Boone Trails
Backyard
Family Challenge

Weekend Dates
May 16-17
May 23-24
May 30-31

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Hello Boone Trails Scout, Scouters, and Family. My name is Adian M. Hammond. Many of you may know me from Camporees, Order of the Arrow or from Beaumont Scout Reservation. To start off I would like to thank everyone for understanding why our normal Spring Camporee has been cancelled. I would like to give a shout out to Mason Pryor and his staff for planning what would have been a great event and I cannot wait to see what they have in store for next spring. I would also like to give a huge thank you to everyone for adjusting to this very unique situation we are in and helping to keep the Scouting Movement very alive and well.

Scouting has been a very big and important part of my life and I hereby challenge you and your family to the Boone Trails Backyard Family Challenge. This Challenge will be a test of your scouting skills. This event will have competitions in cooking, camping, cleaning skills, creativity, and scouting spirit. I challenge you to avoid watching tv and get outside into your backyard and enjoy the weather.

I look forward to seeing you all on our Facebook Live streams and on other Social Media platforms with your scouting at home experience.

Have a great day and Happy Scouting
Yours In Scouting,

Adian Hammond

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COVID-19 Safety Recommendations

For All Guidelines and Recommendations please visit the Center for Disease Controls website at

https://www.cdc.gov/covid19

Stop the Spread of Germs

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like the flu and COVID-19:

- **Wash your hands often** with soap and warm water, or use an alcohol-based gel.
- **Avoid touching** your eyes, nose and mouth.
- **Clean things that are frequently touched** (like doorknobs and countertops) with household cleaning spray or wipes.
- **Cover your mouth** when you cough or sneeze. Use a tissue or your inner elbow, not your hands.
- **Stay home if you are sick** and avoid close contact with others.
- **Think ahead** about how to take care of yourself and your loved ones if the virus starts spreading in the community. Visit mass.gov/KnowPlanPrepare for a preparedness checklist.

For more, visit: [www.mass.gov/2019coronavirus](http://www.mass.gov/2019coronavirus)
Event Structure

This will be a multiple weekend event. You can participate each weekend or just one. It's all up to you and your family. However, you can only enter into the contests once. All competitions will be judged by our wonderful Spring Camporee Senior Staff. Also during our 11:00 AM Facebook Live the OFP will be providing a virtual lunch to continue the Camporee tradition.

Event Requirements

1. Must have at least one family member involved in a scouting program and registered in the Boone Trails District of GSLAC.
2. Must have parental consent
3. Must set up some form of camp sleeping shelter. This can include but is not limited to.
   a. Tent
   b. Hammock
   c. Tarp shelter
   d. Pillow fort
   e. Wilderness Survival Shelter
   f. Blanket fort
4. Must do an overnight camp in a shelter either indoor or outdoor (meaning if you set up a tent in your house this will count).

5. Must Register online on the Google form to be eligible for awards and prizes. (Patch order is not included on the Google form. Please refer to page 9 for patch information)

6. Must have scout spirit

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**Camping Safety Guidelines**

1. Check State, Local and HOA rules and regulations in regards to all actions you may do for this event (Camping in backyard, Firebuilding, grilling, backyard cooking, etc.)

2. Check the area for possible threats or hazards.

3. Please follow the CDC COVID-19 guidelines.

4. Please keep all fires, if any, controlled and safely away from all buildings, trees, power, and gas lines.

5. Make sure you have adult approval.

6. The Scout Oath and Law will be our guide at this event.

7. A SCOUT IS CLEAN AND ALL SOCIAL MEDIA POST MUST BE SCOUT APPROPRIATE and follow The BSA Social Media Guideline and the Guide to Safe Scouting!

   https://scoutingwire.org/social-media-guidelines/
Patch Order

(OPTIONAL)

An optional event patch will be available. A link will be posted to the Facebook group and on The Boone Trails Website. Remember that signing up with the Google form does not automatically order your patch. Patches will be available after the event and info will be posted to the Facebook group.

Challenges and Competitions

You can partake in all, none, or as many as you like. There will be Google forms posted to the Facebook group to fill out for the competitions and challenges. All competitions will be broken into 2 groups (Cub Scouts & Scouts BSA)
Also all the scorecards will be posted on Facebook.

The Challenges and Competitions will be...
1. Most Scoutly Campsite.
2. Best Looking Camping Food Dish. (Dinner / Dessert)
3. Most Creative Campsite.

Awards

Awards for the Challenges and Competitions will be awarded every campfire. Winners will be picked by our Spring Camporee Senior Staff. All challenges and competitions must be submitted by 6:00 pm each Saturday.
Social Media Posting

Posting on social media is a big part of sharing this experience. Please remember to use your best judgement when posting and to follow both the BSA Social Media Guideline and the Guide to Safe Scouting.

When you post please share it to the Facebook group and any other social media using our hashtag of #BTBackyardChallenge. By using the Facebook group or our hashtag your photo may be used during one of our live streams.
Facebook Live

Our Staff will be holding Facebook live streams using the Facebook page linked with the group. There will be information and scouting fellowship during this time. We also will be showing what some families are doing to adapt to this new environment.

We will go live every Saturday at 11:00 AM, 3:00 PM, and 8:00 PM for CAMPFIRE. Also on Sunday at 11:00 AM