



# Metacomet District February 2021 Roundtable

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# Welcome

- Please rename in Zoom with your name and Pack or Troop number,
- If you are a new participant, please introduce yourself
- Who's Talking?
  - Kat Nussbaumer – Metacomet District Executive (our paid BSA staffer) - Key 3



Rob Pomponio – Metacomet District Commissioner – Key 3

Dave Derian – Metacomet District Chairman – Key 3



Greg Green – Roundtable Commissioner (Scouts BSA)

Ed Crisci – Roundtable Commissioner (Cub Scouts)



- Bev Murphy – Roundtable Commissioner (Cub Scouts)

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# Metacomet District January 2021 Roundtable Agenda

- **Pre-Opening Chats**
- **Opening**
- **Group Announcements**
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- **Breakout Session:**
  - Scouts BSA Leaders: Greg Green
  - Cub Scout Leaders: Ed Crisci and Bev Murphy

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# The Pledge Of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag  
of the United States of America  
and to the republic for which it stands,  
one nation under God, indivisible,  
with liberty and justice for all.

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# District Key 3 Announcements

- Rechartering Thanks and Update
- Training

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# Leaders move to Breakout Rooms

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# Scouts BSA Leaders

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# Agenda

- **Announcements**
- **Camp Squanto Summer Program – Mark McCulloch**
- **Troop Equipment**
  - The Essential Troop Items
  - Basic Equipment
  - Swapping excess items
  - Leader’s Comfort Items
- **Open Q&A / Troop Help Items**

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# Announcements

- Training Update
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Merit Badge
- Covid Updates
- Helpful links for leaders
  - Council COVID-19 updates: <https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/covid-19/>
  - Recharter <https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/resources/unit-management/internet-rechartering/>
  - Scoutbook Questions <https://discussions.scouting.org/categories>

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# Advancement Update

- **Diversity, Equality and Inclusion Merit Badge has been delayed until TBD**
- **This becomes an Eagle Required MB starting ????**
  - Replaces 1 of the elective Merit Badges
- **We will cover this at the first Roundtable after the final materials are available**
- **There have been additional changes / extensions of the Covid 19 requirement modifications. Be sure to check on them at <https://www.scouting.org/coronavirus/covid-19-faq/>**
- **The same website also provides the latest information on the safety pre-cautions that Troops should use for activities during Covid19**

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# Eagle Advancement Update

- While we will continue to hold Eagle Boards of Review, Joyce Jordan is trying to keep them on or around the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month
- Project Boards will also continue to be held virtually, and effective immediately all Project Proposals must include the Fundraising Application if any level of Fundraising will be done
- There is a new, and user friendly, Eagle Workbook. Please be sure to find and download it, and also make sure all new Eagle Project Proposals are on this new form

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/eagle-scout-workbook/>

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# Covid Updates

- **It's Phase 3 all over again!**
  - Overnight Curfew is Lifted
  - Council Sites are Open for Overnight Camping
    - Limits on group size
    - Limits still apply for tenting (1 per tent)
- **Coordinate with your Chartering Org**
- **Respect Local limits for Group sizes**
- **Continue Precautions**

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# Camp Squanto Summer 2021

## Mark McCulloch

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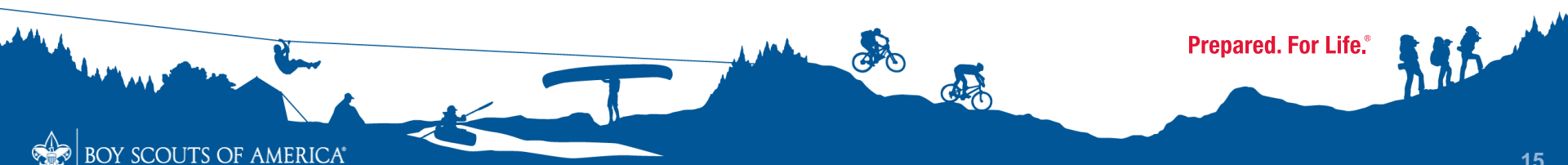


