

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
100 YEARS OF SCOUTING



CELEBRATING THE ADVENTURE
CONTINUING THE JOURNEY

FINAL PALMETTO COUNCIL UNIT PLANNING GUIDE

**PALMETTO COUNCIL
IN COOPERATION WITH
MECKLENBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
PRESENTS TWO GREAT
100TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS
AT ONE EXCITING PLACE**

ADVENTURE BASE 100

APRIL 9, 10, 11, 2010

BSA CAMPING & OUTDOOR EXPO

APRIL 10, 2010

CAROWINDS

APRIL 9, 10, 11, 2010

WHAT IS THE BSA CAMPING AND OUTDOOR EXPO?

The Camping and Outdoor Expo is a celebration of what Scouts do. It is an opportunity for Outdoor product Vendors and related Organizations to demonstrate the products, programs, and facilities that they make available to Scouting and the Public. In addition, Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews and Explorer Posts will have the opportunity to give **potential** Scouts and their families a glimpse of the fun and exciting activities that Scouts enjoy year round. The purpose is to gain support in the community for all Scouting programs and for the individual unit. Cub Scout Packs can use the Expo to reach boys and their parents who are curious about Scouting but may never have attended School Night. Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews and Explorer Posts can use the Expo to reach boys in the younger programs and give them a taste of their programs, as well as reach older brothers and sisters of the Cubs and youth not associated with Scouting. The Expo is also an opportunity to show the public what Scouting really is and how it helps build better citizens. In short, the BSA CAMPING and OUTDOOR EXPO has something for everyone.

This April, we have a great opportunity to combine the BSA Camping and Outdoor Expo with the most dynamic Scouting display in our 100 year history. Adventure Base 100 is the traveling exhibit from the National Boy Scouts of American. It is the hands on, fun-filled center piece of our Expo. Charlotte is the Carolina Host for Adventure Base 100 as it travels the South and the USA.

This 10,000 square foot extravaganza will draw thousands of visitors who will not only see, but also experience Scouting.



Artist rendition of Adventure Base 100

DATE AND LOCATION

The BSA Camping and Outdoor Expo will be held Saturday, April 10, 2010 in conjunction with Adventure Base 100's three day visit (April 9, 10 and 11) at Carowinds Park on the border of North and South Carolina just off Interstate 77. Expo hours will be from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on Saturday ONLY. Adventure Base 100 will be open from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm and on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

THEME FOR THE 2010 CAMPING and OUTDOOR EXPO

Our theme for our Expo is 100 Years of Scouting, Celebrating the Adventure, Continuing the Journey. By now you are aware that 2010 marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scouts of America. Chartered by Congress on February 8, 1910, the BSA is launching into its second century of service with a yearlong celebration of our glorious past and our promising future. What better way to continue that celebration than to be a part of scouting history at the largest 100th Anniversary event in the Carolina's.

HOW CAN YOUR UNIT BE A PART OF THIS EXCITING EVENT?

Your Pack, Troop, Crew or Post and your Scouting families have three options for participating in this exciting event.

1. Active Unit Participant – Your unit can commit to being an active participant by setting up a Scouting display or activity or by camping at the Carowinds Camp Wilderness Campground. Participating units will receive discounted price of \$7.00 each for as many of the commemorative patches as you want and will have access to a free offsite parking area with shuttle service to the Expo (a \$10 per vehicle value). You must complete a Unit Commitment Form and return it to the Palmetto Scout Office by March 11, 2010 (Palmetto Units may turn in your forms at the March roundtable.) Units wishing to camp at Carowinds must also complete the Camping and Patch Order Form and submit the camping fee of \$15.00 per person (includes one commemorative patch per camper and free shuttle service to the Expo) to the Mecklenburg County Council by March 22, 2010. Units not camping must complete the Participating Unit Patch Order form and return it with full payment to guarantee the advance sale price of these collectible patches. The form must be sent to the Mecklenburg County Council by March 22, 2010. All forms will be available on the Palmetto Council website.

2. Unit Visit – Your unit can organize a group visit to Carowinds and the BSA Camping and Outdoor Expo/Adventure Base 100. Your unit can pre-order an unlimited number of the commemorative patches at the advance order cost of \$8.00 (much less than will be charged on the day of the event). The Visiting Unit Patch Order Form must be received by the Mecklenburg County Council by March 22, 2010 with full payment to guarantee the advance sale price for these collectible patches. The form will be available on the Palmetto Council website. Parking for visiting units will be at the normal Carowinds parking lot at a cost of \$10 per vehicle. Carpooling is recommended as Carowinds will be open to the public this weekend.

