

# *Camping Guide 2019*

Western Los Angeles County Council



# Get outdoors this year!

Get excited about camping in 2019!

The 2019 Camping Guide is intended to help your unit or family determine which programs and events are best suited for you. It is brought to you in part by the Malibu Lodge of the Order of the Arrow (which supports summer camps through service, promotion, and staffing) and the WLACC Camping Department.

Are you looking for an all-inclusive family bonding experience? Cub Family Weekends at Emerald Bay or Whitsett would work perfectly. Looking for a new physical and leadership challenge for older scouts? Try Rugged E or CPT. Are you imagining camera angles, storyboards, and theme music while on activities with your Troop? Maybe you should join us for the Moviemaking Experience at Camp Josepho.

Emerald Bay, Whitsett, and Josepho have programs running year-round that are suited to boys and girls at any point of their Scouting careers. Experiences at these camps augment the programs that your Pack or Troop provides. They allow Scouts to earn awards that would be difficult to work on independently, they expose Scouts to new aspects of Scouting and the outdoors, and they challenge Scouts to become leaders.

Registration for each event is available on each camp's website. Like us on Facebook or follow our YouTube channels to see what's new at camp and keep in touch. Finally, you can sign up for the monthly camping newsletter at [www.bsa-la.org](http://www.bsa-la.org) to receive articles about camp, notifications of upcoming events or deadlines, and even recipes and packing tips.

See you at camp!

Sincerely,

The WLACC Camping Team

## Emerald Bay

Week 1	6/9-6/15
Week 2	6/16-6/22
Week 3	6/23-6/29
Week 4	6/30-7/6
Week 5	7/7-7/13
Week 6	7/14-7/20
Week 7	7/21-7/27
Week 8	7/28-8/3
Week 9	8/4-8/10

## Whitsett

Week 1	6/16-6/22
Week 2	6/23-6/29
Week 3	6/30-7/6
Week 4	7/7-7/13
Week 5	7/14-7/20
Week 6	7/21-7/27

## Josepho

Session 1	7/21-7/27
Session 2	7/28-8/3
Session 3	8/4-8/10



# 2019 Camping Calendar

## Fall 2018

Cub Parent Weekend, Camp Josepho: Oct 19-21  
Cub Family Weekend, Camp Emerald Bay: Oct 19-21  
Cub Spook-O-Ree, Sherman Oaks CES: Oct 27  
Cub Parent Weekend, Camp Josepho: Nov 2-4  
Camp Josepho's Holiday Extravaganza: Dec 15

## Spring 2019

Malibu Lodge Banquet/LLD: Jan 5  
OA Vigil Weekend, Camp Josepho: Mar 1-3  
Cub Family Weekend, Camp Emerald Bay: Mar 8-10  
Cub Parent Weekend, Camp Josepho: Mar 15-17  
Commissioners' College: March 16  
Girls Adventure Weekend, Emerald Bay: March 22-24  
OA Ordeal, Camp Whitsett: May 17-19  
Memorial Day Pack Weekend, Camp Whitsett: 24-26  
OA Ordeal, Camp Josepho: May 31-June 2

## Fall 2019

Girls Adventure Weekend, Emerald Bay: August 23-25  
OA Ordeal, Camp Josepho: Sept 6-8  
Cub Parent Weekend, Camp Josepho: Oct 18-20  
Cub Family Weekend, Camp Emerald Bay: Oct 18-20  
Cub Spook-O-Ree, Location TBA: Oct 26  
Cub Parent Weekend, Camp Josepho: Nov 1-3  
OA Induction Weekend, Camp Josepho: Dec 30-1

## June 2019

Camp Emerald Bay Summer Camp Opens: June 9  
Camp Whitsett Summer Camp Opens: June 16  
National Youth Leadership Seminar: June 16-21  
Woodbadge: June 23-28  
Camp Whitsett Webelos Camp: 6/30-7/3

## July 2019

Camp Emerald Bay Cub Scout/Webelos Adventure: July 14-17  
Camp Josepho Summer Camp Opens: July 21  
Camp Josepho Summer Camp: Weeks 1-2  
Camp Emerald Bay Summer Camp: Weeks 5-8  
Camp Whitsett Summer Camp: Weeks 3-6

