2024 UNIT POPCORN GUIDE



Samoset Council Boy Scouts of America

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July 22 – Early Show & Sell Orders Due

August 26 – Show and Sell Orders Due

September 21 - Take Order Begins

October 20 - Popcorn Sale Ends

October 23 – Popcorn & Prize Orders Due

November 8 & 9 - Take Order Delivery Pickup

December 2 - Unit Popcorn Checks Cashed

CONTACTS & HELP

For general popcorn questions:

- Visit our website at: www.samoset.org/popcorn for popcorn resources and information.
- Call the Samoset Customer Support team at 715-355-1450 or email support@samoset.org.
- Your district executive is also a resource; contact information is listed below.

District / Units	District Executive	PHONE	EMAIL	
Ahdawagam - 100s	Fabreann Buffington	715-819-6152	Fabreann.Buffington@samoset.org	
Muskodany - 200s	Phoenix Bise	715-409-6487	Phoenix.Bise@samoset.org	
Ojibwa - 300s	Phoenix Bise	715-409-6487	Phoenix.Bise@samoset.org	
Rib Mountain - 400s	Amy Wiernik	715-498-6289	amy.wiernik@samoset.org	
Northwoods - 500/600s	Kristin Tobin	715-574-2351	Kristin.Tobin@samoset.org	

ONLINE RESOURCES

There are many resources available on our website that expand on topics covered in this guide. Visit the Pecatonica River Popcorn site to place orders, sign up Scouts for online sales, and view historical unit information. The Pecatonica website requires a username and password. This can be reset by calling the Samoset Council office at 715-355-1450.

Samsoet.org/popcorn
PecatonicaRiverPopcorn.com

UNIT KERNEL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Follow 2024 Popcorn Dates and schedule for unit leaders.
- 2. Attend the Council Popcorn Kickoff in your area to obtain sales materials, get trained, and answer your questions.
- 3. Attend a unit committee meeting to:
 - a. Set a unit sales goal striving to meet or exceed the unit program budget for the year and earn the highest possible commission percentage.
 - b. Involve parents and leaders to help each scout set a personal goal.
 - c. Promote participation in the sale.
 - d. Plan a unit kick off meeting in September.
 - e. Promote participation of "Fill it Up" incentive. Consider having a "Fill it up First" challenge.
- 4. Determine Show & Sell participation and opportunities. Two opportunities in 2024.
 - a. July 22: Orders due for pickup the week of August 4. Distribution locations will be determined (and communicated) based on orders submitted.
 - b. August 26: Orders due for pickup the week of September 15. Distribution locations will be determined (and communicated) based on orders submitted.
- 5. Tabulate your unit's order and submit to the Council Service Center. **Take-Orders & Prize** orders are due online **October 23, 2024**
- 6. Turn-in council forms (by email, or in person) by October 23, 2024
- 7. Coordinate pick up of your unit's popcorn from local distribution center.
 - a. Show and Sell pick-up details will be communicated by email.
 - b. Take-order pick-ups are available **November 8 & 9, 2024** by location schedule
 - c. Please bring a <u>single unit check</u> to pay for your popcorn at time of pickup. Checks can be postdated for the following dates:
 - For Show & Sell Orders: Cashed on October 15, 2024
 - For Take Orders: Cashed on December 2, 2024
- 8. If customers are paying by check make sure they are made payable to your local Unit and NOT, the Council or BSA.
- 9. Recognize and thank all who helped in the sale (including store front locations).
- 10. Recognize the Scouts with prizes and awards.

