



# 28<sup>th</sup> Cambridge Scout Troop



## SCOUTCRAFT CAMP – FULBOURN – 19<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2011 JOINING INSTRUCTIONS

### Introduction

1. This camp is designed to introduce you to scout style camping, and the various skills needed to thrive on camp. As with all scout activities there is a shift towards greater responsibility for yourself and your fellow scouts.
2. Successful completion of this camp, and the basic first aid course later this term will result in the awarding of the Outdoor Challenge Award.

### Timings

3. The camp will begin at 0900 at the Fulbourn 'Scout Hut in the Woods'.
4. Please arrive at the carpark at grid reference TL525556 (see map below) at 0900. It is a short (400m) walk to the campsite, but it must therefore be possible for you to carry all your kit with you to the campsite yourself.
5. Collection will be at 1800 from the Fulbourn 'Scout Hut in the Woods'.

### Cost and Permissions

6. The camp will cost £20 per person. Please return the balance of payment to the leadership with the attached permission to camp form by Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

### Kit

7. A kit list is provided below for guidance, and is amplified at [www.28thcambridgescouts.org.uk/scouts/kitlist.html](http://www.28thcambridgescouts.org.uk/scouts/kitlist.html).
8. Group kit such as tents, groundsheet and cooking equipment is provided centrally.
9. There is a blanket ban on all electronic/electrical items except a torch. Please do not bring any to camp as they are unnecessary and may get damaged.
10. It is vital that this kit is portable (see 2 above) and has been packed by the scout. This is for three reasons:
  - a. Scouts need to know where to find items immediately without unpacking the entire contents of their rucksacks.
  - b. Parents tend to be able to get more into the rucksack than scouts can for the return journey.
  - c. Packing one's own rucksack gives you a responsibility for it – no more "my mum didn't pack this for me" excuses.
11. Please pack items such as a torch, mug, KFS etc. in easy to get to locations.
12. Remember to line your rucksack/holdall with a bin liner (or better dry bags) and pack everything inside plastic bags – this helps organisation and also keeps things drier.
13. If you don't have all of the equipment below, please speak to a leader or the DTQM who may be able to provide it from stores. Equally any uncertainties can be directed to the leadership, for example about whether it is sensible to buy a certain item of kit as it will be constantly reused.
14. On camp, stores will only have a very limited supply of spares so ensure you have everything before you come.
15. Many scouts bring a small personal first aid kit with them. This is fine, though we do ask that any medications be declared and handed into the camp leader. Rest assured that a complete first aid kit is present on the site, and smaller ones are despatched with teams leaving the site.
16. Likewise many scouts bring a penknife to camp. This is fine and indeed there are many uses for such an item on camp. However, this is very much a matter for individual agreement between parent and

scout as to whether the parent is happy that the scout can use safely and look after a penknife. Naturally any dangerous use or threats will necessitate confiscation of the offending penknife.

### Home Contact

17. The home contact for the group is Robert Hubbard who can be reached by 07735345499 Please contact the home contact in the first instance if you need to contact the group.

### Kit List

#### **Essential**

Sleeping Bag

Rollmat (or equivalent)

Rucksack or holdall for kit – must be soft and scout portable

Small daysack (for short hike – only needs to be able to carry water, small amount food, jacket or spare jumper, and possibly a small first aid kit)

Uniform shirt and necker

Two sets of clothes (jumper, top, socks, pants and trousers) (one worn) – denim is not suited to campfire (it reacts badly to water) so avoid if possible.

Waterproof coat

Shoes – ideally a pair of boots – if not then a robust pair of trainers that don't object to dirt.

Torch and spare batteries

Mug, bowl, plate and KFS

Washkit and Towel

Tea Towel (those without tea towels usually find themselves seconded to washing up duty)

#### **Highly Desirable**

Waterproof trousers

#### **Optional**

Spare pair of shoes (incase others get unbearably wet or uncomfortable)

Groundsheet

Camp blanket

### Directions to the Campsite

Please park at circle, and approach from the west along marked route. Do not attempt to follow the bridleway down from the North as it is unsuitable for most cars.

