

TANAH KEETA SCOUT RESERVATION

"HOT CARIBBEAN NIGHTS"



2012 Summer Camp Manual For Scouts and Adult Leaders

We welcome you to Tanah Keeta Summer Camp!

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

Join us at TK for the Caribbean Adventure of a Lifetime!

*Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation
Tequesta, Florida
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Summer Camp Fees

Early Bird Fees – if 50% deposit paid before March 1, 2012
with balance paid in full by May 1, 2012:

Boy Scout	Resident Camp	Whitewater Adventure	SCUBA
\$270.00	\$165.00	\$350.00	\$550.00

Regular Fees - if 50% deposit paid after March 1, 2012

\$300.00	\$195.00	\$380.00	\$580.00
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Same fees apply for Provisional Scouts. A \$20.00 discount will be offered for each additional week.

Adult Leaders = \$100.00 Early Bird / \$130.00 after March 1, 2012.
2nd Leader is No Charge

Special Activity Fees

Offshore Fishing Tour	Beach Picnic FL Oceanographic	Lighthouse
\$40.00	\$25.00	\$15.00

*For detailed questions on fees or to make special payment arrangements, please contact the Gulf Stream Council Service Center at kelsey.cupples@scouting.org.
We will be happy to assist you if possible.

2012 Summer Camp Dates

June 12 – June 16	Cub Webelo Resident Camp
June 17 – June 23	BSA Week 1
June 24 – June 30	BSA Week 2
July 1 – July 7	BSA Week 3
July 8 – July 14	Whitewater High Adventure

Check-In time starts at 2pm each Sunday (NO EARLY ARRIVALS)
Camp fees remain the same for all BSA weeks of camp but
Cub/Webelos Resident Camp has a different fee schedule.

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.



Summer Camp Refund Policy

Prior to April 1st 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 1st 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

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.

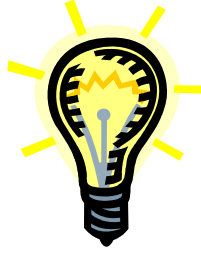
Turn right (North) at the stop sign onto Country Club Drive. Continue on Country Club Drive and it will dead end at the entrance to Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation.

*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 . 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 Available 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 Conservation
Citizenship - World	Metal Working	Space Exploration
Climbing	Motor Boating	Swimming
Communications	Music	Water Sports
Cooking	Nature	Weather
Electricity	Oceanography	Wilderness Survival
Emergency Prep	Orienteering	Wood Carving
Energy	Photography	
Environmental	Pioneering	
Science	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. NOTE: Prerequisites for merits badges are available online at www.GulfStreamCouncil.org

[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, Mountain Biking, Horsemanship 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 the final week of 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 Form 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

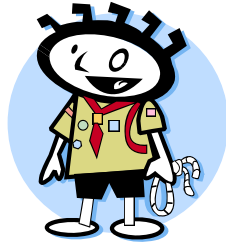
Health Lodge

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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