

# CUBMASTER'S MINUTE

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## Summer Safety

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Happy summer scouts and parents,

With the summer months here I know we all are planning family get together and vacations. Some of us could be going to the mountains or to the beach or even to an amusement park. I just wanted to remind everyone to have a safe and fun summer and give a couple of safety tips.

Always protect yourself from the sun. You can do this by wearing sunglasses, a hat with a wide brim, light long sleeved shirts, and also sun screen. When applying sunscreen make sure it is SPF 30 or higher and make sure you apply it 30 minutes prior to going outside, and reapply every two hours this also applies to waterproof sunscreen because it can lose its effectiveness after about 80 minutes of swimming. If you do get burned use a cold compress on the burn, over-the-counter pain relievers, and some sort of aloe preparations.

Here in the south we have a greater chance of heat exhaustion, symptoms include fatigue, extreme thirst and muscle cramping. So make sure you take multiple breaks throughout the day and cool down and drink plenty of fluids. If someone does not cool down heat exhaustion can lead to heatstroke symptoms of heatstroke are headaches, dizziness, nausea, vomiting and lack of sweat. Heatstroke can be potentially fatal. If someone is suffering signs of heat exhaustion spray the person with cold water this can come from a hose or a spray bottle. Fan them down and get them to a shaded area. Ice pack to the groin and armpits will help speed up the cooling process. If a person is suffering from heatstroke call 911 immediately. Also remember that infants are vulnerable to heat-related illness as well so keep them in air conditioned areas when possible.

Water safety children should always be monitored by an adult when swimming, and if possible even kids who are strong swimmers should wear some sort of floatation device. If out on a watercraft

all children must wear a life jacket.

With the Fourth of July coming up as well there will be a lot of fireworks and family cook outs burns can happen. When grilling or shooting off fireworks make sure children are well away from the grill and that all fireworks are being handled by a responsible adult. If someone gets a first degree burn remember it does not blister but it will be painful. You will want to place the burned area under a cool running tap for about ten minutes. Then gently dry off and cover with a loose sterile dressing. Keep clean with soap and water. Second degree burns are deeper and will blister (DO NOT POP THE BLISTER). Contact your child's doctor if you suspect a second degree burn. Third degree burns will appear white, waxy, or black. They are so deep that the area will feel numb. If it is a third degree burn please seek medical attention immediately.

Be aware of poisons plants (poison ivy, poison sumac, and Poison Oak. Poison Ivy will have three pointed, notched leaves per stem. Poison Oak will have six to twelve leaves growing in pairs with a single leaf topping the stems. Poison oak looks like poison ivy, but the tips of the leaves are rounded. If you come in contact with any of these plants you have about ten minutes to wash away the rash causing oils. If you don't catch it in time a rash within 12 hours. Using hydrocortisone Cream and antihistamine will help calm the itch.

Be aware of bees. Bees are attracted to flowers so be sure to stay away from fragrances or floral patterned clothing and don't leave food or drink containers open. If stains happen on cloths and we all know they will make sure you change cloths as soon as possible. Remember if a bee lands close to you remain calm and do not try to shoo it away. If you are stung use the edge of a credit card to scrap the stinger out if you use tweezers you are more likely to inject more venom.

**Remember have fun, be safe, and make plenty of memories.**



## Advancements

### *Tiger Den*

#### *National Den Award*

- **Joshua Carter** – Tiger Badge, Wildlife Conservation Belt Loop
- **Hayden Freeman** – Tiger Badge, Horseback Riding Belt Loop
- **Gauge Melton** – Tiger Badge, Outdoor Activity Award, Kickball Belt Loop, Hiking Belt Loop, Video Games Belt Loop, Photography Belt Loop, Attendance Award
- **Maverick Miller** – Tiger Badge, Art Belt Loop, Bicycling Belt Loop, Reading and Writing Belt Loop, Citizenship Belt Loop, Hiking Belt Loop, Fishing Belt Loop, Roller Skating Belt Loop, Soccer Belt Loop, Outdoor Activity Award
- **Joseph Mosley** - Emergency Preparedness Award, Cyber Chip, Outdoor Activity Award, Hiking Belt Loop, Archery Belt Loop, BB Shooting Belt Loop, Leave No Trace Award, Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award, Attendance Award
- **Cameron Skeen** – Tiger Badge, Hiking Belt Loop
- **Benjamin Wright** – Bobcat Badge, Tiger Badge
- **Silas Wright** – Bobcat Badge, Tiger Badge

## A Special Thanks

The Pack would like to extend a very special Thank You to Donald Holmes. Mr. Holmes, the father of Kim Gammill and Grandfather of Chad Gravitt, has agreed to keep the field behind the hut mowed this summer. Mr. Holmes drives his equipment up from Dentville near Hazlehurst to take care of this very important need for us and we are deeply grateful to him for his efforts and his service.