## August 2019

Camp Emerald Bay Summer Camp: Week 9  
Camp Josepho Summer Camp: Week 3  
OA Lodge Fellowship, Camp Josepho: August 9-11  
Cub Family Weekend, Camp Whitsett: Aug 16-18



# Camp Josepho

Located just minutes away from bustling Santa Monica, Camp Josepho is a non-traditional highly specialized camp that offers “Merit Badge Clusters” that uniquely integrate the requirements of several related merit badges in a single, all-encompassing program. Scouts can attend provisionally or with other members of their troops who share their interests.

## First Year Program

Designed to ease the transition for newly-bridged Scouts. Campers will work on first year rank advancement and the Swimming and First Aid Merit Badges.

## Moviemaking Experience

Scouts can make their own short videos! They will have the opportunity to earn the Communications Merit Badge, an Eagle Required badge, as well as the Theater and Moviemaking Merit Badges.

## Innovation

Earn the Robotics, Programming, Electronics, and Game Design Merit Badges in this integrated program that focuses on technology and the outdoors. Scouts design their own games, robots, and programs. Recommended for Scouts who have reached First Class.

## Exploration

Scouts earn the Exploration, Pioneering, and Wilderness Survival Merit Badges in this focused merit badge cluster that challenges Scouts to explore the outdoors.

Session 1: July 21-27 • Session 2: July 28-August 3 • Session 3: August 4-10



## Webelos Adventure Camp

Webelos get to experience the many adventures of camp and get a taste of each of the different programs offered at Camp Josepho. Campers will have the opportunity to build robots, shoot BB guns, film movies 3D print objects and expand their horizons during this unique program.

July 28-31

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## Shooting Sports Camp

This program provides intensive training with rifle, pistol, archery and more in a small group environment that allows the Scout to spend more time on the ranges, unlike a traditional summer camp. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn the respective shooting related merit badges or NRA Marksman Qualification. Along with spending time on the ranges, Scouts will enjoy the pool, take hikes in the surrounding Santa Monica Mountains, and participate in campfires and camp wide games. Spaces are limited, so don't let this great opportunity slip away. Scouts must be at least 14

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[www.campjosepho.org](http://www.campjosepho.org)

## National Youth Leadership Training

National Youth Leadership Training is the highest level of local council training available to Youth in the BSA. Scouts will learn how to effectively lead their Troops using the patrol method, outdoor skills, and team-building skills. Register at [www.bsa-la.org](http://www.bsa-la.org).

June 16-21



# *Camp Whitsett*

## Summer Programs

Standing in the shadows of the Giant Sequoias, Camp Whitsett has operated continuously in the Sequoia National Monument since 1947. It is just an easy drive from the renowned "Trail of 100 Giants" and boasts exclusive access to Lake Ida (with its excellent trout stock) and Sentinel Peak.

Whitsett's summer program is home to 35 outdoor merit badges, including Fly-Fishing, Climbing, and several Eagle-required badges. Our setting is perfectly suited to California mountain adventure sports. Join us for Whitewater rafting on the mighty Kern River, high-flying COPE ropes courses, and unforgettable hikes and mountain bike rides. Our new Wolverton-Robbins Nature Lodge focuses on the natural history and ecology of the Sequoia Forest and the history of human settlement in the area.

Whitsett is rooted in tradition, but continues to branch out. When it comes to schedules, customized programs, and opportunities for outstanding program, Whitsett is unmatched. Scouts that attend camp can opt for a day of Whitewater on the mighty Kern River, participate in C.O.P.E. and rock climbing, or even spend a week on a horse packing trip in the Sierra Nevada Mountains.

Register before December 1st for the Early Bird discount!

**[www.campwhitsett.org](http://www.campwhitsett.org)**

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## C.P.T

C.P.T is a full week, fully immersive high adventure program for older Scouts returning to Whitsett who want greater challenge and adventure. Participants will spend the entire week in high adventure activities like C.O.P.E., Mountain Biking, Overnights, Team Challenges and Courses. It is designed to challenge even the most experienced camper. Minimum age: 14.

