

RETURN OF THE NINJA

Leader's Guide

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Wingate University Lake Area

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Camporee Challenge

The Camporee is a part of scouting that requires scouts and their patrol to put into action the skills that they have learned. They have to work as a team to accomplish many tasks. As such, they have to use their resources wisely. Each individual has his own strengths. The Patrol that works together as a team, has good scout spirit, is prepared, and will have the necessary skills to complete the events. It is through these events, that scouts develop skills for life and good sportsmanship. A good patrol works well together. They gladly accept new responsibilities, and are able to adapt to new procedures.

Your Patrol should rehearse all skills, but most importantly demonstrate Scout Spirit and Teamwork. Conduct of all participants should follow the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

Camporee Theme

“Weekend at the Movies” Each event will incorporate scout skills into a challenge based on a different movie theme.

Patrols

The ideal patrol size is 6-8 members. Patrols should be those already established within your troop and members can be any level of scouting. We strongly discourage shifting scouts to create a “Super Patrol” for competition, however you may combine two or more patrols into one if not enough members are able to attend. Patrols will be responsible for having knowledge of scout skills needed for any type of event. Each patrol member will be responsible for providing any needed personal equipment such as filled water bottle, first aid kit, rain gear, pencil, and paper.

Second year Webelos Patrols will follow the same patrol and competition guidelines, but will only compete against other Webelos Patrols.

Venturing Crews may attend the Camporee but members over the age of 18 will not be eligible to compete.

Skills for Preparation

Here is a list of just some of the possible event skills necessary to compete at the Camporee.

Patrol Spirit	Teamwork
Cooking	First Aid
Knots and Lashings	Campsite setup
Memory and Identification	Orienteering
Physical Fitness	Communications

A prepared Scout, Patrol and Troop will have reviewed and practiced all the information and skills found in The Boy Scout Handbook and Field Guide. These two books can be used as resources at the Camporee.

Events and Scoring

Each Patrol will be scored on the event at hand and each event will be different. Each event will be scored on how well the scouts perform the assigned task, but judges will also take into consideration teamwork, communication skills and scout spirit. All competing patrol members registered for the Camporee must be present and participate at all events for the Patrol to receive a full score.

Location

The Camporee will be held on the campus of Wingate University, near the lake.

Directions From Monroe, take Hwy 74 East to Wingate
 Turn Left on Cannon Blvd. (the main college entrance)
 Turn right on Ansonville Road at the stop sign
 Turn right on Zeb Goodman Road
 Turn right into the camporee site (entrance will be marked)

Registration and Fees

Registration is \$10 per youth participant. Please pre-register by February 24, 2012
Sorry, no refunds!!!

Advance registration is necessary for the staff to complete all the details to ensure a first rate Camporee. Troops failing to pre-register the correct number of boys risk inadequate camp space and number of patches.

Check-in

Check-in will be held at the picnic shelter on site from 6-8pm on Friday. Troops should arrive together, in full field uniform and be prepared for a troop inspection that will count towards spirit points. No scouts or vehicles may enter the campsites until registration is complete.

Vehicles

Vehicles are not allowed in campsites. The only exception is one vehicle per troop which is allowed to deliver a troop trailer or equipment. All vehicles must be moved to the parking lot by 9pm. Any troop needing to have a motorized vehicle to transport a scout or leader with special needs should notify the Camporee committee at the time of advanced registration and will be issued a special pass.

Patches

Each paid youth participant will receive one Camporee patch. Two additional patches will be provided to each unit for the leaders. Please indicate on the pre- registration form if additional leaders will be attending the Camporee and if they wish to purchase a Camporee patch.

Campfire

(Full Scout Uniform)The campfire will be on Saturday night. Visitors are welcome but must follow all parking and Camporee regulations. All patrols are expected to participate with a song or skit. All performances will be previewed by the Camporee staff. Skits or songs with non-scoutlike or inappropriate content will be excluded. Auditions will be held immediately following the SPL Meeting. Spirit points will be awarded for originality, enthusiasm, and performance.

