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Welcome to Participants, Leaders and Staff who have signed up to #bepartof our “World of Entertainment” at Charnwood 2016!! We know that you will have a fabulous time at camp and we can’t wait to meet you all!! ☺

In our first newsletter we told you a bit about our **Youth Ambassadors**. Beck and Alex have now been joined by another Alex – Alex Ross. Here’s a bit more about them:



Alex (Guiding): I’m a Rainbow Leader both in Bath and in Leicestershire. I’m excited to see thousands of Guides and

Scouts together in such a great atmosphere.

Beck: My main guiding role is a Brownie Leader, but I do have lots of other roles within Guiding too! I love seeing what our members have to say, it’s for them after all.



Alex (Scouting): As well as being in my local network unit, I am also a member of the Leicestershire County Scout

Executive Committee.

They say: “We’ve had lots exciting meetings since the last newsletter and we’re all getting a little excited for camp!

We meet, once a month, with a selected group of Guides, Scout, Explorers and members of The Senior Section from across

the county to create the Youth Forum. Here we gather ideas from across Leicestershire about what the participants want to see and hear at camp.

As a Youth Forum we have decided and generated the ideas for the theme of camp, what the badges were to look like and what activities are taking place. We also have our say on lots of other wonderful things which are going to happen at camp.

[Find out more about us on the Charnwood website.](#)

Don’t forget, if you want to have your say on what happens at Charnwood. Use the hashtag #YF2016 on social media and follow us on Twitter @Charnwood2016

See you in less than 115 days!”

The Programme Team

have been busy beavering away planning lots of exciting activities, starting with the “Thousand Star Challenge Day” on Sunday. There will be hundreds of team activities to take part in all over the site to help participants find their way around. Patrols will compete for the champion sub camp trophy which will be awarded at the end of the day. A fast moving fun day earning stars, making new friends and having fun. In the evening the whole camp



will come together for a Charnwood Walk Street Fair with street entertainers, music and lots of games and fun for





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everyone. Everything you need for your teams of between 4-6 participants will be delivered to your sub camp by Saturday so all group leaders will have time to help their young people understand how the day works.

To make the street fair a roaring success, we would like all camping groups to provide, and man, a street fair style game. Your sub camp leaders have the details and will be coordinating the activities to make sure we get a great variety. You will be able to set up your stall/game from 6.30pm and will need to bring everything you need to run e.g. table.

Why not wear sub camp themed fancy dress (optional) to celebrate your decade during the evening?



Lots of help is needed on the Challenge Day. So if you know of anyone who can't be at Charnwood for the week, this is a great way of being involved for just one day. Job descriptions are on the website and please email programme@charnwood.org for further details. Abi Salter & Sally Illsley
Thousand Star Challenge
Day Coordinators



After the whole camp activity on the Sunday, the rolling activity programme will commence.

There is also a full evening programme, starting on the Saturday with the Opening Ceremony – wear your sub camp T shirt/necker. After the Street Fair on Sunday there will be a band on the main stage.



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Every evening Monday – Wednesday there will be activities in your sub camp approx. 7 – 7.45pm, and Game Shows on the main stage approx 8 – 8.45pm. These will be followed on the main stage 9 – 10.30pm by DJ – Monday, Band – Tuesday, DJ – Wednesday. On Thursday there will be activities on sub camp as above then approx. 8:15pm the final of “Charnwood’s Got Talent” will be on the main stage.

Friday evening will be the Closing Ceremony – wear Scout/Guide uniform.



Coming direct to Charnwood 2016 “Team Talent on Tour” brings you “Charnwood’s Got Talent”. This is your opportunity to showcase your talents on your own, in a group, or with your unit. Can you make it past the judges, through the semi finals and onto the live Grand Final on the main stage? Further details will be released over the next few months by the Team Talent team so keep your eyes on the Charnwood website, but in the meantime get practicing your talents and remember you must be able to bring everything you need for your act with you to camp. Check out Team Talent at www.facebook.com/TEAM-TALENT-ON-TOUR-324880166078/

In addition to all of this there is also a cinema running Monday - Thursday from 8:30pm in the CRBBC area, Acoustic acts and a drumming workshop round the Campfire





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circle and a Games Area. The international and channel your thoughts tents will also be open every evening.

The “Channel Your Thoughts” team are looking for young people to take part in various services at camp, including a communion service on the Sunday, and a “Scouts’ and Guides’ Own” involving all faiths on the Wednesday evening. Interested? Email programme@charnwood.org

So what are the leaders going to be doing while the participants are at play? Sub Camp Teams may need your help with “housekeeping” jobs around the sub camps – and for groups with large leadership teams there are lots of options!! 😊

Ratio of Leaders to Young People

To ensure the best experience for young people at Charnwood we need to get the right balance of leaders supporting units. If there are too few leaders we risk not being able to provide appropriate support or response to special situations. If there are too many leaders then there are lots of other tasks that need doing to stop you from getting bored! Units should aim for a ratio of about ‘1 to 8 plus one’.



