

# Orange County Council

## Golden West District Camporee

April 17 – 19, 2026

### GENERAL CAMPOREE INFORMATION

#### What is Camporee?

Join roughly 300 Scouts America youth and adult leaders for a weekend of non-stop fun, patrol competitions, and good cooking.

The Camporee is a patrol-based competition that reinforces leadership and problem solving. Regardless of the event names, Scout's agree that the teamwork, fun, and pride they experience when accomplishing their tasks will stay with them for life.

#### PURPOSE

Camporee is an exciting district-wide event promoting Scout skills and fun. The event is designed to be used by the troops and crews as one means of measuring progress in developing their Scouts. Over the weekend Scouts from many troops and crews join to compete in challenging events, apply leadership skills and engage in fellowship with Scouts outside of their own troop. The most important part of each Camporee is for Scouts and Scouters to have FUN! We design the events to test various Scout Skills and encourage teamwork among the competing cohort. The Goldenwest District Camporee will be staffed by Scouts and Scouters from units throughout the District. This year our Camporee adventure will be led by Dan Moran and Bruce Finnsson.

This camporee will require Scouts to focus on Scout Skills. It is strongly recommended that Scouts practice these skills prior to the camporee, but we welcome all scouts, regardless of skill proficiency. We want them to be introduced to the entire district, see the "bigness" of Scouting, and most of all, have fun. The events focus on Scouting Skills requirements associated with the Trail to First Class, in other words, the basics. The competition will be by Patrol and Campsite Inspection will be by Troop. We hope to have the events staffed as much as possible by our older Scouts with the assistance of adult leaders. The Patrol Method and Youth Leadership are keystones in Scouting.

Camporee will provide competition events for each patrol. Three areas are judged during the course of the event and the ten competitive events are judged during the Saturday competition. All areas will test the patrols' scout skills and patrol teamwork and are founded in the skills taught in the ranks of Scout through First Class.

**Who:** Registered Scouts BSA youth and adults and Webelos/AOL Scouts with an adult partner. This event is primarily designed for Scouts BSA youth to compete with other patrols from their own and other units in the Goldenwest District. We are also inviting Webelo and AOL dens who wish to come participate in the events and campfire to attend if they would like. They are allowed and encouraged to come participate for the day, but it is a day only event for Webelos and AOLs as they are not permitted to camp overnight at this event. A specific event called Camperall is held every October just for Webelos and AOLs where they get to camp for the weekend.

**When:** 4 pm April 17<sup>th</sup> – 10 am April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**Cost:** The cost for campers is \$40 per person, and for Saturday-Only attendees the cost is \$30 per person. The cost is the same for youth or adults, and the price increases on April 4<sup>th</sup> to \$50 per camper and \$40 for Saturday only.

### **Camporee Theme**

Every Camporee has a fun Theme to promote spirit within the Troops. The Camporee theme this year is “**Caveman Olympics**” based on the Winter Olympics and 2028 Summer Olympic events. Units are encouraged to incorporate the theme into their cohort flags and event t-shirts.



## Camporee Location – Firestone Scout Reservation

- 19001 Tonner Canyon Rd, Brea, CA 92821 (Map attached)
- Actual site is more than 3 miles from entry gate and a solid 15-20 minute drive from gate.
- **Camping:** Loma Linda **Events:** Wyote
- Event Map will be forwarded later and posted to the District Camporee webpage.
- Expect that you will be able to drive near to your event site for event setup. The Camporee staff will coordinate a drop off zone for easy access.
- Troop Trailers will be need to be stored within your campsite, not at event sites, with few exceptions. Please plan accordingly.
- **Registration:** The Council registration will be coordinated via Black Pug.
  - As with past Camporee events, please contact the Council Representative, Victor Zuniga, if you encounter any registration challenges.
  - Fees are \$40 for youth or adults
  - **ON April 4<sup>th</sup> the fee will go up to \$50 per youth and adult**
  - **Cutoff Date: April 11<sup>th</sup> (6 days before Camporee)**
- <https://scoutingevent.com/039-GWDCamporee2026>

## Camp Cost

This year's Camporee cost structure is as follows.

**\$40** Scouts attending and camping at the weekend event, even if for a portion.

**\$40** Scouters attending and camping at the weekend event, even if for a portion.

**\$20** Scouts/Scouters *staffing* the weekend event.

**\$35** All individuals attending the event for Saturday day only.



## Camporee Senior Patrol Leaders and Adult Staff:

Senior Patrol Leaders: **Thiessen Fann**

Campfire Youth Coordinator: **Finn Burns**

**Interfaith Worship Service M.C.:** **Thomas Christsen**

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**District Director/Council Liaison:** Victor Zuniga

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To maintain Scout appropriate communication, please copy Mr. Moran when communicating with the SPL. Please, do not contact the SPLs directly. Thank you.

