



What is going on With Sea Scouts In Task Force Area 3?

October 2013 Update

The 2013 slowly winding down and it is time to start looking ahead to 2014, so Sea Scouting for Task Force Area 3 again has lot of events in the hopper. We are offering Adult Leader Training and more importantly Program and Advancement opportunities for our youth. These are open to all Sea Scouts regardless of their membership in the Squadron (Council), Task Force (area) or Flotilla (Region). Our youth continue to advance. I am proud to announce that our own Task Force Area 3 Boatswain Katie Bruton is now the Central Region Flotilla Boatswain. Please send you Congrats to Katie. Skippers please let me know of any qualified candidates you might have for the TFA3 Boatswain.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the events coming in 2014 -- (Got Wind? – Let's Sail!)

April, 2014 – Central Region Sea Scout planning meeting

Location Anthony Wayne Area Council – Howe Indiana

This will be held during the Area 6, AWAC Spring Ice Breaker which is open to all youth and adults who want to fight back at long winter and get ready for sailing. This event has a long history of being fun!

.May 16th – 18th, 2014 – Task Force Area 3 Sea Scouting Rendezvous.

Location: Abraham Lincoln Council – Sailing Center

We need units to volunteer to help run activities. We will be adding many new ones. We will also offer the SSALBT. This open to All Sea Scouting Age youth (ie Venturer's and older scouts)

June 22nd – 29th 2014 – Swift Base Sea Scout Week

We will Be Back again next year! We are adding a Pirate this year! Looking to add some new fun events.

It has sold out the last three years in a row so early registration is important.

For more info: <http://www.stlbsa.org/camping/summer-camps/tour/Pages/Swift-Base.aspx>

July or August (TBD) - Crew A Lake Huron Mackinac Race Boat Home

More to come as the year progresses. This event is targeted towards the youth who want both a high adventure sailing experience and a chance to work on the requirements for Quartermaster

September 2014 Venturing Fall Fun Rally

Location: Greater St. Louis Area Council – Beaumont Scout Camp

This is an annual event and we hope to again have an expanded presence next year! We will have Sea Scout Events there and we will offer the SSALBT.

For more info visit <http://www.fallfunrally.org/>

October 10th – 12th, 2013 Central Region Operation Rising Tide

Location: Illowa Council

Contact: [ORT Sea Scout CR@yahoo.com](mailto:ORT_Sea_Scout_CR@yahoo.com)

This has a lot of activities for the Youth. Sending an e-mail to the contact adds you to its listserv.

HAS YOUR UNIT'S BOATSWAIN OR PRESIDENT CONTACTED OUR AREA 3 and CENTRAL REGION BOATSWAINS?

Please have them get in touch with them all

Central Region Task Force Area 3 Boatswain - OPEN

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Commodore's Notes

The May Rendezvous is going to be our biggest event yet. Please put it on your calendar.

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Sea Scouts want to know - What did you do last weekend?

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