2024 PECATONICA PRODUCT MIX

Product	Price	Items /Case	Packaging	
Yellow Popping Corn (2 lbs.)	\$12	8:1	Bucket	
Classic Caramel Corn (8 oz)	\$12	8:1	Bucket	
Morning Brew (70z) New	\$15	8:1	Bag	
Butter Microwave – 15 Pack (37.5 oz)	\$20	8:1	Вох	
Kettle Corn Microwave – 15 Pack (37.5 oz)	\$20	8:1	Вох	
Cheddar Cheese Corn (7 oz)	\$22	8:1	Bucket	
Jalapeno Cheese Corn (7 oz)	\$22	8:1	Bucket	
Kettle Corn (10 oz)	\$20	8:1	Bucket	
Trail Mix (14oz)	\$20	8:1	Tin	
Maple Pecan (15oz) New	\$25	8:1	Tin	
Peanut Butter Cup (15 oz.)	\$25	8:1	Tin	
Mud Puddles (15 oz.)	\$25	8:1	Tin	
Caramel with Sea Salt (15 oz.)	\$30	8:1	Tin	
Milk Chocolaty Pretzels (15 oz.)	\$30	8:1	Tin	
Double Butter Microwave – 28 Pack (70 oz.)	\$35	1:1	Вох	
Classic Trio (19 oz.)	\$35	1:1	Tin	
Cheese Lovers (20 oz.)	\$45	1:1	Tin	
Chocolate Lovers (55 oz.)	\$55	1:1	Tin	
Military Donation	\$25	1:1		

Show & Sell Sale: You must order product by the case so order amount you know you can sell. **Take Order Sale:** You order product by containers needed.



CHOCOLATE LOVERS

Our Chocolate Lovers tin features 5 sweet treats that you can't resist! Milk Chocolaty Pretzels, White Chocolaty Pretzels, White Ruby, Peanut Butter Cup,

Net Wt. 55 oz. 3 \$55



CHEESE LOVERS

combination that will satisfy any cheese lover's appetite.

Cheddar Cheese, Jalapeño Cheese, Buffalo Ranch, White Cheddar Net Wt. 20 oz. @ \$45 @



CLASSIC TRIO

Everyone's favorite blend of sweet and savory, a snack you won't be able to put down. Mix them together for a Chicago style treat, or enjoy them individually. Caramel Corn, Cheddar Cheese, Natural Net Wt. 19 oz. 3 \$35 @





Bring the taste of the theater home with this buttery popcorn snack. Each package is bursting with twice the buttery flavor. 0 grams of trans fats.

Net Wt. 70 oz. DB \$35 @ @D



MILK CHOCOLATY PRETZELS

If you like sweet and salty flavors, then you'll love these chocolaty covered pretzels! Net Wt. 15 oz. Ø \$30







MUD PUDDLES

A sweet combination of our buttery caramel corn and crushed peanuts coated in rich creamy fudge.

Net Wt. 15 oz. (\$25 @



PEANUT BUTTER CUP

Two great flavors that taste great together. A melt in your mouth combination of milk chocolate and peanut butter.

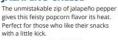
Net Wt. 15 oz. 🔘 \$25 @



MAPLE PECAN NEW!

Caramel corn made with a hint of real maple syrup and pecans. Net Wt. 15 oz. # \$25 @

JALAPEÑO CHEESE



Net Wt. 7 oz. **■** \$22 🚱



CHEDDAR CHEESE

Made with real cheddar cheese. Each freshly popped kernel is a savory blend of cheeses that will keep you coming back for more. Net Wt. 7 oz. • \$22 @



KETTLE CORN

Experience a tasteful treat, sure to satisfy your sweet and salty craving. Net Wt. 10 oz. ★ \$20 @



This flavorful treat has roasted peanuts, raisins, butter toasted peanuts, chocolate candies, sunflower seeds, and almonds. Net Wt. 14 oz. @ \$20



KETTLE CORN MICROWAVE

Experience the combination of the sweet, yet salty flavor of Kettle Corn anytime. 0 grams of trans fats.



BUTTER MICROWAVE (15 PACK)

Take advantage of this convenient way to enjoy a freshly popped taste with a rich butter flavor. 0 grams of trans fats.

Net Wt. 37.5 oz. ⊕ \$20 @ @ D



MORNING BREW NEW!

Beautifully clean medium roast with deep running notes of red wine and chocolate. Net Wt. 7 oz. 0 \$15 @



CLASSIC CARAMEL CORN

Glazed to perfection with real butter and brown sugar to create a flavor to remember, with a crunch you can't forget.

