# 2022 Fall PATROL-O-REE "GAME LAND"

Program & Activity Guide



# **Activity Program**

The Patrol-O-Ree Youth Staff have designed a variety of team challenges that put scout skills to the test! Here's what to expect - Changes as necessary and flexibility.

All activities rely on the team dynamic and adhere to a strict rotation schedule. Prior to arrival, units should form "event" patrols in the size of 5 to 8 youth based on registered attendees. Patrols do <u>not</u> need to mirror the composition of their home unit's patrol. Large patrols may be split and combined with an invitation to lone scouts and/or another small patrol.

If and when a scout(s) requests to combine with another patrol, please leave a comment in the additional notes section of your registration and/or notify the Program Director:

<u>AECamporee@gmail.com</u>. This often applies to our Lone Scouting program and smaller units. We will do our best to coordinate your scout(s) prior to the event, so we can efficiently assign campsites and provisional patrols to the benefit of your scout(s) and the success of the event.

At check-in, notify the program director of any changes to participants and/or patrol composition. We understand changes due to unforeseen circumstances.

## Camporee Staff & Call for Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering, youth or adult, email us immediately:

AECampORee@gmail.com

The Camporee program is staffed by Youth and Adult *volunteers* from units like yours (SAJ, BSA) – as well as trained volunteers within the Department of Defense community. Volunteers can serve in various ways: translation, activity stations, supervision, goods/service donations, administration, recreational, medical, skill instruction, etc. Careful planning and training make a successful and safe event. That's why we need YOU, and we need you NOW!

# We encourage everyone who is bilingual to pitch in and be a good ambassador to our international scouts!

We categorize volunteers as STAFF or VOLUNTEER. Staff is a team of dedicated volunteers specific to the event and involves an application process. Camp Staff meet several times in preparation to accomplish training, build the program, and develop group cohesion as a team. Staffing builds leadership, people skills, communication, patience, responsibility, time management, teamwork, problem-solving and planning skills. Previous staff report that this

experience helped them in school and even assisted in their careers. In exchange for their commitment, Youth Staff fees are waived and all meals and identifiers (i.e. campshirts) are provided while at camp.

Do you know a Scout interested in staffing? Scouts BSA and SAJ, age 14 and above, and at least First Class Rank are welcome to apply as Youth Staff with an adult recommendation. Start the application process here: <a href="https://forms.gle/JCWJauJ8N9gq4A6dA">https://forms.gle/JCWJauJ8N9gq4A6dA</a>

#### What to Expect as Program Staff

#### Required Meetings:

<u>TBD</u>: 3 virtual via Zoom - intros, training, rehearsals, program changes, etc. <u>01 OCT, 0900-1900</u>: In-person on-site event mock-up, practice, rehearsal, identify needs/changes/etc. Lunch and snacks provided. Location: Ikego West Valley Campgrounds. <u>28-30 October, 1700 Friday to 1200 Sunday</u>: 3-day event on-site. All meals and snacks provided. Location: Ikego West Valley Campgrounds

#### **Required Training:**

Familiarity with the Leader and Program Guides.

Youth Protection Training (virtual) on MyScouting.org

<u>Virtual training meetings</u> listed above in preparation for the event. We encourage staff to practice the events at home and prepare questions, suggestions, and changes for these meetings.

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

Setup: Mark activity stations, allocate and distribute materials, build-up station activities, review activities, assign staff to stations. Provide input on programming quality and features.

Rehearsals/Walk-Throughs: opening ceremony, closing campfire, review of each station activities and rules, Scouts' Own Service, Campsite Inspections, Emergency Procedures

Event Station Guides: A minimum of (2) Youth Guides are posted at each station to educate, guide, and score/record patrols performance at the respective activity station.

<u>Campfire Program</u>: Assist with compliance, setup and teardown.

<u>Scout's Own Service</u>: Work with volunteer youth to execute a meaningful Scout's Own Service in service to the BSA and SAJ scouting community. Participant Scouts may request assistance with personal goals, rank requirement progress, and/or instruction. We will do our best to assist and incorporate their participation.

Adult advisor(s) are dedicated to supporting Youth Staff only and are not in conflict with unit supervision. Adult Advisors assist the Youth Staff and program director to ensure a safe and effective Camporee program. You will be appointed to various locations and duties to assist youth staff as needed in compliance with YPT and the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.

#### Staff with Japanese language skills are especially helpful.

#### **Provided items:**

Campsite, Staff Shirt, Staff patch, meals and snacks while at camp.

#### Be Prepared:

Official Field Uniform and OA Sash for Opening, Closing, Scout's Own Service.

We encourage traveling together by public transit or carpooling.

Bring your own camping equipment and mess kit. Pack a hat, rain/wind gear, extra socks. Identify, communicate, and advocate your needs (tent, gear, transportation, medical, etc.). Anything else?, just let us know in the virtual meetings, and/or email the program director (youth must include a parent/guardian/unit leader): <a href="mailto:aecamporee@gmail.com">aecamporee@gmail.com</a>

#### What to expect as a Volunteer

Can you volunteer but are unable to Staff? We would still love to hear from you! To assist our Program Staff and Adult Advisors, it is imperative that unit leaders/volunteers supervise their unit scouts as their primary role. Additional volunteers can serve in a variety of roles under the guidance of the camp director and as an advocate for the general welfare of all. This may include administrative roles, recruiting and marketing efforts, photography, substitute, staff meals, goods, etc. Let us know your availability and how you would like to help:

aecamporee@gmail.com

For future events opportunities or to support Scouting, please contact our District Executive. We love our volunteers, and your support and fresh ideas are always welcome!

