

Tri-District Camporee 2018

“Back to Basics”

May 11th – 13th, 2018

Camp Bedford, Twin Rivers Council
10424 State Route 30
Malone (Duane), New York, 12953

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www.tridistrictcamporee.com

Canadian Units and Companies: it is the group’s and section Scouter’s responsibility to ensure that all aspects of Section 10000 of BP&P – Camping and Outdoor Activities are complied with. Visit www.scouts.ca and click on the tab titled “SCOUTERS”. Look under the bylaws, policies & procedures’ document. All forms and appropriate policies are outlined there. When camping in the U.S. tour permits need to be filled out and submitted.

US Units and Companies: follow tour plan guidelines.

It is highly recommended to contact the Canadian and United States Customs official closer to the date of the camp in order to confirm the requirements for crossing the border and re-entering on the trip home. www.cbsa.gc.ca or www.cbp.gov

Register your unit at www.tridistrictcamporee.com with your name, unit name, number and sizes of t-shirts and expected number of youth and adults. We also need to know the number of tents you are bringing and their sizes because campsite space is limited. You will receive a return e-mail with a confirmation number which you must have with you at the camporee in order to benefit from the reduced fee.

Registration fees: \$10.00 per participants (youth and adults) if the group has pre-registered with approximate numbers before April 15, 2018. The fee also included dinner on the Saturday night.

Registrations after April 15, 2018 are \$20.00 per participant which includes the Saturday dinner.

All registration payments take place at the camporee Saturday morning.

Saturday visitors: \$5.00 for Cub Scouts and Webelos if a patch/crest is desired.

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TRI-DISTRICT T-SHIRTS

Order your 'Back to Basics' Tri-District t-shirts by filling out the registration form on the web site at www.tridistrictcamporee.com.

Sizes available are youth small, medium, large, extra large and adult small, medium, large, XL, 2X and larger upon request.

All t-shirts must be ordered and paid for by April 15, 2018. You will receive an e-mail confirming your order.

Make cheque out to: Tri-District Camporee

Send to: Karen Jones, 18 Richard Street, Howick QC, Canada, J0S 1G0

T-shirts are \$10.00 each, 2X and larger \$13.00 each.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

No cutting of live trees, branches, etc. Firewood will be available; to prevent the spread of disease and bug infestation, do not bring fire wood with you. Only communal fire pits on each site can be used and none can be used for cooking. There will be no fires if there is a fire ban in effect.

No alcoholic beverages or non-prescribed drugs allowed in camp.

No tobacco, smoking or vaping on site. Smoking or vaping will be permitted in the Parking Area.

No pets in camp unless authorized service animals which must be declared with H.Q.

Youth members: Cell phone usage in camp is to be limited for emergency calls and picture taking.

Reception is quite limited at camp. There will be no charging stations at camp so think about using solar chargers or back up battery packs.

Adults are not to share the same tent as youth members.

No fireworks or glow sticks are to be used on site.

All bodies of water/swamp are off limits.

Each scout unit must have a minimum of two leaders / registered Scouters who must be with their group on site.

All Scouts and Scouters are expected to conduct themselves in a manner in keeping with good Scouting.

Two deep leadership and youth protection in accordance with the unit's home country must be maintained.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Awards

All units will receive a pennant with the camp crest attached. Top units will receive pennants 'E' or 'A' denoting their performance. Top-level points will receive their pennant with an 'A', runners up receive 'E'. Points are not divulged and no unit is declared a winner. Units with 12 or more youth members are allowed to enter two teams in the Saturday afternoon games and the travois race. The best score will count. Each site may register one troop; other troops on the same site will be considered guests and will not receive a pennant. A unit must have a minimum of 4 youth. No Cub Scout Pack or Webelos Group will receive a pennant.

Vehicles

There will be no vehicles allowed on camp road except for emergency and/or games equipment transport vehicles. All vehicles in the parking lot should print off an I.D. form from the website to be placed on the dash including the owner's name, unit # and cell phone number. There will be no room in the parking lot for unit trailers so pack light! A collapsible wagon, trek cart or even a travois could be used to transport gear.

Water

Potable water will be available. No washing dishes at the faucets.

Trash, recycling and grey water

Garbage and recycling in, garbage and recycling out. Grey water must be strained before disposal, no water dumping in out-houses or porta-potties.

Uniform

Uniform required for all ceremonies.

Campsites

Campsites will be allocated to units upon arrival. Sites will be given according to the size of your unit. Advance registration with approximate numbers will help us with selecting and assigning the sites. There will be no picnic tables available at the site so plan accordingly. Due to the tight accommodations gateways will not be permitted and not judged this year however you can decorate your site in other thematic ways if you wish. Sites can be decorated to reflect the theme and that will be judged. Please post a rustic sign with your troop name on it at your site.

Emergency departure

For any vehicles that may need to leave due to an emergency at any time of day or night there will be a staff member designated that you will have to check out with at the dining hall.

Sunday leaving

Before leaving camp, the Tri-District inspection Team must inspect all campsites and each group must have a release form. This signed release must be handed into the designated staff member at the exit of the camp before leaving. No vehicles will be allowed on the camp roads, therefore it is carry in and carry out; this will be strictly enforced. Units leaving early must register their intent.

Friday night mug up

Only one leader and one youth from each unit must attend this meeting at HQ at 10 p.m. Information about the Camporee will be given and the volunteers for the games and color party will be taken. Points for attending will be awarded if a slip is handed in that night. Bring your own mug.

