event for \$4.00. We will have rocket building time so you can assemble your rocket. Then it's on to the launch pad where we will see how high your rocket can fly.

BUT THERE IS MORE! In addition to the rocket launch, we will deliver on what you were told at school or the signup event. You will have a chance to do some BB Shooting and Archery. Stop by the slingshot range and see how many time you can hit the pans. You want to fish? Bring your pole and bait to try to catch the big one. (We do catch and release at camp, thank you.) There will be some more activities for you to enjoy as

This is a no fee event. Scouts and their families are welcome to come and enjoy Camp Arrowhead. Come and stay as long as you like. The event will begin at noon and end at 4:00pm. Although there is no fee to attend this event, we do ask that you pre-register so we may have an idea as to how many will be attending. You may register at www.buckskin.org/adena. Walk-ins are welcome.

Scan this QR code to register



www.buckskin.org/adena

Additional rockets will be available to purchase for a nominal fee for those who would like to build and launch one.

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP.

Camp Arrowhead is located just off Blue Sulphur Road. From the Huntington Mall take exit 20. Follow the access road to US Route 60 E and turn left. Proceed to the second traffic light and turn left on Blue Sulphur Road. Go 1.5 miles and turn right on Scout Camp Road. Stay on Scout Camp Road to the camp entrance. Turn right to enter the camp parking lot. Check-in will be under the awning at Meacham Lodge located on the





National Youth Leadership Training July 14 - 19, 2024 Camp Arrowhead

What is NYLT?

It is a week-long course at Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV, that gives Scouts and Venturers the methods, skills and experience to become better leaders in their unit. The course centers around the concepts of what leader must **be**, what they must **know**, and what they must **do**; with a clear focus on how to accomplish this.

The cost is \$300 per youth, which includes: an NYLT field T-shirt, all meals and all course materials. A \$75 deposit is required. We will only be able to accept 48 participants for this course. Please register no later than June 10, 2024. Late fee will be \$325.00.

Who can attend?

- All eligible Scouts BSA and Venturing youth who wish to improve their leadership skills. To attend the course, you must have a unit leader recommendation.
- **Scouts:** Must be 13 or older by June 2024 and First Class, or a member of a Crew, Ship, or Post, must be 14 and have completed the 8th grade.
- Scouts BSA must not be 18 years old and Venturers must not be 21 years old by the last day of the course.

What Participants will learn

Communications
 Problem Solving
 Ethical Decision-Making
 Resolving Conflict
 Setting Goals
 Team Development
 Presentation Making
 Working with Adult leaders & Youth in Administrative Areas
 Servant Leadership
 Scouting EDGE

All youth must complete a current BSA Annual Medical Examination (Parts A, B1, B2 & C)

Return this form to the Buckskin Council Office to complete registration and submit payment.







The Resort at Glade Springs & Weathered Ground Brewery

The Best of West Virginia
Monday, September 11, 2023

Fundraiser benefiting the Buckskin Council, BSA
Seneca and Mtn. Dominion Districts

Tee off at 1:00 p.m. for a scramble style format tournament at one of West Virginia's premiere golf course, the beautiful Cobb Course at Glade Springs. Scramble includes green fees, carts and prizes for play!

Finish the day at Weathered Ground Brewery with live musical entertainment and a West Virginia themed dinner featuring a beer pairing to compliment each course. Dinner begins at 7:00 p.m.

While enjoying the music, dinner and gorgeous Weathered Ground brewery, you can bid on a variety of "Best of" themed prizes in a silent auction, featuring items and experiences from some of the most notable stores and vendors in Southern West Virginia!



For more information and to register scan code or visit: https://www.buckskin.org/events/bestofwv-2/





Emergency Preparedness Event



October 6 - 8, 2023 Summit Bechtel Reserve

The Buckskin Council and WVU Medicine - Thomas Hospitals are sponsoring an Emergency Preparedness Event the weekend of October 6-8, 2023.

On Saturday, October 7, first responders and public safety agencies will be providing training and hands-on activities throughout the day from 9am to 5:50pm. THIS IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Lunch will be provided to those who register. All other meals are an individual or unit responsibility.

Camping

Camping is available for Scouts BSA and Cub Scout Families at a cost of \$5 per person for the weekend. Camping check in Friday 5 PM and Checkout Sunday by noon. Please select the camping option at registration on the website if you are camping.

Registration

Registration is required for this event for both day visitors and camping. Please register at the Buckskin Council website at www.buckskin.org/events/emergency-preparedness-camporee/ or scan the QR code.













28th Annual

Youth Outdoor Shooting Day

September 16th, 2023 9am—4pm

Putnam County Gun Club, Eleanor, WV



22 riffe shooting

Air rifle shooting

Casting

And much more!!!!!

Shotgun shooting

Archery

Sling shot

Contact: Bill Shank 539-2944

or Dave Thompson 776-1950