

**2015 David Crockett
District
Camporee**

**“Boy Scout Back to
Basic”**

Leader’s Guide

**November 20-22, 2015
Camp Happy Hollow
Brenham, TX**

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Camporee Challenge

The Camporee is a part of scouting that requires scouts and their patrol to put into action the skills that they have learned. They have to work as a team to accomplish many tasks. As such, they have to use their resources wisely. Each individual has his own strengths. The Patrol that works together as a team, has good scout spirit, and is prepared, will have the necessary skills to complete the events. It is through these events, that scouts develop skills for life and good sportsmanship. A good patrol works well together. They gladly accept new responsibilities, and are able to adapt to new procedures.

Your Patrol should rehearse all skills, but most importantly demonstrate Scout Spirit and Teamwork. Conduct of all participants should follow the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

Camporee Theme

“Boy Scout Back to Basic”

Patrols

The ideal patrol size is 4-6 members. Patrols should be those already established within your troop and members can be any level of scouting. We strongly discourage shifting scouts to create a “Super Patrol” for competition, however you may combine two or more patrols into one if not enough members are able to attend. Patrols will be responsible for having knowledge of scout skills needed for any type of event. Each Patrol will be responsible for natural tender, kindling and fuel for one of the events. Each patrol member will be responsible for providing any needed personal equipment such as filled water bottle, first aid kit, rain gear, pencil, and paper.

Second year Webelos Patrols will follow the same patrol and competition guidelines, but will only compete against other Webelos Patrols.

Skills for Preparation

Here is a list of just some of the possible event skills necessary to compete at the Camporee.

Patrol Spirit and Teamwork

Fire building

Cooking

Knots and Lashings

Compass

Plant Identification

Entry Way

Campsite setup

First Aid and Preparedness

A prepared Scout, Patrol and Troop will have reviewed and practiced all the information and skills found in The Boy Scout Handbook and Field Guide. These two books can be used as resources at the Camporee.

Events and Scoring

Each Patrol will be scored on the event at hand and each event will be different. Each event will be scored on how well the scouts perform the assigned task, but judges will also take into consideration teamwork, communication skills and scout spirit. All competing patrol members registered for the Camporee must be present and participate at all events for the Patrol to receive a full score.

Location

The Camporee will be held at camp Happy Hollow.

Address 2029 Happy Hollow Rd,
 Brenham, TX 77833

Registration and Fees

Registration is \$20 per youth and adult participant if pre-registered by Friday November 20, 2015.

Late registration is \$25 per youth participant.

Sorry, no refunds!!!

Advance registration is necessary for the staff to complete all the details to ensure a first rate Camporee. Troops failing to pre-register the correct number of boys risk inadequate camp space and number of patches.

Check-in

Check-in will be held at the Lodge from 6-8pm on Friday. Troops should arrive together, in full field uniform and be prepared for a troop inspection that will count towards spirit points. No scouts or vehicles may enter the campsites until registration is complete.

Vehicles

Vehicles are not allowed in campsites. The only exception is one vehicle per troop which is allowed to deliver a troop trailer or equipment. All vehicles must be moved to the parking lot by 9pm. Any troop needing to have a motorized vehicle to transport a scout or leader with special needs should notify the Camporee committee at the time of advanced registration and will be issued a special pass.

Patches

Each paid youth participant will receive one Camporee patch. Two additional patches will be provided to each unit for the leaders. Please indicate on the pre- registration form if additional leaders will be attending the Camporee and if they wish to purchase a Camporee patch.

Campfire

(Full Scout Uniform)The campfire will be on Saturday night. Visitors are welcome but must follow all parking and Camporee regulations. All patrols are expected to participate with a song or skit. All performances will be previewed by the Camporee staff. Skits or songs with non-scout like or inappropriate content will be excluded. Auditions will be held immediately following the SPL Meeting. Spirit points will be awarded for originality, enthusiasm, and performance.

Religious Service

(Full Scout Uniform)There will be an all-faiths service on Sunday morning. Any troop that wishes their Chaplain's Aide to help with the service should notify the Camporee staff at the SPL meeting on Friday night.

Awards

Troops and Patrols will be scored on all Camporee events including check-in, campsite inspections, auditions, and competition events. Awards will be given out Sunday morning immediately following the religious service.

Patrol Awards

Awards will be given out for the top two or three Patrols in each competition event.

