



# Neptune's Challenge XXXVII

## Aqua Camporee

**Monmouth Council  
Middlesex District  
@  
Camp Oak Spring  
228 Weston Road, Somerset, NJ 08873**

**June 16-18, 2017**

### **Leaders Manual**

- 1) Each Unit must be prepared to get wet and have fun!
- 2) All Rules pertaining to Oak Spring will remain in effect during the camporee. All units will be held to two rules – the Scout Oath and the Scout Law.
- 3) Upon arrival, the Unit Leader must check in with a member of the Camporee Committee at Headquarters. **Each unit will submit a roster listing patrol names and members along with emergency contact information for the unit. The roster will also include the swim classification of each unit member and verified by the Unit Leader.** Use the roster provided.
- 4) All competing scouts and adults must be swim classified. If your unit has not swim classified their scouts, there will be swim tests on Saturday morning at 7:30 AM. BSA Swim Classification's are valid for one year - if the scout swim-tested at Summer Camp the previous year – that test will be valid for the Aqua Camporee. Our staff does not verify swimmers for any other activities other than the Aqua Camporee.
- 5) This is a patrol competition. Regular Patrol, Webelos Patrol and Senior Patrols- it is not unusual for a troop to have more than one Senior Patrol. Patrols can be no less than 3 scouts but cannot be more than 8 scouts. No adults will be allowed with Boy Scout Patrols during the competition.
- 6) Unit scoring will be done by averaging patrol scores to attain preliminary troop score. The troop Medley results will also be included in the final total troop score. Top troop and Pack score wins the camporee. Awards will be given for Best Overall Troop, Best Regular Patrol, Best Senior Patrol, Best Overall Pack, and Best Overall Webelos Patrol. In order to receive the Best Overall Troop or Best Overall Pack Award, the Unit must have more than one Boy Scout Patrol or Webelos Patrol registered in the competition to be eligible for the Best Overall Unit Award.

- 7) In order to receive Unit Awards, each Pack and Troop must be present at all the Saturday evening events. Colors, Scouts Own Service, and Campfire.
- 8) Each Pack and Troop should prepare (one) skit or song for the Saturday night campfire. An Award will be given for the best performance.
- 9) Scout Handbooks will not be allowed in the competition, leave them in your tent.
- 10) Stations are not to be discussed with any patrols until the end of the competition.
- 11) Each unit will be camping in a campsite and supply their own camping equipment and meals. Potable water will be available.
- 12) There will be no tents set up in the campsites. All Campers need to bring their own.
- 13) All attending Units must park their vehicles in the parking lot.
- 14) The camporee is a rain or shine event. Pack accordingly.
- 15) There are no refunds but substitutions will be accepted.
- 16) During the Saturday competition - All participating scouts need to be dressed for water activities and have protective footwear (no bare feet and no open toed shoes). Everyone is guaranteed to get wet. If it is cool – make sure you have a jacket to keep you warm between stations and a towel to dry off. All loose clothing should be marked with a name.
- 17) **Class A uniform** will be the dress for the Saturday evening events and Sunday morning closing ceremony.

*This event is open to all Units – in and out of Monmouth Council*

## **Registration Closes**

**June 2, 2017**

**\$15.00 per scout (includes a patch)**

**\$7.50 per adult (includes a patch)**

*All attending adults must pay the registration fee. Minimum 2 adults per unit*

Registration is on the Monmouth Council website under Middlesex District.

<https://monmouthbsa.org/council/districts/middlesex/>

Questions about the Camporee contact Joe Z at [zman-26@comcast.net](mailto:zman-26@comcast.net)

Questions with registration contact Marjorie at 732-536-2347 x 10

## Aqua Stations

**Boating:** (Boy Scouts and Webelos) 50 Points

All of the boating events will be on a timed course.

Webelos will be using a row boat to navigate a short course on the water. (one adult may accompany them). Regular and Senior Boy Scout Patrols will be using canoes.

All Scouts should be prepared to demonstrate how to put on a PFD (test it's fit) and answer a question on Safety Afloat.

**First Aid:** (Boy Scouts and Webelos) 50 Points

A situation will be presented that tests your first aid skills.

**Armageddon:** (Boy Scouts and Webelos) 50 Points

Team up with a patrol buddy and catch wateroids falling from the sky.

