

Orienteering at J.N. Webster Scout reservation in Ashford, Connecticut April 25th & 26th

Our April Orienteering trip is at J.N Webster scout reservation in Ashford, Ct. We will be meeting at the Church Saturday morning at 9am April 25th to leave for J.N. Webster Scout Reservation. We will be camping at J.N. Webster Saturday evening. We will be training Saturday with New England Orienteering Club for the orienteering courses. This trip will be Patrol cooking. This means the scouts will be bringing their own food and preparing it. For the new scouts (parents) please see Mr. Maneeley or Mr. Jennings and we will explain to you how this is done. We will be returning to church Sunday about 12pm. We will have the scouts call home when we are close to arriving back at the church.

This is a great trip for the scouts. Troop 880 has been participating for a numbers of years now. This program teaches a skill that is essential when hiking and on camping trips. Boy Scouts can complete First Class requirement #2 (orienteering) as well as many requirements for the "Orienteering" Merit Badge. The New England Orienteering Club hosts this competition and training program. The following is the club's website if anyone is interested in their program <http://www.newenglandorienteering.org/sched.htm> The program will consist of Orienteering skill development, field practice with NEOC guides, and tiered competition for Scouts and Scout Leaders on Sunday. Saturday's program will emphasize skill development, training, and practice. Scouts (and adults) will be able to learn orienteering skills such that they will be able to orientate through the woods on their own. An expert guide from the New England Orienteering Club (NEOC) will be available to help scouts learn skills and pass badge requirements.

