



Wood Badge Ticket for Kent Wedeking

Personal Information

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My Personal Vision of Success

To use my experiences and skills to provide meaningful experience for our park, now and in the future.

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Timeline

You have 18 months to work your ticket. If you have a question or concern about any part of your ticket, please contact your Ticket Counselor as soon as possible to discuss the issue.

Your ticket completion deadline is 8 April 2025.

All timelines are assumed to be days/weeks/months from 9 October 2023.

Ticket Goal #1

To create a program where each Arrow of Light (AOL) den member builds and decorates an AOL Career arrow, representing his/her time in the Pack.

S (Specific)

Each Scout will build a Career arrow which indicates time spent in Cub Scouts and Adventures and Awards received during that time. This arrow will be a tangible and visible reminder of their Bridging to Scouts BSA and their accomplishments as a Cub Scout.

M (Measureable)

Goal will be complete when one (1) Webelos 2/AOL den has completed their arrows prior to their AOL Bridging Ceremony.

Target is for Scouts completing AOL at Blue and Gold Banquet 2024

A (Attainable)

Will work with Subject Matter Experts at our charter organization, the Waltonian Archers of Linn County, for assistance with arrow construction. Will decorate and seal arrows as a den during meetings prior to arrow assembly.

R (Relevant)

This project will provide the Scouts with a tangible reminder of their time in the Pack. It will also be unique to our Pack, and will provide an incentive for younger scouts to stay in Cub Scouts, and entice other potential members to join the Pack.

T (Timely)

Proposed Goal Schedule:

1. Contact Charter Org within 4 weeks.
2. Create sample arrow within 6 months.
3. Acquire materials to build 25 arrows within 8 months.
4. Rollout project to Webelos 2/AOL Den in 11 months.
5. Arrows complete within 15 months.

- Does this Goal promote Diversity? No
- Does this Goal promote membership growth and retention? Yes
- Does this Goal show line of sight to the Youth? Yes

Progress Update

- Changed Packs from 27 to 55 in December 2023.
- Decided to accelerate timeline to complete Career Arrows for Blue & Gold Banquet for 2024 (12 months ahead of schedule).
- Ordered kits from ArrowAwardKits.com [here](#).
 - Ordered Qty 6 Arrow Kits for the 4 Webelo 2's, with two extras for demonstration.
- Current Webelos 2 scouts built arrows in January and February 2024.
 - Instructions were good enough to build on one without outside support.
- Displayed arrows at Blue & Gold Banquet/Bridging Ceremony on 18 Feb 2024 with pack and members of Troop 55.



- Goal complete 18 February 2024

Ticket Counselor Approval:

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Ticket Goal #2

User the Career Arrows made by Webelo 2's in Goal #1 in their Blue & Gold Banquet.

S (Specific)

Troop 55, the "parent" or "partner" Troop to Pack 55 takes care of the Bridging Ceremony for new Scouts bridging into the Troop at the Blue & Gold Banquets.

As they have an existing ceremony, we want to integrate the Career Arrows into the Ceremony.

The Scouts will have the opportunity to share what their Career Arrows are, and what they represent.

M (Measureable)

Goal will be complete when one (1) Webelos 2/AOL den to complete this Bridging Ceremony.

A (Attainable)

I will work with the Scoutmaster and Senior Patrol Leader of the Troop to recognize the Scouts by presenting their Career Arrows to them during the ceremony.

I will describe the purpose and history behind the Career Arrow, and allow the Scouts to display their Arrows to the Scouts, Family, and Friends present.

I will also open up for the gathered group to ask any questions about the arrows to myself and to the scouts.

R (Relevant)

My Cub Scout Pack did something similar to this when I bridged to Scouts BSA, and I still have my arrow today. It hung in my room for many years.

I want the Scouts to have the same kinds of lasting memories from their AOL ceremony as I still do.

T (Timely)

Proposed Goal Schedule:

1. Reach out to Scoutmaster and/or Senior Patrol Leader within 3 months.
 2. Ensure Arrows are complete before Blue & Gold Banquet.
 3. Hold AOL Bridging Ceremony at Blue & Gold Banquet in February 2024.
- Does this Goal promote Diversity? Yes
 - Does this Goal promote membership growth and retention? Yes
 - Does this Goal show line of sight to the Youth? Yes

Progress Update

- Changed Packs from 27 to 55 in December 2023.
- Decided to accelerate timeline to complete Career Arrows for Blue & Gold Banquet for 2024 (12 months ahead of schedule).
- Scouts completed arrow kids
- Spoke with Scoutmaster in January 2024 to find out what the Ceremony plan was.
 - Originally planned to host ceremony ourselves (Webelos 1).
 - Once we knew the Troop did it we opted to integrate into their Ceremony.
- Presented arrows to new Scouts at Bridging Ceremony.
- Described history behind Career Arrows. Discussed that many of the Pack and Troop leaders remembered these from their Scouting histories.
 - Discussed that the Ceremonies in the 80's and 90's allowed the actual shooting of arrows into targets during the ceremony.

