

Millheim Troop and Pack 88 Present

The Nittany District 2025 Spring Camporee



at Penn's Cave & Wildlife Park

Juniata Valley Council
Scouting America



Welcome

We are glad you are joining us at Penn's Cave for our Nittany District 2025 Spring Camporee. Our goal is to offer a weekend of opportunities to keep you engaged while enjoying wildlife themed Scouting activities. Throughout it all, we hope that you will find the Scouting camaraderie amongst your peers that adds to your memories of a great spring weekend.

This year's camporee is hosted by Pack 88 and Troop 88 in Millheim, PA.

This Guide is version 2.2, dated 5/1/2025. Information subject to change.

For the most up-to-date documents, visit <https://shorturl.at/PtrZG> or:



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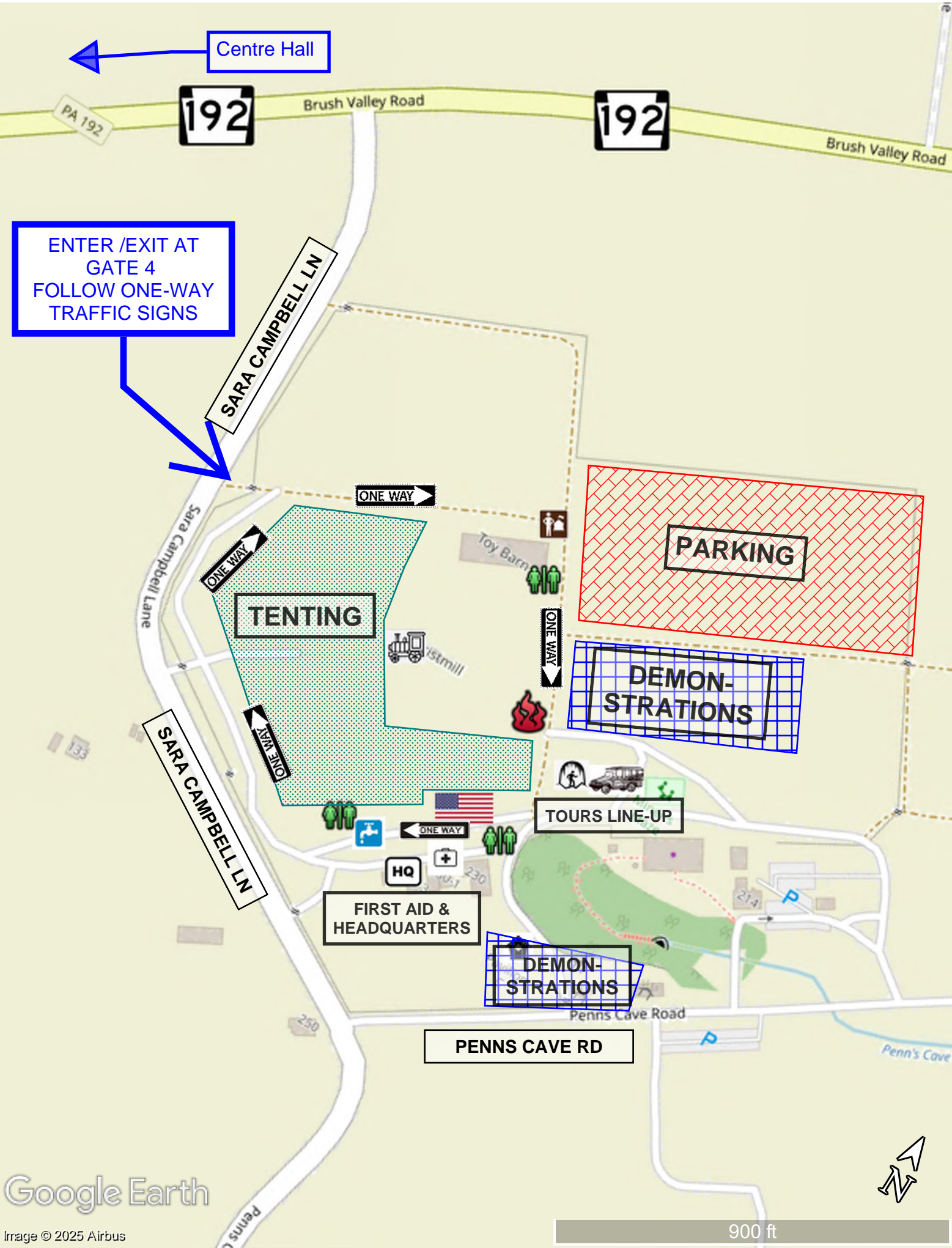
Location and Site Map

Penn's Cave and Wildlife Park is located at:
222 Penns Cave Road, Centre Hall, PA 16828

Directions: From the light at Brother's Pizza in Centre Hall, drive 4.5 miles east on PA-192 E / Church Street. Turn right onto Sara Campbell Lane and look for camporee signage.

