

TROOP 56

SUMMER CAMP at WAH-TUT-CA

SCOUT RESERVATION

Camp begins on Sunday, July 21, 2019 and will run through to Saturday, July 27, 2019. As in past years they are allowing us to enter camp early, so you should plan on arriving any time between 9:00-11:00 a.m. **No lunch will be served on Sunday, so your scout should bring a bag lunch along with a water bottle.**

Upon arriving at camp and entering our campsite (Lower Wannalancit), you will check in with the Troop 56 Scoutmaster, Mr. Klindt, notifying him that you have arrived. At that point you will select a tent with your tent buddy. You get to work that out on your own (preferably ahead of time). For each tent, Scouts should set up a clothesline for their use, which must be at least 6' high. Once your gear is set up in your tent, you will need to change into your bathing suit (if you don't have it on already) so you will be prepared to take the BSA swim test. The camp tour will run from 12:00 p.m. to dinner, and usually after dinner there are two more stops on the tour. Wear good walking shoes, as we will be walking all over camp, using both dirt roads and rocky trails. Last year the tour was shortened considerably, so we hope they follow that schedule again!

NO OPEN TOE SHOES ARE ALLOWED IN CAMP AT ANY TIME. Bring a small daypack to carry your towel and other items you'll need. A water bottle is a must, some of the stops will have water but "being prepared" is what we do as Scouts. Bug spray and suntan lotion (non-aerosol only) is recommended though it is the responsibility of the scouts to use it.

Dinner on Sunday night is at 5:30 p.m. and at 9:00 p.m. we will meet at the Clayton Lane Stockade for a camp-wide opening campfire. The campfire seems to get better every year.

Uniform:

A Class "A" Uniform is to be worn every day for evening meals (dinner), and for the Troop picture on Monday. Class "B" Uniforms should be worn at all other times. Any Scouting t-shirt, even from Cub Scouts, may be worn. Shoes or appropriate footwear must be worn at all times. Camp terrain is not suitable for walking in sandals or any sort of open toe shoe.

Emergency Contact:

Phone numbers to contact you in case of an emergency will be collected from the health and medical forms. In the event we cannot contact you while at camp, we will need a name and phone number of another person who can be contacted in case of an emergency.

Rest at Camp:

The amount of sleep a Scout gets at camp can make the difference between a great camping experience and a poor one. Each person needs an adequate amount of sleep to function in a cheerful positive manner. Scouts should respect quiet time from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. There is a one (1) hour siesta each afternoon that Scouts can use as a time to rest or to work on merit badges at our

campsite or to play some games.

Leaving Camp:

In the event you need to pick your Scout up from camp, for any reason, you must stop at the Camp Service Center. The parent or guardian picking up the Scout must fill out and sign an early release form, and they will have to show their driver's license as well as give their license plate number. When returning, a parent/guardian must stop and sign the Scout back in.

No Scout is permitted to leave camp without the Scoutmaster or another authorized leader's knowledge.

Trading Post:

The camp operates a trading post for the sale of sweatshirts/t-shirts, craft supplies, merit badge books, candy, ice cream, stamps, souvenirs and other camping supplies. Operating hours will be posted. There is no specific amount of money a Scout should bring to camp, however, in past years an average camper spent about \$45.00 at the Trading Post. Personally, I feel that is too much money for the Scouts to spend in a week especially since it's mostly spent on junk food. Scouts usually bring snacks and drinks of their own with them to camp, and are responsible for storing them in their tents. Campers are responsible for safeguarding their own money.

Mail Service:

Daily postal deliveries and collections are made at camp. We encourage family and friends to send your Scout mail while at camp. Please send your mail early in the week so we can make sure your Scout receives it.

(Scout's Name)
Troop 56, Lower Wannalancit
Wah-Tut-Ca Scout Reservation
292 Blakes Hill Road
Northwood, NH 03261

Cell Phones:

We ask that Scouts leave their cell phones at home. The Scout leaders will have their cell phones, and a Scout may use it if he feels the scout needs to call home. Around camp time a list of all the leaders cell phone numbers will be sent out.

