



## The Girls Showers... Of DOOM\*



It was the best of times. It was the worst of times. But, this of course, is a complete lie. The day had started off as normal in the Murray sub-camp, although the people seemed unusually sleepy. At first (being but a humble camper) I assumed this was the norm, but now I realise the full severity of the situation. The-girls-can't-shower! I shall elaborate. Whilst I was doing "Celtic Connections" my comrade in this tale was doing the Atholl Experience in the morning. When the activities had finished I waited for my friend to return. When she eventually arrived at camp, we set off for what we thought would be a normal experience. This is important so read carefully. We started at 12:20 PM approximately. There was a line, but being the rational sort, I sat down and waited my turn with my friend. Then the drums started. All of a sudden Xena Warrior Princess came in and told the girls she needed us for a quick quest. Being the brave sort I said, "Hot dang! Well sure Xena!" and was led to the trees with four other girls. We were given chain mail and sharp weapons such as swords and spears. We were then led to the top of the hill and looked down upon a vast wasteland. There in the center was an enormous land-squid half asleep. Xena whispered to us that we should surround it and she mentioned something about sushi. The plan went into action and went smoothly. With one quick blow Xena slayed the beast and began chopping it up with herbs. Nice as this was, I still needed a shower. It took only 10 minutes to return and find my friend still waiting for a shower. A time check registered 12:35 PM. There were three cubicles and all of them full. The one I remember the most was to the far right with a pink towel draped over the top. All of the other cubicles had people come and go except for this one. She still wasn't clean after half an hour. My friend eventually went into the middle cubicle and a few minutes later the girl with the pink towel decided she was done. Excited at the thought of a warm shower I hopped in and turned the tap. COLD WATER!!! I'm not normally the sort to get angry and cry at such small things, but this was an exception. I blame the girl with the pink towel completely, not for turning the hot water off or anything but for making it seem like it was warm. Hate is a powerful word so I'll just say I strongly dislike her. Cleaning your hair in cold water is nasty but I had to. \*violin plays\* So, let this be a warning to all ye bonnie campers. If Xena spirits you away to make sushi, there will still be a line to a cold shower.



The End

Charlotte Mahood, Murray subcamp, Scotland  
\*Some parts may be slightly exaggerated.

### Likes/Dislikes

What have people liked? Someone has gone out and asked people what they have liked and one thing they haven't. Swimming is popular and the same with hiking and boarding but what go a lot of people was the girls showers some say it's not fair because of the boys which have six showers and girls have three

The scores for :

Boarding was 10 liked it.

Swimming 8 liked it, was cold but fun.

Hike 7 liked it, was ace and fun and people felt fresh. On the girls showers front over 17 girls didn't agree with the showers. Let's hope the fun and magic of Blair Atholl should change that.

Ross Lintott - Macdonald - Scotland



### Scout Shop @ The Kross

Glasgow Scout Shop is selling Blair Atholl necessities. "Odds and sorts at great price," says the shopkeeper. The shop is open from 9-2:30 p.m., 1:30-5 p.m., and 7-8:45 p.m. It sells a jubilation of necessities such as camping equipment, gifts, shirts, pins, frisbees, and a whole bunch of other items. The hot item, at the moment, is a sleek personal fan the runs off of batteries that can be transported anywhere.

David Saroka - Murray

### Changes, Changes, Changes

Blair Atholl is a great camp with lots to do but some people would like to see some things that the camp has yet to offer.

"Loads more food! Dammit!!"

Lewis Ferguson-S Lanarkshire

"Talk more at night after 11 Pm. (We have Icelandic's!)"

Craig Lamb-S Lanarkshire

"Where are the Swedes, more girls. (Wink)" staff edit: In the QM store

Eric Mickelson-Riverton Utah

"Less Children onsite."

Staff

"More time with less stress!"

KK Team

18°		High 23°
11:50 EST Sat	Mostly Cloudy	Low 13°

## The Satellite Camp

The satellite camp takes place in the middle weekend of the International Blair Atholl Jamboree. It is for scout and explorers who have a chance to stay for the two weeks in the next few years. Over three hundred scouts are here this year and they come from all over Scotland.

When we got to Blair Atholl it was really, really hot and we had to put up all our tents. Some of us had traveled miles and all we wanted to do was lie down and sleep. But because we were all true scouts we battled through. Finally, after putting up and taking down tents for a good few hours we had dinner. After dinner we had a big camp fire which all the satellite campers attended.

