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Summer Camp  
Leader's Guide

*“Scouting, a game with a  
purpose”*

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Dear Scout Leader,

Welcome to Blass Scout Reservation and the Summer Camp Program. Thanks to input from you and your Scouts during the last year, we are fine tuning the camp program to better serve your Troop. We promise to work as diligently as we can to bring your Scouts the finest summer camp experience possible.

Gus Blass Scout Reservation has just finished one of the most exciting times in its history. Several million dollars worth of improvements have been completed and are now awaiting your arrival. Our goal is to provide your Scouts a camping facility that is second to none.

Some of the features you will find at Gus Blass Scout Reservation include.....

Quapaw High Adventure Program  
Olympic size pool with diving area  
Flush toilets for every campsite  
3 shower bath house facilities with porcelain latrines  
New Shooting Sports Complex  
C.O.P.E. Course  
"The Mountain" Climbing Tower  
Mountain Biking  
BSA Lifeguard  
CPR course  
and  
450 seat dining hall

The camp staff will be the largest and most highly trained in years. Please read this camp guide carefully and feel free to contact us if there are any questions or if you need additional information.

We look forward to seeing you.

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*GUS BLASS SCOUT RESERVATION HAS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE*

Troop needs, Patrol needs, and the needs of each individual Scout help us plan our program. Take a minute to review this page before you map out your week at Gus Blass Scout Reservation. Be sure to include activities from each of the areas listed below.

THE SCOUT

Totin' Chip  
Fishing  
Hiking  
Handicraft  
Aquatic Activities  
Scoutcraft Skills  
Conservation Projects  
Merit Badges  
Pioneer Trail Program  
Shooting Sports  
Free Time

THE PATROL

Patrol Cooking  
Pioneering Projects  
Conservation Projects  
Hiking  
Patrol Campfires  
Handicrafts  
Camp Games

THE TROOP

Safety Afloat  
Safe Swim Defense  
Sailing  
Row Boating  
Canoeing  
Swimming  
Campfires  
Inter Patrol Contests  
Conservation Projects  
Troop Vespers  
Campsite Inspections  
Flag Ceremonies

DON'T FORGET OUR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS.....

Project C.O.P.E.  
Lifeguard , B.S.A.  
Lifeguard Counselor, B.S.A.  
Mile Swim  
Mountain Biking  
Climbing and Rappelling  
Baden Powell Troop Award  
CPR Course

ALL PATROL AND INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES MUST BE CONDUCTED WITH THE COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SCOUTMASTER.

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## *Quapaw Area Council Camping Policies*

Gus Blass Scout Reservation is guided by the Scout Oath and the twelve points of the Scout Law. All camp participants are expected to live by these principles. Behavior which does not meet the high standards of the Scout Oath and Law is unacceptable. All campers are asked for their cooperation in helping to maintain these high standards of moral and personal behavior. The following rules have been established for the health and safety of all Scouts, adult leaders, camp staff, and visitors. National camping guidelines state:

- 2 Deep Leadership is required at all times
- No Open--Toed Shoes (Sandals, Tevas, etc.) are allowed. These are only allowed at the pool/showers.
- No flames in tents! All bulk flammable fuels must be stored in the fuel box provided at the camp quartermaster. All tents-- both Troop and Reservation-- must be marked "No Flames in Tents".
- You may not bring weapons, firearms, or ammunition of any sort to camp. The Reservation provides all necessary shooting equipment and ammunition.
- Tobacco use is not permitted by youth campers or by adults in the presence of youth campers nor in any structure, tent, or building. Smoking is restricted to designated areas. Smokers are also reminded of the ever present fire danger!
- Vehicles must be parked in the main parking lot at the bottom of the hill. If more information is needed consult the camp director. All ATV's are prohibited from use by Scouts and adult leaders. Posted speed limit of 15 MPH MUST be obeyed. No one may ride in the back of a truck or on a trailer. RV's are not allowed. They distract from the outdoor environment of Scout Camp.
- Pets are not allowed in Camp.
- Only those persons authorized by the Camp Director or Camp Ranger may operate power tools on the Scout Reservation.
- All personnel arriving at camp or leaving camp must check in/check out at the camp office. (Administration Building)
- Leaders and Scouts who will be arriving or leaving the Reservation during the week MUST check in and out at the Camp Office. Scouts are permitted to leave prior to the normal departure day only with a parent or a signed permission slip.
- All youth and adults MUST shower and change clothes separately. Separate hot shower facilities are provided for youth, male adults, and female adults. Youth are defined as under 18 years of age. Adults are defined as over 17 years of age.
- Alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs are not allowed on camp property. Possession, or use of same on Reservation property will lead to dismissal from the Summer Camp Program without benefit of refund. State and Federal law mandates incidents of this nature be turned over to the proper authorities.
- Fireworks of all types are prohibited on the Reservation

## ***Early and Late Arrivals***

Check in time at Blass Scout Reservation is from **1:15 PM to 3:00 PM Sunday**. There are no provisions for early arrivals. It is recommended that Troops consider Saturday camping at Woolly Hollow State Park just off Highway 65 north of Greenbrier, AR, if overnight accommodations are necessary. Late arrivals must contact the Camp Director at least two weeks prior to arrival at camp.

## ***Visitors and Special Guests***

Families and guests of Scouts are encouraged to visit Gus Blass Scout Reservation on Friday afternoons beginning at 1:30 PM to visit troops and attend the closing campfire. Closing flag ceremony begins at 5:50 PM sharp followed by dinner and the closing campfire. Visitors are welcome to stay overnight at the Family Campground, if space is available or at the Reynolds Training Center for a \$25 per person fee as space allows. All visitors **MUST** check in and out of the Reservation at the Camp Office. All vehicles **MUST** be parked in the main parking lot.

The thank you dinner for leaders is for leaders in camp and not for additional visiting leaders not staying with the Troop.

Only registered Boy Scouts and troop leaders or parents serving as troop leaders may stay in camp. Other family or friends should come only for the Friday visitor's activities.

Visitors are not to bring pets while visiting.

## ***Visitor's Meals***

Visitors may eat in the main Dining Hall. The cost of meal tickets are \$6 per person and may be purchased at the Trading Post; \$5.00 for under seven years of age. Please note that Friday evening meal visitor count is needed by Thursday morning; please get this information to the Camp Scoutmaster of your troop so that he/she can report this information at Thursday morning leader's meeting.

## ***Laundry Facilities***

There are no public laundry facilities available on camp. Plan ahead to bring clean clothes for traveling before and after your week of camp. The closest public laundry facilities exist in the town of Greenbrier.

## ***Behavior Guidelines for Summer Camp***

Scouts in camp are the responsibility of the Troop leadership with them. The discipline of the Scouts will remain in the hands of that Troop's leadership. The guidelines at camp will be those stated in the "Guide to Safe Scouting", the youth protection guidelines of the BSA as well as the Boy Scout Handbook.

## ***The Trading Post***

The main camp store—"Trading Post"-- is where Scouts, leaders, and visitors will find a wide selection of goods for sale that include:

- Souvenirs: T-shirts, caps, postcards, beverage mugs, patches, film, etc.
- Food and Snacks: ice cream, fruit drinks, soft drinks, candy, etc.
- Personal items: toothpaste, sun-block, combs, soap, etc.
- Camping items: canteens, pocket knives, flashlights, belts, packs, etc.
- Handicraft Materials: basketry kits, wood carving items, leathercraft, etc.
- Other items: merit badge books, nature books, handbooks, etc.

Weekday Trading Post hours will be

- After breakfast to 11:15 AM
- After lunch to 5:00 PM
- After dinner to 8:00 PM
- Trading Post will not be open Wednesday evening after 5:00 PM
- Trading Post will be open Saturday mornings after breakfast until 9:00 AM
- Trading Post will be open Sunday afternoon 3:00 to 5:00 PM

## ***Use of handicap campsite***

1. The handicap campsite, North Point A, is to be made available to the first unit to request it, that has a wheelchair bound scout, or has a scout severely physically handicapped who must use crutches and has poor mobility, on a permanent basis.
2. A scout's handicap is the primary concern.
3. In the case that there is more than one unit that meets the requirement, the first unit requesting the site will make allowances to allow the other units, if space allows, to also use the site. If there is not enough room for the additional units, the first unit will make room for the handicapped scout(s).
4. In the case where there are handicapped adult(s), (as defined above), the unit occupying the site will make room for the handicapped adult(s)

(Adopted by the QAC camping committee March 27, 2003)

## *Dining Hall Procedures*

Each leader is expected to give attention to proper table manners among the Scouts at his or her tables.

