

MAY 21, 2019 METACOMET DISTRICT DINNER

A Night of Recognition and Fun!

All are welcome to come join us recognize the volunteers of the Metacomet District who have shined in their Pack, Troop, Crew, or District. The following awards will be presented:

District Award of Merit Scoutmaster of the Year Venture Leader of the Year Committee Chair of the Year Unsung Hero Unit Leader Award of Merit Cubmaster of the Year Unit Commissioner of the Year Charter Org Rep of the Year Spark Plug Awards

Advance registration is required.

6:00 – 6:30 District Business Meeting

6:30 - 7:00 Social

7:00 - 9:30 Dinner and Awards



Visit

www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/metacomet-district-dinner-mtg-awards/ for additional details and to register Share in
Recognizing the
District's Best of
the Best
Volunteers

BYOB

Meet the significant others of your Scouting Friends

Dress is
Business Casual

\$25 per person

Medfield Senior Center 1 Ice House Rd. Medfield, MA. 02052



MAY 10TH – 12^{TI} INDIAN LORE CAMPOREE

Sachem District and Cranberry Harbors

Come and earn the Indian Lore Merit Badge. Dive into the cultures of Native American Tribes from across the country. Learn their customs, language, food, shelters, and songs.

Camping will be on the Camporee field.

\$20 per scout/\$5 per adult

For more information, please contact Dan Toy, dtoy@comcast.net

Register By April 19th

Teepee Construction

Native American
Artifacts

Archery

And more...

Camp Squanto 200 Cuttersfield Road Plymouth, MA

> May 10th – 12th 6:00 pm – 10:00 am



Visit

www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/sachem-cranberry-harbors-spring-camporee/

For More Information and to register

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SATURDAY MAY 11TH, 2019 9:00AM – 2:00PM FIN, FUR & FEATHER FISHING DERBY

Put the date on your Unit's Calendar and Fire up your Scouts!

Troops, Packs, Patrols, Dens, or individual Scouts (with Parent) are welcome to this fun filled day fishing!

The event, including food and prizes, is free!

Bring your own bait & tackle. Event is catch & keep! Scouts, if you have a partial in Fishing what a great chance to finish that Merit Badge.

*Drive to the end of Larch Road to the Fin, Fur & Feather Club. No need to RSVP just show up!

> Questions? jerry.kazanjian@gmail.com

Scouts BSA

Cub Scouts

Prizes!

Hamburgers/Hot Dogs!

SODA!

FIN, FUR & FEATHER

100 Larch Road * Millis, Massachusetts

Cost: Free!



Training News

April 2019

Trained for Your Position?

Congratulations to the nearly 100 units who have at least 50% of their adult leaders trained for their positions... and a few who've made it to 90% or more! If you haven't received your ribbon yet, you'll get it soon.

If you're not trained for your position yet, do yourself and your Scouts a favor and become trained! Read our "Quick Guides" at www.mayflowerbsa.org/training to learn about the requirements and how to complete them.

Upcoming In-Person Training

° = pre-registration required * = online registration open + = counts toward basic ★Trained requirements for adults

-----Scout Leader Skills-----

Apr 6** Youth Protection Training (Franklin) Apr 6-7 °+ IOLS for Scouts BSA/Venturing (Plymouth) Apr 18*+ Youth Protection Training (Whitman) Apr 27-28°* BALOO for Cub Leaders (Bolton) Apr 27-28°* Intro to Backpacking (Framingham) May 3-5/17-19°* Climbing/COPE Training (Milton) May 4°*+ Scoutmaster Position-Specific (Norwood) May 4°* Den Chief Training (Norwood) May 4°** District Committee Training (Marlborough) May 10-11°* BALOO for Cub Leaders (Wrentham) May 18-19°* Leave No Trace Trainer (Plymouth) Beyond the Basics: Advanced Outdoor Skills Jun 15°* Jun 30-Jul 5°* Nat'l Youth Ldr Training (NYLT) (Plymouth) Aug 11-16°* Nat'l Youth Ldr Training (NYLT) (Bolton)

-----First Aid-----

Apr 6-7 °*	Wilderness and Remote First Aid (Plymouth)
Anr 9 °*	CPR/AFD (Sudbury)

April 5 CFIVALD (Sudbury)

Apr 23°* Red Cross First Aid (Sudbury)

May 7°* CPR/AED (Sudbury)

May 21°* Red Cross First Aid (Sudbury)

June 11 °* CPR/AED (Sudbury)

Boost Your Outdoor Skills

April 14 is the deadline to register for **Introduction to Backpacking** (April 27-28). This new course is ideal for adult leaders who'd like to build skills and confidence to take their Scouts backpacking.

