

**Troop 89 "Onward and Upward" 7 Rivers District Spring Camporee
Pawtuckaway State Park—Nottingham, NH
Friday, May 20 – Sunday May 22, 2011
TRIP INFORMATION AND EQUIPMENT LIST**

For our May 2011 trip, Troop 89 will participate in the Old Colony Council 7 Rivers District Camporee held at Pawtuckaway State Park in Nottingham, NH, with other troops from our area. The exciting agenda of activities includes Climbing Merit Badge (for Scouts >14 years old), Pioneering Merit Badge, Forestry Merit Badge, Free Climbing for all ages and skill levels, a 5 Mile Hike to the Top of Mt Pawtuckaway and other Fun Scouting Field Events. We arrive and camp out on Friday night, then participate in the events on Saturday and return to Medfield Sunday morning.

Message on being prepared:

Being prepared is your responsibility and you should make sure YOU PACK all of the suggested equipment/clothes for the trip. Please make sure to bring this newsletter and equipment list on the trip. We will do a quick inspection prior to departure to make sure everyone has the necessary equipment.

Signup and Cost:

- Signup will be at the Troop meeting Thursday, April 28, 2010.
- Cost will be \$25 per person, due at sign-up deadline. This covers 4 meals (Saturday breakfast through Sunday breakfast), registration for the event, and overnight camping.

Approval forms:

For Scouts, parental permission form must be on file with the troop. All adults who attend must have completed Youth Protection Training and have provided a copy of the certificate to the troop.

LOGISTICS

Friday, May 20

- Meet at Scout Shed at 4:30 pm
- Depart Scout Shed by 5:00 pm
- Plan on eating dinner before you arrive at the Scout Shed or bringing a bag dinner
- [Note, the time for leaving may change – we will announce at troop meetings]

Sunday, May 22

- Depart the state park -- 10:00 am
- Arrive at Scout Shed – 12:00 pm. Scouts will be released for pickup after normal procedures for unloading and stowing troop gear

Weather and Preparation:

This is a SPRING CAMPING trip so you must plan accordingly! Be prepared for cold and/or rainy weather. Remember what you have learned about cold weather camping: dress in layers, avoid cotton clothing, remove sweaty or wet clothing and change into dry clothes prior to bedding down, bring extra changes of dry, warm clothes, cover exposed skin, and if you get cold, take immediate corrective action.

Also, gear should be packed in a backpack as there may be a short walk-in to the site where we camp.

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT LIST:

The following is a checklist of what personal equipment to bring. Class A Scout uniforms will not be required, however where your Class B T-shirt on Saturday. All Scouts should bring their Scout Handbook.

A personal equipment checklist is as follows:

- sleeping bag
- pillow
- sleeping pad
- insulated ground cloth
- canteen or water bottle
- personal drinking cup
- Mess kit and utensils
- flashlight with good batteries
- backpack to carry gear
- plastic trash bags
- warm footwear
- warm boots
- wool socks (2 pairs)
- warm long pants (1)
- T-shirts (2) including Troop 89 Class B shirt
- long sleeve wool or fleece shirt (1)
- outer layer jacket
- rain gear
- wool hat
- underwear (2)
- pajama or other heavy sleepwear
- hand towel
- brush/comb
- toothbrush and tooth paste
- personal basic first aid kit
- Scout Handbook
- compass (optional)
- jackknife (optional and with Totin' Chip card only)

Any questions, please e-mail Mr. Lester at tripcoordinator@troop89medfield.org.

***Please note that personal electronics (including cell phones, I-pods, and CD players) are not on the equipment list. Do not bring these along on the campout. Thank you!**
