

## **FIRE SAFETY**

Each patrol is responsible for fire safety within its own campsite. All reasonable precautions should be observed.

## **CAMPING STANDARDS**

Our visitors are coming from overseas to a country totally strange to them and will be very interested in our Scouting and camping methods.

Scottish Scouts should aim to set the **highest possible standards** of camp lay-out, hygiene, storage of food, cooking and serving meals to ensure that our Overseas Scouts have a truly unforgettable experience.



# **34th Blair Atholl International Patrol Jamboree**



***INFORMATION FOR  
SCOTTISH PARTICIPANTS***

Hi!!

I am delighted that you have been selected to represent your District at the 34<sup>th</sup> Blair Atholl Jamborette and I look forward to welcoming you to the camp.

The invitation that has been sent out to overseas Scouts from the Scouts of Scotland was:

- a) to come and camp along with us at Blair Atholl
- b) to spend up to 5 days as individual guests of a Scottish Scout in their home

I hope this leaflet will provide useful information to assist in your preparation for the camp and hospitality.

Your District Co-ordinator for Blair Atholl will be making you aware of your District arrangements.

I am sure your District will be organising meetings and/or week-end camps so that you can get to know the others in your patrol; select and collect your equipment and learn about the Blair Atholl Jamborette from a member of staff or someone who has been at a Jamborette before. The value of this preparation cannot be overstressed.

Blair Atholl Jamborettes have always been hugely successful and tremendous fun. I am sure you too will have a great time and help to ensure our visitors from many parts of the world will have the most pleasant of memories of Scotland and Scottish Scouting.

Please come up and introduce yourself to me at the camp and let me know how much you are enjoying the unique Blair Atholl experience.

Yours sincerely



**Andrew Sharkey**  
Camp Chief

## COOKING

All cooking is done on open fires (wood supplied). Another means of cooking may be brought but this will only be for use in an emergency. Petrol stoves are not allowed.

## TIMBER

There will be ample supplies of wood for burning and for campsite furnishings, gadgets and decorations. Patrols should give thought before the camp to the type of gateway to be constructed. Each patrol will have sufficient timber to construct a dining table/shelter incorporating an altar fire (see design details provided to District Co-ordinator).

## RUBBISH DISPOSAL

All rubbish that cannot be burnt or recycled is collected under Sub-Camp arrangements. Glass, aluminium, cardboard and plastic is all recycled.

## WET PIT

A bucket, covered with a suitable screen to catch solids for burning should be brought. Wet pits **will not** be dug at this year's camp.

## HEALTH & HYGIENE

It is vital that everyone in the camp practises good personal hygiene.

Toilet provision at the camp is portaloos and male urinals. Please ensure that you use the hand washing facilities provided at the exit from all toilets.

Warm showers are available at certain times each day.

All Patrols are required to provide a suitable, dedicated hand washing basin and everyone should ensure hands are washed before preparing or eating food.

Sub-camp staff and the camp medical team will monitor this and provide advice as required.

## UNIFORM

Every Scout should travel in full and correct Scout uniform. Wear the kilt (borrowing if necessary), with a plain leather sporan, lovat green stockings (not ankle socks) and black shoes. Spare uniform stockings are strongly advised. It is stressed that the kilt is essential at this International Scout event.

A special camp neckerchief and badge will be issued at the Jamborette - the badge **cannot** be replaced under any circumstances, so please look after it.

A knife is **not** part of Scout uniform. If you want to bring a knife for use in camp it should be a clasp knife, not a sheath knife.

## HOSPITALITY

Home hospitality after the camp is one of the special features of Blair Atholl Jamborettes.

District Co-ordinators will be ensuring your District has offered sufficient hospitality places for all of our overseas visitors. Please advise him/her as soon as you can if you, or other Scout families in your troop, are able to offer a hospitality place.

At the camp you will be able to choose your guest during the first few days usually from the overseas patrol with which you are paired. Arrangements are made at the camp to provide travel information and rail tickets if necessary, to enable the overseas Scouts to leave Blair Atholl with their Scottish Scout hosts. Clear instructions will be provided for their journey to the re-assembly point for their contingent; usually this is in Edinburgh or Glasgow.

