

ZOMBIE INVASION II

Fall Camporee



Leader's Guide

October 18 – 20, 2020
Camp Thunderbird
Pacific Harbors Council, BSA

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Infected or Survivor – Which will you be, and who will come out alive?

WARNING: Due to the intense nature of the event, this Camporee is primarily intended for 11 to 20 year old Scouts and Venturers. Webelos II Cubs are subject to restrictions.

Zombies have been sighted heading towards the south Puget Sound region, and are rumored to be heading towards Camp Thunderbird. Scouts are advised to seek shelter at the Thunderbird Emergency Zombie Defense Station. Further information will be provided later...

Introduction:

In October of 2010, John Allen, Dennis Staples, Cher O'Dell and John Ohlson joined forces to create the first 'Zombie Invasion' Camporee at Camp Hahobas. The idea for the Zombie Invasion Camporee came from Scouter Scott West, who had previously organized several themed camporees in 2007 - 2009: the Geocache Camporee, Amazing Race Camporee, and 'Survivor: Hahobas'. Due to work commitments, Scott handed over the reins to the new team of organizers in 2010, and the rest is history.

The most memorable feedback came from one of the Scoutmasters who attended in 2010:
"This truly was a superb event. I believe many of the boys will remember this weekend as one of the very best in their scouting experience."

Over 300 people attended the 2010 Zombie Invasion Camporee, and it was so well liked that we held 'Zombie Night Hikes' at WashJam 2012 and 2016, to carry on the tradition. Well over 500 Scouts participated in each of these Zombie Night Hikes, and other Scout Councils across the country copied our ideas, and held their own Zombie camporees in the years that followed.

Nine years later, we are reviving the original Zombie Invasion Camporee for a new generation of Scouts to enjoy, so here's hoping you will all 'survive' this new adventure, and make memories of a lifetime that will be talked about for years to come.

See you at Camp,
John Ohlson
Activities Chair, Zombie Master
Pacific Harbors Council

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Staff Advisor: Frank Villanueva
Area Directors: Grant Toepfer, Rebecca Saar, Alex Ohlson, Darel Roa

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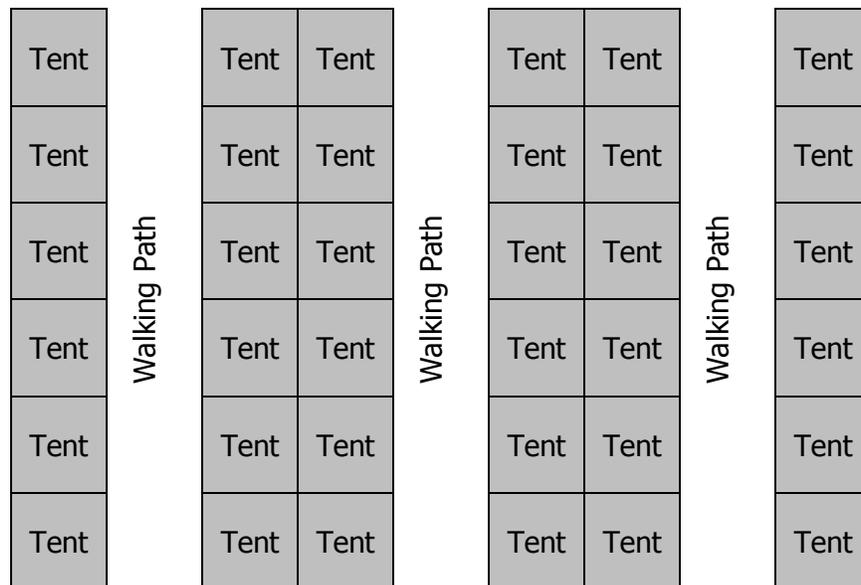
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Jamboree-Style Campsite Plan

In order to maximize the use of our campsite space, we are requesting that Troops utilize the 'Jamboree-Style' campsite tent arrangement, where tents are pitched as close to each other as possible. If they are sharing tent stakes, then they are close enough... you get the picture.

