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Spring Ordeals Are Here

Elk River Scout Camp June 4-6

Orca Lodge will host two spring ordeals this year. Mow-A-Toc Chapter will hold its Ordeal on the weekend of June 4-6 at Elk River Scout Camp. Two weeks later, on the weekend of June 18-20, Cabrosha Chapter will present the second ordeal at Camp Masonite Navarro. There are many service projects as well as a variety of jobs that need to be completed at both camps. In addition to the service projects, the Lodge will also be conducting a Brotherhood Hike for those members wishing to seal their membership in the Order. Arrowmen wishing to lead a Brotherhood Hike can contact Dave Dukeman at (707) 443-9559/496 4898 (Cell) or advisor@orca194.org for more information. Also, the lodge is looking for Arrowmen (both youth and adult) who



Camp Masonite Navarro June 18-20

wish to serve as Elangomats at the ordeals. Service as an Elangomat is a great way to help out at the ordeals and meet other Scouts. Anyone who is interested (even remotely) should contact Jason Yarnall at (707) 588-8896 or JLY194@sbc.com. He has served as an Elangomat and can lend his wisdom and expertise. The lodge is hoping for a large turnout at both Ordeals, not only to complete service projects, but also to help build the Elangomat and Brotherhood Hike programs. The ordeals are a great event not only to serve the lodge, but also to participate in fun and fellowship. Return the attached registration form to the Eureka Council Office no later than Saturday, May 31 (if attending Elk River) or Saturday, June 14 (if attending Masonite Navarro). Please note: *A decision was made by the Lodge to prevent chaos in the kitchen; if you do not RSVP by the Monday before the Ordeal, then there will be a five dollar late fee added to the cost of attendance.*

Spring Ordeal Registration Form--Cut and Mail Today

Mail this form with your check payable to Orca Lodge #194/BSA, and marked "Spring Ordeal"

Orca Lodge #194/Spring Ordeal
Boy Scouts of America
1007 Wood Street
Eureka, CA 95501

Costs are as follows:

Members (food): \$15.00
Brotherhood Candidates: \$25.00
(food and sash)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code _____

No. Youth Members _____ No. Adult Members _____

Chapter: _____ Honor: _____

I will be attending the following Ordeals:

Elk River _____ Masonite Navarro _____

I will be participating in the Brotherhood Hike _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

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Elk River 2004

No Rain...and warm too!!

By Chris McCormick

This year's Lodge Fellowship was a great time of fun, food, patch auctions and video games. At one point there were about 12 TV's with at least one game system hooked up to each one. There were movies playing constantly and the weekend was an all around great time. At the fellowship the Spring Lodge Meeting was held, where we discussed, corrected, and re-corrected the Lodge Bylaws. The new Lodge Bylaws can be viewed on the Lodge Web Page. This fellowship was a lot of fun and we hope to see more of you there next year.



A special area of the national OA web site has been created to help new members of the Order of the Arrow learn about the OA. The *Jumpstart for New Arrowmen* area provides an introduction to the Order and its programs, and assists new members in sealing their membership in Brotherhood. You can access it through the National Order of the Arrow Website or by going directly to: <http://www.jumpstart.oa-bsa.org/>

In the meantime below are listed the Brotherhood Honor requirements:



- Memorize the signs of Ordeal Membership. Memorize the Obligation of the Order, memorize the Order of the Arrow Official song, the Admonition, the sign of the Ordeal membership, and the OA handclasp.
 - Advance in your understanding of the Ordeal. Gain a thorough understanding of the Ordeal through which you have passed.
 - Serve your unit. Retain your registration in Scouting. During a period of at least ten months, strive to fulfill your Obligation by continuing and expanding your service to your own troop.
 - Plan for service in your lodge.
- Retain your registration in your Order of the Arrow Lodge and keep your dues paid. Be aware that acceptance of Brotherhood membership involves a pledge of service to the lodge. Develop a concrete idea of how you plan to fulfill this pledge.

Review your progress. When you earnestly feel that you have met the four challenges above, write a letter to your Lodge Secretary. In this letter:

- 1) Explain what you think the Obligation means.
- 2) Describe how you have been fulfilling this obligation in your troop and in your daily life, and you have used your understanding of the Ordeal to aid in this service.
- 3) Describe your specific plans for giving service in the Lodge program

At each Ordeal and Fellowship, Orca Lodge holds a Brotherhood ceremony to honor those members who fulfill the above requirements.

Chapter Chief's Minutes

Mow-A-Toc



I hope that everyone is enjoying the wonderful spring weather after that long winter. With the coming of good weather troops here in Pacific Rivers and Del Norte Districts are preparing for the long hikes and Summer Camp. Elections and visitations are taking place. This year I plan to make a big push in Del Norte District and ask those Brothers in Crescent City and surrounding areas for any help they can offer. Some exciting things are happening at Elk River Scout Camp, we hope to soon have a new metal roof on the dining hall and to improve the water system. In April Pacific Rivers is held its Scout-O-Rama at the Fortuna Church of the

Latter Day Saints on the 24th. In May both districts will be holding a joint Camporee from the 14th through 16th at Woodly Island Marina in Eureka, with a public visitation time on the 15th. Eldon Whitehead and Daniel Washburn are chairing this event and everyone is welcome. On June 4th-6th the spring Ordeal will be held at Elk River Scout Camp and we have already found some projects to do around camp. I encourage everyone to come and help. I hope to see all of you at some of these events, until then, happy trails.

