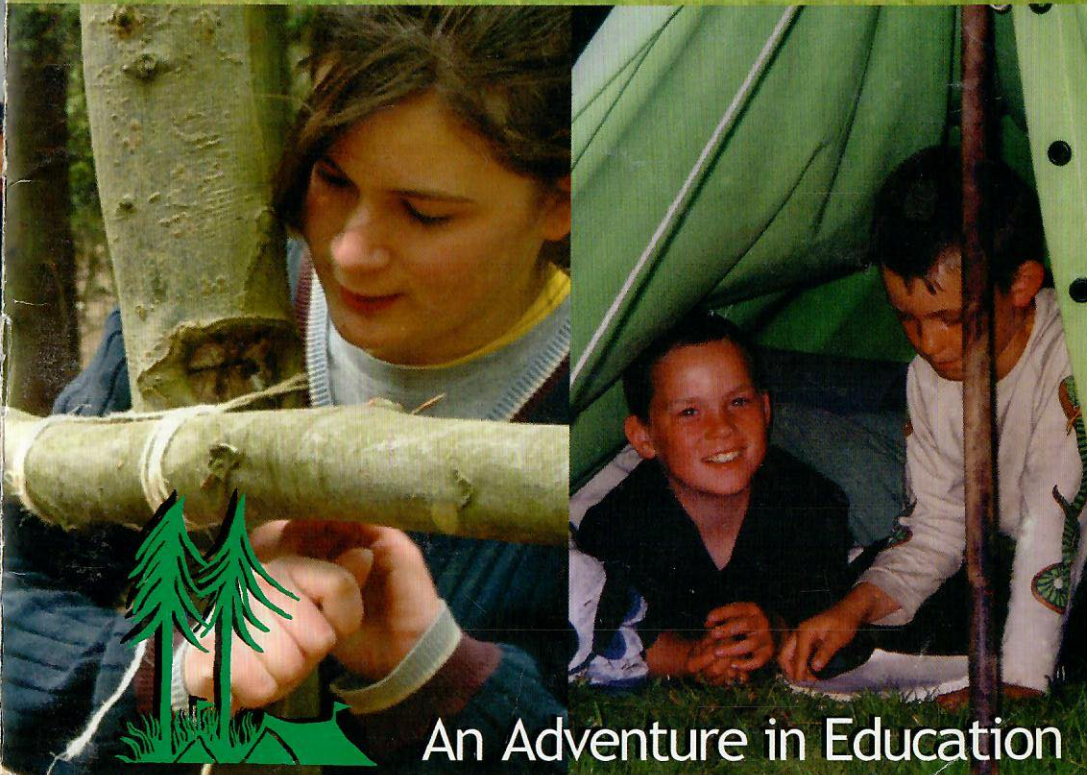
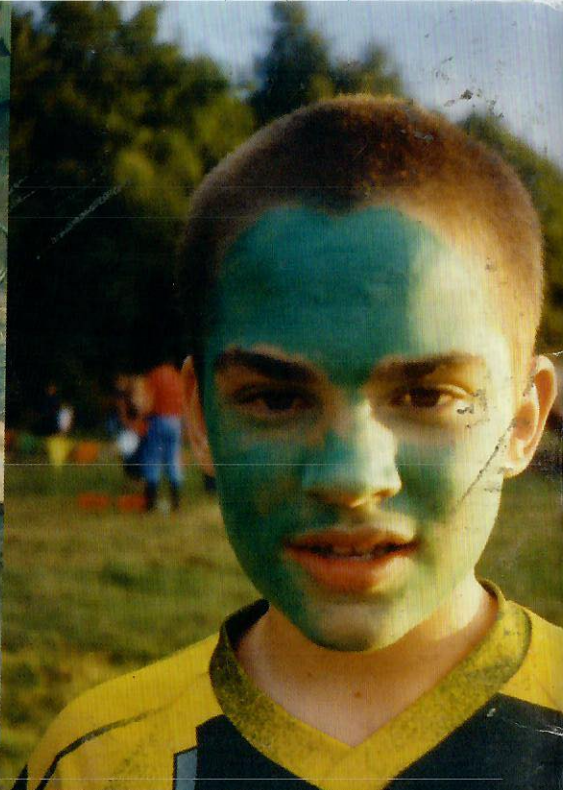


# Forest School Camps Programme 2004



An Adventure in Education



# FOREST SCHOOL CAMPS

**FSC is not a commercial holiday company, it is an educational charity, and a voluntary organisation. All our officers and staff are unpaid volunteers.**



Forest School, which ran in the 1930s, drew its philosophy from progressive educators, from the Woodcraft movements and the Native Americans, from Quakers and others. Special importance was attached to the experience of boys and girls, children and adults, learning to work and play together close to nature.



FSC began in 1947 when former pupils and staff came together, anxious to develop and pass on the ways and values of Forest School which by then had closed.



Our education is about discovering for oneself how to do something, rather than being told in the abstract. Children and staff find themselves in situations that encourage this, the outdoors demands and encourages learning.



We remove unnecessary authority and, with due regard for safety and legality, encourage children to take responsibility and to reach their own decisions on small and not-so-small issues, individually or as a group.



At camp we aim to teach ourselves how to live with independence and responsibility; concern and care for ourselves, other people and the environment; resourcefulness and self-confidence; tolerance and respect. FSC is determined that all people be treated equally regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, religion and disability. These are high ideals - we don't always succeed.



A Native American belief is that you will only be in touch with nature if you 'sit and sleep on the earth'. Their feeling for the wholeness of life on our planet is expressed in some of our rituals and the names we give things at camp.



The philosophy developed at camp is practised throughout the administrative organisation of FSC. When you enrol your children you become a part of FSC and this approach. Many staff members begin their association with FSC as parents or campers.



Camp is great fun, though at a practical level it can also be cold and wet, and is often dirty. Despite this, many people camp again and again and again. Join us to find out why!

[www.fsc.org.uk](http://www.fsc.org.uk)

# ...AND WHEN IN 2004

DATE	NO.	NAME	AGES	
20 Feb - 22 Feb	1	February Caving	11.0 - 17.11	*
26 Mar - 28 Mar	50	Danbury Wooding	16+	**
2 Apr - 4 Apr	51	Rushall Manor Weekend 1	16 +	**
3 Apr - 10 Apr	52	Grey Hill Family Camp	18 +	**
9 Apr - 12 Apr	53	On Your 'Eads 1	16+	**
9 Apr - 16 Apr	2	Basic Shakin'	8.0 - 17.11	
10 Apr - 17 Apr	3	Hodore at Easter	8.0 - 17.11	
30 Apr - 2 May	54	Brazier's Park Weekend 1	16+	**
30 Apr - 3 May	4	The Good, The Bad & The Gurn	6.6 - 17.11	
30 Apr - 3 May	40	Ribblesdale Associate Camp	Family	
30 Apr - 3 May	41	Shining Cliff Associate Camp	Family	
1 May - 3 May	5	Venice	8.0 - 17.11	
14 May - 16 May	6	Lazy Cycling Weekend	12.0 - 17.11	*
21 May - 23 May	7	Canoe Weekend	10.0 - 17.11	*
21 May - 23 May	55	Danbury Skills Camp	17+	**
29 May - 5 Jun	8	Whitsun in Pembrokeshire	6.6 - 14.11	
29 May - 5 Jun	9	Whitsun at Magdalen Farm	8.0 - 17.11	
29 May - 5 Jun	10	Buy One Get One Free	6.6 - 14.11	
19 Jun - 3 Jul	56	Greyhill International	18+	**
2 Jul - 4 Jul	11	Hodore's Rocking Weekend	6.6 - 17.11	
2 Jul - 4 Jul	42	Hindhead Associate Camp	Family	
2 Jul - 4 Jul	43	Rushall Associate Camp	Family	
28 Jul - 6 Aug	20	Return of the Red Herring	6.6 - 17.11	
28 Jul - 10 Aug	21	Radnor 1	6.6 - 17.11	
28 Jul - 10 Aug	22	In The Land Of The Red Dragon	8.0 - 17.11	
28 Jul - 10 Aug	23	Borrowbeck 1	6.6 - 17.11	
28 Jul - 10 Aug	24	South Cornwall 1	8.0 - 17.11	
28 Jul - 10 Aug	25	Farndale 1	6.6 - 17.11	
28 Jul - 10 Aug	26	Dinas 1	6.6 - 17.11	
27 Jul - 11 Aug	27	Hebridean Adventure	11.0 - 17.11	*
28 Jul - 10 Aug	28	Teviotdale	12.0 - 17.11	
28 Jul - 10 Aug	29	Yomping In Yorkshire	13.0 - 17.11	*
12 Aug - 25 Aug	31	Radnor 2	8.0 - 17.11	
12 Aug - 25 Aug	32	Harlech 2	6.6 - 17.11	
12 Aug - 25 Aug	33	Borrowbeck 2	6.6 - 17.11	
12 Aug - 25 Aug	34	South Cornwall 2	8.0 - 17.11	
12 Aug - 25 Aug	35	Coast - To - Coast Mobile	15.0 - 17.11	*
27 Aug - 30 Aug	57	On Your 'Eads 2	16+	**
24 Sep - 26 Sep	58	Brazier's Park Weekend 2	16+	**
22 Oct - 24 Oct	59	Rushall Manor Weekend 2	16+	**
29 Oct - 31 Oct	36	October Caving	11.0 - 17.11	*
TBC	60	Sole Bay Surf	16+	**

