

**Toqua District
2008 Spring Camporee
Highland Games Competition
HAVEN'T BEEN THERE, HAVEN'T DONE THAT!
May 2 - 4, 2008**

Dear Scouts and Scouters,

The Toqua District Activities and Civic Service Committee invite all Boy Scouts and Scouters to take part in the 2008 Spring Camporee at the East Tennessee Nursery on the Hiwassee River near Delano, TN.

This Highland Games Camporee will consist of multiple Celtic sport competitions that originated centuries ago in the Scottish Highlands. You will compete in fun and challenging Celtic tests of strength, endurance and skill. These events are fun, challenging events for Scouts of all ages to participate. Scouts and Scouters are encouraged to wear Scottish kilts for the weekend. The events will encompass Scout Spirit, leadership, and attributes of the Scout Law. Information on each event is included in the pages that follow. Units will compete as Patrols.

The Tower Award will be awarded on Sunday morning to the overall winner of the competition along with the Spirit Award. First, second, and third place ribbons will be given out for each event. Patrol flags should be carried and displayed during the Camporee.

The cost of the Camporee is 10.00 per participant. This will cover the cost of the Camporee, a patch, camping and site usage fees, program supplies, and recognitions. Preregistration is required and a form is included in this package.

The Camporee is limited to Boy Scouts only.

The Saturday night campfire will feature a call out ceremony for the Order of the Arrow. Don't forget to bring blankets to sit on and flashlights. Parents and siblings are invited to attend the campfire.

The Scout Oath and Law will guide all activities, events and individual behavior.

We look forward to a great weekend of camping.

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Introduction

The camporee committee and numerous volunteers have spent many hours putting together your Camporee. We appreciate your comments, suggestions, and participation. Your feedback is vital in our continuous effort to give scouts a quality program each spring and fall.

The Scout Oath and Law will guide all activities and individual behavior. We are the guests being allowed use of the Museum property. Unit Leaders are urged to maintain discipline at the Unit level. The Outdoor Code and the rules of Low Impact Camping shall be observed at all times.

General Information

- Class A (Dress) uniform will be required for Campfire and Worship service. Class B (T-shirts) should be worn on Saturday to the Flag Ceremony and during the program activities. **Scouts and Scouters are encouraged to wear Scottish kilts to go along with the Highland Games theme.** Regimental kilts are prohibited.
- The Camporee will be held rain or shine. In case of inclement weather, the Unit Leader is responsible for the welfare of the Scouts in his/her charge.
- Patrol Flags will be judged on Friday night. Each Patrol is encouraged to bring their flag and display it during the Camporee.
- Campsite Inspections will occur on Saturday and ribbons will be awarded. Please note that each Patrol must have a posted Menu and Duty Roster to get full points.
- Patrol leaders will be responsible for the organization, participation, and spirit of the patrols. Saturday's activities will be judged partially on the implementation and effective use of the Patrol Method.
- Scoutmasters and Senior Patrol Leaders should plan to attend the Friday Evening SM/SPL Meeting at Headquarters. At this meeting leaders will receive final details and any last minute changes. A Crackerbarrel will immediately follow.
- Water is available but troops should bring their initial supply.
- Each Unit is responsible for removal of all trash from their campsite.
- First Aid services will be provided.

Rules and Regulations

- **The Hiawasse River is off limits and anyone caught by it will be sent home.**
- **Do not cut the bamboo or cane as it is a state and federal protected plant.**
- Two deep leadership is required at all times and One adult leader is required for each 10 camping scouts.
- Campfires are permitted unless fire restrictions are in effect. Sod is to be removed and replaced at the close of the Camporee.
- Scouts and Scouters are to be in and remain in campsites after Taps and until Reveille.
- Use only obvious, designated walking areas. Do not cut through another campsite without permission.
- Anyone responsible for the destruction of property will be subject to immediate dismissal, and the Unit will be held financially responsible.
- No stakes are to be left in the ground.
- No riding in trailers or pickup truck beds is permitted.
- Disorderly conduct, the use of controlled substances, and/or weapons-fireworks is prohibited and is grounds for immediate dismissal.
- Vehicles should remain parked throughout the Camporee. Park in the designated areas.
- Trailers are permitted in the campsites.
- Chemical fuels and propane must be used and properly stored in accordance with BSA policies.
- Any accidents, security problems, etc., must be reported to Headquarters as soon as possible.