**Check-in:** Units may begin checking in at 4:00 PM Friday evening, absolutely no arrival prior to 3 pm, no check-in after 8:00 pm. Priority Check-in will take place Friday evening between 4 and 7 PM at Camping Headquarters, located to the right side of the entry to Loma Linda Campsite. To check in all units should have ready the Patrol Registration Form, all permission slips, and medical records for all participating campers. Units will also need any fees due for additional campers not registered on Black Pug during online registration. Every effort should be made to arrive as a unit, and check-in must be done as a unit as well **by the Unit Leader**.

#### **Patches:**

Troop 660 has volunteered to spearhead the effort on patches and we will have something along the lines of the logo on the preceding pages.

#### **Participant Records**

**Unit Leaders are responsible** for ensuring any adult attending Camporee has current Youth Protection Training and has completed California's Mandated Reporter Training. All adults camping overnight **must** be registered with BSA as adult leaders.

All units must have the permission slips and medical forms (BSA Med Forms parts A, B1 & B2) for each camper. Be prepared to show them and have them reviewed when checking in. Permission forms are posted on the ScoutingEvent.com website.

#### **Required Paperwork:**

The following paperwork should be prepared for each patrol attending:

- Three copies of the patrol roster form. All patrol members attending will be listed alphabetically by last name. This form can be downloaded on the registration site or print a copy from this packet and fill it out. One copy will be turned in during check-in. One copy should stay with the Scoutmaster and one copy should be with the patrol leader.
- One signed copy of the BSA medical records form for each scout attending the event, in alphabetical order by last name. Medical forms will be kept by the Camp Medic, Mrs. Stacy Byone. **Note: the medical forms require either copies of medical insurance cards or medical insurance company and policy number information on the first page in order to be considered complete.**
- Two copies of the BSA CA Rifle Parental/Legal Guardian Permission Form for each Scout participating in the shooting sports.

### General Event Notes

- Troop campsites will be in designated areas, camping outside these areas is prohibited. There is PLENTY of room, and we will give us much space as possible to each unit. Not all sites will be the same size as the number of campers will vary widely.
- There is currently a fire ban in effect and Troops will be NOT allowed to have campfires of any kind. Only propane stoves are permitted. No charcoal cooking is currently allowed. (This may change based on weather in April. We *may* be able to have charcoal cooking but it *must* be raised off the ground.)
- Please notify the Staff in advance of any of your scouts' special medical needs. We need to be able to recognize any special conditions. Your cooperation could help prevent serious problems.
- **Every Scout and Leader must be currently registered with the Scouting America. There can be no exceptions. Every leader must have completed Safeguarding Youth Training and California's Mandated Reporter Training.**
- Day-Only Adult Visitors and Webelos/AOLs (registered and trained) will be allowed to visit the camporee on Saturday and stay for the campfire for a reduced fee of \$25. They will not, however, be allowed to stay overnight at the camporee or participate in any activities beyond volunteering to help with Troop events.
- Each troop is responsible for the Scouts in that troop.
- Each patrol should have a patrol flag. Specific details about the flag are provided later in the guidebook.

- Take nothing but pictures, leave nothing but footprints. Leave No Trace principles should be followed by everyone in attendance.
- It is strongly suggested that the Scout Handbook and Field Book be used as reference during the event.

**The Scout Oath and Law will govern all participants.**

Camporee regulations are necessary to ensure that every Scout and Leader has not only an enjoyable experience, but a safe one as well. The above list is not intended to be complete but is important and must be agreed upon by the adult and boy leaders of the troop to ensure the safety of all present.

## Patrol Method

The patrol method will be the means of adventure for the weekend. Patrols will be camping, cooking, and competing as individual patrols. The patrol should be led by the patrol leader with no interference from any adults with the exception in circumstances where the immediate health and safety of the campers are a concern. Points will be deducted from the patrol for instances of adult interference. If an adult is witnessed to continue to interfere with the patrol the adult will be asked to provide his or her services elsewhere within camp.

## Adult Leadership

Each troop must provide national BSA policy of 1 adult per 10 scouts (with a minimum of two *adult leaders*) for the duration of Camporee. Both adults must be over 21 years of age, registered with their troop and with current YPT training. *Adult leaders* are there to supervise and ensure scouts are interacting appropriately. The *adult leaders* must camp with the troop. All other adult adults attending the event and camping with the troop must also be registered with the unit and possess current YPT training. The *adult leaders* must be present when Scouts are in camp and need to actively supervise when Scouts are cooking/using stoves. They should have minimal interaction with patrols and allow patrol leaders to provide leadership to Scouts. *Adult leaders* should immediately step in if they see something dangerous or inappropriate (as done in all events.)

