



# Wapiti District Webelos Woods

**Date and Time:** October 17-19, 2008

**Check in:** Friday evening between 6:00 – 7:00PM  
or Saturday morning between 8:00 – 8:30AM

**Location:** Camp Clark, Tillamook, Oregon

**Cost:** \$15 per Webelos Scout, Parent, or Adult Leader

## Summary

Webelos Woods is designed to give first and second year Webelos Scouts and their parents a preview of the Boy Scouting experience. The program reinforces Boy Scouting values, procedures, methods, and skills. It is an introduction to Boy Scouts being a “boy led” program versus the “adult led” program used in Cub Scouting. Also, there is the thrill of camping in the outdoors at a Boy Scout style camp which will foster a desire to continue in Scouting. All Webelos are invited to participate in Webelos Woods, through their Den or Pack leader...we strongly recommend that a parent accompany their son in this event. At the very least, the adult to scout ratio must be 1:2, based on BSA policy.

Adults will have the opportunity to attend special “Everything You Want to Know about Boy Scouting” type sessions, and have an opportunity to meet and talk with Scout leaders, District officials, and others about the Boy Scout program. You don’t want to miss out!

## Arrival

We highly recommend that Webelos Dens arrive and check-in at Camp Clark Friday evening. If that’s not possible, dens can check-in Saturday morning. In either case, the program will start at 8:30AM Saturday morning. Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, is a day off school for many boys, so hopefully, that will allow some packs to come down Friday evening. Camp Clark does not have Adirondack cabins, so packs will have to provide their own tents. If you don’t have enough tents, you may want to get in touch with a Boy Scout Troop in your area as ask if you can borrow some.

Packs need to follow BSA Youth Protection guidelines: Only boys will be housed in tents together. Male and female adults must sleep in separate tents. A boy may sleep in a tent with an adult as long as that person is his parent.

Dens arriving Friday evening between 6:00 – 7:00pm will be registered and directed to their campsite. No formal program will be offered by our staff on Friday, so this could be a great chance to work on some advancement in your campsite and have your own campfire!

Dens arriving Saturday morning need to check-in between 8:00 – 8:30am. You will then be directed to your campsite. All dens need to have a complete roster turned in, including Scouts, parents, and adults.

Each Webelos Den will be assigned a Boy Scout Troop Guide, who will assist them throughout the day. Webelos dens will hike from the parking lot to their campsite. Only one vehicle per pack will be allowed to drive down the service road. It **MUST** be returned to the parking lot after being unloaded.

**Note: more than one Webelos unit could be assigned to the same campsite.**

## Participant Eligibility

Webelos I & IIs who are currently registered at the time of the event may attend. Siblings or friends may NOT attend. Boy Scout Webelos Den Chiefs are encouraged to attend at the Den Leader's option.

## Responsibilities

After you have received your campsite assignment, you will unload your equipment and your Troop Guide will help you to your site. Your unit is responsible for all meals. If arriving Friday evening, we suggest that you eat dinner prior to arriving at camp. If arriving Saturday morning, we recommend that you satisfy breakfast before leaving home, as there will not be an opportunity to prepare a meal before the morning program begins.

You Pack should assign an adult "Grubmaster" to manage and collect the food purchase and preparation. **NOTE:** Scouting is encouraging us to move away from liquid fuels because of their inherent dangers. Please bring propane stoves and lanterns, and remember Cub Scouts can not light these pieces of equipment. Due to the extreme fire danger in the state, campfires should be limited in size and only used Friday and Saturday evening and only while attended by adults. **DO NOT LEAVE FIRES UNATTENDED!**

National policy requires a minimum ratio of one adult per every two Webelos for outdoor activities like this. We encourage all parents to attend if at all possible, since parents will also learn much about Boy Scouting. Parents need not be registered as Scout Leaders. Both women and men are welcome and encouraged to attend. In keeping with Scouting's Youth Protection Guidelines, we will not allow adults to sleep in the same tent boys. Male and female adults must sleep in separate facilities. Parents may sleep in the same tent with their son(s), but no other scouts or adults may be in that tent.

## Fees

The fee for this program is \$15.00 for each participant: Webelos Scout, Den Chief, Scouter, and parent. This includes all camp fees, program costs, and a Webelos Woods patch for each camper. Registration will only be accepted online at [www.cpcbsa.org/register](http://www.cpcbsa.org/register). The deadline for online registration is October 15<sup>th</sup>.

