



## Troop 175 Event Report Base Camp 2003

When: Aug 1-8, 2003  
Where: Lake Florence

### Scouts

Adam B, Ben D, Ryan F, Jackson F, Patrick H, Dane H, Victor H, John H, Reed L, Zachary L, Matt M, Kevin N, Ryan S, Matt T, Sam W

### Adults

Tom Duddy, Carole Hedstrom, Brad Hedstrom, Kevin Lemans, Russell Leonard, Daryl Spartz, Neil Tsubota

### Location

The south shore of Lake Florence in the Central Sierras

### Trip Summary

The Troop' annual wilderness camping experience for younger scouts was again a success. The objective of this trip is to teach scouts the outdoor skills required for "The Fifty" backpacking trip and other wilderness trips. Scouts also make significant progress on rank advancement.

This year a couple of minor injuries tested the first aid skills and preparedness of both the scouts and the adult leaders.

The week ended with the welcoming of the older scouts returning to Lake Florence after 8 days of backpacking up to Italy Pass and back. Everyone celebrated with smoked oysters, huge steaks, and, of course, the largest bonfire ever seen on the lake.



In the Axe Yard



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Loading up for the ferry—so much for packing light!



Jackson F, Victor H, Ryan F, Patrick H, Adam B, Matt T, and Ryan S



A warm water swim



Flag Ceremony



Rafting in the lake



Our Campsite