

# TANAH KEETA SCOUT RESERVATION

"Welcome to the Wild, Wild West"



## 2011 Summer Camp Manual For Scouts and Adult Leaders

**We welcome you to Tanah Keeta Summer Camp 2011!**

**With our exciting summer camp theme, programs and activities, we hope you will enjoy this experience to the fullest. This manual provides you with the information needed to plan your visit and experience all we have to offer. Arrival and departure information, program and activity schedules, fees and important leader information, as well as camp rules and procedures are all provided in this publication. Further information and a copy of this manual are available on our "Summer Camp" link on the Gulf Stream Council website.**

[www.GulfStreamCouncil.org](http://www.GulfStreamCouncil.org)

We look forward to seeing you over yonder real soon...Partners!

*Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation  
Tequesta, Florida  
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## Summer Camp Fees

Be sure to take advantage of our “Early Bird” special. If you pay your fees before April 1<sup>st</sup>, you can save \$30.00 off Camper fees or \$25.00 off Adult Leader fees. Tanah Keeta Summer Camp fees\* are as follows:

<b>Early Bird Price – if paid in-full before April 1, 2011:</b>			
<b>Boy Scout</b>	<b>Resident Camp</b>	<b>Whitewater Adventure</b>	<b>SCUBA</b>
<b>\$240.00</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$350.00</b>	<b>\$550.00</b>
<b>if paid in-full after April 1, 2011</b>			
<b>\$270.00</b>	<b>\$155.00</b>	<b>\$380.00</b>	<b>\$580.00</b>

\*A \$20 discount will be offered for each additional week of camp.  
Same price structure applies to Provisional Scouts

**Adult Leader = \$100.00 Early Bird / \$125.00 after April 1** (1<sup>st</sup> Leader is at No Charge)  
**Resident Camp Adult Leader = \$85.00 Early Bird / \$115.00 after April 1**

### Specialty activities may have added fees

\*For detailed questions on fees or to make special payment arrangements, please contact the Gulf Stream Council Service Center at 561-694-8585.  
We will be happy to assist you if possible.

## Summer Camp Refund Policy

Prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> refunds are permitted if a request is made in writing and sent to the Gulf Stream Council Service Center. ALL refunds will be subject to loss of a \$25.00 deposit and a \$25.00 cancellation fee (\$50.00) per individual. Units are asked that in the event a Scout or Leader is unable to attend, they try and fill that spot. This aids the Gulf Stream Council in the planning process to better serve you.

Due to advanced planning for summer camp and purchases made in advance of our programs, refunds on or after April 1<sup>st</sup> shall only be provided due to the following circumstances less the \$50 deposit and cancellation fee:

- Relocation outside council
- Death/serious illness of youth or family member



## **2011 Summer Camp Dates**

June 20 – June 25	Boy Scout Week 1 (Monday Check-In)
June 26 – July 2	Boy Scout Week 2
July 5 – July 9	Resident Camp for Wolfs, Bears, and Webelos
July 10 – July 16	Boy Scout Week 3
July 17 – July 22	Whitewater Adventure Trek

**Check-In time starts at 2pm each Sunday (excluding BSA Week 1.)  
During BSA Week 1, we will begin Check-In procedures at 2pm  
Monday. Camp fees remain the same for all BSA weeks of camp.**

## **Meals and Guest Services**

**As a part of paid camp fees, Scouts and Leaders shall be provided breakfast, lunch, dinner, and daily snacks/drinks in the TK Dining Hall on our posted schedule. Visitors to camp are required to check in at the camp office (behind Trading Post.) Please pay \$5.00 per meal if you intend to eat with us as our guest. Food and drinks are also available for purchase at the Camp Trading Post during regular hours of operation. Thanks for closely adhering to this policy.**

## **People with Special Needs**

**We are working hard to make our camp comfortable and accessible to those with special needs. Much of what we have planned as part of our GSC capital fundraising centers around improving the facilities we have to make our camp safer and more comfortable. In addition to accommodations at our facility including carts, paved walks and handicapped accessible ramps, we also work hard to address those visitors with special dietary needs. Our Dining Hall/ Kitchen Staff are always eager to assist while you are on site. For more specific needs, including food orders, we ask that prior to attending camp, you make**

your needs known through the comments section in Campersoft. A nominal fee may sometimes be added depending on the nature of the request.



### **Directions to Tanah Keeta**

**Option 1 (From I95/Turnpike):** Exit at the Jupiter Interchange (Turnpike) or Jupiter East (I-95).

Go East on Indiantown Rd. to the first traffic light. (Island Way)

Turn left (North) onto Island Way and follow the curvy road to the dead end at Country Club Dr. Make a left (North) and Country Club

Dead-ends at the entrance to into Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation.

