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ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

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Summer camp should be the pinnacle of a scout’s yearly experience. A chance to learn new skills or test his abilities with old ones. There is not a better place to do this than at a Montana Council camp. Opportunities to try new things, develop new skills or master previously learned ones can be accomplished in a controlled and supervised environment. Whether you’re a first time camper or a seasoned outdoor veteran, our camps have something for you.

The Boy Scouts of America, Montana Council is proud to offer four camp properties and one high adventure base in the State. Our traditional summer camps are two of the “Best Camps in the West” In the heart of central Montana and nestled between the peaks of the Moccasin Mountains lies K-M Scout Ranch, while in western Montana on the pristine waters of Flathead Lake sits a 64 acre aquatics paradise known as Melita Island. Both camps offer unique access to the wonder that is the great outdoors. In addition, we offer two other camp opportunities. Near Anaconda and the Pintler Wilderness Area is Camp Arcola, which is perfect for those who have mastered the basics and are looking for a more rugged, on your own adventure. In the eastern edge of the Flathead Valley near Big Fork, MT is Grizzly Base, which serves as our training base and offers a week and a half of summer camp adventure for Webelos Scouts. The Montana Outdoor High Adventure Base (MOHAB) offers a second to none atmosphere and setting linked to the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex. Live outdoors for a week in the mountains of Montana and experience all that we have to offer!

For more information, promotional videos, or to book your summer adventure, call 406.761.6000 or visit www.montanabsa.org/camping.
Grizzly Base Camp is located near Bigfork, Montana and offers resident Webelos Scout Camp, Council Training and Troop camping opportunities. Webelos camp gives Cub Scouts a four-day, three-night camping experience. Grizzly Base can also serve as a base camp for Scout or Venture units wishing to explore the Bob Marshall Wilderness on their own or it offers easy access to Glacier National Park.

GEARED TOWARDS: Webelos, Boy Scouts, Venturers, and Adult Leaders
LOCATION: Near Bigfork, MT
NEAREST AIRPORT: Kalispell, MT
CONTACT: Montana Council | 406.761.6000 | mtcouncil@montanabsa.org

Camp Arcola is located in the Pintler Range not far from Anaconda, Montana and is a place for those who have mastered the basics, or want to get “off the grid.” This rugged mountain setting provides the backdrop to endless Scouting adventures. Get away from it all on this incredible piece of earth. Troops wanting to do their own thing will find opportunities at Camp Arcola. Possible activities include fishing (Big Hole River), backpacking, cross-country skiing, snow sports, wilderness survival, and primitive camping.

GEARED TOWARDS: Boy Scouts, Venturers, Individual Unit Camping, and High Adventure
LOCATION: Near Anaconda, MT
NEAREST AIRPORT: Butte, MT
CONTACT: Montana Council | 406.761.6000 | mtcouncil@montanabsa.org
K-M Scout Ranch is situated in central Montana in the heart of the North Moccasin Mountains, with breathtaking views of Fergus County and the surrounding area. In addition to the extreme landscape, K-M offers unique programming opportunities. Troops and Crews have the ability to participate in a wide variety of activities built into their weekly schedule.

K-M has a variety of program opportunities sure offer something for all your Scouts, no matter what their interests may be. These programs include STEM, Fine Arts, Outdoor Skills, and many others. The traditional summer camp schedule gives Scouts the opportunity to move forward in rank with our Trail to Eagle program and earn merit badges. Scouts can cool off and go for a swim in our spring fed lake or float across the surface in canoes and rowboats. Older Scouts can experience our high ropes course with Project COPE or try out our new ATV adventure program. K-M is the only Scout camp to have its very own ghost town. Everyone is invited to experience one night of “Haunted Camping” and participants will earn a special patch. Come hear the history and stories that only the hills can tell around Kendall, our turn of the century mining town.

GEARED TOWARDS: First and second year Boy Scouts and older Scouts and Venturers looking for high adventure

LOCATION: Near Lewistown, MT

NEAREST AIRPORT: Great Falls, MT

CONTACT: Montana Council | 406.761.6000 | mtcouncil@montanabsa.org
K-M HIGH ADVENTURE
MISSOURI RIVER TREKS

THIS IS NOT YOUR MOTHER’S SUMMER CAMP

For troops and crews looking for a more adventurous summer camp experience, look no further than K-M High Adventure, an intense canoe trip along the Missouri River, or an extreme backpacking experience based out of K-M.

