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Cutter Scout Reservation, Pacific Skyline Council, CA

JOTA from Cutter Scout Reservation was an interesting event. The scouts were very enthusiastic and if band conditions had been better we would have had a few more contacts. As it is we only had three solid contacts through the day but were able to have several scouts talk on the radio during each contact.

Successes:

- Scouts assisted in the raising of the G5RV antenna
- All scouts received a certificate for participating in the event
- We listened to JOTA stations in Germany, UK and Japan.
- 19 scouts we able to talk to other scouts in Washington State and Oregon
- Holding JOTA at a Counsel event was a key success

Learning:

- Pick a taller Redwood tree for the antenna next year.
- Consider setting up a JOTA event on the USS Hornet Museum or the Liberty ship Jeremiah O'Brien in 2012
- Recruit additional control operators

We definitely want to do this event again. We are not sure if we have the right location, but the scouts who participated enjoyed the event.