\* - for experienced campers

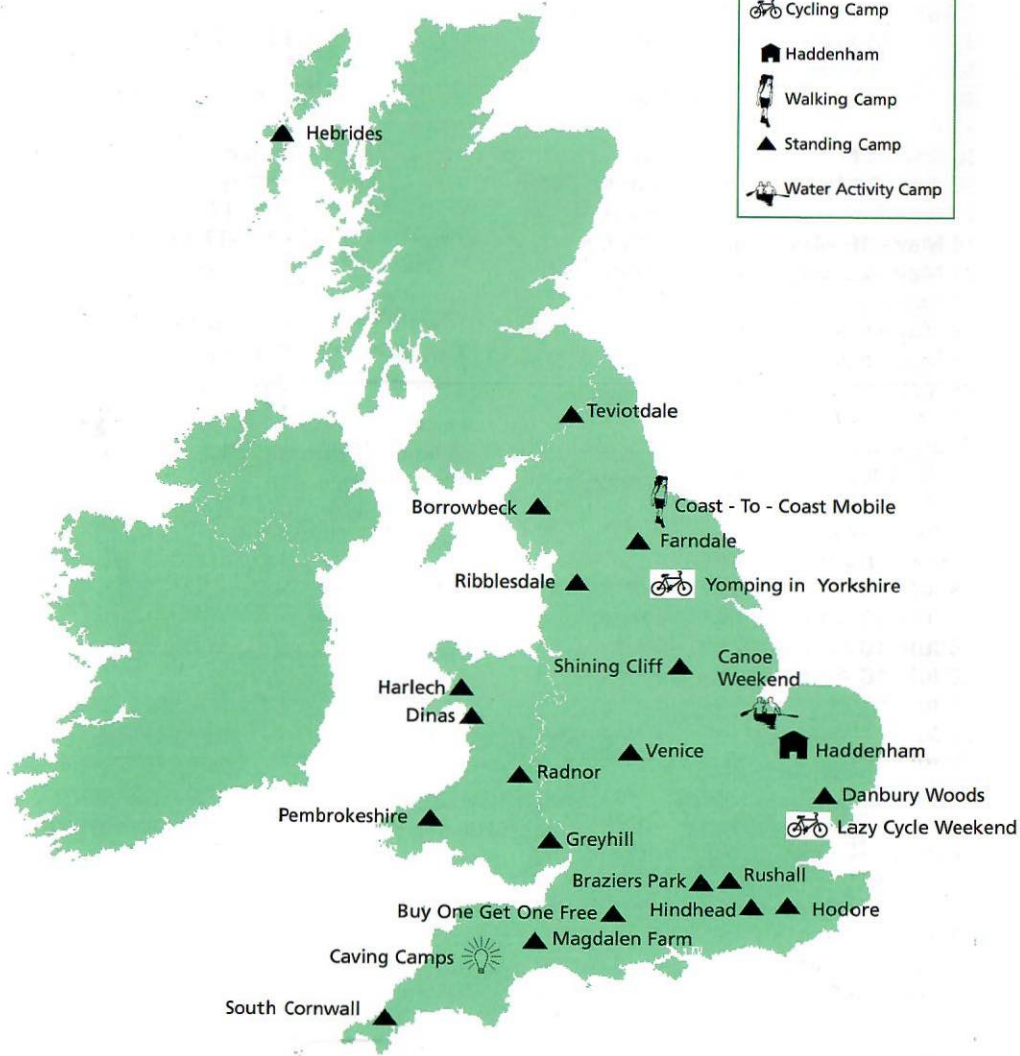
\*\* - conservation & skills camps



# WHERE WE CAMP...

**KEY**

-  Caving Camp
-  Cycling Camp
-  Haddenham
-  Walking Camp
-  Standing Camp
-  Water Activity Camp



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## HOW TO ENROL



Early application is strongly recommended as demand for places is high. While we do deal with applications as they arrive, we also place children to ensure that camps are balanced by age, sex, and experience. Therefore, children are not allocated places in strict order of receipt of applications, and some early applicants may be disappointed.



All children who camp with us are youth members of FSC until they reach the age of 18, when we hope to welcome them as staff.



Members are placed first. New applicants may be placed on a waiting list for one or more years.

•Please apply for summer camps on yellow enrolment forms and for all other camps on blue enrolment forms.

•Please send a separate form for each child and camp; if necessary photocopy extra forms, or download them from our website, [www.fsc.org.uk](http://www.fsc.org.uk).

•Please send completed forms to the appropriate enrolment secretary. A full list of addresses appears on page 37.

•Please send a separate enrolment fee for each child and camp:

•For camps of 6 nights and shorter, send the full fee. Of this, £30 is treated as a non-returnable deposit, once you are offered a place on a camp of your choice.

•For camps of 7 nights and longer, send £30. This deposit is not returnable once you are offered a place on a camp of your choice.

•Please write the camper's name on the back of your cheque/P.O./money order and make it payable to 'Forest School Camps'.

•We require two stamped addressed envelopes, DL size (21x11 cm) or larger, per application form. One is used to give confirmation of our receipt of your enrolment fee and the second to offer a place at camp.

•For the main summer camps only, the remainder of the fee may be paid in three instalments; please indicate on your enrolment form if you wish to use this method of payment.

•Family discount - for families where three or more children attend summer camps there is a reduction in fees of £15 per child.

•All fees for summer camps must be paid in full by May 31. Fees for Whitsun camps must be paid in full six weeks before the camp begins.

•Fees printed in the programme include return fares from London. For camps of 6 nights and shorter, a deduction of £5 may be made by those travelling separately where this is indicated in the programme. For camps of 7 nights and longer, those travelling separately usually receive a rebate.



If a child misses the escorted party it is the parent's or guardian's responsibility to arrange the camper's transport to the site at their own cost.



Because we try to provide a continuous experience for children, priority for membership is given to siblings of existing members.

## USEFUL ADDRESSES

All our workers are voluntary and help Forest School Camps in their spare time. While every effort is made to deal with enrolments and correspondence promptly, some delays are unavoidable. Please write to or e-mail our officers rather than telephone them.

### ENROLMENT SECRETARIES

#### SUMMER

Maggie Beach, The Old Cottage, Chapel Lane, Thornborough, Bucks, MK 18 2JD

#### EASTER

Rod and Julie Gritten, Traian Llanfrothen, Penrhyndeudraeth, Gwynedd LL48 6SW

#### WHITSUN

Mary Brown, 32 Castellain Road, London W9 1EZ

#### OTHER CAMPS

Juliette Flower, 10 Bewick Mews London SE15 1QR

For Special Enrolments, Learning Difficulties Enrolments & Physical Disabilities Enrolments please see page 7. For Skills & Conservation camps see page 29.

### PROGRAMME REQUESTS & NEW MEMBER ENQUIRIES

FSC Programme Requests  
8 Broadview, Fryent Way,  
London, NW9 9SG

### GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Should be addressed to:  
[gensec@fsc.org.uk](mailto:gensec@fsc.org.uk)

Enquiries about children's enrolment should be addressed to:  
Ruth Steed,  
14 Highfields, Forest Row,  
East Sussex RH18 5AJ  
[children@fsc.org.uk](mailto:children@fsc.org.uk)

### AID FUND

For the Aid Fund Secretary address please see page 8

#### CHAIR

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#### GENERAL SECRETARY

General Enquires to  
General Secretary -  
[gensec@fsc.org.uk](mailto:gensec@fsc.org.uk)

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## NEW STAFF



If you are over eighteen and you think FSC sounds like your sort of organisation, do give us a try. We can't offer much by way of money – just expenses – but the good company of like-minded adults of all ages keeps many people coming back time and again.

Some of our best staff are recruited by children returning from camp and urging their parents to join in the fun. We provide training in practical camping skills and also make sure that each camp has a balance of new and experienced staff so that each person can continue 'learning by doing'.

If you enjoy the open air, the company of children and being part of a community, come along to a weekend training camp, find out what's involved and see whether you enjoy it.

Parents often have much needed experience in child care, younger staff have more energy for boisterous games and activities.


Whether you're zany and imaginative or dull and dependable, we need your talents! Training camps last for two to three days.


Please see page 6 for details of Police Checks.


Information is sent out in reply to queries in the Spring.


Write to:

**Leslie Holden**  
**21 Dukes Avenue**  
**London N10 2PS**  
**staffing@fsc.org.uk**

 New campers are not normally accepted after their fifteenth birthday, since there is great demand for older child places. We also may not be able to place all new thirteen and fourteen year-olds due to demand for places.

 Children are not normally enrolled on activity camps until they have attended two standing camps, i.e. when they are experienced FSC campers. This applies even if your child has camped with other organisations. The standing camps impart the basic FSC philosophy essential for activity camps.

 Please do not ask for more than two children (other than siblings) to camp together as this restricts our ability to offer them a place on their choice of camp. This may reduce the chance of children being placed at all.

 At camp, children join their own age group: Elves 6.6 to 7.11, Woodlings 8.0 to 10.11, Trailseekers 11.0 to 12.11, Trackers 13.0 to 14.11, and Pathfinders 15.0 to 17.11 (ages on 1st September). Each group camps separately in the field from the others. Therefore unless siblings or friends happen to be in the same group, it will not be possible for them to share a tent.





