



Spring Camping Time Is Here!

Edition 9 April, 2025

Spring is here and Camping Season has begun. Looking for some camping events? Whether you are a Cub Scout or Scouts BSA, we have what you're looking for!

Pirates & Sailors Spring Family Camp

May 16-18, 2025

Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV



Welcome to the exciting world of pirates and sailors! Imagine a time long ago when brave adventurers sailed the high seas in search of treasure, exploring mysterious islands and facing thrilling challenges. Pirates wore eye patches, had wooden legs, and shouted "Ahoy, matey!" as they navigated the waves on their grand ships. They lived by their own rules, making friends and foes along the way, all while searching for hidden gold and secret maps.

Packs will cook their own meals in their campsite, so bring your own food and cooking gear. Day Campers should bring their own lunches. Fees are \$10 for scouts and tagalongs, adults and siblings 3 years old & under are free.



Webelos-Ree

April 11-13, 2025

Camp Arrowhead

A Webelos-Ree is a camporee just for Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts. This year the focus is on the Champions for Nature Adventures. Webelos will have the opportunity to complete the adventure dealing with endangered and threatened animals. Arrow of Light scouts will learn about our food supply and how food goes from farm to your dinner table. Packs are expected to provide leadership to their scouts while in camp. The fee is \$18 for scouts and \$13 for adults.

Mountain Dominion District Spring Camporee

April 25-27, 2025

Camp Raven Knob, Mt. Airy, NC

Mountain Dominion District's Spring Camporee is at Camp Raven Knob in Mt. Airy, NC. Prepare for a weekend of fun and adventure in the hills of North Carolina. Experience the shooting range and climbing tower. Scouts who are age 14 or older may also register for the ATV experience at Raven Knob. It is a 3-hour experience and costs an additional \$55 per scout. Please confirm attendance at www.CampRoland.com by or before April 23 so we can plan accordingly for the Climbing and Shooting activities. We will be paying at the end of the campout so bring your check or cash with you. Estimated cost is \$20 and includes a patch and access to the climbing tower and shooting range. For more info - contact Dan Trent at Dan-Trent@comcast.net or 276-322-3911.

Adena/Chief Cornstalk/Shawnee Spring Camporee

April 25-27, 2025

Kanawha State Forest, Charleston, WV

Scouts BSA troops and Venture crews are invited to take part in a Spring Camporee at Kanawha State Forest. Dunlap Holler, the site of a multi-district camporee in 2023, is the camping and program site. Saturday's program includes a service project for the state forest and a scout skills competition, so bring your 'A' game. The cost is \$15 per person. This is a primitive site; prepare accordingly.

Kootaga District Scouting Skills Spring Camporee

May 2-4, 2025

Camp Kootaga, Walker, WV

Join your fellow scouts for a weekend of fun out at Camp Kootaga, hosted by Troop 203. Prepare to show off (or brush up on) your scouting skills, such as knots, rescues, tent-work, and more! You will "knot" want to miss it! All Scouts BSA members may participate. Arrow of Light Scouts may also participate if camping with your patrol or with a parent/guardian. The cost is \$20 per youth and \$10 per adult and includes a patch, program materials, cracker barrel, and awards. Troops and patrols provide their own meals. Register at www.buckskin.org/kootaga.

Register for these camping events at www.buckskin.org

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Summer Camp Scholarship
applications are due April 15th.

Find the application at

www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp



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Council Calendar

April

- 4-6 OA Spring Fellowship
- 10 Executive Committee meeting
- 11-12 Spring Product Distribution
- 12 Council District Operations meeting (CDO)
Wehrle Service Center, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- 12 Council Pinewood Derby
- 12 Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 18 Good Friday - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 26 Huntington Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

May

- 8 Executive Board meeting
- 10 Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 16-18 Multi-District Family Camp, Camp Arrowhead
- 17 Huntington Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 26 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

June

- 12 Executive Committee meeting
- 9-13 Day Camp, Coonskin Park
- 9-13 Day Camp, Camp Arrowhead
- 9-13 Day Camp, Camp Kootaga
- 9-14 Summer Camp Staff Week, Camp Kootaga
- 15-21 Summer Camp Week 1, Camp Kootaga
- 22-28 Summer Camp Week 2, Camp Kootaga

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Dear Scouters,

As I write for the April issue of the Courier, which means it is currently the middle of March, I am wondering if the winter weather will last much longer. Warmer weather is on the way, even if it is not here today.

Much like the changing seasons, the Scouting year also has activities that come and go each year. April is the month of optimism. Warmer weather with increasing daylight make the outdoors much more enticing. Kind of like calling our name to come and play, to enjoy hiking, fishing, camping and a plethora of other outdoor activities. So let's go! Schedule an outdoor activity with your pack or den.

Plan a weekend camping trip for your troop or crew. Go have some FUN! And take those Cub Scouts, Scouts, BSA and Venturers along with you. Give them a taste of the great outdoors.

We have an agreement with the West Virginia State Parks that allows camping at Pipestem State Park and Northbend State Park. Tent Camping will be free and there are a lot of free and pay to play activities available. What a great opportunity for our Scouts!

And while you're at it, take the time to teach the Scouts under your charge something extremely valuable. **The Outdoor Code:**

As an American, I will do my best to -
Be clean in my outdoor manners.
Be careful with fire.
Be considerate in the outdoors.
Be conservation minded.

Just like the Scout Oath and Law, this is something that will stay with a Scout for their entire lifetime. It is simple yet profound. Easy to remember and hard to forget.

So, fun outdoor activities with a lesson. Sounds like Scouting to me.

Good Scouting to you and yours,

Jeffrey L. Purdy

Scout Executive

"This is Scout Country"

Council Pinewood Derby **Championship Race**

Ladies and gentleman, boys and girls, get ready to start your engines for the Buckskin Council Pinewood Derby. Come prepared for the fun and excitement of Pinewood Derby racing at its finest. How does your car stand up to competition from across the council?

