



Gerber Scout Reservation Scouts BSA Resident Camp

Class Catalog

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Gerber Scout Reservation Scouts BSA Resident Camp 2019: Session #1 at Gerber Scout Reservation

Gerber Scout Reservation Scouts BSA Program (Scheduled Classes)

GSC116

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

Kolski Family Low COPE
Course
Westley Ely



Adult C.O.P.E.

Project C.O.P.E. will give Adults a chance to overcome challenges as a group and on an individual level. While developing leadership skills through unique situations and working on communications and trust, Scouts will start with group games and progress through low course challenges and eventually get to the ultimate challenge of the high ropes course.

Minimum Age: 18

Maximum number of participants: 20

NOTE: Wear closed-toed shoes

GSC202

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

Rifle Range
Dirk Ritzema



Adult Clays

Minimum Age: 18

Prerequisites: Activity not a Merit Badge

NOTE: Activity not a Merit Badge

GSC207

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

Williams Climbing Tower
Westley Ely



Adult Climbing

Minimum Age: 18

Prerequisites: Activity not a Merit Badge

NOTE: Activity not a Merit Badge

GSC208

2:30 PM 02:30-03:20 PM

Rifle Range
Dirk Ritzema



Adult Rifle/Pistol Shooting

Minimum Age: 18

Prerequisites: Activity not a Merit Badge

NOTE: Activity not a Merit Badge

GSC100

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Archery Range
Leah Bertrand



Archery

Archery is a fun way for Scouts to exercise minds as well as bodies, developing a steady hand, a good eye, and a disciplined mind. This merit badge can provide a thorough introduction to those who are new to the bow and arrow - but even for the experienced archer, earning the badge can help to increase the understanding and appreciation of archery.

Maximum number of participants: 24

NOTE: Practice makes perfect!

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GSC199

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Walt Mathews Handicraft
Program Shelter
Alex Letts



Art, Fingerprinting

This merit badge concentrates on two-dimensional art, specifically drawing and painting in various media, including an introduction to design applications in the fields of graphic arts and industrial design, history and design principles, and how these fields relate to fine art

In earning the Fingerprinting merit badge, Scouts will learn about and use an important technique that is used by law enforcement officers, along with other materials like matching dental records and DNA sampling, to help identify amnesia victims, missing persons, abducted children, and others.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #6

GSC122

9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

ERC Program Shelter
Raymond Sundquist



Astronomy

In learning about astronomy, Scouts study how activities in space affect our own planet and bear witness to the wonders of the night sky: the nebulae, or giant clouds of gas and dust where new stars are born; old stars dying and exploding; meteor showers and shooting stars; the moon, planets, and a dazzling array of stars.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: 5b, 6

NOTE: Req. 6b and 8b can be completed at home, both are weather dependent while at camp

GSC200

3 PM 03:00-04:50 PM

Williams Climbing Tower
Westley Ely



ATV Program (Owasippe)

All-terrain vehicles (ATVs or UTVs) are banned from program use and are not approved for unit use. The exception is council-approved ATV programs.

Additional Fee: \$35.00

Minimum Age: 14

Maximum number of participants: 6

Prerequisites: Fee: \$35, Activity not a Merit Badge, Minimum age 14 (Starting Requirement), Uses up "Free Time" each day, suggested for those not being called out in Order of the Arrow.

NOTE: This program runs during the Free Hour from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm and Scouts will return to camp prior to dinner.

GSC133

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Walt Mathews Handicraft
Program Shelter
Alex Letts



Basketry

Basketry is a handy skill for a Scout. A basket can be a sturdy companion on campouts, carrying clothes snugly and efficiently, holding potatoes and corn for roasting over a campfire, or carrying the day's fishing catch back to camp for dinner. Baskets and basket-weaving projects also make great gifts for family and friends.

Maximum number of participants: 24

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GSC156

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Scoutcraft

John Zimilus



Camping

Camping is one of the best-known methods of the Scouting movement. When he founded the Scouting movement in the early 1900s, Robert Baden-Powell encouraged every Scout to learn the art of living out-of-doors. He believed a young person able to take care of himself while camping would have the confidence to meet life's other challenges, too.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #4b; #5e; #7b; #8d; #9a; #9b[1]; #9b[2]; #9b[3]; #9b[4]; #9b[5]; #9b[6]; #9c

NOTE: Most of the written work can be done at home

GSC101

10:30 10:30-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-10:20 AM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Canoeing

For several centuries, the canoe was a primary method of travel for explorers and settlers. Today, it remains an important part of the wilderness experience and an enjoyable leisure activity that teaches communication, teamwork, and physical fitness.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: May be difficult for smaller scout to complete some requirements like the swamp and in water recovery.

