2022

Camp Tukabatchee Scouts BSA Summer Camp Program Guide

About Warner Scout Reservation

Camp Tukabatchee consists of 2 accredited camps (the other being Cub Scout Camp Dexter Hobbs)located on the 1,000-acre Warner Scout Reservation. The camp is owned and operated by the Tukabatchee Area Council, BSA, and encompasses approximately 350 acres of the reservation.

Camp Tukabatchee opened in summer 2000.The camp features a 50-acre lake for swimming, rowing, canoeing, sailing, paddle boarding, and fishing. Program features include an excellent shooting sports center incorporating rifle, shotgun, archery, pistol, chalk ball and aerial archery, a full aquatics program, mountain biking, ATV safety course, handicraft, scoutcraft, sundry, nature and environmental centers.

Meals are served cafeteria style in Robert S. Weil Dining Hall, which is a large, air-conditioned facility. The Morgan Administration building at camp is an air-conditioned building that offers visitors restrooms and space for training and meetings as well as multiple offices for administration. An air-conditioned 4-bed infirmary provides medical support for camp. Pavilions, staff cabins, and a well-stocked trading post complete the basic program component.

Campsites are spacious. Most campsites encompass 3 acres and are designed for 32 scouts and leaders. Each campsite has a multi-use pavilion that incorporates flushable toilets and urinals, sinks and hot water showers. Underground utilities provide electricity and public county water to each campsite.

Five types of Programs

We are proud of the many program opportunities that are to be found at Camp Tukabatchee. Programs are offered for everyone – from first year camper to the skilled, veteran scout. The camp program is geared to reach Scouts in five ways:

For individuals. There are chances for scouts to advance, to try new things and receive recognition for activities they have completed (mile swim, archery, rifle, shotgun, etc.)

For buddies. At Camp Tukabatchee, we've made the buddy system more than just a safety precaution. In fact, it's a way Scouts can learn together with one or two friends in areas such as handicraft, swimming, and fishing.

For patrols. Work as a patrol and challenge other patrols to games. Take your patrol to an evening activity.

For troops. Camp offers recognition and events that bring scouts, their buddies, and their patrols together as one unit. Evening campfires, camp-wide games and Friday activities all lead to troop recognition. You may not realize it, but at summer camp you spend more time together than you do at all the troop meetings during a year.

Total camp experience. You have the chance to work together with other troops and contribute to the total camp experience. You can participate in camp wide programs and competition and catch the camp spirit through songs and fun throughout the week.

Greetings Campers

Summer Camp is Sunday, June 12, 2022, through Saturday, June 18, 2022, and will be here before you know it. We are working hard to have an excellent program for you when you arrive and provide this program guide to prepare you.

At Tukabatchee, we have a broad range of programs and activities all on one property, with the opportunity for both traditional programs at Camp Tukabatchee and high adventure programs for your older Scouts at the Reservation.

Our staff is committed to exceeding your expectations. Your camp experience will be filled with adventures we hope you will never forget. Your adventure awaits at Camp Tukabatchee this summer!

We look forward to you being our guests this summer at Warner Scout Reservation. Please do not hesitate to contact our Camp Leadership for any reason; we are here to serve you!

Your adventure awaits at Camp Tukabatchee this summer!

Yours In Scouting,

Dale Alexander	Sergio Rodriguez	Rodney Cousin
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Physical Address of Camp Tukabatchee

Your Scout may receive mail at this address during summer camp. Please include the Scouts' Name and Troop number on the envelope.

Scout Name, Troop #
Camp Tukabatchee
2109 County Road 59
Prattville, AL 36067

Camp Tukabatchee Website

The website provides the most current information and documentation to help you prepare for camp. All documents in the appendix of this document will be available on the website.

SUMMER CAMP FEES

Youth	$300.00 *Cost includes one t-shirt, one patch, and all meals.*
Adult	$100 for full week leader *Cost includes one t-shirt, one patch, and all meals.*
Adult	$50 for a half-week leader *Cost includes one t-shirt, one patch, and all meals.*

Payments in full are preferred, but units may pay youth fees in three installments of $100 each. The payment schedule is as follows:

$100 payment due on January 7, 2022
$100 payment due on March 18, 2022
$100 payment due on May 6, 2022

Avoid a $10 late fee. Instead, pay your $300 in full by May 6, 2022.

Payment of camp fees may be paid online at www.tukabatcheebsa.org/shop. Summer camp registration will not go live until late fall.

Additional Fees:

Merit badge fees have been added to the base price in years past. However, this is no longer applicable as all program fees are in the $300 camp fee.

Exception: The ATV course has an additional fee of $30.
Do not pay this fee until asked to do so.

Exception: Free time shooting at the range. Bring some cash to camp so you can participate in Free time shooting.

Exception: Trading Post. (More information provided in General Rules and Procedures)

Exception: Extra t-shirts. Anyone who wishes to have more than one official summer camp t-shirt may purchase an additional one. These additional shirts should be ordered no later than Friday, April 8, 2022. Remember each participant receives one t-shirt with their $300 registration. Adults receive one t-shirt with their $50 half week or $100 full week registration.

Camperships:

Camperships are available to Tukabatchee Area Council Scouts that cannot afford the entire camp fee. They are awarded after all other resources have been exhausted, including the youth's own earning power, the family's own earning power, and the Scout's unit itself. The application form can be found on the website and is due no later than noted in the Key Dates section.

