

Specialist Training

This course prepares unit leaders in areas beyond the basic HALTT training; desert backpacking, snow camping, equipment-making, search and rescue, orienteering skills and more. Leaders completing all sessions receive a certificate and a patch. Completion of Sessions I, II, III or IV are not required to START the course. Course completion requires HALTT and Water Trek cards and Level 1 of the Trail Building course. Three years allowed for completion of Specialist courses after registration.

Fee: \$25.00 Prerequisites: None

Specialist Chairman: Rich McGuire
richmcguireii@gmail.com

Specialist Training meets at:
SDIC Headquarters
1207 Upas Street, San Diego,
and other locations.

Unit Climbing Support

Interested in Climbing Support for your unit?

Contact: Marty Lorenzo
goclimbing.sdic@icloud.com

The High Adventure Team also offers programs for leaders and Scouts including:

Unit Backpack Training

A one-weekend course to teach Scouts basic backpacking with their own adult leaders. Offered monthly February-May, October and November at Mataguay Scout Ranch.

Contact: Rich Reeder
dsrtfreak@msn.com

Register online at: www.sdicscouting.org/programs/high-adventure/unit-backpacking

Trail Building

A one-day course to teach Scouts trail construction and maintenance. Offered September to May. Trail Building Schedule is available online at: www.sdicscouting.org/programs/high-adventure/trail-building

Contact: Rob Langsdorf
mctrob@yahoo.com

Speakers Bureau

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High Adventure Team — San Diego-Imperial Council, Scouting America, 1207 Upas Street, San Diego, CA 92103

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HIGH ADVENTURE LEADERSHIP TRAINING



2026 - 2027



High Adventure Team
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High Adventure Leader Trek Training Sessions I, II, and III

This 40-hour course prepares unit leaders for backpacking trips. Leaders completing all 3 sessions receive a patch and numbered card. Units planning to earn High Adventure Awards must have a trained adult with a current card accompanying the trip.

HALTT cards are renewed every four years by attending the HALF-Day HALTT Retraining Course.

Fee: \$10.00

Prerequisites:

- 18 years old and registered Adult
 - Current Medical forms (A & B)
 - SYT and Hazardous Weather training
- HALTT Chairman: Guy Buchanan
gebuchanan@cox.net

Water Trek Training Sessions I, II, and IV

This 15-hour course prepares unit leaders to operate on flat and moving water. Session IV includes training on water safety and canoe handling. Leaders completing Sessions I, II, and IV receive a patch and numbered card. A trained adult with a current card must accompany units on all water outings.

Leaders must renew Water Trek card every four years by repeating the first two meetings of Session IV.

Fee: \$20.00

Prerequisites:

- HALTT Sessions I & II
 - A CPR card
 - First Aid card (any level Red Cross or equivalent)
 - Safe Swim Defense & Safety Afloat cards
- Water Trek Chairman: Scott Bernet

scott@shbarch.com

Project COPE Course

Pre-registration required.

Contact Tarlin Lanese for more information.

tarlin.lanese@gmail.com

Register online at: www.sdicscouting.org/programs/high-adventure/project-cope

High Adventure Team Chairman

Laura Cartier

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*HALTT			*WATER TREK
SESSION I	SESSION II	SESSION III	SESSION IV
Weeknight Registration 6:00 PM 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM at Camp Balboa Atherton Hall 1207 Upas St.	Saturday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM at Northminster Presbyterian Church 4324 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard	Saturday to Sunday 7:00 AM Saturday to 12:00 PM Sunday Backpack at Mataguay Scout Ranch ComSci	Wednesday 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM Saturday and Sunday 6:30 AM to 1:00 PM All sessions meet at San Diego Youth Aquatic Center, Fiesta Island
February 4, 2026 Wednesday	February 7, 2026 Saturday	February 21-22, 2026	March 4, 2026 March 7-8, 2026
April 29, 2026 Wednesday	May 2, 2026 Saturday	May 16-17, 2026	June 3, 2026 June 6-7, 2026
September 9, 2026 Wednesday	September 12, 2026 Saturday	September 26-27, 2026	November 4, 2026 November 7-8, 2026
February 3, 2027 Wednesday	February 6, 2027 Saturday	February 20-21, 2027	March 3, 2027 March 6-7, 2027
April 28, 2027 Wednesday	May 1, 2027 Saturday	May 15-16, 2027	June 2, 2027 June 5-6, 2027
September 8, 2027 Wednesday	September 11, 2027 Saturday	September 25-26, 2027	November 3, 2027 November 6-7, 2027

***Minimum class size for HALTT is 10. Retraining min is 6. Please register early!**

*Half-Day HALTT Retraining Course: Saturdays		June 6, 2026	November 14, 2026
Northminster Presbyterian Church 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM		June 12, 2027	November 13, 2027

Specialist Training: Three weekends 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM (plus two outings)
at Scout Headquarters 1207 Upas Street, San Diego, CA 92103

	<u>2025-2026</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
Leadership and Desert Skills	October 4-5, 2025	October 3-4, 2026
Desert Backpack to Anza-Borrego	October 18-19, 2025	October 17-18, 2026
Equipment Making, Emergencies	December 6-7, 2025	December 5-6, 2026
Snow Skills and Trip Planning	January 17-18, 2026	January 23-24, 2027
3 Day Snow Skills Camp @ Eastern Sierra	February 14-16, 2026	February 13-15, 2027

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www.sdicscouting.org/programs/high-adventure

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