## Advancements

### *Wolf Den*

#### *National Den Award*

- **Charles Griffin** – Wolf Badge, Gold Arrow Point, Map and Compass Belt Loop, World Conservation Award, Attendance Award
- **Robert Haralson** – 2 Silver Arrow Point, Map and Compass Belt Loop, World Conservation Award, Outdoor Activity Award
- **Alex Jordan** – Wolf Badge, Gold Arrow Point, 2 Silver Arrow Points, BB Shooting Belt Loop, Archery Belt Loop, Map and Compass Belt Loop, World Conservation Award, Outdoor Activity Award
- **Evan Rose** – Emergency Preparedness Award, 1 Silver Arrow Point, Map and Compass Belt Loop, World Conservation Award, Outdoor Activity Award, Attendance Award
- **Danny Scarborough** – Wolf Badge, Gold Arrow Point, 1 Silver Arrow Point, World Conservation Award
- **Collin Searles** – 1 Silver Arrow Point, Map and Compass Belt Loop, World Conservation Award, Outdoor Activity Award
- **Galen Walter** – 1 Silver Arrow Point, Map and Compass Belt Loop, World Conservation Award, Outdoor Activity Award, Attendance Award
- **Elijah Wright** – Wolf Badge, Gold Arrow Point, 3 Silver Arrow Points, World Conservation Award, Outdoor Activity Award

## Advancements

### *Bear Den*

#### *National Den Award*

- **Wesley Abt** – Bear Badge, 1 Gold Arrow Point, 2 Silver Arrow Points
- **Daniel Bray** - Bear Badge, Emergency Preparedness Award
- **Ian Clausen** – Gold Arrow Point, 2 Silver Arrow Points
- **Chad Gravitt** - Emergency Preparedness Award, Gold Arrow Point, 6 Silver Arrow Points
- **Kenya Haley** – Gold Arrow Point, 6 Silver Arrow Points
- **Adrien Hough** – Bear Badge, Gold Arrow Point
- **James Pilgrim** – Gold Arrow Point, 6 Silver Arrow Points

## Advancements

### *Webelos*

#### *National Den Award*

- **Jason Bedford** – Scholar Activity Pin, Outdoorsman Activity Pin, Engineer Activity Pin, Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award, World Conservation Award, Compass Point, Attendance Award
- **Chandler Carter** – Artist Activity Pin, Geologist Activity Pin, Scholar Activity Pin, Engineer Activity Pin, Outdoorsman Activity Pin, Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award, Compass Emblem, Compass Point, Attendance Award
- **Malakai Crook** - Artist Activity Pin, Geologist Activity Pin, Forester Activity Pin, Scholar Activity Pin, Outdoorsman Activity Pin, Engineer Activity Pin, Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award, Geology Belt Loop, Compass Emblem, Compass Point, World Conservation Award, Attendance Award, Cyber Chip
- **John Jenkins** – Artist Activity Pin, Geologist Activity Pin, Compass Emblem

- **Timothy Pepper** – Scholar Activity Pin, Geologist Activity Pin, Outdoorsman Activity Pin, Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award, World Conservation Award, Compass Point, Attendance Award
- **Hayden Wirick** – Artist Activity Pin, Geologist Activity Pin, Engineer Activity Pin, Forester Activity Pin, Scholar Activity Pin, Outdoorsman Activity Pin, Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award, Geology Belt Loop, Astronomy Belt Loop, Compass Emblem, Compass Point, Outdoor Activity Award, World Conservation Award, Attendance Award

## Leader Awards

- **Candace Rose** - Den Leaders Knot , Scout Leader's Training Award
- **Jon Rose** - Den Leaders Knot
- **Thomas Walter** - Den Leaders Knot
- **Kimberly Gammill** - Den Leaders Knot, Emergency Preparedness Award
- **Mike Mosley** - Den Leaders Knot, Emergency Preparedness Award
- **Christina Pepper** - Den Leaders Knot, Emergency Preparedness Award, Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award
- **Allen Pepper** - Den Leaders Knot
- **Kale Gammill** - Emergency Preparedness Award
- **Susan Mosley** - Emergency Preparedness Award
- **Catherine Nations** - Emergency Preparedness Award, Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award
- **Catherine Crook** - Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award

## Save the Date!

### *Upcoming events*

June 13—Cub Scout Olympics

June 20—Field Day at Jenkins Park

# Summertime Activities

## Cub Scout Olympics

*June 13 - 9:00 a.m.*

The Olympics will consist of 8 events in which each den will be competing as a team. The events will be a 30 yard dash, a standing long jump, and a shot put. There will also be a discus throw, a javelin throw and a tire obstacle relay. The last two events will be a speed relay and a physical feats course. There will also be a just for fun event at the end for all the cub Scouts to participate in together. As Always Siblings are welcome and encouraged to participate. There will be a Hot Dog lunch for everyone. so come on out and lets all have a fun day at the Olympics, Scout Style!

## Field Day

*June 20 — 8:30 a.m — Noon*

Pack 575 will be having a field day/community outreach event June 20th at Jenkins Park in Pearl. The event will begin with setup at 8:30 and conclude at noon. We will be having activities related to advancement as well as games and ice cream or popsicles. The event

will be open to the public and is our chance to show what Cub Scouting is all about. This is the first in a series of outreach events we are planning for the summer to try to increase interest in scouting as well as provide fun summertime activities for our scouts. We encourage all scouts to attend. More details will be made available on the pack website ([pack575pearl.org](http://pack575pearl.org)) as the event comes together.

Directions to Jenkins Park:

From the hut-

Head West on Old Brandon Road to Pearson Road.

Turn Left (South) on Pearson Road then drive South 1.5 miles to Old Whitfield Road.

Turn Left on Old Whitfield Road then drive 1.6 miles.

Jenkins Park will be on your Right.

## Leaders Only

*June 6 - 8:00 a.m.*

Diversity Training at the hut. All leaders should plan to attend

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