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Fort Vancouver District



**Lewisville Park
Battle Ground, WA**



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Welcome

Dear Unit Leaders:

The 2014 Camporee Staff has assembled a terrific program schedule for our Scouts! We look forward to welcoming each Scout and Scouter to the 2014 Fort Vancouver District Spring Camporee.

This booklet contains the information your Unit will require to have a successful and fun time at this year's event. Be sure to read all the information carefully, as all participants will be responsible to see that the rules are followed. There will be fun for all, and also Patrol competition among the Scouts during the three day event. There will be an emphasis on the Scouts and leaders acting in the best ideals of Scouting.

Events have been selected to allow patrol members to demonstrate teamwork, scouting skills and scout spirit while competing against members of other patrols. Patrols will be assigned to one of the events at the start of the competition similar to a "shotgun start" in a golf tournament. Patrols will complete the designated event, and then move on to the next event in numerical order, **at the signal**. Patrols must participate as complete units. Participants are expected to conduct themselves in a spirit of competition and fair play according to the Scout Oath and Law.

This year, the Camporee will take place at Lewisville Park north of Battle Ground, WA. It is our hope that each Scout will have the opportunity to demonstrate Scouts skills during the camporee while participating in the round-robin events.

There are single vehicle parking stalls in the Park and a handful of double length slots.

Daytime visitors including family and Webelos are welcome but should be accompanied by adults at all times. All visitors must check in at the Camporee Headquarters.

We hope that everyone will have a great time!

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WHAT IS A CAMPOREE?

The Fort Vancouver District CAMPOREE is the opportunity for individual patrols from our District's Boy Scout Troops to share a common camp area for the weekend. Scout Patrols demonstrate their proficiency in camping and scout skills, have fun, enjoy good fellowship while learning from each other. This year's theme is Survival Games. We will be at **Lewisville Park north of Battle Ground, WA**. You can search the Web for site information and directions.

SAFETY

Safety will again be our number one priority this year. Scouts not complying with camp rules will be asked to leave. Parents can and will be contacted immediately. A "safety vehicle" will be on site with trained First Aid volunteers.

CAMPOREE RULES

1. Do not cut any living or standing trees, shrubs or bushes. Anyone responsible for the destruction of property will be subject to immediate dismissal, and the Unit will be held financially responsible.
2. Park quiet hours are 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Please be good citizens.
3. All areas other than where the Camporee is being held are off limits. This is for your safety. **NO EXCUSE. OFF SITE IS OFF LIMITS!**
4. Scouts and Scouters are to be in and remain in campsites after Taps and until Reveille.
5. Use only obvious, designated walking areas. Do not cut through another campsite without permission.
6. No stakes are to be left in the ground.
7. No riding in trailers or pickup truck beds is permitted.
8. Vehicles should remain parked throughout the Camporee. Park in the designated areas.
9. Chemical fuels and propane must be used and properly stored in accordance with BSA policies.
10. Any accidents, security problems, etc. must be reported to the Camporee HQ as soon as possible.

CAMPOREE REMINDERS

Do's

- Wear a complete uniform. A mix of old and new is acceptable, but all patches are required.
- Work together as a Patrol and participate in all events.
- Wear hiking/activity footwear (sneakers don't help keep feet dry, nor do they provide good ankle support)
- Meet other Scouts and Scouters from different units.
- Remember to use the "Buddy system."
- Think Safety!
- Have fun!

DON'T

- Bring Walkmans, radios, walkie-talkies, TV's, iPod's, mp3 players, cell phones, Blackberries, stereos (you get the idea...).
- Bring non-approved knives.
- Litter
- Get into the East Fork of the Lewis River. Spring run-off will be occurring and the river presents a significant hazard. Any attendee who wades or swims in the river will be told to leave the camporee. This is a serious safety issue and your help in safeguarding our Scouts is truly appreciated.

SITE ACCESS!!!

This location has limited site access. All vehicles will be required to use designated parking areas. Always keep in mind to CAR POOL, CAR POOL, and CAR POOL to cut down on unnecessary traffic. Like last year all units will camp in separate campsites. Regarding trash, we all have it and must dispose of it. You know the routine by now but I will say it again; **PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT**. Please instruct the SPL'S to communicate with their Patrol Leaders about this rule. Again, I must reinforce these issues; our district is having this event at a nice location so please **RESPECT IT**.

**PRE-CAMP SITE ACCESS

Troops may drop off materials on Thursday evening at the site from 4PM to 7:30PM. Please make **ADVANCED** arrangements by contacting the Camporee Staff Representative at the March Roundtable. Sites

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will be assigned ahead of time. If you intend to drop off equipment on Thursday, you will be required to provide someone from your unit to stay onsite that night for security purposes. A Camporee representative will be at the Park on Thursday to indicate where your site is located.

