## September Roundtable Minutes

Welcome to the Scouters from ODD and CBD. Hope you can join us for Roundtable!

* **Council Update and General Announcements**
* **Scout Expo – Recruiting event at Mosaic on October 6th at 10am-4pm. Cubs can meet units to achieve a Bobcat award. Please reach out to youth to come and support this event. There will be an interest table at Mosaic on 09/28. Contact** Liz **for more information.**
* **Guide to Safe Scouting – Significant change related to Range and Target Activities (previously known as Shooting Sports) – see breakout section for details.**
* **Troop 1539 Orienteering and Compass Skills – AOL Join Scouting event on 09/14/24 at 3pm – Northside Park, Vienna.**
* **Troop 13 Carnival and Skills – AOL Join Scouting event on 09/21/24 at 1pm – Good Sheppard.**
* **Troop 13 Campout and afternoon welcome – AOL Join Scouting event at Lake Fairfax.**
* **Troop 152 Webelos Advancement/Requirements – AOL Join Scouting event on 09/22/24 at 1pm at Nottaway Park (big field).**
* **Pinewood Derby –** Pat Berney **is requesting volunteers/a Pack to support the District event.**
* **Scouting for Food – 11/02/24 Tags (distributed at Oct Roundtable), 11/09/24 Food Pickup.** Brian Brennan **(SFF Coordinator) needs names/contact information for unit coordinators. Note, these dates overlap with the Veterans Day weekend. If a unit wants to shift their dates, they can do this. They can alter the dates on the Tags or request Blank Tags.**
* **Order of the Arrow**
	+ **Ordeal -** [09/27/24 – 09/29/24 at Verdun High Adventure Camp](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87487)**.**
	+ **OA Representatives – Please provide the name of your Troop OA Representative**
	+ **Dues – If you haven’t paid your** [2024 dues](https://scoutingevent.com/082-76505)**, please do this before the end of October.**
	+ **Hike-O-Ree – NCAC is sponsoring this on 10/25/24 – 10/27/24. Units should register by 10/10/24. (**[Flyer](https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/xWvqD1YTWfDtVmJGxQGJsh62)**)**
* **2025 Individual Membership Renewal & Unit Renewal Training** – Three training sessions were held via Zoom in August. If you missed the sessions, the [PowerPoint Slides](https://3.basecamp.com/3958009/p/oMhAuAPUnrjbV9G87e3cUM6Q/vault/7708793900) are available. Additionally, there is a [National BSA web site](https://www.scouting.org/resources/unit-and-membership-renewal/).
* **Technologies:**
	+ **Black Pug –** This system is used to schedule and allow payment for any classes or events on the NCAC and District calendars. There is a rumor that this system is being phased out. According to Cynthia Griffiths (NCAC Chief Communications Officer), “…there are no plans to phase out the use of Black Pug. All Council and District programs/events/ registrations should continue to use Black Pug.”
	+ **Basecamp –** This collaboration tool is used by NCAC and Districts for projects and programs. It is used to share and edit documents, send messages, schedule events, make assignments, and “Ping” people for updates. No plans to change this application.
* **Zoom/Microsoft Teams –** Wolf Trap District and many Council Committees currently use Zoom for video conferencing during meetings/trainings. Most of the Zoom links WTD uses are from individual scouters and should not change this year. NCAC is moving away from Zoom and is piloting Teams. If the District Executive or a Council Committee sets up a meeting it is likely to be in Teams.
* **Web Site Updates** – NCAC is making changes to match the new district names and to streamline the web sites. Some downtime may occur through Nov 1.
* **iContact** – This list server application is used to send out emails to District registered adults for Roundtable and for other information items. Only about 60% of the email addresses report that the system message was read. If you are not getting the monthly Roundtable messages from georgemason@ncacbsa.org, please check your Junk or Spam folders. If possible, whitelist “@ncacbsa.org” and “@icontactmail3.com.”
