



Scouts BSA

2023 Winter Camporee

**DEEP FREEZE**

February 3-5, 2023

Camp Phillips  
Weston, Wisconsin

## Camporee Notes:

This Camporee will be held at Camp Phillips in Weston. To get there, follow the directions below:

Take highway 29 East to Camp Phillips Road (Hwy. X). Turn left (North) on Camp Phillips Road (Hwy. X). Continue North on Camp Phillips Road. Camp Phillips is on the right (East) side of the road.

We need to make sure that when we leave, there is no sign that we have been there (other than packed snow). Please clean up any materials you use (hay, pine bows, etc) used to make your shelter, and make sure your fire pits are returned to their natural condition. Hay and pine bows must either be removed from the camp or spread out in the woods. Troops are responsible for cleaning up their shelter materials. Remember to act like Scouts.

For this Camporee, 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.

If troops wish to come out ahead of time to select a campsite, the site will be open on Sunday afternoon, January 29th, from 12 – 4 PM. No sites are allowed to be reserved before 12 PM on January 29th. Staff members will be present to help at that time. You may mark off and put a sign with your troop number on the area you select for your campsite and work on building your shelter if you are planning to stay overnight.

## Special Notes for this Camporee:

- There is no requirement for vaccination or a negative COVID test to attend the event.
- 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.
- No open flames are allowed inside enclosed shelters, tents or snow domes/igloos/quincees.
- Any changes/updates will be communicated to registered units the week before the event.

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## Friday

- 6:00 - 9:00 PM Arrival & Check-In
- 9:00 PM Adult Leader & SPL Meeting
- 11:00 PM Lights Out

## Saturday

- 9:00 AM Opening Ceremony and Announcements
- 10:00 AM Skill Trail (Begins)
- 12:00 PM Events Close For Lunch  
Dutch Oven / Pie-Iron Pizza Judging (Begins)
- 1:30 PM Dutch Oven / Pie-Iron Pizza Judging (Ends)  
Skill Trail (Continues)  
Snowshoe Kickball Tournament (Begins)
- 2:30 PM Natural Shelter Judging (Begins)  
Snow Castle Judging (Begins)
- 4:30 PM Natural Shelter Judging (Ends)  
Snow Castle Judging (Ends)  
Skill Trail (Ends)  
Snowshoe Kickball Tournament (Ends)
- 5:00 PM Flag Lowering  
Chapel Service  
OA Meeting
- 5:30 PM Dinner & Cleanup
- 7:30 PM Campfire Program and Awards
- 11:00 PM Lights Out

# Sunday

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

NOTE: ALL SITES MUST BE INSPECTED BEFORE YOUR TROOP LEAVES!!!!

In keeping with the spirit of camping, Campers, RV's & Pre-Built Ice Shanty's are not allowed at Scouts BSA Camporees.



# General Information

## Participants

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

## 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 \$15.00 for each person for that stays overnight. The cost for Saturday only is \$10.00. 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/> Registration is open beginning on January 2<sup>nd</sup> and open until midnight on Sunday January 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Camping Area

All camping will be in the specified areas only, so please check in BEFORE YOU SET UP CAMP. The Eau Claire River and any other water bordering Camp Phillips is off Limits!!!

## Parking

All parking is to be at the Wausau Homes Scout Center. Troops will be able to bring one vehicle and their troop trailers into their site.

After the opening ceremony we will be blocking off the road beyond McCormick Lodge and only allowing troops that are coming out or leaving early in and out. Individuals that come out for the day will have to be dropped off and picked up at the McCormick Lodge and walk back to their sites. The road will be open on Sunday morning for check-out.

## Firewood

There is some down wood at Camp. If you are out to pick out a site the weekend before the Camporee please take a few moments to check out the wood situation near your campsite to see if you are able to help burn up the down wood or if you should bring your own. Ground fires will be allowed. Be sure and return them to their natural condition when you leave. 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 to Camp must either be burned up or taken with you. It cannot be left behind.

**If you are coming from more than 50 miles away from Camp Phillips 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 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

Water is available at the faucet on the west side of the lodge. You will have to carry it back to your campsite. 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. The restroom in the lodge is for adult and guest use only.

## 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.

## Polar Patch

A Polar Patch will be available for those spending at least one night in a shelter. Orders will be taken for the patch at the Camporee, and will be ordered after the event. The final design and price will be available at the Camporee.

## Concession Stand

There will be NO concession stand!

## Pets

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

## Chapel Service

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

## Adult Leader Meeting

There will be a short meeting for all adults and Senior Patrol Leaders on Friday evening at 9:00 PM. This will be an important meeting as we will review the program, the rules for the weekend and answer any questions.

## Campfire Program

Saturday night there will be a campfire program of songs, skits, and awards, that will bring the weekend activities to a close. Troops are asked to participate by putting on a skit or leading a song.

## Camporee Traveling Trophy

The Camporee Traveling Trophy will 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 skill trail/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

## 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. Show respect to others by being in your campsite and quiet from 11:00 PM to 6:00 AM the next morning. 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](mailto:ribactivities@yahoo.com)

# PROGRAM

## Skill Trail:

Bring your patrol flag and have your patrol yell ready to go. Uniforms will not be required. Competition will be based on a min. patrol size of 4 and max. of 8.

