



# Pack 55 News

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NEWS AND EVENTS FOR SCOUTS AND FAMILIES



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## MEMORIAL WEEKEND: SERVICE PROJECT



*"Your help is so appreciated. Thanks for your support in this special event. I hope the kids can learn from the experience."* —Jan, Santa Rosa Memorial Park



### Flag Placement on the Graves of our Veterans

**Saturday May 28th | 8:45am**

**Santa Rosa Memorial Park**

**1900 Franklin Avenue**

A wonderful way to kick off Memorial Day Weekend and remember those who have served our country! Scouts and Den Leaders: Please wear your official uniform. Siblings and Parents welcome. Following, the park will provide refreshments for the scouts.



## WELCOME NEW AND PROSPECTIVE SCOUTS!

Welcome to Pack 55! We hope all new scouts and families will enjoy all that scouting has to offer. Don't miss out on any of the fun summer camps and activities to get you "warmed up" before the fall program begins. Pack 55 is a very active Cub Scout pack and there are a lot of great activities and events throughout the year. The boys have a blast and learn a lot of great skills along the way.



**Does your Scout have a friend interested in Scouts?  
Now is a great time to join!**

**Each Scout or Parent who recruits 1 or more scouts to join is eligible to receive the Recruiter Patch!**

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# CUB SCOUT OUTDOOR ACTIVITY AWARD

Summertime is a  
**GREAT TIME**  
to start on  
this award!



## **TIGER CUBS, WOLF AND BEAR CUB SCOUTS, AND**

**WEBELOS SCOUTS** have the opportunity to earn the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award. Boys may earn the award in each of the program years as long as the requirements are completed each year. The first time the award is earned, the boy will receive the pocket flap award, which is to be worn on the right pocket flap of the uniform shirt. Each successive time the award is earned, a wolf track pin may be added to the flap. Leaders should encourage boys to build on skills and experiences from previous years when working on the award for a successive year.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

### **All Ranks**

Attend Cub Scout day camp or Cub Scout/Webelos Scout resident camp.

## **RANK-SPECIFIC**

### **Tiger Cubs**

Complete one requirement in Achievement 5, "Let's Go Outdoors" (Tiger Cub Handbook) and complete three of the outdoor activities listed to the right.

### **Wolf Cub Scouts**

Assemble the "Six Essentials for Going Outdoors" (Wolf Handbook, Elective 23b) and discuss their purpose, and complete four of the outdoor activities listed to the right.

### **Bear Cub Scouts**

Earn the Cub Scout Leave No Trace Award (Bear Handbook, Elective 25h) and complete five of the outdoor activities listed to the right.

### **Webelos Scouts**

Earn the Outdoorsman Activity Badge (Webelos Handbook) and complete six of the outdoor activities listed to the right.

## **WITH YOUR DEN, PACK, OR FAMILY:**

1. Participate in a nature hike in your local area. This can be on an organized, marked trail, or just a hike to observe nature in your area.
2. Participate in an outdoor activity such as a picnic or park fun day.
3. Explain the buddy system and tell what to do if lost. Explain the importance of cooperation.
4. Attend a pack overnighiter. Be responsible by being prepared for the event.
5. Complete an outdoor service project in your community.
6. Complete a nature/conservation project in your area. This project should involve improving, beautifying, or supporting natural habitats. Discuss how this project helped you to respect nature.
7. Earn the Summertime Pack Award.
8. Participate in a nature observation activity. Describe or illustrate and display your observations at a den or pack meeting.
9. Participate in an outdoor aquatic activity. This can be an organized swim meet or just a den or pack swim.
10. Participate in an outdoor campfire program.
11. Perform in a skit, sing a song, or take part in a ceremony.
12. Participate in an outdoor sporting event.
13. Participate in an outdoor Scout's Own or other worship service.
14. Explore a local city, county, state, or national park. Discuss with your den how a good citizen obeys the park rules.

*The award requirements are detailed in the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award brochure, No. 13-228.*



## Jump Into Cover-to-Cover Adventure with the **Cub Scout Summer Reading Rewards Program!**

Some of your most exciting summer journeys start right here! From enthralling stories that capture Scouts' imagination and interests to a critical resource guide, these books reconnect you to what you love most about Scouting.

So get ready to read... the Summer Reading Rewards Program makes it super easy to get started! Once you've purchased five books, chosen from titles listed on the official Summer Reading Series Book List at your local Scout Shop, you receive a \$5 Scout Shop Gift Card\*. Just ask an Associate for a program punch card to keep track of your purchases!

