



RESICA FALLS SCOUT RESERVATION
AFTERNOON ADVENTURES GUIDE
SUMMER 2022

WELCOME

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Greetings Adventurers,

Resica Falls has continuously prided itself on new and innovative program development over the last two decades. We are excited to introduce our newest program feature this summer - Afternoon Adventures! This new Open Program model will give a Scout and their buddy, a patrol, or the whole unit the opportunity to explore the exciting and unique non-advancement offerings at Camp Big Springs.

Why the Change?

Over the years, Resica Falls has continued to expand our merit badge programs and develop new program areas to meet the needs of our campers. This has led to the inclusion of many great programs, but the confines of our previous schedule also left many other ideas on the “back-burner,” waiting to be developed. The concentration of merit badges in the morning now allows these ideas to become a reality! While an important method, Advancement is only one method for Scouting and the Scout Camp to deliver the Aims of Scouting; our Afternoon Adventures now allow Scouts and leaders to experience program opportunities using a wider array of the Methods of Scouting. Ultimately, our Afternoon Adventures seek to maximize the level of choice in each Scout’s, patrol’s, and unit’s camping experience.

How It Will Work?

Participation in the Afternoon Adventures will take some advance planning on the part of the unit and Scouts coming to camp this summer. Units will review the offerings in this guide and discuss options during unit meetings leading up to your stay in camp. Different Adventures are geared towards different sized groups. Some Adventures are only offered on certain days. Be sure to carefully review the over 50 Adventures outlined in this guide to decide what will work best. Once in camp, the Senior Patrol Leader of each unit will meet with our Program Team on Sunday evening to sign your Scouts and units up for the activities they want to participate in. Have your selections ready and start scheduling your week. Select a few alternatives, just in case - BE PREPARED is the Scout Motto after all!

If you have any questions related to Afternoon Adventures in the weeks leading up to camp, be sure to reach out to us at the email addresses below. We’ll be happy to help guide you and your unit through the process to help ensure that this new program experience is an enjoyable experience for all. For more information relating to the wider camp program and summer camp as a whole, be sure to check out our 2022 Program Guide and other details at resicafalls.org. See you in camp!

Yours in Scouting

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DETAILS & DESCRIPTIONS

Schedule

Afternoon Adventures will take place on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons. Multiple program areas will host a variety of programs, outlined in this guide, across three periods - **2:15pm-3:00pm, 3:15pm-4:00pm, and 4:15pm-5:00pm**. Scouts, patrols, and units will have the opportunity to participate in as many as 12 different adventures during your week in camp. Some activities may take more than one period to complete, and will be noted as such in that activity's description. While most adventures will be offered continuously throughout the week, not all adventures will be offered every day and at every time slot.

On Sunday evening at 7:30pm, Senior Patrol Leaders will meet in the Dining Hall with our Program Team and area directors to sign-up for these activities.



Adventure Descriptions

Each Afternoon Adventure will have as part of its description symbols noting which size group the adventure can accommodate. A triangle (▲) will be used for those adventures designed for a Scout and their buddy. A square (■) will be used for those adventures which are more patrol oriented. A circle (●) will be used as part of the description for adventures meant for the whole troop to participate in. Some adventures will have multiple symbols, which means that adventure can accommodate multiple-sized groups. Afternoon Adventures are sorted by the program area that will be hosting the adventure.

ARCHERY

Archery Skeet Shoot: Do you have the skills needed to shoot a disk flying across the sky with nothing but a bow, arrow, and your own keen eyesight? ●

Unit Shoots: Join your unit or patrol for shooting archery targets at different distances. Which member will be crowned the top archer of the group? ●

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional coaching on your shooting form? Have a partial in Archery you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲

Adventure Descriptions (Cont.)