1. Tents should be placed as close as possible to each other
2. Arrange tents in rows, to keep zombies out
3. Three or more people per tent if possible
4. Share your campsite: safety in numbers
5. Allow a 10' path between rows of tents

This example shows rows of tents that are 10'x10' square, with a 10' wide walking path between the rows.



Important Information for Scout Leaders

Because of the extreme popularity of this event, we are attempting to accommodate over 500 Scouts & Leaders and 100 staff members in Camp Thunderbird. Parking and campsite space are expected to be our chief concerns, so the following measures will be in effect for this event:

- **Mandatory Carpooling** – all vehicles arriving at the event must carry as many passengers as possible, as parking will be scarce. Drop-offs of groups of Scouts by parents are encouraged. Vehicles that arrive with just a driver on board or with multiple empty seats will be asked to find parking offsite.
- **No Troop Trailers or RV's** – Because of the limitation on parking, trailers and other large vehicles will not be permitted on site, you must carry your gear to your campsites.
- **This is not 'Car Camping'** – Due to the tight quarters and imminent danger from the approaching zombie hordes, your Scouts should treat this as a 'survival' outing, and pack light. Do not bring heavy camping gear, patrol boxes, large coolers, etc., as vehicles will not be allowed to drive up to the campsites. Pack as though you will be going on a backpacking trip.
- **Arrival & Parking** – When you arrive at Camp, please do not find your own parking spot. Cars will be directed into the staging area, where your Scouts will be 'screened' for the zombie infection before proceeding to their campsites. Troop gear will be offloaded to a staging area, where you will carry it to your campsites. Troop Guides will direct vehicle drivers to your designated parking spots.
- **Jamboree Style Camping** – Troop campsites will be 'packed in tight', meaning tents must be set up in rows where possible, touching each other to maximize campsite space. Your Troop Guide will help determine where your tents will be located. You may be asked to share a campsite with another Troop.
- **No 'One-Man' Tenting** – Please leave your 'one-man' tents home, and plan to share a larger tent with your fellow Scouts, observing youth protection guidelines. Hammocks hung from trees will be permitted as space allows.
- **Cabins are for Staff** – Due to capacity restrictions, all cabins are reserved for event staff.
- **Troops Provide Their Meals** – Troops will be providing and cooking all of their meals.
- **Patrol Size** – In order to accommodate the most Scouts in this event, we ask you to consolidate your Patrols to 5 to 8 Scouts each where possible. Please use the Patrol rosters at the end of this guide to indicate your patrol assignments, and return them to us ASAP.
- **White T-Shirts** – Scouts who participate in the Saturday evening Zombie event will be required to bring a 'disposable' white T-Shirt to wear, and 'old' pants. These WILL get bloody when you encounter a zombie, so don't wear your uniforms on Saturday night.
- **Event T-Shirts** – Zombie Logo T-shirts are now available for purchase, [Order your shirt now](#)
- **Firebuilding Kits** – Patrols must assemble these at home and bring them. See the FAQ page for details.

Event Overview

Friday Night Check In: Quarantine and Isolation

The weekend begins at 6:00 PM sharp, with the gates of Camp Thunderbird opened for the select few Troops who have gained clearance to enter. Military personnel will be guarding the gate, to prevent unauthorized visitors (or Zombies) from entering camp. A 'screening' process will be held at Dale O Johnson Lodge, where the Scouts will be evaluated for the zombie virus. Once cleared, the Scouts will proceed to their campsites to set up camp.

At 9:00 PM, an 'All Camp' briefing will be held for all youth and adult participants. The details of the weekend's activities will be shared at that time.

Saturday Daytime Event: Zombie Survival Training

The daytime event will consist of learning zombie survival skills, at various activity stations. Patrols will be given a 'Zombie Survival Handbook' to assist with their training. These skills will be used during the evening event, to ward off the approaching zombie hords.