Registration is also open for **Beyond the Basics** (June 15). Adult leaders can join us at Camp Squanto for a "choose your own adventure" with opportunities to learn advanced rope skills, orienteering, cooking, woods tools, etc., from experienced Scouters. It's a great chance to build skills beyond what we teach at BALOO and IOLS.

Calling All Youth Leaders!

Coming this summer: a fun six-day overnight course filled with team-building activities, content sessions, and a patrol outpost. We're running National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) at Camp Squanto and Camp Resolute for youth in Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouts. Participants work together in patrols to develop skills in decision making, planning, communication, and cooperation in a model unit. These skills are key to success in any youth-led unit. To register and learn more, visit www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/nylt-camp-resolute.

District Committee Training

Did you know the BSA has "position-specific" training for district committee members? This training will go online soon, but for now, the best way to earn it is in person. If you missed our workshop in January, come to the next edition on May 4 in Marlborough! Registration is open.

"Leave No Trace" Training, Explained

- Awareness training can run from 30 minutes to a full day. The BSA has online resources and a "Leave No Trace 101" curriculum, or a session can be customized. If you're signing off on outdoor ethics advancement, or you're an Outdoor Ethics Guide (youth position in a troop), take this level of training.
- Trainer training is a two-day course. Our council
 offers it in May and September. This training is
 recommended for anyone teaching Leave No Trace
 in a formal session.
- Master Educator is a five-day course. Master educators develop expertise and become qualified to teach LNT Trainer courses and more.

Visit www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/outdoor-ethics or contact our council's Outdoor Ethics Advocate, Pete Lane (pete.lane@comcast.net), to learn more.

Climbing and COPE Training

Are you interested in becoming a certified climbing or COPE instructor? Our neighbors at Spirit of Adventure Council are running a course for our area on two weekends in May. Age 15 and up; register by May 1.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

<u>Council training "Quick Guides" and online registration:</u> www.mayflowerbsa.org/training

BSA online training: https://my.scouting.org

Council training chair: Chris Lamie: chris.lamie@gmail.com

<u>Staff contact:</u> Nick Keyes: nick.keyes@scouting.org

EVERY SCOUT DESERVES TRAINED LEADERS!



APRIL 27-28, 2019 MAY 10-11, 2019 BALOO TRAINING

Two great options to complete Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)

When your pack goes camping, at least one leader at the event must be BALOO-trained. Completing this fun, hands-on overnight training course will help you:

- Understand the focus of the Cub Scout level of the BSA camping program.
- Acquire the skills and confidence necessary to plan and carry out a successful Cub Scout-level camping activity.
- Know the requirements for safe BSA outdoor activities.
- Learn about resources available to help.

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All participants must register by the weekend before the course.



Visit

https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/balooapril2019/ https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/baloo-may-2019/ for more details and to register

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The BSA's official outdoor skills training for Cub Scout leaders

Basic camping skills, equipment, fires and cooking, knife safety, knots, and more

Program planning, health and safety policies, and other best practices for success

April: Camp Resolute, Bolton

May: Wrentham

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Wrentham

Free for leaders in Mayflower Council







JUNE 15-16, 2019 BEYOND THE BASICS

Take your skills to the next level.

"Beyond the Basics" is an optional training opportunity for adult Scout leaders who have taken BALOO (Basic Adult Leadership Outdoor Orientation) or IOLS (Introduction To Outdoor Leadership Skills), or other basic skills training and wish to take their outdoor skills to the next level.

This workshop will offer six different tracks of outdoor skills: cooking, camping, hiking, pioneering, woods tools, and fire building. Each track will offer six hours of instruction. Participants will be free to "choose their own adventure" and float between areas to work on the skills they have the most interest in. It's a great chance to learn from experienced Scouters in a relaxed, flexible, hands-on environment.

When you register, you'll have the option of attending for the day (\$18) includes lunch, or stay overnight (\$35) which includes dinner, campfire, camping, breakfast, and a Scouts' Own worship workshop.