Net Wt. 8 oz. ▲ \$12 @



America's healthiest snack food in a re-sealable Adventure tub! Pops up tender for that fresh popcorn taste you're craving.

Net Wt. 2 lbs ▲ \$12 @ @



MILITARY DONATION

Send the gift of popcorn to our military men and women, their families, and veterans' organizations. The popcorn will be shipped directly and is not available for local delivery.



UNIT COMMISSIONS

PRIZE BROCHURE PROGRAM (option 1)

30% Base Commission – *Prize Brochure Program* - Units who participate in this option will receive a Base Commission of 30% of their total sales. Example: If a unit sells \$1,000 then \$300 will go back to the unit.

BONUS COMMISSIONS – Your unit will receive additional accumulative Bonus Commissions for completion of the following requirements:

- * Participate in Show & Sell and order product by August 26.

 (Minimum \$500 order needed to qualify)
- + 1% * Increase Unit Sales over 2023 by 10% (Example: Unit who sold \$8,000 in 2023 will qualify if they sell \$8,800 in 2024)
- = 32% Total Commission 32% (With PRIZES)

The total commission a unit can earn is **32%** if a unit qualifies for **ALL** the bonus commissions and elects to order popcorn prizes.

STRAIGHT COMMISSION (option 2)

Base Commission - *Straight Commission Only Plan* — Units who participate in this option and elect not to take part in the national prize program (not order prizes) will receive a Base Commission of 34% of their total sales. Please note, all the youth in your unit will still qualify for the council's prize incentives.

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= 36% Total Commission 36% (No PRIZES)

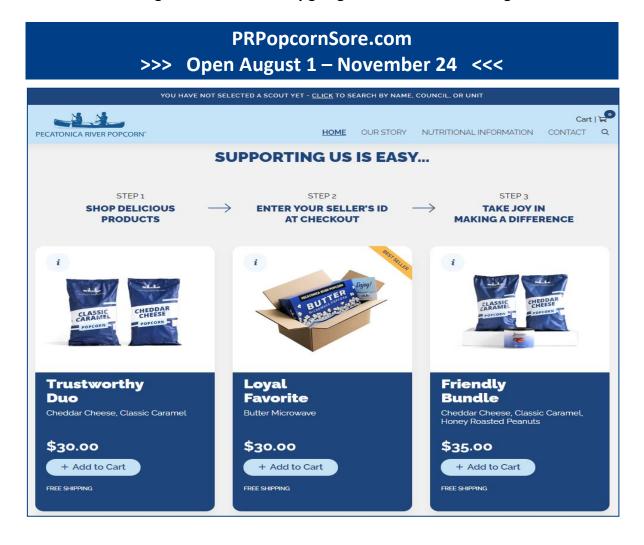
The total commission a unit can earn is **36% if** a unit qualifies for **ALL** the bonus commissions and elects to **NOT** order popcorn prizes.

If your unit elects to do the Straight Commission Only Plan – your unit popcorn kernel must notify the Council no later than September 15, 2024.

ONLINE SALES COMMISSIONS

Increase your profit through internet sales! Pecatonica River Popcorn gives you the ability to sell to relatives and friends via the internet! Reaching sales goals are that much more attainable as you are no longer confined geographically. The product line up is different as the online sale is marketed for the whole country not our individual council.

Customers can order using an emailed link or by going to the site and searching the Scouts name.



Online Sales Notes & Tips

- Units will receive 30% commission for all online sales during. Online sales commissions will be credited toward your unit's final invoice or your units Scout Shop Account (for orders after the sale end).
- **Free Shipping!** No deliveries to worry about. All product ships directly from Pecatonica. Chocolate products will not ship until mid-fall 2024.
- All online sales count toward prize levels.
 - ➤ Prizes through Keller Marketing online sales count only from 9/24 10/20.
 - ➤ Pecatonica Winner's Circle Prizes only online sales count until 11/24 closing date.

POPCORN PRIZE PROGRAM

Prizes earned are based on *individual* Scout sales. No combining of sales with other Scouts. Each Scout is eligible to earn an individual prize of their choice from the sales level they achieve.

