



New Market Battlefield Camporee May 15 - 17, 2026

Leaders' Guide

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May 15-17, 2026

New Market Battlefield

Open to all Virginia Headwaters Council (VAHC) and out of council units.

AOL Camping Opportunity and New Market Program

Check-in Friday night. Program all day Saturday.

Cub Scout Program Saturday

Cub and Family Overnight Opportunity

Program and Depart Sunday.

Registration deadline is May 15, 2026.

ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY.

<https://scoutingevent.com/763-newmarketcamporee>

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New Market Camporee 2026 Schedule

(Full Program Guide to be published separately)

Friday – May 15

- 4:00 – 9:00 PM – Check-in at the Scout HQ in the North Field
 - 10:30 PM – Lights Out
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Saturday – May 16

- 7:00 – 8:00 a.m. – Check-in (late arrivals and Cub units)
 - 8:00 a.m. – Senior Patrol Leader Meeting at Scout HQ
 - 8:30 a.m. Flags
 - 9-11:30 a.m. – Morning program
 - 10 a.m. – Artillery Firing Kickoff
 - 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – LUNCH with your Unit
 - 1:00 p.m. -5:45 p.m. – Afternoon program
 - 3:45 - 4:15 p.m. – Civil War Era Rounders Game (Baseball)
 - 6:15 p.m. - Flags
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Sunday – May 17

- 8:45 a.m. Flags
- 9:00a.m. - 9:45 a.m Finish Passport Program (if needed) or Chapel Service
- 9:45 a.m. – Union Army Drill & Walk to 54th PA Monument
- 11:15 a.m. – Confederate Ceremony at Woodson’s Monument
- 11:45 a.m. – Cadet Ceremony at the Orchard Fence (with Artillery Firing)
- 1:00 p.m. – Confederate Drill & Live Black Powder Demos
- 2:00 p.m. – Check out

New Market Battlefield Camporee 2026 Stations

Military Camp Life

Patrols will spend time in the military camp area to observe the methods of camping and learn about the day-to-day life of soldiers of the 19th century. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn a stamp on their passport for their participation.

19th Century Cooking

Patrols will visit the Bushong Summer Kitchen to learn about cooking techniques common in the Shenandoah Valley at the time of the Civil War. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn a stamp on their passport for their participation.

Games and Dancing

Patrols will visit the Bushong Farm to learn about and participate in games and dances of the period. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn a stamp on their passport for their participation.

Medical Demonstration

Patrols will attend a demonstration by the Society of Civil War Surgeons. Medical and surgical techniques and equipment used during the war will be shown and discussed. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn a stamp on their passport for their participation.

Guided Battlefield Tour

Scouts will be given a guided tour of the battlefield and taught about the battle and the history of the property. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn a stamp on their passport for their participation.

Museum

The Virginia Museum of the Civil War will be open for touring. Patrols will visit as scheduled. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn a stamp on their passport for their participation.

Luray Caverns Ticket Award (Cub Scouts)

- **Overview:** This special award is dedicated exclusively to our Cub Scouts! Tickets to Luray Caverns will be awarded to the individual Cub Scout who exemplifies the absolute best Scout spirit throughout the entire day.
- **How to Win:** Camp staff will be on the lookout for a Cub Scout showing exceptional enthusiasm, kindness, helpfulness, and active participation during the daytime events and passport stations.
- **Awarding:** The winning Cub Scout will be announced and presented with the tickets during the Saturday evening campfire.

The "Snake Fence" Building Competition & Golden Shoe Award (Scouts BSA & Venturing Crews)

- **Overview:** Put your patrol or crew's pioneering skills to the test! This competition is designed for Scouts BSA and Venturing Crews. Teams will compete to build the sturdiest and most historically accurate "snake fence" (split rail fence) using provided staves and lashings.
- **Scoring:** Teams will be judged on completion time, teamwork, the accuracy of their lashings (square and shear lashings), and the overall stability of the final fence.
- **Awarding:** The victorious patrol or crew will be awarded the highly coveted Golden Shoe trophy during the Saturday evening Order of the Arrow (OA) campfire.
- **When & Where:** Scouts will take part in this as part of the passport program throughout the day.

