



STEVENAGE SCOUTS

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DISTRICT NIGHT HIKE Saturday 20th November 2021 Final Team Information

5th November 2021

Dear Scouts and Explorers,

Thank you for entering a team in this year's District Night Hike. The arrangements are as follows:

Start and finish: Lannock Farm, Hitchin Road, Weston, Hitchin, Hertfordshire SG4 7EE, (Grid reference TL247304). See map on page 2.

Team name: _____

Team start time: _____ on Saturday 20th November 2021 at Lannock Farm.

Pick up time: _____ on Saturday 20th November 2021 at Lannock Farm.

Event Emergency Contact: 07535 613770

A food base will provide a burger, pasty or slice of quiche, slice of cake and a snack bar as well as a hot drink about half way around the route. Teams should also bring their own snacks and drinks to keep them going throughout the evening!

The Scout route is approx. 7.5 miles with the Explorer route being 9.5 miles. A first aid challenge is included. The team scoring the most points at this base will be awarded the District Scout First Aid trophy.

Car parking is limited at the farm, so please share lifts where possible. Please follow the directions when arriving at the farm. 'Scout Night Hike' signs will be placed on the road leading to the farm and a one-way system will be operating through the farm; however please be mindful of the businesses that operate at the farm and who may not follow our one-way system.

At check-in, teams will be provided with 2 laminated marked up maps and an emergency contact phone list. Scouts and Explorers will not be allowed to use mobile phones during the event unless in an emergency.

Each Scout/Explorer taking part will need to return a Scout Information Form. These were provided with the initial information and are also available on the District website. They must be returned before check-in.

Copies of all the information will be available on the District website (address above).

We are asking all Scouts and leaders taking part to take a COVID Lateral Flow Test (at home) within 48 hours of attending the event. As secondary schools are asking pupils to take an LFT twice a week, you may be able to take one that covers both needs. I'm sure it goes without saying, but anyone showing COVID-19 symptoms, must not attend the event. Please let your Scout Leader know if you can't attend.

Kit List and Directions

Individual Kit

- Warm clothing (no jeans)
- Fleece jacket or warm jumper
- Spare warm jumper (in case yours gets wet!)
- Waterproof jacket and trousers
- Walking Boots and walking socks
- Drink & snack food
- Torch and spare battery
- Small day sack with plastic bag liner

Team Kit (Discuss with your Scout Leader

- 2 compasses
- 1 mobile phone (with credit and charged battery!)
- Reflective vests (1 per walker)
- Map pen (to write on a laminated map)
- Small first aid kit
- Pens and pencils (for completing challenges)

At check-in your walking leader will ensure you have suitable clothing and footwear. **Any team member without walking boots, waterproofs and adequate warm clothing will not be allowed to start the hike.** The route will be muddy so hiking boots are essential.

Directions

From Stevenage, travel towards Gravelly on the B197, continue through Gravelly, past Jacks Hill and the Chesfield Downs Golf Course and on towards the A1M junction 9. Before you get to the motorway you will pass a recycling centre on the left, then turn right towards Weston. The road goes up-hill before a sharp right-hand bend. The farm entrance is a few hundred metres after the bend on the right-hand side of the road. Follow the luminous yellow 'Scout Night Hike' signs for the last mile or so.