Patrols with more than 8 members will still be allowed to participate; however they will only be allowed to have 8 compete, the additional members may rotate in.

Patrols must have a sled meeting the design at the back of this packet to complete the Skill Trail.

The sled race/skill trail will consist of 6 different challenges. Patrols will all start at the same point at their designated time and do all 6 challenges in order. As a patrol arrives at each challenge, they will read a set of instructions and to discuss their approach to the challenge. The patrol will have to "meet the challenge" as fast as possible and then move on to the next station while staying on the marked course. As patrols may complete challenges quicker they may pass other patrols on the course.

A list of items that patrols must have with them on their sleds is at the back of this packet. Patrols not having the items on the list may not be able to complete all of the challenges and will be penalized.

Adults may come along, but are not allowed to help at stations and must keep their distance. Adults that are interfering in the stations may be asked to leave the area. Patrols will be scored on how they complete the challenges, time, and teamwork. Patrols must sign up for the Skill trail. Signup will be available at the leaders meeting Friday night, or after the opening ceremony Saturday. Ribbons will be awarded to all patrols based on total score.

## Snow Castle Competition:

The Snow Castle Competition will be open to patrols. Patrols are asked to sign up in the registration area so the judges know how many Snow Castles there are to be judged. Because this is a patrol competition there can be more than one entry per troop. The only requirements for the Snow Castle Competition are that it must be a minimum of 4' tall. Judging will take place between 2:30 and 4:30 PM on Saturday.

Snow Castles may be started Friday night, to allow for overnight freezing.

Snow Castles will be judged on the following criteria:

- ❑ Decoration
- ❑ Originality
- ❑ Technical Difficulty

Prizes will be awarded for the best Snow Castles.



## Natural Shelter Competition:

Requirements for the Natural Shelter Competition are as follows:

- ❑ Shelters must be only constructed of natural materials.
- ❑ Processed wood (lumber) is not acceptable.
- ❑ A tarp underneath the sleeping area is acceptable
- ❑ Twine or rope is acceptable.
- ❑ Shelter must be suitable for sleeping in.

Shelters may be worked on from 12 to 4 PM on the Sunday before the Camporee, as well as during the Camporee. Judging will take place beginning at 2:30 PM on Saturday. Prizes will be awarded for the (3) best shelters. Please clean up any materials you use (hay, pine bows, etc) used to make your shelter. Hay and pine bows must either be removed from the camp or spread out in the woods. They are not to be left in the open field areas. Troops are responsible for cleaning up their shelter materials. Troops that fail to clean up their shelter area properly will not be allowed to check out until the area is satisfactory. All judges decisions are final.



## Snowshoe Kickball Tournament:

During the day on Saturday there will be a Snowshoe Kickball Tournament. Teams will be allowed to have a maximum of 6 players. Rules will be available at the Camporee.

Anyone interested in playing should bring their own snowshoes along, none will be available at the Camporee. Kickballs, cones and adult supervision will be provided.

Since we don't want anyone to go home with damaged snowshoes, the kicker will not be required to wear snowshoes, only the runners.

Prizes will be awarded to the top teams. Teams must sign up for the Snowshoe Kickball Tournament. Signup will be available until 12 PM on Saturday. After 12 PM the pairings will be drawn. Games will begin at 1:30 PM.

## Bouldering Wall:

The Bouldering Wall will be available for use during the day on Saturday. Open times will be available at the Camporee.

## Dutch Oven / Pie-Iron Pizza Competition:

The dutch oven / pie-iron pizza cooking competition will take place Saturday morning. All cooking will be done in your campsite and can begin whenever it is required, but all entries must be ready to judged/tasted at the time slot you sign up for between 12 and 1:30 PM.

### Requirements are as follows:

- ❑ No preparation is allowed, all food must be prepared on site.
- ❑ The entry must be cooked in a dutch oven pie-iron.
- ❑ 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.

