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Greater Los Angeles Scouting to Reopen Camp Cherry Valley Summer Scout Camp In 2026, After Restoration and Expansion

Scouts and Pacific Treasure Foundation Usher in a New Era for Catalina's Iconic Camp

Catalina Island, Calif. – August 11, 2025 — After more than a century of shaping young lives through outdoor leadership and adventure, Greater Los Angeles Scouting will reopen Camp Cherry Valley in summer 2026, following an extensive restoration led by Pacific Treasure Foundation, a pioneering year-round outdoor education organization.

When Camp Cherry Valley closed following its 100th anniversary in 2023 due to the expiration of its lease, Scout leaders, alumni, and families immediately began looking toward the day it could reopen. The outpouring of affection for the camp underscored its lasting impact and fueled the commitment to bring it back for future generations.

“We know how deeply Camp Cherry Valley is woven into the lives of Scouts, alumni, and families,” said Steven J. Rothans, Board Chairman and President of Greater Los Angeles Scouting. “From the moment our lease expired, we began working toward the day we could welcome everyone back. Now, through this partnership with Pacific Treasure Foundation, we are honoring the camp’s rich history while creating an even more accessible and dynamic future for generations of youth.”

First opened by the Scouts in 1923, Camp Cherry Valley has welcomed over one million youth to its shores. Nestled in Cherry Cove on Santa Catalina Island, the camp is renowned for its calm, crystal-clear waters, historic charm, and life-changing programming.

Camp Cherry Valley has shaped generations of leaders and we’re proud to launch the next 100 years of this incredible place.

2026 Camp Cherry Valley Summer Schedule:

- 8 Weeks of Scout and Cub Resident Camp beginning at the end of May through mid-August
- Capacity: 300 participants per week

What's New in 2026:

- **New Dock**– Rebuilt to original appearance using modern, durable materials with 3,000sqft swim platform
- **Restored Camp Facilities** – Kitchen, dining hall, restrooms, and infrastructure upgraded for safety and sustainability
- **Upgraded Campsites** – New tents, cots, mattresses, trails, and platforms across camp
- **Enhanced Program Areas** – Modernized archery and rifle ranges, all-new equipment and a refreshed trading post
- **Technology & Access** – Internet connectivity and expanded support services
- **Legacy Staff** – The return of Camp Cherry Valley's experienced and beloved camp staff

Timeline:

- **August 2025** – Deposits taken
- **Fall 2025** – Priority registration opens
- **Spring 2026** – Rededication celebration and Camp Cherry Valley tours
- **Summer 2026** – Camp Cherry Valley officially reopens

Be part of Camp Cherry Valley's next chapter, register, volunteer, or donate today at www.campcherryvalley.org

About Greater Los Angeles Scouting

Greater Los Angeles Scouting serves over 12,000 youth annually with programs focused on leadership, service, and outdoor education. <https://greaterlascouting.org/>

About Pacific Treasure Foundation

Pacific Treasure Foundation protects and preserves Pacific Coast marine ecosystems through research, conservation, education, and community engagement. <https://pacifictreasure.org/>

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