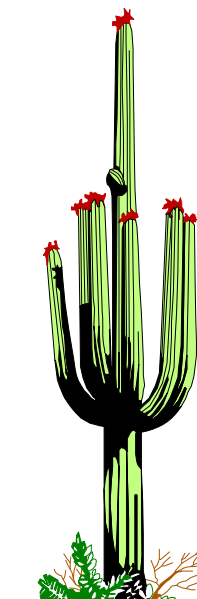




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Desert Backpack Awareness Course



For those who wish to hike, backpack, or camp in the desert. As a prerequisite, you must have completed the High Adventure Basic Backpacking Awareness course. The course will consist of a weekend session at a suitable site on...

May 16, and 17, 2009

Registration fee is \$30.00 per person plus a California State Park Parking fee. Space is limited, so please sign up quickly. If you know of someone who has completed Basic Backpacking Awareness in this or another Council and would be interested in taking this course, please let him/her know about it! For further information, phone Pat Aubuchon (818) 781-7465.

To Register: Complete the information below, and send to the address above, with a check payable to "Verdugo Hills Council-BSA". Also attach a copy of the proper medical form as noted on the reverse of this page.

Registration is due Friday, May 1, 2009. Late registrations are \$35.00.

Enclosed is a check for \$30.00. Please enroll me for the Desert Awareness course on May 16 & 17, 2009.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone (day): _____ (evening): _____

Position in Scouting: _____

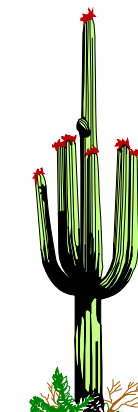
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No Refund for "no shows", unless notice is given one week prior to event, in which case all but a \$5.00 administration fee will be refunded.



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Here is an opportunity to build on your HAT outdoor leader training. Expand your knowledge of challenges in the desert environment, and develop the confidence to safely hike, backpack, camp, and have fun with your unit in the desert! As a prerequisite, you must have completed the HAT Basic Backpacking Awareness course.

The course will cover how to explore and enjoy the desert. Subjects covered will deal with building solar stills, geology, plant life, critters, astronomy (and night navigation), weather, health, safety, appropriate food, and all the other things you need to know in order to plan and conduct a safe, rewarding outing in the...

DRY, HOT (and COLD!) Desert

Date: May 16 & 17, 2009
LOCATION: Red Rock Canyon State Park. (Highway 14 North of Mojave)
TIME: Check in at 7:00 AM on Saturday, May 16.
PARKING: Parking fees: \$12.00 for first car at a site, \$5.00 for additional car
BRING: Be prepared to Camp in Desert Conditions

Tour Permit

Clothing: Nights will be cold, days will be hot, and the sun is bright.

Scout Uniform (either class "A" or "B") for travel and Scout's Own.

Food (either for you individually, or in a group if you so desire)

Medications, sunscreen, etc. as for any backpacking trip.

WATER, WATER, WATER! Bring all the water you need for drinking & cooking. If you use dehydrated foods, you need to carry that much extra water!

10+ essentials

Daypack, canteen or similar for day hike.

Stove (either for you individually, or in a group if you want to share).

Tent

Pencil, pen, paper or notebook

Planisphere (If you have one)

Camera (optional)

Class 1/2- or Class 3 Medical Form (for forms see www.vhcbbsa.org)

- If you are less than 40 years old, you may use the *Class 1/2 Medical Form*
- If you are 40 years old or older, you must use the *Class 3 Medical Form* signed by a physician or nurse practitioner within the past year.