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# HATBORO TROOP 3

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**AUGUST NEWSLETTER**

**August 1, 2024**

Greetings Troop 3!

If you can't tell from the picture below, I love rollercoasters, and I'm pretty sure that Mr. Summer does, too. Cedar Point has a whole bunch of world class coasters, and it just so happened to be near our Summer Camp, so we planned in a day at the park before heading to Camp Beaumont for the week. The last time I went to Cedar Point, I was going into 1st Grade and rode my first rollercoaster with my grandmother. I was immediately hooked. The first coaster I rode this time, I believe was that same old wooden coaster.

We had a great week a Summer Camp at Camp Beaumont. There were 24 Scouts, including 9 First Years, 6 Scouters, plus Mrs. Johnstonbaugh and Mrs. Wills who helped to transport the Troop for the 500 mile ride. Everybody's time and effort that made this adventure possible, is greatly appreciated. A great deal of preparation and planning goes into registering for Camp

and merit badges, and Mrs. Wills did a great deal of it herself. Mr. Baranowski served as grubmaster for the Troop Feeds at Fireland and lunch on the road home. Thank you, both!

We've got an awesome canoe trip coming up in a few weeks, but we need people registered by the next troop meeting. This trip involves a lot of shuttling vehicles, and we could use a volunteer or two, even if you don't want to go on the river. If you do want to paddle, that's great, too! The 6-day Venture Trip is for Scouts age 14+ and hold the rank of Star or higher. However, exceptions can be made for individuals on a case-by-case basis depending upon a Scout's capabilities and maturity level. The rest of the troop will be on the river for 3-day weekend trip. The Upper Susquehanna is a beautiful and secluded paddle, and great for beginners. We did this as a lower cost Allagash alternative in 2022, and it was tremendous. See below for details and sign up!

Yours in Scouting,

Mr. Keith Grimes



AUGUST ACTIVITY CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30 TLC Meeting 7:30-8:45 pm Mr. Grimes's	31	1	2	3
4	5 Troop Meeting 7-8:30 pm Carpenter Park Class B	6 Horsham Nat'l Night Out 6-9 pm	7	8	9	10
11 Troop Meeting 5-7 pm Lake Galena  Class B + Swimsuit/Waters hoes	12 No Troop Meeting	13	14 Load Gear for Susquehanna 7-8 pm Troop Room  Committee Meeting 7:30-9 pm By Troop Room No Uniform	15 Venture Trip to Upper Susquehanna  HBC Parking Lot 7 am Full Class A	16 Weekend Trip to Upper Susquehanna  HBC Parking Lot 7 am Full Class A	17 Upper Susquehanna
18 Weekend Trip to Upper Susquehanna  Return to HBC ~12 pm	19 Troop Meeting 7-8:30 pm Carpenter Park Class B	20 Venture Trip to Upper Susquehanna  Return to HBC ~8 pm	21	22	23	24
25	26 Troop Meeting 7-8:30 pm Warminster Park Class B	27	28	29	30	31
Regular Meeting	Special Meeting	TLC Meeting	Staff Meeting	Trip	Service	Holiday

30-Jul-2024

## DETAILS FOR THE MONTH

### Troop Meeting

**Monday, August 5th from 7-8:30 PM** we will be meeting at [Carpenter Park](#) for a Newcomb Tournament. Wear your Class B Uniform.

## **Last Night to Sign-up for Canoeing the Upper Susquehanna**

### **National Night Out - Recruiting Event**

**Tuesday, August 6th from 6-9 PM** is Horsham's National Night Out at the [Horsham Township Activity Center](#). We'll have a recruiting table next to Pack 17, and could use some Scouts, Den Chiefs especially, to host activities and talk with kids.

### **Special Troop Meeting - Canoe Training**

**Sunday, August 11th from 5-7 PM** we will be meeting at the [Peace Valley Park Boat Launch](#) and working on canoeing basics. This is especially important for Scouts going on the canoe trip, although this will cover 1st Class Reqs 6b, 6c, and 6d. Wear your Class B Uniform, plus a bathing suit and watershoes.