EQUIPMENT VEHICLE PARKING

There are very limited double parking slots that can accommodate truck/trailer combinations. Plan accordingly.

CAMPOREE WEEKEND ARRIVAL – ALL PERSONS

Plan to arrive at the Camporee site, Lewisville Park, no earlier than 4:00pm and no later than 7pm on Friday evening. Once units arrive and assemble at the parking area Scouts and Scouters and ALL PARTICIPANTS will be issued an ID wrist band.

GENERAL PARKING AND SCOUT “DROP-OFF”

General parking will be available in designated areas. This may become limited, depending on the number of units that sign up. There will be two areas set up to drop off the Scouts and their personal equipment, for check in, so watch for the “Signs” and listen to Traffic/Parking Staff for assistance. Drivers are to remain with the vehicles, and must pull out once the Scouts are unloaded. The drivers will be directed from there. Once parked, participant vehicles should plan to be “locked in place” until Sunday departure times. Carpooling and “Drop and Go” transportation is encouraged.

PATROL CHECK-IN and PARTICIPANT CHECK-IN

There will be a Competition Check-in area for Patrols taking place near the drop-off area. At “Check-in”, patrols will receive their first inspection. While the patrols go through the check-in/inspection station, a Unit Leader (Scoutmaster, Varsity Coach, Venture Leader), along with their Senior Youth Leader (Patrol, Team, or Crew) need to go and check-in at the Camporee HQ. Each unit attending the Camporee **MUST** have a BSA TOUR PLAN. Units will need to turn in a copy of their unit rosters, with the boys divided into patrols. In addition, each scout and adult leader will need to have a COPY of a completed Part A and B, PERSONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RECORD or an up-to-date MEDICAL HISTORY. A Doctors review/signature is NOT required. These forms will not be collected, but must be available in case of injury. Troops, Teams, and/or Crews units will then be directed towards their assigned campsites. Unit registrations and fees will be verified at Camporee HQ Friday evening. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Awards, ribbons, and patches are awarded to patrols and participants based on fees paid at registration.

SATURDAY CHECK-OUT

Any unit checking out Saturday must make prior arrangements with the Camporee Registrar, at time of Check-In. This will assure that a proper campsite inspection takes place before that unit’s departure from this year’s event. Those departing units must clear their campsite before the start of Saturday evening flag lowering.

CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES

When your unit is ready to depart, the SPL should inspect the area for cleanliness. Remember that **all trash** is to be packed out. Campsites should always be left better than they were found. Assistance in surveying and cleaning common areas is expected and very much appreciated. When the SPL is satisfied that the campsite is clean, he should contact HQ, where a member of the Staff will inspect their campsite. The Staff member will then give them a Check-out Ticket and Camporee Evaluation Sheet. The SPL then completes the evaluation sheet with their Unit Leader, then takes the Check-out Ticket and completed evaluation sheet to HQ, where they can obtain their Camporee patches and Score Sheets (if they are available that early).

WEBELOS and WEBELOS GUESTS

Webelos Scouts may not take part in the field events, but will be allowed to observe. Each Webelos group must check in with HQ and receive their wristbands before being allowed to visit the event areas.

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VISITORS and OVERNIGHT GUESTS

Visitors MUST check in with Camporee Headquarters and receive their bracelet. This helps the Staff identify known visitors who are there to observe the Scout activities. Visitors are most welcome and encouraged to visit the Camporee. If they stay for meals or campfire, each unit should plan for their appropriate number of guests.

COST

This fee is **\$14.00 per person for all participants** -- Adults, and Scouts alike. These fees cover patches, ribbons, awards, event supplies, toilets, site fees and insurance.

CAMPSITES

Campsite room at this location will be adequate and sites will be set up "jamboree style". Because of this, we are encouraging **one axe yard per Troop**. If your unit has special needs, please indicate this in your registration, and let the staff know as soon as possible via email or phone. This is a treed area with open meadows. Due to pre-camporee or over-the-weekend rainstorms, it is advisable that all units bring their own chairs and tables, for both their own eating arrangements and the campfire. Campsites will be assigned first by the order of pre-registration and the number of participants, and then on a first come, first serve basis. Troops bringing pioneering poles for conventional camp craft projects should plan on delivering materials Thursday PM. Remember, **NO HOLES WILL BE DUG IN YOUR CAMPSITES!**

CAMPSITE ACCESS

No SCOUT is allowed into the campsite area (their own or others) while the events are in progress. No exceptions. Scouts should have their "sack lunch" with them when they leave their campsite on Saturday morning in preparation for the competitive events. Camporee Staff will be conducting campsite inspections during the day on Saturday, and keeping the Scouts out of the campsite will help the inspection process move faster.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost and Found will be located at HQ. It will be brought out at Saturday Evening flags. Anything not claimed will be donated to a good cause.

