2013 Dew Dog Challenge

Camp Sidney Dew

April 12 - 14, 2013

Please review this guide in its entirety and share with those attending with your unit.

Leader's Guide will be updated annually as this event continues to grow.

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Welcome to the 2013 Dew Dog Challenge!

It's time to start your preparations to participate in **the biggest and best Scouting event in Northwest Georgia.** The Challenge is the one event to bring together the **entire Scouting family.** That's right; everyone, from Tiger Cubs to Venturers/Explorers, is invited. **Our theme for this years Challenge is "Dogs of the Caribbean".** Similar to a large Camporee, the Challenge consists of a series of "missions" to test the skills of Cub Scouts, Webelos, Boy Scouts, and Venturers/Explorers alike. The Challenge is a fun way for our Scouts to show off their Scouting skills and compete for the coveted "Top Dog Patrol" trophy. We have different competitive events for Webelos, Boy Scouts, and Venturers/Explorers. The Cub Scout Challenge introduces the younger Scouts to many fun and exciting events of their own and allows them to interact with Boy Scouts in a Camporee like setting not normally available to them. When camping, most Cub Scout Packs bring along siblings. For this reason, we have put together a separate program for Cub Scout siblings. All siblings will need to register as siblings. The programs have been designed to promote the Scout program. For this reason, all siblings **must** participate in the sibling program **NOT** the Scout program. It promises to be a lot of fun.

The spirit of the Challenge is one of friendly competition. Everybody wins and everybody has a great time. If someone with no knowledge of Scouting wanted to find out what "Scouting" was all about they would only have to attend one Challenge and they would understand. Imagine it: 1000+ people, Scouts and Scouters, parents, and siblings, all having a great time and treating one and all with respect and conducting themselves according to the Scout Oath and Law. That's the way Scouting should be. At the Challenge, it is.

So let's get started. Read the Leaders Guide. Get your units registration together. Go online to register. Begin to prepare your Units for their mission. Practice your best Dog bark (and get your boys and girls to practice). Get ready to have a great time. **The Dew Dog Challenge** awaits **YOU!**

I look forward to seeing you there and sharing a great time.
Dereck Roberts
Chairman
Dew Dog Challenge Committee

Guidelines and Rules

1. This event is first and foremost for our/your YOUTH. All rules and regulations are in place to assure their safety and preservation of this camp for their use.
2. **Absolutely no alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs allowed.**
   a. According to the Guide to Safe Scouting, "it is the policy of the Boy Scouts of America that the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances is not permitted at encampments or activities on property owned and/or operated by the Boy Scouts of America, or at any activity involving participation of youth members.
   b. Coolers may be subject to search at any time by event staff.
3. "Adult leaders should support the attitude that they, as well as youths, are better off without tobacco in any form and may not allow the use of tobacco products at any BSA activity involving youth participants." (taken from BSA Guidelines and Policies) This activity will be conducted on a smoke-free basis. If you must smoke, please smoke out of the sight of anyone and take your cigarette butts with you (Do NOT toss them on the ground).
4. No Trees or other living things should be disturbed.
   a. Scouting's "Leave No Trace" policy will be enforced.
5. Units are responsible for removal of all trash and debris from their campsite.
   a. See section regarding trash disposal under the "Facilities" section of this guide.
6. **No Sheath Knives allowed.**
   a. All Scouts must carry their Totin' Chip / Whittling Chip if they choose to carry a knife.
7. Participants are not allowed to use Radios, Walkie-Talkie's, Cell Phones, or any other type of electronic transmission device during competition.
   a. Use of these devices by competing patrols will result in disqualification.
8. All Scouts must use the Buddy System. Units must provide **Two-deep leadership at all times.**
9. Vehicles **must** be restricted to assigned parking areas (see special needs section of this guide for handicap policy).
10. The SCOUT OATH, LAW, and OUTDOOR CODE are the laws of the Dew Dog Challenge.
11. Units MUST have their campsites cleared by challenge staff and checked out by NOON on Sunday.

All other concerns will be addressed at the Meetings on Friday Night.

The Dew Dogs hold themselves to a higher standard of behavior and Scout Spirit. Let everyone you meet see that you do also.

* These guidelines and rules are to be followed. Also, all policies and regulations stated in the "Guide to Safe Scouting" and all BSA Policies must be followed. No exceptions! Failure to do so could result in removal.