Key Dates for Leaders and Participants

- Saturday, October 2, 2021
  - Summer Camp Promo and Chili Dinner at Camp Tukabatchee, 6 pm.
  - A $150 non-refundable deposit is due.

- Friday, January 7, 2022
  - The first $100 payment per Scout is due. ($60 non-refundable)

- Friday, March 18, 2022
  - The second $100 payment per Scout is due.
  - Merit Badge Request Opens (Online Submission only)
    - Leaders, have Scout's name, t-shirt size, and merit badge classes ready to submit online. T-shirt sizes are adult sizes only.

- Friday, April 8, 2022
  - T-Shirt order (sizes and fees) due to Council Service Center.
    Reminder: Each participant gets one free t-shirt with their $300 payment.
    Only additional t-shirts are on this order form.
  - Campership requests are due to Council Service Center.

- Friday, May 6, 2022
  - The final Scout payment of $100 is due.
    A $10 late fee will be applied if paid after May 6, 2022.
  - $100 per adult leader is due for full week leaders.
  - $50 per adult leader is due for half-week leaders.
  - Merit Badge requests close at midnight.
  - Last date for adult sign-up for BSA Lifeguard.

- Friday, May 20, 2022
  - Special Food Requests are due.
  - Leaders wishing to teach free time Merit Badges should submit your information.

- Sunday, June 12, 2022
  - Summer Camp Begins!!!!

Camp Dining Policies

Scout Strong & Healthy Living
Scout Strong is a BSA initiative to promote healthy living among all members of the Scouting family. The Scout Strong initiative was introduced in the spring of 2011. It is a cooperative between the BSA and many health organizations. It is designed to promote healthy lifestyles and in part to address the issue of childhood obesity defined as a national major health concern.

Through safe and well planned outdoor physical activities, Camp Tukabatchee is a great place to promote healthy living and lifestyles. At Camp Tukabatchee, we also promote healthy living through the dining experience by including a salad bar at many meals and by certain portion controls that are based on U.S.D.A and U.S. Department of Health recommendations for active adolescents and adults.

While the camp will not limit calorie intake or food consumption by campers while food is available (most meals have a call for seconds) the camp will follow U.S.D.A recommendations related to portions as an example of healthy living.

At all meals certain items will be available to accommodate the largest appetite including peanut butter and jelly, bread and other snack food.

Special Food Requests
Special food requests for medical or religious reasons must be made by the date noted in the Key Dates section to camptukabatchee@gmail.com. We always do our best to work with troops on these requests.

An additional fee may be required if we are unable to meet the request with our commissary stock.

Family Day
IT IS IMPORTANT...That troops planning to picnic with their parents on family day let the Camp Commissioner know by Tuesday morning using the special meals form.

IT IS IMPORTANT...That troops which plan for their parents to eat in the dining hall on family day inform the Camp Commissioner by Tuesday morning.

The food order will need to reflect both situations. Troops will be charged for meals if they do not inform us, and we cook too much. Parents may not be allowed to eat in the dining hall (on Friday) if we are not told in advance that they are coming.

Any troop expecting guests on Friday (family day) will be required to have someone from their troop meet and greet their guests in the parking lot and to assist in handling food items to be carried to their campsite. Because of the Friday night campfire preparations, camp staff will not be available to assist guests with supplies. Vehicles will not be allowed to enter the campsites.

Guest Meal Tickets
Anyone who has not paid a camp fee must purchase a guest meal ticket from the camp office for $5.00 per meal. Anyone staying at camp more than 24 hours must register as a full-time leader.

Camp wide & Special Programs

Pathfinders Program
This is the perfect class for your first-year campers. This program emphasizes on instruction in basic scouting skills. Each camper will have plenty of opportunities to advance toward First Class. Start your first-year campers on their trail to Eagle. All scouts participating in the Pathfinders program will need to bring a tarp for outpost night.

Outpost
The wilderness survival merit badge and pathfinders students will depart for their outpost camp at 5:00pm on Wednesday night from the dining hall. Scouts will sleep under the stars completing requirements. In the event thunderstorms are present or projected for the Camp Tukabatchee area, the location of the outpost may be changed.

Wilderness survival gear list: tarp, sleeping bag, water bottle, survival kit (requirement #5) and any medications (given to staff members).

BSA Lifeguard
BSA Lifeguard certification will be offered this summer. Completion of aquatics merit badges is not required, but highly suggested. This is a TOUGH course. Only strong swimmers will complete this course. Five periods plus free time are required for this course. Candidates must "Show evidence of current training in American Red Cross First Aid and American Red Cross CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer or equivalent (includes any training for a camp health officer recognized by BSA national camp standards)." "Or equivalent" is defined as CPR training that includes CPR for adults, children, and infants, plus AED training. "Current" is defined as "not expired". This requirement will not be completed at camp. Although CPR and first aid training can be accomplished before or after camp, it is recommended that both trainings be completed before the start of the BSA Lifeguard course; if they are not, they must be completed within 120 days of the course that they attend. Adults should register for this class by dates noted in Key Dates section.

Chapel
A non-denominational chapel service will be held at 7:30pm Tuesday night at the council ring.

Scoutmaster Help
Scoutmaster help is always appreciated and needed. If you would like to hold a night- or free-time merit badge class let the program director know by the date noted in the Key Dates Section. Remember an adult should be always in the campsite when youth are present.