### Entries will be divided into 2 classes:

- ❑ Youth
- ❑ Adult

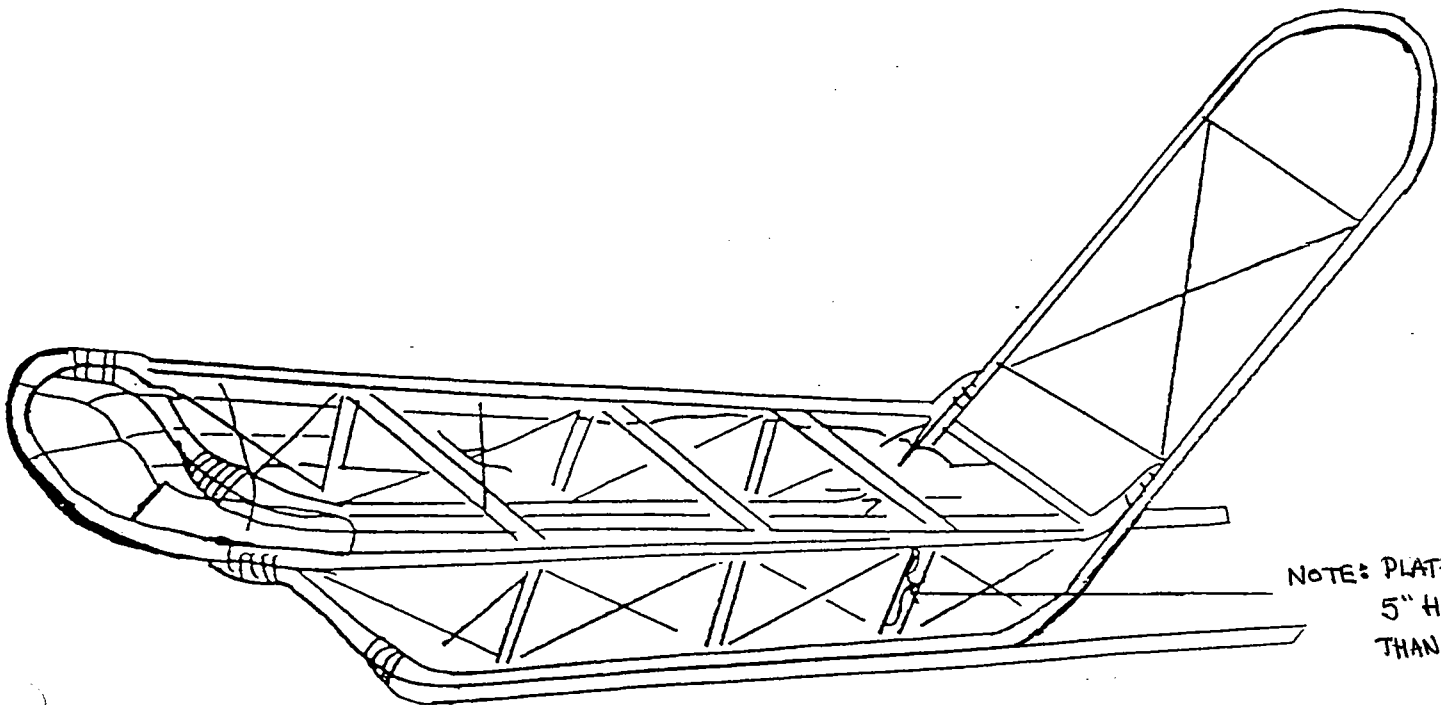
Entries will be judged on looks, taste, recipe, uniqueness and presentation. All judges' decisions are final. Awards will be presented to the top entries in each class.

## Natural Sled Class

- 1.) Sleds will be made with natural materials only. (No lumber will be permitted)
- 2.) Any sled made with the use of nails, screws, or factory made skis, will be eliminated from the sled race.
- 3.) Dowels, leathers, cotton ropes and/or twine-rope may be used in assembling the klondike sled. Any other material for assembling purposes is prohibited, no nylon of any kind.
- 4.) Sleds must be a minimum of six feet long, with a 18" x 48" minimum width platform capable of holding 50 pounds.
- 5.) A rope harness can be attached to the sled for pulling purposes.
- 6.) Platform must be a minimum of five inches higher than the runners.

## Man-Made Sled Class

- 1.) Sleds will be made with non-natural materials only
- 2.) Sleds must be a minimum of six feet long, with a 18" x 48" minimum width platform capable of holding 50 pounds.
- 3.) A rope harness can be attached to the sled for pulling purposes.
- 4.) Platform must be a minimum of five inches higher than the runners.



NOTE: PLATFORM IS  
5" HIGHER  
THAN RUNNERS

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## Skill Trail Item List

**Each patrol** competing in the Skill Trail must have the following items with them on their sled to compete on the skill trail. Patrols not having all the listed items may be penalized.

1. (1) Patrol Flag
2. (1) Patrol Yell
3. (2) Pocket Knives
4. (1) Whistle
5. (200') Binder/Bailer Twine
6. Matches
7. Tinder to start a fire
8. (100') ¼" Rope
9. (1) Compass
10. (1) Small hand mirror
11. (1) Bow Saw with guard
12. (1) 25' Tape Measure
13. (1) Hodag tooth
14. (8) Clothespins
15. (2) Gallons of Water
16. (1) Deck of 52 cards (Complete)
17. (1) 3# Coffee Can with wire handle
18. (1) Nalgene Water Bottle (Or equal, must hold 32 oz. of water – **NO GLASS PLEASE**)
19. (1) Garbage Bag
20. (1) Snipe
21. (1) Patrol First Aid Kit (See Scout Handbook)
22. (1) Set thin board splints (30" long)
23. (1) Set thin board splints (8" long)
24. Assorted cravats/bandages
25. (2) 7' wooden long poles (approx. 2-3" in diameter)
26. (2) twin blankets
27. (1) pad of paper and pencil
28. (1) Joke (**Scouting Appropriate**)
29. (1) Riddle (**Scouting Appropriate**)
30. (1) Song (**Scouting Appropriate**)