Must complete BSA Swimmer test to complete

Must attend CPR Familiarization offered in camp course to complete

NOTE: Be a swimmer (Starting Requirements)

GSC211

2 PM 02:00-03:20 PM

Williams Climbing Tower
Westley Ely



Climb on Safely

Adult leader training which outlines the procedure for organizing BSA climbing/rappelling activities at a natural site or a specifically designed facility such as a climbing wall or tower.

Minimum Age: 18

GSC117

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Williams Climbing Tower
Westley Ely



Climbing

Climbing is not a sport that requires tremendous muscular strength; it demands mental toughness and the willingness to practice hard to master a set of skills. The adventure of climbing can also provide a new way to enjoy the outdoors.

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 24

NOTE: For Scouts 13 and older, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required

GSC141

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Takachsin Lodge
Jacob Bakker



Communication

This clear and concise definition comes from the U.S. Department of Education:

"Communication focuses on how people use messages to generate meanings within and across various contexts, cultures, channels, and media. The field of communication promotes the effective and ethical practice of human communication."

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #5; #8

NOTE: Req. 1, 4, and 7a are suggested before coming to camp

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GSC142

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Scoutcraft

John Zimilus



Emergency Preparedness

Scouts are often called upon to help because they know first aid and they know about the discipline and planning needed to react to an emergency situation. Earning this merit badge helps a Scout to be prepared by learning the actions that can be helpful and needed before, during, and after an emergency.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #2c; #6c; #8b

NOTE: Alternative to Lifesaving

GSC123

10AM 10:00-11:50 AM
2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM

ERC Program Shelter

Raymond Sundquist



Environmental Science

While earning the Environmental Science merit badge, Scouts will get a taste of what it is like to be an environmental scientist, making observations and carrying out experiments to investigate the natural world.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #3e[1]; #3e[2]; #3e[3]

NOTE: Recommend Req. 4 completed at home, be sure to bring your journal to camp along with your report

GSC144

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Outpost/Health Lodge-Tech
Center

Graham Vink



First Aid

First aid - caring for injured or ill persons until they can receive professional medical care - is an important skill for every Scout. With some knowledge of first aid, a Scout can provide immediate care and help to someone who is hurt or who becomes ill. First aid can help prevent infection and serious loss of blood. It could even save a limb or a life.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #5a; #5b

NOTE: Bring your first aid kit to camp

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GSC192

2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM
9AM 09:00-10:50 AM

Eagle Quest
Graham Vink



First Class - Eagle Quest

Boy Scout First Class rank practice for advancement by Troop.

This is the headquarters for all your Scouts working on Rank Advancement up to First Class. Eagle Quest is designed to provide a broad program experience to your Scouts. Eagle Quest is the first step toward a Scout earning his Eagle Scout Award. Scouts who wish to fulfill one or two requirements should visit this area in the afternoon during free time.

Eagle Quest Philosophy Statement:

We strive to expose your First-Year Scouts to all of the basic Scouting skills required for First Class. However, we are doing just that, exposing them to it. So we will ensure the Scouts can tie the knots but we will not be spending the hours it requires for the Scouts to fully memorize these knots as there is simply not enough time to do so in a week. We will meet advancement standards set forth by the Boy Scouts of America. However, we do not sign off on requirements in the Scout Handbook because it is the responsibility of the Troop Leadership to do so. You will be given a form at the end of the week with what each Scout has practiced and the Troop is left with the responsibility of pledging that the Scout has learned the information.

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GSC196

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

ERC Program Shelter
Raymond Sundquist



Fish and Wildlife Management

Wildlife management is the science and art of managing the wildlife - both animals and fish - with which we share our planet. Maintaining the proper balance and the dynamics that go with it requires humankind's attention. We use this stewardship tool to help minimize or eradicate the possibility of extinction of any given species. We want our descendants to have the opportunity to experience the same animal diversity that we now enjoy.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: Req. 5 can be completed at home. Bring a fishing rod to camp

NOTE: Req. 5 can be completed at home. Bring a fishing rod to

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GSC176

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Takachsin Lodge
Jacob Bakker



Fishing

In Scouting for Boys, Baden-Powell offers this advice: "Every Scout ought to be able to fish in order to get food for himself. A tenderfoot [beginner] who starved on the bank of a river full of fish would look very silly, yet it might happen to one who had never learned to catch fish."