- Not allowed anymore. Many people wish it was.



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Ticket Goal #3

Gather information about BALOO training and present to Pack Committee and to all Den Leaders.

S (Specific)

Educate pack leaders and adults on the value and benefits of having more BALOO training leaders. This facilitates more Pack outdoor and overnight activity options, and lessens the strain on the small number of existing BALOO trained leaders, who will be not be in the Pack forever.

M (Measureable)

Goal will be complete when information on BALOO is presented at 1 Pack meetings and 1 Pack Committee Meeting.

A (Attainable)

Information on BALOO is already available at the district and council level. A cohesive presentation and handout can be created which enhances the minimal effort put on recruiting today. Gather existing information available. Gather dates and materials (if available) for next BALOO training. Assembly a BALOO FAQ as a handout.

R (Relevant)

One of our current BALOO trained leaders will be leaving the Pack in 16 months. Our Pack does a minimum of 1 outdoor/overnight activities per Scout Year, and I want to see this number continue or increase. Camping and being outdoors is at the heart of what I want my Scouts to experience and benefit from.

T (Timely)

Proposed Goal Schedule:

1. Research available information within 2 months.
 2. Create First Draft of presentation and handouts within 6 months.
 3. First presentation complete within 9 months. Goal complete within 16 months.
- Does this Goal promote Diversity? Yes
 - Does this Goal promote membership growth and retention? Yes
 - Does this Goal show line of sight to the Youth? Yes

Progress Update

- Created first draft of basic presentation. [BALOO Presentation](#)
 - Its kinda boring. Not a lot of "wow" factor.
- Debating if instead of a presentation this should just be a single flyer?
 - That might actually make more sense.
 - Thinking FAQ handout might be more appropriate
 - Does District or Council already have something like this?

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Ticket Goal #4

~~To create a reusable graphical Den and Pack Calendar Template.~~

S (Specific)

~~Our Pack and Den would benefit from a calendar which can be continually updated and distributed, allowing an overview of the entire year at a glance. Graphically the information is much easier to understand and digest than in textual/email format.~~

M (Measureable)

~~The Calendar template will be designed for a full Scout year (July to June). It will be color coded for Pack and Den Level meetings and events. It will be completed when the Pack Calendar is filled out, at least 1 Den Calendar is filled out, and it is accessible to the entire Pack either electronically or in paper form.~~

A (Attainable)

~~Templates are available online, as well as examples provided by other Scout leaders. Electronic availability, while ideal, presents both a challenge and an opportunity to make the information available and accessible, while limiting access that might otherwise cause data integrity issues.~~

R (Relevant)

~~Successful planning is the key to every successful pack or troop. My own planning skills have lacked during my career but have turned around to great success of late. However, I am lacking a good way to provide an overview to the time commitments for my scouts.~~

T (Timely)

~~Proposed Goal Schedule: 1. Gather and review templates and implementation examples within 2 months. 1. Implement proposed calendar format within 3 months. 1. Submit for feedback with Pack leaders and Adults within 4 months. 1. Rollout Pack Calendar and Den 2 (Webelos 1) calendar within 5 months.~~

- Does this Goal promote Diversity? ~~No~~
- Does this Goal promote membership growth and retention? ~~Yes~~
- Does this Goal show line of sight to the Youth? ~~Yes~~

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Ticket Goal #5

~~To increase the available opportunities for outdoor winter events for our Pack Youth and Adults.~~

S (Specific)

~~Goal is to hold one (1) Winter Overnight campout (indoors) and one (1) winter outdoor activity for our Pack.~~

M (Measureable)

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A (Attainable)

~~Our troop has an established record of renting the Allsop Center for a winter campout. Indian Creek Nature Center offers snowshoe rentals and has plentiful trails.~~

R (Relevant)

~~Our Pack does more outdoor activities during the Fall, Spring, and Summer. Providing more opportunities in Winter helps foster willingness and enjoyment for those opportunities later in life.~~

T (Timely)

~~Proposed Goal Schedule: 1. Schedule Pack overnight opportunity at Allsop Center for January 2024. 1. Investigate Winter Activity options at Indian Creek Nature Center and Wikiup Hill within 6 months. 1. Schedule an outdoor Pack or Den activity for February 2024.~~

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- Does this Goal promote membership growth and retention? ~~Yes~~
- Does this Goal show line of sight to the Youth? ~~Yes~~

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