

EVENT GUIDE



Camp Wilderness

Ft. Meade, FL 2026

Pow Wow Staff

If you have any questions or need assistance, please refer to one of the following departments below.

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Western Division.....	Joe Cortese
Central Division.....	Paul Keel

Need training?

Contact your section leaders today!



Are you a patch enthusiast or do you need some older patches to fill out your outpost patch banner? Patches are available for buying/selling/trading at the Eastern Division headquarters! Please see Steve Bridges for more details.

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Arrival Notes

When you Arrive:

Your group's leader should proceed to the lodge with their registration information and groups medical forms. If everything is in order check-in takes less than 10 minutes. Registration is open Friday and Saturday from 8am - 8pm.

After Registration:

After registration, proceed to your site, please unload your vehicles and park them as soon as possible. We have lots of people to get in and for safety want to reduce the cars moving around with boys in the camping area.

If I'm late?:

If you arrive after registration is closed, please come back the next morning. Camper ID's are required to get around camp, and you will need these.

You may have arrived in time to register but not go over the bridge, in that case the security team will give you instructions to get back to camp. See them at the security tent when leaving the lodge.

Don't forget to place the ribbon in your packet on your entryway when setting up camp



County Burn Ban in Effect

Polk County has a burn ban in effect during Pow Wow.

You **MUST** have your fire in a container **OFF** the ground.

Absolutely NO Ground Fires

Polk County Ordinance:

ANY PERSON WHO REFUSES TO COMPLY OR VIOLATES THIS BURN BAN SHALL BE IN VIOLATION OF POLK COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 08-015, AS AMENDED, AND SHALL BE PUNISHED ACCORDING TO LAW, AND UPON SUCH CONVICTION FOR SUCH OFFENSE, SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) OR BY IMPRISONMENT BY A TERM NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY (60) DAYS IN THE COUNTY JAIL OR BOTH



Service Notes

Ranger Kids Service

Friday and Saturday evening there will be a special service for all RK ages. The RK service will be held in the lodge and will follow the same schedule as the main service. Each RK must have their lanyard/id card when checking in as we will only release them to the adult that dropped them off. Please plan on picking them up when the other services end. This service is for RK ages only.



Expedition Rangers at Pow-Wow

Special ER Service

On Friday and Saturday Night, we will have a separate service for the Expedition Rangers and 8th grade Adventure Rangers.

After the Division Rally older boys will accompany their outpost over the bridge and then may go directly to the ER service behind the lodge.

If, as a commander, you feel your boys are not old enough to attend this rally, it is not mandatory, it just an opportunity for us to better minister to these young men.

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Pow Wow Events

New Outpost Coord. Meeting

Are you new to the role of Outpost Coordinator?

Join us Friday Night in the Lodge after the service for some dessert and a quick meet and greet with the District Staff!



Florida Rangers Board Meeting and Election

Who: The outposts voting designee (Usually Outpost Coordinator) Please limit attendees to this person.

When: Saturday Night of Pow Wow - After the service

Where: The Ampitheater

Why: There are two open board seats being elected, see the nominees here:

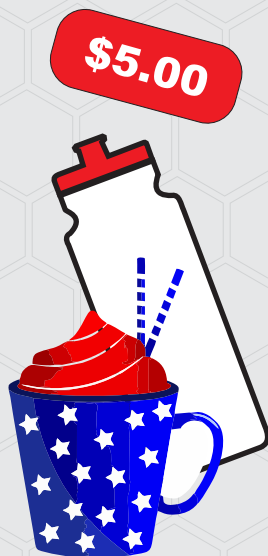
<https://campwilderness.net/about/board-nominees>



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**All You Can Drink
“Country Time
Lemonade”**

**PURCHASE A DRINK WRIST BAND
AND ENJOY ALL THE LEMONADE
YOU CARE TO DRINK FRIDAY,
SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY**



Bring Your Own Mug
12 OZ CUPS PROVIDED FREE

Available at the Ranger Kid Concession Stand

What the Ranger Kids' concession sells!

