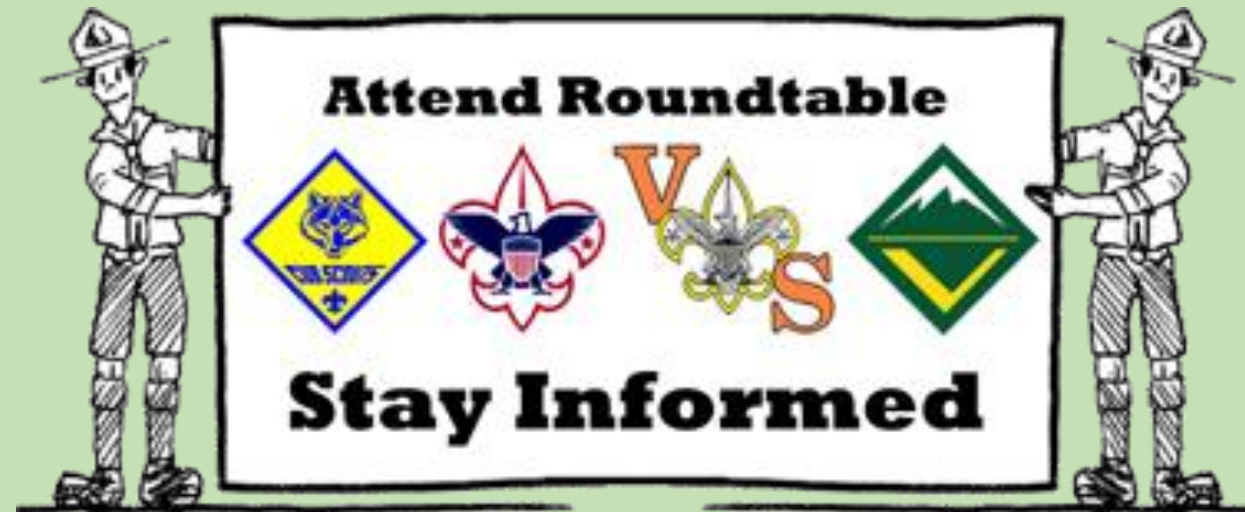


George Mason District Roundtable

May 12, 2022





Council Update

- **Pre-Camp Swim Tests** – 6/4 & 6/5, Camp Snyder - <https://www.ncacbsa.org/aquatics-committee/>
- **Adding new members** – Use on-line processing
- **Journey to Excellence**
 - New Scorecards - <https://www.scouting.org/awards/journey-to-excellence/unit/>
 - Scouts Minimal Changes – “Will” & “Scoutbook”
 - Cub Significant Changes - Removed Budget, added Lion Den, Retention %, Special Activities.
- **Restructuring** – no update; latest estimate July 2022
- **Scoutbook uses Internet Advancement database** – Check roster in IA first
 - Internet Advancement – <https://discussions.scouting.org>
 - Scoutbook – <https://help.scoutbook.com>

Council Update - Scoutbook

Bug Fixes:

- Charter Org - An issue that prevented the Charter Org from automatically being updated in Scoutbook has been fixed.
- Connections - An issue that caused parent connections to Scouts to end when the Scout turned 18 has been fixed. Parents will no longer be disconnected from their Scouts that are 18 years of age or older. Units will need to re-establish these connections that were previously removed.
- Den/Patrol Admins
 - An issue that caused Den Admin positions to be added to Assistant Scoutmasters has been fixed.
 - The Den Admin optional role will not longer appear on the Add Position screen for Tiger Den Leader, Den Leader or Webelos Den Leader as the role is automatically created.
- Life Rank - An issue that prevented Eagle Required Merit badges earned for Star rank from appearing in the list for Life rank has been fixed.
- Pack Membership - An issue that prevented membership in a Pack from ending when Member Update brought in a Troop membership for the Scout has been fixed.
- Reports
 - Cub Scout History, Scouts BSA History, Venturing History, Sea Scout History, and OA Eligibility Reports
 - An issue was corrected in which activity logs/history were not displaying all activities for Scouts and Scouters when individuals previously had two accounts/MIDs that were subsequently merged.
 - Scouts BSA History
 - An issue that caused a Patrol name to be printed at the top of the Scouts BSA History Report if the Scout was formerly in a patrol but currently is not has been fixed.

