

MERCER AREA DISTRICT WASHINGTON CROSSING COUNCIL

SCOUT WARS

CUB SCOUT CUBARAMA

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016

OCKANICKON SCOUT RESERVATION

For updated information, check <u>http://mad-bsa.org/scoutwars/</u>

CUBARAMA INFORMATION

Summary: The Mercer Area District Scout Wars Cub Scout Cubarama will be held at Ockanickon Scout Reservation on Saturday, April 23, 2016. A companion Boy Scout Camporee will be held on Friday-Sunday, April 22-24, 2016, at the same location. This event will take place rain or shine and will only be cancelled if <u>severe weather</u> is forecasted for the area. A tentative schedule is included.

Scout Wars is a Star Wars¹ themed Boy Scout Camporee and Cub Scout Cubarama. All attendees are encouraged (but not required) to come in costume. **Star Wars themed costumes are "class-A" for this event.** Actual projectile or edged weapons are prohibited.

Highlights and Important Information:

- Important Dates:
 - Early Registration before March 28, 2016 (\$10)
 - o Regular Registration Deadline is April 11, 2016 (\$15)
 - Late Registration after April 11, 2016 (\$30)
 - No Registrations after April 18, 2016
 - Attendee rosters are due April 18, 2016 via email. If needed, substitutions can be made at check-in
- Webelos and Cub Scouts must be accompanied by an adult or guardian! See details below.
- All attendees must register!
 - Prospective Cub Scouts must register, but are free. Accompanying adults must register and pay.
 - Siblings and friends under 5 years old must register, but are free.
- Service Project: Toy Drive, each patrol/den should bring a new, unwrapped toy.
- Station volunteer signup in advance at http://bit.ly/ScoutWarsStationSignUp
- Signup for some activities and stations at check-in, e.g. COPE, Diplomatic Mission to Alderaan.
- Wear appropriate clothing for the weekend. Some stations have shoe and clothing requirements/limitations. See details below.

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Eligibility: This Cubarama is open to Cub Scouts, siblings, friends, Cub Scout parents and guardians, and Cub Scout adult leaders. All participants register and pay fees with two exceptions:

- Siblings/Friends under 5 years of age register, but pay no fee;
- Prospective Cub Scouts register, but pay no fee, but adults accompanying the prospect pay fees.

Troops participating in the Boy Scout Camporee can invite Webelos Scouts to camp with them along with their accompanying Webelos Parents and/or Webelos Adult Leaders. Depending on the number of Webelos Scouts hosted by a troop, they may go around as separate Webelos Patrols or as part of a Boy Scout Patrol. Note that for activities that involve competition, Webelos Scouts cannot compete with Boy Scouts. For such an activity, Webelos Scouts can be grouped into ad hoc patrols.

Note that Webelos Scouts camping with a troop will register for the Scout Wars Boy Scout Camporee with their host troop. They will NOT register for the Scout Wars Cub Scout Cubarama. A parent or guardian, who must also register with the Troop, must accompany each Webelos Scout. If a parent cannot attend, arrangements must be made by the boy's family for another youth's parent (but not the Webelos leader) or another adult relative or friend to be a substitute at the campout. No Webelos parent should be responsible for more than one boy other than his or her own.

Other than Webelos Scouts invited by troops, there will be no Cub Scout camping at Scout Wars.

Volunteers: This event is run by volunteers. Troops and packs are expected to supply volunteers to help design, construct, and/or run activity and support stations. The only exception to this is the Adventure Sports Area where staff will be supplied for us. Some of the stations need instructors with specific training or experience, however, volunteers without instructor qualifications can still help with supervision at these stations. Older youth may be able to help at many stations in addition to adults. In most cases we will expect the troops and packs with larger numbers of participants to supply more helpers than the troops and packs with smaller numbers of participants.

