

CAMP MATTATUCK

CUB SCOUT RESIDENT CAMP PROGRAM GUIDE



www.CampMattatuck.org/SummerCamp

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Welcome to Camp Mattatuck

Established in 1939, Camp Mattatuck sits on 500 acres of land outside Waterbury, CT. Each summer, Camp Mattatuck runs a Scouts, BSA Resident Camp, Cub Scout Resident Camp, Webelos Resident camp and a Cub Scout Day Camp.

Camp Mattatuck also hosts a variety of seasonal events such as fishing derbies, Klondike derbies, camporees and a Halloween Haunted Woods.

Camp Mattatuck is available year-round for seasonal camping through our cabins, Adirondack shelters and tent sites. We are conveniently located off CT Route 8 in Plymouth, CT, just a few miles north of Waterbury, CT, 90 miles northeast of New York City and 130 miles southwest of Boston, MA.

Camp Mattatuck is part of Connecticut Rivers Council and is supported by the Connecticut Rivers Council through Friends of Scouting donations, solicitation of direct assistance, grants and foundations, the Council endowment funds and the Camp Mattatuck Volunteers.

For more information on Camp Mattatuck, please visit our website at: <http://www.campmattatuck.org/>

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Why Camp Mattatuck

Camp Mattatuck offers something for everyone of all ages. Come on by for an experience unlike any other!

The available activities are unique to the cub scouting experience. Take a hike down to our shooting ranges and try your hand with our BB rifles or bows & arrows with experienced range officers.

For speed, take a walk up the hill and try out our BMX bike course. Stop by Mohawk cabin and try your hand at baking a cake with the ScoutCraft Staff.

Cubs can enjoy row boats on our privately owned, Lake Kenosha. Waterfront staff and lifeguards keep this a safe and fun experience.

Adventurous cubs can visit the Bouldering Wall which is conveniently located near the Climbing Tower. Cubs, leaders and parents can “chill” at the Trading Post with a soda, slushy, or an ice cream and play a game of giant Jenga or Chess on our jumbo-sized boards. The Nature Center is always looking for the biggest fish, so bring your fishing pole and reel in a big one.

The Dining Hall provides scouts with three square meals a day prepared by a Chef and their staff.

Scouts reside in two or four person wall nylon tents set on platforms with bunks and mattresses in one of our campsites.



The Staff

At Mattatuck, we are more than simply a staff, we are a family, composed of individuals whose goal is to deliver the best program Scouting has to offer.

All of us have been involved in Scouting for many years and we want to create meaningful memories for each and every cub scout, family, and leaders that joins us for a summer of fun. Nothing can compare to the environment the Mattatuck Staff creates each and every day.

Best of all, we are always waiting “ ‘Neath the Summit” with open arms, ready to welcome every Scout and visitor into our Mattatuck Family we’ve all grown to know and love.

If you or any Scout you know would like to be a part of the Mattatuck Staff, please visit www.CampMattatuck.org/Staff for more information.



Connecticut Rivers Council Dates and Fees



- June 1st: Early Bird fee of \$450 per Scout due (includes deposit)
- After June 1: Regular fee of \$475 per Scout (includes deposit)
- Discounts for Scouts Encore week \$100 discount. The registration process will require the Scout's other camp/week to be identified. To qualify a scout must have already spent or intend to spend a week in a Scout Camp and the discount applies to a second week at one of the CT Rivers Council-owned camps.
- Mini Week Fee - \$250
- Mini Week Adult Fee - \$60
- Leader Fees. Fees for extra leaders are calculated at \$120 per week.
- Late Fee \$495 if paid after June 15th

Webelos Crossovers & New Scouts

These Scouts are always afforded the lowest possible camp fee rate. Because many Packs don't know what Webelos will be joining their Pack until after the March 15th deposit date, a special registration category will be established for them. This will also include any Scouts who join the Pack as new Scouts between March 15th and the beginning of the Pack's week at camp.

