

SNE **LEADERS SUMMIT** 2023

April 15th
8am - 4pm

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TO REGISTER



BETHANY
ASSEMBLY OF GOD
580 Main St. Agawam, MA



SCHEDULE



Friday

4:30 PM NRA RSO Class –Classroom 308 Must Pre-Register

Saturday

8:00 AM REGISTRATION OPEN –Lobby

8:30 AM GENERAL SESSION –Lighthouse Auditorium
WORSHIP SERVICE – Pedro Garcia
Guest Speaker –Pastor John Blunt

9:45 AM TRAINING SESSION 1
JONI & FRIENDS –Lighthouse Auditorium
NRA RSO –Classroom 308 (cont..)
CAMPFIRE COFFEE –Coffee Shop

11:45 AM BREAK

1:15 PM GENERAL SESSION –Lighthouse Auditorium
Every Boy Initiative
DLA & DELA Awards
Advancement System Updates
The Ranger App

1:45 PM TRAINING SESSION 2
Ranger Kids CLE –Room 105
FCF Frontier Adventure Information–Gym
JLDA Information–Gym
NRA RSO Class – Classroom 308 (Cont.)

3:45 PM GENERAL SESSION –Lighthouse Auditorium
Closing Ceremony

4:00 PM DISMISSAL PRAYER



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SHARING *Hope* THROUGH HARDSHIP





SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND ROYAL RANGERS



Sat. April 15, 2023
Bethany AG, Agawam, MA
8:30 AM

Promoting the safe and responsible participation in shooting sports by Royal Rangers USA members.



JOHN ARMSTRONG

SNE NSSP COORDINATOR

ROYAL RANGERS
NATIONAL
★★★★ Championships ★★★★★

Postal Competitions are conducted through the use of outpost, district or regional events held between January 1st and December 31st each year. Each event must utilize the specified guidelines to qualify. Results (scores) are mailed to a specified location using official reporting forms where they are compared to other results from throughout the nation. Scores are tabulated and awards are posted and sent to individuals as specified by the event guidelines.



**NRA RSO will be our first
of many NRA Training
that we are bringing to
Southern New England.**

**Be on the lookout for future
NRA Courses being offered
through NSSP - SNE**





District CLE Award

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CHURCH _____

OUTPOST _____ CHARTERED (Y) _____ (N) _____

QUALIFYING EVENT _____ DATE _____

Number of Times Earned _____

Network Director Signature _____ DATE _____

SELECT ONE OPTION FROM BELOW

____ District CLE Ribbon (\$3.00)

____ District CLE Numeral (\$3.00/Each)

Event Criteria

- District and National CLE's must be endorsed by the District Director. They can only be ordered through your district.
- Must fill a need at the local level and offered by Royal Rangers certified instructors and/or other competent instructors.
- Must be a minimum of two hours in length. Events 4 hours or longer do not count as multiple continuous learning opportunities.
- May be offered as indoor, outdoor, online, internet-based, or classroom-based formats.
- May fill a need that is specific to leadership development skills needed to work with Royal Rangers or provide specialized certification needed to teach skill merits.
- May not have been previously used to satisfy an individual's training requirements.

Qualifying District Events

- LTA modules not taken for the LMA
- Continuous learning electives (CLE) completed and not counted toward OLAL or OLT training level requirements
- District Royal Ranger Conference (when qualifying training criteria is met)
- District Men's Ministry Conference
- District Children's Ministry Conference
- District Christian Education/All Church Ministries Conference
- Completion of the Outpost Leader Orientation (OLO). The OLO may not be used toward the OLAL or OLT training level requirements
- Other Continuous Learning Opportunities approved by the district director that meets the above definition and criteria

WITH GOD'S HELP I WILL DO MY BEST



NATIONAL CLE Award

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CHURCH _____

OUTPOST _____ CHARTERED (Y) _____ (N) _____

QUALIFYING EVENT _____ DATE _____

Number of Times Earned _____

Network Director Signature _____ DATE _____

SELECT ONE OPTION FROM BELOW

____ National CLE Ribbon (\$3.00)

____ National CLE Numeral (\$3.00/Each)

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Qualifying National Events

- Continuous Learning Elective courses offered **online**
- Ranger Foundations course (all 15 sessions) if Ranger Basics was completed before 12/31/2020 and used to satisfy the requirement for the READY OLAL training level
- World Class Outpost (WCO) if this conference was attended previously to satisfy the requirement for the ADVANCED OLAL training level but is being completed again as a refresher or to accompany other leaders from the outpost attending for the first time
- National AG KidMin Conference
- National Youth Workers Conference
- National AG **NextGen Conference**
- National Men's Ministry Conference
- Catalyst
- Pre-conference Leadership Seminar for General Council
- Regional Conferences (if qualifying training criteria was met)
- National Alliance for the Development of Archery (NADA), National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) instructor certification courses
- NRA instructor certification courses in Rifle, Shotgun, or Blackpowder
- Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience (C.O.P.E.) Instructor certification course
- Other Continuous Learning Electives may be added by the Royal Rangers national office

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ROYAL RANGERS

MENTORING

FUTURE MEN

Royal Rangers is a mentoring ministry for future men, providing Christlike character formation and servant leadership development for boys and young men in a highly relational and fun environment. Royal Rangers enables pastors and men to influence more boys and young men than ever, more effectively than ever!