Additional Training Opportunities
Our staff is available to conduct additional training for both Scouts and Scouters. A list of classes and times will be provided at check-in. Leave No Trace, CPR (for aquatics merit badges), Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Hunter Safety, and Climb-On Safety are common offerings. This includes Boy Scout Fast Start training. Please contact the camp director as soon as possible if you'd like to schedule any training.

Family Day is Friday
Families are invited to come and share Friday's afternoon of competition with the Scout's troop. Competition begins at 2:30pm. Some awards will be given at the 6:15pm flag assembly and the rest will be awarded at the 8:00pm campfire.

Merit Badges & Classes Offered

Please carefully review the merit badge offerings for the current camping year on the next page. Several merit badges have prerequisites and age restrictions. Many merit badges offerings will provide the Scout the opportunity to complete most but not all requirements. We are looking to add merit badges to this list. Updates will be posted on the camp website.

Important issues related to merit badges:

1. Many merit badges require work by the Scout in the campsite if they are to successfully complete most requirements. Be aware of the homework your Scout should do.

2. Many of the camp's merit badge instructors are not yet 21. Therefore, they sign off on completed tasks not, merit badges. Troops should review with Scouts at camp or home to ascertain completion and sign-off on the actual merit badge.

3. Merit badge requests may be pushed to the end of the line if a Scout has not submitted their $60.00 deposit.

4. The merit badge list is on the Scout Merit Badge Form on the next page. Please take note of the fees and other notes on that form.

***5. ALL Merit badge requests are now required to be submitted online. Merit badge requests are due by the date noted in the Key Dates section above. Please be sure to check your scouts currently earned merit badges to ensure you do not sign them up for those classes.

Free Time
Free time activities are designed as troop fun activities. All free time activities and schedules are subject to change weekly. Classes and sessions may not meet all 4 days.
Free time activities are offered on a first-come first-served basis. The free time schedule with maximum participants for each activity is posted weekly. Troops may sign up on Sunday for their preferred free time activities.
Typical activities include swimming, boating, snorkeling, rifle, shotgun, archery, handicrafts, games, paddle boarding, chalk ball, aerial archery, and volleyball.
Typical classes include Cit in the World MB, Cooking MB, 5K, Textile MB, Photography MB, Scouting Heritage MB, Fingerprinting MB, aerial archery, Kayaking BSA Award, and BSA Standup Paddle Boarding Award

On Monday through Thursday afternoons, aquatics, shooting sports and handicrafts will be open from 3:15 to 5:15pm.

Evening Programs
Monday and Tuesday nights there will be a camp-wide activity. Wednesday night is troop night. Thursday night is Order of the Arrow (OA) night. Everyone in camp is invited to participate in the OA night.

SHOTGUN AND RIFLE SHOOTING
Any Scout planning to take either of these merit badges must acquire and study the current BSA merit badge pamphlet prior to attending camp. If everyone knows the academic requirements, we can proceed to the shooting requirements much quicker. No Scout will be allowed to do any shooting until the safety requirements have been successfully completed. All leaders are strongly encouraged to consider the ability of any Scout wanting to take these merit badges as to their ability to comprehend/retain the material in advance, mental and physical maturity to handle/ operate a firearm and demonstrated behavior to follow directions promptly. For shotgun, this includes the physical ability to hold and operate a 7–8-pound pump shotgun and shoot a moving target. Most first year campers are not ready for shotgun shooting. Leaders who evaluate their Scouts' abilities to do the above will ensure their Scout has a fun and pleasant introduction into the shooting sports of the BSA.

There will be opportunities during some of the free time periods during the week for Scouts to come and shoot at the range for the cost of ammunition. This can be a way a leader can introduce a first year Scout or one who may not have the

physical maturity yet to handle the requirements of the Rifle Shooting and Shotgun Shooting merit badges to BSA shooting in preparation for their attendance at the next year summer camp.

Leaders can also shoot during free time for a chance at the adult leader Top Shot Award.

All Scouts who are taking a gun class or who want to shoot during free time must attend the safety briefing Sunday night after the campfire. Adults who want to shoot must attend as well.

All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV)
$30 additional fee.
Participant must be 14 years old or older.
Items the participants must bring to camp and are not optional.
(1) Over the ankle boots, preferable leather.
(2) Long pants
(3) Long sleeved shirt.
(4) Proof of completing the online course.
Course takes 45 minutes to 1-1/2 hours depending on internet speed.
Summer camp will provide the following:
(1) Helmet
(2) Goggles*
(3) Gloves*
*Participants may bring their own helmet, but it must be DOT approved.
*Participants may bring their own goggles, but it must be ANSI Z87.1.