Please sign-up to run station before the event using this online sign-up link:

http://bit.ly/ScoutWarsStationSignUp

Updates: Before the event, updates to this handout will be posted at the Scout Wars web page. At the event, a final Activities List and a final Schedule will be supplied at Check-In.

Social Media: #OckanickonAwakens on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc. Programming updates will be posted on the Scout Wars website, and progress will be posted on social media with that hashtag.

Regular Activity Stations: Many regular activity stations are noncompetitive and pass-fail -- the only requirement is showing proper Scout Spirit: that is acting according to the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Most regular stations will be open to Boy Scouts (BS) and Cub Scouts (CS), but details may be age-group adjusted. Also, a few stations may be open to Webelos Scouts (WS), but not other Cub Scouts. Stations will include instruction, demonstration, and, whenever possible, hands-on experience. Some activity stations may have sign-up sheets on Saturday, so that a den/patrol can reserve a specific time range for that activity.

If an individual Scout, completes a station, then he gets credit on his Activity Card. If a den/patrol completes a station, then each member of the den/patrol gets credit on their Activity Card. Completing most activity stations will be worth one point, but lengthy stations will be worth more. Accumulating a certain number of points earns an award. Many activity stations may provide additional points for exceptional performance, e.g. hitting the bull's eye or winning a race.

Each patrol should have a magnetic compass and a mobile phone capable of downloading and viewing multimedia files for use at certain stations.

Competitive Activity Stations: These stations can be done only by patrols (dens) and not individuals. Exceptional performance is worth extra points. Participation is optional.

• Boonta Eve Classic Pod Race

Patrols (dens) will carry/pull a log or stretcher around a course. Patrols (dens) with best times get awards.

• AT-AT Race

Patrols (dens) will work as a team to race specially constructed AT-AT walkers around a course. Patrols (dens) with best times get awards.

• Yoda's Challenge

Patrols (dens) will answer questions about Star Wars and general Scouting knowledge. Patrols (dens) with most correct answers get awards.

• Golden Skillet Competition "Let the cookie win" (Boy Scouts Only)

Patrols will prepare cookies, or cookie related desserts. All food preparation and cooking must be done by Scouts with no adult help. Cooking needs to be done over hot coals. Entries will be submitted to Camporee Headquarters according to the times posted on the schedules. Entries will be judged for awards based on presentation and taste.

• Now witness the firepower of this fully ARMED and OPERATIONAL battle station!

Patrols (dens) will race to start a fire using only a single match and their fire starting kit. Patrols (dens) with best times get awards.

• Special Activity - A diplomatic mission to Alderaan

This activity can be done only by patrols (dens) and not individuals. Participants will need to sign up in advance for a time slot at Check In or at Camporee Headquarters. Each participant may only do this activity one time at the event.

Boy Scouts will do this activity on Friday night. Cub Scouts will do it on Saturday during the daytime. If time slots are available, Boy Scouts will also be permitted to do this activity on Saturday during the daytime. Cub Scouts will be allowed to have adult help and simpler directions, if needed.

Skills involved: Map Reading and Navigation (Orienteering), Stalking, Bothan Espionage Techniques, Secret Codes.

Adults with Patrols or Dens: One of the purposes of this event is to encourage patrol teamwork and leadership through participation in the stations. Troop Adults should not be accompanying Boy Scout Patrols through the activity stations unless the patrol contains Boy Scouts who need special assistance. Such adults should only intervene for reasons of immediate safety. If the Patrol has Webelos Scout guests, their adult partner should be nearby, but not too close. Adults are welcome to take photos and videos of their Scouts, but should not disrupt their activities when doing so.

Webelos Patrols and Cub Scout Dens should have accompanying adults, however, adults should let the youth participants make as many decisions as possible. This is of course age dependent. We know that this is hard for some parents when they see that there is a better way to do something, but one of the goals of the Scouting program is for the youth members to experience and overcome challenges on their own. The fact that there may be a more elegant or efficient solution is not paramount here.

