



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA TROOP 337

PARENTAL INFORMATION FORM

Bamboo Campout
October 29th - 30th, 2011

- CAMP LOCATION:** We'll be camping on a piece of land owned by the Tabernacle Church of Melbourne located near US-1 and US-192 on the Eau Gallie River. See the map for this event on the Troop website for exact location.
- COST PER PERSON:** \$12.00 per person. This is for 4 meals (\$3/meal average), there are no camping fees or gas for this trip!
- FORM/MONEY DUE BY:** October 24th Troop meeting.
- DEPARTURE:** Faith Fellowship Church, on Saturday, October 29th at 8:00 AM.
- ARRIVAL:** Sunday, October 30th at 2:00 pm. Boys will call parents 1 hour prior to pick-up time.
- UNIFORM/CLOTHING:** Field Uniform on departure/return, Activity Uniform for camping activities. There may be canoeing or kayaking available, and we may be testing some rafts, so bring a swim suit as well.
- MEALS:** Either eat breakfast prior to departure, or bring a bagged breakfast. Patrols will supply Saturday Lunch & Dinner, as well as Sunday Breakfast and Lunch.
- PACKING:** Refer to your Scout Handbook for a camping list. If desired, bring work gloves. Don't forget to bring your Scout Handbook, sunscreen, bug repellent, religious book, Totin' Chip and Fireman Chit, bathing suit, and camp chair. If desired, bring a pole (and bait or lures) for saltwater fishing on the dock!
- PROGRAM/THEME:** We will be cutting bamboo on the land, learning to lash, and will begin making and testing rafts for the survivor campout the following month. Canoeing and Kayaking may be available. There is a dock on the property, so saltwater fishing is available and there is a park directly across the street that is available for night games, and there is a volleyball court on site. As a service project, we will be clearing brush, and repairing a Gazebo on the property. This will count as community service hours for Star and Life because the property is being groomed for use in helping the homeless in the future.
- SAFETY:** Leaders are trained in BSA Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense and will be following them for any water activities. Bamboo cutting and clearing will be closely supervised and the Totin' Chip guidelines will be followed. As always, well trained leaders following the Guide to Safe Scouting will be overseeing everything.
- LOCATION INFORMATION:** The "Jewel House" property is owned by the Tabernacle Church of Melbourne and is overseen by the Chairman of the board, Bob McCarthy (432-9240, 777-4578). The property is managed by an elderly couple from the church who live in a house at the front end of the property.
- LEADER CONTACTS:** Dan Walton (693-2807), Rob Baer (421-7013), Dan McMillan (591-5108)