



1st Cheddington Family Camp 3 – 5 October 2008

Thank you for expressing an interest in our family camp. We have had an overwhelming response and our numbers are nearly up to 100! The planning is now well underway and this letter is to give you some further details.

Campsite The campsite is Thriftwood Scout Campsite in Brentwood, Essex (www.thriftwood.org.uk) and the camp will be held on 3 – 5 October 2008. We have booked two camping areas on the site and a small hut which will be used for cooking but please note that there is no indoor accommodation.

Activities The outline programme for the camp is attached to this letter; you will see that we have booked a number of exciting activities for everyone to take part in including archery, air rifles, climbing and canoeing. There will also be plenty of free time to enjoy the site with your family and to 'chill out'. In order to make the camp run smoothly, everyone will also be expected to assist, on a rota basis, with preparing meals and clearing up.

What do you need to bring? There is a suggested kit list attached to this letter. We have tailored the list specifically to this camp and would regard these items as a minimum. Feel free to bring anything else you think you might need.

In order to sit everyone under shelter at mealtimes we are in need of some gazebos, tables and chairs. If you have a gazebo and/or a folding table that we could use please let us know on the booking form. You will need to bring a chair for everyone in your family.

Help There is a lot of work to do before the camp, preparing activities, shopping for food and organising equipment. If you would like to help with any of these, please let us know on the form.

Booking form Please fill in the attached form to confirm your attendance. The form must be accompanied by full payment and returned to Ian Hale (2 Church Hill). The cost per head will be £36 per adult and £30 per child, under fives are free.

Camp Meeting In order to give everybody a final briefing and sort out any final questions, we will be holding a pre-camp meeting at 8:30pm on Wednesday 17th September after cubs. Please make a note of the date and come along to find out more. Children are not essential but are welcome to come along should you wish.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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1st Cheddington Family Camp 3 – 5 October 2008 Overview Programme

Friday 3rd

18:00 onwards Arrive on site, pitch tents, set up rest of camp.
You are welcome to arrive earlier if you wish

20:00 Dinner

23:00ish Adults chill out time

Saturday 4th

08:00 Breakfast

10:00 – 13:00 Activities

13:15 Lunch

14:00 – 17:00 Activities

18:30 Dinner

20:30 Camp Fire

22:00 Childrens supper
Chill out time for Adults

Sunday 5th

08:30 Breakfast

10:00 – 12:00 Camp Olympics

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Clear away

15:30 Closing ceremony

16:00 Leave site, return to Scout Hut to unload

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**Please delete as applicable*

We will need to borrow a tent from the Scout Group *Yes / No

We have a Gazebo which we can bring if needed *Yes / No

We have a portable/folding table which we can bring if needed (which seats _____ people) *Yes / No

We would be willing to help with the organisation before the event *Yes / No

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| We give permission for our children to take part in: | Archery | *Yes / No |
| | Air rifle shooting | *Yes / No |
| | Climbing | *Yes / No |
| | Water activities | *Yes / No |

We understand that we remain responsible for our own children throughout the weekend.

We enclose a cheque/cash for £-_____
(please make cheques payable to 1st Cheddington Scout Group)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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Suggested Kit List

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Waterproof coat (or warm coat and cagoule) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wash kit (flannel, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat and gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Nightwear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warm jumpers or fleeces | <input type="checkbox"/> Towels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shirts/tee-shirts | <input type="checkbox"/> Medication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One set of old clothes including shoes for canoeing | <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic bags or sacks for dirty washing/boots |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trousers | <input type="checkbox"/> Named refillable drinks bottle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts | <input type="checkbox"/> Spare shoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underwear and socks | <input type="checkbox"/> Books or quiet games |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking boots or wellies | <input type="checkbox"/> Sun cream (weather permitting) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping bag or bedding | <input type="checkbox"/> Torch and spare batteries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pillow | <input type="checkbox"/> Camping Chair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roll mat or airbed | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera/film (optional) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blanket (if required) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheap white t-shirt for decorating |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eating kit (unbreakable plate, bowl, cup) | <input type="checkbox"/> Games/Sports equipment (optional) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cutlery (knife, fork, spoon) | <input type="checkbox"/> Spending money |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tea Towel(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol/soft drinks for chill out time |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gazebo (if required) | <input type="checkbox"/> Table (if required) |

Notes

1. The Scout Group cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to any personal effects and the Scout Association does not provide automatic insurance for such items.
2. **All equipment and clothing should be clearly marked with the owner's name;** engraving or permanent ink are far better than nail varnish or stuck on labels. This particularly applies to eating kits and cutlery.
3. Kit should be packed in holdalls or rucksacks rather than suitcases.
4. Due to the nature of camps and activities, it is advisable to bring old clothing and footwear as there is a good chance they will get very wet, dirty and/or damaged.
5. Please bring a few cakes to be handed into the kitchen for 'breaktimes'

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