**Option 2: (From US Hwy 1)**

Turn West on Tequesta Drive.

Continue West until you reach the first stop sign. (long distance and over a bridge). This is just before the entrance to Tequesta Country Club.

Turn right (North) at the stop sign onto Country Club Drive. Continue on Country Club Drive and it will dead end at the entrance to Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation.

*Note: Use these written directions or just MapQuest Camp Tanah Keeta  
Destination Address: 8501 Boy Scout Road Tequesta, Florida 33469*

### **Tanah Keeta Policy Information**

Scouts may only carry a knife if they have earned a Totin' Chip card. Adults are asked to oversee all youth behavior pertaining to knives, tools, hatchets, etc. Discipline while in camp is primarily the responsibility of BSA Unit Leaders in attendance. Both our staff and administration reserve the right to address behavior problems in accordance with BSA and GSC policies. Scouts and/or Leaders may be expelled from Tanah Keeta for behavioral problems that interfere with the enjoyment or safety of our other guests. Refunds will NOT be

provided in such cases. Remember you are an example as an adult, and youth must behave according to the Scout Law.

Youth Protection policies at Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation are in accordance with all applicable BSA and GSC policies. Leaders and participating adults/parents are required to complete Youth Protection Training before attending camp at [www.MyScouting.org](http://www.MyScouting.org) . Please bring your certificate of completion with you to camp to verify training.



### **Some Important Rules to Know**

**Open-toe sandals and flip flops are not permitted in camp.**

**Fireworks are not permitted in camp.**

**Only adults may drive carts in camp.**

**Alcohol and drugs are not permitted in camp.**

**Any form of bullying, hazing, ridicule, fighting, is unacceptable and may result in expulsion from camp.**

**No adult is permitted to share sleeping quarters with youth.**

**Shower facilities are regulated to ensure no adults and youth will use them at the same time.**

**Scouts are required to use the “buddy” system when traveling through camp. The “buddy” policy is strictly enforced in all aquatics areas and is checked regularly by Lifeguards.**

**Adult leaders must supervise all campfires.**

**Profanity is unbecoming a Scout and is not tolerated at camp.**

**Sign in and sign out procedures are required. All visitors need to sign in and out through the Camp Office located behind the Trading Post.**

**Anyone caught stealing or vandalizing will be expelled from Tanah Keeta and the unit will be responsible for providing recompense to the individual/unit/camp.**

**Cars and trucks may only be used during check-in procedures and at the time of unit departure. We work diligently to regulate a comfortable number of vehicles during those times. Only Troop Trailers may remain in campsites during the week.**



### **Valuables and Gear**

**Leaders should ask Scouts to bring as few valuables as possible to camp. Each unit is advised to have a lock box and a banker system to prevent lost/stolen money. Adult supervision is a MUST. Scouts are not permitted to walk through other units campsites. Scouts should be encouraged to respect their own gear as well as that of all others. Tanah Keeta and the Gulf Stream Council work hard and spend a great deal of money to provide tents, gear, tools, program supplies, etc. for the enjoyment of all our visitors. Please oversee the behavior of your Scouts to guard against theft or vandalism of camp property. If we take care of all we have, things at Tanah Keeta will only get better!**

### **Our Daily Schedule**

Flag Raising/ Grace/ Breakfast at 8:00am

Assembly/ Grace/ Lunch at 12:00pm

Retreat/ Grace/ Dinner at 6:00pm

**Note: Waiters are to report to Dining Hall 15 minutes prior to these times. An orientation is provided upon arrival/check-in to Tanah Keeta. All specific questions regarding schedules will be answered at that time.**

### **Merit Badges and Afternoon Activities**

**Merit Badge classes will be held during the morning hours each day. Afternoons are a time to participate in the many camp-wide games and activities. Free-time**

Merit Badges & Program Area activities are a wonderful way to pass the time. “Troop on Troop” competitions will also be offered during the afternoon hours. We ask that unit leaders be aware of all advancement plans for your Scouts prior to coming to camp. Decide on and process your Merit Badge selections online ASAP. Encourage both advancement and adventure while attending Tanah Keeta. As much as Scouts (and Parents) may enjoy advancing toward Eagle, many times it’s the friendships, adventures and experiences at camp that build the Scouting Spirit!



