



# MAYFLOWER DISTRICT BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION



THE QUARRIES SCOUT CAMPSITE, OCTOBER 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 2025



BALOO is a training designed for leaders and parents to learn more about the Cub Scout outdoor program. The sessions include the why and how of Cub Scout camping-planning, equipment, meal preparation, campfire programs, fire safety, stoves, and lanterns; first aid and sanitation; nature hikes and games; and cooking. Scattered throughout the day are plenty of the four S's: songs, stunts, stories, and showmanship. The key point of BALOO training is "Keep It Simple." Remember, the over-night is an entry-level outdoor experience for the first-time Cub Scout camper. All arrangements (sleeping, cooking, and program) should be geared to Cub Scout-age participants. **Pack overnights and Webelos den campouts require a BALOO-trained Scouter.**

## **BALOO Learning Objectives:**

By completing this training course the participants will:

1. Understand the focus of the Cub Scout level of the Scouting America program
2. Acquire the skills and confidence necessary to plan and carry out a successful Cub Scout-level overnight activity.
3. Increase their knowledge of the resources available from Scouting America for carrying out this activity.

Completing the course will qualify a Cub Scout leader to lead any den- or pack-level outdoor overnight event. This includes pack overnights and Webelos den camping.

**Prior to taking the practical component, you must have completed the online component. Both components, the online and the practical, must be completed in order to fulfil the "BALOO Trained" status.** In the event the online component is not completed prior to the practical, the trained status is withheld until both components are successfully completed. The online portion is available through the Scouting America LearnCenter. Log onto [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org) and select the Scouting America LearnCenter image on the right side of the home page.

Register online at <https://scoutingevent.com/802-103603>.

Check-in for the course will be from 8:30 to 9:00 on Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>, with the program beginning at 9:00. The course should be finished by 11:00 on Sunday.

Please register no later than September 28<sup>th</sup>. This is required so that adequate materials and food are available for everyone. The participation fee for the course is \$35, which includes food from Saturday lunch to Sunday breakfast. If you have any special dietary needs for medical or religious purposes, please let us know and we will accommodate you as best we can.

Don't come alone; bring a fellow pack leader! It is best to have more than just one leader per pack who has completed BALOO training.

If you have any questions, please contact J-P Frossard [kb4gid@yahoo.com](mailto:kb4gid@yahoo.com) (Tel. 07950-719540).



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### **Directions to The Quarries:**

The Quarries lies on the north edge of Milton Keynes, with easy access to the M1 & A5, as well as Milton Keynes Central and Wolverton train stations being a short distance away.

Address: The Quarries Scout Campsite, Stratford Road, Cosgrove, Milton Keynes, MK19 7BD

### **EQUIPMENT LIST:**

- ☐ Scout uniform
- ☐ Tent
- ☐ Sleeping bag
- ☐ Sleeping pad or mattress
- ☐ Sturdy shoes
- ☐ Change of clothes
- ☐ Sleeping attire
- ☐ Mess kit
- ☐ Soap, washcloth, towel
- ☐ Camp chair
- ☐ Notebook, pen, pencil
- ☐ Coat, jacket, cap, and gloves
- ☐ Cub Scout Six Essentials