*Scouts may wish to bring extra cash for snacks at the trading post.*

## Transportation & Parking

Directions to Camp Clark can be downloaded from the council website at:

<http://www.cpcbsa.org/camp-properties/propertylist/clark/directions/index.html>

With the exception of emergency vehicles and those required for special needs, parking must be limited to the parking lot. Packs will be allowed to take one vehicle down the service road to unload pack/den food and equipment. Those vehicles **MUST** be returned to the parking lot after unloading. Webelos Scouts should carry their personal gear from the parking lot to their campsite.

## Permission Slips

Never take any Scout on an outing away from your regular meeting place without a written permission slip from their parent or guardian, even if the adult is with you. In addition, the unit leaders need signed permission from each Scout's parent to treat medical emergencies, even if the parent is attending the event. Your Pack may have a standard form which is used for outings. If not, you might consult our Council for information about a form.

Your Scouts (and adults) come to these outings with a wide variety of pre-existing medical conditions and situations that you as the responsible leader might need to know, like asthma, heart conditions, allergies, prescription medications or limits on activities or diet. You will want to include any such information when the parent/guardian signs the permission form. Make sure you take any dietary issues into consideration when preparing your menus.

## Permission to treat medical emergencies

This authorization is important on any outing and can be combined with the Permission Slip. It allows you as the Scouting leader to take a Scout for appropriate emergency medical treatment if needed, even without the parent. The den and pack leaders will have primary responsibility for seeking medical treatment. You should have a current Class 1 Personal Health and Medical Record form for each Scout and adult. (These medical forms are the same ones required for Day Camp or 2-night Resident Camp; you may already have these completed from this summer's camp.) Blank forms can be acquired from the Volunteer Services desk at our Council Office or downloaded from the Council website at:

<http://www.cpcbsa.org/downloads/forms/listform.php?programid=1&catagoryid=7&Submit=View+Forms>

These medical forms should be collected and kept by one leader at all times while at Webelos Woods. Please bring first aid supplies for your own unit; we will not be operating a routine medical facility. Should an emergency occur, we ask that you send someone immediately to the dining hall, where we will have an adult stationed at all times, including at night. While we do have some highly qualified staff and will offer help, you will be responsible for both routine care and for accessing emergency care. Please let us know of any special medical training that your adults possess (EMT, RN, MD). Based on BSA Tour Permit policy, you should have at least one adult with current CPR certification in attendance.

## Tour Permit

Be sure to turn in a regular Tour Permit with our Council office at least two weeks before you leave for Webelos Woods. You may take the completed form to the office, mail it or fax it to 503-225-5733. With an approved tour permit, the Council provides liability insurance; without one you could be personally liable. You can download a blank Tour Permit at:

<http://www.cpcbsa.org/downloads/forms/listform.php?programid=0&catagoryid=8&Submit=View+Forms>

## Unit Insurance

Scout units carry accident and liability insurance. The policy number is usually maintained by the Cubmaster or Pack Committee Chair. This policy number must appear on your registration form (as well as on the Tour Permit). LDS units are self-insured; please just fill in "LDS" as the insurance info on the registration form.

## Staff

Unlike Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts, leadership in Boy Scouts comes from the BOYS! This means that you can expect most activities during the weekend to be run by the boys...please allow them to run the program. As staff leaders, they have the responsibility to deliver a good, enthusiastic program while enforcing safety and behavioral rules. If you have any specific concerns, let one of the adult staffers know and we will resolve the situation – please do not take direct action yourself unless the situation is of an immediate safety concern. (This is the key difference between Boy Scouting and Cub Scouting, and can be one of the most difficult and most rewarding for Scout Leaders and parents to embrace.)

## Fires/Lanterns/Fuel Policy

A propane lantern is a good idea for each camping area, but they **MUST** stay outside the Adirondacks and tents. **NO, NO liquid fuels!** No flame is allowed inside tents and structures, including lanterns or candles. Definitely bring flashlights or headlamps. It is highly recommended that battery powered lanterns be used whenever possible in camp.

Campfires in the campsites are allowed and there will be a camp-wide campfire on Saturday night. All campfires **MUST** be completely extinguished whenever no one is in the campsite. If you want a campfire, you will need to bring firewood that has already been split and is ready to burn. This will eliminate the need for using an ax and/or chopping wood in the campsites. Please use existing fire rings only, do not move the rings.

