



BUCKSKIN COUNCIL
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Council Fall Camporee & Family Camp October 3-5, 2025

The Summit Bechtel Reserve (or “The Summit,” for short) is a unique Scouting facility spanning over 10,000 acres. One of the reasons Scouting America chose this site for the Summit was its location next to New River Gorge National River. More than 13 miles of the property borders the park, giving Scouts and Scouters access to more than 70,000 acres of managed wilderness beyond the Summit property.

Buckskin Council is having a Cub Scout Family Camp and a Council-wide Camporee at the Summit. Separate camping and program areas will be set aside for the Cub Scout Family Camp and for the troops and crews who will be participating in the Camporee. Many exciting activities will be available for the participants. These include BB Shooting, Archery, Fishing, and Boating. Ziplining and Climbing will both be available for a additional fee.

Check-in begins Friday evening. Saturday check-in is also offered for those attending just the activity day. Check-out will occur on Sunday.

Fees are dependent on your level of participation.

Event fees

- Weekend of Camping - \$20 per person – access to all the activities for your scout’s age group, 2 nights camping at the Summit and 3 meals on Saturday.
- Saturday only - \$8 per person – access to all the activities for your scout’s age group, no camping, and lunch on Saturday.
- Ziplining - \$10 per person (must pre-register, limited number of tickets available) Available for troops and crews only.
- Climbing Wall - \$10 per person (must pre-register, limited number of tickets available) Available for Cub Scouts, Troops, and Crews.



Register today at
www.buckskin.org

Plan to bring your pack, troop or crew to the Summit for this memorable experience.



Fall Product Sale Kicks Off!

The Fall 2025 Product Sale is officially underway and it’s bigger, better, and tastier than before! The Council is partnering with Camp Masters and Country Meats to give units more options and more opportunities. This one fundraiser can support your unit’s entire year of fun and adventure! There are incentives for Scouts, too!



There is a prize program for those selling Camp Masters products. Scouts can earn prizes for Camp Masters sales made in person (Show and Sell and Take Order) and online (Direct Order). The prize structure has 14 levels with multiple prizes each to choose from plus a \$650 Bonus Club and High Achiever prize selection. And as an incentive for online sales, if you sell \$400 online, you’ll earn a \$10 Amazon gift card.

There are a couple more incentives for Scouts selling Camp Masters products at the Council level. As you fill order forms throughout the sale, turn in a copy of the completed form to the Council for a chance to win some prizes. Drawings will be held September 30th, October 15th, and at the end of the sale. For any Scouts that sell at least \$650 in Camp Masters product, they’ll earn a spot at a party in their district.

The sale will run through October 28th so get out there and sell sell sell!

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
H.B. WEHRLE SR SERVICE CENTER
2829 KANAWHA BLVD
CHARLESTON, WV



Council Calendar

September

- 1 Labor Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 5-7 Circuit Rider 35 camporee
- 11 Executive Board meeting
- 12-13 OA Vigil Reunion
- 13 Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 13 POLAR (formerly CDO), 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- 19-20 IOLS training, Camp Arrowhead
- 27 Huntington Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

October

- 3-5 Fall Camporee & Family Camp, The Summit
- 3-5 OA Fall Ordeal/Brotherhood
- 9 Executive Committee meeting
- 11 Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 18 Huntington Shop Open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 23 Council Trunk or Treat
- 24-25 BALOO training, Camp Arrowhead
- 29 Fall Product orders due

November

- 8 Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 13 Executive Board Meeting
- 14 Popcorn Pickup
- 15 Huntington Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 27-28 Thanksgiving - Service Center & Shops closed

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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.

Take advantage of the free monthly Scouting activities in your district and the council offered to all Scouts in the Buckskin Council. Information on these free activities can be found here in the Courier and on the council web site.

The Buckskin Council Popcorn Sale starts this month. 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

“This is Scout Country”



Scout Day at

Marshall University Football

Be a part of the action of Marshall University Football as the Thundering Herd takes on Old Dominion on October 11 (kick-off to be announced). Scouts and their families can purchase tickets for this game online for \$10 each (plus taxes and processing fee for a total of \$11.50 per ticket).

Go to www.buckskin.org/rally-the-scouts to order the tickets. Be sure to use the code SCOUT to receive your discount. Seating will be in sections 101 and 103 on the east side of the stadium near gate D.

Scouts are welcome to arrive early for the game to be a part of Fan Fest. Fan Fest is located outside of the Rec Center. Be sure to come out and get your face painted while enjoying magic, balloon animals and inflatables including bouncy houses, obstacle course and more.

About 2 hours before game time, scouts can be part of the Thunderwalk. Thunderwalk starts in the West Lot at the gate on 20th street, closest to Third Avenue, and continues through the parking lot toward Gate A. Greet the Thundering Herd team as they arrive for the game.

RALLY THE SCOUTS for the MU vs Old Dominion football game on Saturday, October 11.



Reserve your Troop's Campsite

For Summer Camp 2026 at

Camp Arrowhead

The Buckskin Council is bringing Summer Camp back to Camp Arrowhead in 2026!

Next summer will be fun and exciting for all Scouts and leaders as Summer Camp returns to beautiful Camp Arrowhead. Our camp staff is hard at work getting the camp ready for all Scouts to enjoy.

The 2026 Leaders Guide and program information will be available in the coming months to help Troops plan their adventure this coming summer, so reserve your troop's campsite for 2026 today!

Want a favorite campsite? Reserve it today at www.buckskin.org/camping.scoutsbsacamp.

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

Here is the 2026 Summer Camp Schedule for Camp Arrowhead:

Week 1 - June 14-20, 2026

Week 2 - June 21-27, 2026





Council Jamboree Committee Sets Date for Accepting Out of Council Registrants

The 2026 National Scout Jamboree will be July 22-31, 2026 at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, Glen Jean, WV. Registration fees for the upcoming Jamboree must be paid in full by March 31, when the Council must make its final fee payment to National.