The home hospitality lasts for up to five days, and, in the past, overseas guests have been made most welcome in homes, villages and towns throughout Scotland. It is a splendid opportunity to make long-lasting friendships. Our visitors will enjoy a memorable and rewarding experience and gain a valuable insight into the lifestyle, heritage and landscape of Scotland.

## CAMP ORGANISATION

Scottish patrols will comprise six Scouts, with one appointed by the District as Patrol Leader and one as Assistant Patrol Leader and should plan to arrive during **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July** to set up camp.

At the Jamborette there will be six sub-camps, each called after a Scottish clan - MacDonald, Maclean, Morrison, Murray, Robertson and Stewart, and there will be a sub-camp Uncle (or Leader) with several assistants, including overseas Leaders. In each sub-camp there will be about twelve 'Double Patrols', each comprising one Scottish patrol and one overseas patrol, which are twinned together for the duration of the camp.

This means that you camp and work together, and as a joint patrol, probably do a lot of activities together during the camp.

The camp will disperse during the day on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August**, under transport arrangements and train times which will be announced in good time during the camp.

## CAMP SERVICES

A large staff of Scottish and overseas Scouters and Scout Network members will provide the numerous services and activities at the Jamborette.

There will be a Scout Shop, Post Office, Bank, Cafe and Shop within the camp; a medical facility with doctors and staff; whilst camp padres will lead daily prayers and conduct an International Interdenominational Scouts Own Service on the Sunday.

## CAMP ACTIVITIES

These are numerous and very varied, hopefully to suit every interest and taste. They will include Scouting activities, exploration, hikes, wide games, visits to places of interest, adventurous activities on land and water, swimming (**only under supervision**) in a special site on the River Tilt, pioneering, community projects, sports, films, campfires etc.

If you or your patrol can put on something at a campfire, please come prepared. Musical instruments would be useful.

## VISITORS' DAY

The camp will be open to visitors, parents and friends on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July** and there will be a range of special events including an International Country Fair, displays and other activities, ending with a big International Campfire in the evening. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be on sale to the public during the day.

## POSTAL ADDRESS

Letters should be addressed:

Your name  
Name of District Contingent  
Scout International Camp  
BLAIR ATHOLL  
Perthshire PH18 5BA

## EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

In case of emergency, messages can be left with the Camp Office. *The new number for this has still to be issued and will be shared with each District as soon as we know it.* A message will then be given to you and you can ring the caller back. Apart from the office telephone there is also a Payphone for the use of campers.

## COST

The Camp Fee is **£210.00** which covers all food, camp services, activities, camp badge and neckerchief. Your District will have arrangements to collect the fee and send it to Scottish Headquarters before the camp.

## INTERNATIONAL PARTIES

It is the custom at Blair Atholl to have patrol parties when your patrol invites Scouts from different countries to come along to your site. It would be helpful to come prepared with:

- a) pre-printed invitation cards of some kind, perhaps about 20/25.
- b) items of Scottish fare such as cakes, shortbread, oatcakes etc
- c) items to decorate the table e.g. tartan serviettes etc

Anything you can do in this way will greatly add to the fun of the camp - remember too a few badges or souvenirs or gifts for swapping.

## PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Each Scottish Scout should bring the normal personal kit, packed in a rucksack, for a ten-day camp.

### Take care to clearly label your possessions

You will require at least:

Scout uniform including Kilt	T-Shirts / shorts
Nightwear (e.g. jogging suit)	Waterproof clothing
Sleeping bag (for temperatures to 0°C)	Windproof Jacket
Sleeping Mat	Training shoes
Warm sweater	Boots or strong shoes
Camp activity dress,	Underwear
Plenty of spare clothing	Extra socks
Swimming kit	Plastic mug, plate, bowl
Small and large towels	Cutlery
Toiletries (no aerosols)	Note-pad and pen
Mosquito repellent	Torch and spare batteries
Sewing kit	Camera (optional)
Suntan lotion	Daysac / rucksack
Personal first aid kit	

- **Shell suits are unsuitable for camp and should not be brought.**
- **Denim jeans are not suitable for hill or water activities**

Please ensure that all your own personal equipment is adequately insured.

Please ensure you are familiar with all your personal equipment and your patrol equipment. You are responsible, along with the rest of your patrol, for the care of all you bring to the camp, and for ensuring that it all goes back home with you.