

Updated: March 16, 2020

Dear Marin Council Scouting Volunteers,

As the Coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to spread and new cases are reported, local, state, and federal agencies have updated their guidance related to what members of the public can do to protect themselves as well as steps we can all take to attempt to mitigate the impact this virus will have on society as a whole. We would ask all our Marin Council families to be aware of those governmental advisories and to please follow them. Council leadership is following the guidance of our local and state health departments.

Effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020, the health departments from the six Bay Area counties are instructing residents to shelter in place for a period of three weeks ending on April 7, 2020.

Details regarding the shelter in place order can be found on Marin County Health and Human Services website: <https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org/sites/default/files/Files/Shelter%20in%20Place/Shelter%20in%20Place%20Order%2016%20March%202020.pdf>

Scout Units are to suspend in-person meetings and events:

- Effective March 17, 2020 through April 7, 2020, all public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a household or living unit are prohibited.
- Scouting units should postpone all meetings or events scheduled between now through April 7, 2020.
- Scouting Units can meet “virtually” through Zoom or other platforms.
- Individual Scouts should continue to work on advancement either with a parent or online with a leader.
- Youth Protection Guidelines for online meetings are to be adhered to.

Marin Council Offices and Trading Post will close on March 17, 2020. We will reopen April 8, 2020:

- Marin Council Executive Staff (Michael Dybeck, Nancy Rozell, Michael Andrews) will be working remotely during this time period and can be reached via email although we do anticipate limitation in our service due to remote access.
- Camp Tamarancho and Camp Marin Sierra will not be available for use during this time period.
- We are committed to robust Summer Camp programs and trust that the measures we take now will contain the spread of COVID-19 virus. Should it be the case that camp operations are curtailed this summer, refunds will be issued. However, until that time we ask units to continue to prepare for camp and file appropriate summer camp reservations and camp payments.

A Scout is Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind & **Obedient**. The steps we take to limit the transmission of COVID-19 will reduce its spread and save lives.

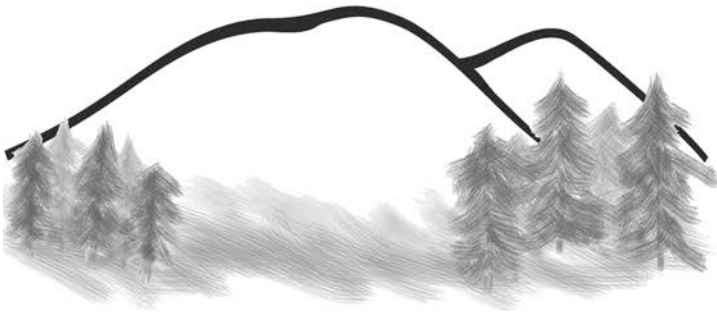
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California Department of Public Health: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/>

Marin County Health and Human Services: <https://www.marinhhs.org/>

We will continue to communicate updates as they become available.



**Status for Upcoming Marin Council Events
March through May 2020**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Status</u>
Wilderness First Aid	3/28-29/2020	Tamarancho	Cancelled
Roundtable Meeting	4/2/2020	San Rafael	Cancelled
Leader Specific Training	4/18/2020	TBA	Scheduled to be held
Roundtable Meeting	5/7/2020	San Rafael	Scheduled to be held
Fishing Derby	5/9/2020	Marin R&G Club	Scheduled to be held
Family Fiesta	5/15-17/2020	Tamarancho	Scheduled to be held
Marin Sierra Work Party	5/22-24/2020	Marin Sierra	Scheduled to be held
Baloo	5/30-31/2020	Tamarancho	Scheduled to be held

All events and activities from June 1, 2020 forward remain on our schedule – Please continue to check the Marin Council Website www.boyscouts-marin.org for additional information.

Status of council level committee meetings will be communicated through committee chairs and staff advisors. Those meetings may be conducted virtually or via teleconferencing.

We anticipate a robust a summer camp season and will continue our planning to that end.

BE PREPARED!