



Boy Scout Summer Camp
Leader's Guide
2016

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Dear Scouts and Scouters:

Welcome to the 2016 summer camp at Bert Adams Scout Camp! We are excited to have you as part of one of America's longest continuously running summer camps. We had a great year in 2015 and are ready to make 2016 the best season our camp has ever seen!

This guide has all the important information you will need for your stay at Bert Adams. It is designed for adult leaders, parents, and youth leadership of your unit. Please make plans to review it completely.

We have worked hard this off-season to put together the most exciting program yet. Our all-inclusive format is sure to ease the minds of your parents and give every Scout the opportunity to have a great week. This year we are putting a greater program emphasis on one of the features that makes Bert Adams unique in that we encourage all Scouts to bring a bicycle to Camp.

Our camp staff is committed to exceeding your expectations. They are carefully selected and trained to assist you and your Scouts. Our Camp Director is a seasoned tenured volunteer Scoutmaster that understands your Troop's needs. Your Bert Adams experience will be filled with adventures you will never forget!

A true Scouting adventure is waiting for your Scouts at the Bert Adams Scout Camp this summer! You will be awed by the natural beauty of Georgia's piedmont, thrilled by the array of Scouting adventures found in no other camp, and overjoyed by the friendships and fellowship you will experience all week.

We look forward to greeting you this summer at Bert Adams. Please do not hesitate to contact us for any reason; we are here to serve! Thank you for choosing the Bert Adams Scout Camp as your camp destination this summer; we can't wait for you to experience the **Land of Adventure!**

Yours in Scouting,

George Snipes
Council Program Director
Bert Adams Scout Camp

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The Scouting Experience

Scouting was created in 1907 when Lord Robert Baden-Powell created the first Scout camp on Brownsea Island. Every year since, Scouts gather for a week each summer in some of the world's most beautiful places. From the very start leaders have said, "You can't take the outing out of Scouting". The same remains true today.

There is something intangible that appeals to young men about packing up their gear and going camping for a week. Six nights and seven days in the woods to experience the meadows, the lakes, and the streams; it is truly an adventure! And an adventure that no Troop can duplicate on their own. Plus consider the wide variety of programs and facilities including: an air-conditioned dining hall, trading post, swimming pool, and much more at Bert Adams to serve your Scouts.

An Accredited Camp

Bert Adams Scout Camp is accredited each summer as part of the National Camp Accreditation Program. This means that the camp has met strict guidelines in health, safety, and programming. We are prepared for emergencies and understand that Scouts and Scouters are trusted in our care.



Camp Program

To us, program is more than merit badge classes. It is also specialty programs and campwide games. It includes flag ceremonies and campfires. It's the songs and the cheers. We believe that program is everything you experience, from the time you step out of your car until you are headed back home. We believe we are prepared to deliver one of America's best camp programs. New Scouts will enjoy our Rawhide program, while your older Scouts will be challenged in the Extreme Zone. We know that every Troop is different and approaches merit badge work in its own way. We have developed a curriculum that has a wide variety and are looking forward to helping you plan the program that is best for you.

The Staff

Our staff hiring and training is a 10-month process, starting the day camp closes the previous year. We hire the best candidates for each position and complete a 10-day training program before we see any Scouts! We are highly motivated and truly dedicated, and we are here to serve you. If your Troop has any older Scouts or adults interested in summer-long positions, direct them to www.BertAdams.org for application information.

Food

Our meals are planned and prepared by foodservice professionals. You will enjoy well-balanced meals and we always offer additional food to what is served. You'll enjoy salad bars, cereal, and seconds! There is a special Scoutmaster's mess area as well.

Land of Adventure!

Scouts started coming to Bert Adams in 1927, and we have grown into the South's premier Scouting destination. It's always a great day in Scouting at Bert Adams, where every day's a holiday, and every meal's a feast...Thank you Lord Baden-Powell!



Camp Programs

Rawhide

Rawhide is our program for “first-year campers”, or any Scouts who are still working on ranks up to First Class. The Rawhide program is designed to make new Scouts feel comfortable at camp and give them the enthusiasm to fuel their advancements. This is a very structured program focused on rank advancement activities and each Scout is placed into a Patrol for his activities during the week. Rawhide will be composed of a double-period session in the morning.

Merit Badges

We offer a wide variety of merit badges in many program areas. Merit badges vary in their difficulty and number of requirements, therefore, some courses may require a minimum age or camp experience that is noted on the class matrix. This ensures that Scouts have fun and are encouraged to succeed.

High Adventure

Bert Adams is home to some of the most inventive and fun programs for older Scouts. Stand-alone programs like COPE are available, in addition to our Extreme program. Due to the maturity and physical ability required in these programs, they each have their own age requirements.

Be Prepared for Camp

1. Be aware of each Scouts' advancement progress.
2. Decide the Scouts who are eligible for specialty programs.
3. Complete your class scheduling online in the spring.
4. Work on prerequisites before attending camp.
5. Encourage use of the Patrol method.
6. Have more experienced Scouts act as teachers to the younger Scouts.
7. Work with each Scout to set camp goals and encourage challenge.
8. Hold a swim classification test prior to camp (this will make your check-in at camp much easier!).



Planning Information

Summer Camp Details:

CAMP LOCATION: Bert Adams Scout Camp
218 Scout Road
Covington, Georgia 30016

RESERVATION DEPOSIT: \$250 per unit, counted toward fees payment

CAMP FEES: The camp fee includes campsite with tents and beds, toilet and shower facilities, seventeen meals, program supplies and activities (excluding craft kits to be purchased in the trading post), and all activities. **Bert Adams follows an all-inclusive fee structure! No extra fees for camp programs and classes except as noted in the Pre-requisite list!**

| Participant Type | Camp Fees |
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| Youth | \$305 <i>Units that are staying in the Adventure Camp sites will pay an additional \$10 per participant</i> |
| Adults | 2 free per unit*, \$160 each for additional <i>Adults that stay 1-3 days will pay a per meal rate of \$5, but do not receive weeklong adult benefits. Adults staying more than 3 days are considered weeklong adults and are subject to the normal rate.</i> |

** Units bringing less than five Scouts do not get any "free" leaders.*

The following fee schedule is required for all Troops:

- \$10 per Scout deposit due by November 1, 2015 (nonrefundable).
- \$100 per Scout fees due by February 1, 2016.
- \$100 per Scout fees, plus \$75 of all paying adults due by May 1, 2016.
- All remaining fees are due 10 business days prior to your arrival to camp.