Class Difficulty	Aquatics (must be a "swimmer" for all except instructional swim and swimming)	
Difficult	BSA Lifeguard (5 periods plus free time)	Must be 15+ years old. Completion of many aquatics merit badges is a plus, class is 5 periods plus most free periods A & B, CPR "for professionals" certification required before or after class (see leader's guide for full CPR information).
Moderate	Canoeing (2 periods)	
Easy	Instructional Swim	This class is for "learners"
Moderate	Kayaking	
Difficult	Lifesaving (2 periods)	May not complete entire merit badge.
Moderate	Motorboating	age 14+, prior completion of rowing merit badge is preferred
Moderate	Rowing	
Moderate	Sailing	May not complete entire merit badge.
Moderate	Swimming	May not complete entire merit badge, this class is for "beginners" & "swimmers, beginners will not complete all of the requirements. **Not recommended for first year campers.**
Class Difficulty	**High Adventure**	
Moderate	ATV	$30 fee, ages 14+. See further information under Merit Badges and Classes offered section.
Moderate	Cycling Option B: Mountain Biking - Own Bike - (2 periods)	May not complete entire merit badge.
Moderate	Cycling Option B: Mountain Biking – Camp Provided Bike - (2 periods)	May not complete entire merit badge.
Class Difficulty	**Handicrafts**	
Easy	Art	
Easy	Graphic Arts	
Easy	Leatherwork	
Easy	Moviemaking	
Easy	Photography	
Easy	Welding	
Easy	Woodcarving	
Class Difficulty	**Scoutcraft and Ecology**	
Easy	Astronomy	May not complete entire merit badge.
Moderate	Bird Study	May not complete entire merit badge.
Easy	Camping	May not complete entire merit badge.
Easy	Chemistry	May not complete entire merit badge.
Moderate	Emergency Preparedness	May not complete entire merit badge.
Moderate	Environmental Science	May not complete entire merit badge.
Moderate	First Aid	May not complete entire merit badge. #1 should be done before camp - **Not recommended for firstyear campers**
Easy	Fishing	May not complete entire merit badge. Bring own pole if possible
Easy	Geology	
Easy	Pathfinders (2 periods)	Covers Scout, Tenderfoot, Second and First Class Ranks
Easy	Personal Fitness	May not complete entire merit badge.
Easy	Reptile & Amphibian Study	May not complete entire merit badge.
Easy	Radio	
Easy	Robotics (2 periods)	
Moderate	Pioneering	
Easy	Signs, Signals and Codes	May not complete entire merit badge.
Moderate	Space Exploration	
Easy	Wilderness Survival	Bring materials for #5, **Not recommended for first year campers**

Class Difficulty	Shooting Sports	
Difficult	Archery	May not complete entire merit badge. - **Not recommended for first year campers**
Moderate	Rifle (2 periods)	book required, please read thoroughly before camp
Moderate	Shotgun (2 periods)	**Not recommended for first year campers**
Moderate	Advanced Rifle	Must have COMPLETED rifle merit badge before taking this class
Moderate	Advanced Shotgun	Must have COMPLETED shotgun merit badge before taking this class
Moderate	Pistol	age 14+

Adult Program and Activities

Scout Leader Appreciation Steak Dinner
Thursday nights at 5:00pm. Each registered leader is invited to join us for a steak dinner. Spouses and other Adult Leaders not attending camp may come for $12. Requests by others must be approved in advance by the camp director. Very few additional requests will be approved.

Scoutmaster Breakfast Social
All leaders are welcome to join us at 8:00am on Tuesday for the social. Leaders are asked to come to the normal breakfast seating with your scouts but just don't eat. We will have a special meal for you as well as guest speakers to inform you of upcoming events and new programs coming to Tukabatchee.

Scoutmaster Hospitality Center
A scoutmaster hospitality center will be outside the dining hall for all adult leaders during the week. It is open all day and all night for your needs. A few things it offers are drinks, snacks, coffee, internet, and a lounge space. A self-service first aid kit is also available. This area is for adult leaders only.

Scoutmaster/ Staff Challenge
On Friday, the scoutmasters will play the staff members in a game of volleyball.

BSA Lifeguard
See information under Camp wide & Special Programs above.

IOLS – Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills
Camp Tukabatchee offers the adult leader training IOLS during the week of camp. The course is covered during a few hours each program day.

Friday Activities

Family Day is Friday
Families are invited to come and share Friday's afternoon of competition with the Scout's troop. Competition begins at 2:30pm. Some awards will be given at the 6:15pm flag assembly and the rest will be awarded at the 8:00pm campfire.

On Friday, we do not hold classes. Instead, we will have camp wide program all day. Each troop will have an option of what they want to participate in. There will be three blocks before the Batchee Man relay which starts at 11AM. 8:00-8:50, 9:00-9:50, 10:00-10:50.

Boating on Crane Lake	Aerial Archery
Rifle Shooting	Chalkball
Mountain Biking	Volleyball
Fishing	Games in the Field
Crafts in Handicraft	

BATCHEE MAN RELAY
Beginning at 11:00 AM at the Admin Building will start our relay race through camp. On Sunday at the SM/SPL meeting we will go over what the relay race will consist of. Troops may combine if needed for participation. The relay route and rules will be provided in written form during the SM/SPL time and any questions can be asked during the daily commissioner meeting or of the Camp and Program director. A Swimmer will be provided for units lacking a scout qualified for the aquatics portion.

WATER CARNIVAL
Beginning at 2:00 PM at the waterfront will be our water carnival. On Sunday at the SM/SPL meeting we will go over what the water carnival will include. The carnival is made in a way that all swimmer groups will be allowed to participate in the activities. Troops may combine if needed for participation.