Ideally, one adult advisor should accompany each patrol throughout the weekend, but also understand that the layout of the campground and event areas are such that you will likely be able to see your youth at all times. Their primary duty will be to provide loose supervision and to photograph the patrol. Any additional adults will be encouraged to help out on staff throughout the weekend and will camp within the adult area of their Troop's designated campsite. Remember we are here to provide a program for the youth, not to provide a getaway for the adults.

## Garbage and Recyclables

Pack it in, Pack it out...Sustainably. Throughout the weekend each patrol should keep garbage and recyclables separated. ***This is important. We really want to make sure Scouts learn how to recycle on a campout.*** Units should be prepared to haul out all recyclable and non-recyclable garbage created by their patrols in their patrol sites. No trash can be left at Firestone Scout Reservation.

## **Camp Medic**

We will have qualified medical personnel on-site for serious incidents or emergencies, but youth should be encouraged to use their First Aid Skills to address any minor issues that are within their training. Each Troop **must** bring a Troop First Aid kit. Mrs. Stacy Byone will be there Friday through Sunday. Sandy Vo may also volunteer to help out as needed. In the event of an emergency where emergency medical assistance is called (Fire Department), the scout **MUST** be transported off the premises. Any occurrence significant enough to summon medical assistance ends the participation of that Scout or Scouter for the weekend. There is no debate on this matter and parent opinions don't weigh in.

## **Meals**

Troops are responsible for **ALL** meals for the youth and adults in their unit. Patrols should cook, eat, and clean-up as a group. This **includes** Friday evening dinner.

## **Spirit & Event Information**

### **Patrol Flags and Yells**

Each Troop will divide their Scouts into Camporee patrols (ideally but not necessarily the same patrol in their Troop). These Camporee patrols will be encouraged to make a patrol flag and come up with a patrol yell. Patrol names *can* tie into the Camporee Theme, but that is not *required*.

The flags will be judged at the opening ceremony on Saturday morning. There is no specific flag guidelines. It can be the patrol's customary flag, or one incorporating the Camporee theme. The best-looking patrol flag, in the opinion of the youth SPL staff, will win.

### **Camporee Campfire**

Each Unit (and ideally each patrol) should plan on performing an entertaining skit in the Camporee Campfire on Saturday night. While currently fire conditions do not permit us to have a traditional wood fire, we will have a propane fire and a formal campfire hosted by our youth leadership. (Again, weather updates may allow for an actual wood fire, but we will know this in April.) Spirit points will be awarded for participation and for the best skits. We sincerely want this to be a memorable campfire and getting the youth excited about it and participating is paramount to this success. That being said, we will screen skits for quality and all skits are subject to Staff approval.

## Preparation for Camporee:

The primary reasons for holding the Camporee is to test a patrol's Scouting skills, develop teamwork, and increase the level of Scouting Spirit within the Goldenwest District. The following information should be used by Scoutmasters and patrol leaders to prepare the troop/patrols for Camporee:

- Each patrol competing should be the normal scout patrol that has been together during the scouting year. By participating in this method, each patrol can measure how their scouting skills are maintained throughout their individual programs. The SPL and Scoutmaster can then adjust their individual programs to aid in each patrol's scouting skill development. Setting up patrols of all senior scouts specifically for Camporee in order to score high in the competition does not serve the purposes of Camporee and is not highly regarded highly by the judging staff.
- Have patrols design and prepare patrol flags, and yells/song. A patrol's spirit are judged during every event during the competition day and will help Scouts develop the teamwork necessary to do well.
- Have patrols practice construction of camp gadgets (pioneering) and camping set-up in advance. This will aid them during their set-up Friday evening, and be helpful in the campsite inspection competition.
- Make sure patrols understand they should be they should secure all required equipment prior to Camporee so they do not end up without necessary items during set-up.
- Properly label or identify all troop and patrol articles.
- Make sure patrols procure all badges of office, troop numerals, etc. and ensure that they are all properly attached to the Scout uniforms prior to the event.
- Patrols should be "uniform" for Friday's check in. Field uniform shirt is required but patrols can determine if they are all wearing items such as scout shorts, scout pants, scout socks, hats, neckerchiefs, etc. A patrol will be judged on how all members have identical uniform components, not on their adherence to the field uniform, as described in the Scout Handbook.
- Ensure that all canvas goods tents, dining fly, etc. meet the required fire retardant standards.
- Have all patrol information displayed clearly in campsites.
- Make sure patrols understand that they are expected to live up to the Scout Oath, Law, and Motto during the entire Camporee event. Scoutmasters witnessing scouts exhibiting behavior not consistent with the Scout Oath or Law should *observe only* and report to the Headquarters. If such behavior is within the

Scoutmaster's own troop, the Scoutmaster should deal with it directly within their own troop's discipline guidelines.

