

## **GWENT AREA SCOUTS**

Information Pack - FreeSpirits

PORTCULLIS JAMBOREE 25TH TO 27TH MAY 2012

VAUXHALL FIELDS MONMOUTH

#### Directions to the site

From A449 Newport to Monmouth take the 1<sup>st</sup> left after the tunnels B4293/B4233 Rockfield Road. Continue along this road until you see camp sign on the right hand side of the road to the site. Turn right and continue down this track past the caravan site entrance and onto the site.

Please note that if you are travelling from the north you will need to take left hand turn onto B4293 turn right and go over dual carriage way turn left at the roundabout.

Please note there will be some road closures in Monmouth up to 4.00 pm Friday  $25^{\text{th}}$  May due to the arrival of the Olympic torch. An alternative route may need to be found.

#### Vehicles/Car Parking

Leaders & parents camping will be directed to a car park. Please request parents dropping off Scouts to leave site asap.

Please note that there will be a one way system through the site for cars and exit will be the Osbaston side of the site. Cars will not be able to enter from Osbaston. There will be nearly 1300 people on the site please be patient if there is queuing on arrival.

Cars will not be allowed to drive on the camping field for safety reasons.

All cars staying on site will be requested to complete a car parking pass indicating name, group and mobile number.

### Registration

Please arrive from 6pm on Friday and book in with a FreeSpirit Leader - make sure that you have a meal before arriving.

Pick up is 4pm on Sunday.

Emergency Contact is any FreeSpirit Leader - Simon (07866 457207), Mike (07814 893517), Richard (07816 324406), Rosie (07792 594353), Alex (07527 624594).

Please hand your permission form and shooting form to Simon, Mike, Rosie, Richard. A FreeSpirit leader will then book in on mass. Registration will be from 6.00 pm to 9.30 pm on 25<sup>th</sup> May in the main marquee adjacent to an old oak tree. One person per group (not per section) to register.

Kit list: is on the website. Tents will be provided. Please also bring loud neon kit including Welsh tops, loud tutu's, mad hats and onsies!

Shooting Consent Forms (Explorers) - Please note that if there is not a consent form Explorers will not be able to take part in the activity.

Wrist Bands will be issued at registration and to be worn at all times. Please write the young person's name and group on the wristband.

Explorers/Scouts and Cubs

- Blue bands

# Programme

### Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Arrival and set up camp
6.00 pm to 9.00 pm registration (one person per group)
10.00 pm Leaders meeting in main marquee
11.00 pm lights out

### Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May

9.00 am to 12.00 pm Activities
12.00 pm to 1.00 pm Lunch
1.00 pm to 4.00 pm Activities
7.00 pm parade in fancy dress (dressed in countries allocated)
7.30 pm Campfire followed by fireworks
9.00 pm Band
11.00 pm lights out

## Sunday 27th May

9.00 am to 12.00 pm Activities 12.00 pm to 1.00 pm Lunch 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm Activities 4.00 pm closing ceremony

#### **Activities**

Activities will be divided into zones and all groups will be given an allocated time slot at registration for each zone.

**Shooting** will be for Scouts and Explorers only and an allocated time slot will be given at registration. Young people will be transported by mini bus to the offsite shooting area they will need to be accompanied by a leader. Please note that failure to attend at the allocated time will mean the group may miss the event. Unfortunately we will not be offering Cubs and Beavers opportunity to take part in this event due to time constraints.

Water Activities - for safety reasons and time constraints Beavers will not take part in these events.

Abseiling of St Mary's Priory Church Tower - There will be abseiling on Saturday for Explorers and Scouts. Troops will be issued tickets at registration for this activity. Please note there will not be sufficient time for all Scouts to Abseil.

#### **Facilities**

**Rubbish** - recycling bags will be issued at registration and further bags will be available throughout the weekend. All other rubbish to go in black bags and placed in a skip.

**Toilets** - these will be allocated in the camping field and in certain activity areas. These will be pumped out throughout the camp but each group will be expected to keep the toilets in their area tidy. (It would be helpful if Groups jointly agree a cleaning rota).

Washing facilities - Cold water hand wash units will be provided next to the toilets, these will have a soap dispenser.

Groups will be responsible for their own washing facilities in their camps, and will be expected to provide dedicated washing bowls and soap.

Shower facilities are not being generally provided for all on the camp. However 2 gas shower units will be available, these are intended specifically for washing off after muddy or wet activities. These will not be available as general showers for leaders.

Water - there will stand pipes for water throughout the site.

Waste water - all grey water waste must be put into the waste disposal containers on site.

#### **Event Rules**

Whilst at the Jamboree we want everyone to have a great time. With an event of this size, we have to set out some basic rules. Please ensure that all the leaders and adults in your group are familiar with these.

- 1. All Leaders, Adults and young people must be registered. If anyone leaves the camp please inform registration.
- 2. For security wristbands must be worn by everyone on site. If a wrist band is lost please collect a new one from the registration tent.
- 3. Vehicles must be parked in the designated area only and will not be allowed onto the camping field. Any vehicle parked in a non designated area will be towed away if the owner cannot be found.
- 4. Any dogs must be kept under control and not allowed to wander into other groups camping areas.
- 5. The Alcohol Policy will be in line with Factsheet FS185092 which leaders should read prior to the camp.
- 6. Have a great time on the camp.

Wayne Bulpitt National Commissioner for Scouting will be visiting the event on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May He will be talking to participants and maybe take part himself in activities. He will be available for a surgery with leaders at lunchtime in the main Marquee. Gill Gloster, Commissioner for Wales will also be available at this time. Tickets will be in the packs issued at Registration.