



PIONEER19



Leader's Guide

When Friday, 14th June 2019 to Sunday, 16th June 2019

Where Bentley Copse Activity Centre, Houndhouse Road, Shere, Surrey, GU5 9JH

What A key aspect of Pioneer19 is for Scouts to develop the skills needed to gain the Scout Pioneer badge; of course, we want Scouts to have fun, enjoy camping and participate in evening activities in a Traditional Scout Patrol environment. Ideally, the PL should take the lead assisted by the APL, primarily in organising the patrol participation in Pioneer19 (to be at the right place at the right time).

- Patrols**
- * Pioneering can be perceived as arduous and physically demanding for a smaller/younger person who may not return to the activity ever again if given an experience they are not physically or mentally ready for; please select Scouts who are older and more experienced in Scouting; typically 12 years or older.
 - * Please register Scouts using the application form. It is not necessary to make-up a Patrol, but if you are entering a Patrol great..! ...**please don't turn Scouts down if you are not able to meet the Patrol size or have a few Scouts more than a Patrol size - PLEASE TALK TO US**, we will be able to place Scouts in another Patrol.
 - * Entry fee is charged at £35.00 per Scout (Includes Camping & meals for 1 Leader per 12 Scouts);
 - * Please pay Surrey County Scout Council, Acc.No. 00013107, Sort: 40-52-40, reference **Pioneer19** Cheques accepted with your covering letter (naming Troop and Patrol) to Colin Scarff, County Office, Houndhouse Road, Shere, Surrey, GU5 9JH.
 - * Registration closes 29th April 2019 – Places are allocated on first-come-first-served basis.

Planning We understand that you, as a Leader, may be keen to get on with planning of your troop's participation in Pioneer19....

...All that is needed on your side is to:

- * Keep a record of Scouts attending Pioneer19;
- * Register ASAP (before 29th April 2019);
- * Make Payment.
- * Plan the tents needed for a weekend Camp (Meals and Toilets provided).
- * Plan how your Scouts will travel to and from site.

Camping Site We will provide the camping area from within the activity site at no separate cost. All the Troop is asked to provide is Tents.



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Support

Our programme offers a very full programme for each day; to deliver a Patrol of bright-eyed and well-prepared Scouts to the activities on time, and to keep them fed and watered throughout the day, will require Leader Support from Troops.

Ideally, One Leader to accompany up to twelve Scouts – We may need another Leader, but, please DO NOT bring additional Leaders unless asked to do so - Between us all, we will agree a rota of Leaders to assist with Catering and Activity Support.

Clustering

We will 'Cluster' Scouts into groups forming 3-4 patrols to share camping area and base-camp support; your preparation should include:

- ✿ **One Nights Away Permit holder (Campsite) – Please declare NA Permit @ Registration**
- ✿ InTouch for every Scouts and adult attending (from time of arrival to time of leaving)
- ✿ Needs register (to include medications and any Special Needs)
- ✿ Shared evening programme (Please be prepared to lead an evening activity).

As guidance, it is safe to plan on the basis we will provide activity equipment, instruction, all meals from Friday supper to Sunday lunch including drinks and shower/toilet facilities. Tents and ALL personal equipment must be provided by participants.

What2Wear

- ✿ For the activity its best if Scouts wear old clothes that mum won't mind if they get ripped or heavily soiled..! Long trousers, long sleeved shirts and tops afford skin protection from grazes when climbing. **Woollens and Fleece materials can catch on poles and cause accidents..!**
- ✿ Strong Shoes or Boots (**not Wellies**) are best for grip when climbing and standing on poles.
- ✿ Gloves ease abrasion from handling rough poles; sailing gloves are best; thin gardening types are adequate. If sunny, some form of hat.

What2Bring

Bring Scouts..!

- ✿ A knife is allowable if the Scout has been knife assessed (preferably, with a Marlin Spike built-in).
- ✿ A camera may be useful.
- ✿ Please ensure all Leaders and Scouts bring uniform if only to wear at the awards ceremony.

Preparation

After Registration we will send a link to the Pioneer19 Resource Pack; please print-off one copy per Scout.

Please encourage Scouts to practice the Surrey Six Knots; and If time permits, introduce the concept of a Square Lashing and a Diagonal Lashing; perhaps ask the PL and APL to run a 10mins knotting skills-base for the Patrol in Troop meetings each week.

Arrival

Please join us at camp on Friday, 14th June 2019. The Pioneer Badge Workshop starts at 08:45 on Saturday, 15th June 2019 – Programme will be included in the Resource Pack.



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InTouch

In keeping with Scout Association policy during this Scouting activity the InTouch system will be in operation to manage communication between the Scouting activity, the home environment and Scouting authorities:

- * We will be located at **Bentley Copse Activity Centre, Houndhouse Road, Shere, Surrey, GU5 9JH.**
 - * The Leader-in-Charge (of each Troop) is required to maintain a record of contact details for **each person attending** the Pioneer Badge Workshop (including adults) consisting of forename & surname of participant; also, age (or if adult 'over 18').
 - * The Leader-in-Charge (of each Troop) is required to maintain a record of contact details for an Authorised Adult to be contacted in the event of an emergency for **each person attending** the Pioneer Badge Workshop (including adults) to include: forename & surname, telephone number and postal address. (The organisers will not require this information).
 - * For persons under 19 years, if Emergency Contact is not Parent/Guardian, a letter of authority nominating the Emergency Contact must be kept with the record; such letter must be signed by a person holding legal guardianship in respect of the Young Person concerned.
 - * Please confirm with the nominated emergency contact person(s) they will be available to contact throughout the entire duration of the Scouting activity and that their contact details have been given for purposes of emergency contact.
 - * Please ensure Parents/Guardians have a contact number for the Leader-in-Charge (of each Troop).
 - * We ask that Young People do not have a mobile phone with them, or the mobile phone is switched off during the learning experience.
- *Please be aware that Mobile phone coverage is very poor at Bentley Copse.*
- *The campsite office – 01483 202424.*
- *Leaders are encouraged to include InTouch details (above) in notices to parents/guardians.*