

2021 Coweta District Fall Camporee



March 26-28, 2021

*Camp Jim Stephens
Newnan, Georgia*

February 21, 2021

Dear Unit Leader,

On behalf of the Coweta District and the Flint River Council, we cordially invite you to attend the 2021 Coweta District Spring Camporee to be held on the weekend of March 26-28, 2021, at historic Camp Jim Stephens just west of Newnan in Coweta County.

The theme for this year's Camporee is Photography. Most of the activities and competitions will be centered on this theme, and all Scouts BSA youth will have the opportunity to earn the Photography merit badge.

Photography is one of the Scouting's coolest merit badges, and this camporee is going to be lots of fun for Scouts young and old. Our 2021 Spring Camporee will be RICH with opportunities to LEARN and COMPETE in several different events around the Photography theme. More information on our program and competitions is enclosed in this leader's guide.

The Camporee also offers a unique opportunity for Arrow of Light (Webelos II) Cub Scouts to participate in a Boy Scout camping event. Troops are encouraged to invite AOL Cub Scouts in their area to the Camporee to camp with them, participate in the events and observe Scouts BSA troops in action. Cub Scouts will have the opportunity to participate in all events. Scouts unable to camp overnight are still encouraged to participate in Saturday's program.

We intend to offer a truly unique experience for all Scouts taking advantage of this program opportunity. Come enjoy the Camporee and be prepared for an unforgettable time. We look forward to seeing you at the 2021 Coweta District Spring Camporee!

Yours in Scouting,

Josiah Jorek

Josiah Jorek, Camporee Chief
2021 Coweta OA Chapter Chief

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Overview:

Theme: Photography merit badge
Location: Camp Jim Stephens
Dates: March 26-28, 2021
Cost: **\$12.00 per youth; \$6.00 per adult**

Events:

1. Golden Spoon
2. Spirit Stick
3. Best Overall Unit (includes Golden Spoon, Spirit Stick and events below):
 - a. Best Campsite Inspection
 - b. Best Skit or Song
 - c. Field Competitions

Contact Information:

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- TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE -
(Official schedule to be announced at the camporee)

FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2021

5:00-7:00 PM	CHECK-IN - Parking and campsite assignments will be distributed. Please follow directions for unloading gear and parking. Unit Leader must register at Camporee HQ Check-in location.
7:30 PM	FLAG LOWERING CEREMONY - CLASS A uniforms. Troops bring flags. Troop formations on either side of Parade Field.
8:00-8:30 PM	FALL CAMPOREE STAFF MEETING at HQ
8:30-9:00 PM	ACTIVITY VOLUNTEER MEETING at Camporee HQ -We need one adult volunteer per patrol to attend this meeting.
9:00-10:00 PM	SPL and SCOUTMASTER MEETING & Cracker Barrel at HQ
10:30 PM	TAPS - Fires and lights out. QUIET TIME until 6:30 AM

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 2021

7:00 AM	REVEILLE. Prepare breakfast and clean-up at Troop Campsite
8:00 AM	VOLUNTEERS report to HQ and prepare for events
8:45 AM	OPENING CEREMONIES – CLASS B uniforms. Troops bring flags. Flag raising, prayer, welcome, announcements.
9:00–11:30 AM	ACTIVITY PERIOD - CLASS B uniform
11:45-12:45 PM	LUNCH at Troop Campsite
1:00	ACTIVITY PERIOD resumes
4:30 PM	ACTIVITY PERIOD ENDS
4:45-6:15 PM	DINNER and FREE TIME at Troop Campsite.
4:45-6:00 PM	GOLDEN SPOON Judging at Camporee HQ
7:00 PM	FLAG LOWERING CEREMONY - CLASS A uniforms. Troops bring flags.
8:30 PM	CAMPFIRE and SKITS
10:30 PM	TAPS - Fires and lights out. QUIET TIME until 6:30 AM

SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021

7:00 AM	REVEILLE. Prepare breakfast and clean-up at Troop Campsite
9:00 AM	FLAG RAISING CEMEMONY – CLASS A uniforms. Vespers
9:30 AM	AWARDS CEREMONY. Final announcements.
10:00 – 11AM	CHECK-OUT and DEPARTURES - Senior Patrol Leaders report to HQ prior to departure to pick up patches, etc.