### **No Troop Meeting**

**Monday, August 12th** there is No Troop Meeting. We're meeting Sunday at Lake Galena instead.

### **Loading Gear**

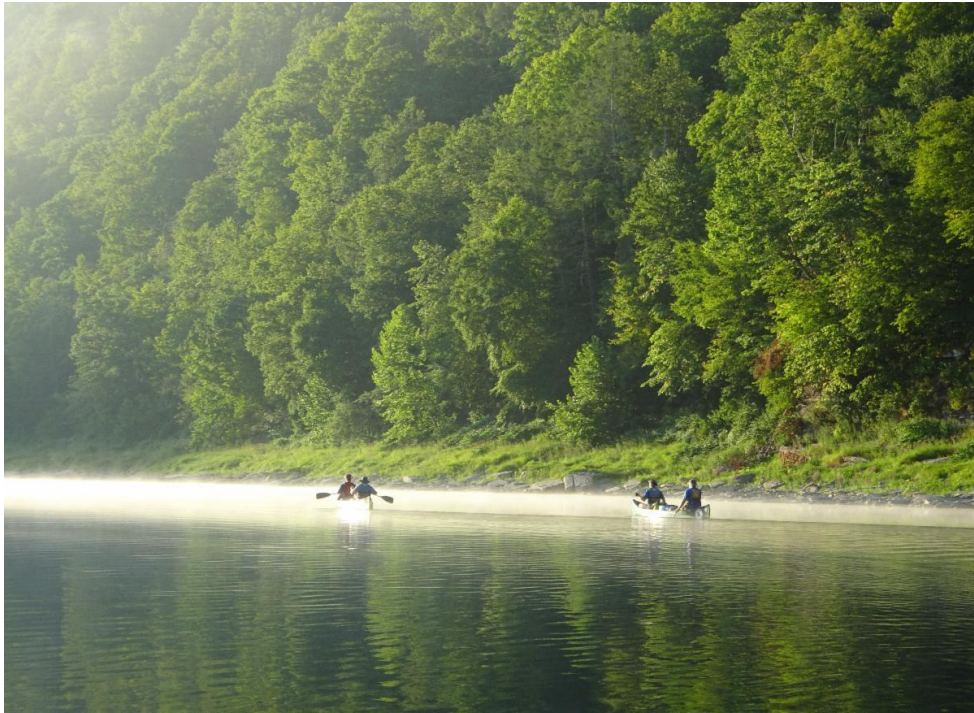
**Wednesday, August 14th from 7-8 PM** Patrol Quartermasters and the QM will be loading gear for the weekend in the Troop Room at HBC.

### **Troop Staff & Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 14th from 7:30-9 PM** the Troop Staff & Committee will be meeting by the Troop Room at HBC to discuss July and August, and to plan September.

### **August Trip - Canoeing the Upper Susquehanna**





On **August 15-20th**, we will be trying something new by combining the August Trip with the Summer Venture Trip. [Check out maps of the Upper Susquehanna area.](#) The Venture Crew did this trip as an Allagash alternative back in August 2022 and it was fantastic. I highly recommend it, and the route we have planned is suitable for beginners.

Here's a basic itinerary:

**Thursday, August 15:** Venture Crew meets at HBC at 7 AM

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**Friday, August 16:** General Troop Meets at HBC at 7 AM

**Friday, August 16:** General Troop puts-in at Wysox (RM 269) and meets up with the Venture Crew

**Saturday, August 17:** Troop and Crew camp at French Azylum (RM 260.4)

**Sunday, August 18:** General Troop packs up and departs for home. Estimated arrival at HBC is 12-1 PM.

**Sunday, August 18:** Venture Crew continues down river and camps.

**Monday, August 19:** Venture Crew continues on, takes-out, then camps at Francis Slocum State Park.

**Tuesday, August 20:** Venture Crew packs up and spends day at Knoebels before heading home. Estimated arrival at HBC is 6-8 PM.