WATER

There will be adequate potable water sources at this Camporee site. Water spigots are located at various sites throughout the assigned camping areas.

WASTE WATER, GARBAGE AND SITE CARE

Gray water disposal sites will be established AT CENTRAL SITE(S). "Pack it in-pack it out!" Every patrol and troop must remove ALL their own trash, garbage and camping supplies. Remember: REUSE & RECYCLE! Please do not cut or deface any live evergreens, shrubs or large trees. Additionally there are may be electrical boxes, with posts protecting them, scattered around the campsites. Do not attach anything to these. Points will be deducted from the Campsite Inspection score if anything is attached to these. These electrical hook-ups are needed for various event activities and the evening's program.

LATRINES / TOILETS

There will be port-a-potties located throughout the site for Scout and Scouter use. The permanent Park restrooms are reserved for the General Public.

COMMUNICATIONS

The staff will have radios and/or cellular phones to communicate with each other and HQ. This allows staff to better facilitate the events, as well as to communicate with the First-Aid area in case of emergency. To contact a member of the Staff by radio, ask that the HQ representatives contact them.

CAMPFIRES

BSA Fire Rules will be in effect at all times. **No Ground Fires will be allowed.** Elevated Fires will be allowed if they are placed in a fire barrel and set on cinder blocks. There must be at least **12" of clearance**. Also, the

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The Parks & Recreation Department would prefer that you place a metal trash can lid or an equivalent, under the fire pits to reflect heat from the grass and catch any loose ash or embers. **Fires must not be left unattended.** Your unit **must** have fire control devices immediately adjacent to fires and cook stations. Fires will be maintained at a reasonable level (NO BONFIRES)! Campfires are a privilege and will be banned if abused. There **is no** collectable firewood on site.

Bottom line: if it produces heat, it needs to be elevated. Do not cut any living or standing trees, shrubs or bushes. Anyone responsible for the destruction of property will be subject to immediate dismissal, and the Unit will be held financially responsible.

SPL and LEADER PRE-CAMP MEETING

ALL SPLs, Team Captains, Crew Presidents and Adult Leaders, or their representatives, are encouraged to attend the Pre-Camporee meetings at the March/April SMs Roundtables. Hopefully my staff and I can answer any questions you may have at that time.

LEADERSHIP

The SPL is in charge of and responsible for the conduct of the boys in the Troop at all times during Camporee. The Scoutmaster and his/her designated assistants will be on the site at all times. Two adult leaders must camp in the troop area at all times.

JUDGING

Judging will commence upon a patrol's check-in and continue at the times and places prescribed on the score sheets. Judges may be in campsites at times when you are not. Please make sure each **patrol's name** and **unit number** is posted and the site is well defined. Duty rosters, menus and campsite clean-up checklists need to be posted with troop and patrol names. (You may opt out of the Campsite Inspection Competition if you wish, though the Troop/Patrol's overall score will reflect the decision.) A 600+ point format will be used with points awarded for field events, skills, participation, safety, campsite maintenance, and Scout Spirit.

FIELD EVENTS

Competition Program: This year's events will have fun competitive activities and events focusing on Scout skills and interests, both past and present. Units will know, in general what the events will be ahead of time. There will be a list of supplies that the patrols will be expected to provide for each event. Some are listed in this packet. Any additions will be sent by email, as well as being provided at the March and April Roundtables. Any patrol that does not have the equipment needed, will forfeit their score for that event. In case of hardship, contact the Camporee Chair direct ahead of time. Remember to ALWAYS have your 10 essentials. You never know when you might need them (hint). **Each patrol will be randomly assigned a starting event, and they will proceed in order from that event according to the schedule.** Each event will last for 25 minutes, and the groups will rotate when the time is up and the signal has sounded.

Older Scout Program: Scouts/Venture who are 14 years and above or at least Star Scout can participate in the OSP (Older Scout Program). The program participants will be able to enjoy "fun" events that test Scouting skills, team work and brain cells. No awards but a bunch of fun! The OSP will be concurrent with the ongoing competition program running from 10am to 4pm.