Example: Scout sells \$450 worth of popcorn so they can choose <u>one</u> prize from that prize level **OR** they can choose a combination of prizes from lower levels, as long as the total prize value does not exceed the level achieved: Scout chooses <u>one</u> prize from the \$200 level and <u>one</u> prize from the 250 level = \$450 original sales achieved.

Prizes will be shipped directly to the unit. Units will place their prize orders using the website below. **Prizes are released to ship as soon as the unit's final popcorn invoice is paid in full**. Scouts with online sales made between August 1 and October 20, 2024 will also be eligible for prize brochure prizes.

>>> Orders Due October 23, 2024 <<< KellerPrizeProgram.com (Council ID: 627SAM)

Prize Brochure



Prize Tally Sheet

Prize Ordering Website: WWW.kellerprize	program.	com	Council ID: 62	27SAM	
Council Name: Samoset Council		Unit Type: Pack / Troop / Crev (circle one)	v / Post Ur	Unit #	
Council Headquarters City: Weston, WI		Retail Sales Dollars \$			
District Name:	# of Scouts Selling				
Shipping Address		Mailing Address (If Different than SI	hipping Address)		
Name:		Name:			
Street:		Street:			
City: State:	Zip:	City:	State:	Zip:	
Phone:		Email:			
Description Tally/Sco	ut Order	Description	Tally/S	cout Order	
Level 1 0.1 Popcorn Sale Patch		Level 8 - Sell \$850 28 Hydration Pack - 2L	–		
Level 2 - Sell \$75		29 126 Piece Tool Set w/ LED Flan 30 Zing Assorted Bows	shlight & Case		
1 Fire Starter		31 2-Person Waterproof Tent			
		32 Grab Bag G	_		
4 Pop Up Phone Stand/Holder		Level 9 - Sell \$1,000			
- · ·		33 LEGO Batman - Batcycle	_		
Level 3 - Sell \$200 5 Knife/Fork/Spoon Combo w/ Bottle Opener		34 Swiss Army Fieldmaster Knife 35 HEXBUG VEX Axis Motorized			
6 Cinch Backpack w/ BSA® Branding -		35 HEABUG VEX AXIS Motorized I	Kobotic Arm		
Assorted Colors		Level 10 - Sell \$1,500			
7 3-Watt-200 Lumen COB LED Headlamp 8 Watch/Pedometer - Assorted Colors		36 HEXBUG HEXMODS Pro Series	s Elite		
8 Watch/Pedometer - Assorted Colors		37 LEGO Harry Potter Hogwarts N 38 North Face Stalwart Backpack	nagical Irunk		
Level 4 - Sell \$250		oo Hordi i ace olarware backpack	_		
9 Dry Bag - 5 liter - w/ BSA® Branding - Teal		Level 11 - Sell \$2,200			
10 Waboba Fly Pies 6" Silicone Flying Disc 11 4x30 Binoculars		39 LEGO Disney Ariel's Underwat 40 Skull Candy Wireless Bluetoot			
12 Stuffed Animal w/ BSA® Branding - Polar Bear		40 Skull Candy Wireless Bluetoot 41 Foldable Drone	n Earbuds		
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Level 5 - Sell \$350		Level 12 - Sell \$3,000			
13 Zing Air Zooperball 14 Duncan Limelight Yo-Yo		42 Carrera DTM High Speed Show 43 LEGO Technic 2022 Ford GT	rdown		
15 Stainless Steel Knife w/ White Handle &		44 Coleman 4-Person Tent	_		
BSA® Branding			_		
16 Catapult Plane w/ Stickers 17 Grab Bag D		Level 13 - Sell \$4,000 45 Adventure Camp Package			
17 Grab bag b		46 Dart Zone MK3	_		
Level 6 - Sell \$450		47 LEGO Star Wars The Justifier	_		
18 Plus Plus Saturn V Rocket			_		
19 5pc Stainless Steel Mess Kit 20 USB Rechargeable Headlamp w/ Motion		Level 14 - Sell \$5,000 48 LEGO Technic 4X4 Mercedes-	Bonz Zotros		
Activation		Trial Truck	Denie Zeuro		
21 Air Hunterz Zano Bow w/ 2 Zarts		49 Carrera Evolution Supercars	_		
22 Grab Bag E	==	50 Lionel Junction North Pole Ce	ntral		
Laurel 7 Call \$650		LionChief Set w/ Bluetooth	_		
Level 7 - Sell \$650 23 80x80 Binoculars w/ Case		Bonus Prizes for ALL Scouts -	Contact Council		
24 Telescope - 40x Magnification					

^{*}The Prize Tally Sheet is used to keep track of your prizes. Prizes orders must be submitted online.