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# Troop Check In

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# Troop Equipment Discussion

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# My 5 Critical Troop Items

- **First Aid Kit**
  - **Rope Box**
  - **Repair Parts (mantels, tent stakes, etc)**
  - **Ax Yard**
  - **Patience**
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- **And paperwork, because there is no outing in Scouting without paperwork**

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# Other Lists

## Tom McClintock

1. Troop First Aid Kit
2. Troop Tents
3. Maps (As Scoutmaster I always have a spare compass. Never lend your primary compass to anyone.)
4. Personal Stoves with white fuel. 6oz per meal for 12 people. Cook kit.
5. Commitment to the Scout Oath, Scout Law and “Leave No Trace”

## Jon Trudell

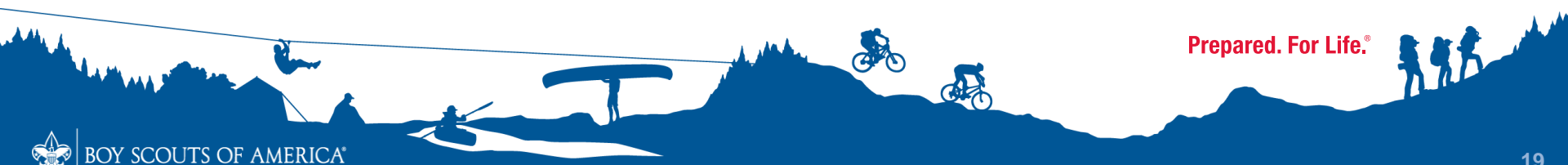
0. SCOUT SPIRIT
1. Troop First-Aid Kit
2. Tents/ground cloths/stakes
3. Dining Fly and stakes
4. Cook kit (stoves and fuel, matches/lighters, pots/pans, cooking utensils based on menu needs)
5. Cleanup kit (biodegradable soap, scouring pads, TOILET PAPER, food strainer, sanitizing rinse agent, trash can liners)

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# Discussion on Critical Troop Items



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# Tents – Basic Item #1

- **Troop Owned vs BYO Tents**
  - Benefits of Troop Owned
    - Standard Tent Size / Type
    - Easy for Scouts to teach set-up
  - Drawbacks of Troop Owned
    - Troop needs to spend \$\$\$ to acquire
    - Extra wear due to ‘rental car syndrome’
  - Benefits of BYO
    - Every Scout has their own tent
    - Knows how to set up
  - Drawbacks of BYO
    - Scouts without tents can feel left out
    - Nobody else knows how to set up
    - Variation in size, weight and seasonality

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# Tent Types & Suppliers

- **Best size is “2 person”**
- **3 Season**
- **No Windows (YPT)**
- **Aluminum vs fiberglass poles**
  
- **Discounts on good tents can be found at**
  - Hiker Direct
  - Cabelas / Bass Pro (will provide grants )

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# Cooking Gear

- **Troop needs variety of Cooking Gear**
  - Table Top Stoves
  - Trail Stoves
  - Dutch Ovens
  - Open Fire (grates or tripods)
- **Cooking Fuels**
  - White Gas
  - Propane
    - Little Green Tanks
    - Bulk Tanks
  - Butane
  - How to dispose of empties

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# Lanterns

- **To use Lanterns or not??**
- **Gas or Electric**
  - Gas Lanterns
    - Can be fueled from small or large tanks
    - Very Variable light levels
    - Teach skills for assembling and changing mantels
    - Injury potential due to heat and glass lenses
    - Disposal of empty fuel tanks
  - Electric Lamps
    - Small
    - Rugged
    - No assembly required
    - Need to keep and carry spare batteries
    - Battery disposal

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# Troop Gear Disposal

- **What does your troop do with worn gear**
  - Repair or Replace
  - How is end of life gear handled
- **Gear Donations**
  - Weirdest Item Donated
  - How do you handled items you can't use
- **Troop Gear Exchanges**
  - Do you have units you trade with
  - Would you want a swap option at Roundtable

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# Discussion

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