



eaton vale

scout and guide activity centre

Thank you for booking onto this event and taking part in our **Cub** and **Brownie** Challenge Hike.

Event plan

Please arrival from 7pm, you will be greeted by a member of staff and provided essential overnight information. Once everyone has arrived and have settled, we will commence with an event briefing at 7:45pm. The hike will then have a staggered start from 8pm.

The Challenge part of the event will take place around Marston Marsh which is a short walk from the centre, young people will need to bring a torch on the walk with them but nothing else will be necessary. Along the way your team will undertake a series of challenges. As groups start to arrive back from the hike they will have a hot chocolate and finish off the challenge, before heading off to bed.

Times

Friday

7:00 - 7:45 – Arrival

7:45 – Event briefing

8:00 – Staggered start to hike, ending in hot chocolate and challenge completion (we expect groups to be back at the centre no later than 10.30pm)

Saturday

Breakfast will be served at 8:00am. After breakfast, there is time to pack kit up and whenever your group is ready then you may depart. Please can all groups have departed by 10:00am on Sunday morning at the latest. There will be some self-led activities that groups can take part in as well as the shop being open. These activities will be on offer after breakfast and leaders will receive briefing sheets for all activities. The activities are as follow:

- Go Karts
- Cave bus
- Grass sledges
- Obstacle course

Car Parking

The car park will be super busy as all attendees are likely to arrive and depart in a very similar time frame, please can you ask and encourage families to be prompt at drop off and collection as well as car sharing if possible.

We have limited spaces for leaders to park cars during the event and will therefore be asking leaders to park in 34th Norwich Scouts Car Park (which is located at the end of EVAC drive).

Please can you ensure that you arrive BEFORE your young people so that families are able to drop off quickly and so we can keep cars moving.

Kit List

Please wear:

- Suitable outdoor footwear (We would strongly recommend walking boots or wellies)
- Suitable outdoor coat
- Small day bag (for on the hike) containing:
 - Spare warm jacket or fleece

- Hat and gloves
- Torch – Head torch would be ideal
- Water bottle (young people will also need this for breakfast)

Overnight Rucksack or kit bag containing:

- Full change of clothes including change of underwear and socks (plus spare pairs)
- Slippers or indoor shoes
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Single fitted sheet (*this isn't essential, however our mattresses are plastic coated so it makes for a more comfortable sleep*)
- Pyjamas
- Personal wash kit (soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, etc)
- Plastic bags for dirty/wet items
- Money for the shop (we would recommend no more than £5)

Leaders only – please bring travel mug for teas and coffee

Groupings

For the hike, you will stay in your booked groups, however if you have a larger group number you may be split into smaller groups. We will advise you off this closer to the event.

We advise that all leaders bring a mini first aid kit and mobile phone that they can use if needed whilst out on the hike.

First Aid

Please be aware that you are responsible for the first aid needs of your group for the duration of the event.

Iceni House

Prior to the event you will receive your room allocation.

Please be aware that young people may be sharing bedrooms with members from other units and members that they do not know, this is the same for adults. We may mix genders on each floor however will not do so within bedrooms. We will ensure that at least one adult from each group is on the same floor space for the night, however, cannot guarantee that all adults will be on the same floor.

If your young people or your leadership team have additional needs that may mean they need specific adults in specific places, please do get in touch with us and we will do our best to accommodate this where we can. Please be aware that a member of the EVAC team will not be residing onsite overnight, you will be provided with an emergency number to contact should you need to overnight.

Route (Health and Safety)

The route will start and finish from the centre. The walk may be muddy underfoot and uneven in patches so a suitable pair of outdoor footwear will need to be worn. The hike will also be near to open water, a railway line, and the potential for cattle in the field so please make sure you keep young people together. Young people will need to be dressed for the weather and to be prepared to be out for approximately two hours.

Additional Information

Please ensure that all relevant Scouting and Guiding processes are completed for this event.