



RENDEZVOUS IN THE

SEPTEMBER 20-22

TRAINING CAMP

WILLOW METROPARK | NEW BOSTON, MICHIGAN



CUB SCOUTS | SCOUTS BSA | VENTURERS | SEA SCOUTS

ACTIVITIES:

SCOUT TRACK

- CANOEING
- CLIMBING WALL
- PINEWOOD DERBY
- RAIN GUTTER REGATTA
- KNOT TYING RELAY
- FISHING ON LAND
- SLACK LINING
- KIM'S GAME
- ARTS & CRAFTS
- MONKEY BRIDGE
- SPORT SNAKES
- PARK POLICE DOG DEMO
- FRIDAY NIGHT HIKE
- BRANDING
- GAGA BALL
- GEOCACHING
- TARGET SPORTS
 - BB GUNS
 - ARCHERY
 - SLINGSHOTS
 - TOMAHAWK
- ORIENTEERING
- GIANT BATTLESHIP
- SKIPPER GOES DOWN WITH THE SHIP DUNK TANK



SPORT TRACK

- DISC GOLF
- BASEBALL SKILLS
- FOOTBALL SKILLS
- FOWLING – TRAIL TO EAGLE -
- SOCCER SKILLS
- HOCKEY SKILLS
- TENNIS SKILLS
- BASKETBALL SKILLS
- VDA POP-A-SHOT
- SCOUTING COMBINES
 - DASHING
 - THROWING
 - LIFTING
 - JUMPING
- MINI GOLF
- CURLING
- 5K RUN
- INFLATABLES
- PEDAL CARS/TRIKES
- WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL
- GAME DEMONSTRATION



TECH TRACK

- STEM BEHIND SPORTS
HANDS-ON STEM ACTIVITIES INCLUDING-
- WATER ROCKETS
 - OLYMPIC FLAME TUBE
 - BEACH BALL BOOGIE
 - BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES
 - CATAPULTS
 - TENNIS TOWER
 - SLALOM SKI BALL
 - GIANT BUBBLES
 - GIANT STRETCH BAND ACTIVITIES
 - ENDURANCE AND SPORTS COMPARISONS
 - PARK POLICE DRONE DEMO
 - ROBOTICS DEMONSTRATIONS
 - STEM IN SPORTS DEMONSTRATION



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LEADER'S GUIDE

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All Scouts, Family Members, Volunteers, and Community Leaders,

Bring an extra pair of socks, because we are going to blow yours off!

Let us welcome you to the 2024 Rendezvous in the D Training Camp Edition! This exciting event will be one of the largest Scouting America events in the country in 2024!

We have planned for you an event bursting with adventure, hands-on activities, stadium show spectacles, and outdoor events full of both Scouting tradition and modern techniques. This event is first and foremost FUN, and the multi-layered program is designed to provide memorable experiences for attendees of all ages. Both male and female members of Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing Crews, Sea Scouting, and Exploring will find unique opportunities not available elsewhere. This Leaders' Guide will walk you through everything you need to know about the 2024 Rendezvous. If there is anything additional you wish to know about the 2024 Rendezvous, please contact **Mark Bentley**, Event Chair, at mwbentley007@gmail.com and he will answer your questions or find someone who can.

On behalf of the more than 250+ volunteer and professional staff members that have dared to produce such an event, we thank you for your interest and your attendance. We hope we can be of service to your Scouts and look forward to providing a momentous experience that brings the camaraderie, adventure, and spirit of Scouting to life.

We hope you are as excited as we are to be at the 2024 Rendezvous!

Yours in Scouting,

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REGISTRATION

We encourage all families, Cub Scout Packs, Scouts BSA Troops, Scouts Canada, Venture Crews and Sea Scout Ships to register online using the council website: <https://scoutingevent.com/272-REND2024#>

Registration is quick and easy. This simplest (and most cost efficient) way to register for Cub Scouts is as a family. The simplest (and most cost efficient) way to register as a Scouts BSA, Scouts Canada, Venturer or Sea Scout is as a unit.

Registration Fees

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| Regular Registration https://scoutingevent.com/272-REND2024# | Weekend: \$60.00 per person Youth or Adult Member Saturday Only (Cub Scouts): \$40.00 per Youth Weekend Meal Plan: \$45 Saturday Lunch: \$10 |
| New Scout Registration June 1 - Sep 15, 2024 All newly registered Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA Youth members only | A promo code will be emailed to you. You must enter the code to receive the promotional rate. |
| All weekend camping adults fees are same as the youth. Saturday only adults are FREE. There will be no refunds. | |

New Scout Registration

Any other family member already registered in the program must pay the same registration fee as all other youth members in his/her unit. The new scout registration promotion applies only to brand new Scouts and Venturers, not Webelos crossovers.

