Pack Campout Planning

Pack Campout To Do List

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3-6 months prior: Site Selection & Reservation

1-2 months prior: Pre-Trip Preparation

Site Selection

Campout Site Selection

Reserve Site

- Council Approved Site List (old) ■ vahc cub scout approved camping
- Council Approved Site List (in progress) https://www.virginiaheadwaters.org/events-camping/where-to-go-camping-guide/
- State Parks / Sherando Reservations open 6 Months in Advance
- ACPS Reservations open 3 Months in Advance
 - Contact Jim Barbour: JBARBOUR@albemarle.org

Obtain Certificate of Liability Insurance

• Email: Terry.Michael@scouting.org

Pre-Trip Prep

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- 1. Send details to Pack and collect RSVPs
 - a. Email Template
- 2. Determine Gear & Food Needs
 - a. Gear Checklist
- 3. Collect & Clean Pack Gear from Shed
- 4. Send out Sign Up Genius for remaining Gear Needs
- 5. Purchase Food

Email Template

Sample Campout Email Template

Here is the first email for our Spring 2025 Campout. It is going to be a fantastic weekend camping at Mint Springs Valley Park! Please use this link to RSVP by Friday March 28:

CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP

DATE: April 12-13, 2025

LOCATION: Mint Springs Valley Park, Crozet, VA

6659 Mint Springs Park Road Crozet, VA 22932

https://www.albemarle.org/Home/Components/FacilityDirectory/FacilityDirectory/70/360

Mint Springs Valley Park is a 520 acre park with 2 lakes, 5 miles of hiking trails, and 2 picnic shelters. We have Shelter #2 reserved all day Saturday and Sunday. Feel free to bring fishing supplies as the lakes are a short walk away! There will also be restrooms available.

CAMPING: Cub Scout camping is a family activity. A parent or guardian must accompany all Scouts, and Scouts must tent with a parent or guardian and siblings. (All siblings are welcome to join the campout!)

SCHEDULE: This schedule is just a rough guideline, and subject to change. 2:00 is not a hard start time - feel free to come whenever works for your family .

Saturday - April 12

2:00-4:00pm: Arrival, Set up Camp, Free play

4:00-5:00pm: Den Program Time / Skit Planning

5:00-6:30pm: Dinner Prep and Cooking

6:30-7:00pm: Dinner

7:00-7:30pm: Cleanup and Campfire Skit preparation

7:30-8:30pm: Campfire Program

8:30-10:00pm: Night Games/Campfire/Smores

10pm Lights Out

Sunday - April 13

7:00-8:30am: Breakfast Prep and Cooking

8:30-9:30am: Breakfast

9:30-10:00am: Breakfast Cleanup

10:00-12:00pm: Break Camp, Site Cleanup, Group Hike (Scouts are welcome to stay later than this and fish/hike with their families. We have the shelter all day Sunday as well)

FOOD: The Pack will provide dinner and breakfast and smores for all campers. The Webelos and Bear Dens (Scouts and leaders) will assist with the preparation of dinner and breakfast for the whole Pack. If you have any dietary restrictions please specify in the sign up form. I will respond with the final menu when I have a better headcount, but in the past it has been something like: tacos for dinner, eggs toast coffee and cocoa for breakfast. Feel free to bring

your own snacks to supplement, but remember: NO FOOD IN TENTS - keep any extra food locked up in your vehicles.

GEAR: Please see: Packing List for a recommended packing list. (Also available on our website: https://p114.org/resources/) Families should provide their own tent, sleeping bag, and eating utensils (plate, bowl, mug, and utensils). The pack will provide the food and most of the cooking equipment, and we will send out a sign up sheet when it gets closer for families to bring any additional supplies (pots/pans/stoves) that we need. If any family is in need of gear, please let us know and we can help come up with an extra tent or sleeping bag. Families/dens are welcome to bring additional supplies for other activities.

COSTS: We will figure out the cost per person once we know the total number of people attending, but it is typically around \$20/person. If there's an issue meeting this cost feel free to reach out to me directly.

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Gear Checklist

Pack 114 Recommended Packing List

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General Camping Gear
Pack Gear Located in Shed
☐ Fire Pit / Solo Stove (if necessary)
Gear Needed via Sign Up
☐ Firewood
☐ Fire Starters
☐ Shovel (for Fire)
☐ Lighter / Matches
□ Lanterns
□ Rope
☐ Hatchet (optional)
☐ Bow Saw (optional)
☐ First Aid Kit
☐ Site Permit

Cooking Gear
Pack Gear Located in Shed
☐ Large Pot for Water / Drinks x1
☐ Cooking Knives
Cooking Utensils – Spoon, Spatula, Tongs
☐ Serving Utensils
☐ Marshmallow Roasting Sticks
☐ Cutting Boards
☐ Sink Bucket for Dishwashing x3
☐ Water Cooler x2
☐ Cooler
Gear Needed via Sign Up
☐ Camp Stoves x4

Cooking Gear
☐ Griddle x1
□ Small Cast Iron Pans x2
□ Large Pots x4
☐ Folding Tables x2
Gear to Purchase
□ Propane x8

Food
Pack Gear Located in Shed
☐ Aluminum Foil
☐ Paper Towels
☐ Large Ziploc Bags
☐ Trash Bags
☐ Compostable Plates
☐ Forks & Spoons
☐ Hand Sanitizer
☐ Dish Soap
☐ Sponge x2
Gear to Purchase
□ Salt
□ Pepper
☐ Hot Sauce
□ Butter
□ Olive Oil
□ Dinner
☐ Example: Tacos
☐ Beef (pre cooked) [¼ lb/p]
☐ Beans [2oz/p]
☐ Tortillas [2/p]
☐ Chips [1 bag / 15p]

Food
☐ Cheese [2oz/p]
☐ Sour Cream [2oz/p]
□ Lettuce
☐ Tomatoes
☐ Peppers
□ Onion
☐ Smores
☐ Marshmallows [2/p]
☐ Graham Crackers [2/p]
☐ Chocolate [½ bar/p]
☐ Breakfast
☐ Hot Cocoa
☐ Coffee - Instant
☐ Example: Eggs
□ Eggs [2/p]
☐ English muffin [2/p]
☐ Frozen hash browns
☐ Leftover Cheese
☐ Leftover Tortillas
☐ Leftover Salsa