All Scouts are expected to be clean and wearing shirt, shorts or pants, and shoes to all meals. The complete Scout field uniform is requested at the evening meal. Bare feet are not allowed. Hats and swimming suits are discouraged.

- Our goal at the Dining Hall is to provide you with your meals quickly and efficiently in a clean and safe environment. Your compliance with these procedures will help us accomplish these goals.
- Waiters arrive fifteen minutes before each meal to prepare the table. Each table is set for ten people. Setting includes tableware, napkins, salt and pepper, and one pitcher of drink and one pitcher of water per ten person table.
- Troops sit at their assigned table(s). Room is left for one or more staff members to join each table for the meal. Each troop assigns one waiter per eight people from the troop for each meal.
- Waiters are to keep each table supplied during the meal. When a drink pitcher is empty, the waiter takes the empty pitcher to the drink table and exchanges it for a full one.
- No one receives seconds until all are served and seconds are called. No running, please.
- Meals consist of the main meal, seconds, announcements, and meal program. No one is to leave the dining hall until all are dismissed.
- Tables are not to be cleared until everyone has been dismissed. Waiters pour liquids in the buckets provided, gather up all trash and throw it away, wipe down the table with a wet rag, sweep the area around and under the table, see that all chairs are stacked, mop around and under your table, and wait until the dining hall steward inspects and approves the table.
- The restrooms at the north end of the dining hall are kept open as a courtesy to campers. Troops **MUST** help us to keep them clean. Please report any problems to the dining hall steward immediately.

Our dining hall serves an approved balanced menu with fresh fruits and vegetables daily. Outpost meals meet the same standards as the dining hall.

Good faith effort is made to accommodate special dietary needs. Requests must be submitted in writing to the Council Service Center at least two weeks in advance.

## *Mail*

All Scouts and leaders enjoy receiving mail at camp. Please advise parents that all mail must be addressed properly. Mail sent from home later than Wednesday will probably not arrive until after the Troop departs from camp on Saturday. Mail should be addressed as follows:

Scout's Name  
**Troop Number**  
Blass Scout Reservation  
408 Scout Drive  
Damascus, Arkansas 72039

## ***Telephone Service***

The Reservation telephone is for Camp business and emergency calls only. Home sickness is not helped by a call home. It usually only makes things worse.

Blass Scout Reservation: (501) 335-7208

Ranger's residence telephone: (501) 335-7662

Camp fax number: (501) 335-8079

## ***Animals at Camp***

For a period longer than one could accurately say, the mountains known today as the Ozarks have been inhabited by creatures of God's making. There are, however, some creatures with whom we must be cautious of during our visit. Copperheads, black bear, raccoons, skunks, fox, opossums, squirrels, deer, armadillos, chiggers, and ticks all live on our Reservation. Contact with any wild animal could result in bodily harm or the possibility of disease. We are visiting their environment. Please, leave them alone. Report any personal encounter to the camp Health Officer. Please insure that all pets are left at home and not brought to camp even for a visit.

## ***Health and Safety Information***

### ***Medical Examination***

**Every Scout and adult** staying in camp must, upon arrival, present a completed medical form. The medical form must bear the signatures of the examining physician and parent as well as the Scout's insurance information. All participants are given medical re-checks upon arrival, however full examinations are not available. **PLEASE DO NOT MAIL OR DELIVER MEDICAL FORMS TO THE COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER.** Either the unit leader or the parent should bring the medical form to camp. **No one can stay overnight without a BSA medical form SIGNED BY A PARENT AND AN APPROVED MEDICAL PROVIDER.** We suggest you request that parents and the troop make copies of the medical form for future reference.

### ***Physical Forms***

Please note that Arkansas State Law requires annual physicals. That means that the physician's physical examination must be within one year of the last day of camp. Also be sure that the health history, signatures, and insurance information is complete.

### ***Medications***

If a Scout requires special medication, a parent/guardian may be required to come to camp, meet with the Health Officer, and sign authorization forms. These parents should call our Health Officer before arrival at camp to clarify this information.

### ***Accident Insurance***

Insurance is provided for campers subject to certain maximum limitations. Policy is available upon request. Claims that exceed these limits must be borne by either troop insurance or the individual.

### ***Glass Bottles***

Please do not bring glass bottles, such as beverage bottles, to camp due to the inherent safety risks with broken glass.

### ***Health and First Aid***

Our first aid room is staffed and equipped with assistance of Arkansas Children's Hospital. A properly qualified Health Officer will be available. The local hospital in Conway is open 24 hours a day for emergencies. The camp leader must make arrangements to contact the parent/guardian of a Scout who must go to the hospital or see a doctor. Camp Administration will work with unit leadership as soon as practical to assure proper medical attention and/or transportation is provided. Care and attention to the Scout's needs will be the first priority. Any Scout needing medical attention at the hospital will contact his parents, if practical, to inform them of the extent of his injuries.

Shower shoes and/or sandals are not acceptable shoes outside the pool or shower area. Please, no open toe shoes.

### ***Vehicles in Camp***

For the safety of all involved, and to meet BSA National Standards, all vehicles must be parked in the camp parking lot and not driven around camp. The only exceptions are for official camp service vehicles, and for those permitted because of medical necessity. Only the Ranger or Camp Director will issue such permits and only in the case of extreme need. Please advise your leaders, parents, and visitors of this policy.

Also, campers, RV's, pop-up trailers and the like are not permitted.

### ***Sale of Products***

The selling of products to others not in your own troop is not permitted.

### ***Fireguard Procedures***

In case of fire, notify the camp office IMMEDIATELY. Troop fireguard charts are required to be posted in each campsite. Keep the fire barrel filled. Campfires are normally permitted in the sites, but it is the Troop Leader's responsibility to insure that proper Scouting safety rules are followed. Refer to your handbooks for information.

### ***Liquid Fuel/Propane***

Quapaw Area Council allows liquid fuel usage under proper adult supervision. Propane fuel is suggested. All bulk liquid and compressed fuels must be stored in the camp flammable storage area at the quartermaster's facility.

### ***Camper Safety***

The Boy Scouts of America, Quapaw Area Council, and Blass Scout Reservation have a long and proud record of concern for the safety of its Scout campers and strives to provide a high quality, safe, camping experience. Leadership provided by parents and leaders in scout camps create a safe environment for our youth. The year-round nature of the Scouting program, the patrol method, and boy leadership give leaders a sound basis for determining the trustworthiness and maturity level of all campers within their charge.

### ***Buddy System***

The buddy system is to be in effect at all times. This provides a way for a Scout to secure help should an accident occur. Head counts are important in camp. They should occur at Reveille, Taps, and at all troop formations and activities. Any missing camper must be reported to the camp office **immediately**. Members of the camp staff are search and rescue technicians and will respond to all emergency situations.

### ***Camper Health Watch***

It is the goal of our camp for all Scouts to have a safe and healthy stay in camp. It is important, therefore, that both staff and leaders pay attention to the health and attitudes of the Scouts in order to make sure no problems are occurring. Mealtime is the ideal opportunity for health observation. If a Scout is not exhibiting the normally very healthy appetite of their age group, and food tastes are not involved, it would be prudent to question the Scout as to how they are feeling. In addition, proper hygiene must be encouraged at all times.

It is hot at summer camp. Proper hydration of Scouts and Leaders is important for good health.  
**DRINK PLENTY OF WATER.**

### ***Electricity***

Electricity is not provided for Troop Camping. It is unsafe and against camp policy to run extension cords from other facilities for use in the campsite. Provisions will be made for persons with special medical needs.

## ***Leaders in Camp***

### ***Unit Leaders***

Current BSA policy requires that each troop be under the leadership of at least two (2) adults at all times, one at least 21 years of age and the other at least 18 years of age. It is preferable that the Troop's Scoutmaster attend, but if this is not possible, the troop committee names a "Camp" Scoutmaster. Both of these adults must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America. A parent of a Scout may substitute for the 18 or older adult. The Camp Scoutmaster works with the Senior Patrol Leader in developing their camp program. The Camp Scoutmaster coordinates all adult leadership in his troop. All troop adult leaders are responsible to the Camp Scoutmaster. Any leaders coming in or leaving camp must sign in and out at the camp office. Leader accommodations will be the same as for Scouts unless prior arrangements have been made. (See Camp Fee section.)