- Units are to practice "Low Impact" camping while at the Camporee.

Registration

To help with the planning of the Camporee, preregistration is required. A \$5.00 pre-registration deposit (which will be applied to the final total cost for your Unit) is requested for each Scout and Adult planning to attend. While the preregistration is only an estimate, please be as accurate as possible. Deadline for the preregistration is April 25th, 2008. We would prefer to receive as many as possible at the April 17th Roundtable meeting. If your troop needs until the 25th, please email Kent or Steve with your troops plans to attend.

Final on-site registration will be accomplished as the Units arrive. Please have your paperwork and money in order before arrival to expedite registration as smoothly and quickly as possible. Registration will begin at 5 PM Friday.

Camping & Parking

The field we are camping in is has plenty of room. Campsite sizes will be assigned by preregistration numbers, however, the staff understands that this sometimes causes problems and will be as flexible as possible.

Only two vehicles per Unit will be permitted in the camping area on Friday for unloading purposes and on Sunday for loading. Equipment will need to be consolidated into as few vehicles as possible. **Only the tow vehicle will be allowed to remain overnight in the campsite area** without Headquarters permission (e.g., handicap situations, etc.). All vehicles will be parked in the designated parking areas.

Headquarters

Headquarters will be set up at a central area. It will be open and manned throughout the weekend for registration, information, and checkout.

Headquarters will have information on:

Where to go for first aid
How to handle trash
Lost and found
Schedule of events
Event locations

Toqua OA Chapter

Toqua OA will have sodas, candy bars, and other miscellaneous items for sale at their chapter store. They will also run **volleyball pit** for those Scouts and Scouters who would like to play after the competitions and before dinner.

Religious Service

A Scout is Reverent. Chapel Service has been scheduled for Sunday morning at 9:00 am. The Camporee committee feels that participation at a religious service on a Scout outing is an important part of the BSA program. All participants are encouraged to attend the service.

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The 2008 Toqua Spring Camporee will be conducted on a grassy field with a multiple of competitive events placed at various stations. Upon arrival at the Camporee, troops will be given directions to the location of each event. It is recommended that each patrol carry a daypack with a pen and paper. All Scouts should carry a water bottle for hydration while participating in the events.

The Camporee events will be similar to those found at a Scottish Highland Games. The participants will be weighed and the events tailored to the size of the Scouts.

Competitive Events

Turning the Caber – A caber is a long pole that is tossed end-over-end. The object is to balance the Caber (pole) vertically over your head, run forward and toss it so that it flips end over end and lands vertically. We'll be doing a lighter variant of the 90 to 120 pounds logs that Scots use but it'll be fun just the same!

Sheaf Toss – What's a sheaf? A sheaf is a 16-20 pound bag of hay (10-12 pounds for the lightweights). What do you do with it? Hurl it straight up into the air over an adjustable crossbar with a pitchfork. It's a High Jump with pitchforks. Toss as high as possible.

Weight Throw – Pick up the weight in one hand, swing it from side to side to gain momentum and throw it the farthest...or as far as possible.

Weight Toss – You'll stand under an adjustable height crossbar, hold the weight with one hand and swing it back and forth between your legs. On the final swing you bring the weight up in an arc. Then it goes over the crossbar (we hope). Height counts.

Clachneart – It's a rounded stone and you throw it – like a shotput. You can spin if you want. Distance counts.

Braemar Stone – What's a Braemar Stone? Well, it's like the Clachneart. Now you understand, right? Well this one's bigger and you can't move when you toss it (no shot put moves). Again distance counts.

Kim's Game – This is for brain over brawn. Instructions supplied at the event.

Hammer Throw – Not exactly a Craftsman hammer, though this one's a weight with a handle. The Heavy Weight will be about 16 pounds while the Light Weight is 12 pounds. This is "light" as Scottish hammers go, but we are interested in a SAFE throw! Another distance event.

The Patrol Leader is in charge of his patrol. He is to introduce his patrol and himself to each event leader. The Patrol Leader is to advise if it is a new Scout Patrol and if it has visitors.

Please note that the Scout Patrols will be judged the entire time that they are in the vicinity of the events. This includes their approach, their departure from the events and their movement between the event stations.

