

**2025 FALL CAMPOREE
THANKSGIVING THEME
CAMP STRANG
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For the Scout Masters and Senior Patrol Leaders:

Units that get the Station sheet in by the September 9th Roundtable will receive the 5 pt bonus for each of their patrols in attendance. The sooner we collect station sheets from the units the sooner we can pass them out to the units to practice with.

The Pre Camporee paperwork should be shared with Scout Masters and the SPL/ Patrol Leaders who will be attending this event to make sure they are prepared.

SPLs for the Spring Camporee will be: Troop 1, 3, and 101. Spls for the weekend are responsible for making sure the shower house and Pootatuck latrine is clean and orderly. If either needs to be cleaned, it gets cleaned so everyone can continue to use it for that event and others going forward. They also raise the flag at opening ceremony.

All stations should be able to accommodate up to 3 patrols at one time

Stations should be set up to take each patrol between 20 and 30 minutes to complete.

Morning score sheets should only be used to score patrols who show up to stations in the morning.

Please mark patrols who show up in the morning on the side but not in the scoring area on the afternoon sheet. Please keep afternoon scores for those patrols who come in the afternoon, on the afternoon score sheet.

Scout/ Webelos Patrols should be finished with any shooting station by 3:00 pm.

Campsite inspections will be conducted for up to 5 additional points.

Gateways will be judged based on theme and overall creativity for placement, first thru third.

Toilet paper will not be provided at the shower house. All units will be responsible for bringing their own for the duration of the weekend.

*****Any Scout caught on the roof of a building in camp will be immediately removed from the event and sent home, with further action to follow. *****

*****Be Aware*** The Paugasset Campsite and all trails through it are closed.**

*****Be Bear Aware*** Keep all smellable items out of tents and locked in a vehicle or trailer.**

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- DATE:** Friday – Sunday, October 17 – October 19, 2025
- PLACE:** Edmund. D Strang Scout Reservation, Goshen, CT
- REGISTRATION:** There will be a 5-point bonus for each patrol registered by the early registration deadline. Registration is being run thru Black Pug. Here is the link: <https://scoutingevent.com/069-104198-240835> or by visiting the calendar tab on the council website.
- TRAINING:** The Council Training Committee is requesting that all units provide names of leaders who will be in attendance that have completed Hazardous Weather Training, current YPT or the Safeguarding Youth Training, and a minimum of 2 leaders who have completed their S-11 training to be a Scoutmaster and for Cub Scouts Baloo.
- FEES:** The total fee for all participants on the registration must be paid by this time. Please be sure that the **forms are completed** with the **troop number, patrol names, and names of scouts and leaders attending**. We use this information to prepare the paperwork, patches, and ribbons for the event. The Fee for the Spring Camporee is **\$20.00 per participant** (each scout, adult, and parent attending). **Registration should be completed online by 12:00 pm on Friday October 10th, 2025.**
- CRACKER-BARREL:** Each unit will be responsible for providing the refreshments at the Friday night SPL and Leader's meeting. It will go in numerical order of units. **This Fall Camporee will be Troop 51.** Questions about what should be provided can be directed to the activities committee.
- VISITORS:** Visitors are welcomed and encouraged. Please check-in with someone on the Activities Committee to inform them you are in Camp. Dress for the weather and have a good time.
- SMOKING:** All scouting activities are non-smoking events. Please do not smoke in front of the Scouts.
- WATER:** Water will be available at the water building at the center of the camporee field. Water will not be available at the well head next to the pine tree in the parking lot near the training center.
- LATRINES:** The latrines will be open for use all weekend along with the shower house. Please do not dig pits or use the woods. **Units should bring their own toilet paper; it will not be provided.**
- UNIFORMS:** Scouts/ Leaders are encouraged to wear their uniforms during the Saturday religious services and the closing ceremony on Sunday.
- Church Services:** If a Priest is available to conduct a Catholic mass it will be held in the camporee field by the Flag pole and scouts/leaders should bring lawn chairs to sit in attendance. The nondenominational service will be at the Rifle range.

