

Pack Program Guide

Arrow of Light WOODS

FKA Webelos Woods

September 26- 28, 2025
EL Dorado Park, Long Beach

ADVENTURES UNITE!



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Welcome to Arrow of Light Woods!

“Arrow of Light is the final badge of rank in Cub Scouting for 5th graders and is designed to prepare Cub Scouts to join a Scouting America Troop.”

Arrow of Light (AOL) Woods is an overnight camping experience for Arrow of Light Scouts and a parent or guardian. Arrow of Light Woods is designed to provide scouts and their adults the opportunity to meet scouts and adult leaders from local Scouting America Troops, participate in scouting activities, learn about and actively participate in the patrol method and get a jump start on the AOL requirements and your path to bridging to a Scouting America Troop.

What to expect at Arrow of Light Woods

At AOL Woods, Arrow of Light Scout will experience a bridging ceremony and become an active member of a Patrol for the duration of the event.

As a member of the Patrol, Cubs will rotate through a series of Adventure Stations where scouts from local Scouting America Troops will teach a valuable, fun scout skill. Some skills will directly relate to the Arrow of Light adventures, others will be skills a scout will learn when they join a troop.

Parents and adult leaders will have the opportunity to attend Scouting 101 and learn the basics of joining a Troop and what the bridging from AOL to a Troop should look like.

The goal of Arrow of Light Woods is to engage Arrow of Light Scouts in an outdoor adventure in an effort to prepare them, and their parents, to bridge into a Scout Troop.

Arrow of Light Woods Team

If there are any issues over the weekend, please come to Headquarters and see one of the following people for assistance.

| AOL Woods Program Director | Council Representative | District Representative |
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| Kathy Glynn 310-283-4374 pacificawebeloswoods@gmail.com | Hannibol Sullivan Hannibol.Sullivan@scouting.org | Sheila Stewart 310-502-1858 sheandjc@yahoo.com |

Guide to Safe Scouting

All participants in official Scouting activities should become familiar with the Guide to Safe Scouting and applicable program literature or manuals and be aware of state or local government regulations that supersede Scouting America's practices, policies, and guidelines. The guidelines, policies and rules presented in this Leader's Guide are based on the Guide to Safe Scouting. Narrative from the guide has been summarized for inclusion in this guide. For the complete narrative, please reference the Guide to Safe Scouting at the following location:

[Guide to Safe Scouting](#)

SAFE Project Tool Use

The safety of our Scouts, volunteers, employees, and communities is our top priority. This document outlines several minimum guiding protocols that adult leaders and other volunteers must consider for Scouting service projects that include the use of tools. The following link will take you to the guidelines and provide links to other resources.

[SAFE Project Tool Use](#)

Accessibility

Units shall identify accessibility needs for Scouts and Scouters immediately after registering, but prior to the registration deadline to allow for maximum accommodation

by emailing the Camporee Chair. Unfortunately, not all requests can be fulfilled. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Pacifica Webelos Woods Chair (pacificawebeloswoods@gmail.com.)

Weather

Webelos Woods will not be called off due to weather unless there is extreme weather expected. Weather can change quickly, check weather reports before you depart and plan for applicable weather.

Arrow of Light Woods Registration Details

EACH DEN MUST REGISTER PRIOR TO THIS EVENT USING BLACK PUG.

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Fees:

Pack Costs

\$60 – per AOL scout - includes camp fee, patch, meals, swag

\$50 – per Cub Scout Adult - includes camp fee, patch, & meals

Registration opens in May and closes on Friday, September 12, 2025

Camperships are available for participants who need them. Contact Sheila Stewart at sheandjc@yahoo.com

Meals and Cooking at AOL Woods

Meals on Saturday and Sunday breakfast will be provided by the Order of the Arrow.

Adventure Stations and Midway

Cubs will actively participate as a member of a patrol and rotate through a series of 11 stations on Saturday. Each station will teach the cub a scout skill or a skill that relates to one of their AOL adventures.

Each patrol member will have an Adventure Booklet (an AOL Woods version of a blue card) and for each station they visit as a patrol, they will receive a stamp of completion. This Adventure Booklet will be collected at the campfire on Saturday night and shared with your den leader so you get credit for work you completed on the AOL adventures.

