

	RISK ASSESSMENT	Subcamp Away Day Blair Atholl Jamborette 2026
Authored by: Donald Mackay Dated: 25/04/2026	Reviewed by: John Rafferty Date:	Next Review Date: 31/08/2026
Leader in Charge: John Rafferty Depute Leader in Charge: Dougie Woodrow	Location: Blair Atholl Village Pitlochry	
Management Staff: Chloe Foster, Donald Mackay, Vikki McIntyre, Mollie Reid, Steven Riddell, George Still	Anticipated Number of Assisting Staff: 28 (incl. 5 international) (“Squad”)	
Anticipated Number of Participants:	Nearest Medical Facility:	

<p>Max of 168 Young People (One Subcamp per Activity Day)</p>	<p>Onsite Medical Facility (in Blair Atholl)</p> <p>Pitlochry Community Hospital, Ferry Road, Pitlochry, PH16 5FG (in Pitlochry)</p> <p>Nearest A&E Facility:</p> <p>Perth Royal Infirmary, Taymount Terrace, Perth, PH1 1NX</p>
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Risk Assessment

Hazard	Risks	Risk Matrix	Control Measures/Implementation
<p>Coach/Minibus Travel</p>	<p>Injury from road traffic accidents.</p> <p>Leaving participants/staff behind/unaccounted for.</p>	<p>M/H</p> <p>M/M</p>	<p>One squad member to accompany each patrol (of up to 12) while boarding, travelling on and disembarking from the bus.</p> <p>Squad member to be responsible for maintaining correct number of participants in their assigned group.</p> <p>Staggered travel – 3 x coaches/minibus runs there and back per day.</p> <p>First coach run pick up at Target Park Main Gate in accordance with usual transport team rules.</p> <p>Subsequent coach runs picking up from Blair Atholl village at Castle Avenue gate.</p>

			<p>Drop offs at Castle Avenue gate on return.</p> <p>Squad members escorting and ensuring road discipline of patrols when using Avenue and roads in Blair Atholl and Pitlochry.</p> <p>Drop off in Pitlochry at Festival Theatre car park. Squad members to direct patrols down road to pedestrian bridge and to assemble at Rec Pavilion before starting the activity proper.</p>
Blair Atholl Village	Injury from road traffic accidents.	M/H	<p>Squad members escorting and ensuring road discipline of patrols when using Avenue and roads in Blair Atholl and Pitlochry.</p> <p>Participants reminded to take care on roads when travelling themselves in main street.</p> <p>Participants staggered onto second and third buses departing to Pitlochry guided by squad on separate routes to the Avenue Main Gate.</p>
<p>Pitlochry Lock Box Activities (General Issues)</p> <p><i>*Lock Box: Single Encounter Activities that have equipment provided in a lock box placed by staff</i></p>	Manual Handling	M/M	<p>Van with driver and squad member to deliver lock boxes to fixed locations on morning for Water Zone and Town Zone.</p> <p>Weight and location to be marked on lock boxes.</p> <p>Lock boxes in Forest Zone to be kept at location permanently throughout camp and chained into place.</p>

	<p>Risks from equipment used in activity</p> <p>Activities that include projectiles (welly toss, catapults, etc.)</p>	<p>M/M</p> <p>H/M</p>	<p>Manual handling (healthy lifting) advice given by management.</p> <p>Instructions for activity including safety information provided on laminated paper in each lock box.</p> <p>Squad to be briefed on throwing area with map extract to be included on instructions.</p> <p>Check for members of the public and participants in potential danger zone</p>
<p>Pitlochry QR Code Activities (General Issues)</p> <p><i>*QR Code: Single Encounter Activities that do not require any equipment – instructions given on scanning QR code in place.</i></p>	<p>Risks from physical activity instructed in certain QR code tasks.</p>	<p>M/M</p>	<p>Instructions for activity including safety information provided when scanning QR code.</p> <p>QR Code laminated papers left in place marked clearly with Jamborette branding.</p> <p>Squad to monitor safety of activities being undertaken.</p>
<p>Water Zone (Activities near the River)</p>	<p>Injury/drowning from falling in water.</p>	<p>L/H</p>	<p>Squad gives directions to participants to keep over 2m from river or bodies of water.</p> <p>Squad to accompany patrols when they are attending public access parks of the Pitlochry Dam.</p> <p>‘Slidey Rock’ QR Code Location not in use in event of high water and/or wet weather.</p>

