

# Caswell District



***"Catch that Scouting Spirit"***

*Camporee Booklet  
Spring Pre-Camporee  
March 27-29, 2009  
Kinston/Lenoir Nature Center*

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Greetings,

The 2009 Caswell District Pre Camporee will be an exciting new adventure for the scouts and scouters of Caswell District. This year will move our camporee to the Nature Center to put our scouting spirit on display. This year will involve a brand new concept for the camporee and will include activities such as: The Huck Finn Float off, A first Aid relay, an Orienteering Course that will provide some historical information about Kinston and a Knot Relay. On top of that there will be 2 different camp-wide competitions for some pretty cool prizes. Plus a concession stand staffed by the brothers of the Neosouk Chapter of the Order of the Arrow and a special Cub camp visit and it all ends with an OA tap out and camp wide campfire.

I want to invite each and every scout to come out and experience a camporee like you never experienced before. The camporee staff and I look forward to a fun filled scouting adventure that will hopefully start a new tradition in Caswell District.

There are a couple of housekeeping necessities to make this all work. First off **is the need for all troops attending to pre-register by the March Roundtable**. The goal of this is to ensure adequate camping space at the nature center and an accurate # of patches. Secondly will be for each and every troop to be flexible as this is the first time we have attempted to have this event at the nature center. Thirdly is the need for all troops to adhere to the guideline put out in this booklet. Lastly is for everyone to come and have some fun.

I look forward to seeing you all there. Best wishes for a great 2009.

Come Catch that Scouting Spirit and thanks for all you do!!!

Yours in Scouting,

**Matthew Lococo**  
**Pre-Camporee Chief**

## **Camporee General Information** *(Taken from the Council Camporee Booklet)*

- A.** All Scouts are encouraged to attend school on the opening day of the Camporee.  
**NO CHECK IN WILL BE PERMITTED BEFORE 4PM FRIDAY BE SURE TO CHECK IN BEFORE ERECTING A CAMPSITE (THEY WILL BE ASSIGNED BY HEADQUARTERS)**
- B.** Make sure parents/guardians know the troop/crew number, patrol name, and the area the troop will be in.
- C.** The use of mind-altering substances (including alcoholic beverages) by adult or youth members will result in the immediate dismissal from the Camporee site. Parents will be notified to come and pick up their Scout.
- D.** Walkie-talkies, handy-talks, or radios are not permitted.
- E.** No unit will be allowed to participate in the Camporee without 2 adult leaders in attendance. All adult leaders will camp with their troop/crew. If troops/crews are unable to attend because of adult leadership they should buddy-up with another unit from their area (district.)
- G.** Venturing Crews will be permitted to attend the Camporee (female leadership required for coed units).
- H.** All Scouts will remain on the Camporee grounds throughout the event. If there are compelling reasons or emergencies for leaving, please contact Camporee Headquarters ASAP.
- I.** All campsites must be attended at all times by a responsible adult.
- J.** The **Official Scout Uniform (field uniform)** should be properly worn when traveling to and from the Camporee, during Chapel, and for uniform inspection, and at all times when Scouts and Leaders leave their campsites. Scouts should use the "buddy system" when outside their assigned area. During the events on Saturday, an activity uniform maybe worn; an activity uniform will consist of: a troop/crew or Council T-shirt with BSA shorts or trousers (must in good repair, clean with no holes.) Shoes will be sneaker type, boots, or leather shoes. **Absolutely NO SANDALS or open-toed shoes will be allowed.**
- K.** All patrols/troops/crews will do their own cooking/heating of water with charcoal, wood or approved chemical fuels. It is suggested that if wood or charcoal fires are used, a burn container be brought to protect the ground (there is limited wood available). In case of a fire ban, alternate methods of cooking should be planned.
- L.** Patrols will furnish their own garbage bags and properly dispose of them in the large dumpsters. If dumpsters are not available, be prepared to pack your trash out. .
- M.** Approved lanterns may be used in campsites. Only electric lanterns or flashlights are to be used outside the troop site. Generators will not be permitted on the Camporee grounds.
- Q.** Each troop/crew should erect a flagpole on its site and properly display the National and Unit Flag. Flags should be lowered at dusk on Friday and Saturday.
- R.** The only fundraising or Concession stand permitted on the grounds of the Camporee is the one operated by the OA.
- S.** Council Event Insurance covers accidents only. It does not cover normal sickness.

