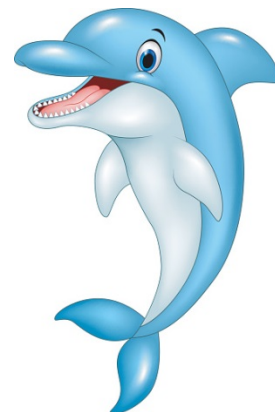


aRTie's mailbox

“Fun with a Porpoise”

August 2021



Scouters can “Ask Artie” questions that are on their minds by posting a note at Roundtable, asking your Unit Commissioner, or emailing District Commissioner Nancy Hodgkiss at nancy.hodgkiss@pacificabsa.org.

We ordered recruiting materials. How will we receive them?

When the order comes in, we'll contact you to arrange for pick up.

Under current COVID constraints, can we serve communal food at our meeting?

In July, our Council Health Commissioner answered this question via email with this advice. You can serve food “family style,” but have volunteer servers rather than letting everyone get their own food. Servers should wear masks and disposable gloves. Ideally, serve outdoors. If indoors, remember that everyone will need to be masked when picking up food.

How long to we need to keep the COVID forms that we collected earlier this year?

After 90 days, they can be destroyed.

Since medical records can't be digitized, what's the best way to carry them on a long term hike?

Put double-sided copies in zip-top bags and separate by patrol.

We're currently a Boy Pack. How do we become a Family Pack so we can accept girls?

If your Chartered Organization concurs, your COR can go into Organization Manager/Position Manager and change your settings to “accepts both boys and girls.” Remember that when girls participate in any Scouting activity, a [registered female Scouter over age 21 must be present](#). Dens CANNOT be co-ed, so BSA recommends you have at least 5 girls in order for them to get the best out of the program.

How do we make a reservation to camp at Cabrillo, Trask, or Firestone?

Overnight reservations for Firestone are now on Tentaroo. To camp at Cabrillo, [contact Pam to make a reservation](#). Trask has VERY limited camping due to the land closures that resulted from last year's fire. [Contact Ranger Anthony](#) to explore opportunities.

How do we get a Certificate of Insurance?

Fill in [this form](#) and email to annette.haslam@scouting.org at least 2 weeks prior to your deadline.

Artie, why do most dolphins live in salt water?

Pepper water makes us sneeze.

Sea you next month!