This year, there is a Country Fair on the Saturday for all the scouts. It is where scouts sell and buy different goods from all over the world. We can buy things by swapping or using atholls. Some troops are playing different games and some are selling food and items from their country. Visitors can come to the Country Fair and join in. We are looking forward to this. We are selling Scottish spurtles and tartan woggles. We are also doing different games including juggling hoopla and horse shoes. It should be great fun!!!



Tonight after the Country Fair there is a Scottish Ceilidh in the Kross. People from Scotland will be wearing their kilts and there will be different bands and groups playing music. We are both hoping to go and hope it'll be a success.

Tomorrow we are all being split into different sub-camps for the day. There is also a Barbecue for dinner to which everyone is looking forward and then on Monday, we are packing up all our gear and leaving for the long and tiring trip home. We are hoping we may have a chance in the future to stay in the main camp and be part of the Jamboree. Chelsea Adam - Falkirk / Jennifer Veitch - Girvan, Satellite Campers

### Dundonians @ Satellite Camp

We visited a number of different activities in which some of our friends were taking part in. We first visited the All-Terrain Boarding where participants were riding down a grassy hill with boards. They were shown how to turn in different directions.

We then moved on to the sub-camps, where the Jamboree participants were tidying up the campsite for International Day. Visitors will then be visiting the site and having a look at stalls reflecting the patrols onsite.

Sam O'Connor - 26<sup>th</sup> Dundee/Gordon Kimmet 5<sup>th</sup> Dundee



### Opening words from John Kennedy

The Blair Atholl Satellite Camp opened with a campwide flagbreak and welcoming remarks by Camp Chief John Kennedy. He told the Scouts that the Jamboree is using the same formula that Jack Stewart used

when he started the event 60 years ago. "The principle reason for starting the Satellite Camp is to give younger Scouts an insight into International Scouting so they will want to come back and participate when they are older," Kennedy stated. The campers arrived yesterday and number 350 including staff—the biggest Satellite Camp ever. They have been divided into patrols of 6 and are wearing coloured neckies that correspond to the sub-camp where they have been assigned. Satellite Chief Kenneth Robertson said Friday's Mission Challenge activity featuring different clues the Scouts needed to follow was a success. Everyone completed the challenge and is ready to move on to the next one. Today the Satellite Scouts will be doing morning activities followed by the Country Fair. Tonight the Scouts will attend the International Campfires in their sub-camps and begin the Snooker Challenge. Robertson said, "This involves completing various activities to earn a woggle which corresponds to Snooker ball colours. Red, the lowest challenge, requires a reef knot as one of its activities. Black, the most difficult challenge, requires Scouts to tie a harvesters hitch in addition to other Scout activities. Robertson believes all the Satellites Scouts are up to the challenge and are very excited to be part of the Blair Atholl 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Jamboree..

### Some Views



Ronald – 77<sup>th</sup> Ayrshire (satellite camp)

Ronald is staying at the satellite campsite for the weekend. He has been here a few times and enjoys every minute of it. He is wired to a mars bar!

Some of the activities today:

Pioneering people were making a gate for the Country Fare this afternoon.

Stomp

Scouts were practicing making music for performing tonight at the campfire.

Crafts

People from the satellite camp are having fun in the craft activity.

We are having a great time and looking forward to the rest of the weekend.

By Rachael Shuttleton, 23<sup>rd</sup> Ayrshire/  
Heather McIntyre, 77<sup>th</sup> Ayrshire - Satellite campers.

### RC MASS

An RC Mass is being held tomorrow,  
Sunday in the Quiet Tent @ 5:00pm

# Country Fair Rolls into Blair Atholl

The sounds of a Dixieland band echoed across the hills around Blair today as the Country Fair opened in grand style. As the crowds waited to be let in, the threatening storm clouds blew past and a perfect day settled in. In attendance at the fair were members of the first camp held in 1946. They were impressed with how far the spirit of Blair has spread around the world. It was noted that there were no girls at the first camp and not as many countries as are at this camp.

As you walked around the field there were many games and crafts from different countries such as beadwork, rope tossing, sponge tossing, splat the haggis, soccer goal shooting, squirrel racing, woggle making, duck targets, and branding wood. Food items included pancakes, meatballs and cabbage, fritters, crab chips, lollipops dipped in chocolate, dried fish, chocolate fruit fondue, salmon on crackers and loads of other mouthwatering delicacies. Songs, skits, and music rounded out a full sample of international happenings.



## The Country Fair Rocks..