## PARENTS' MEETINGS

There will be two Saturday meetings in central London for parents, guardians and sponsors whose children are enrolled on this year's camps: the morning of Saturday 24 April, for those attending spring, Whitsun or the early summer camps, and Saturday 26 June for those going to summer camps. These are opportunities for you to meet some of the staff of the camps and to find out more about FSC. Full details of the meeting will be sent to you by your camp organiser. If you do not have a child enrolled, but would like to attend the June meeting, details may be obtained from the General Secretary after 1 June.

## CANCELLATION

If you have to cancel a place at a camp, please write to the camp organiser, giving the reason, as soon as possible. **The £30 deposit is not returnable.** If a place is cancelled within eight weeks of the start of camp it will not be possible to enrol another child and it is therefore unlikely that we will be able to make a refund. FSC does not insure you against cancellation. Holiday insurance (available from most travel agents and banks) would cover you against this risk. Such insurance could also cover loss or damage to a member's equipment, for which FSC cannot accept responsibility.

**Please note that the final decision on refunds rests with the Children's Secretary.**

## POLICE CHECKS

Prior to April 2002 Forest School Camps, as a voluntary organisation, was unable to obtain police checks on its staff members. In the past staff new to the organisation have been asked to declare relevant previous criminal convictions. Since April 2002 and the creation of the Criminal Records Bureau (CRB), voluntary organisations have been enabled to check their staff members for relevant criminal records. The Council of FSC decided in June 2002, that FSC must take up this opportunity. FSC will implement a system to ensure that CRB checks take place as soon as practicable. However, as a result of the pressure of work on the CRB, and the anticipated additional administrative load upon FSC, it is unlikely that all staff on all camps will be checked before the 2005 camping season. We continue to be confident that our internal procedures act as a robust screening device, and will continue to operate them in the future as an important complement to criminal record checks.

## NEW SITES

Occasionally in the past, we have been forced to cancel camps (due to Foot and Mouth disease, for instance). Chances of cancellation would be limited if more sites were available. If you have, or know of, twelve acres or so of land which would be suitable for a camp, whether as an emergency back up or as a regular site, contact:

**Camps Committee Coordinator  
Kate Hall  
camps@fsc.org.uk**

## MOBILE CAMPS

Lightweight tents, cooking stoves, fuel containers and billies are needed. A tent should have a flysheet, a sewn-in groundsheet and should ideally weigh less than 1.5 kg per person sharing it. You will normally be expected to supply at least one of the above items. Your camp chief will supply a complete specialised kit list and can advise you what to buy (or borrow).

When packing for walking mobiles, all your kit (with some space left for food) must fit inside your rucksac. Strong, waterproof walking boots with Vibram soles, or similar, are essential; they must be comfortable and be well walked-in.

For canoeing mobiles, your kit has to be packed into several small waterproof bundles. Kitbags (maximum size 80cm by 30cm diameter) and a small frameless rucksac are best; anything larger will not fit into a canoe.

On cycling mobiles, all your kit must fit inside your panniers and saddle bags (leaving some space for food!)

**1** It is **ESSENTIAL** to have thoroughly waterproof rain wear. A PVC or heavy gauge proofed-nylon long anorak, cape or cagoule, with hood is recommended. Waterproof trousers are also useful and should be large enough to put on over boots. Very lightweight proofed-nylon is only showerproof and both this and plastic macs have a very limited life under camp conditions. Waterproofs should be tested under a shower or garden hose – if they leak your child will get wet every time it rains!

**2** Even at standing camps we do a lot of rough walking, so footwear must be comfortable. Children under eleven must have strong walking or at least training shoes. The heavier tread of walking boots gives better grip on wet grass. All campers will also need a pair of lightweight shoes for wearing around the camp. As it is often wet underfoot we recommend Wellington boots for all campers on standing camps, and consider them **ESSENTIAL** for the under-tens. Wellingtons should be large enough to accommodate thick socks. All foot-wear must be well walked-in before camp.

**3** At least one light top should be long sleeved with a collar to protect against sunburn.

**4** FSC holds a limited supply of small tents which we are prepared to lend to campers at standing camps. Those who wish to go on camping should aim to get a tent of their own. Less expensive traditional A-frame tents offer better protection than similarly priced dome tents.

**5** A separate groundsheet is useful for sleeping out and sitting on.

**6** The best bedding for camp is a sleeping bag which can be either natural (down and feather) or synthetic fibre filled. The latter is cheaper, can be washed, is heavier and bulkier but is adequate for our camps. All bags should be used with sheet linings. A blanket can provide extra warmth. Good insulation between sleeping bag and groundsheet can be provided by a Karrimat, as there is no room in small tents for camp beds or lilos. We recommend that two sleeping bags be used at Easter and autumn camps. All bedding should be packed into a thick polythene bag.

**7** A rucksac does not have to be large enough to hold everything but must be able to hold a sleeping bag, jumper, waterproofs and some food on hike. It must be comfortable and get the load as high and as close to the back as possible. Young children rapidly outgrow a small rucksac and a cheap unframed pack is a better start than a poorly fitting framed rucksac. For extra kit, a canvas or nylon kitbag or zipped holdall is good; a suitcase is not suitable. Line all luggage with thick polythene sacks.

**8** Good lightweight torches are widely available. Torches will need to be carried on hike so don't bring a massive searchlight, and remember the spare batteries.

**9** A sheath knife or a single bladed penknife is useful; most other gadgets on a penknife will increase the price more than the usefulness. A lanyard, a chain or a length of string is strongly recommended for attaching the knife to a belt as a safeguard against loss.



# STANDING CAMPS KIT LIST

On camp we will be living in the elements. Being warm and dry on a wet day, or not suffering from sunburn after a hot one, can make a big difference to a child's enjoyment of camp. Please make sure your child is prepared for both.

## CLOTHING

- rainwear<sup>1</sup>
- footwear<sup>2</sup>
- 3 warm tops (sweatshirts etc)
- ~~2~~ pairs of trousers/jeans
- 2 warm woollen jerseys or fleeces
- thick socks, two pairs
- pyjamas/track suit
- swimming costume
- sunhat
- woollen hat and gloves
- handkerchiefs/tissues
- shorts/dress/skirt\*



And depending on the length of camp, an appropriate number of...

- ~~light~~ tops<sup>3</sup> (T-shirts etc)
- socks
- underclothing

## EQUIPMENT

- lightweight tent<sup>4</sup>
- groundsheet<sup>5</sup> \*
- sleeping bag<sup>6</sup>
- rucksac<sup>7</sup>
- Ordnance Survey map (1:25000)\*
- compass\* (Silva type recommended)

## UNDER TENS

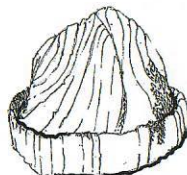
Our experience at camp convinces us that the under tens need extra underwear, socks and two pairs of pyjamas. Waterproofs should be large enough for the tops to fit comfortably over several layers, and the bottoms to fit over wellingtons.

**Please ensure that every item is clearly marked to assist its safe return**

## MISCELLANEOUS

- cloth bag containing:
  - plastic mug
  - deep plate
  - knife, fork and spoon
- sponge bag containing:
  - flannel, soap and nailbrush
  - toothbrush and paste
  - comb/hairbrush
- towels, two medium size
- torch and spare batteries<sup>8</sup>
- penknife<sup>9</sup>
- notebook and pencil
- paper and stamps (for writing home)
- plastic bin liners (for keeping things clean and dry)
- sunblock
- insect repellent\*
- musical instrument\*
- 'dressing up' clothes\*
- materials for making things (e.g. embroidery thread)\*
- water bottle

(\* optional)  
for notes see over



# CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS



FSC runs some camps suitable for active children with special needs due to learning difficulties or physical disabilities (Camps 4, 11 & 20). We also integrate such children into other camps wherever possible. We can advise parents, guardians or sponsors which camp would be the most suitable for a particular child. We realise that children with disabilities may need a dedicated staff member at camp.

If parents or sponsors feel that their child with disabilities would enjoy camping, we ask them not to let the cost deter them from applying, as FSC may be able to arrange financial assistance. Camp 20 is substantially subsidised by FSC and run specifically for members with learning difficulties.

Parents or sponsors of children with learning difficulties should apply directly to:

**Frances Rainford**  
**FSC Stores**  
**Hill Row**  
**Haddenham**  
**Cambridgeshire**  
**CB6 3PA**  
**ld@fsc.org.uk**

Parents or sponsors of children with physical disabilities should apply directly to:

**Trevor Rawcliffe**  
**17A Ariel Road**  
**London NW6 2EA**

## SPECIAL ENROLMENTS

Social workers, teachers, care workers, foster parents, and others wishing to enrol children who would benefit from our camps, should contact:

**Joan Wilmot**  
**19B McGregor Road**  
**London W11 1DE**



## AID FUND

Every year FSC subsidises places on camp for children of parents who cannot afford the full fees (students, parents on income support, or those with a low income or whose circumstances change). We do sometimes have to turn down children but this is due to a lack of places, not the financial circumstances of parents. We can also lend equipment where necessary (e.g. sleeping bags, waterproofs, boots, etc).

