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Welcome To
Scarisbrick
Guide Campsite



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The campsite occupies the area formerly known as “The Pheasantry” in the grounds of Scarisbrick Hall (which is now a private school), and together with woodland donated to us now extends to over 40 acres of fields and mature woodland.

The site was acquired by the then Guide County of South West Lancashire in 1964 and it was officially opened in May 1967. It is situated on the A570 between Ormskirk and Southport and is now administered jointly by the Guide Counties of Merseyside and Sefton.

There is a large brick built hall which was given by the family of the late Margaret Pilkington in recognition of her work in Guiding and in the establishment of this site. The building has been enlarged and now includes a large kitchen, and a shower block available for use by all. The Hall may be used for activities, trainings, meetings and sleepovers.

There is a stone built barn, half of the lower floor houses chill cabinets, freezers and telephone. The other half now houses 2 large wash rooms for campers. The upper floor is available for Guide/Senior Section/Adult holidays, as well as meetings.

There are large wooden shelters on each campsite which are available for storage and wet weather accommodation. Each of the 4 fields has its own water tap and flush toilets.

Storage of tents and equipment is now in the purpose built building situated on Hazels Site.



Site Information

Four sites of varying sizes. Tentage available for all sites. Bell, ridge and light-weight tents, gazebos, party tents and marquees all available for hire. There are facilities for Guide Patrol and Senior Section camping, with equipment and Trangias available. Each site has a water tap, permanent shelter, flush toilets, Altar fire. If booking an equipped site then also available very good kitchen equipment.

Showers/Washrooms

Showers and 2 washrooms are available for use of all campers, the cost being included in the site fee. Please do not use anti-bacterial handwash it upsets the function of the septic tank. You will be allocated your wash room on arrival.

Before leaving ensure it is left clean and tidy and the floor mopped.

Showers are for use by all campers and use will need to be negotiated with other users on site. Cleaning is the responsibility of all users, please arrange with other campers.

Disabled

The site is equipped with toilet and shower facilities for wheelchair occupants.

Telephone

A telephone for emergency calls only is provided. It is situated just inside the barn on the right. Honesty box is provided for cost of the call.

Chill cabinets and Freezers

These are situated on the ground floor of the barn and the arc for the use of all campers.

Water

There are taps on each site for collection of water. Washing must not be done at the taps. The water is metered so please ensure economy.

Fire Bricks

These must be collected and stacked neatly on the fireplaces. Scattered bricks ruin the grass cutter and you will be charged for its repair.

Toilets

Please ensure that your toilet block is cleaned and brushed out at the end of your camp. Sanibins must be emptied. Please use plain toilet tissue (i.e. non-perfumed and non-quilted) only, as this is the only brand suitable for septic tanks. NO sanitary protection of any kind must be put down the toilet. You will be provided with toilet cleaner.

The Barn & Margaret Pilkington Hall

The Barn

The barn accommodation is suitable for Guides, Senior Section or Adult members. The upstairs consists of an Activity/ Sleeping room, Guider's room, bathroom and kitchen.

Downstairs there is the chill cabinet and freezer and storage space.

There is a shower block adjacent to the Margaret Pilkington Hall, available for use.

The maximum number of persons sleeping upstairs is 15. Please note that each person should bring their own sheet for the mattresses provided.

Margaret Pilkington Hall

The hall is available for hire on a session basis. A session is a morning, afternoon or evening. Hire includes the use of the very well equipped kitchen. It is available for trainings, meetings etc.



The hall is also equipped for Rainbow, Brownie, Guide and Senior Section sleepovers.

The kitchen is included in the hire charge and also the use of the showers.



Activities On Site

ARCHERY

Led by qualified instructors. Maximum 12 girls per 1 hour session.

AERIAL RUNWAY

Available for hire, Adult supervision required at all times.

TRAMPOLINE

Available for hire in 1 hour sessions. Must be used only with adult supervision. Only 1 person on the trampoline at a time.

PIONEERING POLES

For use on site only. Sufficient ropes and poles to make various structures. Instruction booklet also available.