Several surrounding councils are not sending contingents to the Jamboree, yet they have scouts who wish to attend the Jamboree. During past Jamborees, Buckskin Council has accepted scouts from out of council to add to its contingent. Due to the relatively low registration fee that Buckskin Council has established, the committee has started receiving inquiries from scouts in neighboring councils about attending as part of our council contingent. There are currently several openings in both the boy troop and the girl half-troop for which the Council is committed to pay.

In order to give priority to scouts from Buckskin Council, the committee has decided to give preference to scouts from our council thru the month of September. After October 1, the Buckskin Council Jamboree Committee will begin considering requests from out of council scouts who wish to attend the 2026 NSJ as part of our contingent. The Council Jamboree Committee is committed to having the greatest number of scouts in our Jamboree contingents come from our troops. Scouts who want to attend the 2026 NSJ should register as soon as possible to be assured of having a place in Buckskin Council's Jamboree contingent.

What's the cost to attend? The 2026 NSJ registration fee for Buckskin council scouts is \$1,950. This amount must be paid in full by March 15, 2026. The National Jamboree fee covers the expense of program materials, food, insurance, as well as the use of dining shelters, cot, stoves, fuel, and cooking utensils; in addition to a "participant recognition kit," which includes two participant patches, a neckerchief, and a custom 2026 National Jamboree daypack. The Council provides a 130L duffel, tee-shirt, hat, nameplate, Jamboree Council Shoulder Patch, Jamboree Unit Numeral, tent, a shakedown campout, and transportation to and from the Summit.

Register for the Jamboree on the Buckskin Council website
www.buckskin.org.

Fee: \$1,950 (Add a late fee of \$240 if paid after Nov. 2, 2025)



Questions?
Contact Carl Sullivan
carl.sullivan@scouting.org

NSJ 2026 Scholarships Available

National Scholarship Program

To be eligible for a National scholarship, you must be a Scouts BSA youth (under age 18) or a Venturing / Sea Scouting participant (under age 21).

Scholarships will only cover a portion of the national Jamboree registration fee and do not include any additional fees required by your local council (for travel, etc.). Full scholarships will only be given in the most extraordinary cases; most scholarships will total less than half the national fee (up to \$780 of the \$1560 fee). Applications must be completed online via the National Jamboree website by one of the two deadlines. The first round deadline has passed. The second (final) round deadline is November 30, 2025, with recipients being notified by mid-Winter. To apply for a National Scholarship, go to the: jamboree.scouting.org/participants/. Then scroll down to the Scholarship Program and click on the Apply Here button.

WV United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men of the West Virginia Annual Conference have announced that they will provide five (5) \$300 scholarships to scouts from the Buckskin Council. There are two qualifications that scouts must meet.

The first is the scout must first have attended the annual WV Circuit Rider Camp in either 2024 or 2025. (The 2025 camp is the weekend of September 5-7, at Jackson's Mill State 4-H Camp, just outside Weston, WV.)

The second requirement is that the scout submit a minimum 200 word essay on "What I Plan to Learn at the Jamboree".

The deadline for the scholarship entry is January 1, 2026. Recipients will be chosen by January 10, 2026.

Buckskin Council Scholarships

Early in the planning, we expected to purchase tents and generous donors committed to support the purchase. Those needed tents have been provided by another source, so the committee has created a scholarship fund for our scouts to help cover the cost of the Jamboree. We are developing and will soon announce the process to apply for scholarship.

If you wish to support our scouts by donating to the Jamboree Scholarship Fund, please make your designated gift payable to the Buckskin Council and mark Jamboree Scholarship in the memo section of your check. These checks may be mailed to the Council Service Center 2829 Kanawha Blvd, Charleston, WV 25311. Your support of the Jamboree Scholarship Fund is greatly appreciated.

Fall Product Sales and Jamboree

Buckskin Council has agreed for Jamboree participants to have their commission on products sold during the fall product sale applied to their Jamboree registration fee. Participating scouts will be placed into a "Jamboree troop" – Troop 617 - for reporting purposes. These scouts may order popcorn or meat sticks through this Jamboree troop and report their sales by October 29 to the council. The commission from these sales will be credited to the Jamboree fee of the selling scout. Scouts may order product for Show and Sell, as well as doing take orders and online sales. Scouts need to be registered for the Jamboree to participate.

Fall Product Sale

Product sales are more than just a fundraiser; they are a vital part of helping your unit succeed. Each dollar raised supports exciting opportunities like camping trips, leadership training, service projects, and essential program costs. More importantly, product sales teach Scouts valuable life skills: goal setting, communication, responsibility, and perseverance.

Your leadership plays a direct role in shaping each unit's experience. By building a strong sales foundation, you're not just raising funds; you're building confidence, character, and community. Let's make this season the best yet for your Units and Scouts!

There are three ways to sell:

Show & Sell – The Pack or Troop orders Popcorn or Meat Sticks before the sale begins. When the sale begins, your unit can set up a booth and sell that product or check out the product to scouts for them to sell independently. You “**Show** the product **and Sell** it” all at once. This is the preferred option with the Country Meats Meat Sticks.

Take Order – Using the brochures from CAMP MASTERS and/or Country Meats, scouts can sell to family, friends, and neighbors. They “**Take** the **Order**” by filling out the brochure order form and collecting money up front, then deliver the product later.

Direct Order – Available for popcorn only, scouts can have distant family and friends place orders on popcornordering.com using the scout's unique code. This is called a “Direct Order” because the person can “**Order** for **Direct** delivery” to their door.

