

Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter

Outings Report

Over five feet of fresh-fallen snow greeted the Scouts when they arrived at the Mount Baker Mountaineers snow lodge at the beginning of the month.



Scouts spent the weekend skiing, snowboarding and snowshoeing, but also had the opportunity to work on the Snow Sports Merit Badge. Scouts also reviewed avalanche safety with gurus Travis Spikes and Josh Sementi. The group enjoyed family style meals at the lodge. Thank you to super sponsor and outings chair, Sean Starke, for planning this fantastic winter weekend!

This month the Scouts will trade in their snowshoes and skis for bikes and boots. The April Outing will take the Scouts to the Olympic Peninsula for a biking adventure. Be on the lookout for the outing bulletin and be sure to sign-up for a weekend of fun and adventure!



This Month:

April 1	Troop Meeting 6:30 pm @ Wedgwood Church (fire building skills outside)
April 6	WTA Trail Work Day
April 8	No Meeting (SPS Spring Break)
April 15	Troop Meeting 6:30 pm @ Wedgwood Elementary
April 17	Troop Committee Meeting 7pm @ Wedgwood Church
April 20-21	Olympic Peninsula Bike Outing
April 24	No Meeting (Patrol Leaders' Council)
April 28	Troop/LTH Prep Day Hike #1

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Merit Badge Fair

Seattle Territory is hosting the [Spring Merit Badge Fair](#) at Fairview Church in Maple Leaf on April 6. This year the theme is safety, with classes offered in Crime Prevention, Family Life, Fire Safety, and Traffic Safety. For more information, contact [Wesley Miles](#).

Compost Complete!

Amazing job, Scouts! The Troop smashed their goal by 20%, selling a total of 1200 bags! That's 24 TONS of compost! Congrats to Karl and Will Layton, the top two sellers in the Troop. Thank you to all the drivers and Scouts that made quick work of getting the compost delivered. Last, but not least, a huge thanks goes to Jayson Beatty for a fantastic job as Compost Czar!



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Newcomer Corner

Spring has sprung! Everything is growing including your Scout! Now is the time to check gear and see if everything still fits: boots, clothes, rain gear and more! Have a Scout with hopes of doing the 50 miler? Get those bigger boots now and start breaking them in. Wonder what gear is needed for Scouting? Here is a great summary: [Backpacking Gear Guide for Scouts](#). Have gear or a uniform you've outgrown? Consider passing it on to younger Scouts: the Troop keeps a "gear box" for Scouts — just ask your friendly Quartermaster.

Save the Date(s) for 2024

Don't miss out! Please add these dates to your calendars for upcoming Scout activities:

May

May 4 Parent Outing Planning meeting

May 11 Troop/LTH Prep Day Hike #2

May 17-19* Camporee at Camp Pigott & Camp Edward

*Friday evening departure

June

June 1 Alaska Airlines Aviation Day

June 1 Troop/LTH Prep Day Hike #3

June 8-9 June Outing-Blake Island (tentative)

June TBD End of Year/Parsons Planning Picnic

June 28-30 Troop/LTH Backpacking Prep Outing

July

July 5-7 Troop/LTH Backpacking Prep Outing

July 14-20 Camp Parsons

August

August 3-10 Long Term Hike - Eagle Cap

August TBD Pioneer Post



Annual Physical-Form C Reminder

Remember that Scouts and any adults participating in outings of >72 hours (Camp Parsons, 50 milers) must have an annual physical and submit an updated medical BSA Form C, with a doctor's signature. Please scan & send your completed forms with insurance cards to David McBride (mcbride.david.j@gmail.com).

Camporee Coming Soon!

Camporee is just around the corner and is a "not to be missed" weekend of fun and friendly competition. Mark your calendars and get excited for the "Mad Scientist" event! New Scouts can prepare now by earning their Scout Rank prior to attending-see your Troop Guide for help. Camporee is May 17-19 and sign-ups/bulletin will be sent out in late April. Hope to see you there!



Swim Night!

Over two dozen Scouts and friends enjoyed the second annual swim night at Evans Pool last Monday. They completed water rescues, BSA swim tests, and other swim related advancement requirements, and had plenty of time for fun in the water. It was a fantastic night at the pool! Thank you Robyn Reed for organizing the evening.

Troop Information

Scoutmasters:

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Robyn Reed Troop 066

Assistant Scoutmasters:

Troop 166: Trent Siegel, Kirk Siqveland,
Doug Baer, Josh Sementi

Troop 066: Lynh Nguyen, Kirk Siqveland

Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn

SPL: Kyle McBride



Troop 166 and Troop 066 External Website: <http://www.troop166.net/>

Internal Wiki: <https://scoutwatch.org/>

Scout March Madness Recap

