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Course description:

Outings are where lifelong memories and friends are made. In this forum discussion, learn how to fill your calendar with volunteers and Scouts by creating FUN, Scout-led outings that keep 'em coming back for more.

Plus get a list of great outings that have worked well for other troops, and share your own in discussion.





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Currently, I am an Asst. Cubmaster in Pack 427 and an AoL Den Leader. I've previously led Lions, Tigers (3X), Wolves (2X), Bears (2X), and Webelos, and AoLs (2X).



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I'm a mother to 6 kids in Scouting, ages 8-19. I have kids registered in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouts.



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My Scouting Outing Buddies:

Prudence-19 y/o Sea Scout & Venturer. Earned Eagle rank with Troop 678, but completed Scout through Life ranks with (now disbanded) Troop 1946

Newton-17 y/o Life rank Scout with Troop 422, but completed Scout through 1st Class ranks with (now disbanded) Troop 946.

Completed Tiger through Arrow of Light ranks in Cub Scouts with (now disbanded) Pack 946. Has an Autism Spectrum diagnosis, so we've learned a lot about Special Needs Scouting





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My Scouting Outing Buddies:

Rudyard-15 y/o Sea Scout, Venturer, and Life rank Scout with Troop 422, but completed Scout through Life ranks with (now disbanded) Troop 946. Completed Tiger through Arrow of Light ranks in Cub Scouts with (now disbanded) Pack 946

Osmund-13 y/o Sea Scout, Venturer, and Star rank Scout with Troop 422, but completed Scout through 2nd Class ranks with (now disbanded) Troop 946. Completed Tiger through Arrow of Light ranks in Cub Scouts with (now disbanded) Pack 946

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My Scouting Outing Buddies:

Dunstan-11 y/o Scout rank with Troop 422. Completed Lion through Bear ranks in Cub Scouts with (now disbanded) Pack 946, then transferred into Pack 427 for Webelos & Arrow of Light years.

Verity- 8 y/o Bear Cub Scout with Pack 427, but got her start as a Lion (now disbanded) Pack 946.

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Our experiences:

Local:

- Summer camp:
 - Camp Pigott*
 - Fire Mountain Scout Camp*
 - Camp Easton*
- Winter camp:
 - Camp Sheppard*
- Fall camporee:
 - Zombie Camporee at Pacific Harbors Council Camp Thunderbird*
- Spring camporee:
 - Camporee at Camp Edward*

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Our experiences:

Local:

- Winter sports outings:
 - Cross Country Skiing at Cabin Creek*
 - Hiking to Copper Creek Hut*
 - Snowshoeing to Alpine Lake*
 - Snowshoeing around Lake Easton*
 - Snowshoeing to Ape Caves*

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Our experiences:

Local:

- Cycling outings:
 - West Lake Sammamish Trail to Issaquah*
 - Ferry ride-on to Lopez Island's Odlin Park*
- Hiking:
 - PooPoo Point*
 - Ape Caves bouldering*
 - Monte Cristo Ghost Town hike*
 - Cougar Mountain Coal Mine Trail*
- Backpacking:
 - Goldmyer Hot Springs*
 - Tolt MacDonald Park*

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Our experiences:

Local:

- Canoeing & Kayaking:
 - Tolt and Snoqualmie Rivers*
 - Keechelus Lake*
 - Potholes Reservoir*
 - Lake Washington*
 - Sammamish River*
- Rockclimbing:
 - Vantage*
 - Exit 38*
 - Vertical World*
 - Edgeworks*

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Our experiences:

Local:

- Community Service:

Feeding 150 diners of Blessed Sacrament for 5 Fridays in Lent

Feeding the residents of Tent City 4

Invasive species cleanup in too many parks to list!

Annual International Coastal Cleanup

Farming with Food Bank Farm

Serving meals at the Underpass Meal Site

Camp service project every Summer Camp

Recycling collection at SeaFair

Placing flags on veterans' graves on Memorial and Veterans Days

Flag ceremonies for numerous community events

Cleaning the shelves at Woodinville Food Bank

Order of the Arrow events

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Our experiences:

Local:

- Reverence:
 - Numerous Scout Sundays, including one at St. James Cathedral*
 - Missal changeover at Blessed Sacrament Parish*
 - Pilgrimage to The Grotto in Portland*
 - Annual Auction at Wooden Cross Lutheran Church*
- Trainings:
 - Powderhorn*
 - Wood Badge*
 - Sea Badge*
 - NYLT*

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Our experiences:

Long distance:

- High Adventure Bases:

Swamp Base

Sea Base

- Jamborees:

World Scout Jamboree 2019

World Scout Jamboree 2023

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Why do all of these events?