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Program Notes and Information

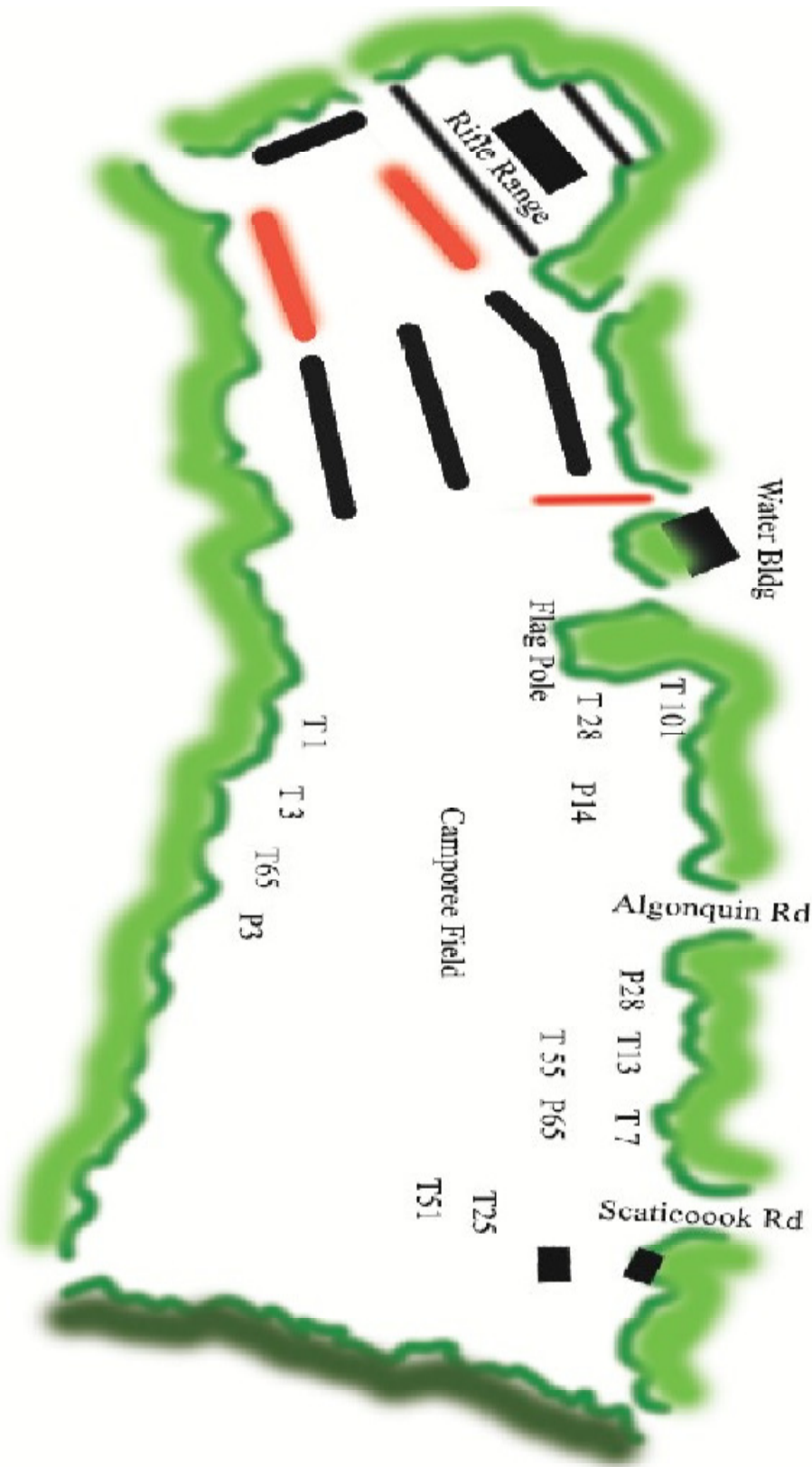
- STATIONS:** Stations are expected to accommodate 3 patrols at a time to prevent backups so that stations can be completed timely. If a station is backed up and knows another station is not advise scouts to proceed to another station to keep things moving in a timely manner.
- JUDGES:** Adults serving as judges at the stations or elsewhere at the Camporee have the final say for scoring.
- SCORING:** The points awarded at each station will be left to the discretion of the individual judges. Each station will have either a maximum of 10 points and a bonus or a timed score.
- AWARDS:** There will be participation ribbons for all patrols who participate, as well as ribbons for the placement of the top 9 Scout and Webelos patrols. Stations Masters will also be given a ribbon for helping host a station. Patches will be given to all registered participants.
- CAMPSITES:** Units will be camping in assigned site for this event based on what their SPL picked last Spring at the SPLs meeting. A map is attached for locations, please make sure that parents are aware that your location has changed from what it normally is. Cars are to be removed from the site except for the one that was/is attached to the unit trailer. See map for Parking location. If cars are left in site, points will be deducted from final scoring. Sites that the SPLs chose in the Fall will be used at the Fall 2025 Camporee. These will be laid out prior to arrival at the camporee.
- CAMPSITE INSPECTION:** Campsite judging is designed to teach the Scouts the fundamentals of good patrol camping habits. This includes safety, comfort, cooking skills, health, and sanitation. A campsite inspection form is attached.
- REVEILLE/TAPS:** Reveille is at **7:00 AM** and Taps is at **10:00 PM**. Please be considerate of other units and keep Scouts in your troop in the camp site and quiet before reveille and after taps.
- First Aid/ Injuries:** Report all injuries to the nurse at Headquarters (training center). If at all in doubt, **DO NOT MOVE THE INJURED PERSON**. Come immediately to Headquarters so that First Aid Trained Personnel can be sent to the scene.
- WEATHER:** The FALL CAMPOREE will be held rain or shine. If the weather is so bad the event must be cancelled no make-up date will be scheduled.
- CLOTHING:** There is a 99% chance the weather will to do something. Please dress appropriately for the weather. If not properly dressed scouts will be sent home.

