Spring Camporee Planning Update  

Tuesday, March 21 2017

General Items Updated

On Thursday, May 9th, we the camporee committee met with Ralph Schuster and Jay Soucy, the CAC shooting Sports and range coordinators (see update below in section titled “Range Coordination”).

The district has been in discussions with the Indiana Crossroads Orienteering Club to set the district orienteering course up, provide topographical maps, and staff. There will be an orienteering coordination meeting Sunday, April 2, 2017 at Camp Ransburg (see update below in section titled “Orienteering Course”).

The Spring Camporee Patch has been designed and approved for production.

Cost is $12 for Non-Shooters and $20 for Shooters.

Online Registration is open.

Camporee Mission

Add Sophistication and Planning to Program
Build on Past Camporees
Think Big
Build Excitement for Scouts
Increase Attendance

Theme

Shoot the Moon
Patches are in Art Department at CAC – two designs being considered

Promotion

Graphic for Web Pages and Flyers is immediately available, see Attached

Patch

Here is the Spring Camporee Patch:
Troop Registration Link
https://scoutingevent.com/160-NSSC17?draftmode=1

Significant Activities
- Shooting Sports
- Three Gun Demonstration
- Orienteering
- Order of the Arrow Call Outs
- Troop Competition
- Fellowship

Significant Dates
- Sunday, April 2, 2017 Orienteering Course Walk Through
- Monday, April 3, 2017 Last Day for Troop Shooter Reservations

Sequence of Events

**Friday, April 21, 2017**
- Registration: 7:00 PM
- Set Up Campsite: 7:30 PM
- Leaders Meeting: 8:30 PM
- Campfire: 9:15 PM
- Lights Out: 11:00 PM

**Saturday, April 22, 2017**
- Flags: 7:45 AM
- Rifles: 8:15 AM
- Shotguns: 8:15 AM
- Archery: 8:15 AM
- Orienteering: 8:15 AM
- Bag Lunch: 11:45 AM
- Rifles: 12:30 PM
- Shotguns: 12:30 PM
- Archery: 12:30 PM
- Orienteering: 12:30 PM
- Willy Inspections: 3:00 PM
- Flags: 5:45 PM
- Dinner: 6:00 PM
- OA Call-Outs: 8:15 PM
- Campfire: 9:15 PM
- Cracker Barrel: 10:15 PM
- Lights Out: 11:00 PM

**Sunday, April 23, 2017**
- Clean-Up: 7:30 AM
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**Range Coordination**

**General Guidelines** – All shooters will be required to take a 30 minute Gun Safety training session prior to shooting. The District can appoint anybody to teach and conduct this training. We need a volunteer for this and a dummy rifle. We can do this all at once in the morning and afternoon or on a round robin basis. All weapons and gear will be prepositioned in locked building at rifle range.

**Rifle Range** – There are sixteen (16) shooting positions. All boys may participate as the only requirement is they are a boy scout. Each shooter will be allowed 10 shots on the range. This allows the range to shoot 32 boys per hour. The rifle range will require one (1) Range Safety Officer (RSO) and two (2) Range Instructors (RI). If the district finds enough RSOs and RIs we can do this as a morning and afternoon shift to minimize their workload and the volunteer’s time. The district has requisitioned from Camp Ransburg five (5) flats or two thousand five hundred (2,500) rounds of .223 ball, 16 Rifles, cleaning option, and hearing ear protection.

**Shotgun Range** – There is only one (1) shooting position for the shotgun range. All boys may participate as the only requirement is they are a boy scout. Each boy will be allowed three (3) shots. This allows the range to shoot 9 boys per hour. The RSO for the rifle range also serves the shotgun range. The district will require one (1) RI and one (1) Gatekeeper (GK) for the shotgun range. The GK can be any responsible adult. The district has requisitioned from Camp Ransburg five hundred (500) twelve (12) gauge shotgun shells, two (2) twelve (12) gauge shotguns, five hundred (500) clay pigeons, cleaning option, and hearing ear protection.

**Archery Range** - There are sixteen (16) shooting positions. All boys may participate as the only requirement is they are a boy scout. Each shooter will be allowed 8 shots on the range. There will be two (2) boys per target but different colored arrows. This allows the range to shoot 32 boys per hour. The RSO for the rifle range also serves the archery range. The district will require one (1) RI and one (1) Familiarization Officer (FO) for the archery range. The FO can be any responsible adult who has had training in archery. The district has requisitioned from Camp Ransburg one (1) sleeve of one hundred (100) assorted colored arrows, targets, gloves, and arm guards.

**Orienteering Course**

The Indiana Crossroads Orienteering Club’s President, Frank Baukert, has been in discussion with the Spring Camporee Committee since March 7, 2017. The club has a permanent orienteering course set up for years at Camp Ransburg. The CAC have not had much interest but the club does hold events on the reservation.
The district’s Spring Camporee Committee will be meeting the club at 10:00 am, Sunday, April 2, 2017 at Camp Ransburg to walk the points and fine tune the needs for the camporee. All district stake holders are welcome to attend the meeting. The customization of the course allows the district to avoid the COPE, Wood Badge Program, Order of the Arrow ceremony, and Hou Koda District Camporee areas at Camp Ransburg along with establishing time intervals.

The club will develop maps for the boys for a $1 each which will be included in the camporee fee.

**Concerns**

- Registration System & Tracking
- Identifying Shooters & Rotations
- Need Campfire Program
- Starting and Staying On-time
- Idle Time & Rotations
- Hydration
- Documentation for troop and patrol competition (methodology to award Points - scoring targets/orienteering maps)
- Preparing for Willy Inspection Guidelines
- Independent Inspection Team – No Independent Judges identified but will reach out to Hou Koda District which is also having their Camporee. Also might try Hoosier Trails Council.
- Friday Campfire Program
- Saturday Campfire Program
- Feeding of Range and Orienteering Volunteers
- Weapons Cleaning & Turn-in — It was suggested that when weapons are rented from Ransburg there is no need to clean the weapons, it is included in the rental price, will confirm at CAC meeting.
- Excess Ammo
- Mixing Boys — Hou Koda District is also having a Camporee and another troop has reserved the C.O.P.E Area

**Camp Ransburg Facilities**

North Star has reservations for:

- Rifle Range
- Shotgun Range
- Archery Range
- Dinning Hall
- Leadership Cabin for NRA Instructors and Safety Officers
- OA Field
- Orienteering Area
- Campsites

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Total Capacity  482  

Financial
The cost will NOT be finalized until Thursday, March 9, 2017 meeting with Ralph at CAC to determine range capacity and flow of shooting windows. The variables effect the amount of ammunition to purchase. Initial plan is to have two groups, shooters and non-shooters. Shooters would pay an extra amount for ammunition in the $8.00 range on top of the camporee fee. The camporee fee is expected in the $15 to $20 range.

Cut-Off Registration Date
All troops in attendance agreed a registration cut-off would be April 3, 2017 to accommodate the purchase of ammunition. Any Scouts who sign-up after that date would be considered non-shooters.

Order of the Arrow Call-Outs
The OA Call-Outs will be a combined ceremony with Hou Koda’s Wundchenneu Chapter and North Star’s Lowaneu Allanque Chapter. Coordination is being done by Chapter Chiefs.