Camp Office phone is (603) 942-5233
Scoutmaster (Mr. Klindt) cell phone is (603) 493-9629
Committee Chair (Mr. Briere) cell phone is (978) 430-4081

Basic Daily Schedule:

Time	Event
7:00 a.m.	Reveille
8:00 a.m.	Flag Ceremony
8:05 a.m.	Breakfast
~9:00 a.m.	Open Program
12:15 p.m.	Program Area's Close
12:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Siesta
2 - 5 p.m.	Open Program
5:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 p.m.	Highlighted Evening and Special Programs and Open Programs
8:00 p.m.	Retreat to Campsites
11:00 p.m.	Lights Out

Typical Merit Badges Offered at Camp:

Archery, Art, Athletics (partial), Basketry (you need to purchase a kit @ Trading Post), Camping (partial), Canoeing, Chemistry (partial), Chess, Climbing, Cooking (partial), Environmental Science, Emergency Preparedness (partial), Exploration, First Aid, Geocaching (partial), Geology, Golf (partial), Indian Lore, Kayaking, Leatherwork, Lifesaving, Mammal Study, , Metalworking, Painting, Personal Fitness (partial), Pioneering, Pottery, Rifle Shooting, Rowing, Salesmanship, Sculpture, Shotgun Shooting, Small Boat Sailing, Soil and Water Conservation, Space Exploration (you'll need a model rocket available @ Trading Post), Sports (partial), Swimming, Water Sports, Welding, Wilderness Survival, Wood Carving.

It is strongly suggested and recommended that all first year Scouts, or Scouts attending camp for the first time, work on and earn their Swimming merit badge. Yes, you can do this outside of camp, but it's a lot harder to find a counselor and place to swim. The other recommendation is the So-Kee-Tay program. This program has been designed to provide first year Scouts with a structured camp program needed by younger Scouts. So-Kee-Tay is not designed to be an advancement seminar or to speed Scouts along to First Class. Rather, it is a program to promote both fun and the learning of basic skills organically in a patrol environment.

We will sit down with the Scouts on Sunday and Monday morning to go over with them what their plan is for the week, and we will periodically check to see how they are doing.

Miscellaneous Information:

There will be tent inspections throughout the week so we encourage the Scouts to keep a tidy tent.

Scout Camp is a No Electronics event. Any electronics seen by the leaders will be collected and held until scouts are picked up. Please bring a watch to keep track of time.

We welcome (not require) all parents to visit the camp on Wednesday night, July 14, 2019 any time after 4:00 p.m. You MUST sign in at the Camp Service Center, where they will give you a wristband indicating that you belong in the camp. This is for the Scout's protection, to assure that only authorized adults are at the camp. We order pizza to eat in our site area around 5:00 p.m. This offers parents and Scouts a chance to visit mid-week. Parents may bring a small dessert to share.

In addition to the typical items Scouts need for camping, some additional items they'll need for summer camp are as follows: camp chair, mosquito netting, four 4' dowels with tennis balls on one end of each dowel (used to hang the mosquito netting from over the Scout's cot which is provided), 44 gallon tote (with wheels is convenient but not necessary, this is used to keep all of your Scout's belongings in keeping them dry from rain, etc.).

Put your Scout's name on EVERYTHING!!

Pick Up on Saturday

They have extended the program through Friday and are doing pickup on Saturday morning. Last year was our first year for this and it went well, though exact details are foggy. We will send out any additional details when we have them.

8-9 am Breakfast then back to the site for breakdown

9:30-10 am at the Clayton Stockade with Family and Friends for awards

Last year they wanted us out of our campsite by 11 am, to prepare for the next group of scouts, so plan for sign-out between 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 27, 2019 – you must sign-out with Mr. Klindt or another authorized adult.

Pre-camp Preparations

Health forms - All scouts, and any adult (18 years and older) who will be staying in camp overnight or for more than 12 hours, who wish to participate in camp activities, must provide a completed BSA Annual Health and Medical Record Parts A, B, & C. We will make sure the proper forms, and all required information are with us before we leave. We have to leave the forms we turn in to the camp. Per NH law they are required to retain them for 7 years. So any last minute changes that are sent with the scout need to have a copy made and retained by the parent, to later be given to the Troop Secretary.

Medications - Per New Hampshire state law, the only medications that are allowed to be kept on person are epi pens and inhalers. This means that all medications must be given to the Health officer upon check-in and must be in the original/non-expired pharmacy containers. This applies to Scouts and adults and to prescription and over the counter medications. The Camp Health Lodge has a wide variety of OTC medications on hand to deal with aches and pains, stomach ailments, cough and cold,

allergies, bug bites and poison ivy, and they frequently have multiple options for each ailment. Leaving OTC medications at home will speed up Sunday check-in.

What to Bring to Camp - see Leader's Guide*, Pages 31-32

Special Diet Information - see Leader's Guide*, Page 29

Epi-Pen/ Inhaler carry Form - now linked online, near the bottom of this page:

<http://www.scoutspirit.org/overnight-camping/>