

Francis Scott Key District

Cub-O-Ree

Leader's Survival Guide

April 27th, 2024

Walkersville Watershed

Please note that as we get closer to the event this guide may change. We will update it as our circumstances and program evolve.

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

The FSK Cub-O-Ree will be held on Saturday April 27th, at the Walkersville Watershed. The camporee will be open to all cub scouts from Lion through Webelos (I & II). Family Camping for Packs will be available Friday and Saturday Night. Family Camping MUST follow all BSA Guidelines. If your unit does not have a Baloo trained leader one will be provided.

The Cub-O-Ree is a rotation style event filled with a variety of activities for scouts. Each Pack will spend ½ of the day in set rotations. Those rotations are Archery, Cooking, and Orienteering. The other ½ of the day will have open choice activities scouts can visit. These include STEM, knots, hiking, Team Building, and more. Packs can also choose to stay in their camping site during their open block and do activities they choose. All packs attending will be assigned a Campsite so they have a place to cook and eat meals. Packs not camping may share a Campsite with another unit. Packs are responsible for all food during the event.

CUB-O-REE SCHEDULE

Friday, April 26th:

5-7:00 PM Optional Pack arrival and Check-in
9:00 PM Cubmaster Cracker Barrel – Admin Pavilion
10:00 PM Taps and lights out

Saturday, April 27th:

7:00 AM Optional Reveille and Breakfast in campsite
8:00 AM Packs arrive and Check-In for Day Event
8:30 AM Opening Ceremony – Flagpole
9:00 AM Morning Event Stations
12:00 PM Lunch in campsite
3:00 PM Afternoon Event Stations
5:00 PM Stations Close / Dinner in campsite
7:30 PM Closing Flags
7:45 PM Escort to Amphitheatre
8:00 PM Campfire – Amphitheater
10:00 PM Taps and lights out

Sunday, October 24th:

6:00 AM Reveille and Breakfast in campsite
7:00 AM Sunrise Scout's Own Service - Amphitheatre
7:30 AM Campsite Check out
7:30-9:30 AM Departure

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REGISTRATION

Patches: Every Paid and Registered Youth will receive a patch. Each Unit will receive two Adult patches at no charge. Additional patches may be available for purchase.

Membership: Youth must be registered Cub Scouts to attend the event. Unregistered siblings must stay at the Pack's Campsite with an adult. Every Pack must have at least 2 adult leaders over the age of 21. If there are female youth members with the Pack, one of these leaders must be female. Lions and Tigers are required to have an Adult Partner with them at all times.

Medical Forms: Each Pack should BSA Medical Forms A and B in their possession for all Scouts and Adults attending the event. Each unit is expected to bring a binder or folder containing these forms, in the unlikely event that medical care is required beyond first aid. The Packs will hold onto the medical forms.

Registration: Pre-Registration is required for the event with payment in advance requested. Registration is through the NCAC Event website:

Registration price is \$20 per Youth Scout, and a \$10 fee per unit. Registration for the event will close on March 30th.

CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

Check-in registration will be available at 5:00 pm on Friday April 26th for Packs that are Family Camping. Units not Camping will Check-in at 8:00 am on Saturday April 27th. At check-in, all Packs must submit their Campfire Participation Form. Campsite assignments will be provided at check-in. Sites may be shared by multiple units, so be friendly and considerate neighbors!

CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES

Check-out will begin at 7:00pm on Saturday for groups not Family Camping. For Packs that camp check-out will begin at 7:30 am on Sunday, April 28th. Your campsite **MUST** be inspected by a member of the Camporee Staff before you leave. Prior to inspection, please complete the following:

- Ensure the campsite is litter free.
- Restore your campsite to better than you found it.
- Pack up your gear and be ready to depart.
- Carry out all garbage to be disposed of at home.

- Request a site inspection of a Camporee Staff member.
- Complete, and be ready to submit, a Camporee Evaluation Form.
- Complete the check-out.

The check-out sheet will be signed when the inspection is completed. You will receive your Camporee Patches at the November Roundtable meeting.

PARKING

Parking is always tight at the Watershed please carpool when possible and park vehicles completely off the road. It is imperative that we keep an emergency path on every road for First aid emergencies.

CAMPOREE GENERAL RULES

- The Scout Oath and Law will govern the behavior of all participants!
- The Buddy System must be followed by all Scouts at all times.
- Leave No Trace principles apply as always.
- As with any Scout event, there will be no illegal drugs, alcohol, fireworks, firearms or other weapons. Cigarette smoking, vaping, or similar activities by adults is prohibited at all stations and areas with Cub Scouts. A designated Smoking area will be identified at Check-in
- Sheath knives and fixed blade scabbard knives are prohibited.
- Wood tools must be properly stored and used in the ax yard (see the Scout Handbook for proper Patrol campsite setup). Improper use of wood tools is prohibited. All wood already cut at Campsites was put there by youth for their Troop. Packs should collect their own firewood and bring their own tools to chop firewood for the weekend. Campfires must be built in an established fire ring/pit or raised above ground and must be properly extinguished when camp site is unattended. Keep filled water bucket handy. You can find water onsite at the newly installed well.
- Report all accidents, injuries, or other emergencies to a member of Camporee Staff. Medical personnel will always be on site during the Camporee.
- Lost and found items should be brought to the Admin Pavilion.
- Class B T-shirt, or similar Pack attire is encouraged for all other activities. Class A's are required for flag ceremonies.

