

Venturing Programs and Activities 2017-2018

Events are open to Crews from any Council or District. 2017-2018 event fliers are available on the council website at www.longhorncouncil.org, along with calendars, schedule information, training information, news, and directions & maps for camps and facilities. For more information: camping@longhorn.org. Check out the **Longhorn Activity Center** at www.longhorncouncil.org.

- September 9** **Paddle the Brazos Fall Canoe Race #1.** Worth Ranch. Two Races: 6-mile Fun Race; 14 mile Advanced Race for teams of experienced canoeists. 14-Mile racers will launch early. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults.
- September 8-10** **Powder Horn High Adventure Training 1** Camp Tahuaya.
- September 16** **Fall Canoe Race #2.** Worth Ranch. Two Races: 6-mile Fun Race; 14 mile Advanced Race for teams of experienced canoeists. 14-Mile racers will launch early. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults.
- September 22-24** **Powder Horn High Adventure Training 2** Camp Tahuaya.
- October** **Haunted Hayride Spooks** - if your Troop or Crew would like to camp at SR2 or Tahuaya in the month of October during a Fall Festival, bring your scariest costume and help us spook the Cubs on the Haunted Hayrides. Contact camping@longhorn.org to sign up. **SR2 weekends: Oct. 14, 21, 28. Tahuaya weekends: Oct. 14, 21, 28.**
- Sept. 29-Oct. 1** **Wood Badge Fall Course, Weekend 1.** SR2.
- October 7** **Tower Training (& a.m. Recert. Class)** at SR2. Approximately 10-hour class designed to certify ADULTS to lead SR2, Worth Ranch, and Basswood Tower climbing and rappelling activities. There is no class size limit, but pre-registration is required. Open to adults only. 8:00 a.m. to 6 PM – Must arrive on time. Does not include natural areas.
- October 6- 8** **Rock Climbing & Tower Training (& Rock/Tower Recert. Classes)** at SR2. This course is designed to certify ADULTS to lead climbing and rappelling activities on rock, as well as on SR2 and Basswood towers. Completion qualifies the participant as a BSA Level 2 Instructor, able to lead single or multi-unit activities. Course is Friday evening through late Sunday afternoon at SR2. There is no class size limit. Pre-registration required. Adults only. Recert training- begins at 8AM Saturday at the SR2 tower, ends when the participant demonstrates proficiency.
- October 21** **SCORE-O 2017** at SR2. **More difficult Competition Maps.** Boy Scout and Venturing level Competition, with more difficult sport orienteering challenges for teams to solve. Map training is held all morning. For teams of Boy Scouts, Venturers, Varsity, Explorers, adults, and Webelos. Webelos must camp with a Troop.
- October 20-22** **Wood Badge Fall Course, Weekend 2.** SR2.
- November 11** **Highland Games!** at Camp Tahuaya. The Games are usually held on the same weekend as Gathering of the Clans festival in Salado. Troops and Crews may camp at Tahuaya, participate in the morning Highland Games at Camp, and visit the nearby Highland Festival in the afternoon and evening. This event is open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Varsity Team members, & adults. (The Gathering of the Clans festival in Salado is a public event with a separate fee.)
- November 11-12** **USA Archery Level I Instructor Course** at SR2.
- November 18** **University of Scouting.** Advanced “how-to” training courses on providing great programs. Designed to help you make your meetings and outings safer, more fun and rewarding for you & your Scouts.
- December 26 - 31** **U.S. Cavalry Winter Camp: Frontier Living History** - 1872 U.S. Cavalry Outpost for youth age 13 and older. Cavalry Outpost includes authentic uniforms, food, and equipment of the 1870’s, including cannons, carbines, and a Gatling gun. Live the life of a frontier trooper for a week, including large battle reenactments with local Civil War reenactment groups. Final night includes an overnight stay in the Historic barracks at Fort Richardson, 20 miles west of SR2. Venturers can earn the Living History requirement.
- December 26-31** **Twin Arrows JLT** at Camp Tahuaya. Applications are available on the council website in the Training section.
- January 6.** **Trout Tournament 1.** At Tahuaya. For Boy Scouts & Venturing. Limit 100 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
- January 7.** **Trout Tournament 2.** At Tahuaya. For Boy Scouts & Venturing. Limit 100 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
- January 27.** **Trout Tournament 3.** At Tahuaya. For Boy Scouts & Venturing. Limit 100 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
- January 28.** **Trout Tournament 4.** At Tahuaya. For Boy Scouts & Venturing. Limit 100 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
- February 10.** **Trout Tournament 5.** At Tahuaya. For Boy Scouts & Venturing. Limit 100 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
- February 11.** **Trout Tournament 6.** At Tahuaya. For Boy Scouts & Venturing. Limit 100 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
- February 17** **Klondike Derby** at Camp Tahuaya. Test your winter camping and outdoor skills at the Longhorn Council Klondike Derby. Open to Boy Scout Troops, Varsity Teams and Venture Crews. Each patrol/crew must build and bring a sled.

