

INFORMATION



Description

Welcome to the SECC Pathfinder Camporee 2025 at Lake Skinner! Be inspired, have fun, meet new friends, and grow in leadership! Join us for fun activities, honors, and camping skills. Don't miss out on a weekend of powerful praise, worship and making unforgettable memories with friends.

Uniforms

- Friday Program: Class B Uniform
- Sabbath Morning Program: Class A Uniform
- Sabbath Evening Program: Class B Uniform

Arrival

Lake Skinner will be open to receive Pathfinder Clubs after 2:00pm on Thursday. Place the Pathfinder Camporee printable "Event Attendee" Flyer in each vehicle window. This alerts the rangers that you are part of our event and not be charged an entrance fee at the gate.

Check in at the headquarters station, located at Campsite B for your club. Please make sure you have a consent form for every person in attendance. You will need a copy of the consent form for every person in attendance to receive your club's campsite location. Please make every effort to be all set up before the Sabbath begins Friday evening. Being ready for the Sabbath makes for a great beginning to the worship services and shows respect to God's commands. If your whole club cannot be there early, send a few Key people ahead to set up camp, including tents. With proper planning and preparation, any club in our conference should be able to arrive at the campsite before sun-down. If you must be late, please be considerate of those that may be in meetings or already asleep. **NO ANIMALS ALLOWED.**

Visitors coming on Sabbath must pay the day-use fee at the gate. Lake Skinner charges a day-use \$6 per adult and \$3 per child, ages 2-12; under 2 is free (Subject to change). Lake Skinner entrance fees also apply when dropping off supplies, visiting, etc. This fee must be paid at the gate to Lake Skinner for those not camping.

Attendance

Open to all registered Pathfinder Clubs of Southeastern California Conference. This is a camping event and Pathfinder clubs need to arrive at least by Friday afternoon/evening. All clubs are encouraged to attend, even if you have limited equipment or experience. Please remember to that this is a Pathfinder Camporee and only those associated with or are assisting the club can attend.

Campground

Lake Skinner Recreation Area is nestled in the rolling hills of Winchester located in Riverside County and offers visitors expansive natural vistas and invigorating recreational opportunities. Several factors

were considered to determine the best campground for the camporee and why Lake Skinner Recreational Area was chosen:

- Space to spread out for the safety and welfare of each attendee
- Central location for all clubs
- Pricing and what the campground had to offer to keep cost at a minimum

Please note that we will not be the only group camping at Lake Skinner. Campsite C is open to the public and will have other campers (non-Pathfinders) present. This is what contributed to the limited camping tickets. This also means that we need to be mindful of those camping in other sites while sharing Lake Skinner with them.

Recreation activities are restricted at Lake Skinner to help prevent the spread of quagga and zebra mussels:

- No body contact/ swimming
- No floatation devices

Your club campsite will be assigned when you arrive. Each campsite will have water and most will have electrical hookups (but we recommend being prepared in case no electrical hookups are available). Be prepared with generators in case your campsite. But because some sites have no hookups, we recommend being prepared by bringing generators in case electricity is necessary in your camp. Restrooms will be open. Portable toilets will also be placed throughout the campsite and near the stage area. A shower trailer will be rented and placed in one of the campsites.

Because of the limitations placed by the company providing shower trailers, there are specific hours the shower trailers will be open and in operation. These are the shower trailer hours:

Thursday: 5:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Friday: 7:30 am – 10:30 am; 12:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Saturday: 7:30 am – 10:30 am; 12:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am – 10:00 am

*Last call for showers will be at 9:00 pm. Those arriving at the shower line after 9:00 pm will not be allowed to shower until the next day.

Civil Obedience Police

This is a policy to empower the security personnel to enforce guidelines set forth by SECC Pathfinders and Lake Skinner Recreation Area. Security personnel will be authorized to issue warnings or citations to a club if, for example, a club/individual is too loud after quiet time, has Pathfinders roaming at night, or are discourteous to the security or other personnel. The warning and disciplinary process is as follows:

- The first warning will be a verbal warning to the individual and the club director.
- The second will be a written citation given to the club director with the county coordinator present.
- When the third warning is given, the club will have to leave the Camporee immediately.

Club Responsibility

Clubs are responsible for providing all camping equipment, meals, transportation, etc. and informing their Pathfinders and staff what items to bring. Clubs are also responsible for making sure all Pathfinders and staff are aware of the Camporee details provided. SECC Youth Ministries is providing the campground, toilets, showers, dumpsters, program, and activities.

Consent Release Form

Participation Consent Release & Assumption of Risk Agreement is a necessity on every outing. The basic idea of the form is that it gives parental authorization for a Pathfinder to participate in an outing and a doctor to treat a minor. It also provides information on where the parents and family doctor can be located. If a Pathfinder needs medication, be certain to know the amount and type needed, how frequently, and when it should be taken. If the medicine is dangerous if not taken in proper amounts, it should be kept by a designated adult who will make sure it is taken properly.