What's the first step? Submit your unit's Commitment Form. That tells the council you want to sell. We are here to help you have a great fundraiser.

What is the commission? Units earn 31% profit. You can earn an additional 2% profit by:

1. Attending a popcorn training or watch the training video at www.buckskin.org/product-sale.
2. Submitting your unit's annual budget and calendar by October 1st.
3. Paying for your popcorn and meat sticks by November 14th.

Important Sale Dates to Remember

Aug 29 Popcorn and Meat Sticks Sale begins!!
Oct 1 Unit annual budget and calendar due to council.
Oct 29 Unsold Show & Sell product returned to council.
Oct 29 Unit Take Orders and Prize Orders due
Nov 14 Product Pickup and Payment Deadline.

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

1900 Garfield Ave Unit D

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. 13	Sept. 27
Oct 11	Oct 18
Nov 8	Nov 15
Dec 6	Dec 13
Jan 10	Jan 17
Feb 7	Feb 21
March 14	March 21
April 18	April 25
May 2	May 16



TAKHONEK LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW, LODGE #617



Fall Fellowship

This is the perfect opportunity for newly elected candidates to complete their Ordeal, and for current Ordeal members to take the next step by sealing their membership with Brotherhood. Even if you're not advancing, come out for the **food, fun, and fellowship**. It's a weekend where new and old Arrowmen come together to serve, have fun, and celebrate our brotherhood.



2026 Conclave – Calling All Arrowmen!

In May of 2026, we will be hosting our section's conclave. With 8 lodges attending, there will be plenty of fun, fellowship, and adventure throughout the weekend. Wanting to help make conclave possible? Come to our Fall Fellowship at Camp Arrowhead to help get it ready for Conclave in 2026!

2025 OA Dues

With a new year, comes new dues. Go to www.buckskin.org/oa to pay your dues for 2025 or scan the QR code below.



2025 Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
September 12-13	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.	Council Office
December 13	Lodge Winter Banquet	Summit Pigott Dining Hall

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](#)



Facebook- [Takhonek lodge #617](#)



Instagram- [takhoneklodge](#)



X (Twitter)- [@Takhonek](#)

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 Cavender

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Training Corner

By Susan Williams

Basic Adult Leaders Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)

This one-and-a-half day course is required training for Cub Scout leaders who want to take their pack or den camping.

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.

Prior to taking the practical component, participants must have completed the online component. The online portion is available through the BSA LearnCenter. Log onto my.scouting.org and select "My Training" on the home page, then Cub Scouts. Complete the course named "BALOO Pre-requisite Training V2". Bring your completion certificate with you.

Completion of this course is mandatory for a MINIMUM OF ONE adult on a Pack overnighter.

When: Oct 24-25, 2025
Where: Camp Arrowhead
Fee: \$25
Register: www.buckskin.org/training
Questions: Sue Williams buzy2buzy@gmail.com

Upcoming Cub Scout Leader Training

Shawnee District is offering Cub Scout Leader training twice this October at Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church, 2848 Putnam Ave, Hurricane. Pick the class that works best for you!

- ♦ Attend the Sunday, October 19th session and complete the training all at once. The class begins at 2:00 pm.
- ♦ Split it up over two nights - Tuesday, October 21st and Thursday, October 23rd. Both sessions begin at 6:00 pm. You must attend both nights to complete the training.

Training Calendar

Sept 19-20	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS), Camp Arrowhead
Oct. 19	Cub Scout Leader Training, Forrest Burdette UMC
Oct. 21 & 23	Cub Scout Leader Training, Forrest Burdette UMC
Oct 24-25	BALOO, Camp Arrowhead

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)

Sept 19-20, 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

QUESTIONS? Contact Rosann Brooks

304-881-1042 or rosann1030@aol.com

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Kootaga	Pete Conklin	wpconklin@gmail.com 304-455-5064
Mtn Dominion	Daren Law	marshall.d.law@gmail.com 540-235-6467
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

September

- 1 Labor Day, Service Center & Shops closed
- 4 Roundtable, 6:30pm
- 5-7 Circuit Rider Camporee, Jackson's Mill
- 13 POLAR (formerly CDO) Charleston, 10:00am
- 18 District Committee Meeting, 6:30pm
- 19-20 IOLS – Camp Arrowhead, 6:00pm
- 27 Huntington Shop open 9am - 1pm

October

- 2 Roundtable, 6:30pm
- 3-5 Fall Camporee & Family Camp, The Summit
- 16 District Committee Meeting, 6:30pm
- 18 Huntington Shop open 9am - 1pm
- 18 Rocket Day & KT Fall Hike, Camp Arrowhead, 9:00 am
- 23 Huntington Scout Shop Trunk or Treat, 5:00pm-6:30pm
- 24-25 BALOO – Camp Arrowhead, 6:00pm
- 29 Show and Sell product return
- 29 Fall Product orders due

November

- 6 Roundtable, 6:30pm
- 8 Flag Placements at Spring Hill Cemetery, 9:00am
- 11 Veterans Day
- 14 Fall Product pickup
- 15 Huntington Shop open 9am - 1pm
- 20 District Committee, 6:30pm
- 27-28 Thanksgiving - Council Office & Shops Closed

ROUNDTABLE

The Monthly Roundtable Meeting resumes on September 4th. As of now, these will continue to be conducted via Zoom. You can use the meeting ID 864 7853 6793 for the September 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 August District Committee Meeting will be conducted at 6:30pm on September 18. This meeting will be conducted via Zoom. Please use the meeting ID 846 3566 4748 to join.

FALL PRODUCT SALE

Show & Sell returns, Take Orders and Prize Orders are due October 29. Scouts and Leaders – don't forget about the \$650 Club! Scouts who sell a total of \$650 or more either by Show & Sell, or Take Order, or Online Sales of popcorn and meat sticks will be invited to our district product sales celebration in January.

