



# **NOVEMBER 10-12**

## **CENTRAL GEORGIA COUNCIL SHOOTING SPORTS WEEKEND**

### **Weekend filled with exciting Shooting opportunities**

More than you standard straight away shooting experiences. We will offer Cowboy Action shooting with rifles, pistol (14 and older), and shotguns. Under 14, will get their own unique rifle experience. A walking field archery course with 3d animal targets. Tomahawk and knife throwing area. Knife handle paracord wrapping class, and you get to take the knife home. Utilize your scout skills on an orienteering course. Enjoy a shotgun walk up event. At night those of you that want to really achieve something more can sign up for the Winchester Program and work toward your Distinguished Expert Rating. Read on inside for more details.



**Leaders Guide for  
Shooting Fun**

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**This is the second  
bi-annual CGC  
Shooting Sports  
Weekend  
Campout**

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**But wait, there is  
more to do than  
shoot**

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**Paracord knife  
handle wrapping  
& Orienteering**

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**Don't wait, we  
only have room  
for the first 100  
Eager scouts**

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# Central Georgia Council Camp Benjamin Hawkins Leaders' Guide

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The Central Georgia Council, Boy Scouts of America, welcomes you to our second bi-annual Shooting Sports Weekend. This camp is centered around shooting sports. All shooters at any level of expertise are welcome. We will have courses of fire tailored to each shooter. With different twists and additional challenges available for seasoned shooters.

## **Disclaimer**

Understand that this is a working document, and plans are still in progress. Activities may change based on numbers/budget and availability of materials and supplies. The agenda/schedule may also be modified to make sure that enough time is given to all events. This guide is designed to give you an idea of what will be going on at camp. This will also give you the information that you need to plan.

## **General Information**

- \* Campers will provide their own tents and bedding. Campsites will be assigned one-week prior to check in. Special access or needs should be noted on your registration form.
- \* All meals will be the responsibility of the individual troops.
- \* Water will be available at each activity location. Scouts should bring their own water bottles.
- \* Event Schedules will be emailed out one-week prior to check in. Each event period will be 90 minutes to allow sufficient time for all shooters to have the ultimate positive experience.
- \* Vehicles may be driven into camp to drop off gear; **all vehicles need to be moved to the parking lot by 8:00pm Friday night (unless otherwise specified).** Vehicles will be allowed back into camp Sunday morning to load camp gear.
- \* Troops are responsible for cleaning up their campsite and taking all trash to the dumpster at the dining hall.
- \* All shooting sports events will take place under the trained eye of NRA certified instructors for each discipline.
- \* All shooting sports events must take place where others can view the interaction.
- \* Scouts must have a buddy when traveling between events.
- \* All scouts must attend the NRA SAFETY BRIEFING and receive a wristband in order to shoot

## **Registration**

Please see Registration Guidelines at end of Leaders Guide. There are two ways to register. You may register by paper and deliver it to council or print out the registration form and email it to [April.Meeks@scouting.org](mailto:April.Meeks@scouting.org) Register early! This is a maximum capacity event. Once capacity has been reached, registration will be closed and a waiting list will be started for those interested. **Please send Registration forms and deposits to Council prior to September 30, 2017.** This allows us time to make sure enough materials and supplies can be purchased and ready. Registration will also be available on [meritbadge.info](http://meritbadge.info)

## **Cancellations**

All cancellations made by September 30<sup>th</sup> will receive a full refund. Cancellations after 5 p.m. on September 30<sup>th</sup>, do not qualify for a refund. Shooting Sports Camp is a rain or shine event.

## **Fees**

Fees for Scouts attending Shooting Sports Camp are as follows:

\*\$50 per Scout if paid by September 30, 2017

\*\$8 for Winchester

Fees for Adults attending Shooting Sports Camp are as follows:

\*\$8 for Winchester

**Please email [cgshootingsports@gmail.com](mailto:cgshootingsports@gmail.com) to volunteer prior to sending your registration.**

\* Fee covers all ammo, targets, knives, paracord and additional supplies

\* This is a shooting centered camp out and shooting is not cheap. We have made every attempt to keep costs down so that the largest number of scouts can have an opportunity to shoot. Be it the first time or another chapter in a long shooting career. Our focus is on making this an exciting outing that scouts want to come back and do again.

## **Activities**

We have are providing the following registered events:

\* COWBOY ACTION will be rifle, pistol, shotgun (for scouts 14 and older)

\* UNIQUE RIFLE EXPERIENCE (for scouts under 14)

\* ARCHERY will be a field style-walking event with multiple 3d game animal targets that will be engaged.

