P.T.C. High Adventure Treks at Hinds ~ 2007 Basic Information for Patrols & Crews

Older Scouts – Are you looking for something different this summer? Are you ready to break away from your troops traditional week at a camp?

Do you have what it takes to Trek!!!!

The P.T.C. High Adventure Base will operate out of the Training Center and run simultaneously with mutual support of the Camp Hinds resident camp so that troops can bring their Scouts and have an age appropriate progressive program for all!

2007 Hinds High Adventure DATES & PROGRAMS:

7/8 - 7/13 W	VEEK 2	Treks available:
7/15 - 7/20 W	VEEK 3	Survivor Island / Sea Kayaking
7/22 - 7/27 W	VEEK 4	Trek or
7/29 - 8/3 W	VEEK 5	50 Miler Wilderness Canoe Trek
8/5 - 8/10 V	VEEK6	

Other Trek Options:

"Design your own Trek"

Groups do have the option of designing their own trek with their adult leaders and High Adventure Guide. Take one of the featured treks and add elements to it to fit your group's personality and needs! Options include a day of rock climbing, whitewater rafting, and backpacking! An additional fee may apply based on the options chosen.

All High adventure programs are reserved for patrols or Crews. If you have individual Scouts wanting to trek, please contact Pine Tree Council to see if there are openings!

A High Adventure Guide with more information will be available once a trek is reserved! Basic crew equipment is provided for all treks.

Trek Staff ~ All treks will be led by two adult experienced trek leaders trained at B.S.A. National Camping School and with State of Maine trek leader guidelines. As safety is our first concern, all trek leaders will have CPR and First Aid certifications!

2007 H.A. TREK FEES:

\$300.00 per week for Pine Tree Scouts \$330.00 per week for Out of Council Scouts For 6 paid participants ~ 2 Adult Leader Free For 9 paid participants ~ 3 Adult Leaders Free

Discounts- EARLY BIRD - Deduct \$20.00 from fee ~ if paid in full by June, 1, 2007

High Adventure Sign-ups will be taken on a first come ~ first serve Basis with a \$250 group deposit down.

Groups are encouraged to make reservations by May 1, 2007 to ensure your space!

Hind's High Adventure Trek Information

Camp William Hinds has been serving Scouts with outstanding resident camp programs for over 80 years! Again in 2007, the High Adventure programs will operate from Camp Hinds so that we may continue to serve Scouts the best way possible! A High Adventure program for Venture & Boy Scouts 14 years and older to challenge them! Programs designed around Maine's great lakes, rivers, coastline and mountains!

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The high adventure patrols will check in on Sunday and meet their trek leaders! After med & swim checks, it's off to prepare for your trek! Treks will leave out of the Training Center on Monday and return on Friday afternoon in time for the Camp Hinds closing campfire with their parents!

Age & Prerequisites ~

- > Age 14 or older
- ➤ Good physical shape and trek conditioning at least 30 days in advance
- Water treks require participants to easily pass the B.S.A. swimmers test
- > Some treks may require merit badges or equivalent skills as prerequisites
- > Leader's recommendation on skill level and maturity
- Class 3 Medical Forms are required (Needs a doctor's physical within 12 months of trek)

Trek Advancement ~

While treks aren't designed for specific advancement, each program will meet some merit badge requirements or Ranger Award and more! Advancement sheets will be given out to participants at the end of the treks!

To Register for a Trek ~

Patrols or Crews - Use the Trek Patrol / Crew Sign-up form! Send in a \$250 group deposit. Recommended to reserve by May 1, 2007 to ensure your trek!

Group Size~ for Patrols or Crews attending as a group

6 - 11 participants (youth & adult)

Minimum of 1adult with all groups. A PTC Trek Guide will be assigned to your trek.

Per National BSA standards, Venture Crews with female participants must supply one adult female leader.

Female participants must have equivalent skills for pre-requisites!

P.T.C. High Adventure 2007 Highlights & Program Descriptions

All High Adventure Programs will offer:

- Leave No Trace
- GPS Navigation Skills
- Challenge and Team Building Elements
- Map & Compass Skills
- Conservation Projects
- First Aid Skills
- Wilderness Camping
- Merit Badge or Ranger Award Advancements

50 Miler Wilderness Canoe Trek

Canoe for 5 days in the Maine wilderness and earn your 50 Miler! Participants will leave camp on Monday for the beginning of their adventure of five days of canoeing on the Moose River with eagles, moose and loons as your companions! A couple of short hikes to a magnificent waterfall and up Sally Mountain to eniov the scenic views of the Moose River Alley are part of the fun! Evenings will be spent at established campsites with your crew leaders! Return to camp on Friday afternoon to join in the closing campfire! Earn your Fifty Miler award while enjoying a great adventure! Must have earned Swimming and Canoeing MB's or equivalent skills for Ventures.

Survivor Island / Sea Kayaking Trek
Your adventure begins as a planned
day of sea kayaking which turns to a
mock disaster of being left adrift on a
deserted island with little to survive on
for the week! Learn how to exist
without the modern conveniences
known to man! Join our tribe and
learn edible food and wilderness
survival skills or don't survive! Come

back at the end of the week as an Island Survivor with the skills and knowledge to live on your own!

An experienced BSA Trek Leader will lead your trek! Instruction at camp includes basic kayaking instruction and safety training, from there this program will find you paddling down the Shepscot River to stay on Beal's Island! Enjoy your days filled with survival techniques and day trips perfecting your skills and learning about aquatic life, kayaking alongside a seal, enjoy meals from the sea, explore Maine's rugged coast 'til your return to camp on Friday. Must be a strong swimmer! Some kayaking experience helpful!

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