Navigation & Orienteering Training 2020

PURPOSE: This training is expected to help those who may
• Feel uncomfortable about taking their Unit into new locations.
• Want to improve their navigation and route-finding skills.
• Want to consider orienteering as an activity for improving Scouts’ map and compass skills?

DATE: Seminar: Saturday 14 November 2020
Field trip: to be announced.

TIME: 8:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Seminar: Firestone Scout Reservation

COST: $15.00 for seminar. The Field trip will have an addition fee payable to the Los Angeles Orienteering Club (LAOC).

REGISTRATION: Online registration with check, paypal or credit card is available at http://glaac-hat.org/register by 30 October 2020. You will be sent a confirmation, or a notice of cancellation if there are fewer than 5 sign-ups by that date. For help with registration contact Sonia at the Smiser Scout Service Center, (213)718-6821 or e-mail: SoniaGuerrero.Kagan@scouting.org.

EQUIPMENT: Compass.

OVERVIEW: The seminar will begin with discussions of the tools of navigation and strategies for their utilization. There will be demonstrations of various types of maps and compasses. Topics will include route finding, collecting terrain features, the Global Positioning System (GPS), disoriented, avoidance of getting lost, and getting “un-lost”. The special problems and techniques associated with route finding on the snow and in desert terrain will be discussed. These activities will be followed by participant-led map-hikes which use the detailed orienteering map for Firestone.

A field experience will be held, in association with the Los Angeles Orienteering Club, on a date to be announced. Participants will help officiate in an LAOC Orienteering meet. Additional information about the Los Angeles Orienteering Club will be presented and can also be be found on its web site, http://LosAngelesOrienteering.org/drupal.

REQUIREMENTS: None

MAXIMUM SIZE: None

QUESTIONS: David Hensley, Course Director, at c: 602-405-1187; e-mail: hensley.davidL@gmail.com.

Hike Aid 3, “Full Dimension High Adventure Training”, has a complete discussion of the training programs of the GLAAC-HAT. It may be downloaded from the Council High Adventure website at http://glaac-hat.org/HikeAids.html. Questions about any of them are to be directed to Michael Schlaifer; Vice ChairTraining: (213)247-8808 (C); e-mail, michael@schlaifer.com.