PARACHUTE, ORIENTEERING, PHOTO TRAIL & ASSAULT COURSE IN WOODS

LARGE OUTDOOR GAMES

All available for use on site. Bookable in advance or on arrival. For costs see site fee leaflet.

NETBALL, ROUNDERS AND SMALL GAMES EQUIPMENT

All available free of charge. Ask for on arrival.

WATER ACTIVITIES

These are available off site at the Scout Centre, Waterside Lodge, Marine Lake, Southport. Day visits can be arranged, but need to be booked in advance. A variety of different water sports available with instructors. Early booking is essential. Transport is available. For further details contact Tel/Fax 01704 510900.



Places of Worship & Interest

PLACES OF WORSHIP

RC : St Elizabeth's, Hall Road (1 mile)
C of E : St Mark's, Southport Rd (1.5 miles)
C of E : Halsall Church (1.5 miles)
Methodist : Bescar Lane (2 miles)

PLACES OF INTEREST

Southport : Seaside, Shops, Swimming Pool, Splashworld, Botanic Gardens, Crazy Golf, Bowling, Cinema, Roller Skating, New Pleasureland.

Ormskirk : Market Town, Outdoor market Thursday and Saturday, Swimming Pool.

Martin Mere Wild Fowl Sanctuary

Ainsdale/Freshfield Nature Reserve (Red Squirrels)

Rufford Old Hall National Trust building and grounds

Speke Hall National Trust building and grounds

Croxtheth Park Farm and Historic Hall

Charnock Richard Camelot Theme Park

Liverpool : Albert Dock, Museums, Large shopping area, Cathedrals, Beatles Experience, Echo Arena

Chester : Walled city, Zoo, River trips, The Rows, Cathedral

Blackpool : Seaside, Sandcastle, Tower, Pleasurebeach



More Site Information

Rubbish

As much rubbish as possible, especially food, must be burned. Cold ash, any other non-burnable rubbish must be put in black bin bags and placed in the large bin near the gate. Please DO NOT leave bags of rubbish on the ground. If possible please take recyclable rubbish home.

Boundaries

Please see map for boundary information. We have a large field on which the barn etc are situated and woods on all sides also the triangular field on which the sheep graze. Please observe the out of bounds area shown on the map.

Security

Sites should preferably not be left unattended.

Cars

Leader's cars only are allowed on the site, to be parked in the designated areas only. Please DO NOT take any cars onto the grassed areas. You will be charged for any damage caused to the field drainage pipes. Parents to unload cars in the main car park by the gate. Trek carts are provided for moving equipment to the campsites.

Ditches

Please ensure the drainage ditches in the woods and around the campsite are not damaged, nor blocked with logs etc. The steady flow of water is necessary in the maintenance of the site and to prevent flooding. The ditches are NOT for playing in.

Wood

A supply of wood is available on site. This should be collected and stored in the small shelters provided on each site. Please ensure they are left filled ready for the next camp. All gadget wood should be brought with you. The woods surrounding the site are protected by a tree preservation order. This means no cutting of trees is permitted, even dead ones.

Camp Shop

The shop sells sweets, novelties, cuddly toys, badges etc. Very competitive prices. Profits on all items sold go towards the upkeep of the campsite. The shop is usually open every Saturday morning at 11am in the camping season. We are willing to open at your convenience, if you wish to make alternative arrangements. In the winter months the shop will be opened by prior arrangement.

No Smoking Policy

The site is now a no smoking area. Smoking is permitted outside the gate, by the bin compound only.

Local Facilities

Hospitals

Children :

Ormskirk & District General Hospital

Wigan Road, Ormskirk L39 2AZ

Tel No 01695 577111

Adults :

Southport & Formby District Hospital

Town Lane, Southport PR8 6PN

Tel No 01704 547471

For other details and directions see notice in the barn.

Buses

Buses pass the gate to Ormskirk and Southport. Timetables in the barn.

Supermarket

Tesco: 3 miles from site on main A570 towards Southport.

Spar: 2 miles from site on main A570 towards Ormskirk, behind Texaco Garage.

Gaz: Red Lion Caravans, Vincents Garden Centre, PR8 5LF
(A570 Towards Southport : Tel No 01704 880236

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