



WHO WE ARE

Boys' Life is the premiere magazine for kids, tweens, and teens, featuring award-winning editorial, pictorials, comics, fiction, and buying guides. It's been a leader of youth culture for over 100 years, reaching kids through a multichannel platform that includes the magazine, Boyslife.org, social media, webcasting, and live events.

It's also *the only* youth publication which publishes two distinct demographic editions: A younger edition (ages 6-11) and an older edition (ages 12-17), allowing advertisers to target their message.







I MIL rate base



12 TIMES



LOW DUPLICATION 21% NG Kids, 13% SI Kids



LOWER DEMOGRAPHIC EDITION (AGES 6-11)



650K subscribers



2.28 MIL readers



8.8 avg. age



\$107K avg. HHI

He just helped Mom bring in the groceries from the car. He's about to meet his friends at the baseball field to get a little dirty before dinnertime. Mom and Dad said he could have his whole Cub Scout pack over for a sleep over this weekend since he just placed 1st at the school science fair! He is the Boys' Life reader.



UPPER DEMOGRAPHIC EDITION (AGES 12-17)



400K subscribers



1.52 MIL readers

8

13.9 avg. age



\$112K avg. HHI

Riding down the most hardcore trails. Shades on, hat backwards (under his helmet of course). Snapping pics on his smartphone while listening to his favorite tunes. He just finished his homework, and even helped his little brother and sister with theirs, too. He is the *Boys' Life* reader.



EDITORIAL DEPARTMENTS

HEADS UP!

Timely news and notes on all topics relevant to today's youth.

BL HEADLINERS

Quick-hit looks at great kids doing great things. Most of this content is direct from our readers!

FEATURES

An exciting mix of outdoors, news, movies, sports, history, fiction, toys, space and aviation, Science-Technology-Engineering-Math (S.T.E.M.) and Scouting.

GEAR GUY

Buyer's Guides, reader Q & As covering camping, sports, and everything outdoors.

GAMES

An inside look at the latest video games, computer games, gaming systems and accessories. Exciting gamer news, reviews, tips and more.

BL HOW TO

Step-by-step guides with fun projects for readers to make it, create it and build it.

CONTENT THAT'S AGE APPROPRIATE.



LOWER DEMO EDITION (ages 6-11)

Includes editorial relevant to our younger readers and includes Cub Corner, more comics, fun activities like puzzles, mazes, and word games.

UPPER DEMO EDITION (ages 12-17)

Includes additional editorial relevant to our older readers and includes Merit Badge Minute, Cool Jobs, and more.



2018 EDITORIAL CALENDAR

JANUARY COVER STORY, BIG SKY SKI WEEKEND CONTRACTS 10/30/17

GEAR GUY, Buying a sleeping pad GREAT PARADES

UPPER DEMO
COOL JOBS, Blimp pilot
PREPARED FOR LIFE, Depression

LOWER DEMO SPECIAL PINEWOOD DERBY ISSUE

A P R I L SPECIAL NATURE ISSUE CONTRACTS DUE 01/29/18

FOR THE BIRDS, Endangered birds CUTE, FUZZY, PAINFUL, Caterpillar stings GEAR GUY UPDATE, Helmets BL HOW TO. Become a birder

UPPER DEMO
COOL JOBS, Wildlife & nature photographer

LOWER DEMO LET'S LOOK AT, The Amazon

J U L Y COVER STORY, SCOUT OUTING, TBD CONTRACTS DUE 04/30/18

SCOUT OUTING FEATURE
BL HOW TO, Play Capture the Flag

O C T O B E R COVER STORY, SCOUT OUTING, TBD CONTRACTS DUE 07/30/18

SCOUT OUTING FEATURE GEAR GUY, Trail Foods BL HOW TO, The perfect paper airplane

F E B R U A R Y COVER STORY, FLORIDA SEA BASE

CONTRACTS DUE 11/30/17
WINTER OLYMPICS
BL HOW TO, Do a card-trick

UPPER DEMO HOW TO HANDLE AN AX WEST POINT CAMPOREE

LOWER DEMO LET'S LOOK AT. The Heart

MAY

COVER STORY, CANOEING BUFFALO RIVER CONTRACTS DUE 02/28/18

GEAR GUY FEATURE: HOW TO BUY ROCK-CLIMBING GEAR ROBOTICS, Expert robot building tips BL HOW TO, Rube Goldberg Machine

