



“HOOKED ON TAHOSA”

FLY FISHING MERIT BADGE PROGRAM 2010



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Welcome to the Camp Tahosa Fly Fishing Merit Badge weekend programs for 2010. Fishing at Camp Tahosa could not be better during the early fall. With an endless supply of Brook Trout, fly fishing at Camp Tahosa is world class. Also, since Lake Tahosa is a private lake, there is no requirement for a fishing license!



Come spend a weekend of intense fly fishing instruction for Scouts, parents and leaders. Learn to cast, set up your rod and reel, and understand the nature of fly fishing. With a private lake and easy casting environment, Camp Tahosa is one of the best places to learn how to fly fish. Identify different types of wet and dry flies, learn about the entomology of the area, the bugs and creatures that fish eat and how you can effectively mimic their movements. All equipment is provided to learn to fish: rods, reels, leader, tippet, and a half dozen flies. For those interested, you can work on the requirements of the Fly Fishing Merit

Badge. Learn to tie your own flies as well!

“Hooked on Camp Tahosa” is located at the Denver Area Council’s high adventure training base, Camp Tahosa, at the foot of the Indian Peaks Wilderness Area. Approximately 20 miles northwest of Boulder, Colorado, the camp’s 300 acres of woodland sits at 9,000 feet in elevation. We are offering the choice of 2 programs so that groups may choose the type of schedule and accommodation that will suit their interests. Two weekends are planned as three-day programs (Friday PM through Sunday AM) and two weekends will be a single-day outings (Saturdays only). Fee differences reflect the costs of accommodations and meals.

Requirement: Due to the nature of the fly fishing sport, we request the Scouts be First Class rank or above or 12 years old by January 1, 2010. At least 50% of the group must be youth members, however adults are more than encouraged to participate and help, learn and experience!



A. Overview for three day program (September 24-26 and October 8-10):

Friday Night: (Eat before arrival)

6:30 p.m. - Arrival and check in, at the Nature Lodge, receive campsite assignments

- 7:30 p.m. - Program begins in Nature Lodge
 - Orientation of equipment
 - Camp Tahosa/Program overview. Begin merit badge requirements.
- 9:00 p.m. - Light snack served

Saturday:

- 7:00 a.m. – Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. – Continued merit badge requirements
- 9:00 a.m. – Participants form 2 groups
 - Fly casting instruction

- Fly tying instruction
- At 10:30 a.m., groups switch
- 12:00 p.m. - Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – Continued fly casting/fly tying instruction
- 4:00 p.m. – Get ready for the evening hatch! Fishing until dusk. (LDS Programs end)
- 6:00 p.m. - Dinner
- 8:00 p.m. – Program recap/more merit badge work/open time
- 9:00 pm - Light snack served

Sunday:

- 7:00 a.m. – Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. – Go fishing!
- 10:00 a.m. - Check out. Thanks for the great weekend!!!

B. Overview for single day program (September 18 and October 2):

Saturday:

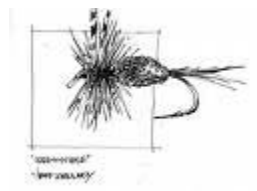
- 8:30 a.m. – Begin merit badge requirements
- 9:00 a.m. – Participants form 2 groups
 - Fly casting instruction
 - Fly tying instruction
 - At 10:30 a.m., groups switch
- 12:00 p.m. - Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – Continued fly casting/fly tying instruction
- 4:00 p.m. – Get ready for the evening hatch! Fishing until dusk.



