

Aquatic Committee Looking For A Few Good Volunteers

We are looking for a few volunteers Scouters who want to make a difference in the aquatic program in East Carolina Council. We want to contribute even more to the council program than we presently are. We need volunteers who can teach. We need volunteers who can fix and repair. We need volunteers who are persistent, who won't give up when things do not always go their way, who will strive for perfection but are not perfect, who care about our summer camp aquatic program and want to make it better a little at a time. We know it will not happen overnight but if we take the program one step at a time, we'll see progress.

As I said we need instructors. If you are knowledgeable in different water craft such as canoes, kayaks, motor boats, watersports, rowing, then we need you. We teach the summer camp staff CPR/first Aid, BSA Lifeguard, Aquatic Supervision (Paddle Craft Safety and Swimming and Water Rescue). We also offer these programs to unit leaders and older scouts during the year. If you are interested in being one of these instructors, we can make it happen.

The Aquatics committee had a representative attend the National Aquatics Workshop last Fall at the BSA Seabase in the Florida Keys. At that Workshop East Carolina Council was chosen to help develop a plan for the BSA nationwide to incorporate the US Swim Foundation in our efforts to teach all youth to swim. The committee's Instructor Trainer Tony Zito has become an instructor for [ECSI](#) (Emergency Care and Safety Institute) – a [BSA approved organization](#) to provide CPR and First Aid training. This will allow the council to offer discounted training opportunities.

Our goal is to have one or more volunteers from each District represented on the Aquatic Committee. If you are interested, you may contact: Steve Redgrave redgrave58@yahoo.com, Tony Zito lfawolf43@gmail.com, Steven Barbe smb726@gmail.com, or Richard Zablocki ricknriver@gmail.com.



Sunfish daggers (centerboards) in various states of refurbishment by members of the Aquatics Committee. The Committee is looking for volunteers who can fix things - especially boats - or experienced repairmen who can help teach



This is a sailboat that the Aquatics Committee is preparing to be a teaching aid for the Sailing Merit Badge by labeling the different parts of the boat.