The Adventure Stations the cubs will rotate through with their patrol are:

| AOL ADVENTURE | SCOUT ADVENTURE | BONUS ADVENTURE |
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| Fishing requirements 4, 5 & 7 | Knot Skills | Astronomy |
| Outdoor Adventurer requirement 1 & 2 | Tripod lashings | Team Building Games |
| First Aid requirement 3 & 4 | Flag Etiquette | |
| Knife Safety requirements 1, 2, 3 (sharpening) and 4 (marshmallow stick) | First Aid | |
| | Fire Safety | |

The Midway

The Midway is a run of troops set up with pop-up tents and tons of information to share with you about their troop. Be sure to visit all the troops in the Midway. Even if it's not a local troop to you, you'll learn so much about Scouting just from speaking with adult leaders from different troops.

Check in Procedure

At Check-in, Medical forms A & B will be checked. (please double check dates on your medical forms. Medical forms must be dated no later than 9/28/2024.) **Troop Roster will be collected.** All attendees will receive a wristband and need to wear it for the duration of the event. The final schedule and maps will be posted throughout camp. Patrol Guides will have a copy as well.

Check Out Procedure

Once your Packs campsite is clean and ready for check out, send a Scout to HQ to let us know. We will send a staff over to do a once-over and hand back your forms, collect your survey and hand out your patches. Campsites are expected to be free of trash and gear during check out. All trash can go in bins by the campsite. Fire pits are expected to be cool to the touch and with coals placed in the coals bin located by the lake.

AOL Woods 2025 Schedule (Subject to change)

Friday, September 26, 2025, Sunset approx 6:44pm

4-7:00 pm Check in, Campsite set-up, bring your own dinner. Free time.
7:15-7:30 pm Webelos Woods 2025 welcome & camp rules (campfire circle)
7:30-9:00 pm Patrol activities (pavilion) & Parent talk - Scouting 101 (campfire circle)
9:00-9:30 pm Cracker Barrel (pavilion)
10:00 pm Lights out.

Saturday, September 27, 2025 Sunrise approx 6:46am, Sunset approx 6:43 pm

7:00-8:00 am Breakfast
8:00 - 8:10 Patrol I: Clean up around Pavilion
 Patrol II: Clean Restrooms
 Patrol III: Flag Ceremony (campfire circle)
8:15-8:25 Flag and Bridging Ceremony - Class A uniform (campfire circle)

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| 9:00-9:25 | Session 1 | 10:30-10:55 | Session 4 |
| 9:30-9:55 | Session 2 | 11:00-11:25 | Session 5 |
| 10:00-10:25 | Session 3 | 11:30-11:55 | Session 6 |

12:00- 1:30 Midway Event Open (pavilion/check in area)
12:00- 1:00 Lunch
1:00- 1:15 Patrol IV: Clean Restrooms
 Patrol V: Clean up around Pavilion
1:30- 2:00 Patrol plan and practice skit, song or yell (campsite)

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| 2:00-2:25 | Session 7 | 3:30-3:55 | Session 10 |
| 2:30-2:55 | Session 8 | 4:00-4:25 | Session 11 |
| 3:00-3:25 | Session 9 | | |

4:25- 5:15 Free time - change into Class A uniform for closing Flag ceremony
5:20- 5:30 Closing Flag Ceremony (campfire circle)
 Patrol VI: Closing flag ceremony (campfire circle)
5:30-6:30 Dinner (pavilion)
6:30 - 6:45 Patrol VII: Clean up around pavilion
 Patrol VII: Clean restrooms
6:45- 7:15 Practice skits
7:15 Serpentine to campfire - stay at your campsite to join serpentine
7:30 Campfire program (campfire circle)
9:00 S'mores (campfire circle)
10:00 Lights out

Sunday, September 28, 2025 Sunrise approx 6:46 am

7:30- 8:00 Closing ceremony & Interfaith service (campfire circle)
8:00- 8:30 Light, continental-style breakfast (pavilion)
 Patrol IX: Leave no Trace around pavilion
 Patrol X: Clean restrooms

8:30 - 10am Camp breakdown, clean up, trash walk, inspection, check out by 10am

Fishing Derby (lake) - Packs must check out before heading to the Fishing Derby

Campfire Program

There will be a camp-wide campfire on Saturday evening that will feature a variety of songs, skits and cheers performed both by Scouts and Staff. Patrols will work with their Patrol Leader to prepare a skit for the campfire program. Please refer to Scouting America's 'Ceremonies and Campfire Guidance' for acceptable skit content.