- March 11-16** **Twin Arrows JLT.** At SR2. Applications will be available on the council website in the Training section.
- March 16-18** **Wood Badge Spring Course, Weekend 1.** Camp Tahuaya.
- March 25-26** **Spring-O Orienteering Meet** at SR2. Two events in one: (1) individual competition, (2) team competitions. Everyone can enter: Boy Scouts, Venture Crew Members, Explorers, adults, families, Cub Scouts, ROTC units, and the public. Scout compete in 2 person Teams. Cubs and their parents compete separately in 2-5 person Cub Teams. Awards go to the top three finishers in each race class. Choose from 6 map courses from beginner to expert.
- April 6-8** **Wood Badge Spring Course, Weekend 2.** Camp Tahuaya.
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- June 10, 17, 24, July 1** **Texas High Adventure Base.** Your unit gets a pontoon boat for a week to travel to the high adventure & living history outposts and water sports on our 15 miles of Lake Bridgeport shoreline. Troops and Crews from 43 states, England, and Scotland have come to our Chisholm Trail base. Programs include US Cavalry, Texas Rangers, Fast Draw, Vikings & Medieval Combat, Sporting Clays, Rock Climbing, Drone Racing, and Covert Ops. Water sports are tubing and wakeboarding, Sailing Base, stand-up paddleboards, and Blobs.
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| June 10 - 16 | Week 1 |
| June 17 - 23 | Week 2 |
| June 24 - 30 | Week 3 |
| July 1 - 7 | Week 4 |
- Steele Island Wakeboarding School.** Spend a week learning wakeboarding skills on Lake Bridgeport. Must be 13+.
- July 8-14** **F-16 Flight Simulator, Technology, and Shooting Camp.** Earn Aviation MB in our 16 new F-16 flight simulator cockpits and fly team-based air combat missions at our new flight center. Choose from 18 technology & shooting sports merit badges, including Space Exploration, Electricity, Electronics, Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Astronomy, Nuclear Science, Chemistry, and other merit badges. You'll also do "downed" pilot recovery and "escape and evade" night missions, as well as swimming & fun!
- July 16-21** **Twin Arrows NYLT Summer Course #2** – at SR2, Mon-Sat. Applications will be available on the Twin Arrows website.
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- July 16-21** **Wood Badge Summer Course at Lakeview Lodge.** SR2.

Longhorn Activity Center - 5350 Basswood Blvd, Fort Worth, TX 76137

- Space flight simulators
- Reptile shows
- Overnight lock-ins
- Birthday parties.
- Meeting room rentals
- Swimming instruction
- Pool rentals
- Climbing
- Robotics classes
- Allosaurus skeleton dinosaur dig
- Starship Bridge
- STEM classes & camps

Fall & Spring
June – August

Lego Robotics Programs

Swim Lessons, Open Pool, Swim Tests, Pool Party rentals - at Longhorn Activity Center Pool.