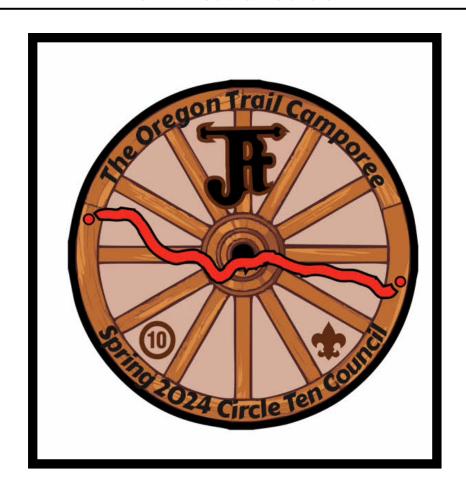
Circle Ten Council TRJ Spring Camporee #1

Oregon Trail

Unit Leader Guide



Friday-Sunday, April 12 - 14, 2024 Trevor-Rees Jones Scout Camp

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Join Northern Trail, Post Oak, Soaring Eagle, Southern Star, and Tejas Caddo Districts for a weekend of Scouting fun! This year's theme is **Oregon Trail**.

All units should be ready for all the Camporee fun including open ranges, patrol competitions, campfire, and OA Callout.

Scout skills are going to be emphasized at this event. Patrols should make sure they have their Patrol Flags, 10 Essentials, and a compass! Patrols are encourage to embrace The Oregon Trail theme with creative patrol names, flags, and yells for the weekend.

General Information

Registration

Units must register all Scouts and Scouters on the council registration website:

https://scoutingevent.com/571-2024TRJSpringCamporee1

Registration closes April 5th at 11:00 PM.

For any questions, comments, or concerns about Camporee, please email Frank Griffin at frank.griffine@scouting.org or Kevin Smith at apprkevin@gmail.com

<u>Fees</u>

Scouts: \$20.00 Scouters: \$15.00 Staff: \$10.00

Order of the Arrow Brotherhood: \$20.00 (payable at the event - cash or check made out to Circle Ten or cash)

Red Cross CPR/AED Training: \$40 (payable at the event – cash or check made out to Michael Reisinger).

Campsite

Once a troop is registered, a campsite will be assigned on Friday night based on availability, the size of the troop, and the size of the campsite. Campsites will be pre-assigned.

Meals

Each troop is responsible for providing meals for their Scouts.

First Aid

Minor injuries, such as cuts, scrapes, scratches, bruises, and minor burns, may be treated with proper first aid by the unit.

If the injury is more serious or suspected to be more serious, every Scout and Scouter may make use of the Camporee First Aid Station. If necessary, send for help. If a Camporee staff member with a radio can be found quickly, ask the staff member to radio for help.

Check-in and Registration

Forms required for arrival

- 1. All Units must present a competed Circle Ten Council Arrival Checklist available at this link: https://www.dropbox.com/s/k8f5z7facg4wg8r/Circle%20Ten%20Council%20Arrival%20Checklist.pdf?dl=0
 - 2. Unit Roster from BlackPug. When viewing the unit's registration, click on the "Reports" tab. Select "Unit Roster."
 - 3. Medical Forms (Part A&B) are required for all participants and must be turned in by the unit at check in. Forms for each participant must be fully complete including signatures and copy of the insurance card https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf

Check in Process

Once arriving at the parking lot, a Scoutmaster or Troop Representative should come in the Headquarters building with the following items:

- 1. Circle Ten Council Arrival Checklist
- 2. Proof of Advanced Registration. Unit Roster from registration site.
- 3. Medical Form A & B for each participant
- 4. Notify registration of the number of patrols competing in the Saturday events

Vehicles and Campsite Setup

On Friday night, vehicles will be allowed at the campsite to make the campsite setup easier. If a troop has a trailer, the trailer may stay at the campsite through the duration of Camporee. Please move all other vehicles to the parking lost before 7:30 AM Saturday.

NO VEHICLES ARE PERMITTED IN CAMPSITES, unless you have a handicap pass (See Handicap Procedure below).

Driving around camp is strictly prohibited except for handicapped Scouts and Scouters, Camporee service crew, and Camp Rangers.

Handicap Procedure: If a Scout or Scouter is handicapped and must use a vehicle during Camporee, they MUST bring and present a VALID handicap-parking tag to receive a Camporee approved handicap parking pass. All parking passes will be distributed at the CAMP HEADQUARTERS.

Events

Camporee features a program consisting of patrol events in the morning and afternoon. Scouts should divide into patrols within their Troop. No more than **8 Scouts per Patrol**. The use of putting together a "Super Patrol" is

discouraged to keep it a friendly competition for all. Instead, think about your older Scouts mentoring/bonding with your new Scouts to have fun.