Scouts BSA Schedule for the Week

(Subject to change)

Sunday

12:00-3:30	Check-in, Medical Checks, Swim Tests,
2:30 – 5:00	Campsite Setup, Swim Tests
5:00	SM and SPL Meeting (Dining Hall)
6:00	Assembly
6:15 – 7:30	Supper
8:00 – 9:00	Campfire
10:30	Taps

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

6:30	Reveille
7:00 – 7:40	Breakfast
7:40 – 7:50	Assembly
8:00 – 9:00	First Period
8:15	Commissioners Meeting
9:10 – 10:10	Second Period
10:20 – 11:20	Third Period
11:30 – 12:30	Fourth Period
12:40 – 1:20	Lunch
2:00 – 3:00	Fifth Period
3:10 – 4:05	Free Time A
4:15 – 5:05	Free Time B
6:00	Assembly
6:15 – 7:30	Supper
7:30 – 8:45	Evening Programs
9:00 – 10:00	Evening Free Time MBs
10:30	Taps

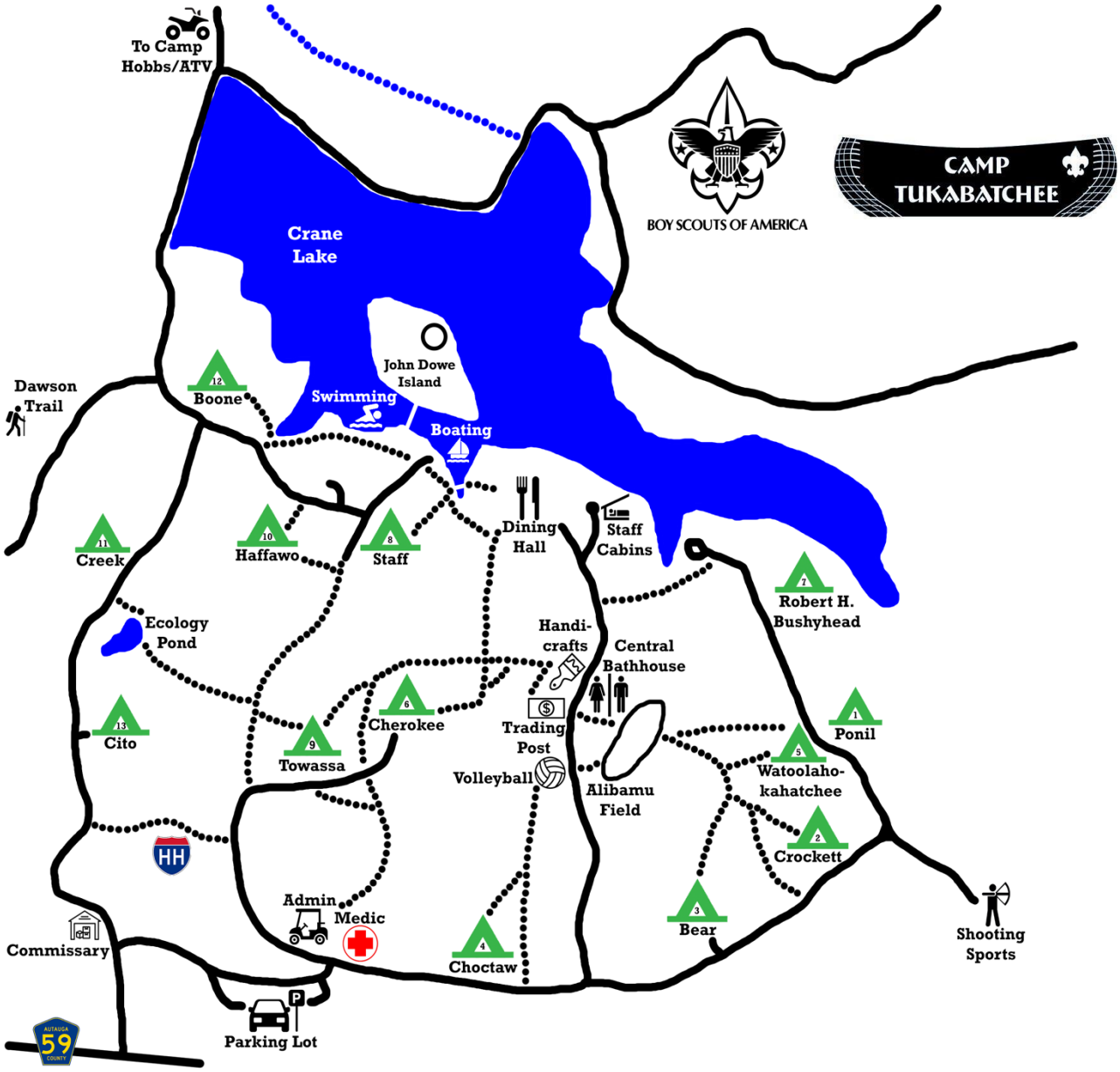
Friday

6:30	Reveille
7:00 – 7:40	Breakfast
7:40 – 7:50	Assembly
8:00 – 10:50	Camp wide Activities
8:15	Commissioners Meeting
9:00	Mile Swim
11:00	Batchee Man Relay
12:00 – 12:45	Lunch
1:00 – 2:00	Scoutmaster Challenge
2:00 – 5:00	Water Carnival
6:15 – 7:15	Assembly / Supper
8:00 – 9:00	Campfire
10:30	Taps

Saturday

6:30	Reveille
7:15 – 8:15	Breakfast
8:15 – 9:30	Checkout

Camp Tukabatchee Map



Campsite Inspection

Troop	Site

Maximum of 10 points each

Checklist Item	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1. Tent flaps closed and secure if no one is in camp. If camp is occupied and tents are open are they neat?					
2. Wet clothing or items are being aired on a line (not hung over tent ropes, outriggers, bushes, etc.).					
3. Campsite free of debris and litter (not raked).					
4. Trailer closed when not in actual use.					
5. Bicycles neatly placed in one area.					
6. Complete bathhouse clean and free of leaves,paper, clothing, soap, etc.					
7. Posted at bathhouse - tent occupancy map.					
8. Posted at bathhouse - fire guard chart (2 points),camp schedule (5 points), bathhouse cleaning schedule (3 points).					
9. No equipment, tent, bathhouse or tree damage.Tent flaps must be tied in bows, not overhand knots.					
10. Conservation of camp supplies (toilet paper, cleaning supplies, propane, fire extinguisher, etc).					

