

THE POMPERAUG POST

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The official newsletter of Pomperaug District, Connecticut Yankee Council, Boy Scouts of America

Serving the Scouting Communities of Bridgeport, Easton, Fairfield, Monroe, Stratford, Trumbull, Weston and Westport



Merit Badge Counselors:

We are in the planning stages for Merit Badge College 2022. We would like to get the final lineup of counselors and badges offered by the end of September. Although we are still uncertain if the event will be in-person in Wallingford or virtual, we will plan for either and hope we get permission for in-person. College dates are 1/29/22, 2/5, 2/12, 2/26, 3/5 (snow date).

If you are willing to teach at the College, please notify Pat Day at patriciaday@att.net and let her know what badge you want to teach and whether in-person, virtual or either. You will receive further instructions later. Remember, you must be a registered merit badge counselor for 2022 so you must take Youth Protection Training in 2021 to remain on the counselor list.

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SCOUT DAY AT LIME ROCK
OCTOBER 1-2, 2021

A favorite annual event of Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, Venturers and adults, there is no better way to spend an early Fall weekend than camping out and enjoying a Saturday of racing at Lime Rock Park.

Saturday's races will provide hours of racing excitement, featuring Vintage Sports Car Club of America's Fall Finale as well as the exotic sports cars of the Lime Rock Driver's Club. Come see vintage and collectible sports cars of all types spanning many years of automotive history – all in tip top condition and in action on the track.

For more info go to: <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/scout-day-at-limerock-park-21/>

District Calendar		
September	October	November
7th - District Committee	1st-2nd - Scout Day at Lime Rock	2nd - District Committee
12th - OA Ordeal (Camp Pomperaug)	1st-3rd - OA Fellowship (Camp Sequassen)	6th - Popcorn Take Order Sale order due
14th - District Awards and Recognition Ceremony (Adventure Park at Discovery Museum)	5th - District Committee	9th - District Roundtable
18th-19th - Wood Badge (Camp Sequassen)	12th - District Roundtable	20th - Charter Renewal Day
18th - Sporting Clays Shoot (Wallingford Rod & Gun Club)	15th-17th - District Fall Camporee	
23rd - A Night at Black Rock (Yacht Club)	16th-17th - District WOW (Webelos Outdoor Weekend)	
25th - Oktoberfest (Camp Sequassen)	23rd - Cub-O-Ree (Old Mine Park)	



DISTRICT AWARDS AND RECOGNITION CEREMONY

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021
AT**

**THE ADVENTURE PARK
AT THE DISCOVERY MUSEUM**

4450 Park Ave, Bridgeport, CT 06604

Note change in venue and cost!

**6:30PM TO 9:00 PM
\$25 PER PERSON**

Price includes a light meal, refreshments, and automatic entry for a Cornhole Box and Bags raffle.

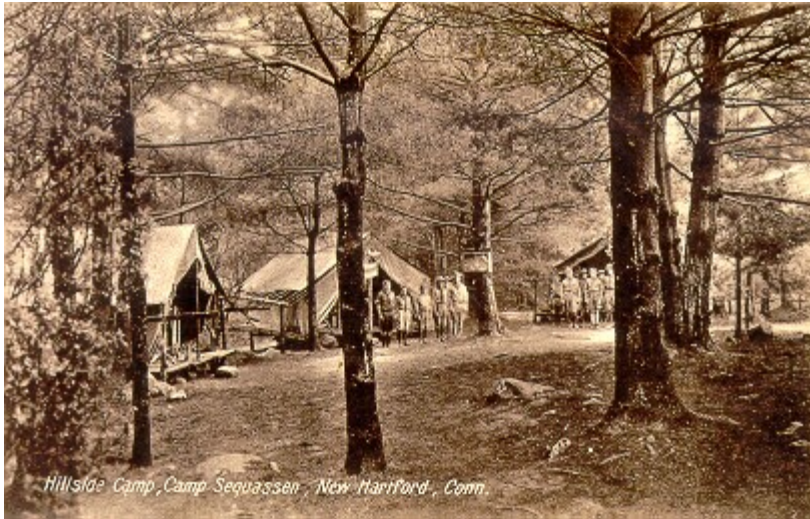
Come and celebrate the achievements of Pomperaug Scouts and Scouters! We will celebrate the hard work of the Volunteers by recognizing their achievements.