**** REGISTRATION INFORMATION ****

The full registration process and merchandise ordering can now be done on-line through the council website at **www.nwgabsa.org** .

Please email questions/changes/substitutions to be made to your roster to dpompie@ymail.com or droberts@bsa742.org . Additions to your roster should be made utilizing the on-line registration on the council website. Do not re-send the previous roster. **Every unit must submit a completed, "attending" roster at check-in.**

The fee for attending the Dew Dog Challenge is **$21 per person**. We **must receive** your registration, roster, order forms, and payment by **March 1, 2013 in the Council office**. Late registration will be accepted through March 15, 2013 at **$31** per person. **Full payment must be received at the council office by March 15, 2013. No registrations will be accepted after March 15, 2013.**

Registration for this event will open up for out of council units will open January 1, 2013. Registration fees will be $21 per person for out of council units until March 1, 2013. Late registrations will be accepted through March 15, 2013 at $31 per person.

***If any unit has new scouts joining your unit after the March 15, 2013 deadline, please get in touch with Jana Roberts with details. It must be a new registration for it to be considered.**

To receive the on-time registration rate, payment must be received at the Northwest Georgia Council office by March 1, 2013. Registrations and/or payments received after March 1, 2013 will be charged the higher late fee.

You will need to pay by cash, check, or credit card to the Council Service Center. When submitting your payment, be sure to include the registration form, so that your unit may be properly credited. You also have the option of paying online with a credit card.

Units are also responsible for acquiring parental permission slips and having **Medical Forms** available in case of an emergency.

There is no guarantee of t-shirts or event patches & merchandise for those who register after March 1, 2013.

On-Line Registration (Preferred Method)
We have set up on-line registration through the Northwest Georgia Council website.

Initial Registration: Go to the Northwest Georgia Council website**,** www.nwgabsa.org, and click on the link for the Dew Dog Challenge. At the bottom of the page you will find the icon to click on to go to the registration page. You may also go directly to the calendar and click on the event. Complete the necessary forms for your participants and order any merchandise you want. You may pay at time of registration or send your payment to the council service

center. IMPORTANT: Payments for on-time registration **must** be received at the council service center by close of business, March 1, 2013, in order to receive the on-time event fee. If the payment is not received by then, you will be assessed the late fee.

Additions: To add additional individuals to your registration, just go to the council website and fill out the registration for just the additions.

Crossover / New Scouts: If you have any new scouts register with your unit after the March 15, 2013 deadline (this includes any Crossovers from packs into troops), these will be considered on an individual basis. Please keep in mind, you should contact Jana Roberts as soon as you know that you have any new scouts. Do **NOT** wait until the week of the event.

Replacements: If you wish to replace a previously registered individual with someone else, email the information to jroberts@bsa742.org and the update will be made. Do **NOT** submit the change through the council website or you will be charged for the new person.

Deletions: If you must drop someone after you have paid, the council refund policy will apply. If you must drop someone but have not paid yet, please email jroberts@bsa742.org the names to be dropped.

Cancellation Policy: Once registration fees have been paid, an individual may become ill or otherwise be unable to attend an event. Since the event has already incurred expenses related to the activity such as program supplies, patches, etc., event fees are non-refundable. An exception will be made if a request is received in writing or email (jroberts@bsa742.org) (not phone) and submitted to the Northwest Georgia Council Office by the individual no less than 1 week before the date of the event. In some cases, only a partial refund can be made, however the supplies we have purchased for you will be available for you. Refunds for inclement weather will be made only if the event is cancelled.

Event Fee Policy: The current Northwest Georgia Council policy is that registrants will be charged the event fee that is in effect at the time of payment. Payments **must** be received at the Council Service Center no later than the on-time registration cut-off date (March 1, 2013) to be eligible for the on-time event fee. After that date registrants will be charged the late registration event fee regardless of the date the registration took place.

Campsite Assignment:

Campsites are assigned by the facilities staff using the following criteria:

1. Number of people originally registered to attend with each unit
2. Type of unit, Cub Scout Pack, Boy Scout Troop, Venturing Crew, Explorer Post
3. Any special needs of a Unit

Please email any special camping/facilities requirements to bpompie@bsamail.org

Meals:

Units are responsible for their own meals and cooking supplies. There will be vendors selling food if you do not wish to cook or prepare for your unit.

