

Great Blue Hill District Adventure Weekend!

November 11-13, 2022

New England Base Camp, Milton, MA

Cook! Hike! Climb! Star gaze! Keep bees! All GBH Scout troops are welcome to camp and choose their own adventure! Each scout will select from the full menu of Saturday program activities at New England Base Camp and patrols will join in additional District competitions and fun activities including an optional hike to the Blue Hill Weather Station.

Who should attend?: This weekend camping event is intended for Scout Troops. It is a great time for Troops to host Webelos who may wish to consider joining their unit.

Camping: Units should reserve their own tent site or cabin for the weekend. Troops can stay Friday and/or Saturday nights

Meals: Scout units provide all of their own meals and cooking. This is a great opportunity for scouts to do meal planning and cooking requirements for advancement. Compete in the “Chopped Cooking Contest” for Saturday supper.

Service Project: Each unit is encouraged to participate in at least one hour of service such as trail maintenance.

Registration and Costs: \$10 per troop registration. Every scout will use their Adventure Card to cover access to Base Camp activities. Troops must reserve their own cabin or tent site. Troops and patrols will manage their own food expenses. Please register before November 1, 2022 here:

<https://form.jotform.com/221584489245162>

Fun Competition: District judges will hold some fun events to encourage patrol creativity.

- “Chopped Cooking Contest”: Before arrival, patrols will receive a list of food ingredients to bring to camp. Use these ingredients as creatively as you can to serve up a masterpiece! After that, make your dessert of choice and get extra credit for Dutch oven and reflector oven cooking.
- Pioneering Gadget: Patrols can construct a useful gadget for their campsite (e.g. tripod, flag pole, table) using lashings and ropework.
- GBH District Relay Race to the Finish: Troops will send their team of 4 competitors in this multi-leg race (bike, run, + more)!
Each Troop should bring 2 trail bikes and bike helmets to the event.

Program Agenda:

Friday 11/11/2022: Arrive anytime after 4pm. Scout units will do their own cooking.

Fun activities for Friday – plan your own night hike, star gazing, troop campfire.

Saturday 11/12/2022:

- a. 7:00 – 8:30AM – Breakfast. Each patrol or troop cooks and cleans up their morning meal.
- b. 8:45 AM – Welcome and Flag Ceremony in front of Hayden Lodge
- c. 9:00AM - 12:00 Noon - Morning Program Activities: Each scout selects their own combination of Base Camp activities. Stay with your buddy! Spend as long as you like at each station.
Choose from rock climbing, COPE course, High Ropes course, pioneering, knife and axe, etc. The final list of activities and swimming pool availability will be determined closer to the weekend.
- d. Hike to Great Blue Hill Weather Station and complete Weather Merit Badge. (Full morning event, return early afternoon)
- e. 12noon – 1:00pm Scouts bring and eat their own lunches
- f. 1:00 – 4:00pm – Afternoon Program Activities
- g. Service project (camp improvement): Patrols will select a 1 hour project available throughout the day.
- h. 4:15 pm District Competition “Relay Race to the Finish”: running + biking + field sport
- i. 5:15 – 7:00pm Supper time -
 - i. “Chopped Cooking Contest”: Patrols and Troops cook and clean-up in their campsites
 - ii. “Dessert Master” Dutch Oven or Reflector Oven Dessert competition
- j. 7:30pm – District campfire – Each troop puts on a skit and leads a song or cheer.
- k. 9:00 Star gazing
- l. 10:00pm – Lights out

Sunday 11/12/2022: 7:00 – 9:00AM breakfast, patrol cooking

- m. 9:00AM – Interfaith prayer service
- n. 11:00am – 1:00 pm – Dismissal by unit

Coordination meeting: On Tuesday November 8th 7:30pm (monthly Roundtable evening) units are asked to have an adult and youth leader join the conference call to review final preparations for the weekend.

For additional information: Contact Fran Campion, GBH District Chairperson,
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