If you would like to discuss this further please write to:

**Aid Fund Secretaries**  
**Ben McCarthy & Bron Feld**  
**2 Hall Fold**  
**Sheffield**  
**S35 7EA**

Alternatively, if you would like to help other children enjoy the experience of FSC, please send donations - cheques payable to 'FSC (Aid Fund)' to the Treasurer (address on page 37).

If you would like to make your donation more tax efficient through use of the Gift Aid scheme, or would like to make a regular donation by standing order, please visit our website and download the form or let the Treasurer know and he will send you the appropriate form.

[aid.fund@fsc.org.uk](mailto:aid.fund@fsc.org.uk)



## PREPARING FOR CAMP

### EQUIPMENT

You probably already own most of the things you need for a standing camp. Warm, well-worn clothing is required. The only essential extras are a sleeping bag and really effective waterproofs because we don't always take shelter when it rains. We ask that families who continue to camp with us try to supply at least one two-person tent. Full details of what to bring to standing camps are given in the kit list on page 34. For mobile camps some more specialist equipment may be required; a few notes appear on page 35, but full details will be sent to you by your camp organiser.

### LIFE JACKETS

We make it a firm policy that life jackets or buoyancy aids are worn when children are canoeing, sailing or rafting with FSC. We will provide them. Our policy is not to wear buoyancy aids when narrow-boating.

### TRAVEL

Escorted parties travel between London and our camps. In the case of rail travel, the expected departure and destination stations are listed under each camp. Final details of times and meeting places will be sent in a pre-camp circular a few weeks before camp. Campers may arrange to join the escorted party at any station at which the train stops, but those doing so will be asked to purchase their own tickets to and from the destination.

### TETANUS

We ask that all campers are fully protected against tetanus well before camp. The pre-school tetanus course lasts for ten years and the school-leaving booster lasts until 25.

### INSURANCE

Forest School Camps takes responsibility only for the activities listed in this programme.

Forest School Camps insures for its liabilities at law. While all possible care is taken to avoid accidents, Forest School Camps does not insure for personal accident or for loss or damage to personal property. Those who are not already insured for personal accident and for all risks in respect of personal effects, may wish to make their own arrangements.

We do not arrange any special personal insurance cover for camps in countries, including Eire, outside the UK. All staff and children attending camps in the EEA must arrange to take a form E111 with them and, as with camps in the UK, may wish to make their own further personal insurance arrangements for both health and personal belongings cover. Further instructions will be sent to campers accepted for places on camps outside the UK.





# FSC REGIONAL GROUPS

Over the years, FSC staff have set up informal, regionally based groups which meet and run occasional weekend camps. If you wish to join in the activities of one of these groups please contact the relevant person. SAEs are appreciated.

## WESTERN REGION

We plan to run occasional camps in the Gloucester, Somerset and Monmouthshire areas and are looking for campers and staff alike to take an active role.

If you are interested please contact:

**Andy Freedman**  
39 Slad Road  
Stroud, Glos GL5 1QR

## EASTERN REGION

For the more discerning, learning, caring and sharing clanmembers, night navigators & spelunkers, gastronomes and whittlers.

If you are interested please contact:

**Colin Mutty**  
10 North Parade, Southwold,  
Suffolk IP18 6LP

## PEAK REGION

We hope to run at least one camp in the Derbyshire Peak District this summer.

If you are interested please contact:

**Rosemary Casserley**  
141 Southleigh Road  
Leeds LS11 5XR

## CLOTHING WITH THE DISTINCTIVE FSC LOGO

NEW RANGE OF CLOTHING AVAILABLE



For a full list please  
e-mail or write  
(sending an SAE) to:

**Ro Ogle**  
13 Castle Dore  
Swindon  
SN5 8PQ

**01793 878605**  
clothing@fsc.org.uk

# CAMP LIFE



Most of our Summer, Whitsun and Easter camps are standing camps. This means that they are based at one site.

Small camps may have between 25 and 35 children on them, and large camps between 60 and 70.

At standing camps we impart the basic camping skills. The children learn to pitch a tent, to look after their possessions, and to keep them dry. They learn to gather and cut wood, to make fires, and to cook food. Groups of campers from across the age range form clans to take turns in the kitchen preparing the food for the camp.

All this knowledge is consolidated by the two to four-day hike which takes place during the camp. Each age group goes with its staff for a distance suitable for the age and strength of its members. During the hike the children usually plan, buy (with camp funds) and cook their own meals, with help when needed.

Other activities during the camp may include swimming, exploring, night walks, country dancing, campfires, and various FSC games. The end of camp is marked by two major events: Merrymoot and Lodge Common Council.



At Merrymoot the whole camp gathers round a roaring fire to entertain each other with a mixture of songs, sketches and improvisations.

At Lodge Common Council the campers gather around a more formal fire and review the camp, suggesting changes in emphasis or activities for the following year.

After a few standing camps, many children are ready to try an activity camp. Most of these camps are semi-mobile or mobile, travelling on foot, by bicycle, raft, sailboat or canoe. The campers buy their food (with camp funds) every few days and cook in small groups.

Activity camps are generally smaller than standing camps, usually with 15 to 25 children. Some mobiles are strenuous, others are easier. The descriptions of the camps give more information. Most activity camps are for experienced FSC campers only, i.e. those who have attended at least 2 standing camps, and are marked with an \* on page 39.



## NEW CAMPERS

Going to camp for the first time can seem scary. Camp life is very different from the lifestyle most of us are used to, but children fit in very quickly and enjoy the experience of living in an FSC community. Both staff and children are learning all the time. Every camp has its own good and bad times for everyone.

Each year there are some children who are camping for the first time. Staff make every effort to ensure that new children feel at home and secure. Camp is a caring community where everyone tries to be alert to each individual's hopes and fears.

The camp starts on the escort journey, and it is a good idea for children to travel with the escorted party if at all possible. This is where people first start to get to know each other.

Further information and advice will come by post with the 'pre-camp circular' a couple of weeks before camp starts.

## 54 & 58 BRAZIER'S PARK WEEKENDS 1 & 2

CAMP CHIEF: RAD WAGON  
ORGANISER (54): EMMA WIGHT  
ORGANISER (58): LEWIS BEAR

We continue to develop our relationship with the Community at Brazier's Park near Reading. Over spring and late summer weekends we will help support projects in perma-culture and other kinds of sustainable approaches to country living.

DATES: FRIDAY 30 APRIL -  
SUNDAY 2 MAY AUGUST

AGES: 16+

DATES: FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER -  
SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

AGES: 16+

## 55 DANBURY SKILLS CAMP

CAMP CHIEF: TBC  
ORGANISER: SAM LEE

We will be running a weekend to teach skills to each other, in the beautiful setting of Danbury Woods. We can share fire-lighting, spoon-carving, charcoal-burning, and anything else woodcraft. Come prepared with things you can teach, or skills you wish to learn.

DATES: FRIDAY 21 MAY - SUNDAY 23 MAY  
AGES: 18+ UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

## 56 GREYHILL INTERNATIONAL WORK CAMP

CAMP CHIEF & ORGANISER: STUART PEACHEY

We will continue the restoration of the 17th Century landscape with an international team of volunteers. In the week after camp, there will be an opportunity to take part in a historical interpretation of the period for local children.

DATES: SATURDAY 19 JUNE - SATURDAY 3 JULY

AGES: 18+ UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT

## 60 SOLE BAY SURF

CAMP CHIEF & ORGANISER: RAD WAGON

Home and Garden next to the Sea in need of renovation. Cause good, local youth centre planned.

Please contact me on [rad.wagon@rb-associates.demon.co.uk](mailto:rad.wagon@rb-associates.demon.co.uk) or through the Conservation and Skills Camps secretary.

DATES: TBC

AGES: 16+



Under 18's please apply for the above camps on Yellow Forms and send them to Ed Lynch-Bell, Flat 1, 6 Vine Hill, London, EC1R 5DX



## 50 DANBURY WOODING

CAMP CHIEF: BRYSON GORE

ORGANISER: SAM LEE

The wooded site FSC uses near Danbury is in need of some woodland management. We plan to continue the work started last year with some pruning and tree-felling, to help the wood to grow stronger and healthier. We may also have the opportunity to learn coppicing and charcoal making skills.

DATES: FRIDAY 26 MARCH -

SUNDAY 28 MARCH

AGES: 16+

## 51 & 59 RUSHALL MANOR WEEKENDS 1 & 2

CAMP LEADERS (51): MARTIN POWELL & MATT MEGARRY

ORGANISER: MATT MEGARRY

CAMP LEADERS (59): JANET POWELL & NICK PORTER

ORGANISER: NICK PORTER

The John Simmonds Trust continues its rural community education projects at the Golden Valley site at Pangbourne near Reading. FSC plans two maintenance weekends in the Spring and Autumn to aid their progress.

DATES: FRIDAY 2 APRIL - SUNDAY 4 APRIL

DATES: FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER -

SUNDAY 24 OCTOBER

AGES: 16+

## 52 GREYHILL FAMILY CAMP

CAMP CHIEF & ORGANISER: STUART PEACHEY

Greyhill is a beautiful site near Chepstow that is being (re) developed into a 17th Century smallholding for educational use. Come and help us do carpentry on the roof timbers, build pig gates, dig gardens, stonewall, coppicing and hedge laying. Come and learn in a relaxed atmosphere with warm evening fires, talk and singing.