An award will be given for the best entry in the cooking competition. (A serving of what your patrol is eating for supper on Saturday evening)

The prestigious Camporee Spirit Award will be awarded to the Patrol that demonstrates the best Scout Spirit. Judging includes but is not limited to,

Patrol Flag and yell demonstrated throughout the Camporee
American decorations to Patrol flag or staff
Participation in all events
Teamwork, Enthusiasm, Sportsmanship

Troop Awards

Gateway Contest will be judged by the Camporee staff after lunch on Saturday. Judging includes originality, size, complexity, safety, and integration of Camporee theme. Campsite Inspection will be done by the Camporee staff during the events on Saturday. Campsites will be judged according to the attached Campsite Inspection Sheet.

Senior Patrol Leaders Meeting

It is very important that each troop be represented Friday night at the SPL meeting. Each SPL or his representative should come with pad and pencil and be ready to take notes. Most of the information for the events will be provided during this meeting. The Camporee staff will conduct this meeting to answer or clarify any questions or concerns. Scoutmasters may attend if desired, but the SPL is expected to represent his troop.

Adult Leadership

Each troop must provide two deep leadership as per BSA regulations at all times during the Camporee. NO EXCEPTIONS. Webelos patrols must also follow all BSA regulations for Webelos camping.

Scout Registration

Unit leaders are reminded that each boy participating in the Camporee must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America to be covered by insurance. Unit leaders are responsible for permission and medical forms for each participant.

Campsites

Campsites will be assigned based on pre-registration and troop size. Troops with special needs should notify the Camporee committee at the time of pre-registration.

There is running water on site. You may bring your own, or use the potable water. Supplies on site will be limited. Troops must bring their own water containers.

Cooking and eating utensils ARE NOT TO BE WASHED AT THE WATER SOURCE!

A well organized campsite reflects good leadership and a clean camp makes the weekend healthier and safer for all. Remember to make as little impact as possible in establishing your camp.

Fire Control

Fires in campsites are allowedBE SAFE!..... Cooking can be done over in pans or over a grill.

First Aid

Each troop and/or patrol should have a first aid kit accessible, in plain view and clearly marked for all members to see. In case of emergencies, assistance will be available at Camporee Headquarters. Scoutmasters, advise staff at check-in if any Scout has special needs.

Latrines

Porta Johns will be available on site. Please be considerate in using the Porta Johns, they must last us all weekend.

Food

Patrols are required to provide adequate food for all members. Protect your food from heat/cold and Camporee critters. Each patrol should post a duty roster and menu in the campsite.

Garbage/Trash

This Camporee is being run on the basis of “Pack it in, Pack it out”. At the end of the Camporee, Patrols must carry their trash off the premises and dispose of it properly.

Foul Weather

Be prepared for any type of weather. Competition will be suspended in the event of hurricane, tornado, earthquake or volcanic eruption. Otherwise, BE PREPARED!!

What Not to Bring

No guns, bows and arrows, fireworks, sheath knives, or any form of weapon or firearm will be allowed at the Camporee. The exception is the archery event where all equipment will be supplied by the Camporee staff. Pocket knives are allowed if accompanied by a “Totin’ Chip”. No alcohol or illegal substances will be tolerated. To ensure fair competition, walkie-talkies will not be used by troops during the competition.

Violation of Camporee policies may result in expulsion from the Camporee.

Check-out

Scouts always leave a campsite better than they found it. The Troop SPL must secure a Camporee Staff member for final campsite inspection when the Troop is ready for final checkout. At this point the Troop will receive their check-out package including patches for all registered participants.

2015 Camporee Gateway Scoring Sheet

Troop _____

Gateway Construction

The Gateway is an opportunity for your unit to identify its campsite. Its construction, size and complexity are your choosing. Gateways can be as elaborate as archways or bridges, and as simple as using unit flags and banners. The importance of the gateway is to provide a formal entrance to your unit campsite. This is not only fun, but a source of unit pride and Scout spirit. It is useful in helping identify your unit's area to staff, visitors, and your own unit's members. This formal identification of your unit's campsite by a gateway **is not required**, but a visible entrance should be marked. Points will be given for those units showing effort and teamwork in putting together a gateway and there will be an award given for the best gateway.

Each unit should bring all material for construction of a gateway or other means of identifying an entrance. The recommended method of construction is lashings, tripods, etc. **BE CREATIVE!**

The gateway should span an opening of at least 7ft. high and 4ft. wide.

The gateway must be at the primary entrance of the campsite.

Safety **MUST** be a prime factor in construction.

Camporee Inspector can ask that unsafe structures be disassembled.

