

Wilderness Rendezvous Scout Camp

July 01st to July 09th, 2023



The Purpose:

Wilderness Rendezvous contributes to the growth and development of Scouting Members. Opportunities are provided, through a progressive program, for participants to be exposed to the knowledge and experiences of outdoor living and recreation. Teaching and development of outdoor skills is the main focus. **Wilderness Rendezvous** creates a challenging and rewarding experience for all those attending.



The Goals:

To teach, on an ongoing basis, over a seven year program:

1. Camping and Backpacking skills
2. Map and Compass
3. Leadership training

The Programs:

Pioneer - Director Trent Walton

This introductory one week program will introduce the skills needed to complete the 1st to 4th year programs at WR in a fun environment. This program is for **Third Year Cubs or Scouts who are not 11 years of age by January 1, 2023** or who do not have **one full year in the scout section**.

First Year - Director Michel Belanger

Teaches basic camping skills: e.g. trail camp set up, backpacking skills, trail foods. Instruction is given on compass use, magnetic bearings and how to follow a bearing on the trail. An opportunity is provided to interact with other Scouting Youth and Leaders.

Second Year - Director John deGraauw

Expands on the basic skills taught in first year by enhancing camping demands, e.g. longer hikes, different cooking methods, declination with map & compass, etc.

Third Year - Director Bill Harron

Personal challenges and accomplishments through the use of skills developed in the first two years. Opportunity for youth to strive to reach goals, through an overnight solo, more challenging hikes and expanded trail menu.

Fourth Year - Director Neil Holohan

Utilize all camping and orienteering skills. Create confidence by testing with self-made challenges and strive to reach set goals. Future benefits from this program are self-reliance and self-confidence.

Wilderness Rovers - Director Rob Ewert

For those who have successfully completed the four year youth program. Involves personal development, leadership and life skills training to help develop responsible and self-confident young adults.

Sting - Director Matt Fauser

A continuation of all that has been taught through the previous six years, the new Sting program promises companionship, adventure, emergency preparedness and knowledge of the hills. Leadership, exploration, and challenge await the young adults who wish to take this program on.

Outdoor Adventure Skills Badges

Youth earn badge requirements under Scouts Canada program - The Canadian Path.

Activities:

- Using a map & compass to travel in the hills.
- Exploring Saskatchewan's most unique historical area, is an opportunity for both participants and their leaders
- Learning outdoor trail skills and rope making like our pioneering ancestors

- Using our ancestors traditional methods of creating bridges, towers and other projects
- Accomplishing requirements towards earning achievement awards
- Leaders are able to improve their Scouting skills by further developing their knowledge and ideas.
- Leaders learn new ways of integrating these skills into their troop or company environments

The Adventure:

A chance to rendezvous with nature, in an area of our country rich with plants, animals and birds. You may see deer, moose, elk and wild turkeys living in this beautiful wooded area. Some of the plants found here are unique to this area of Saskatchewan. As you hike, camp and live in this protected area, you will be exposed to ideas and techniques that will help preserve this land for the future and those yet to come.

We recommend Wilderness Rendezvous for your youth because a lot of learning takes place during the nine day camp. They all improve their outdoor skills. They can cook a meal, make a rope, read a map and use a compass, build a bridge, backpack all day, and find food where there isn't supposed to be any. They learn to cope with loneliness and fear of a duo or solo camping experience, **and more ... much more.** They learn to communicate with each other. Though their personalities aren't always compatible, they communicate trust, opinions, respect, honesty, happiness, and sometimes sadness. They're challenged and they learn to live in harmony with the wilderness and each other.

The Location:

Wilderness Rendezvous takes place in the Beautiful West Block of Cypress Hills, Saskatchewan, an area of approximately 30 square miles of rolling hills and dark forests. We are here because of our unique and close cooperation with **Saskatchewan Parks, Culture and Sports.**

The Fees:

The Early Bird camp fee for Wilderness Rendezvous is **\$315.00** per person if submitted, and **Paid In Full & Postmarked on or before May 1st, 2023.** This fee includes the Program, Food, Crest, T-shirt, Hat, park fees and all administration costs.

After May 1st the fee will be \$340.00 per person.

The **WR Application Form**, updated medical form, an ***updated*** **Scouts Canada Membership Application form**, **(Please make sure Medical info is current)** **Parent/Guardian Consent Form**, **T-shirt / Hat forms & Signed Code of Conduct form**, must be submitted with your **Payment in Full.** Your group **will not** be considered Registered if all forms are not completed. More information and forms required: <https://wrscoutcamp.ca/information-for-scouters/>



For further information, equipment advice or to arrange for a W.R. Staff member to attend one of your meetings, contact us.

All Leaders will be responsible for the **supervision** of their youth when not in program. For any **Troops** bringing **Female** Youth to Camp: **it is strongly recommended that you have a female leader** who will be involved with the **program.** Participants attending camp **must** be **currently registered** as a member of **Scouts Canada.**

There will be a special instructional program **for all Leaders attending WR for the first time.** **Leaders will require** gear to hike **with the Participants.**

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