- **Review the Camporee Code of Conduct with all Scouts attending Camporee.**

### **CODE OF CONDUCT DURING CAMPOREE**

I recognize that my personal conduct and that of all participants attending the Camporee will do much to enhance the image of Scouting. I therefore accept the following Code of Conduct.

- The Scout Oath will be my guide throughout the Camporee.
- I will set a good example by keeping myself neatly dressed and presentable. The Field Uniform will be worn during Friday check-in, Saturday flag ceremony and campfire. During the competition events on Saturday, an Activity Uniform or Patrol/Troop shirt may be worn.
- I expect to attend all scheduled Camporee activities.
- In consideration of the other participants at the Camporee, I agree to be in my tent and remain quiet from lights out to reveille.
- I will be responsible for keeping my tent clean and neat, and will adhere to all Camporee policies and regulations.
- I pledge to do my share to prevent littering and defacing of the Camporee site.
- I agree that no gambling of any kind will be permitted.
- I understand that illegal possession of or use of drugs, alcohol, harmful substances, fireworks and firearms is strictly prohibited. In addition, smoking, vaping, chewing tobacco or any other form of tobacco or herbal usage is strictly prohibited.
- I understand that I will be personally responsible for any loss, breakage or theft of property, which I cause.
- All knives must conform to BSA policy.
- Campsite etiquette will be strictly enforced. Permission must be granted before entering another troop/patrol's campsite and no one is permitted in someone else's campsite when they are not there. Unit leaders will be informed of violations. Camporee judges are permitted to enter sites during inspection periods.

## Arrival at Camporee

Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm



Firestone Scout Reservation  
Loma Linda Campground  
19001 Tonner Canyon Rd  
Brea, CA 92821

From the 57 South, exit Brea Canyon Rd (Exit 13.) Turn right on Brea Canyon Rd and drive south (parallel to freeway) to Tonner Canyon Rd, Turn left and proceed on Tonner Canyon Rd. to Firestone main gate.

Proceed on the main road, following the signs to the Loma Linda campground. It is approximately a 10-minute drive through Firestone to the camping area we will be using. It is all the way at the end of Firestone, straight to the rear of the property, not turning up the hill at any point.

### **Scout Drop-Off:**

At the designated area, about ¼ mile from the camping area, Scouts are dropped off. A Backcountry patrol must have backpacks and carry all gear from this point, (with the exception of a cooking table.) A Frontcountry patrol should carry a day pack containing the 10 Essentials. Along the hike to camp, the patrol will participate in various check-in and inspection stops. This is a scored component of the event. See Appendix 2.

### **Gear Drop Off:**

After Scout drop off, adults will be directed where to drive to the gear drop off area for their Troop. Adults need to unload gear immediately and proceed to the parking area. Cars must be parked backed in as in standard at any scout gathering in case of

emergency egress. Parking permits will be provided for those staying for the weekend. Cars are not allowed to park **for any duration** in the camping area. Patrols will hike to this area and will carry gear into their campsite. Trailers must be driven to the unit's camping area, unhooked, and have wheel chocks placed on all sides of all tires. The tow vehicle must then be driven to the parking area immediately, before the trailer is unloaded. Firestone regulations require all trailers are detached from their tow vehicles while parked on site.

### **Troop campsites, separated by patrol**

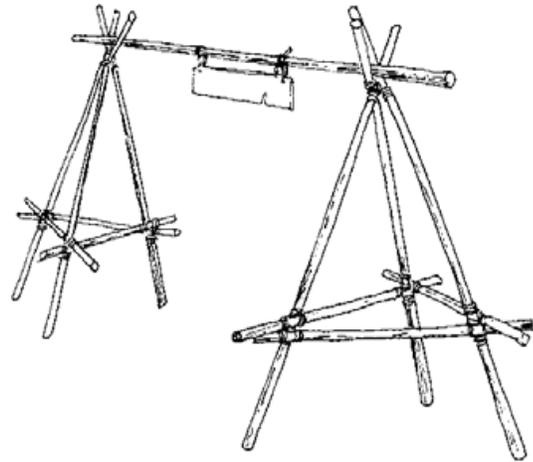
There will be specific camping space available and assigned to each Troop in the location provided to us Firestone Scout Reservation. Troops must camp together in their designated area. If size permits, each patrol will be designated their own area within the campsite. Adults need to mark their tent/camping area so it is not part of the judging. Campsite must be set up in defined area and there is no moving of campsite markers or stakes. ONLY vehicles pulling Unit trailers will be permitted longer than momentarily into the camping area and that will be to drop the trailer. All vehicles must remain in the designated parking area throughout the event. The access road to the camping area needs to be kept free of traffic. The access road shall not be blocked at any time during the event, as emergency access to the camping area must be available at all times.

