



Spring 2024 Mohawk District Camporee Leaders Guide

Ed Bryant Scout Reservation

N6960 County Rd G, Mauston, WI 53948

April 26-28, 2024

Camper Fees

Scouts and Adults - \$20

Out of Council Scouts and Adults - \$30

Invited Staff - \$10

The fee includes campsite, activities, Saturday lunch, and Camporee patch.

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Farewell Tour – The Greatest Hits

Dear Scouts and Scouters,

Your Troop is invited to celebrate the rich history of the Mohawk District at the Spring Camporee on April 26th-28th at Ed Bryant Scout Reservation. This is not the end but rather a new beginning, and let us celebrate in style. This year's theme is the **"Farewell Tour – The Greatest Hits."**

The weekend will culminate my Mohawk District Camping Chair commitment and feature several favorite events from past camporees. The costume party campfire event will be one activity you will not want to miss.

This event is planned as a 2-night Round Robin style Camporee for Scouts BSA Troops and Webelos or Arrow of Light Cub Scout Dens. Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts are encouraged to attend but **MUST** register with an attending Scouts BSA Troop. This event is considered a transition and retention activity, and Webelos or Arrow of Light Scouts can participate alongside Scouts BSA Troops.

I hope to see you all there for the final Mohawk District hurrah!

Cody Butcher
Mohawk District Camping Committee Chair (Retiring)

Pearls of Wisdom from Baden-Powell – excerpt from his Farewell Address to Scouts

"Be contented with what you have got and make the best of it; look on the bright side of things instead of the gloomy one. But the real way to get happiness is by giving out happiness to other people."

"Try and leave this world a little better than you found it, and when your turn comes to die, you can die happy in feeling that, at any rate, you have not wasted your time but have done your best."



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REGISTRATION AND FEES

Registration and fees are online at https://scoutingevent.com/620-Farewell_Tour
Fees include campsite, activities, Saturday lunch, and Camporee patch.

NOTE: The unit registration deadline is April 19, 2024

Unit leaders must do their best to register most Scouts by the deadline. Units registered by the deadline can add or subtract Scouts without penalty up to the event day. Campsites will be assigned based on actual registration numbers. However, if your Troop requests a specific campsite, please email Cody Butcher.

WEBELOS DENS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE!

Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts are encouraged to attend but must register with an attending Troop. Troops are encouraged to reach out and invite Dens of associated Packs to join them. Dens will act as a Patrol within the Troop. The Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts will practice independently, working together as a Patrol under Scout youth leadership. Parents of Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts will camp and eat with the Troop adults while observing their Scouts in action.

****Youth Protection and Adult Leadership UPDATE – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY****

[(Effective September 1, 2023)] Two registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over are required at all Scouting activities, including all meetings. A registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over must be present for any activity involving female youth or female adult program participants.

All adults staying overnight in connection with a Scouting activity must be registered as adult volunteers or program participants. Adult volunteers must register in the position(s) they are serving in. Registration as a merit badge counselor position does not meet this requirement. See a list of approved adult registration fee-required positions (link below)

Cub Scout Programs – Overnight Exception: Cub Scout's parents or legal guardians taking part in an overnight Cub Scout program with their child or legal ward are not required to register as leaders. All adults must review the "How to Protect your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide" that can be found in the front of each Cub Scout Handbook. **In addition, the parent or legal guardian must be accompanied by a registered leader at any time they are with youth members other than their child/ward. All other overnight adults must be currently registered in an adult fee-required position. (End Effective September 1, 2023, Update)**

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/yp-faqs>

HEALTH FORMS

A PRINTED copy of current health forms, Parts A and B, MUST be turned in at check-in for all participants (including adults). These forms **WILL NOT** be returned at the end of the Camporee. Units must also have health forms for all participants at their campsites.

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/medical-formfaqs/>

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ARRIVAL and CHECK-IN

Units may arrive at EBSR on Friday after 5:00 p.m. **Units will be welcomed at Nelson Lodge to check in.** A unit roster of all participants and health forms must be turned in at check-in. ALL vehicles must return to the parking lot after unloading. Trailers may remain at the campsites. Contact the camporee chair if you have someone who requires a vehicle in camp due to medical or mobility concerns.

