

# HIGHLANDER DISTRICT SPRING CAMPOREE

Dates: 13-15 April 2018

Location: Camp Reeves

Theme: Back to Basics



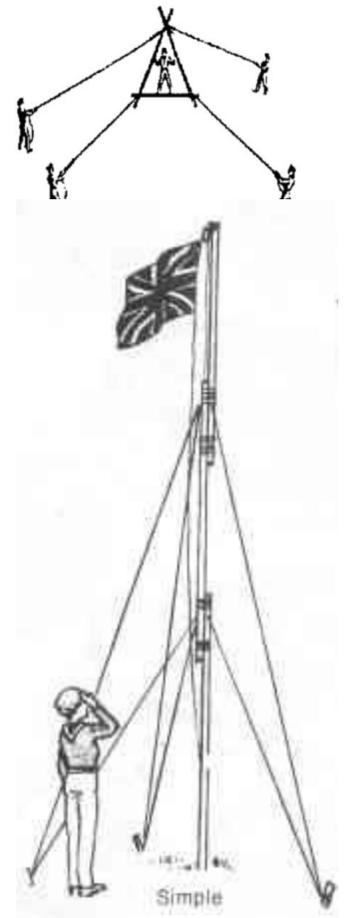
*“My ideal camp is where everyone is cheery and busy, where the patrols are kept intact under all circumstances, and where every patrol leader and Scout takes a genuine pride in his camp and his gadgets.”*

*— Lord Baden-Powell*

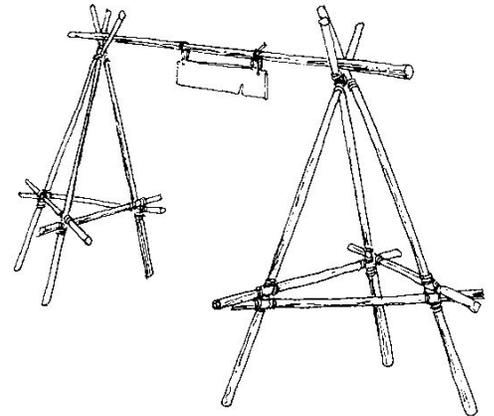
**Vision:** Competing as Patrols, Scouts will experience foundational Scouting skills as envisioned by Lord Baden-Powell.

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- **Patrol Method -**
  - "The patrol system is not one method in which Scouting for boys can be carried on. It is the only method." —Lord Baden-Powell
  - Scouts will compete in competitions as Patrols. Special attention will be paid to patrols who display spirit and cohesion as a patrol. Most awards for competitions will be awarded at the patrol level.
- **Required Equipment -** Patrols will need to provide the following supplies for the Tournament of Events, as they will be used at each event. After completion of the Tournament, they may be used as a part of your Pioneering Campsite.
  - 6 poles (recommended size: 8 feet long, 2 inches diameter)
  - 4 guide ropes (recommended size: 15 feet long, 1/4 or 3/8 inch diameter)
  - 9 lashing ropes (recommended size: 10-15 feet long, 1/4 or 3/8 inch diameter)
  - 3 Stakes
  - Stake Hammer
  - Small Pulley or eye bolt
  - Patrol Flag
  - Work Gloves (for each Scout)
- **Tournament of Events -** Patrols will compete against each other to test their mastery of basic Scouting skills. Each competition will be at a separate station. At least two patrols will be at each station during each station to encourage competitiveness. Ultimately, Patrols will be scored against a standard to determine the overall winners for the day.
  - **A-Frame Walk** - Patrols will construct an A-Frame and walk it over a set course.
    - Lashings/Knots used: Square lashing, clove hitch, two-half hitches
    - Allowed/Required supplies: 3 poles, 3 lashing ropes, 4 guide ropes
  - **Flag Pole Raising** - Patrols will work as a team to construct and raise a flagpole to fly their patrol flag.
    - Lashings/Knots used: Round lashing, clove hitch, taut-line hitch, two half hitches.
    - Allowed/Required supplies: 3 poles, 4 lashing ropes, 2-3 lashing ropes to hoist flag, 3 guide ropes, 1 small pulley or eye bolt, patrol flag, 3 stakes, hammer, & Patrol flag.
  - **Fire Building Station** – Build a fire to burn through a string. Two matches will be provided. Use of additional matches will result in a time penalty. Use of flint and steel will subtract from the total time (a good thing). Stretch a wire 12in above ground and a string 18in above ground. The fire lay must be kept below the wire.
  - **Knot Relay Station** – Tie: square knot, sheet bend, 2 half hitches, taut-line hitch, bowline, clove hitch, timber hitch, whip a rope in quickest amount of time. Every scout in the patrol needs to do one. Bonus knots – sheepshank
  - **Observation** - This is a two-part station. Each patrol will complete both activities.
    - **Trail Signs / Tracking** - Patrols will start at a designated point and follow scout trail signs to find their way to the Kim's Game.