CIRCUIT RIDER CAMPOREE

The Circuit Rider is returning for 2025 and is open to all Scouts BSA troops (Boy troops and Girl troops), Venturing crews and Webelos. Webelos may only participate in Saturday

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
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Fund Development	vacant	
Community FOS	vacant	
Product Sale	Melanie Young	304-523-3408
Membership	vacant	
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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.

activities. If Webelos plan to stay for the Saturday dinner, there will be a \$4 fee. Units do not need to be sponsored by a United Methodist Church to attend this camporee. The event is held at WVU Jackson's Mill, Jane Lew, WV. The camporee will be September 5-7. All scout units are welcome to attend. Troops and crews may camp overnight and enjoy dinner Saturday evening for \$4 per person. Find details at www.buckskin.org.

IOLS COURSE

Scouts BSA leaders need Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS) to be fully trained. The fall course is Friday and Saturday, September 19-20 at Camp Arrowhead. The cost is \$30 per person which covers course materials, cracker barrel on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Register at www.buckskin.org/training.

COUNCIL-WIDE CAMPOREE & FAMILY CAMP

The Summit Bechtel Reserve will be the site for a very special Council-wide Camporee for troops and crews along with a Family Camp for our Cub Scout packs and families. The date is October 3-5. Many typical Summit activities will be available for the participants, including BB Shooting, Archery, Fishing, and Boating. Ziplining and Climbing will both be available for an additional fee.

Event fee: \$20 per person if you are camping

\$8 per person for Saturday only

Ziplining and the Climbing Wall are \$10 each per person (must pre-register, limited number of tickets available)

Save the date and make plans now to bring your pack, troop or crew to the Summit for this memorable experience.

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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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Chief Cornstalk Event Calendar

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Fall Recruitment

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.

District Committee Meeting

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.

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Chief Cornstalk District Committee

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Membership Chair	Jim Porter	304-389-3862
Community FOS Chair	vacant	
Family FOS Chair	vacant	
Product Sales	Debra King	304-925-3625
Special Event Chair	vacant	
Program Chair	vacant	
Training Chair	vacant	
Advancement Chair	Blair Taylor	304-419-1461
Camping Chair	vacant	
Marketing Chair	vacant	
Cub Day Camp	vacant	
District Chaplain	Danny Pauley	304-561-7666
OA Chapter Advisor	Scott Dennison	

Fall Camporee & Family Camp at the Summit

Oct 3-5, 2025

Cub Scout Family Camp and a Council-wide Camporee at the Summit. Separate camping and program areas will be set aside for the Family Camp and for the troops and crews who will be participating in the Camporee. Final program activities are still being developed for each event.

A number of the typical Summit activities will be available for the participants. These include BB Shooting, Archery, Fishing, and Boating. Ziplining and Climbing will both be available for a slight fee.

Check-in begins Friday evening. Saturday check-in is also offered for those attending just the activity day. Check-out will occur on Sunday.

Fees are dependent on your level of participation.

- Event fee - \$20 per person – access to all the activities for your scout's age group, 2 nights camping at the Summit and 3 meals on Saturday.
- Saturday only - \$8 per person – access to all the activities for your scout's age group, no camping, and lunch only Saturday.
- Ziplining - \$10 per person (most pre-register, limited number of tickets available)
- Climbing Wall - \$10 per person (most pre-register, limited number of tickets available)

Save the date and make plans now to bring your pack, troop or crew to the Summit for this memorable experience.

Register at Buckskin.org

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
Membership Chair	vacant	
Product Sales	vacant	
Program Chair	vacant	
Camping	Alan Campbell	
Advancement	Patrick Shook	304-481-1792
Training	Pete Conklin	304-455-5064
OA Chapter Advisor	Jay Wilson	304-481-3731

Kootaga Event Calendar

September

- 1 Labor Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 5-7 Circuit Rider Camporee, Jackson's Mill
- 9 District Committee, 6:30pm
- 9 Roundtable, 7:30pm
- 13 POLAR (formerly CDO) 10 a.m. Wehrle Center
- 20 Join Cub Scouts Fun Day!

October

- 3-5 Fall Camporee & Family Camp, The Summit
- 14 District Committee, 6:30pm
- 14 Roundtable, 7:30pm
- 17 Camporee and Family Camp
- 23 Trunk or Treat
- 29 Fall Product orders due

November

- 8 Cub Fun Day
- 11 District Committee, 6:30pm
- 11 Roundtable, 7:30pm
- 14 Fall Product pickup
- 27-28 Thanksgiving - Council Office & Shops Closed

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 and online, via Zoom. All units should have a representative attend. 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. **Our new location for our District Committee Meetings is Pickering Associates (11283 Emerson Ave.) at Building 2.**

Roundtable

The Monthly Roundtables are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm and will be both in-person and online, via Zoom. Please inquire with Christopher Burk for a link to the meeting if you do not normally receive it. **Our new location for Roundtable is Pickering Associates (11283 Emerson Ave.) at Building 2.**

Kootaga Join Cub Scouts Fun Day

Join us for a day of fun as you get to know some of the new cub scouts! This event will take place on Saturday, September 20th. All cub scouts, new and existing, are welcome to attend. There's a bunch of fun stuff in store! More information will be distributed with recruitment flyers.

Good Friends Camporee and Family Camp

We have a bunch of fun activities planned this fall for our Good Friends Outing and we hope that you will join us! This event is open to both Scouts BSA and Cub Scouts! Keep an eye out for more information on the buckskin website or our social media! (Fun Fact: the district and camp namesake, "Kootaga," comes from the Kiowa Language of "Ko-otaga," meaning Good Friends!)

