CAMPING GUIDE 2022

Western Los Angeles County Council





GET OUTDOORS THIS YEAR!

Get excited about camping in 2022! The 2022 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 by the WLACC Camping Department.

Are you looking for an all-inclusive family bonding experience? Cub Family Weekends at Emerald Bay, Whitsett, or Josepho would work perfectly. Looking for a new physical and leadership challenge for older scouts? Try Rugged E!

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.

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 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.

2022 Camping Calenda

SPRING 2022

Family Camp Emerald Bay: March 11 – 13 Emerald Bay Girls Adventure: March 18 – 20 Family Camp Josepho: March 18 – 20 Emerald Bay Outdoor Academy Educator Institute: March 18 – 20 Emerald Bay Outdoor Academy Community Weekend: May 27 – 29

> FALL 2022 Emerald Bay Girls Adventure: Sep 16 – 18 Woodbadge @ Camp Josepho: Sep. 16 – 18 & Oct. 1 – Oct. 2 Family Camp Emerald Bay: Oct.21 – 23 Family Camp Emerald Bay Family Camp Josepho: Nov. 4 – 6

June 2022 NYLT @ Camp Josepho: June 12 – 17 Day Camp @ Camp Verdugo Oaks: June 27 – July 1 Webelo Resident Camp Whitsett: June 29 – July 2

July 2022 Cub Resident Camp Emerald Bay: July 10 – 13 Camp Whitsett Family Camp: July 20 – 23 Day Camp @ St. Mel Parish: July 25 – 29

CAMP JOSEPHO

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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 teambuilding skills.

About Camp Josepho:

Josepho is located just minutes away from bustling Santa Monica, Camp Josepho is a nontraditional 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

CAMP WHITS DIT

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 for more! June 29 – July 2. WHITSETT SUMMER CAMP DATES: Week 2: June 19 – June 25, 2022 Week 3: June 26 – July 2, 2022 Week 5: July 10 – July 16, 2022 Week 6: July 17 – July 23, 2022

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. Scouts that attend camp can opt for a day of Whitewater. 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. Scouts looking for a really unique trip can spend a week on a horse packing trip in the Sierra Nevada Mountains.

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!

Cub Scout/Webelos Summer Adventure This new adventure for tigers and above 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 10 - 13

Summer Camp Dates: Week 1: 06/12/2022-06/18/2022 Week 2: 06/19/2022-06/25/2022 Week 3: 06/26/2022-07/02/2022 Week 4: 07/03/2022-07/09/2022 Week 5: 07/10/2022-07/16/2022 RUGGED AND CUBS ONLY Week 6: 07/17/2022-07/23/2022 Week 7: 07/24/2022-07/30/2022 Week 8: 07/31/2022-08/06/2022 Week 9: 08/07/2022-08/13/2022 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.

> Advanced Small Boat Sailing: This program 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 110 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

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Rugged Scuba (Beginner): Rugged "S" introduces Scouts to the awesome underwater world of California Kelp Forests. Upon completion 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.

<u>Girls' Adventure Weekend:</u> 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 18 – 20 | September 16 – 18.

CEUB SCOUTS

Cub Scout Day Camp

What does it take to wear out hundreds of cub scoutage 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 Day Camp is brimming with activities, games, sports, woodworking, skits, songs, BB Gun shooting, Archery, and much more! Your child will come home tired, dirty, hungry, and thrilled for the next day at Cub Scout Day Camp!



Day Camp Schedule <u>Camp Verdugo Oaks (Santa Clarita Valley)</u> June 27 – July 1 <u>St. Mel Parish (San Fernando Valley)</u> July 25 – 29

Locations and dates subject to change



<u>Camp Josepho</u> Cub Family Weekend

Cub Family Weekends are a fantastic opportunity to bond with your Cub Scout in a one-to-one camping environment. Join us in the Spring or Fall 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 by clicking the link in the header. March 18 – 20 | November 4 – 6

CUB SCOUTS

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 click the header. March 11 – 13 | October 21 – 23



<u>Camp Whitsett Cub Family Weekend</u> 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 by following the link in the header July 20 – 23

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FACILITIES & RENTALS

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 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

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

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