- **Kim's Game** – This event is judged on number of accurate observations. You have one minute to view 25 items and three minutes to list them.
- **Signaling** - Patrols will be challenged to pass a message using semaphore. Patrols will be scored on both time and accuracy.
- **Best Patrol Flag** - This will not be part of the round robin. Patrols will put their flags on display Saturday evening. There will be two awards: Scout's Choice Award - each scout can put in their vote for the flag they like the best, Commissioner's Choice Award - the district's commissioner staff will choose the flag that they feel best represents the patrol, its members, and shows patrol spirit.
- **Troop Competitions** - There will also be some award available for Troops to win.
  - Best Gateway
  - Troop Spirit (Spirit Stick)
  - SPL Challenge
  - Campsite Inspection
  - Best [Camp Gadget](#)
- **Schedule** -
  - Friday 13 April 2018
    - 1600 - Check-In begins
    - 2030 - Leaders Meeting /Cracker-barrel at Camporee HQ
    - 2300 -. Lights out/Taps - All vehicles out of campsites
  - Saturday 14 April 2018
    - 0800 - Opening Ceremony @ Activity Field
    - 0900 - Tournament of Events @ Activity Field
      - Period 1 - 0900 - 0945
      - Period 2 - 1000 - 1045
      - Period 3 - 1100 - 1145
    - 1200 - Lunch @ Campsites
    - 1330 - Tournament of Events @ Activity Field
      - Period 4 - 1330 - 1415
      - Period 5 - 1430 - 1515
      - Period 6 - 1530 - 1615
    - 1730 - Dinner @ Campsites
    - 1900 - Patrol Flag Display @ Camporee HQ
    - 2000 - Campfire Program @ Amphitheater
    - 2300 - Lights out/Taps
  - Sunday 15 April 2018
    - 0800 - Interfaith Service @ Activity Field
    - 0845 - Closing Flag Ceremony
    - 0915 - Unit Checkout Campsites/ HQ
    - 1100 - Camp Closes