### **Campsite components and guidelines:**

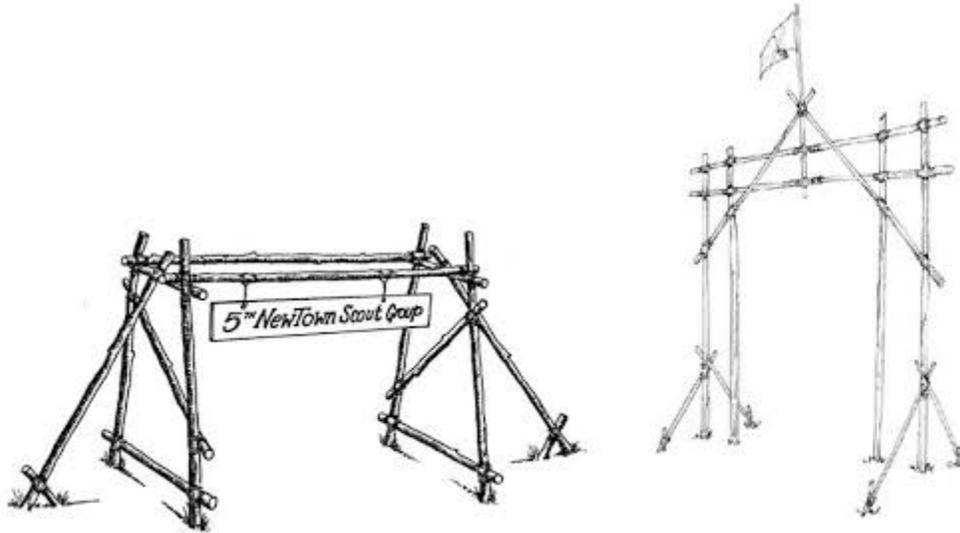
- Each patrol needs to select a campsite format (no roping off of sites):
  - Frontcountry Campsite (car camping): Features of this site are a pioneering camp gadget or identification post/sign, a designated cooking area with patrol box or other organized storage of food and equipment and a tent area. The whole camping site must be organized and clearly delineated between patrols. See scoring sheet for specific components of this type of sight. Appendix 4.
  - Backcountry Campsite (backpacking): This site is designed to be constructed with just what Scouts can bring in backpacks. Some elements of a backcountry site cannot be easily replicated in a Camporee setting but sites will be judged based on how Scouts integrate components of a backcountry site and set up a site as close as possible to an actual backcountry site. See scoring sheet for specific components of this type of site. (A cooking table and items for a pioneering camp gadget may be dropped off and do not have to be backpacked into camp.) Appendix 5.
- Each patrol campsite should be marked with a patrol flag and or patrol sign or plaque. Troops should identify themselves with troop flag and an American flag.

- This is a pack in, pack out event. Troops must supply their own plastic trash bags. Troops are responsible for removing all garbage with them when they depart Camporee.
- Gray water must be disposed of as follows: Each campsite must have at least one 5 gallon bucket with a mesh screen for proper disposal of gray water. When full, the 5 gallon buckets must be dumped into the designated gray water collection site in Loma Linda campsite, which will be identified and centrally located in the camping area. Gray water may not be dumped on the ground or at perimeter of camp/trees. Grease should be cooled and dumped into trash bags - it should not be discarded in the camping field or perimeter/trees. Gray water may not contain food material or trash.
- Water faucets are located throughout Loma Linda and Wyote and are for container/water bottle filling and hand washing only, NO dishwashing, teeth brushing, etc. in this area.
- Troops may use propane stoves for cooking on a table at least 18 inches off the ground. There is no use of propane fire rings anywhere in camp except during the campfire program. Open fires and charcoal are also not permitted currently.
- Troops are strongly encouraged to bring sunshades, tables and chairs, as there are no trees or picnic tables in campsites.
- Remember, this is a competition, and points are awarded for clear layout, organization and identification of areas.
- At least two trained adults must camp with each troop and should be present during all times when Scouts are in the campsite (morning, lunch and evening.)
- During Saturday competition times, **no scouts should be in the camping area**, unless they are approved to retrieve items or other needs by their scoutmaster or camp staff.
- Scouts must always travel in the buddy system.
- Scouts may not use cell phones while at Camporee. There is little or no cell service provider in the camping/competition area. Many troops allow Scouts to access phones during transportation, but phones should be kept in locked cars or other means that troops utilize to ensure Scouts do not have phones during the event. Any Scout seen with a phone will have it confiscated. Any Scout seen with a phone will have it confiscated and it will be returned to their Scoutmaster. Scouts who need to contact parents or have other cell phone needs, must see their Scoutmaster. Scoutmasters may have to drive forward towards Firestone's front gate to gain cell coverage.