This high adventure program is geared towards older Scouts who are looking for a true adventure. Participants will hike 15-30 miles over the course of the week in the North Moccasin Mountains. Each trek is accompanied by a trained guide, who will educate Scouts about backpacking and mountaineering skills and practices.

The Missouri River Trek offers older Scouts the opportunity to explore the return route of Lewis and Clark and offers incredible side-hikes, fishing and historical wonder in the White Cliffs section of this wild and scenic river.

Throughout the week, Scouts learn how to work as a team, develop leadership skills, increase their self-confidence and advance their outdoor skills, all while enjoying some of the most magnificent scenery on the planet.

GEARED TOWARDS: Older Scouts & Venturers looking for high adventure
LOCATION: Near Lewistown, MT
NEAREST AIRPORT: Great Falls, MT
CONTACT: Montana Council | 406.761.6000 | mtcouncil@montanabsa.org

You run a great camp! I have had the pleasure of camping all over the United States and I would say that K-M is among the very best. Great camp, great food, great staff.
Melita Island is a unique Scouting program that offers a full cadre of aquatic programs on the largest natural freshwater lake west of the Mississippi! Whether your interests are in sailing, scuba diving, camping on an island, fishing, water sports or a combination of all, this is the place for your troop or crew.

Melita Island programs are ideal for seasoned Scouts and Venturers and those looking for something different than the traditional summer camp. Activities are primarily aquatic based; however, land-based activities are also available.

Melita Island programs continue to expand and excite the imagination of Scouts and Scouters and we continue to add and upgrade facilities and programs to meet the needs of Scouts.


**GEARED TOWARDS:** Older Scouts and Venturers  
**LOCATION:** On Flathead Lake, MT  
**NEAREST AIRPORT:** Missoula, MT  
**CONTACT:** Montana Council | 406.761.6000 | mtcouncil@montanabsa.org

Advanced campers will have an opportunity to participate in the Advanced Camper Experience or ACE. The program exists to give older Scouts an opportunity to use their skills in a high-adventure setting, such as whitewater rafting, hiking or sailing.

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K-M Scout Ranch
WEBELOS RESIDENT SUMMER CAMP
K-M Scout Ranch is situated in central Montana in the heart of the North Moccasin Mountains, with breathtaking views of Fergus County and the surrounding wildlife. In addition to the extreme landscape, K-M offers unique programming opportunities. The K-M Webelos Resident Summer Camp offers programs such as Earth Rocks, Moviemaking, Camper and more from the new Cub Adventures.

GEARED TOWARDS: First and second year Webelos Scouts
LOCATION: Near Lewistown, MT
NEAREST AIRPORT: Great Falls, MT
CONTACT: Montana Council | 406.761.6000
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Grizzly Base
WEBELOS RESIDENT SUMMER CAMP
Grizzly Base offers itself as a gateway to wilderness exploration. Within 75 miles of camp you can find the Flathead and Lolo National Forests, Bob Marshall and Mission Mountain Wilderness areas, and Glacier National Park, just to name a few. Grizzly Base Webelos Resident Summer Camp offers adventures such as Camper, Aquanaut, Shooting Sports and more from the new Cub Adventures.

GEARED TOWARDS: First and second year Webelos Scouts
LOCATION: Near Bigfork, MT
NEAREST AIRPORT: Kalispell, MT
CONTACT: Montana Council | 406.761.6000
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Akela Land
CUB SCOUT RESIDENT CAMP
Akela Land is located at the Birch Creek Outdoor Education and Conference Center, 22 miles northwest of Dillon, Montana in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. In 1982 the Birch Creek site was formally listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Akela Land will be offering shooting sports, nature hikes and other Cub Adventures from the new Cub Scout handbooks.

GEARED TOWARDS: Tiger, Wolf and Bear Cub Scouts
LOCATION: Near Dillon, MT
NEAREST AIRPORT: Butte, MT
CONTACT: Montana Council | 406.761.6000
mtcouncil@montanabsa.org
MOHAB is based out of the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Ranch (TRMR). It covers over 6,000 acres in the foothills of the east slope of the Rocky Mountains west of Dupuyer, Montana. The property abuts over 1 million acres of national forest and wilderness. This area contains habitat for elk and mule deer. In addition, whitetail deer, cougar, and grizzly and black bears regularly use this property. Bighorn sheep and Rocky Mountain goats can be found in adjacent national forest lands.

