

Fish Camp



Information and Leader's Guide

Camp Sequoyah

September 30 – October 2, 2022

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Entering into its third year, the GAC's Fish Camp is an event that is quickly winning over Scouts and Volunteer Leaders alike. Since its first session in 2020, Fish Camp has grown in attendance and in interest across the Council.

This year, Fish Camp will again call Camp Sequoyah home. The classroom facilities in the Harbert Ecology Lodge are a great fit for the event, and with beautiful Lake Cross serving as the outdoor classroom, participants are guaranteed to have an exceptional opportunity to make progress towards earning the Fishing, Fly Fishing, and Fish and Wildlife Management Merit Badges. Some Scouts will even be able to make progress towards earning the BSA's Complete Angler Award!

We're looking forward to having you join us for a weekend of fishing and angling at Camp Sequoyah. If this is your first time ever visiting Camp Sequoyah, we hope that you'll be hooked by the beauty and charm of this beloved camp.

See you at Camp!

David Self

Program Director, Greater Alabama Council

General Information

Who can attend:

Fish Camp is open to all Scouts BSA Troops and Venturing Crews. Both units from the Greater Alabama Council and out-of-council units are welcome to attend. This event is open only to Scouts BSA and Venturing youth and leaders only. Cub Scout Adult Leaders are welcome to attend and use this as a training opportunity.

Registration:

Registration will be managed through Jotform. Registration is limited to the first thirty Scouts or Venturers. To register your unit for participation, please go to <https://1bsa.org/fish-camp/>

Registration will close, at latest, on September 19, 2022.

Event Fees:

The base event fees for Fish Camp include four meals, two cracker barrels, program supplies, insurance, and a patch. The fees are:

Youth: \$40

Adult: \$20

Health and Safety:

All participants (youth and adult) are required to bring with them a completed BSA Health Form (parts A and B). There will be a medic onsite for the entire weekend. The medic will be stationed at the Camp Sequoyah Medic Lodge for the entirety of the event.

Check-In:

Check-in will begin at 5pm on Friday, September 30. Check-in will take place in the A. Ward Center just inside the main gates of Camp Sequoyah. At Check-in, health forms and a Unit Roster will be submitted. After check-in, Units will be directed to their campsite for the weekend.

Parking:

Units will be permitted one vehicle in camp. All other vehicles must be parked in the main parking lot. Parking Permits will be issued to the one vehicle that will be in camp. The parking permit will be issued at Check-in.

Camping:

While at Fish Camp, you will be staying in pre-assigned campsites. Please note that there are no tents in place during this time of year at camp. Troops and Crews are responsible for bringing their own tents and shelters. Hammock camping is allowed at Camp Sequoyah.

Meals:

All meals and cracker barrels will be served in the dining hall. Any dietary restrictions can be submitted to David Self at david.self@scouting.org. Please submit any dietary requests by September 19th.

Preparing for Camp:

Suggested Packing List	
Tent	Flashlight
Sleeping Bag	3 T-shirts
Sleeping Pad	3 Underwear
Scout Uniform	Rain Gear
Toiletries	Sturdy Shoes (hiking boots or sneakers)
3 pairs of Socks	Towel
Personal fishing gear ***	Personal First Aid Kit

Add-ons:

Participants will have the opportunity to purchase additional patches, a Greater Alabama Council Fishing and Angling Program fishing t-shirt as a part of registration.

Additionally, the Camp Sequoyah Trading Post will be open on Saturday morning following breakfast and again Saturday afternoon.

***** Fishing Equipment:**

Participants may bring their own personal fishing equipment for their use at Fish Camp. Should a participant need fishing equipment, we have worked with National Supply Division to provide either a bait or spin casting fishing rod and reel kit (depending on supplies and availability) or a fly-fishing rod and reel kit. Participants who wish to take advantage of this offer must purchase the kit of their choosing during registration. The kit of their choice will be available for them to pick-up at Camp Sequoyah beginning on Saturday morning at the Trading Post. This offer is available only through the online registration process. There will not be any rod and reel kits available for walk-ups at the event.

Program Information

Fish Camp consists of two separate program elements: classroom instruction and outdoor application.

Classroom instruction components will help Scouts and Scouters learn about basic knots used in fishing and angling, conservation practices, fishing and angling techniques and practices, and project development.

The outdoor application will enable Scouts and Scouters to take what they learned in the classroom and apply it on an afternoon fishing excursion to beautiful Lake Cross. While at the lake, Scouts will continue to learn under the guidance of the Certified Angling Instructors as they practice casting, choosing the right baits, and hopefully landing a fish or two!

Saturday Night Dinner:

Participants will be able to enjoy a Fish Fry on Saturday night. Even if the fish aren't biting, they will be on the menu on Saturday evening along with the appropriate fixins'.

Scouts Own Service:

A Scout is Reverent. Plan to take part in the non-denominational service on Sunday morning at the Council Ring (weather permitting).

Schedule

Friday, Sept. 30:

Check-in	5:00-8:00pm	A. Ward Center
“Chumming Around” Class Session 1	8:15pm	Dining Hall
Cracker Barrell	8:15pm	Dining Hall
Taps	10:30pm	Campsite

Saturday, Oct. 1:

Reveille	6:30am	Campsite
Morning Assembly	7:00am	Parade Field
Breakfast	7:15am	Dining Hall
Trading Post Opens	8:00am - 8:30am	Trading Post
Morning Class Sessions	8:30am	Harbert Ecology Lodge
Lunch	12pm	Dining Hall
Trading Post re-opens	1:00pm - 1:30pm	Trading Post
Afternoon Class Sessions	1:30pm - 5:30pm	Harbert Lodge, Lake Cross
Dinner	6:00pm	Dining Hall
Cracker Barrell/ Fellowship	8:00pm	Dining Hall
Taps	10:30pm	Camp Site

Sunday, Oct. 2:

Reveille	6:30am	Campsite
Morning Assembly	7:00am	Parade Field
Breakfast	7:15am	Dining Hall
Scouts Own	8:15am	Council Ring
Additional Fishing/Instruction	8:45am – 11:00am	Harbert Lodge/Lake Cross
Pick-up med forms/ Check-out	9:00am – 11:00am	Scoutmaster’s Hut

Menu

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	Biscuits and Gravy Eggs Hashbrowns Yogurt Cereal	Biscuits Sausage Hashbrowns Yogurt Cereal
	Deli sandwiches Chips Cookies	
Cubed cheese Crackers Cookies Chips and Salsa	Fried fish Hushpuppies Oven Fries Coleslaw Peach Cobbler	