- Cooking - Breakfast and Dinner on Saturday will be cooked by each patrol in the camping area. Saturday lunch must be a “trail lunch” and prepared Saturday morning and taken with each Scout when they depart for the competition area. No Scouts are allowed back into camping area until late Saturday afternoon.
- Stoves - When cooking, stove safety rules must be followed according to the Guide to Safe Scouting. Once a stove is hooked up, it may be left assembled for the weekend. BSA-Approved stoves, canister type, butane or propane may be used. All cooking must be done above ground stoves (18” minimum.) Backcountry sites must bring a portable table for cooking which may be dropped off in gear area and does not need to be carried in.
- Portable Restrooms: Scout Male and Female and Adult Male and Female port-o-potties will be available. Scouts are expected to keep these clean and only use the proper one. Any horseplay or Scouts not keeping the portable toilets clean will be reported to their Scoutmaster and potentially have their parents called to come collect them.
- Each Unit is responsible for its own camping equipment. At no time should scouts or leaders walk through another campsite without requesting “permission to enter.”
- **Gateways:** Troops are *highly* encouraged to build Gateways denoting the entrance to their campsite. They can vary from simple to elaborate, but should be obvious to the untrained eye.



A few examples are included below:



## **Check-Out from Camporee**

Firestone front gate opens at 7:00 AM. However, the Camporee gate and Headquarters will not open to cars for pack up until 8:00 AM. Troops are encouraged to begin packing up in the morning and organize gear for pick up. The cars will be allowed to enter the camping area starting at 8:00 AM. For packing, cars/trailers will be allowed on the main road/path in the camping area. Please advise drivers to be EXTRA CAREFUL when driving in and go no faster than walking speed. Parking should be *off* the road near the campsite and allow for vehicles to pass. When exiting, cars must proceed to the end of the camping area, turn left and proceed back to headquarters on the road north of the camping area.

All units may begin departing at 9:00 AM, Sunday, after they have checked out with headquarters and are issued their patches. In order for patches to be issued and a troop to depart, campsite must have no evidence of being camped on. All trash must be picked up and packed out. Please make sure you are out of the campground no later than 10:30 AM.

## **Event Site Assignments**

Proposed Troop Event Sites will be discussed in Zoom meeting to balance needs of events for spacing. We will try to balance the needs of each event in terms of space and access to water, bathrooms, etc.

## **Camporee Competition**

Competition scoring will begin when each patrol checks in and continues until Sunday morning. In addition to how patrols score in the competition areas, at many areas patrols will be scored on their scouting skills, spirit, teamwork, and use of the patrol method as they function during the weekend.

Camporee competition is open to patrols with scouts up to and including Life rank. Eagle Scouts are *discouraged* from competing, but not *prohibited*. Senior Patrols predominantly made-up of Life and Eagle Scouts are encouraged to contact the Camporee Chairman to be on staff so they can share their knowledge and help grow the next generation of Eagle Scouts. All non-competing Senior Patrol Leaders should also contact the Camporee chairpersons to be on staff. Patrols are expected to compete in all events, and points will be awarded based upon the guidelines posted below. Non-participation in an event will result in no points being awarded for that event.

Scout Handbooks are permitted in camp and can also be a reference IN BETWEEN competition events and or for patrol leaders to present a challenge. Scouts must keep

handbooks in daypacks and they MAY NOT be taken out during a competition event. If scouts are seen using a handbook, or cell phone or other device, during a competition event, the score will be a "0" for that event. Camporee can also be a good time for rank advancement sign off. Scouts should work with their patrol leader/adult leaders if they can you use their participation in a competition station for rank advancement sign off.

Four ribbons are issued based on the on a patrol's total points:

- Presidential: 1100-1200 points
- First Award: 1000-1099 points
- Second Award: 800-999 points
- Third Award: 600-799 points

All competition events will be created from the scout handbook. The following events will be part of the overall scoring for the 2025 camporee. Note before leaving a competition station, patrol leader should review scoresheet with station staff to ensure accuracy. Challenges on correctness of questions/test answers should be reviewed at this time with station adult.

### **Outdoor Skills:**

#### **Hike and Check-In = 100 pts**

All patrols will hike into Camporee from the Drop Off area. The Patrol Leader is responsible for checking in the patrol. 10 Essentials should be carried by scouts during entire event and will be checked during hike in.

Scout should wear the official Boy Scout uniform (Field Uniform) shirt and similar pants/shorts (Scout pants/shorts recommended but not mandatory.) All Scouts should be wearing appropriate shoes for a day hike. See Hike In and Check In Scoresheet (Appendix 2) for more details.

Scouts will be judged on their trail manners, their ability to recognize and follow directions and the way they adapt to trail situations and various trail conditions. Patrol judges *may* not be in plain sight of hiking patrols.