The Council Pinewood Derby Race is Saturday, April 12th at the Wehrle Service Center, 2829 Kanawha Blvd East in Charleston.

The race is open to Pack Champions and District 1st, 2nd, 3rd place winners. Weigh-ins begin at 12:00 pm and the racing starts at 1:00 pm.

The fee to enter is \$5 per racer.

Please register at www.buckskin.org.

Now Hiring for Summer Camp Staff

We are looking for staff for the summer season at Camp Kootaga. This year we will have a three-week commitment for staff including one week of training and set up followed by two one-week sessions for Scouts BSA. Any scouts age 14 interested in becoming a Counselor In Training (CIT), we will train you in being a merit badge instructor, let you experience different areas of program as well as the chance to earn merit badges while you are there. Anyone interested in applying, please complete an application from our website.

Summer Camp Scholarship Applications Available

Scouts needing assistance to attend Summer Camp at either Camp Kootaga or at the Justice National Scout Camp at the Summit Bechtel Reserve can complete the application found here in the Courier appendix or on the Summer Camp Opportunities page for the Council Website. Applications are due by April 15th for review and consideration. We can help a Scout from Buckskin Council only with up to 50% of the early bird camp registration fee. Please submit the application to the Council Service Center address on the application. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Bryant.

2026 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE

July 22-31, 2026

The Summit Bechtel Scout Reserve (SBR)

The National Jamboree is a gathering of scouts and scouters from all over the country and around the world. It is only held every four years and because of that, many scouts only get one opportunity to attend a Jamboree. Thousands of scouts and scouters describe the National Jamboree as one of the mountaintop experiences of their scouting career.

Buckskin Council is sending one full male troop and a half female troop. A troop consists of 36 scouts and 4 leaders. A half troop consists of 18 scouts and two leaders. That is a total of 60 scouts and scouters from Buckskin Council.

So, what will you do at the Jamboree? You will camp with 15,000 of your closest new friends from around the world. There will be scouts from all 50 states and more than thirty countries. You will rock climb, skateboard, mountain bike, swim, boat, fish, hike, work on Merit Badges, ride a zipline, learn Mountain Man skills, shoot rifles, pistols, and shotguns, learn archery, and many more activities. There will even be whitewater rafting, though there will be an additional fee for that. Like handicrafts? They'll be there. Like STEM projects? They'll be there. Computers? Yes! There will also be displays from all aspects of industry and society for you to investigate and participate in. Don't forget what might be the most popular activity at a Jamboree - Patch Trading. Meet new friends, trade and collect patches from all over the country and around the world.

The fee is all-inclusive and covers all of the equipment you will need to camp, it covers all of your food, and activities. It covers your transportation to and from the Jamboree, and you will also get a daypack, a duffle, t-shirts, hats, patches, and other items

So, what do you need to do? Go to Buckskin.org for instructions and to register. Do it soon before we fill up.

If you would like to be a leader, please send an email to either your DE or to Vic Sands at vic.sands@mail.com.



Scouts BSA Summer Camp 2025



Scouts of all ages have some things in common. If they attend camp in the summer they are much, much more likely to stay in Scouting for another year. And studies have shown us that Scouts learn all kinds of wonderful things when they attend camp. Things like learning to work as a team, learning to be good leaders, learning new skills and new hobbies. They learn to be more self-sufficient, have respect for nature, and have more confidence in themselves. And they have FUN!

Simply put, a Scout without a camping experience in the summer just is not getting his due. We call them Scouts, but they do not get the big prize. They do not get to participate in the biggest and most important event of Scouting.

The 2025 Leaders Guide and program information is available at www.buckskin.org to help troops plan their adventure this summer. Full registration is now open. Make your troop's reservation then register your Scouts and choose their merit badges too.

Choose the Summer Camp week that works best for your troop.

Staff Week - June 8-14, 2025

Week 1 - June 15-21, 2025

Week 2 - June 22-28, 2025

Type of Camper	Dining Hall		Self Sufficient	
	Regular Price	If paid in full by 5/15/25	Regular Price	If paid in full by 5/15/25
Scout	\$325	\$310	\$275	\$260
Adult	\$150		\$90	

Free Leader discount if unit is paid in full before May 15, 2025

Number of Scouts	FREE Adults
1-4	0
5-10	1
11-20	2
21-30	3

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:

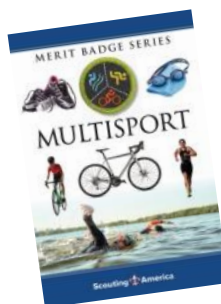
Charleston Shop	Huntington Shop
April 12	April 26
May 10	May 17

Council Service Territory 12 **Program Conference**

The fourth annual CST 12 Conference (formerly the Program Conference) will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2025, at Camp Sinoquipe (677 Boy Scout Road Fort Littleton, Pennsylvania 17223). Featured sessions include:

- Recruiting Members for Program Committees Workshop
- What's New in the Guide To Advancement
- NCAP Updates for 2025

Registration will open soon. Go to www.sacscouting.org/CST12Conference for more information.



New Merit Badge Introduced - Multisport

Multisport, an athletic competition that features a combination of two or more sports, is now a Scouting America merit badge.

Scouts BSA members, along with Sea Scouts and Venturers who have earned the rank of First Class in a troop, may begin work on the merit badge beginning in March 2025.