FIRST AID

Units are responsible for handling the administration of medicine and basic first aid. Any injuries beyond the unit's capability should be referred to camp staff and medical officers. All injuries should be reported to the camp staff.

CAMP RULES

Units must follow the Guide to Safe Scouting, Youth Protection, and the Scout Oath and Law.

MEALS

A camp-wide lunch will be provided on Saturday. Units will be responsible for bringing all other meals.

UTILITIES, RESTROOMS, and TRASH

- Potable water will not be available at all campsites, but it will be available at Fellowship Hall.
- Most campsites do NOT have electricity. Contact the camporee staff if you need electricity for CPAP or other medical reasons.
- Mobile phone coverage is limited.
- All campsites have latrines, and the camp has flushable toilets and heated showers.
 - Units should plan to bring hand sanitizer for latrines.
- Plan to pack your trash and take it to the dumpsters at the camp entrance on Sunday morning.

DEPARTURE

Check out as a unit. Please check out with the Camporee Staff at Nelson Lodge before departure. Practice outdoor ethics skills and leave your campsite better than you found it.

GEAR

All participants are encouraged to wear their Field Uniforms (Class A) to flags and campfire programs. Activity Uniforms (Troop T-shirt / Scout T-shirt) or other activity-appropriate wear are permitted. Please dress appropriately for the weather. Spring weather can be unpredictable, and you could be subject to temperature extremes, intense sun, and wind.

WEBELOS and Arrow of Light Scouts – Generally, you will need personal gear and a tent. Dens will be paired with local Troops and may be able to utilize the host Troops' gear.

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Required items:

- **BSA Health Medical Form Part A and B – 2 printed copies for every participant**
 - Q. “Who needs to complete an Annual Health and Medical Record?”
 - A. “All participants must complete Parts A and B (both pages) for all Scouting activities.”
 - “All participants” include parents, guardians, siblings, youth, staff, and unit leaders.
 - Though Part C is only required for participation in events lasting longer than 72 hours, all Boy Scouts of America participants are encouraged to complete this pre-participation physical during an annual exam performed by a licensed healthcare provider.
- Personal medications
- YPT for all adults
- A GOOD Scouting Attitude

Suggested packing list:

- Tent with ground cloth
- Bedroll or sleeping bag, ground pad
- Pillow
- Field (Tan Scout shirt) and Activity (Scout t-shirt) uniforms
- Clothing appropriate for the weather
- Extra change of clothes
- Closed-toed shoes
- Jacket & raingear
- Hat
- Pajamas/nightwear
- Toiletries (soap, towel, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, deodorant)
- Mess kit (bowl, spork, mug in a mesh bag)
- Water bottle
- Flashlight (or headlamp) and extra batteries
- Scouts Handbook (optional)
- Hand sanitizer, folding chairs, insect repellent, sunscreen
- Contact the host Troop for additional items needed (e.g., money for food)

LEADERS

Ensure your Scouts have the BSA Ten Essentials.

WHAT NOT TO BRING TO CAMP: Alcohol, firearms, guns, ammunition, fireworks, illegal drugs, pets, scooters, skates, skateboards, and valuables.

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THE EVENTS

This camporee will be on a rotation basis, and Scouts will travel as patrols from station to station. More details will be shared with your Patrol leadership at the start of Camporee.

WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU

The Camporee Committee seeks adults or experienced older Scouts to assist or operate stations. Stations will provide all Scouts with a learning opportunity geared toward HAVING FUN. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Cody Butcher in advance.

The RED Rotation – the Ranges will be open and feature several popular shooting sports events.

- Archery
- Slingshots
- Tomahawk Throwing (Alternative event for Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts)
- BB Guns

The YELLOW Rotation – features skills and team-building games from Stone Age and Mission Impossible.

