



August, 2009

Important dates and upcoming events

Sept 11th – 13th - Cape Cod Caribbean Weekend
Oct 24th – Scout “O” – Orienteering
Jan 23 – 24th - New England Scout Show
May 21st – 23rd – V Games 2010 – mark your
Calendars now !

Mass. Outdoor Expo

The Big MOE is being held on September 27, 2009 to be held at the Hamilton Rod & Gun Club grounds in Sturbridge

The Big MOE is free, with no admission or parking fees.

The activities in which you can participate and the demonstrations to be seen at the Big MOE! It's a fun filled day of action that is sure to be a memorable family outing!

- Archery--Friends of FAWNS and Archery Plus
- New England Pioneer Encampment -- Friends of FAWNS
- Live Birds of Prey--Hawks & Owls--Larry Keating
- Turtles & Snakes--New England Reptiles and Exhibits with Marla Isaacs
- Safe Firearms Handling: REQUIRED for any shooting--Friends of FAWNS
- Boulder Climbing/Jr. Rock Wall--Boy Scouts of America
- Rock Wall--Not yet confirmed
- Fly line casting--New England Out of Doors
- Fishing Skills--MassWildlife Angler Education
- Cleaning & Filleting Fish--Friends of FAWNS
- Rifle Target Shooting--Singletary Rod & Gun Club
- Canoeing & Kayaking--Great Canadian Canoe and Kayak
- Tomahawk & Knife Throw--Friends of FAWNS
- **Blacksmith Demonstration--Dan West**
- Taxidermy--N. Worcester County Fox & Coon Club

- Build Your Own Duck Call!--Buck Gardner Game Calls
- Bees and Honey--Kacklebee Homestead, Dudley
- Shotgun Shooting--2 stations offered by Hamilton Rod & Gun Club and Leicester Rod & Gun Club
- Traps, trapping & Hide Scraping*--Massachusetts Trappers Association
- Mountain Biking--Team BUMS of Central Massachusetts
- Build a Bird Box--Friends of FAWNS, all lumber donated by Hull Forest Products!
- Forest Management--Hull Forest Products & MassWildlife
- Air Gun Target Shooting--Not yet confirmed
- BB Gun Shooting--Not yet confirmed
- Build a Goose Silhouette*--Ducks Unlimited, Mass. Chapter
- Wild Game Tasting--Not yet confirmed
- Modern Wildlife Management--MassWildlife
- Nature Arts and Crafts--Friends of FAWNS
- (Make a rain stick, paint a critter, animal bracelets, face painting, headbands!)
- Falconry--The art of hunting with birds of prey. Not yet confirmed
- Calling & Hunting Wild Turkeys--National Wild Turkey Federation, Mass. Chapter
- Worcester Junior Rifle Team--Worcester Pistol & Rifle Club
- Worcester & Hampden County Leagues of Sportsmen Info Booths
- Whitetails Unlimited Info Booth*
- Foster Parent Recruitment with Mass. Dept of Social Services, Springfield office
- Tree Stand Safety*--Gerry Lemire, Lone Wolf Tree Stands
- New England Freshwater Lakes and Pond Maps Info Booth
- Blackpowder Gong Fundraiser--

Please go to the following web site for more information on the Big MOE

<http://www.fawnsociety.com/massoutdoorexpomoe.html>

Caribbean Weekend

Cape Cod & Islands Council

Date: September 11 to September 13, 2009
Details

Caribbean Weekend is a fun event held at Camp Greenough, planned and presented by and for Venturers and Sea Scouts. From Friday evening's feature film under the stars to a full Saturday schedule of aquatics, shooting sports and field activities, with evening bonfire and music on the beach, Caribbean Weekend is a teen event you won't want to miss. This popular event is attended by Venturers and Sea Scouts from throughout New England.

We provide full dining service and all the program equipment. All you need to bring is your personal, sleeping, and tenting gear. Don't forget swim suit and towel. Flip flops, sandals and open-toed shoes are not permitted anywhere in camp except on the beach. Check in by crew at the admin building on arrival. See the Camp Greenough map and directions in the camp section of this website.

http://204.10.138.116/uploads/downloads/events/Caribbean_Registration_form.pdf



Crews Helping Crews

This newsletter has been formed with the specific purpose to advertise Crew activities that are taking place in New England.

Email us @ thevhc@verizon.net with your news and events....

Do you have a Dutch oven, foil dinner, or one pot meal recipe that you would like to share? Send us an email and we will post your recipe for everyone to enjoy.



