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The Scouter - May 2014
The official e-newsletter of the Blue Ridge Council

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Greetings!

This is the May issue of the Blue Ridge Council e-newsletter, "The Scouter." In it you will find information about upcoming events and other things relating to Scouting in the Upstate of South Carolina.

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2014 Boy Scout Classic - April 22nd

Calendar

Download the 2013-2014 Blue Ridge Council Calendar by [clicking here.](#)

May

- 5 - Commissioner's Meeting
- 7 - District Chairman Meeting
- 15 - Executive Committee Meeting
- 17 - Camp Work Day
- 16-18 - Camp Staff Weekend
- 23-25 - Camp Old Indian & White Pines CLOSED
- 26 - Memorial Day, Council Service Center & Camps Closed
- 30-31 - Camp Old Indian & White Pines CLOSED

District News

Did you know that your district has its own news page? Click your district link below to see news and events specific to you.

- [Foothills](#)
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Quick Links



The Blue Ridge Council, Boy Scout Classic

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TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2014

**Musgrove Mill Golf Club
An Arnold Palmer Signature Course**

Thanks to everyone who participated in the 2014 Boy Scout Classic! It was a great day of golf and fellowship for all that participated. We were proud to have a full field of 25 teams participate in this year's tournament and proud to announce that we raised over \$35,000 to benefit the Blue Ridge Council!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS:

Gross Divison:

1st Place: 63 - Windsor Aughtry
Russell Smart, Drew Norwood, Bill Fayssoux, Michael Spiers

2nd Place: 64 - Fox Commercial Properties
Tom Fox, Joel Mahaffey, Tim Rooke, RJ Beach

3rd Place: 67 - Michelin North America
Scott Wilson, Joel Heard, Donnie Fredricks, Mike Pleakis

Net Division:

1st Place: 52 - Trail's End
Michael Dunagan, Mike Butler, Carlton Crump, Jimmy Crook

2nd Place: 52 - Carolina Fresh Farms
Mills Grant, Adam Charles, Chuck Connelly, David Rector

3rd Place: Gallivan White & Boyd
Howard Boyd, Mac Johnson, Todd Davidson, Terry Dolch

Closest to the Hole:

Hole #2: Todd Lumsden 6'2"
Hole #12: Daniel Felder 7'1"
Hole #17: Daniel Felder 7'8"

Long Drive

#3 Slim Daddy Rock
#18 Trey Werner

Putting Contest Winner: Russ Gillig

One Scout at a time, Your gift will make a difference

Your investment in scouting is more important now than ever! We have continued to see a significant reduction in funding from the Greenville United Way to the extent that United Way funding now accounts for only 6% of our annual operating budget.

The youth of the Blue Ridge Council are counting on and need your continued support! **Please call the Council Service Center at 864-233-8363 today to make your 2014 Friends of Scouting gift!**

[CLICK HERE TO MAKE YOUR FRIENDS OF SCOUTING CONTRIBUTION TODAY.](#)



Cub Scout Day Camps

Cub Scouts have the opportunity to work on Belt Loops, shoot BB guns, shoot Bow & Arrows, swim, make crafts, play games, make new friends and have Fun!!!

This is a great opportunity for your son to enjoy Cub Scouts for a whole week. Our Day Camp leaders are dedicated to giving your Scout the best program possible and sending them home exhausted! They will talk about it for months after-wards.

Each District has a week in set aside for Day Camp. You are encouraged to sign up for your Districts Camp, but if you find one that is more convenient for you, feel free to sign up for it instead. Simply mark the camp on the registration form that you wish to attend, and pay the fee associated with that District Camp.

Also, you are invited to come take part in the week. If you can volunteer for one day, or the whole week, Day Camp needs your help!

To sign up for Day Camp [CLICK HERE.](#)

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If you would like to advertise your company on the Blue Ridge Council Newsletter or Website, please contact Grayson Kelly at (864) 233-8363 or grayson.kelly@scouting.org

Greenville Scout Shop

Phone: 288-1560
Fax: 288-1614

Monday - Friday
8:30am - 6:00pm

Saturday
10:00am - 2:00pm

Round Table

All Leaders are invited to attend their Districts monthly Round Table





Scout Shop News



10AM-2PM

It's the perfect time for Scouts and parents to get all their camp questions answered and see the latest gear available for making the most out of camp.

This fun, Saturday event starts at 10:00 a.m. and includes:

- In-store Backpack Fittings
- Free Summer Camp Packing List
- Three "PAY A PENNY" Special Offers
- First Aid, Knot tying and Cooking Demonstrations

Choose one of the following qualifying gifts at or below your in-store purchase amount:

Spend \$100, get a Cub Scout™ or Boy Scout™ Beach Towel (\$19.99 value each) for just 1¢!

