2025 Tussahaw Spring Camporee Leader's Guide



Medieval Quest March 14-16, 2025

Hosted by the Troop 66B

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Welcome to Tussahaw Spring Camporee 2025! This year's theme is Medieval.

Directions to camp: The Spring Camporee will be held at Camp Thunder's side at the Creek campsite (506 Thundering Springs Rd, Molena, GA 30258). We will have activities around the Lake.

From I-75 NORTH (Traveling south): I-75 south to McDonough, GA at exit 216 for GA Hwy 155 West to Griffin. Take US 19 South to the first light in Zebulon. Turn right on GA Hwy 18 West through Concord and Molena to GA Hwy 74. Turn left onto GA 74 to travel East for 2 miles toward Thomaston. Turn right on Lawrence Road and make an immediate right onto Thundering Springs Road. Travel straight for ½ miles into the Lawhorn Scouting Base. Follow the signs to the appropriate camp.

Upon arrival, Troops will make camp and cook their Friday night meals if they have not eaten prior to arrival. Throughout the Camporee, Troops are expected to use the Patrol Method. Patrols should sleep, cook, and eat as Patrols. Points will be added for Patrol Flags and Yells to the overall competition score (more on that to follow.)

RULES OF CAMP-O-REE

These rules are the general framework around which this camporee will be operated. A spirit of Scouting courtesy and brotherhood must prevail during the entire camporee if it is to be a success. At the camporee, as always, everyone's conduct is expected to be in accordance with the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, and the Outdoor Code. Troops or individuals who do not conform to this spirit may be asked to leave. Bottom line: Respect others around you.

- 1. A registration fee will be charged to cover the cost of the Camporee supplies, patches, and prizes. Registration fee will be \$25 for each Scout and \$25 for each adult. Please pay prior to the camporee online (https://scoutingevent.com/095-90875) or if needing to pay by check, this can be done in person at the council before the camping weekend.
- 2. Troops should arrive and depart in Field Uniform. The Scout Field Uniform is to be worn at Saturday evening campfire program and Sunday morning flag and vespers service. Activity Wear (Class B) is appropriate for the remainder of the Camporee.
- 3. Campsites will be assigned at check-in and will be in the Creek and Cherokee areas. Please have a sign to post with your Troop Number on it.

- 4. The entrance gate will be open at 4 p.m. Please do not arrive earlier than 4 p.m. Scouts will be at the entrance to greet you and take the list of Scouts that have come.
- 5. There will be a Cracker Barrel for Scoutmasters & SPL/ASPL meeting Friday night at 8 p.m., PLEASE have your Patrol Skit Scripts ready for approval. All Patrols and Troops are expected to participate in the campfire and points will be awarded for participation. SPLs should provide a headcount of adults and youth at the Cracker Barrel, with a number of adults and Scouts. Please let us know at Cracker Barrel if you expect late arrivals.
- 6. There will be an assigned, designated parking area. Vehicles are not allowed to remain in the campsites. Troop gear may be dropped off. Troop trailers, however, may still be parked at each site. The vehicle pulling the Troop trailer may remain attached to the trailer in the campsite. If there is a requirement for handicapped parking, please talk with John Carocci.
- 7. Troops must plan to remove all garbage from the camporee area. Please bring an adequate supply of trash bags. Carry it in, Carry it out. Do not burn trash! Follow the "Leave No Trace" philosophy while camping.
- 8. Safety and fire protection are the responsibility of everyone at the camporee. Be very careful with fires, have fire buckets and firefighting tools available, and bring them with YOU. All fires must be in a fire barrel/ring! Digging fire pits is not permitted.
- 9. Each unit should have in public view both a first aid kit and fire extinguisher in your site. Recommend a type "ABC" extinguisher.
- 10. DO NOT CUT or otherwise injure live trees while at the camporee. Bring your own firewood or find DEAD branches in the woods.
- 11. Weather, at this time of year, is very unpredictable. BE PREPARED. Bring tents, rain gear, dining flies, and ground cloths. The camporee will not be called off because of rain, however, it will be if tornadoes and/or severe thunderstorms and lightning are present.
- 12. Because Scouts will be working hard Saturday, Scouts must be in their tents by 11 p.m., on Friday night. No campfire program on Friday night. Please encourage the scouts to go to sleep as early as possible. On Saturday night, the campfire program will start at 8:30 p.m.

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- 13. The Saturday night campfire is intended to be fun and entertaining. We encourage each Patrol of each Troop to practice a skit prior to the campout. All skits must conform to Scouting standards and must be in good taste. Please plan to give your skit script on a piece of paper at Friday night Cracker Barrel. SPLs will be notified of changes to the script if they are needed. Each Patrol should plan to have a skit for Saturday night.
- 14. Vespers Sunday Morning; Each troop's Chaplain Aide is requested to be at the Friday night SPL meeting for the assignment of a portion of Sunday's Vesper Service.
- 15. No alcohol is permitted. Smoking is not allowed on campsite grounds!
- 16. All units will complete the attached BSA Unit Roster and turn in at check-in.
- 17. As a reminder, please have a completed BSA Medical Form (Parts A and B) for each participant.