Additional Information & Questions:

Email: rendezvous@michiganscouting.org

Website: <https://michiganscouting.org/rendezvous/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/rendezvousinthed/>

Free Downloadable Event App: <https://michiganscouting.org/event-app/>

Scouts Canada Safe Border Crossing and Youth Protection Information: [Information on Crossing the Border and Satisfying Scouts Canada and BSA Requirements](#)



On-Site Registration Process

Everyone must confirm their registration upon arrival at the Rendezvous 2024. Please bring your receipt with you to the event.

Full Weekend Participants: Upon entering the park Friday evening proceed to your campsite. You will receive notification by Wednesday evening, September 18th on the location of your site. If additional information is needed on the location of your site, a volunteer Ambassador will be there to direct your vehicle and your party to your campsite.

- ➔ If you are a Cub Scout family, you will unload your vehicle at your campsite, and then send one adult to move the vehicle to a General Parking area (there will be parking attendants directing) as well as go to registration and pick up the registration information Packet for your family. The remainder of the family may proceed to set-up their campsite while the adult representative is completing the on-site registration process (or set up your site and then one adult can go to registration).
- ➔ If you are a Troop, Crew or Ship, your trailer and tow vehicle will go directly to your campsite. All other associated vehicles within that unit will go straight to parking. After the trailer is safely parked within the assigned campsite, remove vehicle from trailer and park in the parking area. Send one adult to registration complete the on-site registration process for your whole unit. The remainder of the unit may proceed to set-up their campsite while the adult representative is completing the on-site registration process.

Saturday Only Participants: Upon entering the park Saturday, please proceed directly to the Event Registration located on Activity Area Road at the main pool building. Signs will point to registration. Send one adult representative from the family, unit, or individual registration to verify registration and pick up the registration information Packet for that party. You will then be directed to return to your vehicle and move it to a General Parking area (there will be parking attendants directing).

Registration Information Packet: Will include color-coded wristbands for all registered participants, Participant Patches, Map Pocket Guides, and final information for families/unit leaders. All Cub Scout families, Scout BSA and Venturing leaders must submit a completed Rendezvous Unit Roster thru the online registration system.

Entrance to Willow Metropark

- There is a park entrance fee of \$10 per vehicle per day no matter how many people are in the vehicle.
- Please have \$10 cash ready upon arrival to ensure prompt admission to the park. Vehicles remaining in the park throughout the weekend will only be charged \$10. Anyone leaving the park and returning the following day will be charged an additional \$10 daily fee. We strongly suggest carpooling.
- Annual vehicle permit to all Metroparks are \$40.00.
- Seniors may purchase an annual pass to all Metroparks for \$29.00. You must be at least 62 years old to qualify for the senior fee.
- All annual passes must be affixed to the windshield of a vehicle. They may not be transferred from one vehicle to another.



NOTE: Michigan's Recreation Passport (purchased for your Michigan license plate) does not allow entry into the Metroparks.



