

Troop 212 Camp at San Mateo

Dear Scouts and Scouters,

Troop 212 will be headed up to San Mateo Campground / San Clemente State Beach, for our August Beach Trip on 8-24 to 8-26. This is a great location located just 4 miles from San Clemente Beach. We have six family sites. Sites 109, 111, 113, and 115 will be for the patrols; sites 131 and 133 will be for the adults. All sites back up to each other, so we will have plenty of room.

Most of Saturday, we will be at the beach, so plan on bringing any Beach Essentials you may need for the day. The location is not walking distance back to camp, so we will be leaving at 9AM and not returning to camp until 4PM. A few items that will help: Shade, Hats, Boogie Boards, Surf Boards, and a chair. Everything you bring will need to be carried down the hill to the sand. Day time temperatures will be in the High 70s and nights will drop to the low 60s. Water Temps are currently reported at 69 degrees.

The Scouts will be given a Day Use+cooler to take all the food and drinks for their patrol to the beach for the day. Remember we will be away from camp from 9-4. If you have an EZ-Up or other shade you'd like to carry down the hill, we could use it. Remember tents are not allowed on the beach.

The camp site has some great bike potential, if you'd like to do this after the beach, or early Sunday. All Scouts and Adults must wear helmets, and stay on designated bike paths. There is a problem with the local Coyotes coming up to the camp. Proof of this was a good sized one that was just hanging at the rode into camp at 10AM. We will have to secure all food in the trailer, and must not take any food or good smelling items into the tents. Also no one is to attempt to feed, pet or get close to the Coyotes. These are wild animals, and must be respected from a distance.

We will **NOT** be stopping on the way home for lunch, and plan to be back at the church around 1pm on Sunday.

Meeting: Friday, August 24th, at 7:00 PM . Church parking lot. Please arrive promptly for check in to support a 7:30 PM departure.

Return Arrival: Sunday, August 26th, at approximately 1:00 PM . Church parking lot.

Trip Destination: San Mateo Campground

Cost: \$30 / \$10 per person to cover: Food and Ice for Sat breakfast, lunch & dinner and Sun breakfast (\$15.00), Campsite Fees (\$10.00), Patches (\$5.00), Gas (\$10.00). Please bring cash and the standard permission slip to the troop meeting on Monday, August 20th.

Food Shopping: Thursday, August 23, 2012 at 7:00 PM at Stater Brothers

Equipment: Bring your Boogie boards, surf boards, and any other beach items you'd like to use

Uniform: Full uniform for travel Friday evening and Sunday's trip home.

At a minimum, the following items should be packed:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate clothing | <input type="checkbox"/> Insect Spray | <input type="checkbox"/> Soap and Comb |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beach items | <input type="checkbox"/> Matches or Flint | <input type="checkbox"/> Sturdy hiking boots and extra socks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brim Hat | <input type="checkbox"/> Mess Kit (utensils, bowl, mug, etc) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compass | <input type="checkbox"/> Pencils, Pens, Notebook | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen and Chap stick |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Knife | <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Poncho | <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush & paste |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight | <input type="checkbox"/> Quarters for showers | <input type="checkbox"/> Warm Jacket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Cloth | <input type="checkbox"/> Rope . 10 Feet | <input type="checkbox"/> Whistle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Handy-wipes | <input type="checkbox"/> Scout Handbook | <input type="checkbox"/> Daypack to carry trail lunch and ten essentials |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydration pack or Canteen | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag and Pad | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swim suit | <input type="checkbox"/> Small towel | |

If you have any questions, please contact Bennett Moxon before the Friday departure (refer to the ScoutTrack directory for phone numbers).