Camperships

The Connecticut Rivers Council will continue to award camperships to Scouts in need of funds to attend camp who might not otherwise do so. The annual campership fund is limited and fluctuates from year to year. Similar to Webelos crossovers and new Scouts, campership Scouts will also be afforded the lowest possible rate to attend camp. The Pack process for paying for these Scouts is to be determined. Application for camperships can be found at:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/ConnecticutRiversCouncil/2022CampershipApplication>

Payments

ALL deposits and subsequent payments for camp MUST be made online through your MyCouncil page on the CRC web site. Payments may be in the form of an E-Check or credit card. There is a credit card convenience fee with credit card payments.

2022 Connecticut Rivers Council Summer Camp Refund Policy

30 Days prior is full refund. Anything between 2 weeks and 30 days is 50% refund. Within 2 weeks of the event refund is at the discretion of the event coordinator or staff advisor. Usually only granted in cases of emergency. Unless otherwise stated. All requests for refund consideration are to be in writing and sent either in the form of a letter or email to:

Connecticut Rivers Council

60 Darlin Street, East Hartford , CT 06108

(860) 913-2700

Alex.Cantor@scouting.org

Medical Forms

Medical Form Checklist

It seems medical forms are by far the largest hurdle for a Pack coming for a week at summer camp. We offer the following suggestions and a checklist for checking forms. Start early! Most Doctors require an appointment for physicals. The more time you give your parents, the better success they will have at this. [Please find the medical forms here:](#)

Everyone must have a physical every year using the new BSA Medical form. Regardless of age, all scouts and adults are required to have a physical every year. This must include the entire week at camp.

Get a Pack Committee member to oversee the whole Medical Form process for your Pack maybe a RN or EMT if you're lucky).

Get medical forms as early as possible to check them. Waiting until Sunday while you're trying to check-in to camp puts a lot of strain on Leaders and Parents.

All medication is turned into the Nurse in pharmacy containers, each with a State medication form. The Nurse will decide what Scouts and Leaders may have with them in the campsite.

Make a copy of these medical forms, camp will not be giving back forms handed in on Sunday (you keep the master, give us the copies).

Let us help

Bring your medical forms on your Tuesday Night Program planning meeting and let us take a quick look.

Check Medical Forms for the following:

- Make sure that everything is filled out, Part A, B, C and D, including the emergency phone numbers. If parents are going away, who can make medical decisions for the child/person?
- Current Parental Signature. Parents must sign every year.
- Immunization record is filled out.
- It must be good for the entire week at camp not just 4 of the 6 days.
- All medication in camp must be on the medication form and signed by both the parent and doctor. Medication must be in a pharmacy container when brought to camp.

To get a copy of the BSA Medical Form Visit www.CampMattatuck.org/SummerCamp and scroll to the bottom of the page.

The image displays a collection of BSA medical forms. The top section shows 'Part A: Informed Consent, Release Agreement, and Authorization' with fields for full name, DOB, and high-adventure base participation. Below this is 'Part B: General Information/Health History', which includes sections for allergies/medications, immunization, and a detailed medical history table. The bottom section shows 'Part C: Plan for Allergic Reactions and Acute Care', which includes a table for allergies and a section for the parent/guardian to sign and provide emergency contact information. The forms are filled out with sample information, including names like 'John Doe' and 'Jane Doe', and dates.

Personal Equipment

MUSTS for a HAPPY WEEK

- Sneakers
- Flashlight w/ extra batteries
- Sleeping Bag or 3 Warm Blankets
- Scout Handbook
- Pillow
- Pencil, Pen, & Pad
- Sheet or Mattress Cover
- Compass
- Merit Badge class work
- Money for the trading post
- Up-to-Date Medical Form/ Prescribed Medication

TOILETRIES:

- Tooth Brush and Paste
- Hand Towels
- Bath Towels
- Wash Cloth
- Comb, Brush and Mirror
- Soap & Shampoo

Some Items may be available for sale at the trading post.

Distractions

Please leave at home radios, comic books, game systems, MP3 players, TVs, etc. Articles such as these tend to detract from the scouting atmosphere that should prevail in a Scout Camp.



Here is a suggested list for scouts. Add any items you feel are important. Each item of clothing should be labeled with name and Pack #.

- Complete Scout Uniform
- Camera
- Comfortable Hiking Shoes
- Insect Repellent
- Extra Shorts or Pants and Shirts
- Musical Instrument
- Daily Change of Underwear and Socks
- Mess Kit and Canteen
- Handkerchiefs
- Bible or Prayer Book
- Swim Suit
- Fishing Tackle
- Raincoat or Poncho
- Sewing Kit
- Pajamas
- Sweater or Jacket

2022 Theme

The Magic of Mattatuck

Week 1: Finding Nemo



Week 2: Lion King

Week 3: Monsters Inc.



