

WELCOME

to
Scarisbrick
Guide Campsite



An Introduction ...

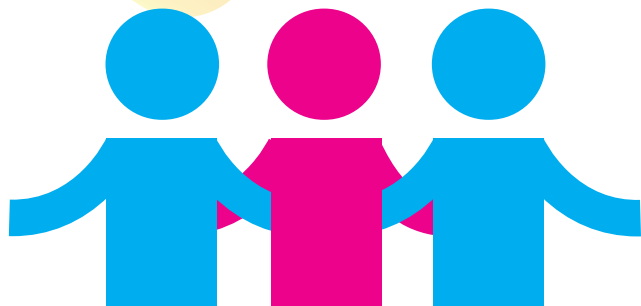
The campsite occupies the area formerly known as “The Pheasantry” in the grounds of Scarisbrick Hall (which is now a private school), and together with woodland donated to Girlguiding, it now extends to over 40 acres of fields and mature woodland.

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 DL, in recognition of her work in Guiding and in the establishment of this site. The building has been extended and now includes a large kitchen, as well as a shower block available for use by all. The Hall may be used for activities, trainings, meetings and sleepovers.

There is also a stone-built barn. Half of the lower floor houses chill cabinets, freezers and a telephone. The other half now houses 2 large wash rooms for campers. The upper floor is available for Brownie / Guide / Ranger / Young Leader / adult holidays, as well as meetings.

As well as members of Girlguiding UK, we also welcome members of The Scout Association, Duke of Edinburgh Award participants and other bona-fide youth groups.



Campsites

There are four sites, each of varying size. Each has facilities for Guide Patrols and Rangers / Young Leaders camping, with some equipment available to use. There is a water tap, permanent shelter, flush toilets and altar fire on each site. If booking an equipped site, then there is also some very good kitchen equipment available.

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

Some tentage is available to hire: ridge tents, light-weight tents and party tents.

All of our tents and equipment are now stored in the purpose built building located on Hazels Site.

Buildings

The Barn

The barn accommodation is suitable for Brownies, Guides, Rangers Young Leaders or adult members. The upstairs consists of an activity/sleeping room, leader's room, bathroom and kitchen. There are also three fold-up beds downstairs which are suitable for Leaders or Young Leaders.

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

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mattresses provided.

Downstairs are chill cabinets, freezers and general storage space.

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

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, Ranger and Young Leader sleepovers. Use of the kitchen is included in the hire charge.

Facilities

Showers/Washrooms

Showers and two washrooms are available for use of all campers, the cost being included in the site fee. Please do not use anti-bacterial handwash as it upsets the function of the septic tank. You will be allocated your washroom on arrival. Before leaving, users should ensure it is left clean and tidy and the floor has been 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 Facilities

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



Telephone

A pay phone is situated just inside the barn on the right.

Chill Cabinets and Freezers

These are situated on the ground floor of the barn and are for the use of all site users.

Water

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

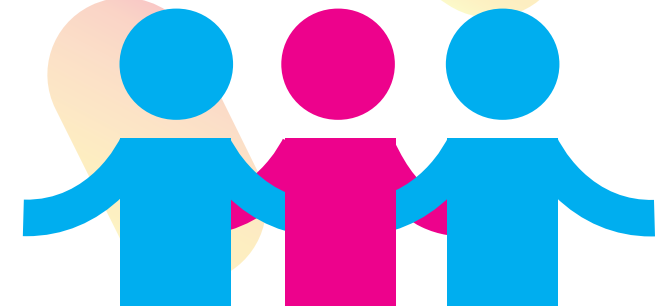
Firebricks

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

Oak Site has a washing up shelter suitable for D of E groups.

Toilets

Please ensure that your toilet block is cleaned and brushed out at the end of your camp. Sani-bins must be emptied regularly or at the end of your stay. Please use plain toilet tissue only (ie non-perfumed and non-quilted), as this is the only type suitable for septic tanks. NO sanitary protection of any kind must be put down the toilet. All users will be provided with the appropriate toilet cleaner.





Activities

Archery

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

Aerial Runway

Available for hire, Adult supervision required at all times.

