

## CHAPTER 2

### High Adventure Awards of California Inland Empire Council

#### COLORADO RIVER 50-MILER

##### Requirements:

Available to any registered member of the Boy Scouts of America who travel any 50 mile stretch of the Colorado River in a canoe, unpowered boat, raft or other inflatable.

1. Unit must have a properly approved Tour Permit.
2. Follow normal procedures for B.S.A. aquatic activities, including safety afloat.
3. Comply with the General Requirements.



FIG. 2-1  
COLORADO RIVER 50-MILER  
3" DIA.

#### DE ANZA TRAIL

##### Requirements:

1. Complete one or more backpacks from (a) or (b):
  - a. Between the first crossing of Coyote Creek north of Borrego Springs to the location of a former corral over a mile north of the top of climb, north of the Turkey Tracks, camping for the night at the Middle Willows. Backpack may be made in either direction.
  - b. Make two backpacks on separate weekends:
    - (1) From the first crossing of Coyote Creek north of Borrego Springs to the Middle Willows, Camping for the night at the Middle Willows and returning to Borrego Springs.
    - (2) From the former corral over a mile north of the climb, north of the Turkey Tracks, to the Middle Willows, camping there for the night and returning to the former corral.
2. Chemical fuel stoves shall be used. Open fires and fuel gathering are strictly prohibited in the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park.
3. Comply with the General Requirements.



FIG. 2-2  
DE ANZA TRAIL  
3½" x 3"

## MT. BADEN-POWELL

### Requirements:

1. Comply with the General Requirements.
2. Climb to the peak of Mt. Baden-Powell (9,399 ft.)

### INFORMATION

1. This award can be earned by B.S.A. units and their members including Webelos. This hike is NOT RECOMMENDED for Cubs.
2. This award can be earned alone, or with other awards where you may plan a climb of Mt. Baden-Powell.
3. Summer is the best time for this trip. The trail is closed during the Winter months, usually from November to June.
4. Carry your drinking water for the hike from home. There is no dependable source at the trailhead or on the trail.

### LOCATION

A trail is located at Vincent Gap. From I-10 and I-215 proceed north on I-215, 22 miles to Cajon Junction, take Hwy. 138, then Hwy 2 (West) 19.5 miles to Vincent Gap.

### TRAIL

The Vincent Gap Trail is the most direct to the Peak. It ascends 2,800 ft. in a series of 41 switchbacks, 4 miles to the Peak. In places it is steep and dangerous. NOTE that great care should be taken not to leave the trail or dislodge rocks which could injure hikers below or destroy the trail by cutting switchbacks.

## WEEKEND CANOEING

Purpose: To provide an incentive for troops to undertake canoe trips leading up to a Fifty-miler, or the River Rat Award, or other long term canoe trips.

Location: Any waterway permitting an overnight trip of sufficient duration afloat.

Distance & Duration: An overnight canoe trip to a waterside campsite of approximately 6-7 hours afloat. Distances can vary depending on current, and wind conditions, etc.

### Requirements:

Same as for Council Weekend Hiking awards, plus, each canoer must have passed First Class Swimming, be able to exit and enter a canoe from water, and have a knowledge of the basic canoe strokes and handling techniques.

References: Canoeing Merit Badge Pamphlet and San Diego Council High Adventure Aid #1 "Canoeing the Colorado River".



FIG. 2-3  
MT. BADEN POWELL  
2" x 2"



FIG. 2-4  
WEEKEND CANOEING  
2" x 2½"

## 9 PEAKS HONOR AWARD

The 9 Peaks Award is an honor award for youth and their leaders who display exemplary conduct and meet the high standards of Scouting Spirit and Team Work. Scouts must be at least First Class or above. This is a strenuous trip. It is recommended that at least four days and three nights be allowed for completion. The leader should be confident that all Scouts and adults are fit and ready. For information on possible approach and descent routes, water sources, and seasonal considerations consult the CIEC 9 Peaks Award Booklet.

### Requirements:

1. Comply with the General Requirements.
2. At least one adult going on the trip must have completed the Council Basic Backpack Awareness Course and one adult going on the trip must hold a current Red Cross Standard First Aid Card or higher.
3. All individuals starting this award must have two Training Hike Awards and one Weekend Backpack Award, e.g., Hike in National Forest.
4. Complete a mandatory shakedown backpack of a minimum two nights (no exceptions), carrying a full pack.
  - a. Must be at least 15 miles with full pack.
  - b. At least 6 miles of hike must be over 9,000'.
  - c. This trip must be done less than one month before the 9-Peaks Backpack.
5. Hike to the top of San Gorgonio and spend the night.
6. Climb the "Nine Peaks" of the San Gorgonio Massif in the following order: San Gorgonio (11,502'), Jepson (11,201'), Little Charlton (10,676'), Charlton (10,815'), Alta Diablo (10,430'), Shield's (10,701'), Anderson (10,864'), San Bernardino East (10,691'), and San Bernardino (10,624'). The trip may be done from San Bernardino peak to San Gorgonio peak if desired. There is no maximum time for the trip. However, it must be done as a single trip with no resupply.
7. On each peak inspect the peak box. Replenish pad of paper and pen as necessary. Carry at least two pads and pens. If any boxes are missing or damaged beyond usability, send a written report to the CIEC H.A.T.
8. Have award application approved by unit's local Council H.A.T.



