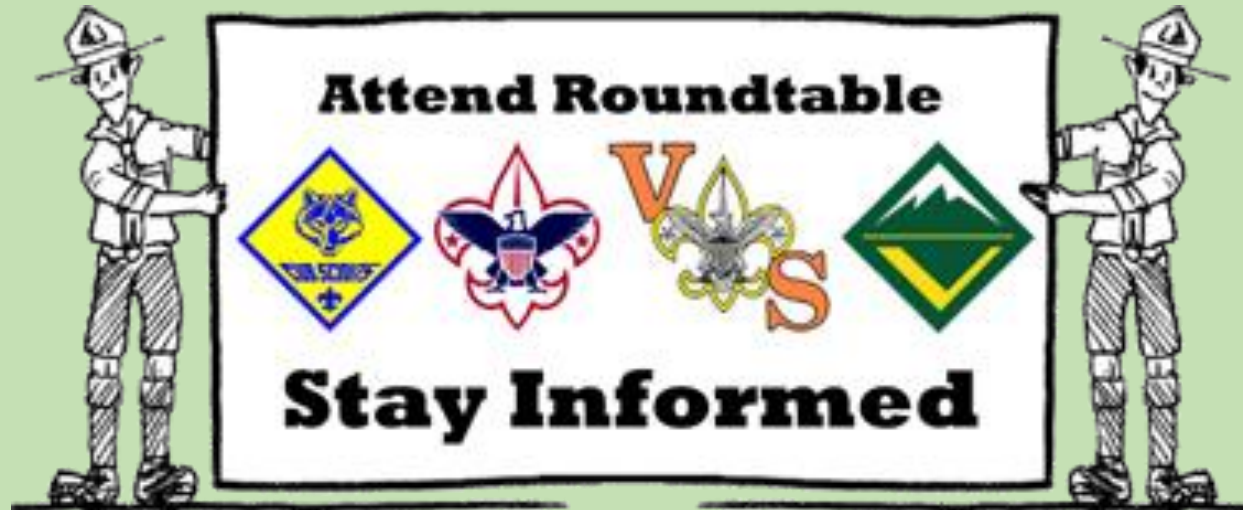


George Mason District Roundtable

October 14, 2021





Council Update/Charter Renewal

2022 Charter Renewal Milestones

Aug 1 to Oct 14

- Membership Inventory
- Add Members
- Annual Agreement

Oct 15 to
Oct 31

- Data Input
- Review

Nov 1

- Submit Charter

**Don't let perfection be the enemy
of productivity**



Get Ready to Use the New System

- ✓ Make the Charter Renewal Coordinator a K-3 delegate
- ✓ Get trained on the new system

- Basecamp Project
- National Site

<https://www.scouting.org/resources/internet-rechartering/>

- ✓ Get the Annual Charter Agreement signed
 - Get your IH to sign it now – don't wait!
- ✓ Stay close to your Unit Commissioner
 - You are not alone! - your UC will help you through the process

Big Rock

Community Service

George Mason Service Hours *(from our JTE)*

Oct 2019-2020

1898.4

Oct 2020-2021

1524.75

Down 19% for COVID



What makes up your Community?



- Neighborhoods
- Chartering Organization
- Schools
- Parks
- Campgrounds
- Camps (e.g., Snyder, Goshen)
- Parades

Cub Scout Ideas

1. Pick up litter at a park.
2. Put together a book drive for a local children's shelter.
3. Write thank you notes to local fire and police stations.
4. Plant trees or wildflowers.
5. Perform magic tricks at a retirement center (Outside of Covid)
6. Collect old eyeglasses and donate them to an organization that recycles them.
7. Write letters to servicemen and women thanking them for their service.
8. Collect nonperishable food items. [Scouting for Food](#).
9. Collect items like old towels, blankets and unopened pet food to donate to animal shelters.
10. Collect items for a time capsule.
11. Write greeting cards for a local nursing home.
12. Develop and maintain a recycling program at school.
13. Collect and donate clothing and toys to the needy.