Questions: please contact Sean Keaney at 617-459-1616 / sean.p.keaney@gmail.com.



Visit

www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/beyond-the-basics-training/

for additional details and to register

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Advance Your Skills

Cooking

Camping

Hiking

Pioneering

Woods tools

Fire building

Camp Squanto 200 Cutters Field Rd Plymouth, MA 02360

9:30 - 4:30pm



APRIL 27 & 28, 2019 Intro to Backpacking

Would you like to build skills and confidence to take your Scouts camping where you do not have to rely on vehicle (or trailer) support? If so, this training is for you!

Pre-requisites: Open to all BSA registered adults. Must be physically fit and able to backpack at least 3 miles with all personal gear plus a share of patrol gear and food.

Patrol backpacking equipment (cooking, etc.) and 2 meals provided. Attendees must provide their own personal backpacking equipment (to be discussed at pre-training meeting) and must bring Parts A and B of the BSA annual medical form.

Mandatory pre-training meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2019. REI, 375 Cochituate Rd, Framingham, MA 01701 (7:00 – 8:30pm)

Cost: \$15/person

Registration deadline: April 14, 2019

Questions? Contact Pete Lane at Pete.Lane@Comcast.net or Brian Duane at bduane105@comcast.net



Register at:

https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/introduction-to-backpacking

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Outdoor Training for Adults

Set-up low impact campsite

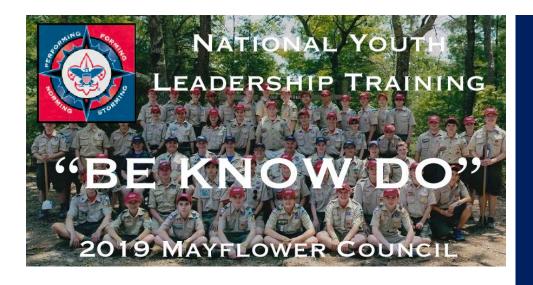
Leave No Trace hiking

Camping

Patrol cooking

Cleanup in the backcountry

Whittenborg Woods, 45-99 Wayside Inn Road Framingham MA



JUNE 30-JULY 5TH AUGUST 11-17 NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING

A training course for youth leaders

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is a fun, 6-day consecutive leadership training course for youth in the BSA. NYLT centers around the concepts of what a leader must *be*, must *know*, and must *do*. The course takes place in an outdoor setting, and models the life of a troop, with patrols, content sessions, team-building activities, challenges, and a patrol outpost. Our youth staff creates a positive learning experience and delivers content from national to participants. NYLT works to give people the skills they need to effectively perform in their home units, but also in their everyday life as an individual, and in groups. NYLT is a key training for any youth-led unit. As our staff likes to say, "if you can see it, you can be it!"

Eligibility Requirements: 13 years old and completed 8th grade, and 1st Class Scout, Venturer, or Sea Scout. Scoutmaster or Crew Advisor Approval. Young women in Scouts BSA do not need to fulfill the 1st Class requirement.

If you have any questions, please contact the Course Directors.

Paul Gadd (Squanto): pdgqpr@verizon.net or Paul Callahan (Resolute): paul@pscallahan.com



Visit

www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/nylt-camp-resolute/ www.mayflowerbsa.org/event/nylt-camp-squanto/

For More Information and to register

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Develop Skills and Confidence to Lead

Understand SMART Goals

Build Problem Solving Skills

Open to Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouts

Experience Scouting at its Best



Camp Resolute 75 Hudson Rd Bolton, Massachusetts August 11-16

Camp Squanto 200 Cuttersfield Rd Plymouth, Massachusetts June 30-July 5

Announcing the New

cyberCHIP

Today's youth are spending more time than ever using digital media for education, research, socializing, and fun. To help families and volunteers keep youth safe while online, the Boy Scouts of America introduces the Cyber Chip. In developing this exciting new tool, the BSA teamed up with content expert Netsmartz, part of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and training expert for many law enforcement agencies.