Spend \$200, get the BSA® Tanto Knife (\$24.99 value) or one of the above towels for just 1¢

Spend \$250, get the BSA Backpacking Chair (\$49.99 value) or any one of the above items for just 1¢

POPCORN 2014



GET READY FOR THE 2014 POPCORN SALE!!!

- New PRODUCTS!
- New PRIZES!
- New PRICES!
- New PROGRAM!



Preview and Training for late Summer to be announced soon!

2014 Camp Card Sale

Thanks to all the leaders and Scouts who participated in this year's camp card sale. By all accounts everything has gone very well. We have two more Game Stop gift cards to draw for on May 9th and May 16th. The sale officially ends on May 16th, so we need for each unit to fill out the return receipt and get your money or cards returned to the Scout Service Center. Scouts who sold 35 cards will be in the drawing for the choice of an iPad, PS4 or an Xbox.

Units that sold a minimum of 50 cards will be in the drawing for a \$250 Visa Gift Card. All unit accounts must be closed out to be eligible. Thanks again for your participation!

BALOO - May 17th

BALOO stands for Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation and is a great training program for any cub scout parent who wants to learn and help the pack in using the Pack Outdoor Program and go camping. You will learn the following in this program: Skills needed to go Pack Camping, Safety Rules to Protect Everyone, How to Plan and have Fun, Resources available to the Pack and much more!



BALOO Training
Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation



To register for this course, please click [here](#).

Camp Old Indian Work Day - May 17th

Please remember that to do a project correctly, you need: 1. A plan as per the ideas below, 2. Good supervision (someone who knows what to do), and 3. The right tools and materials. After each project, we have outlined tool needs and materials (bolded in red**) which may need to be purchased. Actual number of tools depends on the size of the group and group size should be kept to a manageable number.**

1. Place bark mulch (4-6 inches) on the eastern white pines along the road to camp *but keep mulch about 12 inches away from stem of the trees*. Also, mulch some shrubbery around dining hall, the trading post, the handicraft entrance, the willow near scoutcraft and if enough mulch, do trees along road in front of camp. Also, use herbicide on encroaching weeds/grasses as needed (will DO week before). Needs: **about 35 cubic yds of mulch, wheelbarrows, pitch forks, and garden rakes; herbicide/sprayer** with qualified adult.
2. Move (24) trusses from chapel to Ranger house yard; use trailer if possible.
3. Clean up chapel; remove wood and left over trash from demolition. **Need: leaf rake and/or leaf blower**
4. Replace step on handicraft side of camp office (Exposed spikes are a hazard!); **Need RR ties or 6x6 three foot long steps with rebar**
5. Clean out trash etc. from renovated (in progress) Handicraft.
6. Clean bathrooms at "New Staff" and lock up until camp opens: **need cleaning supplies**
7. Build new steps on back porch of New Staff. **Need new risers, four 2 x 6 (available at Skinner), hammer and nails/**
8. If possible, move walking bridge at Chapel and move to Old DC on meadow (tear down existing bridge there now). May need to disassemble and reassemble.
9. Send teams out to campsite with sponges, pail (already in site) and good quality duct tape to repair mattresses.
10. Much weed eating around dining hall and other high use areas in camp; **Adults should bring weed-eaters**

11. Trail Projects: Redo trail from Mid Underwood to Upper Underwood; new trail to OA ring behind Rifle Range.; place handrail on bridge on this trail. Close trail to Civil Development and make people use sidewalk and then turn up gravel walk way. Maintain 300' approach trail to Museum campsite (behind Activity Bldg); continue to lay brush over old trail so to prevent breaching by scouts. Also, do this on Old road up to Underwood. Needs: **Hand saws to cut small trees and brush and move to old trail.**

12. Remove and replace rotting RR tie steps between Camp Office and Nature lodge; either use existing RR ties scattered around camp or purchase 6 x 6 treated lumber and 18" rebar.

Scout Night at the Anderson Motor Speedway - May 30th



FREE Admission to ALL Scouts (Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Venturers and Leaders) in Uniform. Scouts are asked to bring a nonperishable food item to donate to a local food bank.

Scouts will gather at 7PM and take a brief tour of the Anderson Motor Speedway Infield Area following Late Model Stock Qualifying.

Scouts will be in charge of the Opening Ceremonies on this evening and gather on the Front Stretch of the racetrack to perform the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the National Anthem (at approx. 7:50PM). Racing starts at 8PM!