Service Ideas

- <https://scoutlife.org/hobbies-projects/funstuff/166463/15-community-service-projects-perfect-for-kids-and-cub-scouts/>
- <https://cubscoutideas.com/79/community-service-involvement/>
- <https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/conservation-and-environment/youth-service/>

Scout Service Request

- <https://www.bsacac.org/activities/service-projects/>

Jamboree-on-the-Air/ Jamboree-on-the-Internet



- What: An annual event in which Scouts all over the world connect with each other, by means of amateur radio and/or the Internet, to share ideas and exchange experiences.
- When: Starts at 00:00 h local time on 16 October and runs up to 23:59 h local time on 17 October.
- More info: <https://www.jotajoti.info/>

George Mason Program



Matt Burns, Vice Chair Program
Teralyn Carlson, Deputy Vice Chair
George Mason District



Current 2021 GM Calendar

- October 15-17, 2021 – GM District STEM Camporee
- October 16, 2021 – Jamboree on the Internet/
Jamboree on the Air
- November 6, 2021 – Scouting for Food Tag
Distribution
- November 7, 2021 – Veterans Day Flags In
- November 13, 2021 – Scouting for Food Pick Up



Civic and Related Activities of Interest to Scouts

- Falls Church Fall Community Clean Up – Date TBD – Another service project opportunity benefitting the community.
- Falls Church Halloween Carnival – Saturday, October 30 – For youth, 11 and under at the Community Center.
- Falls Church – A Very Victorian Christmas – Visit the Cherry Hill Farmhouse to see how Christmas was celebrated in the 1860s.
- Fairfax City Festival of Lights and Carols – December 4 from 12 to 6 p.m. in Old Town Square, 10415 North Street

Civic and Related Activities of Interest to Scouts – Cont.

- Vienna Halloween Parade – October 27, 2021 at 7 p.m. See website for registration.
- Vienna Town Clean Up Days – August, November and April – A great opportunity for units of all ages to conduct a service project and for youth to earn service hours.
- Veterans Day at Great Falls – November 11 - Free admission so visitors can remember our veterans by visiting a national park.
- X-Wing Starfighter from “Star Wars” – On display through Jan 1, 2022 at National Air and Space Museum, Udvar-Hazy Center, Dulles

November 7, 2021

Flag placement will start at 12:00 noon

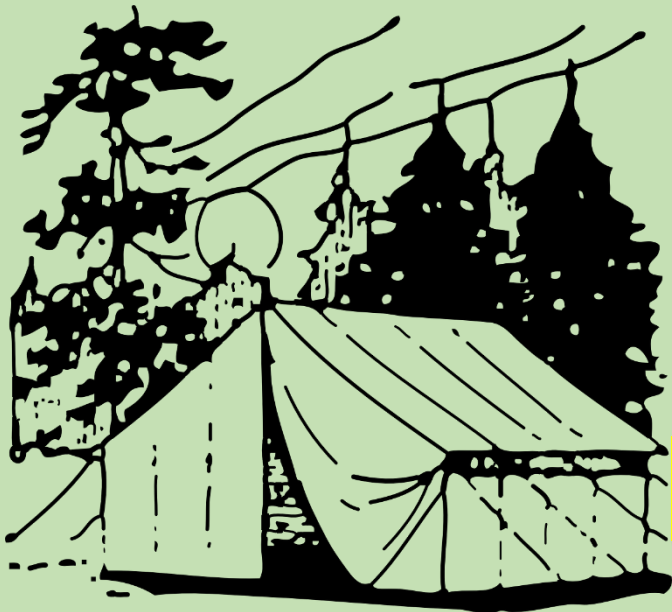
Flags In

- **Social distancing – bring a mask.**
- **National Memorial Park, 7482 Lee Highway, Falls Church**
- **All Scouts, including Girl Scouts, are welcome.**
- **Class A Uniforms**

**For more info, contact
Russell Pittman at
ruspittman@gmail.com**

GEORGE MASON DISTRICT CAMPOREE

Camporee Director
Andrew Zaso
(703) 434-2907 -
AndrewZaso@gmail.com



Date:

October 15 – 17, 2021

Location: 4H Camp,
Front Royal, VA.