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #7

NOTE: Bring your gear

GSC195

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

Takachsin Lodge
Jacob Bakker



Fly Fishing

Fly-fishing is a specialized form of fishing that combines skill and artistry. Because it is so rich with tradition, it is a passion for millions of people. The beauty of the water, the solitude, and the skills that the sport requires have made fly-fishing very important in the lives of many notable people.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #8

NOTE: Bring your gear

GSC194

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

ERC Program Shelter
Raymond Sundquist



Forestry

In working through the Forestry merit badge requirements, Scouts will explore the remarkable complexity of a forest and identify many species of trees and plants and the roles they play in a forest's life cycle. They will also discover some of the resources forests provide to humans and come to understand that people have a very large part to play in sustaining the health of forests.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #5a; #5b; #5c

NOTE: Req. 7 can be started at home

GSC134

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Walt Mathews Handicraft
Program Shelter
Alex Letts



Game Design

Games also come in almost every shape, size, format, and flavor imaginable. Games can be fast-paced, slow, or anything in between. Some are competitive. Some are cooperative. They may be for individuals, small groups, or thousands of players at a time. They might take seconds to complete or last for years. However you slice it, everyone has played games, and games help make us who we are.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #8a; #8b

GSC193

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

ERC Program Shelter
Raymond Sundquist



Geology

Geology is the study of Earth. It includes the study of materials that make up Earth, the processes that change it, and the history of how things happened, including human civilization, which depends on natural materials for existence.

Maximum number of participants: 24

NOTE: Req. 5 can be completed at home.

GSC213

2 PM 02:00-02:30 PM

Tryon Lodge
Randall Meyers



Gerber University

This program is a self-paced activity geared for adults to enjoy the many areas and treasures of the camp and to earn points toward their Gerber University Degree.

Minimum Age: 18

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GSC187

9AM 09:00-11:50 AM

Owasippe Scout
Reservation Bus Shuttle
Westley Ely



Horsemanship

In addition to learning how to safely ride and care for horses, Scouts who earn this merit badge will gain an understanding of the instincts and behaviors of horses and humane and effective methods for training horses.

Additional Fee: \$25.00

Maximum number of participants: 2

Prerequisites: Jeans or long pants (below the ankle) required, must wear sturdy, closed-toe/top shoes. Boots preferred, absolutely no sandals. Maximum weight: 250 lbs. Participants must be able to reach stirrups and use them actively to participate. Waiver signed by parent or guardian must be presented prior to participant attending program and is required. Ranch staff reserves the right to deny ride to any participant for any reason, including improper attire, behavior, or lack of waiver form.

GSC206

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Williams Climbing Tower
Westley Ely



Ice Climbing

Tired of climbing rocks? Sign-up for a daily session focused solely on Ice Climbing

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: Activity not a Merit Badge. For Scouts 13 and older who have completed the Climbing

MB, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required.

NOTE: Activity not a Merit Badge. For Scouts 13 and older who have completed the Climbing MB, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required.

GSC177

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Takachsin Lodge
Jacob Bakker



Indian Lore

Far different from the stereotypes or common images that are portrayed on film, on television, and in many books and stories, American Indians have many different cultures, languages, religions, styles of dress, and ways of life. To learn about these different groups is to take an exciting journey of discovery in which you will meet some of America's most fascinating peoples.

Maximum number of participants: 24

GSC217

2 PM 02:00-03:20 PM

ERC Program Shelter
Raymond Sundquist



Introduction to Conservation in Scouting

This new program will

focus on improving knowledge of the environment and conservation. Building on the material of Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills; topics include edible and useful plants, soil conservation, a guided hike, and ideas for activities to get your troop involved in conservation as well as getting Scouts interested and excited about their environment. This will also include Leave no Trace Awareness training.

Minimum Age: 18

GSC212

2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM
9AM 09:00-10:50 AM

Eagle Quest
Randall Meyers



Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Designed to sharpen

camping and other outdoor skills so that leaders can deliver the outdoor portion of the Scouting program. It is required for new Scoutmasters and assistants to be considered "Trained". The course prepares leaders to teach the outdoor skills that Scouts need for Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class. This course is also highly recommended for troop committee members, Webelos leaders, and leaders of venturing units.