FLEXIBLE Format

Providing the ultimate in flexibility, Royal Rangers empowers every church to create the boys mentoring program that best suits their unique objectives and vision. Uniforms, meeting structure, nomenclature, activities – they all can be tailor-fit to provide YOU with exactly the right program for YOUR church.

CLARITY of Purpose

Royal Rangers reflects the Acts 2 model of church growth and discipleship by evangelizing, equipping, and empowering boys and men to CONNECT to Christ and one another, GROW into true Christlike manhood, and SERVE “God, my church, and my fellow man” through leadership and regular acts of service in their daily lives.

DIVERSE Content

From sports, trade skills, and technology to arts, ministry, and outdoor activities, Royal Rangers truly provides something for every boy.



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Advancement System Update 2023

In October of 2020 a team was formed to explore potential changes to the Royal Rangers advancement system in hopes of addressing two problem areas:

- Our current advancement system seems complicated to new leaders
- Boys who do not attend consistently have difficulty advancing due to the challenges with earning skill merits *(Although recent changes have provided flexibility in earning Bible and leadership merits, that same flexibility is not currently available when earning skill merits)*

The following represents an updated advancement process that addresses these issues. This system will be implemented according to the timeline described at the end of this document.

UPDATE SUMMARY

1. Merits will no longer be a direct component of the advancement trail. Boys may still earn merits if they choose, but they are no longer required for advancement (except for the GMA as noted below). Earning merits will be optional and separate from earning the advancement steps.
2. Boys will earn each quarterly advancement step by completing any (8) weekly lessons (see #7 below). Each lesson includes a pre-defined Bible lesson and a skill or leadership lesson¹. Leaders may substitute alternative Bible or skill/leadership lessons if they choose (see #5 below).
3. Boys must memorize one Bible verse at each advancement step. These verses will be taken from a pre-selected list of verses (4 verses per year, 12 per age group)
4. ER Spirit Challenge patches will now represent quarterly advancement steps for Expedition Rangers, similar to DR and AR. For each step, boys must complete (8) ER weekly lessons and memorize (1) specified scripture verse (similar to DR & AR groups).

Advance. Step	Spirit Challenge Patch Color	Cumulative Number of Lessons Required	Cumulative Number of Scripture Verses
1	Green	8	1
2	Orange	16	2
3	Violet	24	3
4	BRONZE	32	4
5	E1 Award		
6	Blue	40	5
7	Yellow	48	6
8	Red	56	7
9	SILVER	64	8
10	E2 Award		
11	Teal	72	9
12	Amber	80	10
13	Maroon	88	11
14	GOLD	96	12
15	E3 Award		

¹ A new curriculum delivery system is in development using the Moodle online platform that will provide these pre-built weekly lessons.

