

**COCHISE DISTRICT**  
**3rd ANNUAL SPRING RENDEZVOUS 2009**



### **Victorio Rendezvous**

“Rendezvous” is the anglicization of the Old French word Rendez vous meaning “Present yourselves” or “appointment”. In a general sense, it means any type of meeting, generally between two people. It can also be a place either for a meeting at an agreed time, or where people often meet.

Rendezvous was the name used for the annual meeting of mountain men, Indians, and fur buyers during the Western fur trade era. At the Rendezvous there was competition between the mountain men and Indians, games like marksmanship with firearms, bows, tomahawks, and demonstrations of skills.

This brings us to the Victorio Rendezvous. In addition to the Camporee style events during the day on Saturday and after the Awards portion of the Saturday evening campfire, the annual Papago Lodge, Victorio Chapter, Order-of-the- Arrow (OA) calling out ceremony for new candidates that have been elected by the boys in their troop to become members of the OA will be conducted. A Victorio Chapter election team will be available during the day on Saturday for those units that have Scouts OA eligible but have not conducted an election prior to 20 March 2009. Remember, only one election per unit per year.

**WHO:** All Boy Scouts, Parents, Scouters, Webelos Scouts\*, and Guests.

**WHAT:** Cochise District 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Victorio Rendezvous 2009.

**WHEN:** 20 thru 22 March 2009.

**WHERE:** Post Ranch, Benson, Arizona. The entrance from State Highway 90 at mile marker 294 will be marked.

**WHY: FUN! ADVENTURE! LEARNING! ADVANCEMENT! SPIRIT! GOOD TIMES!**

**FORMAT:** Cochise District 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Rendezvous 2009 events will be conducted with Boy Scout skills being highlighted. You may want your Scout handbook handy.

**SPECIAL EVENTS:**

**Saturday afternoon live nature demonstration by the Gray Hawk Nature Center Director Sandy Anderson and her critters.**

**Stove top cook off (Black Skillet) and Best Campsite (i.e., camp site setup, camp gadgets, gateway).**

**COST:** EARLY REGISTRATION is \$10.00 per participant until 27 February 2009 with the cost being \$15.00 per participant after that date. **Register early and save money!**

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**DUST PROBLEM:** To help control the dust problem the speed on all dirt roads is 10 MPH. This is also a **Safety Issue** and must be followed! Help keep the dust down.

**WATER:** All units are required to bring more than sufficient water for drinking, cooking, cleaning, sanitation and additional water for emergencies to support three days of camping.

**ARRIVAL:** All units must check in at the registration table to verify tour permits, fee payment (if necessary), and obtain the campsite assignment. As this is private land, please do not drive off of the roads or out into the fields to unpack your equipment. We ask all Scouts to respect the land and the living things on the land. Please remember that Scouts do not cut living plants or harass any animals. We want to preserve the natural beauty of this property so that we may be invited back in the future.

**PATROL METHOD:** One of the prime purposes of a Rendezvous (Camporee) is to utilize the troop and patrol method during all activities. Activities are planned to exemplify the patrol method within Scouts units and to show true Scout Spirit throughout the Rendezvous (Camporee). Remember, the primary rules of any Scouts event are the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Patrols should look, camp and participate as a patrol. Troop and patrol campsites must be identified. Flying the troop and patrol flags is encouraged. Plan ahead for the type of equipment you may need for the Rendezvous (Camporee).

**FIRES:** There will be no individual campfires; all cooking done in campsites must be done on camp stoves and **NOT** over an open ground fire. All Fires will be attended to at all times. Cooking equipment that can be used are; Gas BBQ Grills, Dutch Oven Table, Flip-N-Grill, Camp stoves, and charcoal BBQ Grills.

No individual campfires or ground fires are allowed at the Camporee except for the one on Saturday night Awards.



Cooking can be done on the listed types of equipment, if you are going to be using charcoal to cook in your campsite. There must be an adult present at all times, until the coals are completely out. Troop using charcoal must carry out the ashes and residue when they depart the campsite at the end of the camporee. The use of a metal can with lid is recommended for the charcoal ashes and residue, and safeguard similar to those required for use in the Scout Handbook.



**RESTROOM:** There will be several portable restrooms available for use during the Rendezvous (Camporee). Please keep them clean for the next person to use. If you make a mess in the restroom please clean it up.

**HEALTH AND SANITATION:** Each unit must keep their own areas clean and carry out their own trash. Remember, a Scout is clean! Before a unit leaves its designated campsite, it will be inspected by a member of the Rendezvous (Camporee) staff. When your Scout unit is ready to leave, the youth leader must request an inspection of your campsite. Upon satisfactory inspection, your unit will receive its patches and awards envelope.