* **National BSA Annual Fees (Council Fees announced on or about July 1) (**[**one-pager**](https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/JCNvMkscBLGW5QFF5Dutym6K)**)**
* Effective May 1, 2024, BSA implemented the following national membership fees which were approved by the National Executive Committee:
* $85 for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouting participants ($5 increase)
* $65 for all adult volunteers ($5 increase)
* $0 one-time joining fee for new program participants in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouting ($25 decrease from 2023)
* $30 for Scoutreach (No change)
* $25 for Merit Badge Counselors (New Fee applies only for Merit Badge Counselors not already registered as leaders – No change)
* $50 for Exploring participants Youth & Adult (No change)
* $100 for a unit charter/affiliation fee (No change)
* $15 for Scout Life magazine (No change)
* **District Changes** in [my.scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org/) – still being worked
* [**Renewal**](https://vimeo.com/918466705) **notices** - via email, to registered Adults/Youth
* Get a notice for each position held. In some cases, these can be ignored. For example, if you changed from a Den Leader to a Cubmaster in June 2024, you may not care that the Den Leader position is expiring. Check <https://my.scouting.org>, login, Menu, My Profile to determine the dates your position(s) expire. To renew a position, go to <https://my.scouting.org>, login, Menu, My Applications. Do not OPT OUT AUTO RENEWAL for an individual position you don’t want - just let it expire. We have heard of individuals OPTING OUT of one position and it removes all their positions.
* Bills individual youth/adults both National and NCAC Fees
* Cannot pay partial (National, but not NCAC)
* Can indicate “Pay at Council” and then send check (but must print out form)
* Units can choose to pay but will pay every 30-60 days
* Still working on Scholarship processes
* Reports are available to Unit Key 3 to track how renewals are going.  The report can be accessed at <https://my.scouting.org>, login, Menu, Organizational Manager, Reports, select “Members Due to Renew” report.
* **2025 Individual Membership Renewal & Unit Renewal Training** – Slides are available [here](https://3.basecamp.com/3958009/p/oMhAuAPUnrjbV9G87e3cUM6Q/vault/7708793900).
* **Key 3 replacement error** – If a COR moves someone to a Key 3 position via my.scouting.org, once they save, the system may be locked for up to 60 days. The registrar can override this.
* **Fall Ordeal** – [09/27/24 – 09/29/24 at Rixeyville, VA](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87487)
* **Popcorn** – Pickup dates are coming up. Contact John Kilduff for more information.
* **Flag Ceremony** – Kensington (a Falls Church Retirement Community) is looking for a Troop to help with the Veteran’s Day flag ceremony. Please contact Brian Heath if your unit can help.
* **Aquatics Committee –** <https://www.ncacbsa.org/aquatics-committee/> **[**[Flyer](https://www.ncacbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Aquatics-2024-Flyer-v10.pdf)**]**
* Partial MB Completion Day – First weekend in Oct?

**Wolf Trap District Program**

* **Current WTD Calendar**
* 2nd Thursday of the month – Roundtable (7:30pm), Thoreau MS, Vienna, VA
* 2nd Thursday of the month – OA Meeting (7:30pm), Thoreau MS, Vienna, VA
* 09/12/24 – Roundtable, 7:30pm, Thoreau MS, Vienna, VA
* 09/13/24 – 09/15/24 – 2024 OA Fall Fellowship, Camp Goshen, Goshen, VA
* 09/21/24 – 09/22/24 – [Fall Festival (Scout-tober Fest)](https://scoutingevent.com/082-Scouttober) , Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA
* 09/28/24 – [Life to Eagle Seminar](https://scoutingevent.com/082-84680), St James Catholic Church, Falls Church, VA
* 09/XX/24 – 10/XX/24 – [Fall Ordeal](https://wipit470.org/ordeal.html), TBD
* 10/XX/24 – Aquatics Partial Merit Badge Completion Clinic, Location TBD
* 10/11/24 – 10/14/24 – Climb-o-ree
* 10/10/24 – Roundtable, 7:30pm, Thoreau MS, Vienna, VA
* 10/18/24 – 10/20/24 – [Fall Camporee](https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/uPiteMMLL5rE24kHuVYGzDj3), Camp Rock Enon, Gore, VA
* 10/19/24 – 10/20/24 – [Jamboree on the Air/Jamboree on the Internet (JOTA/JOTI)](https://www.scouting.org/international/jota-joti/jota/)
* 10/26/24 – 10/27/24 – Hike-o-ree
