



# Earth Day Family Camping Weekend

April 19-21, 2023

Camp Barstow

117 Camp Barstow Dr, Batesburg, SC 29006

## Family/Leaders Information Guide

*Cost includes:*

- *Camping*
- *Scout Insurance*
- *Food – Snack on Friday, All Meals on Saturday, and Breakfast on Sunday*
  - *Event Patch*
  - *All Activities*
- *Optional Pre-Order only T-Shirt starting at \$15.*

# Event Overview

## EVENT ADDRESS

Camp Barstow • 117 Ruby Riser Road • Batesburg - Leesville SC 29006

## OVERVIEW

This event is designed for Cub Scouts BSA Units and their Family Members. All Leaders and Adult Volunteers must have completed and be current in their Youth Protection Training. We will be following the principle set out by Lord Robert Baden Powell of *learning while having fun*. This camping experience will be focused on Earth Day activities in which we will collectively participate in a conservation project, nature hike, cub Scouts electives focused sustainable practices, and on commit/reaffirm to an Earth Day Oath. During the scheduled free time, the scouts can partake in climbing and rappelling in accordance with BSA policies.

## REGISTRATION

Everyone must pre-register and make payments online for the event at <https://scoutingevent.com/553-familybarstow> no later than April 15, 2024. The cost for the event is \$35 per person. Fees will cover the cost of Scout Insurance, Camping, Food, Event Patch, and Event Supplies and Materials; t-shirts are optional at an additional fee starting at \$15, but must be pre-ordered by April 3, 2024, with your registration. Siblings 3 and under are free (must be accompanied by their parent/guardian at all times, does not include program supplies, must have medical forms A&B.)

## CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

Begin at 6:00 pm on Friday, April 19, 2024. Please let us know if you are running late. An adult is required for check-in. Parents cannot just drop off their child and leave. They must make sure their child is with the adult leader who will be responsible for them before leaving.

At check-in, please have the following items:

1. Medical forms (part A & B) for every member of your unit or family. You will get these back at check-out. Any medical forms not picked up will be shredded.
2. Everyone will be issued wristbands that will need to be worn throughout this event.
3. Pick up check-in packet which will include an activity map and event schedule. Event patches will be distributed upon check out AFTER your site has been checked by a member of the Camp Master Corps.
4. Additional patches may be purchased if available.

## CAMPSITE/PARKING

Camporee staff will be available to guide you to your assigned camp area on Saturday, if needed. Please Be Prepared, tents are recommended. Power is available at all campsites. Please bring your own extension cords if power is needed. Everyone is expected to keep their camping area clean and Leave No Trace upon leaving camp on Sunday morning. A Scout is Clean.

All vehicles are to be parked in the main parking area during the event. The event will close at 11 am on Sunday.

## MEDICAL FORMS

Each person (Scouts, Leaders, Parents and Siblings) who is attending, whether camping or not, MUST have a BSA personal Health and Medical Record Form (Medical form AB). It is the unit's responsibility to keep these forms together and available if needed by the medical officer. It is the responsibility of the person, unit leaders, and parents to know the physical and mental abilities of the Scouts and themselves. Please be aware of limitations but also allow yourself and others to be challenged. Just because you have never done something before doesn't mean you can't do it.

Any food allergies must be noted on the online registration. If allergies are not listed during your registration online, we may not be able to accommodate. We try our best to accommodate allergies on your registration.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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Staff Advisor  
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## Event Activities

The event is centered around Earth Day with a theme of Scouts Vs. Plastics. During the weekend we will engage in educational, exploratory, and hands on activities that support our commitment to do our part in sustaining our environment for future generations. The four program areas are: Acts of Green, Take Civic Action, Take Community Action, and Take Individual Action. Activities will be completed either as a group or specific den whenever possible.

Acts of Green will include a nature hike and conservation project. Take Civic Action will include Scouts vs. Plastics make and take item(s). Take Community Action will be events that can be used as part of electives. Take Individual Action is the Earth Day oath, games, and movie.

Climbing, Rappelling, and the Bouldering wall will be open in the afternoon during free time. This will be available for all Cub Scout & Scouts BSA youth (5 and above) and adults (leaders and parents). All Cub Scouts are allowed to climb on artificial structures and Webelos and AOLs are allowed to Rappel. Everyone will ensure they abide by the rules and are safety conscious at all times. Proper attire to include shoes must be worn. Closed toe closed heel shoes must be worn (no crocs). We suggest pants or scout shorts, no skirts or short shorts.)

