



BLACK JACK TRAIL

a Backpacking Training Experience

October 24 & 25, 2020 @ QSR

BJT turned 50 in 2019 –
Let's continue the tradition!

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 24, beginning 9:00 a.m. to Sun., Oct. 25, mid-afternoon

WHERE: Quivira Scout Ranch (watch for the BJT sign) 1781 Road 19, Sedan, KS

WHO: All Scout BSA Troop adult leaders and Scout BSA Troop officers in teams of two (example: Scoutmaster & Assistant Senior Patrol Leader as a camping team). Any team of Scouts as long as there is an equal number of an adult team. A minimum of two teams is required for a Unit to participate to fulfill **Youth Protection Requirements (two-deep leadership)**. Adult leaders will tent together; Scouts will tent together. Everyone should be prepared for a complete pack layout / shakedown.

* Given the evolving issues with COVID-19, please note that **EVERY PARTICIPANT MUST** have a *Quivira Council COVID-19 Parent and Participant Waiver* form filled out and turned in at event check-in! (The form is attached on www.quivira.org)

COST: **\$5.00 per person**, payable on-site by cash or check (made out to: Quivira Council, BSA), which includes patch and materials for history of the land and Leave No Trace.

PURPOSE: This is a basic backpack experience to show Troop leadership different places and ways to use QSR as a Troop program.

Black Jack Trail is an experience where the history of Quivira Scout Ranch is delved into and some backpacking is done into the heart of The Ranch leaving all big, fancy equipment behind. This is an opportunity for your Troop to go out with a minimum of equipment, have maximum fun, and use The Ranch to its fullest. There are endless program opportunities on our own Council Camp, and we urge every Troop to take advantage of them.

NO RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY. JUST SHOW UP!

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Remember:

***Backpacking isn't how much you can carry,
 but how little and still be comfortable.***

Individual Equipment

- Wear:** Scout BSA uniform
 Warm cap or hat
 Hiking shoes or boots (no canvas, low cuts, or open ended)
- In Pockets:** Pocket knife
 Compass
 Pocket First Aid Kit
- Matches
 Toilet tissue
 Handkerchief
- In pack or on pack frame:** Backpack
 Personal toilet kit
 1 quart of water
 extra socks
 Sweater or jacket
 1 #10 can (no plastic lining) to cook in
 5 each, 20" pieces of heavy duty foil
 camp shovel
- Poncho / Rainsuit
 Bedroll & ground cloth
 Bible or prayer book
 Scout BSA Handbook
 Dish, cup and Spoon
 20' sash cord or binder twine
 flashlight
- Optional:** *one favorite piece of light-pack equipment deemed reasonable*

Each two-person team bring between them:

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| Two-person tent or 10'x10' plastic | 1 cooking spoon |
| 1 plastic sheet 6'x8' (dishwashing) | 1 tote bag |
| 1 small sponge | 1 water purification pump |
| 2 brillo pads | backpacking stove (or material for small fire) |

Food List for Each Two-Person Team:

Saturday Noon _____ 1 sack lunch per person

Saturday Supper *(sample only; bring dehydrated food or other as you choose)*

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| ½ to 1 lb. ground beef* | 1 small box instant pudding |
| 2 carrots | 1 cup instant milk |
| 2 small onions | 2 packs instant cocoa |
| 2 or 3 potatoes | salt & pepper |
- *freeze ground beef and wrap in several layers of newspaper before packing

Sunday Breakfast *(sample only; bring dehydrated food or other as you choose)*

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| 4 eggs | 2 handfuls of raisins |
| 4 packages instant oatmeal | 4 packets instant cocoa |
| 2 oranges or apples | |
- Note:** pack raisins in plastic bag. Pack eggs in #10 can padded with cloth.

Sunday Lunch -- Non-perishable

Canned meats, jerky, flat breads, nuts, dried fruits -- any food that doesn't need refrigeration