



**2024 Fall Camporee**  
**Camp Workcoeman Centennial Celebration**  
**Connecticut Rivers Council**  
**October 11-13, 2024**

# **Welcome to the Fall Centennial Camporee**

## ***“Into the Future”***

The fall camporee coming up this October will conclude our Workcoeman Centennial Celebration as we look ahead to the second century of scouting at Camp Workcoeman. This weekend will feature a wide variety of patrol based activities, focusing on what will move Camp Workcoeman into the future—that being leadership development, teamwork and a focus on traditional outdoor skills in this ever-changing world.

Therefore, throughout the weekend we will be highlighting leadership opportunities for both youth and adults offered through Scouting as the Scouts participate in activities that promote team building, youth leadership and the patrol method. In addition to the patrol activities and competitions, units will prepare their own meals, there will be a ‘Vintage Patch Sale,’ ‘The Great Mac and Cheese Dinner Cook Off for Scoutmasters and a closing campwide campfire. There will also be an Interfaith Religious Service on Sunday Morning.

All participants, youth and adults, will receive a commemorative patch for this event.

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## Registration

There will be a camporee interest form made available to units to indicate their interest in attending this event. This form will be posted to the Camp Workcoeman website and Facebook Page and will help the staff with planning for this event.

All registration for this event will be conducted online through [ctsouting.org](https://ctsouting.org). The cost for this event will be \$15 per person (youth and adult) with registration closing on Monday, October 7th at 11:59pm—no units will be able to register after this deadline.

Please note that this event is open to Scouts BSA Members only, Webelos and Cub Scouts are encouraged to attend either Webelos Woods in September or our Cub Autumn Adventure in November.

## Pre-Camp Meeting

There will be a pre-camp meeting for all Scoutmasters and Senior Patrol Leaders interested in attending this event on Wednesday, September 18th via Zoom Teleconference at 7:00pm. This meeting will review the program for the weekend, discuss help needed from unit leaders, discuss medical forms and related procedures, skills, gear needed and more.

The Zoom Joining Information will be sent to those who respond to the camporee interest form and register online prior to September 18th.

## Campsites & Food

Units will be assigned to campsites by the camporee leadership based on registered attendance. These assignments will be emailed to unit leadership by October 9th. Campsites will feature platforms (no summer camp tents), a fire pit, a flag pole and a latrine. Potable running water is connected and will be running at each campsite for this event. Units must provide their own trash bags and toilet paper. Please realize that your unit will most likely be sharing a campsite with another unit and plan accordingly.

Units are responsible for meals throughout the weekend and for the storage of this food. Units should plan to bring equipment needed to prepare these meals. Breakfast and dinner on Saturday will be prepared in the campsites, lunch on Saturday will be a 'trail lunch,' meaning Scouts will have it with them when they leave the campsite on Saturday morning and eat it during the event.

## **Health Services**

A certified Nurse or EMT will be on site throughout this weekend program. All Scouts and Adults are required to have either the Camp Workcoeman 'Short Term Medical Form' or Parts A, B & D of the traditional health form on file with our health office during this event.

Units are responsible for gathering these medical forms and bringing them to the health services staff on Friday evening. Medications can be dispensed by the health services staff, however; a medication authorization form is required with each medication that will be distributed from the health lodge.

## **Parking & Vehicles**

All parking will be in the main parking lot, there will be no driving to the campsites. Please have Scouts prepare accordingly. Trailers are welcome, however; must be parked in the main parking lot. Those staying in the Nathan Hale Campsite only may park in the small parking lot near the dumpsters as space permits.

## **Trading Post**

The camp trading post will be open throughout the weekend selling refreshments, camp merchandise and BSA uniforms and awards. Scouts are encouraged to bring a nominal amount of money to spend at the trading post if they would like to.

# Program Overview

With the future of Camp Workcoeman dependent on leadership and development and teamwork, Scouts will work in their patrols through a series of patrol based skill activities, all centered on traditional outdoor skills. Scouts may also need to work with peers from other troops and patrols as well.

We will also be promoting leadership development opportunities through Scouting and asking Scouts to reflect on their performance at each station throughout the event. Although points will be awarded at each station then totaled at the end, ultimately, the goal of this event is to promote growth of the patrols and individual scouts.

An overview of each station is as follows:

- 1- Shrinking Glacier-** Open space is at a premium in the future as the population continues to grow. Be able to get your whole patrol onto a teeny tiny space!
- 2- Smoosh Boards-** Be able to move as a team across unfamiliar terrain using an unconventional group mode of travel!
- 3- Pictograph Interpretation-** We need to learn from the past on how to communicate universally!
- 4- Fire by Friction (Fire Starting) –** Can you start a fire without the use of any modern technology? Stations will have the needed equipment and materials.
- 5- Bowline stroll -**How well do you know your patrol? How well can you work “closely” together to overcome challenges? *Skills required: Ability to tie a Bowline around your own waist.*
- 6- Travois Chariots-** Build a Travois and race it! Pioneering woodcraft as a form of transportation! *Skills required: Diagonal and Square lashing (all materials will be supplied at the Station).*
- 7- Orienteering-**In the future we will need to know how to use a map and compass, technology has its limitations!
- 8- Hug a Tree-**Preserving and getting in touch with nature will be Scouting in the future. How observant are you without one of your senses?
- 9- Improvised Shelter-** Your patrol becomes lost with night arriving quickly. Using the patrol method, construct a shelter to spend the night in (all materials will be supplied at the Station).
- 10- Pineapple Toss-**A tarp can be used for many things! Tossing and catching an object, as a team, over an obstacle. You may even have to work with the competition to succeed!

