

Rib Mountain District



Scouts BSA

2024 Spring Camporee

RIB GAMES

April 26-28, 2024

Camp Birch Trails
Irma, Wisconsin

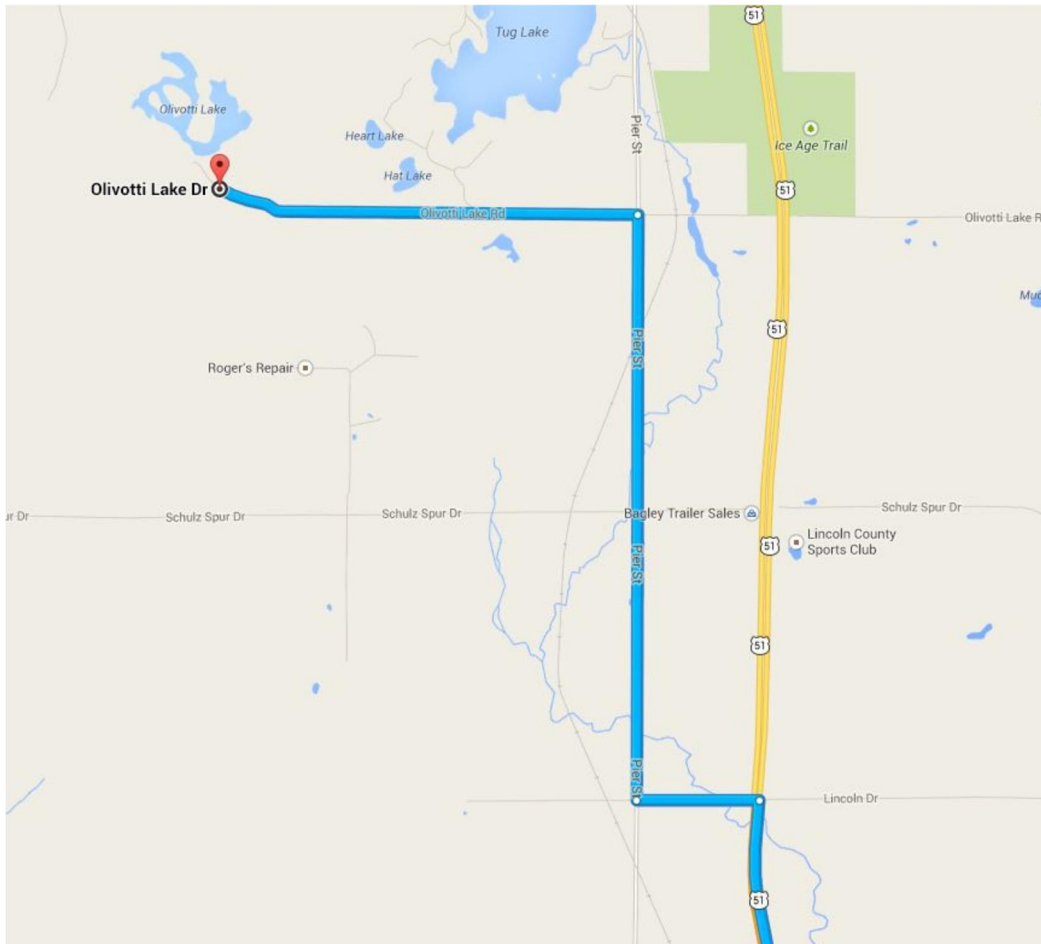
Special Notes:

This Camporee will be held at Camp Birch Trails near Irma. To get there, follow the directions below:

Take Hwy. 51/ I-39 North to Lincoln Drive. Turn left (West) on Lincoln Drive. Continue on Lincoln Drive for approximately 1/2 mile until you reach Pier Street. Turn right onto Pier Street and continue for approximately 2 miles. Shortly after you cross the railroad tracks turn left onto Olivotti Lake Road. Follow Olivotti Lake Road for approximately 1 mile to the end and into Camp Birch Trails. Look for the Camp Birch Trails / Rib Mt. Camporee Signs.

We need to make sure that when we leave, there is no sign that we have been there (other than trampled grass). Please clean up and inspect your campsite and make sure your fire pits are returned to their natural condition. We may want to use this location again and we need to leave it like we found it. Remember to act like Scouts.

