

Countdown to Keowa

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MERIT BADGE REGISTRATION

OPENS APRIL 1

Merit badge class selection opens up on April 1st at 12am for Scouts that are paid in full.

If you are using the Parent Portal for class selection, check out the handout we created for your parents explaining how to select classes.

Parent Handout: MB Registration

Click below to download a PDF you can print or email to parents.

[Parent Handout: MB Registration](#)

Previous Issues

Don't miss out! All previous newsletters available here:

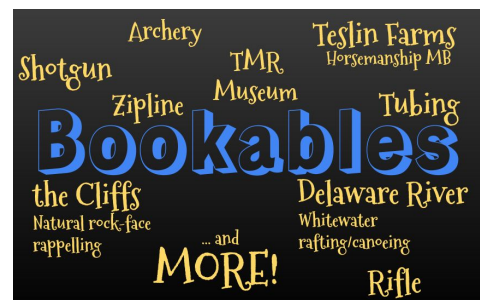
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Which classes fill up first?

These popular badges had a waiting list last summer for most/all of their sections. They will likely fill quickly again this summer:

- Archery
- Communication
- First Aid
- Fishing
- Fly Fishing
- Kayaking
- Water Sports

Bookables



Bookables are program options for the whole troop (*not available for individual sign up*). Each troop gets 3 choices. Opens April 1st.

tenmileriver.org/bookables

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Important

Class Sizes

At Camp Keowa, **quality** instruction is very important to us.

It is for this reason that we maintain a capacity for most classes to 18 Scouts or less.

We use data and trends to determine how many sections of each badge are needed. However, this does mean that some badges will fill up quickly.

If taking a certain badge is very important to your Scout, be sure they sign up early! We will not be able to add Scouts beyond the capacity limits.



Swim Test Before Camp

Keowa supports and encourages troops to complete their swim tests prior to camp for a better check-in experience.

This **optional** method for complete swim tests allows unit to send in their documentation before they arrive. Visit the link below for more info:

tenmileriver.org/swim

Merit Badge Additional Costs

Some merit badges have additional costs. Please see the [2026 Merit Badge Additional Costs](#) sheet.

Hammer and Saw Weekend

- Free Campsite - Free Meals - Give Back to Camp -

This work weekend, open for all troops to attend, helps prepare Ten Mile River Scout Camps to open this summer. From a new coat of paint, repairing tent platforms, or doing trail work, the Hammer and Saw Day is a great way for your unit to acquire service hours, bond, and give back to their favorite camp.

Meals and tent sites will be provided for FREE for all troops that attend.

[Learn more and Register](#)

May 16th

