



Troop
Albuquerque, NM

220



Troop 220 Newsletter – March 2019

A Compendium of Important Information on Troop 220 Events, Activities, and Policies

See also the troop web site at: <http://bsatrop220nm.weebly.com/>

Scoutmaster: Jonathan Olson
Committee Chair: Mike Spoerner

Senior Patrol Leader: Ian Stroud
Asst. Senior Patrol Leader: Clark Hager

Monday Mtg 7 PM-8:30 PM	Duty Patrol *	Skill / Advancement	Planning and Notes
04 Mar	Carnivorous Cobras	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Class Center. Citizenship in the Community MB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Albuquerque City Council Meeting for Cit.in Community MB. Meet at 3:50 pm. CUMC. Class A uniform. Planning for Spring Break Campout to Oliver Lee SP, Alamogordo and White Sands Nat'l Monument
11 Mar	Da Bucks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Class Center. Citizenship in the Community MB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Planning for Spring Break Campout to Oliver Lee SP, Alamogordo and White Sands Nat'l Monument
18 Mar	Radioactive Platypy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Class Center. Family Life MB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PLC at 6 pm Florida Sea Base Planning Meeting with Mr. Baldwin (Fireside Room). New Scout/Parent Orientation with Mr. Olson and Dr. Chang (Sanctuary). SPL nominations
25 Mar	Awkward Turtles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Class Center. Family Life MB Astronomy MB MB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Order of the Arrow Elections Troop Elections for SPL and PLs
Day/Date	Activity/Event	Location	Notes
Fri-Sun., 08-11 Mar	Backpack	Gila National Forest	With Venture Crew 220. Mr. Digby is coordinator.
Fri-Sun., 15-17 Mar 19	Campout	Alamogordo – Oliver Lee State Park and White Sands National Monument	Two night car camp. Mr. Swanson is adult planner.
Mon., 18 Mar	PLC	CUMC	6 pm. For SPL/ASPL, PL/APLs, Cabinet members but open to all Scouts.
Weds., 20 Mar	Committee Mtg	Domingo Baca Center	7 pm. For Committee Members and SM/ASMs but open to all parents.
Wed., 20 Mar	Pack 416 Crossover	TBD	Time TBD. Two new Scouts will be crossing over to Troop 220.

*Duty Patrol has responsibility for Setup, Opening, Game and Clean-up.

Advancement

- Active Merit Badges:
 - Citizenship in the Community – Ms. Hager
 - Family Life – Ms. Parks
 - Astronomy– To start on Monday, 25 March. Taught by Rio Rancho Astronomical Society.
- 1st Class Center – Mr. Claar, Mr. Caswell and Mr. Morris are the ASMs for 1st Class Center.

New Scout and Parent Orientation Meeting: 18 Mar

New Scouts and parents will meet with Mr. Olson, Dr. Chang and other adult Troop leaders during the Troop meeting on Monday, 18 Mar. We will review the Troop mission statement, policy, procedures, activities and communication and will be open to questions that Scouts and/or parents may have.

Order of the Arrow

The Order of the Arrow is Scouting's National Honor Society. The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to serve as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults. Active Scouts who have completed 15 days and nights of camping in the last two years, including one long-term camp experience, have achieved the rank of First Class and have received the Scoutmaster's approval are eligible for

election into the Order of the Arrow. We will hold elections for Order of the Arrow on Monday, 25 Mar. See Noah Spoerner or Mr. Teifel for more information.

Troop Elections

Nominations for the next Senior Patrol Leader will be made on Monday, 18 Mar with elections to be held on Monday, 25 Mar. Patrols will nominate and elect new Patrol Leaders on Monday, 25 Mar. Scouts should review the Troop's minimum eligibility requirements for SPL, ASPL and PL and APL. Applications for cabinet leadership positions will be taken by the new SPL following elections.

Spring Break Backpack, Gila National Forest: 08-11 Mar

Venture Crew 220 has planned a backpack in the Gila National Forest leaving Albuquerque on Friday, 08 Mar and returning on Monday, 11 Mar. This is a great opportunity for older Scouts and prospective Philmont 2020 crew members to participate in multi-day backpack during Spring Break. Mr. Digby is coordinating with Venture Crew.

Spring Break Car Camp, Alamogordo and White Sands National Monument: 15-17 Mar

The Spring Break outing will be a two night car camp in the Alamogordo area with hiking at Oliver Lee State Park, exploring White Sands National Monument and a visit to the New Mexico Space Museum on the itinerary.

National Youth Leadership Training, Gorham Scout Ranch:02-08 June

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is a six-day outdoor experience that all Scouts are encouraged to attend. Eligible Scouts must be at least a 1st Class Scout, 14 years-old, or age 13 and *completed* the 8th Grade. To learn more and to register go to the Gorham Scout Ranch webpage: <http://www.gswcbsa.org/other-programs/nylt/65557>. The Troop will provide a scholarship of half the cost of the camp. To be considered for the scholarship Scouts should provide a half page (2-3 paragraph) essay to the Troop Committee Chair expressing why they would like to attend the camp, what they hope to get out of the experience, and how they expect to be able to apply the leadership principals and skills learned at NYLT to being a Scout leader in Troop 220.

Florida Sea Base: 11-17 June.

Eleven Scouts and four adult advisers in two Crews will be participating in the Florida Keys Adventure at Florida Sea Base this summer. A logistics and planning meeting will be held during the Troop meeting on Monday, 18 Mar. Mr. Baldwin is the lead adult adviser.

Summer Camp, Camp Geronimo: 23-29 June.

Camp Geronimo is located north of Payson, Arizona on nearly 200 acres of Ponderosa pine forest and meadows. This will be a great camp for all Scouts in a beautiful area of northern Arizona. Initial planning meeting and sign-ups were taken in January but we can still add Scouts and adults. See Mr. Butcher. Cost is \$350/Scout and \$125/adult.

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Notes
13-14 Apr	Car Camp	Destination: Bandelier National Monument. Mr. Donner is adult planner.
26-27 Apr	Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills	ASM training event hosted by Sandia District.
27 Apr	Eagle Court of Honor	6 pm. For Ian Stroud, Wyatt Donner and Ethan Baldwin-Olson
04-05 May	Backpack	Destination: Jemez Mtns or Apache Kidd Wilderness (TBD). Mr. Olson is adult planner.
03 Jun	Court of Honor	
02-08 Jun	National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)	Gorham Scout Ranch
11-17 Jun	Florida Sea Base	Two Crews are registered.
23-29 Jun	Scout Camp	Camp Geronimo, Arizona. Mr. Butcher is adult planner
18-21 Jul	Backpack	Weminuche Wilderness, Colorado. Multi-day trek. Mr. Digby is adult planner.
03-04 Aug	Car camp/fishing trip. Fishing MB.	Destination: Heron Lake (TBC). Mr. Claar is adult planner
21-22 Sep	Family Camp	Elk's Refuge
TBD Oct	Backpack	Destination TBD
TBD Nov	Car Camp	Destination TBD
TBD Dec	Troop Lock-In	Location TBD
TBD Jan 2020	Troop Ski Trip	Sipapu Ski Resort (TBC)