FIG. 2-5  
9 PEAKS HONOR AWARD  
3½" x 4½"

## MT SAN BERNARDINO PEAK

### Requirements:

1. Comply with the General Requirements.
2. An adult leader (21 or older) going on the hike must have completed the Council Basic Backpack course. Also, an adult must have a current Standard First Aid Card.
3. All members going on hike must have completed two overnight training hikes with one of them having an overnight camp above 8,000 ft. elevation.
4. Each individual must carry their food and equipment for a minimum of 7 hrs. Compute hrs. as follows: 1 hr. for each 1000 ft. of elevation gain plus 1 hr. for every two miles hiked.
5. Each individual must make an overnight camp in the Wilderness Area and reach the Peak to qualify for the award.
6. A minimum of 30 minutes per person conservation work, such as trail/campsite cleanup or trail/campsite repair is required. Any trail or campsite repair work is to be approved by the Dept. of Forestry.
7. Participants should have read Los Angeles Council Hike Aids 1 & 2 (most current edition).
8. Obtain a Tour Permit prior to trip. A Wilderness permit is required from Mill Creek Forestry Station.



FIG. 2-6  
MT SAN BERNADINO PEAK  
2" x 2"

### HELPFUL NOTES:

If individuals on this hike already have this award, the Weekend Hike in a National Forest Award can be earned. The hours hiked have to be completed, but the Peak climb is not necessary to earn this award.

The two main trail heads are Forsee Creek and Camp Angelus. Both have good parking. If Camp Angelus trailhead is used, this peak will give you a "C" peak for the Peak Bagger Award. Of the two, Forsee Creek Trail is shorter and slightly easier. There are Wilderness Camp areas off of each of the trails mentioned above that will allow you to complete the required hiking hours. They both offer a place to camp with water (short hike from camp) and a base to hike the peak with only a "day" pack. The camps are: Limber Pines Bench along the Camp Angelus Trail and Trail Forks Springs along the Forsee Creek Trail.

## HARD BACK AWARD

### Requirements:

1. The purpose of this award is to encourage Scouts to learn and use Scouting Skills, rather than accept an easier way. Reference material will be found in the Scout Handbook (CAMPING SKILL AWARD).
2. Certify, that while Scout Camping, the following have completed the requirements and are eligible to receive the "Hardback Award".
3. Pitch, or help partner pitch, the tent you will sleep in.
4. Prepare and use the COMFORTABLE GROUND bed as shown in the Scout Handbook. Use of cot, mattress, etc., borrowed from camp or use of wooden platform disqualifies a Scout.
5. A Scout is encouraged to carry his own air mattress, ground cloth, etc. and use them on this campout and others.
6. Sleep in your own gear for at least five (5) nights, they do not need to be consecutive.
7. Unit Leaders: List Troop Number, District, Council, Number of Patches requested, Names of Scouts to receive patch. Sign form and submit to the High Adventure Team.



FIG.2-7  
HARDBACK AWARD  
2" x 2"

## PENGUIN CLUB

The patch is available through your local Council Headquarters for any Webelos, Scout, or Scouter who meets the following

### Requirements:

1. Comply with the General Requirements and file a Local Tour Permit two weeks prior to the overnight campout.
2. Patch is earned by camping overnight in one of the local Council Camps: Emerson or Helendade.
3. The campout must be in snow, the unit may use tents or erect temporary shelters. NO CABINS.
4. As a Scout, this patch may be worn on the right pocket of uniform shirt as a temporary patch.
5. At least one adult should be qualified in Basic First-Aid and carry a first-aid kit.
6. It is recommended that at least one adult have training in winter camping prior to the campout.
7. Notify Camp Ranger as you are entering and leaving camp.
8. Carry out all of your trash as directed by Camp Staff. Webelos may earn this award at Council Klondikes only.
9. The boys must also do the preparations NOT the parents. Due to National Policies this award is not available to boys registered as Tigers, Wolves, or Bears.



FIG.2-8  
PENGUIN CLUB  
3" DIA.