\* KNIFE HANDLE WRAPPING will feature each scout being given a knife blank/paracord and will be taught how to properly wrap the handle. The scout

then gets to keep the knife and take it home. **(MUST BRING TOTIN' CHIP FOR INSTRUCTOR VERIFICATION)**

### **Walk-Up Activities**

- \* **Tomahawks and Knives** - scouts can walk up and try their hand at throwing Tomahawks and knives in a controlled environment.
- \* **Shotgun** – scouts can walk up during their free period
- \* **Orienteering** – bring a compass, set your pace count and test your skills during your free period

### **Evening Activities**

- \* **Campfire** – Saturday night every troop will want to join us for the campfire to hand out awards/recognition for the different activities
- \* **Winchester shooting** will take place Saturday night and be a pay for play event. Winchester is an ongoing program where shooters can achieve recognition for their skills by earning the NRA / Winchester Discipline patch and rockers for each level they achieve. Cost will be \$8. Discipline patches will also be available for purchase for an additional \$4.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

- \* **What is Shooting Sports Camp?** Shooting Sports Camp provides a great opportunity for Boy Scouts to experience a shooting experience that they will not find elsewhere at a cost that is as low as possible.
- \* **Will the Troop need to provide two adult leaders?** BSA policy requires at least two adult leaders be in camp at all times; one must be 21 years old. Leaders may rotate if necessary, but at least two adults must always be with the troop in camp. If your troop can not provide two leaders, please contact the Camp Coordinator to make arrangements to combine with another unit. Troop should register as a unit rather than individually. This ensures that troops are in the same campsite for assignments.
- \* **Do I need a Medical Form for each participant?** Yes, policies and procedures outlined in the “Guide to Safe Scouting” apply. Each full-time scout, leader and volunteer will need Annual Medical Form at Check-in. Bring medications in the original containers, labeled with name and instructions including inhalers and Epi-pens. Make sure that they are not expired. Campers should not stop taking medication during camp. Medication and medical forms will be

**available for pick-up from the Camp Office at the end of camp. Out of council units must provide proof of insurance and youth protection training at check-in. Adults that will be providing Range Instructor duties must also provide their current NRA certifications card.**

**\* Will Showers be available for Shooting Sports Camp? Both the Central Showers and Family Showers will be operable for Camp. PLEASE Help keep showers and restrooms clean, and vandalism free.**

**\* What is there for Adults to do during Camp? Volunteer your services as a trained Instructor. Assist some tired kids with camp chores and meals, we have a packed agenda.**

**\* What is the uniform for Shooting Sports Camp? The official Scout Class A uniform is to be worn by Scouts and adult leaders at Saturday Campfire. NOT PERMITTED at any time are caps and T-shirts with words or pictures not representing the best spirit of the Scout Oath and Law. For safety reasons, closed toe shoes are to be worn at all times except in your tent or in the shower. Shooting Sports Camp weather can be quite cold and rainy, so Scouts will need lots of warm clothes and layers to be comfortable. Cotton clothing (such as blue jeans) don't insulate well if it gets wet. Nylon wind pants and jackets are useful, and with a fleece jacket and long underwear make a good combination for comfort.**

**\* Can we bring heaters to Shooting Sports Camp? BSA policy prohibits the use of open flames in tents. This includes catalytic heaters, gas lanterns, stoves, candles and smoking materials. Ground fires are permitted only in designated fire rings. No cutting of live trees or brush. Fires or heaters are NOT to be left unattended at any time; this includes during meals.**

**\*What items are not allowed at Camp? Alcoholic beverage, illegal drugs, pornographic material, fireworks, pets, bicycles, personal firearms, ammunitions, aerosol cans, and personal bows and arrows are not allowed. Pets are not allowed with the exception of guide animals. Use of electronic devices, is discouraged but allowed at the Scoutmasters discretion. NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES WILL BE OUT AND IN USE ON ANY OF THE RANGES. They should also NOT bring any items of value such as jewelry or watches, which can be easily lost. Smoking and tobacco products are prohibited except by adults in designated smoking areas. Camp Benjamin Hawkins and the Central Georgia Council are not responsible for lost or stolen**

articles. Failure to comply with Camp Policies and/or BSA Guide to Safe Scouting is grounds for removal from camp without a refund.