Carmel crunch apple pie

10 inch Dutch Oven~

lay down (1) - 9 inch pie crust and bring up on the sides

Peel and slice up about 6 - 8 apples (I use 1/2 granny smith and 1/2 Fuji) until it fills 3/4 of the oven.

Add to apples 1/2 - 3/4 cup sugar (to taste), 4 tsp. cinnamon and a dash of salt and 4 tbsps flour.

Put apples into the DO until it comes up to about 3/4 of the way. Cover with Crunchy topping. Bake at 350 for approx. 50 - 60 minutes. When done drizzle with melted carmel

Crunchy topping (mix together)

3/4 cup rolled oats

1 cup packed brown sugar

1/2 cup flour

1/2 cup pecans or walnuts chopped (optional)

cut in 1 stick butter (add more if needed)

1/4-1/2 cup carmel





Ahoy,

On behalf of the CT Rivers Squadron, I proudly announce the successful completion of our first annual Sea Scout Camp Nautical at JN Webster Scout Reservation during

August 9-15. Camp Nautical was an opportunity for any Sea Scout attending to gain skills and experience. Advancement can be a source of pride and measure of your success in Scouting. Advancement in Sea Scouting is a measure of your nautical knowledge and your performance as a leader. The Seamanship Program allowed crew to experience most of the requirements needed for the Rank of Ordinary. With structured courses in the morning and evening the crew learned about boats, marlinespike seamanship, ground tackle, piloting, communications, time, swimming, cruising, safety, galley, sailing, drill, compass, signaling, quarterdeck leadership training and ornamental rope work.

Courses were taught by professionals in the community such as the US Navy 1st Class Petty Officer, US Power Squadron, US Coast Guard Auxiliary, CT River Oar and Paddle, Mystic Seaport, leaders from Sea Scout Ship 584 and couple recognized adults in the community.

The crew found fun in the afternoons devoted to free time that included open range shoot, zip-line, COPE, CPR, Scuba, life guard instruction, US Flag retirement ceremony, waterfront activities and a night time lau/beach fire with evening swimming at the waterfront.

There were many times when we enjoyed the experience camp staff. Not to mention when our crew charged the Camp Staff with our oars after color formation or endured many waterfront challenges – Staff vs Crew.

We are very fortunate to have the excellent facilities and staff at JN Webster
<http://www.jnwebster.org/venturing.html>

All 17 crew graduated with a report of their Ordinary Rank accomplishments, new friends and memories to last a lifetime.

6 crew members completed scuba course taught by SeaView Scuba www.seaviewscubact.com
2 crew members worked everyday on lifesaving and lifeguard requirements.

2 crew members achieved pro marksman shotgun and/or rifle.

We introduced the crew to the National Sea Scout SEAL program. The crew worked thru a practice Navigation Test and Seamanship Examination. Remember, in order to attend SEAL the crew needs to have achieved the Rank of Ordinary and must know their Navigation and Seamanship. The crew was able to talk and meet with actual SEAL graduates. This experience helped them to prepare for them to go to SEAL next summer!
www.seascout.org/about/program/training_resources/seal.html

We were in an article from the local Norwich town newspaper
<http://www.norwichbulletin.com/news/x640862998/Camp-draws-boy-scouts-to-nature>

To view the pictures taken at camp visit:
<http://subvetsgroton.org/seascout/Sea%20Scout%20Summer%20Camp%20Nautical/Forms/AllItems.aspx>

Thanks for your faith in us to run such a new program for youth. We are already planning next year's Camp Nautical experience.

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Marshall Parsons

FIRST CENTENNIAL NEW ENGLAND SCOUT SHOW DCU CENTER, WORCESTER - JANUARY 23 & 24, 2010

**MOHEGAN
COUNCIL BSA**



**Celebrating
100 Years of Scouting**



Demonstrations ~ Exhibits ~ Entertainment ~ Children's Games

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



New England Scout Show.... January 23 & 24, 2010

The Mohegan Council, BSA is participating in this national celebration by coordinating the largest scout show and family fun event in New England. On January 23-24, 2009, the DCU Exhibition Halls in Worcester will be transformed into a theater of activities designed to involve every member of the family in an intergenerational day of fun for the First Centennial New England Scout Show presented by Fallon Community Health Plan. There will be games, demonstrations, exhibits, a stage show, displays, entertainment, and celebrity appearances.

Caribbean Weekend September 11-13, 2009 Camp Greenough Yarmouth Port, MA

Register on-line at www.scoutscapecod.org

Friday

1900-2200 Check-in at Maushop Lodge for campsite assignment.
2000-2200 Buffet at dining pavilion
2100-2300 Friday night at the movies at parade field
2200-2215 Info meeting—Staff plus one adult and one youth from each crew, ship and post at the dining hall.

