

BSA Troop 212, Bike Rodeo and Camping Trip at BSA Forest Lawn (Lake Arrowhead) Campground

We will meet for the Bike Rodeo on Friday, September 16th, at 7:00 PM in the Church Parking lot. We will be camping at BSA Forest Lawn Boys Scouts Campground in the San Bernardino Mountains. Travel maps will be available on Friday evening. Although having a bike will allow the Scout to participate in the events, it is not a requirement in order to go on this outing...and there may be bikes available for borrowing during some of the events. Anyway, some of the events will be a long distance mountain bike ride, an up hill race competition, a “best balancer” competition, as well as an obstacle course. Event ribbons will be given out at the upcoming Court of Honor. We will be departing the camp and heading home on Sunday around 11 AM and stopping for lunch. Please be sure your scout brings \$10 to pay for his lunch. We should arrive at the church parking lot about 2:30 PM. As always, traffic may play a role in the time we arrive so please check Spot for travel updates.

If you wish to participate on this trip, bring \$35.00/\$15.00 and the signed permission slip to the Troop meeting on Monday, September 12th. The Patrol Leaders will collect the money, permission slips, and prepare menus that evening with their patrol members. Since we will be eating on a Patrol Basis, all Patrol Members are responsible for assisting in food shopping for meals and field preparations.

Food shopping is scheduled for Thursday, September 15th, 7:00 PM at our usual Stater Brothers location near Palo Verde Ave & Spring Street. The Senior Patrol Leader will approve food lists, menus, and duty rosters before the Patrol Leader can be given the food shopping money.

This is a summer camping trip which means that Scouts should be prepared for hot sunny days.

The minimum camping equipment is as follows:

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| Extra socks & sturdy shoes | Personal flashlight, first aid kit, 10 foot rope |
| Personal eating utensils, bowl, mug, & plate | Poncho, canteen, sunglasses, sun block |
| Insulated pad or air mattress | Pen, pencil, notebook, compass, matches |
| Sleeping bag & ground cloth | Soap, comb, Chapstick |
| Scout handbook | Tooth brush, tooth paste, small towel |
| Jacket for evenings, poncho | Wide brim hat, insect spray |
| Pocket knife, whistle, sunglasses | Day pack (Camelback), or bike waterbottle |

Additionally, all participants in the bicycle ride must bring a DOT approve bicycle helmet

NO HELMET = NO BIKE RIDING

As is the tradition of Troop 212, this will be a very safe outing, due in no small way to the adult leadership who will assist by attending this trip. In addition to Adults required to camp with us, we might need a few drivers to get us to camp and return trip pick-up as well. Please contact the adult trip leader Randy Galisky if you are available to assist in any way.

**Yours in Scouting,
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