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Climb Smart 2011

October 21-23

Joshua Tree National Park

Joshua Tree Lake Campground, and the main Park climbing areas

2601 Sunfair Road
Joshua Tree, CA 92252

Dear Friends,

Thank you for registering for the Climb Smart Weekend. We have a lot of great activities planned, and your support will help the volunteer efforts of the Joshua Tree Search and Rescue Team, The Friends of Joshua Tree, Climbers Coffee, the Access Fund and of course the Park we all cherish as one of the premiere climbing areas in America.

The following information will help you prepare for the weekend. More information will be available at check-in (JT Lake Campground).

WHAT TO BRING

- Water – 1 Gal. per person per day.
- Sunblock and Chapstick, Sunglasses with strap
- Hat with full brim and chin strap
- Layered clothing – warm layers for night
- Flashlight and/or headlamp
- Personal items – toothbrush, toothpaste, towel, medications etc.
- Camping items – tent or ground cloth, sleeping bag, pad, camp chair/lawn chair
- Food – snacks, food (dinner provided Saturday)
- For Hiking: hiking shoes or boots, daypack
- For Climbing: harness, climbing shoes, helmet (some group gear will be available)
- Volunteer Park Service Project: work gloves
- Personal eating implements and vessels (going minimum waste this year!)

Notes: 1) climbing shoes are available for rental at Nomad Ventures in Joshua Tree if you arrive early, and Evolve and other sponsors will have many test pair on site for free.

2) Everyone will be required to sign a liability release form at check-in. Anyone under 18 will need a parent or guardian's signature.

Detailed Schedule

Possible temp. range: 40-85 deg.F

Friday:

4pm to 10 PM Check-in at Joshua Tree Lake Campground Climb Smart corral area, where sponsor booths are located and the main event tent. Receive final schedule, clinic and camping and parking assignments, directions and raffle ticket. If you ARRIVE AFTER 10PM, pick a regular site in the campground and set up. At 7am Saturday you can check-in at registration in the main tent. You can move later if desired, but it will not be necessary.

Participants are encouraged to arrange ride-sharing from JT Lake Camp site to the clinic/climbing/service project sites in the Park.

2:00PM, Camping opens at the Climb Smart campgrounds at Joshua Tree Lake Campgrounds, 2601 Sunfair Rd., Joshua Tree. Check in at the big tent near the asphalt parking lot (in about 100 yards from Sunfair) to get camping/parking assignments.

Saturday Morning

7:00 to 10:30 AM Registration continues at Joshua Tree Lake Campground, self-powered breakfast and stretching. Arriving after 10am will miss the first clinic start, so check in at the tent for exact clinic locations in the Park.

8:30 AM Saturday Morning gathering at Joshua Tree Lake Campground: **climbing skills review, belaying, tying in, and more (belay checks required for all participants at Open Climbing clinics).**

10:30 Clinics begin (See CS11 Clinic Schedule for details), and continue through 4:30PM with a break for lunch. The first park project is scheduled during the afternoon.

5:30 to 11PM settle in and entertainment at the Joshua Tree Lake Campground: Dinner provided for all registrants at 5:30PM followed by an evening party with raffles (featuring Lynn Hill presentation), auctions, music (Cactus Pricks and Kurt Smith DJ) and much fun! Tom O'Key's stargazing presentation will finish the evening.

Sunday

6:30 to 8:30 AM Self-powered breakfast, stretching

8:30 Clinics, top-roping sessions, and Park projects begin (see CS11 Clinic Schedule)

1:30 Final raffle and wrap-up.

Note: We will have to pack up camp by 2pm.

Directions

To Joshua Tree

From LA:

- Take the Interstate 10 Freeway East
- Exit to State Hwy 62 (Twenty Nine Palms Hwy), exit #117 (just after White Water)
- From this exit, JT is about ½ hour.

From San Diego:

- Take the Interstate 15 Fwy. North
- Merge to the Interstate 215 Fwy. North in Murrieta
- Exit to State Hwy. 60 Fwy. East, towards Palm Springs
- Exit to State Hwy 62 (Twenty Nine Palms Hwy), exit #117 (just after White Water)
- From this exit, JT is about ½ hour.

To Nomad Ventures:

- South West corner of Hwy. 62 (Twenty Nine Palms Hwy.) and Park Blvd. (which is the main entrance to the Park), at the traffic light.

To the Joshua Tree Lake Campground

From the corner of Park Blvd. and Hwy 62:

- Take Hwy. 62 (Twenty Nine Palms Hwy.) East
- Approx. 3 miles, turn left on Sunfair Road.
- Turn RIGHT in **4.7 miles** on driveway to the Joshua Tree Lake Campground, and continue straight until you see the large event tent

If you decide to join us for the camping Saturday night, there is still limited space available. You can obtain a camping pass at registration for Climb Smart at the Joshua Tree Lake Campground.

Climb Smart HQ address is the Joshua Tree Lake Campground;

**2601 Sunfair Road
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