



Texas Powder Horn 2010

Hands On High Adventure Training for Troop and Crew Leaders

September 10-12 and September 24-26, 2010

At Camp Tahuaya

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Long used by outdoorsmen as one of the necessary tools for daily life, the powder horn carried the propellant that allowed him to sustain daily life.

The powder horn ranged from the very plain yet functional to the ornate work of art, but the use was the same, a vessel to help sustain.

The recipient of the Powder Horn is a vessel - a vessel to help sustain the spirit of the outdoorsman in our youth of today. The propellant that you carry is the knowledge to share with these youth.

Wear it proudly and know that you are making a difference in the youth that you serve.

Powder Horn gives participants hands on exposure to many outdoor/high adventure activities. The two-weekend Training is designed to expose Venturing and Boy Scout leaders to a wide range of high adventure activities and resources necessary to operate a successful Troop or Crew High Adventure program.

Scouting leaders often face the dilemma of having a strong desire to provide challenging and fun outdoor adventure programs to meet the needs of their older youth members, while lacking the knowledge and/or resources to do so. Powder Horn responds to this quandary with an exciting new training opportunity that exposes Boy Scout and Venturing adult leaders to a wide range of outdoor/high adventure activities. We provide participants with valuable resources and contacts to assist them in delivering the promise of Scouting high adventure to youth.

During Powder Horn, presentations on high adventure Ranger topics are made by expert consultants who demonstrate the skills required and explain where resources, such as equipment, facilities, guides, instructors, and certifications can be obtained locally. Most presentations involve actual hands-on experience by the participants - you'll get to sample many of the activities yourself so you will know how much fun your crew or troop will be able to have.

We recruit an all-star staff of high adventure experts, outdoor vendors, and Scouters from all over Texas to guide you through the adventure! For example: the kayaking resource session will be taught on the lake by an Olympic kayaker.

Capitol Area and Longhorn Councils are proud to co-host the 2010 Powder Horn training course, based at Longhorn Council's beautiful Camp Tahuaya, located near Belton, Texas.

Powder Horn is **not** "Wood Badge for Venturing." It is the Boy Scouts of America's high adventure resource course. Wood Badge is the Boy Scouts of America's premier adult leadership development course. All Troop and Crew leaders should do Wood Badge. Scouters who need high adventure skills should do Powder Horn as well.

The Powder Horn course is based on the high adventure requirements of Venturing's prestigious Ranger Award. The Award requires demonstrated proficiency in a challenging set of high adventure topics.

Don't dismiss Powder Horn as being "only for Venturing leaders." If you, like many of us, find retaining your older scouts to be a challenge, this course will provide you with many options for running more exciting outings that will appeal to them. It will also help you understand the Venturing program so that you can see how it relates to Boy Scouting - both the commonality and the differences.

Learning Objectives: The Powder Horn Course provides:

- Introduction to the necessary skills to oversee a high adventure program, and the certifications necessary (and how to obtain those certifications).
- Knowledge of how to identify local resources and consultants for high adventure activities.
- Knowledge of the health and safety requirements, and rules and regulations of the Boy Scouts of America as these apply to outdoor programs.
- Details of the Venturing Ranger Award.

Comments from 2009 course participants:

"Lots of fun! My inner child got to come out and play!"

"Awesome Powder Horn, had a lot of fun, learned a lot of new stuff! You guys did a great job!"

"Powder Horn is summer camp for adults!"



Texas Powder Horn 2010 REGISTRATION FORM

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Powder Horn is organized around experts teaching high adventure skills and resources. Planned topics include:

- ◆ Backpacking skills
- ◆ Canoeing
- ◆ Cave Exploring
- ◆ Communications
- ◆ Conservation Projects
- ◆ Outdoor Cooking skills
- ◆ COPE – team building
- ◆ Cycling/Mountain Biking
- ◆ Ecology
- ◆ Emergency Preparedness
- ◆ Equestrian skills
- ◆ Expedition Planning
- ◆ Fly Fishing
- ◆ Hunting
- ◆ Kayaking: whitewater & touring
- ◆ Land Navigation and GPS
- ◆ Leave No Trace
- ◆ Life Saver
- ◆ Mountaineering: climbing & rappelling
- ◆ Living History and battle reenacting
- ◆ Physical Fitness
- ◆ Plants & Wildlife
- ◆ Scuba
- ◆ Shooting Sports: pistol, rifle, shotgun, and archery
- ◆ Sailing (*including our new Viking ship*)
- ◆ Wilderness First Aid
- ◆ Wilderness Survival
- ◆ Working with Teens
- ◆ Winter Sports

Watch the course web sites for the final list of topics to be covered.

Note that Powder Horn is Challenge by Choice. No one has to participate in any activity which he/she may feel uncomfortable doing.

Texas Powder Horn Courses are Co-Sponsored by Longhorn Council and Capitol Area Council.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ Phone (work) _____

Phone (cell) _____ Date of Birth _____

Email _____

Scouting Position _____ Unit _____

Council _____ District _____

T-Shirt Size (circle one) S M L XL 2X 3X

REGISTER ONLINE after February 1, 2010 at www.longhorncouncil.org.

Enclosed with this registration is a non-refundable \$50 deposit to confirm my reservation for the 2010 Texas Powderhorn Course at Camp Tahuaya. I will pay the balance of the \$245 course fee as soon as possible but no later than July 1st, 2010. I understand that the first 48 fully paid Scouters who meet course requirements, will be confirmed for the course - my deposit gets my name on the course roster, but does not guarantee me a spot. I understand that this course will include intense all day schedules (early morning through late evening), and at times will be physically demanding and will require a completed Class III physical. I further understand that a good fitness level, ability to swim (in order to be able to participate in all water-based activities) and a willingness to participate in the activities on both weekends are essential for the completion of this course. I affirm that I am a registered adult leader with the BSA in good standing, and will have completed the appropriate adult leader training before attending.

Signature _____ Date _____

Participant Qualifications:

- Must be a registered adult member of the Boy Scouts of America, at least 21 years of age.
- Must have completed Adult Leader Basic Training for the primary registration program area, plus the required outdoor training for that leadership position prior to attending Powder Horn.
- Be able to meet physical requirements of BSA Class III physical in a backcountry environment.

Course Fee:

\$245 total for 6-day course, includes all meals, training materials and supplies. \$50 non-refundable deposit due with application, balance due no later than July 1st, 2010; first 48 fully paid will be confirmed for course. No refunds after 2 weeks prior to course start.

Register online or send completed form, with check, to:

Powderhorn 2010
Longhorn Council BSA
Hurst, TX 76054
Phone: 817-231-8500
Email: camping@longhorn.org

If you have questions or concerns, please check the course web site at www.texas-powderhorn.org or contact:

Course Director: Jim Bob Ward at 979-777-8840, Jimbob.ward@verizon.net or powderhorn@longhorn.org.

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