BONUS PRIZES FOR ALL SCOUTS

Samoset Bonus Prizes

\$600 – Earn a \$30 Camp Certificate for Winter Camp or Summer Camp (2025)

\$1,200 – Earn "Unlimited Slushies at Summer Camp" (2025)

\$3,000 – Pecatonica Winners Circle – Pick a prize for every \$3,000 sold (see below)

Pecatonica Winner's Circle Prizes



UNIT TOP SELLER

The "Top Seller" of popcorn in your unit will earn a limited edition – "Top Unit Seller" patch!

PRODUCT PICKUP

All Popcorn Orders are shipped to specific warehouse locations for pickup. Remember to arrive on the specified date and within the specified time to pick up your units' popcorn. Ensure you have enough space (larger orders may require several vehicles, trucks, or trailers!).

When picking up product the unit is responsible for checking to make sure product pulled matches their unit packing slip. If the driver is unsure, then stop the loading process and recount. Check any damaged cartons at the distribution site to ensure the product is not damaged. If the product is damaged, exchange it before you leave the pickup location. Adjustments may not be made after your unit leaves the warehouse/pick-up location and has signed off on the product count.

If customers notice something wrong or are not satisfied with the product, please refer them to email Pecatonica Customer Care at: pops@prpopcorn.com and they will arrange for replacement product to be sent directly to the customer.

Show and Sell order pickup will be communicated for each order via email.

TAKE ORDER PICKUP – November 8 and 9

Wisconsin Rapids: RCH Enterprises – 61 Love Street, Wisconsin Rapids

Stevens Point: Sentry Insurance (Plover Location) – 2601 Hoover Ave, Plover

Marshfield: T&T Quality Cutting – 104424 Karau Ave, Spencer

Weston: TBD

Merrill: Elite Carriers - N1545 County Rd W, Merrill

PAPERWORK & PAYMENT

Paperwork

The following forms are due to the Samoset Council Office by October 23, 2024.

• **Unit Master Sales Record**—Please make sure all information is complete and legible. An online submission options will be available. This record is used to compile all bonus prizes and ensure your unit is recognized properly.

Payments

- The council will email your unit invoices for popcorn that is ordered for Show & Sell and the Take Order sale.
- The Samoset Council does not cut checks to units for the commission they earn. During the sale Scouts and units collect the entire fee for products sold. The unit then pays their popcorn bill less their earned commission. As an example—if a unit sells \$1,000 in popcorn and qualifies for 30% commission—they would pay their popcorn bill of \$700 (70%) and keep their commission of \$300 (30%).
- **Payments are DUE upon all pickups.** Please bring a <u>single unit check</u> payable to <u>Samoset Council</u> for your popcorn orders. Checks are not cashed until December 2.

SELLING METHODS

Several successful sales methods exist for Scouts to sell popcorn:

Show & Sell (Storefront Sales)

- This method involves coordinating booths at high foot traffic locations throughout your community like storefronts, or sporting events.
- You do not have to go back to deliver the product as the customer pays and takes the product.
- Earn increased commissions by participating in Show & Sell sale.
- Show & Sell sales can be counted toward individual Scout prizes.
- Show & Sell product total can **NOT** be applied as a single amount towards prizes (Example: unit who orders \$5,000 worth of popcorn can **NOT** order one \$5,000 bonus prize as well. Prizes are earned by individual Scouts, NOT units.
- You keep whatever you do not sell for the Take Order sale.