There will be NO water sports during the event.

Remember: The primary goal of this event is for Scouts and their families to learn a little bit and have fun. Some activities may complete Cub Scouts, Webelos, Arrow of Light, electives.

- Leaders and parents are responsible for tracking completed achievements and turning them into their unit advancement chair.

**Uniforms:** Scouts are asked to wear their Field Uniforms to Flags on Saturday, Campfire, and during the Service on Sunday morning. Activity uniforms encouraged during the day Saturday.

# What to bring to camp?

Camp Barstow is a smoke-free, tobacco-free camp. Please do not bring tobacco products, E-cigarettes, Cigars, Pipes, Cigarettes, etc.

Sleeping/Tent Gear	Clothing/Uniforms	Personal Hygiene	Optional Items
Tent, poles, stakes	Scout uniform (to be worn at flag raising and flag retreat)	Toothbrush and toothpaste	Camera
Mallet for pounding in stakes	Troop/Pack/Crew t-shirt if you have them	Soap/shampoo	Deck of cards
Sleeping bag	Weather appropriate clothing	Towel	Sunglasses/eyeglasses (required for fishing...easier to remove hooks from glasses rather than eyeballs)
Small whisk broom and dustpan for sweeping out your tent	Closed toe shoes (no open toe shoes or crocs. Shower shoes ONLY in the shower)	Individual medication as required	Pocketknife <b>(IF YOU HAVE YOUR WHITTLING CHIP)</b> <b>Whittling chip must be carried on your person when using your pocketknife.</b>
Pillow	Socks	Comb/brush	Compass
Air mattress	Rain gear	Insect repellent	Notebook/pencil
Flashlight/lantern	Jacket	Personal First aid kit	Fishing gear
Camp chairs	Pants/shorts	Deodorant	
Hammock (if preferred over tent)	Underwear		
	Sleepwear (pajamas)		
	<b>Health forms (section A and B) for everyone attending</b>		
	Water bottle		

Please consider the Scout Essentials listed in your various Scout Handbooks.

# Event Information

## Things to Know

- **Tobacco Policy:** Camp Barstow is a smoke-free, tobacco-free campus. Please do not bring tobacco products, E-cigarettes, cigars, pipes, cigarettes, etc.
- **Advancement:** The primary goal of this event is for Scouts and their families to learn a little bit and have fun. Some activities may complete Cub Scouts, Webelos, Arrow of Light, electives.
  - Leaders and parents are responsible for tracking completed achievements and turning them into their unit advancement chair.
- **Medical:** We will have medical staff and Camp Masters on site. If you need medical assistance, please let a staffer know and we will contact medical for them to come to you. If you need assistance
  - with a non-medical issue, contact a staff member.
- **Personal vehicles:** No personal vehicles allowed in camp. This includes personal golf carts.
- **Youth protection begins with YOU!** Tents are recommended for camping.
- Event patches will be distributed upon check out AFTER your site has been checked by a member of the Camp Master Corps.
- **Campsite Inspection** your campsite will be inspected by our camp master corps. If you must leave early, contact a staffer to handle your inspection. We have found this limits the personal items left behind.
- **Trash** should be placed in trash bags. Sunday morning after all trash is cleared from campsites, trash bags should be placed in dumpsters. There are 2 dumpsters behind the dining hall.
- **Pets** are not permitted on camp property at any time. Registered and licensed service animals are permitted. Please notify senior camp staff if you have a registered and licensed service animal that will be with you.
- **Knife safety:** No knives without direct adult supervision at all times and a signed whittling chip in possession. No fixed blade/sheath knives (this includes adults).
- **Open flames** in tents are prohibited. Please use flashlights within tents. Firearms are not allowed at camp. No personal bows, arrows, or BB guns.
- **Alcoholic beverages and illegal substances are NEVER permitted on camp property.** Offenders and their families will be required to leave council property immediately.
- **No swimming** allowed in the lake if Lifeguards are **NOT** on duty. The waterfront will not be open.
- **Buddy System:** Please utilize the Buddy System with your Cub Scouts and family members.
- **Quiet time:** Please respect others during Lights Out. This is a quiet time for your family at the campsite.
- **Campfires** are permitted in permanent fire rings or in raised fire stands. A campfire must always be monitored by adults until the last embers are out. A 5-gallon container of water must always be beside a fire.
- **NOTE: WEATHER CONDITIONS AND FIRE REGULATIONS MAY CANCEL ANY OPEN FIRES**