In order to maintain your reservation, you must make your November 1 & February 1 payments. In order to make class selections, you must be current on your payments.

Reservation Information:

Make a reservation by calling 770-956-5687. Campsites are requested on a first-come, first-served basis and are considered a "pencil-assignment." The deposit is required to receive this tentative campsite assignment. Campsite assignments for regular registration are not guaranteed due to capacity. We receive many campsite requests that are beyond our capacity.

It is important to register early and keep us informed of any changes so that we can plan accordingly. **Please follow-up any changes to campsite or significant attendance changes with a call or email to the service center. Final numbers are due by May 1, and no changes can be made less than 10 business days prior to your arrival.** Final campsite assignments will be made the week prior to your camp week by the Camp Commissioner.

Deposits are not refundable. Upon arrival to camp, all units will be subject to a \$100 per Scout fee for all "no-shows". All remaining fees are refundable upon written request.



Early Arrivals / Late Departures

We can often accommodate your travel needs to arrive early or depart late. You can make these arrangements by filling out the Early/Late Arrival Form. Any unit arriving early without prior approval will be assessed an additional \$100 fee. Any unit that arrives early or departs late will not have access to camp personnel and certain facilities (medical, management, etc) until camp resumes normal weekly operation.

When You Arrive

Check-In will be held on Sunday from 1:00-3:00pm. You will be directed to the location of the Check In as you arrive.

1. Your unit will be greeted upon arrival at the camp and met by the Camp Commissioner. **Two (2) completed copies of your unit roster (print/view on website after March 1) are required for check-in.** Pre-camp health status questionnaire must be turned in immediately and the arrival health screening will be performed by a staff member.
2. One adult leader will remain to complete the administrative check-in process. The adult completing administrative check-in will meet with the medical officer to turn-in and review medical forms and medications. The unit's insurance information will be required at this time.
3. Your camp staff guide, youth, and all other adult leaders will begin their camp tour and proceed to the campsite. The Camp tour includes a brief history of camp, visits to all program areas, swim tests, and a dining hall orientation. We ask that adult leaders participate in this tour with the youth.
4. An inspection of the tents and tarps in the campsite must be completed and signed by one of the Troop adult leaders as well as the Staff Guide.
5. All units will have an opportunity for a Troop photo session.
6. An adult leader orientation and a Senior Patrol Leader orientation will be held on Sunday night after dinner. These sessions will include a review of the schedule and program areas. One representative from every unit is required to attend.

Checking-Out

Check-Out is on Saturday. All camp facilities will be closed at 9:00am; all Troops must be out of camp and in the parking lot by this time.

1. The Troop's breakfast will be delivered to their Campsite approximately 6:30 AM. If you do not require breakfast that morning, let us know in advance.
2. All trash must be removed from the campsite and taken to the dumpster.
3. An adult leader can report to the health lodge to pick-up all medical forms. Any medical forms left at camp will be shredded at 10:00am on the day of departure.



Class Schedule Registration

All class scheduling will be completed online in early April through the link at www.BertAdams.org. Additional assistance with any portion of class scheduling is available by emailing BertAdams@AtlantaBSA.org. Please use email for schedule questions/requests. Often it is much easier to help make these changes via email.

Class scheduling opens on Tuesday, April 5th, at 8:00am to those who have completed their November 1 and February 1 payments (\$110 per Scout)

Class schedules can be altered and tweaked until 7 days prior at camp arrival. After that on-line scheduling is locked and can only be modified at Camp as you arrive on Sunday.

Medical Information

Every person (Scout and Scouter) who attends camp must submit a completed and signed BSA medical form. Form must be current and complete. These forms are due at time of arrival at camp. **To speed your check-in process; we would encourage you to mail medical forms to camp a week in advance.** We encourage you to turn in copies of these forms and keep the originals. The current revision of the BSA Annual Health & Medical Record (680-001) is required. Parts A, B, and C are mandatory for anyone who is staying in camp longer than 3 days, or participating in high adventure activities. All participants must have the appropriate activities in Part C certified by a physician in order to participate. ***Any person with an incorrect or out-of-date form will be required to visit a physician before entering camp, at the person's own expense.***

Review your youth and adult medical forms in advance of leaving for camp. Give special attention to dietary restrictions and prescribed medications, family history, and emergency contact information.

You can mail in medical forms beginning on May 15 to:
Bert Adams Health Office
218 Scout Road
Covington, GA 30016

Pre-Camp Health Status Questionnaire:

Prior to departure from your home, all units should download and review the questions from the Pre-Camp Health Status Questionnaire (available for viewing/download from the camp website after March 1).

Arrival Screenings:

Upon arrival at camp all units will be required to undergo a brief health screening to ensure all camp participants are protected from infectious diseases. The staff will also undergo this screening weekly prior to the opening of camp.

Hospital or Doctor Visit:

Campers requiring the attention of a doctor or the services of a hospital should know the following information. It is the responsibility of the unit leadership to provide transportation for the unit member(s) requiring attention from a doctor or a hospital. One adult leader from the unit, and one additional adult leader, will accompany the unit member(s) requiring services and is asked to carry insurance forms in for completion. He/she must obtain the Scout's health and medical form from the Health Lodge before going to the doctor or hospital. Parents or guardians will be notified by the Camp Director immediately of any serious illness or injury. If



parents will not be at home while you are at camp, have them advise you how they can be contacted. The Camp Medical Officer must clear all cases requiring outside medical care. This is in agreement with the local health service facilities, insurance company, and claims procedure. Troops are responsible for providing proof of insurance upon arrival at the Hospital or Doctor's office.

Prescription Medication Dosing Form-REQUIRED

Utilizing the Prescription Medication Dosing Form, each unit should complete (prior to arrival at camp) a form for each unit member taking any prescription drugs. Use one form/sheet for each camper with a prescription. Up to 6 prescriptions can be listed. Forms are available for viewing/download on the camp website. Each unit should be prepared to show these completed forms at check-in to the Health Officer, and then keep them updated throughout your week at camp.

All medications should be in a properly labeled container and locked at all times. Medication requiring refrigeration or injection may be kept in the Health Lodge or campsite.

Electricity is not available in all campsites. For those that require electricity for a CPAP machine, power packs can be rented from the camp.