Equipment Needed: Any special equipment required at an activity station will be supplied, except that each patrol (den) should bring a magnetic compass and smart phone (with internet access for multimedia display) for use at certain stations.

Service Project: Each patrol or den is expected to bring a new, unwrapped toy as part of a toy drive as this event's service project. The toy may be a Star Wars toy, but not necessarily so. The drop off location is anytime at Foster Hall.

Climbing Wall:² The climbing wall is open in the morning for Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, however is not generally recommended for Cub Scouts as it is physically demanding. It is usually a very popular station, so lines may be long. Any updates to this schedule will be provided at check-in.

COPE (Low Course):² The low COPE course is open in the morning for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, but is not recommended for Cub Scouts as it is physically and mentally demanding. The course runs between 2 and 3 hours, and the scouts are expected to attend for the entire course. Complete details will be provided at check-in.

BB Gun Shooting: This activity is open to Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts at different ranges. Scouts will receive a short safety briefing while waiting to shoot. On the shooting line, each Scout can have a coach, usually the Scout's parent. These coaches need not have had prior experience with BB gun shooting.

Note that this activity requires BSA-Trained BB Gun Range Masters or NRA Certified Rifle Instructors (or Rifle Coaches). If you can help, please sign-up using the link above or send a message to <u>scoutwars@mad-bsa.org</u>.

Archery Shooting: This activity is open to Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts at different ranges. Scouts will receive a short safety briefing while waiting to shoot.

Note that this activity requires BSA-Trained Archery Range Masters. If you can help, please sign-up using the <u>link</u> above or send a message to <u>scoutwars@mad-bsa.org</u>.

² Note for the COPE and Climbing Wall activities: Participants must wear long pants, a sleeved shirt or jacket, and soft soled shoes. Hiking boots are not permitted.

On the shooting line, each Cub Scout may have a coach, usually the Scout's parent. These coaches need not have prior experience with Archery.

Slingshot Shooting: This activity is open to Cub Scouts only. Cub Scouts will receive a short safety briefing while waiting to shoot. On the shooting line, each Scout can have a coach, usually the Scout's parent. These coaches need not have had prior experience with slingshot shooting.

Note that this activity requires either BSA-Trained BB Gun Range Masters or BSA-Trained Archery Range Masters. If you can help, please send a message to <u>scoutwars@mad-bsa.org</u>.

Tomahawk Throwing: This activity is open to Boy Scouts only. Scouts will receive a short safety briefing while waiting to throw.

Note that this activity needs adults with tomahawk throwing experience who follow the Sweet Sixteen of BSA Safety. If you can help, please sign-up using the link above or send a message to <u>scoutwars@mad-bsa.org</u>.

Rock Throwing: This activity is open to Cub Scouts only. Scouts will receive a short safety briefing while waiting to throw.

Note that this activity requires BSA-Trained Archery Range Masters and adults with rock throwing experience who follow the Sweet Sixteen of BSA Safety. If you can help, please sign-up using the <u>link</u> above or send a message to <u>scoutwars@mad-bsa.org</u>.

On the shooting line, each Cub Scout may have a coach, usually the Scout's parent. These coaches need not have prior experience with Rock Throwing.

Trading Post: The hours that the Camp Trading Post will be open on Saturday will be posted. Candy, chips, and soda will be available, plus other items.

Food: Please bring food and drink with you for lunch and snacks for your group. Do not depend on the Camp Trading Post to have sufficient quantities of merchandise for all the people that we expect to have in attendance. Alternatively, you can make arrangements with a participating Boy Scout troop to eat with them. You can even stay for supper, if the troop invites you.

Registration: All participants in the Scout Wars Boy Scout Camporee or Cub Scout Cubarama, both youth and adult, must register online by Friday, April 15, 2016. All districts are welcome to participate.