LUNCH

Lunch needs to be carried with patrols. This year lunch will be eaten after the third event, at the third event site. **Lunch is only 30 minutes long from 12:00pm to 12:30pm. The first afternoon event will start promptly at 12:30 p.m. Your Scouts need to bring packed lunches with them to Opening Ceremony since there will not be sufficient time to return to Camp to prepare meals. Units/scouts will not be allowed to return to camp for lunch due to the disruption this will have on the campsite judging.**

TROOP GATEWAYS & PATROL FLAGS

There will be a separate Gateway competition this year, with a separate prize awarded at the Saturday evening campfire. Gateways can be included as part of the unit campsite set up, but will **not** be counted as part of the campsite camp craft projects. Please remember that the Scouts are the ones being judged for these. **THERE**

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WILL BE NO DIGGING OF HOLES! This is a community Park, and we want to leave it in better condition than how we found it. For safety reasons, **DO NOT CONSTRUCT WITH A PLATFORM MORE THAN 5' ABOVE THE GROUND.** Each patrol should have their own flag or identity marker.

SCORING

There will be 10 scored events, worth 60 points each; up to 50 points for the event competition and up to 10 points for organization, involvement, Patrol yell and Patrol flag.

<i>Organization of patrol</i>		<i>Involvement of those in patrol</i>		<i>Patrol Yell</i>		<i>Patrol Flag</i>	
Excellent	3	All Involved	3	Without prompt	3	Present	1
Good	2	Involved	2	With prompt	1	Missing	0
Fair	1	Only 1 or 2	1	No yell	0		
Poor	0						

This adds up to a maximum of 60 points per event area.

EVERY COMPETING PATROL WILL NEED:

- An assortment of small ropes to be used for lashings
- At least one directional compass
- 10 Essentials
- Each Patrol should carry one BSA Scout handbook.
- Clipboard, notepad, and pencil – One per patrol.

EVENTS

The following fun events and skill competitions will be provided at the Camporee this year: Patrols will be invited to compete in 10 of the following events. Be Prepared!

- Flag Raising/Lowering
- Wilderness Survival (priorities of life)
- Door Builder (knots & lashing project)
- Tomahawk Throw
- 2-man Bucksaw
- Super Jenga Blocks
- Quick Shelter (build a shelter, poles, tarp and stakes)
- Water Transfer (buckets, ropes and fill tubes)
- Frisbee (distance and targets)
- Obstacle Course

(Outline of Events will be distributed at March 2014 Roundtable)



PATROL EQUIPMENT

Each Patrol should bring to the Camporee:

1. Weather protection for each youth member.
2. Plenty of SCOUT SPIRIT.
3. Patrol and personal camping & cooking equipment.
4. A shovel, rake and bucket for fire protection use only.
5. All equipment outlined in the Event Guide in order to participate in each of the events.
6. Each Scout or Patrol must carry lunch for Saturday. (Saturday lunch is just 30 minutes long)

UNIFORMS

The regulation Scout Field uniform, is the official camper uniform and should be worn at all appropriate times by adults and Scouts alike. They should be clean and neat in appearance, with shirt tucked in and buttons buttoned. Each patrol should be dressed in a field uniform using BSA approved socks, shirt, pants/shorts, belt, hat and neckwear. A Patrol or Troop hat is also acceptable. A mixture of the "old" and "new" uniforms in the same patrol will be allowed without penalty. No open toed shoes will be allowed,

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CAMPOREE STAFF and HQ

Adult Volunteers and qualified Life and Eagle Scouts are more than welcome to serve on staff to facilitate Camporee operations and program. Each participating unit will be **required** to recruit two people to serve on staff. Their contact info will be requested by email after online registration takes place. They will then be contacted further by phone or email regarding their assignment. They will be doing tasks such as helping in the parking area, event areas, or in judging. We will only ask them to serve a short shift (no more than a few hours) on Friday or Saturday, so that they may be with their unit as much as possible during the rest of the time. They may camp with the staff or their unit, at their discretion. **We will provide a hot meal for the Check-in Staff on Friday Night. Inviting staff to eat with your Unit is highly encouraged!** In exchange for several hours of Camporee service over the three days, volunteers will receive special "staff gear" for participation, including a cool patch! **All Staff (Camporee Administration and Troop volunteers) need to be registered at the Check-in Tent and pay the normal \$14 Camporee fee either Friday night or through the normal Unit Pre-Registration.** Scouts must be approved by their Scout Leader and are not permitted to compete in the events which they staff. All staff will need their own tents and camping gear. The volunteer/conscripted staff will help with several activities, events and jobs throughout the Camporee. Staff should work with the Camporee Committee for assignments and plan on arrival on site before 4PM on Friday afternoon if at all possible.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

A morning service will be available for all participants.