HAZARDOUS WEATHER

In the event of severe weather, stay in campsite/program area and send 1 runner to the center of camp for roll-call. Utilize your hazardous weather training and react accordingly. Further direction will be communicated through staff to leaders via radios.

CUBMASTER GUIDANCE

- The Cub-O-Ree will not be called off because of weather. Some activities may be modified.
- Campsites will be assigned based on Registration and then by the number of Scouts and number of Adults, please check with Cub-O-Ree staff before setting up camp. If you have a preference of where you would like to camp please let us know.
- Friday evening check-in begins at 5 PM at the Registration Hut.
- Cubmaster meeting: Friday 9 PM at the Administration Pavilion for those on site.
- No sheath knives, fireworks, alcoholic beverages, or firearms; ALL FIRES MUST BE CONTAINED WITHIN A ROCK FIRE RING WITH PROPER CLEARING and fire buckets.
- Anything beyond basic first aid MUST BE REPORTED to Camporee medical staff.
- Dutch oven cooking must be contained within fire rings or off the ground.
- Packs are responsible for removing all the trash from the campsites and event areas. There are no dumpsters on site. Leave the camp better than we found it.
- Each activity will begin at the time indicated in the schedule, please ensure that your Pack is on time. A detailed schedule for each Pack will be provided at Check-In.
- BSA Field uniforms are required for the campfire, scouts own service, Flag Ceremonies. Class "B" or Scout appropriate apparel should be worn during stations.
- Practical jokes are not Scout-like and will not be tolerated.
- Lights out Friday and Saturday at 10PM. Due to the close proximity of units, this policy will be strictly enforced.
- Checkout: Make sure your campsite is clean in accordance with Leave No Trace principles.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

- Water will be available at the watershed. Bring your water containers/water bottles full.
- Porta Johns are located around the camp and near several of the activity areas. Ensure you utilize your gender labeled facility.
- Cell signal is available in the camp depending on your carrier.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Small first aid needs should be tended to at the campsite using the Pack's first aid supplies and trained adult leaders. Larger needs should be directed to the medic located at Admin. Medications requiring refrigeration may be stored in the Aid Station located at Admin.

Participants must bring their medical forms. Please have all medical forms for each Pack in one binder/folder. Medical forms will be kept by the Pack and brought to Medical as needed.

If any of our adults who attend this event are medical professionals, please let the Camporee Staff know upon your arrival. If units know of campers with serious medical problems, please discreetly inform the Health and Safety Staff. The Aid Station (at the Admin Pavilion) will be manned during the event. Medical Emergencies should be directed through Admin during other hours. Minor first aid should be handled at the campsite if you have supplies. Medications for all Scouts and Scouters should be administered by the units.

STATION DESCRIPTIONS

Archery

Location: Archery Field

Description: Shoot arrows at targets using recurve bows.

Orienteering

Location: Parade grounds

Description: Learn how to use a compass to orient through a course.

Cooking

Location: Admin Pavillion

Description: Make a Foil Packet dessert to enjoy

Knots & Lashing

Location: T628 Pavillion

Description: Practice knots from Overhand to Bowline. Learn lashings for various purposes. A shoe tying practice area will also be set-up

STEM

Location: Near the Archery Range

Description: Learn how to make your own compass

Map Skills

Location: Cabin

Description: Learn how to read a map and then work together to create a map of the watershed.

Hikes

Locations: T1070 Entrance

Description: Pick up trail maps for the watershed and materials to create a Theme hike

Day Camp

Location: Admin Pavillion

Description: Come get all the information about FSK Day Camp

Gaga Ball

Location: Gaga Ball Pit

Description: Play a round or two of Gaga ball Following posted rules

Group Games

Location: Field between 1011 and 1070

Description: Have fun playing a game or two with other scouts.

CAMPFIRE PARTICIPATION FORM

Please complete this form and return it at the leaders meeting on Friday night or at the Saturday morning flag ceremony at the latest.

Please limit songs and skits to no more than 5-minutes. Units may submit a second song or skit. If time allows in the Campfire they will be called to perform both.

Pack:

Title of Song or Skit:

Cubmaster Name:

Please give a short description of the Song or skit:

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APPROVED BY:

(Cub-O-Ree Staff Member)

CAMPSITE CLEANUP DUTY / CHECK OUT FORM

Pack: _____

Campsite Cleanup Done? Yes / No Check By:

Camp Grounds Clean Up:

Check By:

Did you remember to fill out the Evaluation Form?

Do you still have everyone?