Scouting's education is meant to be experiential.

- Troops, Crews, and Ships are meant to be youth-led
- By leading the programming of their units, the youth learn how to:

Identify preparatory tasks necessary for a successful outing

Divide the tasks so the labor is shared (delegation)

Pivot when original plans go sideways

Maintain a cheerful attitude when things don't go to plan

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Why do all of these events?

Scouting is a “Safe place to fail”!

- It’s okay when things don’t go to plan.
- With good planning, a plan B pivot can be an outcome that is just as satisfying.

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Tools for planning:

BSA has provided The Adventure Plan (TAP) as a guide

- <https://troopleader.scouting.org/outings/>
- There are four phases to *Adventure* planning:

Adventure Selection

Preparation

The Adventure

After the Adventure!

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- The TAP provides 52 steps broken into 4 phases to effectively plan events of all scales

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TAP Steps



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| TAP Step 1: Website References, Guidelines, and Forms | TAP Step 27: Adventure Expenses, Income, and Fees |
| TAP Step 2: Leader Training Requirements | TAP Step 28: Insurance |
| TAP Step 3: Adventure Planning and Support Team | TAP Step 29: Training |
| TAP Step 4: Activities List | TAP Step 30: Physical Conditioning |
| TAP Step 5: When to go | TAP Step 31: Skills Practice |
| TAP Step 6: Where to go | TAP Step 32: Health and Safety |
| TAP Step 7: Discuss the Options | TAP Step 33: Private Vehicles |
| TAP Step 8: Physical Limitations | TAP Step 34: Health Forms |
| TAP Step 9: Cost Considerations | TAP Step 35: Emergency Preparedness |
| TAP Step 10: Travel Options | TAP Step 36: Emergency Phone Numbers |
| TAP Step 11: Reservations and Permits | TAP Step 37: Injuries During the Adventure |
| TAP Step 12: Budget and Rough Drafts | TAP Step 38: Mobile Phone APPs |
| TAP Step 13: Campships/ Financial Aid | TAP Step 39: Crew Equipment |
| TAP Step 14: Review the Itinerary, Budget, Rough Draft Worksheets | TAP Step 40: Equipment Purchases and Rentals |
| TAP Step 15: Promotion and Preparation Plan | TAP Step 41: Individual Equipment |
| TAP Step 16: Parents' Meeting | TAP Step 42: Prepare Menus |
| TAP Step 17: Leaders' Guides & Destination Websites | TAP Step 43: Shakedown |
| TAP Step 18: Obtain Participant Commitments | TAP Step 44: Cash Advances |
| TAP Step 19: Prepare the Adventure Planning Timetable | TAP Step 45: Reconfirm all Reservations |
| TAP Step 20: Adventure Records Manager: Participant Records | TAP Step 46: En-route and at the Destination |
| TAP Step 21: Complete Itinerary Worksheet | TAP Step 47: Record Keeping |
| TAP Step 22: Make Reservations | TAP Step 48: Keep a Journal |
| TAP Step 23: Adventure Crew Organization | TAP Step 49: Budget Recap |
| TAP Step 24: Duty Roster | TAP Step 50: Final Report |
| TAP Step 25: Maps | TAP Step 51: Awards |
| TAP Step 26: Prepare Detailed Budget | TAP Step 52: Post a Review |

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Tools for planning:

Scout Planning Worksheet “Plan on a Page”

<https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/boyscouts/pdf/512-505-2016-scout-planning-worksheet.pdf>

SCOUT PLANNING WORKSHEET
"Plan on a Page"
 A worksheet for planning an outing or activity.

GOAL
 Describe what you intend to accomplish, the objectives.

WHY?
 Describe the purpose or need for this activity—why it's important.