### ***Senior Patrol Leader***

Each troop's Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) is part of the Camp Senior Patrol Leader's Council that meets with the Camp Program Director. The SPL works on planning camp wide events as well as coordinating other troop activities. If your SPL is not able to attend, a "Camp" Senior Patrol Leader should be appointed.

### ***Boy Scout Leader Training***

It is recommended that the Camp Scoutmaster has completed Scoutmastership Fundamentals or the new Boy Scout Specific Training. Talk with your District Training Chairperson about the next available course.

### ***Camp Leaders Meeting***

This daily meeting with the Camp Director, Program Director, and Camp Commissioner will be held at 9:30 AM in the Administration Building. All leaders should be in attendance. The meeting keeps lines of communication open between camp administration and troop leaders. Very important information is passed on each day.

## ***Advancement in Camp***

Rank advancement and merit badges are often used to measure the success of a Troop. Our goal at summer camp is to assist the Troop's regular instruction program. Council resources allow us to offer programs that may not be practical for the individual troop. We are here to supplement your Troop's year-round program. Summer camp should not be viewed as a residential merit badge university. We offer many exciting opportunities for Scouts to learn the skills necessary for advancement. Our staff is chosen and trained to provide the highest quality instruction. Full documentation of the material covered will be available for review. Rank advancement and merit badges are not awarded by the summer camp staff; that is a function of the troop and its advancement review policies.

Scouts below the rank of First Class are encouraged to attend the Pioneer Trail Program. It is designed to help these Scouts advance to First Class.

## ***Summer Camp Fees***

### ***Troop Deposit***

A deposit of \$100.00 will reserve a campsite for the week of your choice. The deposit is applied to the balance of camp fees. The deposit is non-refundable if the troop does not attend camp.

### ***Scout Fees -***

- \$195.00 per Scout (Dining Hall Plan) – If camping before July 4<sup>th</sup>
- \$180.00 per Scout (Dining Hall Plan) – If camping after July 4<sup>th</sup>
- \$150.00 per Scout (Patrol Cooking Plan) – If camping before July 4<sup>th</sup>
- \$140.00 per Scout (Patrol Cooking Plan) – If camping after July 4<sup>th</sup>

### ***Special Program Fees***

- \$10.00 per Scout (C.O.P.E. Fee)
- \$10.00 per Scout (Mountain Biking Program)
- Some merit badges will need materials that can be brought from home or purchased in the trading post.

### ***Early Bird Discount on Camp Fees***

Take advantage of "early bird" discounts on camp fees. Early bird fees require that a deposit be made and camp fees be paid by specific dates.

Early Bird camp fees are:

- \$180.00 per Scout (Dining Hall Plan) – If camping before July 4<sup>th</sup>
- \$165.00 per Scout (Dining Hall Plan) – If camping after July 4<sup>th</sup>
- \$135.00 per Scout (Patrol Cooking Plan) – If camping before July 4<sup>th</sup>
- \$125.00 per Scout (Patrol Cooking Plan) – If camping after July 4<sup>th</sup>

To take advantage of "early bird" fees, a \$75.00 deposit must be paid for each Scout by March 17, 2007.

Remainder of "early bird" camp fee (after deposit) must be paid by May 12, 2007 for troops whose first day of camp is in June and June 9, 2007 for troops whose first day of camp is in July

### ***Adult Leader Fees***

- 3-4 boys in camp.....1 leader no charge
- 5-20 boys in camp.....2 leaders no charge
- 21-30 boys in camp.....3 leaders no charge
- one additional free leader for each additional 10 scouts

- Extra leaders fees.....\$65.00 per week
- Short-term leaders..... \$5.00 per meal

Scouts and Leaders will be housed in wall tents with two scouts or leaders per tent. For units wishing to have enough tents to camp only one leader per tent, contact the Camp Director at least two weeks prior to arriving at camp. These additional tents are available for \$25.00 per extra tent. (This fee will not apply when units need an extra tent due to gender diversity in the leadership attending camp.)

## ***Refund Policy***

The registration fee of \$100.00 is non-refundable. This fee may be transferable to a substitute Scout within the same troop. This fee may not be applied to the balance due for another person.

Portions of the fee are refundable on written request while at camp by the Camp Scoutmaster under the following conditions:

- A. Illness of the Scout prevents his attendance at summer camp.
- B. Illness or death in the family of the Scout prevents his attendance at summer camp.
- C. The family moves from the council making it impossible for the Scout to attend summer camp.

Refund checks will be mailed to the Troop leader. Contact the Camp Business Manager for refund information. Refunds will be made after the camping season.

## ***Troop Preparation for Summer Camp***

Preparing for camp is an easy process, but it does require planning ahead. As a Troop leader, you are the most important link in this preparation. The following check list is designed to guide you and your troop committee in pre-camp planning for summer at Gus Blass Scout Reservation.

### ***Immediate Action Required***

- Check to see that your troop has reserved a campsite during the desired week at camp.
- Obtain camp leadership--2 adults per troop minimum at all times
- Meet with troop committee to discuss summer program plans
- Develop a camp sign up and budget plan to assist Scouts with summer camp fees
- Notify all Scouts and Adults of Summer Camp Dates and encourage their attendance.
- Hold a Parents' Night meeting with a presentation by the District's Camp Promotion Committee.

### ***January***

- Attend Beast Feast (council camp promotion meeting)
- Begin projects to help Scouts with camp fees
- Obtain campership forms, if needed
- Invite Webelos dens to visit your Troop and prepare for summer camp
- Recruit extra leaders
- Inform older scouts about High Adventure Program
- Encourage parents to schedule other activities at times other than summer camp.

### ***March***

- Pay "Early Bird" deposit
- Review troop finance needs
- Begin arranging troop transportation
- Continue summer camp promotion with 2<sup>nd</sup> year Webelos
- Encourage Scouts who cannot attend with their Troop to come at a different week as a provisional camper

## ***April***

Troop leaders begin program planning procedure.

Attend district "free physicals" where available. Contact your District Camp Promotion Chairperson for more information.

Contact parents of Scouts not signed up to attend camp, including Webelos.

Remind parents of upcoming "Early Bird" payments due.

Enter each Scout's Program requests into the web site program ([www.QuapawBSA.org](http://www.QuapawBSA.org))

## ***May***

Make "Early Bird" final payments.

Determine wants and needs of patrols and Scouts.

## ***June***

Remind all Scouts of dates, arrangements, equipment needs, departure time, physicals, etc., two weeks prior to departure for camp.

Submit balance owed on camp fees to the council office.

Check on final transportation arrangements.

Remember all forms and fees are due two weeks prior to camp.

Make "Early Bird" final payments.

(for troops whose first day of camp is in July)

## **Join the Blass Scout Reservation e-mail Announcement List**

The Quapaw Council Outdoor Announcement List is for Scouters in the Quapaw Area Council to get updates on the council camp and other outdoor related activities. It is an announcement list and not a general discussion list. That means that emails send to the list are reviewed for announcement appropriateness; and if ok, are forwarded on to the entire list. Anyone may join. This review process is intended to reduce the amount of mail that gets to your mailbox.

To join send an email with "subscribe" in the subject and the body of the email to:

[BlassBSA-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:BlassBSA-subscribe@yahogroups.com).

Send your announcements to: [BlassBSA@yahogroups.com](mailto:BlassBSA@yahogroups.com).

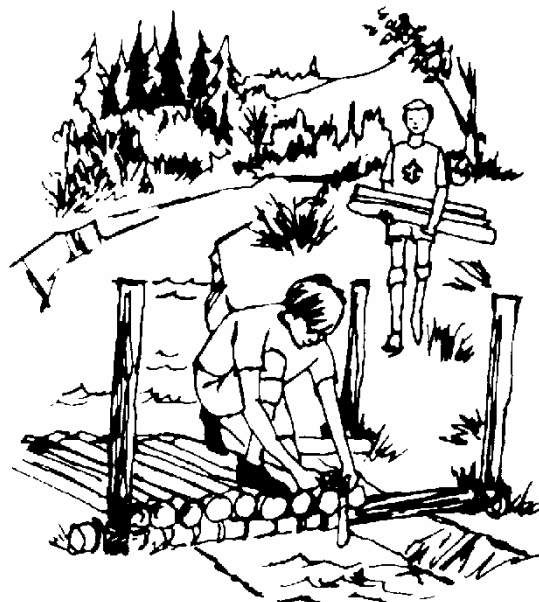
Changes and updates to camp policy, program and this document will be distributed via this email list.