Fishing Derby

The Fishing Derby is an exciting time to get your reel in the water and catch some fish! All Cub Scouts are welcome to participate on Sunday after the closing ceremony and interfaith service. Campsites should be packed up and cleaned and your Pack must be checked out before heading off to the Derby.

What to pack?

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| Individual Class A Uniform- to be worn during Flag Ceremony, dinner and campfire Small Day pack with 6 essentials Class B Uniform - can be worn Saturday Shorts/Pants x2 Underwear x2 Socks x2 Outdoor Shoes - closed toe Pajamas Small Day pack with 10 essentials Reusable Water Bottle Insect Repellent Spending Money - OA Trading Post Toothbrush Toothpaste Deodorant Bedding Sleeping Bag Pillow Ground Pad Tent (work with your Pack if you do not have one) Camp Chair | Leave the Following Items at Home: Radios and TVs Obscene Literature Bikes & Skateboards SWAT and Sheath Knives Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs Video Games Cell Phones Fireworks Forms - Medical Form A & B |
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Camp Policies and Procedures

General Reminders:

- Participants are to follow the Scout Oath and Law at all times!
- Always use the Buddy System.
- Scouts and Leaders are expected to follow the Outdoor Code, and Leave No Trace guidelines will apply at all times – please help us leave the park better than we found it!
- Quiet time is from 10:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. Lights out at 11:00 P.M.
- A camp medic will be on site throughout the duration of the event.
- Park gates open at 7:00 am and close at dusk (approx 8pm). No admission to park after the gates close - cars may exit at any time via the Wardlow Rd gate.

No parking on the Road, this reserved for STAFF ONLY. Attendees vehicles must be parked in the main parking lot. Back into parking spots.

- Admission: \$8 per car - Cash or Card - carpooling recommended.
- Check-in Friday evening will be located by the main parking lot. Check-in Saturday morning will be near the Pavilion at headquarters.
- Campsites will need to be clean, packed up, and inspected Sunday between 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM.
- Any prescription and non-prescription medications should be in the original container and in the possession of a parent or the camp health office.
- Enjoy the Trading Post with all its available Scout items and goodies.
- The uniform for Webelos Woods is both Class A and Class B. Class A will be worn for all flag ceremonies, dinner, interfaith worship and campfire program. Class B uniforms can be worn during the stations on Saturday.
- Garbage should all be placed in the appropriate barrels; the staff will remove the trash.
- Smoking and vaping is forbidden for scouts, highly discouraged for adults and is only permitted in the parking lot, out of the sight of the Cub Scouts.

Wildlife Guidelines

- El Dorado Park is home to a variety of wildlife including squirrels, skunks and waterfowl.
- Participants are not to chase or bother any of the wildlife found in the camp area.
- Unusual animal sightings are to be reported immediately to Event HQ.
- Please discourage critters by NOT storing food items in your tent – lock them in your car.

Fires

- Ground fires are permitted in designated fire pits.
- Charcoal for cooking can be used in an elevated container.
- All fires must be properly supervised and completely extinguished after use (“COLD OUT” – you should be able to touch the ash without feeling any heat).
- Bring a water bucket for extinguishing the fire and a shovel to take the ash to a nearby ash bin.

Water

- Water is a limited resource in camp.
- Water fountains are available at the public restrooms and near campsites A and H, and there is a standpipe at campsites C and E.
- Campers may wish to supplement by bringing their own water carriers for their own convenience. (In keeping with Leave No Trace, refillable water bottles are preferred over bottled water)
- Do not pour dishwater in the sinks, toilets, lake or fire pits. Utilize a food strainer and gray water bucket to strain your dishwater and food. Filtered food waste can be thrown in the trash. Mildly dirty dishwater can be scattered over a wide area of grass to the east (freeway side) of the bike path.