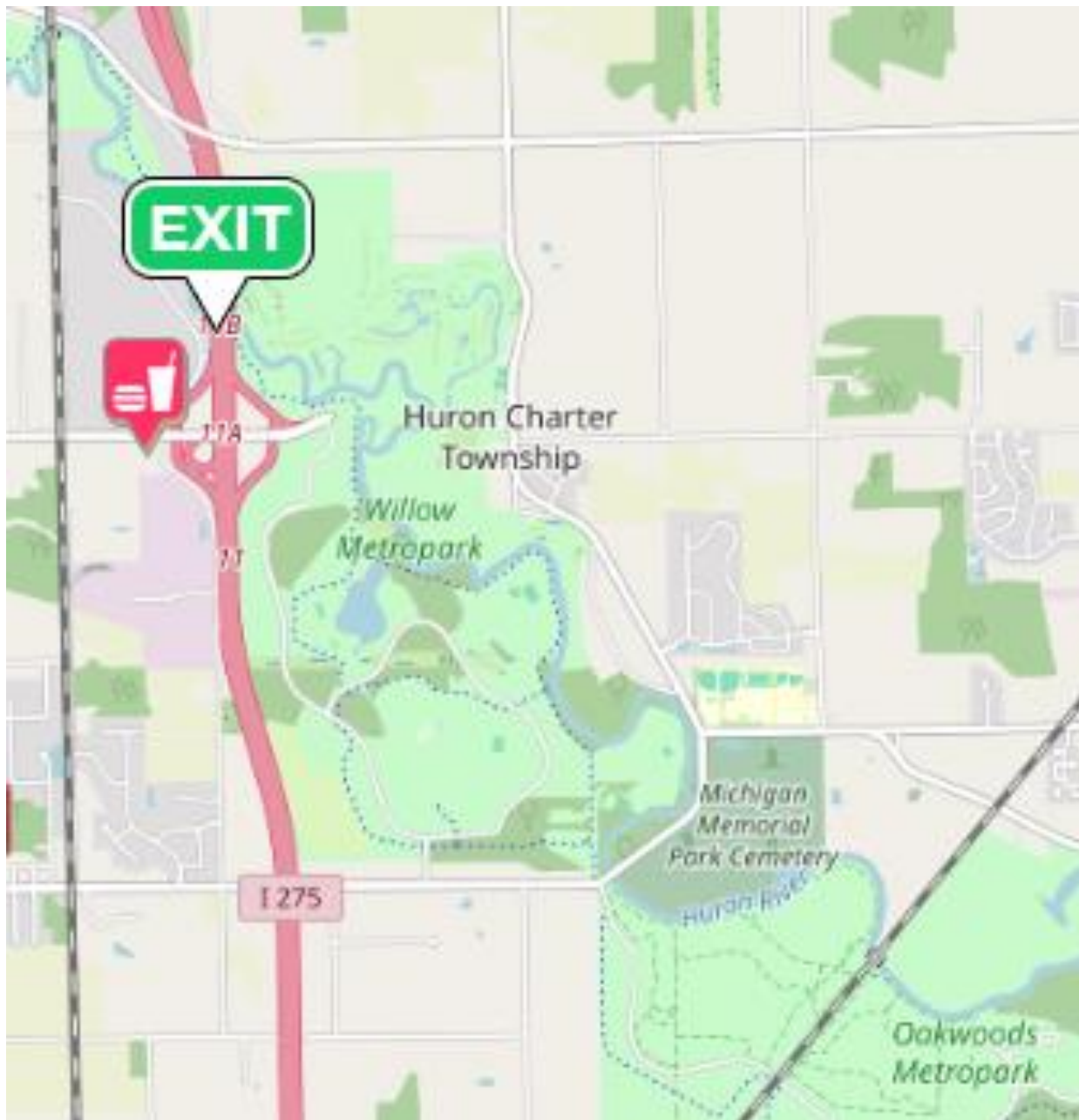
Identification

We will identify all participants and staff of the Rendezvous 2024 by using a color-coded wristband that will be supplied during the on-site registration process. Every participant, youth and adult, **MUST** wear the Rendezvous 2024 wristband at all times. Participant and staff wrist bands can be picked up Friday night or Saturday morning at the main registration sites.

Driving Directions

Willow Metropark

From the north, I-275 Exit 11A - From the south, I-275 Exit 11A



Rules

The Scout Oath, the Scout Law, and the Outdoor Code serve as the rulebook for all Scouting events. In addition, the following rules must be observed:

We ask that all leaders and adults assist us in enforcing these rules.

- Buddy system must be used at all times.
- Two Deep Leadership at all times.
- Do not put cans, bottles, trash, garbage, or wastewater into portable toilets.
- Do not interfere with other people or groups using Willow Metropark.
- Climbing, cutting, or disfiguring of any standing trees or shrubs is prohibited.
- No digging at Willow Metropark or ditching of tents.
- No alcohol or illegal drugs/substances allowed.
- No fireworks.
- No pets.
- No sheath knives, explosives, will be allowed in Willow Metropark. We will honor State and Federal law and Guide to Safe Scouting related to personal firearms.
- No bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, in-line skates, power scooters or similar devices will be permitted.
- Drivers and passengers must wear seatbelts at all times while riding in a vehicle.
- No persons may ride in cargo beds or sitting loose in vans.
- Park only where the parking attendants instruct you to park. Room must be left for emergency access and handicapped parking.
- Some areas are off-limits to participants of Rendezvous 2024. Please stay out of areas marked off limits.
- Drone usage is prohibited.
- Units and/or individuals may be billed for any damage.
- Do not interfere with or obstruct park officials or Rendezvous 2024 staff.
- Failure to comply with any of these rules may result in ejection, forfeiture of camping/attendance rights, and/or prosecution.

Smoking, Chewing Tobacco and Vaping

We encourage leaders to take one additional step toward setting a good example for the youth of our council. Please take a weekend break from use of all tobacco and vaping products. Young minds are impressionable and Scouting youth frequently look to their leaders as role models.

Youth Protection

Scouting America has adopted and implemented policies for the safety and well-being of its members – youth and adults. Following these policies and in order to ensure the Rendezvous is a safe environment, the following policies will be enforced:

- All adults accompanying a Scouting Unit and Volunteering to Staff activities must be current with Youth Protection Training. (<https://scouting.org/training/youth-protection/>)
- Scouting's Barriers to Abuse will be adhered to such as two-deep Leadership, no bullying, harassment and cyberbullying are prohibited. (<https://www.scouting.org/health-safety/gss/>)
- Youth Protection Training is free online, you do not need to be registered with BSA to complete the course, and YPT certification is valid for 2 years.



Health and Safety Information

Emergency Phone Number – 248-207-4871

There will be a dedicated emergency phone number for the event. It is only to be used for emergencies.

First Aid

There will be 24-hour Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) coverage at the Physical Arrangements site for the duration of the Rendezvous. There will be a mobile EMT/Medic on a golf cart in the registration and camping areas Friday night. On Saturday the First Aid tent will be staffed with First Aid personnel from 8:00 am - 7:00 pm along with the mobile EMT/Medic patrolling the entire event area by golf cart. After 7:00 pm on Saturday the First Aid personnel and mobile EMT/Medic will be at the arena show area.