## ***Gus Blass Scout Reservation Equipment Replacement Policy***

Each year Gus Blass Scout Reservation replaces and repairs tents, cots, platforms, program equipment, and many other aspects of the camp facilities. Some of the damage is the result of regular wear and tear due to normal usage. When damage beyond the normal use of equipment and /or facilities occurs, or damage due to vandalism or abuse is evident, the unit and/or persons responsible for the damage will be held responsible for the replacement value of the damaged items. The following is a sample listing of commonly damaged camp property and their replacement values:

Tent Flap Ties	\$10.00 each
Tent Uprights	\$20.00 each
Tent Platforms	\$300.00 each
Wall Tents	\$325.00 each
Water Hose	\$35.00 each
Cot Replacement	\$110.00 each
Cot Cover Repair	\$25.00 each
Cot Frame Repair	\$40.00 each
Cot Ends	\$10.00 each

This is just a sampling of the damages incurred each year. Your assistance in limiting the amount of damages at camp is appreciated and helps hold down the cost of camp.



## ***Camper Equipment List***

### ***Equipment you will probably need***

Scout Uniforms	*Hat or Cap	Jacket or Sweatshirt
Hiking shoes or boots	Extra pants (long and short)	Six pair of underwear
*Six pair of socks	*Boy Scout Handbook	*Pencil, notebook
*Stamps, envelopes	*Flashlight and batteries	*Canteen
Toilet kit (soap, towel, washcloth, deodorant, shampoo)	Hair comb or brush	Sleeping bag
Tennis shoes	*Raincoat or Poncho	Swim trunks
Handkerchiefs	Extra shirts	Pajamas
Day pack or bag	Small Pillow	Watch
*Toothpaste and brush	*Clothing repair kit	Spending money
*Pocketknife	Sleeping pad	*Sunblock

Completed & Signed Medical Form Backpack, Duffel Bag or Camp Box to store personal gear

### ***Equipment for Swimming and Lifesaving Merit Badges***

Button up long sleeve shirt  
Long pants and shoes that can get wet

### ***Equipment for Boating Classes***

Water shoes: (sandals, canvas sneakers, etc.)

### ***Optional Equipment***

*Merit Badge Pamphlets	*Insect Repellent	*Camera and Film
Rope for Clothesline	Alarm Clock	
Bed roll, *cup, bowl, *spoon, (if you are going on outpost wilderness survival camping)		
*Personal fishing gear (for fishing merit badge)		

### ***Do Not Bring***

Electronic games	Fireworks	Radios
Skateboards	Guns or Archery items	ATV's or ORV's
Sheath Knives	Candles	Expensive cameras
Valuables of any kind	Pets	Bicycles (except for Mountain Bike Program)
	CD Players	

(\*)-----These items are usually available in the camp trading post

## ***When the Troop Arrives at Camp***

Plan to arrive at camp between 1:15 PM and 3:00 PM on Sunday.

Bring this check list with you. Check in will begin at 1:15 PM.

Do not go to your campsite until your Troop has checked in.

Have the following with you:

- Health and Medical records for each Scout and adult in your Troop
- Two copies of your Troop roster of those attending camp, complete with addresses and telephone numbers. One copy is turned in. One copy is for your records.
- Out of council Troops must have a tour permit issued by their home council and proof of insurance.

## ***Check In Procedures***

- The entire Troop reports to the Pavilion beside the parking lot between 1:15 and 3:00 PM for check in.
- All Troop gear should be loaded on one Troop vehicle for transport to the Troop's campsite. Scouts should keep towels and swimsuits with them. The troop vehicle is to be immediately returned to the parking lot after unloading. Trailers may be left in the campsite.
- Only vehicles for special needs persons, or camp service vehicles, with permits issued by the Camp Director or Ranger will be allowed in camp and then only for the transport of special needs persons on a very limited basis, no able-bodied scouts.
- Scouts take swimsuits and towels and proceed with Staff Guide to dining hall for instructions and table assignments.
- The entire Troop then proceeds to the medical re-check area of the administration building.
- Troop guide and one Scout leader should go to the Troop's campsite and inventory the entire campsite. Count each item and note condition on form. Make a note of any deficiencies or needs.
- Scouts and at least one leader go to the pool for swim checks immediately following medical re-checks.
- Troop guide and Scout leader then go to the Administration building for final details.
- Return to campsite and store all gear.
- Be in full uniform for flag ceremony and dinner.

## ***Troop Departure from Camp on Saturday***

- Wake up call 7:00 AM
- Flag ceremony 7:35 AM
- Breakfast and Awards 7:45 AM
- Unit leaders report to Administration Building immediately after breakfast for checkout.
- Troops return to campsite after breakfast to pack.
- Unit leader and staff guide inspect and inventory campsite immediately after leader's meeting or after site is clean.
- Have a safe trip home!

## ***Special Events***

### ***Campfires***

The Sunday night opening campfire will be presented by the camp staff. A Guide will arrive at your troop campsite and lead your troop to the campfire.

Wednesday night after chapel is set aside for inter-troop regional campfires. Units will get together for fun and fellowship and to select skits and songs for the Friday Night campfire. You may wish to invite staff members to attend your campfire program. The SPL's will be in charge of these campfires. The SPL's will be operating under the supervision of the troop adult leaders present.

Friday night's campfire features songs, skits and performances by Scouts. This campfire is planned during the SPL meetings. All Troops assemble at the Flag Plaza to be lead to the campfire circle.

### ***Lunch in the Campsite***

Tuesday and Thursday lunch will give troops the opportunity to eat together as a unit in their campsites. Waiters will pick up the Troop food at regular waiter time and take lunch to the campsite. You will need something to mix your drink mix in.

### ***Campwide Cookout...."Burgers on the Lawn"***

Dinner on Wednesday night will be a non-dining hall event. A traditional, old fashioned cook-out will be held on the lawn in front of the dining hall. Waiters are not needed; the staff will do it all. Please encourage your scouts to put their trash in the containers provided.

### ***Chapel Services***

Inter-faith religious services will be held at the camp chapel on Wednesday evening. Everyone is encouraged to attend in uniform.

## ***Conservation and Camp Projects***

A list of conservation projects is maintained by the Ecology/Conservation Area Director and Camp Ranger. Units may make arrangements with the director for tools and assistance.

A list of camp projects is maintained at the camp office. Units or leaders may make arrangements with the Ranger, Camp Director, Program Director, or Camp Commissioner.

### ***Friday Family Day***

Parents and guests of Scouts may begin arriving on Friday afternoon to tour camp and visit with troops. Friday evening meal tickets are on sale at the trading post. Meal cost is \$6.00 per person and \$5.00 for children 6 and under. Everyone (guests and Scouts) will gather at the flag plaza to be led to the Friday night Campfire program. Friday evening meal visitor count is needed by Thursday morning; please get this information to the Camp Scoutmasters of your Troop so he/she can report this information at Thursday morning leaders' meeting.

## ***Adult Leader Programs***

Adult leader programs will be conducted during the week. Some of the leader programs are: Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Youth Protection, Troop Leader Fast Start, Trek Safely, Climb On Safely and CPR training. Leader competitions include Archery, Rifle and Shotgun Shoot-Out's, as well as Horseshoe and Volleyball Tournaments.

## ***Order of the Arrow***

Order of the Arrow members are encouraged to wear their OA sash Friday evening through the closing campfire. Remember that the OA sash is only worn with the full uniform.

The purpose of the Order of the Arrow is:

To recognize those campers, Scouts and Scouters, who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives, and by such recognition cause other campers to conduct themselves in such a manner to warrant recognition.

To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit.

To promote Scout camping, which relates its greatest effectiveness as a part of the Troop's camping program, and to help strengthen the district and council camping program both year round and in the summer camp, as directed by the camping committee of the council.

To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life of cheerful service to others.