**All kinds of Candy... Cold Drinks...
Sno Cones... Cotton Candy...
Nathan's 1/4 lb Hot Dogs... 6" Pizzas
Bottled Water...Honey Buns...
All U can drink "Country Time Lemonade"
in your cup or mug...
Root Beer Floats
Old Pen Florida Pow Wow Patches**

North Entrance

Camp Map

North Parking
Visitors

Family Camping

Cabin

Lodge

Creek Crossing

Events

Central Div.

Water Front

Peace River

Water
Slide

ROC Loop

Companion Way

Old Prospector Trail

ROC Loop

Southern Parking Lo

Bushwacker Alley

Southwest Div.

Pansler's Prairie

Eastern Div.

Southern Div.

Rifle Range

Northern Div.

Hawks Hollow

Back
Slam
Strip

Barnyard

Red Feather Lane

Yellow
Theater

Fairchild Heart
Apprithheater

Crazy Horse Divide

Standing Bear Trail

Hawks Hollow

Fountain Trail

Girl's Trace

Guidelight Way

Sittin Bull Site

Dayspring Trail

Western Div.

Son Rise
Fishing Hole

Johnson Lane

Sandin Peach
Tree Lane

Trail Breaker

Young Deer Trail

Thunder Heart Rd

Hoss Site

Panther Trail

Son Rise
Fishing Hole



Annual Outpost Survey

It's outpost survey time!. This survey helps us make sure we are fulfilling your needs as an outpost. Please have the outpost coordinator take this survey. You can take it any time. (This is not the Pow Wow survey you need to fill out at the end of the event)



<https://survey.powwow.ws/survey/detail/6>

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Pow Wow Schedule

Friday Schedule

8:00am	Registration opens
1:00pm-4:00pm	FCF Village open
5:00pm	All ladies must be on the lodge side of the bridge
7:00pm	Assembly at Division Headquarters (FCF to escort Division to Amphitheater)
8:00pm	Registration Closes
8:00pm	Evening Rally (Attendance Mandatory)
	ER Behind Lodge, RK in Lodge
After Service	New Outpost Coord. Reception @ The Lodge (Following Service)
10:00pm	Devotions and Prayer with Commanders at Campsites
11:00pm	Lights Out - Quiet Time (Remain in Campsites)

Saturday Schedule

8:00am	Registration opens for Pow Wow/Ranger Kid Day
9:00am	Assemblies and Inspection, Bridge open to Ladies, Campsite grading. All age groups meet at the Division Headquarters. Check with Division Commander on Latest Procedures
10:00am	Ranger Kids Meet in Amphitheater
10:15am	Activities Open/FCF Village Open
4:00pm	Field/Water Activities, FCF Village Close
5:00pm	Ladies must be on lodge side of the bridge
7:00pm	Assembly at Division Headquarters (FCF to escort Division to Amphitheater)
8:00pm	Evening Rally @ Amphitheater/Registration Closes
After Service	Florida Rangers Board Meeting/Election @ Ampitheater
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Pow Wow Schedule

Sunday Schedule

- 8:30am Morning Rally @ Amphitheater (Attendance Mandatory - Wear you're utility/dress/special uniform)
- 9:30am Campsite Breakdown and Checkout/Exiting

Important Notes

Shower Reminder

Please police the showers after your boys use them!



Medical

Medical is in the lodge, access it on the east side of the building. During over night hours, use the bell by the door to fetch assistance.



Pow Wow Updates

Text "PowWow" to [1-863-578-6442](tel:1-863-578-6442) to subscribe to important Pow Wow Alerts (Weather, Safety, Etc.)

