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## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4 DAY FOUR Outdoor Experience Weekend

As the sun rose, the dew was heavy when the Scouts of Troop 1 Wood Badge started arriving. At 7am it was a telling sign of the day to come. This was not going to be a cool dry fall weekend, but a hot South Texas November Wood Badge finale. "If you can carry it, you can have it at your camp site", Course Director John Gilbert proclaimed. So the procession of Scouts began heading to campsites with varying degrees of Scout savvy. They were on their own and tents were being erected in homage of generations of Wood Badgers before. Patrols began the final weekend of Wood Badge with anticipation and vigor.

I heard strategies of "rain flies or no rain flies", there were small tents and large, square tents and dome. What was common was that all the Scouts of Troop 1 knew this was not going to be like the first weekend. They knew that they were going to have to flex their independence and self-reliance and Scout skills to cross the finish line. Outdoor experience means getting it done, outdoors.

### A Message from your SCOUTMASTER

We are back! The first weekend of Wood Badge effectively demonstrated how to mix technology and Scout Leader Training at Camp K. The second weekend kicked off with participants hiking to their campsites with backpacks and lap tops. I am excited to see the patrol project presentation on Sunday afternoon. Anything could happen!

**JOHN GILBERT**  
Course Director S3-577-17



"Just one more mile!"



"This is my happy face!"

### Service & Program Patrol

## SCHEDULE

### Service Patrol

Day FOUR \_\_\_\_\_ Fox  
Day FIVE \_\_\_\_\_ Owl  
Day SIX \_\_\_\_\_ Beaver

### Program Patrol

Day FOUR \_\_\_\_\_ Owl  
Day FIVE \_\_\_\_\_ Bob White  
Day SIX \_\_\_\_\_ Fox

# BOBWHITE PATROL

Bob and White have returned to Gilwell Field for another incredible weekend of training. It was an early start to the day and they soon realized that their team had finally come together. They performed their first song and dance.. Then they had an impressive display of team work and problem solving at the team games. They are looking forward to laughing and singing at the camp fire tonight.



# EAGLE PATROL

**THEY'RE HERE!** THEY'RE HERE. All the patrols are back and are feeling ENTHUSIASTIC; H A P P Y. We have all made camp and working together on our projects, skits, and songs for tonight's camp fire. This day has been as great as it was last time we were here and we are ready for tomorrow's adventure.



# BEAVER PATROL

It's great to be back this second weekend of Wood Badge. We learned so much about leave no trace and the outdoor code. We are looking forward to tonight's Carter's Camp Fire!



# FOX PATROL: PROFILE

**Rob Ochoa** Cubmaster of Pack 53, out of Bishop, TX. I joined Scouts when my son started as a Tiger. Now he is a Webelos. I came to Wood Badge so I can become a better leader and implement what I have learned here. Also, last year I retired from the U.S. Army and now own a lawn care service.



No...your other left!"



"Careful...it's heavier than it looks."





“We’ve seen this knot before.”



And never had a single lesson.



In awe of the legendary “PVC poop pipe”.



“Yes, I know what I’m doing. It’s supposed to look like this.”



“This is harder than it looks”.



“My brain hurts, make it stop! Uncle.”