Week 4: Toy Story

Week 5: The Great Movie Mashup



Programs by Department

Nature

- ◆ Nature Hike
- ◆ Nature Trail
- ◆ Leave No Trace Awareness
- ◆ Edible Plants & Herbal Teas
- ◆ Fishing Trips



ScoutCraft

- ◆ Fire Building
- ◆ Dutch Oven Cooking
- ◆ Basic Knots
- ◆ Orienteering
- ◆ Flag Etiquette
- ◆ Trial by fire

Wheels

- ◆ Sports and Games
- ◆ BMX
- ◆ RC Cars

“All Adventure”

- ◆ Pack Bouldering
- ◆ Team building games



Shooting Sports

- ◆ Archery Orientations
- ◆ Water Dunk



Waterfront

- ◆ Instructional swimming and boating
- ◆ Polar bear swims
- ◆ Blueberry madness
- ◆ Blob
- ◆ Moby Duck

S.T.E.M.

- ◆ Blacksmithing Demonstrations
- ◆ Improv Games
- ◆ Branding Demonstrations



Nature

Our Nature staff is always on the prowl looking for the next interesting animal, plant, tree, Scout, cloud, piece of bark, or even rock in the woods of Mattatuck. Feel free to visit them at any time throughout the course of your day; they are always open and always willing to share their knowledge. In the *Adventure Call Of The Wild*, *Paws On The Path*, *Fun, Fur & Feathers* and *Webelos Walkout* Scouts will search the woods of Mattatuck in search of different types of Animals, Plants and Bugs “Oh My”. The Nature Trails are open year round. If you feel the urge to reel in the big one, you can borrow fishing poles at the Nature Center, or feel free to bring your own.



ScoutCraft



The Scout-Craft Program area is located at Mohawk Cabin. Here Scouts can learn and participate in many useful Scout Skills ranging from knots/lashings, setting up a tent, fire building, Dutch oven cooking and much more. During the *Adventures Camper* and *Bear Necessities* Scouts will set up the perfect campsite and learn how to tie many useful knots that will help them be “Ahead of the Pack” when they become Boy Scouts. This is also an area where Scouts can live up to Mike Rowe’s saying “A Scout is clean but not afraid to get dirty!”

"All Adventure"

Camp Mattatuck's "All Adventure" department offers a challenge to Scouts looking to get their climb on. The feature of this department is the new 70-foot Bouldering Wall, it is one of a kind and a true spectacle, and it offers a fun challenge to Scouts looking for a rush during their Adventure at their home away from home.



Wheels



In 2022, the Wheels department continues to grow! Expect new and upgraded features at the BMX track, and RC car specialty tracks! Wheels also offers exciting Sports & Games with our Packs. We look forward to riding with you at the Wheels Department this summer!

Shooting Sports

In these program areas, Scouts are instructed on the safety of shooting. A shooting orientation is provided to all Scout's on Sunday night prior to the campfire so everyone can use these areas starting on Monday. On the ranges, Scouts are shown the proper and safe use of shooting sports equipment. The pellet range offers 8 bays for scouts to improve their marksmanship. Hints from our trained staff will certainly improve a Scout's aim. **Scouts and adults are not allowed to bring any kind of bows, arrows, ammunitions or firearm to camp.**



Waterfront

At Camp Mattatuck, our staff sets out every day to instill life skills in your Scouts. At the Waterfront, our goal as a staff is for everyone to be comfortable in and on the water. Our aquatics staff members are rigorously trained to ensure participant safety, learning, and most importantly, fun!

At the swimming side, our staff will seek to match each Scout's ability and comfort levels. For those Scouts just learning to swim, and/or those needing aquatic requirements, our staff is on hand to work with your Scouts.

For boating, our staff guides your Scouts in the use of fixed- and sliding-seat rowboats. During open boat every day from 4-5pm and 6:45-7:30pm, fish from a rowboat. After dinner, your Pack can sign up to come on down and play Moby Duck, Blob or play on the blueberry pads – there is always fun to be had at the Waterfront! At the Waterfront Scouts will complete requirements for the Adventures: Floats and Boats, Spirit of the Water, Salmon Run and Aquanaut.