Restrooms / Hygiene

- There will be separate restroom facilities for adults and youth, as per Scouting America Youth Protection policy, and these will be clearly marked.
- Adults may use the existing public facilities once they confirm no youth are present.
- Youth need to use the portable facilities. **Do not bring youth into the adult restrooms!**
- Handwashing stations at the portable facilities can run out of water quickly, use sparingly
- Teeth cleaning and personal hygiene matters need to be taken care of at the campsites – **spit into trash can or fire pit, not the ground or near the standpipes**
- Hand sanitizer will be provided at the portables and Event HQ.
- **Porta-Potty Etiquette**
 - close the door softly so it does not bang especially at night
 - close the toilet lid to keep the smell down
 - **NEVER** use the potty as a trash can—only dispose of toilet paper.
- There are no public showers.

Event Headquarters

- HQ will be at the Pavilion at the south end of the campsite area. Staff will be able to assist you with First Aid, Lost and Found, schedules, coffee (for adults) and any other questions.
- In case of night-time emergencies, staff will be camping on the south side of the campground by Areas A and B (between the pavilion and Horseshoe Lake).

Safety

- All participants will be given a wristband and will be expected to wear it the whole weekend. Any one we see in our campground without a wristband will be asked to leave for youth safety.
- Stay within the Youth Campground area bounded by road to west, parking lot to north, bike path to east and lake to south.
- All Scouts of any age should walk everywhere with a buddy, never alone.
- Cub Scouts are not permitted to approach the lake without a parent. The lake is not part of our event except for the fishing derby on Sunday.