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OTHER INFORMATION

- EQUIPMENT:** Coolers and patrol boxes are recommended. All liquid fuel stoves must meet Scout standards and fuel must be stored and handled in a safe manner under adult supervision. Each cooking area must have a chemical fire extinguisher and first aid kit easily accessible in case of an emergency. There must also be 2 water buckets per fire ring.
- PARKING:** The Housatonic Council would like its participants to park cars in designated areas away from the campsites. **The only exception is the vehicle hauling the unit trailers.**
- FIRES:** All firewood should be gathered from the woods (there is plenty). Do not cut any standing trees. Holes dug for firepits must be filled in and any rocks used to outline a fire pit must be returned to the ground or the woods. **(NOT just along the edge of the grass but well into the woods).**
- PETS:** **Please leave your pets at home.** They pose a possible liability to both you and the Housatonic Council.
- CHECK-OUT:** Units are dismissed after the closing ceremony. Unit camping locations must be inspected to assure that rocks, poles, tent pegs and trash are removed from the vicinity.

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ONLY THE CAR PULLING THE TRAILER WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE CAMPSITE. ALL OTHER CARS ARE TO BE PARKED IN THE DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS.

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SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

(Times are subject to change and weather)

Friday:

8:15 PM	SPLs meeting at the rifle range
8:45 PM	Cracker-Barell hosted by Troop 28
9:00 PM	Scoutmasters meeting at the rifle range
10:00 PM	Taps, lights out

Saturday:

7:00 AM	Reveille
7:15-8:30 AM	Breakfast
8:45 AM	Opening ceremony
9:00-12:00 PM	Morning Stations, Station masters turn in morning score sheets
12:00-12:50 PM	Lunch
1:00-4:00 PM	Afternoon Stations
4:00 PM	Station masters turn in afternoon score sheets
5:00-6:45 PM	Dinner in Campsites
7:00-7:30 PM	Church Services – Catholic mass at flagpole in Camporee Field / NDS at the Rifle range
7:45-8:30 PM	Campfire in Camporee field
10:00 PM	Taps, lights out

Sunday:

7:00 AM	Reveille
7:15-9:00 AM	Breakfast, Site cleanup
9:15-10:00 AM	Closing ceremony
10:00AM	Leave for home

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Campsite Inspection

SHELTER AND TENT PLACEMENT (5 points total)

- Tents properly erected; neat and orderly. **SPLS**, and **Scout Master Tents** clearly defined.
- Cover for dining facilities properly erected; securely anchored, provides for run-off of rain.