S.T.E.M.



S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) is a program that brings the cutting edge science and the latest technology to our program.

This department not only helps Scouts explore and enhance their knowledge of the S.T.E.M field, but also allows them to learn useful skills they will need throughout their futures. Scouts who want to be involved with this project or get involved in their own personal projects such as a video game can do so during open workshop in the afternoons and evenings.



We are happy to announce that there will also be morning programs from 9am-12pm. These programs include a Chemistry Instructional where exciting chemical demonstrations will be shown off one evening a week as an open program, Blacksmithing Demonstrations and Improv Games. Make sure that you sign up your Packs at your Program Planning Night!

Dining Hall

Seating arrangements will be assigned to each Pack. A Pack might be assigned to the Nature Pavilion, STEM Pavilion or one of the various tarps surrounding the Dining Hall etc. These assignments and the operation of the dining hall will be covered at the Sunday 4:30pm Unit Leaders meeting. Arrangements for your cookout (menu, supplies) must be made through the Dining Hall steward. The requisition form must be turned into the steward by breakfast Monday so that we can be sure to have everything on hand. Should any Scouts have any dietary restrictions (medical, religious, and allergic), we will accommodate them. During check-in Sunday, they should inform the Camp Nurse of any such restrictions and she will notify the dining hall.



Trading Post

Our Trading post sells the gamut of Camp Mattatuck gear from hats to t-shirts to sweatshirts. You can show your camp pride year round! Sometimes during camp you need an afternoon pick me up in the form of candy, ice cream, soda or maybe even a slushy. Stop by and check out our wares.

Sunday 1 PM– 5 PM, 6:30 - Campfire

Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri. 9 Am– 11Am, 1:00-5:00 6:30-8:00



Typical Day

The morning starts out with reveille at 7:00am, rolling breakfast is 7:30am - 8:40am. Packs will eat in their assigned areas. Flag raising is at 8:45am. During the morning, Packs attend various department-based activities toward adventures including instructional swimming and boating activities.

While Packs are busy doing all the above-mentioned activities, the Camp Commissioner inspects the campsites and rates how clean, neat and safe it is. A Pack's daily goal should be a perfect score of 100. Rolling Lunch is 11am - 1pm, after lunch the fun continues.

Dinner is 5:30pm - 6:45pm with everyone in his or her Class A uniform. Flag lowering will be at 6:50pm. After flags, packs enjoy free time and can do things like open boating, volleyball, the bouldering wall, softball, Frisbee, Pack campfires, etc.

At 9:30pm prayer bell tolls: a time for everyone to remember the 12th point of the scout law and reflect upon their day. At this time scouts should be back in their campsites preparing for quiet hours. All the fun and games will resume bright and early tomorrow.



Once You Arrive

Sunday Afternoon:

Your Pack Guide will bring you on a tour of camp, ending at your campsite. Scouts and leaders will get into their swim trunks and prepare for the check-in process. The camp health team will meet you in your campsite for the medical check-in process. Medical Forms (signed by a doctor and a parent within the last year) and medication will be distributed from a leader to each of their scouts for a medical recheck by the Camp Nurse. **It is mandatory that everyone must have an annual physical and use the BSA Medical Form.** After the medical recheck, it's down to the Waterfront for a boating talk, followed by a swim check.

This swim check covers 100 yards consisting of the following: "Jump into the water feet first, then swim 100 yards continuously in a strong manner, with 75 yards on your chest or side and 25 yards on your back in a resting manner." This check is required for all Scouts and leaders who wish to go in or on the water during the course of the week.

At 4:30 PM the Cub Leader will have meetings with the Camp Director and Program Director, lasting about 30 minutes. They will meet at the dining hall and relocate from there. Rolling dinner is 5:30pm - 6:40pm with everyone in Class A uniform. Packs will eat in their assigned areas. Flag will be at 6:50pm. At 7pm in the amphitheater there will be a campfire sponsored by the staff.