For this event, all Webelos are invited to come out and spend the day Saturday. Scoutmasters should make a special effort to invite their Webelos to come and join their troop for the fun. The Webelos will be able to participate in the events on Saturday.



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Special Notes for this Camporee:

- Units must complete the BSA pre-event medical screening checklist for all participants prior to the event. (Checklists will not be collected, but we will be asking)
 - <http://www.samoset.org/document/2022-medical-screening-form/208827>

- All current Youth Protection and Safety Guidelines must be followed. (Info. sheet at rear of packet)

- Any changes/updates will be communicated to registered units the week before the event.

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Friday

- 6:00 - 9:00 PM Registration
- 9:00 PM Adult Leader & SPL Meeting
- 11:00 PM Lights Out

Saturday

- 8:15 AM Torch Run (*Starts*)
- 8:30 AM Flag Raising & Opening Ceremony / Announcements
- 9:30 AM Rib Games Events (*Start*)
Geocaching (*Begins*)
- 12:00 PM Events Close For Lunch
- 12:30 PM Kabob Cooking Competition Drop-off (*Begins*)
- 12:45 PM Kabob Cooking Competition Drop-off (*Ends*)
- 1:30 PM Rib Games Events (*Continue*)
- 3:00 PM Rib's Got Talent Judging (*Begins*)
- 4:30 PM Rib Games Events (*End*)
Geocaching (*Ends*)
- 5:00 PM Flag Lowering
Chapel Service
- 5:30 PM Dinner & Cleanup
- 7:30 PM Campfire Program and Awards

Sunday

- 8:00 - 11:00 AM Checkout and Depart for Home

NOTE: Each Troop site must be inspected before your troop leaves!!!

General Information

Participants

This event is for Scouts BSA members. Webelos may come out and visit during the day on Saturday.

Check-in and Registration

All troops should check-in upon arrival. We want to know where you intend to camp BEFORE you set up! There will be some areas that will be off limits to use and we don't want to have to make you move your campsite after you have it set up. Scoutmasters may come back later to confirm their registration.

Registration Fee

Pre-Registration must be done online. The registration fee is \$22.00 for each attendee. The fee covers the cost of the patch, prizes, awards, fees, insurance, etc. Pre-Registration must be done through DoubleKnot at <http://www.samoset.org/> Pre-Registration is open until Wednesday April 24th at Midnight.

Camping Area

All campsites will be in the specified areas only, so please check in BEFORE YOU SET UP CAMP. Olivotti Lake and any other water bordering it are off limits!!!

Parking

Parking is to be only in designated parking areas. There will be ample parking for all vehicles in the designated parking areas. Depending on where you pick your site, you should be able to drive directly to your site to unload. Once unloaded, you will be able to leave your troop trailer in your site. All other vehicles will have to be moved to a separate parking area where it can remain for the weekend. Troops are encouraged to carpool (not caravan) to minimize traffic at the Camporee Site.

Firewood

There is some down wood. Ground fires will be allowed in the established fire rings only. Locations of the established rings will be available upon arrival. Portable fire pits that don't leave a scar on the ground can be used if you are not camped near an established fire ring.

Due to the emerald ash borer threat we ask that all wood that is brought in come from no more than 50 miles away. Any extra wood that you bring must either be burned up or taken with you. It cannot be left behind. If you are coming from more than 50 miles away please reach out to a local wood processor and find scrap kiln dried dimensional lumber to burn.

Meals

No meals will be provided at this event. Each unit is on their own for meal planning and preparation

First Aid and Medical Care

All major injuries should be brought to the attention of the Camporee Staff IMMEDIATELY! Minor cuts and scratches that can be handled with a Troop first aid kit should be handled in the campsite.

Water

Potable water will not be available at this Camporee. Please bring your water jugs full and bring what you will need for the entire weekend. An adequate supply of water should be available in campsites at all times for fire safety.

Lighting

Bring your own lanterns. Lanterns using liquid fuel must have proper adult supervision at all times. No liquid fuel, other than that in a lantern or cooking stove, will be permitted in the campsite.

Toilets

There are several outdoor restrooms located on the grounds for anyone's use.

Alcohol & Tobacco

It is the policy of the Boy Scouts of America that the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances is not permitted at encampments or at any activity involving participation of youth members.

Adult leaders should support the attitude that they, as well as youths, are better off without tobacco in any form and may not allow the use of tobacco products at any BSA activity involving youth participants.

