

TROOP 642

Fall Edition 2006



ARRR! WHAT A RAGGED BUNCH OF SCALAWAGS THESE BE!



Summer Memories

We've had a busy summer with all sorts of fun activities. The boys have been on several training hikes over the last couple of months, learning new outdoor skills and enjoying the wonder of nature. Those who were able to go to Emerald Bay for summer camp had a great experience. We had rocket launching and helped Kevin with his Eagle project. The Wolf Patrol is coming right along with their advancements toward 1st class. This past weekend's semi long-term hike was challenging and instructive for scouts and adults. We all look forward to the upcoming months and the events that the scouts have chosen.



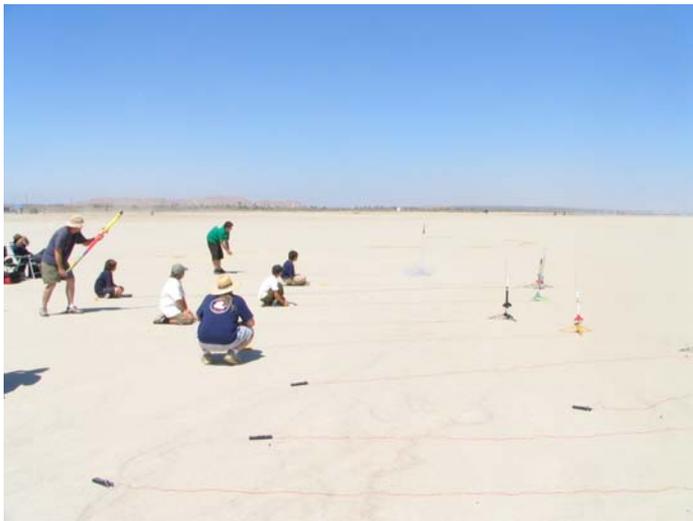
Upcoming Stuff!

- Oct 12 - Open House for Cub Scouts
- Oct 14/15 - Court of Honor/ Thornhill Broome
- Oct 16 - ASM meeting 7:00 PM
- Oct 17 - Committee Meeting
- Oct 21 - Encampment @ LDS Erringer/Royal
- Oct 28 - Deep Sea fishing
- Oct 31 - **HALLOWEEN !!**
- Nov 8 - Roundtable
- Nov 9 - No Meeting due to Joshua Tree
- Nov 10-12 Joshua Tree Rock Climbing
- Nov 13 - Committee Meeting
- Nov 18 - Webelos Woods

Please note; the committee meeting for Oct. 9 has been rescheduled for the 17th.

Summer Camp

What a marvelous place to have summer camp. Emerald Bay on Catalina is definitely a place to experience at least once. There were more than 500 scouts at camp and yet it didn't seem too crowded. There was plenty to keep everyone real busy. We all want to thank Tina for all her effort in getting the boys schedules together and making sure they got where they were supposed to be. All our scouts got merit badges in a variety of fields. Hayden Y. was especially determined to get a special Pirate award, getting up at 5am three days in a row to get his mile swim as part of the required activities for the award. Way to go! The War Canoe overnight trip was really cool. And best of all, no canoes tipped over. Getting up before dawn to get back to camp was kind of a bummer though. I think that everyone had a great time there. And thanks for all the care packages. I'm sure that we must have set some sort of record for the amount of mail our troop received.



Rocket Shooting

We all had a wonderful time shooting off rockets at El Mirage Dry Lake Bed. Colby Labs had a couple of very good multi-stage rockets out flying. Also, the Freeman Labs two-stager smashed straight into the ground. We had several experimental rockets, some of which worked!

Travis managed to land his rocket in someone's chair. That caused quite a commotion. Jeff attached motors to a plastic truck and fired it off! Rocketing combines the three things Boy Scouts love best - fire, sharp, pointy objects, and flying projectiles.

Peter W.



Hayden's Mile Swim (BRRRR!!!)



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Our Troop's Neckerchief at Emerald Bay

Troop 642's website is up!

Thanks to Sheila D. , we now have our website going. You can visit at www.bsatroop642.org and see what cool stuff is there. I thought it was pretty impressive, Check it out!

Final Note: I would really appreciate all of your inputs, Scouts, Leaders, and Parents, in putting together this newsletter. I would like it if the boys could write about the outings so the reviews will be from their point of view. Any pictures or info will be a great asset. You can call me at 522-1875 or you can E-mail me at nazgulwraith@sbcglobal.net
Thanks a bunch!