## SOARING AWARD

The BSA Flying Permit Application and the parental Consent for Aviation Flight do not replace the regular Tour Permit and Permission Slip. Both of these forms must be filled out in addition to the Tour Permit and securing Permission Slips for each Scout.

### Requirements:

1. Watch the video, ""Soaring ... Harmony With the Wind".
2. Watch one of the following videos:
  - a.The Quiet Challenge.,
  - b.Running On Empty.

NOTE: These videos are available to be checked out from the Inland Empire Council, 1230 Indiana Court, Redlands, CA. 92374, your local Council,

OR

by contacting and purchasing from the Soaring Society of America, P.O. Box E, Hobbs, NM 88241 (505) 392-1177.

3. Take an orientation or instructional flight in a sailplane with a licensed glider pilot or flight instructor. Contact the SSA at the address above, or the SSA Governor for California at (714) 734-3056 to find the nearest soaring site.
4. Know and understand the three primary sources of lift:
  - a.Thermal lift
  - b.Ridge lift
  - c.Wave lift.
5. Write a report telling how a sailplane pilot would use these sources of lift to keep his or her aircraft aloft.
6. Comply with all applicable HAT GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.

NOTE: A Flying Permit Application (BSA Form 10-118) must be filed before completing requirement #3. Also, a BSA Consent for Aviation Flight (Parental permission slip) must be obtained for each scout. The sailplane used must have an FAA Standard Airworthiness Certificate.

### INFORMATION

1. Late Spring, Summer, and early fall are ideal times to schedule an orientation flight.
2. Attempt to arrange takeoff times between 11 am and 5 pm to take advantage of the most "soarable" part of the day.
3. Books and other information about soaring may be obtained from the SSA (address above), and most soaring sites.



FIG. 2-9  
SOARING AWARD  
3" DIA.

## MT. SAN ANTONIO PEAK AWARD

Mt. San Antonio is often called "OLD BALDY" or "MT. BALDY". This award requires three separate hikes of 10 to 16 miles each and includes climbing at least three peaks over 8000'. All participants should carry proper equipment and be physically fit.

### Requirements:

1. Comply with the GENERAL REQUIREMENTS during all three outings required for this award.
2. At least one of the adult leaders participating in this peak climb must have completed the Basic Backpack Awareness course and one must hold a current Red Cross First Aid Card.

3. Within 1 year prior to climbing Mt. San Antonio, each applicant must have completed any TWO of the following to qualify.

- a. A ten-mile conditioning hike at elevations over 7,000'
- b. Climb one of the following peaks:

TELEGRAPH PEAK	(8,985')	MT BADEN-POWELL	(9,399')
TIMBER MT.	(8,303')	BIG HORN PEAK	(8,441')
ONTARIO PEAK	(8,693')	CUCAMONGA PEAK	(8,859')

- c. Earn one of the following:

SAN BERNARDINO PEAK AWARD	(10,649')
SAN JACINTO PEAK AWARD	(10,804')
SAN GORGONIO PEAK AWARD	(10,804')
THREE "T" TRAIL AWARD	
NINE PEAKS AWARD	

4. At least two (2) weeks prior to climbing SAN ANTONIO PEAK (MT. BALDY), the adult leader must submit to the local High Adventure Backpack Team a backpack application including hike profile, itinerary and list of qualified participants. Attached to the application must be the profiles, itinerary, dates of completion, and a list of participants from the TWO QUALIFYING conditioning hikes, peak climbs, or awards.
5. Each participant must complete 1 hour of conservation work in the National Forest prior, during or subsequent to climbing San Antonio Peak. All trail maintenance work must have prior approval from the U.S.F.S. or a B.S.A. Trail Boss.
6. Upon completion of the above requirements, file an award application with your local High Adventure Team listing names of participants, dates of hikes, and include a report on the area and type of conservation work completed.



FIG. 2-10  
MT. SAN ANTONIO PEAK  
2" x 2"

## SAN BERNARDINO TRAILS AWARD AND SEGMENTS

The SAN BERNARDINO TRAILS AWARD has been developed to encourage Scout units to experience backpacking and exploring throughout the San Bernardino National Forest area and to encourage wise use and proper maintenance of the trails and campsites within the National Forest.

The San Bernardino National Forest ranges from the east slopes of Mt. Baldy in the San Gabriel Mountains through the high valleys of the San Bernardinios, up the rugged peaks of the San Gorgonio and San Jacinto Wilderness areas to the desert slopes of the Santa Rosa Mountains.

This award consists of a main patch and a series of segments which allow the unit many options as to the trails and trail camps which may be explored. Each segment requires an overnight backpack outing of at least five (5) scheduled hours.