- Online registration available now on Council website (below).
- Leader Guide available on registration site.
- Need unit volunteers to help run event.

Register at: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-49459>

Future Camporees

- **Save the Dates!!!**
- George Mason Spring 2022 Camporee – April 29 – May 1, 2022
 - Theme and Site TBD
- George Mason Fall 2022 Camporee – October 21 – 23, 2022
 - Theme and Site TBD
- Please factor this into unit calendars/planning.
- Scouts are loyal – including loyalty to District activities.



Scouting for Food



- November 6 and November 13, 2021
- Please email the name and contact information for your Unit's Scouting for Food Coordinator to Scott Willey: willeysj@gmail.com
- He will add you to the Basecamp site we are using to convey updates
- Good news! NCAC is providing stickers, and this event should be fairly normal this year
- Unit Commissioners will be asked if they can help distribute stickers

Scouting for Food (cont.)

- Link to the map: [ArcGIS - George Mason Scouting for Food](#) Last year was weird with COVID so please check for errors

- St Leo's Church food pantry has not confirmed yet. If for some reason they don't participate we will have to reassign drop off points. I'll let you know in Basecamp if that's the case.

- Still need POCs for:

Packs:	Troops/Crews:
78	Crew 0004
152	Crew 1113
656	T013
681	T140
987	T681
1111	T895
1132	T976
1978	T979
	T1113
	T1207
	T1978

GM High Adventure

(October 2021)



- NCAC High Adventure Committee (HAC) updates and announcements: <https://www.ncacbsa.org/high-adventure/>
 - 2022 National High Adventure Base slots still available
 - Updated HA Source Book (volumes I and II): <https://3.basecamp.com/3958009/buckets/16000091/vaults/2777714268>
 - Local day hikes, overnight, and multi-day treks: <https://3.basecamp.com/3958009/buckets/16000091/uploads/3272427444>
- New BSA Adventure Planning Resource: The Adventure Plan (TAP) <https://tap.scouting.org/>
- Contact Joe Knecht at knechtjoe@yahoo.com if you have questions regarding high adventure planning or need assistance accessing HAC documents.

Training

Unit Training – For position-specific training at your unit, contact Roy De Lauder at EagleScout.Roy@cox.net or go to Training Opportunities page on GM Web Site.

Scouts BSA Training

10/23/21 - 10/24/21 - [IOLS](#), Camp Snyder, Haymarket, VA

10/30/21 - 10/31/21 - [IOLS](#), Lorton, VA

11/06/21 - 11/07/21 - [IOLS](#), Haymarket, VA

11/20/21 - [Scoutmaster Specific Training](#), Alexandria, VA

12/04/21 - [Scoutmaster Specific Training](#), Alexandria, VA

Cub Scout Training:

10/16/21 - 10/17/21 - [BALOO Training](#), Reston, VA

10/30/21 - 10/31/21 - [BALOO Training](#), Lorton, VA

10/30/21 - [Cub Scout Leaders Specific Training \(CM, ACM, Committee and Den Leaders\)](#), Stafford, VA

11/20/21 - [Akela's Trail \(was POW-WOW; Virtual\)](#), Bethesda, MD



2022 Wood Badge Registration NOW Open

Spring Course

Register at: <https://www.ncacbsa.org/wood-badge/>

Weekend #1: 29 April - 1 May

Weekend #2: 13 – 15 May

Course Director: Mr. John Howlin

johnhowlinjr@yahoo.com

Fall Course

Registration Open 30 April, 2022

Weekend #1: 9 - 11 September

Weekend #2: 8 - 9 October

Course Director: Mr. Rick Rogers

rsrogers4@gmail.com



Wood Badge could be postponed or delayed based on covid restrictions

Wood Badge is the Boy Scouts of America's ultimate leadership training designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of Scouters in all aspects of the BSA, whether unit, district, or council level – from assistant den leaders to Scoutmasters, from Cubmasters to Venturing Advisors, from committee members to commissioners. It is a fun, energetic and inspiring course guaranteed to infuse your unit with fun and meaning – all designed to fulfill the mission of the BSA, and ensure our youth is getting everything they are promised from the program.

