



# ORCA SPOUTS

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## SPRING ORDEALS NOT FAR OFF!

Orca Lodge will again be presenting two spring Ordeals this year. Mow-A-Toc Chapter will host their Ordeal on the weekend of June 5-7 at Camp Riggs Johnston. One week later, on the weekend of June 12-14, Cabrosha Chapter will be hosting 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, Orca Lodge will be implementing the Elangomat System as well as the Brotherhood Hike. These are two relatively new programs that the Order of the Arrow recommends be implemented



Camp Riggs Johnston, June 5-7



Conferring Ordeal membership upon candidates

nationally. Anyone who is interested in becoming an Elangomat, leading a Brotherhood Hike, or would like more information about the programs, can call Dave Dukeman at 443-9559 or email [quietleder@aol.com](mailto:quietleder@aol.com).

The lodge is hoping for a large turnout at both Ordeals, not only to complete service projects, but also to help with the implementation of the new programs. Remember, Ordeals are a great event to not only serve the lodge and Council but also to participate in fun and fellowship.

Return the attached registration form to the Eureka Council Office no later than Friday, May 26 (if attending Elk River) or Friday, June 9 (if attending Masonite Navarro).



Camp Masonite Navarro, June 12-14

----- ✂ ----- **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	\$25.00 (food)
Brotherhood Candidates	\$25.00 (food and sash)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Youth Members: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Adult Members: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ Honor: \_\_\_\_\_  
I will be attending the following Ordeals:  
Riggs Johnston \_\_\_\_\_ Masonite Navarro \_\_\_\_\_  
I will be participating in the Brotherhood Hike \_\_\_\_\_  
Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## Amgen Tour of California Bike Race 2009

The day began with the sun peaking out, but rain hanging over us! We arrived in downtown Santa Rosa with anticipation of seeing the bike racers!

The youth and adult volunteers of the Order of the Arrow began by checking in at the volunteer station and getting our ORANGE T-shirts! We then began setting up the easy-ups for our shelter and prepared the bike racks for the riders to check in their bikes so they could watch the race and know that their bikes would be safe.

Before we knew it, riders were arriving even though the rain was coming down hard. Nothing stopped them from watching the race! We were checking in bikes while inside the building a lunch spread was being prepared by one of the adult women OA members. She was making sure that everyone had just what they needed and that no one went hungry or thirsty. She worked with the Bicycle Coalition people like clockwork! We had a feast of BBQ hamburgers and veggie burgers and tons of side dishes to go along with it. No one went hungry!

It was exciting and a lot of fun to do.

When we came back, more and more riders came in and the OA youth kicked it into high gear. Tickets were issued as bikes were quickly and efficiently parked, and the excitement grew as we watched on a big screen inside the building to see the sight of Levi Leipheimer and Lance Armstrong swiftly riding through the rain and heading into Santa Rosa. We all gathered outside under the easy-ups as the riders got closer, and we cheered them on as they went around the corners of our great city - round after round. Cameras clicked and cowbells rang as the cyclists rode by over and over again. We were so close we could have jumped out and stopped the racers if we had wanted to!



During the half way point, we broke up and were able to go visit the booths and get some free items like water bottles, bags, Jelly Belly Jelly Beans, hats, Power Bars, etc.

When the race was over, the Bicycle Coalition met inside the building where the food was and the compliments were flying about what a great job we did with parking the bikes again this year, how great the hostess with the food was, and what a pleasure it is working with the Order of the Arrow Boy Scouts. Being a part of this event was very awesome and something that we should do every year!

By **Trey Daniel**  
and **Theresa Dowling**

## NOAC 2009 - Only TWO Spots Left!

**Hurry to send in this form before all spots are filled!**

----- NOAC Registration and First Installment Form--Cut and Mail Today -----

**Please mail this form to:**

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

**Cost of first installment: \$300**

**This first payment is due May 31, 2009**

*If you would like to go to NOAC, mail this form with your check payable to: **Orca Lodge #194/BSA** and marked "**NOAC Registration.**" Payment for NOAC will be done in installments, of which this is the first. The total cost of NOAC (including the event and airfare) will be \$1500 or less (depending on airfare). Need further info? Call or Email Dave Dukeman at:*

*(707) 443-9559, (707) 496-4898(c.)*

*daviddukeman@sbcglobal.net*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Chptr: \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_