* 11/02/24 – [Scouting for Food](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/scouting-for-food/) (Tags)
* 11/09/24 – [Scouting for Food](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/scouting-for-food/) (Collection)
* 11/10/24 – [Veterans Day Flags In](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/flags-in-veterans-day-2/), National Memorial Park, Falls Church, VA
* 11/01/24 – OA Election Season Opens
* 12/06/24 – 12/07/24 – OA Trade-o-ree, Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA
* 12/XX/24 – [Peace Light](https://www.peacelightnorthamerica.org/) distribution
* 01/XX/25 – OA Lodge Banquet, College Park, MD
* 02/22/25 – University of Scouting, Hayfield Secondary School, Alexandria, VA
* 03/08/24 – WTD Merit Badge Day, Fairfax Presbyterian Church, Fairfax, VA
* 03/08/25 – 03/09/25 – Commissioner College
* 03/28/25 – 03/30/25 – [Joint Lodge Ordeal](https://wipit470.org/ordeal.html), Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA
* 04/10/25 – District Court of Honor, Thoreau MS, Vienna, VA
* 04/25/25 – 04/27/25 – 2025 OA Spring Fellowship
* 05/03/25 – [*19th NCAC Scout Orienteering Meet*](https://scoutingevent.com/082-2024ScoutOrienteering), PWD, Triangle, VA
* 05/XX/25 – 05/XX/25 – WTD Spring Camporee
* 05/XX/25 – 05/XX/25 – WTD Hike-O-Ree
* 05/10/24 - [Jamboree on the Trail (JOTT)](https://jamboreeonthetrail.org/)
* 05/26/25 – Memorial Day Flags In, National Memorial Park, Falls Church
* 05/08/25 – Program Launch, Thoreau MS, Vienna, VA
* 05/31/25 – OA Election Season Closes
* **STEM**
* NCAC STEM contact is Bruce Donlin (bruce.donlin@scouting.org; 240-395-0601)
* Ancient Earth: Birth of the Sky (on PBS) - [link](https://us.engagingnetworks.app/page/email/click/10004/2037650?email=j2mObVAw6OCBePIN6tZ3hlESkN1MQhKC&campid=xocb452w9CaZkArzVWMSmA==)
* Anytime – [DC STEM Trek](https://www.ncacbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/DC-STEM-Trek-2.pdf)- Showcases 24 government agencies, private organizations and monuments related to the tenets upon which STEM is based. Two hikes - 10.57 miles, or 4.75 miles
* **Fall Camporee -** Camp Rock Enon Oct. 18-20 [[flyer](https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/uPiteMMLL5rE24kHuVYGzDj3)]
* Theme: Summer Camp in a Day
* Join Wolf Trap and Burke Lake Districts for SUMMER CAMP IN A DAY! We are so excited to offer Archery, Shotgun, & Rifle. There will be aquatics, rock climbing, lashings, first aid, & tomahawks!
* [Registration](https://scoutingevent.com/082-86222draft%3D1) is now open!
* **Scouts BSA Break-out Session – Range and Target Activities Changes – Effective 09/01/24**
	+ The following program adjustments aim to simplify range and target activities focusing on safe and quality program, thus enhancing the overall experience for Scouts and Scouters alike.
	+ Changes will be reflected in the Range and Target Activities Manual on 09/01/24 and will be updated periodically.
	+ Use of personal firearms and personal ammunition is prohibited in all Scouting programs at nationally authorized camp properties. This also applies to pellet rifles, airsoft, rifles, pistols, shotguns and muzzle loading rifles/shotguns.
	+ Personal firearms and personal ammunition may be used at a commercial firearms range, subject to restrictions regarding caliber, gauge, and action as described in the National R&TA Manual.
	+ Personal firearms may be used for classroom demonstrations purposes only during NRA training programs at nationally authorized camp programs but may not be used for live fire.
	+ These restrictions do not apply to BB devices (guns/firearms).
	+ A commercial firearm range operated as a licensed business, government entity or non-profit that offers a controlled environment for safe firearm practice. No variations on BSA limitations (e.g., type/caliber of firearm) is allowed.
	+ Troops/Crews who provide a unit-level sponsored/planned R&TA must have at least one unit leader 21+ years of age that have taken the Range Activity SAFEty online training. This trained adult leader must be present at the range.
	+ Scouting Pistol Safety and Marksmanship program have been retired as of 09/01/24.
	+ Venture Crews are limited to .177 caliber air rifle, air, CO2 or pre-charged pneumatic rifle; .22 caliber rimfire long rifle/short rifle (breech-loading, single shot, bolt action; muzzle loading rifle; lever action rifles as part of the Cowboy Action Program at an accredited camp program.