Check-in will be rolling throughout the afternoon, beginning around 11:00 AM and ending around 1:00pm. Packs will be assigned a Camp check-in time. This time will be the exact time the Pack will begin walking down the hill to their campsite. Leaders should collect their Packs and wait for their Pack Guide to arrive.

Important:

The Business Manager will need: An accurate number of Scouts and adults in camp. Any balance must be paid online at www.ctscouting.org.



Weekly Occurrences

Friday Morning

On Friday mornings at camp we have a program called “Open Everything.” This is a chance for Scouts to fit in many of the programs they loved throughout the week.



Quiet Hours & Lights Out

The Grover Memorial Bell will toll 12 times at 9:30 every evening, one for each point of the scout law. During this time we ask that the camp stop and reflect in silence about the 12th point of the law. By now, all scouts should be in their campsites. Taps is sounded at 9:45pm. Quiet hours are 9:45pm until 7:00 AM.

Court of Honor

Friday evening at 7:45pm. This event is where camp and departmental awards, as well as any Pack awards are given out.



Leaving Camp

When the Pack checks-in on Sunday, the leader should hand in a list of any scouts and/or adults that will be coming up or leaving, and what day and time. Camp Mattatuck is very concerned with the safety of the youth in our care. We must insist that when a scout is signed out of camp, a Pack leader is present with the scout in the camp office so the staff sees that the Pack is aware that the scout is leaving and to help verify who is picking up the scout. Also, the person picking the scout up may be asked to present a picture form of ID. Please let parents know about this policy so that nobody is surprised by it or the time it may take. After all, it is for the safety of the scouts.



Checkout

Pickup is at Camp Mattatuck at 5pm Friday evening. When a Pack knows all of its Scouts have a ride home, the Pack Leader must sign-out the Pack at the office, so we know you have left. If a mini week; Packs will check out and parents/guardians should pick up Wednesday evening at 7pm.

Campfires

Sunday Night Campfire

The Sunday night fire will be at 7pm. This fire is designed to introduce the Scouts to the Camp Mattatuck Staff. The Songs, Skits, and Cheers will be performed by our Staff. Each department will also have an opportunity to introduce themselves to you. At the end, our Camp Director reminds us that we are all Scouts, shares some words of wisdom for our week, and reminds us to be reverent and respectful.

Pack Campfires

At each site there is an area provided for Pack campfires. For any Pack campfire our staff is always willing to visit your site and join in with your program once invited. It is our hope that scouts will cherish the times spent in the company of good friends. We encourage Pack campfires on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday nights.



Friday Parents Night

FRIDAY night is parent's night. We ask that visitors and parents only come up on Friday night. Parents are invited to come up any time after 4:30pm. Picnic tables are available in the Picnic Grove on a first come-first serve basis where Scouts can eat with their parents. We also have a cook out dinner that will be served from 4:30pm to 7pm on the front porch of the dining hall for \$10 a head. There will be a court of honor/flag lowering at 7:30pm. Scouts and leaders who are attending Camp for the week are already included. Afterward at 8:00pm, there will be some type of campfire experience. Come up and join in on the fun, singing, cheers, stunts, and skits. You never know what lunacy the scouts and staff might be up to.



Health Lodge

Health Lodge:

Camp Mattatuck's Health Lodge is covered 24 hours a day by a registered nurse. If a scout or adult has to take medication during camp, the Nurse must dispense it (State of CT rules for youth camps). All medication for scouts and adults is to be checked in during the medical recheck on Sunday. The Nurse will dispense all medication in camp.

Immediately after meals is the normal time for routine medical problems, giving out medication or changing a bandage. If a scout is seriously injured, send two messengers to the health lodge and aid will be sent to you. If during the evening a person should need to go the health lodge, remember the buddy system. The escorts should at least be older scouts, preferably adults. Just in case the scout stays at the health Lodge for the night, there are still buddies for the walk back to the site.



Medication in Camp:

The CT Department of Public Health is very stringent with what campers may and may not have in their possession while at camp. All prescription medications must be in original pharmacy containers labeled with name of patient, date prescription was filled, pharmacy phone number, name of medication, dosage and schedule for taking, prescribing doctor and expiration date of medicine.

This is especially important for controlled drugs like Ritalin and mood-changing drugs like Prozac. NO MEDICATION is allowed in zip-lock bags or little jars or envelopes with the scouts name and "take yellow pill once a day" labeled on it. This is for prescription and over-the-counter drugs alike. Cub Leaders should also have a dosage schedule for each scout so that they can remind the scout to take their medicine.