# The 2009 Akela Festival

By Patrick Daniels  
Akela Festival Coordinator

On March 21-23, 2009, the Order of the Arrow put on the Akela Festival at Penngrove Park in Penngrove, Ca. We had 15-20 staff members attend as well as 41 Cub Scouts, 30 of which went through the ceremony to transfer into their respective Boy Scout troops. The events that were part of the morning activities were fire building, obstacle course, model campsite, vertigo, nature, first aid, and scout knowledge. The events went great, and in the af-



Bill Nay with his famous nature display



Playing football on Saturday Morning

amount of scouts (Webelos and Boy Scouts) attending, the possibility of adding new events, and maybe new additions to the ceremony regalia. Tune in for later installments and updates for next year's Akela Festival!

Once again, thanks to all of the staff that attended. It couldn't have gone on without you!



ternoon we had different activities such as football, basketball, lacrosse, and archery. The ceremony went great and, despite some rain, everyone had a great time. We also featured the first Akela Festival patch (above), which was given out to the scouts and staff who attended, and were sold for \$3 after the ceremony. We are now in the process of revamping the Akela Festival, which means by next year our projected goal is to have double to triple the



# ORCA LODGE ANNOUNCES

## Special Edition Chenille Patch

Brothers,

Orca Lodge has a proud history of supporting our Council's programs, particularly its camps. During the annual Orca Lodge Fellowship held March 27-29 at Camp Riggs at Elk River, present members of our Lodge were asked, and agreed, to produce a limited edition, fundraiser chenille to assist in the completion of the new shower house at Camp Riggs. The design at the right was chosen.

The cost is \$100 each, the patch is available only to be pre-ordered, and *only* current (dues paid) members of Orca Lodge may purchase it. **All** of the net proceeds of the issue will be donated to the Camp Riggs shower house project.

This is your chance to show your support for one of our Council's greatest assets and get a great patch for yourself at the same time. Buy one, buy two, buy as many as you want, but don't delay: Your chance to order only lasts until May 30, -late orders will not be accepted. Patches will be available for pick-up from your Chapter Adviser in late July. Please enclose \$100 for each chenille patch (plus \$5 if you want it mailed to you).

**Order deadline is May 30, 2009.**



# Due-ty Calls...

**THIS IS IMPORTANT--PLEASE READ**

**A**rrowmen, dues for the year 2009 are being collected. Dues for this year are only \$15.00 if you want to have newsletters *emailed* to you. If you want newsletters mailed via snail mail, your dues are \$20.00 (to cover printing, postage and handling). Both fees include at least 4 issues of Orca Spouts throughout the year (either via email or snail mail depending on amount of dues paid), as well as a shiny, new membership card.

Please note: you do not have to pay back dues if you haven't paid in several years. Dues also entitle you to participate in all lodge activities this year. If you have not paid your dues, fill out the attached form, with your check, and mail it to the Eureka Council Office (if you attended the Lodge Dinner, you have already paid dues for 2009).

Arrowmen who have not paid their dues by March 1, 2009 will be dropped from the list of active members. Because of the costs involved with creating, printing, and mailing the newsletter, coupled with the costs that the lodge pays to recharter inactive members, Orca Lodge can no longer afford to keep inactive members on the mailing list. If you wish to continue receiving the newsletter, and retain your membership, it is imperative that the attached form be completed and sent to the council office with a check.

----- Form for Patches and Registration -- Cut and Mail Today -----

**Please mail this form with your check(s) to:**

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

**I Would Like:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Fundraiser Chenilles @ \$100 (add \$5 for shipping)
- \_\_\_\_\_ NOAC Fundraiser Patches @ \$25 (max 2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Registration (Dues payment)


Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_


E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Chptr: \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_





Register Now Before It's Too Late!



SECTION W3N PRESENTS:  
**"That's What Chief Said"**  
*Conclave 2009...*  
*A Three North Experience*  
**September 18-20, 2009**  
**Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA**  
**Register Today at:**  
[www.sectionw3n.org](http://www.sectionw3n.org)

- Get valuable help in learning about the OA, running for office, ceremonies, wilderness camping and more
- Fun, entertaining shows
- Free time to meet arrowmen from all over Northern California and Nevada, and meet Section and National OA officers.
- Trade patches and participate in competitive games between lodges
- Experience a cool weekend, similar to the fun at NOAC in Indiana but a whole lot closer and less expensive.
- Car pooling is available.