The camporee will be held in the fenced area before the cave. Please heed the flow of traffic as one way around the grounds.

In the event of a weather emergency, the camporee committee has planned for a safe shelter for all participants and volunteers.



Facilities

Bathrooms - There are 9 portable toilets on the grounds, including 1 handicap accessible. Two hand washing stations are near the toilets.

First Aid - There will be a Paramedic on the grounds during the entire event. If you have a medical need during the weekend, please go to the designated first aid station indicated on the site map. Please note that we will be having a program involving bees.

Water Availability - There will be a freshwater tank truck in a central location for our use. Day program attendees may refill water bottles here. Units will be required to transport water from the filling station to your campsites. Other water spigots/ hydrants on the property will be locked shut.

Food - Day visitors, please bring your packed lunch as there will be no food available for purchase. Better yet, Cubs are encouraged to make plans with a troop if possible and join them for lunch at their site!

Unloading / Parking - There will be an unloading area for easier access to set up camp. After unloading, please move all vehicles to the designated parking area.

Gray Water Disposal - Troops will need to bring a bucket for hauling gray water to the designated gray water disposal tank.

Fires - Campsites may burn fires in troop-supplied raised fire pits. No ground fires are permitted. Raised cooking equipment is allowed.

Shelter - There are no tables, pavilions or canopies at campsites, please bring your own as needed.

Electricity - There are limited locations onsite to charge phones.

Trash - This is a pack it in, pack it out event. Do not leave trash bags on site, bring them home for disposal. This is an opportunity to pack lightly and consider how to minimize trash generated for the weekend.

Program Details

First and foremost, we are excited to include two tours at Penn's Cave in the pricing for all youth as well as any interested adult:

- Take a safari bus through the 1600-acre park to see wildlife such as bison, black bears, bighorn sheep, mountain lions, and wolves!
- Ride a flat-bottom motorboat through America's only all-water cavern!

Every unit must have two adults with their group on the tours.

Aside from the tours, we have other wildlife programming such as:

- A Pennsylvania Game Warden will talk about wildlife and youth will have the opportunity to build a wooden bluebird box and take it home.
- Presentations by local organizations such as the Penns Valley Conservation Association and PA Trappers Association
- A beekeeper will be displaying a crowd-pleasing colony of bees!
- A biologist will give a presentation on bats!
- A Mountain Man will give a presentation and start our evening campfire using primitive methods.

We will have additional engaging demonstrations and programming such as:

- Penn State Geosciences Department
- The Nittany Antique Machinery Association will have a steam engine and grist mill in operation.
- The Millheim Fire Company will be doing a demonstration and will bring Smokey the Bear.

Special just for Cub Scouts - In addition to the above, Prospector Pete's Miners Maze - a 4800 square foot labyrinth with twists and turns! According to Penn's Cave, "Getting lost has never been such fun!"

Schedule

Friday

4:30 PM Check-in begins, camp setup, dinner with unit

9:00 PM Unit leader/SPL mtg & cracker barrel at headquarters

11:00 PM Lights out and quiet time

Saturday

7:00 AM Breakfast with unit

8:00 AM Day program check-in

8:30 AM Opening flag ceremony

9:00 AM Programming

12:00 PM Lunch break

1:00 PM Programming

4:00 PM Day visitor parent pickup, free time

5:00 PM Dinner with unit

6:45 PM Evening flags and line up for campfire

7:00 PM Campfire & OA Callout

9:00 PM OA Social

11:00 PM Lights out and quiet time

Sunday

7:00 AM Breakfast with unit

9:00 AM Chapel and flag ceremony

10:00 AM Site inspection and checkout

Registration

The Saturday program includes two tours at Penn's Cave and Wildlife Park! Participants will also receive an official camporee patch!

Registration is done by unit. The registration form at the end of this leaders guide is only for planning purposes and does NOT need to be turned in. Please register online at:

<https://scoutingevent.com/497-97504>

There is a \$4 discount if you register and pay before April 12 and a \$5 late fee if registered April 30 or later. Registration must be paid by date indicated to receive that rate.

For more information about Penn's Cave and Wildlife Park, and Nittany Antique Machinery Association, please check them out:



www.pennscave.com

**NITTANY ANTIQUE MACHINERY
ASSOCIATION, INC.**



Spring Show Dates: May 30-June 1

www.nittanyantique.org

2025 Spring Camporee Registration Form
May 2-4, 2025 - Penn's Cave & Wildlife Park
FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY

Unit Type & No.		Leader Cell	
Onsite Leader		Leader Email	

Youth Attending:

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Youth Attending (continued):

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Adults Attending:

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Registrations must be paid by date indicated to receive that rate:

Type	Total # of Participants		Before 4/12	4/12 - 4/29	4/30 & After	Subtotal
Cub Scout		X	\$30	\$34	\$39	
Troop / Crew		X	\$35	\$39	\$44	
Adult		X	\$39	\$43	\$48	
Adult - No Tours		X	\$15	\$15	\$15	
Total Due:						

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