On the non-stop noughties a lot of units will be camping without leaders – so the ratios do not apply. The sub camp team will be looking for every adult on the sub camp to help ensure the young people have the best possible experience.

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If you are fortunate enough to be part of a big leadership team, why not have a look at the flexi-staff programme and get a look at a different side of Charnwood? Flexi-staff enables you to volunteer to do a staff role on chosen days of the week and leaves you free to be with your Unit at essential times and on the other days. Here are some of the roles flexi-staff will be asked to help with:



Craft volunteers needed to supervise tables of Guides and Scouts whilst they create some amazing glass wear/ fabric painting or similar.

Responsibilities will include everyone getting an opportunity in the time allowed and safety when using equipment.



Day visitors team need help:

- supervising groups of our younger members and their leaders ensuring they follow the yellow brick road around the site to complete all the challenges along the way.
- supervising and encouraging young members and their leaders on the inflatables / mini ropes course in the exclusive mini Charnwood area of the camp.

BPCC provides an opportunity to play traditional games



from Guiding and Scouting. Help Guides and Scouts play all of those forgotten games - instructions will be provided.





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To register for flexi-staff please fill out the form on the web site <http://charnwood.org/flexi-staff/> and email to flexistaff@charnwood.org

Young Leaders - Have you got a high number of Young Leaders with your group on 10 – 14 sub camps who are not booked in to do activities? Do they realise that they won't be doing activities? If they did not realise this, contact bookings@charnwood.org to discuss options.

Coming from outside the local area?

Simon on the 80s sub camp has produced this excellent map that will help you find local amenities that may be of use – Thanks Simon!!

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=zBIM5VmB6YLM.kg0V4RAIvbbw>

What about those coming from further afield? The International Team have been working hard to bring as many international guests as possible to Charnwood 2016 – and they've done a fantastic job – but that does mean that they will need a little help welcoming our guests.

Do you have a group minibus that could be used to pick up guests from e.g. airports and coach/train stations in the East Midlands? Are you available before the camp – especially Thursday/Friday, or on Saturday 30 July to be a "Trolley Dolly"? Trolley Dollies can be



male/female, and will travel on coaches to "meet and greet" our international guests. Please email intbookings@charnwood.org if you can help in any way.

We are lucky to have Mercy Scouts International coming to join us at camp.

You will find the Mercy Scouts International Charity in the International Tent area. You will have the opportunity to find out more about the various charitable projects they are working on and in the evenings you can learn how to make their bracelets or give a donation for one. They tell us that.... "Mercy Scouts works in Uganda directly with scout groups and local villages to change lives, empower youths/scouts and build communities through our activities.

One of our projects is the "**Scouts Stop Malaria**" project which fights to reduce the burden of malaria through our activities. They are divided into three elements;

- Education
- Data collection
- Free mosquito nets distribution

This is done in relation to the scouts principles to which we adhere: Duty to self, duty to God and duty to others. As scouts, we cannot stay insensitive to the fact that Malaria is the biggest killer of children under five year who account for nearly 90 percent of all malaria deaths. It is estimated that a child dies every 45 seconds from the disease.

Malaria is also a strong force causing maternal health problems in Africa and particularly Uganda.





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Together, we can fight malaria and change the lives of others who cannot afford to buy a treated mosquito net. We are trying to reach the goal of 5000 nets and every little helps. If you think you are too small to be effective, you have never been in bed with a mosquito. Sleeping under a treated mosquito net can reduce the incidence of malaria by up to 90%. That is enormous, and the effect of hanging an insecticide-treated mosquito net can reduce the number of infective mosquitoes in a 300 meter radius around where the net is hung.

Join us in this struggle and be part of those making this world a better place. Donate a mosquito net and save a life a very small amount of money goes a long way.

YOU could donate £2.50 for a bracelet Enough for one mosquito net YOU will have saved a life"

Could your Unit help them ? Could your local Beaver, Cub, Rainbow or Brownie unit help them? To find out more about Mercy Scouts International find them on Facebook or go to www.mercyscouts.webs.com or contact intbookings@charnwood.org

Flags, Flags, Flags!!

The Facilities Team would like the camp to have a "festival" feel, so would like you to bring flags to decorate the main drive – these flags can be any size – you bring it, they'll fly it!! It's probably best if you don't use your unit flag for this purpose as although it's hoped that flags can be returned, there



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are no guarantees. The team say "the more the merrier" – so they'd like one per group, and one from as many members of staff as would like to bring one. You can bring it to camp, or to a sub camp/team meeting close to camp.