ATV

Jungle Adventure Rides: This is a two day program - **Monday & Tuesday** or **Thursday & Friday**. This will take place during both **Adventure Sessions 2 and 3 (3:15pm-5:00pm)** on the designated days. Spend your first day in this adventure brushing up on your ATV skills and riding a bit. On Day Two, the group will ride into the depths of the jungle towards the not-often-visited Jungle Glen - a part of camp few adventurers have ever seen. **ADVANCED SIGN UP THROUGH BLACKPUG AND PRIOR ATV CERTIFICATION REQUIRED!** ▲



CIVICS

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional coaching on your public speaking? Have a partial in a Civics merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. **NO SIGN UP NECESSARY!** ▲

ECOLOGY

Conservation Projects: Do you want to give back to the camp while learning and having fun at the same time? Join our Ecology Staff for a conservation project that will help keep our 4,200 acres of Pocono Mountain wilderness pristine. ■●

Hatchery Program: Did you know that Resica Falls has a fully-functioning fish hatchery on the property? Help feed and care for the fish while learning more about this unique program. ■●

Nature Hikes: Want to take a hike on one of our many trails with our Ecology Staff? Our staff will provide a unique perspective as they guide you through an exploration and explanation of the flora and fauna of Resica Falls. ■●

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional time identifying birds? Have a partial in an Ecology merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. **NO SIGN UP NECESSARY!** ▲

HANDICRAFT

Art Club: Come learn some new fine art skills, show off your own talents, and participate in our daily art challenge. ▲■●

Face Painting: Want to strike fear into the competition during the Race Through the Jungle or have a character you need to portray in your campfire? Come get your face painted like a leopard, snake, or other jungle creature. ▲

Adventure Descriptions (Cont.)

Patrol Flag Design: Are you a new patrol in need of a flag or a seasoned patrol in need of a flag refresh? Let our Handicraft Staff assist you in creating a fun and exciting new patrol flag. ■

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional time honing your basketry skills? Have a partial in a Handicraft merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲

HEALTH LODGE

First Aid Derby: Do you want to have a patrol vs. patrol or unit vs. unit competition testing you on your best first aid skills? Head on over to the Health Lodge and compete against others for First Aid supremacy. ■●

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional coaching on your bandaging skills? Have a partial in a Health Lodge merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲



HIGH ADVENTURE

Climbing/Zip Line: Challenge yourself to try different paths, from easy to difficult, on our climbing wall and reach new heights of bravery! Then make sure your helmet is on tight before zipping through the jungle canopy on our Zip Line. ■●

High Five Adventure Club: Are you a Scout at least 13 years of age or older? Do you want to explore the hidden adventures that await on our 4,200 acres of pristine Pocono Mountain wilderness? Then join our High Adventure Staff for daily afternoon adventures throughout camp, including hikes across the reservation, dips in the Bushkill Creek, and canoeing on the Delaware River. ▲

Low Team building Elements: Want to spend some time facing your fears and building your group's teamwork? Sign up to try some of our Low Elements at the COPE Course. ■●

LAKE

Dragon Boat Racing: Race another patrol or unit across the lake, trying to beat the clock and following the beat of your own drummer. Only the greatest teams will work together and win! ■●

Fishing: See if you or someone in your patrol can catch this week's biggest fish - but watch out for the piranha! NO SIGN UP NECESSARY; PA STATE FISHING LICENSE REQUIRED FOR THOSE OVER 16! ▲■

Adventure Descriptions (Cont.)



Open Boating: Come take out one of our many boats and enjoy the peace and quiet of the beautiful Lake Roger. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ■●

Raft Races: Lash yourself a raft with patrol or troop and paddle your way across the lake. Do you have the Scout skills to reign supreme? ■●

Stand Up Paddleboard BSA: Work on this non-merit badge Scout award with your patrol or a buddy while having some fun on our paddleboards. ▲

Wibits: Are you looking for a grand adventure? Come bounce around the lake on our inflatable Wibit features. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ■●

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional time practicing your canoeing strokes or sailing knots? Have a partial in a Lake merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲

NATIVE AMERICAN VILLAGE

Fly Fishing & Fly Tying: Come down and spend some time relaxing by the river, cast the fly in, and test your skill to see if you can catch some trout! While there, learn about wet and dry flies, what flies work best in what situations, and try tying a fly of your own. PA STATE FISHING LICENSE REQUIRED FOR THOSE OVER 16! ▲■

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional coaching on your perfect cast? Have a partial in a NAV merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲

POOL

Instructional Swim: Need some help with your swimming skills? Want to work on rank advancement that is aquatics specific? Stop on down during **Adventure Session 1 (2:15pm-3:00pm)** NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲■

Mile Swim: Build up your stamina during the week and then swim an entire mile on Friday afternoon for this non-merit badge Scout Award. **See Program Guide for build-up times** (NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲

Open Swim: Join us for a cool dip on a hot day. Just exit the pool long enough to ride down our three-story water slide! Open **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday (3:30pm-4:30pm)** NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲■●

Adventure Descriptions (Cont.)

RESICA RANGERS

Rangers Odds and Ends: Find out more about signaling, tracking, and wayfinding without a map and compass.▲

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your rank advancement? Need additional coaching on your pocket knife skills or knots? Have you already earned Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, or First Class ranks but want some refreshers on these skills? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY!▲

SCOUTCRAFT

Cooking Demos: Wondering what the pros eat while out on the trail? Tired of the same old meals on every campout? Our jungle chefs will work with you to introduce new foods and cooking techniques to your unit!■●

Geocaching: The thrill of the treasure hunt meets modern technology! Come us a GPS to find our jungle-themed geocaches!▲■

Orienteering: A map, a compass, a canteen of water, and a grand sense of adventure are all that is needed for those looking to trek through one of our orienteering courses.▲■●

Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award: Come and work on this non-merit badge Scout Award and learn the skills it takes to live like a real woodman!▲■

Raft/Gateway Help: If you need some guidance with your raft or your gateway, give us a visit - our expert lashers will guide you!■●

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional coaching on your splices? Have a partial in a Scoutcraft merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY!▲



SHOOTING SPORTS

Unit Shoots: Join your unit or patrol for shooting rifle targets or shotgun clays. Which member will be crowned the top shot of the group? ADDITIONAL CHARGE FOR SHOTGUN SHOOTING.●

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional coaching on your shooting positions? Have a partial in Shotgun or Rifle Shooting merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY!▲

Adventure Descriptions (Cont.)

SHOP

Blacksmithing Exhibition: Check out our staff as they hammer out shapes in a blacksmithing exhibition. ■●

Silkscreen Trail Signs: Come learn about our trails and how we mark them. Take a turn silkscreening the trail signs we hang up around camp! ▲■

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional coaching on your welds? Have a partial in a Shop merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲

SPORTS

Gaga: Everyone's favorite games makes a return in 2022! Sign up for unit vs. unit or patrol vs. patrol games and learn the tips and tricks to become a Gaga master while playing a few games! ●

Games of the Day: Want to participate in some unit vs. unit competitions in games like basketball and ultimate frisbee? We'll provide the equipment and referee, you provide the spirit of competition! ■●

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional time designing your game? Have a partial in a Sports merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲



STEM

3D Printing: Come design a jungle object and watch it come to life on one of our 3D printers. This amazing technology is something you definitely want to learn about and see in action! ▲■●

Arduino Kits: Learn some basic programming skills with our super intuitive arduino kits! ▲

Ozobots: Come learn about basic robotics and program an Ozobot to follow certain commands on a pattern. Which colored path through the jungle will you take - let the Ozobots decide! ■●

Help Sessions: Need some extra help with your merit badge? Need additional time soldering? Have a partial in a STEM merit badge you need to complete? Come on down and get a helping hand. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY! ▲

Adventure Descriptions (Cont.)