Rewards to be given out include: Spark Plug Award, Unit Journey to Excellence, Veteran Award, Den Leader Award, Scouters Training Award, Scouters Key, Commissioner Awards, Unit Leader Award of Merit, and Key Three Award.

Our awards will culminate by giving the District Award of Merit, the highest award the District can award. This year's recipients are Ben Strong and Nathan Schindler.

For questions, please contact Gabe Zayas at fdesign@optonline.net

Registration Link: <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/777>



Save the Date !

**Pomperaug District
Fall Camporee**

October 15-17, 2021, at Sequassen

More info soon!

<https://www.ctyankee.org/events/pomperaug-district-fall-camporee-21/>



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SUPPORT THE 2021 SPORTING CLAYS ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 AT WALLINGFORD ROD & GUN CLUB.

PULL FOR SCOUTING!

OFTEN DESCRIBED AS "GOLF WITH A SHOTGUN", SPORTING CLAYS IS AN EXCELLENT WAY TO ENTERTAIN AND RECRUIT CLIENTS, BUILD YOUR STAFF'S MORALE, OR SPEND QUALITY TIME WITH YOUR FRIENDS WHILE RAISING FUNDS TO SUPPORT AMERICA'S FINEST YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM.

Breakfast, Lunch, Shoot/Awards, and Great Auction Prizes

For more info & to register go to: <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/sporting-clays-shoot-2021/>



COME ENJOY MUSIC, BRATS, BEER & LAWN GAMES AT BEAUTIFUL CAMP SEQUASSEN

For more info & to register go to: <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/oktoberfest-2020-21/>

a night at **BLACK ROCK**

6 P.M. SEPTEMBER 23 | BLACK ROCK YACHT CLUB

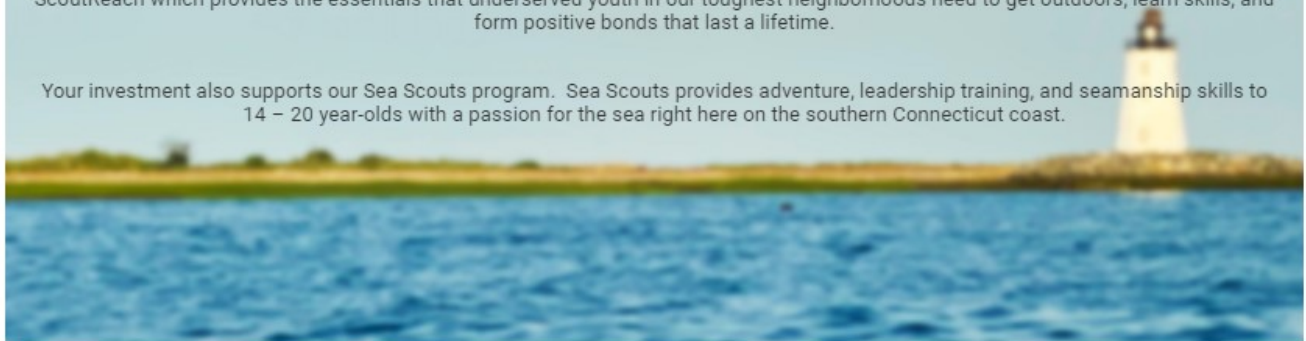
Close Summer out with a seaside celebration at the beautiful Black Rock Yacht Club! We're coming together to expand our ScoutReach and SeaScout programs in Bridgeport. Enjoy an evening with friends, delicious surf & turf- including lobster, signature cocktails and a steel drum band right by the water.

Book your ticket today!

YOUR PARTICIPATION IS AN INVESTMENT IN OUR YOUTH

There are thousands of kids in Bridgeport who need a place to go, a community to belong to. Scouting can be that community. Sponsor a boy, girl or teen in need of Scouting, and change a kid's life. Your support of **A Night at Black Rock** is an investment in ScoutReach which provides the essentials that underserved youth in our toughest neighborhoods need to get outdoors, learn skills, and form positive bonds that last a lifetime.

Your investment also supports our Sea Scouts program. Sea Scouts provides adventure, leadership training, and seamanship skills to 14 – 20 year-olds with a passion for the sea right here on the southern Connecticut coast.