Go Karts

There are 4 (pedal powered) Go Karts available for hire.

Pioneering Poles

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

Parachute

Basket Swing

Adventure Play Trail

Assault Course

Large Outdoor Games

All available for use on site. Bookable in advance or on arrival.

Netball, Rounders And Small Games Equipment

All available free of charge.



Off-site Activities

Water Activities

These are available off site at the local Scout Water Activity Centre : Waterside Lodge, Marine Lake, Southport. Day visits can be arranged, but must to be booked in advance. A variety of different water sports are available, delivered by qualified instructors. Early booking is essential. Transport can also be arranged. For further details contact Waterside Lodge on Tel/Fax 01704 510900.

Risk assessments are available for all activities.

Places Of Interest

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

Ormskirk : Swimmimng Pool, Market (Outdoors Thurs & Sat)

Martin Mere Wild Fowl Reserve (Burscough)

Farmer Ted's Adventure Farm (Between Ormskirk and Formby)

Ainsdale/Freshfield Nature Reserve (Red Squirrels)

Rufford Old Hall National Trust building and grounds

Liverpool : Albert Dock, Museums, Shopping, Cathedrals, Beatles Experience, Echo Arena, Speke Hall, Croxteth Park Farm

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

Blackpool : Seaside, Sandcastle, Tower, Pleasurebeach

General 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

The Barn is situated in the centre of four large camping fields, surrounded on all sides by woodland. Additionally, there is also the triangular field (adjacent to the main drive) on which the sheep graze. Please observe the out-of-bounds areas.

Security

Sites should preferably not be left unattended.

Cars and Parking

Leader's cars only are allowed on the site and must be parked in 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 should unload cars in the main car park by

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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 for the maintenance of the site and to prevent flooding. The ditches are NOT for playing in.

Wood

A limited 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 users. 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, not even dead ones.

Camp Shop

The shop sells sweets, novelties, cuddly toys, badges, campsite souvenirs etc. all at 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 during the camping season but we are willing to open at your convenience where required. Please telephone 01704 578857 if you wish to make alternative arrangements. In the winter months the shop will be opened by prior arrangement.

No Smoking Policy

The site, in line with Girlguiding UK policy and local by-laws is now a no smoking area. Smoking is ONLY permitted outside the entrance gate, near to the bin compound only.



Places Of Worship

Roman Catholic :

St Elizabeth's, Hall Road (1 mile)

C of E :

St Mark's, Southport Rd (1.5 miles)
Halsall Church (1.5 miles)

Methodist :

Bescar Lane (2 miles)

Islam :

Southport Central Mosque,
102a Sussex Rd, Southport PR9 OSL

Judaism (Reformed) :

Southport and District Reformed Synagogue,
Princes St, Southport PR8 1EG

Judaism (Orthodox) :

Southport Hebrew Congregation,
3 Arnside Rd, Southport PR9 OQX

Hospitals

Children's A&E :

Ormskirk & District General Hospital
Wigan Road, Ormskirk L39 2AZ Tel No 01695 577111

Southport & Formby District Hospital
Town Lane, Southport PR8 6PN Tel No 01704 547471

For further details and directions see notice in the Barn.

Buses

Buses pass the gate to Ormskirk and Southport. Time-tables are available in the barn.

Supermarket(s)

Tesco EXTRA :

3 miles from site on main A570 towards Southport.

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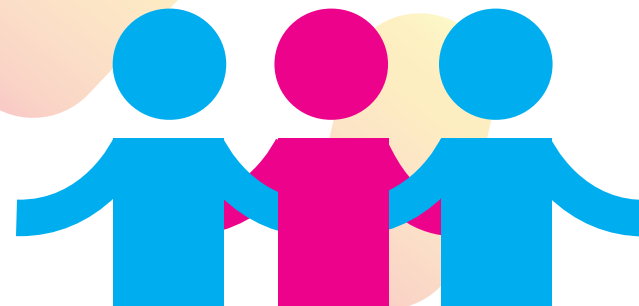
2 miles from site on main A570 towards Ormskirk, behind Texaco Garage.

Gaz:

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

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