OTHER PROGRAMS

Life to Eagle Seminar: This will take place on **Tuesday & Thursday** only during **Adventure Session 2 (3:15pm-4:00pm)**. Take a moment with an experienced staff member and Eagle Scout mentor to learn about the next steps in your Scout advancement trail. Perhaps you need help brainstorming a project or with paperwork - our staff has been there before and is excited to help you out!▲

Orchid Hunt: Try your hand at finding the legendary Resica Orchid located somewhere in the camp. Solve clues and find hidden messages left behind from explorers past to be the one to find the Orchid. NO SIGN UP NECESSARY!▲■●

Service Projects: A major part of Scouting is giving back. Take an afternoon, or part of the afternoon, and lend a hand in one of the many camp improvement projects happening around camp. Many hands make light work!■●

Side Quests: Complete some challenges, big and small, to gain some extra points for your troop throughout the week. Some can be done solo, others require a buddy or two, or the whole troop! NO SIGN UP NECESSARY - CHECK THE QUEST BOARD OUTSIDE THE CAMP OFFICE!▲■●

Skit Making: Learn from some experts about the finer points of skit making and be ready to have your whole troop - and other troops - wanting more of your entertainment and laughter!■●

Troop Trips: A staple of the Resica Falls program are the trips we offer to explore the 4,200 acres of Pocono Mountain wilderness - and beyond! Sign up for a hike to a beautiful vista, a swim in one of our natural water holes, or a canoe trip along the Delaware River. SPECIAL LEADER TRAINING REQUIRED FOR AQUATIC TRIPS!●

***Our list of Afternoon Adventures is only growing -
have some ideas for programs?
Please share them with us!***

Sample Schedule - Troop 123

Monday

Session 1 (2:15-3:00pm): Nature Hike

Session 2 (3:15-4:00pm): Side Quests

Session 3 (4:15-5:00pm): Patrol A - Patrol Flag Design & Patrol B - Art Club

Tuesday

Session 1 (2:15-3:00pm): Open Boating

Session 2 (3:15-4:00pm): Open Boating & Wibits

Session 3 (4:15-5:00pm): Hatchery Program

Thursday

Session 1 (2:15-3:00pm): Canoe Trip on the Delaware River

Session 2 (3:15-4:00pm): Canoe Trip on the Delaware River

Session 3 (4:15-5:00pm): Canoe Trip on the Delaware River

Friday

Session 1 (2:15-3:00pm): Patrol A - Hike to Signal Mountain & Patrol B - Teambuilding Elements

Session 2 (3:15-4:00pm): Patrol A - Hike to Signal Mountain & Patrol B - Ozobots

Session 3 (4:15-5:00pm): Open Swim at the Pool

Sample Schedule - Troop 321

Monday

Session 1 (2:15-3:00pm): Patrol Z - Skit Making, Patrol Y - Trail Signs, and Scouts X & W - Mile Swim

Session 2 (3:15-4:00pm): Dragon Boats

Session 3 (4:15-5:00pm): Fishing & Open Boating

Tuesday

Session 1 (2:15-3:00pm): Patrol Z & Y - Paul Bunyan & Scouts X & W - Mile Swim

Session 2 (3:15-4:00pm): Trip to Cool Dip

Session 3 (4:15-5:00pm): Trip to Cool Dip

Thursday

Session 1 (2:15-3:00pm): Patrol Z - Cooking, Patrol Y - Fly Fishing, and Scouts X & W - Mile Swim

Session 2 (3:15-4:00pm): Troop Shoot at the Rifle Range

Session 3 (4:15-5:00pm): Patrol Z - First Aid Derby, Patrol Y - Frisbee Golf, & Patrol V - Nature Hike

Friday

Session 1 (2:15-3:00pm): Patrol Z - Blacksmithing, Patrol Y - Orienteering, and Scouts X & W - Mile Swim

Session 2 (3:15-4:00pm): Sports

Session 3 (4:15-5:00pm): Conservation Project

Troop _____

Patrol _____

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Schedule Template

	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
Adventure Session 1 (2:15pm-3:00pm)				
Adventure Session 2 (3:15pm-4:00pm)				
Adventure Session 3 (4:15pm-5:00pm)				