What Scouts Should Bring

- Scout Field uniform—Complete including shirt, shorts, belt, socks, and t-shirts
 - Medical form including insurance information and parent's signature
 - Extra clothing — socks, underwear, closed-toed shoes, etc.
 - Sweater or jacket (chilly weather is possible even in the summer)
 - Rainwear
 - Sleeping bag or bedding
 - Swim Suit
 - Soap, comb, toothbrush, towel, and other personal items
 - Scout Handbook, pens & pencils, notebooks, and merit badge books
 - Money for crafts, Trading Post items, and snacks (\$70 is recommended)
 - Other items such as camera, compass, pack, flashlight, insect repellent, sunblock, etc.
- Be sure to pack in a waterproof container or pack.*

Our Average Temperatures:

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| <u>June:</u> Normal High: 88°F Normal Low: 66°F Normal Average: 77°F | <u>July:</u> Normal High: 90°F Normal Low: 70°F Normal Average: 80°F |
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Planning Outline

- Read this Leader's Guide completely.
- Plan your unit's program. Schedule classes online, including Rawhide for younger campers and any Extreme Zone for older Scouts. Remember down time is important too.
- The Patrol Leaders' Council should review the Program Guide.
- Obtain complete medical forms from all Scouts and adults attending. These must include insurance information, personal information, and signatures. Send these in a week in advance to speed your check-in process.
- Bring your unit flag and an American flag.
- Arrange for and have documentation of unit accident & sickness insurance.
- Ensure two-deep leadership for traveling and camping.
- Hold a parent's meeting.
- Arrange for your swim classification tests (this will streamline your check-in tremendously).
- Complete the pre-camp health status questionnaire before departing for camp.



Pre-Camp Checklist

_____ Review the Program Guide with the Patrol Leader's Council, Troop Committee, and Scoutmasters. Make notes and record any questions, then contact our camping representatives at 770-956-5687 / BertAdams@AtlantaBSA.org.

_____ Ensure that all youth and adults complete the appropriate medical forms, collect them and review them. If at all possible mail your medical forms to camp at least a week prior to your arrival as this will speed your check in process. Otherwise bring them with you for check-in when you arrive at Camp.

_____ Communication with Parents:

- * Collect all camp fees and specify an internal Troop deadline to parents.
- * Communicate time, place, and date of departure to camp and arrival home.
- * Communicate the camp's mailing address: 218 Scout Road, Covington, GA 30016.
- * Communicate the camp's emergency contact number: 770-385-1565.
- * Give blank copy of medical form and deadline for them to be complete and returned.
- * Communicate directions to camp (or direct to website: www.BertAdams.org)

_____ \$10 per Scout camp deposit due by November 1, 2015; required to maintain reservation.

_____ \$100 per Scout camp fees due by February 1, 2016; required to maintain reservation & schedule classes.

_____ Additional \$100 per Scout and \$75 per adult (beyond free adults) due by May 1, 2016.

_____ 100% of all Scout camp fees due 10 business day prior to arrival.

_____ Troop Committee:

- * Arrange for necessary adult leadership, minimum 2 adults at all times.
- * Arrange for necessary transportation to and from camp.

_____ Patrol Leader's Council:

- * Develop a list of Troop, Patrol and personal equipment to take to camp.

_____ Individual Registration:

- * Register each individual (Scout and adult) online at www.BertAdams.org. Opens on April 5, 2016 for those up-to-date on payments.
- * Discuss class schedules individually with Scouts and preparations required prior to camp.

_____ Going to Camp:

- * Final review of checklist.
- * Collect and review medical forms for signatures and insurance information.
- * Have a copy of your Troop insurance (Atlanta Area Council Troops are covered already)
- * Complete two copies of Troop roster for check-in.
- * Complete pre-camp health status questionnaire.



Camp Rules

As a Scouting facility, the foremost rules for personal and group behavior are the ideals found in Scouting:

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| SCOUT OATH On my honor, I will do my best To do my duty to God and my country, And to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight. | SCOUT LAW A Scout is Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, and Reverent. |
| | OUTDOOR CODE As an American, I will do my best to Be clean in my outdoor manners, Be careful with fire, Be considerate in the outdoors, and Be conservation minded. |

Beyond these ideals, the following rules are enforced at the Bert Adams Scout Camp:

- Troops must have two-deep leadership at all times while at camp. No exceptions!
- All campers shall wear a wristband to identify themselves
- All cars must be parked in the designated camp parking areas. Only specially authorized vehicles are allowed in campsites or on the roads. This includes golf carts and UTVs.
- Shoes must be worn at all times at camp. Shoes must be completely closed. Sandals are allowed only at the showers and in the aquatics areas.
- Throwing rocks is strictly forbidden.
- No running in camp. We ask adult and youth leaders to help keep camp safe.
- All bike riders must wear helmets
- Walk bikes across bridges and do not ride bikes at night
- No flames, fires, or fuels of any kind are permitted inside tents.
- No personal skateboards, inline skates, or mountain boards are permitted.
- Personal firearms and bows are not permitted.
- No alcoholic beverages or illegal substances are allowed on camp property.
- No underage youth are allowed in camp, with the exception of family night.
- All guests are required to immediately check-in at the camp office.
- No fireworks of any kind are permitted on camp property.

Youth Protection Guidelines

- Two-Deep Leadership: Two registered adult leaders or one registered adult leader and a parent of a participant Scout, one of whom must be 21 years of age or older, are required on trips and outings. The chartered organization is responsible for ensuring that sufficient leadership is provided for all activities.
- No One-on-One Contact: One-on-one contact between adults and youth members is not permitted. In situations that require a personal conference, such as a Scoutmaster conference, the meeting is to be conducted in view of the other adults and youth.
- Respect of Privacy: Adult leaders must respect the privacy of youth members in situations such as changing clothes and taking showers at camp and intrude only to the extent that health and safety requires. Adults must protect their own privacy in similar situations.
- Separate Accommodations: When camping, no youth is permitted to sleep in the tent of an adult other than his own parent or guardian. Camp has separate shower and latrine facilities for females, or if separate facilities are not available, times for male and female use are scheduled and posted.



Adult Leader & Senior Patrol Leader Meetings

An orientation meeting will be held on Sunday evening. Special announcements concerning the camp, its policies and procedures, or any specific needs or questions about the camp operation will be answered at this meeting. It is important that every unit is represented.

A Scout Leader meeting and a Senior Patrol Leader meeting will be held each day; this is the primary method of communication to units.

