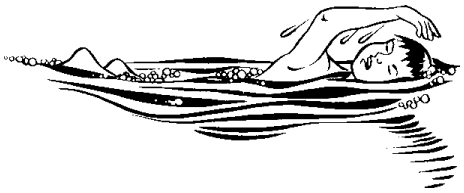
National Capital Area Council
Boy Scouts of America

2011 Aquatics Programs

Pre camp swim classification tests

What: This is an opportunity for your unit to have your annual BSA swim classification check done under the supervision of NCAC-approved aquatics personnel.
Who: Any NCAC unit (Pack, Troops and Crews). Up to 20 tests per 30 minute session
Where: Camp Snyder pool
When: June 11. 30 min blocks starting at 1am, last session starting at 4:30pp
Cost: $2 per participant
Registration deadline: June 4



Scuba certification and Scuba Diving merit badge

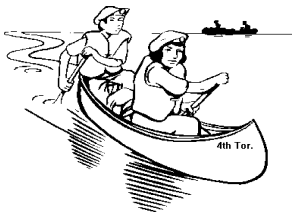
What: PADI open water scuba certification and the BSA Scuba Diving merit badge.
Who: For any scout-aged youth or adult leader.
Where: Camp Snyder (orientation, classroom, pool session) Marriott Scout Service Center, Bethesda MD (merit badge counseling session), local quarry (open water training dives)
When: Orientation – Aug 7 1-3pm; class/pool sessions – Aug 20&21 9am-5pm, open water training dives – Aug 27 & 28 10am-1pm; Scuba Diving merit badge counseling session - June 26, 7-9pm
Cost: Scuba certification class and merit badge session - $430 (includes all equipment);
Scuba diving merit badge session only - $5
Registration deadline: July 30

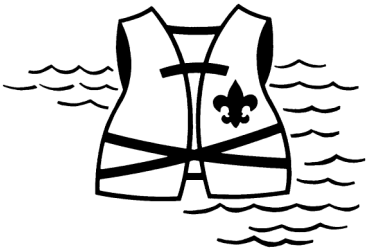
Aquatics Supervision Training: Swimming and Water Rescue (SWR) & Paddle Craft Safety (PCS)

What: This is the hands-on, in/on water training for supervisors of any scouting swimming or boating activity. It covers the skills needed to meet Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat policies applied at the unit level. This is the training referenced in BSA's Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat guidelines. The training consists of a classroom portion and water sessions.
Who: Older youth (min. 16 years old) and adult leaders
Where: Classroom sessions are offered at various district training events in NCAC (see www.boyscouts-ncac.org/aquatics for specifics). Training is also offered at Goshen Scout Reservation waterfronts in 2011. Full sessions (classroom and water) are offered at Camp Snyder.
When: PCS – May 7 9am-3pm, SWR – July 30 9am-3pm
Cost: $10 (does not included the required course text – Aquatics Supervision No. 34737)
Registration deadlines (for Camp Snyder courses): PCS – Apr 30, SWR – Jul 23

Scuba BSA

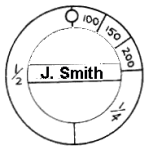
What: This is an introductory/try-it scuba experience that does not result in scuba certification. It covers the requirements of the Scuba BSA award.
Who: Any scout-aged youth or adult. Maximum 8 participants per session
Where: Camp Snyder pool
When: June 19. 1.5 hour sessions at 1, 2:30, 4, 5:30pm
Cost: $25 (includes all equipment)
Registration deadline: Jun 11

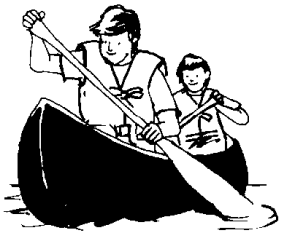


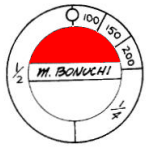


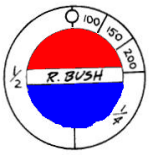
Safe Swim Defense (SSD)
and
Safety Afloat (SA) Training

What: BSA Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat training is required for any BSA unit conducting swimming or boating activities.
Who: Adult leaders supervising a swimming activity must have completed Safe Swim Defense training within the previous two years.
Where: SSD and SA training is available online at scouting.org. NCAC also offers this training at Pow Wow and University of Scouting.
When: PoW Wow – Nov 20,
University of Scouting – Feb 26









BSA Lifeguard

What: BSA Lifeguard is professional level training that meets the requirements of government agencies for professional lifeguards at regulated swimming activities. The course will include American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer and First Aid Training along with ARC Lifeguard certification.
Who: The program is open to all registered adults and older youth and is a recommended adjunct to the Aquatics Supervision awards for unit leaders who wish to expand their water safety skills and for youth who wish to work on the aquatics staffs at BSA camps. Participants must attend all scheduled sessions.
Where: Camp Snyder pool.
When: Jun 4 - prerequisites & orientation 9am-5pm, Jun 11 & 12, Jun 18 & 19
Cost: to be determined (app. $150)
Registration deadline: May 28

What: ScubaJam Virginia (www.ScubaJam-VA.org) program was created to provide a great SCUBA diving experience to BSA registered youths, boys and girls, ages 12-20. The event has been created by interested divers representing dive shops, scuba training operations, and various BSA Troops and various BSA Troops and Venturing Crews.
Where: Lake Rawlings, VA
When: Labor Day Weekend Sept 3-5 2011
Cost: Check with your local dive shop
Registration: Through your local dive shop
Note—ScubaJam is not an NCAC sponsored event

Register for these programs at www.boyscouts-ncac.org/aquatics

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