#### **Campsite = 100 points**

Patrols will be judged on their campsite organization, cleanliness, and adherence to BSA campsite guidelines, cooking, food storage, cleanliness and other Camporee guidelines listed on the score sheet. Camps may be Frontcountry or Backcountry sites. Each method has a separate scoring sheet worth 100 points. (Appendixes 4 and 5)

## **Cooking and Cleanliness = 100 pts**

Patrols will be judged on their written menu and written duty roster for all meals prepared at Camporee. Additionally, patrols will be judged on equipment storage, food storage, trash storage, cooking area organization and cleanliness. (See Appendix 3)

## **General Event Listing / Descriptions**

Below is a list of general descriptions of the events your Scouts will do. More detailed information to come.

## **Event Volunteers**

Even more so than with previous District Camporee events, ***Troops are needed to volunteer to make this Camporee successful.*** We encourage Troops to honor service hours for their volunteering Scouts. Event volunteers should be prepared to provide oversight to the Troop planned events. Event documentation & scoring methods are due to the adult coordinators by April 4<sup>th</sup>. Event scoring methods will be verified by the SPL and Adult Coordinators. The SPL team will contact the event Council Liaison if there are any questions or concerns regarding how an event is scored.

## **Order of the Arrow Trading Post**

The Order of the Arrow will be running a Trading Post in the Events Area on Saturday during the event. Bring your low denomination currency and your sweet tooth! They will have candy, snacks and beverages of all varieties.

## **Guidelines for Troops on running Events**

Events need to be well-tested and conducted with *consistency*. Troops will be responsible for all items needed to run the event. They will also be responsible to score their own event and provide score sheets to the Camporee staff throughout the day. Assistance can be provided in the development of scoring sheets and criteria. Troops should plan on providing hand sanitizer and any necessary cleaning equipment just as a general precaution.

## **Event Planning**

- Enable the youth to develop and execute an event using E.D.G.E. methodology.
- Establish idea(s)
- Identify Requirements and understand timeline
- Document how the event will be run, including:

- Number of staff needed to run the event smoothly
- Staging area for patrols who are waiting
- Event Layout
- Where staff needed to be stationed
- Scoring methodology
- Equipment needed

## **Competitive Patrol Events**

The competitive events will focus on the scout skills used in Scouting Adventures. Every patrol will get a base score for participating with additional points available for the patrols averaged knowledge of the subject as well as Scout Spirit. Each patrol will have a schedule given to them Saturday Morning at the Opening Flag Ceremony. Each event will be roughly 25 minutes in total length; 5 minutes for introduction and 20 minutes to complete the event. Shooting events will take longer due to mandatory safety instruction. Each event should have the capacity to handle up to 3-5 patrols in each scheduled slot.

**Scoring:** Patrols will be award for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each event based on their scores. In addition, each patrol will receive a Novice, Bronze, Silver, or Gold rating for each event, based on the patrol's overall knowledge of each skill. This rating will be provided to the patrol during Camporee recap for their reference to better themselves as a patrol after camporee.

## **Awards**

Awards will be presented for **overall** First, Second and Third place.

## **Scout Skills:**

### **Battering Ram to the Rescue = 100 pts - Troop 671**

Patrols will be judged on their knowledge of how to use lashings to form a battering ram and crash through gates to rescue their comrades. Teamwork and proper technique are key to this fun event.

### **First Aid events = 200 pts – Troop 657**

Patrols will be judged on their knowledge of BSA First Aid requirements for Tenderfoot through First Class rank advancement. Each scout should have a personal First Aid kit as part of their 10 Essentials and carry it for the duration of

Camporee. The event will focus on complex first aid scenarios as well as practical application of first aid skills (such as a stretcher relay.)

### **Emergency Communication - Troop XXX (Telephone Relay – Emergency Message)**

**Objective:** Patrols must rely on their physical endurance, memory, and communication skills to transport a complex, multi-part message across a long-distance course and relay it back to the original sender. Patrols will be graded on a combination of their overall speed and the exact accuracy of the final message.

### **Knots & Lashings = 100 pts each – Troop 1004**

Patrols will be judged on their knowledge of BSA Knots, their use and how to tie them. Knots to prepare for are: Square, 2 Half Hitches, Sheet Bend, Taut Line Hitch, Bowline, Clove Hitch and Timber Hitch.

### **Lashings Rescue = 100 pts each – Troop 295**

Patrols will be judged on their knowledge of Lashings, their use and how to tie them. Lashings to prepare for are: Tripod, Square, Diagonal, Round, and Shear. Patrols will need to construct a gadget to rescue a scout.

### **Scouting Trivia & Citizenship = 100 pts – Troop 642**

Patrols will be judged on their knowledge of Scouting history and the Citizenship requirements for Tenderfoot through First Class rank advancement in the Scout Handbook. Patrols should also be able to conduct a flag ceremony and how to fold/unfold an American Flag.