FIRE, WOOD, AND TOOLS (5 points total)

- Fire location is a safe distance from tents and adequately contained.
- Adequate fire buckets and/or other firefighting equipment available.
- Firewood protected from rain and dampness. Not located inside the axe yard.
- Axe yard specifically located and adequately marked off. (min.1Troop)

HEALTH AND SAFETY (5 points total)

- Campsite is neat
 - Personal equipment neat and stored properly. (Uniform by patrol)
 - First Aid Kit is adequate and visible for all to see
 - Garbage adequately stored and disposed
 - Food adequately protected from contamination and spoilage.
 - Cooking equipment stored off ground and clean.
- Dish washing station is defined and cleaning practices result in clean pots, plates, etc.
- Clean water is available for drinking and cleaning

GENERAL CAMPSITE (5 points total)

- U.S. and troop flags properly displayed.
- Campsite improvements/campcraft. Created with natural materials for a site gateway, dish drying rack, etc.
- No evidence of a grease pit
- Camp chairs are neat and personal gear stowed. Cooking, cleaning, and camping areas are all clearly defined.
- No cars parked in the campsite other than the one connected to the trailer

PATROL ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION (5 points total)

- Evidence of separate patrol sites.
- Scout meals prepared by patrols, not by adults.
- Patrol menu posted in patrol site and kept dry.
- Patrol duty roster posted in patrol site and kept dry.
- Patrol gear kept neat and orderly, general appearance is clean.

TOTAL POINTS (25)

Points to be given on a sliding scale...

(1-5 pts total receives 1 point for inspection) (6-10 pts total receives 2 points)

(11-15 points total receives 3 points) (16-20 points total receives 4 points)

(21-25 points total receives 5 points)

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Gateway Inspection

Gateways (Ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd based on judges' assessment of gateways)

- Evidence of Camporee theme using thought, ingenuity, and creativity.
- No rocks are used.
- Clearly defines campsite for the unit.
- Safely established from the core of the campsite.
- Knots, lashings, and other scouting knowledge is demonstrated properly and in a safe manner.

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Incident Information Report

(Events or allegations of injury, illness, or property damage including employment and directors and officers issues)

Incident date: _____ Time: _____

Reporting date: _____ Time: _____

Council/BSA location: _____ ☐ Leader ☐ Parent ☐ Other: _____

Reporting person: _____

Location of incident: _____

Specific area where incident occurred:

Cause of incident:

Program/event/adventure code: _____

Did the incident occur while transporting to/from an activity? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Comments:

Individuals Involved (Duplicate if Needed)

Name: _____
First Middle Last

Address: _____
City State Zip

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____ Work phone: _____

DOB: _____ Age: _____ Unit No.: _____ Council: _____

Scouting role: _____

Type of injury or property damage: _____ Injured body part: _____

Was medical treatment given at scene? ☐ Yes ☐ No Type: _____

Medical disposition (transported to hospital, etc.): _____

Return this completed form to your council's designated user for entry into RiskConsole via MyBSA Incident Entry.

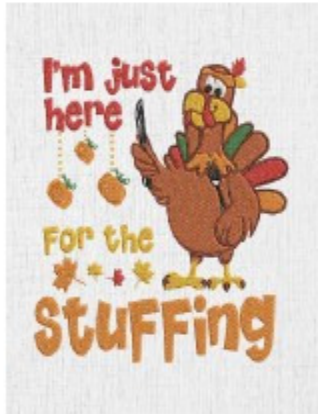


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	<i>Station</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Location</i>
1.	Animal Tracking	Tracking animal prints and scat	Tierney Building
2.	Table Etiquette	Do you know how to set the table?	Dining Hall
3.	Log Saw	Can you cut the cookies?	
4.	Stuffing the Turkey	Collect as many items to make stuffing	Bassett Building
5.	Apple Picking	Lash a ladder to reach the apple	Tierney Lean-toos
6.	Shelter Building	Build a shelter from shipwreck materials	Scaticook
7.	Indian Popcorn	Build a fire to pop your popcorn	Algonquin
8.	Archery	Make an arrow and hit the target	Camporee Field
9.	Turkey Toss	Throw the turkey to determine how much time you get to start your fire	Mohawk
10.	Radio on the Air	Jaboree on the air. Talk to scouts around the country for bonus points	Camporee Field near Rifle Range
11.	Make the Turkey Fly	Shoot your gun and clear the turkeys from your corn field	Rifle Range

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Troop 1
Turkey Stuffing



Thinking about Thanksgiving without a fully dressed Turkey is not a real feast. Working towards that goal, your patrol will be given a bag and some fixin's. It is your job to stuff the bag with as many (if not all of the fixin's provided.) This event will be timed and all materials will be provided.

Scoring:

Patrol/Den Flag	1 point
Scout cheer and spirit	1 point
Filling the bag	3-6 points
Compass point or knot skill	1 point
Bonus Trivia Question	1 point

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Animal Identification Station - Troop 3

Tracks & Scat Guide



Patrols and Dens: Using scout spirit and teamwork, match 10 animal names with their picture, track and scat (poop).