All Scouting functions, meetings, and activities should be conducted on a smoke-free basis, with smoking areas located away from all participants.

Concession Stand

There will be NO concession stand.

Pets

No pets are allowed at Camporees or at set-up the weekend before.

Adult Leader & SPL Meeting

There will be a very short meeting of all adults and SPL's, Friday evening at 9:00 PM. This will be an important meeting, as we will review the program and rules for the weekend.

Chapel Service

A Non-Denominational Chapel Service is scheduled for 5:00 PM on Saturday immediately following flag lowering.

Campfire Program

A campfire program of songs, skits, and awards will bring the weekend activities to a close on Saturday night. Troops are encouraged to participate by putting on a skit or leading a song. Skits and songs must be pre-approved by a Camporee staff member. A signup sheet will be available.

Camporee Traveling Trophy

The Camporee Traveling Trophy will not be awarded during the Saturday evening campfire.

Judges

Troops that have 3 or more registered adult leaders for the weekend are encouraged to help with event judging. More information will be available at the Camporee.

Check-Out

Time for check-out will be from 8:00 - 11:00 am on Sunday. Your troop site has to be checked-out by a Camporee Staff member BEFORE you leave. All troops must be checked out by 11 am. Surveys will be collected before you leave and patches will be ordered after the Camporee.

Scout Spirit

Bring and display your troop and patrol flags. Special attention will be given as to troop and patrol Scout Spirit and how they operate as a unit during the weekend.

A Scout is Courteous

Remember this part of the Scout Law! Stay out of other troop campsites unless invited or given permission to enter. No radios are permitted at Camporees.

Questions?

Any questions regarding the Camporee can be sent to the Chairman Jeff Klein via email at ribactivities@yahoo.com

PROGRAM

Samoset Games:

16 Olympic Style Events will be going on during the day. They are broken into three categories: Adult, Patrol, and Individual.

The Events are as follows:

Adult:

- 1.) Horseshoes (*Signup*)
- 2.) Cribbage (*Signup*)

Patrol:

- 3.) Triathlon (3-Person Relay)
- 4.) Balloon Relay
- 5.) Knot Relay
- 6.) Cone Relay
- 7.) Spoon Race
- 8.) Stretcher Race

Individual:

- 9.) Tennis Ball Chip
- 10.) Bowling Ball Toss
- 11.) Caber Toss
- 12.) Chess Tournament (*Sign-up*)
- 13.) Football Throw
- 14.) Frisbee Accuracy Throw
- 15.) Tent Pole Throw
- 16.) Toilet Seat Toss

The events that are marked (*Sign-up*) must be signed up for ahead of time. Signup will be Friday night at the leader's meeting, or Saturday immediately following the opening until 9:15 AM. Match-ups will be randomly drawn from all the participants entered after 9:15 AM. The rest of the events can be done anytime. All materials required for the events will be provided.

Events can only be done once for a score by any patrol or individual. If time allows and there are not other scouts or patrols waiting at an event, it can be done a second time for fun only. Individuals or patrols competing twice for a score will be disqualified.

First, Second, and Third place medals will be awarded for the adult and individual events. First, Second, and Third place trophies will be awarded for the patrol events.

Kabob Cooking Competition:

The kabob cooking competition will take place Saturday at lunchtime. Cooking can begin in your campsite whenever it is required, but all entries must be brought down to the registration area between 12:30 and 12:45 pm and left there for judging. Anyone participating must sign-up. Sign-up will be available until 10 am on Saturday.

Requirements are as follows:

- No preparation is allowed, all food must be prepared on site.
- You must have a copy of the recipe on display on a minimum 5" x 7" card.
- You must have enough for the group of 3-4 judges to have a sample (Plan on the equivalent of 2 kabobs)
- Entry should be brought to the registration area wrapped in tinfoil.
- Each entry must be labeled with a Troop #, name or patrol name and be labeled Youth or Adult
- One entry is allowed for each patrol attending the Camporee.
- Adults can also enter (1 entry per adult patrol)

