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ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರದಿದ್ದರೆ "ನಮ್ಮ KKNC APP" ಮೂಲಕ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಿ.

KKNC 2017 camping registration is still open for the last minute planners. We have very few cabin beds & tents available. For booking use "Namma KKNC" App. Please purchase your tent slots ASAP. All spots will be allocated on first come first serve basis. There will be transaction fee of \$2.5 / transaction, once you make the payment, please send the email to <u>kknc2017.camping@gmail.com</u>, and for any clarification. **Camp Date : Aug 18th, 19th, 20th (Friday evening, Saturday, Sunday) Camp Ground address: 21700 Little Basin Rd, Boulder Creek, CA 95006 Contact Suresh Bedare: 408-505-3139 & Aabhijith prabhudey: 408-368-2182**

Note: Whoever already paid by check & cash, please ignore this message

Camping Details

Camp Date & Ground address:

Contact Suresh Bedare: <u>408-505-3139</u> & Aabhijith prabhudev: <u>408-368-2182</u> **Date:** Starting Friday 08/18 4pm onwards to Sunday 08/20 **Address:** 21700 Little Basin Rd, Boulder Creek, CA 95006. To know more about the camp site visit: <u>http://littlebasin.org/</u>

Camping Location: Little basin Location:

https://www.google.com/maps/place/Little+Basin+State+Park/@37.1571705,-122.2037438,17.27z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x808e522317c60a47:0x1564f02e1c202b5d!8m2!3d37.1575505!4d-122.2018691

We are sure you are excited !!! Eagerly looking forward to have fun with family and friends? Yes, we are too...

Please note, Safety is everybody's responsibility. Please watch out for kids, trails and animals. Beware of forest fires and be careful around campfires and fire pits in general.

This year we are promoting for "GO GREEN" @ KKNC camping. Usually we use a lot of 'use and throw plates/glasses/spoons/bowls'. This year we are out from drought, so let's join hands for "GO GREEN" for this year with KKNC camping committee. Please bring your own reusable plates/spoons/water bottle/Water cups,coffee mugs. KKNC is counting on all your support on "GO GREEN" program and we are planning accordingly. There will very very limited use & throw plates/glasses/spoons/bowls which are only as backup. So do not forget to bring your own plates & cups.

Friday Aug 18th: Please plan to come After 4pm & before 6pm to the camp site, put your tents and relax. It's just an 1 & 1/2 hour journey from Silicon valley. Friday Evening there will be too much traffic on CA 17, please plan accordingly.

Sunday 20th: Wind-up from noon before 4pm from camp-site. Don't rush leave camp-site. Socialize and help us in cleaning, packing and loading.

Park your cars at designated parking lot at the entrance.

Campers Check List

KKNC summer camps are extreme fun and high tempo socialization events. We want to make sure you will enjoy the camp. Here is a detailed list.

If you are sleeping in the Tent, then following items required

- 1. Please confirm early for installing the tent in day light
- 2. Are you first time camping? Then you need to buy a tent for 3/4/ person's "Coleman tent" at Costco/Walmart/any shop. Costs may be from \$40 to \$100.
- 3. Watch videos in the youtube on how to install the tents
- 4. Open umbrella (Optional). 10 ft X 18 ft Tarp (\$25 Max)
- 5. Flooding Chairs (Optional). (\$10 to 25 Max)
- 6. Flooding beds (Optional)
- 7. Hammer
- 8. Need comforters, sleeping bags, pillows, spread sheets for in the night, Even though this is a summer session, around mid night it will be chilled/cold
- 9. For kids, please bring proper cloths e.g. jackets, sweater, cap etc..
- 10. Don't keep any valuable items in the tent, we are not responsible for any loss of items

