

# Rodney Scout Reservation

Pre-Arrival Leader Orientation

2026

The meeting will begin shortly. *Thank you!*





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# Meeting Notes

- Enter all questions into the Q&A function
- Meeting will be recorded and posted online
- Slide deck will be posted online
- Topics will include:
  - Pre-camp planning, arrival at camp, check-out, health & safety, program, food service, Rodney Trading Posts

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# **Pre-Camp Planning**

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# Pre-Camp Planning

- Merit Badge Registration opened on April 5<sup>th</sup>, at 9am
  - Use the “Travel Times” document as a guide
  - Age/Experience recommendations
- Sunrise / Sunset Programs & Leader Trainings  
Registration will open on May 9<sup>th</sup>

# Pre-Camp Paperwork



- Dietary Restrictions Form
  - Email to [rodneyfoodservice@gmail.com](mailto:rodneyfoodservice@gmail.com)
- Unit Swim Classification Form
  - Email to [rsrpd@dmvc.org](mailto:rsrpd@dmvc.org)
- Prerequisite Completion Form
  - Email to [rsrpd@dmvc.org](mailto:rsrpd@dmvc.org)
- Order of the Arrow
  - Callouts (Letter needed if not a DMVC Troop)
  - Elections (DMVC only)
- Boater's License
  - NASBLA



**Check-In Day**

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# Sunday Check-In



- Arrival Time: 1pm, but not before
  - Remind drivers to be careful, and drive slowly while in camp
  - Parents and families may not go beyond parking lots
- Welcome & Campsite Inspection
  - Your Site Guide will meet you in the parking lot and lead you through the check-in process
- In-Site Medical Checks
  - Scouting America Annual Health & Medical Record
  - Symptom and Temperature check for everyone
    - 100° or higher cannot attend camp until their temp returns to a normal range
- Scoutmaster Check-In at Brown Lodge (Leader's Lounge)
- Swim Checks (if not completed before camp)
- Use the remainder of your time to set up your campsite

# Sunday Evening



- Camp-wide Flag Ceremony
  - Your Site Guide will lead you to the Parade Field
- Chicken Barbeque on the Parade Field
  - Recommend Activity Uniform (Class B)
  - Camp chairs are recommended
- Round Robin on the Parade Field
- Scoutmaster & SPL Meeting
- Brownsea Leader Meeting
- Opening Campfire



# **End of Week & Check-Out**

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# Friday Night

- Family Dinner
  - Purchase tickets online
- Closing Flag Ceremony
- Closing Campfire
- Merit Badge Completion Reports
  - Questions for Area Directors on Saturday



# Saturday Morning

- Final Campsite Inspection with Site Guide [7:30-8:30]
- Check-Out at Headquarters [Opens at 7:30]
  - Patches, Surveys, etc
- Merit Badge Questions at Brown Lodge (Leader's Lounge) [7:30-8:30]
- 2027 Reservations & Loyalty Program

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# **Health & Safety**

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# Health & Safety



- Health Lodge
- Medical Forms
  - Must be parts A, B, and C
  - Please be sure to include a copy of the insurance card
- Medications in Camp
- Car Passes (No cars in campsites without them)
  - Must be noted on medical form, or a note from a physician, or an official Disability Placard

# Health & Safety - Bicycles



- Not recommended for Brownsea Scouts
- Signed Bicycle Agreements
- Only on roads
- Camp road walking path
- 10mph speed limit
- Helmets are always required
- No motorized bicycles of any kind



# Visitors in Camp

- All visitors must check-in and –out at Headquarters
- Day Visitor Medical Forms
  - Must provide parts A & B
- Overnight Visitor Medical Forms
  - Must provide parts A, B, & C
- Visitor Meals
  - Breakfast - \$15
  - Lunch - \$15
  - Dinner - \$18
  - Overnight - \$45



**Program**

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# Program



- Register Online
  - Merit Badges
  - Sunrise/Sunset Programs
  - Leader Trainings
- There are more opportunities than you can do in a week!
- “Blue Cards” are not used
- Flag Ceremonies
- Volunteer Opportunities



# Program Updates

- The return of the Advanced Camper Experience! (ACE)
  - Exploration Merit Badge
  - Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award
- New or Returning Merit Badges
  - American Indian Culture + Communication
  - Astronomy
  - Nuclear Science
  - Search and Rescue
  - Emergency Preparedness + Safety

# Brownsea (First Year Camper)



- Register online
- Scouts will work towards Scout through First Class
- Scouts will work towards Swimming and Nature Merit Badges
  - Instructional Swim
- A leader from each Troop is strongly encouraged to attend.
- Evening Program
  - Brownsea Bay Hike
- Brownsea Graduation – Friday Afternoon



# **Food Service**

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# Food Service



- 3 Types
  - Dining Hall (Family style, with assigned times)
  - Heaterstack (Lenape campsites)
  - Troop Commissary
- Special Dietary Needs
  - Allergens
  - Menu Alternatives
  - Contact [rodneyfoodservice@gmail.com](mailto:rodneyfoodservice@gmail.com)
  - Use Special Dietary Needs Form



# Food Service



- Dining Hall
  - Family style
  - Two seatings, assigned at arrival
  - Assigned tables
  - Staff-led Dining Hall Program throughout the week
  - Table Waiter Buddy Pair – 15 minutes prior to meal
    - Set table, deliver food, clean-up

# Food Service



- Heaterstack
  - Food delivered to your campsite from the Dining Hall
  - Serve Cafeteria Style
    - Hygiene and portion control
  - Requisition sheets
- Troop Commissary
  - You bring the food
  - You do the cooking



# **Trading Post**

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# Trading Post



- Custom shirts coming soon!
- Lenape Hall Trading Post
- Snack Shack at Sampson Lodge
- Check out our online store
  - [rodney-scout-reservation.square.site](http://rodney-scout-reservation.square.site)

# Questions?

**For further assistance:  
Leader's Guide  
Registration Attachments**

Registration Questions:

Program Questions:

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