## Camporee Information and Guidelines

- **Medical Forms:** Units should bring a current Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A&B) for each participant. The Camporee staff will NOT be checking them, only asking if the unit has the proper forms for each participant. Medical Forms will be kept within easy access by the unit leader in the campsite. If an injury takes place and there is a need to transport the individual to the nearest emergency facility, you will need the forms when you reach admissions.
- **Outdoor Ethics:** The Boy Scouts of America has introduced people to conservation, environmental awareness and love for the out-of-doors more than any other organization in the world. Leave No Trace, a program adopted by the National Forest and National Park Services, was originally developed by the Boy Scouts of America. The Leave No Trace principles include: Plan Ahead and Prepare, Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces, Dispose of Waste Properly, Leave What You Find, Minimize Campfire Impacts, Respect Wildlife and Be Considerate of Other Visitors in terms of noise, litter and visual impact. "Take only pictures, leave only footprints," is one way of summarizing it. Others have suggested we should avoid leaving footprints, too! Keep this in mind when planning and at the camp-o-ree. How can you lessen your impacted?
- **Trading Post:** The Mimahuk Chapter of the Order of the Arrow, will have a Trading Post to purchase Highlander Cups, beverages and snacks. All proceeds are used to support activities of our Chapter. Cash only.
- **Vehicles:** Upon arrival Friday, registered units will be directed to their campsites. Vehicles will be out of the campsites and parked in designated parking area by 11:00 p.m. Vehicles must be off the road to allow unrestricted access by Emergency Vehicles. Vehicles will be parked in designated parking areas. Unit trailers may remain in the campsites, but the towing vehicles must park in designated areas. ATV's, golf carts, or other similar vehicles are not permitted at the camporee unless a medical condition requires the use of a vehicle.
- **Weapons:** in accordance with BSA policy, no personal firearms are permitted at the camporee.
- **Quiet Hours:** Everyone must be in their campsites between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. All are expected to be quiet. "A Scout is Courteous."
- **Health and Safety:** Use the Buddy System! Refer to the "Guide to Safe Scouting" for policies and procedures. All safety precautions will be adhered to throughout the Camporee. Report all unsafe conditions and actions to the Camporee Chief immediately. If an action is unsafe, stop the action. EMERGENCY Protocol: In the event of an emergency, i.e. missing person, fire, etc. there will be a series of three (3) blasts of a horn. At the time, ALL persons, Scouts and non-Scouts will report to the Activity Field and form up by Unit. There will be no exceptions! For everyone's safety, remain there for further instruction.
- **First Aid:** Scout leaders are to be prepared to handle all minor situations. Each unit should have a First Aid Kit in their campsites. Serious injuries and emergencies must be reported immediately to the Camporee HQ. A trained Medical Technician will be present on site the entire Camporee. Units having additional trained medical personnel present are asked to notify our Health and Safety Chairperson.
- **Campfires:** Portable Fire pits will be permitted, providing you follow Guide to Safe Scouting Guide Lines on campsite Fires. No trees are to be cut down. Keep all fires at a reasonable size; never leave a fire unattended and always provide adult supervision for all fires. Each unit must bring its own fire

extinguishers and have shovels, rakes and water pails present. All units need to plan for camp stove cooking or no-heat meals in the event there is a ban on campfires. Use camp stoves properly.

- **Campsite Inspection:** Campsites will be inspected prior to units receiving patches and streamer on Sunday morning to check out. A member from each campsite will assist a campsite inspection team. Each Troop or Crew campsite will be inspected and checked separately.
- **Water:** Units will need to provide their own water containers, filled when they arrive. Scouts should carry their own canteens/water bottles during all activities. A fire bucket should also be brought and kept full near the fire ring in your campsites. Water will be located in vicinity of the activity field for water replenishment throughout weekend.
- **Uniforms:** Field uniforms are to be worn during Flag raising/lowering, Saturday evening Camporee event and Interfaith Service. Activity uniforms are to be worn at all other times.  
Scout's Own Service: A Scout is Reverent. An interfaith Scout's Own service will be held on Sunday morning at the Activity Field at 8:00 a.m.
- **Check-Out:** Checkout on Sunday will NOT begin until after the Scouts Own Service. Units will receive patches and ribbons upon clearing campsite and turning in evaluations.
- **Trash/Garbage:** Prepare to carry out all garbage and trash upon departure. Dumpsters ARE NOT available.
- **Alternate Plans:** No plans have been made for rescheduling the Camporee. In case of extreme weather or major emergency, the Camporee Chief or the Professional Staff may cancel the Camporee. If the Camporee is cancelled, emails and phone calls will be made to adult leaders on unit registration form.
- **Prohibited Items:** Refer to the "Guide to Safe Scouting." Ensure all adults are aware of the policies and procedures. This is a unit leader's responsibility.
- **Pets:** Absolutely no pets are allowed. This includes visitors. Service animals are permitted.
- **Lost and Found:** Lost and Found items are to be turned into Camporee HQ.
- **Campfire Details:** The OA Call Out ceremony/campfire will be the last event of the night and is a quiet/solemn affair with no flash photography allowed (Safety Issue). All who attend the campfire are encouraged to bring chairs, there are no seats at the campfire ring. Troops will be encouraged to participate providing a skit from each unit as part of the campfire program.
- **Latrine Facilities:** There are no established facilities in the training area. Porta-Johns will be available in various locations around camp for use. Everyone is responsible for the upkeep and cleanliness of the facilities.