



Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye!!

Be it known to ALL that the
York District Spring event
will be a

Camp-O-Ral!

Directions:

Coming thru Sanford - pass thru Sanford/Springvale on 109/11 into Shapleigh. Where Rt. 109 and Rt. 11 split at the foot of Mousam Lake, follow Rte 11 to the right, going north toward Shapleigh Corner. At Shapleigh Corner follow Rte 11 towards North Shapleigh/Newfield - go 2 ½ miles and turn left onto Square Pond Road. Continue 8/10s of a mile and turn right onto Town Farm Road. Drive approximately 8/10s of a mile and the campsite is on your left. Turn left onto Apple Road and the entrance is 100 feet on the right

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There are Three main parts to a Camp-O-Ral.

Competition, Demonstration, and Ceremonies

Competition - Individual, Patrol, and Troop level

Individual competitions could include 2 man pup tent pitching, signaling reception (semaphore), stove throwing, tomahawk throwing, pancake flipping (real ones), 1/4 mile run, 100 yard dash, knots (the *original* 9), one man map & compass and more. Trophies given for the best of each competition and points go towards a Troops overall all score.

Patrol challenges could include Fireman's Carry relay, 4 man 1st Aid Smackdown, Obstacle course, Tug of War, Campfire skit, Patrol flags, Blanket Stretcher relay and Water Boiling.

Troop judging including Gateway, Site Inspection, Demonstration, Display and Patrol Method.

Demonstration - Troop and Staff Levels

Troop Level - A list of topics will be handed out with historical background on different activities done back when BSA was young.



Topics to include knifecraft, Jackknife Cookery, Model Airplanes (1920's), How to spin a Rope/Lariat, Jambo-ing (home made equip), Archery (bow and arrow making), Metal Craft and others. Ranks of early Scouting and Old Merit Badges will be on the list. More info include historic handouts to follow. No more than 2 Troops can sign up for the same topic.

Staff Level - A static display including Model T's, Old Tractors and equipment, and other early 1900's will be on display. A Scouting Theater and museum will be set up. Recordings & videos of famous Scouters and Historic events will be shown. Also walking around will be famous "Look-a-likes" from Scouting past.

Ceremonies - Everyone is involved!

Campfires - Not one, but TWO. There will be a campfire Friday night put on by the staff and will include Drumming. Saturday nights Campfire to include skit competition where the audience decides which is the best. Multiple campfires, mystery, a sound system and other secret events will make this the biggest and wildest campfire in the past 25 years!!!

Grand Entry will be held on Saturday and Sunday mornings. These big events will open and close the Camp-O-Ral and will set the mood for the entire weekend.

Note this is a the first of 6 handouts to be handed out at the next 6 roundtable's. Next month the demonstration list and description of each topic will be handed out. Once a topic is chosen by the Troop's PLC, the Troop will be given extensive historic literature to work from.

**Any Questions or if you want to help or donate ideas, etc.
contact: David Wade at dmwade@metrocast.net**

2010 Camp-O-Ral! 100 Years!!!

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This handout is about the Troop Demonstrations

Each Troop will choose a topic that interests it's Scouts and create a display. These displays will be judged and a hands on display or demonstration is worth the most points. Make it interactive so everyone can learn AND have fun. Other ideas will come out in January or if you have an idea, send me an email - David Wade - dmwade@metrocast.net

York District
Camp-O-Ral!

May 21-23, 2010

Corner of Town Farm Rd and Apple Rd, Shapleigh Maine

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Cub Day Event!!!! This program is a must see for all Cubs!!! Save this date and be ready to be part of the celebration!!

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- 2. Demonstration/Displays - Troop and Staff Levels**
- 3. Ceremonies - Everyone is involved!**

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Saturday morning starts off w/ Grand Entry and everything ends after the Grand Entry Sunday Morning. - Be There!!

Friday, May 21st the gates open at 4:00pm - See you there

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Camp-O-Ral Demonstration Topics

Available demos are highlighted in yellow.

Dave Wade would really like to get a troop to do 1st or 2nd -
Class Helps (Tenderfoot is already taken)

Junior Engineering for Campers: Chapters include – Campfires, Temporary Shelters, Cot / Table / Bench, Permanent Fireplaces, Tripod Towers, Bridges, Water Power and Stages

The Patrol Method: Includes – Patrol Idea, Patrol Games, Patrol Leader Council, Patrol Names, Patrol Flags, Icons, Patrol Spirit, Patrol Camping, Patrol Crafts and Equipment

Knife Craft: Includes knives and their care and Sharpening. Whittling of Wooden knives, Spoons, Forks, Salt & Pepper shakers, Miniature totem poles, Staves, Neckerchief Slides and Chains,

Pioneering MB: 1928 requirements for Pioneering Merit Badge includes 12 knots, splicing rope, lashing spars for scaffolding, build a bridge or derrick, make a kitchen, build a shack for three

Indian Handicraft: Use this book as a jump off for making Indian items, including War Bonnets, Legging, Breachclouts, Arm bands, Pouches, Beadwork, Moccasins, and Musical Instruments

Totem Poles: Chapters on Totem Pole lore, Materials and Tools, Making Patrol Totems, Designs, Steps in carving small poles. Use this information to carve a large totem for display.

Projects in Leather: Hands on projects including Braided Belts, Secret Weave, Lanyards, Laced Articles, Axe & Knife sheaths, Compass case, One piece Moccasin, Wallets & Decorative work

Model Airplanes: The way they did it in 1929!!! Build an 18” glider, or a A-Frame twin propeller model. Set up contests for farthest flight. Build a model of the Spirit of St. Louis

Archery: Probably no shooting of arrows, But you could still do flint knapping, arrowhead making, arrow making, bow string making, and even bow making. A great hands on Station.