**SATURDAY EVENING CAMPFIRE:** If your unit would like to share a particularly good skit, funny story, etc, please inform the Rendezvous (Camporee) staff ahead of time. We will try to accommodate as many units as possible, but don't want the campfire to drag on endlessly.

**SATURDAY DEPART / RETIRE FOR THE EVENING:** After the Saturday evening campfire, those units that will be departing the Rendezvous (Camporee) may do so. Prior to departure, a Rendezvous (Camporee) staff member must inspect your unit's campsite for cleanliness. Units camping Saturday evening will return to campsites for evening free time.

**DEPART:** After the "Scouts Own" worship service, units will pack and depart the Rendezvous (Camporee). Prior to departure, a Rendezvous (Camporee) staff member must inspect your unit's campsite for cleanliness. As this is private land, please do not drive off of the roads or out into the fields to pack you equipment. We ask all Scouts to respect the land and the living things on the land. We want to preserve the natural beauty of this property so that we may be invited back in the future.

### **PRINCIPLES OF LEAVE NO TRACE**

1. Plan ahead and prepare
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces
3. Dispose of waste properly (Pack it in, Pack it out)
4. Leave what you find
5. Minimize campfire impacts
6. Respect wildlife
7. Be considerate of other visitors

\* "Guide to Safe Scouting", Chapter III Camping

"The Boy Scouts of America has established the following guidelines for its members' participation in camping activities: A Webelos Scout may participate in overnight den camping when supervised by an adult. In most cases, the Webelos Scout will be under the supervision of his parent or guardian. It is essential that each Webelos Scout be under the supervision of a parent-approved adult. Joint Webelos den-troop campouts including the parents of the Webelos Scouts are encouraged to strengthen ties between the pack and troop. Den leaders, pack leaders, and parents are expected to accompany the boys on approved trips."

Webelos Scouts may attend the Rendezvous (Camporee) as a guest of a Boy Scout Troop; the Webelos Scout will participate in the Rendezvous (Camporee) as a Patrol member of that Troop.

**Thanks for participating!**

And hope to see you in March at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Victorio Rendezvous 2009 and in October at the 2009 Fall Camporee

Tentative Schedule  
**Cochise District 3rd Annual Spring Rendezvous 2009**  
Post Ranch, Benson, Arizona



Friday, 20 March 2009

- 4:00 p.m. Pre-arrival time. Use for gateway project setup or Campsite set up planning.
- 5:00 p.m. Registration opens. Turn in rosters and pay final fees at Rendezvous headquarters. Set up Camp.
- 8:30 p.m. Cracker barrel for Senior Patrol Leaders, Scoutmasters, and all staff for Saturday's events at Rendezvous.
- 10:00 p.m. Taps

Saturday, 21 March 2009

- 6:30 a.m. Reveille, breakfast.
- 8:00 a.m. Assembly, flag ceremony, and final instructions.
- 8:30 a.m. Competition events begin.
- 11:30 a.m. Events for the morning end.
- TROOP LUNCH**
- 12:30 p.m. Continuation of competition events.
- 1:00 p.m. Live Nature Demonstration
- 3:00 p.m. Competition ends.
- 5:00 p.m. Colors lowered.
- TROOP DINNER BLACK SKILLET COMPETITION**
- 7:00 p.m. Assembly, campfire, awards, and OA calling out ceremonies. Checkout for units leaving Saturday night.
- 10:00 p.m. Taps

Sunday, 22 March 2009

- 6:30 a.m. Reveille, breakfast.
- 9:00 a.m. Scout's Own Service
- 9:30 a.m. Check Out

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**Registration Form:**

Enter Your Unit Type: Troop  Crew  Varsity

Enter Your Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit leader name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone : (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of youth attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 (See NOTE) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ total amt.

Number of adults attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 (See NOTE) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ total amt.

(All leaders and parents are \$15.00 each (See NOTE))

Total payment amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Register before 27 February 2009 **save \$5.00 per person** cost only \$10.00 per person.  
Must be at Catalina Council by 27 February 2009.

**Pay by cash:** Fax your registration form and LOCAL TOUR PERMIT APPLICATION to the scout office at (520)750-0815, and bring your cash to the scout office.

**Pay by Check #1:** Fax your registration form and LOCAL TOUR PERMIT APPLICATION to the scout office at (520)750-0815, and bring your check to the scout office.

**Pay by Check #2:** Mail your registration form and LOCAL TOUR PERMIT APPLICATION and check to the scout office at the address below.

Catalina Council / Boy Scouts of America  
ATTN: Cochise District Rendezvous Fees  
5049 E. Broadway Blvd., Ste. 200  
Tucson, AZ 85711

**Pay by Major Credit Card:** Fax your registration form and LOCAL TOUR PERMIT APPLICATION to the scout office at (520)750-0815, and call the scout office at 1(800)765-2543 with your credit card information.