John Robinson's "SAN BERNARDINO MOUNTAIN TRAILS" is referenced for appropriate hikes in each segment area. Current USGS topographic maps should be consulted for trail details.

### Requirements:

1. Comply with the GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.
2. Obtain a Local Tour permit from your council. Obtain required Fire Permit and Wilderness Permit. Comply with all USFS and State Park regulations.
3. Complete a backpack application with a roster of participants, menus, itinerary, and trail profile. Submit the completed form to your council H.A.T. for approval at least two weeks prior to the outing.
4. At least one of the required two adult leaders participating on the outing must have completed the basic backpack awareness course and hold a current Red Cross First Aid Certificate.
5. Each participant shall carry a backpack containing all his personal gear and a share of the unit equipment and food for a minimum of five (5) scheduled backpack hours and sleep at least one (1) night in a backcountry trail camp in one of the listed segment areas. (1 backpack hour = 2 miles or 1000 feet in elevation gain).
6. Each participant must work on a good turn project within the National Forest for each trail segment earned. Projects involving trail repair and maintenance require the supervision of a Trail Boss or Forest Ranger.
7. After completing a weekend outing in one of the listed areas, the unit leader shall file an Award Application and a hike report listing all participants who earned this award and/or segment. (A three-day, two-night backpack of 10 or more backpack hours through two adjacent areas may earn both segments).



FIG. 2-11  
SAN BERNARDINO TRAILS & SEGMENTS  
3½" x 3" SEGMENTS 3½" x 1"

## **SAN BERNARDINO SEGMENTS:**

### **CUCAMONGA**

Hike into the heart of the eastern Cucamonga Wilderness through scenic Middle Fork Lytle Creek. Use Commanche trail camp to rest before a climb to Cucamonga Peak or visit the western boundary of the San Bernardino Forest at Ice House Saddle. Wilderness permits may be obtained at Lytle Creek Ranger Station. Review Robinson's "Trails Of The Angeles", hike 99.

### **BIG BEAR**

The hikes around Big Bear Lake will take you from the deep, stream-side canyons of Siberia or Deep creeks to the high mountain woodland of historic Holcomb Valley. Trail camps are at Siberia, Fishermans, Holcomb Crossing or Tanglewood. Read Robinson's "SAN BERNARDINO TRAILS" hikes 13 to 24, 30 & 33.

### **HEART BAR**

From Sugarloaf Mountain to the Aspen groves of Fish Creek, the area around the headwaters of the Santa Ana River will offer a variety of high mountain hiking. Camp are at Wildhorse Meadow, Fish Creek or visit the high country home of the Nelson Big Horn sheep at Mineshaft Flats or North Fork Meadows. Plan your trek using Robinson's hikes 32, 34 to 36 & 44. Obtain your Wilderness Permit at Big Bear or Mill Creek Ranger Station.

### **GREYBACK**

Whether you climb from Poopout Hill, Forsee Creek or Camp Angeles, you will have many opportunities to explore the varied slopes and valleys of "Old Greyback" (Mt. San Gorgonio). Take your choice of the many camps which offer cool springs and alpine forests. Wilderness permits are at Mill Creek Ranger Station. Review Robinson's hikes 39 to 43 & 45 to 47.

### **MILL CREEK**

Climb one of the historic 100 year-old trails leading from the fault line gorge of Mill Creek up the south slope of Mt. San Gorgonio and explore the hanging valleys of Alger and Vivian Creek. Pleasant trail camps include Alger Creek, Dobbs, Plummer Meadows, and High Creek. Refer to Robinson's hikes 48 to 52. Obtain your Wilderness permit at Mill Creek Ranger Station.

### **SAN JACINTO**

The summit country surrounding San Jacinto Peak offers a variety of approaches through boulder strewn ridges and alpine wilderness. High valleys and meadows at Round Valley, Tamarack and Little Round Valley offer trail camps near water. Study Robinson's hikes 67 to 72 and 74 to 78. Obtain your Wilderness permit at Idyllwild Ranger Station.

### **TAHQUITZ**

Climb up Devils Slide past Tahquitz Peak into the high country of forest and lush meadows of Tahquitz Valley. Follow Tahquitz Creek to the eastern precipice of the San Jacintos overlooking the Palm Springs Desert. Visit one of the trail camps in Tahquitz Valley or journey to Willow Creek, Laws or Caramba. Review Robinson's hikes 73, 75, 79 to 81, 84 and 85.

### **DESERT DIVIDE**

The southernmost area of the San Bernardino National Forest extends to the Santa Rosa Mountains. Experience hikes from "pines to palms" along the Desert Divide Trail or down Apple, Palm or Horsethief Canyons. Hidden springs will refresh you at Live Oak, Aqua Bonito and Horsethief trail camps. To plan your trek through the home of the Desert Big Horn Sheep, consult Robinson's hikes 86 to 99.