Bonus Points	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1. American flag correctly displayed at camp entrance. Up to 5 points.					
2. Patrol flags correctly displayed in patrol area. Upto 5 points					
3. There is a troop gateway. Up to 10 points					
4. Troop identified by sign or some other display item. Up to 5 points.					

Negatives – subtracted from score	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1. Unauthorized vehicle(s) in campsite - minus 20points per vehicle every 20 minutes or fraction thereof.					
2. Any vehicle that was authorized by the Camp Director or Program Director that remains in thecampsite longer than 10 minutes becomes an unauthorized vehicle - see #1 for points					

Daily Total					

2022 CAMPERSHIP APPLICATION The application deadline is April 8, 2022.

It is the policy of the Tukabatchee Area Council BSA that no child who demonstrates a commitment to the 9th point of the Scout Law, "A Scout is thrifty," be denied camp or activity participation simply due to financial means. Requests for camperships or scholarships will be accepted from any Tukabatchee Area Council unit that participates in a council-sponsored fundraiser like annual popcorn sale or unit FOS presentation. Demonstration of the 9th point of the Scout Law by a scout may include participation in a unit fundraiser within the past 12 months or other evidence of "works to pay their own way."

Scout's Name: _____

Unit #: _____ District: _____

Brief description of circumstances:
_____
_____
_____
_____

Unit Leaders Name: _____ Phone: _____

The following contributions toward camp will be made by:

$_____ Scout - including popcorn sales

$_____ Scout's family

$_____ Pack, Troop or Crew

$_____ Chartered partner

$_____ Total contributions

$_____ Campership requested (the maximum that will be approved is $125)

I, hereby, certify that said Scout will benefit from the summer camping experience, that a financial need does exist, and all local sources of funding have been explored.

Unit Leader's Signature_____ ____/____/_____

Please submit this application no later than April 8, 2022, to the council office.
BSA, 3067 Carter Hill Road, Montgomery, AL 36111.

General Rules & Procedures

Lone Scouts
While we do not have a full lone camper program, we do welcome single Scouts to camp with us. Sometimes a Scout would like to come a second week or just is not able to attend with their troop. We encourage these Scouts to come rather than missing out. We will work with you to find a troop for them to camp with.

Leaders
Each troop must have always at least 2 adults at camp. A leader fee of $100 is required for each leader. The leader fee is designed to cover the cost of the 17 meals served during the week, incidentals like insurance and utilities, and the camp patch. If your troop was represented at the summer camp promotion meeting and pay your deposit by October 3, one leader's fee is complimentary (two leaders if 21+ Scouts attend). At least two Scouts must attend camp to use this fee.

We offer half week leader fees (Sunday - Wednesday or Wednesday - Saturday) as well. Anyone staying at camp for more than 24 hours total or any overnight in a week must register as a paid leader.

Two Deep Leadership & Youth Protection Training
There shall be a minimum of two adult leaders in each campsite. The first must be the unit leader (or acting unit leader) who is at least 21 years old and a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America. The second adult may be registered Scouter 18 years old or older, or a registered parent of a participating unit member. Parents staying overnight must be registered as BSA members.

Troops that cannot provide this leadership must contact the Camp Director for assistance. **Please do this long before you arrive at camp**. Often troops experiencing this problem will get together and share a campsite.

All registered adults must have a current youth protection training certificate which is valid for two years after your course dates.

General Rule

Camp Tukabatchee is private property, owned and operated by the Tukabatchee Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. To assure the safety of all campers and to assure all Scout codes and best practices and procedures are observed, the Scout Executive, the Council Executive Board and Camp Director are empowered to make decisions regarding the revocation of camp privileges for any camper for any reason. Should a decision to revoke camp privileges be made, a refund of all unused camp fees will be made.

Guests at Camp
Families often desire to visit camp and see their Scout. Parents should check with the scoutmaster before coming to visit at any time other than family day. When parents and family do visit, they must sign in and out at the camp office. **ALL GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A MEDICAL FORM PART A & B.** No Scouts will be allowed to leave camp without the Scoutmaster clearing the departure with the camp office.

Camp Commissioner's Meeting
There is no more important ally to a troop in camp than the camp commissioner. The camp commissioners conduct a morning meeting, Monday through Friday, after morning assembly in the dining hall. During the meeting, important daily information is exchanged, and unit needs are discussed. Each troop should have a representative adult at the meeting.

Camp Orientation
On Sunday at 5:00pm, there will be a senior patrol leader and Scoutmaster meeting held at the dining hall.

First Aid at Camp
A doctor is on call 24 hours a day for camp emergencies. Our emergency hospital is Baptist Health - Prattville. The first aid lodge is staffed with medics. Medicines must be kept in the possession of an adult at all times or you may leave them with the medic. Please bring all medicines for review during the medical recheck on Sunday afternoon. It is the Scout's responsibility to take their medicine.

Please ensure any new medical exams are on this new form. 2019 or newer forms are required for summer camp.

If a form is completed in Spanish, it must be submitted to us by May 15 so we have time to translate. All BSA medical forms expire after 12 months. Only BSA medical forms will be accepted. School sports/ Work forms will not be accepted.

Anyone staying more than 24 hours must turn in a full medical form (Parts A, B & C).