**I'M PROUD OF MY
EAGLE SCOUTS**



**BOY SCOUTS
OF AMERICA**

Congratulations to this month's newest Pomperaug District Eagle Scouts.

Gustave B., Troop 39

William I., Troop 63

Brian K., Troop 82

Daniel J., Troop 199

Jack E., Troop 199

Brendan M., Troop 71

Joshua B., Troop 71

Listed below are resources from our CYC website to help with advancement.

<https://www.ctyankee.org/programs-and-activities/resources/advancenment/eagle-scout-process/>

Important documents that a Life Scout should download, review and complete are:

Eagle Scout Rank Application ([PDF](#))

Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook ([PDF](#))

Advancement / Life to Eagle Process ([Resources](#))

READYSETSCOUT

The BSA Has a New Site for Recruiting Resources and Information

It's time to help families discover Scouting, and this new landing page has resources to share with anyone who will be recruiting. The page offers easy access to recruitment marketing materials, social planning tools, details and registration information for upcoming webinars, and much more!

<https://www.scouting.org/recruitment/>

District and Council Dates (as of 8-5-21)

July 2021

- TerrifiCon 7/30 – 8/1 Mohegan Sun Expo Center

August

- Popcorn Kickoff 8/4 TBD
- Fall Membership Kickoff 8/17
- NYLT 8/8 - 8/14 Pomperaug
- Wood Badge WE I 8/20 - 8/22 Sequassen

September

- District Committee Meeting 9/7 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Dinner 9/14 The Adventure Park at Discovery Museum in Bridgeport
- Wood Badge WE II 9/18 - 9/19 Sequassen
- Camp Sikorsky 9/17-19 Sikorsky
- Sporting Clays Shoot 9/18 Wallingford Rod & Gun Club
- A Night at Black Rock 9/23 Black Rock Yacht Club
- Oktoberfest 9/25 TBD

October

- Scout Day at Lime Rock 10/1-2 Lime Rock Park
- IOLS 10/8 - 10/9 Deer Lake
- Baloo 10/1 - 10/2 Hoyt
- District Committee Meeting 10/5 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 10/12 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Fall Camporee 10/15 – 10/17 Sequassen
- Webelos Outdoor Weekend 10/16 – 10/17 Sequassen
- Cub-O-Ree 10/23 Old Mine Park, Trumbull
- Good Scout Breakfast TBD

November

- District Committee Meeting 11/2 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 11/9 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Charter Renewal Day 11/20 TBD
- Wood Badge Fellowship Dinner 11/7 TBD

December

- District Committee Meeting 12/7 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 12/14 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield

January 2022

- District Committee Meeting 1/4 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 1/11 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- NYLT WE I 1/7 - 1/9 Deer Lake
- NYLT WE II 1/14 - 1/16 Deer Lake
- Klondike Derby 1/14 – 1/16 Sequassen
- Merit Badge College 1/29 , 2/5, 2/12, 2/26, (3/5 snow)

February

- District Committee Meeting 2/1 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 2/8 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield

March

- District Committee Meeting 3/1 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 3/8 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Scouting for Food – 3/26 & 4/2
- University of Scouting – 3/19
- Spring Roundup Membership Kickoff – TBD

April

- District Committee Meeting 4/5 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 4/12 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Baloo 4/30 - 5/1 Deer Lake
- Fishing Derby 4/2 Deer Lake

May

- District Committee Meeting 5/3 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 5/10 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Pinewood Derby 5/21 TBD
- ConnJam 5/13 – 5/15 High Plains Community Center, Orange

June

- District Committee Meeting 6/7 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 6/14 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield

Below is a portion of the Council email in regards to the registration increase.

New fees are effective August 1, 2021.

Both on the National and Council level, the Boy Scouts of America has worked hard to keep annual membership fees as low as possible but with rising costs and FOS participation declining, the fees for Connecticut Yankee Council will be as follows for 2022 re-charter:

\$72 National Membership fee for Cub Scouts/Scouts BSA/ Venturing/ Sea Scouts.

\$45 National Membership fee for Explorers.

\$45 National Membership fee for Adult Volunteers .

\$25 National one-time joining for Cub Scouts/Scouts BSA/ Venturing/Sea Scouts.