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Camporee Guidelines and Important Information

- A. **GUIDELINES:** The rules and guiding principles for the 2021 Spring Camporee shall be the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Safety guidelines shall meet or exceed those outlined in the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.
- B. **REGISTRATION:** Register online at <http://www.flintrivercouncil.org/>. Submit the completed registration form and all fees no later than check-in on Friday, March 26, 2021. Make all checks payable to Flint River Council.
- C. **DRIVING DIRECTIONS:** Camp Jim Stevens is located at 611 Boy Scout Road, Newnan, Georgia 30263.
- Highway 34 West (Bullsboro Drive) toward Newnan
 - Turn **RIGHT** onto Highway 34 Bypass (Farmer Industrial Blvd.)
 - Continue, crossing Highways 29, 70, and Alt 27/16
 - Turn **RIGHT** onto Highway 34 West (Franklin Hwy.) towards Franklin
 - Go 4.7 miles, and turn **LEFT** onto Pierce Chapel Road
 - Turn immediately **LEFT** onto Sanders Davis Road
 - Go about ½ mile, and turn **RIGHT** onto Boy Scout Road
 - Go 1.3 miles, Camp Jim Stephens is located on the right (past yellow house)
- D. **MISC. CAMPOREE EVENT RULES:** Please follow these additional event rules:
- Absolutely no personal firearms, ammunition, archery equipment, fireworks, explosives, etc. may be brought to the Camporee.
 - No pets are allowed during this event.
 - No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs are permitted.
 - No smoking in event or campsite areas. Adults are asked not to smoke in the presence of Scouts. Designated smoking area is located outside of the main gate to the Camporee site. Leave no trace and fire safety rules apply.
 - No Refunds

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- E. **CHECK-IN PROCEDURES:** Check-in on Saturday will be from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM. Please check the Camporee Program Schedule for safety, if possible, arrive before the program day starts. At check-in, each unit should be prepared to present the following:
1. Final Unit Roster: Your Final Unit Roster will be used assigning Patrols for the event schedule.
 2. Complete BSA Health and Medical Record Forms and proof of insurance for each person listed on the roster. Arrange the forms in alphabetical order (last name). Every participant (youth or adult) must have a medical record form on file in order to participate in the event. **These will stay available with the unit.**
 3. Registration Information and Fees Recorded. The registrar will have information on registrations and fees paid. If you are late to register, please bring your receipt/proof of payment, or a check (or cash) to cover fees.
- F. **CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES:** Follow the Outdoor Code in preparing your site for check-out. If you brought it to Camporee, you will need to haul it out...including trash. This is a remote site, so general trash collection service will not be provided by Camporee Staff. Prior to departure, your Unit Leader should go to the Camporee HQ Check-Out Area to pick up their program souvenir envelope containing patches. Please pick up this envelope before leaving. All units need to be checked out by 11AM on Sunday.
- SATURDAY CHECK-OUT:** For Troops requiring a Saturday check-out, these troops should specify their anticipated check-out time during check-in on Friday. Except for emergencies, no unit will be allowed to check-out after dark in the interest of safety.
- G. **PARKING VEHICLES AND UNLOADING EQUIPMENT:** Please park vehicles at the edge of the tree line across the road from the parade field. Cars in the driveway area of the blockhouse will become blocked and should not expect to leave between 9AM - 4:30PM or possibly later on Saturday. While each Troop may have one trailer in their campsite, no vehicles will be allowed to remain in the campsite after unloading
- H. **FIRST AID:** Emergency medical services will be provided during the Camporee from the Camporee HQ area (exact location TBD. Look for signs.). They are available for all major first aid needs. Each Unit should also have a good first aid kit in their campsite to handle any minor first aid occurrences.

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I. **ASSEMBLIES / VESPERS PROTOCOL:** When reporting to the parade field for events and vespers, please observe the following protocols:

- Muster units at the parade field promptly in a semi-circle formation around the flagpole.
- Report to the parade field in formation, singing a unit song or patrol yell.
- Display unit and patrol colors while in formation.
- When roll call is taken, SPL or acting SPL of each unit respond accordingly. If you do not know proper protocol for answering "roll call," we will review at cracker barrel.

