

Troop 407 BSA

**Palm Spring Tramway
and
San Jacinto Backpack**

April 27-28, 2002

Ride the Palm Springs Tram 2 ½ miles in rotating tramcars
to 8515 feet elevation.

Backpack 2.5 miles through pine forest wilderness
to Round Valley Campground in
San Jacinto State Park.

Camp overnight.

Hike on the shoulders of 10,804 foot high Mount San Jacinto.

Ride the tram back down.

Awesome view!

Depart from CUCCC Saturday, April 27, 7:00 a.m. Return Sunday, April 28. 4:00 p.m.

Expect daytime temperatures in 50's, and overnight low in the 30's. Come prepared for the possibility of snow, although there is currently none due to drought conditions. Wind is generally mild, at 3 mph with occasional gusts to 10 mph.

Clothing: On the trail Saturday wear long pants, long sleeved shirt, good hiking socks and shoes, with a wind breaker available. For Saturday night, add a sweater. Sunday morning will be cold. Extra layers (long johns, sweater, warm hat) will be necessary.

Sleeping gear: A warm sleeping bag and a good sleeping pad are crucial. Bring p.j.'s or sweats to sleep in...definitely not daytime clothes. Bring a lightweight backpacking tent.

Meals: Plan meals at troop meeting April 23 for Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast and lunch. All meals except Saturday lunch must be lightweight. Water will be available at the campsite, so freeze-dried foods are appropriate. Saturday's lunch will be eaten on the trail. Be sure to pack at least a quart of water for the trail.

You can find out more on the web at <http://www.pstramway.com/things/camping-detail.html> or by searching at www.google.com for "Round Valley San Jacinto" where you'll find links to personal pages of people who have enjoyed camping there.