The Multisport merit badge allows Scouts to combine two or more activities from the sports of swimming, biking and running. Scouts who choose to pursue the Multisport merit badge have the option of exploring and participating in one of the following multisport formats:

- Triathlon — swimming, biking and running
- Duathlon — running and biking
- Aquathlon — swimming and running
- Aquabike — swimming and biking

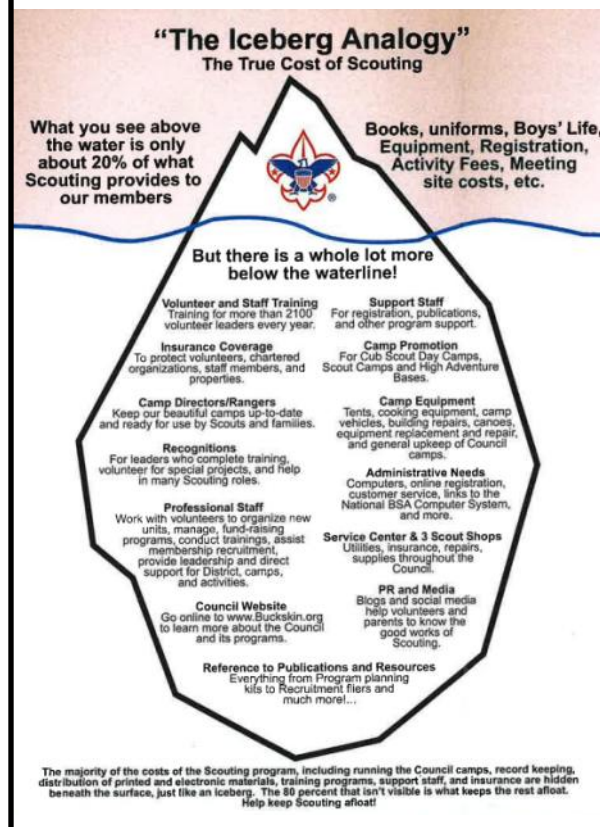
Stop by the Scout Shop and pick up the merit badge pamphlet today!



Family Friends of Scouting is a vital part of sustaining

Scouting in our community!

Contact your District Executive or Friends of Scouting Chair to schedule a presentation for your Pack, Troop, or Crew.





TAKHONEK LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW, LODGE #617



March has marched on and the April showers have arrived. We've had some rough weather, but the upcoming events won't let it bring down our spirits.

Spring Ordeal/Brotherhood

Spring fellowship is happening as this releases. We hope everyone is having a fun time, and an update on how it went will be available in the next courier.

10th Anniversary Patch Set

FINAL REMINDER, the lodge is offering a special 10th Anniversary 3 Patch Set!!! This set went on sale at the Winter Banquet. There is a limited number of sets, and it's first come first serve. The set includes a 10th Anniversary 8" Chenille, Lodge Flap, and Kitchen Crew patch. There is a limit of 1 set per dues paying member until the end of the Spring Fellowship, then we will lift the 1 per member limit.

Conclave 2025 – Fear on the Frontier

Conclave 2025 is almost here. It will be from May 16-18 at Camp Falling Rock. I encourage all who can to attend. These are not only fun events, but an opportunity to meet and learn from other arrowmen and their lodges. It's also an opportunity to learn how section leadership works. This year's theme is Fear on the Frontier, and it features monsters and cryptids such as Bigfoot and West Virginia's own Mothman. Registration is available online at www.buckskin.org/oa

2026 Conclave – We Are Hosting!

We wanted to announce that Takhonek Lodge will be hosting the 2026 Section Conclave. The lodge is looking for someone to serve as the chair for the committee in charge of preparing for this event. If you are interested in being the chairperson or serving on the committee, please reach out to members of the lodge leadership as soon as possible.

2025 Lodge Officers

Lodge Chief:	Sam Miller
VC Administration:	Natalie Barnette
VC Program:	Matthew Holland
Secretary:	Xander Dennison
Immediate Past Chief:	Blake Blankenship

2025 Chapter Chiefs

Adena	Trey Singer
Adjudimo	Xander Dennison
Hytone	Landon Palmer
Kootaga	Vacant
Seneca	Dawson Brown
Wapiti	Elijah Cavende

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Wapiti	David Duncan	david.duncan@suddenlink.net

Don't Lose Sight of the Arrow

Hello, this is Nolan Duncan the writer of the Courier Articles speaking. I wanted to announce that this article will be my last as I turn 21 in April. We already have a successor in place, and I know he'll do great. Since starting my time as the Courier writer under Will Dudley, I have seen Takhonek lodge go through many ups and downs, but through it all we persevered. The issues we have are the issues every lodge has, and we have tackled each one with poise and precision. In these times we must remember to follow the Arrow, as it guides us to greatness. The world is becoming more tumultuous every day, and Scouting's role, and the OA's role, in it is even more essential. Our lodge has a duty to be a place where, firstly, scouts can be scouts. Secondly, scouts can be prepared to brave the world as leaders. Thirdly, we must foster a love for this within these scouts. That is where the arrow is guiding us, and we must not lose sight of it's target. The OA has been one of the best opportunities of my life, and my biggest hope is that this lodge is able to become the best opportunity for so many other youth.

2025 Dues & Fox Pass

With a new year, comes new dues. You can now begin paying your 2025 dues and purchasing a 2025 Fox Pass.

Go to www.buckskin.org/oa to pay your dues and buy your Fox Pass for 2025.



Takhonek Social Media

Did you know your Takhonek lodge is on Social Media? Check out the links below for whichever platform you prefer to use.



