



**Celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of America**

**at the**

**Camp Arrowhead Day Camp 2026**

**June 29 thru July 3**

Day Camp is designed for Cub Scouts to experience a week-long outdoor adventure. Age-specific activities will offer an engaging fun and learning opportunity for scouts from kindergarten to fifth grade. What will scouts do at camp? Scouts will participate in crafts that promote creativity and skill-building. Scouts will also enjoy games and sports that encourage teamwork and physical fitness. In addition to learning essential scouting skills such as knot tying and first aid, scouts will experience campfire activities, including songs and storytelling, as well as build friendships and develop social skills in a supportive environment. And this year, we have the special opportunity to celebrate America's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

*Trivia – Did you know that the US government makes coins from real gold? And the only place they do this is at the West Point, NY mint.*

### **What is the fee to attend day camp?**

All cub scouts are welcome to attend the Camp Arrowhead Day Camp. Tagalongs 3 years and older may also attend. The camp fee is \$60 per scout or participating tagalong. Fee includes a camp tee-shirt, event patch, and all the materials used in the day camp program such as craft items, game supplies, and consumable items such as targets, BB shot, etc. Adults and den chiefs may purchase a tee-shirt for \$10.00. Extra tee-shirts for campers are also \$10 each.

*Trivia - Which early President was considered a political philosopher and the “Father of the Constitution”? The answer is James Madison.*

### **What is the schedule like for day camp?**

Day Camp begins on Monday, June 29. Check-in will be the busiest time that morning. Scouts, parents and leaders may begin arriving at 8:00am. Check-in will take place just off the parking lot at camp, under the awnings in front of the garage doors under Meacham Lodge. All participants coming to camp must have a completed Annual Health and Medical Record – Parts A & B – yes, even adults. If something were to happen to you while in camp, we do not want to rely on your scout to provide us medical information about you. Scouts will be placed in camp dens as they arrive. Parents are not to simply drop off their children. Be sure to check them in and escort them to the adult in charge of the scout's group. If you are coming to camp with your scout and plan to stay, that's great! Welcome! Glad to have you with us.

Check-in on subsequent days begins at 8:30am. Again, parents are asked to actually escort their child to the amphitheater area. Please do not drop-off your child before 8:30am as there may not be

staff available to watch your child until the camp den leader(s) arrive. If you are coming to camp as the den leader for your group, please plan on arriving by 8:30am to take charge of your den.

An opening ceremony will be conducted each morning beginning at 8:45am in the amphitheater area by the lower lake. The plan is to dismiss from this location to the first sessions by 9:00am. Sessions are intended to be 50 minutes so the den will have 10 minutes to move to the next activity session. In preparing the activity rotation for each den, we have tried to limit the distance between activities as much as possible. There will be three sessions before lunch and three sessions after lunch. After the last session, the dens should return to the amphitheater for a brief closing ceremony and dismissal, which will begin at 3:45pm. Camp dismissal will be at 4:00pm. It is our intention to follow this time schedule each day.

Adults serving as den leaders should be prepared to track attendance and participation in the camp activities throughout the day. Attendance sheets will be delivered each morning prior to check-in. These should be returned to camp staff before moving to the first session each morning. It is important for us to know who is in camp and how many youth and adults are in camp in case of emergency. Since some scouts may need to leave during the day or may arrive after an activity session has begun, tracking participation in each session is important as we prepare reports to each pack of the participation of their scouts in the camp activities. Many of these activities will be related to requirements of a Cub Scout Adventure for rank advancement purposes.

*Trivia - John Adams left the Philadelphia capital in October 1800, to venture to the President's House in Washington by carriage. How long did it take for him to travel that distance? The answer is 19 days. Today, you can drive from Philadelphia to Washington DC in 2.5 hours or less depending on traffic.*

### **What types of things will the scouts be doing?**

Different activities are planned for each day to offer a variety of experiences and opportunities for our scouts. Some are activities that scouts can only do at Council-sponsored events, such as Day Camp. These will include target and range activities – BB shooting, archery, and slingshots. Other activities are the fun things scouts like to do at camp. Examples of these include swimming, boating, fishing, and games. There will be activities related to requirements for cub scout adventures and rank advancement. These will include flag etiquette, being prepared for an emergency, and showmanship.

There will also be some special theme related activities as we prepare for America's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Scouting America is participating in the America's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Challenge, a special group of events designed to help people understand and appreciate the founding and development of our country. Each day we will have activities related to one of the five requirements for Liberty in Action recognition patch each scout may earn.

