



# 36<sup>th</sup> SCOTTISH INTERNATIONAL PATROL JAMBORETTE

## POST JAMBORETTE HOME HOSPITALITY SCHEME

### Introduction

Home Hospitality after the camp is an essential feature of the Blair Atholl Jamborette – it is a time when friendships are consolidated and our overseas visitors learn about the Scottish way of life. It is an opportunity for families to become involved and share in the experience. At the outset Scottish Regions must commit to provide Home Hospitality places equal to the number of their Scouts attending the Jamborette.

### Period of Hospitality

Home Hospitality is offered to our overseas visitors for up to 5 nights after the Jamborette (i.e. through to Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018). In some cases, Hospitality may be required for a shorter period, depending on travel arrangements. If travel plans mean groups staying in Scotland for a longer period, they will reassemble on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August and stay in centrally organised accommodation until their departure date. Occasionally, depending on their school holidays, overseas groups request home hospitality before the camp rather than afterwards.

### Homes

The location “home” is emphasised as the Scouts will already have had a camping experience and will be looking forward to a change – Troop summer camp is not a suitable form of Hospitality. The description “Scout” home is also stressed as it is essential that our guests are received in suitable homes.

### PVG Scheme Membership

The Scout Association requires that all parents & guardians offering Home Hospitality have either an existing PVG **secured through Scouting**, become PVG Scheme members or update an existing PVG Scheme membership. Other adults who live at the property i.e. brothers and sisters - albeit over 18 years of age - are **NOT** in scope of the current legislation and cannot be asked to become PVG Scheme members.

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Therefore, coordinators should establish if a PVG Scheme membership or update is require, by how many adults and then take appropriate to arrange it. Parents will appreciate the importance of ensuring a suitably safe environment for all our young people and will hopefully be supportive of, and reassured by, the confidential checking procedures adopted by Regions.

### **Allocation**

It is intended that friendships formed at the camp form the basis of Home Hospitality pairings and that Scottish Scouts invite their new friends' home. Scouts will be encouraged, by staff in their sub-camps, to match up for Home Hospitality and, if necessary, assistance will be given to ensure all our overseas guests are accommodated. This is by far a preferable route to pre-arranged pairings which may be incompatible, but it does present some problems in that families may not know till very close to the arrival date who is to be hosted and for how long.

Planning for a guest (please indicate male or female on the Patrol form) will hopefully mean "who" does not really matter, and our stated maximum period of five nights will hopefully assist to some degree in planning.

Clearly, from the arrangements in place, families of Scouts attending the camp should be first choice for providing Home Hospitality but if this is impractical, Districts should arrange suitable alternative Scout homes.

### **Programme**

Home Hospitality is an opportunity for our overseas guests to see some of the sights in the locality in which they are staying. Visits and outings may be organised and groups of young people may come together for this. Groups/Districts may organise trips and evening entertainments. Simple entertainment is all that is expected.

### **Travel/Contact Arrangements**

Our visitors will have been fully briefed by their own leaders about their reassembly arrangements and how to contact their leaders in emergencies. On arrival Scouts will provide their hosts with written details (prepared by the camp organisers) of their travel arrangements to their reassembly point (rail tickets provided as required) and of emergency contact phone numbers.

### **Conclusion**

A great deal of time and effort is put into the organisation of the Home Hospitality, which is seen as an integral part of the international experience for all the young people. It is hoped that families, Groups and Districts will participate as fully as possible and that all who are involved enjoy the experience. The enclosed Notes for Hosts have been prepared to assist you in your preparations.