

2010 Aquatics Program

Aquatics Merit Badges

Camp Boddie offers the following merit badges as part of its Aquatics Program:

Canoeing, Water Sports (replaces Waterskiing), Motorboating, Lifesaving (note 1), Rowing, Small Boat Sailing, and Swimming (note 2). Please note that all Scouts working on any aquatics merit badge must be classified as a swimmer before beginning the other requirements. A scout must also have completed Swimming Merit Badge **before starting** Lifesaving Merit Badge.

Swimming, Rowing, Motor Boating Merit Badges are one-hour program. Canoeing, Lifesaving, and Small Boat Sailing Merit Badge sessions last for two hours. Water Sports is a three hour class.

Swimming Instruction

At 3-4 PM the Aquatics Area offers swimming instruction. This instructional period lasts one hour. Lessons are geared to Scouts who qualified as non-swimmers as determined during their initial swim test. During the course of the program, scouts have the opportunity to retake the swim test to see if they can move up to a higher swimmer qualification.

B.S.A. & American Red Cross Life Guard

Certification is valid for 3 years. Participants must be strong swimmers and must be able to meet the prerequisites outline in note #3. All scouts and adults must have current ***Red Cross First Aid & CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers*** certification (new requirement) and show proof by having their cards before starting the course. If these are not presented at time of swim check, they will not be able to participate. The program is open to scouts who are at least 15 years old (National requirement) & adults. Adults must meet the same prerequisites as scouts. The program meets each day 9:00am to 12:00 noon and 2:00pm till 5:00pm. This program is time consuming and requires 30 hours of instruction under the direction of the Aquatics Instructor. Besides the 30 hours of instruction, participants will be required to spend their twilight time lifeguarding & viewing required training videos. **Participants will also need to bring their own mask, snorkel and fins to camp.** Cost for required manuals is \$55.00 (American Red Cross Life Guard & BSA Aquatics Supervision).

Aquatics Supervision

Go beyond Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense! These training courses cover all aspects of Paddle Craft Safety and Swimming & Water Rescue. Recommended for those participating in unit high adventure water related activities. Open to those 18 years of age or older. Required manual can be purchased in the trading post (\$17.00). Each course cost is \$5.00. Max. of 10 per class.

Course Schedule

Paddle Craft Safety	Wednesday	9:00am - Noon	Class room	3 hrs
		2:00pm-5:00pm	River Front	3 hrs
		8:00pm-10:00pm	Pool	2 hrs
	Friday	9:00am-10:00am	Test	
Swimming & Water Rescue	Monday	9:00am-Noon	Class room/pool	3 hrs
	Tuesday	2:00pm-5:00pm	Pool	3 hrs
	Thursday	9:00am-11:00am	Pool	2 hrs
	Friday	10:00am-11:00am	Test	

Mile Swim

Scouts who are interested in testing their endurance may work on this special award while at camp. Sign up is limited to the first 20 scouts. You may pre-register on-line. To qualify, scouts must participate in four "Polar Bear" training swims. Polar Bear Swims are held Monday through Thursday at 7:00AM. On Friday morning at 6:30 AM, scouts will finish the requirements by swimming one mile in our pool. These time periods are not free swim periods. Scouts and adults not participating in the mile swim are asked to not interfere with these training swims. Scouts who successfully complete the mile swim are awarded a special pocket card that tells of their accomplishment. Mile Swim, B.S.A. swimsuit patches are available at the trading post.

Snorkeling B.S.A.

The Aquatics Area will offer Snorkeling, B.S.A. This program meets at the pool and will possibly make one trip to the river. Participants should be good swimmers as some of the requirements are difficult and involve underwater swimming. Scouts who wish to take advantage of this program must have **completed the swim test as Swimmers**. Upon completion of the requirements, a pocket card will be awarded. Scouts are required to bring their own mask, fins, and snorkel to camp.

Scuba, BSA

Scuba, BSA will be offered on Tuesday from 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the camp pool. Class size is limited to 10. Participants must be **classified as a swimmer**. All equipment and material is furnished by *Rum Runners Dive Shop* of Greenville. Cost is \$20.00. Pocket card and patch provided. Open to adults and youth. Reminder: this is “not” a scuba diving certification course.

Kayaking, BSA

Kayaking, BSA will be offered on Tuesday from 8:30 – 9:30 pm at the pool & from 6:30-8:30 pm on Wednesday on the water front. There is an off-camp trip associated with this program. Participants must be a swimmer and 13 years old. All equipment and material is furnished. Cost is \$10.00. Open to adults and youth. Pocket card and patch provided. Limited to 10 participants.

Area Notes:

- (1) Must bring long pants, long sleeve button shirt, belt, shoes & socks. Will not get them wet.
- (2) Must bring long pants (not sweat pants), long sleeve button shirt, belt, shoes & socks. Will get them wet.
- (3) In water prerequisites: (1) Swim continuously for 550 yards, including at least 100 yards each of the following strokes: front crawl, breaststroke, elementary backstroke, and sidestroke. (2) Immediately following the swim, tread water for 2 minutes. (3) Starting in the water, swim 20 yards using a front crawl or breaststroke, surface dive 7-10 feet, retrieve a 10 lb. Object, surface and swim with the object 20 yards back to the starting point and exit the water within 1 minute and 40 seconds.

Special Note

All participants on the river front must wear closed-toe sandals, water shoes or old tennis shoes.