## SAN GABRIEL TRAILS AWARD AND SEGMENTS

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This award consists of a main patch and a series of segments which allow the unit many options as to the trails and trail camps which may be explored. Each segment requires an overnight backpack outing of at least five (5) scheduled hours.

John Robinson's "TRAILS OF THE ANGELES" is referenced for appropriate hikes in each segment area. Current USGS topographic maps should be consulted for trail details.

### Requirements:

1. Comply with the GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.
2. Obtain a Local Tour permit from your council.
3. Obtain required Fire Permit and Wilderness Permit. Check in and out with local USFS or State Park Ranger when possible. Comply with all USFS and State Park regulations.
4. Complete a backpack application with a roster of participants, menus, itinerary, and trail profile. Submit the completed form to your council H.A.T. for approval at least two weeks prior to the outing.
5. At least one of the required two adult leaders participating on the outing must have completed the basic backpack awareness course and hold a current Red Cross First Aid Certificate.
6. Each participant shall carry a backpack containing all his personal gear and a share of the unit equipment and food for a minimum of five (5) scheduled backpack hours and sleep at least one (1) night in a backcountry trail camp in one of the listed segment areas. (1 backpack hour = 2 miles or 1000 feet in elevation gain).
7. Each participant must work on a good turn project within the National Forest for each trail segment earned. Projects involving trail repair and maintenance require the supervision of a Trail Boss or Forest Ranger.
8. After completing a weekend outing in one of the listed areas, the unit leader shall file an Award Application and a hike report listing all participants who earned this award and/or segment. (A three-day, two-night backpack of 10 or more backpack hours through two adjacent areas may earn both segments).



FIG. 2-12  
SAN GABRIEL TRAILS & SEGEMENTS  
3½" x 3" SEGMENTS 3½" x 1"

## **SAN GABRIEL TRAILS AWARD SEGMENTS**

### **BEAR CREEK**

The trail along Bear Creek penetrates the rugged San Gabriel Wilderness. Recommended trail head starts at Highway 39 below Coldbrook Campground and terminates at the west fork of the San Gabriel River. The lower trail has many stream crossings and is heavily covered by poison oak. Trail camps are Bear Creek and Lower Bear Creek. A side trip for a peak climb is at Smith Mountain. Wilderness permits may be obtained at Glendora Ranger Station. Reference Robinson's hikes 73 & 74.

### **BUCKHORN**

Buckhorn and Cooper Canyon were once campgrounds of the Shoshone Indians and later served as hunting camps for early settlers. The suggested trek is from Cloudburst Summit through Cooper Canyon to Mt. Williams. Use of the trail camp at Cooper Canyon is convenient for exploring the San Gabriel Mountain backcountry. Review Robinson's hike 60 through 66.

### **CUCAMONGA**

This trek takes you into the western side of the rugged Cucamonga Wilderness. Access is from the trail head at Ice House Canyon above Mt. Baldy Village or from Baldy Notch. A wilderness permit may be obtained at Mt. Baldy Ranger Station. The trail camp at Kelly's offers a base for side hikes to any of the high peaks, offering impressive views of the area. Consult Robinson's hikes 96 through 99.

### **EAST FORK**

Follow the valley of the east fork of the San Gabriel River from Vincent Gap to East Fork Ranger Station for a trip that offers adventure and isolation. Once a hunting ground for local Indians, the lower canyon has become a haven for weekend gold prospectors. Good trails take you to Mine Gulch Camp in the shadow of Mt. Baden-Powell, but the middle section to Bridge-to-Nowhere requires cross-country skills. Start at either end of the canyon. Wilderness permit is obtained at Big Pines or East Fork Ranger Stations. See Robinson's hikes 84 to 88.

### **LITTLE JIMMY**

Sheltered on the north slope of Mt. Islip, Little Jimmy is accessible from Islip Saddle, Crystal Lake or Vincent Gap via the Pacific Coast Trail (PCT). Several peaks nearby provide challenging side hikes with panoramas of the San Gabriels. Good water is at Little Jimmy Springs. Refer to Robinson's hikes 76 to 81.

### **MT. LOWE**

Featuring the front range of the San Gabriels and scenic Eaton Canyon areas, Mt. Lowe also offers a trip into the historic past of the front range. Many of the access trails leading up from Altadena require steep climbs on exposed slopes. Trail camps at Mt. Lowe and Idlehour offer year-round water. A trek through Henninger Flats Forestry Station is worthwhile. Review Robinson's hikes 19 to 33.

