

## BWCA 2023 - Planning a Trip

### Timeline

July	Propose high adventure trip to committee, gauge parent & Scout interest
August	Select Dates for trip
September	Set budget
October	Have committee approve forms and budget
November	Contracts to parents - <b>collect initial \$250 deposit with paperwork</b>
December	Ready to get your BWCA permit? Have dates? Entry Point? Permits open in Jan!
January	Team Meeting #1 - Issued Bags & packing lists, start bwca videos, <b>\$200 due</b>
February	Team Meeting #2 - Plan Merit Badges & Judge fishing interest
March	Team Meeting #3 - Borrow a canoe for practice portages, tent assignments
April	Team Meeting #4 - Water Filtration, Menu planning, <b>final \$200 payment due</b>
May	Practice campout at Pine Ridge Scout Camp & Team Meeting #5 - Bag Drag
June	Send emails to help participants get ready. Enjoy your trip!

### Budget

Troop 40 was able to charge \$650 per person (with 18 sign ups) and we ended up giving over \$100 back per person as a refund after the trip!

Budget Includes:

\$120 - Permits for 9 people

\$450 - Vehicle #1 Gas (90 Gallons, 1,600 miles roundtrip) assumed 18 mpg & \$5.00/gallon

\$450 - Vehicle #2 Gas (90 Gallons, 1,600 miles roundtrip) assumed 18 mpg & \$5.00/gallon

\$180 - **DAILY** 9 person BWCA Food Budget (Freeze dried meals cost more)

\$10-15 - **PER PERSON** per meal - Traveling Food stops (You can't get fed for \$5 anymore)

\$100 - Satellite messaging device - daily check in with home base plus emergencies

\$1,000 - Canoe rental (assuming 4 boats, 5 days, kevlar ultralight boats)

\$20 - per person bunk house fee arrival night

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\$45 - per person Amazon purchased bags (participants keep after returning home.

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00Y9Z8QBW/ref=ppx\\_yo\\_dt\\_b\\_search\\_asin\\_title?ie=UTF8&psc=1](https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00Y9Z8QBW/ref=ppx_yo_dt_b_search_asin_title?ie=UTF8&psc=1) )

\$20 - per person Sawyer Filter

<https://www.amazon.com/Sawyer-Products-SP124-Filtration-Multi-Color/dp/B00FBGCGOQ?th=1>

\$15 - per person water bottle (must work with sawyer filter installed INSIDE the bottle)

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B001Q80TCE/ref=ppx\\_yo\\_dt\\_b\\_search\\_asin\\_title?ie=UTF8&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B001Q80TCE/ref=ppx_yo_dt_b_search_asin_title?ie=UTF8&th=1)

\$6 - per person Snap Fold Bowl (optional)

<https://www.amazon.com/Fozzils-Snapfold-Bowlz-2pc-Bowl/dp/B07SBDRC6Q>

\$75 - 2 screen tents per team (recommended) <https://www.walmart.com/ip/seort/895570759>

\$30 - 4 stove fuel per team

\$100 - Random team gear (Bear spray, whistles, etc)

\$100 - Team Contingency Fund (emergencies)

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_



## BSA TROOP 40 HIGH ADVENTURE

Boundary Waters Canoe Area (BWCA)

(Eat Lunch at home before departure)

Activity: 2023 BWCA Trip Departure: Saturday, July 8, @ 11:45 am

Location: 50 Rockwood Rd, Grand Marais, MN 55604 Return: Saturday, Jul 15, @ 3:30 pm

**If we get stuck on the lake due to bad weather we will return Sunday, Jul 16, @ 3:30 pm**

Scout Fee: **\$650.00** (24hrs notice will be given to parents if Sunday arrival expected)

**Required Equip:** Equipment lists will be sent out closer to camp time. Some specialized equipment will be required to be purchased at the Scout's expense beyond the \$650 fee. This equipment includes things like vented (draining) over-the ankle hiking shoes. Scouts will have opportunities to have current gear inspected and approved for this trip.

**Optional Equip:** Hammocks, Fishing gear

<b>Cost Breakdown</b>	\$250	Initial Deposit (due today with form)
	\$200	Second Payment due January 15th, 2023
	\$200	Final Payment due April 15th, 2023
	<b>\$650</b>	<b>Total Cost (Your seat is SECURED when you have paid the FULL \$650)</b>



















Parent Initials

	<b>Every participant must be at least age 13 by January 1, 2023</b>
	I understand this form is a <b>financial commitment to pay \$650, please make all payments by check. Cash will not be accepted.</b>
	A maximum of 10 spots are available for youth on this trip. In the event that more than 10 youth pay a deposit, the troop committee will determine which seats will go to which Scouts. <b>Priority will be given to those who pay the full \$650 first.</b> Remaining Scouts will remain on a standby list in case seats open up. (Scouts on the standby list will have all their funds returned to them if no seats open up for them before the trip.)
	<b>Refunds ARE NOT GUARANTEED! Please do not register until you can commit to attending.</b> In the event you need to cancel your Scout's spot, your first goal is to "sell" or "transfer" you seat to another Scout to minimize financial impact to the remaining team members. If your spot cannot be transferred to another individual, the troop committee will do their best to maximize how much money is refunded but as soon as you paid your deposit the troop began financial commitments on behalf of your Scout which will not be returnable. The troop committee is responsible for settling any financial disagreements, not the leaders who attend the trip.
	I understand that my Scout will be <b>medically screened before departure.</b> This screening may include (but not limited to) taking your Scout's temperature and asking medical questions about potential symptoms of illness. <b>While in boundary waters, professional medical help is hours or even days away!</b> Please do not send your sick child on this trip. Any Scout that fails medical screening will not be allowed on the trip. Refunds due to illness are subject to the same refund policy listed above. <b>BSA Health forms (A, B, &amp; C) must be dated by your doctor 1 JULY 2022 OR LATER to cover our 2023 trip.</b>
	I give Troop 40 authorization to <b>buy or rent equipment as required</b> and charge it against the Scout's account if gear is discovered to be <b>defective, missing or broken during the trip.</b>
	If trip funds remain when all expenses are paid, the remaining funds will be divided equally among the attendees in the form of a Scout account credit.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_










## Boundary Waters Packing Checklist

NO COTTON! Bring quick-dry synthetic materials. NO JEANS! NO FOOD OR SNACKS (bears)!