Cub-O-Ree EVALUATION FORM

Pick three (3) activities that you want to see again NEXT year. (You can pick more):

Pick one (1) or more activities that you think should be dropped from the program:

If you could have changed two (2) things about the Cub-O-Ree (weather doesn't count) what would they be:

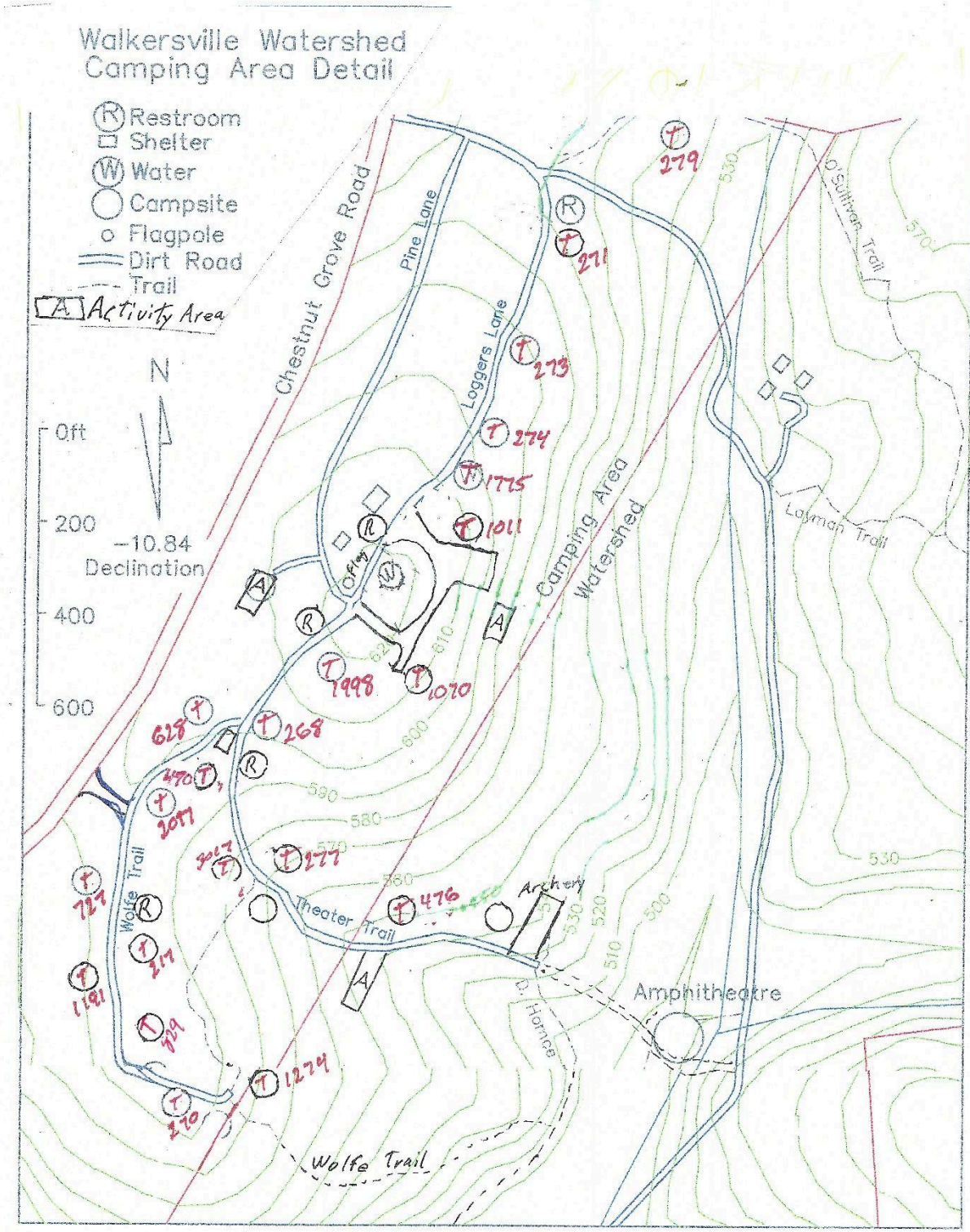
This Cub-O-Ree would have been MUCH easier for your Pack if the Staff:

Favorite thing about the Cub-O-Ree?

Any suggestions/Comments?

Thank you for your Feedback! We hope you enjoyed your time and hope to see you next year! Cub-O-Ree Staff

WALKERSVILLE WATERSHED MAP



WALKERSVILLE WATERSHED CAMPING ETIQUETTE

- No camping in the pavilion area within the fence.
- All fires should be in fire rings and thoroughly out and wetted down before leaving
- No throwing or leaving rocks and/or large sticks in the pavilion area. (The mower thanks you!)
- No trash and/or bottles in porta pots.
- Police area and carry out all trash.
- If you use already stacked firewood, replace it.
- If you need to move tables or benches, return them to their original position. Also please no standing or walking on tables. People do eat from tables.
- Be courteous to the neighbors who also use the property for hiking, walking, etc.
- No charge is required to camp but donations are accepted to help with maintenance.

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Management appreciates your cooperation.