\$48 Council Operations fee for Cub Scouts/Scouts BSA/ Venturing.

\$12 Council Operations fee for Adult Volunteers.

\$12 Council Insurance fee for youth and volunteers .

Connecticut Yankee Council will continue to accept for consideration, confidential Operations Fee waiver forms requesting assistance from families that are unable to pay the Operations Fee. It is our intention that all youth will always be able to participate in our programs, regardless of economic circumstances.

We can no longer rely on the legacy Family FOS campaign to meet our financial obligations. With this Operations Fee increase we will no longer be running a traditional Family FOS campaign through the units but rather do a targeted letter writing and direct ask campaign of historical donors who have supported the Council previously and continue to add new donors through cultivation.



2021 BSA National Membership Fees

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

EFFECTIVE



FOR ALL
NEW
MEMBERS

\$72/YR

Participants in kindergarten through age 20.



\$45/YR



Participants age 10 - 20.

\$45/YR



All registered adult volunteers in unit and non-unit positions. (Volunteers with multiple registrations will continue to pay for only one position).

Additional fees might be charged by local councils and units.

NEW-MEMBER JOINING FEE

EFFECTIVE



ONE-TIME

\$25

TO JOIN

Same flat fee no matter when you join during the year. (no prorating)
New members pay joining fee in addition to membership fee.



No joining fee for adult volunteers, Exploring participants, participants previously registered in any BSA program, or those transferring from one program to another.

UNIT RECHARTER FEE

\$75/YR

For all new and rechartering units.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
CONNECTICUT YANKEE COUNCIL



Wednesday, September 22nd, 7:00pm
at the R.D. Scinto Auditorium, 3 Corporate Drive, Shelton, CT 06484

Please join us Wednesday, September 22nd for an in-person Council Town Hall Meeting at the Scinto Auditorium. We will be sharing our plans and vision for where we're taking the Council now and into the future. We will speak to the following topics: Membership, Properties, Marketing and the BSA Bankruptcy and welcome your questions. We hope you can join us.

Sincerely,
Mark Kraus, Scout Executive
Rudy Escalante, Council President

2021-SEPTEMBER 1 USE OF CYC CAMP COVID-19 GUIDELINES

USE OF CONNECTICUT YANKEE COUNCIL CAMPS
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

These updated guidelines reflect changes to requirements last published on May 20, 2021, for Units in Connecticut Yankee Council and for other organizations using Council camps. It is recommended and encouraged that all members who are eligible get vaccinated for COVID-19.

Please click the link below for more information.

[Use of CYC Camp Covid-19 Guidelines](#)



POMPERAUG DISTRICT 2021 CUB-O-REE

GAMES · CRAFT · HIKING · SHOOTING SPORTS · CAMPING
SKILLS · ADVANCEMENT

Greetings all Cub Scouts and Parents! The 2021 Cub-O-REE will be at Old Mine Park in Trumbull, CT on October 23rd. This event is designed to help scouts kick off their year. Scouts will take part in fun and engaging activities while also working on rank advancement and earning awards.

The event will be two separate half-day events. A Scout will be allowed to participate in either the morning or afternoon session, but not both. The morning session will run from 9:15 AM – 1 PM and the Afternoon session runs from 1:30 PM – 5:15 PM.

<https://www.ctyankee.org/events/pomperaug-district-2021-cub-o-ree/>



WEBELOS OUTDOOR WEEKEND

Greetings all Pomperaug District Webelos and Parents! The 2021 WOW will be at Camp Sequassen in New Hartford, CT Saturday October 16th starting at 8 AM. This event is designed to offer the opportunity for Webelos to complete several adventure loops over the course of the event including Castaway, Cast Iron Chef, Webelos Walkabout, Into the Woods, and First Responder.

<https://www.ctyankee.org/events/pomperaug-district-webelos-outdoor-weekend-21/>



CONNJAM 2022

MAY 13-15 | ORANGE, CT

Join thousands of Scouts for a weekend of **camping**, games including **chess** and **ultimate frisbee**, **LEGO Pinewood Derby races**, **shooting sports** and more.

ConnJam is the largest Scouting event in Connecticut hosted by the Connecticut Yankee Council open to everyone in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Exploring and Sea Scouts

DETAILS COMING SOON TO WWW.CTYANKEE.ORG



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