<u>Troop Patrol Competition – Morning</u>

EVENT	DESCRIPTION	
Fire Building	Patrols will be timed on building a small fire.	
Knots	Challenges focused on knots required for Trail to First Class	
Lashings	Patrols will construct an apparatus using lashings.	
First Aid	Challenges focused on first aid knowledge.	
Other Events	Tug of War, Three-Legged Race, & Burlap bag (potato sack) race	

<u>Troop Patrol Competition – Afternoon</u>

EVENT	DESCRIPTION	
Fording a River	Challenges focused on knots required for Trail to First Class	
Orienteering	Course focusing on basic orienteering skills and knowledge	
Shooting Sports	Archery, Rifle, Shotgun and/or Tomahawk ranges will be open for competitions	
Climbing Tower	Timed climbing challenges	

Other Events	Tug of War, Three-Legged Race, & Burlap bag (potato sack) race

Awards

Awards will be presented at the campfire Saturday night. Top three Patrols for each event will be recognized, along with the top three Troops overall.

Schedule

NOTE: Final schedule will be provided at check-in. Some locations may change. Any changes will be announced at the SPL/SM Meeting on Friday evening. **The Admin team will be based in the Dining Hall on Saturday.**

Day	Time	Activity	Location
Friday	6:30 – 9:30 PM	Registration and Check-In	Headquarters
	10:00 – 10:25 PM	SPL/ SM Meeting (Q & A)	Dining Hall
	Immediately after SM/SPL Meeting	Key Staff meeting	Dining Hall
	11:00 PM	Lights Out/Quiet Time	Everywhere
Saturday	7:00 – 8. 00 AM	Breakfast	Campsites
	8:30 – 8:45 AM	Flags Ceremony/Announcements	Flagpoles by Dining Hall
	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Morning Events - Patrols are dismissed from flags to compete in the morning round robin events. Schedules and instructions will be provided to the patrols.	See map
	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Brotherhood sign up for eligible members of the Order of the Arrow (bring cash/check \$20)	Dining Hall
	12:00 – 1:15 PM	Lunch	Campsites
	1:30 – 4:00 PM	Red Cross CPR/AED Training	Scoutmasters' Lounge
	1:30 - 4:00 PM	Afternoon Events Competitions resume. Follow patrol schedule provided at morning flags.	
	1:30 PM	Deadline for submitting songs, skits, and cheers for Campfire to Admin	Dining Hall
	1:30 - 1:50 PM Scoutmaster Meeting about Order of the Arrow Call-Out – ceremony logistics and locations will be provided.	Dining Hall	
	3:00 – 5:00 PM	Order of the Arrow Brotherhood Walk	Flagpoles by Dining Hall
	4:45 – 5:00 PM	Flag Ceremony/Announcements	Flagpoles by Dining Hall
	5:00 - 5:15 PM	Scoutmaster / SPL Meeting	Dining Hall
	5:00 – 6:30 PM	Dinner	Campsites
	7:30 – 8:30 PM	Campfire Skits/ Awards	Dining Hall
	8:30 – 9:30 PM	Order of the Arrow Call-Out Ceremony	Leaving from Campfire
	9:45 – 10:30 PM	Order of the Arrow Ice Cream Social (for members and called out candidates)	Dining Hall

	11:00 PM	Lights Out/Quiet Time	Everywhere
Sunday	7:30 – 8:30 AM	Breakfast	Campsites
	8:45 – 9:00 AM	Flag Ceremony/ Announcements	Flag Poles
	9:15 – 9:45 AM	Scouts Own Service	Chapel
	9:15 – 11:30 AM	Campsite Inspections/ Troop Checkout	Campsites, Headquarters

Friday

Check-in and Registration (6:30 - 9:30 PM)

Troops will arrive, verify registration, get campsite assignments, and pay any outstanding balance.

SPL, Scoutmaster Meeting (10:00-10:25 PM)

Senior Patrol Leaders and Scoutmasters will gather at the Dining Hall with Adult and Youth Staff lead for a brief review of Camporee events.

Lights Out/Quiet Time (11:00 PM)

All Scouts and Scouters are to be in their tents, lights out, and are to refrain from loud noises that would disturb others.

Saturday

Opening Flag Ceremony (8:30 AM)

For this flag ceremony only, field uniforms (Class A) are **not required**. Patrols should be ready to depart from flags to begin the competitions. **Scouts should wear activity uniforms (Class B) or fully embrace the "In Tents" theme. Bring patrol flags!**

Morning Events (9:00 AM – 12:00 PM)

Patrols will compete at each activity. Instructions and schedules will be provided at morning flags.

Lunch (12:30 – 1:30 PM)

All troops provide their own lunch.

Order of the Arrow Brotherhood Check-In (11:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

Register for Brotherhood at the Dining Hall. Brotherhood fees are \$20 cash or check made out to Circle Ten. Must be current on Mikanakawa Lodge dues to participate (annual dues can be paid at miki.org).

OA Call-Out Meeting for Scoutmasters (1:00-1:50 PM)

A Scoutmaster or an adult troop representative for all troops participating in the Order of the Arrow Callout should attend this meeting for instructions and locations for the evening Call-Outs after campfire.

Campfire Program Submissions (1:30 PM)

SPL should submit in writing the troop's proposal for Campfire program. Selections will be confirmed at the 5:00 SPL/SM Meeting.

Afternoon Events (1:30 – 4:00 PM)

Afternoon events and competitions resume. Follow schedules provided at morning flags.