Schedule:

Friday night

4:00-7:00 - Check-in

8:00 PM – Scoutmaster & SPL meeting/Cracker Barrel (Chaplain Aide Meeting to follow).

11:00 PM – Lights out. (Quiet Hours)

Saturday

6:00 AM – Reveille, Patrol Breakfast cooking and clean up.

8:30 AM – Flagpole, Handout schedule and rotation.

8:45 AM - Act 1

9:45 AM - Games Start

11:15 AM - 1:15 PM - Lunch

1:15 – 2:20 PM – Act 2

2:20 - 4:30 PM - Games

5:30 PM – Dinner at campsite / Troop campsite inspection

7:30 PM - Act 3

7:45 PM - Sunset

8:30 PM - Campfire

11:00 PM - Lights out. (Quiet Hours)

Sunday

7:00 - Breakfast (something quick and easy), begin packing up.

8:30 AM - Flags and vespers

9:00 AM - Campsite cleanup, Leave No Trace and take trash with you

10:30 AM - All troops must be out of camp

The overall Winner of the Camporee will be determined by Campsite Scoring, Event Scoring, and Participation Scoring. Winning Troop will be announced at the Sunday morning closing ceremony.

Camporee Games

Knights Training - Obstacle Course

Tug of War - Two teams attempting to pull a rope to their side

Castle Siege - cornhole

Castle Building - Giant game of Janga

Rock, Paper, Scissors (medieval addition)

Other games/activities are in the works.

CAMPSITE INSPECTION

Judge		Troop	
Flags			
US Flag	of 20		
Troop Flag	of 20		
Patrol Flags	of 10		
<u>Tents</u>			
Tents properly erected	of 10	Tents by patrol	of 10
Sleeping bag neatly arranged			
<u>Campsite</u>			
First Aid Kit Visible	of 20	Safe fire area	of 10
Clean and in order	of 10	Fire Extinguisher	of 10
Fire tools	of 10		
Cooking and Eating Area			
Dining Fly	of 10	Cooking equip. off ground	of 20
Clean cooking area	of 25	Drinking water storage	of 10
Separate patrol eating areas	of 10	Fire buckets in cooking area	of 10
Clean patrol eating area	of 15	Trash bags	of 10
Posted Duty Roster	of 10	Posted menus	of 10
TOTAL SCORE			
<u>Deductions</u>			
Vehicles left in camp (does not include camp train	(-20)	ttached to the trailer)	
_	(-20)	ittached to the trainer)	
Safety violations		xample: No axe yard, youth pl	aying with knives, etc
Campsite SCORE			

	TROOP	ROSTER
(TO BE TURNE	O IN UPON CHEC	K-IN / CRACKER BARREL)

LEADERS

NAME	POSITION	PHONE
	ScoutMaster	
	SPL	

PATROL NAME

NAME	RANK	SM OR PARENT'S PHONE

TROOP		
PATROL NAME		
NAME	RANK	SM OR PARENT PHONE

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Spring Camporee 2025: Medieval Quest - Quick and Dirty Guide

- When and Where: March 14-16, 2025, at Camp Thunder, Creek & Cherokee campsites (506 Thundering Springs Rd, Molena, GA 30258). Look for the signs!
- Who's Running It: Troop 66B is the host. Holler at John Carocci (678-492-3150 or SM66@carocci.net) if you have questions.
- Theme: Medieval Quest
- **Directions:** Don't get lost! The document has detailed directions, so make sure to share those with your drivers.
- Check-in: 4 PM on Friday. Not earlier! Scouts will greet you.
- Fees: \$25 per person (Scouts, adults). Pay online beforehand.
- **Uniforms:** Field Uniform for arrival, campfire, and Sunday service. Class B (activity wear) for everything else.
- Campsites: Assigned at check-in. Bring a sign with your troop number.
- Parking: Designated parking area. No cars in campsites except the one with the trailer.
- Food: Troops handle their own meals. Patrol method is key!
- Trash: Pack it in, pack it out. Leave no trace!
- Fires: Be careful! Fire barrels/rings only. Have fire buckets and tools ready.
- Safety: First aid kit and fire extinguisher (ABC type) required at each site.
- Trees: Don't cut live trees. Use dead branches or bring your own firewood.
- **Weather:** Be prepared for anything! Bring rain gear, tents, etc. Camporee goes on unless there's severe weather.
- Quiet Time: 11 PM lights out on Friday and Saturday.
- Campfire Skits: Each patrol, bring a skit! Must be "Scouting standards" and in good taste. Scripts due Friday night at the Cracker Barrel.
- No-Nos: No alcohol, no smoking on campsite grounds.
- Forms: Bring your BSA Unit Roster and completed BSA Medical Forms (Parts A & B).
- Schedule: The document has a detailed schedule. Pay attention to it!
 - Friday: Check-in, Cracker Barrel, lights out.
 - Saturday: Reveille, flagpole, activities, lunch, more activities, dinner, campfire.
 - o Sunday: Breakfast, flags and vespers, clean up, leave camp.
- **Games:** Tug of war, corn hole, castle building (Jenga), capture the flag, rock-paper-scissors.
- **Campsite Inspection:** There's a whole scoring sheet in the document. Cleanliness, organization, and safety are key.
- Winner: Overall winner based on campsite scoring, event scoring, and participation.