

**Majestic Mesas District
2023 Fall Camporee**

**Friday – Sunday
September 22 – 24, 2023**



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Come participate with us in our Fall Camporee that will include River Rafting!

What: Fall Camporee

Where: Grand Junction, CO

We are working on securing a camping location in Grand Junction close to Connected Lakes. We will keep you updated if we are able to secure the location, or if the location changes.

When: Friday thru Sunday, September 22 – 24, 2023

Time: Arrive Friday evening; event will conclude Sunday at 1pm with a closing gathering

Cost: \$15 per registered scout

No charge for adult leaders, but they must still register

Cost will include:

- : a t-shirt for each registered scout and adult
- : lunch on Saturday for each registered scout and adult
- : raft rental
- : PFD (Personal Flotation Device) rental

Registration Cut off:

The last day to register for this event is Sunday, August 27th

Activities:

• troop competition for building archway to your camp area • river rafting • Slack line • Bocci ball • Horseshoes • Cornhole • Molkky • Skulls and Femurs • log chopping competition, etc • see end of this Guide for the schedule and list/explanation of activities

Unfortunately, because of the nature of this event, Cub Scouts will not be able to participate.



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Registration information

Adults: we will need 6 Raft Captains. They will be the only adult in the rafts. If you are experienced in moving water/rafting and would like to join us please register to help with that (there will be a separate button for this registration)

Scouts: there will be room for 71 scouts in the rafts (no other adults other than the Raft Captains). **Don't wait to register!**

- **Pre-requirements:**

- Each scout AND adult that will be rafting will be required to complete a swim check prior to getting on the river. We will have wrist bands color coordinated to the level of the swim check.

- **IMPORTANT :** the swim check your scout did prior to going to camp this summer will count as this swim check.

- **Adults :** you WILL be required to show a swim check if you plan on going on the river, even if you register as a Raft Captain.

- **Scouts:** if your swim check designates you as a non-swimmer, don't despair! We just need to be aware of that fact – you will still be able to be on the river.

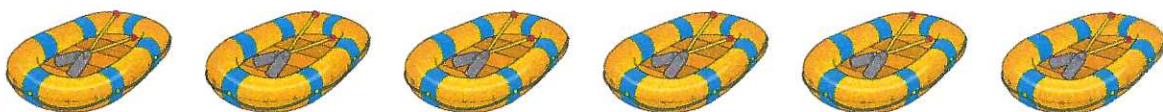
- **Adults:** if your swim check designates you as a non-swimmer, you won't be able to register as a Raft Captain.

Rafting location/times:

- We will be putting in a Corn Lake and pulling out at Connected Lakes.

- If you are not camping overnight on Friday, you must be at Corn Lake no later than 8:00am on Saturday morning.

- We plan to be on the river by 9:00am; pulling out at Los Colonias for lunch about noon; then pulling out at Connected Lakes somewhere between 3:00 and 4:00pm, and walking back to camp.



Equipment

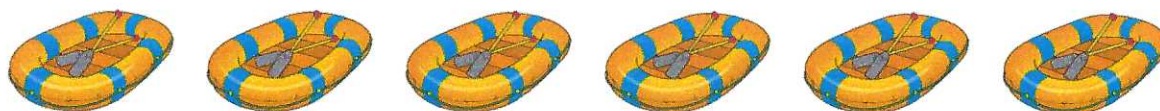
- We will be renting/borrowing the rafts.
- PFD's will be provided for each rafter that will be in the rafts (each PFD comes with a whistle)
- Scouts and adults: if you have your own PFD and you would like to use it, it will need to be checked and approved by our Event Coordinator, Eric Langford. It will need to be at minimum classified as a Type 3 Moving Water PFD.

Other water craft

- If you are an adult and would like to use your own water craft to float with us and help in case someone goes overboard, you are more than welcome to do so, but the same rule applies: you must have a swim check. You will also need to provide you own pre-approved PFD.