The Cyber Chip can be earned by any youth in the BSA's programs:

- Cub Scouts-Grades 1-3 and 4-5
- Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers, and Sea Scouts—Grades 6–8 and 9–12



cyberCHIP

Cub Scout Cyber Chip patch

> Boy Scout/Varsity Scout/Venturer/Sea Scout Cyber Chip patch











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TO UNIT LEADERS

The Cyber Chip can be used as a tool to show skill and a commitment to do what's right in the cyber world. Many unit leaders will be using the Cyber Chip before allowing any electronic use on outings—this is a decision each unit can make on its own, much like the Totin' Chip is used today.

This program is brought to you by a collaborative effort from BSA Program Innovation, Youth Protection, and Netsmartz.



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Integration Ideas

Councils and Districts

- Add Cyber Chip information to council or district websites. Create a continually updated area focused on cyber safety—maybe "Did You Know?" "Fun Facts," or "Top Five."
- Spread the word by communicating at events like camporees and Scoutoramas and by providing fun cyber games.
- Do a tech challenge event for adults or youth then set teams to compete with each other on their knowledge in a fun fashion.

June is Cyber Safety Month

Plan a lock-in or electronics campout. Include fun, food, games, education, stories, videos, and more.

Unit Leaders

- Tailor the requirements to your own unit rules. Complete
 the requirements for the Cyber Chip as a unit at a regular
 meeting, then hand out the cards and patches on the spot.
- Create a fun challenge for youth to stump the unit leaders.
- Play a "Jeopardy!"-style game in a meeting to use what's been learned.
- Play relay race or games with Tech Challenge.
- Host a panel of experts to answer all your youths' and adults' "how-to" questions.
- Use the Cyber Chip as a foundational step in preparation for leadership positions such as Webmaster.

Parents

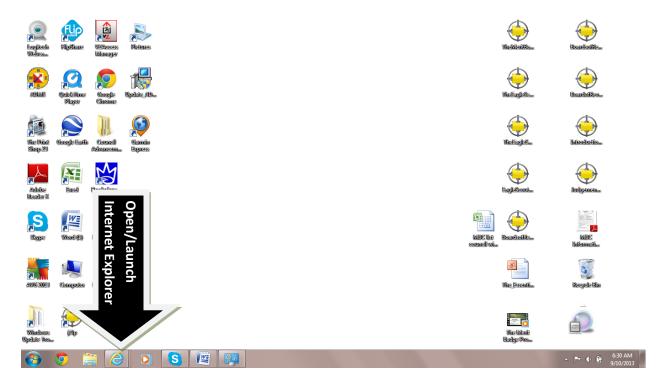
Use the Cyber Chip as a tool to work with your youth to create additional open communications.



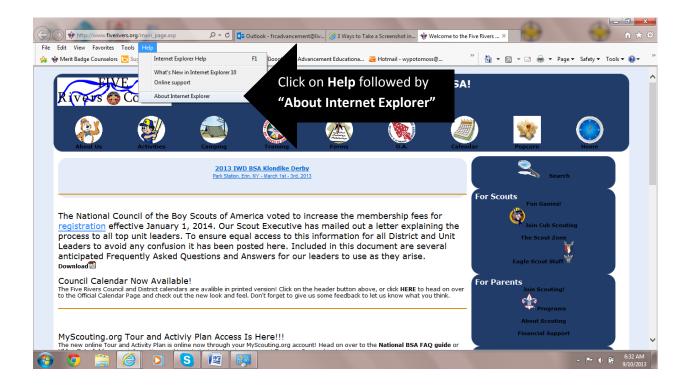
Having Trouble With Internet Advancement, MyScouting.org, Unit Visit Tracking, etc?

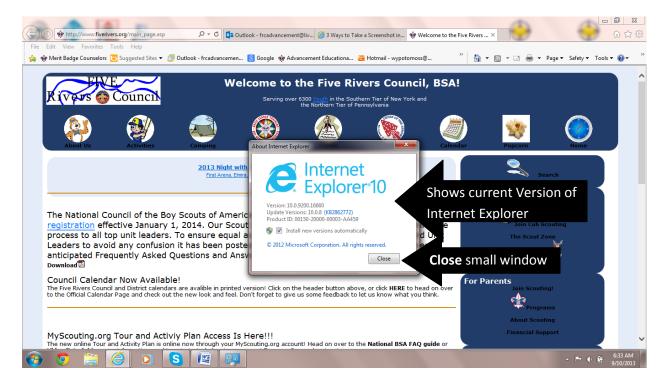
If you are having recently-started troubles or are experiencing problems with the BSA online web sites (Internet Advancement, MyScouting.org, or Unit Visit Tracking, etc.) it may be because you are using Internet Explorer Version 10, which may have been downloaded to your computer "automatically" as part of a routine Microsoft software update. When this happened, one of the default settings that is required for compatibility with several BSA software modules (including Internet Advancement) was set inappropriately. There's an easy fix and I'll attempt to walk you through it by using screen pics from the computer.