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|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>A3 Bag with black trash bag liner</b><br>(Issued by troop with \$250 deposit)                        |    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Headlamp with <u>Red Light</u> &amp; 2 spare sets of batteries</b><br>(Red Light doesn't damage others' night vision) |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Life Jacket (clipped to outside of bag)</b><br>(Neoprene Recommended, must fit properly)             |    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2 <u>LONG</u> Sleeve Shirts, quick dry</b><br>(1 darker, 1 lighter. Dark colors get warmer in sun)                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hiking Shoes (Broken in, NOT BRAND NEW!)</b><br>(vented to drain water, protects the ankle)          |    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2 <u>SHORT</u> Sleeve <u>Troop 40</u> T-Shirts, quick dry</b><br>Wexell Colors : Gunion Colors                        |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rain Gear (Ponchos NOT allowed on the lake)</b><br>(Rain Jacket and/or pants can be worn in canoe)   |    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>White kitchen trash bag (Personal dirty laundry bag)</b><br>(Dirty clothes get hang dried then bagged 4 home)         |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Cold weather jacket with hood</b><br>(Hooded sweatshirt ok if rain gear fits over top)               |    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Socks / Underwear, 7 sets (cotton blends acceptable)</b><br>(Fresh set for every day plus spares!)                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2 Pair Quick-dry zip off pants (2 different colors)</b><br>(Shirts/pants rinse & reuse for the week) |    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Lightweight gloves</b><br>(Mechanics Gloves or similar)   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Wide-brimmed Sun/Boonie Hat</b><br>(chin strap and neck guard are optional)                          |    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Covered Heel &amp; Toe Crocs, Swim Shoes or Sandals</b><br>(Covers toe, covers heel, lightweight, comfortable)        |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Lightweight Camping Chair</b><br>(\$10 Bag chairs are NOT recommended)                               |    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2 Reading Books (Scout Handbook can be 1 of them)</b><br>(Books mandatory, place books in ziplock bags)               |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Sleeping Pad (Air or foam pad)</b><br>(Hammock campers must bring under quilt)                       | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other Gear - Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Sunglasses, Medications (bagged and labeled with instructions) Swimsuit (or swim in zip-off pant), Belt, Towel, Hammock, Loofa or Washcloth, Leatherman, Knife, Watch, Dry Bag, Camp Shoe, Fishing Pole, Tackle &amp; License.</b> |   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Sleeping Bag, sheet, pillow, etc.</b><br>(Bulky sleeping bags take up too much space)                |   |   |

## Boundary Waters TRAVELING DAYS Checklist

This bag contains the clothes and items you will need **BEFORE AND AFTER** the camping portion of our trip. You have an overnight stay in Wisconsin both on the way North and the way back South. This bag is going to be in the car the day you get out of the woods. You are going to smell really bad! You will want clean, comfortable clothing & shoes to change into!

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|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Gym Bag or Backpack</b><br>(Use the smallest bag that holds everything)                             | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Water Bottle for the car</b><br>(Team bottles and water filters have been purchased to use in the woods. <u>Bring a bottle for car travel!</u> )  |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Sweatshirt or Jacket</b><br>(Something with a hood preferred)                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>1-2 Reading Books (6+ Hours driving each day!)</b><br>(Optional, bring if you like to read in the car)  |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2-4 Pair Pants or shorts</b><br>(Jeans OK here)   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Buy your Minnesota Fishing License ONLINE</b><br>(Buy online, print 2. <b>1 in A3 bag, 1 to team leader</b> )   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2-4 T-Shirts</b><br>(Any material)  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other Gear</b><br>4 days of Medications (bagged and labeled with instructions) Belt, Towel, Loofa or Washcloth, Sunglasses, Watch, Spending Money, Wallet (You will receive \$8 cash in an envelope to spend on each meal. You may add your own money if you wish to purchase extra food)   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Socks / Underwear, 4 sets</b><br>(Fresh set for every day!)   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Troop Provided Gear - Do <u>NOT</u> pack these items</b><br>Mess kits, Cups, Silverware, Food, Bug Spray, Sunscreen, Clotheslines, Clothespins, Dining Fly, Saw, Hatchet, Axe, First Aid Kit, Water Filtration, Stove, Fuel, Toilet Paper, <b>If you are using a troop tent verify with your team leader who is bringing it to departure day!!!! DO NOT ASSUME!</b> |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Sleeping Gear (packed in other bag)</b><br>(You will use sleeping gear from your A3 bag)            |   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Traveling Shoes (wear)</b><br>(Comfortable traveling shoes)   |   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Phone, tablet or other device (optional)</b><br>(Locked in glovebox before going into woods.)       |   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Charging Cord &amp; Portable Battery Bank</b><br>(For your car electronics. Limited plugs in cars!) |   |



### **What is there to do?**

Explore Waterfall on Winchell  
Fishing  
Stargazing  
Canoeing  
Cards  
Day-Trip (Loop)  
Whittling  
Swimming (floating with style)

Read a book  
Longing in Hammocks  
Rank advancement  
Merit Badges  
Build a fire  
Cook a fish  
Explore an island  
Skip rocks