Fall Recruitment

It is that time of the year. Schools have started up and future Cub Scouts are itching to join. To get as many youth as possible, we need your help! This help can come as posting flyers, yard signs, and posters, or by volunteering! Our District Volunteers and Executive Staff will promote your unit's sign -up event by doing presentations in schools. The goal of sign -up events is to promote fun learning to the youth and demonstrate organized unit leadership to the adults.

Tips/Ideas:

- Have the scouts wear their uniforms to the event.
- Plan an activity that engages the new families like a game, simple craft, or science experiment.
- Have a handout packet with information about the unit, upcoming events, and key leadership contact information.
- Have applications, pens, and clipboards (if tables are not available).
- Be honest and let families know where you need help with leadership and stress that family involvement is a part of scouting.

If you have any questions or are ready to schedule your signup contact Andrew Murphy at (330)631-5244 or email Andrew.Murphy2@scouting.org.

Product Sale

Get those microwaves ready; it's popcorn season! A well-utilized popcorn campaign can pay for an entire year of scouting. **New this year:** We're also running a meat stick sale as well! Take Order sales for both products begin August 29th to sell to friends, family, and neighbors. Orders are due October 29th at noon and distribution will occur November 14th. *(Want more commission on your sales? You can get an extra 2% of every sale by following the steps at buckskin.org/product-sale/)*

Kootaga Cub Scout Fun Day

Just because it's starting to get colder doesn't mean that Cub Scouting slows down! Join us for a fun time on Saturday, November 8th. Estimated cost is \$10 per person. More information coming soon!

Trunk or Treat

Kootaga District is having a Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 23rd. Our Trunk or Treat will be at Christ United Methodist Church at 16th Street and St. Marys Ave. The fun runs from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

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 Labor Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 13 POLAR (formerly CDO) 10 a.m. Wehrle Center
- 12-14 Fall Camporee, Triangle Sportsman's Club
- 18 District Roundtable, Stinson UMC, 6:30 pm
- 18 District Committee, Stinson UMC, 7:15 pm

October

- 3-5 Council Fall Camporee & Family Camp, The Summit
- 29 Fall Product orders due

November

- 14 Fall Product pickup
- 27-28 Thanksgiving - Council Office & Shops Closed

District Meeting

The District Meeting is Thursday, September 18th.
Roundtable starts at 6:30PM followed by the district meeting at 7:15PM

Both meetings are at Stinson United Methodist Church, Princeton, WV

Fall Camporee

The Fall Camporee is September 12th-14th at the Triangle Sportsman's Club in Bluefield, Virginia.

Lots of great activities are planned. The majority of the program will be focused on range and target sports.

Scout troops may begin checking in at 6:00 pm on Friday, September 12th. Cub Scouts may attend during the day.

Fee: \$10 per person.

Register at www.buckskin.org/mtdominion.

The Triangle Sportsmen's Club is located at 770 Triangle Road in Bluefield, Virginia.

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

Fall Product Sale

The Fall 2025 Product Sale is officially underway and it's bigger, better, and tastier than before! The Council is partnering with Camp Masters and Country Meats to give units more options and more opportunities. Scouts can earn prizes for Camp Masters sales made in person (Show & Sell, Take Order) and online (Direct Order).

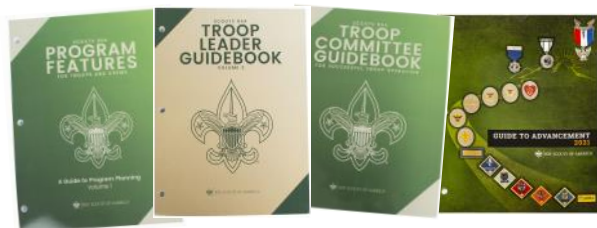
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The sale runs through October 28th so get out there and se

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Seneca District

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Samuel.bosley@scouting.org
www.buckskin.org/seneca

Seneca Event Calendar

September

- 1 Labor Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 13 POLAR (formerly CDO) 10 a.m. Wehrle Center
- 12-14 Fall Camporee

October

- 3-5 Fall Camporee & Family Camp, The Summit
- 29 Fall Product orders due

November

- 14 Fall Product pickup
- 27-28 Thanksgiving - Council Office & Shops Closed

District Committee Meeting

The District Committee meeting is Tuesday, September 2nd. The meeting begins at 7:00 pm and will be on Zoom. We hope you can log in and join us in planning a great program for the upcoming months.

Cub Scout Roundtable

Cub Scout Roundtable is Thursday, September 4th at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be on Zoom. Join us to learn more about the Cub Scout program and upcoming events.

Fall Camporee

The Fall Camporee is September 12th-14th at the Triangle Sportsman's Club in Bluefield, Virginia. Lots of great activities are planned. The majority of the program will be focused on range and target sports. Scout troops may begin checking in at 6:00 pm on Friday, September 12th. Cub Scouts may attend during the day.

Fee: \$10 per person.

Register at www.buckskin.org/mtddominion.

The Triangle Sportsman's Club is located at 770 Triangle Road in Bluefield, Virginia.

Fall Product Sale

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The sale runs through October 28th so get out there and sell!

Seneca District Committee

District Chair	Matthew Davis	
District Commissioner	Lori Hindson	304-237-7413
District Executive	Samuel Bosley	304-573-5499
Advancement Chair	Jason Brown	304-872-8163
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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Shawnee District

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Shawnee District Event Calendar

September

- 1 Labor Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 5-7 Circuit Rider 35 Camporee, Jackson's Mill
- 13 POLAR (formerly CDO) 10 a.m. Wehrle Center
- 18 Shawnee District Committee Meeting
- 19-20 IOLS, Camp Arrowhead

October

- 3-5 Fall Camporee & Family Camp, The Summit
- 16 Shawnee District Committee Meeting
- 19 Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training
- 21 Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training, part 1
- 23 Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training, part 2
- 24-25 BALOO, Camp Arrowhead
- 28 Product Sale Ends
- 29 Fall Product orders due

November

- 8 District Activity
- 14 Fall Product pickup
- 27-28 Thanksgiving - Council Office & Shops Closed

Fall Product Sale

The Fall 2025 Product Sale is officially underway and it's bigger, better, and tastier than before! The Council is partnering with Camp Masters and Country Meats to give units more options and more opportunities. This one fundraiser can support your unit's entire year of fun and adventure! There are incentives for Scouts, too!