If you are sleeping in the Cabin, then following item required

- 1. Cabins comes with bunk bed and cushion, each cabin have 8/12 beds in the cabin, these cabins are on sharable basis
- 2. Cabins are designed for group camping. We strive to keep families together in the same cabin but sometimes may have to request adult males to accept a berth at an adjacent cabin. TIA.
- 3. They are 4 ft wide, one person can sleep comfortable. Bring a spread sheet, pillow, comforter and a battery operated night light. Cabins are cozy as well as heated.
- 4. Please keep cabins door always close, Mosquito will be there around the cabin, so bring the Mosquito repellent spray
- 5. Some of cabin has electric power plug point for mobile charging, small FAN, small heater
- 6. Don't keep any valuable items in the cabin, we are not responsible for any loss of items

Be ready with following items for any time, some of the items are optional, but try to bring all the items in the below check list,

- 1. Warm jackets
- 2. Caps (regular, monkey caps)
- 3. Shawls
- 4. Hiking shoes
- 5. Umbrella
- 6. Water bottles
- 7. Energy bars (for tough hikers)
- 8. Flash lights (Head mounter preferable)
- 9. Medicine that you may take
- 10. First aid kit
- 11. Sports equipment
- 12. AA and AAA batteries
- 13. Cell phone chargers
- 14. Karaoke tracks
- 15. Personal clothing
- 16. Tooth brush, paste, soap, towels
- 17. Paper towel rolls
- 18. Trash bag
- 19. May be a jump starter
- 20. Sunglasses
- 21. Bug and bee bite kit (if you have one. \$10)
- 22. Sunscreen
- 23. Mosquito repellent spray
- 24. Special food for you / your family/your kid (Like peanut free food)
- 25. etc

Directions: Alternate directions if you are not taking google/yahoo directions. **from Bay Area**:

Take Saratoga Avenue south in San Jose - Hway 9 - Hway 236-pass Big Basin- go further about 6 miles on 236 then make a right on to Little Basin Road (Country Road).

First timers, don't worry. Organizers are seasoned campers and will pitch in and help you if you have any difficulty

Arrival Time: Jul 29th 4PM onwards. Start early to beat traffic near Los Gatos. Also, it is easier to drive on curvy roads during day light :-)

NOTE: This time the campground management has shifted to state parks. To ensure campground exclusivity, rangers want everyone to have an authorized wrist band.

What to expect at KKNC Camping?

- Registrants will have to bring their OWN TENTS (if you have registered for tent camping) and pitch them at the campground - See below on "Where to pitch the Tents"
- KKNC membership team assigns cabins/tent spots after verification of registrants on Friday afternoon starting at 4 PM.
- Each cabin will have 7 to 9 bunker beds and will be shared with different families
- KKNC provides snacks, breakfast, lunch and dinner (see details below)
- KKNC plans all the outdoor activities including volleyball, cricket, campfire and entertainment activities (see details below)
- All the registrants will have to pack up their tents/cabins and be ready to check out before 11 AM on Sunday-07/31/2016
- KKNC will not provide transportation to the campground- you will have to arrange for your own transportation.
- KKNC will arrange for wooden logs for camp fire
- There are two bathrooms/shower house for the whole camp
- Additional portable toilets will be arranged at the campsite
- Restricted parking in camping area, please park in designated areas else the park ranger will give you ticket
- KKNC Serves food prepared by volunteers
- We need volunteers to transport food items, managing the dining area, food serving, cutting vegetables and fruits, help in cooking and cleaning. If you wish to volunteer please contact Suresh Bedare, Siddu Rati, Raj Banakar at the campsite

Where to pitch the tents?

Check the map below. This year since the park is shifted under the State Park authorities, they have new regulations. Deer Meadow area (next to the kitchen area and amphitheater) where most Tents were pitched has a restriction - ONLY 50 ADULTS can stay there - i.e, not more than 20 TENTS. This area will also have a lot of foot traffic and noise.

We highly recommend to pitch your tents at the various numbered spots next to the cabins. This area is filled with woods and very beautiful. You can also camp at Ruppel's Roost at the very bottom of the map (behind parking). This is an open area. We have the entire campground to ourselves.

What to bring?