**Fish Fry:** (Boy Scouts and Webelos) 50 Points

You will be given a whole fish and a fire with hot coals. Using your own knife (no filet knives) clean the fish, cook it, and eat it without using any utensils. (Webelos may bring utensils). Whittling Chip (Webelos) or Totem Chip (Boy Scouts) will be required to use a knife.

**Fire on the Water:** (Boy Scouts and Webelos) 50 Points

Build a fire on a floating platform on the water. Burn through the rope on the platform. Fastest time wins. Each patrol will need a one gallon bag of kindling (NO MORE) to get the fire going. Additional wood (fuel) will be at the station to fuel your fire. Only natural kindling found in the woods may be used. (No dryer lint, fuel soaked kindling, etc will be allowed).

**Knots on the Water:** (Boy Scouts and Webelos) 50 Points

Boy Scouts will tie the required Boy Scout Knots on a log in the water. Webelos will tie the required knots for Arrow of Light on a log in the water.

**Swim Relay:** (Boy Scouts and Webelos) 50 Points

Four leg event. One each using the following; backstroke, sidestroke, breast stroke, and freestyle. Boy Scouts will hand off a baton at each leg. Webelos will not use a baton. Senior Patrols – will be given a greater challenge.

**Fun Station:** (Boy Scouts and Webelos) 50 Points

This station is guaranteed to make you smile.

**Scavenger Hunt:** (Webelos Only) 50 Points

Collect a list of items and turn them in by 4:00 PM.

**Splicing:** (Boy Scouts only) 50 points

Each patrol will be given pieces of rope at the beginning of the day (you need to supply the whipping material). Each patrol will need to tie the following: Eye Splice, Back Splice, and a Short Splice. You will have all day to tie them, but they need to be in by 4:00 PM on Saturday. The splicing's will be scored for accuracy and neatness

**Troop Medley:** (Boy Scout Troops) – (one group per troop) 50 Points

The medley will consist of running, swimming, and boating. Details will be discussed at the Friday night Cracker Barrel. This event is a blast and also fun to watch.

# Schedule of Events

## Friday

6:00 to 9:00 PM	Check in at Headquarters
9:30 PM	Cracker Barrel – Adult Leaders Meeting
10:30 PM	Taps – Quiet Time (making little or no noise)

## Saturday

7:00 AM	Reveille
7:30 AM	Swim Tests
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Official Opening – Flag Field</b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Competition begins – all stations open</b>
12:00 PM	Lunch – ALL stations closed
1:00 PM	Stations open – Competition continues
4:00 PM	All splicing and scavenger hunts due in
<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>Competition Ends – all stations closed</b>
5:00 PM	Troop Medley
6:00 PM	Dinner in campsites
<b>8:00 PM</b>	<b>Retreat - Flag Field</b>
8:15 PM	Scouts Own Service
8:30 PM	Campfire Program and Unit Awards
9:30 PM	Jr. Leaders' Cracker Barrel
10:30 PM	Taps – Quiet Time (making little or no noise)

## Sunday

7:00 AM	Reveille
7:30 – 8:30 AM	Breakfast
8:30 – 9:15 AM	Break Camp
<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Official Closing and Patrol Awards – Flag Field</b>
10:00 AM	Check Out – hope you had a great Father's Day Weekend.

***All Campers must depart camp by 11:00 AM***

*Scouting is about outing and having fun. Using the patrol method bonds each and every scout and makes sure they have a positive experience. We are confident they will bring home a good story or two to tell their family and friends.*

*It is important that all Patrols enter a competition with the belief that if they prepared well they have a good chance of doing well at the competition. This belief is broken when they must compete against Patrols that are significantly older or higher rank than their own. Whenever possible, Boy Scout Leaders should make every effort to register their Patrols as they naturally function within the Troop.*

## Unit Roster

Enter Unit #, Patrol Name, Patrol Members, Scout Rank, and Swim Classification  
**BSA Swim Classification: Non-Swimmer / Beginner / Swimmer**

**Troop #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Pack#** \_\_\_\_\_ **Council** \_\_\_\_\_ **District** \_\_\_\_\_

**Leader Contact name and cell#** \_\_\_\_\_

**Patrol Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Senior – Regular – Webelos (circle one)**

Scout Name	Rank	Swim Classification

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**Unit Leader Verification Signature:**

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## Adult Roster

Adult Name and Position	Adult Name and Position

**Unit Leader Verification Signature:**