New Features:

- E-Mail Addresses - E-Mail addresses that are updated in Scoutbook will be pushed to Akela, the BSA Person Database.
- Unit Numbers - When a unit's number changes, Scoutbook will now be automatically updated to display the new number.

Big Rock – Safe Scouting!

Navigating the '*gray areas*' to protect yourself and your unit



George Mason Program



Matt Burns, Vice Chair Program
George Mason District



Current 2022 GM Calendar

- May 1 to May 15, 2022 – GM Hike-O-Ree
- May 14, 2022 – Jamboree on the Trail
- May 30, 2022 – Flags In
- June 2, 2022 – Elks Youth Recognition Dinner
- June 4, 2022 – NCAC Stem Expo and Pinewood Derby
- June 9, 2022 – Program Launch and Roundtable
- June/July 2022 – Cub Summer Camp



George Mason Hike-O-Ree



- 2nd Annual GM Hike-O-Ree on weekends of May 7 and May 14 – 5/6 to 5/15/22.
- Open to all (Cubs, Scouts BSA and Venturing Scouts), families and friends.
- Registration – Coming soon.
- Any age, any place and any appropriate grouping – just keep track of how far you hiked.
- Register on Council website (registration opening in early 2022). \$5.00 for a patch.
- Challenge – District Scouts, Scouters and families hike 2,022 miles.
- Total the miles for each unit and notify Matt Burns at Burnsmj509@gmail.com. We'll see how big a total we reach.

May 30, 2022 (Monday)

Flag placement will start at 10:00 am

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

SCOUTS BSA Roundtable

Future Camporees

- Save the Dates!!!
- George Mason Fall 2022 Camporee – October 21 - 23, 2022
 - Theme and Site TBD
- George Mason Spring 2023 Camporee – May 5-7, 2023
 - Theme and Site TBD
- Please factor this into unit calendars/planning.
- Scouts are loyal – including loyalty to District activities.



2022 Elks Youth Recognition Dinner

- For youth that earned Eagle in 2021 (i.e. their Eagle Board of Review was held in the 2021 calendar year) and their Scoutmasters.
- Thursday, June 2, 2022
- Elks Lodge 2188, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax, VA.
- Will need unit leader help in contacting Scouts and obtaining an RSVP.



Training

Cub Leader Specific Training in-person 6/4 @ Alexandria
<https://scoutingevent.com/082-56464>

BALOO – 06/18/22, Lorton, VA
<https://scoutingevent.com/082-56465>

Scoutmaster/ASM Specific Training 6/4 in Alexandria
<https://scoutingevent.com/082-57862>

IOLS – 6/4 -6/5 @ Camp Snyder or 6/18-6/19 in Lorton
<https://scoutingevent.com/082-PATRIOTSPRING22IOLS>
<https://scoutingevent.com/082-56465>

NYLT summer courses – registration now open

**Powderhorn (P50) - 08/26/22 – 08/28/22 – Camp St. Charles,
Newburg, MD. <https://scoutingevent.com/082-49585>**



GM High Adventure



April 2022

- **NCAC High Adventure Committee (HAC) updates and announcements:**
<https://www.ncacbsa.org/high-adventure/>
 - Vacancies list updated 11 April:
<https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/xWpkdrKHKAA9pCzwmHMNdbWb>
 - NCAC Paddle Craft Safety Class at Camp Snyder - 4/29-5/1. See website.
 - Philmont Preparedness Seminars (20 April: Recap and Updates)
<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/philmont-prep-seminars/>
 - NCAC Northern Tier training is available to all interested -- not just those scheduled for a summer trek. Contact Craig Reichow: bsa2xs@gmail.com
 - HA Sourcebook update: <https://www.ncacbsa.org/high-adventure-information/>
 - All BSA high adventure treks require Medical forms A, B, and C – both Scouts and adults – certain programs have additional medical screening requirements. (Schedule that physical exam soon!)
- Contact Joe Knecht at knechtjoe@yahoo.com if you have questions regarding high adventure planning or resources.

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)



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 Information 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.



Other Topics

- Order of the Arrow
- General Announcements
- District Executive Minute
- District Chair Minute
- District Commissioner Minute

- *Minutes and slides available on the [GMD web site](#) (District Resources, Roundtable). Password is “GMDRT”*
- *Next meeting – Program Launch - June 9, 2022 at 7:00pm (Thoreau MS)*