

September 6-8, 2024
GEC Range & Target
Sports Event
BSA Camp Lassen at 21359 Scout Road
Butte Meadows, CA 95942
Emergency only (530) 873-4961
There is no cell service in camp.

Frequently asked questions for participants:

> Are adult participants shooting too?

Answer: Yes, the registered adults are participating in all the events that the youth are doing.

> What is the purpose of this shooting event?

Answer: To help introduce a wide range of fun and safe range & target opportunities for Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, Exploring, and Venturing age scouts and adults.

> How much fun is everyone going to have at this event?

Answer: This event is different than any other event a scout has attended before. There will be 10 rotating different stations to visit during the day. Lunch will be a bag lunch you will make right after breakfast and take with you to eat when you get hungry. Everyone will get a goodie bag and after dinner there will be give-aways, and all will have lots of fun. We have very experienced cooks, and no one went home hungry in 2023. Last two years this event filled in 20 days. This will be our last event like this as Lassen is being sold. Next year will be the Scout Expo and we will have lots of ranges there if everything works out.

▶ What is the age requirement?

Answer: Scouts BSA aged scouts who are registered in a troop, Sea Scouts, or a Venture Crew. Appropriate age guns and events will be offered. Youth **do not** need to have completed their shooting merit badges.

> Can I send my scout alone to this event?

Answer: No... a scout must be registered with a parent or have designated registered scout leader/adults attending the event. (2 deep leadership)

> Are merit badges going to be offered?

Answer: No. Due to the nature of the 45-minute rotating activities, there is not enough time for scouts to quality on the range for a merit badge. We want all 300+ attendees to have an opportunity to experience each range on Saturday.

➤ Why is the event limited to 300 participants?

Answer: 30 people per group x 10 ranges. More people would mean less time on the ranges.

➤ How does my scout get a GEC shooting training card before the event?

Answer: Each shooter must complete a 30-minute training for each range they want to shoot on. (I.E. archery, rifle, Shotgun, and same for the adults & Venturer's that includes pistol training.) To increase the number of trained participants the Range & Target Sports Committee is happy to do the training before the Sept. event to shorten the # of scouts who may need still need training on Friday night Sept 6th. (With 300+ attendees you really want you & your scout to get your training done ahead of time, so your scout can get some rest Friday night and the instructors can do the same after setting up all the ranges that day.) Each participant is required to have on their possession to show to each instructor, if asked. All participants must have their GEC Range & Target Sports training card before they can shoot on a range. We will be monitoring the registration site to see which units need training and will be contacting them for future training dates. Look at the council calendar https://www.gec-bsa.org/events for training dates as they are secured. You can also arrange for your own training with 20+ people at a location of your choice. Contact Dennis.weiss@sbcglobal.net to check on his availability or use another USA Archery & NRA Rifle and Shotgun Instructor to teach the 30-minute trainings. If you have a white training card already you are good to go.

➤ What type of shotgun/rifles will scouts be shooting?

Answer: Age-appropriate shotguns/rifles and archery equipment based on BSA recommendations. (There is no 14-year-old rule in GEC. We have appropriately sized firearms for every Scouts BSA.)

> Can my cub scout/siblings come with me?

Answer: No... this event is for Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts & Venture Scouts. (Because of the type of events we will be offering, they are not authorized for younger youth.)

What equipment do we need to bring?

Answer: You need to bring your camp chair, tent, water bottle, wide brimmed hat, sunscreen, and personal gear. (Each participant will receive his or her own pair of safety glasses and ear protection. You can bring your own favorite pair.) All your meals, snacks and utensils will be provided.

(No food in camp as the local critters love the food you leave in your tent/gear.)

> Can my scout bring their own guns/archery equipment?

Answer: NO.... All guns and archery equipment will be provided by instructors/council where each piece has been inspected for use on their ranges.

➤ What time will the event start?

Answer: Check-in is 4:30pm-9pm on Friday Sept 6 and check-out is by 1pm Sunday. Feed everyone before you register at camp. Chico is a good place to stop for restaurants. When you leave Chico and head up the hill to camp (1/2 hour) there isn't any place to stop. Everyone will receive a great cracker-barrel late Friday night, breakfast, lunch, snacks & dinner on Saturday and Sunday breakfast will be served. Everyone will have plenty of great food to eat.

- ➤ What is a cracker-barrel in scouting? Answer: A light snack is served.
- > Do parents/leaders need to register and what do we receive for our registration fee of \$120.00.

Answer: Yes...Everyone needs to register to receive all your meals, shooting equipment, camping site, prizes, t-shirt, goodie bag, patch, fun nighttime activities and more fun and surprises. Adults also need to be registered BSA members to attend.

We will have 10 stations on an assigned rotation during Saturday: Rifle, shotgun, (pistols for Adults/Venturer'), field archery, action (3D) archery, Popup Archery, La Port archery, pellet guns, black powder guns, air soft guns, and paint ball guns.

We have some awesome and generous vendors who are donating some wonderful prizes that everyone will have a chance to win. (A free ticket for each person is included in your registration).

All participants (youth & adults) must fill out a printed BSA Medical Form AB and bring it with you to check-in, which can be downloaded on the registration site. Youth must also have a signed parent/guardian GEC Range & Target Sports permission slip to shoot firearms. (Even if the parent is with the scout the written form must be turned in at registration-no printed form no shooting, no exceptions.) If a scout/adult has a current medical form ABC they used for summer camp, then this will be accepted. But the C part is not necessary.

- ➤ **If someone has a food allergy.** Please fill out the information on the registration site question box and we will accommodate as much as possible. Email Vickie Ashworth with what you need at vickieashworth@gmail.com
 - > Will I receive information about where our campsite will be assigned, check-in procedures, and equipment list which will include a tent.

Answer: Yes... you will receive an email with instructions two weeks before the event.

Where do I register www.gec-bsa.org go to events tab then calendar, then June 6, 2024

Questions or help with registration call Diane Weiss 209-327-4752 or email diane.weiss@gec-bsa.org or dianeweissnotary@gmail.com

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