Administrative Information

Vehicles & Trailers

- Absolutely no riding in the backs of trucks, trailers, or cargo areas of vehicles. Seat belts must be used in designated seats only.
- Trailers may be parked in designated campsite areas: Trailers must be disconnected from the tow vehicle.
- Tow vehicles must return to the main parking area.
- Trailer wheels must be chocked, and tongues secured on a block or stand.
- No vehicles are to be left in campsites – No Exceptions!

First Aid

- **Medical Forms:** Each unit must have a fully completed Scouting America Medical Form (Parts A & B) for every Scout and adult leader on site. Forms must be kept on hand by the unit.
- **Field Hospital (Medic) Location:** The Chief Surgeon (Registered Nurse) will be on-site all weekend, stationed at the Field Hospital **next to Scout HQ**. They are also reachable by radio.
- **Reporting:** All injuries, no matter how minor, must be reported to the Medic at Scout HQ.
- **Medications:** Units are responsible for the storage and administration of their own medications.

Water access

- **Locations:** Potable water will be available in water buffaloes located at the designated Water Points (marked as blue hexagons on the site map).
- **Bottles:** It will be HOT! Scouts must carry water bottles at all times.

Emergency Procedures & Weather Policy

- **Weather:** This event is held Rain or Shine. Units should ensure all Scouts and Scouters pack appropriate foul-weather gear.
- **Severe Weather/Emergency Muster:** In the event of a camp-wide emergency – such as severe weather, a major medical incident, or a missing person – the primary assembly point for all units is the main parking lot of the Virginia Museum of the Civil War.

- **Accountability:** Unit leadership must immediately account for all Scouts and check in with the Camporee Headquarters. Local EMS has been notified of our event footprint and schedule. The Camporee Director can be reached at (910) 381-1876 for urgent, non-life-threatening issues.

Off limits areas for Units

- Separate camping areas will be designated for scouts and AOL campers. The scout/AOL area is OFF LIMITS to Cub Scouts.
- Units are to stay in the designated areas for camping and the New Market Battlefield 162nd Anniversary Celebration.

Lost & Found

- Located at Scout HQ.
- To prevent loss, Scouts should label all gear with name and unit number.

Trash & Clean-Up

- Please follow the principles of Leave No Trace.
- Each unit is responsible for transporting its own trash.
- There will be a dumpster near the scout area that units can dispose of their trash properly.

What NOT to Bring

- Sheath knives
- Gas lighters
- Chemical fire starters
- Video games

AOL Track Overview

Arrow of Light (AOL) youth can camp with their unit or as guests of another troop and participate in a dedicated AOL Track on Saturday. This track mirrors the Scout events with Cub-appropriate activities focused on history and artifacts.

- **Check-in:** 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. at Scout HQ (North Field)
- **Flags:** 8:45 a.m. (with all units and Troop)
- **Rotations:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

- **Lunch:** 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (with your Pack or Troop) *(A full Program Guide will be published separately.)*