2400 All quiet in Camp

Saturday

0730-0900 Breakfast
0830-0930 Trading Post open
0900-1200 Camp-wide Activities

- open
- Archery
- Shooting sports (rifle, shotgun, black powder)
- Biking
- COPE
- Boating (Canoe, Kayak, Sail)
- Swimming
- Beach volleyball

1200-1300 Lunch

1300-1700 Camp-wide activities reopen

- Archery
- Shooting sports (rifle, shotgun, black powder)
- Biking
- COPE
- Boating (Canoe, Kayak, Sail)
- Swimming
- Beach volleyball

1730-1730 Interfaith service at the Chapel

1800-1900 Dinner

1700-1800 Trading Post open

2000-2200 Beach party

2200-2400 Midnight movie at dining pavilion

2400 All quiet in camp

Sunday

0800-0900 Breakfast

0900-1000 Trading Post open

0930-1030 Beach cleanup

1000-1200 Camp site clean up and departure.



THREE DAYS OF VENTURING FUN!



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New England Orienteering Club, Inc.

Scout Orienteering

Fall 2009

All Scouts are invited to a weekend of Orienteering. It will be a weekend of outdoor adventure as Webelos, Boy Scouts, Venture Scouts, and Girl Scouts learn and practice map and compass skills as well as work on orienteering related badge requirements.


When: Saturday, October 24, 2009 and Sunday, October 25, 2009.

Where: Nobscot Scout Reservation, Sudbury, Mass.

Saturday's program will be skill development, training, and practice. An expert N.E.O.C. orienteer will be available to work with you and your troop to help your scouts learn skills and pass badge requirements. Scouts (and adults) will be able to learn orienteering skills such that they will be able to participate in Sunday's competition regardless of prior experience. Ample orienteering courses will be available for scouts to practice their orienteering skills.

For first time orienteers, an experienced guide from the New England Orienteering Club will be assigned to work with you and your group and help Scouts learn skills and pass requirements.

Sunday's program will be the annual New England Scout Orienteering Championship competition. Scouts (as well as adults) will compete for trophies with other scouts of same gender and same rank or age level. First, second, and third place trophies will be awarded for the best in each class. Also, ribbons for best overall troop performance.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: All scout groups must pre register and pre pay. Get [Registration Form](#) 

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 4, 2009 or 400 Scouts, whichever comes first. This event usually fills to capacity before the deadline. Early registration encouraged. Registrations received after the event is filled will be returned.


Return pre-registration form and payment to: Pete Lane, 29 Ahern Road, Marlboro, MA 01752. We need the time to print maps and assemble a packet of materials in advance.

COSTS: \$8.00 per person (Scouts and adults) for one day, or \$15.00 per person (Scouts and adults) for both days. Only adults who want a map and patch on Saturday, or who are competing in the Leader Class on Sunday, need register and pay.

PATCHES: Free custom designed event patches will be given to the first 400 registered and paid.

REFUNDS: Because the courses are preprinted on your maps, we cannot give refunds after the registration deadline.

WE GO RAIN OR SHINE. Maps are in plastic bags. Scouts should dress for the weather.

Waiver of Liability: Make copies of the attached as needed for your group. Each participant must have a signed Waiver of Liability. Bring with you to the meet and hand in at check in. Get [Waiver of Liability](#) 

In addition, each Scout troop (except Knox Trail Council troops) should secure their own customary Boy Scout Tour Permit or Girl Scout Troop Activity Application.

CAMPING: Contact Knox Trails Boy Scout Council directly at (508) 872-6551. To avoid problems, do this after you have received your orienteering confirmation letter. Also cabins available on a first come basis.

CONCESSION: Drinks (hot and cold), hot dogs and snacks (candy, etc.) will be available both days.

PARKING: Off street parking is limited. Car-pooling is encouraged.

HELP OUT: It takes many hands to do a quality event. Adults are always needed to help with the start and finish areas. And there are other times and places where both youth and adult help is appreciated.

LEADER TRAINING: Nobscot Scout Reservation, Sudbury (tentative location), Saturday, October 4, 2008 10:00 A.M. *Site may change.*

Learn about orienteering and how to teach orienteering skills to Scouts. Then try an orienteering course or two. Free and open to all Scout leaders willing to help guide their group at the Nobscot Reservation Scout-O. Attendance not mandatory, but all leaders are invited and encouraged to attend. Training lasts about 3 hours, maybe longer if the weather is favorable.

CONTACTS: for questions and additional information:

Registrar: _____
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