One Assistant Scoutmaster is required to accompany each patrol. Once on the event field, leaders are requested not to coach their patrol. Leaders may be requested to help with the competition or assist in grading other patrols. The patrol method and scout spirit during competition will be a significant portion of the score.

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Schedule

Friday, May 2, 2008

5:00 PM	Check In and Registration opens
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Patrol Leaders Turn in Patrol Flags at HQ
9:00 PM	Scoutmaster / Senior Patrol Leaders Meeting (at HQ)
10:00 PM	Troop Meetings in Campsites
11:00 PM	Taps, Lights Out, QUIET

Saturday, May 3, 2008

7:00 AM	Reveille, Breakfast, Clean-Up
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Patrol Leaders Pick-Up Patrol Flags from HQ
8:45 AM	Flag Ceremony, Announcements
9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon	Competitive Events
12:00 Noon - 1:00 PM	Lunch, Clean-Up
1:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Competitive Events
6:00 PM	Dinner, Clean-Up
8:00 PM	Campfire and OA Call-Out
11:00 PM	Taps, Lights Out, QUIET

Sunday, May 4, 2008

7:00 AM	Reveille, Breakfast, Clean-Up
9:00 AM	Religious Service
	Awards, Announcements
	Break Camp, Clean-Up, Check-Out

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Spirit Award

Judging of the Spirit Award is based on the demonstration of Scout Spirit by Scouts, Scouters, Patrols and the Troop as embodied in the Scout Oath, Scout Law, Scout Motto, and the Scout Slogan. The spirit Award is part of the Tower Award. The specific actions of each Scout need to be considered along with how well the Troop and the patrols work together. Important points to consider are the effectiveness of boy leadership in the patrol and how well the leaders set the example for the rest of the Troop. Some things to look for in judging the Troops are:

- Are they prepared for the event or activity?
- Did everyone participate in the event or activity?
- Do they work as an effective group?
- Are they properly uniformed?
- Do they show "esprit de corps"?
- Are all the scouts doing their part?
- Are the Scouts and their area clean?
- Are they on time?
- Are they having a good time?
- Is the Scout Law being followed?
- Was a GOOD TURN done? (THIS IS IMPORTANT)**
- Was the Outdoor Code followed?
- Were things done safely?
- Are they courteous to each other and to others?
- Were quiet times observed?
- Were the regulations of the Camporee followed?

Judging the positive aspects of each Unit is preferred. Negative aspects should be considered but not emphasized. Troop size is not a factor in judging Troops.

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Campsite Inspection

Troop _____

Each Troop will start with 100 points. Deductions will come from the categories listed below. The maximum points deduction per category is shown.

* Each patrol with maximum of 15 points deducted.

	Points	Score
Troop Identified	5 PTS.	_____
Patrol Duty Roster Posted	5 PTS. *	_____
Patrol Menu Posted	5 PTS. *	_____
Food Properly Stored	5 PTS. *	_____
Dishes/Utensils Clean & Stored	5 PTS. *	_____
Chemical Fuels Stored Properly	5 PTS.	_____
When Wood Tools Present There Is An Axe Yard	10 PTS.	_____
First Aid Kit (One Per Troop Minimum) Out & In Sight	10 PTS.	_____
Waste Management	10 PTS.	_____
Campsite Placement	10 PTS.	_____
Campsite Neat & Orderly	10 PTS.	_____
Fire Control (ABC Fire Extinguisher) Out & In Sight	10 PTS.	_____
U.S. Flag (Displayed Properly)	5 PTS.	_____
Tennessee Flag (Displayed Properly)	5 PTS.	_____
TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE	100 PTS.	Total Score _____

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Patrol Flag Contest

Troop _____

Patrol _____

Does your patrol flag clearly identify your patrol and troop? Can your flag be seen from a distance (the right combination of colors can assist you)? Are you able to carry the flag easily? Is your flag durable?

Flags should be constructed before the Camporee. They should be turned in for judging after registration and before the Senior Patrol Leader's meeting Friday night. Flags will be judged on the following criteria.

