

**Scout Expo Ideas and Information**  
**Saturday, Sept. 21 9am-12pm**  
**Louisiana Purchase Gardens & Zoo Pavilion**



The Scout Expo is a community-wide event, presented by the Louisiana Purchase Council. Its purpose is to showcase the Scouting program and the values to our community scouting provides.

**Location/Time:** The Scout Expo will run from 9am-12pm on Saturday, Sept. 21 at the Louisiana Purchase Gardens & Zoo Pavilion

A separate Camp-o-ree will be held Friday and Saturday for registered scouts. \$5 registration fee (includes patch). [www.louisianapurchasecouncil.org](http://www.louisianapurchasecouncil.org) The Camp-o-ree also provides a good time to set-up your Expo booth and practice your exhibit activity. Camp-o-ree will begin Friday at 4pm. Flag ceremony at 5:30pm.

**Scout Expo Booth:**

Each Pack, Troop, or Crew is encouraged to sponsor a booth at the expo. This is your opportunity to show our community what Scouting is all about and to share your scouting skills with fellow Scouts and Scout Leaders. Keep It Simple Make It Fun, by involving all the Scouts and parents in your unit with booth preparation and set-up, manning and take down.

**Getting Started:**

- Units must name a Booth Manager.
- Pick an idea for the Scout Expo (see next page).
- Submit your booth idea to Kristi Davis at [johnandkristi@yahoo.com](mailto:johnandkristi@yahoo.com) or 318-348-7272
- Provide special requests beforehand: extra space, electric outlet, under pavilion, in the grass, etc.
- Start planning today and get your participation activity ready.
- Practice the game, craft, demonstration or skill with the rest of your unit.

**Regulations:**

- Only propane stoves are permitted.
- Electricity is limited. Design a powerless booth if possible.
- Bring your own tables and chairs.
- Any Unit that is not able to field a booth may participate by performing service during the day of Scout Expo. A Bobcat Requirement Day will be held during this same time frame.

**Booth Set-up:**

On Saturday, September 21, the set-up will be from 7:00 am to 8:30 am. However, the Camp-o-ree on Friday night provides extra time for those units to set up beforehand.

**Tips:** MAKE IT A LIVE ACTION BOOTH OR DEMONSTRATION, AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION IS GREAT, START ON TIME, MAKE A SHIFT ROSTER, and WEAR PROPER UNIFORM.

Some of these ideas are great for Cub scout age, while some are geared for older youth.

<b>Derby car displays</b>	<b>Rocks &amp; Minerals</b>	<b>Wood Tools</b>	<b>First Aid Skills</b>
<b>Derby car track</b>	<b>Knots</b>	<b>Leather Craft</b>	<b>Bike Repair</b>
<b>Leave No Trace Demo</b>	<b>Lashings</b>	<b>Birdhouses or Feeders</b>	<b>Map &amp; Compass</b>
<b>Plant a seed</b>	<b>Secret codes</b>	<b>Set up a model campsite</b>	<b>Physical Fitness</b>
<b>Flag etiquette</b>	<b>Flag folding</b>	<b>Marshmallow catapult</b>	<b>Stamps &amp; Coins</b>
<b>Forestry</b>	<b>Emergency kit</b>	<b>Wilderness shelters</b>	<b>Play marble games</b>
<b>Nutrition</b>	<b>Fishing safety</b>	<b>Make a terrarium</b>	<b>CPR Demo</b>
<b>Uniform &amp; Insignia</b>	<b>10 essentials</b>	<b>Geo-caching</b>	<b>How to save energy</b>
<b>Fingerprinting</b>	<b>Outdoor games</b>		<b>Nature crafts</b>
	<b>Woodcarving</b>		<b>Photography</b>

**NOTE TO ALL PARTICIPANTS:**

Safety Note: All booths that may have a question of safety must be authorized first. Submit your plans and idea to the Scout Expo Committee via Kristi Davis. Some booths may require certified people. Please refer to the "Guide to Safe Scouting" for safety guidelines.

**Booth Manager Responsibilities:**

If you have been selected as your Unit Booth Manager:

- Contact Kristi Davis at [johnandkristi@yahoo.com](mailto:johnandkristi@yahoo.com) by August 15 with your Booth idea.
- Contact everyone involved in preparing your exhibit and give assignments.
- Make sure that a Scout Leader is always in charge at the booth.
- Rehearse your participants before the Scout Expo to better communicate your message.
- Allow unit members time off to visit other exhibits and wander around the Scout Expo.
- Do not sell, charge or ask for donations. Only one exhibit will be selling popcorn.
- Cooking demonstrations are always fun; however, propane stoves are only allowed at the zoo.
- Display your unit # in some manner: drape your pack or troop flag, make a sign
- SPREAD THE WORD TO THE COMMUNITY! Use the Scout expo flyer to email, post or place in businesses.