Unit Information

- If your unit isn't planning on camping overnight on Friday, please plan on being at Corn Lake Saturday morning at the boat ramp by 8:00am
- There will be safety instruction at Corn Lake Saturday morning, so please be on time.
- Units will be responsible for transporting their scouts to Corn Lake on Saturday morning.
- If our camping spot works out, we will be walking back to camp from the pull-out at Connected Lakes.
- There are bathrooms at the potential camping spot.
- Units will need to provide food/snacks for their troops for Friday dinner; Saturday breakfast; Saturday dinner; Sunday breakfast; and Sunday lunch
- There is water available at the potential camping spot.
- Please make sure your breakfast Saturday morning is a quick one so you can be at Corn Lake on time (or even a little early)
- Unit Leaders, if you have a scout that just doesn't want to get on the water, please encourage them to still register. We can always use their help setting up lunch, activities, etc. (I think we can keep them busy!)
- There will be a dry bag on each raft to put water bottles in.



What to bring:

- swim suit/shorts to wear on the water
- swim shoes or other water friendly footwear
- You will be given an event t-shirt to wear on Saturday
- Sunscreen lotion – **NOT SPRAY**. Sunscreen spray wreaks havoc with the rubber that the rafts are made out of.
Don't forget to apply the sunscreen – including to your face. Sunburn from sun reflecting on the water hurts just as bad as sunburn from direct sunlight – hats don't prevent that.
- Hat with tie strings; consider choosing one with a brim all the way around – think of it as neck protection.
- Whatever you'll need, clothes etc, for camping overnight.

Information specifically for Unit Leaders:

- Units will be responsible for transporting their scouts to Corn Lake on Saturday morning.
- The scouts will walk back to camp from the pull-out at Connected Lakes.
- If any of this information needs to be updated at any time, you will receive that information by email.
- You already know this, but a quick reminder that there needs to be at least two registered adults coming with each unit.
- Also, after September 1st of this year, each adult who comes will need to be registered in a paid unit position. Each adult registration will be checked to make sure we are compliant with this new rule.
- There is a \$10 vehicle fee to enter Corn Lake and \$10 to enter Connected Lakes. If you have a Colorado State Parks Pass you will not be charged to enter either park.
- If you have any questions, please contact Eric Langford, Tom Verdieck, or Gail Atkinson (contact info on front page)



Schedule 2023 FALL CAMPOREE

Time	Activity	Led By
Friday		
5:00-9:00	Arrival, Located site from site plan,	EL
	Set up camps	SPL
	Troop will build an archway to designate their camp and home town	SPL
9:00	Full camp meeting to discuss the next days events, rules and training	EL
9:30	Troop camp meeting to plan for next day	SPL, PL
10:00	Lights out	SPL
Saturday		
6:00	Reveille,	EL
	Troops have quick breakfast	PL
	collect gear, apply sunscreen and get ready to travel to put in site.	SPL
7:30	Depart	
8:00	Arrive at corn lake, organize boats, use dry bags, tie in gear.	Captains, SPL, PL
9:00	Get on the water.	Lead Captain
12:00	Arrive at Las Colonias put in for lunch.	SM, ASM
12:30	Get back on the water	Lead Captain
3:00	Arrive at Connected lakes.	
	Pull boats from water to allow other boats to dock, unload rafts, do not block access to river landing	Captains, SPL, PL
3:30-4:00	Begin walk back to camp. Explore 4 stations along the way. Bird watching, tarp set ups, bear bags, geocache	PL, ASM
4:00-5:00	Troops cook dinner. Eat and clean up.	PL
6:00	Log chopping competition to bring everyone together.	TF
7:00	Explain rules for skulls and femurs, bocci ball, horseshoes, cornhole, molkky, Introduction to slackline and rules. Followed by free time.	TF, CL, HL, EL, ?
9:00	Full camp meeting to discuss the next days events, rules and safety. .	EL
	Troop camp meeting to plan for next day.	SPL, PL
	Campfire Program	ASM, PL
10:00	Lights out	
Sunday		
7:00	Reveille,	EL
	troops prepare breakfast, eat and clean up	PL
8:30	Bean bag toss, to bring everyone together and start the day	TF
9:00	Lasso instruction. Followed by free time to participate in activities, lasso, slackline, horseshoes, corn hole, bocci ball, skulls and femurs, tomahawk throwing, sling shots, Y balance beam, Treasure hunt,	TF
	Troop set own schedule to tear down camps.	SPL
12:00	lunch	PL
1:00	Closing ceremonies	EL
1:15	Camp clean up, Pack up and head home.	Everyone