> UPPER DEMO SCOUT OUTING

LOWER DEMO LET'S LOOK AT, Magic

AUGUST

COVER STORY, SCOUT OUTING, TBD CONTRACTS DUE 05/29/18

SCOUT OUTING FEATURE
BL HOW TO, Make a quiver
GEAR GUY, Pairs of Awesome hiking boots

NOVEMBER COVER STORY, TOY ROUNDUP CONTRACTS DUE 08/29/18

TOY ROUNDUP, Latest and greatest toys GEAR GUY, Buying an action/digital cam BL HOW TO, Make a scale solar system SPECIAL ADV. SECTION, Gifts n' Gear

MARCH

COVER STORY, SPACE CAMP CONTRACTS DUE 12/29/17

TROPHY TRIVIA
FICTION EXCLUSIVE with Alex Rider
author Anthony Horowitz

UPPER DEMO BE WEATHER AWARE

LOWER DEMO
HARRY POTTER BLUE & GOLD BANQUET

JUNE

SPECIAL FISHING ISSUE CONTRACTS DUE 03/28/18

FISHING IN THE CITY, Urban fishing SCOUTS HELP PARALYZED VETERANS FISH GEAR GUY FEATURE, Buying a tent BL HOW TO, Star Wars origami

> UPPER DEMO BEST MLS PLAYERS, Roundup

LOWER DEMO LET'S LOOK AT, Superheroes

SEPTEMBER

COVER STORY, CAR ROUNDUP CONTRACTS DUE 06/28/18

CAR ROUNDUP, Latest and greatest cars SCOUT OUTING FEATURE BL HOW TO, Solve a Rubik's Cube

DECEMBER ER STORY, SCOUT OUTING, TBD

COVER STORY, SCOUT OUTING, TBD CONTRACTS DUE 09/28/18

SCOUT OUTING FEATURE BL HOW TO, Make snowshoes GEAR GUY, Handy camp kitchen gear SPECIAL ADV. SECTION, Gifts n' Gear

The Boys' Life 2018 editorial calendar is subject to change.



SPECIAL ISSUES & SECTIONS

N E W ! JANUARY: THE PINEWOOD DERBY ISSUE (LOWER DEMO), APRIL: THE NATURE ISSUE, SEPTEMBER: THE CAR ISSUE, OCTOBER: THE TECHNOLOGY ISSUE

MINI-MAG: BOYS' LIFE'S SPECIAL DIGEST EDITION

New and distinct from the Boys' Life audience, this awesome digest-sized edition of Boys' Life is distributed once a year to an untapped audience of 1 million 6-11 year old boys AND their parents across the country at the Boy Scouts of America's recruitment nights during September and October.

SEMI-ANNUAL FISHING ISSUE

Every other year Boys' Life dedicates its April or June issue to all things fishing! Bass Pro and Scouting supporter, Tom Redington, drops in to offer helpful advice and tips on how to hook your bait, best fishing practices, the latest and greatest gear, and more.

QUADRENNIAL 2021 JAMBOREE JULY ISSUE

Every four years the July issue is devoted to National Jamboree! Your brand can become a part of this special Collector's Edition, which is both a guide for Scouts and leaders planning to attend, and an outlet for millions of readers to follow along with all of the excitement leading up to the special ten-day event.

GIFTS N' GEAR FALL/WINTER ADVERTISING SECTION

The go-to fall/winter advertising section for MILLIONS of Scouts AND their families is officially here, and it's been strategically developed to help drive sales for brands.

NOVEMBER TOY ROUNDUP

Every November we review the years' latest and greatest toys!



ONLINE, VIDEO & SOCIAL EXTENSIONS

BOYSLIFE.ORG

Award-winning Boyslife.org is chock-full of awesome content for all boys to keep them engaged for hours, including game/toy/movie/gear reviews, useful articles for Scouts, contests, videos, interactive games, fun DIY projects and everything a boy could want to read, learn, or do.







RESPONSIVE DESIGN: VIEWABLE ACROSS MOBILE, TABLET & DESKTOP

TOTAL PAGEVIEWS: 1 MIL+/MO. HIGHEST TRAFFIC MONTH: JANUARY

AVG. TIME SPENT: 1:45

TOP PAGES VIEWED: HOME PAGE, HOBBIES & PROJECTS/BL HOW-TO, GAMES, OUTDOORS

BOYS' LIFE LIVE!