Town Zone (Activities around Pitlochry High Street)	Injury from road traffic accidents.	M/H	Squad members escorting and ensuring road discipline of patrols when using Avenue and roads in Blair Atholl and Pitlochry. Participants reminded to take care on roads when travelling themselves in main street.
	Issues with shops in town.	M/L	Communication between SAD management team and proprietors as required.
Forest Zone (Activities in Black Spout Forest)	Trips, slips and falls.	H/M	Squad to remind participants to watch where they are placing their feet and not to run on forest paths.
	Nettle stings or other vegetation caused injury.	M/M	Areas around lock boxes and QR Codes in zone to be checked for stinging or toxic vegetation, with vegetation removed or base moved before start of activity days.
	Narrow access to waterfall viewpoint (QR Code location)	M/L	Participants to be directed to access in small numbers (narrow at height wooden structure), and to keep clear for members of the public.
Pitlochry Scout Hall (Lunch Venue)	Food Preparation/Food Poisoning	M/M	Participants prohibited from access to Scout Hall kitchen. Adult supervision and hygiene vigilance at all times during food delivery and preparation. Proper refrigeration of foodstuffs stored on site (daily pickup of subcamp lunch supply by duty management).

			<p>Compulsory handwashing facilities at entry point to hall (one-way system in operation).</p> <p>Participants to keep building clear after collecting lunch.</p> <p>Outdoor bins supplied and cleared after lunchtime concludes.</p> <p>Daily cleanup protocol.</p> <p>Water canisters for refilling participant water bottles in place and kept filled.</p>
Funhouse (@ Pitlochry Town Hall)	<p>Overcrowding</p> <p>Overuse of individual activity bases</p> <p>Small equipment (balls, dices, and cups) spilling off tables (slipping and tripping risk)</p> <p>Manual handling.</p>	<p>H/M</p> <p>H/L</p> <p>H/L</p> <p>M/M</p>	<p>Squad to control flow of participants within hall.</p> <p>Quiet room for those feeling overwhelmed available.</p> <p>Squad members to run each base and ensure participants keep circulating so that everyone has the opportunity to try all the activities.</p> <p>Squad to try to minimise equipment falling loose and ensuring that those dropped on the floor are recovered promptly.</p> <p>Equipment for funhouse to be stored overnight in trailer to minimise need to transport from site daily.</p>

Funhouse (@ Blair Atholl Town Hall)	As above.	As above.	As above.
PA System Equipment	Trips on Cabling Broken equipment	M/M L/M	Tidy cable protocol to be followed, taped down where appropriate. Sensitive equipment to be cordoned off to avoid breakages or knocks. Dismantling and moving of equipment to be carried out only under supervision of principal equipment operator.
Participants becoming Lost	Participants becoming lost/missing return or outbound bus.	M/M	Squad members to count patrol before letting them disperse on return to Target Park and confirm full safe return to duty management. Where a participant is unaccounted for following the above headcount, squad member does not let patrol disperse until they have spoken to a member of SAD management. Where any participants are unaccounted for in Pitlochry after bus return, two members of management to remain in Pitlochry with minibus until situation resolved.
Inclement Weather	Heatstroke	M/H	Direct participants to ensure they are carrying water bottles and squad to remind participants to remain hydrated throughout the day.

	Cold/Wet Weather Chill Slips, Trips or Falls	M/M	Squad to advise participants to seek shelter if required at Rec Pavilion or at Pitlochry Scout Hall.
Participant Emergencies Occurring while Offsite	Participants and staff falling ill or injured.	M/H	Squad to have camp standard offsite staff contact card. Participants and squad briefed to call 999 in event of emergency. Squad to have knowledge of location of Pitlochry CH and be compliant with standard Scout first aid. First aid kit for activity stored at Pitlochry Scout Hall.
Miscellaneous Issues (to be addressed in Participant Pre-Activity Briefing)	Participants and squads using inappropriate footwear for day. Pedestrian level railway crossings. Irn-Bru Black Market.	H/L L/H H/L	Direct participants in pre-briefing that they must use proper shoes for event. Flip-flops and crocs, etc., prohibited. Participants not to use when not supervised by squad member. Squad members to closely monitor use of crossings and to look and listen for approaching trains, bearing in mind in some places it is single track running in both directions. Participants encouraged to buy Irn-Bru at Co-Op for personal use only. Co-op management encouraged to decline service to participants buying an amount that can only be intended for supply.

Team Member Signature Block

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