### **Camp Tools/Campsite Set-Up = 100 pts – Troop XXX**

Patrols will be judged on their knowledge of campsite and shelter set-up. The event will test the patrol's proficiency and speed at tent, shelter and campsite set-up.

### **Navigation/Communication = 100 pts – Troop 1004**

Patrols will be expected to know the parts of a compass, symbols on a map, how to orient with a compass, measuring distance and how to measure the height of an object from a distance. Patrols may also complete a course using orienteering skills and use Morse Code to communicate a message.

### **Mystery Event (Tug of War) = 100 pts – Troop XXX**

Patrols will demonstrate leadership, teamwork and creative thinking to successfully solve problems. The exact nature of the situation will be revealed to the Patrol at the event.

### **Cooking Event = 100 pts – Troop 660**

Patrols will demonstrate leadership, teamwork and culinary skill to compete in a cooking competition. The exact nature of the challenge will be revealed to the Patrol at the event but rumor has it that it will involve only shelf stable items you may find in an emergency food cache.

### **Fire Building = 100 points – Troop 295**

Weather and fire conditions (and LA County Fire approving) permitting, we will build fires using kindling, tinder and fuel to start a fire with flint & steel. (Spray bottles, twine, 5 minute limit)

### **Rifle shooting & Archery – Troop 007**

These unscored events will count as spirit and participation points only, but we will recognize top marksmen in each event if there are standouts. Please note that there is a fee per shooter for the rifle event. Last time it was \$2 and we are in the process of confirming that it is the same this year.

### **Scoring**

Each patrol will be issued 2 challenge tickets. If they feel an answer to a competition component was not scored correctly, the Patrol Leader may present the challenge ticket to the adult supervising the competition station. All challenges must be based on the Scout Handbook and the Patrol Leader must show in the handbook where information for the challenge is found. The Patrol Leader is expected to demonstrate Scout Spirit and Respect during the challenge and accept the decision of the supervising adult. Only Patrol Leaders may issue challenges. Challenges are not accepted from adults. Incorrect score calculations are *not* subject to challenge ticket use. Errors in calculation should just be brought up to the adult supervising for correction.

### **Attachments**

- BSA Medical Forms
- Shooting Permission Slips
- Firestone Scout Reservation Map
- Campsite Inspection Form

## Schedule of Events *(subject to change)*

### Friday, April 17, 2026

4:00 – 7:00 PM	Unit Check-In & Camp Set Up	Headquarters
4:00 – 9:00 PM	Patrol & Event Site Setup	Troop Campsites
6:00 – 9:00 PM	Patrol Flag Submissions	Headquarters
9:00 – 9:30 PM	SPL/Adviser Meeting	Headquarters
10:00 PM	Lights Out	Loma Linda
10:00 PM – 6:00 AM	Quiet Time	Loma Linda

### Saturday, April 18, 2026

6:00 AM	Reveille	Loma Linda
6:00 – 7:30 AM	Breakfast	Loma Linda
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Opening Assembly	Flag Pole
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Competitive Events	Wyote
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Lunch in competition area	Wyote
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Campfire Auditions	Wyote
1:00 – 4:30 PM	Competitive Events Resume	Wyote
5:00 PM – 6:30 PM	Dinner & Clean-Up	Loma Linda
6:45 PM	OA Serpentine	Loma Linda
7:00 – 9:00 PM	Campfire (and OA Callout)	Wyote
9:00 – 10:00 PM	OA Fellowship	TBD
9:00 – 10:00 PM	Get ready for bed	Loma Linda
10:00 PM	Lights Out	Loma Linda
10:00 PM – 6:30 AM	Quiet Time	Loma Linda

### Sunday, April 19, 2026

6:30 AM	Reveille	Loma Linda
6:30 – 8:00 AM	Breakfast & Clean-Up/Break	Loma Linda
	Camp/Campwide Clean-Up	
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Interfaith Worship Service	Flag Poles
8:00 AM	Scores Published	Headquarters
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Score Tally Issues/Corrections*	Loma Linda
8:00 AM	Campsite open to vehicles for packing	Loma Lina
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Closing & Awards Ceremony	Flag Poles
9:00 – 10:00 AM	Inspection & Check Out	Headquarters

*The Saturday schedule will be reviewed by the SPLs and their staff. Any last-minute revisions to the schedule will be announced at this meeting. \*Any scoring discrepancies should be resolved at the event and this would only be a mathematical error in calculation.*

## Important Web Links

1. Guide to Safe Scouting: <https://www.scouting.org/gss/>
2. Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/039-GWDCamporee2026>



## Firestone Scout Reservation Overhead View – Loma Linda & Wyote



Red circled area is the flagpole/assembly area and where we'll have campfire.