Since its beginning, our Council has worked to uphold the traditions of the Order of the Arrow in all of its activities.

## **Campwide Game**

On Thursday night, an exciting Campwide Game will be conducted.

## **Climbing Tower**

The Climbing Tower "The Mountain" will be open Monday and Tuesday nights for climbing. It will also be open each morning during the third program period.



## ***Camp Rockefeller Staff Opportunities***

Gus Blass Scout Reservation is proud of its staff members and each year we do our best to select those Scouts who can provide your Troop with the ultimate Summer Camp experience. If you have Scouts or other knowledgeable individuals who you feel would be an asset to the program, please submit their names and other relevant information. See appendix for recommendation form. Complete staff applications should be returned by early January. There is an application in the Appendix and on the council website ([www.QuapawBSA.org](http://www.QuapawBSA.org)) Requirements for employment are as follows:

- Be 16 years of age by June 1. (some 15 year olds may be hired)
- Be currently registered with the Boy Scouts of America
- Live by the principles set forth in the Scout Oath and Law
- Have the recommendation of the Scoutmaster

Not all applicants will be hired. Being a member of the camp staff is very demanding but is also very fun and fulfilling.

### ***Counselor in Training (C.I.T.)***

The C.I.T. program is an opportunity for a Scout to experience the role of a camp staff member for one week. There is no cost to the C.I.T. participant. The participant will work under the direction of camp staff Area Directors. The participant will also camp in the regular camp staff area.

C.I.T. participants should be at least 15 years of age. (A few mature 14 year olds may be selected.)

As with regular staff applicants, not all C.I.T. applicants will be given positions.

Submit the names of any Scouts who may be interested in a C.I.T. position to the council office. No C.I.T. may serve the same week his troop is in camp.

C.I.T.s should submit the standard Staff Application with C.I.T. indicated in the 'position desired' section.

# *Program Information*

## *Main Camp Program Areas*

*Aquatics*

*Ecology and Conservation*

*Handicraft*

*Pioneer Trail*

*Outdoor Skills*

*Shooting Sports*

We believe our job is to assist units with skills instruction that can supplement regular Troop programming. We do not validate requirements for advancement, but offer documentation of skills instruction. Units may want their Scouts to demonstrate the skills they learn to Troop leaders for board of review approval.



## ***Aquatics***

Cool , wet fun awaits at Camp Rockefeller’s aquatics areas. Sailing and Boating opportunities are to be found on Lake Butler, while our pool provides near limitless opportunities for learning and recreation. Aquatics areas are fully staffed to operate in complete compliance with all BSA aquatics standards.

### ***Merit Badges***

Swimming

Lifesaving

Rowing

Canoeing

Small Boat Sailing

Motor boating

- **Aquatics badges require the Scout to demonstrate proper CPR for three minutes. This requirement will be taught in First Aid Merit Badge class. CPR should be a part of the Troop's regular program. NOTE: This is NOT CPR certification.**
- **Motor boating – must be 1<sup>st</sup> class and 12 years of age.**

### ***Additional Opportunities***

BSA Lifeguard

Free Boating

Snorkeling BSA

Free Swim

Safety Afloat/Safe Swim Defense

Troop Swim

Mile Swim

- **Participants in BSA Lifeguard must be 14 years or older to participate. Adults are welcome to enroll. The course meets all day, Monday-Friday.**
- **Mile swim participants must attend practice everyday to attempt the Mile Swim. The Mile Swim is conducted on Friday.**
- **A CPR certification class will be offered for a limited number of students. BSA Lifeguard candidates will have priority.**

### ***Shower Hours***

Youth 17 and younger: 6:00 AM-10:00 PM

Adults 18 and older: 24 hours daily

Youth Protection rules must be respected.

## *Valuables*

Scouts are asked not to bring valuables to the pool area or the shower areas. The aquatics staff is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

## *Pool Rules*

- All swimmers must shower before entering the pools.
- Running is not allowed on the pool deck and shower house area.
- Cut-off shorts are not allowed.
- Gum, food or drinks stay outside the pool and shower house areas.
- No horseplay is allowed.
- Stay off of boundary and lane ropes.
- The diving area is for diving only.
- Do not cross under or over the ropes.
- Diving from the edge of the pool is not allowed.

## *Buddy Tags*

All swimmers must have a buddy to enter the pool. Buddies will be arranged if needed. The only person to move or remove a buddy tag is the person whose name is on the tag. Buddy tags will be made after completion of the BSA Swimmer's test on Sunday afternoon.

## *Troop Swim*

Troop Swim will be arranged through the Aquatics Director. **The troop must provide adult supervision, lifeguards, lookouts and safe swim defense certifications.** Multiple units may swim at the same time after consulting with the Director. Signups for Troop Swim will be started after the Safe Swim Defense class on Monday morning.

## *CPR Certification*

We plan to teach CPR certification. These classes will be for a limited number of participants. BSA Lifeguard candidates will have priority. A small fee is associated with the course.

## ***Ecology Conservation***

One of the busiest areas in camp is the Eco-Con pavilion. Eco-Con is the place for all things natural and wild. Specimens and information on Arkansas species of flora and fauna are available. The many merit badges available in this program area offer something for every Scout. Leaders or Troops looking for something extra to do will find their list of prospective Baden-Powell Award conservation projects here. (Tools and supplies for projects will be arranged after consultation with the Eco-Con Director and the Quartermaster.)

### ***Merit Badges***

- \* Environmental Science
  - Fish and Wildlife Management
- \* Reptile and Amphibian Study
- \* Astronomy
  - Soil and Water Conservation
  - Weather
  - Geology
- + Fishing
- + Fly Fishing
  - Forestry
  - Insect Study
  - Bird Study
  - Energy
  - Plant Science

\* Cannot be completed at camp

+ Some fishing equipment will be available. A Scout taking the fishing merit badge is encouraged to bring fishing equipment.

### ***Other Offers*** (not classes)

- Camp Conservation
- Nature Exhibits
- Tracking Pits
- Nature Trail

Students must bring a notebook and pen or pencil for all merit badges.

## *Handicraft*

All handicraft classes are scheduled. However, Scouts and leaders can always take advantage of the tools and materials to be found at the handicraft pavilion. **Handicraft projects may be purchased at the Trading Post or may be brought from home (typically \$3 to \$5). Some merit badges require more than one project.**

## *Merit Badges*

Basketry

Leatherwork

Woodcarving

Indian Lore

Photography (Prerequisites: must bring camera and film or purchase such at Trading Post.  
Participants must also pay for processing of one roll of film, about \$6)

## *Pioneer Trail*

The first year camper program offers instruction in the basic Scout Skills.

The Pioneer Trail Program is an advancement program for Scouts not having reached the First Class Rank. Tenderfoot and Second Class programs are all day, except for the last period, and include First Aid and Swimming Merit Badges. First Class is a half day session. These Scouts will also tour and participate in other program areas in camp, such as Scoutcraft, Shooting Sports, etc.

Tenderfoot and Second Class classes will also work on First Class requirements.

NOTE: Scouts need to sign up for specific Pioneer Trail Classes – Tenderfoot, Second Class, or First Class.

All Pioneer Trail Scouts, except First Class, will also take First Aid and Swimming Merit Badge.

## ***Outdoor Skills***

The Scout Handbook comes alive in Scoutcraft. All the advanced Scout skills introduced in Pioneer Trail are taught here in depth. Scouts learn all the latest on camping gear and techniques.

### ***Merit Badges***

- \* Camping
- \* Emergency Preparedness
- \* Cooking
- \* Orienteering
- First Aid
- Pioneering
- Wilderness Survival

\* Cannot be completed at camp

An Outpost will be conducted on Thursday night. Be sure to bring backpacking tents, backpacks and mess kits. This meets requirements for camping and wilderness survival M.B.

First Aid Merit Badge is a pre-requisite for all outdoor skills merit badges.

## ***Shooting Sports***

Gus Blass Scout Reservation offers all types of shooting from archery to shotgun. Recreational shooting opportunities and leader "shoot-outs" occur throughout the week. All ranges are operated under the direct supervision of BSA certified instructors and range officers. Firearm and range safety are the primary concern of our staff.

### ***Merit Badges***

- \*\* Archery
- \*\* Shotgun Shooting
- Rifle Shooting

\*\*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year campers are normally not strong or coordinated enough to complete these badges.

