

Powder Horn 2024 Edition

"Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you." — Deuteronomy 31:6

2024 NEW MEMBERS!

Owen Bell 128 Jaxon Major 94

Justin Bellah 38 Zane Manning 167

Landon Blackburn 37 Gilliam Murranie 100

Lincoln Blackburn 37 Bryce Stine 167

Damion Noel Foster 128 Jase Stine 167

Austin Gagnon 167 Jacobb Thompson 100

Jaxson Holman 89 Tyson Thompson 167

Roy Lewis 100

2025 Events

Winter Outing January 17-18

Spring
Trace/
Frontier
Adventure
May 2-4

SOMO District Pow-Wow June 5-8

Fall Trace Sept 19-21

Territorial Rendezvous Oct 2-5, 2025

Incredible experience and adventure at Camp Eagle Rock

What a time at the National Rendezvous! Starting off the week with the Lord blessing us with rain. Weather just added to the adventure in what was an incredible time with seeing old friends and meeting new ones. Southern Missouri was well represented with around 30 camping

Hearing incredible speakers who truly blessed us. Some of them reminded us that we are in Rangers and FCF to answer the call God has for all of us.

It always feels special to be at Camp Eagle Rock with other men who love God, but also taking time to invest in the young men in fellowship. Getting out to a place where we have fun, challenge ourselves, and just get away from the noise of the world and getting close to God is the greatest part of the adventure at National Rendezvous.

Our own Jackson Bell taking 2nd place for Young Bucks in Outfit Judging! Mark Jones won 3rd place in his category in the Craft Skills competition with his FCF Tender Box Candle Lanterns. Lastly, I took home 3rd place in the Hawk Throw competition (thankful I sharpened my Hawk right before the camp with those hard oak targets).

Lord doesn't decide to call us home before then, 2028 should be another great time for another amazing National Rendezvous.

Ryan Reed Pike



Spring Trace/Frontier Adventure

Wow! May is full of surprises this year. I had 2 graduation and one 90 year old Bday party to attend during this event. Between the forecast of 80% rain and gas prices at \$95.00 per tank it was a push to get to this event this year. As always Lord willing we get it done! We had 40 at this event about 12 young bucks.. 7 were in Black Powder Course and 5 young bucks went through the Frontier Adventure to become members in the Daniel Boone Chapter FCF. With 7 instructors doing Black Powder and all the other events to teach and prove skills for the FCF applicants we still enjoyed the fun of Daniel Boone style camping with lots and lots and lots of rain. Some stayed over to Sunday and reported perfect weather for an overnight and pack up and out after church services on Sunday morning.

This has been a rebound year from covid so our numbers were way down from last year where we had more than double in camp and 4 times as many applicants. Yet it was worth it to go the distance and get Ranger Ministry out and working. These FCF members work hard and give hard to make these events special, denying self and comfort. Not many will do this kind of ministry as it is difficult and tiring. Ohhhh but the joy we will have one day when my Jesus I shall see!!!

Mark Jones Grin









Fellowship

What makes FCF different from Royal Rangers or just our other church groups or ministries? Sure we get together to throw knives and hawks, shoot black powder, and wear our period correct outfits (not necklaces, string of beads). The thing that sets it all apart is that last word in our name "Fellowship." Just as it says in 1 Thessalonians 5-11 Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

We build a brotherhood and fellowship with one another that strengthens all of us, even when we are at our times of needs. As Frontiersmen we often turn to our brothers in the FCF to help us in those times, even if it is just to ask for prayer. We learn through our fellowship and even get a good laugh. Especially a good laugh when you hear someone yell "You can do it!" when you are having a difficult time fighting off coughing from the smoke in flint and steel competition.

It was Captain William Ashley in the 1820's who devised the rendezvous system in which trappers and traders would meet annually in a predetermined location to exchange furs, goods, and money. This is what turned into the Rocky Mountain Rendezvous. It was a lively, joyous place that even people from Europe ventured to in order to observe these festivities. They were there for the fellowship that Ashely devised that allowed for trade and fun. It was James Beckwourth, fur trader with the Rocky Mountain Fur and American Fur Companies, who described it as, "Mirth, songs, dancing, shouting, trading, running, jumping, singing, racing, target-shooting, yarns, frolic, with all sorts of extravagances that white men or Indians could invent."

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25

Ryan Reed Pike Daniel Boone Chapter