3. Individual Family Visit – If your unit is not able to organize a unit visit, you can still come and experience all the fun and excitement of both Adventure Base 100 and the BSA Camping and Outdoor Expo. There is no fee for visiting the event. Parking for individual visitors will be at the normal Carowinds parking lot at a cost of \$10 per vehicle. Commemorative Patches may be available for sale on the day of the Expo.

SPECIAL CAROWINDS ADMISSION AVAILABLE TO ALL

Carowinds will be offering special discounts to all Scouts, Scouters and Scouting families.

Special 100th Anniversary Ticket Pricing

Single Day Regular Admission -- \$29.99 [Valid only on April 9, 10 and 11]

Single Day Junior/Senior Admission -- \$21.99

Next Day Admission -- \$19.99

Visit www.carowinds.com for details and to order your tickets.

WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT TO SEE AND DO AT THE EXPO?

CUB WORLD

PACK DISPLAYS
PINWOOD DERBY
SPACE DERBY
RAIN GUTTER REGATTA
INFORMATION ON CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP AND WEBELOS RESIDENT CAMP
OTHER FUN CUB AGE APPROPRIATE GAMES AND ACTIVITIES

SCOUTING ON DISPLAY

TROOP DISPLAYS
KNOTS AND LASHING HANDS ON INSTRUCTION

SCOUTING OUTDOORS

PIONEERING PROJECTS
MODEL CAMPSITES
OUTDOOR SCOUT SKILL COMPETITIONS

OA VILLAGE

DANCE TEAM PERFORMANCES
TOTEM POLE CARVING
FLUTE MAKING

SPECIAL SCOUTING DISPLAYS

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS AND NESA
YOUTH RELIGIOUS AWARDS

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

FUN FOR ALL PINWOOD DERBY – Dust off those old winning cars or make a new one and find out why Cub Scouts love the Pinwood Derby. Tracks will be available for anyone to race just for fun and cars will be available for those who need one.

HORSEMANSHIP MERIT BADGE AND HORSE RIDING – Rock River Riding Stables will be on hand to give scouts information on the Horsemanship Merit Badge and to provide an opportunity for Scouts and potential Scouts to experience riding a horse under limited controlled conditions.

DISC GOLF MINI COURSE – INNOVA Disc Golf, the foremost company in Disc Golf equipment with its East Coast distribution center located right here in Rock Hill will be setting up a short course for all to experience this unique sport.

FLY FISHING CASTING PRACTICE AREA – An area is being set aside for all those interested in learning the techniques for fly fishing to practice casting.

GEO CACHING COURSE – A Geo caching course will be set up for all those enthusiasts of this new high tech outdoor sport. The course will make sure you see everything there is to see at the Expo.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD – To show the public just how much Scouting contributes to its community, each scout and scouter is asked to bring one canned goods item or other non-perishable food item to the Expo. Booths will be set up at each entrance to the show to collect the food and all food collected will be donated to a local food bank. Lets really show everyone how much Scouting cares for those in need.

DISTRICT RECRUITING BOOTHS – Each District will have its own booth where they can give potential scouts information about local units and can take registrations for both youth and adults.

SCOUTING MEMORABILIA/MUSEUM – If you are a Scouting Memorabilia collector, plan to bring some of your rare items and join with others in our Scouting History Section.

SCOUT PATCH TRADING AREA – Patch trading is a long held tradition in Scouting. If you are a patch trader or just want to see what patch trading is all about, plan on spending some time in this area.

EXCITING DISPLAYS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS

BLACKSMITH SHOP
CHAIN SAW CARVING
LATTA PLANTATION
RAPTOR CENTER
TARHEEL TRAIL BLAZERS (MOUNTAIN BIKE)
REEDY CREEK NATURE PRESERVE
MECKLENBURG COUNTY PARKS
US NATIONAL WHITE WATER CENTER
REI OUTDOOR GEAR
JESSE BROWNS FISHING & OUTDOOR GEAR
GREAT OUTDOOR PROVISIONS
TANDY LEATHER
RAFTING EXPEDITION COMPANIES
SKI RESORTS
NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA CAMPGROUNDS
FLY FISHING DEMONSTRATIONS AND CASTING PRACTICE
ROCKY RIVER RIDING STABLES