Scoring

Patrol/Den Flag = 1 point

Scout Spirit & Teamwork = 2 points

1 to 15 correct matches = 3 points

16 to 25 correct matches = 5 points

25 to 30 correct matches = 7 points

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Troop 7

Mind your manners

The legend of table etiquette



**Once upon a time the world feasted together
And there were manners at the table
With fancy dishes
And an abundance of silverware... and so so many forks
They all had a purpose
And now they will again
Answer the true or false trivia questions correctly
And gain seconds to spare**

(insert mission impossible theme song here)

Set the table correctly

**Be quick
Be accurate
Be fancy**

**No hints
No cheats
No preparation**

**Only the most formal will survive...
Good luck!**



Time: +9 seconds per correct trivia answer (20 T/E 2's)
Accuracy: 0.5 points per correct table placement item
Teamwork/Presentation: Up to 3 bonus points for patrol working together with style

Flag & Cheer: 1 point

Total Possible Points: 15

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TROOP 13 PRESENTS THANKSGIVING POPCORN STATION



IN HONOR OF THANKSGIVING YOU WILL START MAKING POPCORN TO SHARE WITH YOUR FRIENDS. YOU WILL NEED TO BUILD A FIRE USING YOUR OWN FIRESTARTERS, KINDLING, LARGER WOOD IF YOU FEEL YOU NEED IT AND THEN COOK POPCORN OVER THAT VERY SAME FIRE. THE POPCORN KERNELS AND COOKING OIL WILL BE PROVIDED. AN EXTRA POINT WILL BE GRANTED IF YOU BRING THE KITCHEN ITEMS YOU NEED TO ACTUALLY START COOKING THE POPCORN.



SCORING

FIRE IS LIT WITH FLINT AND STEEL – 7 PTS

OR

FIRE IS LIT WITH LESS THEN 3 MATCHES – 6 PTS

OR

FIRE IS LIT WITH MORE THEN 3 MATCHES – 4 PTS

KNOT TYING – 1 POINT

FLAG AND CHEER – 1 POINT

FIRST AID KIT – 1 POINT



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Troop 25

Fall Camporee 2025

Apple Picking

It's harvest time and time to go Apple Picking. Challenge: There is an apple hanging out of reach. Build a ladder or stool to step up and pick your apple.

Rules:

- Scouts should use poles and lashings to create a free standing ladder or stool to step up and pick their apple.
- The structure must use lashings and poles, supplied by the patrol.
- The structure must have at least TWO steps.
- Only 1 scout may step-up to the apple, unaided by other scouts.

Materials Needed and Provided by Patrol:

- Wood poles
- Rope

Scoring (10 points total):

- Successfully Picking your Apple: 5pt¹
- Creating a stool / ladder to spec: 4pt
- Compass Point: 1pt

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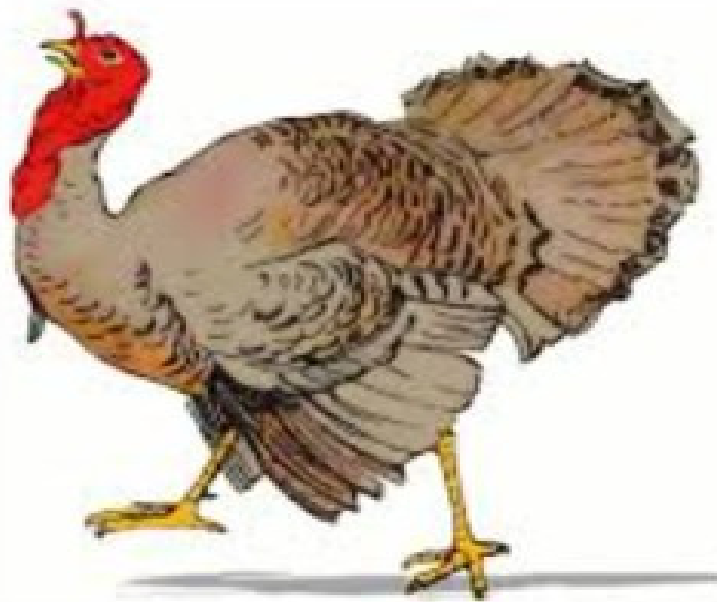
Scoring for Stool:

1 pt for each step
2 pt for self standing

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Make the Turkey Fly

Troop 28



Scouts will shoot a target in order to make a turkey fly. Patrols will be given points based on successful hits.