Date Form Submitted:	By March 28 Early Registration	By Apr 11 Regular Fee	After Apr 11 Late Fee
Cubarama Fee:	\$10 youth and adult	\$15 youth and adult	\$30 youth and adult

• No refunds will be given after Thursday, March 31, 2016, but substitutions will be permitted.

• Siblings/Friends under 5 years of age register, but pay no fee;

- Prospective Cub Scouts register, but pay no fee, but adults accompanying the prospect pay fees.
- The late fee is not arbitrary. Last minute supplies cannot be obtained at the same price as those obtained earlier in the planning process.

Cubarama Registration can be done by either one Contact Person for the Pack or by one Contact Person for each Den. Only total numbers of participants in each category (Cub Scout, Sibling/Friend, Prospective Scout, Adult Leader, and Parent/Guardian) are required on the Registration Form. Each Pack's/Den's Contact Person for this event will receive a request for their Pack/Den Roster once they register. Rosters must include the name and category for all the participants that the Pack/Den registered. Rosters must be on an Excel spreadsheet (xls) and emailed to scoutwars@mad-bsa.org by Monday, April 18, 2016. If necessary, substitutions can be made at Check-In.

Check <u>http://mad-bsa.org/scoutwars/</u> for Registration Forms and up-to-date information.

Location: Ockanickon Scout Reservation (OSR) is located in Pipersville, PA. For directions to the camp go to http://www.ockanickon.org/about/maps-directions/.

Address: 5787 State Park Rd, Pipersville, PA 18947

https://www.google.com/maps/place/5787+State+Park+Rd,+Pipersville,+PA+18947/

Camp maps are included.

Parking: Drivers should go to the main parking lot and follow the instructions of the Parking Staff on duty. When driving in the parking lot and on any camp road, please proceed slowly and carefully.

Check-in: Cubarama participants may arrive no earlier than 8:00 am on Saturday. Check-In will be at Scout Wars Headquarters in Foster Hall. It is not required that everyone in a Pack/Den arrive at the same time. If a Pack/Den arrives in more than one group, a Group Leader (adult) from each group needs to go to Check-In while the other members of the group wait in the area. Group Leaders will check off the names of their group members on their Pack/Den Roster (submitted previously by email). Group Leaders will also supply for each vehicle in their group: the make, model, color, license plate, driver's name, and driver's cell phone. Group Leaders will then receive a wristband for each member of their group plus a final Schedule, a final Activity Station List, and any final instructions. After checking-in, a group can go to the Scout Wars activities.

Parking will be limited. Please carpool and be patient if overflow parking arrangements need to be made.

Use of the Cabins at OSR: Participants will not be allowed use of the cabins for any reason. Participants camping near a cabin may not enter it and must not tamper with that cabin's door lock.

Water: It is very important to stay hydrated at an energetic event like Scout Wars. Please bring a water bottle or canteen with you to carry around during the day.

Water will be available at several locations around the camp. Water may or may not be available at the campsites. If not, water runs may be made to fill troop water containers in batches during the day. Details will be provided at Check-In. Please feel free to bring water from home and a wagon to transport your water containers around the camp.

Trash: Secure all food and/or trash around your campsite. Please bring plastic bags with you for trash. We encourage you to pack-out your trash. However, there will be a place to leave it, if that is not an option for your Troop/Pack/Den. Details will be given at check-in.

Rest Rooms: All campsite latrines will be available for use as will the Adult Comfort Station near Foster Hall. Portable toilets will also be placed around the camp -- these may be restricted to adults. Details will be given at check-in.

First Aid: In the case of a life-threatening emergency to a youth or adult, a parent or leader should immediately use their cell phone to dial 9-1-1 and then send a runner to headquarters to report the emergency to a staff member. In the case of minor injuries or illness to a youth or adult, parents or leaders can use their own first aid kits, however, there also will be a medic on staff, for true emergencies that require it. All injuries and illnesses should be reported to your unit adult leader and to Cubarama staff.