WHO?
 Scout leader _____
 Scouters _____
 Scout members _____
 Name _____ Telephone _____ Email _____
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WHEN?
 Consider creating a work back schedule based on the completion date.
 Anticipated start date _____ Projected completion date _____

WHERE?
 Location _____
 Permissions/licenses required _____
 Transportation/vehicle needs _____
 Weather contingencies _____
 Liability issues, potential site hazards _____

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WHAT?
 What resources do you need to complete the goal?
 Equipment, materials, volunteers, shelter, food/water, and other resources needed and the sources.

Estimate expenses and the sources _____
 Safety issues _____
 Health, sanitation, and cleanup _____

HOW?
 Describe the activities planned for your activity, specific actions to be done in each phase, and any steps for completion.
 For example: choosing a location, setting up an agenda, securing equipment, implementation.

| Planning Phase | Steps to Description | Target Date | Person Responsible |
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ASSESSMENT
 If you could start over, describe what you would do differently.

Start _____
 Stop _____
 Continue _____

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Outing Ideas:

Four National BSA High Adventure Bases

- Philmont Scout Ranch
- Northern Tier National High Adventure Bases
- Summit Bechtel Reserve
- Florida Sea Base



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Outing Ideas:

Council Operated High Adventure Bases

- See handout with list that is current as of 2022



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Outing Ideas:

Jamborees:

- WashJam
- National Scout Jamboree
- World Scout Jamboree
- World Scout Moot
- Kandersteg International Scout Centre
- OA Section Conclave
- NOAC

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Outing Ideas:

Through-hikes:

- Pacific Crest Trail
- Appalachian Trail
- International through-hikes such as the Camino de Santiago





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What outing do you want to do?

Discussion



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WOODBADGE Sept 25-29 & Oct 10-13

Council Operated High Adventure Bases

ALASKA

Alaska Ultimate High Adventure – Trek Camp

<https://www.akultimatehighadventure.org>

Lost Lake Camp – High Adventure

www.midnightsunbsa.org

The Denali High Adventure Scout Base

<https://www.scoutingalaska.org/dhasbboyscouts>

ARIZONA

Camp Raymond – Specialty Camp

<https://www.campraymond.org/>

CALIFORNIA

Catalina Island California Ocean Adventure

<https://www.glaacbsa.org/>

COLORADO

Alpine Adventure in Rocky Mountains of Colorado

<http://www.denverboyscouts.org/camp/boy-scout-adventures/camp-tahosa/alpine-adventure-trek/44271>