9 possible points for hits

1 point flag and cheer

All equipment will be provided.

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Housatonic Council Fall Camporee 2025



Troop 51 Turkey Toss



Point Breakdown

Cheer and Flag-	1 Point
First Aid Kit/ Being Prepared -	1 Point
Trivia Question-	1 Point
Compass Bearing (Scout +/- 2deg, Webelos +/- 5deg)-	1 Point
Throw and fire building-	6 possible points

The patrol will work together to do the compass bearing and answer the trivia question. Each patrol will get a chance to throw a turkey (medicine ball) to determine the amount of time they get to start a fire and burn through a string. Points will be based on if a fire is started and whether the string is burned through.

*Patrols are required to have fire starting materials and small wood to build their fire and burn the string.



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Troop 55

Shelter Building

You just sailed the high sea with Capt. Kellogg. Capt. Kellogg has asked your patrol to explore this new land for 7 days.

He hands your patrol (2) scraps of extra sails cloth, some old mops and some rope for your patrol to build a shelter.

You need to make a shelter with these materials that will house (4) members of your patrol. The shelter needs to be able to close and stand on its own.

You may bring your own material, but they must be of natural materials (no pvc, metal or composite items) found on a sailing ship or materials you would find while exploring.

Station point:



- (1 pt) – Patrol Flag
- (1 pt) – First Aid Kit
- (2 pt) – Orienting bearing
- (3 pt) Shelter up within 10 min
- (2 pt) Shelter fits 4 or more people
- or (1 pt) Shelter fits 3 or less people
- (1 pt) Team work among the patrol



Station will provide:

- (2) Sail Sheets (9' x9' flat sheet)
- (6) mop poles
- Rope/twine
- Ground pegs
- Patrols can bring their own materials, must be of natural materials.
- No pvc, metal, plastic or composite materials.

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**Fall Camporee 2025
Troop 65**



Make a wooden arrow to hunt for food or protect your land!

Points Awarded

- 1 – Flag and Cheer
- 1 – Compass Point
- 1 – Year of the First Thanksgiving? (history of the first harvest)
- 1 – Know a minimum of 3 parts of an arrow
- 1 – Know all 5 parts of an arrow
- 1, 3, or 5 – Build an arrow using equipment provided to you.
(scored on good, better, best scale)

Bonus Points (up to 5)

- 1 – Build an Excellent, Safe, and Shootable Arrow
- 2 – Instructor Shoots Your Arrow and Hits the Archery Target
- 2 – Hitting an Apple on the Archery Target

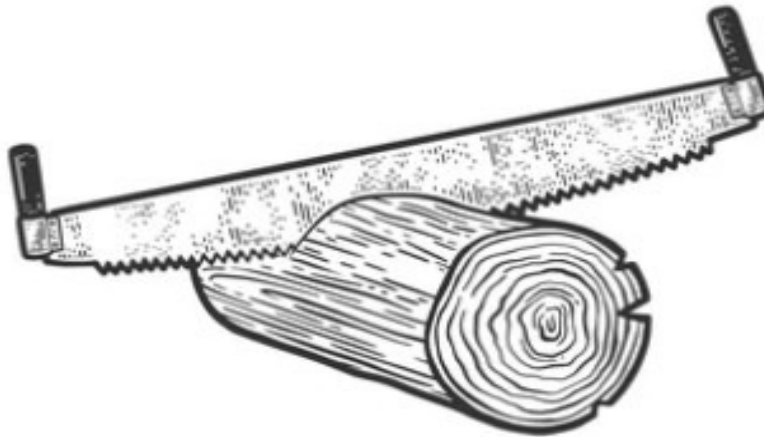


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TROOP 101 STATION

CAN YOU MAKE THE CUT?

**THE PILGRIMS USED SAWS FOR CONSTRUCTION,
WOODWORKING, AND IN PREPARATION FOR THE 1621
HARVEST CELEBRATION. THIS TOOL WAS ESSENTIAL
FOR THE PILGRIMS' SURVIVAL**



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This is a timed event

**Scouts will present their Toten' Chip Card and then cut through a
station log using the 2-person cross-cut saw**

Flag + cheer = 2 Points

Toten' chip cards = 1 Point

Make 1 Cookie = 3 Points

Make 2 Cookies = 7 Points