## Seatbelts

Everyone traveling to this event must ride with a legal driver at least 21 years old. Every rider must have a proper seatbelt and nobody may ride in the back of a pickup or trailer. If you have any questions, consult your copy of the Guide to Safe Scouting.

## Uniforms

We encourage everyone to be in uniform for Webelos Woods. We suggest that you remove all loose items from the Webelos uniform, such as ribbons and pins.

## Raingear

We will run the program rain or shine and wet campers may not have quite as much fun. Make sure they have waterproof head gear and coats as well as waterproof shoes or boots – these are a necessity! Big garbage sacks make great ponchos with cutouts for the head and arms.

## Lost and Found

Every year we have a few clothing items left in camp with no names attached. Please ask your parents to put their son's name in/on all of their possessions. We will bring the Lost and Found to Roundtable after Webelos Woods. Unclaimed items will eventually be donated to charity.

## Knives

Webelos love pocketknives! They will be allowed for Webelos who bring a valid Whittlin' Chit card (a great Den meeting activity!) along with being supervised by an adult. Confine use of knives to safe areas in your campsite. Use of knives by Webelos will not be allowed outside of their campsite. Some Pack leaders wisely are the "keeper" of the knife, dispensing it when it is appropriate during the program. Our staff will be watching for any Webelos using their knife outside of the campsite and will ask them to put the knife away, should any be observed.

Only pocketknives with three-inch blades or less are allowed. We also recommend locking blade knives. Please have your adults set the example.

## Program

Webelos Leaders must understand that this event is NOT about Webelos advancement, it's about FUN and aspiring to become a Boy Scout. There are many opportunities to meet requirements in the outdoors group of the Webelos badge at Webelos Woods. Our staff is not in a position to pass your Scouts on their advancement; we encourage you to sign requirements within your unit.

## Camp Rules

Please review these with your Scouts before arriving at camp.

**The Scout Oath and law will guide everyone!** Please review the Oath and Law with your Scouts!

**The ocean is strictly off limits, with no second chances – violators will be sent home immediately.** Likewise, we need to keep everyone off the bluffs along the beach for reasons of safety and conservation. Please make sure your boys know this. You will be responsible for controlling the behavior of your Webelos.

**DO NOT bring any of the following:** weapons, BB guns, arrows, fireworks, martial arts articles, alcohol or drugs. Tobacco is strongly discouraged; the designated area for smoking is inside your vehicle. Also **no** electronic toys are allowed: iPod, GameBoy, PSP, etc. There won't be time for their use, rain and sand damage them, they're too expensive to lose, they can cause hard feelings between boys. Cellular phones should be kept for emergency use only; there is limited signal strength at camp. And finally, please keep your pets at home!

**Please make every attempt to car pool!** Make sure all drivers have a map to get to camp. You may also want to consider distributing a cell phone listing of drivers in case contact is needed in route.

**Please do not use the wash troughs at the kybos (latrines) for dishwashing** as this will attract animals to your campsite. Only human waste and toilet paper should be deposited in the kybo pits. Reduce the smell of the kybos by keeping the seats down.

**Quiet time is between 10pm and 7am.** This means that boys need to stay in their campsites during these hours and keep noise to a minimum. Remember: sound carries at night!

## **“S” Rules**

- Stay with your Buddy
- Stay within the boundaries of camp
- Shoes – Always wear them!
- Slow down! – run only during games where it is needed.
- Sanitation – wash your hands before you eat and obey proper kybo/latrine rules
- Sticks – leave them on the ground
- Stones – leave them with the sticks
- Stuff – stay out of other people’s belongings
- Surf – don’t even think about it!

## **Snack Foods**

Leaving snacks in packs and sleeping bags is a sure way to have raccoons, possums, chipmunks and very clever squirrels ruin your gear by chewing through it to get to your food. Adults may want to control snacks to eliminate such hazards as well as behavior problems. You will also want to provide snacks for any specific medical conditions. You can bring a cooler to store snacks in or put all snacks and your meal fixin’s in a “critter proof” container in your campsite.

## **Campsite Security**

The campsites are not secure. During the program activities, boys will only be allowed back in their campsite when accompanied by their parent or guardian, or at least two adults to abide by Youth Protection Guidelines.

## **Check Out**

Units need to leave together, or arrange for any exceptions within the unit. Troop Guides will be in your campsites just after the closing ceremony on Sunday for campsite inspection and unit checkout. No leaders, adults, or Webelos should leave camp without checking out with staff. We need to be able to account for all campers in the event of trouble or the need to evaluate camp.

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