Following Opening Ceremonies, it's time to sit back, relax and enjoy a night of racing at the family-friendly Anderson Motor Speedway. There will be FREE face painting for the kids. Anderson Motor Speedway offers a full concession of hotdogs, hamburgers, corndogs, nachos, fries etc. so bring your appetite as well! And don't forget your camera as we make lots of memories!

FEATURE EVENT: NASCAR Whelen All American Late Model Stock Series

Plus: Mini Stocks * Renegads * US Legends * Super Renegades * Fast & Fearless Front Wheel Drives

GRANDSTAND GATES OPEN AT 5PM * PRACTICE 6-7PM * LMS QUALIFYING AT 7:15PM * RACING STARTS AT 8PM

GRANDSTAND ADULT ADMISSION - \$10 / KIDS 12 & UNDER - FREE

TRACKSIDE PARKING: \$10 PER SPOT / \$10 PER ADULT / KIDS 12 & UNDER - FREE

Anderson Motor Speedway / 313 Irby Rd / Williamston, SC 29697 / Office (864)226-5481

TRACK CONTACT: Sylvia Porter (864) 304-7087 / sporter@nctv.com

www.andersonmotorspeedway.com

2014 NYLT, June 8 - 13

National youth Leadership Training is a six-day experience conducted by the Blue Ridge council to provide each Scout with a meaningful Scouting experience that will enhance his/her knowledge and create a deeper understanding of his/her role and responsibilities as a leader.

NYLT integrates the best of modern leadership theory with the traditional strengths of the Scouting experience. Through activities, presentations, challenges, discussions, and audiovisual support, NYLT participants engage in a unified approach to leadership that gives the skill and confidence to lead well.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

Save the Date - Scout Night at the Greenville Drive - August 6th

Boy Scout Night at Fluor Field

- All Scouts receive a special Commemorative Patch
- *Postgame Campout on the Fluor Field Outfield!*
- Pregame "Parade of Champions" with Pack Names on DriveVision
- In-Park "Survival Training Challenge" Activity
- Between Inning Skits and Competition Featuring Boy Scouts and Pack Leaders

Tickets available SOON!!! For more information Grayson Kelly at grayson.kelly@scouting.org or at 864-233-8363

Cub Resident Camp - August 7-10

SPACE EXPLORATION Resident Camp 2014!

Webelos Scouts (*rising 4th and 5th graders*): 4 days and 3 nights of adventure at Camp Old Indian!!! Webelos and parents will tent camp Friday night and will enjoy a dinner cooked over an open fire. They will also have a campfire program. So, don't forget your tent!

Cub Scouts

(*rising 1st, 2nd & 3rd graders*): : Enjoy 3 days and 2 nights of adventure at Camp Old Indian!!!

Activities: All Activities will reflect the Space Exploration theme.

Take a refreshing dip in creator lake. Maybe do some fishing while you are there. Learn to shoot an arrow at the moon. Hit your mark with a BB gun. Try your hand at crafts, space cooking and other activities while having fun working on Cub Scout or Webelos Scout achievements. The week will end with a campfire program on Saturday night and a camp-wide games and recognition program on Sunday morning.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION.](#)

2014-2015 Cherokee Dakys with the Cherokees

Saturdays 10 AM - 3 PM*

Weekend Campout: Friday 6 PM - Saturday 3 PM**

(Times are flexible & can be negotiated.)

Admission: \$20.00 each (Scouts & Leaders)

*Bring Bag Lunch - Eat on the Grounds

**Can cook on grounds - primitive camping - portable toilets

Reservations due: As soon as possible; first come first served.

Admission must be paid by check or cash for total amount the day of event

Contact: Victoria Norris 864-967-2713 or email gvnorris@charter.net

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SAVE THE DATE - October 17 - 19 / LEGACY 2014



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Camp Barstow, SC

LEGACY 2014

2nd Annual Area 5 VENTURING FUN WEEKEND

***MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW**

Be a part of the 23rd World Scout Jamboree!



In 2015, more than 30,000 Scouts and leaders from 161 countries around the world will converge on Kirara-hama, Yamaguchi, Japan, for the 23rd World Scout Jamboree.

The event will provide opportunities to raise awareness about global issues, explore the environment, participate in community service, make friends from around the world, and deepen understanding of developments in science and technology. The world jamboree is a unique opportunity for participants to experience an exciting program of activities, including: Global Development Village, City of Science, Cross Road of Culture, and the Peace Program.

