# Winter Camp Leader Guide 2020

## December 27th-30th

Registration Deadline: November 23rd.

\$25 Late Fee after November 23rd.

**Council Covid guidelines and** recommendations will be followed. Please check tukabatcheebsa.org for latest updates.



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#### Warner Scout Reservation

Camp Tukabatchee is one of two camps located on the 1,000 acre Warner Scout Reservation. The camp is owned and operated by the Tukabatchee Area Council, Boy Scouts of America and encompasses approximately three hundred and fifty acres of the reservation.

Camp Tukabatchee opened in the summer of 2000. The camp features a 50-acre lake for swimming, rowing, canoeing, sailing, and fishing.

Program features include an excellent shooting sports center incorporating rifle, shotgun, and archery; a full aquatics program, mountain biking, handicraft, Scoutcraft, sundry nature and environmental centers.

Meals are served cafeteria style in a large air conditioned and heated dining hall. The administrative building at camp is an air conditioned and heated facility that provides visitors restrooms and space for training and meetings. An air-conditioned 4 bed infirmary provides medical support for camp. Pavilions, staff cabins, and a self-serve trading post complete the basic program components.

Campsites are spacious. Most campsites encompass 3 acres and are designed for 32 Scouts and leaders. Each campsite has a multiuse pavilion. Underground utilities provide electricity and public county water to each campsite, weather permitting.

#### Welcome

Welcome to Camp Tukabatchee 2020. This guide is prepared for you, so you may plan for your Scouts the most exciting winter program ever.

Reservations for camp will be accepted until all spaces are full.

We hope you will find this guide helpful as you plan your winter program. If I can be of any assistance, please contact me.

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## **Camp Dates/Times**

December 27-30, 2020

Check-in: December 27th, 1:00pm-2:00pm Check-out: December 30th, 12:00pm

## **Key Dates**

October 28, 2020

Applications for Winter Camp Staff Due

November 2, 2020

Merit Badge Request due to CSC Campership request due to CSC Special Food Request due to Derek Robertson

November 23, 2020

T-shirt sizes and fees due to CSC Remainder of camper, leader, and merit badge activity fees are due at CSC

\*Late fees will be assessed after November 23, 2020

\*Late registration may not receive shirt or patch.

## **Campsite Occupancy**

Most troops will be camping in Alibamu field by the central bathhouse. The central restroom will be open for use by all troops. Troops will be responsible for the cleaning of the central restroom, and a cleaning schedule will be posted on the doors.

## **Camperships**

If a Tukabatchee Area Council Scout cannot afford the entire fee, a campership is available. Camperships are awarded after all other sources of financial help have been exhausted, including youth members' own earning power as well as his family's and unit's resources. Application forms are in the back of this guide. See the full campership policy included in the Camp Tukabatchee Information and Policy Packet, found on the Council and Camp Tuk website.

## **Directions to Camp**

(1) From Interstate Highway 65: Take exit 186 (US 31 Prattville – Pine Level). Go north on US 31 for 2.5 miles to Autauga County Road 40. Turn Left on Autauga County Road 40 and go for 2.5 miles. Turn Right on Autauga County Road 59. Travel 0.8 miles and Camp Tukabatchee is on the left.

(2) From Alabama Highway 22: Turn south at US 31. Turn right on Autauga County Road 40 and drive for 2.5 miles. Turn right on Autauga County Road 59. Travel 0.8 miles and Camp Tukabatchee is on the left.

## **Camp Address**

Camp Tukabatchee 2109 County Road 59 Prattville, AL 36067

## **Camp Phone Number**

The phone numbers for camp are Derek Robertson, Camp Director (334) 221-1122 Leith Wilson, BSA Staff Advisor (334) 419-0567

The phone numbers should be used only in emergency circumstances to get a message to a camper or leader. Calls originated by campers must be accomplished in the presence of his Scoutmaster or adult designee.

#### Insurance

Out of Council Troops must provide accident insurance for each Scout while at camp. Please have your policy ready at check-in.

## Online Registration

Camp fees may be paid online. Visit the calendar on the camp or council websites. There is a small fee to pay online, but it will save you time, money, and gas. Winter camp registration will not go live until Sept 30, 2020.

## **Refund Policy**

A refund policy is outlined in the Camp Tukabatchee Information and Policy Packet, found on the Council and Camp Tuk website, with the following amendment:

T-shirt fees will not be refunded after November 23, 2020.

## Leadership

Each Troop must have at least 2 adults at camp at all times. A leader fee of \$50.00 is required for each leader. The leader fee is designed to cover the cost of the 8 meals served during the camp, incidentals like insurance and utilities, t-shirt and the camp patch.

\*\*\*Anyone staying at camp for more than 24 total hours in the 4 days must register as a paid leader. \*\*\*

## **Special Food Requests**

Special food requests for medical or religious reasons must be made to the camp director, Derek Robertson, by November 23, 2020. We will do our best to work with Troops on these requests. An additional fee may be required if we are unable to meet the request with our commissary stock.

## Scoutmaster Help

Scoutmaster help is ALWAYS appreciated and needed. If you would like to hold free time or would like to teach a merit badge class, PLEASE let the program director know by November 4.

## **Camp Orientation Meeting**

On the December 27th at 2:30pm, there will be a camp orientation meeting held in the dining hall. ALL YOUTH and at least one Scoutmaster from each troop must attend.

## What to Bring to Winter Camp

Recommended List would include:

**BSA Handbook** 

BSA Uniform and hat or cap

Day Pack

Batteries and flashlight

**Pillow** 

Shoes (2 pair)

Sweat shirt

Rain gear

Towel

Personal Tent & Ground Cloth

Personal hygiene items

Sleeping bag (winter rated 20 degree suggested)

Clothing for 4 days

Current BSA medical form

Merit Badge booklets

Money for Trading Post

Bible

Heavy Jacket

Paper and pen

Warm socks

Watch

Crocs and sandals are not allowed at camp except in the shower.

## Camp Check-in

- 1. Arrive on December 27th no earlier than 1:00pm. Check in is 1:00pm -2:00pm. If you arrive late, you will not have time to complete all the check in procedures.
- 2. Park all vehicles in the camp parking lot. Do not parallel park next to the trees. Consolidate troop, patrol, and personal gear in the troop trailer or troop vehicle. As soon as all gear is present, a vehicle will be allowed to proceed to the campsite. Troop trailers will be allowed on the campsite long enough to unload on the 27<sup>th</sup> and reload on the 30th. Camp and commissioner vehicles will be available to assist. Your vehicles must be out of the campsite by 12:30pm. NO driving on Alibamu Fields!
- 3. Scouts will poceed on foot to the campsite after medical rechecks are complete. All prescription medicine must be taken to the first aid lodge at the time of medical rechecks to be reviewed.
- 4. Scoutmasters will remain at the camp office for a few minutes to complete all paperwork and pay remaining fees..

Every effort will be made to speed up this process.

5. There is a meeting at the dining hall at 2:30pm. All Scouts and Scoutmasters should attend.

## What to Bring to Check-in

- 1. Proof of troop accident insurance **Out of Council Troops only**
- 2. Camper Program Permission Slips
- 3. Updated roster
- 4. Remaining camp fees
- 5. Medical forms with copy of insurance cards
- 6. Medication

## **Camp Staff**

We are always looking for Scouts and adults to be a part of our camp staff. Staff members must be at least 15 years old by October 31, 2020 (no exceptions). A staff application is available online with the other Winter Camp resources.

Please remember that just because a Scout applies to work at camp does not mean that he/she has been hired or accepted. Do not just show up at camp. If you are in doubt, please call the camp director.