Transportation

Each Troop is responsible for safe transportation to and from camp and must meet the insurance requirements of the Boy Scouts of America found on the appropriate tour plan. Members of the Boy Scouts of America may not be transported at any time in the back of pickup trucks; members must wear seat belts at all times. Per BSA policy, driving must be kept under 10 hours per day.

Speed Limits

The camp wide maximum speed limit is 12 mph; we suggest 5 mph when campers are present. Speed limits include bicycles.

Vehicles in Camp

All vehicles parked on camp property (with the exception of Family Day visitors on Friday) must display a camp vehicle registration card that will allow camp management to contact the owner/operator in the event of an emergency or other need. These registration cards will be issued at Sunday check-in. If an improperly parked vehicle interferes with the safe operation of camp, the owner will be notified. If the situation is not resolved in a reasonable time, the vehicle will be towed at the owners risk and expense.

Vehicles are not allowed in campsites. Any exceptions must be authorized by the Camp Director. Parking is available in one of the approved parking lots. Scouts, adult leaders, and visitors are expected to park, walk, exercise, and enjoy the beauty of our camp.

Identification

Each camper, adult leader, and visitor must wear camp issued identification (wristband). Camp visitors will be issued identification bands when they arrive at camp. Staff will be identified by their uniform and staff credentials.

Leaving During Camp

There is a specific procedure that must be followed for Scout Early Release from Camp. Please see the Camp Office for more information.

Mail Service

Mail service to camp generally takes 2-5 days. Be sure to register and insure all packages. Mail will be distributed via Troop mailboxes at the Camp Office.

To write a Scout at camp, the address is:

MAIL

Troop # "Scout's Name"
Bert Adams Scout Reservation
218 Scout Road
Covington, Georgia 30016

EMAIL

BertAdams@live.com

"Scout's Name"-Bert Adams, Troop # in Subject Line
Do not send pictures or files.



Phone Messages

Messages will be placed in the Troop's mailbox. Emergency calls will be hand-delivered to the Troop's campsite. The camp's phone number is 770-385-1565. Note that there is not anyone at this number until the first week of camp.

Litter

"A Scout is Clean". Trash must be taken to a dumpster. Please pick up any litter you see.

Pets

All pets are to be left at home. Pets of any type are not permitted; including those brought by parents or visitors. Registered service animals are the only animals allowed; please make a note about assistance animals when registering the individual on the program website. Please make sure to inform your Friday night visitors about this policy.

Chemical Fuels Policy

For safety, knowledgeable adult supervision must be present when Scouts are involved in the use, handling, lighting, or storage of chemical fuels (liquids, jellies, or gas). Propane lanterns and stoves are allowed. All fuels must be stored in a locked container. No liquid fueled lanterns should be used in camping activities. No fuel, lanterns, stoves, or candles are to be used in or near tents and camp structures.

Uniform

The BSA field uniform is worn for evening flag ceremonies, dinner, chapel, and campfires. Field uniform must always be worn with shirts buttoned up and tucked in. Troop approved activity uniforms are appropriate for the remainder of the day.

Troop Photo

You are encouraged to wear a complete field uniform to camp. Troop photos are generally taken during arrival on Sunday. They are delivered via email as a photo file or available to be loaded onto a flash drive if you provide one.

Lost and Found

Lost and found items will be turned in at the camp office. Leaders should encourage Scouts to mark their belongings with name and Troop number. Lost and found items will be kept for one week after collected, then donated to a local charity.

Smoking

The Bert Adams Scout Camp is a tobacco-free facility. Adults with tobacco habits may only use tobacco in the secluded area fenced behind the dining hall. This includes the use of vapor cigarettes, cigars, or chewing tobacco. Use of tobacco in any other area will result in dismissal from the Camp property.

Damage to Camp Facilities

We are very proud of our camps and our equipment. We will be performing an inspection of the canvas as part of your check in procedures as well as an inspection prior to your departure. If you or your Scouts damage any equipment issued to your unit you will be expected to pay for damages.

Flammability Warning

No tent material is completely fireproof. Tent material can burn when exposed to continued, intense heat or fire. The most important safeguard is to keep flames away from canvas materials. For this reason, the following safety precautions must be adhered to: Only flashlights and electric lanterns are permitted in tents. No flames in tents is a rule that must be enforced by all adults and youth leaders.



Campsite Inspection

Campsite inspection will be conducted daily by volunteer Commissioners. We would like to have an adult from your Troop to volunteer to assist us with inspecting a neighboring Troop's site. The inspection form will be available for viewing/download on the camp website after March 1.

BICYCLES ARE ENCOURAGED AT BERT ADAMS

We encourage all Scouts and leaders to bring a bike to Bert Adams this summer. It makes it easier to get around Camp and we will have special biking activities set up including a Bike Rodeo competition. While you should bring a bike in good condition, we will operate a special Bike Repair Shop in the Field Sports area to assist you with any issues you may have with your equipment while you are at Camp. There will be a charge for new tires or brake service.

Bike Rules

Bikes are permitted for use by adults and Scouts during summer camp. **Everyone must wear a helmet at all times** and bikes may not be ridden on stairs or in structures. Bikes must be walked across all bridges, sidewalks, in campsites, and in high-traffic areas. Bikes should be checked for safety by unit leaders.

Fishing

The fish are biting at Bert Adams. Bring your fishing poles and tackle to have some fun. We do enforce a strict catch and release policy.



Dining Hall Operations

Meal Times:

Breakfast-7:30am

Lunch-12:30pm

Dinner-6:00pm

The dining hall is open each day from 6:30am to 9:00pm for access to the restrooms and coffee.

Each Troop will be assigned tables during the camp tour on the day of their arrival. One waiter is needed for every 8 people. Waiters need to report to the dining hall 15 minutes prior to the meal. Leaders are asked to help supervise the waiters.

Responsibilities of Waiters:

Table Waiters set each place setting with a napkin and silverware. Waiters also fill pitchers and set out any meal items. They also assist with the clean-up of the dining hall, restrooms, and serving hallway. After the meal, waiters must do the following:

1. Wipe off tables.
2. Sweep underneath tables and mop as necessary.
3. Be inspected and released by the Dining Hall Steward

Trays and Utensils:

The plastic trays, glasses, and metal utensils are to be placed in their appropriate dirty location.

Hand washing:

Hand washing stations are placed outside at each serving entrance to the dining hall. Adult leaders should coach their Scouts to wash their hands at these stations before they enter the dining hall.

Scoutmaster Extras:

Adult leaders will have access to a special Scoutmaster mess area.