BSA Medicals forms are for download at www.tukabatcheebsa.org/forms-publications

Water Consumption. With the typical high heat and high humidity, heat exhaustion and more serious problems can occur. Training areas are provided with a supply of water for use by campers and staff. Campers mustbring their own cups or water bottles.

Smoking/Vaping at Camp
Leaders of Scouts are reminded that smoking/electronic vaping is a restricted activity. Our leaders are remind-ed in the Scoutmaster Handbook that they should not smoke/vape in the presence of Scouts. All buildings owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America are smoke/vape free. All underage smokers/vapers will be reported to their leader and parents will be notified. This may result in dismissal from camp.

Firearms
NO PERSONAL BOWS, ARROWS OR FIREARMS ARE ALLOWED AT CAMP.

Money at Camp
The camp is not responsible for the loss of any money. It is the troop's responsibility to set up a troop bank.

Vehicles in Camp

There is great concern for the safety of our Scouts and the erosion problems at camp and we limit the number of vehicles traveling the camp roads. Again, this year the NO VEHICLES IN CAMP POLICY WILL BE ENFORCED. Troop trailers may be moved to the campsite and then the vehicle returned to the parking lot by the designated time listed on your temporary vehicle pass. The ONLY VEHICLES authorized to drive in camp will be camp trucks, delivery trucks and vehicles approved by the Camp Director which all require a vehicle pass. Each troop will be allowed to have one golf cart equipped with nighttime lights, a first aid kit and fire extinguisher, subject to inspection, at their campsite during their stay at Camp Tukabatchee. Acquiring carts is the responsibility of each unit. Only golf carts that can be used on golf courses are allowed. No Scout will be allowed to ride on carts at any time unless injured/sick and need emergency transportation. **Warning: No troop ATVs/Gators/3 Wheelers/4 Wheelers will be allowedon camp property. This includes Mule brand utility vehicles as they are ATVs, not golf carts.**

Flammable Liquids in Camp
BSA policy and national camp standards dictate that flammable liquid fuels must be kept in a safe place underlock and key. Flammable fuels are dangerous. Please help with this policy by bringing all flammable liquids tothe designated area. They will not be stored in the campsite or in the troop trailer. See the Camp Commissioners for more information about storage.

Controlled Substances
Controlled substances are totally prohibited in camp. Anyone that is found with controlled substances will be required to leave camp and will be subject to the laws of the state of Alabama. Examples of controlled substances are alcohol, illegal drugs and tobacco products for anyone under the age of 21. Due to the potential fire hazard, all fireworks are prohibited. Anyone found with fireworks will be required to leave camp. A Scout is Clean.

Ice
Limited amounts of ice are available from the dining hall especially if it is a very hot week. Please ask the dining hall director before taking ice. If ice is unavailable, please visit the icehouse at the corner of US 31 and County Rd 40.

Camp Emergency Procedures
Air Horns around camp will sound for any camp emergency. A series of long blasts are triggered by the campstaff. Early in the week we will have a practice. Please respond to the emergency call as soon as possible. This practice is timed.

From 6:30am until 9:00pm all Scouts and Scouters should assemble at the **DINING HALL FLAGPOLES** as quickly as possible. If it is during class time ATV and mountain biking students will go to appropriate shelter rather than the dining hall. Their instructor will account for them.

From 9:00pm until 6:30am all Scouts and Scouters should remain in their **CAMPSITE** and await further instructions. Adult staff members will be at your campsite shortly with instructions.

Bicycles
Scouts are allowed to bring bicycles to camp under following instructions:

- Bicycles are allowed on trails. Riders must be courteous of others on the trail.
- Parental permission slips must be submitted with camp registration. This includes those in mountain biking class.
- No bicycle racks are available.
- Area restrictions in campsites are determined by the Scoutmaster.
- Riding time is from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
- All riders required to wear helmets.
- **All bicycles are to be inspected by parents before arriving at camp to be in good working condition including brakes.**

Your Campsite
Your campsite is your home while at camp. Likewise, other campsites are homes for other Scouts and Scouters. Please practice campsite courtesy at all times. Before entering another campsite, ask for permission. If there is no one there, do not enter. This is trespassing. Do not cut through other campsites on the way to activities.

The camping committee requests that an adult remain in the campsite at all times except for meals. During meal periods, the staff will visit campsites. This will help ensure the safety and security of troop and personal possessions. Contact the camp office to report any problems.

Campsite Bathhouses
Each campsite has its own bathhouse. It is your responsibility to keep it clean. Toilet paper, toilet cleaner, a toilet brush, a plunger, a broom and a hose are provided. The bathhouse should be cleaned at least once each day. The senior patrol leader and the scoutmaster should prepare a bathhouse cleaning schedule to be posted on the campsite bulletin board.

Campsite Inspection
Each day the camp commissioners will inspect the campsites and present an award for the best campsite at final campfire. The inspection checklist can be found in the back of this guide.

Dress Code and Uniforming
Uniforms are one of the 8 aims and methods of scouting. Boy Scouting is an action program, and wearing the uniform is an action that shows each Boy Scout's commitment to the aims and purposes of Scouting. Although it is not required, if it is owned, we do expect Scouts and leaders to wear scout clothing while at camp. The uniform shirt is required for evening meals and chapel services.

All clothing should be in good taste and conform to decency norms of the Scouts BSA.