## Whitsett Webelos Resident Camp

Webelos Resident Camp is a four-day weekend that immerses Webelos in Scout level adventure! Earn Advancement Pins while participating in classic Cub Scout activities like BB Guns, Archery, Swimming, Campfire, and Camp-wide games in the majestic Sequoias. This experience will acclimatize Webelos to regular summer camp in peak season.

Visit [www.campwhitsett.org](http://www.campwhitsett.org) for more!

June 30-July 3

## Horse Packing

This seven-day Horsemanship/Packing Summer Camp experience takes you out into the Golden Trout Wilderness in the Sequoia National Monument under the guidance of professional guides. You will spend your first two nights at the Golden Trout Pack Station, famous for its unequaled cuisine, preparing and training for your pack trip. You will then embark on a one of a kind horse packing expedition.

## Sierra Expeditions

Make Camp Whitsett the base camp for your unit's forays into the Sierra Nevada. Sierra Expeditions offers guided treks into the local range that are customized to the skill level of your group. Scouts can register for backpacking treks, cycling expeditions, or even horse and pack trips. All groups will receive training in Leave-No-Trace, Backcountry cooking, and trek planning. Any expedition can be customized to suit the interests of your unit, so this is your opportunity to dive head first into a adventure.

Choose your adventure at [www.campwhitsett.org/sierra-expedition](http://www.campwhitsett.org/sierra-expedition)



# Camp Emerald Bay

## Summer Programs

Camp Emerald Bay is one of the premier Scout Camps in the United States. Emerald Bay has been serving Scouts since 1925. Emerald Bay offers 31 Merit Badges in Aquatics, Handicraft, Scoutcraft, Nature, Marine Science and Field Sports. We have Eagle-required badges such as Environmental Science, Swimming, Lifesaving, and Camping as well as unique badges such as Energy, Pottery, Kayaking, Oceanography, and Small Boat Sailing.

Our program includes many opportunities for troop activities such as kayaking, mountain biking, beach cookouts, and local hikes. Troops also develop leadership and unity during the War Canoe experience where they snorkel, swim, and hike during the day, and work together to cook dinner and dessert in a dutch oven. During free time, experience the flora and fauna of our local kelp forests at the Pennington Marine Science Center and learn how to compost and conserve resources at our sustainable garden!

Register before October 1st for the Early Bird Discount!

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## Cub Scout/Webelos Summer Adventure

This new adventure will show Webelos Patrols, Cub Scouts and their parents a true Scouting experience at Camp Emerald Bay. The Cub Scout/Webelos Summer Adventure puts your Cubs on the beach, at the ranges and in the beautiful emerald ocean during four days of excitement. Enjoy Catalina and all it has to offer. Just bring a sleeping bag and appetite for fun, our staff will do the rest. Don't miss the boat this summer, July 14-17





## Rugged Canoe

Rugged “C” takes enterprising Scouts on a 54-mile canoe trek around the entire island. You will explore some of Catalina’s hidden snorkeling spots and lead your team past magnificent palisades for stunning panoramic views. Minimum age: 14.

## Rugged Explorers

Our most popular High Adventure Program, Rugged “E” challenges older Scouts with a full course of island adventure. You will lead your crew up one of the highest peaks on Catalina Island, soar down hills on a unique mountain biking overnight, cruise through crystal waters in a canoe, and spend starlit nights on beaches around the island. Minimum age: 14.

## Rugged Mariner

**NEW**  
Rugged “M” is an opportunity for Scouts to expand their sailing skills while cruising up and down Catalina’s famous coast. Scouts will work on skills towards American Sailing Association’s 101 certification, recognized by most charter services in the U.S., while having an amazing adventure on an island in the Pacific! Minimum age: 14. Must have Sailing Merit Badge

## Rugged Scuba (Beginner)

Rugged “S” introduces Scouts to the awesome underwater world of California Kelp Forests. Divers will earn the Scuba Merit Badge and their PADI Open Water Diving Certification while exploring one of the world’s top diving spots, famous for its kelp forests and sea life. This is a skill that will last a lifetime! Minimum age: 12.