Boys' Life Live! is the new Facebook video platform hosted by the Boys' Life editorial team, posting regularly on cool topics, news, giveaways, silliness and more! Other major video categories include: BL essentials & how-tos, infomercials and interviews, Cool Camps, and time-lapsed videos.

BOYS' LIFE SOCIAL PLATFORMS

Boys' Life's Facebook page holds the top spot for the highest engagement rate of any Boy Scouts of America owned social media channel, engaging hundreds of thousands of parents of Scouts and our older aged Scouts every day.

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ONLINE, SOCIAL & VIDEO CONTENT UNITS, RATES & INQUIRIES

Sponsored social media posts, custom video, live video sponsorship, native content, web page sponsorship and high-impact ad units are customizable and available. See Online Production Specifications page for standard and premium online units. Contact your Corporate Partnerships Manager for details and rate inquiries or email advertising@scouting.org.

200K ACTIVE SOCIAL FOLLOWING





AWARD-WINNING EDITORIAL



ADWEEK HOT LIST READERS' CHOICE AWARDS

2014, 2016 Kids/Teen Magazine of the Year, Boys' Life

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MAGAZINE EDITORS

2015, Winner, Reader's Choice Best Cover, September 2014, Finalist, Best National Cover, Sept. '14

FOLIO: EDITORIAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS ("EDDIES" FOR EDITORIAL AND "OZZIES" FOR DESIGN)

2016, Best Series of Articles, Winner, "Prepared For Life" series, Best Article, Winner, "A Scout is Helpful" March 2016, 2015, Best Article, Finalist, "Lending A Hand," December '14, Best Illustration, Finalist, "American Monsters," October '14, 2014, National Magazine of the Year (Youth/Teen), Winner, May 2014, Best Article, Finalist, "Super Storm, Super Scouts," June '13, Best Article, Finalist, "The BL Essentials Guide," May '14, Best Cover, Finalist, May '14

PARENTS' CHOICE FOUNDATION, PARENTS' CHOICE AWARDS

2015, 2014, 2013 Parents' Choice Approved Award, 2014, Boys' Life magazine; Parents' Choice Approved Award, '13, Boys' Life online @ www.boyslife.org

THE WESTERN PUBLICATIONS ASSOCIATION, MAGGIE AWARDS

2015 Finalist, Magazine of the Year, Special Interest/Consumer, Finalist, Best Feature Article, "BL Essentials Guide" (May '14), Finalist, Best Themed Issue, May '14, 2014 Finalist, Magazine of the Year, Special Interest/Consumer, Finalist, Best News Story, "Super Storm, Super Scouts" (June '13), 2013 Finalist, Magazine of the Year, Special Interest/Consumer, Finalist, Best Feature, "Eyes in the Skies" (October '12), Finalist, Best News Story, "After the Storms" (March '12)



DISPLAY PRINT & DIGITAL PRODUCTION CALENDAR



ISSUE MONTH	CONTRACT	FRACTIONAL PAGE MATERIALS	FULL PAGE MATERIALS	PRINT EDITION ON-SALE	DIGITAL EDITION ON-SALE
January	10/30/17	11/06/17	11/17/17	12/24/17	12/15/17
February	11/30/17	12/08/17	12/15/17	01/27/18	01/15/18
March	12/29/17	01/08/18	01/16/18	02/24/18	02/15/18
April	01/29/18	02/05/18	02/12/18	03/24/18	03/15/18
May	02/28/18	03/07/18	03/16/18	04/28/18	04/15/18
June	03/28/18	04/06/18	04/13/18	05/27/18	05/15/18
July	04/30/18	05/07/18	05/15/18	06/23/18	06/15/18
August	05/29/18	06/08/18	06/15/18	07/28/18	07/15/18
September	06/28/18	07/06/18	07/16/18	08/25/18	08/15/18
October	07/30/18	08/06/18	08/17/18	09/29/18	09/15/18
November	08/29/18	09/07/18	09/14/18	10/27/18	10/15/18
December	09/28/18	10/05/18	10/15/18	11/24/18	11/15/18

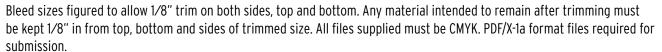
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PRINT & DIGITAL PRODUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

PRINT EDITION SPECIFICATIONS





DIGITAL APP EDITION SPECIFICATIONS

Boys' Life is available as an enhanced digital edition on the following platforms: Google Play, iTunes, Amazon, and Texture. All advertisers running in the print edition will be included in the digital edition with the exception of special sections and inserts. No additional creative or forms are necessary for inclusion. Contact your Corporate Partnerships Manager or advertising@scouting.org for more information.