A special adult leader dinner will be held on Tuesday night. This meal is available to all adult leaders registered in camp and will be immediately followed by a brief program.

All adult leaders are also invited to the Scoutmaster brunch on Friday morning after the normal breakfast.

Seconds & Extra Food:

When available, seconds will be offered to all campers. At all meals, regardless of the availability of seconds, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, fruit, and other items are available for any hungry campers who have finished their trays.

Special Diets:

Our healthy, delicious meals include plenty of vegetarian and allergen alternative options. We meet typical dietary needs but cannot create individual meals for campers with special life style diets or just picky eaters. If you have more specific needs, please review the menu to determine what items you will need to bring to supplement the menu; our menu will be available on web page by May 1.



Trading Post

Our trading post is exceptionally well-stocked to serve you. We have camp supplies, crafts, souvenirs, toiletries, and even uniforms. Don't leave camp without your t-shirt or cap. Plus, the trading post has your snacks, drinks, and ice cream. The trading post accepts cash, checks, and credit cards. Based on last year, we recommend that Scouts bring \$50 plus enough for handicraft kits. *The Trading Post does not carry merit badge pamphlets.*

Family Night

Family Night is on Friday. Families are invited to camp to experience some of the camp atmosphere, observe activities, stay for dinner, and be a part of our Friday night campfire. Family members may arrive any time after lunch and must check-in at the camp office. Meal tickets are \$5 each for visitors.

Swim Tests

All Scouts and leaders attending camp must take a BSA swim test. This test must be re-taken by all at least every 12 months, or when attending camp. *A Troop may hold their own "Troop swim check" in accordance with BSA standards.*

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!! You can complete your own swim test before coming to camp! This will save you a lot of time at check-in. Units that have already completed their swim tests before camp should present a copy of the results at check-in and will be certified by the aquatics director. Those units will receive their buddy tags at this time. The aquatics staff reserves the right to re-test any person in their swimming ability while at camp. **Completing your tests before camp will streamline your Sunday afternoon! The form is available on the web page by March 1.**

Any Scouts or leaders that didn't do an early swim test can do so at Camp. As soon as your Camp guide leads you to your campsite, your boys should prepare to take the swim test. Upon arrival at the waterfront your Unit will be issued buddy tags



Directions to Bert Adams

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 218 Scout Road, Covington, Georgia 30016

FROM ROSWELL: (approximately 1 hour, 20 minutes) Take GA-400 south to exit 4A for I-285 East toward Greenville/Augusta. After 19 miles, take exit 46 for I-20 East toward Augusta. Travel for 21 miles and take Almon Rd./Porterdale exit 88. Turn right at top of exit ramp. Follow Crowell Rd. south through Porterdale. This road becomes County Road 142. Continue until you reach the Fire Station #1, just prior to Flat Shoals Rd. Turn right on Flat Shoals Rd. and travel to GA-36. Turn right on GA-36 and travel south for 3 miles. Turn right onto Boy Scout Road. Camp will be 1/4 mile on your right.

FROM MARIETTA: (approximately 1 hour, 20 minutes) Take I-75 south to exit 247 for I-20 East toward Augusta. Travel for 31 miles and take Almon Rd./Porterdale exit 88. Turn right at top of exit ramp. Follow Crowell Rd. south through Porterdale. This road becomes County Road 142. Continue until you reach the Fire Station #1, just prior to Flat Shoals Rd. Turn right on Flat Shoals Rd. and travel to GA-36. Turn right on GA-36 and travel south for 3 miles. Turn right onto Boy Scout Road. Camp will be 1/4 mile on your right.

FROM CARROLLTON: (approximately 1 hour, 45 minutes) Take I-20 east toward Atlanta. Travel for 64 miles and take Almon Rd./Porterdale exit 88. Turn right at top of exit ramp. Follow Crowell Rd. south through Porterdale. This road becomes County Road 142. Continue until you reach the Fire Station #1, just prior to Flat Shoals Rd. Turn right on Flat Shoals Rd. and travel to GA-36. Turn right on GA-36 and travel south for 3 miles. Turn right onto Boy Scout Road. Camp will be 1/4 mile on your right.

FROM JONESBORO: (approximately 1 hour) Take GA-138 east toward Stockbridge. Merge onto I-75 south toward Macon and travel for 16 miles, to exit 212 toward Locust Grove. Turn left onto Bill Gardner Pkwy for .7 miles. Turn right onto GA-42/US-23 and travel for 7.5 miles. Turn left onto Old Bethel Rd., immediately keep to the right. After 2 miles, turn left onto GA-36. Travel for 14 miles and turn left onto Boy Scout Road. Camp will be 30/4 mile on your left.

FROM I-75 SOUTH (traveling north): I-75 north to exit 201 toward Jackson/Barnesville. Turn right onto GA-36 east. Stay on GA-36 (watch for turns) for 25 miles. Turn left onto Scout Road. Camp will be 1/4 miles on your right.

Estimated Travel Times From Common Departures

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| Atlanta Airport: 1 hour | Birmingham: 3 hours, 20 minutes |
| Macon: 1 hour, 10 minutes | Orlando: 6 hours, 30 minutes |
| Savannah: 3 hours, 40 minutes | Miami: 10 hours |
| Valdosta: 3 hours, 30 minutes | Nashville: 5 hours |
| Columbus: 2 hour, 30 minutes | Charlotte: 4 hours, 25 minutes |
| Jacksonville: 5 hours, 15 minutes | Tampa: 6 hours, 50 minutes |
| New Orleans: 8 hours | Jackson, MS: 6 hours, 50 minutes |
| Little Rock: 9 hours, 20 minutes | Lexington, KY: 7 hours |





Program Information

The next few pages contain information on our camp programs for 2016. Our curriculum has been developed through a unique collaboration of Scoutmasters, summer camp staff, and our council's camping and advancement committees. We are proud of the variety of programs we are able to offer, and with the highest quality found in Scouting!

Summer camp is primarily about fun! Too often, younger Scouts create an aggressive class schedule focused on advancement. Please work with your Scouts to help create appropriate schedules that mix advancement with adventure and fun.

Many of our programs have age-appropriate suggestions. We encourage you to use these guidelines when Scouts are creating their class schedules.

