**35th Circuit Rider**

**Sept. 5, 6, and 7, 2025**

At WVU Jackson’s Mill

The Circuit Rider is returning for 2025 and is open to all Scouting America troops (Boy and Girl troops), Venturing crews and Webelos. Webelos may only participate in Saturday activities.  If Webelos plan to stay for the Saturday dinner, there will be a $4 fee. Units do not need to be affiliated with a United Methodist Church to attend this great event.

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**Scout Leaders**: **Pre-registration is required!** Register for Circuit Rider 35 by going online to **www.buckskin.org/events/circuit-rider-35**

**The registration deadline is Monday, August 18, 2025.**

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 the following special programs. 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, three, 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.

1. **Historic Area Program**: tour historic area featuring a demonstration of an operational gristmill
2. **Outdoor Recreation Program**: a mountain bike course and group ride around the grounds
3. **STEAM Program**: practice problem-solving skills as you use the engineering design process to create, build, test, and improve a drone
4. **Wall Climb:** try your strength and agility at climbing a rock wall

**Cost:** **SCOUTS - $ 4 per person to attend the Circuit Rider. Scouts and Scout-age guests may participate in one, two, three, or four special programs for an additional fee of $ 10 per youth.**

**UNITED METHODIST MEN - attending the West Virginia United Methodist Men’s Annual gathering must register and pay a $20 registration fee.**

**GOOD CONDUCT IS EXPECTED**

Rules of conduct:

\* No ground fires permitted. Bring a portable fire pit if you want a site campfire.

\* All Scouts & leaders must wear registration wristbands.

\* All Scouts need to be in their camping area from 10 p.m. until morning flags.

\* Remember the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace principles while camping.

\* No pets allowed.

**Current Safeguarding Youth or Youth Protection Training is required**

Who needs this training? 1. Any Scout who is 18 years old. 2. Any parent who goes along with the unit.

 3. Any Adult Leader

**Circuit Rider 35 will honor Ernest Thompson Seton, the first Chief Scout, because of his participation in Jackson’s Mill first camping staff. Youth at the CR35 will have an opportunity to learn more about Seton and earn a special patch by participating in the “Seton Hunt.”**

Needs:

\* Flag details for 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and 8:30 a.m. Sunday.

\* Chaplain aides for 9 a.m. Sunday

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**Tentative schedule of events:**

**Friday Sept. 5, 2024**

**8:30 a.m.** Golf Scramble, Tygart Lake Public Golf Course near Grafton, W.Va.

**9 a.m.** Golf Scramble shotgun starts

**5 p.m.** Circuit Rider check in, on the porch of the Marion Cabin next to the Assembly Hall.

**10 p.m.** Leader & SPL meeting, All Faith Chapel

**10 p.m.** All Scouts in campsites until morning flags.

**Saturday, Sept. 6, 2024**

**7 a.m.** Breakfast in campsite

**8:30 a.m.** Flag raising

 **9 a.m.** Stations open

**10 a.m.** Check-in ends on the porch of the Marion Cabin next to the Assembly Hall.

**Noon** Lunch in camp

**1 p.m.** Stations open

**3 p.m.** Frozen T-shirt

**4 p.m.** Dutch Oven Cooking Dessert Competition

**5 p.m.** Supper for Group A at Mt. Vernon Dining Hall

**6 p.m.** Supper for Group B at Mt. Vernon Dining Hall

**7 p.m.** Flag lowering **8 p.m.** Campfire, skits at the amphitheater

**10 p.m.** All Scouts in campsites until morning flags.

**Sunday Sept. 9, 2024**

**7 a.m.** Breakfast at your campsite

**8:30 a.m.** Flag raising

**9 a.m.** Worship service, Location TBA

**10 a.m.** Pack and clean up area. (Groups are permitted to leave as soon as their area is cleaned).

**Proposed free events include, but are not limited to:**

\* Radio controlled model airplanes

\* Frozen T-shirt contest

\* Air cannon

\* Leaders & Scouts Dutch Oven Cooking Contest

\* Rescue line toss

\* Tomahawk throw

\* Saturday dinner

\* Free gift to all who attend

\* Patch trading post

\* DNR demonstration

\*Steven Scheid, director of the Center for Scouting Ministries at the General Commission on United Methodist Men will lead the Healthy Balance Game.

Leaders & Scouts

**Dutch Oven Cooking Contest**

****(Dessert Only) 4 pm. Saturday in front of the Assembly Hall

**\*\*\*Must Supply Recipe\*\*\***

**SERVICE PROJECT: Apples for Hunger - Troops are being asked to take apples provided by the UMMen and SOSA back to food pantries.**

**SPECIAL DIETARY REQUESTS:** The Saturday evening meal will be provided by your hosts, the W.Va. United Methodist Men. Special dietary needs must be addressed when you check in on the porch of the Marion Cabin next to the Assembly Hall.

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