	Points	Score
Patrol Name & Symbol	10 PTS.	_____
Patrol Members Names	5 PTS.	_____
Troop Number	5 PTS.	_____
District (Toqua)	5 PTS.	_____
Council (Great Smoky Mountain Council)	5 PTS.	_____
Flag Design	10 PTS.	_____
Flagstaff Design	10 PTS.	_____
Creativity	10 PTS.	_____
Construction	10 PTS.	_____
Mobility	10 PTS.	_____
Durability	10 PTS.	_____
Suitability for Signaling	10 PTS.	_____
TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE	100 PTS.	Total Score _____

A First, Second and Third place winner will be chosen from all the patrols entering.

Toqua District - 2008 Spring Camporee Registration

Type of Unit: _____ Unit Number: _____

SPL: _____ JASM: _____
 APL: _____ JASM: _____
 APL: _____ JASM: _____

Patrol Name: _____ 1. PL: _____ 2. APL: _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____	Patrol Name: _____ 1. PL: _____ 2. APL: _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____
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SM: _____ ASM: _____ ASM: _____ ASM: _____ ASM: _____	COR: _____ CC: _____ CM: _____ CM: _____ CM: _____
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Total # of Scouts: _____ Total # of Scouters _____ Total # _____ Total \$ _____

Does Unit Have Insurance _____ Preregistration \$ _____

SM Signature: _____ Total \$: _____

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Preregistration Form

Troop Name _____

Number of Patrols _____

Number of Scouts _____

Number of Adult Leaders _____

Total Participants _____

Preregistration Deposit (\$5.00 per Scout and Adult) \$ _____

Total Deposit \$ _____

Number of Trailers staying at Camporee _____

Number of Vehicles staying at Camporee _____

Preregistration DEADLINE: APRIL 17, 2008 ROUNDTABLE

Return this completed form along with the Preregistration Deposit to:

Great Smoky Mountain Council
Toqua 2008 Spring Camporee
P.O. Box 51885
Knoxville, TN 37950-1885
Attn: Tom Newman

Portable Toilet Reservation Form

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Community Portable toilets will be provided in the activity areas. If your troop wishes to rent your own, **please return this form and money by the April 17 Roundtable** and we will have them delivered on Friday May 2 with the community already ordered. **The cost is \$50 per toilet.** Some troops may want to share a toilet. If this is the case, please submit only one form with the troop Unit numbers and we will make sure those Units have adjoining campsites.

Payment must be made when this form is turned in because we will pay cash when they are delivered to the site.

PLEASE TURN IN THIS FORM AND ANY MONIES FOR THE PORTABLE TOILETS TO EDDIE GOINS WITH THE INFORMATION BELOW NO LATER THAN THE APRIL 17, TOQUA ROUNDTABLE. THIS WILL NOT BE A PART OF THE REGULAR CAMPOREE REGISTRATION. WE ARE HANDLING THIS SEPARATELY FROM REGISTRATION.

TROOP _____ would like to order a portable toilet.

TROOP _____ will share with TROOP _____ and requests to camp beside them.

Make checks payable to: Eddie Goins

**Mail to: Eddie Goins
6700 Shrewsbury Drive
Knoxville, TN 37921-3850
865-755-6604
Camporee Facilities Staff**

Directions to Toqua Spring 2008 Camporee

Camporee Address:

East Tennessee Nursery
9063 Hwy 411 S
Delano, TN 37325

From I-75 South:

Take I-75 south to Athens, TN taking Exit 53, Hwy TN-305 S. 32 Miles from I-75 / I-40 split.
Turn Left onto Hwy TN-305 / Mt.Verd Rd. 4.9 miles
Turn slight Left onto Green St / TN-30 E in Athens. 9.0 miles
Turn Right on US-411 S in Etowah 5.4 miles.
Turn Right into the East Tennessee Nursery right before the Hiwassee River bridge.
Follow signs through the property to the camporee site.

Thru Maryville:

Take I-140 E, Pellissippi Pkwy toward the airport.
Turn Right on Hwy 129 S, Alcoa Hwy.
Continue on Hwy 129 S through Maryville.
Stay on Hwy 411 S after Hwy 129 turns left.
Follow US 411 S through Etowah 5.4 miles
Turn Right into the East Tennessee Nursery right before the Hiwassee River bridge.
Follow signs through the property to the camporee site.

If you arrive late, open the large metal gate with the stop sign on it and close it after passing through.