You will find that some of our class offerings include prerequisites. In some cases, a merit badge must already have been earned prior to summer camp. For example, in order to take Emergency Preparedness a Scout must already have earned First Aid. We do not permit Scouts to take these classes concurrently; the prerequisite must be complete before camp starts. Prerequisites listed in our program guide will not be covered in class. Scouts may bring proof of completion of these prerequisites to class for the instructor to review before or after class. Or, the Troop may review these items toward completion of the merit badge.

Please encourage your Scouts to take a variety of courses at camp! We believe that camp is about outdoor adventure and challenge; a Scout only enrolled in all academic type classes is missing out.

We also have fun planned for the adults in camp. We will offer Basic Scout Leader Training as a Course for your untrained leaders. Also with the wireless internet connection in the Ashley Center, we will have capability for all of the on line training opportunities. Besides there will be many other opportunities for FUN including the Scoutmaster Shoot, Golf Tournament, Iron Chef Cooking contest, Orienteering and a Camp Service Project. After all you are on vacation aren't you, so shouldn't you enjoy yourself?

The course guide that follows is tentative. The final version, with schedule, will appear on the website by March 1, 2016.

Occasionally, we may offer additional courses, when skilled instruction is available. If any of your leaders are able to instruct a unique merit badge course to completion, please let us know!



PROGRAMS FOR REGISTRATION

This is a preliminary list. A final listing with daily schedule will be released March 1. Online sign up for program registration will be available on April 5, 2016 to all Units that have paid their November and February fees for Camp. Instructions will be sent by email to the Unit Leader of record prior to registration.

| AQUATICS | |
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| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| Swimming Merit Badge | Must pass Swimmer's Test. |
| Lifesaving Merit Badge | Physically demanding. Must have Swimming Merit Badge. |
| Rowing Merit Badge | |
| Canoeing Merit Badge | |
| Small Boat Sailing Merit Badge | |
| Motor Boating Merit Badge | |
| BSA Lifeguard | Very Physically demanding, must be 15 years old and already have CPR for the Professional Rescuer certification. |
| Kayaking Merit Badge | |
| Kayaking BSA | |
| Swimming Clinic | A Class for those who have not yet completed their BSA Swimmers Test |
| Scuba Discovery | An Intro to Scuba experience |
| Snorkeling BSA | |
| Mega Slip and Slide Activity | |

| FIELD SPORTS | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| Cycling Merit Badge | <u>Scouts will need to bring their own bike</u> |
| Sports Merit Badge | <u>Will not complete 4 or 5 during camp</u> |
| Athletics Merit Badge | <u>Will not complete 3 or 5 during camp</u> |
| Personal Fitness Merit Badge | <u>Will not complete 7 or 8 during camp</u> |
| Games with Staff or your Troop | Gaga Ball, Flag Football, Soccer, Volley Ball, Cornhole, Ladder Golf, and more! |
| Mountain Biking Course | A Troop or Patrol based activity |
| Bert Adams Bicycle Shop | A place to tune up or repair your bicycle. |



| LIFE SKILLS | |
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| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| First Aid Merit Badge | |
| Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge | Must have earned the First Aid Merit Badge. |
| Search & Rescue Merit Badge | |
| Citizenship in Nation Merit Badge | |
| Citizenship in World Merit Badge | |
| Chess Merit Badge | |
| Communications Merit Badge | |
| Scouting Heritage Merit Badge | <u>Will not complete 4 at camp</u> |
| Fingerprinting Merit Badge | |
| Safety Cubed Program | A Combination of Safety, Traffic Safety and Fire Safety Merit Badges |
| American Cultures Merit Badge | |

| HANDICRAFT | |
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| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| Basketry Merit Badge | Purchase kits in the Trading Post ~\$16. |
| Woodcarving Merit Badge | Purchase kits in the Trading Post ~\$8, Must bring Totin' Chip. |
| Photography Merit Badge | Must bring Digital Camera. |
| Sculpting Merit Badge | |
| Art Merit Badge | |
| Metalworking Merit Badge | |
| Pottery Merit Badge | |
| Leatherwork Merit Badge | |

| SHOOTING SPORTS | |
|----------------------------|---|
| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| Rifle Shooting Merit Badge | |
| Shotgun Merit Badge | Recommended for Scouts 13+. Safety Officer will evaluate physical ability |
| Archery Merit Badge | |



| STEM | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| Game Design Merit Badge | |
| Inventing Merit Badge | |
| Electronics Merit Badge | |
| Robotics Merit Badge | |
| Space Exploration Merit Badge | |
| Surveying Merit Badge | |
| Engineering Merit Badge | |

| NATURE/ECOLOGY | |
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| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| Nature Merit Badge | |
| Fish & Wildlife Merit Badge | |
| Forestry Merit Badge | |
| Environmental Science Merit Badge | Labs required |
| Mammal Study Merit Badge | |
| Insect Study Merit Badge | |
| Archeology Merit Badge | |
| Weather Merit Badge | |
| Reptile & Amphibian Merit Badge | |
| Soil & Water Conservation Merit Badge | |
| Fish & Wildlife Management Merit Badge | |
| Astronomy Merit Badge | Bring binoculars, after dark lab required |
| Geology Merit Badge | |

| COPE/CLIMBING | |
|----------------------|---|
| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| COPE Adventure | Must be 13 years old and physically fit. |
| Climbing Merit Badge | Must be 13 years old and physically fit. |
| Slack Lining | Troop Afternoon Activity |
| Bouldering | Troop Afternoon Activity |



| OUTDOOR SKILLS | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Class | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information |
| Camping Merit Badge | Will not complete 9 at camp |
| Cooking Merit Badge | Will not complete 5, 6, 7 at camp |
| Wilderness Survival Merit Badge | Must bring sleeping bag, ground cloth, and flashlight |
| Pioneering Merit Badge | Must know all knots for 1 st Class. |
| Orienteering Merit Badge | Bring a Compass |
| Fishing Merit Badge | Bring Fishing gear. |
| Indian Lore Merit Badge | Purchase kit in Trading Post~ \$20. |
| Horsemanship Merit Badge | |
| Geocaching Merit Badge | Will not complete 8 or 9 at camp |
| Orienteering Competition Course | Patrol and Troop based activity |

| ADULT LEADER | | ACTIVITIES | |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Class | | Pre-Requisite & Additional Information | |
| Basic Scout Leader Training | | | |
| Scoutmaster Shotgun Shoot | | | |
| Scoutmaster Golf Tournament | | | |
| Scoutmaster Camp Service Project | | | |
| Bert Adams History Tour | | | |
| Scoutmaster Iron Chef Competition | | | |
| Scoutmaster Merit Badge | | | |



Program Information

Rawhide

The Rawhide program has been designed to give newer Scouts the greatest opportunity to learn basic Boy Scouting skills. They will be taught many of the skills that are part of the Tenderfoot to First Class advancement.