Snapchat- [takhonek.lodge](https://www.snapchat.com/add/takhonek.lodge)



Facebook- [Takhonek lodge #617](https://www.facebook.com/Takhonek.lodge.617)



Instagram- [takhoneklodge](https://www.instagram.com/takhoneklodge)



X (Twitter)- [@Takhonek](https://twitter.com/Takhonek)

2025 Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
April 4-6	Spring Ordeal/Brotherhd	Camp Arrowhead
May 16-18	E13 Section Conclave	Camp Falling Rock
August 2	Summer Picnic Pool Party	Camp Arrowhead
September TBD	Vigil/Vigil Reunion	Summit – Sub Camp A
Oct. 3-5	Fall Ordeal/Brotherhood	Camp Arrowhead
November TBD	Section E13 Forum	Camp Lazarus
November 15	Lodge Leadership Dev. (LLD)	Council Office
December 13	Lodge Winter Banquet	Summit Pigott Dng Hall



Training Corner

By Susan Williams

Wood Badge

Wood Badge is an exciting, engaging adult leader training that is designed to make you a better Scout Leader. Attending Wood Badge will help you learn the what and why of Scouting and to build your unit stronger.

Wood Badge takes place over two weekends this fall - September 26-28 and October 11-12 - at Camp Arrowhead. Registration is now open. There are a limited number of slots for this valuable training, so reserve your seat today!

The fee is \$325. A \$100 deposit is due when you register and payments may be made until the deadline of August 17, 2025. Your fee must be paid in full by the deadline.

Consider Wood Badge an investment in your pack, your troop, and yourself!

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 out a successful camping experience. Completion of this course is mandatory for a MINIMUM OF ONE adult on a Pack overnigher.

When & Where: May 2-3, 2025 at Camp Arrowhead

Fee: \$25

Register: www.buckskin.org/training

Questions: Sue Williams buzy2buzy@gmail.com

Training Calendar

May
2-3 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS), Camp Arrowhead
2-3 Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO), Camp Arrowhead
Fall
 Sept 26-28 & Oct 11-12 Wood Badge, Camp Arrowhead

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)

May 2-3, 2025

Camp Arrowhead

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 skills they need to take youth into the outdoors. IOLS is an outdoor classroom training required for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters to be classified as position trained. (If attending Wood Badge, IOLS is required for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters)

It gives adult leaders a practical introduction to the patrol method of a scout-led troop by teaching many of the practical outdoor skills they need to lead scouts in the out-of-doors.

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.

The course is \$30.00 per person. This covers course material, cracker barrel on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

You should bring a Scouts BSA Handbook, a tent, a sleeping bag or blankets, flashlight & batteries, personal items, a notebook and pen or pencil. Dress for the weather – the course goes on rain or shine.

Register at www.buckskin.org

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Kootaga	Pete Conklin	wpconklin@gmail.com 304-455-5064
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Seneca	Carol McCarthy	designsbycarol@gmail.com
Shawnee	Rosann Brooks	rosann1030@aol.com

To schedule training, contact a member of our council training team.

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

April

- 6 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 11-13 Webelos-ree
- 12 Adena Fishing Derby
- 17 District Committee Meeting – 6:30pm (new time)
- 18 Good Friday - Scout Office & shops Closed
- 25-27 Multi-District Camporee – Kanawha State Forest

May

- 1 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 2-3 BALOO at Camp Arrowhead
- 2-3 IOLS at Camp Arrowhead
- 11 Mother's Day
- 15 District Committee Meeting – 6:30pm (new time)
- 16-18 Multi District Family Camp- Camp Arrowhead
- 24 Flag Placements – Golden Oaks & Spring Hill
- 26 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

June

- 5 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 9-13 Day Camp at Camp Arrowhead
- 19 District Committee Meeting – 6:30pm (new time)
- 15-21 Week 1 Summer Camp at Camp Kootaga
- 22-28 Week 2 Summer Camp at Camp Kootaga

ROUNDTABLE

The Monthly Roundtable Meeting will be conducted online via Zoom for April. You can use the meeting id 864 7853 6793 for the April Roundtable. Roundtable is held the first Thursday of each month beginning at 6:30pm. Join with other scout leaders to learn about what is happening in the Scouting program.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE

The April District Committee Meeting will be conducted at a new time and a new place. The meeting will now begin at 6:30pm in the Education Building on Marshall University's campus. We will continue to provide access via Zoom for the next several months. The Zoom meeting ID for the April District Committee meeting is 846 3566 4748.

The Education Building is located at 1740 College Ave. From Fifth Ave, turn left onto 17th St at the Campus Christian Center. Parking should be available next to the Education Building and behind Buskirk Hall. The conference room is located on the first floor, room 112.

WEBELOS-REE

April brings the promise of warmer weather, sunshine and lite breezes. What a great time to get outside and do some camping! April 11-13 will be a fun time for Webelos and Arrow of Light scouts to gather at Camp Arrowhead for our annual Webelos-ree. Scouts will have the opportunity to complete requirements for the elective Champi-

Adena District Committee

District Chair	Brian Kinghorn	517-974-4996
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	vacant	
Community FOS	vacant	
Product Sale	Melanie Young	304-523-3408
Membership	vacant	
Training	Sue Williams	217-741-0900
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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.

ons for Nature adventure. Presentations will be made specific for each rank program. In addition, participants will take part in the Fishing Derby on Saturday morning. The afternoon will consist of a round robin of presentation and target and range activities. Completing the elective adventures will also include a service project. Registration is now open on the council website at www.buckskin.org/adena-events/webelos-ree-2025/

FISHING DERBY

The annual Adena Fishing Derby is scheduled for Saturday, April 12, at Camp Arrowhead. Enjoy a great morning of fishing at camp as we have trophies for the most fish caught and the biggest fish caught. We will also be giving away two rod and reel sets as door prizes. This is a "no fee event" sponsored by Adena District. Participants are asked to register online at www.buckskin.org/adena-events/fishing-derby-2025/ to give us an idea of how many will be attending. Parents and adult partners are welcome to throw a line in the water as well, but the prizes are for the scouts.

