

🌲 Southern Expedition 2025 – Important Update! ☁️

Greetings Pathfinders & Leaders,

We're incredibly grateful we made the difficult decision last week to change the original expedition location. With the ongoing rainfall, the original site may have led to a full cancellation. Thankfully, we've secured a new location with significantly less rain, promising a much more enjoyable and safer weekend together.



📍 New Location:

This year's **Southern Expedition** will be held at **Goulburn River National Park**, approximately **190 km from Cooranbong**. Our **base camp will be on private property** with direct access to the park. The precise location will be shared in a follow-up update.

📖 Program Format Update:

Due to the quick venue change, the program will also be slightly adjusted. This year, instead of a traditional rogain, we'll be using a **point-to-point format with coordinates**.

🔑 Key Details:

- **Registration:** Submit group name, members, and grade level (A, B, C, or D).
- **Group Size:** Ideal size is 6–12 members, with at least **one adult (18+)** per group.
- **Camping Setup:**
 - Friday night: **Base camp for all grades.**
 - **D Grade & C Grade:** Designated base camps.
 - **A & B Grades:** Option to **remote camp.**
- **Water & Toilets:**
 - No water at A grade remote sites – bring in or source, filter, and purify your own.
 - Bulk water will be available at main base camps.
 - Traditional **drop toilets will be installed.**
- **Campfire:** Ample firewood is available.
- **Site Rules:** Respect all exclusion zones around private buildings. **Close any gates** you open.
- **Arrival & Departure:**


- Registration opens **Friday at 2:00 PM** – please **do not arrive earlier**.
- All participants must **carry their own packs** into base camp.
- Expedition concludes **Monday at 12:00 PM** – clubs must check out at the de-registration point before departure.
- **Safety Note:**
The area has **tiger pear cactus**. Leaders should carry a **multitool** (e.g., the **SCA Mini 12-in-1** from Supercheap Auto, approx. \$10) in their first aid kits to remove barbs if needed.

What to expect from the Tiger Pear:



Updated Registration Link

Please complete the link sent via email as soon as you can.

 Thank you for your continued **flexibility and understanding** as we navigate this year's weather-related changes. We look forward to an incredible and memorable expedition experience!

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