# May 2016 Pack News

**Rocket Launch May Pack Meeting**

**Saturday, May 21 at 2:00 pm**

We’re going to end our last Pack meeting with a big BANG! Let’s build air and water bottle rockets and launch them! For water bottle rockets, please make them in advance. Click [here](https://pack1776.com/posts/201604_may-pack-meeting/) for more details. For scouts that didn’t prebuild a water bottle rocket, they can make an air rocket at the meeting.

**Register for Next Year Now and Save!**

You can now sign up [online](https://pack1776.com/join/registration/) for next year! This year we’re adding Lion Cubs for Kindergarteners!New Scouts must complete a BSA form. All scouts must submit updated medical forms. The cost of early registration (before the school year ends) is $100 per scout; afterwards, it is $125. We are requiring a volunteer deposit of $200 for each family this coming year. Please include a separate $200 check post-dated to 4/1/2017. We will hold onto these checks and return the check to you after your completed your 8 hour volunteer requirement. Turn in your forms to the Pack 1776 mailbox at the Coyote Creek office.

**Oakland A’s Scout Day**

**Oakland Coliseum, Sunday, May 22nd 2016, 1:05 pm**

**Class A Uniform**

Let’s Go A’s! For those of you that signed up, please deposit your payment at the Coyote Creek mailbox ASAP. Please don’t make our busy Pack Treasurer / parent volunteer track you down for payment.

**Flag Planting at the Presidio, San Francisco**

**Saturday May 28, 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

**Location: 1 Lincoln Blvd., Presidio of San Francisco**

**All scouts in Class A uniform welcome**

Join hundreds of Scouts from all over the Bay Area, and thousands across the country, to pay tribute to those who served. We will be planting American flags at the San Francisco National Cemetery. This is typically one of the most meaningful events of the year, reminding our Scouts of the sacrifices that made our country. The event will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and we will likely be completed by 11:30 a.m. Click [here](https://pack1776.com/posts/201604_memorial-day-flag-planting-3/) to sign up.

**Cotton Candy Sale at the Art and Wind Festival**

**May 29 to May 30, 8:30 am to 6:00 pm.**

**Class A Uniform**

Come have fun and participate in our Cotton Candy Fundraiser at the 2016 San Ramon Art & Wind Festival. Scouts can practice their positive attitude, public speaking skills and money handling, while helping our Pack at our biggest fundraiser. Click [here](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4dabae2caaf49-2016) for more details and to sign up!

***Rescheduled to June 4!* Pack Bike Ride**

**Sycamore Valley Park and Ride at 10:00 am**

Let’s meet at the Sycamore Park and Ride and ride our bikes on the Iron Horse Trail to Hap Magee Park in Alamo. Before starting, we will go over bike safety rules and do a bike inspection. Siblings are welcome. We need as many adults as possible to help supervise. Click [here](https://pack1776.com/posts/201605_may-bike-ride/) for more details and to sign up!

***Sign up NOW for* *Cub Scout Day Camp***

**August 1 to 5 at Little Ranch**

Join us at the annual Cub Scout Day Camp from August 1 to 5 at Little Ranch. The theme is "Journey to Cloud City." The cost is $240 for the week. If you volunteer for 2 or more days, you will receive extra discounts; please see the next item. Submit paperwork to the Pack 1776 mail box at Coyote Creek. All scouts welcome! Click [here](https://pack1776.com/posts/201604_2016-cub-scout-day-camp/) for more information.

**Immediate Volunteers Needed! Hours Count Toward This Year and / or Next Year**

Email Grace Dagen if you can help at gracedagen@yahoo.com.

* **Cub Scout Day Camp Volunteer:** We need at least two adult volunteers to help coordinate the Cub Scout Summer Day Camp from August 1 to 5. All camp activities are led by other adult volunteers. Your duties will be: collecting the paperwork from our attendees, attending the 5 day camp with our scouts, and guiding them from one group activity to another. As incentives, you will receive a $40 credit, a $100 discount on your child’s camp registration, and the Pack will wave your $200 volunteer fee for next year, a total of $340 savings.
* **Membership Coordinators Needed:** We need two membership coordinators. Duties include: 1) promote Pack registration, 2) create new membership welcome packets, 3) collect and track the registration paperwork and checks, follow up with members as needed, 4) log the data into our computer system.

**Say Goodbye to ScoutTrack.com!**

Next year, we are switching from ScoutTrack.com to ScoutBook.com. It’s prettier to look at, has many more functions, and is supported by BSA. The switch will take place at the end of May. Please submit all awards by Friday, May 27 in ScoutTrack.com. We will transfer all the data over the weekend, turn on the new system, and retire the old.

**Become a Friend of Scouting**

Through Friends of Scouting, our families provide vital funding to operate Mt. Diablo Silverado Council camps, programs, and facilities. We also provide insurance to Packs and trains our leaders. Donations of any size are very welcomed and honored. Please consider making a pledge to support our local BSA Council. Return your envelope with your pledge card to the Pack 1776 mailbox in the Coyote Creek office ***whether or not you pledge***. To learn more, please visit <http://www.bsa-mdsc.org/funding/fundraising/friends-scouting> or contact Esther Wooten at echo\_333@yahoo.com.

**June Pack Planning Meeting**
**Wednesday, June 1, 7:30 pm, casual**
The June 1 Pack Planning Meeting is at Hartwell’s home at 9590 Velvetleaf Circle. All Pack and Den Leaders and volunteers are invited. At this meeting we will discuss ideas and solidify action plans for our upcoming events.