

# TROOP 121 TIMES



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***Excellence is not an act but a habit. You should always strive for excellence but Be careful not to confuse excellence with perfection, perfection is god's business.***

**Patrol Leaders Council (PLC):** Patrol Leaders Council meetings for the troop's junior leaders are held the first Monday of the month. The PLC meetings for the fall of 2024 will be held at 6 PM at the church hall on the following Mondays.

September 9, 2024

October 7, 2024

November 4, 2024

December 2, 2024

**Troop Meetings:** Troop Meetings as always will be held on Monday nights starting at 7 PM at the church hall. The troop meetings for the first part of the 2024-2025 scout year will be on the following Mondays.

September 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2024

October 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2024

November 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2024

December 2, 9 and 16, 2024

**Troop Committee Meeting:** Troop Committee meetings are now held on the first Monday of every month before the formal troop meeting. We encourage all adults who are interested in helping out with the troop in any way to coming to these meetings. The troop committee meetings are planned for Sept. 9, Oct 7, Nov 4 and Dec 2, 2024 at 6 PM at the Church Hall.

## TROOP EVENTS

**Upcoming Troop Events:** The redesigned web site is up and running and will include a troop calendar as well as information and sign-ups for all upcoming troop trips and events. Help make our website shine! If you have an item for the web site, if you have an idea to make our site better, please talk to Nick Hunter. Go to [www.auburn121.com](http://www.auburn121.com) for information on all troop trip and event details.

- **September Whitewater Rafting Trip** – Sept 13-15, 2024, this trip is being planned for this weekend. Registration for this trip is closed.
- **October and November 2024** - We are looking for ideas for trips for October and November – Bring your ideas to the next troop meeting.

- **Scouting for FOOD** – This annual service project will take place over two Saturday's, October. As in past years we will be distributing and collecting donation bags to help Kateri's Kitchen. This will be the 14<sup>th</sup> year that the troop has conducted a "Scouting for Food" service project. Let's make it our best one yet.

- **Annual Scout and Troop Registration** – Nov 25, 2024. The troop must recharter with the Heart of New England Council and BSA by this date. All

scouts and adults who wish to register for 2025 Scout Year must do so before this deadline. More information to come.

- **December Trip** – Dec 6-8, 2024, the Troop has booked the West Lodge at Treasure Valley. We will discuss this weekend's agenda at upcoming Troop meetings.
- **Troop LOCK-IN** – Friday night, December 27, 2024, we're working on scheduling this overnigher at the church hall over the Christmas break, we'll post the details and sign up on the web site,
- **Klondike Derby** – January 25, 2025; join the troop at the annual Quinapoxet District Klondike Derby at Treasure Valley. This troop and patrol competition is always fun. More details to come.
- **Ice Fishing** – The annual troop ice fishing /winter sports weekend will be on January 31 – February 2, 2025. Once again by popular demand we will staying in the Aquatics Lodge at Camp Moses in Russell, MA. Details and sign-up will be on the web site soon.

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### **ORDER of the ARROW Events**

- **OA Fall Fellowship Weekend** – October 18-20, 2024 at Treasure Valley. Go to the Lodge's web page to get more details.
- **Catamount Lodge Banquet** – Saturday, January 4, 2025 at the Auburn Elks Lodge. Go to the Lodge's web page to get more details.

### **KNOT of the MONTH**

The Square Knot – the first knot all scouts learn how to tie.