Hospital or doctor charges for sickness will be billed to the unit or parents/guardians. All youth and adults must be registered with the BSA and the Camporee to be covered.

**"PARENTS/UNIT POLICY IS THE PRIMARY COVERAGE, THE COUNCIL'S EVENT POLICY IS SECONDARY" .**

**T.** 2nd Year Webelos only will be allowed to camp with their host troop. All Webelos and their leaders must register at the Area Headquarters. There are no events scheduled for Webelos Scouts. Cub Packs are encouraged to visit the Camporee on Saturday for the Cub Event..

**V.** All persons/guests are required to register at the Camporee Headquarters.

### **Registration Information**

In order to guaranteed adequate space and patches your unit must reregister by the March Roundtable meeting. This can be done either in person at the February and March Roundtables, by contacting LaMarr Walker at the Council office or by Mailing your registration and Money to Matt Lococo.

Mailed application should be mailed to ( **MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2009**)

Caswell District Pre-Camporee  
c/o Matthew Lococo  
3696 Daughety White Rd  
Kinston, NC 28501

**COST:** \$8.00 per participant by March 20  
\$10.00 per participant after March 20

**CUB'S ATTENDING SATURDAY'S PROGRAM ARE FREE**

**EXTRA PATCHES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE APRIL AND MAY ROUNDTABLES**

## **Pre-Camporee Staff**

### **Staff:**

**Camp Chair – Matt Lococo**  
**Ast. Camp Chair – Phil Decker**  
**Camp Staff (Pioneering): TBD**  
**Camp Staff (First Aid): TBD**  
**Camp Staff (Orienteering): TBD**  
**Camp Staff (Knots Relay): TBD**  
**Camp Staff (Cub Activity): Lisa Stillwell**  
**Camp Staff (Cub Activity): Rose Davis**  
**Camp Staff (Assistant): Tom Cavanaugh**  
**Camp Staff (OA Advisor): Walter Taylor**  
**Camp Staff (OA/Assistant): Mike Whittington**  
**Camp Staff (Finances): Susan Lococo**  
**Camp Staff (Consecions): OA Neusiok Chapter**

### **Check In/Check out Staff**

**NO CHECK IN WILL BE PERMITTED BEFORE 4PM FRIDAY**

Check In: OA members will assist you in finding your campsite

Registration (at Camporee headquarters): Carol Cantu, Phil Decker, Susan Lococo,  
LaMarr Walker

Check Out: Matt Lococo, Phil Decker

## **PRE-CAMPOREE SCHEDULE**

### **FRIDAY**

- 3:30PM – CHECK IN BEGINS
- 4:00- 6:00 – CHECK IN (**REPORT TO HEADQUARTERS FIRST**)
- 6:00-7:00 – Supper time & clean up
- 7:30PM – Camp wide Flag Lowering (Report HQ)
- 7:30-10:00 – OA Concession Stand open
- 7:00- 9:30– Troop Campfires
- 7:30- 8:00 –SPL Meeting at Camp Headquarters
- 8:00- 9:30 – Scoutmaster Meeting/Staff Meeting/Cracker Barrel
- 10:00 – OA Concession stand closes
- 10:00 – Headquarters close
- 10:15- Taps/Lights out

### **Saturday (Camp inspection/gateway judging begins at 9AM)**

- 7:00 AM – Reveille/Breakfast/Cleanup
- 8:00 AM – Camp Staff Meeting @ Headquarters
- 9:00 AM – Camp wide Flag Raising (Report to HQ)
- 9:00- 12:30 PM – Morning Events
- 12:30- 1:30 – LUNCH
- 1:30- 5:00 – Afternoon Events
- 5:30- 6:30 – Supper time & Clean up
- 6:30-7:00 – Free Time change into Uniform
- 6:30 – Patrols Participating in Campfire meet at HQ
- 7:00 – Camp wide Flag Lowering
- 7:15-8:15 – OA TAP out
- 8:30 – 9:30 – Campwide Campfire
- 9:30- 10:00 – OA Fellowship
- 10:00- 11:00 – Campsite Campfires
- 10:00-11:00 – Adult Fellowship at HQ
- 11:15- Taps/Lights out

### **Sunday**

- 7:00 AM – Reveille/Breakfast/Cleanup
- 8:00 AM – Campwide Flag Raising
- 8:30 -10 AM – Worship Service at the River
- 10 AM – Checkout and head home