MULTI-DISTRICT CAMPOREE

Scouts BSA troops and Venture crews are invited to take part in a Spring Camporee at Kanawha State Forest, 7500 Kanawha State Forest Dr, Charleston, WV. Dunlap Holler, the site of a multi-district camporee in 2023, is our planned camping and program site. The event will be April 25-27. Saturday's program will include a service project for the state forest and a scout skills competition, so bring your 'A' game.

Registration for camporee is \$15 person. Due to the remote nature of the campsite, we need to bring in port-a-johns and a water buffalo for the event.

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Chief Cornstalk District

Serving: Logan, Boone Mingo Kanawha, Braxton & Clay Counties in WV & Pike County in Ky.
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www.buckskin.org/chiefcornstalk

Chief Cornstalk Event Calendar

April

- 15 District Pinewood Derby
- 18 Good Friday - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 25-27 Cornstalk/Adena/Shawnee Spring Camporee

May

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June

- 9-13 Cub Scout Day Camp, Coonskin Park
- 15-21 Summer Camp Week 1, Camp Kootaga
- 22-28 Summer Camp Week 2, Camp Kootaga

Chief Cornstalk District Committee

District Chair	Mark Linville	304-369-2795
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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
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Cub Day Camp	Alicyn Spencer	304-380-4167
District Chaplain	Danny Pauley	304-561-7666
OA Chapter Advisor	Scott Dennison	

Cornstalk District Committee

The Meeting is the third Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. Anyone can attend, help plan upcoming events and receive information about the Council and District Events.

2025 Friends of Scouting & Camp Promotions

Packs, Troops and Crews we are Planning our 2025 Annual Friends of Scouting presentations and are looking for opportunities to make the presentations at the Unit level. We would also like to talk to your unit about camping programs in the Buckskin Council. These presentations are about 10 minutes, and we are looking for times where we can have the greatest opportunity to speak to all the parents. Pack Blue & Gold Banquets or Pinewood Derbies, Troop and Crew Courts of Honor are typically the best times. If you have a date and time, please let Billy Bryant know so we can schedule a presenter for your event at times where we can have the greatest opportunity to speak to all the parents.

2025 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.

Multi-District Camporee

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Kootaga District

Serving: Wood, Jackson, Wirt, Roane, Ritchie, Calhoun counties in WV,
and the communities of Belpre, Little Hocking, and Coolville in Ohio/
andrew.murphy2@scouting.org www.buckskin.org/kootaga

Kootaga District Committee

District Chair	vacant	
District Commissioner	Christopher Burk	304-615-5648
District Executive	Andrew Murphy	330-631-5524
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

Kootaga Event Calendar

April

- 8 District Committee meeting, 6:30 pm
- 8 Roundtable, 7:30 pm
- 18 Good Friday - Service Center & Shops closed

May

- 2-4 Spring Camporee
- 13 District Committee meeting, 6:30 pm
- 13 Roundtable, 7:30 pm
- 26 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

June

- 9-14 Summer Camp Staff Week, Camp Kootaga
- 10 District Committee meeting, 6:30 pm, Camp Kootaga
- 10 Roundtable, 7:30 pm, Camp Kootaga
- 15-21 Summer Camp Week 1, Camp Kootaga
- 22-28 Summer Camp Week 2, Camp Kootaga



Kootaga District Committee

The District Committee Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm and will be both in-person, at the Parkersburg office, and online, via Zoom. All units should have a representative attend. All District Committee members and Charter Organization Representatives are encouraged to attend. Please inquire with Christopher Burk for a link to the meeting if you do not normally receive it. **The June District Committee Meeting will be at Camp Kootaga in the Dining Hall.**

Roundtable

The Monthly Roundtables are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm and will be both in-person, at the Parkersburg office, and online, via Zoom. Please inquire with Christopher Burk for a link to the meeting if you do not normally receive it. **The June Roundtable will be at Camp Kootaga in the Dining Hall.**

Kootaga District Spring Camporee

With the Kootaga District thawing out from such a cold winter, we hope that you will join us for the Kootaga District Spring Camporee this May 2nd-4th! Prepare to show off (or brush up on) your scouting skills, such as knots, rescues, tentwork, and more! You will “knot” want to miss it! All Scouts BSA members may participate. Arrow of Light Scouts may also participate if camping with your patrol or with a parent/guardian. The cost is \$20 per youth and \$10 per adult and includes a patch, program materials, cracker barrel, and awards. Troops and patrols provide their own meals.

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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

April

- 17 District Committee meeting, 7:15 pm
- 17 Roundtable, 6:30 pm
- 18 Good Friday - Service Center & Shops closed
- 25-27 Spring Camporee, Camp Raven Knob
- 26 Bobcat Day, The Summit

May

- 26 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

June

- 15-21 Summer Camp Week 1, Camp Kootaga
- 22-28 Summer Camp Week 2, Camp Kootaga

District Committee Meeting and Roundtable

The District meeting is Thursday, April 17th.
Roundtable begins at 6:30 PM followed by district meeting at 7:15PM. Stinson United Methodist Church (across from Chick-Fil-A in Princeton).

Bobcat Day

We are having a Bobcat Day on April 26th, 2025, at the Summit Bechtel Reserve. More details to come

Wood Badge 2025

Wood Badge is Scouting's premier training for leaders. The council is conducting a course this fall at Camp Arrowhead. It is two weekends. Participants must attend both weekends.

1st weekend: September 26th-28th, 2025

2nd weekend: October 11th-12th, 2025

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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

Important update on district events:

Please check the district website regularly for up to date information on upcoming events.

www.buckskin.org/mtdominion

Merit Badge-O-Ree

Our annual Merit Badge-O-Ree is scheduled for July 10-12, 2025, at Camp Freedom near Adkins, VA. Pre-register at www.CampRoland.com to sign up for merit badge classes. Merit badges will be listed as they are confirmed.

For more information, contact Dan Trent at Dan-Trent@comcast.net or phone 276-322-3911.