Campfires

Groups may hold one communal campfire at their sites. Fires will be permitted (if there is no fire ban) in designated areas only (some years this may need to be above ground) and must never be left unattended. To prevent disease and bug infestation, do not bring fire wood with you. There is plenty of fallen wood for fires available on site. Leave No Trace should always be practiced.

Trade a Scout

Every unit is asked to trade and host a Scout for Saturday lunch. Make a new friend; the Scout must be from another area/council.

Saturday communal supper

The Saturday night supper will be provided at the dining hall (HQ) by the Tri-District Camporee Committee. Please indicate any dietary concerns on your registration form.

Safety

Sheath knives are prohibited. All wood cutting tools that may be needed for brush clearing must be protected and stored properly. Wood chopping will not be necessary therefore wood cutting areas will not be needed nor judged. Three blasts of an air horn designate an emergency and all units should return to their site and send two runners to H.Q. for a status update.

Inspections

During the Camporee, there will be 2 inspections of individual sites. The first is Saturday morning, the second Saturday afternoon. Please visit the web site at www.tridistrictcamporee.com for copies of the current year's inspection sheets.

Ceremonies

Scouts Own, flag break and lowering are essential parts of Camporee. All unit members must attend. All ceremonies will be held at the dining hall. Attendance sheets will only be accepted upon arrival at ceremonies/flag breaks. Bonus points will be awarded for full attendance of youth in units. Names for the Color Guard will be taken on Friday night; there will be a practice on Saturday morning.

Gateway

There will be no room for gateways this year and therefore will not be judged.

Lights out and silence

Scouters are expected to ensure that 'Lights out' is respected. Campsites should be quiet between 11pm on Friday night until 6am Saturday morning and 10pm Saturday night until 6am Sunday morning..

Saturday Afternoon Games (1:00 p.m. to 4 p.m.)

All material supplied.

All units must complete at least 10 of the 14 games in order to earn points.

Travois Inspection Station

There will be a travois inspection station available at 11 a.m. on Saturday morning at H.Q. This station is optional and no points are awarded. Units can come have their poles and ropes inspected for length, type and quantity. Extra equipment can be verified as well. Tips and training will be offered.

Sunday Morning Travois Race

Any Scout unit may participate. Points will be awarded separately. There may be only one race at 9:00 a.m. so if your troop has two or more units racing please bring enough sets of travois equipment for them. There will be no extra sets available to borrow. Please read and print off the rules and regulations for the Travois Race posted on the web site. Venturer units will have a separate race at a designated time.

THE BROTHERHOOD FUND PATCH/CREST DRAW

Submit a dollar and a patch/crest to have a chance to win all the patches/crests displayed, will include 2 'Ghost' style crests (Camporee crest produced in limited quantities. All shades of one color). The drawing will take place at the Saturday Scouts Own. All proceeds will go to the Brotherhood Fund. Also a limited number of Ghost crests will be raffled off. Your name has to be placed in the separate draw by noon on Saturday and we will post the winners at Saturday supper. If your name is pulled in this draw you must be prepared to purchase the Ghost crest for \$5. You will be able to pick it up at the time of the patch/crest trading.

Spare Time Activities

STA #1

Bring it to present at H.Q. from 11:00 a.m. until noon on Saturday morning. Units must bring three different types of homemade fire starters, explain the ingredients and the advantages or disadvantages of each type.

STA #2

This STA will be handed out at registration Saturday morning. It must be returned to H.Q. by 5:30 p.m. (same day). Points awarded on participation and correctness.

STA #3 Venturers only

STA #3 will be an optional higher level challenge announced at camp.

SPECIAL REMINDERS FOR THE TRI-DISTRICT CAMPOREE TO BE HELD AT CAMP BEDFORD

This year's Tri-District Camporee is a rustic/backpacking camporee requiring one time changes in our normal program for this year.

Due to limited parking spaces at Camp Bedford no unit camping trailers will be allowed at the camp this year. No vehicles will be allowed outside of the Parking Area (no vehicles will be allowed to go to the camping sites). It is recommended that wherever possible unit vehicles should arrive full to minimize the number of vehicles from each unit and allow them to be parked together. All vehicles in the parking lot should have the 8 1/2 by 11 inch Tri-District Camporee vehicle identification information form placed visibly on the dash on the driver's side of the vehicle. This form can be printed off the Tri-District Camporee web site, filled out in legible block letters and placed in their windshield in case cars need to be asked to be moved because of an emergency.

All unit gear will have to be hiked into the site you receive upon arriving at Camp Bedford; that includes personal items, sleeping bags, tents, stoves, cooking gear and food. A unit may want to construct their travois at the parking lot and haul in some of their gear that way instead of carrying it in. Collapsible wagons or trek carts could also be used.

Dinner on Saturday night will be provided for all units that registered for the camporee. The dinner will be at the camp dining hall so the unit will not have to hike in food for that meal to their campsite.

There will be no wood chopping areas at campsites this year but it is recommended each unit have one small bow saw and hatchet in their unit gear in case they are needed.

The only campfires that will be allowed in the various camping sites will be in pre-existing fire pits for communal gatherings at the site. No cooking of meals will be allowed using a campfire. Meals should be cooked either on 2 burner Coleman type camp stoves or back packing stoves fueled by either white gas, naphtha or small propane canisters such as is used in the travois race. No 20lb propane tanks will be allowed!

Water will be available at Camp Bedford, but there is to be no dish washing at faucet locations. Units will need to have some form of water container to transport water to their sites from the faucet locations.

Thank you on behalf of the Tri-District Camporee Committee