Shorts, Shoes and Activity or Field Uniforms must be worn at all times with the exception of waterfront activities as discussed below. All shirts must have sleeves and shorts must maintain the same length as official BSA scout shorts. Shorts or Pants must be worn at the waistline. Proper close toed shoes must be worn at all times while on camp property.

Any questions will be resolved by the Camp Director or Staff Advisor.

Shoes. CLOSED TOE SHOES are to be worn at ALL TIMES. Except when bathing or sleeping, shoes must be worn. There is nothing that can ruin a Scout’s experience at camp more than to be restricted because of a foot injury. Fully closed toe sandals may be worn.

Waterfront Dress Code

All participants must be fully clothed, to include shirts, when they arrive and leave the waterfront.

While at the waterfront a modest one-piece swimsuit or tankini for girls, modest shorts for boys must be worn. It is suggested that all waterfront participants wear a swim shirt or t-shirt to reduce the chances of sunburn. Any participant that is not appropriately dressed by the judgment of the Aquatics director will be asked to make changes or leave the waterfront.

Any questions will be resolved by the Aquatics Director, Camp Director or Staff Advisor. .

Protection of Camp Property

Troops are responsible for the care of camp property in their campsite. Scoutmasters need to inspect their campsites for damage on Sunday. Report any damage to the camp commissioner no later than taps on Sunday. If this is not done on time, it will be assumed that your troop is responsible for the damage. Saturday morning a member of the staff inspects each campsite for damage during the week. The troop will be responsible for the cost of repairs or replacement. Merit badge information and patches will not be issued until the damages are paid for.

Camp Security
Scouts are to strictly adhere to the buddy system whenever possible. YPT Guidelines will be followed. Everyone must attend meals, whether they plan on eating or not. Any Scout caught away from the dining hall without an adult, depending on the situation, is either assigned cleanup duty or sent home. No warning.

Camp Curfew
A specific nighttime curfew (10:30pm) will be established and outlined to both Scoutmasters and senior patrol leaders at the Sunday night meeting. The staff members will patrol camp after curfew. After curfew, NO SCOUT is to be out of their campsite without an adult. No Exceptions.

If a Scout is caught outside their campsite without an adult, they will be taken to the camp office, the Scoutmaster sent for, and they will be assigned cleanup duties in the dining hall for a meal. If a Scout is caught out-side the campsite after curfew a second time, the Scoutmaster and parents are called and they will be sent home.

Check-out
Campsites and bathhouses must be completely clean before your troop may leave. Once your troop is ready to leave send someone to the camp office to request a campsite inspection. Campsites must be cleared by the inspection staff before any merit badge paperwork and camp patches can be issued.

Trading Post
The trading post is well stocked with most items a Scout will need at camp. Program materials for all handicraft merit badges and archery are available for purchase. Uniform parts, merit badge pamphlets, knives, flash-lights and FOOD. Trading post hours will be posted. It is the goal of the trading post staff that goodies do not interfere with the quality meals in the dining hall. There will be no bank at the trading post. All campers are expected to help keep the trading post clean by using trash containers. If the excessive trash is found around camp, the camp director may direct all food items be eaten at the trading post. A SCOUT IS CLEAN.

FAQ's

1. Why is the first $60.00 of each Scout's fee nonrefundable and non-transferable?

Answer: Camp operations have become a significant planning issue, and a financially challenging programto administer. Commitments to staff, food, supplies, patches, etc. must be made many months in advance of camp opening. A good working knowledge of projected camp attendance and knowledge that crossoversand new Scouts will be added to rosters late allows good planning and conserves resources. When fees are transferred from non-attendees to Scouts who are newly committed or to existing registrants, the attendance projections become skewed and advance planning becomes difficult. The $60.00 non-refundable andnontransferable fee payment provides a cushion or hedge and acts as a penalty for those who change planslate in the camp preparation cycle.

2. **Why require troops to register for a campsite and camp week by Summer Preview?**

Answer: Camps all tend to have campsites that are more popular than others and weeks of operation that are more popular than others. To be fair to troops that camp year-after-year at Tukabatchee, the deadline was established. Each year there are troops which camp at Tukabatchee for the first time. The new troops often choose the most popular sites and weeks. To assure our long-time camping troops have the opportunity to camp in their favorite site and during their favorite week, make your intention known at the Summer Preview meeting, the make your payment by then.

3. **Why hassle leaders regarding vehicles in camp?**

Answer: Nationwide the most common serious accidents at camp relate to vehicles. Camp roads are very narrow. Some traffic in service vehicles is necessary. When roads become clogged accidents occur. The very nature of camp is a factor. Cars, trucks and vans detract from the "wilderness experience" that camps attempt to emulate. A good rule of thumb at camp is "if it isn't paved or designated as a drive or parking lot then they didn't plan for my vehicle to be there."

4. **Why are there restrictions related to golf carts?**

Answer. Most camps have "no golf cart" policies. At Tukabatchee we chose to allow golf carts because travel by roads within camp can be lengthy and time consuming and because we did wish our unit leadersto visit as many program venues as possible within a day. Still, golf carts when used improperly become dangerous. Speeding is dangerous for riders and walkers. Operating without lights at night is extremely dangerous. To reduce speed, improve safety and maintain roads we require golf carts and their operators tomeet standards and obey rules.

5. **Why have rules at all?**

Answer. Without rules chaos exists, tempers flair and safety is abridged. At camp every consideration is given our youth and volunteers before rules are established. There are no arbitrary rules. Those who understand and obey rules at camp are blessings to the staff. Those who live by "their rules" are not.