SAR LEG CIRCUIT – 4 weeks

- 1. Warm-up with stretches and low-intensity cardio.
- 2. Perform ONE set of 20 repetitions of each exercise THREE times a week. Do all the three exercises with minimal rest in between. Add 10 repetitions each week for a total of 4 weeks.

SQUAT x 20

Squat down to touch a chair, bench or a rock. Medium to fast tempo. Keep the hands behind the head.



STEP-UP x 20 Step up on a stable chair, bench, stair or a rock. Alternate the stepping leg.



WALKING LUNGES x 20

Perform a series of forward lunges (or stationary if you don't have space). Keep the hands on the waist.



- 3. Don't do exercises that cause joint pain or do not feel 'right'.
- 4. If the exercises are not challenging, please add a backpack for additional resistance.

SQUAT x 20 (BACKPACK)

Squat down to touch a chair, bench or a rock. Medium to fast tempo. Keep the hands behind the head. **STEP-UP x 20 (BACKPACK)** Step up on a stable chair, bench, stair or a rock. Alternate the stepping leg. WALKING LUNGES x 20 (BACKPACK) Perform a series of forward lunges (or stationary if you don't have space). Keep the hands on the waist.



VIDEO LINK TO THE LEG CIRCUIT: https://vimeo.com/507152528/c5d1e026a2

Links to articles/exercise programs (includes commercial websites):

Training for hiking https://www.ptonthenet.com/articles/Training-for-Hiking-2700

Training for hiking REI, VIDEO https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IrESF9eecxk

More challenging home workouts (rucking and crossfit-style) https://blog.goruck.com/rucking-training/4-ways-to-keep-training-during-self-isolation-from-coronavirus/

Other relevant fitness resources:

Backpacker magazine's fitness tips https://www.backpacker.com/skills/fitness

EMS Injury Prevention program <u>https://www.ems1.com/fitness/articles/an-ems-injury-prevention-training-program-to-get-strong-4J2M1Cg9xPgA2AJ5/</u>

Fit responder website https://www.fitresponder.com/

Outside Magazine Online https://www.outsideonline.com/2410573/home-workouts

Mountain Tactical Institute ('Military Fitness') https://mtntactical.com/knowledge/gym-closure-training-plans/

Injury prevention for hiking <u>https://modernconservationist.com/hiking-fitness-preventing-injuries-through-proper-form-and-function/</u>

Injury prevention (knees) <u>https://www.summitstrength.com.au/blog/tft11-training-injury-prevention-and-mental-strength-for-hiking</u>

Nutrition:

Lots of useful information here https://www.nutrition.gov/topics/basic-nutrition/healthy-eating