All medical care beyond minor cuts and scratches should be referred to the First Aid station. Whenever possible, Rendezvous 2024 participants should advise their unit leader whenever they are feeling ill. All injuries must be reported to the First Aid Station.

Emergency Situations

Warning signals will sound in the unlikely event of an emergency. Please follow the instructions provided if a warning signal sounds.

Medical Emergencies

In case of emergency, either call the Emergency Phone number **248-207-4871** or seek assistance from Rendezvous Staff.

Inclement Weather/Thunderstorms/Lightning Safety

Find a low spot away from trees, fences and poles. If you feel your skin tingle or your hair stand on end, squat low to the ground on the balls of your feet. Make yourself the smallest target possible and minimize your contact with the ground.

Tornado Safety

Seek shelter and stay away from windows. Get out of automobiles. Lie flat in a nearby ditch or depression. Avoid flying debris.

Guide to Safe Scouting

All leaders and adults should follow the *Guide to Safe Scouting* at all times during the Rendezvous 2024. <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/>

Health Forms

An Annual Health and Medical Record is required for all youth and adult participants in a scouting activity such as the Rendezvous. Leaders should keep their unit's health forms on-site with their unit. Individual families participating should have the forms in their possession. The information will provide helpful information to the onsite medical team in the event of an illness or injury while also providing emergency contact information. The information contained is respected and treated as confidential.

All 2024 Rendezvous participants must complete **Part A and Part B** of the Personal Health and Annual Health and Medical Record. The form can be found at: <https://michiganscouting.org/new-bsa-medical-form/>

Parking

Parking for Saturday day visitors will be located just North of the Pool Building within walking distance of the camping, activity and program areas. Parking lots are located near the camping site for "off campsite" parking. For weekend participants all vehicles must be parked in the "off campsite" lot, including the vehicle used to



tow the Troop trailer. Vehicles must be parked only in designated parking lots and remain there from arrival until 10:00 am Sunday.

Policy on Traffic Safety

Pre-Approved motor vehicles be used to transport materials, supplies, and certain personnel throughout the Rendezvous 2024. It is in the best interests of all participants to respect the following guidelines.

Pedestrians

- Walk on the left shoulder of the road facing traffic and carry a flashlight at night.
- Stay off the roadway and cross only at established crossings.
- Give emergency vehicles (with flashing lights) the right-of-way.

Motor Vehicles

- Use of motor vehicles on the Rendezvous 2024 site is by approval only.
- Always “buckle up” your seat belt; **insist passengers do likewise!**
- Travel slower than the posted speed limits, as this is a highly congested area.
- Truck beds must not be used for transporting passengers.
- Give the right-of-way to all pedestrians.
- Give the right-of-way to emergency vehicles with flashing lights.
- Both vehicular and pedestrian traffic rules will be rigidly enforced.

Arena Show Information

There is NO general parking near the Arena Show. Limited handicap only parking will be available. Adult leaders are encouraged to bring lawn chairs for seating (concert low-back style). There is NO potable water available (fill up at your campsite beforehand). There will be porta-johns. There will be food available for purchase. Ingress/Egress to the Arena area is by foot only.

What to Bring and Wear

Food for Camper and Day Participants

All participants will be responsible for their own food during this event and should plan accordingly. However, there is a pre-sale weekend meal plan available via the Rendezvous registration site and concessions will also be available at the event area. See Appendix B for further details.

Personal Gear

In addition to Scout Troop equipment, the following list is provided to assist campers in the selection of their personal gear. Refer to your Boy Scout Handbook for additional assistance.

The following list is provided to assist Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA/Venturers and Girl Scouts in the selection of their personal gear and is intended to be supplemented by Unit Equipment for Troops and Crews.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed Medical Release Form (including signed photo release page)• Uniform: Cub Scouts / Scouts BSA / Venturers and Girl Scouts can wear activity (Scout t-shirt) during the day. Please wear full BSA Field (Class A) uniforms to the religious services. Appropriate clothing for weather conditions – including proper shoes• Scout Hat for shade• Towel | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sleeping Pad• Tent• Sunscreen• Insect Repellent• Rain Gear• Toiletries• Sunglasses• Personal First Aid Kit• Small flashlight• Camera |
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- Personal Mess Kit
- Sleeping Bag

- Money (Trading Post and concessions will be open)

Camping Information

Cub Scout Pack Families, Scout BSA Troop, Venturing Crew and Sea Scout Ship Camping Sites



Cub Scout Pack Families/Scout BSA Troop/Venture Crew/Sea Scout Ship camping sites will be appropriately sized based on registered participants as of Wednesday Evening, September 18, 2024.

Troop/Crew/Ship/Pack trailers may be placed in your camp site and remain for the duration of the weekend. The tow vehicle must be moved to the designated parking site. No vehicles will be allowed in campsites during the Rendezvous 2024.