DATES: SATURDAY 3 APRIL -

SATURDAY 10 APRIL

AGES: 18+ UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY

A PARENT

## 53 & 57 ON YOUR 'EADS 1 & 2

CAMP LEADERS (52): MEURIG HUGHES & ED LYNCH-BELL

ORGANISER: ED LYNCH-BELL

CAMP LEADERS (57): MEURIG HUGHES & JOHN DURHAM

For a while our stores site at Haddenham was self-maintaining, but it is now a time of revival; the trees need tender attention, various eco-projects are being hatched and there is the perennial task of redecoration. We might be creating new works of art too. Join us to share skills & enjoy the comfort of a building whilst camping.

DATES: FRIDAY 9 APRIL -

MONDAY 12 APRIL

FRIDAY 27 AUGUST - SUNDAY 30 AUGUST

AGES: 16+



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# EASTER AND EARLIER

There are often more places available on Easter camps than on Whitsun and Summer camps. The weather at Easter is sometimes challenging but the result is often a particularly close and enjoyable camp.

## 1 FEBRUARY CAVING

CAMP CHIEF: AGGIE FORSTER  
ORGANISER: LOTTIE DAVIES

A simple weekend's camp in the lee of Dartmoor with a bit of caving and a walk on the moor. Perhaps a night walk or a night game. The caves are muddy and intricate but we probably won't get lost! Based in the caving hut at Buckfastleigh, what we lose from not living in the wild we will make up in wild living.

This camp is for experienced FSC campers only.

Deduct £5 if travelling independently to camp

DATES: FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY -  
SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY  
TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM PADDINGTON TO  
TOTNES

AGES: 11.0 - 17.11 FEES: £120

## 2 BASIC SHAKIN'

CAMP CHIEF: DAVE MONK  
ORGANISER: DAN HALL

With a few beautiful basic knots we will hang about in trees and seek shelter under canopies of our own creation. Can you make fire from rock and steel, bake a Birthday cake and know where North is, all in the first

Please apply for camp 1 on BLUE forms and send them to:  
Juliette Flower, 10 Bewick Mews,  
London SE15 1QR

day?!! The weather will challenge us twixt bright sun and two sleeping bag nights! Bring energy, laughter and an exploring mind. 168 hours of extreme time is basic shakin'.

DATES: FRIDAY 9 APRIL - FRIDAY 16 APRIL  
TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON

AGES: 8.0 - 17.11 FEES: £165

## 3 HODORE AT EASTER: GIVING AND RECEIVING

CAMP CHIEF: PHILLY HEDGER  
ORGANISER: JANE PINNER

Come build a close community on this well loved, wooded site in Sussex. We will each learn something new about giving and receiving. There will be many traditional FSC activities but no hike. Please come with any ideas you have. REMEMBER: Easter can be cold, so make sure you bring warm clothes for day and night wear, one or two sleeping bags, waterproofs and sturdy footwear.

DATES: SATURDAY 10 APRIL -  
SATURDAY 17 APRIL

TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON

AGES: 8.0 - 17.11 FEES: £165

Please apply for camps 2 & 3 on BLUE forms and send them to:  
Rod & Julie Gritten, Traian  
Llanfrothen, Penrhyndeudraeth,  
Gwynedd LL48 6SW

# CONSERVATION & SKILLS CAMPS



At camp we sometimes take the fabric of the countryside for granted, but conservation and skills camps give us the chance to redress that balance a little. These camps run throughout the year, generally over weekends, and camps can involve all kinds of tasks: coppicing, hedging, path laying, and repairing or reconstructing traditional farm buildings. The work camps are inexpensive, convivial, and confidence-building, and are run on similar lines to small standing camps.

There are no special qualifications for volunteers. Everyone can contribute ensuring that a work camp is an enjoyable and memorable experience. In fact, it is a great opportunity to try your hand at glee or catering as well as woodcraft.

Generally, there are no fees charged or expenses paid. You travel in-

dependently to the camp site or collection point, and will be asked to contribute the appropriate amount for the running costs of the camp, usually from £3.00-5.00 per day.

Week-long camps may qualify for the residential requirement of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme (Gold). Volunteers from abroad and older campers new to FSC are especially welcome.

Information and enrolment forms may be obtained from the FSC Work Camps Secretary (an A5 Stamped Addressed Envelope is appreciated):

**Tim Abbott**  
7 Hockley Cottages,  
Twyford,  
Winchester,  
Hampshire,  
SO21 1PJ

conservation@fsc.org.uk



## ASSOCIATE CAMPS

### 40 RIBBLESDALE ASSOCIATE CAMP

CAMP CHIEF: STEVE FLETCHER  
ORGANISER: DAVID & HILARY HUGHES

A long weekend to relax and unwind in the company of like-minded folk. This is a beautiful site on the banks of the Ribble and in the shadow of Ingleborough and Pen-y-ghent. Swimming, walking and a night game will all be on the programme. We are also close to the caves at Long Churn and all campers will have the opportunity to sample potholing. No previous caving experience is needed. The scenic Settle to Carlisle railway runs by the camp so leave the car at home and come by train!

DATES: FRIDAY 30 APRIL - MONDAY 3 MAY

### 41 SHINING CLIFF ASSOCIATE CAMP

CAMP CHIEF: ADRIAN MATTHEWS  
ORGANISER: LORNA ENGLISH

For summer is a comin' in and winter's gone a-way-o' (Trad. Anon.). We may get bluebells, we may get mud, we might access a web on the site, even if it's only a spider's, or we might surf a cargo net. We will cook dreamy meals and dream mealy cooks so come and be confused over a long, luscious weekend, and let's hit the summer running. Oh, and please bring the parents. On a foodie note: we like them chickens and cows so won't be eating them.

DATES: FRIDAY 30 APRIL - MONDAY 3 MAY

### 42 HINDHEAD ASSOCIATE CAMP

CAMP LEADERS: TOM BROADHURST & HAZEL POWELL  
ORGANISER: LORNA ENGLISH

Come and enjoy a summer woodland camp near the Devil's Punchbowl. We will camp and walk in the beautiful countryside, sing, play and be merry. Bring your musical instruments for glee.

DATES: FRIDAY 2 JULY - SUNDAY 4 JULY

### 43 RUSHALL ASSOCIATE CAMP

CAMP CHIEFS: PETER & DEBORAH JACKSON WITH JULIA WILSON  
ORGANISER: LORNA ENGLISH

An old favourite and an excellent introduction to FSC - this family camp is in a field on the edge of a wood in the middle of the beautiful Berkshire countryside. We can walk to a stream if the July weather is scorching and shelter under the trees if it's not. Come to sing and be merry and devise ingenious ways to enjoy a summer weekend.

DATES: FRIDAY 2 JULY - SUNDAY 4 JULY



## SPRING CAMPS



### 4 THE GOOD, THE BAD & THE GURN

CAMP CHIEFS: VIC DOGGART & JIMMY PROUDLOCK  
ORGANISER: JAYNE JENKINS

The time has come the gurners say to speak of many things; to co-create, to pass on skills to eat like queens and kings. With a hip hip-hoppety flick flickety-flack double twist and turn we will swing through the old wise beech trees, suited and booted we will dance the hot shoe shuffle amongst the brightest of bluebells in all the land. Please bring your beautiful selves to celebrate May Day 2004 in superb style with all the truth and trimmings on a quality camp for decent folk of all shapes and sizes. Everything in moderation, nothing in excess except the Gurn and Love of course.

DATES: FRIDAY 30 APRIL - MONDAY 3 MAY

TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £80

### 5 VENICE

CAMP CHIEF: RODDY BROOKS  
ORGANISER: JANICE ASHFORD

A Mayday weekend camp walking and narrowboating along canals in the West Midlands, with evenings and mornings spent on a standing camp site doing all the usual camp life things. On Monday we will pack up and go to the Black Country Living Museum before getting the train home. Early May can be cold and wet so come prepared and then maybe we'll have sunshine.

Deduct £5 if travelling independently to camp.

DATES: EARLY SATURDAY 1 MAY - LATE MONDAY 3 MAY

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM LONDON TO TIPTON

AGES: 8.0 - 17.11 FEES: £70

Please apply for the above camps on **BLUE** forms and send them to:  
Juliette Flower, 10 Bewick Mews, London SE15 1QR



## 6 LAZY CYCLING WEEKEND

CAMP CHIEF & ORGANISER: ANNA MALOS

Join our mini-mobile on bikes in the rolling hills of Essex and Suffolk. A great introduction to cycle mobiles, tea shops and cycle touring in good company. No need for experience of cycling in groups, just come prepared for rain or shine, carrying your home wherever you go developing a love of the road. All you need is a touring or mountain bike, along with rack and panniers for carrying your kit. If you want to attend cycle camp 29 it is recommended that you attend this camp.

This camp is for experienced FSC campers only.

Deduct £5 if travelling independently to camp.

DATES: FRIDAY 14 MAY - SUNDAY 16 MAY

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM LIVERPOOL STREET TO WITHAM

AGES: 12.0 - 17.11 FEES: £45



Please apply for the above camps on BLUE forms and send them to:  
Juliette Flower, 10 Bewick Mews, London SE15 1QR

## 7 CANOE WEEKEND

CAMP CHIEF: HAZEL POWELL

ORGANISER: JENNY WIGSTON

The time is right once again young friends for Canoe, Paddle, Water and FUN. Come and join us for a weekend's paddling on the River Great Ouze. This year will be slightly different from before, as we will be using open Canadians instead of Kayaks. Food will be cooked in groups using Primuses or Trangias. Although it is not compulsory to get wet there is always the chance that you will, so bring plenty of dry and warm clothes. Waterproofs are a very good idea! A staff training group will camp alongside us and will be joining us for campfires in the evening.