PROOFS

Boys' Life magazine is printed Web Offset/Saddle Stitched, computer-to-plate. Please provide electronic/digital production materials and include SWOP approved proof. All digital data must conform to SWOP specifications. Negatives or positives will not be accepted.

INSERTS

Single sheet and multi-page or gatefold insert advertising spaces available. Bind-ins: Cards, inserts, booklets and other special bind-in material accepted pending postal approval. All rates upon request.

ASSETS FOR SPECIAL SECTIONS & PACKAGES

Supplied images must be high resolution (300 DPI), CMYK. RGB images will be converted to CMYK. Logos: Preferred as .eps or .ai file types. Convert type to outlines unless fonts are provided.

FTP UPLOAD INSTRUCTIONS (7MB+ FILES)

Send confirming email to advertising@scouting.org. Filename should include: Publication name, issue mo. (2) characters and 1st 3 characters of advertiser's name. Stuff all files.

Host: https://securedrop.scouting.org | Username: AdsBSA | Password: blsc | Folder: Advertising

PRINT & DIGITAL EDITION MATERIALS DELIVERY & INQUIRIES

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THE BOYS' LIFE CLASSIFIED SECTION: CLASSIFIED CALENDAR, SECTIONS & SIZES



THE TRADIN' POST

It's our trusted, one-stop shopping section for great gifts, official BSA merchandise, insignia, outdoor gear, toys, games and more! Every product or service is **Boys' Life** reviewed and approved for kids to love and parents to appreciate.

SCHOOLS & CAMPS

It's THE spot for your travel destination, camp, school, academy or learning center! Whether readers are looking to let loose, have fun, learn something new, or immerse themselves in the outdoors, this section has a taste of it all. Plus, our readers travel with their families and Scouting units all year long.



CLASSIFIED RATE INQUIRIES

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ISSUE MONTH	CONTRACTS & MATERIALS		
January	10/24/17		
February	11/20/17		
March	12/19/17		
April	1/23/18		
May	2/20/18		
June	3/20/18		
July	4/24/18		
August	5/22/18		
September	6/19/18		
October	7/24/18		
November	8/21/18		
December	9/25/18		

CLASSIFIED AD SIZES				
2.25" x 1.0"				
2.25" x 1.5"				
2.25" x 2.0"				
2.25" x 2.5"				
2.25" x 3.0"				
2.25" x 3.5"				
2.25" x 4.0"				
2.25" x 4.5"				
2.25" x 5.0"				



DISPLAY PRINT & DIGITAL PRODUCTION SPECIFICATIONS & MEDIA RATES

UNIT SIZE	NON-BLEED	BLEED	LIVE AREA
Pub Trim Size	8″ x 10 ½″		
Page (420) Lines	7 ½″ x 10″	8 1/4" x 10 3/4"	7 ³ / ₄ " x 10 ¹ / ₄ "
2 Columns (2/3 pg)	4 5/8" x 10"	43/4" x 10 3/4"	4 ³ / ₈ " x 10"
1/2 - Pg Horizontal	7 ½″ x 5″	8 1/4" x 5 1/8"	7 3/4" x 43/4"
1/2 - Pg Vertical	3 ³ / ₈ " x 10"	4 1/8" x 10 3/4"	3 1/4" x 10"
Digest Size	4 5/8" x 6 1/2"		
1/3 - Pg Vertical	2 1/4" x 10"	3 ³ /8" x 10 ³ / ₄ "	2″ x 10″
1/3 - Pg Square	4 5/8" x 4 7/8"		
1/6 - Pg Vertical	2 1/4" x 4 7/8"		
2 Facing Pgs (Gutter Bleed Only)		14 ³ / ₄ " x 10"	14" x 10"
Facing Pg (Full Bleed)		16 1/4" x 10 3/4"	15 1/4" x 10"

PRINT & DIGITAL EDITION MATERIALS DELIVERY & INQUIRIES

Include publication name, issue, advertiser, and print or digital in the subject line. If larger than 7MB, upload to ftp site.