	+ Hunting is no longer part of the Venturing program. Venturing youth may continue to take part in Hunters Education courses.
	+ Unit level pistol programs are prohibited. Muzzle loading pistols may no longer be used in any program.
	+ Other resources:
	+ [Guide to Safe Scouting](https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/gss08/) with changes indicated
	+ [Shooting Sports Manual](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/ShootingSportsManual.pdf)(will be updated periodically)
	+ [Shooting Sports FAQs](https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/shooting-sports/shooting-faq/) (will continue to be updated prior to 9/1)
	+ Stay Informed through the [Trail to Adventure Blog](https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/trail-to-adventure/) (Scroll to bottom of page to subscribe to bi-monthly newsletter)
	+ Questions? Email outdoorprograms@scouting.org
* **Merit Badges /Margee E**
* The online Merit Badge Counselor [registration](https://my.scouting.org/VES/OnlineReg/1.0.0/?tu=UF-MB-082gm23).
* New Merit Badge Counselors must complete online merit badge counselor training, in addition to YPT. Be sure the counselor uses his/her legal name – no nicknames.
* Merit Badge Counselors, or the unit Dean/Leader, also need to scan and send Margee the Merit Badge application form listing the badges the counselor is applying to teach and providing a justification of his/her qualifications.
* Youth Protection Training is the essential first step. Don’t hit “send” on the application without it!
* Contact Margee if you have questions at GM.MB.Dean@hotmail.com.
* ***Did you know***:
* The National Council does not limit the number of Merit Badges a youth may earn from one counselor, though a **unit leader is permitted to do so**, as long as the same limit applies to all Scouts in the unit. Ideally, Scouts should work with a variety of adults. (GTA 7.0.0.3)
* Partial Merit Badges have no expiration except for the Scout’s 18th birthday. (GTA 7.0.3.3)
* Due to the BSA policies related to Youth Protection and two-deep leadership, a merit badge counselor must have another adult present during all merit badge counseling sessions. However, the parent or legal guardian of the Scout may serve as the second adult. **This parent or legal guardian does not have to be a registered leader**.
* If the requirements for a merit badge differ between the merit badge pamphlet and the current edition of Scouts BSA Requirements, the requirements in the Scouts BSA Requirements book supersede all others.
* **Merit Badge Opportunities (**[**https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/merit-badges/**](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/merit-badges/)**):**
* 10/05/24 – 10/06/24 - [DC MB Day, Catholic University, Washington, DC (opens 7/1/24)](https://scoutingevent.com/082-mbu)
* 03/08/25 – Wolf Trap District MB Day, Fairfax Presbyterian Church, Fairfax, VA
* Group – [Fly Fishing](https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/jCNqtVKMyVHYi6EVFYGEeCdY)
* Group - [Aviation](https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/XPhbDcYTs13gsSHEaAPwRaNQ)
* **Training (**[**https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/training**](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/training)**) /Roy D**
* **Cub Scout:**
* ***Cub Leader Position Specific (C40)***
* [**Available on-line (117 min)**](https://my.scouting.org/)
* [**09/14/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**09/21/24 – Herndon, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87713)
* [**11/02/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**12/07/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**01/11/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**02/01/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**03/08/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**04/05/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**05/03/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* **Cub Scout Den Leader Specific (C42)**
* [**Available on-line (125 min**](https://my.scouting.org/)**)**
* [**09/14/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**09/21/24 – Herndon, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87713)
* [**11/02/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**12/07/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**01/11/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**02/01/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**03/08/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**04/05/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)
* [**05/03/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-clstsy25)

* ***Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO;C32) – BALOO consists of two sessions, an online portion (***[**https://my.scouting.org**](https://my.scouting.org/)**, Menu, My Training, Cub Scouts, Catalog, search on BALOO) that takes 35 minutes and a hands-on overnight session.  The overnight sessions are listed below.**