So have fun this summer and Happy Reading! Shop online or at our local scout shop located at 1000 Apollo Way, Suite 106 Santa Rosa, CA 95407 Phone: (707) 546-1013 Hours: Monday - Friday: 9am to 5pm; Tuesday: 9am to 6:30pm; Saturday: 10am to 4pm. Some supplies are limited; selection may vary.

\*Only books listed on the official Summer Reading Series Book List will count toward Summer Reading Rewards Program and eligibility for Gift Card reward. Program participation available through Scout Shops only. Offer does not apply to ANY program-related literature including merit badge pamphlets or other materials. Visit [www.scoutstuff.org](http://www.scoutstuff.org) for more information.

## Save The Date!

**Leaders, Committee & all eager Scout parents:**  
**Annual Planning Meeting**  
**August 9th, 7pm at Cubmaster Rob's home:**  
**2239 Old Ranch Road**  
**Phone: 543-8121**

# NATIONAL SUMMERTIME PACK AWARD



Attend one activity each month over the summer and earn the National Summertime Activity Award. One or more activities are offered each month to choose from, only one each month is required.

## June

**June (Date TBA):** Pack Hike followed by buy one, get one free Sundaes at Baskin Robbins. 7:30pm. Meeting location TBA.

**June 17-19:** Family Camp weekend at Camp Navarro

**June 20-24:** Twilight Camp in Windsor

**June 24-28:** Resident Camp at Camp Navarro

## July

**July 16:** Pack 55 Swim night at Ridgeway, 6:30-8:30pm; **SAVE THIS DATE AND COME!!!!** We will have the place to ourselves... including the waterslides!!! Pack 55 Cub Scout families attend free of charge, thanks to our escrip families! Have a friend interested in scouting? Bring them along! Bring your own food and drinks. If you plan on sliding down the slide, avoid wearing swim trunks with metal rivets.

**July 25-29:** Santa Rosa Twilight Camp at Rincon Valley Park

**July 30-31:** Webelos Woods at Camp Noyo

## August

**August 6-7:** Webelos Woods at Camp Noyo

**August (Date TBA):** Our famous Water Bottle Rocket Blast-Off! Mesquite Park, Friday evening: 5:30pm. Be ready for some wet and wild fun and our new competitive events for hang-time, distance and accuracy. Bring an empty water bottle or 2-litre soda bottle to join in the fun!

# PACK 55 CALENDAR & INFORMATION

## CAMP DATES

### Give Your Scout a Camp Experience This Summer... Boys Love Camp!

**MAY 27-29, JUNE 17-19:** Family Camp at Camp Navarro. Bring the whole family or make this a one-on-one weekend with our scout. Extended family welcome, too. Lodging options are available. Meals and activities included for \$35/person (5-and-under are free.)

**JUNE 20-24:** Twilight Camp in Windsor -- 3:00-7:40pm. This is a great camp! Scouts come from all across Sonoma County to attend - register early before it fills up!

**JUNE 24-28:** Cub Scout/Webelos Resident Camp at Camp Navarro—Boys LOVE resident camp! Numerous rank requirements are covered while many, many lifelong memories are made. Scouts attend with a parent or an adult partner. Cub Scout Fee: \$160; Adult Partner Fee: \$65 One adult can partner with up to 2 Cub Scouts or 3 Webelos Scouts.

**JULY 25-29:** Twilight Camp at Rincon Valley Park-- 3:00-7:40pm. This is a "don't miss" in-town camp! Scouts come from all across Sonoma County to attend - register early before it fills up!

**JULY 30-31; AUGUST 6-7:** Webelos Woods at Camp Noyo-- Webelos Dens - pick a weekend to attend "together." Ride the skunk train, cross the 'Indiana Jones' bridge, paddle down a river, and more. \$100 covers registration for both parent and scout, meals, activities and the Skunk Train ride to camp.

*Visit the camp page at [www.redwoodbsa.org](http://www.redwoodbsa.org) for more information about each camp - view and print registration forms.*

## PACK 55 SUMMER EVENTS!

**June (Date TBA) - Wednesday night hike and ice cream!**

**July 16 - Swim Night at Ridgeway - we'll have the whole place to ourselves!**

**August (Date TBA) - Water Bottle Rockets!**

## DEN

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