**Scouts taking the Rifle or Shotgun merit badge classes MUST ALSO take the shooting safety class.**

### ***Age and Rank Requirements***

- Rifle Shooting.....13 years of age and first class
- Shotgun.....13 years of age and first class

Recreational shooting is offered Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays during the last period for those 13 and over. For those boy scouts under 13 who attend a shooting safety training at the beginning of the last period, may shoot at the rifle range on Wednesday. Free shoot at Archery is open for all, last period, Monday through Thursday.

There is no charge for any gun shooting opportunities at Gus Blass Scout Reservation thanks to the generous support of Remington Arms of Arkansas.

Scouts working on the Archery merit badge will need to purchase a \$1.50 arrow kit from the trading post for completion of the badge.

## How to Submit Your Scout's Program Activity Schedules

Your Scout's program is scheduled via computer. It is based on the most optimal schedule that can be selected from the requests you submit. You submit your program requests on [www.quapawbsa.org](http://www.quapawbsa.org). **Requests submitted on the council website at least one week in advance of the start of your week of camp will be given priority.** You may return to the website and update your request up to the deadline. Requests will be processed in the order received with the electronic requests having priority. Therefore, requests submitted on the council website will be scheduled in the order received, and then requests submitted otherwise (and then computer requests submitted within two weeks of your arrival at camp) will be processed in the order they are received. This scheduling order is important because some classes do fill up and become closed.

### **Some helpful hints in scheduling:**

Be sure to include your scout's age and rank. This affects which activities they are eligible for. COPE, Mountain Biking, Climbing Tower, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting, and BSA Lifeguard have age and or rank requirements.

Be aware that some activities require more than one class period. These include Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting, Mountain Biking, Climbing, and COPE. Note that Shooting Safety class is required to take Rifle or Shotgun shooting. **You must enter Shooting Safety as a requested activity if you select Rifle or Shotgun.**

The order of entry of requests also affects which activities your scout is scheduled for. The activities are scheduled in the order you enter them. For example, if you put down as your first priority some class that is only offered in the afternoon and COPE as your second priority, COPE will not be scheduled because it conflicts with a higher priority. So, if you have a class that takes multiple periods and is a high priority, it should be listed early in your priority list (or maybe even first). The computer software will rearrange the scout's schedule to try and schedule lower priority activities that might conflict with a higher priority activity if possible so that both can be scheduled. We suggest that each scout elect 6 to 8 class periods in order to schedule adequate activities in case of any conflicts.

If you would like to hold the last period of the day when free swim and free shoot are available, put "free swim" or "free shoot" down as a selection in whatever priority position is appropriate for that Scout.

Astronomy also includes an evening program with extra observing time. Only mature scouts who can handle a long hard day and still maintain good attention and discipline should request Astronomy. At least 13 years of age is highly encouraged.

When scheduling first year scouts, who are not First Class rank, you should put your Scouts in one of the Pioneer Trail Classes. These activities will cover requirements for Tenderfoot through First Class, (including First Aid and Swimming Merit Badges for scouts in Tenderfoot and 2<sup>nd</sup> Class), in these Pioneer Trail classes. If the scout does not pass the swimming classification on his swim test, you must reschedule him into a 2<sup>nd</sup> Class or 1<sup>st</sup> Class swimming requirements class. Then, if he passes those requirements, he will work on Swimming merit badge the rest of the week.

Be sure that your scouts are proficient in basic Tenderfoot through First Class skills before enrolling them in advanced merit badge classes. For instance, if they are not good at the Pioneer Trail map and compass skills, do not schedule them for orienteering. These scouts should take the Pioneer Trail classes until the basic skills are mastered. This type of merit badge class does not teach these types of basic skills. It is assumed that they already have these skills when taking these classes.

The Mountain Biking activity is a strenuous activity. Each day progressively more difficult rides are taken. A Scout that is not in good condition will have difficulty with this activity.

For Shotgun Shooting, a scout that is not physically mature will have a very difficult time in holding up the shotgun for qualifying. We suggest that in addition to the age and rank requirements, that you evaluate the physical strength and arm length of any scout wanting to take Shotgun Shooting to insure that he is capable of handling the shotgun. Likewise, Rifle Shooting, Canoeing, Climbing and Archery require coordination and strength and should be encouraged for older scouts.

You will receive printed schedules for the Scout Leader and for each Scout when you arrive at Camp. The computer scheduling allows us to maximize the number of classes your scout can get scheduled from his requests. It also attempts to balance classes so that there is not one very large session of one activity and another very small session of the same activity. It also allows us to add and cancel class sessions for a large or small number of requests. The number of requests for given activities vary wildly from week to week of summer camp. The flexibility allows us to optimize the best use of our staff in giving your scouts the best schedule and class size possible. Even though this may be inconvenient to you in not knowing schedules in advance, it does allow us to better serve your scouts.

**NOTE: This is information for program scheduling only. You still need to register your Scouts through the Scout Service Center and bring a roster for Troop Check-In at Camp.**

# ***Older Scout Programs***

*Project C.O.P.E.*

*Climbing Merit Badge*

*Mountain Biking Program (Cycling Merit Badge)*

*BSA Lifeguard and BSA Snorkeling (see Aquatics)*

*Mountain Man*



## ***Project C.O.P.E.***

C.O.P.E. stands for Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience.

C.O.P.E. consists of a series of elements and challenges designed to foster problem solving skills, leadership, teamwork and group interaction. Seven key goals are developed:

**LEADERSHIP  
TEAM WORK**

**TRUST  
SELF ESTEEM  
DECISION MAKING**

**COMMUNICATION  
PROBLEM SOLVING**

These goals are accomplished through a challenge by choice program designed to encourage the group to work together, communicate with each other, and trust the group decision as they attempt a solution to the objective. The C.O.P.E. program generally consists of Initiative Games, Low Course Elements, and High Course Elements. Each team of participants will move from one level to the next based on their abilities and understanding.

**The C.O.P.E. Program is restricted to Scouts age 13 and older by January 1.** The size of the group is limited. All participants must have a current medical form signed by a parent and physician. Required clothing includes closed-toe shoes and no slicky shorts. C.O.P.E. is a five day program. All participants **MUST attend all five days. NO EXCEPTIONS.** Even if a participant completes all requirements before Friday, he must attend all sessions to qualify for a completion certificate. Project C.O.P.E. provides each participant the opportunity for success as an individual and member of their group. While this activity is challenge by choice, it is very physical and requires stamina. Be prepared to meet the challenge. Although Scouts are anxious to participate in C.O.P.E., this program is intended for older Scouts. Leaders are encouraged to critically evaluate the maturity level of the Scouts interested in participating. There is an **additional \$10.00 fee** for all Scouts participating in C.O.P.E. If space is available after all Scouts who wish to participate are signed up, a limited number of registered adult leaders will be accepted.

COPE T-Shirts are available to participants who complete the program at an additional price of \$10.00.

**SAFETY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL COPE ASPECTS. COPE STAFF MEMBERS ARE TRAINED BY A NATIONAL CAMP SCHOOL CERTIFIED DIRECTOR AND ATTEND REGULAR TRAINING UPDATES.**

**NOTE:** C.O.P.E. is also provided on a full weekend basis several times during the year. See the Council Calendar at [www.QuapawBSA.org](http://www.QuapawBSA.org) for available dates.

## ***Climbing***

Climbing Merit Badge will be offered at the Climbing Mountain. This is a 2 hour session, which will cover all the requirements for the Merit Badge. There is a limited number and this program is for older Scouts – First Class and 13 years old.

Free Climb will be open for the third class period and on Monday and Tuesday nights. This is open for anyone 12 years old and First Class, or 13 years old and older. Climbers must have closed-toe shoes and no slicky shorts.

## ***Mountain Biking***

The mountain biking program is a challenging and physically strenuous five-day program. The session meets Monday through Friday at the bike house, just east of the pool, and will involve around fifty miles of increasingly difficult, bike-specific trails. This is a strenuous activity and recommended only for those persons in good physical condition.

This program is for older Scouts – First Class and 13 years old.

The Scouts in the program work toward the Cycling merit badge, including instruction on proper riding technique, trail etiquette, safety, maintenance, and repair. The only requirement which Scouts usually are unable to complete is requirement nine, which requires completing a fifty mile ride in eight hours.