This camp is for experienced FSC campers only but if you can swim 50 metres you will be very welcome to come and join us.

Deduct £5 if travelling independently to camp.

DATES: FRIDAY 21 MAY - SUNDAY 23 MAY

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM EUSTON TO WOLVERTON

AGES: 10.0 - 17.11 FEES: £45

# ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP OF FSC

Parents and supporters who become Associate Members of FSC receive news of FSC's activities in two newsletters a year, and a copy of the FSC magazine when it is published. There are weekend camps especially for Associate Members and their families. The annual subscription is £5. The Associate Members' Secretary will send you a form and further details on request.

Associate Members and FSC staff are all welcome at associate camps, with or without their children. To apply for an associate camp please use the form sent to all Associate Members, or write directly to the appropriate organiser.

There is no age limit, upper or lower, and these camps are particularly suitable for very young children who may be camping for the first time. Supervision of the children is the responsibility of their parents, and there is no organised travel, allowing us to keep the fees to a minimum.

Parents and children share in the communal cooking, with food and equipment provided by the camp.

There will be many of the usual FSC activities like rally, singing around the campfire, games, walks, and whatever the site and our ingenuity can produce.

**Associate Members' Secretary**

**Julia Tozer**  
10 Pye Terrace  
Cambridge  
CB4 1DX

[associates@fsc.org.uk](mailto:associates@fsc.org.uk)

**Southern Camps Organiser**

**Lorna English**  
55 Grosvenor Avenue  
Newcastle-upon-Tyne NE2 2NP

**Northern Camps Organisers**

**David and Hilary Hughes**  
Malkin House, Brow Lane,  
Holmfirth, West Yorkshire HD7 1RJ

*A parent who becomes an Associate Member or attends an Associate camp does not give their child any priority on the waiting list to attend any of our main camps.*





# HADDENHAM STORES CENTRE

## WHAT IS HADDENHAM?

All the equipment used on our camps is stored and maintained at our centre near Ely in Cambridgeshire, where enthusiastic working parties gather regularly throughout the year. In ten months of the year there are Stores weekends, when we clean and repair our equipment and pack and unpack the equipment sent out to camps. At Easter and in August there are House weekends (Camps 53 and 57 on page 30) when we work on improving the buildings and the grounds.

## CAN I COME?

All the weekends are fantastic social occasions. Additional pairs of hands are always needed and welcome.

At Stores weekends all staff and pathfinders are welcome. Pathfinders need the written consent of their parent or guardian to attend, an appropriate form is available on the FSC website or can be obtained from Neale Jenvey or Domini Hawthorn.

Please apply for the House Weekend Camps as for other Conservation and Skills camps.

## HOW DO I GET THERE?

A minibus usually runs from London, and there are regular attendees travelling from all around the country who may be able to offer lifts or we could organise to get you picked up from Ely train station.

## WHO CAN TELL ME MORE?

For general queries and any further details of/information regarding the Stores weekends, please contact one of the Stores people:

**Neale Jenvey**  
**34 Woodstock Road**  
**Doncaster**  
**South Yorkshire**  
**DN4 0UL**

**Domini Hawthorn**  
**42 Argyle Street**  
**Swindon**  
**Wiltshire**  
**SN2 8AR**

[stores@fsc.org.uk](mailto:stores@fsc.org.uk)

For queries regarding Travel to or from, or Catering at, Stores weekends, please contact Haddenham's Hostess:

**Ed Lynch-Bell**  
**Flat 1**  
**6 Vine Hill**  
**London**  
**EC1R 5DX**

[hostess@fsc.org.uk](mailto:hostess@fsc.org.uk)

**If you have any drawings or photographs from your camp why not send them in for the next programme?**

**Mark them clearly for a safe return and send to:  
Bea Christie, 131 Mountview Road, London N4 4JH**

# WHITSUN CAMPS



## 8 WHITSUN IN PEMBROKESHIRE

CAMP CHIEF: JULIAN WELSH  
ORGANISER: MARIAN ARMITAGE

In these Pembrokeshire fields we will need little more than a bowl and spoon, waterproofs and the odd tent. With our useless possessions forgotten we will explore in the long grass, swing from the trees and sing the days to sleep around the fire. By the end of a week which will seem like ten, we will return to the towns and cities, our heads buzzing with bits of songs and the voices of our new friends.

DATES: SATURDAY 29 MAY -  
SATURDAY 5 JUNE  
TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON

AGES: 6.6 - 14.11 FEES: £195

## 9 WHITSUN AT MAGDALEN FARM

CAMP CHIEF: DAN BRANDENBURGER  
ORGANISER: JEAN NAPIER-FORD

Come to this wonderful site in Somerset. This will be a traditional FSC standing camp including some of our favorite activities plus quite a few new experimental ones. We shall be spending our days finding ways to push the boundaries of what can be achieved with mud, wood and enthusiasm.

DATES: SATURDAY 29 MAY -  
SATURDAY 5 JUNE  
TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON  
AGES: 8.0 - 17.11 FEES: £195

**Please apply for the above camps on BLUE forms and send them to:  
Mary Brown, 32 Castellain Road, London W9 1EZ**



## 10 BUY ONE GET ONE FREE

CAMP CHIEFS: KEVIN HAFTER &

NOG HAFTER

ORGANISER: RUTH HALLGARTEN

Want to be part of a Twinning Team? Then join us in this beautiful spot in Wiltshire, with stunning views over Salisbury Plain on the site of a Roman-British settlement. This camp will offer excitement at the double as we aim to pack two weeks' worth of camp thrills

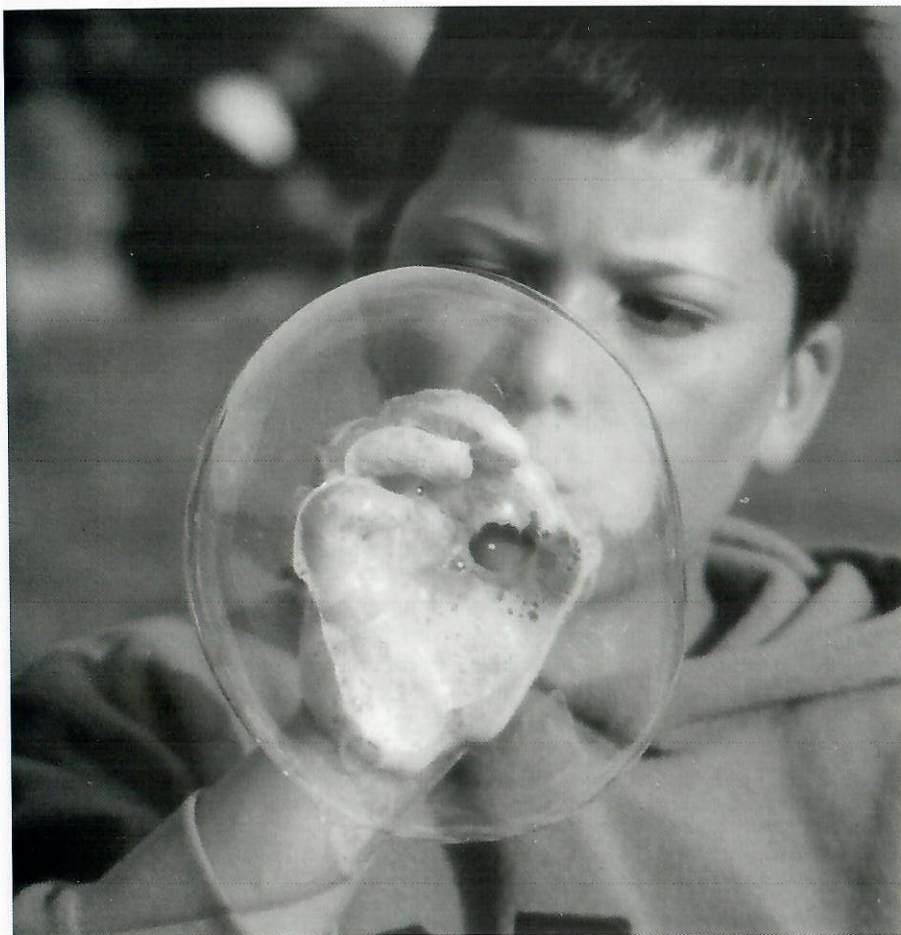
into one. Leave your mobile phones and Game Boys at home and discover adventures of your own making. The only net we'll be surfing will be strung between trees for overnight exploits. Come full of energy and prepare to go home completely exhausted.