J. **UNIFORMS OF THE DAY:** Class A uniforms are required at the following events. If headgear is worn it must be scout related:

- Flag raising and lowering assemblies (except Saturday Flag Raising, see below)
- Saturday Campfire
- Sunday Vespers service and Closing Assembly

Class B uniforms should be worn during all other Camporee events and Saturday Flag Raising ONLY.

K. **COOKING & FIRES:** Any changes to the Fire Restrictions will be announced when checking-in.

1. Wood fires in fire circles are allowed.
 - Units should plan to supply their own wood for campfires. Dead wood may be removed from the ground on the premises.
 - Make sure fire rings are of adequate size to completely contain your campsite fire.
 - Do not build a fire larger than what is reasonable needed for cooking at your campsite
2. Safety:
 - Build campfires well away from tents, tarps or overhanging brush/trees.
 - Follow all BSA fire safety protocols.
 - Never leave a fire unattended.
 - Thoroughly extinguish all fires.

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- L. **WATER:** Potable water will be provided via a tap located at the blockhouse sufficient for cooking/cleaning to cover your entire stay. Bring your own containers to transport water. **However, due to the COVID-19 guidelines personal drinking water should be brought from off site. A limited amount of hand sanitizer will be available but please be prepared with your own as well.**
- M. **TRASH:** This is a low impact event. Everything brought must be packed out, including trash, garbage, etc. Do not put any of these into the campground's garbage containers or leave trash at the site. NOTE: Trash may NOT be burned in lieu of carrying it out.
- N. **PORTABLE TOILETS:** Portable toilets will be located near campsites and activity areas. Please remind your scouts to be courteous, keep the toilets clean, and observe posted restrictions for "Adult Leaders" and "Staff Only." Please advise staff when additional toilet paper or other service is required. Do not dig latrines.
- O. **HEALTH & SAFETY REMINDERS:**
1. BSA policy prohibits passengers in beds of pickup trucks – NO EXCEPTIONS.
 2. Drivers please maintain safe speed and drive cautiously on camp property, watching out for adults and youth. The speed limit for camp is 15 miles per hour.
 3. Follow manufacturer's safe storage instructions when using liquid or propane fuel for cooking or illumination.
 4. Keep an appropriate fire extinguisher rated for flammable liquids accessible in your campsite.
 5. NO FLAMES IN TENTS!
 6. Units should take care of minor injuries if possible. If medical attention is needed, have authorization forms for medical care/treatment readily available.
- P. **MEALS:** Troops should plan on preparing their own meals while at camp.
- Q. **BLUE CARDS:** Troops planning to participate in the Merit Badge activities must bring a sufficient supply of Blue Cards for each Scout in their unit.
- R. **SPECIAL REQUESTS:** If there are participants in your unit that require special accommodations, please notify Frank Harper **as soon as possible** so the necessary arrangements can be made.

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PROGRAM:

- Scouts will have the opportunity to attend all the activities.
- Patrols/ Troops must attend each activity as well campfire to earn participation points for the Best Overall Unit or Spirit Award.
- Scoring for ALL competitions:
 - First place: 6 points
 - Second place: 4 points
 - Third Place: 3 point

TROOP COMPETITIONS:

- **Best Overall Unit:** The best overall unit will be determined by point totals for Golden Spoon, Spirit Stick, Best Campsite Inspection, Best Skit, and the Field Competitions. Additional points will be awarded for proper uniform attire, proper formations, Scout Spirit and punctuality at assemblies and vespers.
- **Golden Spoon:** See general rules below. Additional guidelines will be published at the March 2021 roundtable.
- **Spirit Stick:** Camporee staff will rate the Unit with the most Scout Spirit over the weekend, and the winner will be awarded the Spirit Stick. A Scout is helpful, friendly, courteous and kind in spirit. Any additional guidelines will be published prior to the Camporee.
- **Best Campsite Inspection:** See complete rules below.
- **Best Skit Award:** This is the award for best overall skit/song by a patrol/troop at the Saturday evening campfire. ALL SKITS & SONGS must be PRE-APPROVED by District Commissioner Robert Allen.
- **Field Competitions:** See below for complete rules for the competitions.