Minimum Age: 18

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GSC102

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Kayaking

A basic-level merit badge for flat-water kayaking - whitewater kayaking will still fall under Whitewater merit badge.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: Must complete BSA Swimmer test to complete

Must attend CPR Familiarization offered in camp course to complete

NOTE: Be a swimmer (Starting Requirements)

GSC215

2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM

Tryon Lodge
Graham Vink



Leaders Iron Chief Challenge

Challenge your fellow leaders in a Dutch Oven cookoff with a secret ingredient that is provided. BYO seasoning, ingredients, cooking utensils, and extras.

Minimum Age: 18

GSC109

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Learn To Swim

Great class for those scouts that need some practice to prepare for the BSA Swim Test.

Maximum number of participants: 24

GSC135

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Walt Mathews Handicraft
Program Shelter
Alex Letts



Leatherwork

Scouts who complete the requirements to earn the Leatherwork merit badge will explore leather's history and its endless uses. They will learn to make a useful leather item using the same types of raw materials that our ancestors used; be challenged to master skills like hand-stitching, lacing, and braiding.; and learn how to preserve and protect leather items so they will last a lifetime and beyond.

Maximum number of participants: 24

GSC103

2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Lifesaving

No Boy Scout will ignore a plea for help. However, the desire to help is of little use unless one knows how to give the proper aid. The main purpose of the Lifesaving merit badge is to prepare Scouts to assist those involved in water accidents, teaching them the basic knowledge of rescue techniques, the skills to perform them, and the judgment to know when and how to act so that they can be prepared for emergencies.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: 1a, 13b and must be at least a first class scout.

This is a two hour badge each day and may be difficult for smaller scouts. Bring street clothes that can get wet.

Must complete BSA Swimmer test to complete

Must attend CPR Familiarization offered in camp course to complete

NOTE: Must bring long pants, long sleeve shirt, and belt for disrobe.

Recommended First Class Rank or higher. Alternative to Emergency Preparedness

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GSC164

10:30 10:30-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-10:20 AM

Scoutcraft
John Zimilus



Metalwork

Scouts will begin their work on this merit badge by learning about the properties of metal, how to use simple metalworking tools, and the basic metalworking techniques. Then they will practice using these tools and techniques before concentrating on the more intricate skills of one of four metalworking options.

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: Make sure to wear only natural fibers such as leather and cotton.

NOTE: Recommended First Class Rank or higher. Long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required

GSC110

9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Mile Swim BSA

Swim a mile in Lake Briton.

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 20

Prerequisites: Must have a spotter and a rower be able to accompany you on Thursday.

Swim ALOT!

Must complete BSA Swimmer test to complete

NOTE: Be a swimmer (Starting Requirement), for Scouts 13 and older

GSC125

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM

ERC Program Shelter
Raymond Sundquist



Nature

There is a very close connection between the soil, the plants, and all animal life, including people. Understanding this connection, and the impact we have upon it, is important to preserving the wilderness, as well as to our own well-being as members of the web of nature.

Maximum number of participants: 24

GSC197

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

ERC Program Shelter
Raymond Sundquist



Oceanography

The oceans cover more than 70 percent of our planet and are the dominant feature of Earth. Wherever you live, the oceans influence the weather, the soil, the air, and the geography of your community. To study the oceans is to study Earth itself.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #8a; #8b[1]; #8b[2]; #8c

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GSC209

2 PM 02:00-04:50 PM

Williams Climbing Tower
Westley Ely



Older Scout Adventure

If Merit Badges are not enough, check out the newest program to camp. Each day contains a new adventure from water skiing and tubing to horseback riding. Everyday is a new experience.

- Motorboating/Tubing/Water Skiing
- Horseback Trail Rides
- Mountain Boarding
- River Canoe Trip
- Fat Tire Bikes

Additional Fee: \$45.00

Minimum Age: 14

Maximum number of participants: 8

Prerequisites: Fee: \$45, Be a swimmer (SR), Minimum age 14 (Starting Requirement), Uses up "Free Time" each day, suggested for those not being called out in Order of the Arrow

NOTE: Fee: \$45

Be a swimmer (SR)

Minimum age 14 (SR)

Uses up "Free Time" each day, suggested for those not being called out in Order of the Arrow

GSC203

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

Kolski Family High COPE
Course
Westley Ely



OPEN - C.O.P.E.

Project COPE is "Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience" where Scouts will be able to overcome challenges as a group and on a individual level with our High Ropes Course.