White Water and Outdoor Adventure in Rocky Mountains of Colorado

<http://www.rmcbbsa.org/rmhhab/>

Tahosa High Adventure Base – Trek Camp

DenverBoyScouts.org/camps

Ben Delatour Scout Ranch – Trek Camp

www.longspkbsa.org

San Isabel Scout Ranch – High Adventure Camp

<http://www.rmcbbsa.org/SanIsabel/>

CONNECTICUT

Edmund D. Strang Scout Reservation – Trek Camp

<https://www.housatonicbsa.org>

IDAHO

Salmon River High Adventure Base – Specialty Camp

<http://oreidascouting.org/camping/salmon-river-high-adventure-base-srhab/>

NORTH CAROLINA

Camp Bonner – Specialty Camp

www.eccbsa.org/camping

Camp Daniel Boone

<https://www.campdanielboone.org/>

East Carolina Scout Reservation – High Adventure Camp

www.eccbsa.org/camping

OHIO

Camp Berry – Trek Camp

<http://www.blackswampbsa.org>

OKLAHOMA

ZBASE – High Adventure Camp

<https://zbase.camp>

OREGON

Camp Baldwin Horse Trek – Cascade Pacific Council

<https://cpcbbsa.org>

PENNSYLVANIA

Heritage Reservation – Specialty Camp

www.lhcsouting.org/camping

SOUTH CAROLINA

Camp Ho-Non-Wah – Specialty Camp

www.camphnw.com

SOUTH DAKOTA

Medicine Mountain Scout Camp – High Adventure Base

<https://camp.blackhillsbsa.org>

Lewis and Clark Scout Camp – Trek Camp

<https://www.sioux council.org>

TENNESSEE

Camp Davy Crockett – Specialty Camp

www.campdavycrockett.org

Salmon River Whitewater Base – Specialty Camp

tetonscouts.org

Camp Bradley – Specialty Camp

<https://www.mountainwestcouncil.org/cbhomepage>

IOWA

Little Sioux Scout Ranch -High Adventure Base

www.GoCubCamping.org

LOUISIANA

Louisiana Swamp Base – Trek Camp

<http://www.bsaswampbase.org/swamp-base-high-adventure>

MAINE

Maine High Adventure Camp

<http://mainehighadventure.org>

MICHIGAN

Cole Canoe Base

<http://michiganscouting.org/outdooradventures/properties/cole-canoe-base/>

Great Lakes Sailing Adventure

<http://michiganscouting.org/outdooradventures/great-lakes-sailing-adventure/>

D-Bar-A Scout Ranch

<https://michiganscouting.org/outdooradventures/>

MISSOURI

Missouri River Canoe Trek & Loess Hills Backpacking Trek

<https://scoutingevent.com/326-TSHAB2017>

MONTANA

Aquatics Camp in Montana

<http://www.montanabsa.org/scout-programs/camps/boy-scout-camps/camp-melita-island/>

High Adventure in Montana

<http://www.montanabsa.org/scout-programs/camps/boy-scout-camps/montana-high-adventure-base/>

K-M Scout Ranch – Trek Camp

www.montanabsa.org

NEW JERSEY

Floodwood Mountain Reservation – Trek Camp

www.njbsa-floodwood.org

Mount Allamuchy Scout Reservation – Specialty Camp

www.campsomers.org

TEXAS

Texas High Adventure Base

<http://www.longhorncouncil.org/camps-properties/longhorn-high-adventure-bases/>

Sid Richardson Scout Ranch – High Adventure Camp

www.longhorncouncil.org

Laguna Station – Specialty Camp

www.riograndecouncil.org

Adventure Thailand – High Adventure Camp

fareastcouncil.org

UTAH

Camp Browning – Specialty Camp

www.trappertrails.org/browning

Beaver High Adventure Base – High Adventure Camp

<https://www.scoutcampsusa.com/beaver/beaver.html>

Moab Base Camp – High Adventure Camp

<https://www.craterlakecouncil.org/fun/high-adventure/>

VERMONT

Camp Sunrise – Specialty Camp

<https://www.scoutingvermont.org>

Mt. Norris Scout Reservation – Specialty Camp

<https://www.scoutingvermont.org>

VIRGINIA

Goshen Scout Reservation

<http://www.gotogoshen.org>

Claytor Lake Aquatics Base / Blue Ridge Scout Reservation – Specialty Camp

www.bsa-brmc.org

High Knoll Trail /Blue Ridge Scout Reservation – Trek Camp

www.bsa-brmc.org

WASHINGTON

SSS Odyssey – High Adventure Sailing Program

www.sssodyssey.org, www.charlesncurtis.org

WISCONSIN

Camp Freeland Leslie – Specialty Camp

<http://www.freelandleslie.com/>

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan High Adventure Base – Trek Camp

<https://makajawan.com>

NEW YORK

Alpine Scout Camp – Specialty Camp

<https://www.alpinescoutcamp.org>

Ten Mile River Scout Camps – Trek Camp

<https://www.tenmileriver.org>

Camp Tri-Mount – Specialty Camp

<https://www.rvwbsa.org>

Curtis S. Read Scout Reservation – High Adventure Camp

<http://www.wpcbsa.org/Read/summitbase>

Birchbark Expeditions – High Adventure Camp

<http://www.wnyscouting.org/birchbark/>

Camp Southaven – Specialty Camp

<http://www.wnyscouting.org>

Sabattis Scout Reservation and Seton Trek Center – Specialty Camp

<http://www.cnyscouts.org>

Massawepie Scout Camps – High Adventure Camp

www.senecawaterways.org

Sabattis Adventure Camp – Trek Camp

www.campsabattis.org

Camp Tesomas – Specialty Camp

<http://www.campingisking.com>

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Camp Buffalo Bill – High Adventure Camp

www.campbuffalobill.com

Teton High Adventure Base – High Adventure Camp

<https://www.tetonhighadventurebase.com>



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