### **SANTA ANITA CANYON**

A major portion of the Gabrielino Trail traverses this canyon. The Gabrielino Indians once migrated into these mountains gathering food. Sturtevant Falls in the lower canyon is worth the visit. Access to the area is from Chantry Flats or Red Box, with trail camps at Hogeas, Spruce Grove or Devore. See Robinson's hikes 39 to 47 and 49 to 52.

### **SWITZER FALLS**

The Commodore Switzer Trail Camp and Switzer Falls were once two of the most popular areas during the "great hiking era" of the San Gabriels. Trails that access the area follow Arroyo Seco and Bear Canyons. Trail camps are at Switzer, Bear Canyon and Oakwilde. Water generally is available. Consult Robinson's hikes 15 to 18 and 33.

## HOME TOWN HISTORIC SITES

The Home Town Historic Sites Award is designed to promote awareness of local community history. The Award may be earned by Cubs, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, or Adult Leaders as an individual or unit Activity.

### Requirements:

1. Comply with all applicable GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.
2. Contact a HAT member or your local community historical society for suggestions on appropriate sites to visit. Upon completion of all requirements, file an award application with your local HAT or Council Office, OR mail to ADVENTURE AWARDS , 23419 E, mane Dr., Diamond Bar, CA. 91765.
3. Prepare a listing of local historical sites in or near your community which are of interest to your unit.
4. Plan and complete a hike of at least five (5) miles on foot or fifteen (15) miles by bicycle which includes a visit to at least five (5) of the historic sites on your list.
5. Prepare a written hike/trek report including: date of hike, names of participants, equipment carried, route description, and a brief description of the historic sites visited. Submit a copy of the report with your awards application.

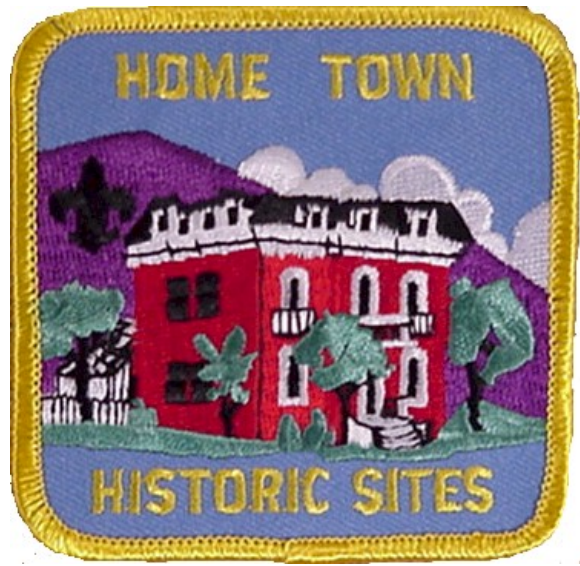


FIG. 2-13  
HOME TOWN HISTORIC SITES  
3" x 3"

## BOY SCOUT CYCLING AWARDS

These awards are designed to promote the enjoyment of bicycling. It should be planned as a Boy Scout activity. Only registered Boy Scouts and Adult Leaders may qualify for this award.

### Requirements:

1. Before the first bicycle ride, meet requirements 1 and 4 of the Cycling Merit Badge. These requirements address proper adjustment of the bicycle and how to repair a flat. Additionally, be sure the bicycle meets local laws.
2. For both rides, each boy should have access to the following equipment:
  - a. Patch kit or extra inner tube.
  - b. Tire lever for removing the tire from rim;
  - c. A tire pump.
3. Cyclists must have taken a day training ride of at least 15 miles before the award ride.
4. The cyclist must complete this award ride within a day by riding at least 25 miles. (The two rides can be done on successive days if the leader feels the boys have the ability).
5. Each ride should be done for enjoyment, so stopping at points of interest is encouraged. Water and lunches are recommended.
6. There must be at least two (2) adults on every ride. Riding group must have at least one registered scouter and at least one adult with a current First Aid Card. The adult Scouter may also be the First Aid card carrier. (Remember, if adults wish to qualify for the award, they must also be Registered Scouters).
7. Leader must carry parent release (emergency consent) for each Boy Scout which specifies the outing and date covered, and must have a completed Tour Permit turned into the Council office.
8. It is highly recommended that each rider wear a safety helmet.
9. It is highly recommended that the riding group use Class I bikeways. Class I bikeways, also referred to as "bike trails" or "bike paths", are routes that do not follow any previously established right-of-way. Ideally, they are constructed exclusively for use by cyclists and offer the most pleasant recreational riding.
10. For any ride using automobile roads, a backpack application with a map showing proposed route must be turned into the local H.A.T. representative for approval prior to the ride in order to receive the award. Additionally, a "trail" car must be used when using automobile roads.