* [**09/28/24 – 09/29/24 – Davidsonville, MD**](https://scoutingevent.com/220-RHD2024FallBALOO)**(Email riverhawktraining@gmail.com before registering)**
* [**10/04/24 – 10/05/24 – Huntingtown, MD**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-wsdbalooiols)**(Call Chip 808-499-5390 for permission before registering)**
* [**10/05/24 – 10/06/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-PWDBALOOOct2024)**(Contact vbonifera@yahoo.com before registering)**
* [**10/12/24 – 10/13/24 – Middleburg, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87922)**(email Roger cub-scout-training@powhatan-scouting.org for permission to register)**
* [**11/02/24 – 11/03/24 – Camp Sinoquipe, Winchester, VA**](https://www.sac-bsa.org/outdoortraining)**(**[**Request**](https://www.sac-bsa.org/SupportDesk?element_1=2)**permission to attend)**
* [**11/16/24 – 11/17/24 – Lorton, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-baloosy25)**(Contact Dominick dscscouting@aol.com for permission to register)**
* [**03/29/25 – 03/30/25 – TBD, VA**](https://www.sac-bsa.org/outdoortraining)**(**[**Request**](https://www.sac-bsa.org/SupportDesk?element_1=2)**permission to attend)**
* [**06/14/25 – 06/15/25 – Lorton, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-baloosy25)**(Contact Dominick dscscouting@aol.com for permission to register)**
* **Scout:**
* ***Scoutmaster Position Specific Training(S24)***
* [**Available on-line**](https://my.scouting.org/)**(192 min)**
* [**09/14/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-sstsy25)
* [**09/21/24 – Herndon, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87714)
* [**11/02/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-sstsy25)
* [**12/07/24 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-sstsy25)
* [**01/11/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-sstsy25)
* [**02/01/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-sstsy25)
* [**03/08/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-sstsy25)
* [**04/05/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-sstsy25)
* [**05/03/25 – Alexandria, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-sstsy25)
* ***Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS; S11)***
* [**09/09/24 & 09/14/24-09/15/24**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-88503) **–** Zoom and Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA
* [**10/04/24 – 10/05/24 – Huntingtown, MD**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-wsdbalooiols)**(Call Chip 808-499-5390 for permission before registering)**
* [**10/05/24 – 10/06/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-PWDIOLSOct2024)**(Contact lozanoreng@gmail.com before registering)**
* [**10/12/24 – 10/13/24 – Middleburg, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-86919)**(Call Walt 703-599-5667 for permission to register)**
* [**11/16/24 – 11/17/24 – Lorton, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-iolssy25)**(Contact Dominick dscscouting@aol.com for permission to register)**
* [**06/14/25 – 06/15/25 – Lorton, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-iolssy25)**(Contact Dominick dscscouting@aol.com for permission to register)**

* ***Back Country Outdoor Leadership Skills (BCOLS)***
	+ [**09/21/24 (Alexandria, VA) & 10/19/24 – 10/20/24 (Markham, VA)**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-82477)
* **Miscellaneous:**
* [***Climbing Level 1 Instructor Training***](https://scoutingevent.com/082-80664)
* [**S**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-80664)**ept 21-22 at Sugarloaf Mountain, 8:15 AM to 5:00 PM.**[**Details**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yA31KOSFdIahj8BFt46xE-lq0g8GSKYY/view)
* ***Den Chief Training (C31)***
* [**Available on-line**](https://my.scouting.org/)
* [**09/28/24 – Herndon, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87717)
* ***Outdoor Ethics/Leave No Trace (D78)***
* **Outdoor Ethics Newsletter**
* [**09/30/24 & 10/05/24, Leave No Trace, Germantown, MD**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-79192)
* [**10/19/24 – Outdoor Ethics Orientation Course, Brandywine, MD**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-79186)
* [**10/19/24 – Outdoor Ethics Guide, Brandywine, MD**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-79188)
* ***Scouterhorn Operations Training***
* [**10/19/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-Scouterhorn_Operations_Training_2024)
* [**11/16/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-Scouterhorn_Operations_Training_2024)
* ***University of Scouting***
* **02/22/2025, Alexandria, VA  (2024 Course Materials available on**[**Basecamp**](https://3.basecamp.com/3958009/buckets/25194874/vaults/4402534141)**)**