There is a prize program for those selling Camp Masters products. Scouts can earn prizes for Camp Masters sales made in person (Show and Sell and Take Order) and online (Direct Order). The prize structure has 14 levels with multiple prizes each to choose from plus a \$650 Bonus Club and High Achiever prize selection. And as an incentive for online sales, if you sell \$400 online, you'll earn a \$10 Amazon gift card.

There are a couple more incentives for Scouts selling Camp Masters products at the Council level. As you fill order forms throughout the sale, turn in a copy of the completed form to the Council for a chance to win some prizes. Drawings will be held September 30th, October 15th, and at the end of the sale. For any Scouts that sell at least \$650 in Camp Masters product, they'll earn a spot at a party in their district.

The sale will run through October 28th so get out there and sell sell sell!

Shawnee District Committee

District Chair	Leo Lopez	304-419-4554
District Commissioner	Rosann Brooks	304-881-1042
District Executive	Ellen Blackwood	304-993-8648
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
Cub Program Chair	Diana Castle	
Camping Chair	vacant	
SBSA Scout Roundtable	Gerry Stover	
Cub Scout Roundtable	Colleen Sergeant	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

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Fall Recruitment

School is back in session and fall recruitment is here! This is a busy season for Scouting with 3-4 evening recruitment events a week throughout the district for the next few weeks. Council Executive staff have been calling schools to schedule Scout Talks the day or two before unit recruitment events like roundups and open houses. Scout Talks are meant to be quick, informative, and memorable to drum up excitement for the program. We'll spend a few minutes with each group of students and send them home with flyers advertising your unit's event. We'll also send a digital copy of the flyer to the school administration so they can share with parents. Unit leadership is more than welcome to tag along during school visits, but by no means is it expected.

Remember, recruitment events should be informative but still fun for the families. Kids want to have fun doing an activity and parents want to see that your unit is organized and can tell them why they should get involved.

Tips and ideas:

- Have your Scouts wear their uniform the day of your event
- Plan an activity that engages the new families such as a game, craft, or science experiment
- Have a packet to hand out with unit information, a calendar of upcoming events, and leadership contacts
- Have plenty of applications and pens available (clipboards too if there aren't any tables)
- Be upfront and let families know where you need help with leadership and how family involvement is part of the scouting program

Email ellen.blackwood@scouting.org if you have any questions or to coordinate plans for school Scout Talks if you'd like to join.

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District Committee Meeting

Shawnee District's Committee 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 grow, and share ideas.

Fall Trainings

Shawnee District is offering Cub Scout Leader Position-Specific Training two times towards the end of October at Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church in Hurricane. The training is offered online but it is highly recommended to go through the course in person. The in-person group setting allows trainees to meet other leaders and get answers to any questions right away. New leaders will learn the basics of the Cub Scout program and how to successfully carry out the duties of their position. The district is offering the complete course on Sunday, October 19th. Additionally, the first half of the course will be offered on the evening of October 21st and the second half will be offered on the evening of October 23rd. Leaders attending the evening sessions will need to attend both nights to receive credit for the course. Registration is now available on the district's page on the Council website. www.buckskin.org/shawnee-events/cs-leader-training/

Council Fall Camporee and Family Camp

Join Buckskin Council at the Summit October 3rd through the 5th for a Cub Scout Family Camp and Camporee. Check-in will begin Friday evening, but there is an option to join just for the program activities Saturday. There will be BB, archery, fishing, and boating plus ziplining and climbing for additional fees. Check out the attached flyer and Council website for more information.

Trunk or Treat

There will be a Trunk or Treat at the Council Service Center on October 23rd from 6-7 pm. Wear your costumes and join us for some games, music, and sweet treats! If your unit would like to decorate a car and hand out candy and info about your pack or troop, contact Kelly Thaxton kelly.thaxton@scouting.org.



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BALOO COURSE

This fall's BALOO course is October 24-25. BALOO training is for Cub Scout Leaders interested in taking their pack or den on outdoor activities. Held at Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV, scouts 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. 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. Register online at www.buckskin.org/training.

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL

Be a part of the action of Marshall University Football as the Thundering Herd takes on Old Dominion on October 11 (kick-off to be announced). Scouts and their families can purchase tickets for this game online for \$10 each (plus taxes and processing fee for a total of \$11.50 per ticket). Go to www.buckskin.org/rally-the-scouts to order the tickets. Be sure to use the code SCOUT to receive your discount. Seating will be in sections 101 and 103 on the east side of the stadium near gate D.

Scouts are welcome to arrive early for the game to be a part of Fan Fest. Fan Fest is located outside of the Rec Center. Be sure to come out and get your face painted while enjoying magic, balloon animals and inflatables including bouncy houses, obstacle course and more.

About 2 hours before game time, scouts can be part of the Thunderwalk, which starts in the West Lot at the gate on 20th street, closest to Third Avenue, and continues through the parking lot toward Gate A. RALLY THE SCOUTS for the MU vs Old Dominion football game on Sat., October 11.