We are definitely going to need adult support for this one. If you are interested in driving the canoe trailer and camping with us along the way, [please sign-up using this form!](#)

We have a good number who have expressed interest, and registration is now open. Last day to sign up is at the troop meeting on **August 5**. Contact Mr. Jim Lavelle at [lavejp@gmail.com](mailto:lavejp@gmail.com) and let him know if you are going. [See Flyer for Details](#)

[Sign-up for the Weekend Trip on Cheddar Up](#)

[Sign-up for the Venture Trip on Cheddar Up](#)

Hatboro Troop 3 - August 2024 Camping Trip

## Upper Susquehanna River Canoe Trip



### Venture Crew Weeklong Trip

August 15 – 20, 2024 (Thu – Tue)

~4 nights on river, 81 miles  
Meet at 7 am Thursday, 8/15 at HBC  
Return Tue eve after day at Knoebels

Cost: \$250 - includes all food, camps  
and transportation

### Weekend Troop Trip

August 16 -18, 2024 (Fri – Sun)

~2 nights on river, 26 miles  
Meet at 7 am Friday, 8/16 at HBC  
Return Sun am from campground

Cost: \$80 – includes all food\*, camps  
and transportation

Both trips will leave HBC in the morning and will canoe a portion of the river the first day in the afternoon. The weekend trip will canoe Friday afternoon, and all day Saturday. They will return from the campground on Sunday without canoeing that day. \* - Weekend participants can do a big breakfast on Sunday, or hit a diner. (Cost not included in the \$80)

Food will be "Allagash style" – meaning a quick breakfast, lunch on the river, and a one-pot hot dinner. Lunch choices will be made at the Aug 11 training session. We recommend that all participants attend the canoe training session scheduled for August 11 (Sunday evening) at 5:00. Meet at HBC at 4:30

### Troop Meeting

**Monday, August 19th from 7-8:30 PM** those not still on the canoe trip will be meeting at [Carpenter Park](#) for game night. Wear your Class B Uniform.

### Troop Meeting

**Monday, August 26th from 7-8:30 PM** we will be meeting at [Warminster Park](#) to conduct a Fitness Assessment (1-mile run, push-ups, and sit-ups). First Years who attended summer camp had their first assessment at Beaumont, and should be logging their daily activity for 30



days. If this is a Scout's first assessment for a rank requirement, we'll be doing this again on September 23rd. Wear your Class B Uniform and shoes you can run in!

**COMING SOON!**

### **September Trip - Backpacking the Quehanna Trail**



On **September 20-22** we will be heading to the Quehanna Trail in Penfield PA for a weekend backpacking trip. This was a big hit back in May 2023.

More details to follow!

**NEWS AND NOTES**

## The Latest 2024-2025 Annual Plan!

There have been a couple of big changes to the Annual Plan for the next Program Year. The Pioneer Tunnel closes for the season in October, so we had to rethink the November Trip. The TLC voted to camp at Haycock and do the ziplines at Hellerick's Farm.

Also, next year's Summer Camp has changed from Tuckahoe to Sinoquipe, and we set the date for July 13-19, 2025.

Please mark your family calendars with these important dates!

[Click here for the latest 2024-2025 Annual Plan!](#)

Hatboro Troop 3 Annual Plan 2024-2025  
[www.hatborotroop3.org](http://www.hatborotroop3.org) [www.facebook.com/hatborotroop3](https://www.facebook.com/hatborotroop3)