Saturday Night Time Event: Zombie Invasion

The nighttime event 'may' feature an Invasion of Zombies. The shelters, fences, traps and other items built during the day in camp will be used to combat the Zombie Invasion during the evening program. The invasion will take place at some point during Saturday evening, when the zombie hords reach the outskirts of Camp Thunderbird.

Sunday Event: Assessment and Recovery

The survivors are accounted for, casualties and other losses recorded, and a reckoning of who 'won' the invasion will be determined.

Camp must be vacated by Noon, Troops may leave once they receive their patches and are released by their Troop Guides.

Frequently Asked Questions:



Q: What do We Wear?

A: White T-Shirts Required for Saturday Night - **No Class A Uniforms**

Due to the nature of a Zombie Invasion, there will be some fake blood and other substances getting on the Scout's clothes on Saturday night. Each Scout should bring a 'disposable' white T-Shirt, that they won't mind getting stained with 'fake blood'. Official Zombie Invasion Camporee T-Shirts will be available for purchase.

Pants or coats worn during the event may get fake blood on them as well, so please don't send the 'nice' stuff to camp this weekend. Painting clothes are appropriate for this event. We will not be requiring Class A uniforms to be worn during the weekend, so please leave them home.



Q: Will there be event T-Shirts we can purchase?

A: Yes, Zombie Logo T-shirts are available for purchase for \$14, [click here to order your shirt](#). Shirt sales close at midnight, October 9th.

Q: How much do Tickets Cost?

A: Early Bird fee discounts are as follows:
\$20.00 per person if paid by August 31st
\$25.00 per person if paid by October 15th
\$30.00 at the event, if space allows

Q: What meals do our Troop need to provide?

A: Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast.

Q: What about the Firebuilding Kits?

A: Each Patrol is required to bring a one-gallon Ziploc bag, containing enough tinder, kindling and other wood to start a small fire. This will be used to compete at one of the stations, so don't forget this important item. Patrol Leaders are responsible for this item.

Q: Do we need to bring Firewood

If you want to have a campfire at camp in established fire pits, you'll need to bring firewood and carry it to your campsite. There are only 6 fire pits for 600 people, so you will need to share.

Q: Will the Trading Post be Open?

A: The Trading Post will be open all weekend, with a variety of items for sale.

Q: Why is there a limit of 500 people for this event?

A: The event Committee decided to limit the number of participants to 500 participants (adults & youth) in order to provide a better quality experience for the Scouts, and due to capacity limitations of Camp Thunderbird. This is meant to address issues such as overcrowding at activity stations, missed opportunities to participate due to scheduling issues, and the ability to provide adequate volunteer staff to operate the stations for a group of this size.

Q: My Troop is on the waiting list, When will we find out if we are going or not?

A: The event sold out on September 10th, and a waiting list has been established. We will fill cancellations from the waiting list in the order received, and Troops on the waiting list will be notified when an opening occurs. If you bought more tickets than you need, please ask for a refund prior to October 1st, or you may not receive a full refund. [Click here to join the waiting list.](#)

Q: What happens if I am chosen from the Waitlist?

A: If you have people on the waitlist, please watch for an email from the council, notifying you that you have been chosen from the waitlist.

At that time, you will need to make a payment for the Scouts and adults on the waitlist within 3 business days, so please be ready with a firm headcount for your unit, so there is no delay in completing your payment transaction. If you need to adjust your numbers, please contact the office.

Due to the short time frame involved, **there will be no refunds given to people added from the wait list**, so please do not purchase tickets for people who have not committed to go.

Q: What is the Council's Refund Policy?

