

Troops & Patrols



Scouting's founder, Robert Baden-Powell said that the patrol method in Scouting is not only the best way, but the only way.

The patrol method is a main feature at Goose Pond. It is really the one thing that makes Scouts BSA different from all other programs.

We believe that a small group of friends working together to accomplish a challenge, having fun & learning along the way, is the best that Scouting can offer, and the best thing we can do at camp, too! Each day at 2pm special, fun programs are offered just for patrols.

So get your flags made, practice your yells, 'cuz here comes the patrols!



Patrol Programming

All camp program areas will offer special patrol activities from 2:00-3:00pm each day. These activities are designed for Scouts to participate as a new Scout patrol. Your camp commissioner will also be available to help your Troop create some its own programs too. Some possible activities might include:

Fire Building Challenge at Scoutcraft

Patrol C.O.P.E. - cool games

"Swamp Romp" hike through the Swamp

Patrol Shoot at Rifle & Archery

Raft Racing - in rafts built by your Patrol

Patrol Escape Rooms

Waterfront games...greased melon, bowling...

...and much more to come!



Summer Camp 2026

Goose Pond Scout Reservation



Summer Camp

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*Join a Troop..
Join the Fun!*

Lots of Great Programs for New Scouts...



For first year campers, Goose Pond offers an outstanding advancement program for new Scouts called "Pathways".

Pathways... is designed for Scouts who have just entered the Scouts BSA phase of Scouting. It's an integrated program that teaches many of the skills required for the Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class ranks in a grouped format. Pathways runs from 9am to noon each day and works on all the rank requirements that can be accomplished at camp. Lunch is at noon. Scouts participating in the Pathways program will be significantly on their way toward earning the First Class rank!

Merit Badges... At 1pm, those Scouts in the Pathways program also have an opportunity to earn merit badges. They have a choice of several badges, but the "Handicraft Duo" (Basketry and choice of: Leatherwork or Woodcarving) is the way to go!

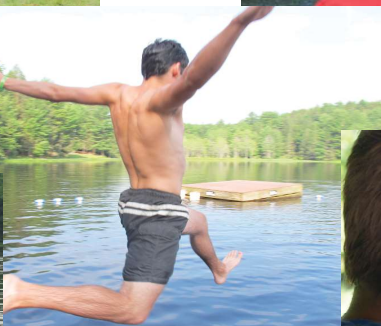


Tradition of Excellence...

A proud legacy of adventure and excitement in the outdoors has been Goose Pond's from the first campers in 1920 to the Scouts who will walk through the gates this year.

At Goose Pond, you will find something for all interests...sports, fishing, hiking, aquatics, games, or just chillin' with friends around the fire... there's an adventure to explore and new experiences to be had!

Summer camps are the biggest and best part of the Scouting program! Don't miss out on all the fun we have in store this summer!



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