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@ Lewisville Park - (north of) Battle Ground, WA
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(Online Registration Link Provided at March Roundtable)
ONLINE REGISTRATION INFO THAT WILL BE NEEDED:

UNIT NUMBER _____ (Troop, Varsity, Venture, Post)

A) Number of Competition Event Scouts _____

B) Number of Older Scout Program participants _____

C) Number of Adults _____

TOTAL CAMPERS (A,B,C) _____ Number of Competition Event patrols _____



UNIT LEADER:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

Unit Camporee Contact (if different from above)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

Special campsite or handicap requirements: _____

Offline payment is allowed. Please pre-register if at all possible! Registration will be \$14.00 per participant. Registration fees are due upon your check in at HQ on Friday evening. In addition to your fees, each unit will need to complete and turn in a unit roster. All registered persons will be issued a participation patch. Patches will be issued in the closing ceremony packets based on the paid registrations. {Recognition of Patrols, Scouts, Scouters and volunteers will be part of the closing ceremony.}

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Schedule of Events

FRIDAY May 2nd (1:00 pm – 10:00 pm)

1:00 pm	4:00 pm	HQ, Campground, and event setup time
4:00 pm	10:00 pm	Arrive at Camporee site
4:00 pm	8:00 pm	Check In/Registration (Troops; Packs; Individuals)
6:00 pm	9:00 pm	Dinner / Camp set up
9:00 pm	9:30 pm	Unit Adult and Youth Leader cracker barrel
9:30 pm	10:00 pm	Camporee Staff meeting
10:00 pm		Taps - - quiet time in the CAMP/No traffic



SATURDAY May 3rd (7:00 am – 10:00 pm)

7:00 am		Reveille
7:15 am	9:00 am	Breakfast and Camp Construction
9:15 am	9:30 am	Opening ceremony (Bring required equipment/lunch)
9:45 am	10:25 am	Camporee Wide – Scout Knowledge Competition
10:00 am		Staff to Event Areas
10:30 am		Campsite Inspections Start
10:30 am	11:00 am	1 st Event (Start of Older Scout Program)
11:00 am	11:30 pm	2 nd Event
11:30 am	12:00 pm	3 rd Event
12:00 pm	12:30 pm	LUNCH (Patrol carry lunches) Eat at Current (second) Event Area
12:30 pm	1:00 pm	4 th Event
1:00 pm	1:30 pm	5 th Event
1:30 pm	2:00 pm	6 th Event
2:00 pm	2:30 pm	7 th Event
2:30 pm	3:00 pm	8 th Event
3:00 pm	3:30 pm	9 th Event
3:30 pm	4:00 pm	10 th Event
4:00 pm	5:00 pm	Camp wide Freetime Activity
5:30 pm	6:00 pm	Dutch Oven Contest Judging – Camp HQ
5:30 pm	7:00 pm	Dinner at Campsites
5:30 pm		Check out for early departure
7:15 pm	7:45 pm	Closing Flags. Be lined up in your campsite . The OA will lead you to the Campfire area.
8:00 pm	9:45 pm	Closing Campfire / Awards for LDS units / Skits / O.A. call out
10:00 pm		Taps

SUNDAY May 4th (6:30 am)

6:30 am		Reveille
6:30 am	8:45 am	Breakfast and cleanup.
9:00 am		Flag ceremony. Full Uniform. Roll call by troop. Rest of Awards.
9:15 am		Non-denominational Chapel service.
9:45 am	11:00 am	Break camp and check-out by camporee judges.
8:00 am		HEADQUARTERS BREAKDOWN (NEED VOLUNTEERS!)

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Clark County Lewisville Park



The park represents one of the area's most lasting and significant achievements of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's Works Progress Administration. Designed by William J. Paeth, the buildings in Lewisville Park are examples of the fully evolved Northwest rustic idiom promoted by federal land management agencies during the early 20th century. The Park is studded with old-growth firs and is bisected by a pristine mountain stream.

Listed on the Clark County Heritage Register in 1987.

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1986.

DIRECTIONS:

From Vancouver

- North on I-5 and take Exit 11.
- Right onto NE 219th St (WA-502) about 5.8 miles
- Left on NW 10th Ave (WA-503) about 2.3 miles
- 26411 NE Lewisville Hwy, Lewisville County Park is on your right

From Ridgefield, La Center

- South on I-5 and take Exit 11.
- Stay on NE 219th St (WA-502) about 6.0 miles
- Left on NW 10th Ave (WA-503) about 2.3 miles
- 26411 NE Lewisville Hwy, Lewisville County Park is on your right