QUESTIONS?

For information about specific courses, contact the Course Director listed above.



NYLT training – 2022 Schedule



- Winter course Registration opens **October 24th at 1000**
- Typically fills very quickly. Waitlist will be available.
- May require participants and staff to show proof of vaccination. Still being decided.

Entire 2022 Schedule

Course	Course Dates	location
22-1	Jan 14-17; Jan 21-23	Snyder
22-2	June 19-24	Snyder
22-3	June 26 to Jul 1	Cheltenham
22-4	July 24-29*	Snyder
22-5	July 24-29*	Snyder

* courses running concurrently



Updated flyer coming soon



George Mason has sent an increasing percentage of Scouts attending NYLT

2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
7 Scouts	9 Scouts	7 Scouts	20 Scouts	--	16 Scouts

7% of the 292 available slots

11% of the 144 available slots

- Questions? Email contact@my.NYLT.org

Shooting Sports

- Requests for Shooting Events – Lead Time!
 - 50+ scouts - 6mos
 - Less than 50 scouts - 3mos
- Shooting on private land:
 - Requirements
 - Permissions/protocols
- Shooting Sports [web page](#)
- Shooting Sports Instructor Classes:
 - [Rifle/Shotgun](#)
 - [Archery](#) (Virtual classes available)

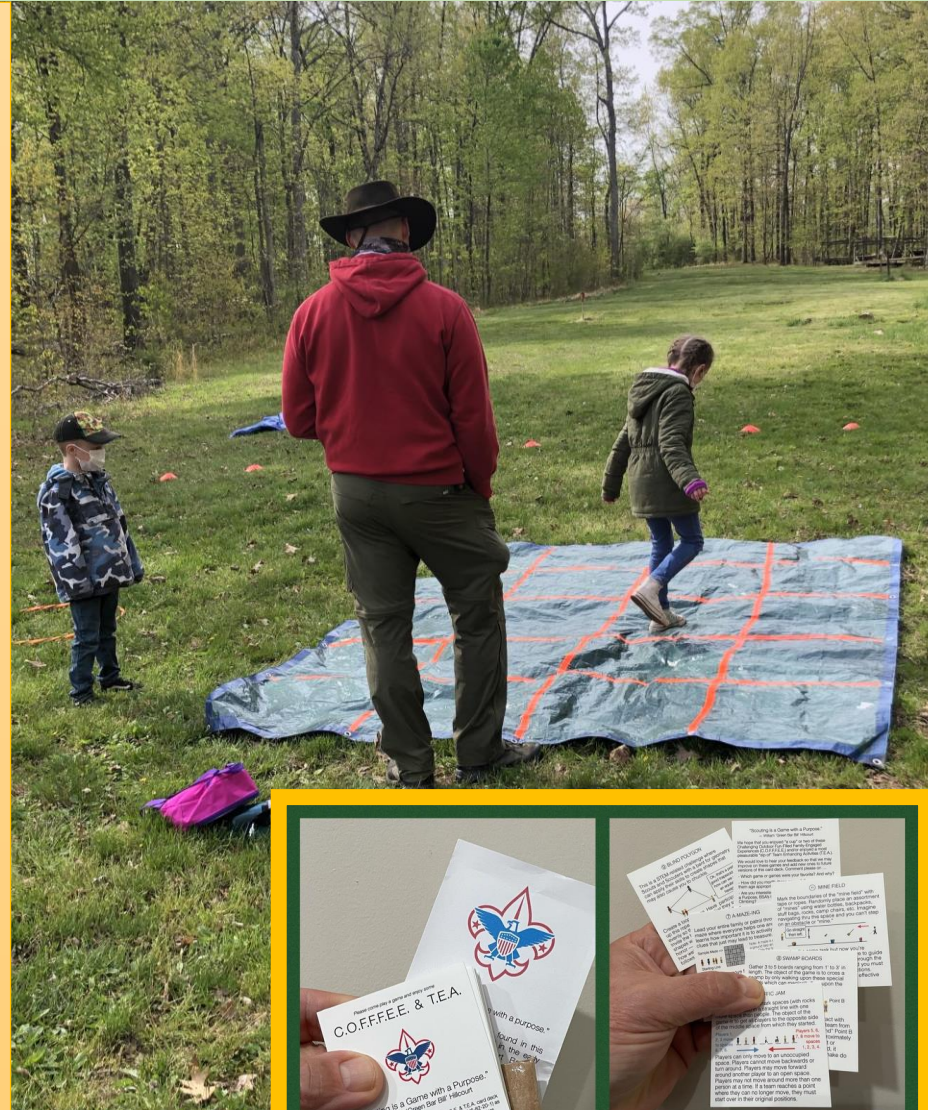




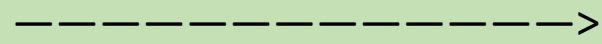
And don't forget the District's various COPE and Climbing Opportunities!

Where CUB Scouts learn about teamwork by playing Games with a Purpose
Boy and Girl Scouts learn how to lead their peers while playing these games
And our more senior Scouts, Venturers, and Scouters practice and refine their skills through Challenge Outdoor Fun-Filled Family Engaged Experiences & Team Enhancing Activities (a.k.a. COFFEE & TEA)

Level 1 & Level 2 training in COPE & Climbing programs need to be coordinated with COPE & Climbing committee chair:
Tony Waisanen <ncac.cope@gmail.com>



Interested in obtaining a deck of COFFEE & TEA game cards,
E-mail JohnLesko57@gmail.com



Merit Badges

- Every merit badge counselor needs to be on the District Charter. The time for action is NOW!