100th ANNIVERSARY BSA CAMPING AND OUTDOOR EXPO PATCH

All scouts and leaders that participate in the BSA Camping and Outdoor Expo will be able to purchase in advance one or more commemorative 100th Anniversary Expo Patches at the participant cost of \$7.00 each. Units that plan a unit visit to the Expo in advance may also pre-order patches at a cost of \$8.00 each. To insure that you receive one of these once in a lifetime patches, sign-up your unit to participate and order your patches in advance. Order forms are available on the Palmetto Council website. Units that place advance orders for the commemorative patch must pick up these patches at the Expo check-in tent on Saturday, April 10th. If there are patches remaining after all the pre-orders have been filled, they may be on sale at the Expo at a higher cost.

CAMPING WILL BE AVAILABLE

Tent camping will be available in the Carowinds Campground for Packs, Webelos Dens, Troops and Venture Crews on Friday and Saturday nights. All BSA rules for Cub Scout Family Camping must be followed. Webelos Dens may camp as separate Dens, part of the Pack Family Camping or with their associated Scout Troop. All BSA rules for Webelos Camping must be followed. All BSA policies for Scout Troop and Venture Crew camping will be enforced.

The fee for tent camping is \$15.00 per person and includes one commemorative patch. The fee is covers both Friday and Saturday nights. Units camping only one night will pay the same \$15.00 fee.

The Carowinds Camp Wilderness will also be open to RV camping and a limited number of camping cabins may be available. For information on RV and cabin camping visit the Carowinds website.

NO GROUND FIRES PERMITTED

Ground fires will not be permitted either at the Expo site or in the camping areas. Units may use propane or charcoal grills but must keep them out from under any tarp or tent. If Dutch oven cooking is desired, units will need to have a fire proof platform on which to place the charcoal. Such a platform can be built from the bottom of a 55 gal steel drum or similar metal surface set up on bricks or blocks.

UNITS MAY NOT OFFER FOOD FOR SALE

Carowinds Food Vendors in the Palladium area will be open throughout the Adventure Base 100 and BSA Camping and Outdoor Expo events. Because of contractual arrangements with Carowinds, Units will not be permitted to sale any food items at the Expo. Units may prepare food as part of their display or activity and may offer the food for free. Units may also inform visitors of their unit fund raising activity such as Popcorn or candy sales but orders cannot be taken at the Expo.

ALL YOUTH PROTECTION AND GUIDE TO SAFE SCOUTING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE IN FORCE FOR THE ENTIRE EVENT INCLUDING CAMPING AND DISPLAYS.

ROUNDTABLE PROMOTION

The Expo Committee will attend the March Roundtables for each District to answer questions and assist units in preparing for the Expo. Please ask your Unit Expo Chairperson to attend the March Roundtable Meeting as we will have the final Expo details.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information concerning the 100th Anniversary BSA Camping and Outdoor Expo will be posted on the Council Website at <http://www.palmettocouncil.org>. Go to the Major Activities Tab and then the 2010 Scout Expo Tab.

Key Unit Dates

Activity	Date/Time
Final Unit Guide Available on Council Website	March 5, 2010
Unit Training on Expo	March Roundtable
Print Version of Unit Guide Available	March Roundtable
All Unit Commitment Forms Due	March 11, 2010
Unit Rosters and Patch Order Forms Due	March 22, 2010
Optional Camping Arrival No Earlier Than	April 9, 2010, 12:00 noon
Optional Display Set Up No Earlier Than	April 9, 2010, 6:00 pm
Scouting Expo Day	April 10, 2010, 10 am to 6 pm
Optional Display Tear Down No Later Than	April 11, 2010, 12:00 noon
Optional Camping Departure No Later Than	April 11, 2010, 12:00 noon

A separate document containing information on how to prepare for a successful Scouting Expo display or activity is available on the Palmetto Council website at <http://www.palmettocouncil.org>. Go to the Major Activities Tab and select 2010 Scout Expo. All the forms necessary to participate are also located on this website.

**DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS
ONCE IN A CENTURY OPPORTUNITY
TO CELEBRATE SCOUTING AND SHOW
OFF YOUR UNIT'S BEST SCOUTING
ACTIVITY.**

**AND CERTAINLY DON'T MISS
ADVENTURE BASE 100!**

SIGN UP TODAY!!!