Individual Family Camping Sites

Individual families not camping with their Cub Scout Pack Families or Scouts BSA Troop will be allowed to camp at the Rendezvous 2024 in their own family sites. Family sites will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis. For those families registered by Wednesday, September 18, 2024.

See the notes regarding Fire Protection, Fires and digging below.

Arrival for Camping

Cub Scout Families, Troops, Crews and Ships camping for the weekend may arrive as early as 4:00 pm Friday, September 20th and can leave after the religious service on Sunday, September 22nd (Approx. 10:00am).

Unit Equipment Trailers may be dropped off earlier on Friday, September 20th to avoid the arrival rush.

Questions? Email: rendezvous@michiganscouting.org

Camp Site Locations

Camp Site Locations will be published on Wednesday September 18th after they are finalized. The information will be published through Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/rendezvousinthed/>, posted on <https://michiganscouting.org/rendezvous/> and an email sent to the registration contact through the council online registration system.

Volunteer Team Camping

Volunteer team members staying for the weekend will be allowed to camp in one of two areas:

Flint Woods Area: Designated for Physical Arrangements and Camping Operations volunteers

Big Bend Area: All other volunteer team members

Fire Protection

The Rendezvous 2024 camping site will be a large tent city, with many of the fire hazards that afflict any community. Therefore, each Troop will need a fire prevention plan and a fireguard responsible for enforcing and carrying out the plan. The fireguard, consisting of the Senior Patrol Leader, Crew President or Ship Boatswain as chief and the fire warden from each patrol, will have the following duties:

- Regular checking of stoves to ensure that they are off
- Instructing Troop members on what to do in case of fire

No open flames of any kind are permitted in the tents. Only battery-operated lanterns are permitted.



Fires & Portable Fire Pits

There will be NO ground fires allowed during the Rendezvous 2024 (Camp Fires). This is necessary to protect the parks' ecosystem from fire damage. Troops, Crews and Ships will be allowed to use gas/propane stoves in accordance with BSA safety policies/rules. **Portable fire pits are allowed however you must bring your own fuel for the fire pit.** Take care not to transport firewood for portable above ground fire pits across county lines. Specially designated metal bins will be available for the disposal of ashes and coals.

| Please Do: | Please Don't: |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Place hot ash only in a barrel labeled "Hot Ash"❖ Respect the "No Grilling" zones❖ Notify park staff when you find coals on the ground❖ Extinguish coals with water | <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Dump ash/coals on the ground❖ Light up grill in a "No Grilling" zone❖ Dump ash/coals in trash barrels |

Digging/Holes

No digging or ditching of tents at Willow Metropark.

Campsite Lines

Placing rope or cord around unit campsites is not necessary and is discouraged as a safety concern. Sites will be laid out and properly designated so that lining unit campsites does not become a requirement.

Tents/Flies/Picnic Tables

Troops, Crews and Ships are responsible for bringing all unit gear. Tents, Dining Flies, Picnic Tables, Stoves, Patrol Boxes, Cooking Gear, Wash Stations, Water Storage, Coolers, etc. will not be provided.

Restroom Facilities and Showers

Porta-Johns and hand washing stations will be conveniently located in the program and activity areas.

NOTE: No showers will be available during the Rendezvous 2024.

Potable Water

Potable water suitable for drinking and food preparation will be available in the camping area. Families and units must bring appropriate containers in which to carry water from a central location to the campsite.

Refuse

Dumpsters will be located in high volume areas of the park. There will also be a dumpster for refuse in a central location at the campsite. Specifically, designated metal bins will be available for the disposal of all coals and ashes. All coals and ash must be placed into these bins. There will also be provision made for the safe disposal of "grey water". Refuse should be regularly transported by families and units to dumpsters. There will not be a refuse removal service directly from individual campsites.

Wastewater (Grey Water)

Wastewater **MUST** be collected and disposed of into designated collection points located in the camping area. You can do this with a 5-gallon bucket or other device that can store non-potable water. Families, Troops, Crews and Ships must bring appropriate containers in which to carry wastewater from the camp site to a central location for collection. **Dumping wastewater (sometimes called "Grey Water") onto the ground is a violation of park rules.** Help us protect Willow Metropark and dispose of wastewater properly.



Access to Electricity

No electricity will not be available in the camping sites for general use. No attempt should be made by any individual to rewire any area or facility at Willow Metropark.

Care of Valuables

Each Troop should make arrangements for the safe storage of members' valuables. Do not wear or carry any more valuables than necessary with you while out on Rendezvous 2024 activities. We cannot be responsible for lost or stolen items. However, there will be a Lost and Found area at the Event Headquarters (HQ). If items are lost, please check the Event HQ before leaving Rendezvous 2024.

Troop/Crew/Ship Gateways

Troop/Crew/Ship gateways **will** be allowed during the Rendezvous 2024. Gateways must fit in your camping site. And must be removed from the park after Rendezvous 2024 ends.

Pop-Up Trailers and RV's

Pop-up trailers, other trailers and RV's may not be brought to the Rendezvous 2024.