Gateway should be of original design and reflect the Camporee Theme.

| <u>Judges Criteria</u> | <u>Possible Points</u> | <u>Earned Points</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Camporee Theme | 0-20 | _____ |
| Flags Properly Displayed | 0-20 | _____ |
| Troop Identification | 0-20 | _____ |
| Overall Design | 0-20 | _____ |
| Creativity and Originality | 0-20 | _____ |
| Safe and Sturdy Construction | 0-20 | _____ |
| Assembly/Lashings | 0-20 | _____ |
| Durability | 0-20 | _____ |
| Total | | _____ |

2015 Camporee Campsite Scoring Sheet

Troop _____

| Area Inspected | Possible Points | Earned Points |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|
| Gateway | | |
| Identifying Troop | 0-10 | _____ |
| Campsite | | |
| Patrol Areas | 0-10 | _____ |
| Trash Properly Disposed | 0-10 | _____ |
| Hazard Free Setup | 0-10 | _____ |
| Overall Neatness | 0-10 | _____ |
| Cooking Area | | |
| Menu Posted, balanced meals | 0-10 | _____ |
| Kitchen area clean | 0-10 | _____ |
| Proper food storage | 0-10 | _____ |
| Duty Roster posted | 0-10 | _____ |
| Fuel stored properly | 0-10 | _____ |
| Equipment | | |
| First Aid Kit | 0-10 | _____ |
| Fire Prevention/Control/Safety | 0-10 | _____ |
| Safe and secure equipment storage | 0-10 | _____ |
| Flags | | |
| United States flag properly displayed | 0-10 | _____ |
| Troop flag properly displayed | 0-10 | _____ |
| Total | | _____ |

Schedule - David Crockett Camporee 2015

Friday

- 5:00** Check in opens
- 7:30** Burger Burn starts serving
- 9:00** Cracker barrel SPL and SM at lodge
- 10:00** Quiet time
- 10:30** Lights Out – Busy day tomorrow!

Saturday

- 6:30** Reveille
- 6:45** Breakfast
- 8:00** Scoutmaster/SPL/Patrol Leader meeting in the Lodge
- 8:30** Opening at Flagpole
- 9:00** Morning Competition begins
- 12:00** Lunch
- 1:00** Afternoon Competition begins
- 5:00** Meet at flag pole for closing (only if completed all 6 events)
- 5:30** Dinner
- 6:30** Turn in Dutch Ovens
- 8:00** Campfire / Awards / Skits
- 10:30** Quiet time
- 11:00** Lights Out

Sunday

- 6:30** Reveille
- 6:45** Breakfast
- 8:00** Sunday Service (Erin's Splendor)
- 9:00** Campsite Checkout

2015 David Crockett District Camporee Troop Pre-Registration Form

Troop _____ Crew _____ Pack _____

Unit Leader _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

Number of Youth Attending _____ x \$20 = _____

Number of Adults Attending _____ x \$20 = _____

Total _____

Please send registration by November 14, 2015 to:

David Crockett District Camporee Director
Becky Capt
rebecca.capt@verizon.net

Please make all checks payable to "BSA".

Unit Roster

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This roster is to be filled out completely and turned in during Camporee check-in.

Unit _____ Unit Leader _____

Adult Leaders

| Name | Position | Name | Position |
|-------|----------|-------|----------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Patrol Name _____

| Name | Rank | Name | Rank |
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**2015 David Crockett District Camporee
Staff Application**

Please fill out form completely

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ 2nd Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Troop _____ OA Position _____

You must be at least 14 years old and at least 1st class to serve on staff.
We also need several adult staff members. All applicants will be required to attend an interview and if chosen, attend a planning/training session prior to the Camporee.

If youth application, please provide the following:

Rank _____ Age _____

Leadership positions held _____

Scoutmaster Name _____

Scoutmaster Phone _____

Please submit to:

David Crockett District Camporee Director
Becky Capt
rebecca.capt@verizon.net

**2015
CAMPOREE EVENTS AND
LOCATIONS**

- 1. FIRST AID**
Held in Fire Ring area.
- 2. Compass**
Start across from Pavilion area.
- 3. KNOTS AND LATCHING**
Meet across The Pavilion at the Outdoor Training Area.
- 4. Plant ID**
Meet across The Pavilion at the Outdoor Training Area.
- 5. Fire Building**
Meet at Camp site.
- 6. ENTRY WAY**
Work on during the day. Will be judged after lunch.
- 7. CAMPSITE INSPECTION**
Will be judged by score sheet in packet after lunch.
- 8. SCOUT SPIRIT**
Show that you glad to be here. Leaders will be observing all day.
- 9. DUTCH OVEN COOK-OFF**
2categories-Main dish and dessert – turn in 6:30pm in Lodge.

GOOD LUCK, DO YOUR BEST, AND HAVE !!!!!!!!! !FUN!!!!!!!!!