### AWARDS:

The first award (25) is earned when the above requirements are met. A second award (25, 25) is earned when requirement 4 is completed a SECOND time. A third award (25, 25, 50) is earned when requirement 4 is completed a THIRD time with a ride of at least 50 miles within one day. For the second and third awards, only requirement 3 does NOT have to be repeated.



FIG. 2-14  
BOY SCOUT CYCLING AWARDS  
1¼" DIA.

### 3-T'S TRAIL AWARD

The 3-T's Trail leads through the primitive Cucamonga Wilderness from Ice House Saddle to Baldy Notch. The trail features vistas of the rugged high country and Cajon Pass areas.

The 3-T's Trail is accessed from either the Chapman Trail leading up from Ice House Canyon or from Baldy Notch Service Road at Manaker Flats.

The hike requires a 2 mile car shuttle. Plan to carry at least three (3) quarts of water per person, as there is no water available on the trail. Water is available at Cedar or Columbine Springs in Ice House Canyon or at the Baldy Notch Ski Lodge.

#### Requirements:

1. Comply with GENERAL REQUIREMENTS. Obtain a Tour Permit from your local BSA Council Office.
2. Secure a Wilderness Permit at Mt. Baldy Ranger Station. Open Friday - Sunday, 8 am - 4 pm. Telephone: (714) 982-2829.
3. Complete a hike on the 3-T's Trail (7W06) in either direction between Ice House Saddle and Baldy Notch.
4. During the hike, each participant shall complete a climb to the summits of Timber Peak (8303'), Telegraph Peak (8985'), and Thunder Peak (8587'). These peaks are the "3-T's".
5. This award may be earned in addition to an overnight backpack award when the overnight trek includes a hike on the 3-T's Trail.
6. File a hike report listing all participants and an award application with your local Council High Adventure Team to purchase the award.
7. Requirements are retroactive to January 1, 1990.



FIG. 2-15  
3-T's TRAIL AWARD  
3" x 3"

## SAN JAC 50 AWARD

The 3-T's Trail leads through the primitive Cucamonga Wilderness from Ice House Saddle to Baldy Notch. The trail features vistas of the rugged high country and Cajon Pass areas.

The 3-T's Trail is accessed from either the Chapman Trail leading up from Ice House Canyon or from Baldy Notch Service Road at Manaker Flats.

The hike requires a 2 mile car shuttle. Plan to carry at least three (3) quarts of water per person, as there is no water available on the trail. Water is available at Cedar or Columbine Springs in Ice House Canyon or at the Baldy Notch Ski Lodge.

### Requirements:

1. Comply with GENERAL REQUIREMENTS. Obtain a Tour Permit from your local BSA Council Office.
2. Hike at least 50 miles.
3. Climb summits of Black Mountain, San Jacinto Peak and Tahquitz reached.
4. Spend at least 5 days and 4 nights in the wilderness.
5. Must follow rules and equipment requirements of National Forest and State Park systems.
6. At least 1 hour of service, pre-approved by the Camp Emerson ranger. Service may be completed at Camp Emerson or on the trail. If trail-site project, must be arranged with State Park or National Forest ranger.
7. Food and equipment must be carried by the hikers. Food supply may be restocked once. 50 miles and the 3 named summits must be reached before a second food restocking.
8. Documentation must include: all required permits, attendance roster, daily log of the expedition. If documents are in proper order at the end of the hike, awards can be presented as soon as that same evening.
9. At least 3 previous occasions of having hiked 10+ miles in a day with full pack.
10. Documented weekly fitness training for a full year previous to the trek.
11. Age 13 or older, and at least First Class rank.
12. Rigorous gear shakedown. Excess weight must be pared down.



FIG. 2-16  
SAN JAC 50 AWARD  
3" x 3"

## HIKING ACTIVITY AWARDS

These awards were developed to encourage beginning hiking activities with advancement. They promote hiking and environmental awareness. The hikes can be completed within a day or over a weekend. Hikes taken in the city do not qualify for these awards. These awards are designed for Scouts but can be earned by [Scouters who meet the extra requirements](#). Each award is earned on a different hike. Each award can be planned so as to fulfill Second Class requirement 1b.

The tour leader must have planned the hike using an appropriate topographic map or maps. The topographic map(s) must be brought on the hike. As with any Scout activity, a tour permit must be filed with your local BSA Council Office. A wilderness permit and fire permit must be secured from the appropriate U.S. Ranger Station when required.

