



# SHOOT -a- Palooza

October 7-9, 2022



## LEADER GUIDE

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**WHERE:** H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation      **FEES\*:** \$30 per youth participant by August 2 \* \*\*  
**WHEN:** October 7-9, 2022      *\*includes facility use, memorabilia, and program features*  
**WHO:** TROOPS AND CREWS      *\*\* This is a youth activity, adults will not be participating in shooting activities*  
**CHECK IN:** Friday from 6:45-10:00 PM      **All Program Activities occur on Saturday**  
**CHECK OUT:** Sunday 8:00-11:00 AM      **Registration: ONLINE @ [www.hoac-bsa.org/shoot-a-palooza](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/shoot-a-palooza)**  
**Safety Briefing:** after flag ceremony and, for late arrivals, at 11:45 AM also at the flag mall.

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Shoot-a-Palooza is an excellent opportunity to expose your scouts to the fun and adventure of Shooting Sports activities in the Heart of America Council. This event will provide various shooting opportunities for your Scouts outside of summer camp. The event is located at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation where there are numerous shooting facilities available. All participants who sign up on time will receive Shoot-a-Palooza event memorabilia.

Is your troop or crew new to Shooting Sports? No worries. **Heart of America Council will be providing all the necessary gear and training as well as experienced leadership to ensure your Scouts have a safe and enjoyable weekend.** If you or your unit has personal hearing and eye protection, please bring it. If you need eye and hearing protection we will provide it. Eye protection must be ANSI Z87.1 compliant (include facial side guards) or participants will be asked to use HOAC provided equipment.

**Outdoor activities** will include multi-target presentation shotgun shooting, precision rifle shooting, paint ball accuracy shooting, distance and action archery, slingshots, BB guns and several other shooting opportunities. This year we will have a 3-gun competition with special prizes for the top guns. The activities will be announced at the leader's meeting Friday evening.

**Are you a NRA certified instructor or just want to help?** If so, volunteering to staff one of our activity areas. We will need many hands to keep equipment provisioned, ammunition distributed, arrows recovered etc.

**Personal Firearms Policy** – BSA policy specifies that no personal firearms, ammunition or archery equipment be allowed on BSA property. All required firearms and ammunition and other shooting equipment will be supplied by Heart of America Council BSA.

## REGISTRATION

HOAC would prefer that all units sign up via the website [www.hoac-bsa.org/shoot-a-palooza](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/shoot-a-palooza). Early registration fee is only \$30 per youth, if received by August 2, 2022. Afterwards the fee will increase to \$35 per participant. Fees go toward the use of our facilities at Camp, event memorabilia, and most importantly to help maintain your council shooting sports equipment.

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Shoot-a-Palooza is an excellent opportunity to expose your scouts to the fun and adventure of shooting activities in the Heart of America Council. These programs are designed for experienced as well as novice shooters. There will be buses available to transport youth to the various venues as soon as the Safety Briefing is complete. Activities will go on rain or shine. Thunder and lightning conditions will require that activities are shut down until those conditions pass. Please be prepared to eat and camp as a unit. No meals will be provided with your registration. Shower house facilities at Piercing Arrow may be available for use depending on temperature and weather conditions.

Activities are scheduled to operate from these program sites:

Site	Program Sites	Activities
PA1	Piercing Arrow Rifle Range	 Accurate Rifle Shooting
PA2	Piercing Arrow Archery Range	 Precision target presentations
PA3	Piercing Arrow Top Shot Range	 Paint ball shooting with an accuracy twist
PA4	Mountain Man Village	 Tomahawks and Knife Throwing with game entwined
PA5	Base Ball Field	 Giant Slingshot
PA6	Piercing Arrow Trailer Parking Lot	 Accuracy challenges with unique targets
PA7	Old BMX Course	 Shooting challenges that are harder than they look
SM1	Sawmill Rifle Range and Archery Range	 3 Skill Shooting for Score Top Gun Prizes!
BC1	Briley Creek Shotgun Range	 A multi target presentation and fun - competition if you want
BC2	Briley Creek	 Fruit Chuckin'

## CHECK-IN PROCEDURES AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Check-in will start on **Friday evening at 6:45 PM.** in the Piercing Arrow dining hall. Units are expected to have Medical Record parts A, and B, for each of their attending members.

At check in, unit leaders will receive the unit's campsite location, information regarding shooting locations, and confirmation of start times or changes to program due to weather conditions.

Please make sure you have at least one leader at the leader meeting **Friday evening at 9:00 PM** to receive important updated information regarding site openings and procedures for the day. This meeting will be held at the old BMX Bike venue. Please bring chairs and a soft drink as we may be there a while.

Immediately after flag ceremony Saturday morning there will be a mandatory safety briefing. All participants who will be shooting must attend this activity. Arm bands will be passed out to all who attend the briefing. Anyone without an arm band will not be allowed to shoot at any venue. There will be a second safety briefing at 11:45 AM to catch any late arrivals and they will receive arm bands then.

Please note that HOAC Activity Directors at each program site have the authority to disqualify any piece of hearing or eye protection gear for use *at any time* during the event. For example, an instructor running a program site the next day feels that there is a problem with the eye protection, they have the authority to require use of council owned equipment for that site or the duration of the weekend. This policy is for the safety of participants and shooting instructors providing program.

## PARTICIPANT GEAR LIST

Here is a list of personal items that each participant should bring with them to the event:

- ✓ Water bottle filled with water
- ✓ Food or snacks to eat while waiting in line or hiking between sites
- ✓ Rain jacket for inclement weather or fleece
- ✓ Laced up closed toed shoes
- ✓ Small first aid kit for scrapes or blisters on the trail
- ✓ Flash light or head lamp for return to campsite after program end
- ✓ Personal hearing and eye protection equipment if available

## PROGRAM AGENDA

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO INSTRUCTOR AVAILABILITY AND WEATHER CONDITIONS)

### Friday

- 6:45-10:00 pm Check-in and gear inspection begins in the Piercing Arrow dining hall.  
8:00-8:30 pm Shoot-a-Palooza Staff meeting in the Piercing Arrow dining hall.  
9:00-9:30 pm Leader's meeting at the old BMX Bike area

### Saturday

- 7:50 am Opening Flag Ceremony at Reservation Head Quarters flag mall  
7:55 am **Mandatory Safety Briefing**  
8:00 am Program sites open – please see attached site map.  
PA1 - 22s Can Pack A Wallop – Piercing Arrow Rifle Range  
PA2 - William Don't Tell the Scoutmaster – Piercing Arrow Archery Range  
PA3 - Paint Ball Ain't All – Top Shot Range  
PA4 - It's Mr. Thomas-A-Hawk to You – Mountain Man Village  
PA5 - We Couldn't Figure Out What To Call This – Ball Field  
PA6 - Robin Hood's Not That Good – Piercing Arrow Trailer Parking Lot  
PA7 - To The Moon Alice – Old BMX Course  
BC1 - You Can't Shoot Jack – Briley Creek  
BC2 – Prolly Can't Shoot Plum either – Briley Creek  
SM1 – 3 Skill Scored Shooting – Sawmill Rifle Range/Archery and In Between (Prizes for Top Shot)
- 11:45 am **Make-up mandatory safety briefing**  
12:00 pm Units can eat lunch at camp or at program sites.  
Instructors will eat lunch at program sites. Activities may be briefly paused while staff eats lunch.  
6:00 pm Closing Flag Ceremony at RHQ flag mall.  
6:00 pm Program sites close.

### Sunday

- 8:00-11:00 am Unit check-out at Bartle Reservation Headquarters (RHQ).



