

Why Powder Horn?

Many Scouting leaders face the dilemma of having a strong desire to provide challenging and fun outdoor programs to meet the needs of their older youth members, but lack the knowledge and/or resources to do so. Powder Horn responds to the quandary with an exciting new training opportunity that exposes Venturing, Varsity Scout, and Boy Scout adult leaders to a wide range of outdoor/high adventure activities. More importantly, Powder Horn provides its participants with valuable resource and contacts to assist them in delivering the promise of Scouting's high adventure to youth.

Approach

The Powder Horn course is based on the requirements for Venturing's prestigious Ranger Award. The Ranger Award Program requires demonstrated proficiency in a challenging set of core and elective topics. During Powder Horn, presentations on Ranger topics are made by knowledgeable consultants who demonstrate the skills required and explain where resources, such as equipment, facilities, guides, instructors, and certifications can be obtained locally. Many of the presentations involve actual hands-on experience by the participants.

Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES is any Powder Horn participant required to participate in an activity they are uncomfortable with. They may choose just to observe and learn.

The Venturing program offers youth ages 14-21 opportunities limited only by their imagination and desire. This course provides leaders with the resources to help guide those youth in meeting their goals.

For additional Powder Horn information please contact:

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For more information on Powder Horn visit the site online at www.powderhorn-bsa.org

POWDER HORN TRAINING



**Old Colony Council
Knox Trail Council**

**Cluster Council
Powder Horn Course**

May 29-31, 2009

At Camp Squanto, Plymouth, MA

June 12-14, 2009

At Camp Resolute, Bolton, MA

And Camp Nobscot, Framingham, MA

-- A TWO WEEKEND COURSE --

(three full days each weekend)



This Course Is Appropriate For:

Venturing Leaders
Boy Scout Leaders
Commissioners
District and Council Leaders
Professional Staff
Camp Leaders

Powder Horn Courses include comprehensive instruction in the eight Ranger Core requirements, at least ten electives, and additional program development information.

Eight Core Requirements

Land Navigation
Leave No Trace
Communication
Conservation Project Development
Emergency Preparedness
Cooking
First Aid
Wilderness Survival

Electives and Program Development

·Mountaineering ·Backpacking
·Outdoor Living History ·Scuba
·Shooting Sports ·COPE
·Watercraft ·Winter Sports
·Expedition Planning ·Life Saver
·Cave Exploring ·Fishing
·Overnight ·Cycling
·Physical Fitness ·Ecology
·Plants and Wildlife ·Hunting
·Working with Teens ·Equestrian

Learning Objectives

Completion of Powder Horn will result in the following outcomes for course participants:

- 1) Understanding the skills, equipment, facilities, and certifications needed to conduct specific high adventure programs.
- 2) Have an initial set of local resource contacts to assist in conducting specific high adventure activities. Know how to identify additional local resources.
- 3) Know the health and safety requirements, and rules and regulations of the Boy Scouts of America as they apply to outdoor programs.
- 4) Know the requirements for the Venturing Ranger Award and associated Venturing Silver Award Requirements.
- 5) A fun and memorable experience networking with other adult Scouting leaders with similar interests.

·Please note that completion of Powder Horn does not make any of its graduates experts or even self-sufficient in any aspect of outdoor skills.

Participant Qualifications

- 1) Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America as an adult leader.
- 2) Be at least 21 years of age.
- 3) Have completed the basic training course(s) prescribed for his/her Scouting position.
- 4) Be able to pass a BSA Class III Physical

Powder Horn Application

(Detach this portion and return)

A **\$50.00** deposit to confirm my reservation for Old Colony Council's Powder Horn 2009 is enclosed. I will pay the balance of \$185 no later than May 11, 2009. I understand that the deposit is non- refundable. I further understand that this is a backcountry course and is physically demanding. Participation requires medical approval on a BSA Class III physical form. I confirm that I am a registered adult leader with the BSA, and will, or have, completed the proper adult leader training before attending.

Participant's Signature

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (H) _____

Phone (W) _____

E-mail _____

Fax _____

Scouting Position _____

Unit _____ Unit # _____ Town _____

Council Name/Number _____

Scout Executive Name _____

Total participant fee is \$235 and due no later than May 11, 2009.

Mail application and check to:

**Old Colony Council
Powder Horn 2009
2438 Washington St.
Canton, MA 02021**

For Council Use Only:

Date Rcvd:

Amount Rcvd:

Receipt #: