A Scout who is 9-years old or is in the third grade is a Bear, and their adventures are found in the Bear Handbook.

Like all other new Cub Scouts, a Bear must first earn their Bobcat rank. After completing the requirements for Bobcat they may go on to complete the requirements for the Wolf rank and the many electives that are offered for his rank.

A refresher on Bobcat for all Bear Scouts is not a bad idea.

**Bear Den Meeting Themes**

Meetings can happen in any order through the year. However, all six "Required" adventures should be completed prior to April 1st, 2021 (or prior to the Blue & Gold Banquet). One other "Elective" adventure should be completed prior to that date as well. There are thirteen elective adventures to choose from.

**Required Adventures**—Complete all Six in whatever order you would like.

**Meeting #1:** Baloo the Builder: Learn about hand tools and complete a wood working project such as a stool or birdhouse

**Meeting #2:** Bear Claws: Learn about different types of pocketknives; knife safety; and perform some simple tasks

**Meeting #3:** Bear Necessities: Learn how to set up a tent; two half hitch knots; and attend some sort of camp activity

**Meeting #4:** Fellowship & Duty to God: Discuss a person of faith and how their impact their community through it

**Meeting #5:** Fur, Feathers, and Ferns: On a 1-mile hike find signs of animal life; discuss other nature lessons such as extinction; composting; and wildlife refuges

**Meeting #6:** Paws for Action: learn about the American Flag; local history; and do a community service project

**Elective Adventures**—Must Complete at Least One

- A Bear Goes Fishing
- Bear Picnic Basket
- Beat of the Drum
- Critter Care
- Forensics
- Grin & Bear It
- Make It Move
- Marble Madness
- Roaring Laughter
- Robotics
- Salmon Run
- Super Science
- A World of Sound
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