- 1.) If you're <u>not</u> experiencing problems, you're probably not running Internet Explorer Version 10 and need to do nothing.
- 2.) If you are experiencing issues, you'll need to verify that you are, in fact, using Internet Explorer Version 10.
- 3.) To determine which Version you're running you'll need to launch/open Internet Explorer by double clicking on the Explorer Icon as shown below.

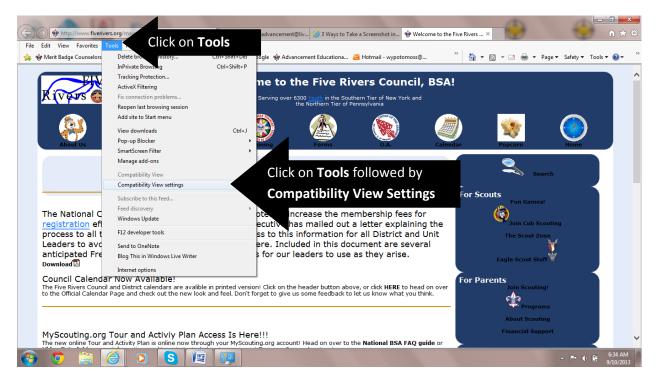


4.) After opening Internet Explorer click on the **Help button/icon** as show below followed by clicking on **"About Internet Explorer"**. This should provide you with the Version of Internet Explorer that you're currently running.

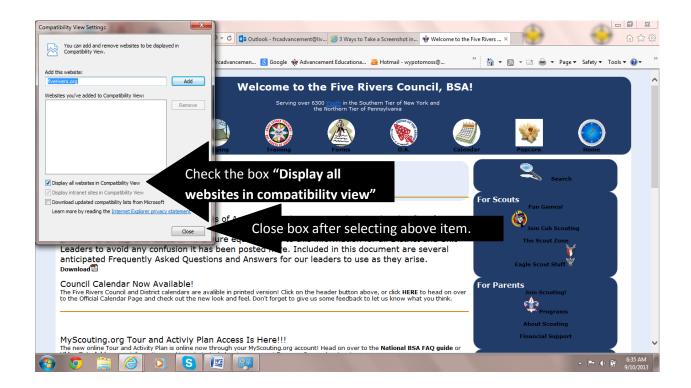




- 5.) As seen above, this computer is running Internet Explorer 10 and thus will need the following change to be compatible with BSA software modules. If your computer is running something other than Internet Explorer 10 no changes should be necessary.
- 6.) To make the necessary changes for compatibility with Internet Explorer 10 and BSA, close the small window. Open the **Tools** pull down menu followed by clicking the **Compatibility View Settings** as seen below.



7.) Check the box "Display all websites in compatibility view".



- 8.) After completing this action, click the **Close** button as shown above.
- 9.) You must then close Internet Explorer and re-launch it in order for this action to take effect.



CAMP RESOLUTE BRICK PATIO

As part of Camp Resolutes 100th Anniversary, the memorial site will be receiving a much needed re-design.

A new brick patio will be installed, fencing, plantings, and a large engraved stone with the Scoutmasters benediction.

Come be a part of history and purchase a brick for \$100.00. Your brick can have up to 3 lines it can be Dedicated To, In Honor Of, In Memory Of A Scout, Family Member, Company, etc. Example:

Eagle Scout Al Williamson From Troop 00 Sudbury

Al Williamson is chairing this committee and they are estimating the cost will be \$6,000. If you would like to help out with this project please send a check to Mayflower Council, BSA (please note on checks: "Memorial Site") or click on the link to make your donation.

If you have any questions, please contact Al Williamson ajwtaw@gmail.com or 978-443-8245.



Visit

https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/memorialsite/
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Camp Resolute

Brick Patio

Fencing

Plantings

Engraved Stone

Camp Resolute
Bolton, MA

Memorial Site Re-Design