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday "High COPE Course will be OPEN"
Tuesday and Thursday "Low COPE Course will be OPEN"

Minimum Age: 13

Prerequisites: For Scouts 13 and older, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required

NOTE: For Scouts 13 and older, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required

GSC201

10:30 10:30-11:50 AM

Williams Climbing Tower
Westley Ely



OPEN - Fat Tire Biking

Scouts will be able to cruise the camp on Fat Tire bikes by approved trails and roads by the High Adventure Staff.

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 8

Prerequisites: Activity not a Merit Badge, First come first serve, limited availability, for Scouts 13 and older, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required. May be able to bring your own helmet.

NOTE: Activity not a Merit Badge, First come first serve, limited available. For Scouts 13 and older, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required. May be able to bring your own helmet.

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GSC148

9AM 09:00-10:20 AM

Williams Climbing Tower
Westley Ely



OPEN - Mountain Boarding

Learn to ride our giant off road skateboards DOWNHILL! That is right learn to mountain board at PowerCut

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 8

NOTE: Activity not a Merit Badge, First come first serve, limited availability. For Scouts 13 and older, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required. May be able to bring your own helmet.

GSC204

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Takachsin Lodge
Jacob Bakker



OPEN - OA Instruction

We added a three hour period for Scouts to come and work with the staff to build OA regalia, learn how to dance, and drum

Prerequisites: Activity not a Merit Badge

NOTE: Activity not a Merit Badge

GSC158

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

Scoutcraft
John Zimilus



Orienteering

Orienteering, the use of map and compass to find locations and plan a journey, has been a vital skill for humans for thousands of years. Orienteering is also a recognized sport at the Olympic Games, and thousands of people participate in the sport each year in local clubs and competitions.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: 7ab,8ab

Bring compass - Limited Quantity at Camp

NOTE: Req. 7 can be started at home

GSC216

9AM 09:00-10:20 AM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Paddle Craft Safety

This BSA training expands Safety Afloat, as well as the knowledge, needed for a unit leader to confidently supervise canoeing or kayaking excursions on flat water.

Minimum Age: 18

GSC198

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM

Ranger Shop
Charles Brown



Painting

This merit badge provides an opportunity for Scouts to learn more about painting, including both the artistic and practical aspects.

Maximum number of participants: 24

GSC159

2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM

9AM 09:00-10:50 AM

Scoutcraft
John Zimilus



Pioneering

Pioneering-the knowledge of ropes, knots, and splices along with the ability to build rustic structures by lashing together poles and spars-is among the oldest of Scouting's skills. Practicing rope use and completing projects with lashings also allow Scouts to connect with past generations, ancestors who used many of these skills as they sailed the open seas and lived in America's forests and prairies.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: Tenderfoot Req. 4ab, First Class

Req. 7abc,8a

NOTE: Practice knots, read Guide to Safe Scouting

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GSC128

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM

ERC Program Shelter
Raymond Sundquist



Reptile and Amphibian Study

Boys always have been interested in snakes, turtles, lizards, and alligators, as well as frogs and salamanders. Developing knowledge about these captivating creatures leads to an appreciation for all native wildlife; understanding the life cycle of a reptile or amphibian and keeping one as a pet can be a good introduction to natural history; and knowing about venomous species can help Scouts to be prepared to help in case of an emergency.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #8a; #8b

NOTE: Bring journal to camp

GSC168

10:30 10:30-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-10:20 AM

Rifle Range
Dirk Ritzema



Rifle Shooting

Unless a rifle is handled incorrectly or recklessly, it is not dangerous. A rifle, like any other precision instrument, is manufactured to perform a specific task and can do so at no risk to the user or others. By earning this badge, Scouts can develop their shooting skills while learning safe practices.

Maximum number of participants: 32

Prerequisites: Read the Merit Badge book before attending.

GSC218

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM

Tryon Lodge
Randall Meyers



Roundtables

Learn and share successful Scouting procedures and activities.

Minimum Age: 18

GSC104

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Rowing

Rowing is the use of oars as a means of propelling boats, has grown from a basic method of transportation to a competitive sport and an enjoyable method of exercising.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: Must complete BSA Swimmer test to complete

Must attend CPR Familiarization offered in camp course to complete

GSC210

2 PM 02:00-03:20 PM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Safe Swim Defense / Safety Afloat

Learn what it takes to safely operate aquatic programs within your troop.

Minimum Age: 18

GSC214

2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM

Tryon Lodge
Randall Meyers



Scoutmaster Specific

For all Scoutmasters and their assistants, this course introduces leaders to the basics of operating a troop. It includes troop organization, the patrol method, leadership, advancement, and program planning.