- Lots and lots of energy
- Tents: If you have registered for tent camping- bring your own tent and necessary accessories required to pitch in the tent. Double check the accessories like stakes, tarp, top cover etc.
- All the personal things needed for camping example insect repellents, sun screen, hats, sun glasses, pillows, blankets, first aid kit, medicines, flash lights, car chargers etc
- Flash lights are an absolute necessity. <u>Headlamps</u> are also very helpful.
- CABIN registrants Please bring bedspreads, pillows and comforters for your bunk beds
- Air Bed, Sleeping bag, lantern for tent/cabin, water bottles, container
- If you are particular about Water, please bring your own Water Bottles. Also, get water bottles to carry for hikes
- Outdoor Beach Chairs (foldable), Yoga Mat(s)

- Snack bars for hiking, Gatorade
- Come prepared with layered clothing, hiking shoes or sports shoes
- We provide couple of general cereals for breakfast, please bring any specific food needs with you in case you have allergies.
- Nights may be cold bring an extra blanket/jacket
- Steel plates/cups (help to reduce carbon foot-print!)
- Any games you would like to play other than those organized by KKNC- Frisbee, shuttle badminton etc. Get your own Shuttle Badminton rackets, volleyball, tennis balls etc.
- The nearest convenience store is at least 20 miles- so please bring all of your personal items- tooth brush, paste, soap, towels etc
- GPS and Cell phones have limited range and may not work. Hence don't fully depend on these
 gadgets
- Bring your own ice box for keeping your personal items in case if there are any special needs for
 particular food for kids etc.
- Fill up your Gas Tanks....There are no GAS STATIONS nearby!!!
- Bring your yoga mats for yoga practice in the morning
- Please note you are responsible for items you bring and KKNC will not be responsible for any of your personal items.

Safety

- Safety is everybody's responsibility. Please note that the camping is being organized by volunteers.
- Please keep an eye on your kids at all times. Campground is a huge space.
- Fire Be extra careful around campfire, kitchen and fire pits. Amphitheater campfire is huge and while you or your kids want the warmth, it is not a good idea to get too close. Kids love S'mores but please please please be careful and watch your kids around marshmallow pits.
- Animals! You are in the middle of woods. So expect animals, mainly Raccoons, deer and bugs. We have not spotted snakes or any other scary animals in the campings before, but you never know.
- Poison ivy/oak Watch out. We don't want to see you with rashes

Clean up!!

As mentioned several times, organizers are volunteers and they cannot be everywhere at all times. Also, by Sunday morning everyone is tired and it's impossible to cover hundreds of acres looking for paper plates, thrown away food and styrofoam cups. KKNC gets charged with a hefty fine if we leave trash on the campground and we may need to come back and ask you for more money! All campers are usually super helpful, but on Sunday morning everyone is busy packing up. Hence we are sincerely requesting your help to clean up.

- Please throw your trash in garbage cans. If a garbage can is full, please ask a volunteer for a new trash bag
- Watch where your kids are eating. Usually they walk away with plates and leave them once they are done
- Plastic bags, water bottles, paper towels, plastic spoons Please put them to trash even if it was not you who dropped it on the floor

Please do not hesitate to reach us out if you have any questions or need clarifications at <u>kknc2017.camping@gmail.com</u>

KKNC does not refund any money if you are not attending the camping as it is too late to find replacements.

AND PLEASE BRING CASH OR CHEQUE TO BUY KANNADOTSAVA TICKETS

Let us all have fun together & make this camping weekend a memorable one.

An important message about the restrooms in Camping ground

The camping grounds authorities are renovating camping grounds. They have closed a couple of rest rooms & shower rooms in women's & men's area. They have provided alternate rooms for the ones that are being renovated. They have requested us not to use the ones that are being renovated. The KKNC committee has promised them to help them in this regard. So we would like to request all our registered camping members to help us keep our promise. So please do not use these closed areas. There will be closed signs, please do not ignore them. It will be a bad remark on all kannadigas and for the whole group. Thank you for your support.