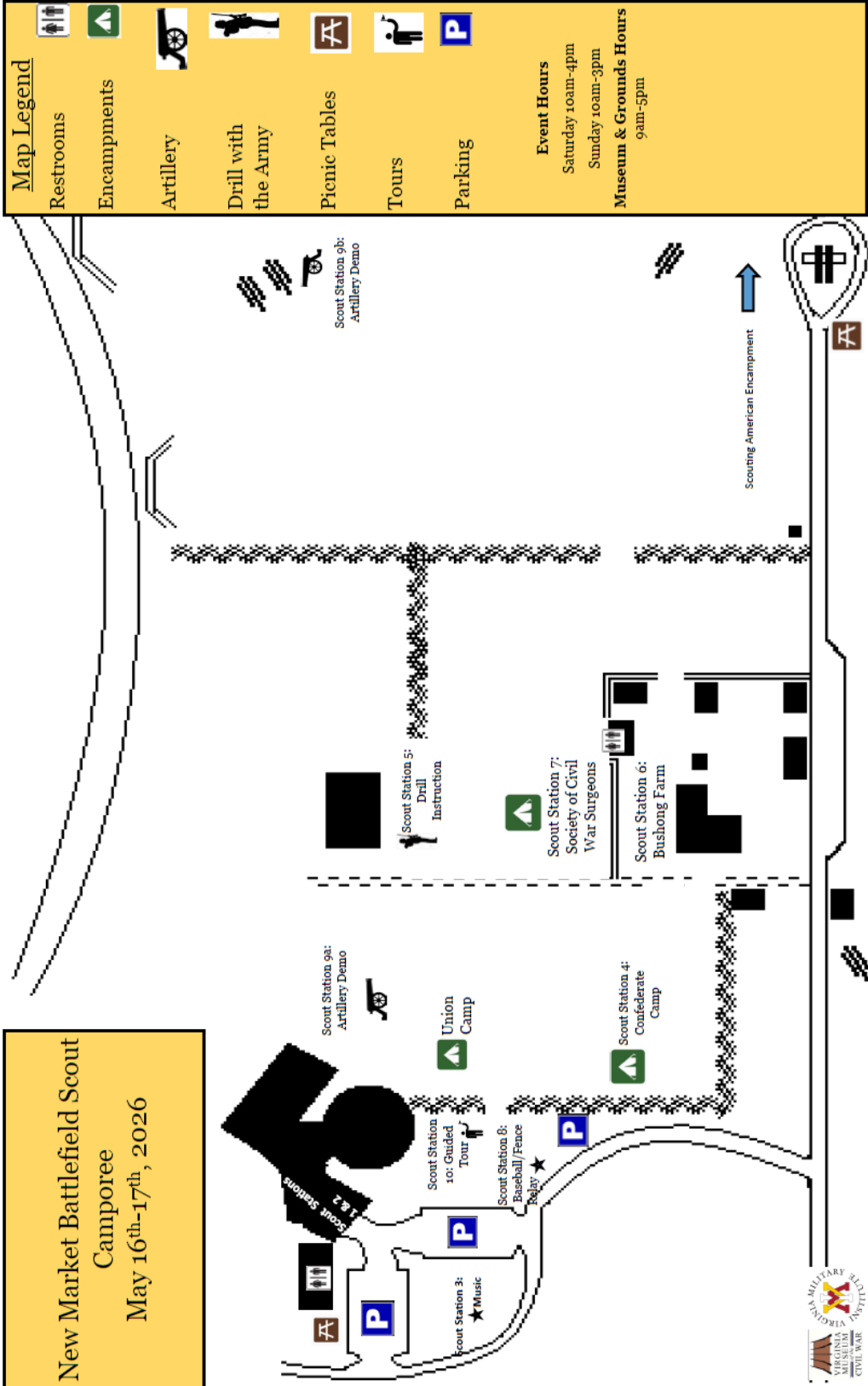
Cub Track Overview 🗺️

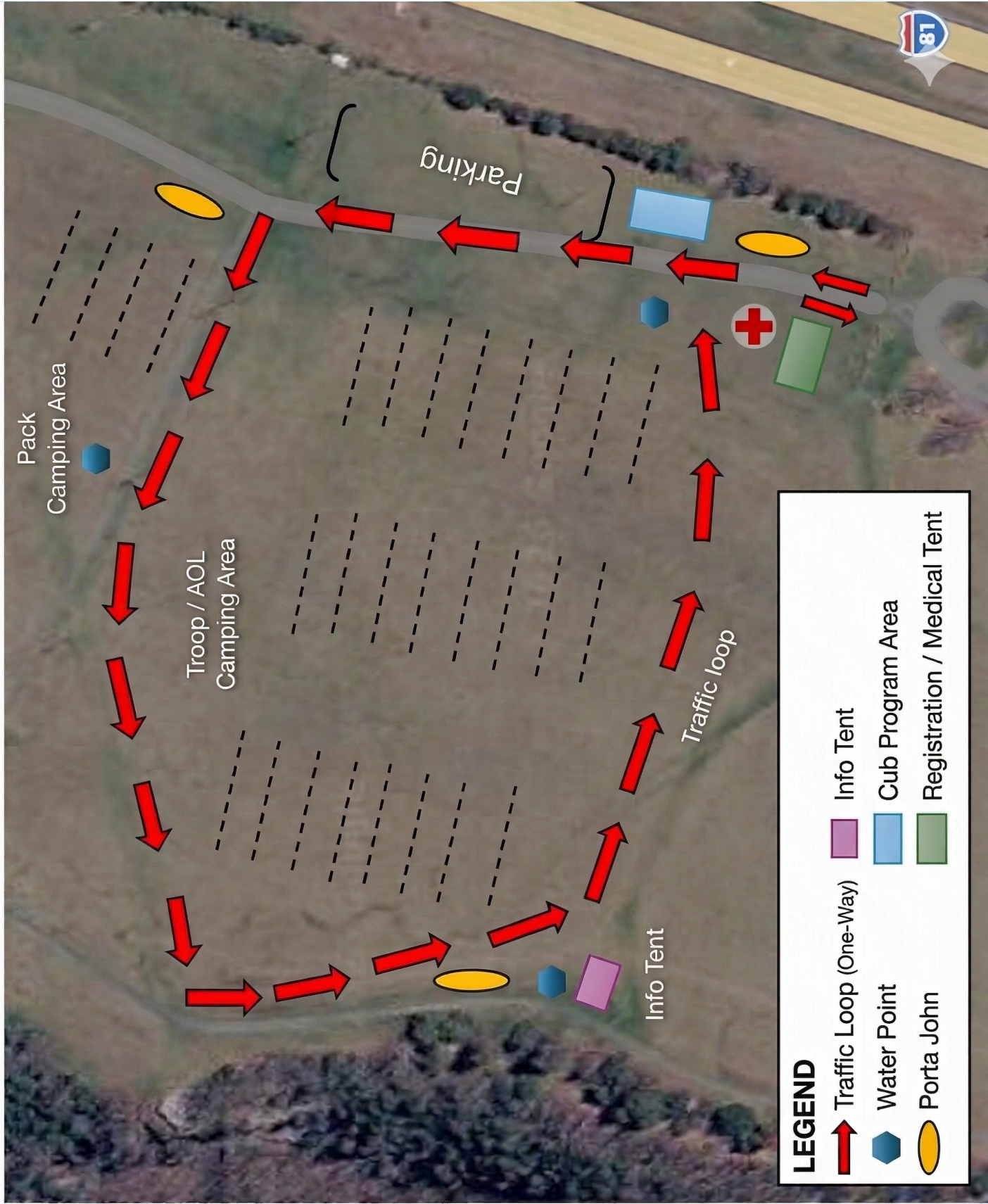
Cubs will participate in engaging historical tours, interactive Bushong farmhouse activities, and live military demonstrations. A full Program Guide will be published separately.

Cub Family Overnight 🏕️

Cub Scouts and their families are invited to make it a full weekend experience by camping overnight! Along with spending the night under the stars, families will participate in the daytime Cub events, which include guided historical tours, hands-on activities at the Bushong farmhouse, and exciting military demonstrations. A comprehensive Program Guide detailing camp setup and schedules will be published separately.

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Camporee**
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LEGEND

	Traffic Loop (One-Way)		Info Tent
	Water Point		Cub Program Area
	Porta John		Registration / Medical Tent