The Ranch serves as an incredible base camp. This opportunity is all about options. Whether you are interested in self-led, trek leader-led, or provisional opportunities, we can cater to you. World-class trekking, wilderness whitewater, fly-fishing – we can accommodate the largest of outdoor appetites! The Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex encompasses over 1 million acres of wild country, the center of which is a minimum of 20 air miles from civilization! Come experience all that the wilds of Montana have to offer!

The MOHAB program is either an 8-day or 14-day program that includes an introduction to the surrounding environment (the Rocky Mountain Front and Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex), pre-trek training, fly fishing and pack rafting.

TROOP OR CREW SIZE: This is the most remote wilderness in Montana and the USFS regulates party size. Troop or crew size is restricted to no more than 13 people including at least 3 adult advisors over 21 years of age. This standard must be strictly enforced. Each troop or crew is required to have a majority of youth participants with a maximum number of 4 adults (over 21) per group.

**BASIC PACKAGE (8-DAY):** The 2017 MOHAB Basic package covers MOHAB programs, lodging, base camp meals, and trailhead shuttle (limited to one designated pickup and delivery time per unit). Other expenses that Scouts will incur are back-country meals, all back-country equipment, meals while traveling, fishing license and other personal needs. The program fee does not include airfare or transportation costs to Great Falls, Montana. Transportation to MOHAB will be the responsibility of the unit.

**PREMIUM PACKAGE (14-DAY):** The 2017 MOHAB Premium package covers MOHAB programs, lodging, base camp meals, trail meals, crew equipment, trailhead shuttle and transportation (limited to one designated pickup and delivery time per unit) and bus travel to and from the Great Falls International Airport. Other expenses Scouts might incur are meals while traveling, fishing license, and other personal needs. The program fee does not include airfare or transportation costs to Great Falls, Montana. Transportation to MOHAB will be the responsibility of the unit. If the unit desires to arrive at a different location or time other than what is outlined, this must be pre-arranged by each individual unit with the facilities coordinator.

For more info, visit montanahighadventurebase.com

**GEARED TOWARDS:** Older Scouts and Venturers looking for world-class high adventure

**LOCATION:** Near Dupuyer, MT

**NEAREST AIRPORT:** Great Falls, MT

**CONTACT:** Montana Council | 406.761.6000
mtcouncil@montanabsa.org
NYLT courses are an intense week-long youth oriented leadership training held annually. Courses are held at Grizzly Base and K-M Scout Ranch. Each course is conducted by highly qualified youth staff under the supervision of adult advisors using the National Youth Leadership Training syllabus, as published by the Boy Scouts of America, National Council.

Scouts who have attained the rank of First Class and will be 13 years of age by the start of the course should consider this advanced leadership experience. The Montana Council is pleased to offer two sessions of this invaluable training opportunity to our youth leaders.

These courses sell out quickly, so be sure to reserve spots early. Visit www.montanabsa.org for more information about the course and to download an application.

DATES: June 18-24, 2017 (Option of two convenient locations)
FEE: $250
EAST COURSE LOCATION: K-M Scout Ranch, near Lewistown, MT
WEST COURSE LOCATION: Grizzly Base, near Bigfork, MT

Trained volunteer leadership is one of the keys to a successful Scouting experience. As the core leadership skills training course for the Boy Scouts of America, Wood Badge focuses on strengthening each volunteer’s ability to work with and lead groups of youth and adults.

Since its introduction in 1919, Wood Badge has been an essential component in the success of the Scouts.

Volunteers who complete Wood Badge training receive a certificate, neckerchief, a leather slide, and two small wooden beads on a leather thong.

DATES: May 11-13 and June 1-3, 2017 (participants must attend both weekend sessions)
FEE: $275
LOCATION: K-M Scout Ranch, near Lewistown, MT
SUMMER CAMP DATES

GRIZZLY BASE
JULY 30-AUGUST 5: Staff Week
AUGUST 6-9: Webelos Session 1
AUGUST 9-12: Webelos Session 2

AKELA LAND
AUGUST 10-12: Cub Scout Session 1

K-M
JUNE 2-JULY 8: Staff Week
JULY 9-15: Week 1
JULY 16-22: Week 2
JULY 23-29: Week 3
JULY 30-AUGUST 2: Webelos Session 1
AUGUST 2-5: Webelos Session 2

K-M MISSOURI RIVER TREKS
JULY 9-15: Missouri River Trek 1 (2 Trek slots available)
JULY 16-22: Missouri River Trek 2 (2 Trek slots available)
JULY 23-29: Missouri River Trek 3 (2 Trek slots available)