**\*\*\*\*\* A SCOUT IS REVERENT\*\*\*\*\***

**NO STRIKING OF CAMP OR VEHICLE MOVEMENT DURING WORSHIP SERVICE – ALL SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND SERVICE IF IN CAMP**

### **CAMP ACTIVITIES**

- (1) “Huck Finn” Raft Race

**SEE ATTACHED REQUIREMENTS**

- (2) First Aid Relay

Relay including several different bandage, carries, and questions (Exact items will not be given to you until you arrive at camp)

- (3) Orienteering Course

Will be part of every activity. You will use Orienteering skills to move from station to station and will receive a tidbit of information on the history of Kinston. You will then complete the blanks on a form that will reveal a secret message. The patrol will be responsible for listening to the brief presentations around the nature center and will then be responsible for submitting their document to headquarters

- (4) Pioneering

Build a flag pole from lodge poles and raise patrol flag (competitive—against the clock)

- (5) Knots Relay

5 Stations – Round robin each member must complete knots (Knots not released until you arrive at camp)

### **CALLING ALL EAGLES AND SCOUTERS**

**HELP BUILD A MONKEY BRIDGE FOR THE CUB AREA.  
CONSTRUCTION WILL COMENSE SATURDAY MORNING. ONLY  
EAGLE SCOUTS WHO ARE NOT PART OF PATROLS  
PARTICIPATING IN THE OTHER EVENTS AND SCOUTERS ARE  
PERMITTED TO PARTICPATE**

**Patrol Competition**

3 Goals = Winner

Goal # 1 – Have your Raft float across the River with your patrol on it

Goal # 2 – Complete all the Activities

Goal # 3 – Come in with the best time on the Orienteering Course

PRIZE- First Place – TBA

Second Place TBA

Third Place - TBA

Fourth Place: TBA

Fifth Place: TBA

PRIZES WILL BE SOME SORT OF GIFT CARD- DETAILS STILL BEING WORKED OUT.

**Troop Spirit Award—Special Ribbon**

Goal #1 – 1 Patrol Participating in Saturday Night Campfire

Goal # 2 – All Patrols participate in Raft Contest

Goal # 3 – Participated in all Flag lowering and raising through out the weekend

PRIZE – Spirit Ribbon for Troop Flag

***SCORING CARDS AND EVENT INFO WILL BE AVAILABLE AT CHECK IN***

**CASWELL DISTRICT  
PRE-CAMPOREE 2009**

**TROOP #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADULTS ATTENDING**


**FEEL FREE TO ADD COPY AND ADD PAGES IF NEEDED**

**YOUTH ATTENDING (PLACE AN X IN THE LAST COLUMN IF IT APPLIES)**

<b>CAMPERS</b>	<b>RANK</b>	<b>EAGLE PARTICIPATING IN CUB AREA</b>

**HUCK FINN RAFT RACE RULES**

**SAFETY:**

Rafts must float with the full crew on board.

**SAFETY CHECK IS MANDATORY BEFORE RAFT IS ALLOWED ON WATER!!!**

Each raft must have a strong grab rope all the way around the raft. This is to ensure that if one of your crewmembers goes overboard, there will be something that they will be able to grab to get back onto the raft.

**RAFT CONSTRUCTION:**

*Minimum size - 8 feet x 10 feet  
feet x 12 feet*

*Maximum size - 12*

Rafts can be of any style within the guidelines of size. Horsepower for propelling rafts must be provided by muscle, wind or water power. No parts specifically manufactured commercially for boats or canoes may be used (ie. hulls, mast, paddles, sails, etc.). For example, if a paddle is used it must be made by the participants. Floatation may be provided by inner tubes, barrels or any other buoyant material. If styrofoam is used for floatation, it must be wrapped completely so that it cannot come apart.

It is recommended that when installing the floatation devices for your raft, that they be placed as close to the outer edge of the raft as possible to provide greater stability. It is recommended that you have at least one extra piece of floatation (tire tubes, barrels, etc.). Small barrels are not the best to use. If possible, try to get at least a medium to large barrel size.

Rafts may have a mast minimum 7 feet high, maximum 10 feet high for the flying of the pennant provided. It is also recommended that you carry some long poles to help in the navigation of your craft, especially in the shallow water.

Each raft must have a rope railing all around the raft. A

***Traditional Huck Finn Raft - only propelled by poling.*** Raft to be constructed from logs or purchased lumber supported by inner tubes, barrels or wrapped styrofoam. **Construction must be lashed.** Keep in mind there will be additional design points added for using lashed log construction as opposed to purchased.