* ***Wilderness First Aid/CPR/AED (N02)***
* [**09/28/24 – 09/29/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87650)
* [**10/26/24 – 10/27/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87650)
* [**11/23/24 – 11/24/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87650)
* [**12/14/24 – 12/15/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87650)
* ***Wood Badge (A90)***
* [**09/13/24 – 09/15/24 – Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA**](https://scoutingevent.com/082-81101)
* Spring: 4/4-6/25 & 5/3-4/25
* Fall: 09/12-14/25 & 10/4-5/25
* **Youth Protection Training (YPT)**
* [**Online**](https://www.ncacbsa.org/youth-protection-program/)**(72 minutes)**
* **GM High Adventure / Brian H**
* Members of the High Adventure Committee are available to assist units in planning and training for their upcoming high adventure trips – Contact Brian Heath for more information
* Important notes for this month
	+ Registration for BSA’s high adventure bases – https://www.scouting.org/outdooradventures/open4adventure/
		- 2025 National High Adventure Base Reservations
			* Registration for all high adventure bases is now open
			* PHILMONT: Registration is mostly full – Only select crew start dates available
				+ Philmont is continuing to accept provisional attendance and will attempt to match them with crews willing to take them
			* OPIC: Select crew slots still available for this winter
			* SUMMIT: Most high adventure treks still have availability
		- 2026 National High Adventure Base Reservations
			* PHILMONT: Online lottery open Oct 1-16, 2024
			* NORTHERN TIER: Reservations opens Jan, 2025
			* SEA BASE: Reservations opens Jan, 2025
			* SUMMIT: Reservations opens Jan, 2025
* 2024 NCAC-Organized High Adventure Trips
	+ 11-12 year old Scout High Adventure Experience - Sept 28-29 - Prince William Forest – [Registration Link](https://scoutingevent.com/082-87585)
		- In danger of being cancelled due to lack of interest
* 2025 NCAC-Organized High Adventure Trips
	+ NOTE – NCAC is no longer allowing HAC to directly sponsor trips until a crew has committed/paid for the minimum slots – Contact me for more information
	+ Philmont – HAC is working with 1 crew – Slots may be available on this crew – Contact me for more information
* High Adventure Preparation Training
	+ [Back Country Outdoor Leadership Skills](https://www.ncacbsa.org/bcols/) – Virginia session
		- Fall 2024: 9/21/2024 (classroom), 10/19-20 (overnight) - [Registration Link](https://scoutingevent.com/082-82477)
	+ Philmont Training – November 17; January 5, 2025; March 23, 2025; April 5, 2025
	+ Philmont Practice Hikes – March 8 & 16, 2025
	+ Northern Tier Training – In-Person - April 5, 2025; Online – April 19, 2025 – More details to come
* National High Adventure Base Quick Links
	+ Philmont: <https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/register/>
	+ Northern Tier:<https://www.ntier.org/provisional-scout-connections/>
	+ Sea Base: <https://www.bsaseabase.org/scouts/scout-connections/>
	+ Summit: <https://www.summitbsa.org/registration/scoutconnections/>
* Other High Adventure Bases
	+ Adirondack High Adventure Area: <https://senecawaterways.org/massawepie-adirondack-treks/>
	+ Maine High Adventure Area: <https://www.mainehighadventure.org/>
	+ Montana Outdoor High Adventure Base: <https://montanabsa.org/camps/high-adventure/>
* Other useful links for high adventure information and opportunities
	+ NCAC High Adventure website - <https://www.ncacbsa.org/high-adventure/>
	+ List of units with available slots in their upcoming high adventure trips - <https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/xWpkdrKHKAA9pCzwmHMNdbWb>
* **Shooting Sports /Brian S**
* Requests for Shooting Events – Lead Time!
* Notice needed for SSC: 50+ scouts - 6mos; Less than 50 scouts - 3mos
* Shooting on private land:
* Requirements
* Permissions/protocols
* Shooting Sports [web page](https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/shooting-sports/)
* Shooting Sports Instructor Classes:
	+ [Rifle/Shotgun](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/merit-badges/rifle-shotgun-training/)
* Contact for finishing Shooting Sports MB Partials brian.summers@verizon.net
* **Order of the Arrow / Collin L & Brian F**
	+ OA Representatives – Please join us at the monthly OA meetings on the 2nd Thursday of the month, Thoreau Middle School, Vienna VA. Meetings start at 7:30pm.
	+ Ceremonies Team – Training at the monthly OA meetings. All are welcome!
	+ 2024 Dues can be paid online: <https://wipit470.org/dues.html>
* **Roundtable - Minutes and slides -** Available on the [WTD web site](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/roundtable/) (District Resources, Roundtable). Password is “GMDRT”
	+ - **Next Roundtable** – October 10, 2024, at Thoreau Middle School, Vienna, VA and on Zoom.