Order of the Arrow Brotherhood Walk and Ceremony (3:00 – 5:00 PM)

Brotherhood candidates will meet in front of the dining hall 15 minutes prior to the 3:30 walk to seal their membership in the Order of the Arrow. This walk is for those who are candidates or are already brotherhood honor.

Flag Ceremony (4:45 – 5:00 PM)

"Day is done, gone the sun..." All Camporee attendees, wearing field uniforms (Class A), will gather at the Flag Poles.

SPL, Scoutmaster Meeting (5:00 PM)

Senior Patrol Leaders and Scoutmasters will gather at the Dining Hall with Adult and Youth Staff lead for a brief review of the day's competition, and a look ahead to remaining activities, including the evening's campfire, OA ceremonies, and check-out procedures. <u>Units informed of approval for the skits, songs, or cheers their unit will perform at the Campfire.</u>

Dinner (5:00 PM - 6:30 PM)

All troops are to provide their own dinner.

Campfire and Awards (7:30 PM – 8:30 PM)

Camporee participants gather for an evening of awards, skits, songs and other entertainment. At the Campfire winning patrols and troops are recognized for their teamwork.

Order of the Arrow Call-out Ceremony (8:30 – 9:00 PM)

At the conclusion of the Camporee campfire, troops participating in the Order of the Arrow Call-Out will be led from the Campfire area to a ceremonial fire by Arrowmen.

Order of the Arrow Ice Cream Social (9:30-10:30 PM)

Order of the Arrow members and those who were just called-out may attend this event located in the Dining Hall. Please wear your Sash! We will join in fellowship and eat ice cream together, discussing the Chapter, other OA events, and other items.

Sunday

Flag Ceremony (8:45 – 9:00 AM)

Scouts, Scouters, and staff will gather at the Flag Poles. A field uniform is required.

Scouts Own Service (9:15 – 9:45 AM)

Inspections and Check-out (9:15 - 11:30 AM)

Camporee Staff will inspect each campsite. We expect the campsites to be in better shape than it was before Camporee. Once the campsite passes a check-out inspection, the unit's leader will be given the Camporee patches and any other checkout materials.

Camp Rules

- 1. OBEY:
 - a. Scout Oath
 - b. Scout Law
 - c. Outdoor Code
 - d. All warning signs, including any and all off-limits markings
 - e. Buddy system at all times

2. DRESS:

- a. Flag ceremonies (except Saturday morning's flag-raising), campfire, and OA ceremonies BSA Field Uniform (Class A shirts and Scout or Scout-approved pants or shorts.)
- b. Competitive events and other non-ceremonial day activities Scout or troop t-shirts and Scout or Scout-approved pants or shorts
- 3. NO FIREARMS, except those which may be provided by the Camporee staff for an activity or event.
- 4. NO ALCOHOL, NO ILLEGAL DRUGS.
- 5. Youth Protection Training rules must be respected and followed at all times.
- 6. Electronic Device usage is according to each troop policy.
- 7. Lights out by 11:00pm.
- 8. VEHICLES and TRAILERS:
 - a. Upon arrival at camp Friday, all vehicles will be parked in the camp's main parking lot according to the instructions of the parking crew.
 - b. Temporary passes will be issued to vehicles towing trailers so that the trailers may be parked in, or near, the troop's campsite.
 - c. Handicapped Scouts, Scouters, or Staff may receive a Camp Handicapped Tag following the procedures on page 3.
 - d. Only one (1) vehicle pass will be issued per troop.
 - e. Scouts must walk around camp through the duration of Camporee.

9. CONSEQUENCES:

a. If a Scout disrupts Camporee by failing to follow one or more of the above Camp Rules, he or she may be instructed to call a parent/guardian to request to be taken home from camp as soon as possible. If a parent/guardian is unable to come to camp to take the Scout home, the Scout's Scoutmaster will be responsible for removing the Scout from camp.

DO YOUR BEST to have good, clean fun while displaying Scouting spirit.

Order of the Arrow Ceremonies

Call Out

A Scoutmaster or adult troop representative shall attend the Call-Out information meeting at 1:30 PM to receive instructions and locations. Please bring a list of elected candidates who will be called out that evening to the meeting!

Brotherhood

Ordeal Members who completed their Ordeal more than 6 months ago are eligible to seal their membership in the Order of the Arrow by becoming a Brotherhood Member.

Please encourage any Scout and Scouter who are eligible to complete their membership by:

- Come to the Dining Hall between 11:00 and 1:00 on Saturday to:
 - Verify eligibility
 - Confirm Mikanakawa Lodge dues are paid for 2024 or pay (2024 dues are \$25)
 - Fill out a Brotherhood registration card and pay their \$20.00 fee (cash or check) if not prepaid for the OA Brotherhood sash
 - Receive instructions on their Letter of Rededication to service in the OA and the Brotherhood Walk requirements

You will also need to meet in front of the dining hall at 3:00 PM sharp, where the Brotherhood Walk will commence and will be followed by the Brotherhood Ceremony. The Brotherhood Ceremony is one of the most meaningful experiences available to members of the Boy Scouts of America. Those participating in it should be prepared to do their best to live a life of cheerful service to others.