DATES: SATURDAY 29 MAY -

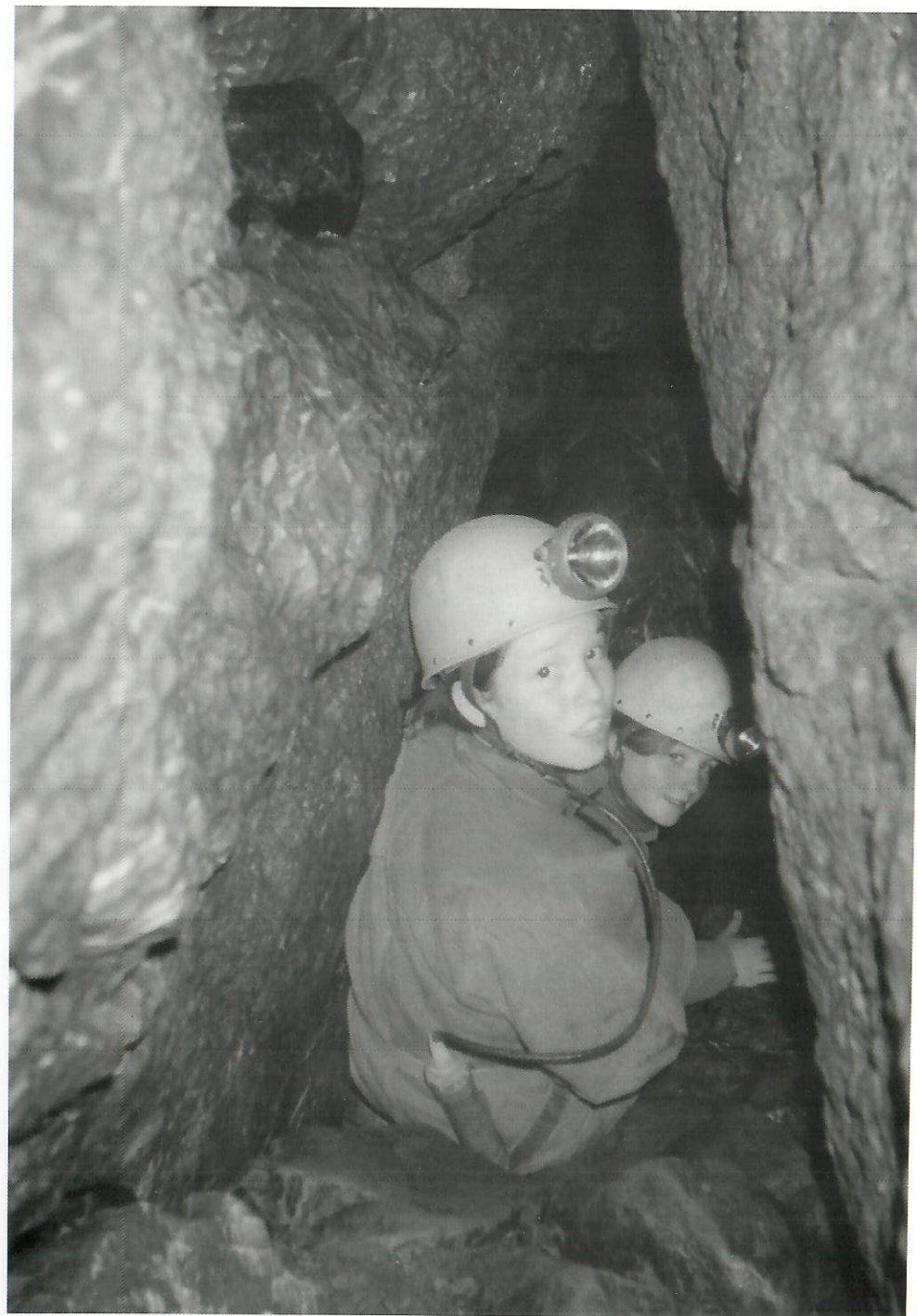
SATURDAY 5 JUNE

TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON

AGES: 6.6 - 14.11 FEES: £195



Please apply for the above camps on BLUE forms and send them to:  
Mary Brown, 32 Castellain Road, London W9 1EZ





## AUTUMN CAMP

### 36 OCTOBER CAVING

CAMP CHIEF: AGGIE FORSTER

ORGANISER: JESS MCGREGOR

Another weekend's camp in the lee of Dartmoor with a bit of caving and a walk on the moor. This camp will be based in the caving hut at Buckfastleigh. The local caves are muddy and intricate and we will hunt for cavers lost in February. I look forward to a night walk through the

damp autumnal woods where perhaps we can sing around a fire before returning to the hut for cocoa. See you there for the last camp of the year.

This camp is for experienced FSC campers only.

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM PADDINGTON TO TOTNES

DATES: FRIDAY 29 OCT - SUNDAY 31 OCT

AGES: 11.0 - 17.11 FEES: £120



Please apply for the above camp on BLUE forms and send them to:  
Juliette Flower, 10 Bewick Mews, London SE15 1QR

## SUMMER CAMPS

### 11 HODORE'S ROCKING WEEKEND

CAMP LEADERS: DAVY STARKEY & RUTH STEED

ORGANISER: JOE HALLGARTEN

Returning to beautiful Hodore whether it is your first or twentieth time in this magical part of Sussex, come join us - for games, laughs, but no baths unless someone wants to build one. You can't see or hear a road just stunning countryside all around. Ideal for first time campers, people with physical disabilities, everyone in fact.

DATES: FRIDAY 2 JULY - SUNDAY 4 JULY

TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £65

### 20 RETURN OF THE RED HERRING

CAMP CHIEFS: SARAH DAVIES & VIC DOGGART

ORGANISER: JANE HINCHLIFFE

Roll up roll up for the latest camping extravaganza set amidst magical scenery!! The return of the Red Herring takes place deep in the homeland of Pooh, Piglet and all their friends. We will be unwinding, unfolding and exploring through song, laughter and adventure. As the campers arrive the adventure begins....bring costumes, bring music and mostly bring merriment for 10 days of fun and frivolity in the field. This camp is for children with special needs. Pathfinder helpers are more than welcome, at a fee of £60.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY - FRIDAY 6 AUGUST

TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £215



Please apply for camp 11 on BLUE forms and send them to:  
Juliette Flower, 10 Bewick Mews,  
London SE15 1QR

Please apply for camp 20 on YELLOW forms and send them to:  
Frances Rainford, FSC Stores, Hill  
Row, Haddenham,  
Cambridgeshire, CB6 3PA



# MAIN SUMMER CAMPS

Because of the large number of applications for children's places for these camps, and the need to ensure that the camps are well-balanced and not too large, we regret that we cannot guarantee a place for all applicants wanting to go on main Summer Camps.

## 21 RADNOR I

CAMP CHIEFS: ANDY DOYLE & LESLIE HOLDEN

ORGANISER: MIKE COASE

A full range standing camp set in the beautiful landscape by the river Ithon. We aim to make an active, creative and caring community with the skills and spirit everyone can give. Come prepared to enjoy the summer, mud, flood or sunshine and to live in harmony with ourselves and our neighbours.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY - TUESDAY 10 AUGUST

TRAVEL: COACH FROM LONDON

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £290

## 22 HARLECH 1 - IN THE LAND OF THE RED DRAGON

CAMP CHIEFS: NELL CAMERON & GWYNNIE GRIFFITHS

ORGANISER: BEN MCCARTHY

Amongst the beautiful hills and woods of North Wales we'll run a traditional lodge. The site has a stream and you should be able to reach the sea or the mountains on hike. We'll be busy surviving, exploring, playing games, making friends, and being ourselves. Bring your energy and ideas to refresh your Forest School Soul.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY - TUESDAY 10 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM EUSTON TO CREWE

AGES: 8.0 - 17.11 FEES: £290



Please apply for the above camps on YELLOW forms and send them to: Maggie Beach, The Old Cottage, Chapel Lane, Thornborough, Bucks, MK 18 2JD

## 34 SOUTH CORNWALL 2

CAMP CHIEF: FRANCIS COOPER

ORGANISER: PENNY WILES

Having previously patented the Cornish Frisbee, a flat pie with meat around the edge and a tasty fruit filling in the middle, the people of South Cornwall set about developing a dish that could keep eighty people satisfied for two weeks. Unlike the Frisbee, there would be no need for the foodstuff to float effortlessly across the fields, instead it could be cooked on-site by happy, singing campers. Porridge was born. Join us in South Cornwall as we enjoy the pleasures of porridge in good company, with new friends and home-made fun.

DATES: THURSDAY 12 AUGUST - WEDNESDAY 25 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM PADDINGTON TO TRURO

AGES: 8.0 - 17.11 FEES: £290

## 35 THE (ALMOST) COAST - TO - COAST MOBILE

CAMP CHIEF: JULIA HOLMES

ORGANISER: LORNA KENNEDY

Starting from near Whitby, we will walk across to the Lake District. Come and get your share of mobile magic – there will be big skies, high moors and wooded valleys, but it's not all about walking you know! It's about making friends and building fires, it's about laughing and singing and shouting at the clouds if you want to! Certain

parts of the camp have to be planned in advance but there will be many times when the group will work together to reach decisions. So who is going to carry that last tin of beans then? This may not be the flattest of routes so full lightweight gear is vital.

This camp is for experienced FSC campers only.