## WINGS

Since this program first got its start in 1999, Scouts have enjoyed the experience of Wings. This program is designed for early advancement and to build the foundation for a successful Scouting future. The idea is to give new Scouts a little taste of what Scouting has to offer. Scouts will hike, swim, explore, learn basic outdoor skills, and make some friends from other units in the process. We instruct in basic pioneering and camping skills. We help your Scouts to experience most, if not all the skills required from Tenderfoot to First Class rank. Join us and earn your Wings so you can soar on toward the rank of Eagle!

## Merit Badges Offered at Tanah Keeta (in alphabetical order)

Archery	First Aid	Pulp and Paper
Art	Fishing	Reptile and Amphibian
Astronomy	Forestry	Rifle Shooting
Basketry	Geology	Rowing
Camping	Indian Lore	Shotgun Shooting
Canoeing	Leather Work	Small Boat Sailing
Citizenship - Nation	Lifesaving	Soil and Water
Citizenship - World	Metal Working	Conservation
Climbing	Motor Boating	Space Exploration
Communications	Music	Swimming
Cooking	Nature	Water Sports
Electricity	Oceanography	Weather
Emergency Prep	Orienteering	Wilderness Survival
Energy	Photography	Wood Carving
Environmental Science	Pioneering	
	Plant Science	

**Note: If you have a badge that is not on this list, simply ask. If we can provide a counselor for you, we will be happy to. Our goal as a staff is to ensure you have a**

wonderful time and that your expectations are exceeded. Please make your requests known through the Campersoft software where Merit Badges are selected.

Additionally, classes in Scuba, COPE, and Early Advancement (through Wings) are also available to your Scouts.

### **Additional Activities**

We will be offering Scouts a chance to venture outside the confines of Tanah Keeta and experience some of what Florida has to offer. Upon arrival at camp, please let the Camp Director or Camp Program Director know if you would like to experience any of the following activities. Each one has a small additional fee but for Scouts who want something new from their summer camp experience, these are some nice options. (Scouts must be 12 years of age to participate)

**Offshore Fishing on Blue Heron Drift Fishing Charters**  
35.00 (included everything...meal to rod, tackle, even bait)

**Beach Picnic and Tour of Florida Oceanographic Institute**  
25.00 (covers admission, meal, and transportation cost to and from Stuart)

**Lighthouse Tour, "Dune Dog" Lunch, and Snorkeling at Dubois Park**  
15.00 (covers meal and transportation)



### **Summer High Adventure Whitewater Expedition**

This is a wonderful trip through Florida, Georgia, and the scenic Carolinas where Scouts and Leaders will enjoy hiking, out-of-camp recreation, camping, white water rafting, and so much more! Fees cover all travel costs, lodging, camping reservations, meals, and the WHITEWATER ADVENTURES! Details regarding this trip will be finalized during the summer months based on total numbers. We recommend you sign up now and reserve your spot. Fees must be paid in full so we can make our reservations in advance. This trip will take place

from July 17<sup>th</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup> after Summer Camp. Age required: 13 (12 with Scoutmaster Approval) Leaders are also welcome to join the adventure. Our experienced senior staff members will host the trip and whitewater rafting adventures are guided by trained professionals. Don't miss this one!!!

### **Packing for TK**

Of course, every Scout is different and has specific needs but over the years we have a pretty good idea what your boys will need for their summer camp visit. Here's our list of suggestions, but don't forget the really important things like prescription medicine, glasses/contacts, and of course, kissing Mom goodbye!

Class "A" Scout Uniform (Required of all Scouts at camp)  
Scout BSA Handbook  
Pocket Knife and Totin' Chip  
Day Pack/ Fanny Pack  
Rain Gear  
Sunglasses  
Sunscreen (SPF 50 or higher)  
Aloe or Moisturizer  
Water Bottle/ Canteen  
Whistle  
Pens/ Pencils  
Notebook/ Paper  
Compass  
Water Shoes (closed toe style)  
Swim Suit/ Extra Shorts  
Walking Shoe/ Hiking Boots  
Extra Socks and Underwear  
Gold Bond/ Baby Powder  
Hat/ Visor  
Watch  
Camera  
Spending Money (Unit Leader keeps cash/ lockbox)

**NOTE: ALL Scouts should arrive at check-in wearing proper BSA "Class A" uniform. Unit Leaders must have a valid (currently signed**

**and notarized) Physical Forms for each Scout and adult in attendance. Every Scout needs to be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.**

**(Items above are required for insurance reasons)**

### **Leadership at camp is a BIGGIE**

**Help your Scouts to become better leaders. Encourage use of patrol method and unit leader positions. Assist Scouts to use rosters and charts to make for a more organized and successful unit. Work daily on your Troop to attend events, activities, meals, etc. on time. Unit Leaders (at least 2) must be present at all times when youth are in camp. When traveling as a unit, maintain formation. Use roll calls both in and out of your campsite. All leaders should be registered members of your unit. One must be registered and must be 21, the other at least 18. All adults must be trained in BSA Youth Protection prior to arrival at camp.**