MELITA
JUNE 26-30: BSA Lifeguard Week
JULY 2-JULY 8: Staff Week
JULY 9-15: Week 1
JULY 16-22: Week 2
JULY 23-29: Week 3
JULY 30-AUGUST 5: Week 4
AUGUST 6-12: Week 5

MOHAB
BASIC PACKAGE (8-DAY)/LEVEL I
JUNE 25-JULY 2: Week 1 (OPEN - Slots for 2 Units)
JULY 2-9: Week 2 (OPEN - Slots for 2 Units)
JULY 9-16: Week 3 (OPEN - Slots for 2 Units)
JULY 16-23: Week 4 (OPEN - Slots for 2 Units)
PREMIUM PACKAGE (14-DAY)/LEVEL II
JUNE 25-JULY 9: Session 1 (OPEN - Slots for 2 Units)
JULY 9-23: Session 2 (OPEN - Slots for 2 Units)

SUMMER CAMP FEES

GRIZZLY BASE WEBELOS
YOUTH: $160 | ADULT: $105
$75 and final numbers are due by February 15, 2017.
The balance is due by May 15, 2017.

AKELA LAND
YOUTH: $120 | ADULT: $50 | SIBLINGS: $45
$75 and final numbers are due by February 15, 2017.
The balance is due by May 15, 2017.

K-M WEBELOS
YOUTH: $160 | ADULT: $105
$75 and final numbers are due by February 15, 2017.
The balance is due by May 15, 2017.

K-M SUMMER CAMP
YOUTH: $295 ($350*) | ADULT: $125 ($150*)
$100 due by January 15, 2017.
Another $100 and final numbers are due by February 15, 2017.
The balance is due by May 15, 2017. (* indicates out-of-council cost)

K-M MISSOURI RIVER TREKS
YOUTH: $375 | ADULT: $375
$100 due by January 15, 2017.
Another $100 and final numbers are due by February 15, 2017.
The balance is due by May 15, 2017.

MELITA LIFEGUARD WEEK
YOUTH: $250 | ADULT: $250
$100 and final numbers are due by February 15, 2017.
The balance is due by May 15, 2017.

MELITA SUMMER CAMP
YOUTH: $395 ($485*) | ADULT: $250 ($275*)
$100 due by January 15, 2017.
Another $100 and final numbers are due by February 15, 2017.
The balance is due by May 15, 2017. (* indicates out-of-council cost)

MOHAB
BASIC PACKAGE (8-DAY):
YOUTH OR ADULT: $625 ($695*)/person
PREMIUM PACKAGE (14-DAY):
YOUTH OR ADULT: $1,250 ($1,390*)/person
Availability and more information is available at:
http://montanahighadventurebase.com
Non-refundable deposit of $200/participant due
within 14 days of submitting a reservation form.
Second payment due by February 1, 2017 = 50% of total amount due.
Final payment due May 1, 2017 = remaining balance.
Please note additional transportation fees apply and can be
coordinated with MOHAB staff. (* indicates out-of-council cost)
REGISTRATION

3 WAYS TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP

1. ONLINE: Go to www.montanabsa.org for more information on how to register for camp either by printing out forms or online registration. Have your credit card ready to make a deposit or payment.

2. ON THE PHONE: Call the Montana Council at 406.761.6000 and ask for Michelle. Provide the required information and have your credit card ready for your deposit or payment.

3. IN PERSON: Visit one of our Service Centers to make a payment or deposit. We accept cash, check, Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover.

INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER & LEADERSHIP (ICL) DISCOUNT
A Montana Council unit that meets its Investment in Character & Leadership (ICL) goal by April 30, 2017, will receive a discount based on their unit’s achievement level per boy for summer camp or NYLT fees. It is just our way of saying “Thank You” for supporting the Montana Council with your financial contributions. If you have already paid your fees prior to April 30, the discount will be refunded to you.

CANCELLATIONS, REFUNDS & DEPOSITS
A $200 non-refundable deposit per unit is required to reserve a campsite or a date for camp. Deposits will be applied to the balance of a unit’s fees due for camp. Any unit or individual Scout canceling prior to June 1st may be able to receive a refund of fees less the $200 deposit and $75 per individual camp readiness fee.

After June 1st no refunds will be issued unless for a valid reason such as death, illness or military orders such as TDA or PCS scouts. Refund will be for one half of fees. Refunds of this nature will not be issued until after the camping season is over. All refunds are subject to approval by the camp director.

All fees must be paid on time in order to hold your campsite. The unit may lose its place if fees are not paid on time. Your site may be reassigned or given to another unit if not paid.