



Western Los Angeles County Council of Boy Scouts High Adventure Team



Invites Interested Boy Scouts & Venture Crew members to

Junior Basic Backpack Awareness Course

This High Adventure Team course is designed for those youth who wish to learn about the fun that backpacking activities adds to the Scouting programs. Here is an opportunity to build on your outdoor skills and leader training. Expand your knowledge of the challenges with different terrain and develop the confidence to safely hike, backpack and camp with your unit. Upon completion of this course, you will receive a HAT Gray Card, which you can then take Awareness Seminars to obtain additional HAT completion strips.

The course will teach you how to prepare for and enjoy backpacking. The course subjects will teach map & compass, cooking, personal and troop gear, weather, health, safety, and all the other things you need to know in order to plan and conduct a safe, rewarding Troop/Crew outing.

WHO SHOULD TAKE THIS COURSE: The novice will gain his or her first backpacking experience under knowledgeable guidance; the experienced backpacker will learn how to organize a hike for Scouts.

Who should attend: Any registered youth. Enrollment limited to 30 Scouts. [No registration at the door permitted; Scouts with incomplete forms will be sent home].

Prerequisites: Must be First Class Rank or above and 13 years or older, or Venture Crew member; no backpacking experience required.

When: Indoor Session: April 16, 2016, 7:30 AM – 5 PM
Outdoor Session: May 21-22, 2016, full weekend

Where: Indoor Session: WLACC Scout office, 16525 Sherman Way # C-8, Van Nuys
Outdoor Session: To Be Determined.

Registration cost: Early registration \$25.00 (on or before March 29th), Standard registration \$30.00 (if paid after March 28th). This does not include the cost of the food or transportation.

Required to bring: **Indoor Session:** Field uniform, compass, paper, pen or pencil. A completed consent form and current part A & B medical form is required at the indoor session (no exceptions; parents must stay to take the Scout home until both forms are approved). An hour lunch break will be provided; please bring your own lunch. **Outdoor Session:** Field and Utility uniform, transportation to and from the outdoor session, any medications, and hiking clothing appropriate for weather conditions; equipment and items essential for a 2 day backpacking trip, including 10+ Essentials, stove, cook kit & utensils, backpacking tent and sleeping gear, plus three backpack meals for Saturday, lunch, dinner and Sunday breakfast. Patrol Method.

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Mail your check by April 8, 2016 to WLACC Scout Office, 16525 Sherman Way, C-8, Van Nuys, CA 91406
Checks payable to: W.L.A.C.C.; HAT account: 1-2306-068-00

Scout Name: _____ Unit: _____ Age _____ Rank: _____

Address: _____ Position: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____