(SM) scoutmaster (ASM) asst SM, (SPL) senior patrol leader, (ASPL) asst SPL, (PL) patrol leader (TL) team leader

FALL CAMPOREE FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

BUILD AN ARCHWAY TO YOUR CAMP

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY

Troop will be asked to designate the location and entrance to their camp by constructing a gateway/archway. Each troop will plan for, prepare for and build an entryway. **Each troop will bring their own supplies for this competition.** There are a few trees which can be carefully used for support. The gateways will be judged.

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME

Friday evening.

BENEFITS

The act of planning, preparing, and implementing a plan are valuable tools for scouts to learn. It will build a feeling of pride in their troop and bring them together. The materials used to make the archway can be kept and used when troop attend summer camp to construct an entrance to camp. Ideas for other designs can be used in the future.

GEAR AND SUPPLY LIST

Poles
Rope for lashing
Stakes
Support ropes
Plans

FALL CAMPOREE SATURDAY TRAIL ACTIVITIES

While returning to camp along the paved Audubon trail

District will provide supplies

BIRD WATCHING.

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME

Saturday after rafting

TARP SET UPS

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME

Saturday after rafting

BEAR BAG

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME

Saturday after rafting

PROJECTED SUPPLY LIST

Paracord x3

AVOID

Keep a watch on the trail so that you don't hit anyone or block the trail.

FALL CAMPOREE SATURDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES

LOG CHOPPING COMPETITION

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY

Each troop will form a team and take turns chopping a notch in a log. The troop that chops the deepest notch in 5 minutes will be the winner. Each troop member has to chop and may switch off when tired. Each scout may rotate through as many times as necessary to fill the 5 minutes. The scout leaders may try to beat the best at another time.

BENEFITS

The scouts will practice their chopping skills and ax sharpening skills. Each scout will assess their ability and trade off when they have lost efficiency.

PROJECTED SUPPLY LIST

Axes
Sharpening file
Safe sharpening station
Measuring tape

SETUP PROCEDURES

Get a couple 14-16 inch diameter logs. Paint or draw and wedge shaped cutting area, getting as many on the log as possible. Pound non protruding stakes to hold the log face up and in place.

PROCEDURES

Each troop will have 5 minutes to cut the deepest notch possible. The ax will be passed to the next scout when they run out of steam.

SKULLS AND FEMURS (KOOB)

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY

Koob is a game that pits 2-4 people on a side against each other. The game can be shortened by reducing the number of playing pieces.

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME

Saturday PM and Sunday AM

SLACKLINE

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME

Saturday PM and Sunday AM

CORNHOLE

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME

Saturday PM and Sunday AM

HORSESHOES

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME

Saturday PM and Sunday AM

BOCCI BALL

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME
Saturday PM and Sunday AM

TREASURE HUNT

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME
Saturday PM

FALL CAMPOREE SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

LASSO THROWING

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME
Sunday AM

Y BALANCE BEAM

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY
Create a 2x4 Y and go through a series of steps forward, backward and to the side.

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME
Sunday AM

GPS HUNT

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME
Sunday AM

TOMAHAWK THROW

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME
Sunday AM

MOLKKY

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME
Saturday PM and Sunday AM

SCAVENGER HUNT

SCHEDULED TIMEFRAME
Saturday PM and Sunday AM