

Dear Scouts and Scouters,

This trip will be a low key and relaxing event. We will have the opportunity to use the pool and other facilities at the Silent Valley Campground. The camp is located in the San Jacinto Mountains at an elevation of 3,500 feet. Official location is; Silent Valley Club 46305 Poppet Flats Road Banning, CA 92220 Scouts are encouraged to bring bikes, but they MUST watch the posted speed signs, as the camp will issue tickets to bike riders! Also Helmets are required at all times for ALL riders!! This camp has a great Game Room, and Snack Bar, so Bring Extra \$\$\$\$. This is also a great time to work on advancements and boards of review. The camp requirement for the family dog is that it must be on a leash at all times and is not allowed in a public food area.

This adventure is open to all family members and alumni of Troop 212, but minor family members must be accompanied by a parent. If any scout wants to attend this adventure, but does not have their family camping with them, he may still attend by joining with another family, or camping family style with the Scoutmaster by using troop and patrol equipment. Troop permission slips will be required for all minors on the trip, and all scouts that are camping without their families.

Meals will be FAMILY based, personally prepared by each family, except for Saturday Supper, which will be prepared by the Badger Patrol members for all trip participants. The Troop kitchen will be assembled all weekend to allow those families that do not have cooking equipment to still have fun camping. The troop trailer will be along with us, so tents may be borrowed by the attending families as well, if needed. RV sites will be in the same area as the tent sites.

As is the tradition of Troop 212, this will be a very safe outing, due to the diligence of all our adults during program time. The Buddy System will be employed during this outing for all Scouts "away from camp" activities. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

For more information on the camp please go to [www.SilentValleyClub.com](http://www.SilentValleyClub.com)

Meeting: Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM – Church parking lot. Please arrive promptly to assist with vehicle loading. All hands assisting will ensure "on time" departure. If you plan on arriving Saturday morning, I need this detail information, to ensure saving you a tent spot for your arrival.

Departure: Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM – This target must be met to ensure we do not arrive in camp late.

Return: Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, at approximately 3:30 PM – Church parking lot, if we have decided to depart as a group. This will be decided by all participants during Saturday evening's meal gathering. Please keep an eye on the troop SPOT connection to follow our progress and better estimate our arrival, if we decide to return as a group.

Cost: \$3.00 per person, per night for tent sites, \$7.00 per person for the troop Saturday Supper, \$35.00 per RV, per night, all to be collected on Monday, Sept 24<sup>th</sup>, after the Court Of Honor. We will use this information to make final camp site commitments with the Silent Valley Management on Tuesday morning and food shopping on Thursday. Even if you THINK you may be attending, we need to be aware on Monday, as well.

Food Shopping: Thursday September 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, Stater Bros at 6501 E Spring St near Palo Verde Ave.

Uniform: Class B uniform during auto travel on Friday and Sunday for Family Camp.

Sunday Lunch: As usual, this will be fast food on the way home. Please make sure to have money for the ride home.

At a minimum, the following items should be packed:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate clothing (65°- 90°)           | <input type="checkbox"/> Insect Spray  | <input type="checkbox"/> Soap, Shampoo, and Comb      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wide Brimmed Hat                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Mess Kit (utensils, bowl, mug, etc)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sturdy shoes and extra socks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compass , First Aid Kit                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Pencils, Pens, Notebook                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Towel and Swim Suit                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Knife  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen and Chapstick      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bike & Helmet (remember the speed limits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Poncho, Daypack,                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Quarters, and spare cash for camp store, and arcade | <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush & paste           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Cloth, Sleeping Bag and Pad        | <input type="checkbox"/> Rope – 10 Feet                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Warm Jacket                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Handy-wipes                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Scout Handbook                                      |   |

Yours in Scouting  
John Douglas, Scoutmaster