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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

April

- 1 District meeting, 7:00 pm on Zoom
- 18 Good Friday - Service Center & Shops closed
- 26 Bobcat Day, The Summit

May

- 6 District meeting, 7:00 pm on Zoom
- 26 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

June

- 3 District meeting, 7:00 pm on Zoom
- 15-21 Summer Camp Week 1, Camp Kootaga
- 22-28 Summer Camp Week 2, Camp Kootaga

Seneca District Committee

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

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District Committee Meeting

The next District Committee meeting is April 1st at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be on Zoom.

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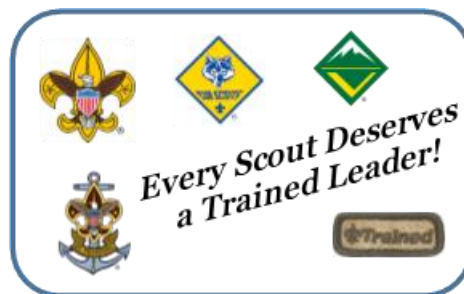
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Shawnee District

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

Shawnee District Committee

District Chair	Leo Lopez	304-419-4554
District Commissioner	Rosann Brooks	304-881-1042
Asst. Scout Executive	Larry Wunderly	304-340-3663
Vice District Chair	Colleen Sergeant	304-552-0297
Vice District Chair (Finance)	vacant	
Advancement Chair	Debbie Slack	304-340-3663
Program Chair	Mike Lamb	304-590-1354
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Product Sales	David Duncan	304-541-7559
Membership Chair	Traci Hudson	304-382-9679
OA Chapter Advisor	David Duncan	304-541-7559

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Shawnee District Event Calendar

April

- 17 District Committee meeting
- 18 Good Friday - Service Center & Shops closed
- 25-27 Multi-District Camporee - Kanawha State Forest

May

- 15 District Committee meeting
- 16-18 Spring Family Camp, Camp Arrowhead
- 26 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

June

- 15-21 Summer Camp Week 1, Camp Kootaga
- 22-28 Summer Camp Week 2, Camp Kootaga

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 attend. This is the meeting each month where we discuss upcoming events, plan for recruiting and helping units build membership and share ideas.

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Wood Badge

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Wood Badge takes place over two weekends this fall - September 26-28 and October 11-12 - at Camp Arrowhead. Registration is now open. There are a limited number of slots for this valuable training, so reserve your seat today!

The fee is \$325. A \$100 deposit is due when you register and payments may be made until the deadline of August 17, 2025. Your fee must be paid in full by the deadline.

Consider Wood Badge an investment in your pack, your troop, and yourself!

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BALOO COURSE

May 2 and 3 will be the dates for the next BALOO training course for Cub Scout Leaders interested in taking their pack or den on outdoor activities. Held at Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV, scouts can 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 after check-in and camp setup. Training continues with breakfast on Saturday morning and scheduled to conclude about 6:30pm that evening. The course is \$25.00 per person. This covers course material, cracker barrel (snack time) on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Course registration will open soon on the council website.

IOLS COURSE

Scouts BSA leaders need Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS) to be fully trained. The next course will be at Camp Arrowhead, Friday and Saturday, May 2 and 3. The cost is \$30 per person which covers course materials, cracker barrel on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Check-in begins Friday at 6:00pm. All participants are expected to arrive by 7:00pm. The course is planned to conclude by 5:00pm on Saturday. The course is designed to address a variety of topics dealing with the outdoor program of Scouts BSA.

SPRING FAMILY CAMP

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FLAG PLACEMENTS FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day will be Monday, May 26. Scouts have a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate respect for our veterans by participating in flag placements on Saturday, May 24, at Golden Oaks Cemetery in Ashland and at Spring Hill Cemetery in Huntington. Placement at Golden Oaks begins at 9:00am (bring a screwdriver to help make a hole for the flag). Spring Hill placements will begin at 9:00am. Other opportunities may exist at a cemetery near you. Check with your local cemetery. Patches to the first 25 scouts participating at either Golden Oaks or Spring Hill.

DAY CAMP AT CAMP ARROWHEAD

Join us for an exciting day camp adventure themed "Invention Convention," designed especially for Cub Scouts! The Camp Arrowhead Day Camp will be June 9-13. Each day will feature a mix of hands-on STEM activities that inspire innovation, along with exciting games, creative crafts, and classic Cub Scout camp traditions. Your scout will have the chance to work in teams, build their own inventions, and participate in friendly competitions. We aim to foster teamwork, creativity, and a love for science and discovery in a safe and supportive environment. We welcome volunteers to help at the "Invention Convention" Day Camp! Volunteers play a crucial role in supporting activities, supervising campers, and ensuring a fun and safe environment. If you're interested in volunteering, we would love to have you join our team. For more details about volunteering, please contact Jeremy Reed, the camp director, or Carl Sullivan, our District Executive, about how you can get involved. More information regarding day Camp will be available in the next several weeks. Plan now to have your den and your pack attend the Invention Convention Day Camp!

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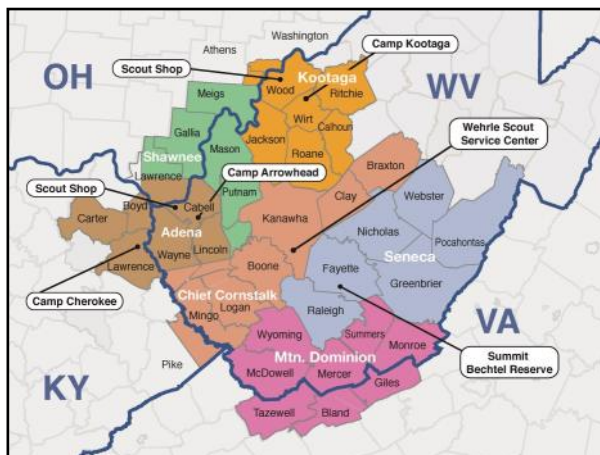
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2829 Kanawha Blvd. E
Charleston, WV 25311



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Webelos-ree 2025

April 11-13, 2025

Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV

This year the Webelos-ree will present the two elective adventure programs – Champions of Nature. Webelos will have the opportunity to complete the adventure dealing with endangered and threatened animals. Arrow of Light scouts will learn about our food supply and how food goes from farm to your dinner table. Packs are expected to provide leadership to their scouts while in camp. It is expected that a pack will have a ratio of at least one adult for every five scouts, with a minimum of two adults. This event is NOT A FAMILY CAMP.