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Photography Merit Badge Requirements

1. Safety. Do the following:

- a. Explain to your counselor the most likely hazards you may encounter while working with photography and what you should do to anticipate, mitigate, prevent, and respond to these hazards. Explain how you would prepare for exposure to environmental situations such as weather, sun, and water.
- b. Show your counselor your current, up-to-date Cyber Chip.

2. Explain how the following elements and terms can affect the quality of a picture:

- a. Light—natural light (ambient/existing), low light (such as at night), and artificial light (such as from a flash)
- b. Exposure—aperture (f-stops), shutter speed, ISO
- c. Depth of field
- d. Composition—rule of thirds, leading lines, framing, depth
- e. Angle of view
- f. Stop action and blur motion
- g. Decisive moment (action or expression captured by the photographer)

3. Explain the basic parts and operation of a camera. Explain how an exposure is made when you take a picture.

4. Do TWO of the following, then share your work with your counselor.

- a. Photograph one subject from two different angles or perspectives.
- b. Photograph one subject from two different light sources—artificial and natural.
- c. Photograph one subject with two different depth of fields.
- d. Photograph one subject with two different compositional techniques.

5. Photograph THREE of the following, then share your work your counselor.

- a. Close-up of a person
- b. Two to three people interacting
- c. Action shot
- d. Animal shot
- e. Nature shot
- f. Picture of a person—candid, posed, or camera aware

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Photography Merit Badge Requirements

6. Describe how software allows you to enhance your photograph after it is taken. Select a photo you have taken, then do ONE of the following, and share what you have done with your counselor.

- a. Crop your photograph.
- b. Adjust the exposure or make a color correction.
- c. Show another way you could improve your picture for impact.

7. Using images other than those created for requirements 4, 5, or 6, produce a visual story to document an event to photograph OR choose a topic that interests you to photograph. Do the following:

- a. Plan the images you need to photograph for your photo story. (Story board and objects)
- b. Share your plan with your counselor, and get your counselor's input and approval before you proceed.
- c. Select eight to 12 images that best tell your story.

Arrange your image in order and mount the prints on a poster board, OR create an electronic presentation. Share your visual story with your counselor.

8. Identify three career opportunities in photography. Pick one and explain to your counselor how to prepare for such a career. Discuss what education and training are required, and why this profession might interest you.

RED = Complete at Home, and Must Bring to Camporee

Black = Will be Completed at Camporee

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FINAL RULES FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS **WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT EACH EVENT**

THE INDIVIDUAL and DUAL EVENTS WILL HELP SCOUTS **COMPLETE MERIT BADGE REQUIREMENTS**

Possible examples are:

1. SOS
2. COVID keep away
3. Bear Bag
4. Six Knot Relay
5. Poison River Crossing
6. Ride um' Cowboy
7. Been there-have the T-shirt
8. Missouri monkey maneuvers
9. Alas poor Yorick! I knew him, Horatio



SOS

In the early morning of April 15, 1912 as the ship sailed from Southampton to New York, transmissions from *Titanic*'s Marconi Room — the wireless center — were nondescript and ordinary. Though SOS was adopted in 1908 as an international symbol for distress, few radio operators in 1912 used it in practice, and neither did Mr. Philipps, who used the older “CQD” for emergency. The letters “CQ” signaled a general call, such as “Attention All Stations” with the

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letter “D” indicating distress. It was not until after the *Titanic* disaster that SOS became widely adopted. SOS was adopted because the three dits of “S” following the three dahs of “O” easily and quickly stand out for any receiver.

The three-letter code is transmitted faster than imagined. SOS — and only SOS — has no break between letters as in a normal transmission. Letters are tapped rapid fire one after the other.



Using the provided light gun, send a distress signal to the rescue helicopter. Timed event.

COVID keep away

Two troops at a time. Each troop will provide two players. In a game based on basic Lacrosse skills- no, not the Buick but the oldest organized sport in North America, the scouts will play keep away.

Bear Bag

Patrols will set up a Bear Bag for their overnight campsite. Bear bag must be above the line off the ground and more than 8 feet away from the tree in which it is deployed. Appropriate knots must be used. This is a timed event and penalty points may be accrued for incorrect demonstrations.

