

JUNE PROGRAM CALENDAR MOUNT BAKER COUNCIL



SCOUT LAW EMPHASIS: OBEDIENT

PROGRAM THEME: WHEEL INTO SUMMER

A Scout is Kind. How does "Wheel Into Summer" relate to this point of the Scout Law?

Summer is a great time to get outside and hop on your wheels. Bikes, skateboards, scooters, and roller blades give us the freedom to move about. However, with that freedom comes the responsibility to use our wheels safely and follow the rules. Consider having a bike rodeo as part of your pack meeting.

Older Scouts can build skills that will help exhibit this Scout Law through working towards the Cycling, Traffic Safety, and Truck Transportation merit badges. Encourage Scouts to work on advancement requirements that focus on these topics.

Program Suggestions and Resources for Cub Scout Packs

National BSA has collected videos produced by Councils across the country to offer support for many of our Cub Scout Adventures. You can access the videos at: Den Leader Tips & Tricks. We have suggested theme-related adventures for each rank and have included links to their videos (when available) below.

For Power Up!, have each Scout make their own creation, at home, based on the theme, then set up tables for each Scout to display pictures and/or items of their individual creations. Consider having some run-ons and jokes surrounding the theme. Ensure social distancing rules and guidelines, as directed.

Recommended Cub Scout Adventures for "Wheel Into Summer"

Pack Meeting Plan: Wheel Into Summer

Lions: On Your Mark

Tiger: Rolling Tigers

Wolf: Motor Away

Bear: <u>Salmon Run</u>

Webelos: <u>Aquanaut</u>

Arrow of Light: <u>Aquanaut</u>

Program Suggestions and Resources for Scouts BSA Troops

The following Merit Badge classes will be offered in the month of June. Look for registration, coming soon, on social media, the council website, or via email.

Merit Badge Ideas and Opportunities

Cycling

Many troops enjoy offering this program annually in the summer. You likely have a parent who would serve as a great counselor for the badge!

Traffic Safety

Truck Transportation

Weekly Webinars – "Scout Bytes"

Join us every Wednesday at 5:00pm for our webinar series – Scout Bytes. Each week will teach a new skill for Scouting @ Home or information on upcoming activities. Most of these are recorded and available on the Mount Baker website. Here is the schedule for June:

June 2nd – Summertime Pack Activity Award / Outdoor Activity Award w/S. Ross

June 9th – BALOO / IOLS Promotions

June 16th – Take Your Unit Boating, A How-To Guide

June 23rd – "One Hour a Week" - Volunteering with Council Program Committees

June 30th – "I'm Here From the Council, and I'm here to help" w/D. Bovenkamp

Special Events

Be on the lookout for the <u>Summer of Service Event</u>. Communications have gone out, and are also available on the Mount Baker Council website. As we get closer to Fall, we have a few fun events we will be announcing – Save the Date for the weekend before Halloween – more details coming soon!

Notes to the Unit Leader

This month all of our counties are now in Phase 3 of Washington's Safe Start plan. We are also heading into a summer where outdoor activities, camping trips, and fun events can be held — with care. Be sure to read and understand the current Phase 3 Guidance from Washington state, including the current masking guidance from CDC which has been adopted by the state.

So much of our Scouts' lives right now revolve around their screens, and Scouting can easily become "one more zoom meeting" on their calendar. If planning to continue holding virtual meetings, do your best to avoid long speeches or presentations, and account for time for the Scouts to socialize and catch up with each other. Consider inviting Scouts to use a common virtual background (where possible) and they should always wear their Scout Uniform. A lot of different voices are great for breaking up the meeting, so consider inviting guest speakers to attend to share expertise or experiences with the Scouts.