As well as flags for the main drive, think about bringing bunting and flags for your camping area – and of course, gateways.



The team would like all tents/units on the Noughties sub camp to have flags on fishing poles!!

Continuing the flag theme – the Programme Team would welcome SMALL flags in your sub camp colour that can be waved at ceremonies.

A word or two on safety... Having told you a few of the things that we would like you to bring, here are a few things that should be left at home please, for reasons of safety.

Please don't bring generators to camp.

There will be very limited charging facilities at camp, and the problem of keeping valuables secure, so young people should be discouraged from bringing mobile phones etc to camp.



Charnwood 2016 will be working to the law in the case of carrying knives on this style of





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camp. Any adult can carry a pocket knife (folding, non locking with a blade of 3" or 7.62 cm maximum). Young people under the age of 18 should not be allowed to bring a pen knife or other such tool. The only time a young person will require a knife is as part of Baden Powell Challenge Channel activities, and in this case knives will be supplied by the programme team as and when required.

Any item utilising a laser pointer or similar device is strictly prohibited from the event owing to the close proximity to East Midlands Airport aerial traffic. Failure to comply will result in confiscation, expulsion from site, and if applicable, referral to the necessary authorities for criminal proceedings.



Due to the size/location of the event, and proximity to main roads/flight paths (EMA included), we're advocating and very strongly advising that no drones are allowed during the event unless:

- Pilot qualification is proven
- Insurance is held
- CAA rules are complied with
- Land Owners permission is given
- Directorate permission given

Any unauthorised flight would result in the aircraft being confiscated until the end of the event.



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Bringing under 10s to camp?

Would you like them to join CRBBC for a day? If so, why not get together a group of children and a responsible adult/member of The Senior Section and book them in

<http://charnwood.org/activities/crbbc/>

They will need to be aged 5yrs – 10 yrs and be booked in as a group, "on site staff group" – with a name for the group so that we can identify them. Ratios of 1:5 apply. If you book whilst at camp we cannot guarantee all activities will be available to them, so please book early to avoid disappointment.



The crèche (a.k.a. Kids Fun Club) is available for children aged 18 months – under 10. Bookings close 1st June.

<http://charnwood.org/creche/> Contact creche@charnwood.org for further information.

Not long until camp now – our next newsletter is due out in May, but in the meantime you can keep up with news of camp via the website, facebook and twitter

Especially for the staff....

When you signed up you were not asked for details of the vehicle you will be bringing to camp. We need to record these details in case there is an incident that requires us to contact the owner. Please email staff@charnwood.org with your name and C number, and the make, model, colour and reg. no. of your vehicle. We also need to know if you need daily use of the vehicle at camp, and if so, the reason.





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(Camping group leaders are able to add these details to their own record for themselves).

Have you signed up for staff catering? Have special dietary requirements? We are able to cater for most dietary needs (e.g. vegetarian, gluten free, etc) Email staffcatering@charnwood.org with your requirements as soon as possible, and certainly NO LATER than 22 July. Please put your full name and "C" number in the subject line.

Have you got any special needs that you haven't already told us about e.g. needing power for sleep apnoea machine? For this or any other special requirements, please email inclusion@charnwood.org as soon as possible.

Have you checked that you have an in date dbs check – if not, apply now!!

All staff should have received an invitation to the staff "Mega Meet" on May 7th from their Team Manager/Leader – please rsvp to them by April 17th. If you've not had an invitation, please contact your Team Manager/Leader, if you don't know who that is, email staff@charnwood.org

Participant groups are having regular sub camp meetings. This is not practical for the staff team owing to numbers etc. The Noisy Nineties Sub Camp is the vehicle for communicating with staff wherever on/off site they will be camping – you can keep up with staff issues by joining <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1640128>

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[556239490/](https://twitter.com/Charnwood90s) or following <https://twitter.com/Charnwood90s>

Any questions, please email ninetiessubcamp@charnwood.org

And finally.....

Camps like Charnwood don't just happen – they take a lot of hard work by a lot of people. We have a fantastic team of adults either bringing participants, or working on the staff, but we still need more – so if you know anyone who'd like to come and join the staff team, please ask them to sign up at <https://www.charnwood.org/booking/staff/page1.php> Thanks!! :-)

Staff Catering

Cooking three meals a day for approximately 400 people.



Staff Team

Come and be part of the Staff Subcamp Team



Programme Team

Back to basics in the Baden Powell Challenge Channel



Information Centre

Friendly team in the heart of the camp village

Health and Welfare Team

First Aiders, Medical Practitioners, Fire and Police Officers



Journalism Team Leader

Access all areas