## NATIVE PLANTS AWARD

### REQUIREMENTS:

1. Complete a day or weekend hike of at least 5 miles round trip.
2. Each Scout will begin a plant and tree log book for identifying at least 10 local native plants or trees. When completed the log book must contain an identifying sketch or picture of each plant and tree and enough words that will help the Scout to identify the plants and trees to others. (Note: If a Scout only knows how to identify an oak tree by its acorns then he would have one of the items for his log book. On the other hand, if a Scout knew the difference between a Coast Live Oak and a Canyon Live Oak, he would have two items for his log book.)
3. Each Scout will identify at least 4 local native plants or trees on this hike and enter them into the log book.
4. The local native plant and tree log book must be completed within 3 months of the hike. Scouts who have previously passed First Class requirement 6 must also make their own log book.
5. Each Scout should know how to identify local poisonous or irritating plants such as Poison Oak and stinging nettles and how to treat for exposure to them. (Tenderfoot requirement 11)

## ANIMAL TRACKS AWARD

### REQUIREMENTS:

1. Complete a day or weekend hike of at least 5 miles round trip.
2. Each Scout will begin an animal log book for identifying at least 10 wild animals (mammals, birds, or reptiles).
3. Each Scout will identify at least 3 wild animals by sight or sign on this hike and enter their names and descriptions into the log book.
4. The animal log book must be completed within 3 months of the hike. Scouts who have previously passed Second Class requirement 5 must also make their own log book.
5. Each Scout will show first aid for
  - o Bites or stings of insects and ticks
  - o Rattlesnake bites.

(Both are partials for Tenderfoot 12b)

## **MAP AND COMPASS AWARD**

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Complete a day or weekend hike of at least 5 miles round trip.
2. Before going on the hike, each Scout will explain the rules of safe hiking, both on the highway and cross-country, during the day and at night, and explain what to do if he is lost. (Tenderfoot requirement 5)
3. Each Scout will demonstrate how a compass works and how to orient a map, and explain what map symbols mean. (Second Class requirement 1a)
4. Each Scout will demonstrate how to find directions during the day and at night without using a compass. (First Class requirement 1)
5. Using a compass and a map, each Scout must take 2 compass readings of dominant terrain features, orient the map and find the features on the map. (A properly oriented map must take into account declination. Refer to using a map and compass together in the Scout Handbook.)
6. Each Scout will measure the height and/or width of at least two items (tree, tower, canyon, ditch, etc.). (This will help with First Class requirement 2)

## **PEAK BAGGER AWARD**

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Complete a day or weekend hike of at least 5 miles round trip.
2. Hike to the top of any peak with a panoramic view.
3. Each Scout will take pictures on the hike. The Troop should plan some kind of picture taking competition. The photograph competition should take place at a meeting following the hike. Scouts without a camera should plan to share with an another Scout.
4. Each Scout should carry a compass and a topographic map with the trail identified. While on the hike, each Scout will show that he can identify his location on the map at least twice during the hike.
5. Each Scout will carry a personal first aid kit he has prepared on the hike. (Second Class requirement 6b)

### **Scouter requirements for each award:**

1. Complete the requirements for the respective award.
2. Be a registered and uniformed leader.
3. Complete Scoutmaster Fundamentals so that you know your role as a leader.
4. You must take enough initiative before each hike to learn the local native plants and trees, wild animals, and map and compass so that you can be a resource to others.



FIG. 2-17  
HIKING ACTIVITY AWARDS  
2"X2" PATCHES

## NATIONAL FOREST HIKING AWARDS

The former Old Baldy Council (presently CIEC) High Adventure Team developed this award for units who enjoy camping and exploring our national forests, but do not necessarily participate in backpacking. Units may also use this award for Scouts who are working on the hiking merit badge.

### Requirements:

1. Comply with GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.
2. Complete a day hike of at least 10 miles in anyone of the four National Forests in the Southern California area.
3. Carry a daypack containing the ten essentials and sufficient water for the time of the year.
4. Keep a journal of any significant sights or wildlife seen during the hike. Make a presentation or verbal report to your troop upon completing the hike.
5. Upon completion of the first hike the main patch and appropriate forest strip will be awarded. Thereafter, only the appropriate forest strip will be awarded. The ten and twenty mile strips can be awarded for subsequent hikes in these forests or any other national forest.
6. If a day hike of sufficient length is completed in a national forest other than those shown, the main patch and the ten or twenty-mile strip can be awarded.
7. Units who wish to earn this award on a backpack outing must meet all of the general requirements. Complete an overnight backpack of at least 10 miles without an offset for elevation. For the twenty-mile strip, the backpack must be at least 20 miles with at least one overnight backcountry camp. Three days two nights are recommended.



FIG. 2-18  
NATIONAL FOREST HIKING & SEGMENTS  
3½" x 3" SEGMENTS 3¼" x 1"