Participants will live and learn with fellow Scouts from around the world. They will be housed in tents along with the BSA contingent but will soon venture out to mingle with tens of thousands of people for two weeks of activities and adventure. That's right, a world fellowship exercise on an enormous scale!

The 2015 World Scout Jamboree Contingent from the Blue Ridge Council will be lead by Robbie Hill. He can be contacted at (864) 938-5054 or at robbie@hillsservice.com

For more information about the 23rd World Scout Jamboree please follow this link:

<http://www.scouting.org/worldjamboree.aspx>

Marine Corps League Eagle Scout Good Citizenship Award

The Marines Corps League supports the Boy Scouts of America as they promote traditional family values to America's youth. The Eagle Citizenship Award is an attractive 8-1/2x11 certificate that is prepared, printed, and presented to Boy Scouts who attain their Eagle Scout Award.

GOALS OF THE EAGLE SCOUT RECOGNITION PROGRAM:

- To congratulate and give recognition to members of the Boy Scouts of America who have fulfilled the requirements and obtained the highest award in Boy Scouting.
- To have the Eagle Scout become aware of the skills that he has mastered to become an Eagle Scout are also held in very high regards by the United States Marine Corps and Corporations throughout the United States.
- To fulfill part of the Marine Corps League Mission, which is to preserve the traditions, promote the interest, and perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps.

To initiate recognition by a Detachment within the Department of South Carolina, the supporting Boy Scout Troop should contact Art Blenk with the Marine Corps League, Grand Stand Detachment #873 at ablenk@sc.rr.com

[An Eagle Scout Good Citizenship Award Application can be found by clicking here.](#)



Journey To Excellence

Journey to Excellence is the Boy Scouts Council Recognition program. It is designed to encourage and reward success and measure the performance of our units, districts and councils. **We are proud to announce that the Blue Ridge Council achieved Silver Level JTE Status for 2013!**

Please visit the [National JTE website](#) to see what you are already doing, and what you need to be doing to qualify as a Gold level Unit.

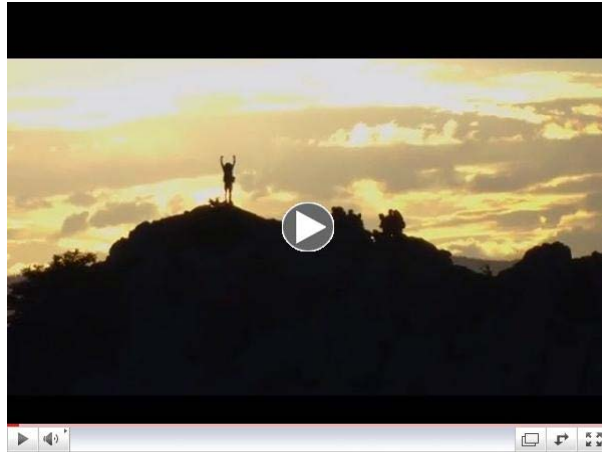
To log your service hours [Click Here](#)

Philmont 2015 Unit Registration

If your unit would like to travel to Philmont Scout Ranch in 2015 outside of the Blue Ridge Council contingent in 2014, you can find more information by following this link: <http://philmontscoutranch.org/Camping/TrekPlanning/HowToReserve.aspx>



Experience Philmont 2014



Philmont Scout Ranch Promo

Registration is now open for the Blue Ridge Council 2014 Philmont Trek!

This is the Scouting experience of a lifetime! Philmont is one of the National High Adventure bases of the Boy Scout's of America located in Cimarron, New Mexico. For more information on this trek taking place between June 14-28, 2014, please click [here](#).

2014 Camp Old Indian



If you have not made plans for Scout Camp in 2014 we would like to invite you to attend Camp Old Indian.

Camp Old Indian is located 25 miles north of Greenville, South Carolina in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains.

We are excited about the upcoming camping season at Camp Old Indian and we would like for you to make plans to be with us. We camped over 2,000 youth and adults during the 2013 season, and with the reservations that are already booked, we know that 2014 will be bigger and better.

Camp sites are filling up fast, don't be left out, get registered today! If you have questions or need help getting signed up, email [Traci Bridwell](mailto:Traci.Bridwell) or call at 864-233-8363.

Climbing and Rappelling

Blue Ridge Council
Climbing and Rappelling Program

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OPPORTUNITIES

Help your scouts learn self-confidence & communication while having a "wow" time. Get your scouts on real rock.

BSA Certified Instructors and Council-owned gear is available for your use.

Cost per day is \$20 per climber/rappeller (Scout and leader)

For more information and available dates contact the Council climbing chair - Paul Herr - pdherr@gmail.com or 864-907-9356.

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