Thursday will be special as we invite your scout to bring their favorite Matchbox or Hot Wheels vehicle for a derby style race, cause what's more American than car racing!!

*Trivia - Which state has the world's longest wooden rollercoaster? The answer is Ohio.*

## **What should a scout bring to Day Camp?**

Your thought should start with the 6 Cub Scout Essentials – a refillable water bottle, a personal first aid kit (nothing fancy – a couple of adhesive bandages and something to clean a scratch or scrape), sun protection, whistle (may not be needed at day camp), a flashlight (again, may not be needed at day camp), and trail food (a snack to keep the hunger away). A backpack or string bag to carry these items and few other things. Those other items include -

- Lunch is not provided at camp. Each camper and adult should bring a lunch to camp. A gallon food storage bag works well so the lunch can be kept in an ice chest with getting all wet. Be sure to put a name on the bag.
- A hat – very useful to keep the bugs out of your hair.
- Rain gear – a poncho or rain coat is handy if we get a bit of “liquid sunshine” during the day.
- Swim wear and towel – swimming is back on the schedule this year.
- Insect repellent – helps keep the mosquitoes and other little crawlies away.

Closed toe shoes are required at camp. These protect the feet and toes and help prevent trips and related falls.

Everyone attending day camp is to have an Annual Health and Medical Record form, parts A & B, completed. This includes adult leaders and parents, as well as scouts and tagalongs.

If a youth or adult is bringing medication to camp, it should be in the original container and have the person’s name and dosage instructions. This is for the safety of both the individual taking medication, and others at camp. Den Leaders should collect any such medications and turn them in to the Day Camp Medical Officer at the start of each day. Den Leaders should send any cub taking medication to the Day Camp Medical Officer with a buddy when it is time for the Scout to take medication. Den Leaders whose children require daily medication may administer the medications themselves.

## **What should a cub scout not bring to camp?**

There are some items which should not be brought to camp. These include –

- A knife or any other sharp objects, even if you have a Whittling Chit. You won’t need it at camp.
- Electronic toys or game systems. You are at camp. Enjoy the outdoors and the activities.
- Pets.
- Sandals, flip flops, or bare feet.

*Trivia – Did you know the United States is the only country in the world that is lucky enough to have all of the five climate zones on earth! Those five zones are polar, temperate, tropical, dry, and continental.*

## **What does the daily schedule look like?**

Each day of camp will begin with a flag raising in the amphitheater at camp. Three activity sessions are scheduled before lunch and three more sessions after lunch. The day ends with a flag lowering in the amphitheater. The campers are then picked up by their family.

Planned activities each day during camp look like this.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BB Shooting	Archery	BB Shooting	Archery	BB Shooting
Slingshots	Fishing	Slingshots	Fishing	Archery
Leatherwork	Games	Craft	Car Race	Boating
Pool	Pool	Pool	Pool	Pool
America 250	America 250	America 250	America 250	America 250
Flag Etiquette	Be Prepared	Cub World	Nature	Campfire

Each day will have a range and target activity so the scouts can earn the elective adventure loop related to each activity.

Each day the campers will visit the pool.

As a part of the Liberty in Action Anniversary Challenge, we will have at least one activity per day designed to complete a requirement for this award.

The Campfire is scheduled for the last session on Friday. Families are welcome to attend this closing campfire as the dens will perform a song or skit during the campfire as we celebrate America's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Register on-line at [www.buckskin.org/camping/cubscoutcamps](http://www.buckskin.org/camping/cubscoutcamps)**

Or use this QR code to register on-line.



Under the Resource tab, you can find a link to the Annual Health and Medical Record form and the Cub Scout Camp Scholarship form.

**Directions to Camp Arrowhead:** The address is 506 Scout Camp Rd, Ona, WV. From I-64, take Exit 20 (Huntington Mall), proceed south to US Rt 60 and turn East at the light. Go 1.4 miles East on US Rt 60 to the second traffic light and turn left onto Blue Sulphur Road. Proceed 1.6 miles to Scout Camp Rd. (It is marked with a green Camp Arrowhead sign on the right.) Turn right onto Scout Camp Rd and follow it to the camp entrance. At the entrance bear to the right, following the gravel road into the parking lot. Check-In is located at Meachem Lodge which is beside the parking lot.