# Camporee Stations and Events

- ★ Activities leverage the patrol's teamwork and a scout's servant leadership skills
- ★ Patrol size: 5 to 8 youth
- ★ Skill-testing activities utilize:
  - o The EDGE Method
  - Knot-tying and Pioneering

- o Totin' Chip and Firem'n Chit
- o Communication, Citizenship, and Creative Expression
- First Aid, Cooking, Invention, Spontaneity
- Physical Activity and Movement (NO water activities)
- o Diversity, Representation, Equity, and Inclusion
- o Teamwork, servant-leadership, cooperation, the Patrol Method
- ...and more!

### ★ All activities follow a schedule and begin with the Opening Flag Ceremony.

(Late arrivals or same-day check-ins are a recipe for disaster and must be arranged in advance.)

# Campfire Program

Scouts remain with their assigned patrol and are seated together. Patrols will reveal their flag and chant, then proceed to perform their Song or Skit at the Campfire program according to the schedule. \*\*Be Prepared.\*\* Review BSA's guidelines for campfire performances (songs and skits) here: <a href="https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/NCS-Ceremonies-and-Campfire-Guidance.pdf">https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/NCS-Ceremonies-and-Campfire-Guidance.pdf</a>

Special requests for the campfire program must be arranged in advance. Send requests to: <a href="mailto:aecamporee@gmail.com">aecamporee@gmail.com</a> Order of the Arrow Chapter Chief: <a href="mailto:talekachapterchief@gmail.com">talekachapterchief@gmail.com</a>

## **Patrol Exchanges**

We encourage scouts, patrols, troops, and volunteers to exchange in their scouting traditions. Discover and celebrate cultural similarities and differences. Prepare a dessert or recipe to share with neighboring scouts. The success of this event is up to you. We expect everyone to show courtesy and cheerfulness toward one another. Our shared experience will make memories and friends for a lifetime!

## Scout's Own Service & Chaplain's Aide

The "Scout's Own Service" will be conducted by the Youth Staff on Sunday morning. If your scout(s) would like to get involved or provide input/participate, please forward requests to: aecamporee@gmail.com

# **Hiking Trails**

Arriving early on Friday or looking for a Sunday activity after Check-Out? There are several trails that begin at camp, so please familiarize yourself with the map. When necessary, turn back.

# All hikers must stay on the designated trails. Entering/breaching fenced areas is strictly prohibited.

Directly behind the Trading Post, you will find the trailhead marker of a designated "BSA Historic Trail". Check out the criteria for the BSA Historic Trails Award and accomplish the requirements while visiting Ikego! Some of the trails are more than 300 years old and are the original trails leading to Kamakura City.

# Preparation for the Event

"The patrol system is not one method in which Scouting can be carried on. It is the only method." —Lord Baden-Powell, Scouting's founder

Scouts arrange themselves in patrols of 5 to 8 scouts and document with their unit leader prior to check-in. Patrols are diverse (new scouts, <u>ILST</u>-trained, lone scouts, etc.). Patrols do not need to mirror their home patrol/troop. Lone Scouts, small patrols, and oversized patrols will receive assistance and provisional allocations at check-in. <u>Best practice</u>: Keep surprises to a minimum, and let us know of patrol-size and/or how we can help your scout(s) as soon as possible.

At check-in, unit leaders receive patrol roster(s), wristband identifiers, a schedule/score sheet, and a map for each patrol. Patrol members cannot be swapped and are required to wear the assigned wristband the entire time at camp. Additional maps and score sheets will not be provided. <u>Best practice</u>: Distribute & review materials as soon as possible with patrol roster.

## Activities and Station rotations are strictly timed. DO NOT BE LATE. DO NOT COME

**EARLY.** Patrols complete activities in the order and on the times listed according to the schedule. The Station Guide (STAFF) determines the START and DISMISSAL from their station. Station Guides provide critical safety information, objectives, and initial guidance. Patrols assist with resetting activity stations for the next rotation. Guides follow the scoring chart and record each patrol's performance before dismissal. Scores are FINAL. Patrols are recognized during the Campfire program for their awesomeness!

**REMEMBER:** Guides use their discretion as time allows for completion and reset before cycling to the next activity. **Patrols arriving late must not interrupt the Station Guide, and must comply with their decision.** 

# We look forward to seeing you at camp!

## **Overall Schedule**

#### **Friday**

1000 Administrative Staff arrival

1300 Program Staff arrival & setup

**1700** Staff Development Dinner

1730 Staff walkthrough, station checks

1800 UNIT CHECK-IN & SET CAMP

Patrol-cooking dinner, exchanges

2030 LEADER MEETING (Unit leader, Patrol leader, etc.)

2130 Staff Meeting

2200 LIGHTS OUT

#### Saturday

0600 Start of Day

**0800 PROGRAM STARTS** 

**OPENING FLAG CEREMONY** 

\*\*REFER TO SCHEDULE\*\*

**PATROL TIME** 

**CAMPFIRE PROGRAM** 

**EXCHANGES** 

2130 Staff Meeting

2200 LIGHTS OUT

#### Sunday

**0600** Start of Day

0800 CLOSING FLAG CEREMONY

Scout's Own Service

\*\*REFER TO SCHEDULE\*\*

Campsite Inspections/Check-out

**1000 DEPARTURES** 

1000 Staff Close-Out Procedures

**1100** Staff Departure

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After-Event Actions: Feedback surveys Lost/Found Items