Pharmacists are very good about making a labeled pill bottle for parents who prefer to send only what is needed for the camp period - both over-the-counter and prescription drugs.

State regulations require that no prescription or non-prescription medication be administered without current, annual, written, parent and MD permission. Parent permission and other state-required information such as allergies, side effects, and start/stop dates must be obtained for each medication. Please fill out a separate State of CT form for each medication taken at camp; it is similar to those used by most schools.

We ask that those with serious allergies requiring emergency medications have an action plan completed by their physician. Most allergists are familiar with these plans. If the doctor does not have a standard form for this purpose, a sample can be downloaded from the above website also. It must contain the MD and parent permissions mentioned above.

Pack Leaders may have first-aid kits at the campsites but the nurse, with no exceptions, MUST see all injuries.

Cub Leader Information



Adult Leader Training

- ♦ Safe Swim Defense
- ♦ Safety Afloat
- ♦ Climb On Safely
- ♦ Trek Safely
- ♦ Leave No Trace Awareness
- ♦ Aquatic Supervision, Swimming and Rescue
- ♦ Aquatic Supervision, Paddle Craft Safety
- ♦ IOLS

IOLS Training Schedule

Monday - ScoutCraft 2pm-3:30pm
(ScoutCraft)

Tuesday - First Aid 2pm-3pm (Picnic
Grove)

Wednesday - Nature 10am-11am
(Nature Center)

Thursday - ScoutCraft 2pm-3:30pm
(ScoutCraft)

Friday - "All Adventure" 2pm-3pm
(Climbing Tower)

Pack Leadership

Packs in camp must be under the supervision of their adult leaders and must have at least two leaders in camp at all times. One leader must be at least 21 years of age, the other at least 18, both approved by the Pack's Chartering Organization. Although we know it is difficult for an adult to take a week to come to camp, to do otherwise is tough on the Scouts. We must ensure that each Scout has a quality experience. That happens only when a full time leader is there. When a Pack has rotating leadership, the Pack suffers and new leaders don't know what to expect.

Mail

Mail is delivered every day to camp (usually in the afternoon). Pack Leaders may check anytime.

The mailing address is:

(Scout's name)

"The Den Campsite", Pack ###

Camp Mattatuck

221 Mt. Tobe Road

Plymouth CT. 06782

Pack Equipment

Suggestions for Pack Equipment

- _ Propane Lanterns for site and latrine
- _ Small Tents if scouts need camping requirements
- _ Pack Records
- _ Pack Flag
- _ Poles for lashings and gateways
- _ Rope and Cord
- _ Cubmasters Handbook
- _ Pack Library (check for needed merit badge updates)
- _ Cooking Equipment (especially if you're doing any cooking-out)
- _ Other Equipment as needed, remember "Be Prepared"



Restrictions

There are certain things not allowed at Camp for the health and safety of everybody, including:

- No pets (This includes check-in)
- No alcohol or drugs
- No mini-bikes or personal bicycles
- No smoking in front of scouts
- No personal firearms, ammunition
- No personal archery equipment
- No fireworks

Youth Protection

For adults, Youth Protection Training is offered on-line by the National Council any time year round. Access it through your "My Scouting" account. Please take this training at home so that you can spend time at camp doing all the great outdoor activities that Camp Mattatuck has to offer.

Administrative Details

Sunday Morning Vehicles In

Sunday Morning Pack leaders will have an opportunity to “Move-In”. From 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM on Sunday morning, Pack leaders may bring in a vehicle or two to the campsite with equipment to support their week at camp. There is a maximum of two vehicles at a time at the site. If you have more than 2 vehicles, then you can rotate them, after one leaves the campsite and returns to the parking lot then another can go in to the site. For obvious safety reasons, we cannot allow your scouts to walk on the camp road at this time. The adults may have sons with them, that’s OK but they must be with the adult at all times. No one is allowed to ride in the bed of a pickup or trailer (1 person per seat belt).