Metal Craft: This pamphlet shows designs and how to make Bowl, Bookmarks, Neckerchief slides, and would serve as a great starting place. Proper safety will be important at this Station

Boat Building, Canoe Repair, Paddle making: Includes plans and instruction for building row boats, repairing old wood canoes, and making and decorating paddles. Old canoes anyone?

Troop Spirit: What was Troop Spirit like in 1930? This booklet covers the 6 essentials to a Troop. Interesting topic, how would you make it a Troop Display and work in hands on is up to you.

Scouting with a Neckerchief: Did you know that in 1927 the neckerchief was 31” square and you could use it at least 42 different ways? This shows you how to do it and what can be done.

How to Spin a Rope: Includes instruction on Making lariat and how to throw it. Shows how to spin a rope over 20 different ways, no horse needed, and shows a lot of Trick Cowboy Knots.

First Class Helps: Look at the 1931 requirements for First Class!! Challenge today’s Scouts to see if they are smarter than a First Class Scout of 1931. Make it a game! This booklet covers it all.

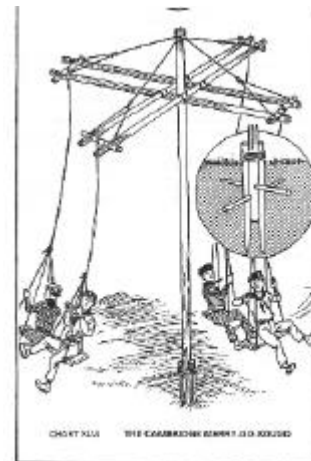
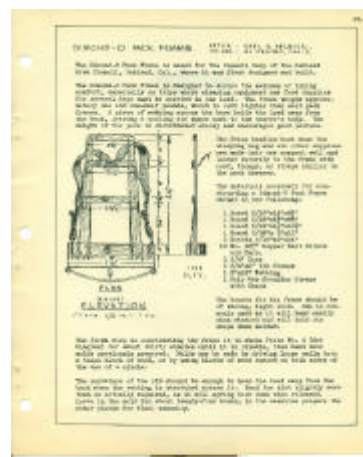
Second Class Helps: Look at the 1930 requirements for 2nd Class!! Challenge today’s Scouts to see if they are smarter than a 2nd Class Scout of 1931. Make it a game! This booklet covers it all.

Pathfinding Retro MB This merit badge could be earned by 2nd Class Scouts and they had to know their community, what breeds of cattle/horses, where everything was, how to give directions,

More Ideas for Camp-O-Ral Topics

Remember, First come – max of two units for each topic

How about a working axe yard OR making backpack frames and have others make them?
A Merri-go-round?



Or some of these other ideas:

Merit Badge Identification, Equipment making, Feathercraft, Stave making, Tomahawk throwing (safety focus), Smoke prints, Fire by friction, Homemade compass, Loom/grass mats, Stool making.

Do you have a great idea that is not on these lists?? Let me know (dmwade@metrocast.net), and we will make it happen.

To make your display **the best of show**, you need to choose your topic and get started on it soon! So don't wait.....email your choice to me ASAP!!!

Final handouts will be at the May 6 Roundtable at Sanford High School
The idea is to have a display that is interactive and that a couple of scouts/adults can run and rotate time so that everyone gets a chance to see everything

Friday night OA Campfire and a Saturday night competition campfire where awards will be given for the best skit and song

There will be a activity card that each scout will carry and the patch is a segmented patch with different parts to earn.

Email update 4/6/10
From: Steven Saucier

York District Camp-O-Ral!!! May 21-23, Corner of Town Farm Rd and Apple Rd, Shapleigh Maine

The theme of the event is based on the 1929 Rally program (Scouting Old School) with a focus on the programs of the 20's, 30's and 40's

Each Troop is being asked to present and interactive display using historic programs from yesteryear. 14 out of the 21 troops in York District have chosen their program:

301 -- Knots (1912),
304 - Pioneering (1937),
307 – 2nd Class Rank (1930),
308 - Model Airplanes (1930),
312 - Junior Engineering (1929),
313 - Rope Making (1930),
317 - Signaling (Retro Merit Badge),
320 - Sponsor & Retro Tracking MB,
327 - Carpentry (Retro Merit Badge),
329 - Uses of a Neckerchief (1929),
338 – 1st Class Rank (1930),
340 - Turks Head (1927),
345 - Wood Gadgets (1942),
349 - Indian Lore (1932),
356 - Tenderfoot Rank (1930),
371 - Tin Can Craft (1942)

If your troop is not listed here contact David Wade dmwade@metrocast.net He has books and ideas for you to use. He is especially looking for Troops to cover: 2nd Class Rank (1930), and Pathfinding Retro Merit Badge. That way, there will be chance for Scouts to experience and earn all four of the Retro Merit Badges that can only be earned this year.

Cub Scout Day Event - Saturday will be open to all Cubs to walk around and see every thing. There will be a cub oriented program based on 1930's Cub Program. You could even coordinate eating with a Troop or as a Pack in an area set aside for the packs during the day. Stay for the campfire and make it a day.

Segmented Collector's Patch - The patch will be octagon in shape with 8 segments. Segments earned will depend on Troop, Patrol and individual participation. Get the final handout at the May roundtable!!!

For more information - Contact David Wade dmwade@metrocast.net