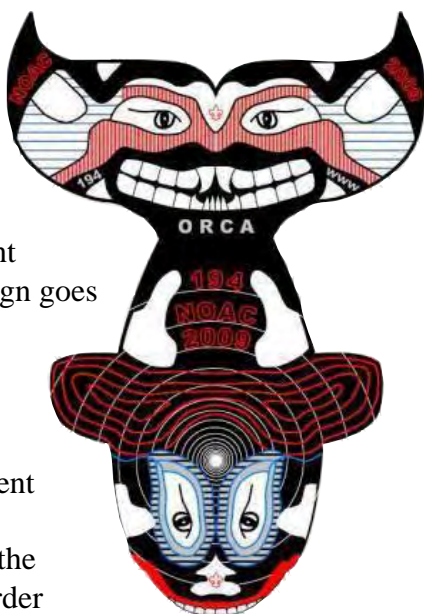
## NOAC Fundraiser Patch Issued

At the Orca Lodge ALEC Meeting in January, this amazing design, pictured at right, was selected to be the 2009 NOAC Fundraiser and contingent patch. Credit for the design goes to Daniel Washburn.

The fundraiser version of this patch will have a Red border while the contingent one will have a blue one.

Fill out the form on the previous page to order your fundraiser patch, or you may purchase one at either of the Spring Ordeals. But whatever you do, act quickly, as there are only 100 in stock.

*Please note that we are only allowing two patches to be purchased per person. Cost is \$25*



## New Website Look and Feel! Completely Redone With Updated Content



**Stay Informed by Going to the  
NEW [orca194.org](http://orca194.org)**

**Same Address, but Brand New Site!**



# Fellowship at Elk River

By Benjamin LeRoy  
PAST LODGE CHIEF

Fellowship. That word just seems to roll off the tongue. It's funny how easily you can say the word but how hard it is to really grasp the full meaning of the word. Sure, it means "the companionship of individuals in a congenial atmosphere and on equal terms" according to the American Heritage Dictionary, but in Orca lodge it's much different. When our lodge holds a fellowship, it's not just an ordinary "congenial atmospheric weekend"; it's a weekend where you release yourself into a place of fun, games, tradition, and friendship. For those of you who weren't at the last Fellowship up at Camp Riggs



Lodge members building bonds of brotherhood

Johnston, Fellowship is where we play video games into the night, football until lunch, and have an eating contest when everyone's tired. Up in the Northern part of this Lodge, eating contests are a must; and I'd have to say I've been to around 5 of them. Although, this might just sound like a weekend to mess around, which in some sense it is, it's also where you get to

meet people from all over the Northern California coast and make friends — real friends, not just acquaintances.

Too bad some of you weren't there; I had a blast.



# HISTORY! ORCA LODGE RECEIVES TWO NATIONAL AWARDS

Yes, you read that right: in 2008 Orca Lodge received both of the two national awards that are given to lodges: The National Service Award, and E. Urner Goodman Camping Award!

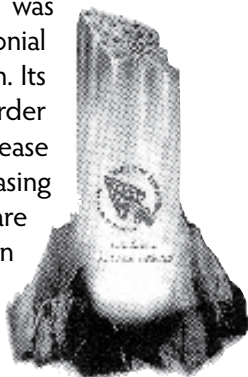
This is very historic since it is very unusual that a Lodge will receive both awards. Since two of each awards are given by our region, and since our region contains about 60 Lodges, the chances of getting even one award are 1 in 30. You can do the math to figure out the probability of getting both in the same year! It's a very slim chance!

What's almost as surprising, is that we just received a national award. Last year we were awarded the National Service Award for helping construct a shower house at Elk River. Receiving the same award two years in a row is quite unusual! WOW!

So congratulations, members of Orca Lodge and especially 2008 Lodge Chief Ben LeRoy, for doing what it took to get recognized by the higher-ups of the OA!

*Here's some information about the two awards:*

"The **E. Urner Goodman Award** was established in 1969 as a tribute and testimonial to the Order's founder, E. Urner Goodman. Its purpose is to encourage and challenge Order of the Arrow members and lodges to increase their effectiveness in promoting and increasing Scout camping in each council. Awards are presented to two outstanding lodges in each region annually. For a lodge to be eligible for consideration, the E. Urner Goodman Camping Award petition should be completed and forwarded with the lodge's charter renewal application."