Packing/Gear:

Please, label everything with **name, color code, and unit number**. Items do get left behind or separated and there are thousands of blue coolers or green camp chairs. Your unit will be assigned a campsite color code when registration closes. Your color code will be sent to your unit leader.

Cub Scout units will camp, cook, and eat as a Pack; this cuts down on the amount of equipment brought by each family. There is no ADDITIONAL room to set personal cooking areas up.

As stated above campsites are assigned by number of people and due to lack of space can not accommodate many small campsites within each unit campsite. For this reason we suggest you do not bring condominium size tents.

Post/Crew/Troop/Pack Trailers:

If your unit will be utilizing a trailer it may be dropped off prior to the Friday night rush. You may drop it off Saturday, April 6, 2013, or Friday, April 12, 2013, between 8:00 am – 2:00 pm. Please call Ranger Bill Pompie at (706) 234-2393 to schedule a time to drop your trailer off. You will need to schedule this at least 1 week in advance.

Trailer Tow Vehicles cannot remain in the campsite but will have a designated parking area, which you will be directed to after dropping your trailer in your campsite on Friday night. You will need to quickly unload your tow vehicle and move it to the designated parking lot. Your vehicle may **NOT** stay in campsite while you are setting up camp.

EVERYONE wants to get set up; A Scout is courteous.

Gear Transportation:

Gear trailers will be running from the main parking area at the gate to assigned campsites on a regular basis. We suggest you put everything that is well marked and that you do not want to carry on the gear trailers.

We highly recommend that your unit takes advantage of early trailer drop off. For those units who do not own a trailer, renting or borrowing a trailer is suggested. Check-in will be busy.

All gear transportation will stop at 9:30 pm! No exceptions! Please arrive early to avoid missing the gear trailer.

***Note:* All challenge event patrols must attend the entire event.**

Special Needs/Handicap parking:

If you or someone in your unit has special needs please submit that information and requirements in writing along with your registration and facilities staff will contact you to work out reasonable accommodations. You will need to include your state issued handicap registration number with all information submitted. We want everyone that wishes to participate in this event to be able to, however, due to the difficult mountainous terrain at Camp Sidney Dew and the distance between our activities, if you are not able to withstand strenuous exercise or walking long distances, this simply may not be the event for you.

Please note we don't have the ability to provide transportation around camp or events. Personal golf carts or UTVs will NOT be permitted due to safety reasons.

Unit Check In:

We advise that if possible your unit travel together to the Challenge so you can arrive at the same time. However, we understand this is not always possible so we have worked to make Check In easier for you. Your unit campsite will be listed at the main parking area.

The **attending unit leader that your registration is listed under must check your unit in**. Everyone else should proceed to assigned campsite. Please inform your leader of any questions you may have and they can get you the answer either when they check in or at the Friday night meeting.

"Yard Dogs"

Each campsite will have a least one "Yard Dog" or volunteer campsite host. This person will be designated by a sign outside their tent and is your liaison with the Challenge Staff and Departments.

Example: If your campsite needs toilet paper, notify the "Yard Dog" and they will contact facilities so it can be replaced, or if Medical assistance is needed they will contact the Medical Director.

Please remember the "Yard Dog" is a volunteer and their time should be respected, they are not in camp during competition (the amount of people in camp during competition is minimal) and should only be contacted after lights out for an emergency.

Garbage/Trash:

Please place all garbage in strong plastic bags, DO NOT overfill bag. For garbage pick-up please place sealed bags by the nearest main camp road and facilities will pick it up. ANY trash not in a sealed bag or lying around will not be picked up for disposal and will be the responsibility of the people in that campsite.

Please note that any trash lying loose at trash pick up site will hold up your unit check-out on Sunday.

Security:

The administration building will be manned 24 hours a day in the event of any problems. Please review this Leader's Guide and The Guide to Safe Scouting with all members of your unit including **parents and siblings.** *For the safety of all attending anyone* ***not*** *adhering to the guidelines, may be asked to leave.*

In the event of an emergency please see that all members of your unit follow the instructions given by the Security Staff. Doing so will help us to resolve the situation quickly and safely.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Medical:

There will be Medical personnel in the Health Lodge throughout the entire Dew Dog Challenge. Also, medical staff will be roaming through the event areas during the times that competition is taking place.

