



BLINDFOLD SOCCER

High adventure can mean a lot of different things to Scouts. It might mean backpacking on rugged mountain trails, canoeing in the boundary waters of the United States and Canada, sailing a large vessel off the coast of Florida, visiting a major city and seeing the sights, or trekking to a remote outpost at your council summer camp.

Planning a high-adventure activity takes time to make sure all the logistical points are covered. This program feature is designed to give you a sampling of high-adventure activities, but your troop will need to spend several months planning a specific high adventure.

Get more information on national BSA high-adventure activities in a free booklet called *Horizons Unlimited*, No. 83-108. Write to: Camping Service, Boy Scout Division, Boy Scouts of America, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015-2079.

SCOUTING OUTCOMES

This month's patrol and troop activities should give your Scouts:

- The knowledge and skill to be comfortable while camping.
- A sense of communion with nature and God.
- Greater respect for the outdoors and a determination to follow the Outdoor Code.
- Growing self-confidence.

ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

By the end of the month, all Scouts should have met the majority of their basic camping requirements through First Class. Depending on the activities, they may also complete all or part of the following rank requirements:

Tenderfoot

- Outdoor—Camping, cooking
- Citizenship—Flag ceremonies

- Patrol/troop participation—Patrol identification
- Personal development—Scout Oath and Law

Second Class

- Outdoor—Cooking, camping, hiking, nature
- Citizenship—Flag ceremonies
- Patrol/troop participation
- Personal development—Scout Oath and Law

First Class

- Outdoor—Cooking, camping, nature, hiking
- Citizenship—Flag ceremonies
- Patrol/troop participation
- Personal development—Scout Oath and Law

Merit Badges. Older Scouts can concentrate on the Cooking and Camping merit badges this month; they should be able to complete most of the requirements. Depending on activities during the campout, they may also complete requirements in Hiking, Wilderness Survival, Pioneering, and nature-related merit badges.

PARENT PARTICIPATION

The patrol leaders' council can involve parents in the program feature this month by:

- Asking those qualified to assist with instruction in camping skills.
- Inviting them to attend the outing.
- Asking them to provide transportation to the starting point for the backpacking trek into camp, if necessary.

PATROL LEADERS' COUNCIL

The PLC should meet in the middle of the previous month to plan troop activities for this program feature. If you don't