**\* How do we register? One person should register the entire troop. This ensures unit is in the same campsite. Registration is not complete and space reserved until payment is received. A payment not made to the Scout Office within 3 business days of your reservation is subject to deletion. You may use credit card or cash to pay. Registration is also available on [meritbadge.info](http://meritbadge.info) Email registration forms to [April.Meeks@scouting.org](mailto:April.Meeks@scouting.org)**

**\* What is the registration deadline? **Register online and pay for your entire group by September 30, 2017.** All Fees must be paid in full through the Council Service Center or on-line prior to arrival at camp. Please make payment in one check or credit card. The troop is responsible for collecting individual payments from scouts and making payment to the Council Service Center or on line. Do not send individual scouts to the office to pay separately.**

**\* Who do I contact for more information or to volunteer? You may contact the Camp Coordinator, Loriann Walker at 478-397-0783 or Jim Bryan at 478-747-7726 or email [cgcshootingsports@gmail.com](mailto:cgcshootingsports@gmail.com) We need qualified NRA Range Safety Officers and Discipline Instructors.**

**\* Any advice for campers? Register early! Don't wait until the last minute as the really new and different fun shooting events are anticipated to get a lot of attention.**

**We hope that you will take advantage of everything that Shooting Sports Camp has to offer Scouts as they continue to advance in Scouting. Loriann Walker and her entire Shooting Sports Staff welcome you to this campout.**

## **2017 Shooting Sports Daily Schedule**

### **Friday**

**4:00 to 9:00 PM – Registration (Chow Hall)**

**8:00 PM – Event Staff Meeting (Chow Hall)**

**9:00 PM – NRA 30 Minute Briefing (Chow Hall)**

### **Saturday**

**7:00 AM – Range Volunteers Meeting (at Rifle Range)**

**7:00 AM – NRA 30 Minute Briefing (at Range Pavilion)**

**7:30 AM – Events Start**

**12:00 PM – Lunch**

**1:00 PM – Events Resume**

**5:30 PM – Events End**

**5:30 PM – Dinner**

**7:00 PM - Campfire**

**8:00 PM – Winchester**

### **Sunday**

**Depart at your leisure (camp site must be clean)**





# Winchester Qualification



Come out and join the fun.

## Winchester Program Advancement

Camp Benjamin Hawkins  
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Rifle



Come out and try the Winchester Program

Rifle ranks	Courses of Fire
Pro Marksman	20 shots x 2
Marksman	x 2
Marksman 1 <sup>st</sup> Class	x 3
Sharpshooter	x4
Expert	x6
Distinguished Expert	x10



Each level requires multiple courses of fire. Sufficient qualifying courses of fire must be fired to earn each rank and advance. There is no guarantee each rank will be earned shooting the minimum courses of fire.

Each rank requires more patience and skill. Expert and Distinguished Expert are the most difficult to achieve, but have the most prestigious awards attached to them.

All shooting is overseen by council NRA trained Instructors who will offer all shooters coaching and training to insure they are successful. Basic patches can be purchased with first rank achieved. Rockers will be issued for each successful rank reached as part of course of fire costs.

Each Course of fire is priced as follows.

Rifle	4.00 per Course
Basic Patch	4.00 (one time cost)



- These are the awards that are available for participation in this program.
- This is a program designed to promote safety thru practice and building personal confidence.
- Shooters learn to control their muscles, breathing and mental processes.
- Recent studies have shown that successful shooters are also very successful students.
- Parents are informed that this is not a Merit Badge program. It is a competitive program that is designed to build better shooters.
- Your son or daughter will receive coaching from qualified NRA Instructors.
- The costs are projected per course of fire.
- Multiple courses are required to reach each level.
- There is no guarantee that shooters will achieve the needed scores in the minimum number of attempts.
- More questions, please refer to <https://mqp.nra.org/faqs/>