Vendors:

There will be a number of vendors on camp for the weekend. Some will be free of charge, but others will be food vendors, activity vendors, etc. that will have some cost to them. We will also have the Trading Post open the whole weekend. You will need to let your scouts know to bring some money. You don't want to have a scout disappointed because they didn't know that these things were available.

Dew Dog Schedule

FRIDAY		
TIME	***ACTIVITY***	***LOCATION***
4:00 – 8:00 pm	Check-in & Camp Set-up	Hubbs Administration
9:00 pm	Cub Scout Leader Briefing	Bathhouse #1 Porch
9:00 pm	Webelos Leader Briefing	Blackfoot Shelter
9:00 pm	Patrol Leader & SM Briefing	Handicraft
9:00 pm	Venture President / Post Chief Briefing	COPE Building
10:00 - 11:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Dining Hall
11:00 pm	Lights Out/ Quiet Time	Unit Camping Area
SATURDAY		
TIME	***ACTIVITY***	***LOCATION***
7:00 am	**Mandatory** Staff Breakfast	Dining Hall
8:15 - 8:40 am	Opening Ceremony	Hubbs Administration
8:45 - 9:00 am	Travel to First Station	TBA / packet
9:00 - 12:00	Designated Activities	TBA / packet
12:00 - 1:30 pm	LUNCH	Unit Camping Area
1:30 - 5:00 pm	Designated Activities	TBA / packet
5:15 pm	Retire the Flag	Hubbs Adminstration
5:20 - 7:00 pm	Dinner/ Unit Time	Unit Camping Area
7:00 - 8:00 pm	Cub Scout/Webelos Campfire	Lake Goodyear Dam
8:30 - 9:30 pm	Boy Scout/Venturer/Explorer Campfire	Lake Goodyear Dam
10:00 pm	Dew Dog Staff Cracker-barrel	Dining Hall
11:00 pm	Lights Out/ Quiet Time	Unit Camping Area
SUNDAY		
TIME	***ACTIVITY***	***LOCATION***
7:00 am	Staff Breakfast	Dining Hall
8:00 am	Flag Ceremony	Hubbs Administration
8:30 - 9:00 am	Scout's Own Service	Eagle Chapel
9:00 am	Closing Ceremony	Lake Goodyear Dam
10:00 - 12:00	Check-out	By Assigned Staff

Cub Scout Sibling Program

By popular demand - the **"sibling zone"** otherwise known as the **"Puppy Pound".** This area will be for **registered** siblings of attending Cub Scouts. Siblings ages 3 (must be potty trained) to 12 years old are welcomed. There will be age appropriate activities, crafts, games and fun for all. Parents are encouraged to participate with their children, but we do understand if you need to be with your scout.

Please make sure that you fill out the **individual sibling form** for every sibling that will be attending. The individual sibling form must be turned in by Friday night.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help out at the Puppy Pound please contact Tammy Rogers at jrogers94@att.net or Debbie Driggers at sdgbmvd08@windstream.net.

Note: Remember, the Scout programs are designed for Scouts. The siblings will **NOT** be allowed to participate in the Scout programs. They will have their own program and fun things to do!

Dew Dog Challenge
Individual Sibling Form

Location of Puppy Pound: Dining Hall Field
When: Saturday, April 13, 2013
Time: 8:45am-12:15 and 1:45pm-5:15pm

Sibling Name _____

Parent Name: _____

Address: _____

City:_____ Zip: _____

Phone #:_____(Home) _____(Work)

Age:_____ (**MUST BE POTTY TRAINED**) Date of Birth: _____

Unit / Location Camping -_____

HEALTH HISTORY:
Health/Accident Insurance Company: _____
Policy/Group #: _____
Personal Physician:_____ Phone:_____
Have or subject to (check if yes):
_____Asthma _____Fainting spells _____Convulsions _____Allergies
_____Diabetes _____Heart trouble _____Bleeding disorders _____None

Have difficulty with (check if yes)
Eyes _____ Ears _____ Nose _____ Heart _____ Lungs _____
Other (please explain) _____
Any condition now requiring regular medication:_____
Name of medication: _____
Food Allergies:_____

This health history is correct so far as I know, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed activities, except as noted by me. I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the adult leader in charge to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or to order injection for my son/daughter.

Parent Signature _____ Date: _____

THIS FORM MUST BE TURNED IN BY FRIDAY NIGHT!

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding this guide, please contact the following:

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