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Six-Knot Relay

Individually, a Patrol member will run from the starting line to a 2nd position. When he arrives he will reach into a can and pull out a knot name card. The Scout will then have to correctly tie the knot. Once the judge approves the knot the Scout will un-tie it and run back to the starting line where he will tag off to the next Scout in line. That Scout will then run to the can and repeat the procedure. This continues until all Scouts have tied a knot. Each Scout in the Patrol must participate. The knots will be bowline, clove hitch, square, sheet bend, two half hitches and timber hitch. Each knot may be tied more than once, if patrol is larger than six scouts. Rope and log for the knots will be provided. The average time per scout will be used for scoring.

Poison River Crossing

You are faced with a poison river too wide to jump. You must cross without touching the “water”. Using only the gadgets/ provide station gear with your wits/ skills, get all patrol members across. Scoring: The entire event will be timed from a starting line until the last scout touches the ground on the other side of the river. This time includes the lashing and the crossing of each scout. You may use any style lashing. The lashes will not be checked – but a bad lash means a poisoned scout (penalty time added). Patrol averaging will be used for all patrol scores.

Ride um’ Cowboy (the Walt Garrison memorial ride)



From 1966 to 1974....Dallas Cowboy Fullback Walt Garrison rode herd over the NFL....as the real cowboy on the Dallas Cowboys. He spent time on the professional rodeo circuit during the football off-seasons. His signing bonus with the Cowboys in 1966 season included a horse trailer. A knee injury he sustained in an exhibition steer wrestling accident at the College National Rodeo Finals in 1974 ended his pro football career.

Why is it 8 seconds? Because 10 is too (two) long.

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Alas poor Yorick! I knew him, Horatio



Complete this scene and bring the top of the jester to the staff. Using Buddy system troop will complete on their own.

Hand Washing Merit Badge (suitable for placement on the back of your sash)

This is for all of the people who are or should wash their hands. You can earn this merit badge if you:

Sang a song while washing your hands to make sure you washed long enough. Washed your hands so many times that your hands started to crack. You have made handwashing and habit and cannot live without it.

NOTE: This for the scouts not participating in the Photography Merit Badge. Placement limited to 20.



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Campsite Inspection

The staff will rate the campsites from 0-100 points using the following criteria list. Troops completing 2.5 hours of workday service prior to the camporee will receive a 5 point bonus. Camporee Staff will rank campsites first, second and third place based on the Total Combined Points earned.

CAMPSITE INSPECTION SCORE SHEET

<u>AREA JUDGED</u>	<u>POINTS (1-10)</u>
• Duty roster posted	_____
• Tents/Fly properly erected	_____
• Water bucket/ fire extinguishers in each campsite cook area	_____
• Flags properly displayed	_____
• Troop first aid kit available & visible	_____
• Food properly stored	_____
• Cooking areas clean and neat	_____
• Balanced menu(s) posted	_____
• Campsite improvements & camp gadgets	_____
• Ax Yard or Fuel Area property identified and stored	_____
Total Combined Points	_____
• <i>Work-Day Bonus Points (0 or 5 points)</i>	_____
Total Combined Points	_____

UNIT NUMBER: _____

CAMPSITE NUMBER: _____

UNIT LEADER'S NAME: _____

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GOLDEN SPOON COMPETITION

We knew we were coming, so we baked a cake...

Each Unit competing in the Golden Spoon Competition will bake a cake prior to coming to the Spring Camporee.

The cake may be cooked by one scout at home, a patrol or with the whole Unit in a kitchen, but the cake must be made by a Scout, from start to finish (you are on your Scout's Honor). Your cake can feature Granny's Secret Recipe, Bill Bale's blue ribbon recipe, Redbook's holiday recipe, etc., or simply out of a box as long as the cake is made by a Scout. The skills learned in cooking merit badge will be a great assistance.

This competition will be a "blind" taste test. Three covered servings must be delivered to the back of the Block House Kitchen. Delivery will be between 4:45 and 6 PM Saturday.

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- Official Entry Form -

***Golden Spoon Competition
Coweta District***

Unit Number: _____

Entry Name: _____

Ingredients: _____

Directions: _____