What to Bring to Rawhide:

- Boy Scout Handbook
- Notebook
- Pencil/pen
- Water bottle

Extreme

MINIMUM AGE: 13 by date of arrival.

Extreme Challenge is a program for older Scouts that want a sense of adventure and freedom.

The activities for the week will be preplanned but there will be opportunity for customization by the week's participants. Here are some of the elements that will be included:

- Rappelling
- Climbing
- Low COPE
- High COPE
- Rifle Shooting
- Shotgun Shooting
- Sailing
- Geocaching
- Mountain Boarding
- Horseback Riding
- Overnight Outpost

COPE (Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience)

COPE is comprised of groups of initiative games, and low and high course activities. Are you up to this 15-hour course that will test your leadership, your communication skills, your decision making and problem solving, and trust in your fellow Scout? Can you do all of this while 25 feet up in the trees?

COPE is for Scouts who are 13 years old by start of camp.

Scouts participating in the COPE program will need to bring long pants with pockets and shoes with "grippy" soles.



Climbing

Each participant will be working towards the Climbing merit badge on our 62-foot climbing tower. Training includes rappelling and climbing technique, plus climbing safety. Plus earn the merit badge!

Climbing is for Scouts who are 13 years old by start of camp.

Scouts will need to bring long pants with pockets and shoes with “grippy” soles (boots not recommended).

Open climbing and rappelling is also available during periods A, B, and C to all Scouts. Scouts taking Climbing Merit Badge are given preference.

Paddle Boarding

An open activity during free boating hours. You must be a swimmer to participate.

Mile Swim

Scouts and adults are invited to complete the Mile Swim. The swim will be done on Friday afternoon. In order to participate in the mile swim, individuals must attend at least three mandatory practices on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons.

Mega Slip & Slide

Here is an opportunity for fun and to get wet. Come with a buddy and enjoy our Mega Slip and Slide.

Movie & Game Night

Join our staff every Tuesday night for a movie and board games!

Life to Eagle Seminar

The Atlanta Area Council Advancement Committee will be hosting a Life to Eagle seminar at Camp. While there may be some differences between how Council’s [and District’s](#) interpret the National policy, this is a great time to familiarize yourself with the National Policy and procedures on this final rank.



Troop & Patrol Activities at Camp

Aquatic Activities

There will be ample opportunities to get wet at camp as a Troop or as a Patrol. We will have free swims and free boating every day.

Mountain Biking

As biking is a way of life at Bert Adams, take to the trails on your bikes and enjoy our Mountain Biking trail as a Patrol Activity. The buddy system is a must on this as well as the use of helmets. Details will be available from the bike shop in Field Sports.

Orienteering Challenge

Either as a Patrol or as a Troop, take an Orienteering Course challenge. A professional competition orienteering course is in place for your use. It was designed by the Georgia Orienteering Club and will take you to all corners of the Camp.

Slack Lining

Try your skill at this fun and challenging activity. Slack-lining is a practice in balance that uses nylon webbing tensioned between two anchor points.

Gaga

A fantastic game in which everyone can play. It is an Israeli version of dodge ball played in an octagonal pit. Participants try to hit other competitors below the knee with a large rubber ball. If you are hit, you are out; last Gaga player standing wins.

Jamison Canoe Overnight

Your Scouts are invited to historic Camp Jamison for the Jamison Canoe Overnight! On a night of your choosing, your Scouts will pick up camp backpacking tents, cross the lake, and camp overnight in Camp Jamison! Snacks in the evening and breakfast in the morning will be provided before you depart. Ingredients for you to prepare a meal at the site are also available with advance notice to the Canoe Overnight staff. This is a Patrol/Troop activity and 2-deep adult leadership from the Troop is required. No camp staff will stay overnight with your troop. The Jamison Canoe Overnight has a limited capacity per night so schedule your unit's participation before your arrival to camp in the online system. Patches are available for purchase.

Field Sports Games

Many of the field sports activities will provide the venue for either inter-Patrol or inter-Troop competition. Whether it is on the volleyball courts, flag football, ultimate frisbee, or in the Gaga Pits there is the opportunity for you to have fun competition.

Camp Wide Games

Friday afternoon a campwide Scout competition will be held. Troops may enter a Patrol of Scouts to compete in this whirlwind race to the finish that includes cross-country running, fire building, orienteering skills, pioneering, and more! Details will be coordinated with the Senior Patrol Leaders while at Camp.



Watermelon Night

The Bert Adams Watermelon Night is back again! Chilled watermelons will be delivered to your campsite on Wednesday night. Watermelons are \$5.00 each and can be purchased through the Camp Office by Monday morning.



Adventure Trek Programs

Bert Adams sits on thousands of acres of pristine camping lands. But, it also sits just outside of Atlanta, Georgia...the 9th largest metropolitan area in the United States and site of the Centennial Olympic Games of 1996! There are countless opportunities for Troops to experience culture, history, nature, and business as part of your Bert Adams experience. Atlanta is home to Coca-Cola, CNN, Turner Broadcasting, the College Football Hall of Fame and a whole lot more!

Your Troop can choose an attraction trek program anytime during your stay, or even arrive a day early! Many Troops will choose an adventure trek during an afternoon or evening. Pick one of our organized treks!

Bert Adams offers 4 organized adventure treks. Every Scout can participate in one organized adventure trek for free. First treks for any adult are \$5 each. Additional treks for any individual are \$25 per person. This includes activity, meals, and a patch. For 2016, we are not able to include transportation for Stone Mountain Park Trek or the Need for Speed Trek. Scuba Adventure is on-site, and transportation is included for Horseback Riding.

Stone Mountain Park Trek

During the afternoon and evening of your choice travel 38 miles to Stone Mountain Park for a unique Georgia experience. Stone Mountain is a 1,686 foot tall monadnock located in Atlanta's eastern suburbs. Stone Mountain is famous for its geologic significance and also for the largest bas relief sculpture in the world (90 x 190 ft.) of three Confederate leaders. Your Troop can spend your visit hiking, learning about Georgia history, visiting attractions, and stay for the famous LaserShow Spectacular in Mountainvision (world's longest-running laser show—28 years. A great Thursday night activity for your whole Troop!