A: All cancellations and/or refund requests for activities should be submitted in writing to the Creighton Scout Service Center at 4802 South 19th St., Tacoma, WA 98405, or emailed to dianne.rogers@scouting.org

- Refunds are based on the date the written request is **received** at the Creighton Scout Service Center.
- Requests received two weeks (**10 business days, no later than October 3rd**) or more prior to an event will receive a full refund.
- Requests received from 5 to 9 business days before the event (**no later than October 11th**) will receive a 50% refund.
- No refunds are available 4 or fewer business days prior to an event.
- The Council may make exceptions in the case of family emergency, sickness, or changes in military duty.

Q: Who Gets Patches?

A: The first 500 Scouts to register will receive a Zombie Invasion Patch. Patches will be available for adults as supplies last.

Q: Can Cub Scouts Attend?

A: No. Only Webelos II Cubs (Arrow of Light) who are guests of a Scout Troop Patrol may attend during the day on Saturday only. Cub Scouts cannot stay overnight at Scout Camporees.

Q: What time does the event start?

A: 6:00 PM on Friday, October 18th. Check out the Event Schedule below for details.

Zombie Invasion Camporee Schedule

Friday, October 18, 2019

- 6:00 - 8:00 PM Troops are greeted at the gate with military guards
(No early arrivals, please)
Troops are escorted through screening at Dale O Johnson Lodge as they arrive
- 9:00 PM: Event briefing at Dining Hall - all participants (Must be on time)

Saturday, October 19, 2019

- Breakfast at Troop Sites
- 7:30 AM: Patrol Leader's Meeting - Dale O.
- 8:00 AM: Flags & Morning Briefing
- 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Morning Stations
- 12:30 - 1:30 PM: Lunch at Troop Sites
- 1:30 - 5:00 PM: Afternoon Stations
- 5:00 PM: Dinner at Troop Sites
- 7:00 PM: Assemble at Flag Field for Evening Program
- 10:00 PM: Event ends
- 11:00 PM: Lights Out

Sunday, October 20, 2019

- Breakfast at Troop Sites
- 9:00 AM: Meet at Flag Field; Trash sweep of camp, Station breakdown assisted by Troops.
- 10:00 AM: Check Out when released by Station Masters, receive patches.

Zombie Invasion Gear List

Item
10 Outdoor Essentials (See below)
Rain Gear: coat & pants, poncho, waterproof hat No trash bags!
White t-shirt for each youth participant - think disposable, they will get dirty! No Class A Uniforms allowed!
Old clothes to wear during the 'Invasion'. These clothes will get dirty, and covered with fake blood, that doesn't wash out. Bring your rattiest outfits.
Day Pack to carry 10 essentials and other gear to stations.
Fire Building Kit , in a 1 gallon Ziploc bag. Contains enough tinder, kindling & wood to build a small fire
Flashlights or head lamps for every participant
2 complete changes of clothes.
Troops must provide the following meals on their own: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday Breakfast • Saturday Lunch • Saturday Dinner • Sunday Breakfast

10 Outdoor Essentials:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Knife	Folding blade knife, not sheath type.
<input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit	Band-Aids, Moleskin & Neosporin (see list below)
<input type="checkbox"/> Extra Clothing	2 changes of clothes; shirt, pants, socks, underwear, sweater
<input type="checkbox"/> Rain Gear	Poncho – able to cover backpack: fabric type, no thin plastic and/or Rain Suit with waterproof hat, pants and jacket.
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Bottle	Water for drinking & cooking
<input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight	Extra batteries and bulb - recommend AA type or 'headlight'
<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Food	Trail mix, granola bars, etc. For emergency use only.
<input type="checkbox"/> Matches	Store in watertight container, or get waterproof type.
<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Starters	Small candle or wax dipped cardboard, egg crates, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Sun Protection	Sunscreen & sun glasses
<input type="checkbox"/> Map & Compass	Map of area & liquid filled compass with plastic bearing finder

Zombie Invasion Patrol Roster

Troop Number: _____

Patrol Name: _____

Patrol Members	Patrol Position
1.	Patrol Leader
2.	Assistant Patrol Leader
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