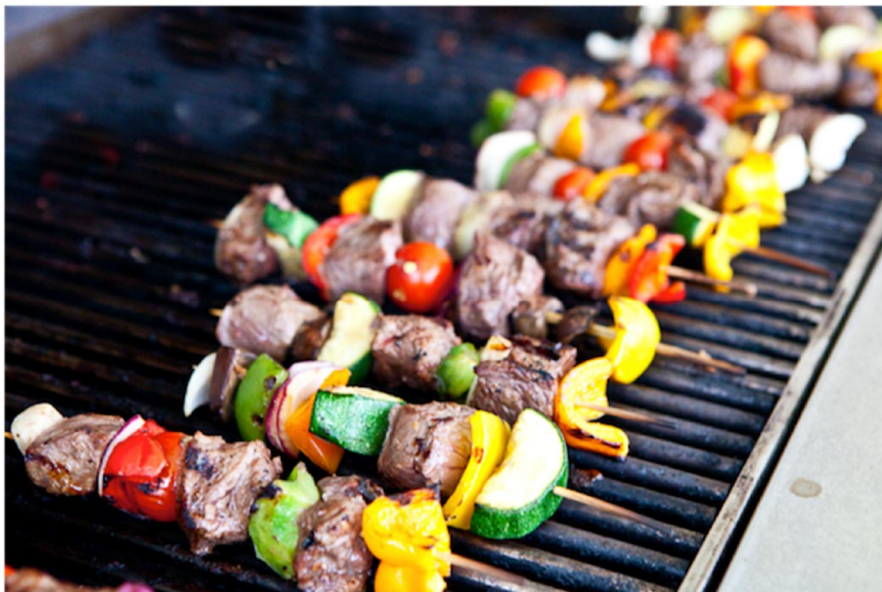
Entries will be judged in 2 divisions:

- Youth
- Adult

Entries will be judged on looks, taste and recipe. All judges' decisions are final. Awards will be presented to the top entries in each division.

"While there are many ways in which to cook meat and potatoes without the aid of utensils of any kind, the most satisfactory method is the kabob." – James A Wilder

Taken from the Handbook for Boys, First Edition, Thirty Sixth Printing, December 1943.



Rib's Got Talent Competition:

Do you think you or your Scouts have talent? If yes, we want to hear from you. At this Camporee we are having a Rib's Got Talent Competition.

Rules:

- Can be an individual, patrol or entire troop. Open to youth and adults.
- Maximum of 2 entries per Troop.
- Does not have to be a Scout skill.
- Must be Scout appropriate.

Signup is required and will be available until 10 am Saturday morning. Preliminary judging will take place Saturday afternoon beginning at 3 pm with the 3 finalists competing at the closing campfire. Prizes will be awarded to the final 3.

Geocaching:

Several geocaches will be setup to find during free time on Saturday. GPS's will not be available; you must bring your own and know how to use it. Instructions for the Geocaches will be available at the Camporee.





BSA's Commitment to Safety

Adult Supervision

- Two registered adult leaders 21+ required at all Scouting Activities
- There must be a registered female 21+ if female youth Scouts are present
- 18- to 20-year-old adult leaders do not qualify as adult supervision
- All adults present staying overnight must be registered in the BSA for Tesomas Summer Camp. Starting September 1, 2023 for all Scouting programs
- Adult supervision is required in all areas to regularly monitor activity and behavior where youth are present

Buddy System

- Always single gender
- Should be no more than 2 years apart
- Only be made between youth members – adults cannot be paired with youth
- At no point should any youth be walking around by themselves

Separate Accommodations - Lodging

- Separate lodging arrangements must be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. Spouses may share tents
- Youth sharing tents must be no more than two years apart in age
- In Cub Scouting ONLY, parents and guardians may share a tent with their family
- In Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouts, youth and adults must tent separately (exceptions for special needs Scouts)
- Adults must be within ear shot and eye shot of all youth tents

Separate Accommodations – Restrooms

- Separate shower and toilet facilities for youth and adults, and male and female
- If not available, separate times should be scheduled and posted
- Privacy must be respected by both youth and adults

Digital Privacy

- Inappropriate use of digital devices is prohibited, including:
 - Youth only interaction (with no adult supervision)
 - Taking inappropriate pictures
 - Sexting
 - Online bullying or hazing
- Respect each other's privacy including online and on digital platforms

Sexual Activity Prohibited

- All sexual activity is prohibited in Scouting
- Public displays of affection are prohibited
- Appropriate attire is required for all activities

Hazing, Initiations and Bullying

- Hazing and initiations are prohibited and have no part during any Scouting activity
- All forms of bullying and harassment including verbal, physical and cyberbullying are prohibited

Scouts First Reporting line 844-SCOUTS1 (844-726-8871)