Frequently Asked Questions

'Blackmore Big Birthday Festival'

Friday 3rd July - Sunday 5th July 2020

Who is the event for?

This is an Activity camp for **Guides and Rangers** to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Blackmore, Girlguiding Worcestershire's County Camp Site.

What is the format of this event?

Camping under canvas/Light weight tents.

All on-site and off-site activities.

Central catered evening meal on Saturday.

Does the Group Leader need a GAW Qualification (Going Away With)?

No, the Group leader does need to hold a GAW qualification to be able to bring a group to this camp.

What is the cost of the camp for Guides and Rangers?

£75 per girl to include camp fee, all on and off-site activities, a BBF camp badge and a centrally catered evening meal on the Saturday evening.

NOT INCLUDED - transport to and from site and meals (except Saturday Night).

What is the cost of the camp for Leaders?

£25.00 per leader, to include camp fee, a BBF camp badge and an evening meal on the Saturday.

How do we book for this event?

Booking for this event is through the County website. Once the Group Leader (or her nominee) has registered the group, an email will be sent confirming the group is booked on to this event.

Further information will be then be emailed as appropriate.

How are payments made for the event?

Please send in the booking form along with a group non-refundable deposit of £75.00 to the office before Friday 14th February 2020.

If making a bank transfer the account details are as below:

Account name: WORCS GUIDE ASSOC

• Sort Code: 30-99-90

- Account number: 02042628
- Reference: Guide and Ranger BBF Camp

Please tick the box on the booking form if choosing to pay by this method so it can be confirmed your payments has been received.

Where payment is by cheque, please make cheques payable to "Worcestershire Guide Association".

You will receive an email from Girlguiding Worcestershire confirming receipt of your payment.

Full Balance payment is required by no later than Friday 1st May 2020.

When do bookings close?

Bookings close on Friday 1st May 2020 or when the camp is full.

Can children of volunteers or others under 18 attend this event?

As this event is for Guides and Rangers and their leaders, we want to ensure that as many of them as possible can attend, as places are limited.

Please refer to our booking policy, regarding leaders children. All requests for places for children of volunteers and other under 18s, should be made via the Girlguiding County Office and NOT included on the group booking form.

How many adults can places be booked for?

Adults can book in line with required ratio (Guides: 1 - 12, with a minimum of 2 adults). However, if you have more than the required ratio they would be welcome as a 'camp team member', helping out during the event, however will sleep and eat with their unit.

If there is a need to the change the details of our booking, who should we contact if we need to change our booking?

Please contact the Girlguiding Worcestershire County Office on 01905 797377, or office@girlguidingworcs.org.uk as soon as possible

Will I receive a refund if I cancel my booking?

Please refer to the Girlguiding Worcestershire booking policy.

Do we need to complete Information and Consent Forms?

A form will be sent out/emailed out to the Group Leader (or individual who is the nominated contact for the group) nearer the time.

What do we wear for the event?

A suggested kit list will be sent out/emailed out to the Group Leader (or individual who is the nominated contact for the group) nearer the time.

Does each camping group need a First Aider?

Each group will require to have an adult volunteer with a minimum of the First Response Qualification (or recognised equivalent), who will be responsible for their own group members. Each camping group will need to bring their own first aid kit.

Health Information Forms will also be sent out/emailed out to the Group Leader (or individual who is the nominated contact for the group) nearer the time.

There will be a Central Camp First Aider for additional advice and support.

Can you meet additional needs?

We do our best to meet all additional needs that our members may have. Please contact Girlguiding Worcestershire County Office to discuss at the time of making your booking.

What activities are on offer for girls?

It is anticipated that each girl will have the opportunity of 2 adventurous activities. The full list of activities is unable to be confirmed until we have approximate numbers for the camp.

Some activities are being hired in; these will be based on site at Blackmore campsite.

For off-site activities we will be traveling by coach to 'Aztec Water Adventure' Lower Moor Pershore.

A full list of on-site and off-site Activities will be sent/emailed out to the Group Leader (or individual who is the nominated contact for the group).

to the main leader so that full permission can be obtained.

Is there the opportunity to pitch tents the day before?

Yes, tents can be pitched on Thursday 2nd July 2020. You are welcome to arrive between 4pm and 7pm

What Camping equipment will each Unit need?

Each camping group will need to bring all their own camping equipment, including own kitchen equipment.

Is there the opportunity to cook on wood?

Sorry, for safety reasons, groups <u>will not</u> be able to cook on wood at this camp. Gas pipes will be required to have a current date stamp on them.

Is there the opportunity to arrange a food delivery?

Yes, however please be mindful of the timing of the delivery. It is suggested that the most suitable time to take delivery of food would be on Thursday evening between 4pm and 7pm.

Is there fridge/freezer space available for food storage?

Yes, there will be space however, depending on the numbers of camping groups will depend on how much space is available.

It is highly recommended food is stored in sealable containers and marked with the group name.

Is there car parking for Leaders?

Leaders will be able to park on-site at Blackmore. We do ask that where possible, leaders car share as much as possible.

Will there be photography at the event?

We will have our own photographers at this event. As this is a large-scale event with over 100 participants, the exception to the photo permissions on GO will apply. This means that the photos and videos may be taken and used immediately for event publicity purposes. This is explained to parents on the information and consent for Events/Activities form. Parents are instructed that if they do not wish for this to happen, they must talk to their daughter's leader. It is then the duty of the leader to contact the event organisers, Girlguiding Worcestershire.

If you have any other questions, please contact the Girlguiding Worcestershire County Office.