5. For leaders who choose to teach something other than the pre-defined weekly lesson:
 - a. Bible lessons can be taken from any RR Bible lesson set or any lesson approved by your Pastor (this is already our current standard)
 - b. Skill or leadership lessons can be taken from ANY RR skill or leadership merit, of any color (to accommodate combined groups in smaller outposts)
6. Although NOT required for advancement, skill, leadership, and Bible merits may be earned by completing the necessary requirements.
 - a. Bible merits may be earned by completing (8) weekly lessons and reading one full chapter of the Bible from the weekly lessons just completed.
 - b. Leadership merits will return to their original format where each merit will be earned by completing a specific set of (5) lessons associated with that merit.
 - c. Skill merits will remain as they are – Tool Craft, Lashing, etc. – and will be earned by completing a specific list of requirements.
7. Lesson credit is based on the lessons as taught by the outpost leader, not the lessons as defined in the skill merit activity guide (if any). For example, if a leader takes 7 weeks to teach the Tool Craft merit, boys receive credit for 7 skill lessons, regardless of the fact that the Tool Craft merit teaching materials may only include 5 lesson plans. For merits that do not contain lesson plans, outpost leaders may define the number and structure of the lessons they will teach (unchanged from current standard). When leadership or skill merits are taught in a weekend format, (1) lesson credit is given for every 30 minutes of instruction.
8. To earn an annual year-end award (medal) a boy must meet the following requirements:
 - a. Complete/participate in any (32) weekly lessons (4 quarters @ 8 lesson each)
 - b. Complete one service project (format & time to be determined by outpost leadership).
 - c. Other additional requirements as currently stated in the boy's handbooks (unchanged from current requirements)
9. To earn the highest award in an age group, boys must earn all three annual year-end awards (medals), and meet any additional requires as currently stated.
10. **OPTIONAL GMA TRACK:** Boys have option of pursuing a GMA track in addition to the standard advancement trail as described above. The GMA track represents a list of optional additional requirements that must be completed to earn the GMA.
 - a. Earn a specified number of buffalo awards (see below)
 - GMA – (2) buffalo awards (excluding Copper /Ranger Kids)
 - GMA with Merit – (3) buffalo awards
 - GMA with Honors – (4) buffalo awards
 - b. Complete the following additional requirements (unchanged)
 - Read the entire Bible or listen to it as an audio book.
 - Be at least 12 years of age and not yet reached 18 years of age.
 - Be an active member of a Royal Rangers outpost for at least (3) years.
 - Complete the GMA Capstone Project.
11. **Buffalo Awards** represent the completion of standard advancement trail as well as specified merits in each age group in pursuit of the GMA.
 - a. Copper Buffalo
 - Earn the RK Gold Trail award
 - Earn (24) RK achievement awards
 - b. Bronze Buffalo
 - Earn the Gold Eagle award
 - Earn the First Aid Skills, Global Missions (blue), and Bible Knowledge (blue) merits
 - Earn (3) red or gold leadership merits

- Earn an additional (12) blue or green skill merits
- c. Silver Buffalo
 - Earn the Adventure Gold award
 - Earn the Healthy Body, Global Missions (green), and Bible Knowledge (green) merits
 - Earn (3) gold or sky blue leadership merits
 - Earn an additional (12) green or silver skill merits
- d. Gold Buffalo
 - Earn the E3 award
 - Earn the Citizenship, Bible Doctrines, and Budget & Finance merits
 - Earn (3) gold or sky blue leadership merits
 - Earn an additional (12) silver skill merits

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

This new system has been built into the new Royal Rangers mobile app curriculum delivery platform and will be released at the time that platform is launched. The date of that launch is dependent on the progress of the Every Boy Initiative in enlisting a specified number of financial sponsors for the Royal Rangers program.

Outdoor Skills Camp

Several years ago, the change was made in Royal Rangers to no longer provide camping skills training as a central component of Royal Ranger leader training. NTC was replaced with NRMC where the focus is on fun activities rather than camping skills. JTC and AJTC were revised to remove camping skills and focus on leader development for boys. However, camping events continue to represent a central part of the Royal Rangers program and are practiced at National Camporama, district camps, and FCF events.

It is therefore necessary that a training event be provided for both leaders and older boys that will provide an adequate introduction to basic camping skills.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide outpost leaders with instruction on basic outdoor skills.
- Serve as the venue for camp skills training, replacing those classes at NRMC & junior training camps.

KEY ASPECTS OF OSC:

- Action Camp – adult leaders and high school boys, 2.5 days in length minimum
- Conducted by the district
- Focus on basic outdoor skills

OUTDOOR SKILLS CLASSES MAY INCLUDE:

- Trip Planning
- Campsite Layout
- Safety & Sanitation
- Personal Equipment
- Group Equipment
- Water Safety
- Fire Craft
- Cooking
- Tool Craft
- First Aid
- Rope Craft
- Nature Study
- Low Impact Camping
- Seven S's of a Spiritual Service

IMPLEMENTATION:

This material will be developed and implemented in conjunction with the release of NRMC in conference format, most likely in 2024.

World Class Outpost Update

Some time ago a team was formed to review and update the WCO materials. The objectives of this team was to accomplish the following:

- Review and revise the WCO materials to reflect current program standards, such as the revised terms for the Seven Methods, Rangers Lite & the Program Applications Matrix, and the Patrol System Matrix.
- Update or remove out-of-date content
- Reformat the instructor guide & student notebook to allow for the creation of tables of content, page numbers, and more consistent formatting.

Program elements that are still in transition have NOT been included at this time to avoid confusion. However, this will require an additional update at some future date once these elements are released. This includes:

- TracClub and the new Moodle-based RR App curriculum delivery system
- New “attendance-based” advancement system

UPDATES INCLUDED

1. Added the “Program Application Matrix” and “Rangers Lite” content to Session 5.
2. Updated the seven methods in session 5 to reflect current terminology.
3. Created a new Outpost Assessment scoresheet that reflects current program elements.
4. Removed the content in session 4 referring to “Habitual Leaders” vs. “Situational Leaders” as it does not align with our current leader training philosophy.
5. Reformatted the instructors guide and student workbook and made numerous minor edits and corrections.