Minimum Age: 18

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GSC136

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Walt Mathews Handicraft
Program Shelter
Alex Letts



Sculpture

This merit badge introduces Scouts to sculpture, an art form that allows an artist to express what he sees and feels by using these three dimensions by shaping materials such as clay, stone, metal, and wood.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #2c

GSC191

2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM
9AM 09:00-10:50 AM

Eagle Quest
Graham Vink



Second Class - Eagle Quest

Boy Scout First Class rank practice for advancement by Troop.

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GSC169

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3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Rifle Range
Dirk Ritzema



Shotgun Shooting

A shotgun is a precision instrument, designed to shoot a shot charge in a specific pattern to cover a designated area at a certain distance. Unlike a rifle, the bore of the shotgun is not rifled, so the shot emerging from the muzzle is not spinning.

Maximum number of participants: 12

Prerequisites: Read the Merit Badge book before attending.

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GSC105

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Small-Boat Sailing

Sailing is one of the most enjoyable pastimes on the open water. The quiet and peacefulness of the water can provide a pleasant break from everyday life. However, smooth sailing requires paying careful attention to safety.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: 1b will not be covered in camp

Must complete BSA Swimmer test to complete

Must attend CPR Familiarization offered in camp course to complete

NOTE: Be a swimmer (Starting Requirement)

GSC137

2 PM 02:00-02:50 PM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Walt Mathews Handicraft
Program Shelter
Alex Letts



Space Exploration

Space is mysterious. We explore space for many reasons, not least because we don't know what is out there, it is vast, and humans are full of curiosity. Each time we send explorers into space, we learn something we didn't know before. We discover a little more of what is there.

Maximum number of participants: 24

NOTE: Do not bring your own rocket or engines

GSC112

11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Stand Up Paddleboarding

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 16

Prerequisites: Must complete BSA Swimmer test to complete

NOTE: Activity not a Merit Badge. Be a swimmer (Starting Requirements)

GSC185

10:30 10:30-11:50 AM
2 PM 02:00-03:20 PM
9AM 09:00-10:20 AM

Boy Scout Aquatics
Program Area
Jacques Behar



Swimming

Swimming is a leisure activity, a competitive sport, and a basic survival skill. Scouts who earn this badge will learn about safety when swimming and diving, how swimming can contribute to overall fitness and health, and gain some basic competitive swimming skills.

Maximum number of participants: 20

Prerequisites: Bring long pants & button down long sleeve shirt for inflation. Not recommended for first year Scouts.

NOTE: Be a swimmer (Starting Requirements) Alternative to Hiking or Cycling

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GSC190

2 PM 02:00-03:50 PM
9AM 09:00-10:50 AM

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Tenderfoot - Eagle Quest

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GSC205

9AM 09:00-10:20 AM

Kolski Family High COPE
Course
Westley Ely



The C.O.P.E. Adventure

Project COPE is "Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience" where Scouts will be able to overcome challenges as a group and on a individual level with our High Ropes Course.

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: Activity not a Merit Badge. For Scouts 13 and older, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required

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GSC165

10:30 10:30-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-10:20 AM

Scoutcraft

John Zimilus



Welding

Learn how to weld at the Gerber Scout Camp Skilled Trades Area!

Minimum Age: 13

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: Make sure to wear only natural fibers such as leather and cotton.

NOTE: For Scouts 13 and older, long pants are recommended, closed toed shoes are required

GSC162

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
3 PM 03:00-03:50 PM

Scoutcraft

John Zimilus



Wilderness Survival

In their outdoor activities, Scouts learn to bring the clothing and gear they need, to make good plans, and do their best to manage any risks. But now and then, something unexpected happens. When things go wrong, the skills of wilderness survival can help make everything right again.

Maximum number of participants: 24

Prerequisites: #5

NOTE: Involves spending a night in an improvised shelter and bring your first aid kit to camp.

GSC138

10AM 10:00-10:50 AM
11AM 11:00-11:50 AM
9AM 09:00-09:50 AM

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Wood Carving

As with any art, wood carving involves learning the basics of design, along with material selection and tools and techniques, as well as wood-carving safety. The requirements of the Wood Carving merit badge introduce Scouts to an enjoyable hobby and that can become a lifetime activity.

Maximum number of participants: 24

NOTE: Totin' Chip (Starting Requirement)