	Theme	Camping Trip Date (Coordinator)	Troop & Patrol Meetings	Special Events & Good Turns	District & Council Events	Venture Program	TLC	Wash RT	Staff Mtg.
SEP	Orienteering	Quehanna Trail (Backpacking) 9/20 to 9/22 (Lavelle/Murphy)	No Meeting 9/2	Library Bazaar 9/7 Lobster Pot 9/6 & 9/7	NYLT 9/27-9/29		3	11	12
OCT	Bike Safety	Lehigh Gorge (Biking) 10/11 to 10/13 (Baranowski)	Parents Night 10/7	Yard Sale 10/26	NYLT 10/4-10/6 OA Fall Festival at Resica TBD		1	9	10
NOV	Geology	Haycock/Hellerick's Farm 11/15 to 11/17 (Johnstonbaugh)	Veteran's Night 11/11	Pancake Breakfast 11/2 Scouting for Food 11/16 Scouting for Food 11/23		Hatboro Holiday Parade 11/24	5	13	14
DEC	First Aid	Bury the Hatchet (Axe Throwing) TBD (Wills)	Caroling 12/23	Wreaths Across America (Arlington) 12/14 Wreath's Across Hatboro 12/15 Phantom's Hockey TBD			3	11	12
JAN	Citizenship	Philadelphia (Museum of Illusions & Independence Seaport) 1/17 to 1/19 (Johnstonbaugh)	OA Election TBD	Pinewood Derby Clinic TBD	OA Lodge Dinner TBD		7	9	10
FEB	Gun Safety	Resica Falls (Shooting & Archery) 2/14 to 2/16 (Walsh)		Scout Sunday TBD Bear Creek Family Ski Night TBD			4	12	13
MAR	Pioneering	Union Soccer Match TBD (Friedland)		Ham and Turkey Supper 3/8 Pack 17 Crossover TBD		Mt Washington 3/1-3/4	4	12	13
APR	Outdoor Ethics	Hawk Mountain (Hiking) 4/11-4/13 (Balot)	Parents Night 4/7	HBC Mulching TBD Easter 4/20	OA Spring Service 1 TBD District Dinner TBD Council Dinner TBD		1	9	10
MAY	Oceanography	Chincoteague & Assateague 5/16 to 5/18 (Wills)	Troop Re-org 5/5 No Meeting 5/26	Pancake Breakfast TBD CS Clean-up Day 5/3 Library Book Fair 5/10 Mother's Day 5/11 Whitemarsh Cemetery 5/24	OA Spring Service 2 TBD		6 13 20	14	8
JUN	Aquatics	Trap Pond (Canoeing/Kayaking) 6/20 to 6/22 (Tibco)	Swim Tests TBD	Whitemarsh 6/14 Father's Day 6/15 College Settlement June Dinner TBD Foul Rift TBD	NYLT TBD		3	11	12
JUL	Cooking	Sinoquipe Scout Reservation (Summer Camp) 13-19 July (Wills)					1	-	10
AUG	Physical Fitness	Cherry Springs State Park (Astronomy) 8/15-8/17 (Lavelle)			NYLT TBD	Allagash 7/26 to 8/2	5	-	8

Revision A, Last Modified: 31 Jul 2024 Latest Modifications in red TBD in purple Trip or Event Coordinators are in (Parenthesis)  
 OA Calendar link: <http://www.usamfodge.org/calendar>  
 Washington District Calendar link: [https://www.cofbsa.org/index.php?itemid=804&option=com\\_events&view=month&task=month\\_calendar](https://www.cofbsa.org/index.php?itemid=804&option=com_events&view=month&task=month_calendar)  
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Pre-Order New Troop T-Shirts!

# 2024-2025 Troop T-Shirts



Sport-Tek Competitor Performance Shirt  
Yellow on Tropic Blue

Now that the Annual Plan is set, we can order the 2024-2025 Troop T-Shirts! Please click the button below and complete the Google form. You can pay when they arrive.

[Pre-Order Troop Shirts Now!](#)

GREAT THINGS OUR SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS ARE DOING