- The Quest for Fire & Towering Inferno
- Pterodactyl Omelet & Bomb Squad
- Blind Escape
- Bombing Range

The GREEN Rotation – will feature events from Leave No Trace and Trama-Rama.

- Principles of Leave No Trace
- Wilderness First Aid
- Basics of CPR and AED
- Kim's Game

The BLUE Rotation – featuring events from Stone Age Camporee, Scoutish Games, Mission Impossible

- Yabba Dabba Derby (one of my favorites)
- Rescue the Pilot
- Flodh Gearradh (2-handed bucksaw)
- Mystery Mission

The Just Because We Have Fun Events

- Camp-wide Tug-o-War!
- Red Carpet Superhero Costume Party
- The Big Picture Troop Video Contest
- Movie Snack Challenge

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RED CARPET CAMPFIRE EVENTS

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory - Movie Snack Challenge

Utilizing your Scout cooking skills and your desire for a fun and tasty treat, make a candy or popcorn dessert to wow your Troop and the Camporee judges. The creations will be judged for taste, originality, and presentation. Patrols must bring all the necessary supplies to feed their hungry Scouts. Bring samples for the judges to taste and your recipes to share. (Please be aware of any food allergies; all ingredients must be listed.)

The Big Picture - Troop Video Contest

Troop videos can be made ahead of time by the scouts or completed at the Camporee. Troops should bring the necessary equipment to shoot and edit their video, although many videos today are produced with only a smartphone.

The video topic should focus on any Camporee activity, a Scout activity, or teaching a skill. Communicate how much fun Scouting can be! The ideal video could show another youth or parent the excitement of being outdoors and a Scout. Simple videos demonstrate Scout skills, such as setting up the campsite and a tent or preparing meals to tell the story of the Scouting experience.

Without stifling creativity, the broad judging considerations will be energy, creativity, how well the video captures Scout Spirit, and other criteria encouraged by the merit badge handbook on Moviemaking. Troop movies should be no longer than 5 minutes (without prior approval) and reviewed by the SPL and Scoutmaster for appropriate content before submission. **Equipment brought to shoot videos, such as smartphones, should be used to produce videos, not for entertainment, such as games, social media, etc.**

Justice League - Superhero Costume Competition

Come to the campfire program dressed as your favorite Superhero! Individual and group costumes will be judged on originality, materials used, and creativity. Bonus points might be awarded if you use the principles of Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle in your design. Entries can be made ahead of time or at the Camporee.

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SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

- 5:00 – 9:00 Scoutmaster check-in at Nelson Lodge
- 8:45 **SPL/PL Meeting** – Senior Patrol Leaders, Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders, Scouts in Charge, Scoutmasters from each Troop, and all event volunteers, please report to Nelson Lodge. Schedules will be handed out, events explained, and any last-minute updates will be shared.
- 11:00 Quiet time

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

- 7:00 Reveille and breakfast at your campsite
- 8:30 Opening flag ceremony
- 09:00 – 11:30 Morning rotations
- 11:30 – 12:00 Gather at Fellowship Hall for Scout's Own Service before lunch.
- 12:00 – 1:00 Camp-wide lunch at the Fellowship Hall
- 1:30 – 4:00 Afternoon rotations
- 4:30 Tug-o-war!!
- 5:00 Flag retirement ceremony
- 5:30 – 7:30 Evening meal and patrol time at your campsite
- 8:00 Red Carpet Event – the Farewell Campfire Program
- 11:00 Quiet time

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

- 7:00 – 12:00 Reveille and breakfast at your campsite
Patrol and Troop time.
Check-out and campsite clean-up
- Noon All units should be out of Camp.
Safe Travels Home!
See you at the Fall Council Camporee.

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It is all about the PATCH! How Many have you attended?

2020 Virtual Camporee

Mission Impossible was rescheduled due to COVID-19; the Virtual Camporee was held over ZOOM. There was no patch, but it was a FUN (and interesting) time!



Thank you to everyone who has helped with these events. These are some of my favorite Scouting memories!
Mr. Cody Butcher, Mohawk District Camping Chair, 2020-2024