



Cub Scout Pack 65 Summer 2015

Cub Scout New Program begins June 2015

The new cub scouting program begins June 2015. All of our scouts move to the next level in scouting and we all move into the next adventure. At each level from Tigers through Bears the scouts will need to earn 7 required adventures along with one elective. Each adventure is suppose to take two meetings plus one out-ing.

This summer we are encouraging our den leaders to make plans to help your scouts earn special patches, since the belt loops are gone now and we don't want to work on too many rank requirements that then

make it difficult for kids who start in the fall to catch up.

We are looking this summer at earning the Summertime Pack award pin, which all the events for this program have been planned. Also, we are going to try to target Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award this summer and we would like to encourage our

den leaders to work on the Cub Scout World Conservation Award along with National Den Award, these are great additional patches that our scouts can earn.

Depending on new leaders stepping forward, we would like to work on the Conversation Good Turn award, which involves a service project. So there is still plenty of things to work on in the coming year!



STEM Program

The Nova Program is an exciting new component of scouting! STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. "Ten-year employment projections by the U.S. Department of Labor show that of the 20 fastest-growing occupations projected for 2014, 15 of them require significant mathematics or

science preparation." Starting our boys on this trail in Cub Scouts is going to allow them to build upon the skills they learn now when they get into high school and college.

Not only is this program great educationally, it is a lot of fun! Boys are natu-

rally curious about their world and the BSA is encouraging that sense of wonder with this exciting program. We did a number of activities with the program last fall and we plan to build on that this summer!

We will have three opportunities for boys to meet this summer on Tuesday evenings: June 30th, July 7th, and July 14th, from 7-8pm. Scouts can attend any or all sessions. Please email Brandon at drawgs@gmail.com for more info regarding this opportunity and to reserve a spot. Space is limited.

Birthdays

June

Brandon Pasour

Isaac Horner

Adam Couturier

Ryan Virginia

July

Justin Booker

August

Colby Lee

Ian Garris

Jarrett Waldron

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Parents Retreat

We are planning our first yearly planning retreat at the Boy Scout Hut. This is very important to help us get a jump start on the upcoming cub scout year.

We will discuss the new program, camping program, hiking program, leadership positions, den roles, finances, recruitment, popcorn, adopt a school program, and community service projects.

We invite all parents to attend this meeting to help us plan for the next year. We would like to keep this event to just parents so we can focus on the topics we need to cover. I want

to thank all the leaders who have volunteered their time this past year.

You have made it a great year, we invite you all to come and help continue the success, but we also need the parents to help us move our pack forward. As you can see we have many topics to cover, plus any others topics that you may have concerns or thoughts on. The pack is planning on covering the cost for dinner, so please sign up on the pack website.



Summertime Pack Award

The Summertime Pack Award has 3 parts to it. First, is for the pack to plan 3 events for the summer that take place during the months that the kids are not in school. Second, is the den participation which means that each den can earn a special ribbon if at each pack plans an event and they get at least 50% participation. Lastly, is the scout Summertime Pack Award,

which means that the scout must attend one event per month during the summer to earn this pin. For the scout there is more options to earn this, it can be attending Twilight Camp, or the Burlington Royals baseball games, both items that are being put on by the District. The scout can also earn it by taking the NOVA classes Brandon will offer or one of our

hiking events. Also, you can earn it by attending the End of the Year Party which will be the Pack's first event, you also have the Triangle Sportplex for Ice Skating, Crabtree's house for pot-luck picnic, or Putt-Putt. As you can see we tried to offer many opportunities this summer to keep our scouts involved.

Planned Summer events

End of the Year Party June 13, 2015
Lake Michael 2-6PM cookout and Rain Gutter Regatta and last awards.

Twilight Camp June 15-19 at Cedarrock Park. 6-9PM

Cub Scout Yearly Planning June 28, 2015 2-6PM at the Scout Hut.

NOVA June 30, July 7 & July 14 at Brandon Black's house.

July 17 Crabtree's pot-luck picnic 6-8PM

July 18 & 19 Dad & Lad Camping at Camp Cherokee.

July 21 Triangle Sportsplex for Ice Skating 5:45 -7:15 for \$5 per person



August 4 Putt-Putt for \$9 included 1 game, 20 tokens, 2 slices of pizza & drink.

August 8 Burlington Royals Baseball & Campout

Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award

To earn this award the first thing a scout must do is either attend Twilight camp this summer or Cub-O-Ree in the fall. Then there is a requirement that is based on rank that we encourage all of our dens to work on this summer.

After that you have 14 options to choose from at the Wolf level you have to do 5 and Bear must do 6 and at the Webelos you must do 7 to earn the rank.