ROCKET LAUNCH FUN DAY

Cub Scouts and their families are invited to bring their new rocket kit to Camp Arrowhead on Saturday October 18 for the Rocket Launch Day. New scouts will receive a rocket kit when they sign up to join a pack. Existing Cubs may purchase a kit for \$4 each. Build and launch your rocket behind the Dining Hall, near the upper lake. The rocket launch gets underway at noon. Other activities that afternoon include Fishing, BB Shooting, Archery and more. The event will run until about 4:00pm. There is no fee for this event, but we do ask that you register in advance on the Council website.

KANAWHA TRACE FALL HIKE

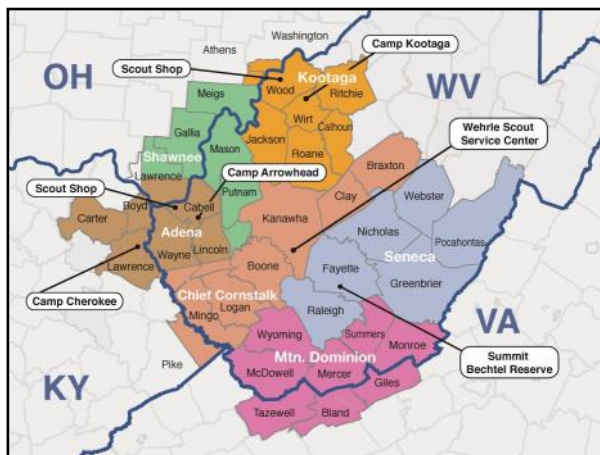
The annual Fall Hike on the Kanawha Trace will be Saturday October 18. Bring your pack or your troop or your family and enjoy the fall colors as you leisurely hike a portion of the nationally recognized Kanawha Trace. Interpreters along the trail will provide some interesting tales and history of the area. Everyone is welcome to participate. There is a cost of \$0.50 per hiker which supports maintenance of the Trace. A collectible patch will also be available for \$3.00 each.



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Unit Commitment Form 2025 Fall Product Sale



Yes, my unit would like to participate in the Fall 2025 Product Sale!

CAMP MASTERS Popcorn: _____ Show & Sell _____ Take Order

Country Meats Meat Sticks: _____ Show & Sell _____ Take Order

Unit Number: _____ District: _____
Pack, Troop, Crew, Ship, Post Adena, Cornstalk, Kootaga, Mtn. Dominion, Seneca, Shawnee

Unit Leader: _____

Unit Product Chair (this should be DIFFERENT than the unit leader):

Name: _____
(Only one name per unit, and it must be the person responsible for placing the unit's product sale order)

Address: _____ City: _____
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State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone:
home: _____ work: _____ cell: _____

Email: _____
(We must have an email address for your unit to be able to order product and prizes!)

Approx. number of Scouts in unit: _____

Number of adults in unit: _____

Please complete this form and return it to the Buckskin Council Service Center.

You may mail the form to: Buckskin Council, Scouting America
Attn: Fall Product Sale
2829 Kanawha Blvd E
Charleston, WV 25311

304-925-0533 (fax)

Buckskin Council

Council-wide Camporee

&

Family Camp

October 3-5, 2025



The Summit Bechtel Reserve (or “The Summit,” for short) is a unique Scouting facility with an expansive main property spanning over 10,000 acres. One of the reasons Scouting America chose this site for the Summit was its adjacency to New River Gorge National River. More than 13 miles of the property borders the park, giving Scouts and Scouters access to more than 70,000 acres of managed wilderness beyond the Summit property.

Planning is underway for a Cub Scout Family Camp and a Council-wide Camporee at the Summit. Separate camping and program areas will be set aside for the Family Camp and for the troops and crews who will be participating in the Camporee. Final program activities are still being developed for each event.

A number of the typical Summit activities will be available for the participants. These include BB Shooting, Archery, Fishing, and Boating. Ziplining and Climbing will both be available for a additional fee.

Check-in begins Friday evening. Saturday check-in is also offered for those attending just the activity day. Check-out will occur on Sunday.

Fees are dependent on your level of participation.

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- Saturday only - \$8 per person – access to all the activities for your scout’s age group, no camping, and lunch only Saturday.
- Ziplining - \$10 per person (most pre-register, limited number of tickets available)
- Climbing Wall - \$10 per person (most pre-register, limited number of tickets available)

Save the date and make plans now to bring your pack, troop or crew to the Summit for this memorable experience.





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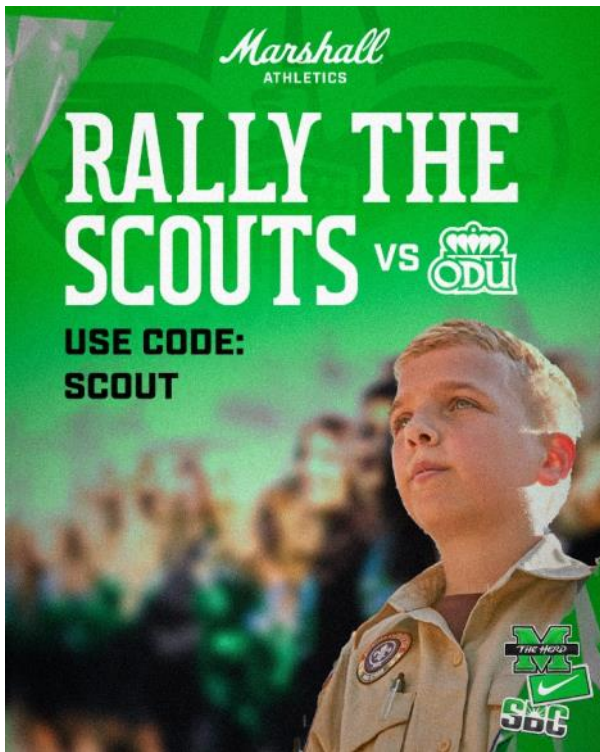
Triangle Fall Camp

September 12th-14th at Triangle Sportsmen's Club,

770 Triangle Road, Bluefield, Virginia, 24605

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**Scouting America
&
Marshall University Football
announce**

RALLY THE SCOUTS

October 11, 2025

(kickoff time to be announced)

Be a part of the action of Marshall University Football as the Thundering Herd takes on Old Dominion on October 11 (kick-off to be announced). Scouts and their families can purchase tickets for this game online for \$10 each (plus taxes and processing fee for a total of \$11.50 per ticket). Tickets can be purchased at [Football vs. Old Dominion | Marshall University Athletics](#) . For the discounted pricing when ordering tickets, please use the code SCOUT. Seating will be in sections 101 and 103 on the east side of the stadium near gate D.