Fees/ Payment

Camping Fee - \$35/person for Pathfinders, staff, chaperones, volunteers, camping for one night or the weekend from Thursday, November 6 - Sunday, November 9. Camporee Day Pass – \$15/person per day for Pathfinders, staff, chaperones, volunteers coming for the day and not camping. Day Passes are from 8:00 am - 10:00 pm Friday, November 7 and/or Saturday, November 8. Day Pass attendees must exit Lake Skinner Recreation Area by 10:00pm before the gate closes. Camporee fees are subject to change. Costs are kept down as much as possible, charging only for patches, camping fees, and administrative costs such as portable toilets, dumpsters, showers, etc. You have the option of paying by credit card, church check or invoicing the church. Simply select the 'Ticket' button then put in the correct number for tickets you are purchasing. Then on the registration page select the payment method with the down arrow in the payment section. The church will be invoiced if payment is not received by the event date.

Visitors coming on Friday or Sabbath must pay for the day-use fee at the gate. Lake Skinner charges a day-use fee of \$6 per adult and \$3 per child, ages 2-12; under 2 is free (subject to change) when dropping off supplies, visiting, etc. Visitors do not have access to the activities or receive Camporee items.

Fires

No open wood burning fires are allowed, only those contained by propane. Each campsite must have a visible fire extinguisher near the cooking area and must have buckets of water and a blanket or gunnysack for firefighting. In case of fire, soak the blankets quickly and use the blanket for smothering the flames.

Inspection

Your area coordinator will check your campsite for safety throughout the weekend. The club and campsite inspection needs to be scheduled with your county coordinator for Friday or Sabbath. A

final “clean-up” campsite inspection will be done on Sunday morning before the patches are handed out by your county coordinator.

Parking and Towing

Only one (1) RV OR kitchen trailer will be allowed per club. All vehicles will need to park in the overflow parking. Follow the Parking & Regulation Rules for Lake Skinner Recreation-Area. Please review the rules with ALL who will be driving to the Camporee. Vehicles towed will be at the vehicle owner’s expense and reported to the local authorities. The Park Rangers and security will authorize the towing of vehicles neglecting the rules. The rules are as follows:

- No vehicles parked at (or by) campsites.
- All alleyways and streets are considered fire lanes.
- Guests and campers must park in designated overflow parking areas.
- All motor vehicles must have current registration and meet DMV requirements in order to be on the roadways.
- Abandoned vehicles will be cited and removed at the vehicle owner’s expense.

Patches

Patches will be available for both weekend campers and Pathfinders who were present on Friday and Saturday. For weekend campers, distribution of passes will happen on Sunday after campsite teardown and “clean-up” approval by county coordinators. For those with both Friday and Saturday passes, distribution of patches will be announced on Sabbath morning during the worship service.

Pets

For liability reasons SECC Youth Ministries has a NO PETS ALLOWED policy. Please leave your pets at home.

Onsite Registration

The club director or secretary should go IMMEDIATELY to registration headquarters to register their club, confirm numbers, and receive any event program and information.

Sabbath

Sabbath School: Each club is responsible for its own lesson study. Sabbath morning activities will begin with a general session and then we will divide for class study. Larger clubs may want to have several classes since smaller groups are more productive. A good suggestion is to exchange teachers with clubs so that each club may have a “guest” teacher.

Lunch: Your club may wish to invite, in advance, another club to join with you for a “potluck.” The menu can be prearranged with each club bringing part of the menu. The Pathfinders enjoy getting together and making new friends.

Sabbath Afternoon: Free time is provided for your club to relax, enjoy nature or connect with another club. There will be some optional activities after lunch that we encourage you to be part of.

Saturday Evening: Activities have been planned with your club in mind. Please remember your club has come on this outing to be part of the Conference activities. Encourage your staff and club to join in together.

Schools

The Education Department of Southeastern California Conference has agreed that students may be dismissed from our schools at 12:00 noon, Thursday, for the Camporee when proper arrangements are made. Even though schools have been notified of the dates, each club director should submit a list of his/her Pathfinders who will need to be dismissed at noon. This should be done no later than one week before the Camporee. If you do not plan to be gone by noon, please do not take the Pathfinders out of school. For public schools, students and/or parents will need to work directly with their school and teachers to be excused from class and receive assignments. A letter is available to give the school and teachers.

Seating

Tarps or other ground covers are advised. Seating will be divided in three sections:

1. Front section for blankets, tarps, and ground cover.
2. Middle section for camping chairs (no canopies)
3. Back section for all canopies, umbrellas, and other shade-giving equipment.

Clubs may not leave blankets or chairs to reserve their spots. Seating will be on a first come, first serve basis. - no saved seating allowed.

Trash

Although there are trash receptacles available, you will need to bring trash bags so you can bag trash and leave the area as clean as, or cleaner, than you found it.

Wash-Up Station

As you make plans for your campsite, please include a wash-up station for your campers. Things run a lot smoother if people do not have to wash up in the kitchen area.