The program is limited to ten participants, or fifteen if up to five Scouts bring their own bikes. All Scouts must bring a water bottle, and Scouts bringing their own bikes must also bring a helmet and an extra inner tube. If the Scout brings his own bike, it must be a substantial off road bike and must meet the review by the Mountain Biking Director. The Director will disqualify any bike which does not appear substantial enough to handle the very rough terrain over which this activity covers. This program requires a \$10.00 fee per participant, which helps cover the cost of the program.

# **A P P E N D I X**

**Summer Camp Staff Reference**  
**Medical Forms Class 1 and 2**  
**Medical Forms Class 3**  
**Scout Release Form**  
**Camp Staff Application**  
**Camp Reservation Form**  
**Weekly Schedule**  
**Camp Leader Information Sheet**  
**Campsite Reservation**  
**Baden-Powell Troop Award**  
**Campership Application**  
**Map to Blass Scout Reservation**  
**Map of Camp and Program Areas**

***SUMMER CAMP STAFF REFERENCE***

(The camp staff applicant **must also fill out** a staff application that is available on the Council website [www.quapawbsa.org/forms.htm](http://www.quapawbsa.org/forms.htm))

THE FOLLOWING PERSON IS INTERESTED IN A SUMMER CAMP STAFF POSITION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE ADDRESS:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of

Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected last date of resident (for mailing purposes): \_\_\_\_\_

If under 18:

Parent's

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Scout Leader's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred By: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Return to:

Quapaw Area Council, BSA  
Attn: Summer Camp Director  
3220 Cantrell Road  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202-1847

## Medical Form and Camp Staff Application Links

### Class 1 and 2 Medical Form

<http://www.scouting.org/forms/34414.pdf>

### Class 3 Medical Form

<http://www.scouting.org/forms/33412.pdf>

### Camp Staff Application Form

[http://www.quapawbsa.org/db/uploads/1127166407\\_Local\\_2006campstaffapplication.pdf](http://www.quapawbsa.org/db/uploads/1127166407_Local_2006campstaffapplication.pdf)

### Scout Release Request

[http://www.quapawbsa.org/db/uploads/1020346135\\_Local\\_campreleaseform.pdf](http://www.quapawbsa.org/db/uploads/1020346135_Local_campreleaseform.pdf)

# Tie Down your Campsite NOW for 2006

Please reserve a campsite for Troop # \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Council \*

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

.... for the week of: (Circle One)

June 11-17

June 18-24

June 25-July 1

July 9-15

July 16-22

Expected Camp attendance: Youth \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_

Camp Coordinator:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\* = Council City \_\_\_\_\_ and Council Number \_\_\_\_\_ for out-of Council Troops.

Non-Refundable Campsite Deposit = \$100.00

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Council Service Center Use Only: Date of Site Deposit: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount of Deposit: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Camp Leader Guide Sent: \_\_\_\_\_







*Camp Leader Information Sheet*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (H) ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (B) ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Troop No. \_\_\_\_\_ Camp Dates \_\_\_\_\_ Days in Camp \_\_\_\_\_

Your position in Scouting \_\_\_\_\_

Years in Scouting: as a Youth \_\_\_\_\_ as an Adult \_\_\_\_\_

Do you still have children in Scouting? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please list their ages and ranks:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Did you take vacation/leave in order to attend camp? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Company/ Business / or Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Your Position in Company \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years with this Company \_\_\_\_\_

Your immediate Supervisor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Supervisor's Title \_\_\_\_\_

To your knowledge, does this person have any Scouting Experience? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Don't Know \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to have a letter sent to your Supervisor? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

(Revised 12/02)



# ***BADEN-POWELL TROOP AWARD***

DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Campsite inspection. (Maximum of 100 Points/day)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Troop attends chapel with 75% of Unit or more. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Select and perform a worthwhile Camp Project, approved by the camp ranger, camp director, or Eco/Con Director (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Scout Uniform – all troop members wear the complete uniform daily for retreat ceremony and the evening meal. (100 Points/day)

DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Participate in an inter-unit campfire. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. All non-swimmers and beginners are enrolled in instruction to help them advance to the next proficiency level. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Conduct a Unit safe swim. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Wood tools are available and used in a Unit ax yard. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Take part in a camp-wide activity as a Unit. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. SPL attends SPL meetings. (100 Points per day)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Troop attends the opening and closing campfires. (100 Points/campfire)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Have and use a patrol flag for each patrol throughout the week. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Construct a pioneering project approved by the Scoutcraft Director. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. All Scouts below First Class without Tote-N-Chip and Fireman Chit earn at least one of the above. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Participate in a camp conservation project approved by Eco Con Director. (100 Points)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Conduct PLC Meetings. (100 Points/meeting)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Participate in Troop activity by patrols. (100 Points/activity)

\_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL POINTS (Minimum of 2500 suggested)

Troop \_\_\_\_\_ Scoutmaster's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

SPL's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Last updated September 2003

**CAMPERSHIP APPLICATION**

CAMPERSHIP PURPOSE : To make participation possible for deserving youth **who would otherwise be unable to attend camp**. In administering funds given by generous people, foundations, etc., great care must be exercised in order that only those youth who need and deserve such help shall be aided, and that the details shall be handled in such a way as to cause no embarrassment to the youth or his/her family. All youth who receive camperships will be required to earn or provide part of the fee, in keeping with the Ninth point of the Scout Law, "A Scout is Thrifty" -- unless conditions known to the Scout Leader and Unit Committee are such that this is impossible. A portion of the fee may be earned by performing an approved community project, selling popcorn, or some similar activity. Ask your Unit Leader to contact the District Camping Chairman or District Executive for details.

Applications should be returned to the Council Service Center as soon as possible, but no later than May 10th.

Under normal conditions, the campership is up to 50% of the total camp fee. If there are unusual circumstances, the Campership Committee will consider additional funds. However, additional funds are limited and will be granted only in the case of unusual circumstances.

DATE ATTENDING ACTIVITY : \_\_\_\_\_

CAMPERSHIP APPLICATION TO BE USED FOR :

Boy Scout Summer Camp: \_\_\_\_\_ Cub Scout Day Camp: \_\_\_\_\_ Cub/Webelos Resident Camp: \_\_\_\_\_

A deposit of \$100.00 needs to accompany this application when it is submitted to the Council Service Center. You will be notified by the Campership Committee as to what the balance is and the date payable. If application is not approved, your money will be refunded.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Pack \_\_\_\_\_ Troop \_\_\_\_\_ Team \_\_\_\_\_ Post \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Total fee for camp : \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar amount to be supplied by youth / adult / family \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount supplied by unit or chartered partner \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional amount needed from Campership funds \$ \_\_\_\_\_

State specific reason for then need of this campership : \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

INFORMATION GIVEN IN THIS APPLICATION WILL BE KEPT IN STRICT CONFIDENCE.

UNIT LEADER CERTIFICATION: Please indicate your knowledge of the above family's financial situation and facts surrounding their need: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Would this Scout be able to attend the above activity if he were not given financial assistance ? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Leader's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS :

UNIT LEADER SHOULD ENSURE THE YOUTH MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS BELOW

- |  | Yes   | No    |
|--|-------|-------|
| 1. Is the Scout active in the unit, attending the majority of unit meetings and activities ?                 | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Does he understand and demonstrate Scout Spirit ?   | _____ | _____ |
| 3. Does he shows an interest in advancement ?  | _____ | _____ |
| 4. Does he have a need which is reflected and stated on this form by<br>parents / guardians and Unit Leader? | _____ | _____ |
| 5. Has he shown a desire to attend by earning part of his own fee?   | _____ | _____ |

Additional Comments : \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE MAY 10th. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER MAY 10<sup>th</sup> SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY 50% OF THE EVENT FEE.