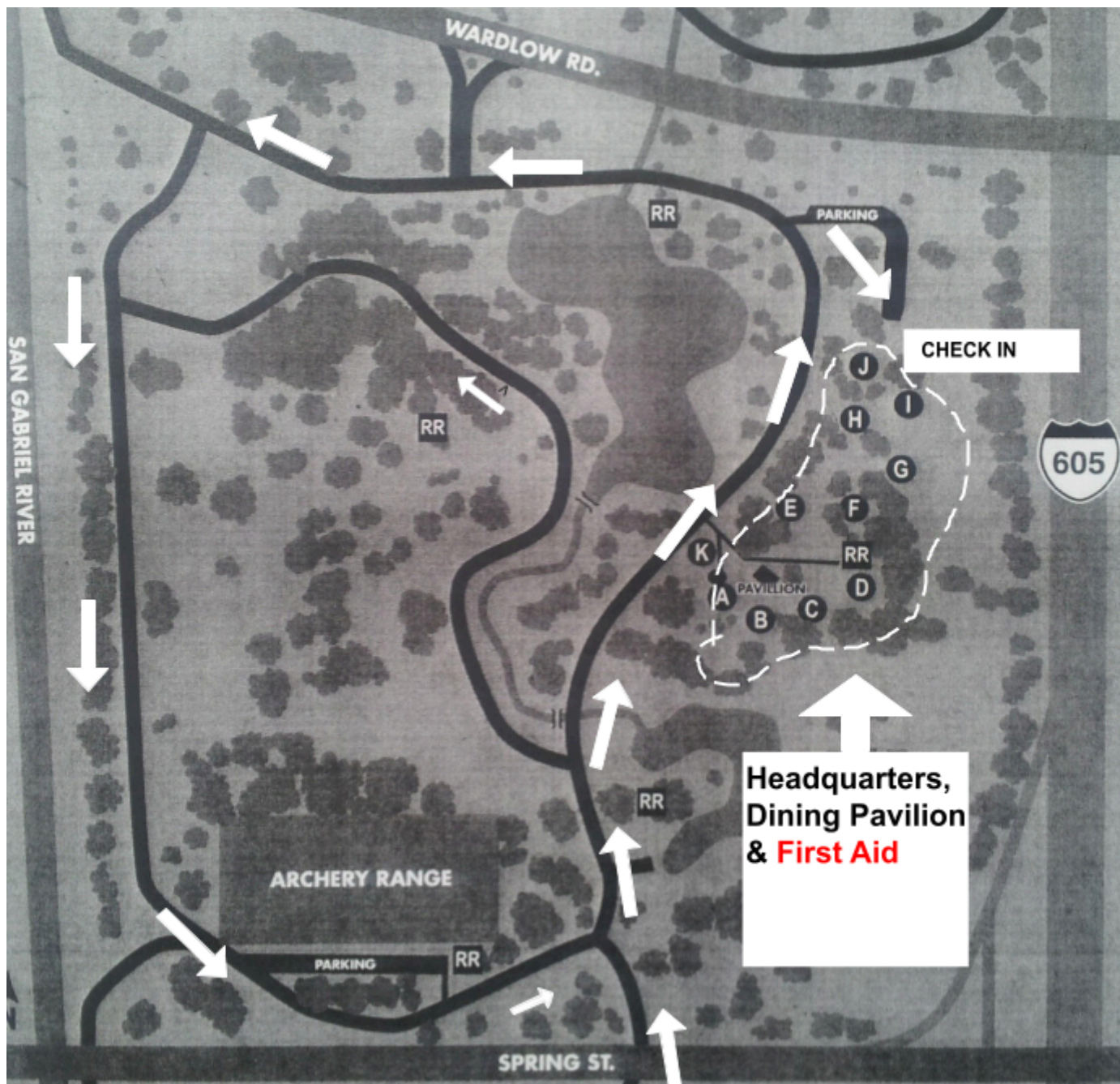
Emergency Evacuation Route

- In the event of an Emergency where we need to evacuate - everyone will exit via Wardlow Gate and rally at the Long Beach Fire Dept Station 5 located at 7575 E Wardlow Rd, Long Beach, CA 90808

Exit and Re-entry

- Notify the staff prior to leaving the campground
- If you did not get your park entry ticket stamped on arrival, tell the park attendant that you are staying at the Youth Campground this weekend and ask them to stamp your pass so that you will not be charged again when you re-enter the park.
- If you leave the park after it closes at dusk, you will not be able to return. The park will re-open at 7:00 A.M

Map – an up-to-date map will be posted at check-in.



Pacifica AOL Woods Check In Roster - Camping

Only complete (Unit #, Scoutmaster or Leader Name, Adult or Scout and Name)

UNIT No. _____ Camping Spot: _____

Scoutmaster: _____ Page _____ of _____

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BSA Ceremonies and Campfire Guidance

(National Camping School)

Ceremonies and campfires are fun and exciting parts of any camping experience! They give youth the ability to perform, but runons, stories, skits and songs must also fit within the program guidelines of the BSA. There are numerous things that are inappropriate and unacceptable. While the following is not an exhaustive list, it will help you begin the discussion about ensuring only appropriate material is portrayed:

- No name Calling, put-downs, Hazing
- No references to undergarments, nudity or bodily functions
- No derogatory references to or stereotyping of ethnic or cultural backgrounds, economic situations, or disabilities
- No portrayal of sensitive social issues such as alcohol, drugs, gangs, guns, suicide, etc. – *be mindful of this in song lyrics as well.*
- Wasteful, ill-mannered, or improper use of food or water including wasting food in ANY way for comedic purpose is not allowed. *You may not know the current situation of youth and adults who are in the audience. Many may not have adequate food at home and the wasting of food in any way would further point out this disparity. Additionally there are parts of the world where water is not potable therefore the wasting of water is not appropriate.*
- No inside jokes that exclude some of those present
- Do not change lyrics to patriotic songs (“America”, “America the Beautiful”, “God Bless America”, “The Star-Spangled Banner”) or hymns and other spiritual songs
- Do not embarrass anyone – including staff or audience members (even if they are “in on it”) - *just because the staff member is in on it, everyone in the audience is not aware of that fact and the appearance is that you are making fun of someone.*
- Do not portray violent behavior or any behavior not in line with the Guide to Safe Scouting (ex. pointing “guns” at each other)
- No bathroom humor or skits/songs where a toilet is the punchline or a part of the skit or song.
- No water skits – NO ONE gets wet in any way (includes staff, and even if they are “in on it”)
- No material with sexual overtones
- **Do not include anything that is not in keeping with the ideals of the Boy Scouts of America.**

Best motto to have is, “If in doubt, take it out!”

All material should be vetted by the camp leadership team. Be sure you understand all aspects of the performance and what will happen. For example, a unit may have the same name for a skit and have a different interpretation of it than you expected.

Each of us has a role to help ensure our ceremonies and campfires represent the BSA ideals and brand. Thank you for communicating this material to your short-term camps so that they can help us all represent the best in Scouting.