Check-in begins Friday, April 11, at 5:00pm. (No dinner provided at camp.) The campout will dismiss after the Sunday Chapel service. Fees include three meals on Saturday and continental breakfast on Sunday. Event fees are \$18 for scouts and \$13 for adults. Registration closes April 9, 2025.

Webelos-ree Schedule

Friday, April 11

- 5:00pm – Check-in begins / Campsite setup
- 5:00pm-10:00pm – Den / Campsite time
- 10:00pm – Quiet time
- 11:00pm – Lights out

Saturday, April 12

- 7:00am – Breakfast
- 8:00am – Flag Raising
- 8:30am – Fishing Derby
- 12:00pm – Lunch (campsite cooking)
- 1:00pm – 5:00pm – Afternoon Round Robin
- Webelos Round Robin**
 - 1:00pm – 2:30pm – Champions of Nature Adventure Session
 - 2:30pm – 4:00pm – Target & Range Activities
- Arrow of Light Round Robin**
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 - 2:30pm – 4:00pm – Champions of Nature Adventure Session
- 4:00pm-5:00pm – Conservation Project
- 5:45pm – Flag Lowering
- 6:00pm – Dinner
- 7:00pm – Campfire
- 8:00pm – Evening program in Dining Hall

Sunday, April 13

- 8:00am – Breakfast
- 9:00am – Chapel
- 9:30am – Dismissal

What to bring

HEALTH FORM: Everyone attending camp must complete a BSA Health Form Part A and B. Part B is two pages, so you should have a total of 3 pages for every person. Be prepared to show your Health Form at Check-In. You will be required to keep the Health Form with you.

RECOMMENDED

Tent, Sleeping bag, sleeping pad, Pillow, Flashlight with batteries, First Aid kit, Water bottle, Personal Items (toiletries), Medication, if applicable, Sunscreen, insect repellent, Raingear, jacket, hat, Extra Clothing (dress for the weather), Towels & washcloth, A Good Attitude

OPTIONAL

Day pack, Camp chair, Sunglasses, Fishing gear

Packs may bring along a song or skit for campfire

What NOT to Bring:

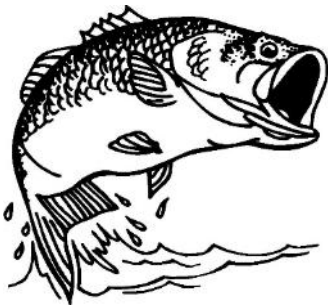
Pets, Alcohol, Illegal Drugs, Weapons, Electronics



Adena Cub Scout Fishing Derby April 12, 2025 Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV

The Cub Scout Fishing Derby is open to all Cub Scouts. The fishing at Camp Arrowhead is catch and release. The event will award prizes for Most Fish Caught and for Largest Fish Caught. Trophies will be presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each category. All equipment and bait should be provided by the participants. Some camp cane poles and bread for dough balls will be available. There are no awards for adults who wish to fish during this event.

- **All Cub Scouts** may participate in this event.
- **Webelos** attending the **Webelos-ree** that weekend need not register for the Fishing Derby.
Your registration for the **Webelos-ree** includes the Fishing Derby.
- All participants should provide their own equipment and bait. A limited number of cane poles are available. Some bread will be provided for "dough balls".
- **Lion and Tiger scouts** must be accompanied by an adult partner 18 years or older.
- **Dens or Packs** must provide sufficient **adult supervision** for their group.
- Since all fishing at Camp Arrowhead is **catch and release**, it is the responsibility of the **Scout to have the judges verify his catch** before it is returned to the lake.
- **Fish caught by an adult** and given to the Scout will result in the Scout being disqualified.
- Trophies will be award based on the decision of the judges. **The judges' decisions are final.**
- Trophies will be presented in two categories — **Most Fish Caught** and **Largest Fish Caught**.
Trophies will include a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.



Date : Saturday, April 12, 2025

Time : Registration 8:00-8:30am

Fishing 8:30am to 11:45am

Awards 11:45am to noon

Place : Lower Lake at Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV

Cost : No fee for Cub Scouts

No fishing license is required.

Adults are welcome to fish during the event but are not eligible for the prizes being awarded. Adult supervision of Cub Scouts is required.



**Mountain Dominion District
SPRING CAMPOREE at
Raven Knob Scout Reservation
Mt. Airy, North Carolina
April 25-27, 2026**

Come join us for a fantastic weekend of fun and adventure in the hills of North Carolina. We have reserved a larger campsite this year (Davy Crocket) with plenty of room to stretch out. The site is near the **climbing tower** and the **shotgun range** which we have also reserved.

Scouts who are age 14 or older may also register for the ATV experience at Raven Knob. It is a 3-hour experience and costs an additional \$55 per Scout

ATV Experience



Pre-register at www.CampRoland.com
Pay at Camp Raven Knob. Estimated cost will be \$20 and includes a patch, access to the climbing tower and shooting range. Evening activities.



