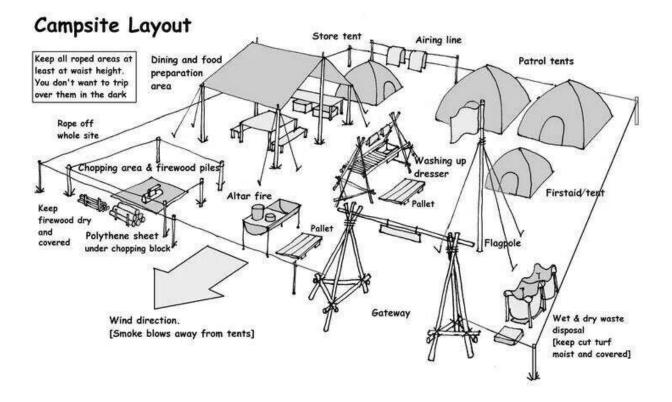
PALMETTO COUNCIL SPRING CAMPOREE 'PATROL SITE BRAGGING RIGHTS' & GAMES GALORE



APRIL 14-16, 2023 CAMP CONLEY CLARKE 1192 HICKORY GROVE RD, GAFFNEY, SC 29340

PALMETTO COUNCIL SPRING CAMPOREE – 'PATROL SITE BRAGGING RIGHTS'

The Palmetto Council Spring Camporee—'Patrol Site Bragging Rights' is set for Friday, April 14-Sunday, April 16 at Camp Conley Clarke in Gaffney, SC. This camporee, sponsored by the Daniel Morgan District, is intended to be just a little different from our recent events. There is both a competitive aspect and a 'just for fun' element which we hope will appeal to all kinds of troops.

The main event is creating the ideal camping patrol site, one per registered troop at the campout. The sites will be of equal size, and should include everything within its boundaries for a patrol to enjoy at least a few nights in the woods. Safety, drainage, use of the existing lay of the land, and Scout skills are all to be considered. There must be at least four tents and one dining fly or popup tent. There must be a demonstration fire pit and axe yard. Pioneering elements and camp gadgets are a plus; good setups for the kitchen and dish cleanup are necessary.

Each troop, whether comprised of 5 Scouts or 50, will have one patrol site to make its own. The patrol site will be in a separate location from the troop's assigned campsite. Scouts are encouraged to work on their camp gadgets, their time saving devices, their flag poles and camp ovens whenever they find the time during their own troop meetings in the weeks before the camporee. Setting up the patrol campsites will begin at 8:45 a.m. sharp (no earlier) on Saturday. A maximum of eight Scouts will work on each patrol site. Prestaging of previous built gadgets, packed tents and other gear may be allowed. This is not a speed test. Patrol sites must be complete by 11:30 a.m., after which a judging panel will visit each campsite. The judges will include four randomly chosen youth and three randomly chosen adults (drawn from the registration lists). They will have certain criteria to look for. Bonus points are available if the patrol is demonstrating a key skill during the judging.

After the patrol campsites are judged, Scouts will return to their troops for lunch, followed by drop-in activities during the afternoon. Shotgun shooting and tomahawk throwing are available from 1:30-4:30 p.m., along with a variety of games, some dating to the earliest days of Scouting and others that plenty of our Scouts will recognize. Some games will be suited for patrols, while others will be ideal for individual achievement. We would love for some of our units to offer a favorite event or activity of their own. Contact Michael Wiggins at wiggins michael@hotmail.com or Ethan Burroughs at <u>ethanburroughs@charter.net</u> to share your thoughts. These activities and events will be in a drop-in format.

There is one more competitive event for all troops—the Great Appetizer Contest! Just in case Scouters are a little tired of all of those dessert contests, this time troops can present their best appetizer for judging. It can be cold or hot, breaded, chunked, cubed or speared. Do your best work and have fun (No shellfish, and have a list of all ingredients).

PALMETTO COUNCIL 'PATROL SITES BRAGGING RIGHTS' SPRING CAMPOREE AT A GLANCE

What: Palmetto Council Camporee hosted by Daniel Morgan District

When: 5 p.m. Friday, April 14 – Sunday, April 16, 2023.

