
The various Adult Leaders Backpack Training Field Experiences were scheduled to occur in March, April, and May. Due to the current circumstances, these have not happened. Please contact your trip leader to schedule a new date.

Due to COVID-19 the following have been cancelled:
- B.S.A. Level I Climbing Instructor Course on Oct 16-18.
- Wilderness and Remote First Aid Course on Oct 24&25.
- B.S.A. Level II Climbing Instructor Course on Nov 21&22.

Winter camping class is still scheduled for Saturday, November 7th. The all-day seminar will be followed in February 2021 with a weekend backpack in San Jacinto State Park. See the attached flyer for details. To sign up, register online at [http://glaac-hat.org/register/](http://glaac-hat.org/register/) or call 213-718-6821 and ask for Sonia.

A snow and ice travel class is still scheduled for November 7th right after the Winter camping class. See the attached flyer for details. To sign up, register online at [http://glaac-hat.org/register/](http://glaac-hat.org/register/) or call 213-718-6821 and ask for Sonia.

A navigation and orienteering class is still scheduled to be held on November 14th. A field experience will be held, in association with the Los Angeles Orienteering Club, on a date to be announced. See the attached flyer for details. To sign up call 213-718-6821 and ask for Sonia. Registration by October 30th is required.

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**HAT Website:** [http://glaac-hat.org](http://glaac-hat.org)

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### 3-Month Calendar

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* HAT meetings are open to all registered adults, the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., Cushman Watt Scout Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles. During the coronavirus crisis we will be meeting online via [https://bluejeans.com/](https://bluejeans.com/). Contact Steve Dodson for details.

** Weekend field experience to be scheduled at the seminar.

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**Winter Camping and Travel Training 2020**

**PURPOSE:** Acquaint the adult Scouter with an understanding of the winter environment and to emphasize those backpacking skills which are necessary to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.

**DATE:**
- Seminar: Saturday 7 November 2020

**TIME:**
- 8:00 a.m. to about 6:00 p.m. (45 minute lunch break)

**LOCATION:**
- Seminar: Cabrillo Youth Water Front Center, 3000 Shoshonean Rd., San Pedro
- Weekend Outing: Mt. San Jacinto

**COST:** $25.00

**REGISTRATION:** Online registration with check, paypal or credit card is available at [http://glaac-hat.org/register](http://glaac-hat.org/register) by 23 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:** Paper and pencil, and lunch for seminar.
Each Scouter is responsible for obtaining the clothing, equipment, and food for the weekend trip including snow shoes for the weekend outing.

**OVERVIEW:**
The seminar is conducted as a series of presentations and demonstrations. The emphasis is on preparing for, and dealing with, a mountainous winter environment, be it rain, cold, snow, or some combination. Sessions cover: the physical demands of winter conditions; snow travel hazards & equipment needs; health & safety; navigation and route finding; menus; food & water needs; and personal clothing & equipment. The desirability of having a “Plan B” and the necessity of providing for unexpected changes in the weather or trail conditions are explained. Participants are invited to attend the Snow and Ice Travel seminar that follows it (see the separate training bulletin).
The weekend field trip provides the opportunity to demonstrate the specific skills taught in the seminar in a winter environment. It will be a backpack in Mt. San Jacinto State Park of about 5 miles, round trip, from 8,600 to 10,000 feet. Snowshoes will be worn while backpacking.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Completion of Adult Leader Backpack Training is highly recommended.
Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C).

**MAXIMUM SIZE:** None

**QUESTIONS:**
Dennis Cline, Course Director, at (310) 792-0544; e-mail: jcline49@msn.com

Winter brings a special stillness to the local mountains. The year-round camper knows that the pests of summer – insects, most animals, other people – have gone to ground for the season. While the snowy peaks may appear close and inviting, that same camper knows that the weather and trail conditions require special preparation, skills, and equipment.

A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

**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](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.
Snow and Ice Travel Training - 2020

PURPOSE: Enjoy the challenge of high-mountain travel with confidence in your safety and knowledge of snow and ice travel techniques. Sharpening your judgment and learning the skills needed for safe and effective practices for snow slope travel will allow you to expand the places that your Unit can visit in the winter outdoors.

DATE: Seminar: Saturday 7 November 2020
Weekend Outing: Saturday 23 January 2021

TIME: Immediately following the Winter Camping and Travel seminar

LOCATION: Seminar: Cabrillo Youth Water Front Center, 3000 Shoshonean Rd., San Pedro
Weekend Outing: Mt. Baldy Area

COST: $5.00
An Adventure Pass will be needed for your vehicle

REGISTRATION: Online registration with check, paypal or credit card is available at http://glaac-hat.org/register by 23 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: Paper and pencil, and lunch for seminar.
Each Scouter is responsible for obtaining the clothing, equipment, and food for the weekend trip including Crampons and an Ice Axe for the weekend outing.

OVERVIEW: This High Adventure training is an optional follow-on to Winter Camping and Travel. The special equipment for snow and ice travel will be displayed and the requirements for, and location of, the field training will be discussed. A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

REQUIREMENTS: Completion of Adult Leader Backpack Training.
Winter Camping and Travel (which may be taken the same day)
Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C).

MAXIMUM SIZE: None

QUESTIONS: Stephen Dodson, Course Director, at c: (818) 967-1323; e-mail: sedodson1@roadrunner.com

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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.

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