Rank Advancement





**Second Class:**

Ethan Low-Beer

**Merit Badges**



**Camping:**



**Citizenship in the Community:**

Elijah Friedland

Jacob Norris



Brady Brzowski

Adam Hendrickson

Jacob Norris



**Citizenship in the Nation:**

Jacob Norris



**Citizenship in the World:**

Adam Hendrickson

Jacob Norris





**Communication:**

Adam Hendrickson

Jacob Norris

Aidan Wills



**Family Life:**

Brady Brzowski

Adam Hendrickson

Kavish Singh

Aidan Wills

**Cooking:**

Leo Baranowski

Connor Johnstonbaugh

Kavish Singh

Aidan Wills



**First Aid:**

Grady Szlachta



**Lifesaving:**

Benny Del Sordo



**Personal Fitness:**

Elijah Friedland

Kavish Singh



**Personal Management:**

Kavish Singh

Aidan Wills



**Sustainability:**

Adam Hendrickson

Aidan Wills



**Swimming:**

Dom Barba

Oleksii Bogdanyk

Jack Hendrickson

Lucas Hoban

Michael Hopkins

Macen Johnstonbaugh

Austin Mulherin

Gabe Norris

Ben Reeves

Leo Sturn

Grady Szlachta





**Archery:**

JJ Humes

Connor Johnstonbaugh



**Art:**

Lucas Hoban



**Canoeing:**

Oleksii Bogdanyk

Jack Hendrickson

Austin Mulherin



**Climbing:**

Ethan Low-Ber

Gabe Reichenbach



**Composite Materials:**

Elijah Friedland

**Drafting:**

Adam Hendrickson



**Electricity:**

Adam Hendrickson

Grady Szlachta

**Fire Safety:**

Jacob Norris

Gabe Norris





**Fishing:**

Leo Baranowski

Connor Johnstonbaugh

Jacob Norris



**Fly Fishing:**

JJ Humes



**Geology:**

Dom Barba

Connor Johnstonbaugh



**Home Repairs:**

Ethan Low-Ber



**Law:**

Kavish Singh



**Leatherwork:**

Grady Szlachta



**Metalwork:**

Brady Brzowski

Adam Hendrickson

JJ Humes



**Model Design & Building:**

Adam Hendrickson

JJ Humes





**Photography:**

Ben Reeves

Leo Sturn



**Pottery:**

Lucas Hoban

Gabe Reichenbach



**Public Speaking:**

Kavish Singh



**Railroading:**

Gabe Reichenbach



**Rifle Shooting:**

JJ Humes

Connor Johnstonbaugh

Ethan Low-Beer



**Shotgun Shooting:**

Aidan Wills



**Sports:**

Josh Low-Beer



**Welding:**

Ethan Low-Beer

Leo Baranowski



## Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville, PA



Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville, PA (Photo Credit: Kate Wills)

September 11, 2001, America was stunned and knocked on our heels after a second plane struck the Twin Towers, and the Pentagon was hit. In their final moments, a small group of ordinary citizens banded together and struck back for America, likely sparing an attack on the Capitol. True Heroes.





The Tower of Voices

On **July 12**, the Troop paid our respects with a stop on our way out to Ohio for Summer Camp.

**Cedar Park in Sandusky, OH**



**Valravn, 223 ft tall, top speed 75 mph!**





On **July 12-14** we camped in a cabin at Firelands and enjoyed the day at Cedar Park on **July 13**, before heading to Beaumont for the week. I love the faces in the coaster pictures. The red shirts are all Troop 3.

**Summer Camp at Beaumont Scout Reservation in Rock Creek, OH**







From **July 14-19** we stayed at the Valley View campsite at Beaumont. Above is SPL Leo Baranowski leading the troop to dinner and evening colors. We had a little bit of rain early on, but for the most part it was hot and sunny. The troop got a ton of advancement done, 79 merit badges completed. There are hundreds more pictures on the [Troop Facebook Page](#)

**World Famous Horseshoe Curve near Altoona, PA**





We had an awesome lunch break on the ride home from camp on **July 20**. We stopped at the [Horseshoe Curve](#) near Altoona, PA. The train tracks are cut into the mountain side in a near 300° arc, and there's a great little museum at the bottom of the valley. There are steps up to the rail so you can get pretty close. This is one of those cases where pictures don't do it justice.

The curve was built in 1854 to connect the steel mills in Pittsburgh to heavy industry in Philadelphia. This engineering marvel was nearly 90 years old, yet so vital to the U.S. war effort, that four Nazi saboteurs were secreted ashore from a U-boat on Long Island in a plot to destroy the curve and disrupt the critical rail line. The plot was foiled when one of the saboteurs turned himself in.

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**





**The following Scouts are celebrating their birthdays this month!**

Leo Baranoswki 8/25

Kenny Kirsch 8/30

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