

Camp Lassen Leader Guide

Cub Resident Camp program-specific section

(Please also read Leader Guide part 1, which contains general camp facilities information)

Dear Cub Leaders and Parents,

Thank you for selecting Camp Lassen for your summer camp adventure. The Cub Resident Camp program committee has been meeting and planning for several months to come up with this year's theme, ***Legends of Lassen Timberland*** (think along the lines of Paul Bunyan and related lore) and program for your Cubs that provides fun, exciting, and enriching activities. Chairing this committee is Kathy Neuburger, and you may contact her through e-mail (istahap@jps.net) if you would like to be part of the planning, or if you have ideas about how to improve the camp experience for Cubs and leaders.

In addition to the usual fun and adventure of the waterfront, BB gun, archery and wrist rocket ranges, the planning committee is working on thematic activities and projects in handicraft, nature, showmanship, and fitness that will engage the Cubs, keep them busy, and provide lots of fun things to bring home.

Units will be assigned to campsites. Some sites have cabins, some come with wood or concrete tent platforms, and others have Adirondacks (4-bed wooden shelters). There are private shower facilities for youth, male leaders and female leaders. A fully stocked trading post and snack bar are open throughout the day.

In order to make this year's camping experience the best ever, we ask that you read this Cub Resident Camp program section. It contains lists of items to bring and information on the Cub Resident Camp program. Share this information with the leadership and parents of your pack. The better prepared your group is, the more enjoyable your experience at Camp Lassen will be.

Your communication before and during camp will help us to provide this service.

Happy Camping,

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GENERAL INFORMATION

PRE- CAMP ORIENTATION MEETING

A pre-camp meeting will be held to provide unit leaders with the most current information about camp, including advancement and program schedules. The unit leader, designated camp leader, and other adult leaders and parents are strongly encouraged to attend.

Date, Time & Location:

Saturday, May 9th, 2015 at 1:30PM
Rio Tierra LDS Chapel, 751 Rio Tierra Avenue, Sacramento, CA.

A video of the pre-camp leader meeting will be posted on the Camp Lassen website.

PREPARE AND BRING TO CAMP

- A skit or song with outfits and props related to the camp theme for your performance at the closing campfire.
- Plenty of spirit and special props for your group and campsite.
- Pack flag representing the theme to display in your campsite and to take with you throughout the day. This flag will be your pack totem while in camp, so make it a unique, boy-made representation. The pack must provide its own flag standard: This consists of a pole with a perpendicular cross bar for spreading the flag. There will be a pack flag competition with awards.

PREPARING YOUR PACK FOR CAMP

Cub and Webelos Scouts wishing to participate in shooting sports activities must bring a completed "Firearm Authorization Form - Consent for Minor to Use B.B. Guns/Archery Equipment" signed by a parent/ guardian.

Also, during camp preparation, take steps to prevent homesickness. This can be big problem for Cub and Webelos attending camp. Pack leaders should stress to families to encourage their sons with the fun they will have, the new friends they will meet, the fantastic Scouting adventure they will experience, and the achievements they will conquer! Parents should not mention how they will miss the boys or that the boys miss mom or dad, TV, pets, etc. They will be kept busy with a variety of activities and the pack leaders and camp Lassen staff will look for signs of difficulties. The camp staff can be especially helpful in case of homesickness so that each boy will be able to remain in camp and have a positive experience. Another problem associated with homesickness is allowing a boy to phone home. Once a boy talks to mom or dad, if he wasn't homesick already, there is a good chance he will be after phoning. Leaders should discourage any boy from phoning home (except in an emergency), and allow home contact only as a last resort.

CAMPSITE REQUESTS

Units are more than welcome to request a specific campsite. Please remember, however, that we cannot guarantee a specific campsite to a unit. Final campsite assignments are made when you arrive at camp.

We are strongly encouraging every pack to bring a few extra tents, as camp is nearing capacity and some units will need additional shelter.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

ARRIVAL SCHEDULE

1. Your first day arrival time can be as early as 12:00 PM. Drive slowly as you turn onto Scout Road. Excessive speed creates a lot of noise and dust that our neighbors could do without. Everyone in your pack should have a sack lunch (camp does not provide the lunch on your arrival day). Early arrivals may proceed to their campsite or picnic area to eat their sack lunch. Camp starts at 1:00 PM.
2. The pack leader checks in at the Trading Post with the following items:
 - Copies of the unit roster – on camp, one for the unit leaders, for posting at the unit’s campsite.
 - A count of the number of vehicles that will be stay in camp and t maximum number of campers you can transport.
 - Shooting sports/archery permission forms
 - Fees for additional scouts and/or leaders
 - One copy of your Youth Protection Training
 - Roster.
 - For out of council units, a copy of secondary
 - Accident Insurance Policy.
 - A staff member will show you to your campsite, so that you can move your equipment into your site and change into swimsuits.
 - The entire pack (adults and youth) goes to the Medical Lodge at scheduled time to turn in medical forms and pick up buddy tags. The medical staff will review each individual’s form with him/ her. The camp has a fax machine for leaders to use if a form is missing.
 - Leaders will be given a time to be at the waterfront for swim checks.
 - Staff will tour the unit through important areas of camp.
 - Back at the campsite, pack leaders will review safety procedures with the unit.
 - Move in and unpack.
3. At least 1 adult from the unit must attend the leader meeting in the Cubmaster’s Lounge (time will be noted on final schedule provided at check-in).