Religious Service

(Full Scout Uniform)There will be an all-faiths service on Sunday morning. Any troop that wishes their Chaplain's Aide to help with the service should notify the Camporee Director at the SPL meeting on Friday night.

Awards

Troops and Patrols will be scored on all Camporee events including check-in, campsite inspections, auditions, and competition events. Awards will be given out Sunday morning immediately following the religious service.

Patrol Awards

Awards will be given out for the top three Patrols in each competition event and for the overall top three scores.

An award will be given for the best entry in the cooking competition. (A serving of what your patrol is eating for supper on Saturday evening)

The prestigious Camporee Spirit Award will be awarded to the Patrol that demonstrates the best Scout Spirit. Judging includes but is not limited to,

Patrol Flag and yell demonstrated throughout the Camporee
Camporee themed decorations to Patrol flag or staff
Participation in all events
Campfire participation
Teamwork, Enthusiasm, Sportsmanship

Troop Awards

Gateway Contest will be judged by the Camporee staff after lunch on Saturday. Judging includes originality, size, complexity, safety, and integration of Camporee theme.

Campsite Inspection will be done by the Camporee staff during the events on Saturday. Campsites will be judged according to the attached Campsite Inspection Sheet.

Senior Patrol Leaders Meeting

It is very important that each troop be represented at the SPL meeting. Each SPL or his representative should come with pad and pencil and be ready to take notes. Most of the information for the events will be provided during this meeting. The Camporee staff will conduct this meeting to answer or clarify any questions or concerns. Scoutmasters may attend if desired, but the SPL is expected to represent his troop.

Adult Leadership

Each troop must provide two deep leadership as per BSA regulations at all times during the Camporee. NO EXCEPTIONS. Webelos patrols must also follow all BSA regulations for Webelos camping.

Scout Registration

Unit leaders are reminded that each boy participating in the Camporee must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America to be covered by insurance. Unit leaders are responsible for permission and medical forms for each participant.

Campsites

Campsites will be assigned based on pre-registration and troop size. Troops with special needs should notify the Camporee committee at the time of pre-registration.

There is no running water on site. You may bring your own, or use the potable water provided in the Union County Sheriff's Department water buffalo. Supplies on site will be limited. Troops must bring their own water containers.

Cooking and eating utensils ARE NOT TO BE WASHED AT THE WATER SOURCE!

A well-organized campsite reflects good leadership and a clean camp makes the weekend healthier and safer for all. Remember to make as little impact as possible in establishing your camp.

Fire Control

Fires in campsites are allowed, but must be off the ground and contained in fire pans or grills.

First Aid

Each troop and/or patrol should have a first aid kit accessible, in plain view and clearly marked for all members to see. In case of emergencies, assistance will be available at Camporee Headquarters. Scoutmasters, advise staff at check-in if any Scout has special needs.

Latrines

Porta-Johns will be available on site. Please be considerate in using the Porta-Johns, they must last us all weekend.

Food

Patrols are required to provide adequate food for all members. Protect your food from heat/cold and Camporee critters. Each patrol should post a duty roster and menu in the campsite.

Garbage/Trash

This Camporee is being run on the basis of "Pack it in, Pack it out". At the end of the Camporee, Patrols must carry their trash off the premises and dispose of it properly.

Foul Weather

Be prepared for any type of weather. Competition will be suspended in the event of hurricane, tornado, earthquake or volcanic eruption. Otherwise, BE PREPARED!!

What Not to Bring

No guns, bows and arrows, fireworks, sheath knives, or any form of weapon or firearm will be allowed at the Camporee. The exception would be a competition event where all equipment will be supplied by the Camporee staff. Pocket knives that meet BSA regulations are allowed if accompanied by a "Toten Chip". No alcohol or illegal substances will be tolerated. To ensure fair competition, walkie-talkies will not be used by troops during the competition. Unauthorized items can and will be confiscated by the Camporee Staff. Depending on the nature of the item, it may be returned to an adult leader at the end of the Camporee.

Violation of Camporee policies may result in expulsion from the Camporee.

Check-out

Scouts always leave a campsite better than they found it. The Troop SPL must secure a Camporee Staff member for final campsite inspection when the Troop is ready for final checkout. At this point the Troop will receive their check-out package including patches for all registered participants.

