

Troop 777 Sign Up

Event: Big Bear/Snow Summit Mountain Bike Weekend

Date: May 21-22, 2005

Description: Big Bear is one of California's premier mountain bike areas with lots of dirt roads and single tracks to explore. If open, the ski lift at Snow Summit can carry your bike to the top for wild ride down the ski runs, or a more controlled ride down the dirt roads next door.

We will be staying in a group campground, but we need to bring our water. We can take no more than 40 people (scouts + adults), so sign up early to get a spot.

Temperatures can vary in the mountains (we'll be above 7000') so be prepared to bring some warm clothes and a daypack to carry while riding.

Prerequisites: A bicycle inspection will be performed prior to leaving on Saturday morning, so make sure your bike will pass. Call Mr. Peterka for inspection at a preceding troop meeting if there is any doubt as to the condition of your bike. If it doesn't pass inspection, we can't let you go. You will need gears, so BMX bikes will not be appropriate!

Most importantly – you must have an approved bicycle helmet! No helmet – no ride! Cycling gloves are recommended to protect your hands in a fall.

Meet at: 6:00am, May 21, at the Sports Authority. Wear Class A's for travel.

Return: Late Sunday Afternoon

Cost: \$24/person. Also bring money for the ski lift, the cost to ride the lift is \$7 or \$8 per ride or \$20 for the day. NOTE: Riding down the lift runs is dangerous due to the difficult terrain and the high speeds of other riders. I cannot recommend this for inexperienced cyclists. You must be 14 or older and an experienced mountain biker to be allowed to ride the downhill runs. The dirt roads next to Snow Summit make for fun downhills too!

Checklist: These items should be brought along on our rides. Otherwise, a sleeping bag and extra clothing are needed for the times off-bike.

Mtn Bike (no BMX!)	Helmet	Warm shirt	Water bottle or Camelback
Gloves	Tire Patches	Tire Irons (3)	Frame Pump
Spare Tube	Windbreaker	Small Backpack	First Aid Kit

For camping: sleeping bag, pad, tent, ground cloth, eating utensils, extra clothing (for camp and for cycling), toiletries, flashlight, and 2 gallons of water. Fishing gear optional.

Instructions: Turn in your signed permission slip at the May 9, 2005 Troop Meeting or call Mr. Peterka in advance.

Scout in Charge: TBA

Adult in Charge: Dan Peterka

Emergencies: tba

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Scout Attending: _____ Parent Attending _____

I can drive to/from w. _____ seatbelts and / or _____ bicycles Payment: ___ X \$24 = _____ Acct: Check: Cash:

Parent's permission _____ Special Info: _____