



Expeditions Winter 2021 BSAC High Adventure

Find Your Adventure Portal



The BSA's Outdoor Adventures team is gearing up to welcome Scouts and Scouters to high adventure bases for the 2021-2022 seasons. To help you manage registering for these life-changing experiences, you can log on to a new Find Your Adventure info portal ([www.scouting.org>outdooradventures](http://www.scouting.org/outdooradventures)).

Registration for 2022 opened during the last week of October at Philmont Scout Ranch, Florida Sea Base, Northern Tier and the Summit Bechtel Reserve.

Through the new portal, you can review and register for any of the BSA's high-adventure bases all from one site. Different from the previous system, you will be required to log in with your My.Scouting credentials.

Reservations are finalized in the order they are received, so log in to your My.Scouting account to confirm your username and password, and that all your information is current. Your reservation will be populated from the information in your My.Scouting account.

By confirming you can log in, or resetting your information if needed ahead of time, you will have a smoother registration process.

Still looking for a 2021 adventure? Individual treks are still available at Philmont Scout Ranch and crew slots are still available at the other three bases.

Scuba Instruction



Aqua Hut Dive Center, 2543 North Reynolds Road in Toledo, is offering Boy Scout diving programs including Scuba BSA and the new Scuba Diving Merit Badge. The programs are taught by an Open Water Instructor (OWI) certified by Scuba Schools International (SSI). The primary instructor for the Scout diving program is Bill Antoszewski. Bill is the Troop Committee chairman for Troop 97 in Whitehouse and has attended the BSA Florida Sea Base dive program. Scuba BSA is a “try it” program that fulfills all the requirements of the “Scuba BSA” activity badge. Scuba BSA is open to both Scouts and adult unit members.

In accordance with BSA requirements and to maximize one-on-one time with an instructor, groups are limited to 8 Scouts/adults maximum. The program lasts 2 to 2- ½ hours and includes:

- *Use of all required scuba equipment (mask, buoyancy compensator, tank, etc.)
- *Review of scuba safety procedures, communication, and use of the equipment
- *Approximate 60 minutes of in-water instruction in Aqua Hut’s heated, indoor pool
- *Completion of the Scuba BSA skill requirements in shallow water (approximately 4 feet)
- *Additional information and the full requirements for the Scuba BSA program can be found in BSA Publication 19-515. Scuba BSA is strictly a “try it” program. After completing the program, participants are NOT certified for open water diving.

For more information, search www.aqua-hut.com.

Cross Country Skiing



Cross-country skiing is a form of skiing where skiers rely on their own locomotion to move across snow-covered terrain, rather than using ski lifts or other forms of assistance. Skiers propel themselves either by striding forward (classic style) or side-to-side in a skating motion (skate skiing), aided by arms pushing on ski poles against the snow.

Cross-country skiing is widely practiced as a sport and recreational activity; however, some still use it as a means of transportation in some northern snow-covered landscapes. Cross-country skiing is adapted to a range of terrain which spans unimproved, sometimes mountainous terrain to groomed courses that are specifically designed for the sport.

Both Camp Berry and Camp Lakota have cross-country skis available, free of charge, for Scouts and Scouters. Contact Lance Kraft, Ranger at Camp Berry, or Pat Bohn, Ranger at Camp Lakota, if interested in trying this winter sport.