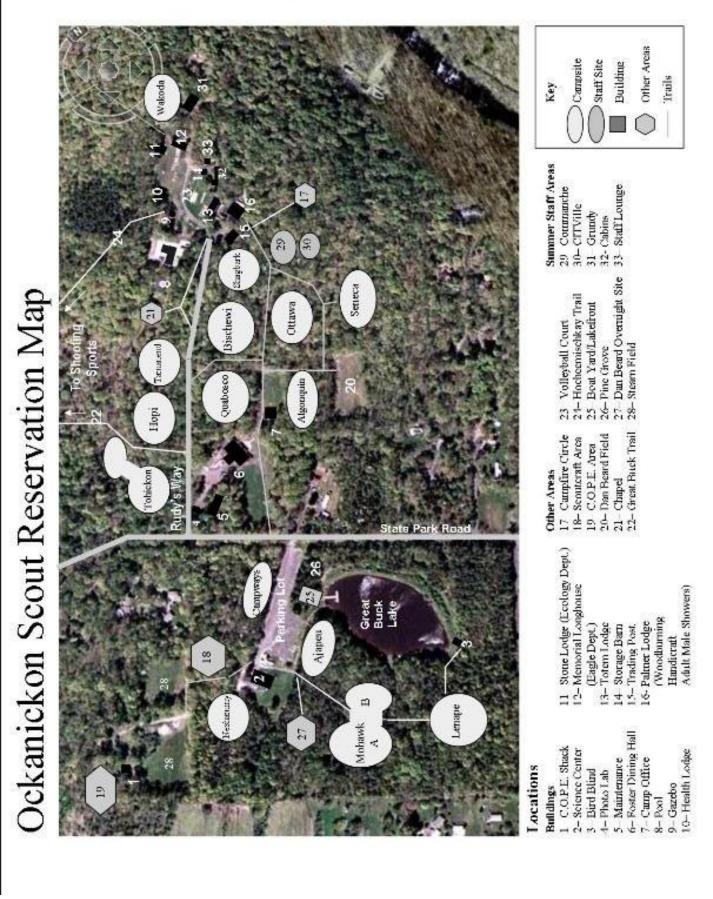
Medical Forms: BSA Annual Health and Medical Record 680-001 (2014 Printing) Part A (Informed Consent) & Part B (Health History) is required for all Scouts and Adults participating in this event. Unit leaders need to make sure that everyone brings their form with them. In the case of younger Cub Scouts or siblings, it may be better for their adult partner to carry the form for the youth.

Note that you may have to show your Medical Form at the Adventure Sports activities.

Prohibited Items: The following items are strictly prohibited: real or toy firearms; sling shots; B-B guns; bows and arrows; "paint ball" guns; crossbows; real or toy throwing or stabbing weapons (except for pocket knives) or items which could be used as such; explosives; sheath knifes; fireworks; model rockets; alcoholic beverages; narcotics; hazardous materials. Scouts will not be allowed to bring electronic entertainment devices such as: Gameboys, CD players, Mpeg players, radios and tape players.