Garbage Handling

Fri/Sat: take garbage to division HQ
Garbage goes ON the trailer (Bags Only)
Sun: Dropoff @ Dumpster behind lodge, while exiting



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Missions Project 2026



Our Home Founded in 1988 on 85 acres, Camp Wilderness was created to provide a safe, adventure-filled environment where boys learn camping skills, moral and spiritual principles, and citizenship. Operated by Florida Rangers, Inc., it serves as the hub for the Peninsular Florida District Royal Rangers, welcoming nearly 6,000 boys annually and hosting statewide and national leadership training events.

Give Now



<https://campwilderness.net/about/give>

Our Goal \$25,000

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Upcoming Training

Oct 2-3,2026 @ Camp Wilderness

World Class Outpost (WCO) seminar is designed to expose the outpost leadership team to a successful set of practices, methods, strategies, and tools that will enable them to develop into a "World Class Outpost". The greatest benefit of this event is achieved when the outpost/church leadership attend and complete this event together as a team.



August 28-29,2026 @ Adel, GA



The Johnnie Barnes Excellence in Ministry and Leadership Initiative (JBELI) will challenge leaders who hold or hope to hold positions of service on the district, regional or national levels to embrace habits and techniques of continual improvement to increase ministry influence and effectiveness. All organizational leaders should attend the seminar every five years to refresh their knowledge on current Royal Rangers organizational leadership topics.

January 15-16,2027 @ Camp Wilderness

National Elementary Education Conference (NEEC) is an interactive event that gives leaders training in various techniques and methods to effectively teach and mentor boys. Leaders will explore the development and needs of the early elementary age group, with Ranger Kids as the main focus.



Register at

<https://royalrangers.com/training/events>

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Upcoming Boys Training



Aug. 6-9th

MISSIONS ACTION CAMP (MAC) MAC prepares you for home and world missions service. Instructions range from construction skills to community outreach. Witnessing skills are taught and put to use in a visit to a local community or other ministry opportunities. You are encouraged to take part in mission opportunities on a regular basis, meeting the practical and spiritual needs of others.



Oct. 15-18th

SSAC is for those who wish to learn about shooting sports. You will learn basic shooting and firearm safety. Much of the instruction is based on the silver Small-bore Safety, Shotgun Safety, Small-bore Shooting, and Shotgun Shooting merits. Either silver Black Powder Shooting merit or silver Air Rifle merit is another option that may be available. You will also learn the process for participating in the Royal Rangers Postal Competitions.

Camp Wilderness Ranger Academy

Dec 3th - Dec. 6th, 2026



Junior Training Camps provide an environment for young men to come together from many different outposts, learn to work together, and fine-tune their leadership skills. The camps promote teamwork and shift attitudes from inward caring (selfishness) to outward awareness (servant hood). A full list of camps is available at www.floridarangers.com/training/junior-training

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Don't Delay! Join FCF!



Talk to a member for more info!
Visit <https://seminolechapter.com>
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POW WOW ROYAL RANGER STORE

SAMPLE ITEM PREVIEW

 RANGER WEAR	 GEAR	 STICKERS & PATCHES
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LIMITED QUANTITIES

Cash+Card Accepted

Fri. 12-4:30pm

Sat. 9:30am-4:30pm

Sun. for 1 hour after service ends

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Camp Rules and Procedures

- * Lanyards must be worn at all times or you will not be allowed across the bridge.
- * All vehicles must have a completed vehicle registration form on the dashboard.
- * Vehicles are allowed in the campsite to unload gear only. All vehicles must be moved to the parking lot once unloaded.
- * Vehicles may not block any road at anytime. Pull off the road to load and unload.
- * No ATV's, Bike or Golf Carts are allowed other than those approved by the Camp Director prior to Pow Wow.
- * Check Out procedure : Check with your Division Commander for the latest procedures.
- * **EVERYONE MUST ATTEND ALL SERVICES. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- * No cutting of any standing trees is allowed.
- * No fires are allowed to be left unattended in campsites.
- * Fires must be in a raised container off the ground, and fire prevention must be near (Water, Sand, Extinguisher)
- * Garbage dumpster will be located near the lodge. Pack out all garbage from your campsite. Garbage can also be dropped off at division HQ on Fri/Sat
- * Saturday Field and Water events will run from 10:15am to 4:00pm.
- * Medical emergencies: contact your division HQ or go to the lodge
- * All knives that are sold in the FCF Village shall be tagged with a two part tag, one taped to the knife the other given as a claim check to the buyer. The knives shall be turned in the root beer stand until Sunday pickup by the buyer..