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MEDIA RATES INQURIES

Cover advertising is non-cancellable and run-of-book advertising units are cancellable up until issue contract close date. Covers can be combined with other space units to earn discount. Contact your Corporate Partnerships Manager for details and rate inquiries or email advertising@scouting.org.



ONLINE PRODUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

STANDARD AD TYPES

728x90 banner, 300x250 rectangle, 300x600 skyscraper.

PREMIUM AD TYPES

Expandable banner, extender, floating, peelback, web page sponsorships, wrapper. Inquire about custom ad types.

ACCEPTED FILE FORMATS & RICH MEDIA FORMATS

GIF, JPG, PNG, HTML5, 3rd party accepted. Animated GIF, static GIF, JPEG. Maximum 200K for all web ads.

ANIMATION

May loop 3x, 24 fps, 15 seconds max recommended for standard ad units.

PREMIUM DIGITAL UNITS

Specifications vary by unit type.

ASSETS FOR SPECIAL SECTIONS & PACKAGES

Supplied images must be high resolution (300 DPI), CMYK. RGB images will be converted to CMYK. Logos: Preferred as .eps or .ai file types. Convert type to outlines unless fonts are provided.

STANDARD GUIDELINES

DoubleClick for Publishers (DFP) is used to serve all Boy Scouts of America publications.

CUSTOM & SPONSORED CONTENT, CONTESTS

Supply high-resolution logo, URLs, tags, handles, copy etc. as instructed by our digital team. Assets will vary based on media elements and creative needs.

ONLINE PRODUCTION MATERIALS DELIVERY & INQUIRIES

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ONLINE PRODUCTION CALENDAR

STANDARD WEB BANNERS

Due 10 business days prior to post date

PREMIUM & RICH MEDIA UNITS

Due 14 business days prior post date

DIGITAL CONTEST COMPONENTS

Assets due 21 business days prior to post date

ONLINE CUSTOM CONTENT

Assets due 2 weeks prior to post date

SPONSORED WEB PAGES

Assets due 5 days prior to post date

FACEBOOK & TWITTER POSTS

Assets due 1 week prior to post date

Dates may vary



ADVERTISEMENT ACCEPTANCE POLICY

Both editorial and advertising are needed to make publications fun, exciting and beneficial for the reader. The advertising in BSA publications contributes to the reader's value but cannot be counter to the goals and values of the organization.

- 1. Product endorsement by any member of BSA is not acceptable.
- 2. Any proposed copy or illustration involving the use of the BSA uniforms or insignia of Scouting must be submitted for review at least 5 days prior to the material due date.
- 3. It is within the discretion of the BSA to request samples for appraisal of items offered in advertising.
- 4. All advertising copy and artwork for *Boys' Life* magazine must be of a nature that would be deemed acceptable and understood by children and in accordance with the principals and objective of the BSA.
- 5. No advertising copy or artwork, or any elements of the product or service being advertised, may have sexual/violent over or undertones.
- 6. All contest advertising must also be in compliance with U.S. Postal Service requirements of Periodical mail. These requirements include a statement of "No Purchase Necessary" and a defined end date of the contest.
- 7. Movies, DVD, Gaming
 - a. Movies, DVD
 - i. PG can run in Boys' Life upper demo or full run.
 - ii. PG-13 can run in Boys' Life upper only.
 - b. Gaming
 - i. E10+ can run in Boys' Life upper or full run.
 - c. Content including tobacco, alcohol or drugs will not be accepted.
 - d. Content of an excessively violent or sexual nature will not be accepted, nor will content which can be viewed as offensive to our readership.
- 8. Advertising for products with alcohol or tobacco content are not acceptable.
- 9. Advertisements for firearms, ammunition, weapons and all outdoor and camping gear must conform to the BSA safety manual and all applicable federal or state regulations. Ad creative must clearly emphasize safety and include prominent, legible safety language.
- 10. Not acceptable are any products the BSA Health and Safety advisors deem as potentially dangerous or undesirable, i.e., martial arts instruction and weapons, fireworks, sneezing powder, etc.
- 11. The publisher reserves the right to refuse advertising for any animal, fish or bird or species the BSA believes should not be collected or kept on exhibit or as a pet.
- 12. Pocketknives and folding knives with a blade-length limit of four inches may advertise in *Boys' Life*. Switchblades, stilettos and those resembling such are not acceptable.



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