

WinterFest

WTAC's 17th Anniversary @ Lavinia

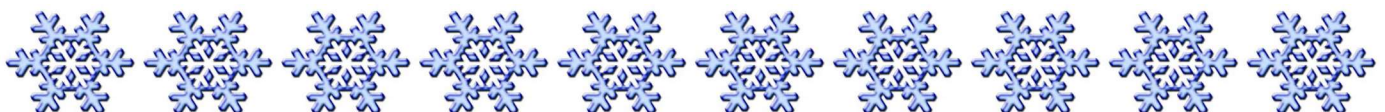
- ❄ **DATE:** January 26- 28, 2024
- ❄ **Where:** National Guard Training Center in Lavinia, TN
320 Spring Creek Road, Lavinia, TN 38348
- ❄ **Who:** Scouts BSA
- ❄ **Cost:** \$25 if paid by Friday, January 12, 2024 (overnight stay, programs, Saturday lunch, and a collectible patch)
- ❄ **Late:** \$30 (after January 12, 2024)
- ❄ **How:** Register online @ www.westtncscouts.org

Morning Winterfest Activities – 3-hour Merit Badge session. Scouts choose a potential future career or lifetime hobby interest. The goal is to introduce Scouts to merit badges and provide unit leaders the blue cards for the requirements completed. Many merit badges cannot and should not be fully completed at Winterfest.

Afternoon Winterfest Special Troop Activities
Blastcar CO2 racing and more....

There will be an OA Call Out at Winterfest this year!

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Schedule

Friday, Jan 26

5 – 8:30 pm Troop Check-In
9:00 pm SM and SPL Orientation
10:00 Taps

Saturday, Jan 27

7:30 am Reveille & Troop Breakfast
8:30 – 11:45 Merit Badge Classes
12:15 – 1:15 Lunch (included in fee)
1:30–4:00 Special Activities
4:00 – 5:00 Troop Dinner
5:00 – 6:00 Troop Activity
6:00 pm Campfire
8:00 pm BLAST CAR Troop
Races
10:00 pm Taps

Sunday, Jan 28

6:30 am Sunrise Interfaith Worship Service
7:00-8:00 am Troop Breakfast
By 10:00 am Barrack's inspection and check-out

Additional Activities

- **BLAST Cars** – Register your car to race by 3:00 on Saturday. Each Troop will receive one CO2 cartridge, additional races are \$1.00 per cartridge.
- **OA 5k Run – Ittawamba 5K**
- **Trading Post** – A great camp trading post will be available for general snacks and Scout goodies.
- **Adult Leader Training – 8:30 am -12 noon**
 - Leader Specific Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Training
 - Dutch Oven Cooking

Morning Merit Badges Offered

- Chess (10 max)
- Communications* (15 max)
- Crime Prevention/Fingerprinting (20 max)
- Dog Care (20 max)
- Electricity (20 max)
- Emergency Prep (15 max)
- Engineering (20 max)
- Family Life* (15 max)
- Forestry (15 max)
- Geocaching (15 max)
- Mining in Society/Geology (20 max)
- Music (20 max)
- Plumbing (15 max)
- Veterinary Medicine (15 max)
- Truck Transportation (20 max)
- Weather (15 max)
- Woodworking (20 max)

***Eagle Required merit badges are limited to First Class rank and above.**

Morning & Afternoon

- Citizenship in Nation* (15 max)
- Citizenship in World* (15 max)
- Space Exploration & Nova Award (20 max)
- Aviation (20 max)

Adult Leader Training

- Dutch Oven Cooking (15 max)
- BSA Adult Leader Specific Training for Scoutmasters/Assistants (30 max)

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Guidelines:

Always know what your Scouts are doing!

We are guests at the National Guard Base and need to leave better than we found it.

The use of cell phones during merit badge sessions is strictly prohibited. Instructors may confiscate cell phones from Scouts who violate this policy.

Your barracks must be cleared before check-out.

Do not bring any type of a knife.
Keep out of areas between the barracks.
Do not climb over the fences.
No campfires are allowed.
Do not touch windows.
No vehicles in the barracks area unless attached to trailer.

Troop to Bring List

Paper Towels
Toilet Paper
Trash Bags

Merit Badge courses are staffed by many volunteers including parents and leaders with knowledge in the career/hobby. To volunteer, contact John Mayros (731-707-3828 or john.mayros@scouting.org)



Each Troop will be provided ONE Blastcar! Your car and any additional race kits are available at the Scout Service Center in Jackson. The kits retail for \$3.99. If possible, your Troop will want to design and work on your car prior to the event.

Prizes will be awarded for the BEST DESIGN and TOP 3 RACERS at the Saturday night event.

The new Blastcar™ racing activity is a merit-badge-driven activity intended for Boy Scouts. Scouts can use their knowledge to experience the engineering design process through sketching an idea for their racer, laying out a design, constructing the car, conducting trial tests, modifying their design, and adding finishing details. Scouts design their racers for optimum performance on the course(s) they've engineered as a team.

Kit contains a pine wood block measuring 10" x 2 1/4" x 1 7/8", four racing slick wheels, axle screws, eyelets, axle key, and instruction guide. The position for the CO2 cartridge is pre-drilled into each block. Each troop will receive one CO2 cartridge, additional races are \$1.00 per cartridge.

Activity can be used toward requirements for Model Design & Building, Woodworking, and Wood Carving merit badges.

For Blastcar guidelines and instructions please click [here](#).

For Blastcar videos click here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gyZuQ0S2P7w#t=56>

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