

# Wheels up for Troop 382

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It's wheely fun, wheely exciting and something Troop 382 wheely couldn't wait for... It's Troop 382's bike trip! The scouts traveled to Wompatuck State Park, just South of Boston near Hingham, for the weekend of May 20, 21 and 22.

The highlight of this year's trip was a bicycle clue hunt and race organized by our Senior Patrol Leader (SPL). The troop was split into two teams, team A and team B, and each team had a different course that they needed to follow using clues that were hidden at various checkpoints on the map. At each checkpoint the teams would find a clue indicating the location of the next checkpoint, and after seven checkpoints each team would end up back at the campsite. The first task was to place the clues at the checkpoints, so the SPL asked each team to place the clues for the other team's course and meet back up at the campsite. While setting the courses up each team needed to have a navigator who used a map and compass to find the various checkpoints with their clues. The teams

would try to let everybody have a turn being navigator so everyone would learn how to use a map and compass.

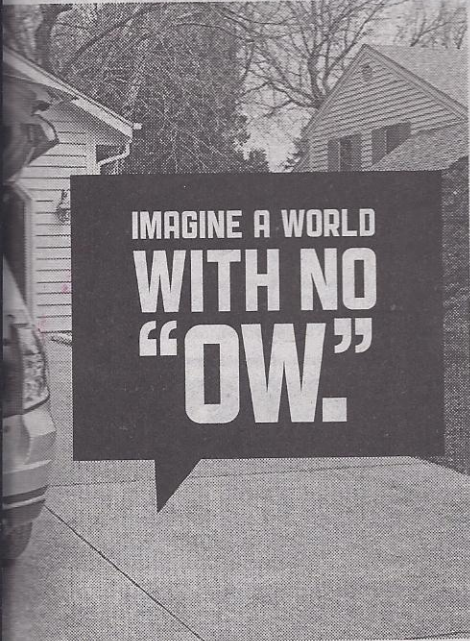
When the two teams were done setting up the other team's course and everyone was back at the campsite, our SPL reminded us that whichever team got back to the campsite first with all the clues would win. With that the race was on! The teams raced off in opposite directions on their bicycles, determined to win.

The teams raced down an assortment of paths ranging from roads to bridle paths (horse trails). Almost all of the roads Troop 382 raced down were only for bicycles, so the scouts could plunge ahead on their quest without worrying about traffic from cars. The teams also biked down hiking trails and bridle paths, which were much narrower and bumpier and made for slower and more difficult riding, but fortunately for both teams this was for just a small portion of the ride. Although we biked on roads there was still quite a lot of wildlife and we saw an assortment of birds, plants, and other wildlife. In particular, there was this one checkpoint near a lake where the scouts saw a

dark, swarming mass at the water's edge. When the scouts went over to take a look they saw it was just tons of tadpoles all together. That was probably the most memorable piece of wildlife Troop 382 saw.

Before the race, Troop 382 started its day with a nice, scenic, warm up ride through the park. Unfortunately, during the warm up ride, one of the scout's bicycle tires went flat, but this unfortunate event was turned into an opportunity for a demonstration on how to patch a flat bicycle tire. After the demonstration Troop 382 played games until lunchtime. After the race Troop 382 enjoyed dinner and a campfire, and with a warm dinner in their bellies and a warm fire to help them relax, the scouts were soon in bed, sleeping very well after a good day of biking.

For more pictures and information about all the other fun trips Troop 382 did this year, visit [www.troop382westborough.org](http://www.troop382westborough.org). Troop 382's final event this year is summer camp at Camp Resolute from July 17 to 22. Troop meetings will start up again in September and if you'd like to find out more information about next year's activities, visit the website.



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The scouts prepare for a warm up bicycle ride. Left to right, Mike Damiano (back toward the camera), Jack Ahmadi, Wyatt Platt, Connor Foody, Dan McKay, John O'Connell, Josh Tartaglia and Michael Yeung. COURTESY PHOTO