

Silver Fox Night Incident Hike Competition

25-26 November 2023, Copley Scout Centre, St. Ives

Join Patrols from Scout Troops in Cambridge District in a night hike competition, putting all your navigation and problem-solving skills to the test. We would like to invite entries from all Troops in Cambridge District again to take part in this year's competition.

The competition

The hike will take place between 4pm and midnight. Teams of between 4 and 7 Scouts will follow a 10km route with various problem-solving activities to complete on the way and earn points for navigation, teamwork, skills and leadership. Although adults will be supervising the route and bases, Scouts will be unaccompanied whilst walking.

Camping

Troops are encouraged to camp overnight after the event and join us for breakfast and the trophy presentation in the morning. There is a Camp Leader for the camp, so it is not necessary for each Troop to complete a NAN form or supply a permit holder, however each Troop must maintain a 1:12 ratio of adults to Scouts for overnight. Troops will need to supply and erect their own camping equipment and are responsible for supervising their own Scouts whilst on the site (under the overall oversight of the Camp Leader). A simple breakfast will be provided centrally in the morning. There is no indoor accommodation available overnight; all Scouts will be sleeping in tents. Scouts and Leaders may arrive on site from 3pm (please don't arrive before this time).

Help needed

We cannot run this event without adult help. As a guide, each team should be providing 1 DBS-checked adult to help run the event please (these can be parents or leaders), who will need to be available at the event between 4pm and midnight. On the entry form, please provide mobile numbers of adult helpers and indicate whether they have access to a car. This is a good opportunity to get parents involved with helping out. Adult helpers will be involved with manning bases, transport and safety. Please dress up warm and bring a flask of tea!

Arriving

Each team will be given a start time between 4pm and 7pm, and will need to present themselves at the start area (the main building at Copley) at that time. Troops may arrive on site from 3pm to set up their tents but must always be supervised by their own leader until they start the hike. There will be limited access to the indoor area for Scouts, so we recommend not arriving too early! Closest parking is at One Leisure St Ives Indoor, PE27 6WU.

Leaving

Troops choosing not to camp are free to leave as soon as their Scouts finish the hike. For those camping, the leaving time is 9:30am. The trophy will be presented at 9:15am.

Fees and deadlines

The entry fees are:

£12 per Scout to include camping

£8 per Scout without camping

£8 per adult camping

Closing date for entries is Sunday 29th October. Please complete one team entry form per team, and one Scout permission form per Scout. There are a limited number of places for teams, which will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. Fees are due with the booking please and are non-refundable.

Contacts

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Andrew Varley, 27th Cambridge: andrew@27thcambridge.org.uk 07854 694958

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Kit List

This event is taking place in winter, so it is important that Scouts have plenty of warm clothing. Camping overnight will be cold, so bring a blanket and wear warm clothes, including a woolly hat, to sleep in. Overnight equipment can be left in the tent during the hike and does not have to be carried.

Each Scout should bring (to be carried or worn on the hike)

- Rucksack
- Walking boots
- Walking socks and a spare pair
- Walking trousers (not jeans)
- Torch
- Spare batteries
- Waterproof jacket
- Waterproof trousers
- Coat
- Spare jumper
- Thermal vest
- Woolly hat
- Gloves
- Mug
- Water Bottle (recommended 1 litre)
- Snacks (e.g. energy bars)
- Emergency rations
- Troop neckerchief
- Notepad and pencil
- Packed lunch for Saturday evening (if not eating before arrival)
- Completed permission form (to be handed in at start)

Each team should bring

- Map (OS Explorer 225 – Huntingdon & St Ives)
- Map case
- Compass
- Mobile phone (fully charged and topped up, number given to event organisers)
- Two first aid kits
- Survival bag

Camping (suggested kit)

- Sleeping mat
- Sleeping bag (3-/4- season)
- Blanket
- Wash bag
- Full set of spare clothes
- Spare shoes/wellies

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Team Name:

Scout Troop:

Leader name:

Leader email:

Leader mobile number:

Scouts in team:

Name	Camping?
	Y / N
	Y / N
	Y / N
	Y / N
	Y / N
	Y / N
	Y / N
	Y / N

Adult helpers (1 DBS-checked adult helper per team please, may be leader or parent):

Name	Mobile number	Has car?
		7 seat / 5 seat / No
		7 seat / 5 seat / No

Please send completed entry forms to silverfox@27thcambridge.org.uk

Please make payment by bank transfer to:

Cambridge District Scout Council

Sort code: 20-17-20

Account number: 93802612

Reference: NHIKE <Troop name> e.g. NHIKE 27th Cambridge

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Silver Fox Night Hike Competition – Scout Details Form
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Please take note of these event details.

Location: Copley Scout Centre, St Ives PE27 5BY

Arrival time: Saturday 25th November, from 3pm (teams will be given specific start times)

Departure time: Sunday 26th November, 9:30am

Contact details during event: Andrew (07854 694958), Sam (07591 469760)

Scout Name:

Team Name:

Scout Troop:

Scout's mobile number:

Parent's name:

Parent's mobile:
(must be contactable at all times during the event)

Parent's email:

Home address:

Medical notes:

Dietary requirements:

I give permission for my child to take part in the Silver Fox Night Hike 2023. I am happy for the event first aiders to administer simple first aid treatment as may be necessary. I confirm that my child is a member of the Scout Association.

Signed _____ Date: _____

Relationship with the young person: _____

This form should be handed in at the start of the hike, or sent in beforehand with the team entry form.