2012 Spring Camporee Gateway Scoring Sheet

Troop _____

Gateway Construction

The Gateway is an opportunity for your unit to identify its campsite. Its construction, size and complexity are your choosing. Gateways can be as elaborate as archways or bridges, and as simple as using unit flags and banners. The importance of the gateway is to provide a formal entrance to your unit campsite. This is not only fun, but a source of unit pride and Scout spirit. It is useful in helping identify your unit's area to staff, visitors, and your own unit's members. This formal identification of your unit's campsite by a gateway **is not required**, but a visible entrance should be marked. Points will be given for those units showing effort and teamwork in putting together a gateway and there will be an award given for the best gateway.

Each unit should bring all material for construction of a gateway or other means of identifying an entrance. The recommended method of construction is lashings, tripods, etc. **BE CREATIVE!**

The gateway must span an opening of at least 7ft. high and 4ft. wide.

The gateway must be at the primary entrance of the campsite.

Safety **MUST** be a prime factor in construction.

Camporee Inspector can ask that unsafe structures be disassembled.

Gateway should be of original design and reflect the Camporee Theme.

<u>Judges Criteria</u>	<u>Possible Points</u>	<u>Earned Points</u>
Camporee Theme	0-20	_____
Flags Properly Displayed	0-20	_____
Troop Identification	0-20	_____
Overall Design	0-20	_____
Creativity and Originality	0-20	_____
Safe and Sturdy Construction	0-20	_____
Assembly/Lashings	0-20	_____
Durability	0-20	_____
Total		_____

2012 Spring Camporee Campsite Scoring Sheet

Troop _____

Area Inspected	Possible Points	Earned Points
Gateway		
Identifying Troop	0-10	_____
Campsite		
Patrol Areas	0-10	_____
Trash Properly Disposed	0-10	_____
Hazard Free Setup	0-10	_____
Overall Neatness	0-10	_____
Cooking Area		
Menu Posted, balanced meals	0-10	_____
Kitchen area clean	0-10	_____
Proper food storage	0-10	_____
Duty Roster posted	0-10	_____
Fuel stored properly	0-10	_____
Equipment		
First Aid Kit	0-10	_____
Fire Prevention/Control/Safety	0-10	_____
Safe and secure equipment storage	0-10	_____
Flags		
United States flag properly displayed	0-10	_____
Troop flag properly displayed	0-10	_____
Total		_____

2012 Spring Camporee Cooking Competition Scoring Sheet

Troop _____

Patrol _____

Rules:

All entrees must be prepared on site at your camp site.

All entrees must be prepared by youth scout members not adult leaders.

All entrees **MUST** be what your whole patrol is eating for supper the night of the cooking competition.

Presentation 0-10 _____

Balanced meal 0-10 _____

Originality 0-10 _____

Taste 0-10 _____

Complexity 0-10 _____

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Schedule of Events

Friday

4:00-5:00pm	Staff Check-in
6:00-8:00pm	Unit Check-in and uniform inspection at shelter
8:30pm	SPL Meeting
9:00pm	Outdoor Movie
10:30pm	Staff Meeting
11:00pm	Taps

Saturday

7:00am	Reveille
8:30am	Assembly at flagpole
9:00am-12:00n	Event Stations
12:00n-1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm-4:00pm	Event Stations
4:00pm-5:00pm	Staff Challenges/Games
5:30pm-6:00pm	Skit/Song Auditions for Campfire
6:00pm	Supper
6:00-7:00pm	Cooking Competition entries due (picnic shelter)
8:00pm	Campfire/OA Call Out Ceremony
10:00pm	OA Cracker Barrel (all OA members, new and old)
11:00pm	Taps

Sunday

7:00am	Reveille
8:30am	All-Faiths Service
	Awards Presentation
10:00am-11:00am	Final Campsite Inspection/Check-out
11:00am	Staff Review

Unit Roster

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This roster is to be filled out completely and turned in during Camporee check-in.

Unit _____ **Unit Leader** _____

Adult Leaders

Name	Position	Name	Position
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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