

Name of Outing: Troop 323 Annual Cross-Over

Location: Bumble Bee Ranch

Dates of Outing: March 23-24, 2013

Outing Leader(s)	Name	Email	Phone
Leader	Mitchell Rutherford	Mrrone89@yahoo.com	602-300-2506
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Co-leader (2)			

Type of Outing: Car Camp Degree of difficulty: low

General Description of Outing:

This is Troop 323's annual outing where our new Scouts "cross-over" into Boy Scouts and Troop 323. The outing is at the beautiful Bumble Bee Ranch. This is a car camp that is very family friendly as the site has running water and bathrooms and a wonderful pavilion with tables, chairs, and a stage. There is plenty of open space for playing and camping, and a Ranch House for the adults to sleep in. New Scouts will get their first chance to sleep with their newly assigned patrols. Scouts can sleep in tents or out under the stars.

After we arrive at the ranch, the Scouts are quickly employed with structured activities to encourage bonding, advancements, and fun. There will be informational sessions for the adults. On Saturday evening new Scouts cross-over into Boy Scouts in the light of a raging bonfire courtesy of Willie Fahy. Then by tradition we will chow on cobbler during the famous "Saturday Night Live: Bumble Bee # 323". Sunday morning will include a sulfurous rocket launch in the cow fields. All Scouts and adults are encouraged to bring all of their model rocket gear (no cows will be harmed in the launching of our rockets). We will depart and return home in time for Sunday lunch.

New Scouts should have a BSA handbook!!

Scouts and their families are invited. The troop is hosting this outing; there is no outing fee. All food is provided. Parents wanting to stay in the ranch house will need to help chip in for that cost (see outing leader Sharon Haynes).

Activities for Scouts:

- New Scouts are assigned to patrols
- New Scouts get trained for "Totin' Chip" (knife/axe training) and "Firem'n Chit" (Fire training)
- New Scouts work on Tenderfoot and 2nd Class Rank requirements
- New Scouts "cross-over" into BSA on Troop 323 rope bridge
- Bumble Bee Ranch Geocaching
- Model rocket building and rocket launch

Activities for Adults:

- Introduction to BSA and Troop 323 – lead by Scoutmaster
- Review of volunteer positions - lead by Scoutmaster
- How to select needed camping/backpacking equipment - lead by Crew 2323 leader
- Register Scout/adults for BSA and Troop 323
- Purchase BSA uniform patches, Troop 323 class B shirts, hats, and other accessories
- Get to know other troop adults

Also:

- Spectacular bon fire
- "Saturday Night Live: Bumble Bee #323" skits
- Flag retirement
- Delicious food cooked by Scouts
- Dutch Oven cooked cobbler

Depart	Where?	When?
March 23 rd , Saturday	Lookout Mountain Parking Lot	7:00am-meet; 7:30am-leave
Return	Where?	When?
March 24 th , Sunday	Lookout Mountain Parking Lot	12:30pm-ish

Directions to Outing Location:

Take I-17 north towards Flagstaff. After passing Black Canyon City, take exit 248 "Bumble Bee / Crown King" exit. Make a left at the stop sign. Follow the road for 4 miles (part paved / part dirt). You can't really get lost here (unless you go off-road). At four miles you will cross over a small bridge. Entrance to the Bumble Bee Ranch is ¼ mile past the bridge on the right side. If you reach the town of Bumble Bee you have gone about 0.4 mi too far. Take the ranch entrance road

down through the wash and back up into the ranch. After crossing the cattle guard veer to the right and take the road down to the large pavilion. Park in lot next to pavilion (not in grassy area).

Anticipated Weather Information: hi in the low 70s, low in the mid 40s, potential clouds. Info to be updated as we get closer to outing.

What you need to Bring:

Clothing:

- Cool clothes for the day: shorts, hat
- Warm clothes for the evening: long pants, jacket, sweatshirt, jeans, beanie
- Proper uniform: Class A shirt, scout pants, scout belt, bolo tie, scout socks, (Cub Scout uniform OK)
- Class B shirt
- Personal Items: underwear, socks
- Proper footwear (NOT flip flops or sandals)

Food:

- Sat lunch (sandwiches/chips), Sat dinner (soft tacos, rice and quesadillas), and Sunday breakfast (cold breakfast items) provided by troop. Snacks, water, juice and meals will be provided. And cobbler too!

Camping Gear:

- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping pad or cot
- Ground cloth
- Flashlight or headlight
- Camp pillow (optional)
- Tent (optional)
- Mess kit is NOT needed as troop will supply all eating utensils

Other Equipment:

- Camelback (optional)
- BSA Scout Handbook
- Toiletries: toothbrush, toothpaste, sunscreen, tissues
- Rocket launching gear
- Pocket knife
- Sunscreen

Misc:

- U.S. Flags for retirement
- New Scouts need to bring copy of BSA medical form

Other Outing Information Adults will be sleeping separately from the scouts. There is tent space for new scouts without a tent. A brand new scout handbook for the new scouts is ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY and should be purchased from the scout store before arriving on the outing. All scouts need their scout handbook as well. Scouts are absolutely not allowed to drive other scouts, or on their own.

Important Numbers

Scoutmaster	Other _____	Other _____	Other _____
David A. Wright 602 993-6547 (home) 602 618-7404 (cell) Mr.wright@cox.net			

Troop First Aid Kit and Medical Binder Holder: David A. Wright

Outing Approved by Committee? Yes / No	Tour Permit Approved by District? Yes / No
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