Scouts are welcome to arrive early for the game to be a part of Fan Fest. Fan Fest is located outside of the Rec Center. Be sure to come out and get your face painted while enjoying magic, balloon animals and inflatables including bouncy houses, obstacle course and more.

About 2 hours before game time, scouts can be part of the Thunderwalk. Thunderwalk starts in the West Lot at the gate on 20th street, closest to Third Avenue, and continues through the parking lot toward Gate A. Greet the Thundering Herd team as they arrive for the game.



BUCKSKIN COUNCIL, BSA
ADENA DISTRICT
**OCTOBER FUN DAY and
ROCKET LAUNCH**

Camp Arrowhead
506 Scout Camp Road, Ona, WV
Saturday, October 18, 2025
Noon to 4:00pm

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. 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 you visit Camp Arrowhead.

SPECIAL MORNING ACTIVITY - Come to camp early on Saturday and enjoy the Fall Hike on the Kanawha Trace. This annual event gives scouts, their families and those in the community to spend some time walking this National Recognized trail. Visit with some re-enactors along the way and learn about the pioneer days of the area. There is a suggested fee of \$.50 per person. A collectable patch will also be available. Proceeds from the fee and patch sales go to support trail maintenance. Groups head out from Meachem Lodge beginning about 8:15am. Last group will head out 11:00am. You will be back in time to go out and grab some lunch (or bring lunch with you) and then enjoy the fun of Rocket Day.

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
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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 left side of the parking lot.



Shawnee District Cub Scout Leader Position-Specific Training

October 19th 2 pm **or** October 21st 6 pm **AND** October 23rd 6 pm*
Forrest Burdette UMC 2848 Putnam Ave. Hurricane, WV 25526

The Cub Scout Leader Position-Specific Training course brings together all the basics of Cub Scout leadership into one course, with separate mini-modules to deal with position-specific topics such as den leader, Cubmaster, and pack committee and chair. It has been developed to give new leaders the knowledge and skills, as well as to generate the enthusiasm, needed to successfully carry out the duties of their position. The course is made up of three parts.

You'll Learn About:

- Aims and Methods of Cub Scouting (why we do what we do and how we do it!)
- Pack Structure (including Adult and Youth Leadership roles)
- Uniforms
- Advancement
- Conducting either a den, pack, or committee meeting
- Outdoor program preparation
- Keeping Cub Scouting safe
- Journey to Excellence
- Recruitment
- Resources available to you as you continue your learning journey

Every Scout Deserves a Confident, Knowledgeable Adult Leader...

Every Scout Deserves a



Adult Leader!

***Shawnee District is offering the full course twice.** If you attend on October 19th, you will complete the entire course that day. **If you attend on October 21st, you must also attend on October 23rd to complete the course.** Part 1 will be covered on the 21st and Parts 2 & 3 will be covered on the 23rd.



Oct. 19th

Scan the QR codes or visit www.buckskin.org/shawnee to register.
Registration deadline is October 17th



Oct. 21st & 23rd

Buckskin Council, BSA

INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS

SEPTEMBER 19 & 20, 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 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 September 19 & 20, 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 Boy Scout 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, September 12, 2025

IOLS REGISTRATION FORM – SEPTEMBER 19 & 20, 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
OCTOBER 24-25, 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 “My Training” on the home page, then Cub Scouts. Complete the course named “BALOO Prerequisite Training V2”. Bring your completion certificate with you.

The next course will be October 24-25 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 (snacks) 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, October 21, 2025

BALOO REGISTRATION FORM – OCTOBER 24-25, 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



★ KOOTAGA DISTRICT BUCKSKIN COUNCIL
★ *
★ TRUNK OR INFO ON SCOUTING
TREAT

CANDY, GAMES, MUSIC,
COSTUMES & FUN!

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 23RD
6-7PM AT CHRIST UMC
16TH STREET AT ST. MARYS AVE.
MORE INFO ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE
KOOTAGA DISTRICT BUCKSKIN COUNCIL

DOES YOUR GROUP/BUSINESS
WANT TO HAVE A SPACE AND JOIN
IN THE FUN-CALL LISA AT THE
SCOUT OFFICE 422-4507



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WWW.BUCKSKIN.ORG

The Buckskin Council is inviting all youth to the **Trunk or Treat**

Buckskin Council Service Center
2829 Kanawha Blvd. E. Charleston
Thursday, October 23, 2025 6-7:00 PM



Put on your costume and join
us for:

- Music
- Candy & Treats
- Games
- Coloring Contest
- And information about
Scouting in our area

If you would like to be part of the fun and
decorate a car or have an information
station, please contact Kelly Thaxton at
the Service Center at 304-340-3663 or
Kelly.Thaxton@scouting.org





**TRICK OR TREAT
AT THE
HUNTINGTON SCOUT SHOP
1037 SIXTH AVE, HUNTINGTON
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23**



5:00 - 6:30 PM

WEAR YOUR COSTUME!

GAMES

COLORING CONTEST

TREATS



**Happy
Halloween!**