Leave No Trace and the Outdoor Code

We ask all campers and day participants to live by Leave No Trace principles and that they honor the Outdoor Code throughout the Rendezvous 2024. A Scout always leaves a site cleaner than it was on arrival.

Policing of Grounds

One of the big problems in connection with an operation of the scope of the Rendezvous 2024 is maintaining orderly and neat conditions in heavily used areas. All Scouts and leaders are asked to see that all trash is deposited in the containers provided. Constant leadership in this regard will be helpful in preventing a major problem. Every Scout and leader should make it a practice and a tradition not to pass by trash—pick it up and put it in the proper container.



General Information

Uniforms

Cub Scouts, Scout BSA, Venturers, Sea Scouts and their leaders are encouraged to wear the Scout Activity Uniform (Scout T-shirt and Scout Pants).

Note: Participation in challenge courses should be done in clothes that can get dirty and possibly be stained. Several of the courses will result in the participants getting wet and/or muddy.

Trading Post

The MCC Scout Shop will offer general Scouting goods as well as Rendezvous 2024 branded items on-site during the event. It is highly recommended to pre-order merchandise on-line for best selection.

<https://shop.michiganscouting.org/rendezvous-in-the-d>

Patch Trading

Patch trading is allowed and encouraged throughout Rendezvous 2024.

Golf Carts and Gators

Golf Carts and Gators are for **staff use only**. Other than for emergencies, event participants will not be allowed to ride in or on golf carts or Gators.

Official Rendezvous Merchandise

You may pre-order official Rendezvous 2024 T-shirts, hoodies, baseball caps, patches and other items at <https://shop.michiganscouting.org/rendezvous-in-the-d>. Clothing is available in youth and adult sizes. Other merchandise will include commemorative Michigan Crossroads Council Shoulder Patches with the Rendezvous 2024 logo. **Participants are strongly encouraged to pre-order merchandise** to ensure the best selection and convenient shipment to their home address. On-site merchandise sales will be available during the event but quantities will be limited to supplies on-hand.

Concessions

Concessionaires will offer meals and snacks at an additional cost on Saturday, September 21st.

Day participants are encouraged to bring brown bag lunches and picnic meals Saturday, September 21st. "Wagon Corrals" will be available. This will allow you to safely park a wagon with picnic lunches and a cooler. The wagon may be retrieved at any time during the day.

Ambassadors

Ambassadors will be on-site to assist all participants. They will be able to provide directions, information and answer questions. They'll be located throughout the park.

Order of the Arrow Service Corps

Order of the Arrow members of Mishigami Lodge #29 (<https://mishigami.org/>) will be on-site throughout Rendezvous 2024. They can be identified by separate Service Corps T-shirts. All OA Service Corps members should wear their Sash at all times during the event for additional identification.

Order of the Arrow service corps members should camp with their home Troop, Crew or Ship in the evenings.

Registered OA Service Corps members may eat with staff (4 meals included in OA staff registration), their home unit, or utilize the concessions areas.

Lost and Found

A lost-and-found department will be located near Rendezvous 2024 Event Headquarters near the concourse. Persons seeking lost articles should report to the lost-and-found area and fill out an identification card describing the missing item. To guard against the loss of valuables, everyone should



mark uniforms and personal equipment with name, home address, and phone number.

Photo Releases

The Michigan Crossroads Council (MCC) would like to use photos and videos taken during the Rendezvous 2024 for promotional and marketing purposes. Photographs will only be used for MCC print and electronic materials, such as brochures, flyers, presentation slides and website.

The MCC respects the privacy of all our Scouts, thus no names will be published when utilizing photographs for printed and electronic media.

Photo Release forms are Part A of the BSA Health Form required for any Scouting activity.

Friday Night Disco Music

Starting at 8:00 PM on Friday evening we will be have Disco music at the amphitheater east of the Headquarters building. The trading post will be open nearby.

Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony will be held at 9:00 AM on Saturday at the amphitheater east of the Headquarters building. Each Scout unit should designate two flag bearers for the ceremony. One for the unit's flag and one for the unit's country flag.

Backpack Drive at the Rendezvous 2024

This is a drive to collect new backpacks full of grade-specific school supplies to be distributed to homeless and at-risk children in the metro area.

Everyone coming to the Rendezvous 2024 is asked to bring backpacks and/or supplies (Items include: Spiral notebooks, Filler paper, Elmer's glue sticks, Pencil boxes or pouches, Large erasers, Rulers, 2-pocket folders, 3-ring binders, Scissors, 24-count Crayola crayons, #2 Pencils, Pencil sharpeners, Crayola washable markers).

Donations can be dropped off onsite in the Exhibits area on Saturday.

Let's take this special opportunity to make a lasting impact!

Saturday Night Arena Show

The Show will begin at 7:00 pm on Saturday night. There is no formal "march" to the show.