MERIT BADGE-O-REE at Camp Freedom near Adkins, VA (Marion) July 10-12, 2025. Pre-register at www.CampRoland.com to sign up for merit badge classes. Merit badges will be listed as they are confirmed at www.CampRoland.com
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Bucks skin Council, BSA
Adena - Chief Cornstalk – Shawnee Districts

2025 Spring Camporee

April 25 – 27, 2025

Kanawha State Forest
7500 Kanawha State Forest Dr
Charleston, WV 25314



Scout Skills Plus

Several districts are combining to host this Spring Camporee. A primitive campsite, a good service project in the outdoors, and some friendly scout skill competition awaits participants in this event.



Kanawha State Forest is a 9,300-acre recreation area located near the community of Loudendale, West Virginia, which is about 7 miles from downtown Charleston, West Virginia, United States. It is managed by the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources.

The land that is now Kanawha State Forest originally was the site of extensive mining and logging. In 1937, the West Virginia Conservation Commission purchased 6,705 acres on the headwaters of Davis Creek outside of Charleston. The following year, Camp Kanawha was set up as a project of the Civilian Conservation Corps.

LOCATION

The Kanawha State Forest (KSF) outside of Charleston will be the site for this camporee. Specifically, our camping site will be in Dunlop Hollow

REGISTRATION

The registration fee for this event is \$15 per person, scouts and adults. The fee is higher than normal due to the rental of port-a-johns at the camping site. Registration is open to all Scouts BSA units. You may register via the Council website – bucks skin.org/adena. Registration is open until Wednesday, April 23, until 5:00pm.





BUCKSKIN COUNCIL, BSA 2026 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE Contingent Leadership Application

Name _____

Current Registration – Unit / Position _____

Contact – Email _____ Phone _____

Buckskin Council is expecting to send a full troop of male scouts and a half troop of female scouts to the 2026 NSJ. No crew will be sponsored for this Jamboree. The male troop will need four (4) adult leaders, one (1) of which should be in the 18-21 year old age range. The female half-troop will have two female leaders. All adult leaders are expected to register on-line for the 2026 NSJ, pay their initial deposit, and complete this application by **December 31, 2024**. The Council's 2026 NSJ Committee will be making contingent leadership decision shortly thereafter. This application may be mailed to the Charleston Service Center or emailed to Carl.Sullivan@scouting.org. Please don't delay! Acceptance into the Council 2026 NSJ contingent is subject to the participant maintaining the registration payment schedule. Failure to make registration payments in a timely manner may result in forfeiture of your place in the Council's contingent. Applicants must meet 2026 NSJ physical guidelines per the annual BSA Health and Medical Record form, including the Summit Bechtel Reserve addendum.

Adult Leadership Experience

Previous Jamboree Experience

Unique skills you would bring to the Contingent

Complete this form and forward it to the Buckskin Council Service Center, 2829 Kanawha Blvd East, Charleston, WV 25311, or email to Carl.Sullivan@scouting.org by December 31, 2024.

Buckskin Council, BSA
INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS
MAY 2 - 3, 2025— 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 skills they need to take youth into the outdoors.

- IOLS is an outdoor classroom training required for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters to be classified as position trained. (If attending Wood Badge, IOLS is required for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters)
- 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 \$30.00 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 May 2 - 3, 2025 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 Scouts BSA Handbook, a tent, a sleeping bag or blankets, flashlight & batteries, personal items, a notebook and pen or pencil. Dress for the weather – the course goes on rain or shine.

QUESTIONS? Contact Rosann Brooks 304-881-1042 or rosann1030@aol.com

Registration Deadline – Friday, April 25, 2025

IOLS REGISTRATION FORM – MAY 2 – 3, 2025

Name _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email Address _____

Troop # _____ 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

Buckskin Council, BSA
BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION
MAY 2-3, 2025 – 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, participants must have completed the online component. 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 May 2-3 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, April 29, 2025

BALOO REGISTRATION FORM – MAY 2-3, 2025

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

Or register on the Council website – www.buckskin.org



WOOD BADGE 2025

What is Wood Badge?

Reflecting on the best of 115 years of Scouting experiences, Wood Badge draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles, and other successful public and private organizations.

Wood Badge is designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of all Scouters, including Cub Scout leaders, Scoutmasters and Assistants, Venturing Crew Advisors, Sea Scout Skippers, Committee Chairs, and Committee Members. Additionally, Scouters serving at the District and Council levels can achieve greater effectiveness through Wood Badge.

Why attend Wood Badge?

By taking Wood Badge, Scouters gain valuable skills like listening, communicating, conflict management, project planning, and leading change. Participants learn how to be a better Scout leader, professional, and person. Attending Wood Badge will help you learn the what and why of Scouting and to build your unit into a stronger unit. Units with trained leaders are able to deliver an improved program and a more meaningful experience for the youth Scouting serves.

Location and Dates:

Camp Arrowhead

September 26-28, 2025 and October 11-12, 2025

(You must attend both weekends.)

Course Specifics:

This course is an exciting, high energy, and engaging time! Wood Badge fills up quickly! Your registration must be paid in full to guarantee your spot in the course. The first 48 participants **paid in full** will be guaranteed a spot. Come join the most fun adult Scouting adventure out there.

The fee is \$325, which must be paid in full by August 17, 2025.

(\$100 deposit due at registration. Thereafter, you may make payments. \$50 late fee will be charged if not paid in full by Aug. 17, 2025)

Qualifications:

To attend a Wood Badge course, you must:

- Be a registered member of Scouting America, 18 years of age or older
- Have completed the basic training courses for your current Scouting position
- Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment. All participants are required to complete the Annual Health and Medical Record form (parts A, B, and C)

Course Director: Michael "Rosie" Bowsher mbowsher@marshall.edu 304-208-0802

Register Now: www.buckskin.org

***Join the fun, experience the excitement, get ready
for an inspiring experience! Sign up today!***