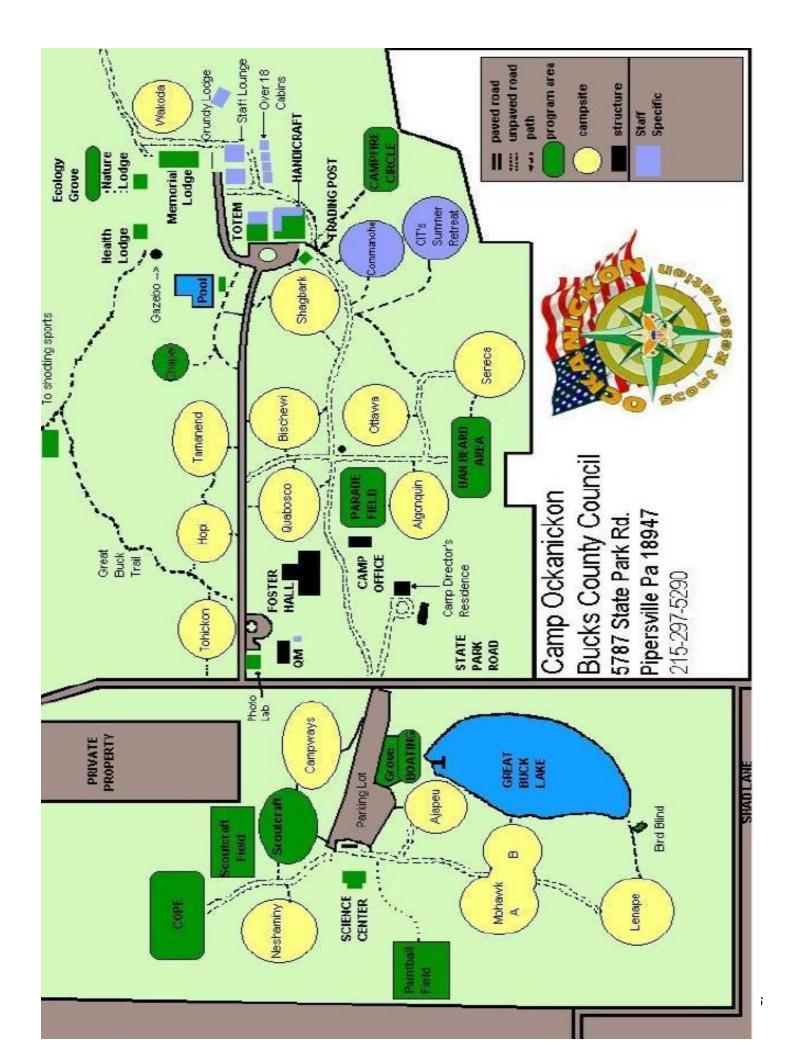
Fires at Campsites: Propane stoves are allowed. Liquid fuel stoves are prohibited. Participants are required to use the existing fire rings located in their campsites if you are having a wood fire (please follow Leave No Trace rules for fires). Do not dump the wood fire ashes on the ground - put them in a garbage bag to be thrown away with the rest of the trash. Make sure your ashes are dead, out and cold before doing this.

DO NOT BRING FIREWOOD FROM HOME. USE ONLY THE WOOD FOUND AT OSR.



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PLANNED SCOUT WARS ACTIVITY STATIONS

DAGOBAH (COPE Area)

• COPE Low Course (morning only) • COPE High Course (afternoon only)

GEONOSIS (Upper Parade Field, by Water Tower)

- Rope Making TIE Fighters
- Rescue Line Toss
 Tent Pitching
 Wilderness Survival
 - Kessel Run
 Lightsaber Training
 Ion Cannons

ALDERAAN (Lower Parade Field, by Memorial Lodge)

- Boonta Eve Classic Pod Race AT-AT Race Jedi Walkabout
- Climbing Wall (tentatively morning only) Basic First Aid BB-8 Ball Climbing Wall

ENDOR (Dan Beard Field)

• Archery Shooting • BB Gun Shooting • Slingshot Shooting (CS only)

• Tomahawk Throwing (BS only) • Rock Throwing

CORUSCANT (Foster Hall)

- Yoda's Challenge
 Stormtroopers
 Basic Flight Training
- Golden Skillet Competition (BS only) Chess merit Badge (BS only Sat. night)
 - Patch Trading (BS only Sat. night).

SCOUT WARS CUBARAMA SCHEDULE

(AN OFFICIAL SCHEDULE WILL BE ISSUED AT CHECK IN)

Saturday, April 23, 2016

- 8:00 AM 1:00 PM Cubarama Check-In at Foster Hall
- 9:00 AM 12:00 PM Activity Stations Operate
- 12:00 PM 1:00 PM Lunch
- 1:00 PM 4:00 PM Activity Stations Operate