Where: Camp Conley Clarke, 1192 Hickory Grove Road, Gaffney, SC 29340. Campsite assignments will be issued at check in from 5-8 p.m. Friday.

Registration: Registration is open and through the Council office or the Events section of the council website at https://scoutingevent.com/549-councilcamporee. Registration is open until Friday, April 7th.

Fee: The fee per each Scout or leader is \$20, which covers the cost of an historical patch, awards, cracker barrel, program supplies and facility expenses.

Check-In: Starts at 5 p.m. At check-in, units will need to confirm their attendees and pay any outstanding camporee fees.

Parking: Units may park their troop trailer in their campsite during the weekend, but all vehicles should be moved to the designated parking area by nightfall on Friday. Use flashers and drive very slowly when setting up and parking.

Medical Forms: Scouts and leaders should complete an Annual Health and Medical Record form (parts A & B only) for all Scouting activities. It is the responsibility of the unit to obtain and maintain copies of these forms for members of their unit. Medical forms will not be turned in to the camporee staff at check-in.

Uniforms: A BSA Field (Class A) Uniform is expected at the US Flag lowering Assembly Saturday evening, the Saturday Night Campfire and at the Scout's Own Service on Sunday.

Check-Out: Check-out can occur after the Scout's Own Service on Sunday morning. When ready for check-out, inform staff at the main Pavilion tent so that a volunteer staff member can inspect your site. Units will receive patches after successful completion of their final site inspection.

CAMP POLICIES & GUIDELINES

1. The Boy Scout Oath and Law is the law of the camp.

2. Fireworks, pets, personal weapons, ammunition, alcohol and drugs are not permitted. The use of electronic games, TVs and other entertainment devices are not allowed.

3. Scouts are not permitted to leave the boundaries of the campground. In the event that a Scout has to leave early, the individual must check out through both the unit and the camporee administration.

4. The buddy system should be used at all times during the camporee.

5. Unit leaders are responsible for their Scouts at all times.

6. Campfires should be off the ground for safety and to prevent ground scorching. Firewood will be available in limited quantities or bring your own. We do encourage units to gather downed wood in the area for firewood – there is plenty.

7. A First Aid station will be located at or near the main Pavilion tent.

- 8. Potable water is available.
- 9. Portable toilets will be available for use.

10. Trash: Pack it in and pack it out! No dumpsters are available for unit use.

SPRING CAMPOREE DRAFT SCHEDULE

Friday, April 14

- 5 to 8 p.m.: Check-in and set up campsite
- 8:15 p.m.: Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster meeting @ Pavilion tent.
- 9:15 p.m.: Camp-wide Cracker Barrel and patch trading opportunity @ Pavilion tent.
- 11 p.m.: Quiet time.

Saturday, April 15

- 6:30 a.m.: Reveille and breakfast in campsites.
- 8:15 a.m.: Flag raising and assembly, field (Class A) uniform.
- 8:45 a.m.: Patrol Site Bragging Rights competition begins. Maximum eight Scouts within patrol site area. Other troop members can be outside boundary moving gear into position, prestaging items and cheering on their favorite patrol.
- 11:30 a.m.: Model patrol sites completed; judging commences.
- 12 p.m.: Lunch in campsites.
- 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.: Shotgun shooting, tomahawk throwing, and drop-in games.
- 5:30 p.m.: Great Appetizer Contest at Pavilion tent.
- 5:30 to 7 p.m.: Dinner in campsites.
- 7:30 p.m.: Flag lowering assembly, field (Class A) uniform.
- 8 p.m.: Campfire program, Awards ceremony. Possible Order of the Arrow Tapout Ceremony. Details to come.
- 11 p.m.: Quiet time.

Sunday, April 16

- 6:30 a.m.: Reveille and breakfast in campsite
- 8:30 a.m.: Camp breakdown begins.
- 9:30 a.m.: Scout's Own Service at Pavilion tent.
- 10-11 a.m.: Final camp inspections, depart.

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