The Stone Mountain Trek is an evening activity. At least 1 adult leader from the Troop must attend if there are 3 or more Scouts on any single trip. At least 2 adults must attend if there are more than 10 Scouts.

This includes admission to the park, access to all public areas, hiking and nature trails, Quarry Exhibit, Confederate Hall Historical & Environmental Education Center, and the Lasershow Spectacular.

Individual attraction admission can also be purchased for many of the attractions.

Advancement opportunities can also be included in this experience including history, outdoor, and civic requirements. A patch will also be given to all who participate in this excursion.



Need for Speed Trek

Travel 38 miles to that Atlanta Motor Speedway for a night of watching Bandolero, Legends, and Thunder Roadster racing. It's an evening of fun and grass-roots racing on the paved quarter-mile track at Atlanta Motor Speedway: the Thunder Ring. Drivers as young as 8-years-old come from all over the nation to battle for the right to be called champions.

This Adventure Trek includes admission to the race, dinner en route to the track, and a patch. The Need for Speed Trek is only available on Thursday evenings. At least 1 adult leader from the Troop must attend if there are 3 or more Scouts on any single trip. At least 2 adults must attend if there are more than 10 Scouts.

Everyone should bring rain gear. Everyone will leave camp at 5:00pm on Thursday and return at ~11:00pm.

Scuba Adventure

For those who want to test the waters, this is the course for you. The Scuba Adventure gives you a glimpse into what you can expect to see in the underwater world as well as what you could expect to learn in the Open Water Scuba Diver course. You will be shown the basic safety procedures for enjoyable scuba dives under the watchful eye of an instructor. You will learn skills like equalizing your ears, buddy checks, basic buoyancy control, and underwater communication. You will be given an introduction to basic scuba equipment and scuba skills. All participants must complete a release form (available on camp web page) and the Scuba medical release that is part of the BSA Health and Medical Record part C.

All Scuba Adventure sessions begin at 2:00pm.

Horseback Riding Trek

Travel a short drive to one of our Camp partners for an afternoon of horse education and riding. Scouts will receive a 1 hour orientation on horses, their care, and riding basics from a trained riding school staff member. Next, everyone will saddle-up and take a trail ride on one of the beautiful and experience-appropriate trails.



Campfires & OA Day

Three times during the week you will gather in the camp's amphitheater for fellowship and fun around the campfire!

Opening Staff Campfire

SUNDAY - Get your week kicked off with excitement as the staff celebrates another week at Bert Adams! The campfire will feature the songs, skits, and storytelling that Bert Adams Camp is known by. Come experience the history and enthusiasm!

Closing Family Night Campfire

FRIDAY- At the final time that camp gathers for the week, the staff will recognize the outstanding efforts by Troops and individuals. Troops will also have the chance to make presentations to those who made a difference. Troops are invited to present a song, skit, or cheer to the camp. Senior Patrol Leader's will plan this portion of the campfire at their daily meeting and Troop presentations must be approved in advance.

OA Day at Bert Adams

Wednesday at Bert Adams is OA Day. All OA members are invited to wear their sashes in the evening and enjoy a special OA cracker barrel in the dining hall after the campfire.



Adult Leader Opportunities

The fun and adventure at camp isn't just for Scouts! We have an exciting program planned for the adults who spend the week with us, too. After all you are here on vacation. Here are some of the activities that will be available. At Sunday's adult orientation we will have the full schedule.

Boy Scout Leader Specific Training

The latest BSLST course will be taught at Camp to get your untrained leaders trained.

Adult Leader Supplemental Training

We are proud to offer the following training sessions during the camp week:

- Safe Swim Defense / Safety Afloat
- Trek Safely
- Paddle Craft Safety
- Climb On Safely
- On-line training through my.scouting.org

Scoutmaster Skeet Shoot

Test your skills at one of Scouting's ultimate challenges. Tuesday at 1:00pm at the shotgun range. Must attend a Monday or Tuesday Shotgun class for orientation.

Adult Leader Iron Chef Competition

Make a camp dish using our mystery ingredient! The mystery ingredient will be unveiled on Tuesday morning. Entries must be ready for tasting on Tuesday night as a part of the Adult Leader Steak Dinner. Participants should be prepared with their own cooking equipment and to bring/shop for remaining ingredients.

Adult Camp Golf Tournament

You don't need to bring your clubs for this. Make your set of clubs and compete in a round of Camp Golf with your fellow Scouters.

Adult Leader's Dinner

Hang out with your Troop for evening flags on Tuesday, but then don't go to the dining hall! The best dinner in camp begins at 6:00pm and all Leaders are invited. Visit with our Council Executive Staff during this feast.

Bert Adams History & Adventure Tour

Learn about camp's unique history and explore some of our facilities.

Adult Leader's Brunch

Enjoy a gourmet brunch on Friday in the dining hall as part of our Leaders meeting.

Scoutmasters Lounge

The Ashley Leaders building is a place for Unit Leaders to get away. We will have a coffee pot brewing and the WiFi is available for your use to get online to check email or to take online Training.

Cell Phone Service/Charging

Bert Adams has an AT&T Cell tower in Camp and as a result we have excellent service for AT&T customers. Verizon also gets a strong signal as well. Other carriers are decidedly a weaker service. Charging for cell phones is best done in the Ashley Leaders building where there is



sufficient capacity.

WiFi Service/Internet Access

The primary spot for adult access to the Internet is at the Ashley Leaders building. With the strong cell signal, it is possible most anywhere in Camp to create your own mobile Hot Spot. Additionally there is some access though the Camp Office.

Service Projects/Guest Instructors

We are always in need of your expertise, whether it is for an improvement to a facility or instructing a special merit badge course. Let us know your talents and interests.



Camp Bert Adams Recognition Programs

Unit Participation Ribbon

All Units attending Camp will receive a participation ribbon for their Unit flag.

Honor Troop Award

Troops can qualify for a special recognition at Bert Adams. The Honor Troop Award is presented to all Troops that complete the requirements that include campsite inspections, camp improvement projects, being on time for meals and assemblies.

Camp Ranger Award

This is a special award presented by our Bert Adams Camp Rangers to those Units accomplishing significant work projects in areas designated by the Rangers. Projects must be requested by noon on Tuesday. This is different than the conservation or improvement project required for the Honor Troop award.

Scoutmaster Merit Badge

Why let your Scouts have all of the FUN? All adult volunteers are encouraged to get involved and earn the Scoutmaster Merit Badge during their stay.



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