All vehicles must be back to the parking lot no later than 12:00pm. Drive out slowly, even when you get to the paved road in front of the office. We must have all vehicles off the roads when the scouts start going to their campsites. If a Pack has a trailer they wish to have in the campsite for the week, check with the Camp Director. For Friday checkout, vehicles will be allowed on the roads from 6:00 -7:30am and from 8:00-8:15am. All safety rules still apply.

This courtesy has been extended to allow leaders to move in and setup unit equipment prior to the scouts’ arrival. This does not mean the entire unit arrives earlier or moves in.



Emergencies

If a serious problem occurs outside camp and a scout or adult needs to be reached, the Camp Office should be called. The number is (860) 283-9577 and a message will be given to the person when they are located.

When you arrive at camp, you will receive information in the use of the Pack fireguard plan and the various Emergency Procedures used at camp. At all times Cub Leaders are expected to maintain control of scouts. The Camp Director must be notified immediately of any emergency. Go to the Camp Office or the Health Lodge to do so.

Thursday Night Program Planning Meeting

There is a pre-camp planning meeting held at Camp Mattatuck at 7:30PM the Thursday night before your Packs week.

It is very important that your Pack leaders are there to plan your Pack's program week so that our staff is prepared for your arrival.

You should bring the following to the pre-camp meeting with you:

- Completed medical forms for our Nurse to review (you'll get them back that night)
- Special needs for participants (diets, activities, medical needs, etc.)
- Scouting spirit, excitement, and a list of what you'd like to do



Mattatuck Volunteers



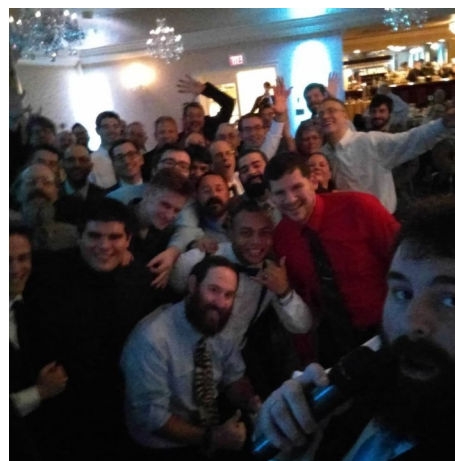
The Mattatuck Volunteers were formed in 1981 as a result of discussions we had at an Order of the Arrow weekend. There were a good number of adults there that weekend, and we decided to form our own organization for the following reasons:

- We were concerned that if there was too much adult involvement on the O.A. weekends the boys would lose leadership opportunities.
- We wanted to work on more advanced projects
- We wanted to raise funds for those projects.

A similar group in the Quinnipiac Council was used as a model. They offered camp scholarships to boys. We adopted this idea at first but lost interest after the first year. Our first Chairman was Stanley Abromaitis, who served from October 1981 to January 1982. Barney Surprenant took over from there and capably led the group until his death in January, 1999.

Our first project was an ambitious one, the camp amphitheater. Originally built in 1955 with benches raised on wooden posts, over the years the benches had been reduced to simple oak slabs lying on the ground, providing uncomfortable seats for parents and Scouts. With financial and other support from the Waterbury Rotary Club the Volunteers spent numerous weekends in 1982 and 1983 digging holes, pouring cement, and building the raised benches we have today.

Numerous smaller projects followed. We also have funded purchases not included in the camp budget.



Camp Mattatuck Gala

The Camp Mattatuck Gala continues to support the Mattatuck Volunteers and their mission to continually improve Camp Mattatuck for future generations. Your support of this event goes directly to Camp Mattatuck. There will be a cocktail hour, dinner, open bar, dancing, and a silent auction!

Visit www.CampMattatuck.org/Gala



In Closing

Final Note:

The Program Guide is the first step towards an amazing Camp Mattatuck experience. Looking at what awaits us this summer, this first step is a big one! Whether attending Day Camp or Resident Camp, every Scout that attends Camp Mattatuck is sure to have an amazing experience they've never had before. Scout Camp is a very important first step into the world of Scouting for all Scouts. It is also a good first step in becoming a great citizen of this world. The Scouts that go to Camp Mattatuck are left with amazing memories and skills that last a lifetime. Together we will setup the future of Scouting, and this world for success. Plus have a lot of fun doing it! We are stronger when we #ScoutOn together! See you there!

Yours in Scouting

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