## Rugged Oceanographer (Advanced)

Rugged “O” takes certified divers deeper, darker, and longer than ever before. This PADI Advanced Certification teaches divers to Night Dive, Deep Dive, and use advanced Navigation and Buoyancy techniques. Minimum age: 15.

## Ethics and Leadership

We build good people. It is our mission to provide leadership training to as many youth as possible. Provisional youth and adult campers can attend without their troops. With the Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) Program, SPLs or senior Scouts can participate in leadership training.

## Girl ‘s Adventure Weekend

Girls will learn and earn while having fun boating, snorkeling, hiking, and shooting on the archery range. Girls will also explore the “outback” where 88% of the island is conserved to protect more than 60 plant, animal and insect species found nowhere else in the world.

March 20-24, August 23-25



# Cub Scouts

## Cub Scout Day Camp

What does it take to wear out hundreds of cub scout-age boys and girls with boundless energy and a penchant for adventure? It's not an epic sugar crash or extra servings of tryptophan-laden turkey at dinner... it's a week of Cub Scout Day Camp! Each day at your local district Day Camp is brimming with activities, games, sports, woodworking, skits, songs, BB Gun shooting, Archery, and much more! Your boy will come home tired, dirty, hungry, and thrilled for the next day at Cub Scout Day Camp. This year cubs will explore the oceans with the theme "Under the Sea".

Please go to [bsa-la.org/daycamp](https://bsa-la.org/daycamp) for dates and pricing

## Cub Scout Spook-O-Ree

The Order of the Arrow puts on a family friendly day full of fun and frights for Cub Scouts and their siblings. Play carnival style games, go through the haunted house and more at this fun Halloween themed scouting outing.

2018 Oct 27

2019 Oct 26



## Camp Josepho Cub Family Weekend

Cub Parent Weekends are a fantastic opportunity to bond with your Cub Scout in a one-to-one camping environment. Join us in the Fall, Spring, and Summer at Camp Josepho for a weekend full of outdoor Cub Scout activities like BB Guns, Archery, crafts, cooking, and more! For more information and to register visit:

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## Camp Whitsett Cub Family Weekend

The Whitsett Cub Family Weekend has hosted Scouting families up at Camp Whitsett for generations. Bring the entire family for a mountain weekend to close out summer. For more information and to register visit [www.campwhitsett.org](http://www.campwhitsett.org)

August 16-18

## Camp Whitsett Pack Weekend

Camp Whitsett is thrilled to host its Annual Memorial Day Pack Weekend this summer. Activities include BB-Guns, Boating, Archery, Fishing, and Rock Climbing for everyone as well as C.O.P.E. and rifle shooting for adults. Register as an entire Pack.

For more information and to register visit [www.campwhitsett.org](http://www.campwhitsett.org).

May 25-27

## Camp Emerald Bay Cub Family Weekend

Bring the whole family out to Emerald Bay for a weekend of Cub Scout activities and island fun. Pet sharks at the Pennington Marine Science Center, snorkel in Kelp Forests, and explore neighboring coves and beaches. Tent or cabin camping available. For more information and to register visit [www.campemeraldbay.org](http://www.campemeraldbay.org).

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July 14-17



## *Facility Rentals*

You can host your next event at Camp Emerald Bay, Camp Whitsett or Camp Josepho, even if it's not a Scouting event. For information on facilities rental rates and availability, email [camping@bsa-la.org](mailto:camping@bsa-la.org) or visit the camp's website.

## *Woodbadge*

Wood badge is the highest level of training available to adult leaders. They will learn outdoor skills, leadership, and how to effectively apply the patrol method to their home units. No matter your leadership position or experience there's something for you. Adult leaders from, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouting, and Cub Scouting are all welcome. Register at [www.bsa-la.org](http://www.bsa-la.org). June 23-28

## *Camperships*

No Scout should be deterred from attending camp for financial reasons, which is why we actively promote our camperships programs. Paired with troop fundraising, these should put the cost of camp within reach of any family. Each of our camp websites has a downloadable campership form. Applicants will receive a response no sooner than mid-February.

*Connect with us!*

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