

Venturing Programs and Activities 2016-2017

Events are open to Troops and Teams from any Council or District. 2016-2017 event fliers are available on the council website at www.longhorncouncil.org, along with calendars, schedule information, training information, news, and directions & maps for camps and facilities. For more information: camping@longhorn.org. Check out the new **Longhorn Activity Center** at www.longhorncouncil.org.

August 6	OA Ordeal – Worth Ranch
September 9 - 11	Powder Horn High Adventure Training. Weekend 1 - Camp Tahuaya.
September 10	Paddle the Brazos Fall Canoe Race #1. Worth Ranch. Two Races: 6-mile Fun Race; 14 mile Advanced Race for teams of experienced canoeists. 14-Mile racers will launch early. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults.
September 17	Fall Canoe Race #2. Worth Ranch. Two Races: 6-mile Fun Race; 14 mile Advanced Race for teams of experienced canoeists. 14-Mile racers will launch early. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults.
September 17-18	USA Archery Level I Instructor Course at Worth Ranch.
September 23 - 25	Powder Horn High Adventure Training, Weekend 2 - Camp Tahuaya.
October	Haunted Hayride Spooks - if your Troop or Crew would like to camp at SR2 or Tahuaya in the month of October during a Fall Festival, bring your scariest costume and help us spook the Cubs on the Haunted Hayrides. Contact camping@longhorn.org to sign up. SR2 weekends: Oct. 8, 15, 22. Tahuaya weekends: Oct. 15, 22.
October 8	Tower Training (& a.m. Recert. Class) at SR2. Approximately 10-hour class designed to certify ADULTS to lead SR2, Worth Ranch, and Basswood Tower climbing and rappelling activities. There is no class size limit, but pre-registration is required. Open to adults only. 8:00 a.m. to 6 PM – Must arrive on time. Does not include natural areas.
October 7- 9	Rock Climbing & Tower Training (& Rock/Tower Recert. Classes) at SR2. This course is designed to certify ADULTS to lead climbing and rappelling activities on rock, as well as on SR2 and Basswood towers. Completion qualifies the participant as a BSA Level 2 Instructor, able to lead single or multi-unit activities. Course is Friday evening through late Sunday afternoon at SR2. There is no class size limit. Pre-registration required. Adults only. Recert training- begins at 8AM Saturday at the SR2 tower, ends when the participant demonstrates proficiency.
October 7-9	NRA Rifle & Shotgun Range Instructor and RSO – Weekend 1 at Worth Ranch. Adults can become certified as NRA Rifle and Shotgun Instructors and as RSO. Limit 20 participants. All BSA weekend rifle, shotgun, and pistol shooting activities must now have an instructor for each discipline AND an RSO present.
October 15	SCORE-O 2016 at SR2. More difficult Competition Maps. Boy Scout and Venturing level Competition, with more difficult sport orienteering challenges for teams to solve. Map training is held all morning. For teams of Boy Scouts, Venturers, Varsity, Explorers, adults, and Webelos. Webelos must camp with a Troop.
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October 29	OA Ordeal – SR2
November 11 - 13	Council Camporee 2016 at Texas Motor Speedway! The Camporee Committee is building a huge selection of big events to bring Scouts an even bigger show in 2016. The midway will be significantly larger, with more military units, government agencies, organizations, outdoor skills & equipment vendors, museums, and hands-on display events. The Venturing and Boy Scout program will again feature competition, including the big Highland Games competition, ... and much more!
December 26 - 31	U.S. Cavalry Winter Camp: Frontier Living History - 1872 U.S. Cavalry Outpost for youth age 13 and older. Cavalry Outpost includes authentic uniforms, food, and equipment of the 1870's, including cannons, carbines, and a Gatling gun. Live the life of a frontier trooper for a week, including large battle reenactments with local Civil War reenactment groups. Final night includes an overnight stay in the Historic barracks at Fort Richardson, 20 miles west of SR2. Venturers can earn the Living History requirement.
December 26 - 31	Twin Arrows NYLT #204 - Camp Tahuaya. Applications available on the council website in the Training section.
January 14, 15	Boy Scout & Venturing Trout Tournaments. Tahuaya. Limit 100 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
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February 18	Klondike Derby at Camp Tahuaya. Test your winter camping and outdoor skills at the Longhorn Council Klondike Derby. Open to Boy Scout Troops, Varsity Teams and Venture Crews. Each patrol/crew must build and bring a sled.
March 12 - 18	Twin Arrows NYLT. At SR2. Applications will be available on the council website in the Training section.