Note: Please be advised that we will be sitting on the ground. Stadium seats or ground cloths that do not raise your body above ground level are permitted. For those attending who would like to use chairs, you will be asked to sit in the back so as not to obstruct anyone's view. We do suggest that you dress for the weather and that you plan to bring water to keep yourself hydrated.



Rendezvous in the

Schedule and Activities



Friday, September 20, 2024

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| 4:00 – 9:30 pm | Families, Troops and Crews arrive, check in (by the intersection of Interloop Rd and Fox Meadows Rd), and set up camp |
| 5:00 – 9:00 pm | Trading Post opens (at main Pool/Headquarter building) |
| 8:00 – 9:45 pm | Friday night disco music at bandshell east of the Headquarters building |
| 10:00 pm | Leader meeting for Pack/Family designees, Scoutmasters and Senior Patrol Leaders at the food tent by the bandshell east of the Headquarters building |
| 11:00 pm | Camp wide Lights Out |

Saturday, September 21, 2024

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| 7:00 am | Reveille |
| 7:00 – 9:00 am | Breakfast |
| 8:00 am - 12:00 pm | Saturday Day Visitor check in by the pool/Headquarters building |
| 9:00 am | Opening Ceremony at Main Bandshell |
| 9:15 am – 5:00 pm | Activities & Exhibits Open |
| 10:00 am – 9:00 pm | Trading Post Open (on midway during day and at arena show in evening) |
| 12:00 -2:00pm | Lunch Time |
| 5:00– 7:00 pm | Dinner Time |
| 6:30 – 7:00 pm | Travel to Arena Show (Allow at least 15 minutes travel time) |
| 7:00 pm | “Family Friendly” Opening Arena Show Acts Start |
| 8:00 pm | Main Event |
| 10:00 pm | Arena Show Ends / Fireworks |
| 10:15 pm | Venturing / OA Gatherings at Main Food Tent |
| 11:30 pm | Camp wide Lights Out |

Sunday, September 22, 2024

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| 6:30 am | Registration opens for 5K Run/Walk |
| 7:00 am | 5K Run/Walk |
| 7:00 am | Reveille |
| 8:00 am | Catholic Worship Service at the Exhibits Tent |
| 9:00 am | All Faith Worship Service at the Exhibits Tent |
| 10:00 am | Participants begin packing and departing |

The Rendezvous 2024 has a multitude of activities and challenges. These program areas are *not* split based on age, rank, or program level within Scouting America, rather, any scout, participant, or visitor may attend any of the areas. All areas have activities that can be utilized by all age groups, but **not all ages may participate in each activity**. **Scouting America Age-Appropriate Guidelines and the Guide to Safe Scouting govern minimum ages on certain events.** <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/>



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about Rendezvous 2024

What is Rendezvous in the 2024?

The Rendezvous in the 2024 is a premier event of the Michigan Crossroads Council. It has been planned to create a pinnacle experience for Scouts and Scouters that builds enthusiasm for Scouting and to introduce our program to others within our community. The program will focus on the activities of Scouting.

Activities include but are not limited to the following: BB Guns, Archery, & Sling Shot Range, STEM Area, Water Rockets, 5K Run, Canoeing, Climbing Tower, Disc Golf, Geocaching, Paintball Target Shooting, Tomahawk Throw, Inflatables, Monkey Bridge, Patch Trading, Challenge Courses and much more (see Appendix E). In addition, there will also be an Exhibits Area and an Arena Show that will take place Saturday evening.

Where will the Rendezvous 2024 take place?

Willow Metropark is the site of the Rendezvous 2024. The park is part of the Huron-Clinton Metropark system of parks. It is conveniently located off I-275, about three miles south of Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

What is included and excluded in the price of admission?

The admission fee includes:

- An opportunity for the youth participants to take part in a multitude of fun filled, age appropriate, events and activities during the Rendezvous 2024.
- A patch for all participants.
- Pocket Guide and free Event App (Download Free App here: <https://michiganscouting.org/event-app/>)
- Friday evening disco and a spectacular Arena Show on Saturday evening.
- Finally, the admission fee helps to pay for the Rendezvous 2024 infrastructure like porta johns, electricity to the exhibits, security, first aid, parking, park fees, etc.

The general fee **does not** include any meals. A meal plan can be purchased separately.

I am a Cub Scout leader. Can my entire family camp and participate in the Rendezvous 2024?

You may bring the entire family. All youth in the 5-20 age group can fully participate in all age-appropriate activities. All BSA registered adults must pay the same fee for weekend camping.

Is my Unit required to file a local tour permit to attend Rendezvous 2024?

Formal BSA Tour Permits are not required. Appropriate measures should be taken to ensure a safe travel plan. **Scouts Canada should refer to the following guidelines:** [Information on Crossing the Border and Satisfying Scouts Canada and BSA Requirements](#)

How does my family, Pack, Troop, Crew or Ship register for the Rendezvous 2024?

We encourage all Packs, Troops, Crews and Ships to pre-register online using the Rendezvous 2024 web site: <https://scoutingevent.com/272-REND2024#>. Registration is quick and easy.