NRMC Conference Format

Two of the most significant challenges we face with our current format for NRMC are as follows:

- Significant fees may be required to rent facilities suitable for NRMC, often as high as \$2,000 or more per camp.
- Reliance on the trainees pre-existing knowledge of camping skills, which many leaders may not reliably possess.

The following therefore represents a concept for conducting an NRMC event in a conference format rather than a camping format. This format could be used as early as 2024.

KEY FEATURES:

1. All the same manhood sessions, Saturday activities, and patrol features that are used in the original “camp” format will be retained in this “conference” format but no camping skills are taught or practiced.
2. This format assumes the trainees are learning camping skills through a separate leader training event (see “Basic Outdoor Skills Camp”)
3. All meals are prepared by the staff and served together in the dining hall
 - a. This is the format we are currently using for Friday lunch, Saturday breakfast, and Sunday breakfast. We will now be serving all (6) meals in the dining hall, not just (3).
4. Trainees may be housed on-site (in tents, dorms, etc.) or off-site, on their own. If housed off-site, trainees are responsible for making their own housing arrangements. They will leave camp each evening and return each morning.
 - a. This is the format we’re currently using for WCO and JBEI.
 - b. Some locations may be able to offer a housing option on site, but that will be managed separately from the event.
5. Staff may be housed on site or off site, depending on the facilities available.
 - a. Staff housing will be covered as an expense of the camp whether on-site or off-site.
6. Camp registration fees may be reduced due to the elimination of housing and the need to rent campground facilities that include adequate housing for staff. However, some trainees may pay higher costs for housing if housed off-site.
7. This event could be conducted at any church or similar location where space is available for:
 - a. Large meeting room
 - b. Kitchen & food storage facilities
 - c. Outdoor space for the Saturday activities
 - d. Housing for staff (depends on location)
8. Evening activities have been moved earlier in the schedule to allow time for trainees to drive to their chosen housing locations at the end of the day. This time has been taken from time previously used for preparing meals in the campsites, so the time required for evening activities is affected.
9. Pre-camp arrive & setup time for staff is reduced.
 - a. No model campsite setup
 - b. No patrol equipment or campsite inspections
10. Significant time is now available in the schedule for additional content to be covered due to the elimination of camp setup & breakdown, and meal prep & cleanup times. This will enable us to provide a more complete training experience for outpost leaders.
 - a. See camp schedule for the classes that have been added.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- Camps for 2023 will remain unchanged and use the current “camp” format
- Limited pilot events may utilize this format in 2023
- May be fully implemented for all events beginning in 2024

Note that this remains a tentative plan and some details may change as this concept is further developed and piloted in different settings. Additional details will be released as they become available.

EVERY BOY



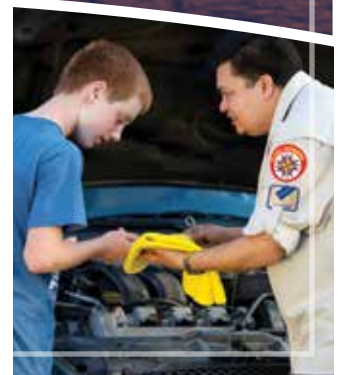
has the right to know
Jesus and to develop into
the man he was created to be.

The EveryBoy Initiative is a cooperative effort of Royal Rangers/Boys Ministries and U.S. Missions, seeking to ensure that every boy in the United States can hear the gospel and be mentored through discipleship to develop into the man God created him to be.

Through the generous support of churches and individuals, every evangelical church will have the ability to reach boys through an established process of mentorship using Royal Rangers or have access to curriculum and materials that can assist them in reaching boys in their cultural setting or church size.

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MASTER'S TOOLBOX PROPEL PERU PROJECT 2023-2024

Help us provide a camp for the kids of Peru.

When you participate, you will help Missionary Ricky Hendon build a camp for the children of Peru. Camp Yuri is an 88-acre campground that when completed will be able to host 400 kids each camp. Kids will be able to experience a week of activities, three meals a day, and dorm lodging while being told of the incredible love of God.

We need your help to provide this for the kids of this region. Giving \$750 will provide one space in this camp that will allow a kid to hear about and experience the love of Christ year after year.

Your gift will provide electricity, water wells, and building materials to complete the project. Additionally, it will purchase a much-needed new boat and motors for the missionaries to travel to the villages along the Amazon river.

Go To: RoyalRangers.com/BGMC



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