Yours in Scouting and Brotherhood

Scott Alta

Mow-A-Toc Chapter Chief



Cabrosha

Cabrosha Chapter is doing great! The clans are entering their camporee times of the year, and ending their elections for troops. Our Ordeal coming up in June at Navarro is going good. We're short an Ordeal Master right now, but we will find one soon. Anyone interested in being the Cabrosha Chapter Ordeal Master this June at Camp Masonite Navarro can contact me at (707) 664-8511.

Our Ceremony teams are shaping up nicely. Our Ordeal team is beginning to practice without the use of scripts and the Brotherhood team is working on memorizing their parts. Over all the Chapter is doing great this year.

Yours in Brotherhood

Patrick O' Neill

Cabrosha Chapter Chief

Notes from the Lodge Chief.

My Fellow Arrowmen,

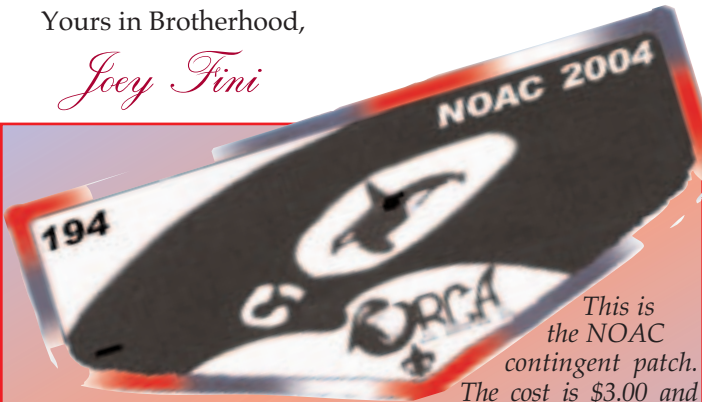
I am glad that I had a chance to see a lot of you at the Lodge fellowship. The weekend was a huge success and we got a lot accomplished at the Lodge meeting. There were nearly 40 people that attended the weekend and they had a blast!

We must now look forward to our spring Ordeals. We need all the help we can get at our two Ordeals this June. There are many projects that need to be done at both Camp Masonite Navarro and Elk River. Before attending, please remember to help out the cooks and let David Dukeman or myself know that you will be attending by the Monday before the Ordeal. Our contact information can be found on the back of this newsletter. We are also working on setting up an online registration for events so you can go to www.orca194.org and register for the event.

I thank you all for your cheerful service and I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming Ordeals.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Joey Fini



This is the NOAC contingent patch. The cost is \$3.00 and limited to one per person before NOAC for non-contingent members. Contingent members will be able to get 2 before NOAC for their uniforms and cost is \$2.00. The preordered patches will not be given out until **after** NOAC. For members that want to purchase one (two for contingent members) they will be available at the Spring Ordeals.

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The *Orca Spouts* welcomes (okay, pleads for) submissions, both articles as well as photographs. Sending Articles and Digital Photos via e-mail is highly encouraged. All Photos welcomed (aren't you getting tired of ours)? The deadline for submissions to the next edition is Sunday, June 21. Send articles and photos to:

Chris McCormick 707-795-6980, secretary@orca194.org

Dates to Remember...

May 8 Section W-3B Meeting, Camp Pollock, Sacramento 11:00
 May 18 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting / Eureka Scout Office 7:30
May 22-23 High Adventure Raft Trip/American River
 May 25 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting / Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
Jun 4-6 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Spring Ordeal/Elk River Scout Camp
 Jun 15 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting / Eureka Scout Office 7:30
Jun 18-20 Cabrosha Chapter Spring Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro
July 10 Lodge Executive Board Meeting/Camp Masonite Navarro
 (concurrent with the Council Board of Directors meeting)
July 31-August 5 National Order of the Arrow Conference
 Iowa State University - Ames, Iowa
Aug 14 Section W-3B Meeting / On site at Camp Chawanakee
 Aug 17 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting / Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Aug 24 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting / Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
Sept 17-19 Section W-3B Conclave/Camp Chawanakee
 Sept 21 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting / Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Sept 28 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting / Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
Oct 15-17 Cabrosha Chapter Fall Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro
 Oct 19 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting / Eureka Scout Office 7:30
Oct 23-24 Spook-E-Ree/Elk River Scout Camp
 Oct 26 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting / Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:00
Nov 5-7 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Fall Ordeal/Elk River Scout Camp
Nov 13 Annual Lodge Dinner & Executive Board Meeting
Mow-A-Toc 5:00
 Nov 16 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting / Eureka Scout Office 7:30
Nov 19-21 NLS/NLATS/Camp Bothin, Fairfax, CA
 Nov 23 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting / Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:30
Dec 11-12 Vigil Dinner & Ceremonies/Camp Masonite Navarro
 Dec 21 Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting / Eureka Scout Office 7:30
 Dec 28 Cabrosha Chapter Meeting / Santa Rosa Scout Office 7:30

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