Show & Deliver (Door-to-Door Knocking)

- This is the most effective sales method and involves the Scout soliciting orders at the
 customer's home. This method is preferred for neighbors close to home, parent's coworkers,
 close friends and family.
- Through this method, the order can immediately be fulfilled as product is brought along (in wagon or vehicle). If the desired product is not on hand, an order can be taken with the product being delivered when the order can be fulfilled.

Take Order (Order Form)

- This method involves Scouts collecting orders and writing them on their order form. A Scout turns in the order form to your Units Popcorn Kernel.
- The product is ordered by the unit, and once received, orders are delivered by the Scout's family. It is at unit's discretion whether money is collected up front or upon delivery.
- Many parents/guardians assist their Scout with this process by soliciting orders at places of employment.

Online Sales

- This method works well for Scouts to sell to out-of-town friends and family. It also works well for tech-savvy older Scouts who are familiar with social networking sites like Facebook.
- Scouts set up their account on the Pecatonica Website with parental approval.
- The customer pays securely online, and the product is shipped directly to the consumer. The unit has no involvement in the ordering or shipping process and receives a commission of **up to 30% from all online sales**.

Corporate Sales

• Focus on companies who give out year-end or holiday gifts to employees or customers. Banks, insurance agents, car dealers, doctors, dentists, and realtors are all good examples.

WAYS TO INCREASE YOUR SALE

- 1. HAVE A GOAL. Units and Scouts should have goals. Plan your calendar, find out how much it will cost, figure out how much popcorn you have to sell to cover all of your costs, and sell to that goal.
- 2. Always wear a clean uniform and have a couple of working pens on you at all times.
- 3. Role Play Practice a short sales pitch to help you be more confident.
- 4. Keep your "Take Order" forms from the previous year. This is a good place to start selling the next year. The top sellers in the country use this method.
- 5. Send or give a thank you card to your customers.
- 6. Ask to present at a service club (Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, church, etc.) or chamber of commerce in your area. It is a great way to hit a lot of people at one time.
- 7. When conducting a "Show and Sell", have a display of the activities that your unit plans on doing next year that Scouts use to can show to customers. Customers are more willing to buy if they know what the funds are going to and how it benefits the Scouts.
- 8. Have a bucket at your "Show and Sell" location to collect funds for Military Orders. This way people that do not want to buy popcorn for themselves, but still want to support Scouting can do so at any level. Once you have \$25 in donations, have the unit purchase a military donation.
- 9. Be Organized! Make the sale FUN for the Scouts & families! Don't hesitate to ask your district kernel questions you may have.

SCOUT SAFETY & SELLING TIPS

Safety Tips

- ALWAYS sell with another Scout or with an adult.
- NEVER enter anyone's home.
- NEVER sell after dark unless you're with an adult.
- DON'T carry large amounts of cash.
- ALWAYS walk on the sidewalk and driveway.

Selling Tips

- ALWAYS wear your uniform.
- ALWAYS smile and introduce yourself.
- ALWAYS tell your customers why you are selling popcorn.
- KNOW the different types of popcorn you're selling.
- ALWAYS say "Thank You!"
- ALWAYS make a copy of your order form before you turn it in.

Group - Door to Door Knocking Tips

- Take a den, patrol, or even the whole Scouting Unit out selling popcorn door-to-door.
- Have 2 or 3 youth on each side of the street and leaders following behind in a car. Have the
 youths take turns asking the homeowners to buy two items to help them with their fundraising.
- Start around 9:00 a.m. and finish around noon.
- Each unit is encouraged to meet after the sale for a Rally Party (i.e., roller rink, bowling, indoor pool, McDonalds, etc.).
- Unit may also recognize those youth who sold the most popcorn that day.

Individual – Door to Door Knocking Tips

Encourage families to go out on their own during the sale of knock for popcorn. Here are some proven door to door knocking for popcorn tips:

- Pick a few nights during the sale to knock on doors between 5:30p.m. and 7:00p.m. (more families are home during the weekday evenings than on the weekends).
- Scouts can average between \$100-\$200 in sales each night knocking on doors.
- Stop at houses with cars in the driveway or open garage doors to maximize your efforts.
- Stop at houses with lights on.