# Specialty Programs

## **Campwide Campfire**

On Saturday evening we will come together to share songs, skits and cheers around the campfire. This event will feature awards presentations and a look ahead to the next century of Scouting at Camp Workcoeman! Troops are encouraged to sign up to take part in what will be an awesome event.

## **Campwide Scavenger Hunt**

Scouts and Scoutmasters will work together to solve some questions that have 'haunted' us for one-hundred years.

## **Interfaith Religious Service**

On Sunday morning at 9:00am there will be an interfaith religious service to promote our collective 'Duty to God.' The readings and morning message will connect with the theme for the camporee 'Into the Future' and be a special way to conclude our weekend together.

## **Scoutmaster Great Mac and Cheese Dinner Cook-off**

Each troop has the chance to select a Scoutmaster (or group) to represent their troop in this cooking contest. What you will need to do is to prepare macaroni and cheese in your campsites, then bring a sampling down to the parade ground pavilion for dinner for judging.

You may include any and all of the following with ground beef, chicken, sausage, bacon, vegetables or extra cheeses—be creative! A variety of awards will be presented as part of this friendly competition. All entries must be prepared at camp and proper sanitation must be followed.

## **Vintage Patch and Uniform Sale**

On Saturday late afternoon Scouts will have the chance to purchase old time Scouting uniforms and patches. These items will be laid out with Scouts having the chance to browse. All proceeds raised will support Camp Workcoeman.

## **Non-Perishable Food Donation Drive**

We will be running a non-perishable food drive on Sunday morning at the camp chapel, with all donations supporting the Friendly Hands Food Bank in Torrington. Units may bring non-perishable items to donate or provide us with any leftover and unopened non-perishable items that you have at this time. A Scout is helpful.

# Weekend Schedule

## Friday, October 11th

6:00-8:00pm: Arrival, Patrol & Medical Check-In– Camp Chapel

8:30-9:00pm: Scoutmaster & Senior Patrol Leader Cracker Barrell–Dining Hall

10:00pm: Taps

## Saturday, October 12th

7:00am: Reveille

7:00-8:00am: Morning Patrol & Medical Check-In– Camp Chapel

8:30am: Opening Flag Ceremony– Parade Ground

9:00-9:30am: Station #1

9:30-10:00am: Station #2

10:00-10:30am: Station #3

10:30-11:00am: Station #4

11:00-11:30am: Station #5

11:30-12:30pm: 'On the Trail' Lunch & Trading Post Time

12:30-1:00pm: Station #6

1:00-1:30pm: Station #7

2:00-2:30pm: Station #8

2:30-3:00pm: Station #9

3:00-3:30pm: Station #10 (Patrol Scorecards due to dining hall after this station)

3:30-5:00pm: Special Event Time

*Campwide Scavenger Hunt Time, Vintage Patch & Uniform Sale (Pavilion),  
Council Fire Ring Demo w/'Hot Dog' (Amphitheater), Trading Post Open*

6:30pm: Scoutmaster 'Mac and Cheese' Cooking Competition Judging

8:00pm: Campwide Campfire—Amphitheater

9:30pm: Scoutmaster & Senior Patrol Leader Roundtable—Dining Hall

10:00pm: Taps

## **Sunday, October 13th**

7:00am: Reveille

9:00am: Interfaith Religious Service—Amphitheater

10:00am: Closing Flag Ceremony— Parade Ground *Non-Perishable Donation Drive in the Chapel*

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **Do I need to fill out a medical form?**

In short, yes, all adults and youth participants must have a medical form turned in to the health services staff. This could be either parts A, B & D of the traditional form or a complete short term medical form.

### **I only have a couple of Scouts interested in participating, can we still come to the camporee?**

Yes, we will simply include your scouts in with scouts from another troop during the patrol competitions.

### **Can we select which campsite to stay in?**

Campsite selections will be made by the camporee leadership, however; requests for certain sites and to stay with particular units will be taken into consideration when making these selections.

### **What do adults do during this event?**

We are asking for adults to help us to coordinate stations throughout the patrol competitions on Saturday. Please sign up through the Google form that will be shared during the pre-camp meeting to indicate your willingness to help. Adults are also encouraged to participate in our 'mac and cheese' cookoff, scavenger hunt and in our campwide campfire.



**Camp Workcoeman Centennial Camporee  
Patrol Roster Check-in Sheet**

Patrol Name	
Unit Number	
Town	
Patrol Leader Name	
Assistant PL Name	
Total Number of Scouts in Patrol including PL & APL	

Each Patrol Member Is responsible for having these Items during the Patrol 'Station' Activities.

1. Day Pack: \_\_\_\_\_

2. First Aid Kit: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Water: \_\_\_\_\_

4. 'Trail' Lunch \_\_\_\_\_

5. Rain Gear \_\_\_\_\_

*Charitable Donation 'Non-Perishable Food Item'  
(Turn in on Sunday morning)*