Dress Code :

- * Shoes and Shirts must be worn at all times (except swimming).
- * Closed toe shoes must be worn for all water events.

Ladies Dress Code and Rules :

- * Tee shirts and shorts must be worn with swim suits. No tank top shirts.
- * No females may be in a campsite without an adult leader present.
- * Shorts mid-thigh, no camis, no tank tops, closed toed shoes
- * All females must be on the lodge side of the bridge before 9:00am and after 5:00pm

Any questions you may have concerning Pow Wow, please see your Division Commander or the District Staff.

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Pow Wow Exit Procedures

Before getting vehicles from parking

- Campers must completely tear down their equipment and stack their gear ready for pickup.
- Your camping area must be surveyed and completely cleaned up of debris and ALL trash bags removed from the site (All garbage will be dropped off at the dumpsters on the way out of the property).
- Complete outpost surveys. Find them in your packet or <https://powwow.ws/survey>
- Outpost coordinators will receive a ticket for each driver from the divisional commander allowing the driver of each vehicle to retrieve their vehicles from the south parking.
- When the vehicle(s) return to the camping area and all equipment is loaded the outpost may then leave the property.

Scan for
Pow Wow
Survey



<https://survey.powwow.ws/survey/>

Sunday Exit

- One way road is enforced, leave the opposite direction you came in
- Pick up registration packets/patches after you cross the bridge
- Follow exit signs behind the lodge to throw trash in dumpsters
- Continue northbound to exit via the north gate
- For outposts not needing to dump garbage, they can exit via the main exit
- Any vehicles in south parking not needing to come through camp, may exit via that gate.

Early Exit

- Those needing to leave before Sunday morning must contact their division and arrange a completed and signed early release pass
- Once the pass is arranged, contact security to gain access to the parking lot.
- Do not wait until the last moment to arrange your early exit.

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Water Front Rules/Procedures

The waterfront at Pow-Wow is always a lot of fun for the boys. In order for everyone to be able to enjoy it, participants must adhere to the following rules and policies. Thursday (8am-6pm), Friday (8am-6pm), Saturday (4pm-6pm), and Sunday (8am-4pm) the waterfront is **"SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK"**, there is no lifeguard on duty during these times. During the evening (6pm) to morning (8am) Thursday, Friday, Saturday (until 10am), and Sunday the waterfront will be closed to participants.

1. No one in swim area unless Outpost Commander or chaperone from his church is be present in swim area
2. Everyone must have closed-toe shoes that cannot come off feet. (Crocs are **not** recommended)
3. No flip-flops. Must fit tightly or be tied.
4. No diving off trampoline or bank. No flips.
5. Proper swim attire required.
6. Women will wear a colored tee shirt or other cover-up.
7. Organized Swim period is 50 minutes. Everyone will exit the swim area at end of period.
Preference for next period to those who have not swam.
8. Maximum number of people in area will be enforced.
9. When whistle blows, everyone will stop and follow Lifeguard directions.
10. Boys/adults not following Lifeguard direction will be required to leave the swim area.
11. Buddy System will be enforced. Must have a buddy to swim.
12. NO DIVING. No flips or diving off trampoline or bank.
13. Swimming only in designated areas (**No where along the river except swimming hole**)
14. If a boy or adult will not leave the area when period is over or if required by the Waterfront Director, that Outpost will not swim again and will be banned from the Waterfront next year.



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