

Snow Camp 2005

Date: Saturday January 29th – Sunday January 30th

Where: San Jacinto Mountain – This is rated an **ADVANCED TREK**

Qualifications: Been on at least one *intermediate* backpack trek/ Attended meetings on cold weather camping.

Description: Meet at Sports Authority at 6:00am. We will leave **PROMPTLY AT 6:30 AM**. We will drive to Palm's Springs Arial Tramway and take the tram up to Long Valley. From there we will hike **on snow shoes** approx 3.0 miles to Round Valley and camp Saturday night. We will bring tents, but also will make snow shelters Sunday we will have breakfast, have snow activities and hike back to Long Valley, having lunch along the way. We should be taking a 3 PM tram down and be home by 6 PM.

Trek Emphasis: Cold weather/snow camping, snow shelter construction, and hiking at altitude (over 9,000 feet).

Special Equipment: **NO COTTON CLOTHING. *NO COTTON CLOTHING.*** Usual backpack gear to include **SNOW SHOVEL, SNOW SHOES**, candle and clothing and sleeping bag for weather in the teens **with SNOW**. !! Snow shoes can be rented, just make arrangements early to reserve your pair.

Waterproof your boots well in advance. Full leather boots with Sno-Seal paste wax work well. Spray on sealants don't hold up and Nylon/Fabric boots are nearly impossible to seal effectively. Gators over your boots are highly recommended additional protection.

Trek Leader: Al Atkinson

Assistant Leader: Dan Peterka

Cost: \$42 / scout (\$21 of which is for the tram). Sign up and pay by Monday night prior to the trek. Scouts not paid by Monday night **may not be able to attend.** **You will also need to rent/buy your own snow shoes and shovel**

Bring \$\$ for breakfast on the way out (or bring your own) and for a stop on the way back.

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I give permission for _____ to attend the January 29-30 backpack trek to San Jacinto, Round Valley. I am paying the \$42 with cash/ check/scout account. **I will verify that my son does not bring cotton clothing on this trek**

I understand this is a trek at a 9,000-foot camping location and will involve hiking over and camping in the snow. I can drive to / from and have _____ seatbelts.

Parent/guardian

date