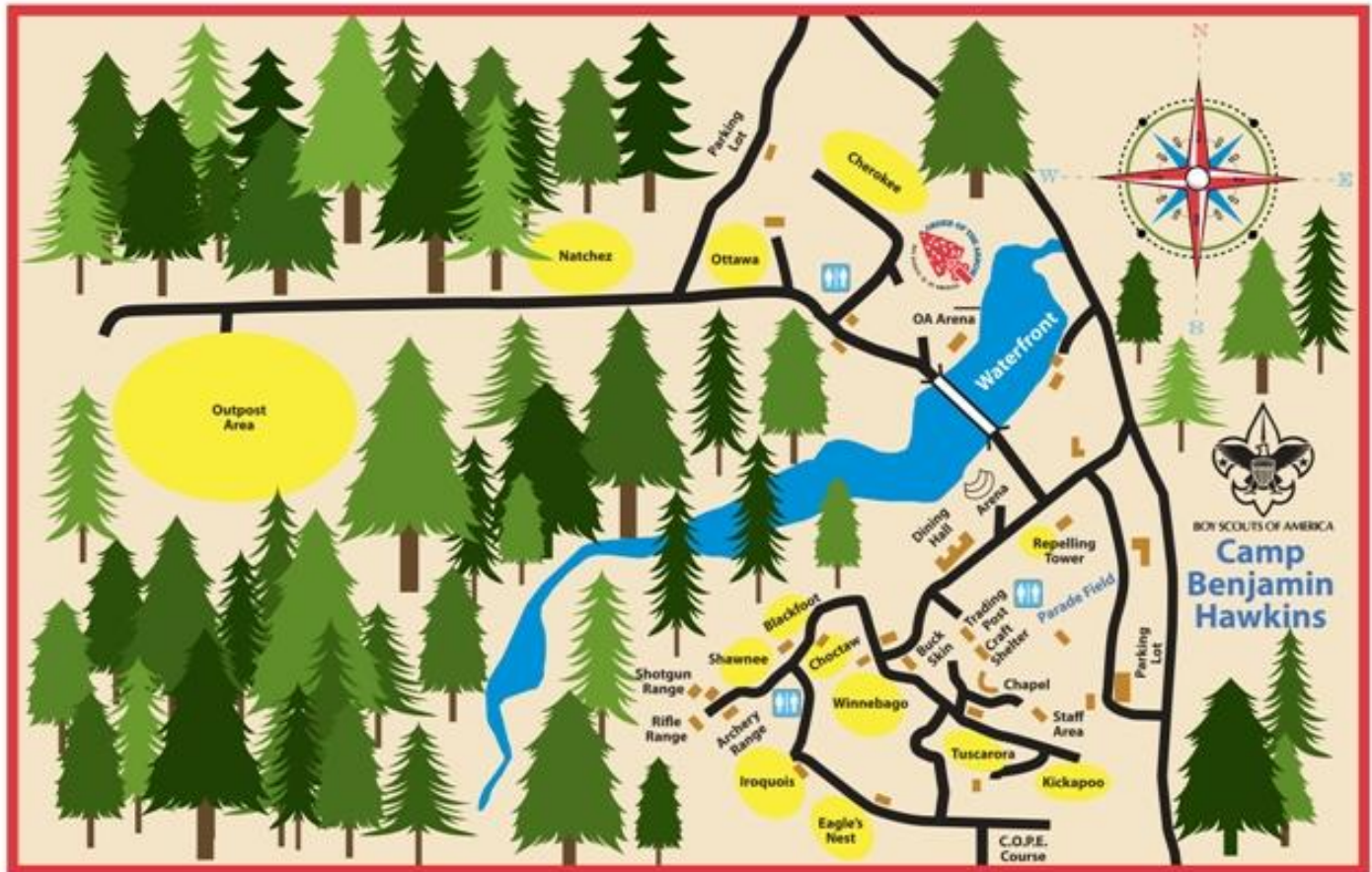


### Rimfire Rifle Prone or Benchrest Course - 20 Shots

Rating	Number of Courses	Minimum Score Per Course/Possible Score
Basic Prone	The rating is achieved by completing the pruned course outlined during an NRA Rifle Rifle Course	
Pro Marksman	1	300/300
Marksman	1	125/200
Marksman 1 <sup>st</sup> Class	1	100/200
Sharpshooter	4	145/200
Expert	4	180/200
Distinguished Expert	15/200 or better 18 times, or 15/200 X times at Under Rifle NRA Rifle Rifle (See Winner Requirements, page 1)	

More information can be found at <https://mqp.nra.org/courses-of-fire/>





## Directions to Camp Benjamin Hawkins

### FROM ATLANTA

- Take I-75 South towards Macon
- After passing through Forsyth and passing a rest stop on the right I-75 splits.
- At the split, bear right onto I-475 South towards Valdosta/Florida.
- Just before I-475 merges with I-75, take Exit 1 off I-475. This leads to a very long exit ramp.
- At the top of the exit ramp (traffic light), turn right onto Hartley Bridge Road.
- Proceed 4/10 of a mile and turn left onto Hartley Bridge Road.
- After 6.1 miles from Hillside Motors, the service entrance to Camp Benjamin Hawkins (2251 Boy Scout Road) is on the right.
- Continue 2/10 of a mile to Gate 1 (main parking lot) on the right.

Note: After turning left onto Hartley Bridge Road and traveling 3.6 miles, the highway name changes from Hartley Bridge Road to Boy Scout Road upon entering Peach County, but you're still on the same highway.

Welcome aboard!