This program is subject to change based on weather conditions and other factors

Fees:

- ◆ Reserve your weekend with non-refundable deposit of \$25 per Scout or leader. Balance will be due 30 days prior to your weekend. See schedule for your due date.
- ◆ Weekend: \$60 per Scout or leader (LDS schedule available at reduced rates.)
- ◆ One day: \$25 per Scout or leader
- ◆ Scholarships are available through the Denver Area Council.
- ◆ Price includes: meals (Saturday breakfast through Sunday breakfast) and snacks, lodging, equipment, all activities, souvenir patch and fly box.
- ◆ Flies and other souvenirs, shirts and other items available at Trading Post
- ◆ **Balance of fees due no later than 30 days prior to your session. Due to the popularity of this program, if your fees are not paid on time, your reservations are subject to immediate cancellation.**



Required Gear:

Scouting Ten Essentials
Camping Gear/Sleeping bag
2 pair of sturdy shoes, boots or high-top sneakers*
Rain/Snow Gear
Personal kit (deodorant, soap, towel, etc.)
Lantern/Flashlight
Water bottle
Backpack or day pack
Jacket/sweater
2 pair of long pants
4 pair of long socks
1 long sleeved shirt, 1-2 short-sleeved shirts
Class A uniform to be worn at evening meals
Open mind and smiles

Summary:

You may be able to go fishing every once in a while, and you may end up catching some fish, but the real gem in the "Hooked on Tahosa" program is that it provides far more than a walk down to the pond. You can learn about the art and precision of nature at its best. Fly fishing at Camp Tahosa can teach you how fish find their food, how you can replicate some of the natural food items fish eat, how you can tell where the fish are feeding and on what, and get to know and experience your natural resources through fly fishing. Become a better naturalist, fisherman, and good steward of the environment through the weekend of fly fishing at Tahosa. We will practice Catch and Release while in this program.

Optional Gear:

Sunscreen
Sunglasses
Fishing gear (shore fishing only)
Hat
Insect repellent
Knife

Gear Provided by Camp Tahosa:

Fly Rod and Reel
Fly tying vise and materials
Nets, hemostats and other supplies
A fly box with 6 flies



For more information, please contact Fred Nibling at (303) 985-5941 or Bruce Brown at (303) 981-1243 by email at: hookedontahosa@comcast.net



"HOOKED ON TAHOSEA" 2010 REGISTRATION

- ❶ Must be 12 years old or older by January 1, 2010 to register!
- ❷ Registrations are accepted on a first come first serve basis, **minimum \$25.00 non-refundable deposit required.**
- ❸ Each participant must have completed a registration and health history form 30 days prior to the start of the course.
- ❹ No refunds unless Fishing Director cancels course. Fees can be transferred to other participants.
- ❺ Return registration form to: Mary Ann Romero, Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America; 10455 West 6th Avenue; Suite 100; Denver CO 80215.
- ❻ For any additional questions or comments – website: www.denverboyscouts.org or email: camping@denverboyscouts.org.

Group or Unit # _____ Group Size _____

Leader's Name _____

Scout's Name _____ Birth Date _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone (Day Time) _____ (Evening Time) _____

Email _____

Available Dates and Fees (Please circle your choice – LDS Sessions available)

September 18 (1 day; \$25) September 24-26 (3 day; \$60) October 2 (1 day; \$25) October 8-10 (3 day; \$60)

Health History

Health/Accident Insurance Co. _____ Policy # _____

Have (✓ if yes):

() Asthma () Fainting () Diabetes () Heart trouble
() Bleeding () Convulsions () Allergies (medication, food, insect toxin)

Difficulty with (✓ if yes):

() Digestion () Lungs () Eyes, Ears, Throat

Current conditions requiring medication/other special care. Name of medication. _____

Restrictions of activity for medical reason? Explain _____

Parent Authorization (Youth under age 18)

This health history is correct as far as I know, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed activities, except as noted by me. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I give my permission to the physician, selected by the adult leader in charge, to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or to order injection.

Signature _____ Date _____

Home Telephone _____ Work Telephone _____

Authorization (Adult Participation)

This health history is correct as far as I know. In the event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician, selected by the adult leader in charge, to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or order injection for myself if I am unable.

Signature _____ Date _____

Home Telephone _____ Work Telephone _____

I grant my permission to use any photographs taken at Camp Tahosa to further the mission of the Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Participant's initials: _____