REMEMBER TO BRING - Theme banner, extra tents, camp chairs, air mattresses or foam pads

PROGRAM – Legends of Lassen Timberland!

Action-packed activities include campcraft, nature, handicraft, boating, swimming, fitness, archery, BB gun shooting, campfires, and stargazing. The camp offers recreational shotgun shooting for adults (there will be a small fee to help pay for shotgun shells).

Packs can get ready for camp by developing theme-oriented skits, songs, flags, and attire.

Specific Cub Resident program information will be posted to the Council web site, www/gec-bsa.org

The Cub Resident program is divided into 8 or 10 rotational sessions. Packs will be assigned to a color group. Your color group will experience different activities as it moves from one program to another.

• Aquatics	• Handicraft	• Nature	• Campcraft
• Archery, BB gun shooting, and wrist rockets			• Climbing
• Showmanship	• Special Webelos activities will be offered in certain program areas		

Bears and Webelos will again have the opportunity to earn their Whittlin’ Chip. There are also campfires, camp wide events for the entire group, and nighttime stargazing. One night you can check out everything you need for a dessert (cobbler) cooked over a campfire in your campsite.

The Daily Program Schedule will be posted on the website when it is available. For now, here is a sample of what the program might look like:

Time	Sun/Wed	Mon/Thur	Tue/Fri	Wed/Sat
7:00 AM		Reveille		
7:45 AM		Flags	Flags	Breakfast
8:00 AM		Breakfast	Breakfast	Clean Up and Check Out
9:15 AM		Programs	Programs	
11:00 AM		Program Areas Closed		
12:00 Noon	Arrive after 12 noon.	Lunch		
1:00 PM	Swim Checks and Camp Tour	Programs	Programs	
2:45 PM		Transit Time		
3:00 PM		Programs	Programs	
5:00 PM		Program Areas Closed		
5:45 PM		Flags		
6:00 PM		Dinner		
7:00 PM		Open Program		
8:00 PM	The "Big Skit"	Unit Campfire		

8:30 PM			Camp Lassen Campfire	
9:30 PM	Taps			

AWARDS AND CAMP SPECIALTIES

FISHING - Bring your own pole and bait. There is a limit of 2 fish per week per Scout and for adults it is catch and release. You may cook your fish at camp or take it home to enjoy.

CLEAN CAMPSITE AWARD - A Scout is Clean and Camp Lassen would like to recognize the packs with the cleanest, most organized, and most efficient campsite during their stay. Daily inspections are carried out and points are given for personal gear, unit gear, and overall appearance. A handsome ribbon is presented at the end of the week. (A copy of the campsite inspection sheet will be provided when you arrive at camp.)

UNIT THEME BANNER AWARD - The camp inspection team will closely inspect each unit's "Pack Banner." The unit with the best banners will receive the Unit Banner Award at the end of the session. Banners will be judged on incorporation of camp theme, workmanship, boy involvement, and graphics.

CAMP LASSEN ANNUAL CAMP PATCH - The camp patch will be awarded to each camper and adult upon successfully completing checkout.

UNIT PLAQUE – Each pack is encouraged to make a unit plaque. When camp is over, the plaque is presented to camp and then hung on the dining hall wall. Please make your unit plaque no larger than 12 inches by 14 inches, as the lodge is rapidly out of wall space.

UNIT LEADER ACTIVITIES

CUBMASTERS' LOUNGE - Stop by anytime for hot coffee or chocolate. You'll have a chance to relax, read papers, visit with other leaders, and catch up on paperwork. The Cubmasters' Lounge is located in the front portion of the lodge.

PACK LEADERS' MEETING - In order to help your unit have the best possible experience at camp, we need to communicate with leaders often. At each meal, we may call a special leader meeting right there at the flag pole. We'll make some brief announcements regarding programs and schedules at these times.

ADULT LEADER TRAINING AND EVENTS – When you arrive at camp, leaders will be provided options to participate in trainings and recreational activities. These may include Project COPE, Shotgun Shooting, Rifle Shooting, Dutch Oven Cooking, Leave No Trace, Youth Protection Training, etc. Some leaders will want to participate in these activities, while others will want to remain with their packs for programs. Before attending these activities, be sure to work with your pack leadership to make sure that your pack and color group always has the correct number of adults required for supervision.