- March 25 - 26** **Spring-O Orienteering Meet** at SR2. Two events in one: (1) individual competition, (2) team competitions. Everyone can enter: Boy Scouts, Venture Crew Members, Explorers, adults, families, Cub Scouts, ROTC units, and the public. Scout compete in 2 person Teams. Cubs and their parents compete separately in 2-5 person Cub Teams. Awards go to the top three finishers in each race class. Choose from 6 map courses from beginner to expert.
- April 22** **Spring Canoe Race 1** at Worth Ranch. Two Races: 6-mile Fun Race; 14 mile Advanced Race for experienced canoeists. 14-Mile racers will launch early. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults.
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- April 29** **Spring Canoe Race 2** at Worth Ranch. Two Races: 6-mile Fun Race; 14 mile Advanced Race for experienced canoeists. 14-Mile racers will launch early. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults.
- May 6** **OA Ordeal – SR2**
- May 20** **OA Ordeal – Tahuaya**
- June-July** **Chisholm Trail Adventure. Flagship program of the Texas High Adventure Base.** Your unit gets a pontoon boat for a week to travel to the high adventure & living history outposts and water sports on our 15 miles of Lake Bridgeport shoreline. Troops and Crews from 43 states, England, and Scotland have come to Chisholm Trail. Must be 13+.
- Steele island Wakeboarding** Spend a week learning wakeboarding skills on Lake Bridgeport. Must be 13+.
- Brazos River Canoe Trip.** 50 mile Brazos River trip. Earn your 50 Miler award and test your canoeing, camping, and fishing skills. 3 miles of hiking and 47 miles of paddling on the Brazos.
- June 11 - 17** **Week 1** at High Adventure, SR2, Worth Ranch, Camp Tahuaya.
June 18 - 24 **Week 2** at High Adventure, SR2, Worth Ranch, Camp Tahuaya.
June 25 - July 1 **Week 3** at High Adventure, SR2, Worth Ranch
July 2 - 8 **Week 4** at High Adventure, SR2
- June 25 or July 1** **Chisholm Trail Adventure Maverick Weeks.** Send one or two Scouts / Venturers, or small groups to join our staff for a week of high adventure. You'll spend a week travelling on a pontoon boat and doing the high adventure & living history outposts and water sports on our 15 miles of Lake Bridgeport shoreline.
- \$20 High Adv. Special** For Troops attending BOTH a Longhorn Council Boy Scout summer camp (Worth Ranch, Camp Tahuaya, or SR2) and a Longhorn Council High Adventure program. For each Boy Scout youth registered and attending the merit badge summer camp at Sid Richardson, Camp Tahuaya, or Worth Ranch, the Troop gets \$20 off one Scout or one Adult attending high adventure (up to the total number of youth and adults attending the high adventure program) at Chisholm Trail Adventure OR Brazos River Canoe Trip OR Colorado River Canoe Trip OR Steele Island Wakeboarding.
- Weeks 3 & 4 Discount** Troops and Crews attending a Longhorn Council Boy Scout merit badge or summer camp program during Week 3 will receive a \$10 per person discount. Troops and Crews attending during Week 4 will receive a \$15 per person discount.
- July 9 - 15** **F-16 Flight Simulator, Technology, and Shooting Camp.** Earn Aviation MB in our 16 new F-16 flight simulator cockpits and fly team-based air combat missions at our new flight center. Choose from 18 technology & shooting sports merit badges, including Space Exploration, Electricity, Electronics, Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Astronomy, Nuclear Science, Chemistry, and other merit badges. You'll also do "downed" pilot recovery and "escape and evade" night missions, as well as swimming & fun!
- July 9 - 15** **Aquatic School** at Worth Ranch
- July 15 - 28** **National Jamboree.** Sign up now for this once in a lifetime adventure! The Jamboree will be held at The Summit in the mountains of West Virginia – right in the middle of the best whitewater rafting in America. Join us for an intense whitewater, caving, and battlefield adventure tour and the National Jamboree! [Contact the registrar](#) for payment details & schedule, or to make an adjustable payment plan that suits your family's needs.

Longhorn Activity Center Programs & Rentals – at 5350 Basswood Blvd, Fort Worth, TX 76137

- Climbing towers
- Reptile shows
- Overnight lock-ins
- Pool rentals
- Meeting room rentals
- pre-camp Swim checks
- Space flight simulators
- dinosaur dig
- Swimming classes
- Starship Bridge Crew space combat programs
- Robotics classes
- STEM classes
- Birthday parties