- The online Merit Badge Counselor [registration](#) works for all Scouters who do not already hold another District position.
- **New Merit Badge Counselors must complete online merit badge counselor training, in addition to YPT, after November 1, 2021. Existing merit badge counselors have until 12/31/22 to complete training.**
- 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 Counselor 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.
 - [Online Merit Badge Courses](#) – Watch video, fill out workbook, contact Counselor
 - [Virtual Merit Badge Opportunities \(Nation-wide\)](#)
 - [Parktakes](#) (select "Scouts" from the Category of Activity)
 - [MeritBadge.Info](#) – Various MB Days throughout the country
 - [Fly Fishing Merit Badge Program](#), Northern Virginia
 - [Merit Badges Scouts can complete at Home](#)



Order of the Arrow

- ***OA Meeting In-Person*** – 1st Thursday of month at St. Marks
- ***Awards***
 - The Servant Leadership Award (Youth) – Those who give exemplary service to the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, and their community over an extended period of time. Each year members of the Order of the Arrow and the Scouting community will be asked to nominate youth who are at least 18 years of age, but not yet 21, who by their leadership and service, exemplify the ideals of the Order and are role models for other Arrowmen and Scouts.
 - Founder's Award (Adult or Youth) - Recognizes Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to their lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates that he or she personifies the spirit of selfless service, as advocated by founder E. Urner Goodman and cofounder Carroll A. Edson.
 - Nominations due by 10/31/21
- ***NOAC 2022 Registration is open***

Other Topics

- General Announcements
- District Executive Minute
- District Chair Minute
- District Commissioner Minute

- *Minutes and slides available on the GMD Website (District Resources, Roundtable). Password is “GMDRT”*
- *Next meeting – November 11, 2021 at 7:30pm*