



# Adventurers of Sea Scout Ship 378 S. S. S. Dawn Treader

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## Sea Scout Ship 378

Sea Scouting has a long and colorful tradition, starting in 1912. Thousands of young men and women have followed the traditions of the sea while learning skills leading to a maritime career or a lifelong hobby of recreational boating.

Ship 378 has access to a variety of boats in cooperation with our sister ship, Seawinds 100, based at Camp Alatoona Aquatics Base.

Sea Scouts in this area love small sailboats. We master skills on these vessels in preparation for our long cruises.

We follow a challenging rank advancement program and have nautical uniforms, customs, courtesies, and ceremonies.

Mostly, we have fun!

## Sea Scout Promise

As a Sea Scout, I promise . . .

*To guard against water accidents;*

*To know the location and proper use of the lifesaving devices on every boat I board;*

*To be prepared to render aid to those in need;*

*To seek to preserve the motto of the sea,  
Women and children first.*



## Our Program

Our Sea Scout Ship matches the interests of our members with available opportunities, skills, equipment, and resources.

Advancement is according to the Sea Scout Manual. We encourage our members to earn the seaman ranks of Apprentice, Ordinary, Able, & Quartermaster (equivalent to BSA Eagle Rank)

Sea Scout advancement is about seamanship, including customs & courtesies, boat handling & maintenance, swimming & lifesaving, rope handling, communications, close-order drill, first aid, navigation, maritime history, leadership, service to others, and Scouting ideals.

We also support Venturing!

## What is Sea Scouting?

Sea Scouting is fun and an experience using the rich traditions of the sea.

Activities include fun on the water, cruising, fellowship, leadership, & service.

It's about getting on the water for boating and in the water for swimming, but there are shore-base adventures as well.

## Our Mission

⌘ Learn sailing procedures & seamanship

⌘ Build and maintain friendships with our shipmates, other Sea Scouts, and Venturers

⌘ Learn and apply leadership skills  
Share responsibilities with our shipmates

⌘ Be the best Sea Scout Ship in the Flint River Council

⌘ Support our Sister Ship, Seawinds 100, at Camp Alatoona Aquatics Base

⌘ Take care of Camp Bel-Tel

⌘ Have fun while doing it

## Why Coweta District?

Many Scouters know our Skipper, Sam Young. Professionally, he's an engineer and project & program manager.

Last year, he brought everything he had to the Gulf Coast to clean up the oil spill on the beach.

As a member of the command center, almost everyone around him could speak boats, except him. There were 950 of them.

Conservation accidents will always be with us. He's getting ready for the next event. Our Scouts should be prepared for environmental emergencies in the future.

**What did you  
do last  
weekend?**

## Membership

Sea Scouts brings out best in a Scout and Scouting. Our Ship is open to all young people between the ages of 13-21 any time after completing the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. We are a co-ed unit.

In Ship 378, Scouts decide whether they want to be part of the Working Crew or just have fun. Working Crew members participate in advancement opportunities, compete in competitions, and lead the ship.

Young people today are busy with many things and they're all welcome to participate in the program developed and lead by the Working Crew.

One of our primary purposes is to help Scouts complete their Eagle Rank. We extend a special invitation to Scouts who would otherwise leave the Scouting program to join us to attain Scouting's highest honor to ensure opportunities are open for them for the rest of their lives.

Our next formal recruiting event is Sunday, 14 Aug 11, at the Coweta Veterans Hall. However, anyone can join before then. The purpose of the event is to charter the Ship, but we'd prefer to do so before then.

## What Else Should You Know?

Successful Sea Scout programs meet twice weekly: on a week night for training and Saturday for practice and workdays. We meet year around and slow down only for extended holidays. No one is expected to attend every meeting. We're brothers & sisters, families, and friends who like to hang out together.

Working Crew members participate more often to take advantage of advancement opportunities, prepare for competitions, leadership training, and run Ship 378 affairs.

Wednesday night meetings are usually held at either the Veterans Hall in Newnan, GA or at the Skipper's house.

Sea Scouts puts the "Outing" in Scouting. We could be anywhere. During sailing season, we're likely to be with Ship 100 at Camp Alatoona Aquatics Base. Otherwise, we probably close to the Newnan area practicing or working on something.

Call us for the current meeting location, call Sam Young at 404-915-5321 or members can see our blog at [www.Ship378.wordpress.com](http://www.Ship378.wordpress.com) for the current schedule.

## More Information

To find out more about Sea Scouts, visit [www.SeaScout.org](http://www.SeaScout.org)

We communicate on Facebook and through our blog. Find our public page by typing "Ship 378 Facebook" in your favorite Internet search engine.

To protect our youth, we have a "Members Only" Facebook page and blog. All internal Ship 378 communications are kept there.

If you have questions about the ship, call the Skipper: Sam Young, 404-915-5321 or send an email: [SMSamYoung@Gmail.com](mailto:SMSamYoung@Gmail.com) (Hint: He hates sending and receiving text messages!)

## Special Activities: 2011-2012

Ship 378 has several activities everyone is encouraged to participate in this year!

**1st Annual Picnic.** To formally establish our Ship, at least 5 youth & 4 Adults are required. Our first recruiting sign up event is 14 Aug 11, 2 PM, at Coweta Veterans Hall, 130 Veterans Club Drive, Newnan, GA,

**Long Cruise.** We'll either go to Carrabelle, FL, or Sea Base (Florida Keys), or both this year. If we go to Carrabelle, we'll do it with Ship 100 over Spring Break. If Sea Base, it'll be summer.

One goal while on a Long Cruise is to complete practical requirements for the Ordinary rank while having fun on the sea for a week.

Long Cruises are action packed with planned and spontaneous activities.

**Project C.O.P.E.** Sea Scouting is about team building. There's no better fun-filled to do this than BSA's Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience (C.O.P.E.). We'll do this after sailing season this fall with Venture Crews and Sea Scout Ships

**Water Mania.** This is a day of pure aquatic fun on 27 Aug 11 where Boy Scouts, Sea Scouts, and Venturers from around Atlanta gather for a chance to try a bit of everything: swimming, canoeing, motor boating, sailing, rowing, and games. We will both participate in and help lead the event.

**Commodore's Cup.** Sea Scout sailing championships and regional regatta at Camp Alatoona Aquatics Base 17 Sep 11. Competition open to Sea Scout and Venturing units

**Coweta District Camporee.** Part of our service to others is to give back to the program that got us here. Besides running a major event and display, we'll do a precision flag ceremony the weekend of 21-23 Oct 11.

**Boating Safety Course.** Safety first! We'll be taught the rules of road for boating navigation, perhaps by the Coast Guard. This is planned before Long Cruise in the spring.

**Long Cruise Preparation.** We spend the year getting ready for Long Cruise. This year we'll earn several merit badges/certificates also required for Venturing & Sea Scout advancement: Small Boat Sailing, Swimming, & First Aid. Rowing and Lifesaving may also be offered.



Long Cruise



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