**Encourage Scouts to use the buddy system at all times while in camp. Encourage the Scouts to follow the Scout Law and Oath. Practice learning the Scout Slogan and Motto while together. Familiarize your entire unit with the Scout Outdoor Code and encourage them to live by that code daily. With our staff and your assistance, we'll all be better Scouts!**

**We offer Scouts an opportunity to attend as Provisional Scouts. These Scouts will be placed in a Provisional Troop. If there are not sufficient numbers to form a full Provisional unit, we place Scouts with other units attending camp. This is a great opportunity for Scouts to meet new friends and share additional weeks with us. If Scouts have attended a prior week, a \$20 discount applies to each additional week.**

### **Restricted Areas**

**Scouts and Leaders should always ask permission to enter the following areas of camp:**

**COPE Area and Climbing Area**

**Archery Range**

**Rifle and Shotgun Ranges**

**Staff Dorms/ Cabins**

**Pool and Waterfront**

**Ranger Houses**

**Kitchen**

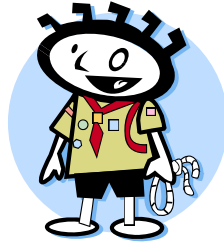
**Health Lodge**

**Scouts are not permitted to walk through other unit's campsites.**

## **Mail and Email**

We encourage “mail call” while your Scouts are in camp. Mail should be sent to:  
Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation  
8501 Boy Scout Road  
Tequesta, FL 33469

Scouts and Leaders can access email through our Wi-Fi system in camp or through use of our computer lab.



## **Meetings**

Our Program Area Directors meet each evening (Director Meetings) to discuss problems and planning. Leaders are encouraged to share your compliments or concerns with any of our Program Area Directors, the Camp Commissioner, Camp Program Director, or Camp Director. Our door is always open. We will hold a full staff meeting prior to the start of camp, on Wednesday afternoon, and after Troops depart on Saturday. Leaders may request an opportunity to attend any of our Director Meetings and speak to issues of concern. Make such requests to the Camp Director or Camp Program Director in advance.

Units are encouraged to hold troop meetings throughout your week at camp. Our Program Director will hold several meetings with unit Senior Patrol Leaders and Scoutmasters during the week. Those meeting will be announced during meals or at assembly times.

We proudly host a non-denominational worship service at our Camp Chapel on Sunday evening. A chaplain service is also available during your stay at camp.



## On the Parade Field

It is important that all units are represented during assembly times. Before each meal, it is a Tanah Keeta tradition to meet on the parade field. We do a Scout “roll call” followed by raising/lowering flags. We make a few brief announcements and give thanks (Grace) before the meal. This tradition is an important one but does not have the same effect without full participation. Thanks for making sure you and your Scouts attend regularly.



## Health Lodge Services and Emergency Preparedness

Our procedures for dealing with everything from lost bather (swimmer) to wild fires, lost camper, and even severe weather are posted at camp and reviewed at check in. We have an emergency signal horn on-site and a severe weather alert horn at our neighboring community. We host at least one drill during the week to keep Scouts, Staff, and Leaders aware of proper procedure in the event of an emergency.

Our Health Lodge provides basic treatment and a full-time trained professional staff. We handle all medications and distribute per instructions. On occasion it is necessary to transport a visitor to either Jupiter Medical Center (ER) or to one of our nearby (Walk In) clinics for treatment. These facilities will not treat life threatening emergencies unless a notarized medical form is presented or a parent/guardian is present. IN some cases, additional costs may be incurred by the unit on behalf of a Scout or Leader. Tanah Keeta may not be held responsible for charges due to accident or illness treated outside our property. In the event of an emergency, parents are to be notified by both Tanah Keeta and the Unit Leader.

Our staff is trained to recognize problems with the physical conditions of our guests. We encourage hydration due to the summer heat. Water coolers are provided throughout the program areas at all time. Scouts are encouraged to carry a canteen, water bottle or cup with them during the day.

The 911 response system is in place in our area. Response times are always impressive due to our close proximity to the Fire and Police stations. Our camp is served by Jupiter Medical Center. For any additional questions on our emergency policies, please contact the Gulf Stream Council Service Center. If

**you have questions/concerns during summer camp, please call Tanah Keeta at:  
561-746-8749 and speak with us directly. We will be glad to assist you.**

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