



Mesa District Varsity Scouts

HUDDLE HANDOUT



VARSITY SCOUT "TURKEY SHOOT"

November 2, 2000

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM:

SHOOTING SPORTS

6:00 pm Shooting begins
 7:00 pm Opening
 Announcements / Award Presentations
 7:15 pm Squad Corners
 7:30 pm Shooting Resumes

Thanks to Red Mountain Trap & Skeet

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nov. 4, 2000 - Scout-O-Rama @ Tempe Diablo

Mar. 15th - 17th 2001 - Mountain Man Rendezvous

Next Month: VARSITY HUDDLE COOKOFF

2 dishes per stake, no ground fires!!!
 (Let's not burn the asphalt this year!)

IF YOU'VE GOT A GREAT RECIPE THAT YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE, DON'T FORGET TO BRING IT WITH YOU TO THE DECEMBER HUDDLE. WE WILL PUT THEM ALL TOGETHER AND MAKE THEM AVAILABLE TO THE DISTRICT!!!

MESA DISTRICT VARSITY CONTACTS

NAME	POSITION	HOME #	WORK #
Gary Jones	District Varsity Commissioner	964-0291	892-4444 x132
Dave Gardner	Huddle Commissioner	844-3898	844-8888
Mike Heaton	Council Varsity Commissioner	969-5318	(602) 508-6625
Dennis Miller	Varsity Training	830-3155	981-6898
David Hall	District Advancement Chair	969-6237	
Wayne Lines	District Youth Protection Coordinator	962-1385	833-4154
Bob Church	On-Target	649-2044	
Claud Cluff	District Quartermaster	964-6596	
Joe Mortensen	Trading Blanket	986-8526	497-9651
Fred Bollinger	Rangemaster	984-8825	
Nick Nicoles	University of Scouting	834-0109	649-1346
Daniel Anderson	BB, Pellet, Blow Guns	984-9158	830-3993
Ken Boren	Woodbadge Course Director	396-7945	969-8714
Nile Davis	District Scribe	649-5994	834-6777
Scott Shelton	WebMaster	649-6042	730-3430
Mesa Varsity Web site		www.mesavarsity.com	
Council Website		www.grandcanyonbsa.org	
Check this out!!!		www.scoutcamps.org	

Take a look at these:

<http://users.aol.com/randywoo/bsahis.html>
www.emf.net/~troop24/scouting/wosm.html

(Thanks to Dennis Miller for these)

TAKE A LOOK AT OUR NEW WEBSITE!

www.mesavarsity.com

THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE IT POSSIBLE!!

GUNS AND FIREARM SAFETY

(The following information is taken from the Guide to Safe Scouting published by the Boy Scouts of America in the "Second 1999 Revision" section VIII on pages 25 & 26)

The Boy Scouts of America adheres to its longstanding policy of teaching its youth and adult members the safe, responsible, intelligent handling, care, and use of firearms, airguns, and BB guns in planned, carefully managed, and supervised programs.

Except for law enforcement officers required to carry firearms within their jurisdiction, firearms shall not be brought on camping, hiking, backpacking, or other Scouting activities except those specifically planned for target shooting under the supervision of a certified BSA or National Rifle Association firearms instructor.

Boy Scout Standards

Boy Scouts are permitted to fire .22-caliber bolt-action, single-shot rifles, air rifles, shotguns, and muzzle-loading long guns under the direction of a certified Instructor, 21 years of age or older, within the standards outlined in current Scouting literature and bulletins. BSA policy does not permit the use of handguns in the Boy Scouting program.

Shotguns

- 1.It is recommended that either 20-, 16-, or 12-gauge semiautomatic shotguns be used, Gas operated shotguns are recommended.
- 2.Ammunition containing No. 8 shot or smaller is recommended on ranges with a protected down range of 600 feet. Additional down range distance of 150 feet (total 750) is required for No. 6 shot size. Shot larger than No. 6 is not to be used.
- 3.Shooting safety glasses and ear protectors must be worn on shotgun ranges.
- 4.All training and shooting activities must be supervised by a currently NRA-certified shotgun instructor or coach who is 21 years of age or older.

Muzzle Loaders

The following standards for muzzle-loading long guns are to be used by members of the BSA:

- 1.Muzzle-loading rifles must be recently manufactured, percussion only. BSA recommends those that are .45 or .50-caliber. Rifles made from kits must be checked by an expert gunsmith.
- 2.Recommended loads of .FFFg blackpowder are not to exceed 1 grain per caliber. One-half of this amount is frequently sufficient for target shooting.
- 3.Shooting safety glasses and ear protectors must be worn.
- 4.All training and shooting activities must be supervised by a currently certified NRA/NMLRA muzzle-loading rifle instructor who is at least 21 years of age.
- 5.Each pupil must have one instructor or adult coach under instructor supervision when loading and firing.

Rifles

The following standards are established for rifle use in scouting activities:

- 1.Breech-loading rifles will be single-shot, bolt-action of the .22-caliber rim-fire type only. They may be chambered for the .22-short or .22-long rifle, but not for the .22-WRF rifle (which uses a more powerful cartridge). Air rifles are also permitted.
- 2.Semiautomatic rifles will not be permitted.
- 3.Repeating rifles having a tubular magazine will not be permitted.
- 4.Repeating rifles having a removable clip-type magazine will be permitted but must be used as single-loaders.
- 5.All rifles used in BSA shooting sports shall have a trigger pull in excess of 3 pounds, and shall be tested with a 3-pound weight or scale at least once a week while in use. If the trigger mechanism is activated by the 3-pound pull, the rifle should be immediately removed from service.
- 6.Shooting safety glasses and ear protectors must be worn on the range.
- 7.All training and shooting activities must be supervised by a currently NRA-certified rifle instructor or coach who is 21 years of age or older.