At Rendezvous 2024 everyone must submit a unit roster form. If actual scout names are entered during pre-registration, a roster will be created during onsite registration. If dummy names are entered during pre-registration, you will be required to update your registration online when you arrive with actual names of participants. Computers will be available at the registration tent for you to update your online registration.



What is the appropriate attire during the Rendezvous 2024?

All Youth and Adults who plan on participating in one of the challenge courses should wear active wear/clothing that can get muddy, wet, or stained. The rest of the time the activity uniform or field uniform can be worn.

Can Cub Scouts or Webelos Scouts camp in Willow Metropark during the Rendezvous 2024?

Yes, Cub Scouts and Arrow of Light Scouts can camp at Willow Metropark during the Rendezvous 2024 in an age-appropriate Family Camp setting.

Will Cub Scout or Scouts BSA be able to earn Adventure Loop/Pins or a Merit Badge?

Yes, Cub Scouts will not have an opportunity to satisfy activity requirements and Scouts BSA will have an opportunity to earn portions of a Merit Badge (e.g., Golf, Disability Awareness, Canoeing, etc.). However, we still encourage Scouts to experience the entire event and not focus on earning a pin or a badge.

Is the Rendezvous 2024 open to Scouts from other councils and countries?

Yes, Scouts from other councils and countries are encouraged to participate in the Rendezvous 2024.

What if it rains?

We'll do what Scouts frequently do – go full speed ahead! Please check the weather forecast and Be Prepared.

Are Health Forms required for Scouts to participate in the Rendezvous 2024?

An Annual Health and Medical Record is required for all youth and adult participants in a scouting activity such as the Rendezvous. Leaders should keep their unit's health forms on-site with their unit. Individual families participating should have the forms in their possession. The information will provide helpful information to the onsite medical team in the event of an illness or injury while also providing emergency contact information. The information contained is respected and treated as confidential.

All participants in the Rendezvous activities must complete Part A and Part B of the Personal Health and Annual Health and Medical Record. The forms can be found at: <https://michiganscouting.org/new-bsa-medical-form/>

How can I get more information about the Rendezvous 2024?

MCC Site: <https://michiganscouting.org/rendezvous/>

General Email: rendezvous@michiganscouting.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/rendezvousinthed/>

Free Downloadable Event App: <https://michiganscouting.org/event-app/>

I have a great idea for the Rendezvous 2024, who do I contact?

Please send an e-mail to rendezvous@michiganscouting.org

I want to serve on the Rendezvous 2024 staff, who do I contact?

Please fill out the staff volunteer interest form at bottom of page at: <https://michiganscouting.org/rendezvous/>



Appendix A – Trading Post Items

Pre-Order at Michigan Scouting Online Store

<https://shop.michiganscouting.org/rendezvous-in-the-d>

On-Site Merchandise

Limited merchandise will also be available on-site at the event. It is recommended to pre-order to ensure best selection.

Appendix B – Presale Meal Plan / Concessions

\$45 Weekend Meal Plan (3 Saturday meals, Sunday Breakfast)
\$10 Saturday Only Lunch

All presale food will be served at main food tent near bandshell

Purchase Here: <https://scoutingevent.com/272-REND2024#>

Food Trucks will be on-site on Saturday (TBA)



Appendix C – Event Map (V4)



Appendix D – Weekend Activities (as of 7/1/24)

| <u>Sport Track</u> | <u>Scout Track</u> | <u>Tech Track</u> |
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| · BMX Bikes (TBD) | · Arts & Crafts | · Explorer Posts - Media |
| · Pedal Cars/Trikes | · Branding | · Hands-on STEM Activities |
| · 5K Run | · Canoeing | o Beach Ball Boogie |
| · Baseball Skills | · Climbing Wall | o Building Opportunities |
| · Basketball Skills | · Fishing on Land | o Catapults |
| · Curling | · Gaga Ball | o Endurance and Sports Comparisons |
| · Disc Golf | · Geocaching | o Giant Bubbles |
| · Foam Course | · Giant Battleship | o Giant Stretch Band Activities |
| · Football Skills | · Kim’s Game | o Olympic Flame Tube |
| · Fowling | · Knot Tying Relay | o Slalom Ski Ball |
| · Hockey Skills | · Monkey Bridge | o Tennis Tower |
| · Inflatables | · Orienteering | o Water Rockets |
| · Mini Golf | · Park Police Dog Demo | · Park Police Drone Demo |
| · Scouting Combines | · Pinewood Derby | · Robotics Demonstrations |
| o Dashing | · Raingutter Regatta | · STEM behind Sports |
| o Throwing | · Shooting Sports | · STEM in Sports Demo |
| o Lifting | o Archery | |
| o Jumping | o BB Guns | |
| · Soccer Skills | o Slingshots | |
| · Tennis Skills | o Tomahawk | |
| · VOA Pop-a-shot | · Skipper Goes Down | |
| · Wheelchair Basketball | · Slack Lining | |
| · Disabilities Awareness | · Sport Snakes | |