SPECIAL NOTE TO UNIT LEADERS: The unit leader will be notified when funds are allocated. We request you follow up with the youth and his parents to assure their portion of the fee is paid before June 1<sup>st</sup>. If additional fees are not paid by June 1<sup>st</sup>, the request may be canceled and reassigned.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMENTS AND APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

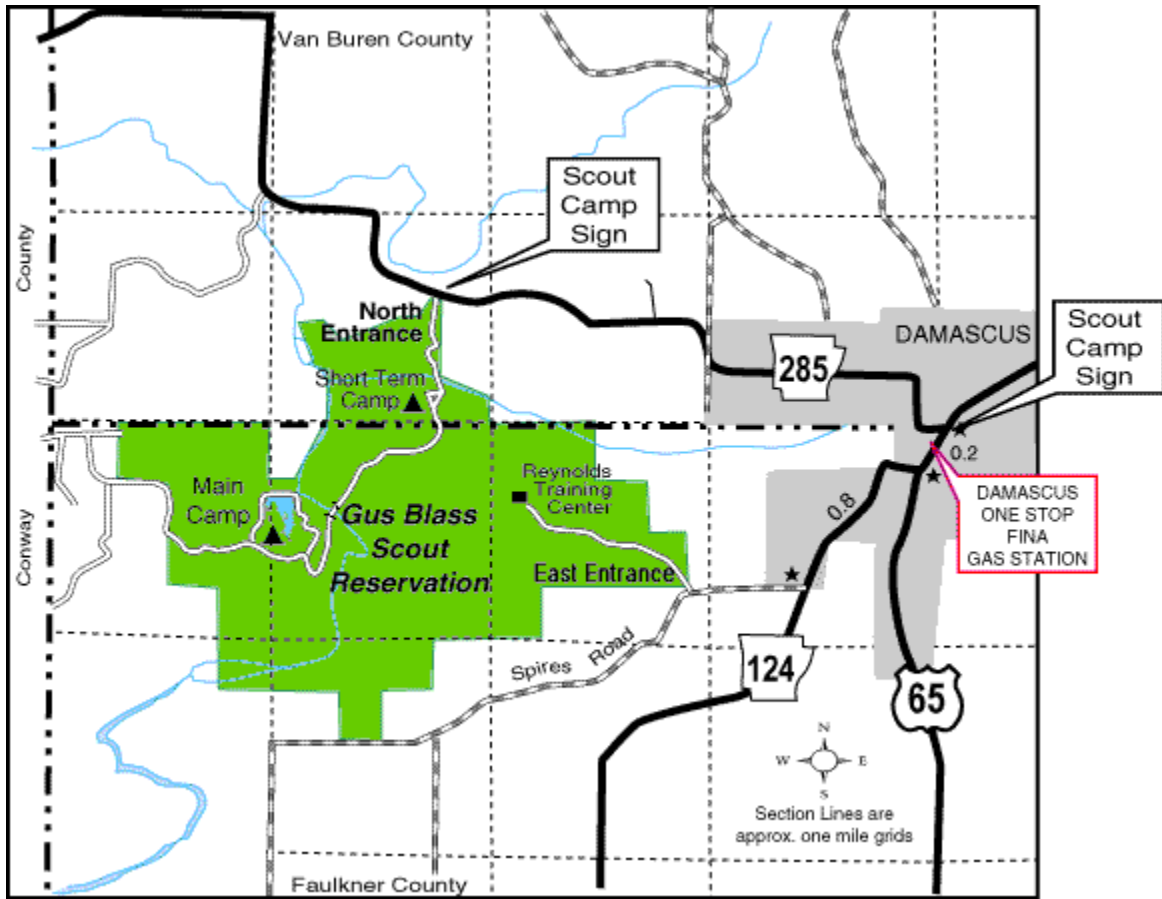
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(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

Date application received : \_\_\_\_\_

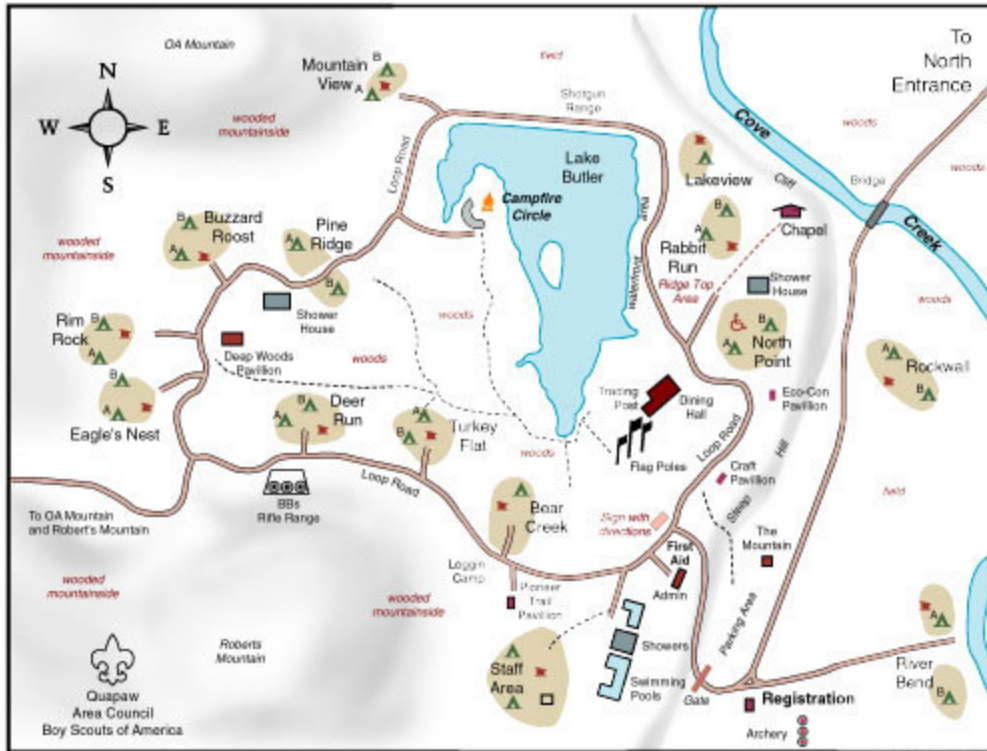
Amount of payment with Application : \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_

ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE REVIEWED BY THE CAMPERSHIP COMMITTEE

Council Action :      Amount approved : \_\_\_\_\_      Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_



# Main Camp, Gus Blass Scout Reservation, Damascus



Spring 2011 All Stars

Campsite Restroom Showerhouse Trail Road

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Boy Scouts of America  
Dedicated to Chief Scout Executive  
James E. West

on the occasion of his visit to the Pacific Coast to attend the National District Conference of Scouting Executives, Berkley, California, January 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, 1920

I Believe in the Boy Scouts of America ----

Because, hundreds of thousands strong, Boy Scouts stand organized, trained and resolved to serve God,, native land and all mankind;

Because Scouting reveals the way, quickens the pace and illuminates the path that leads to the truest and noblest Americanization of American boys;

Because the chosen playground of Boy Scouts in the Great Undefined Out-of-Doors – amidst the everlasting hills, rocks and rills;

Because Scouting arouses an interest in the highest civic aspirations of the community, develops an abiding passion for law and order, champions respect for properly constituted authority, and marshals the virtues of manhood that guarantees a government of the people, by the people, and for the people;

Because Motto, Oath, Law, and Knife of Scouting help boys to cut their paths, straight and clean, through the itching burning, restless years of awkward growth;

Because Scouting helps boys to know, revere and commune with Nature – even as the “barefoot boy” drank of the nectar of life;

Because Scouting challenges body and soul-warping child labor, routs mischief-making idleness, and fills the self-directed hours of boyhood with life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness;

Because Scouting teaches that kindness is strength – knows no fear and helps others at all times – and that dumb animals claim the fellowship of all true Scouts;

Because Scouting is a school of play, preparedness and patriotism that fashions the bodies, minds, and characters of boys, *to do or die*;

Because Scouting whispers to boys to tackle every job with the tools of cheerfulness, patience, courtesy, obedience and loyalty – and mastery will be theirs because they are “prepared”;

Because Scouting is a plan of education that bridges the gap between knowing and doing, brings forward the timid and humbles the bully, makes the weak strong and the strong stronger, and crowns physical courage with moral valor;

Because Scouting is a mighty buttress to home and school, and it kindles a fire in the breasts of boys that drives them forward --- *crusaders in the moral and spiritual world* --- even as the Pioneer Scouts blazed their trails and conquered the earth;

Because Scouting beckons the calls to patriotic men to love, lead and serve the sons of America yet in plastic years --- and all who thus love and lead and serve shall know the beauty, the wisdom, and the power of the words of the Prophet of Old who said, “a Little Child Shall Lead Them.”

by: E.B. DeGroot  
Scout Executive, Los Angeles Council

