

2015 Scout Summer Camp
Gilwell Ada's Hoeve, Ommen,
Netherlands

1st to 14th August 2015

Information for
Parents

Summer Camp 2015

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This document is to give you some final details of this year's summer camp, make you aware of some important dates and times and clarify some points about personal equipment.

Included in here are:

1. Personal Equipment
2. Travel Arrangements
3. Nights Away Permission Form
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1. Personal Equipment

Thursday 30th July – Personal Equipment Drop Off

All personal equipment must be brought to the Scout Hut on Thursday 30th July between 18:00 and 19:00.

A suggested kit list for personal equipment can be found on the Scout Troop web site at www.1stbenrhyddingscouts.org.uk. The kit list also makes suggestions for how it should be packed, and please make sure that your bag is clearly labelled with your child's name.

When you bring your personal equipment, please report to one of the Scout section leaders so we know that you have brought your equipment.

As you can imagine, with everyone bringing their personal equipment down on that evening it is going to be very busy. Therefore, for safety reasons there will be no cars allowed into the Scout Hut car park, and can you please not park at the bottom of the drive.

Equipment notes

Scouts should have two bags to drop off:

1. Rucksack containing personal equipment for the Camp Week
2. Bag containing personal equipment for the Hospitality Week.

Camp Week Rucksack

The maximum weight of the rucksack for the camp week is 15kg and this must include any camp chair or stool.

Hospitality Week Bag

The maximum weight of the bag for the hospitality week is 10kg.

Jet2 bag measurements for cabin baggage are for a bag no heavier than 10kg and no larger than 56cm x 45 cm x 25cm. For more information check the Jet2 website at www.jet2.com/faqs/baggage

Please remember to remind Scouts that they may need to swap some equipment from their camp bag to their hospitality bag, such as swimming kit or wash kit. They will not have any access to their camp bag during hospitality week.

Please also remind Scouts not to buy anything heavy or to bring back liquids.

Kit List

A suggested kit list for personal equipment can be found on the Scout Troop web site at www.1stbenrhyddingscouts.org.uk under the "Useful Information" section. Please see the Kit List called "Kit List – Summer Camp (Holland)". The kit list also makes suggestions for how it should be packed, and please make sure that your bag is clearly labelled with your child's name and their section - SCOUTS.

Please note the restricted items that are not allowed on camp, namely electrical items such as mobile phone, iPod, MP3 player. Camp is an active place, and we will be off site on a number of occasions therefore it cannot be guaranteed that items will remain safe. If any items are taken to camp the leaders will not be responsible for them. It is great if your child wants to take photographs, but we recommend a disposable camera or an old digital camera that it doesn't matter if it gets lost or broken.

Mobile phones can be counterproductive if your child occasionally feels homesick. It is far better that you encourage your child to speak with one of the leaders if they are concerned.

2. Travel Arrangements

Saturday 1st August 2015 – Outward journey

We will be departing from Holland on Saturday 1st August 2015. **You must meet at the Scout Hut at 13:30 prompt.** Please make sure that you have eaten lunch before you come.

Full uniform must be worn, including Scout Trousers, and wear your walking boots.

Please also bring a daysack with a **packed tea for Saturday evening and breakfast for Sunday morning**. **Please note that fizzy drinks are not allowed and will be confiscated if a Leader find that they have been brought.**

Also have and a full water bottle (reusable for the week), t-shirt and shorts to change in to when we arrive on site, waterproofs, sun hat and sun cream, and any medication you may need on the journey.

If your child needs to take travel sickness tablets, please ensure they have taken them before arrival, and have a supply available for the return.

Friday 14th August 2015 – Return journey

We will be returning from camp on Friday 14th August 2015 into Leeds Bradford Airport. Expected arrival time is 19:40. Please arrange for your child to be collected from the airport arrivals area.

You can keep a check on whether the flight is on time by visiting the Leeds Bradford Airport website at www.leedsbradfordairport.co.uk/arrivals-departures

Personal equipment can be collected from the Scout Hut from 14:00 on Saturday 15th August 2015 at 14:00 and no earlier.

3. Nights Away Permission Form

You should all have completed a Nights Away Permission Form with important health, dietary and emergency contact details.

It is important that this information is up to date and accurate, so if anything changes before camp please complete a new form and bring it on Saturday 1st August.

4. Medications

If your child needs to take medication then this should be provided to him or her and have been noted on the Nights Away Permission Form. It is the responsibility of the child to look after their medication, however, if they wish they can give it to a leader to look after at the beginning of the camp. We assume children self-medicate unless you tell us otherwise, and it should be noted on the Nights Away Permission Form.

5. Special Arrangements

If you are collecting Scouts early from Camp and prior to return to the UK on 14th August you should have agreed arrangements before departing for camp.

Please contact Spider on 07095 587645 if you have not yet discussed this or confirmed arrangements

...and finally

Although it may seem that there are a lot of rules, these are just there to help everyone's enjoyment of the camp. We are really looking forward to a great camp and hope that everyone else is too.