



Troop 4 -2021-2022 Monthly Camping Itinerary

September Service Outing. The Troop will be participating in National Public Lands Day at West Hill Dam on September 25th. We'll be giving back to the folks that have allowed us to utilize the facility for many scouting activities, first in Cub Scouts and recently during one of the Troop's winter campouts. Pictures of that snowy trip are on the Troop website.

Fall Bike Trip. The Troop will head to Myles Standish State Forest for a fall bike trip, heading down the night of Oct 1st and returning Oct 3rd. We'll use Camp Squanto as our base and hit the paths to explore Myles Standish. The forest is part of the Atlantic coastal pine barrens ecoregion and consists largely of pitch pine and scrub oak forests—at 26 square miles (67 km²), one of the largest such forests north of Long Island. The forest surrounds 16 lakes and ponds, including several ecologically significant coastal kettle ponds.

October Backpacking Trip. Troop 4 will head north on the weekend of October 16th to take in Mount Cardigan. Mount Cardigan is a prominent bare-rock summit in the towns of Orange and Alexandria in western New Hampshire. Known as 'Old Baldy,' Mount Cardigan is a three-peaked mountain with Cardigan the highest, flanked by the neighboring summits of South Peak and Firescrew. The 360-degree panorama includes views of Mount Monadnock, the White Mountains, Camel's Hump in Vermont, and Pleasant Mountain in Maine.

November Backwoods PIG Roast & WEBELOS Camping Trip. On Saturday, November 13th to Sunday November 14th we will be camping at the Troop Campsite in Milford, MA. The troop chefs have already begun to put together an exciting menu to cook out in the field. We'll have a full schedule of outdoor activities, including Archery, the troop's famous obstacle course, and other games/contests. We will be inviting some second year WEBELOS to attend as well.

January Winter Camping Trip. The troop will head to Upton State Forest on January 8th for a whiteout campout. Planned activities include sledding, hiking, and other adventures. At this winter camping trip we will be doing some aluminum foil cooking (no pots and pans to clean) and Dutch oven cooking. The winter is a great time to do this type of cooking because you need some good warm fires to cook - and to stay warm with, too!

February Winter Wonderland Trip. Troop 4 will look to continue the HUT TRADITION and camp at the Carter Notch Hut in Lincoln, NH on February 12th-13th. The HUT tradition was started many years ago. No Tents needed! The hike in is a modest 5.8 miles with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. Bring snowshoes if you have them. The area views are SPECTACULAR! Stay tuned; you don't want to miss this event!

March Troop Day Hike. On March 19th, we'll enjoy some local hiking at Quabbin Reservoir. The Quabbin Reservoir is the largest inland body of water in Massachusetts and was built between 1930 and 1939. Along with the Wachusett Reservoir, it is the primary water supply for Boston, 65 miles (105 km) to the east, and 40 other cities and towns in Greater Boston. At the end of the hike, we will have some of Troop 4's famous fried dough!

April Troop Backpacking Trip. The Troop's April Campout will be Friday, April 22nd through Sunday, April 24th at Camden Hills State Park in Camden Maine. Camden Hills State Park is a 5,710-acre public recreation area overlooking Penobscot Bay. The state park features multi-use trails to Mount Battie, Mount Megunticook, and other scenic locales. In addition to providing awesome views of the bay, this trip will definitely challenge scouts' hiking skills.

May Troop Campout. the Troop will be at the Troop campsite in Milford. This local campout is very convenient for scouts that have sports games to attend. Scouts can check out to attend their game, and then return after it is over. We will be cooking patrol style over open wood fires for dinner and breakfast.

June Trip. Mount Sunapee State Park will be the troop's destination for the campout from June 24th-26th. Troop 4 has enjoyed several visits to this area of New Hampshire and this trip is sure to add to those adventures.