For our pack we have some setup already first is participating in a hike, with our hiking program this should

not be a problem. We will offer at least two hikes this summer. While on the hike we will discuss the buddy system, something we do before each hike. Our 3 options as a pack is participate in a picnic or fun day, we will have set up a pot luck at the Crabtree's for this option. Along with that it states to participate in an Outdoor

sporting event, we will have kickball, cornhole setup for kids to play and hopefully some other things that evening. Earn the Summer Pack Award is an option, that would be 5 that could all be done this summer without too much trouble. We could finish it off at the camping at Lake Jordan with the older scouts doing a campfire program by doing those last two items will get the Bears and Webelos at what they need to finish earning this patch. There are other options that if your den wants to choose to work on they can.



Hiking Program

Pack 65 created a hiking program a couple of years ago

with the goal of getting our scouts out to enjoy nature and discover new things in nature. We offer patches at different levels to keep the scouts

going. When your scout goes on a hike with the pack it will be recorded and tracked. When they attend the first hike, they receive the Trail Trekker patch, as they continue to hike and reach milestones like 5 miles or 10 miles they earn what we call rockers that can attach to the Trail Trekker patch. Matthew Dodson has offered to take this program over, while the

goal of the pack is to offer 1 hike per month, sometimes weather may cancel the event. Also the leaders sometimes decide in busy months to skip a month which is the case in June. In July 25 we will meet at 9am, to hike at Cedarock Park and on August 22 at 2PM we will hike Occeeneehee State Park. This hike has a limit since it is lead by a park official. Remember, the Guide to Safe Scouting always has to take precedence.

Cub Scout World Conservation Award

The Cub Scout World Conservation Award requires at each rank level that you participate in a conservation project. We will look at accomplishing this after school starts back, we need to check the requirements on this to be considered as a conservation project.

At each rank level there are things you need to work on, for the Wolf

Den you need to earn Paws on the Path & Grow Something along with completing 1 & 2 in the Spirit of the Water. For the Bear Den, you need to earn Fur, Feathers, & Ferns. Bears Goes Fishing (will be covered at Twilight Camp) or Critter care and complete requirement 3, Baloo the Builder. For the Webelos, they need to earn Building a Better World, Into

the Wild, Into the Woods and Earth Rocks adventures along with complete requirements 1, 3a, & 3b in adventures in Science.



ON MY HONOR
I WILL DO MY BEST
TO DO MY DUTY
TO GOD AND MY COUNTRY
AND TO OBEY THE SCOUT LAW
TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE
AT ALL TIMES
TO KEEP MYSELF
PHYSICALLY STRONG
MENTALLY AWAKE
AND MORALLY STRAIGHT

Cubmaster Corner

What a year we have had in Cub Scouting! We did so many things this year, but the one thing we did that was the most important is that we all grew into better people. We tried to live by the Core Values of Scouting and "did our best" to live by the Scout Law.

While we had a lot of great activities last summer, lot's of recruitment in the fall, popcorn sold, service projects done, and ranks earned; we also had rough patch we had to get though with the loss of Cubmaster John Pasour. He was very dear to us and was more than a fellow scouter or even a friend; he was family. He is greatly missed, but we celebrate the time we had with him and all that he contributed to our Scout Family! When I first joined Pack 65, I heard people talking about the pack as a family and it took me a year to figure it out, but we really are just that!

This year we had 39 scouts advance in rank! We had 12 boys earn their Tiger rank, 12 Wolf, 6 Bear, and 6 Webelos. We had 3 scouts earn their Arrow Of Light, the highest honor in Cub Scouts, (two of which earned the Super 20 award!) and 6 graduate up into Boy Scouts.

I know we did a lot of awesome and exciting things last year, but I think this year is going to be even better! I look forward to another great year in Cub Scouts and I challenge each of you to remember to "Do a Good Turn Daily!"

Year in Review

We have had a great cub scouting year this year, the pack has grown and we have so many new wonderful families that are part of our pack.

Since July here are just a few of the things the pack has offer to the scouts. In July we hiked Pilot Mountain and spent the morning in Mt. Airy, Burlington Royals baseball game, in August and we Camped in the Fort Fisher aquarium, in September we hosted recruitment, Ice cream social and did service projects at AWE & BEJ along with camping at Hanging Rock State Park, October POPCORN our pack sold the most in the county of all packs and troops at \$19,000. We also attended the Cub-O-Ree, November brought our Popcorn



Pizza party along with the Space Derby along with Veteran's Day Parade . December, we had the Mad Platter for Christmas Ornaments, Graham Christmas parade, roller skating. In January, we hiked Bethabara and

went bowling along with scouts working on God & Me. February had the Scouting for Food, Scout Sunday & Blue and Gold. March was service projects at the schools. April we had camping at Camp Woodfield for shooting sports & Pinewood Derby. May had Mom & Me, fishing derby by the Wildlife club, Cub scout stem day and Adopt a school program.

Those are just the items I remember and we did so much more at the den level. We are very fortunate that we have so many parents willing to give their time to help us with our scouting effort. I know scouting has brought our families closer together and we enjoy nature so much more thanks to scouting.