

MILITARY ORDER of the COOTIE of the UNITED STATES



Grand Pup Tent of Oregon

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GENERAL ORDER #3

(2020-21 Series)

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TO BE READ AT YOUR NEXT PUP TENT SCRATCH

1. The OREGON GRAND SCRATCH ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2020 IS A "GO." However, there are a few thingies that will be different..... Basic plan is to have a physical Scratch (with masks and proper social distancing) at VFW 4108 that will be "simultaneously cybercast" (ZOOMED!) to bugs and louses that choose to remain home in their flip-flops & PJs. Grooooooaaaaaannnnnn! I know, many of you are disappointed, and yet some of you are glad. So sad; so glad; so bad; so Drats! Ran out of rhymes......

The planned time frame is 10am-noon (Oregon time). As there are many things to consider, we do not yet have details concerning MOC and MOCA breakouts or if there will be a lunch or banquet served at the Post. You can be assured that we are considering many options and will be scrutinizing all the variables and many ideas in order to carry this off. **OUR PRIMARY CONCERN IS THE SAFETY OF ALL!**

For those of you that choose to physically attend you will need to <u>bring your own computer w/camera</u> so that you may hook up to the ZOOM session and be seen. (Don't forget that power cord and maybe an extension cord, or two.) You will also need to bring enough duffle to make up for those that are still at home! Or you can just bring that BIG paycheck and sign 'er right over.

<u>Lodging in Redmond remains the same at Motel 6.</u> (2247 S. Highway 97, Redmond, OR 97756) Phone: (541)923-2100. (Local information ONLY.)

<u>TO MAKE or CHANGE RESERVATIONS CALL 1-800-544-4866</u>. Ask for Group Sales. Make sure you tell them that you belong to the Military Order of the Cootie. Our Group reference # is GP3SIVHLS2. You may need to adjust your duration of stay, or cancel your reservation. Do so before 19 September.

Local restaurants are open with restrictions. C-Rats or MREs anybody?! Hey, we can all bring SPAM!

- 2. <u>During the Grand MOC Scratch</u>, Committee Chairs and Pup Tent Seam Squirrels (or their representative) are <u>expected</u> to give a year-end report on their respective areas. Non-compliers will be heavily fined, swatted several times and then fed to the masses. Prepare now. If you cannot attend either physically or by ZOOM, then you must forward your report to the Adjutant so that he may cause it to be entered into the records. The Adjutant will NOT be paying your fines.....!
- 3. <u>MOCA details</u> are soon-to-be published through a General Order from President Sheila Logan. Everybody's scrambling; things will roll out soon enough. BE FLEXIBLE!
- 4. We will be updating this basic information quite often, so please pay attention. All updates will be sent by email and will also be posted on our Grand Website @ http://mocorgrand.puptent1.org/. It is everybody's mission to pass this information to the members of your pup tents so that all have a chance to attend.

5. <u>2020-21 Calendar:</u> The following dates and locations are for planning purposes and will be fully detailed in subsequent announcements:

OR 2019-20 Grand Scratch: 26 Sep 2020; Redmond, OR. WA 2020-21 Fall C of A: 3 Oct 2020; Bremerton, WA. OR 2020-21 Winter C of A: 9 Jan 2021; Albany, OR. WA 2020-21 Spring C of A: 6 Mar 2021; Bellingham, WA. OR 2020-21 Grand Scratch: 8 May 2021; Florence, OR. WA 2020-21 Grand Scratch: May 2021; Skyway, WA. OR 2021-22 Fall C of A: 25 Sep 2021; TBD.

6. There is no doubt that this year will be a real challenge. Let's pick up our skirts and wade right in!

"Let's Go Hunting for Nits!"

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