"The **National Service Award** was established in 1999 to recognize lodges in each region that have performed outstanding service, both in a qualitative and a quantitative sense, to their council. The National Service Award Petition is submitted along with the lodge recharter application. To be considered for the National Service Award, a lodge must be certified as a National Quality Lodge the year in which the National Service Award Petition is submitted. Two lodges per region will be granted the National Service Award each year."



## LODGE CHIEF'S CORNER

Brothers,

This is your Lodge Chief Matt Sullivan! So far this has been a good year! We have been working on elections and so



far, so good. One of the things we are trying to push this year is the Elangomat Program. We are trying to get as many of you as possible trained and out there helping with the new Ordeal members. I would like to thank Mow-A-Toc Chapter for hosting Fellowship. It was a great success. We have our Spring Ordeals coming up, so please sign up for those. I look forward to seeing you all there!

WWW,

*Matt Sullivan*

Orca Lodge Chief 2008-2009



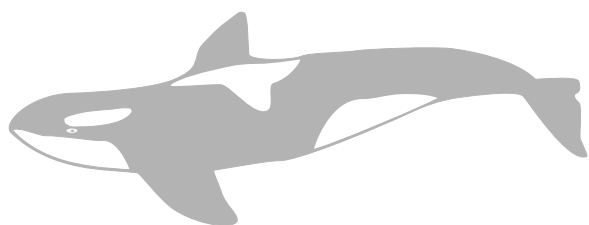
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Gabriel Mc Hugh (707) 546-6838, [secretary@orca194.org](mailto:secretary@orca194.org)



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## Orca Lodge #194

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Dates to Remember...			Officer Phone and E-mail List	
May 9	Section COC Meeting		Lodge Chief .....	Matt Sullivan..... 839-2120
May 19	Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/ Eureka Scout Office	7:30	chief@orca194.org	
May 19	Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Club	7:00	Lodge Vice-Chief.....	Lucas Martin ..... 569-7258
			vicechief@orca194.org	
Jun. 5-7	Mow-A-Toc Chapter Spring Ordeal/Camp Riggs Johnston		Lodge Secretary .....	Gabriel Mc Hugh ..... 546-6838
Jun. 12-14	Cabrosha Chapter Spring Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro		secretary@orca194.org	
Jun. 16	Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30	Lodge Treasurer .....	Colby Hay ..... 839-5613
Jun. 16	Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Club	7:00	treasurer@orca194.org	
Jul. 11	Lodge Executive Board Meeting/Camp Masonite Navarro (Concurrent with the Council Board of Directors Meeting)		Past Lodge Chief.....	Benjamin LeRoy ..... 538-7832
			pastchief@orca194.org	
Aug. 1-6	NOAC (National Order of the Arrow Conference)		Lodge Adviser .....	Dave Dukeman ..... 443-9559
Aug. 18	Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30	Quietleder@aol.com	cell 496-4898
Aug. 18	Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Club	7:00	Lodge Staff Adviser .....	<i>Vacant</i>
Aug. 29	Section COC Meeting		Mow-A-Toc Chief.....	Martin Campbell ..... 839-0678
Sep. 11-13	Section W-3B Conclave		mow-a-tocchief@orca194.org	
Sep. 15	Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30	Mow-A-Toc Adviser .....	Dave Dukeman ..... 443-9559
Sep. 15	Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Club	7:00	mow-a-tocadviser@orca194.org	cell 496-4898
Oct. 16-18	Cabrosha Chapter Fall Ordeal/Camp Masonite Navarro		Cabrosha Chief.....	Ryan Thompson ..... 538-0551
Oct. 20	Mow-A-Toc Chapter Meeting/Eureka Scout Office	7:30	cabroshachief@orca194.org	
Oct. 20	Cabrosha Chapter Meeting/Cotati Lions Club	7:00	Cabrosha Adviser .....	Mike Bell ..... 527-6282
Nov. 6-8	Mow-A-Toc Fall Ordeal/Camp Riggs Johnston		cabroshaadviser@orca194.org	
Nov. 14	Annual Lodge Dinner & Executive Board Meeting/Hosted By Cabrosha		Cabrosha Ceremony Adv. ....	Jason Kracht..... 566-6810
			woapalanne@sbcglobal.net	
			Mow-A-Toc Ceremony Adv. Chris Teschan.....	839-4115
			Crashdog@sbcglobal.net	cell 834-5998
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			Council Offices .....	Santa Rosa ..... 546-8137
				Eureka Office..... 443-8345
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