DATES: THURSDAY 12 AUGUST - WEDNESDAY 25 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM LONDON TO WHITBY

AGES: 15.0 - 17.11 FEES: £290



Please apply for the above camps on YELLOW forms and send them to: Maggie Beach, The Old Cottage, Chapel Lane, Thornborough, Bucks, MK 18 2JD



## 31 RADNOR 2

CAMP CHIEF: RAD WAGON

ORGANISER: CAROLINE WHALLEY

Mist slowly rolls back to the river Ithon to the sound of a lone person chopping wood for the breakfast fire. Sleepy-heads awakened to the backdrop of the Llandegley Rocks. A bright new day awaits, to be filled with stories of Two Little Savages, lunch at Shakey Bridge, the digging of a 40-foot turfed sun, and complete combustion of all plastic. Come prepared to do a mobile of the imagination every day.

DATES: THURSDAY 12 AUGUST -  
WEDNESDAY 25 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM PADDINGTON TO  
WORCESTER

AGES: 8.0 - 17.11 FEES: £290



## 32 HARLECH 2

CAMP CHIEFS: GILES VELLACOTT &  
HELEN SPENCER

ORGANISER: SUE TWIGG

Harlech is a beautiful site in the Welsh hills hidden in a valley between the mountains and the sea. We will spend

a few days building up our camping skills and getting to know each other before going out on hike for 3-4 days. This is ideal country for a really challenging hike. We will return with the shared experience of difficulties overcome to the highlights of the Forest School community. Come ready to learn, to make things happen, to share laughter, sun and rain.

DATES: THURSDAY 12 AUGUST -  
WEDNESDAY 25 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM EUSTON TO CREWE

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £290

## 33 BORROWBECK 2

CAMP CHIEFS: POLLY SANDS &  
JOE FRANCIS

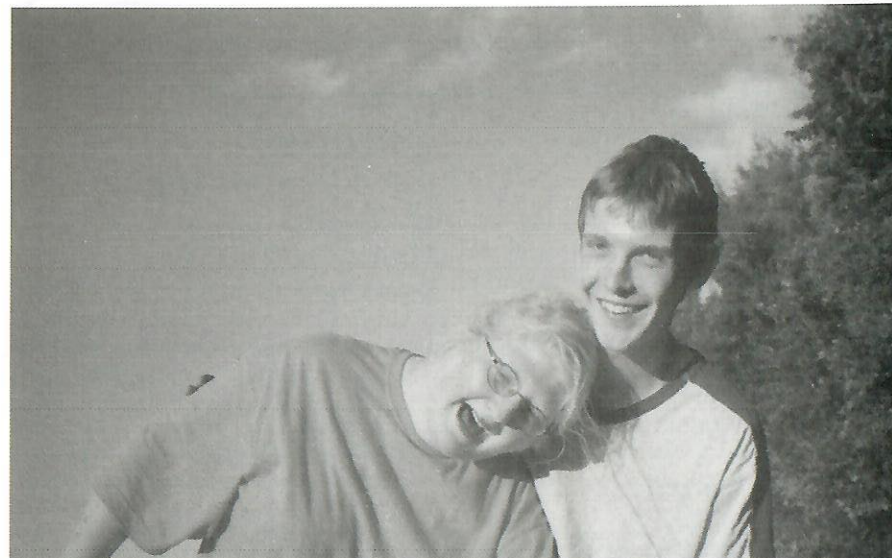
ORGANISER: JO CASS

Why not join us for two weeks of sun or of mud and rain at Borrowbeck. Bring your fancy dress, a musical instrument and your favourite joke or song to put a smile on our faces in the glow of the campfire. If you like: climbing mountains, cooking on an open fire or learning how to axe in the woodpile then this is the camp for you. Together we can look after ourselves and each other and go home happy and quite possibly dirty.

DATES: THURSDAY 12 AUGUST -  
WEDNESDAY 25 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM EUSTON TO  
OXENHOLME

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £290



## 23 BORROWBECK 1

CAMP CHIEF: JOHN TAYLOR

ORGANISER: VANESSA COOKE

In a secluded valley deep in the fells of the northern Lakes we shall build our camp on the banks of the Borrow. In our community you will find great friendships and adventure as we face the challenges of our environment together. We shall hike over the high mountain passes and swim in the deep pools of this stunning landscape. We shall dance and sing around roaring fires before sleeping soundly under the stars. We shall be creating a lot of music on this camp so come with ideas and instruments if you have them.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY - TUESDAY 10  
AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM EUSTON TO  
OXENHOLME

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £290

## 24 SOUTH CORNWALL 1

CAMP CHIEF: DANIEL SIMON

ORGANISER: KAREN MAUTNER

By streams, reservoirs and seas we will make our camp. Woods, hills and delight will surround the small community we will build in Cornwall. Adventurous days of swimming, walking, dancing and woodcraft will give way to beautiful campfires at night under the stars. So come in good voice to make the fields ring both day and night with our song and laughter.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY - TUESDAY 10  
AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM PADDINGTON TO  
TRURO

AGES: 8.0 - 17.11 FEES: £290

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## 25 FARNDALE 1

CAMP CHIEFS: MALCOLM KEITH &  
ANGIE SCOBLE  
ORGANISER: THELMA JONES

Come and join us in beautiful Farndale where we will create a traditional camp with opportunities for fun and games while we learn new skills and hone old ones. Come with ideas, energy and any suitable musical instruments for campfires and general entertainment.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY -  
TUESDAY 10 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM KING'S CROSS  
TO YORK

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £290

## 26 DINAS I

CAMP CHIEF: ROD GRITTEN &  
JULIE GRITTEN  
ORGANISER: CATRIONA ANDREWS

In a hidden valley in the heart of Wales ours will be the historic first of a legendary sequence of wonderful camps. We will sing where none have sung before and our songs will reverberate down the echoing years, telling tales of friendship, trust and adventure.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY -  
TUESDAY 10 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM LONDON TO  
SHREWSBURY

AGES: 6.6 - 17.11 FEES: £290

## 27 HEBRIDEAN ADVENTURE

CAMP CHIEFS: DAPHNE CARRÉ &  
KATH MCQUAIL

ORGANISER: KATH MCQUAIL

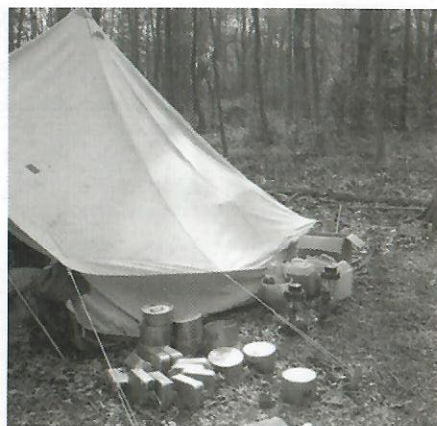
We will be returning for the third year to this site in the magical dunes of South Uist in the Outer Hebrides. We will have overnight adventures - on the sands, in the hills and on visits to the neighbouring islands - but will always enjoy returning to the peat burning comforts of our base camp. As we build our camp on the beach the seals will watch from the sea. The weather can be challenging so windproof tents, effective waterproofs and tough footwear are essential.

This camp is for experienced FSC campers only.

DATES: TUESDAY 27 JULY -  
WEDNESDAY 11 AUGUST

TRAVEL: OVERNIGHT BY COACH FROM  
LONDON

AGES: 11.0 - 17.11 FEES: £340



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## 28 TEVIOTDALE

CAMP LEADERS: ZIGGY MELAMED &  
RORY BLACKMAN

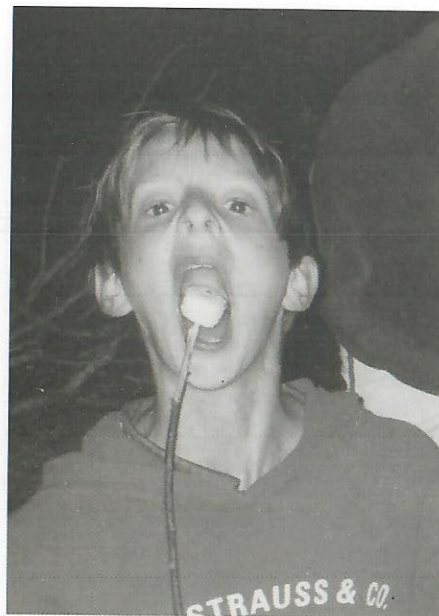
ORGANISER: ELIZA BRUML

RU (up) 4 more hike, more fun, more fires, more involved, more skills, more drumming, singing, music and dancing, more energy, more woodcraft, night vigils, sweat lodge, new friends, longer hike. This will be an active standing camp on the beautiful Scottish borders where we will explore our surroundings and develop ourselves and our community.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY -  
TUESDAY 10 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM EUSTON TO CARLISE

AGES: 12.0 - 17.11 FEES: £290



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## 29 YOMPING IN YORKSHIRE BY BIKE

CAMP CHIEF & ORGANISER: ANNA MALOS

With a small sleek mobile lodge we will have the flexibility to choose our route according to our whims. Yorkshire roads will be our oyster. Given the reknowned Yorkshire hospitality we're sure to have fun whether riding across the Ridings or meandering, wheeling and dawdling in the moors, wolds and dales. Come and discover the call of the road, the joy of speeding along in a tight-knit group. We'll be creating home wherever we settle by supporting and relying on others - time for fires, singing and yomping also provided. You'll need a touring or mountain bike, rack and panniers - borrowed is fine. Thighs of steel not required. For advice on bikes and equipment or to discuss the camp please call Anna on 020 8533 4188. If you want to come on this camp please attend the Lazy Cycling Weekend Camp no. 6 to brush up on your skills of cycling in groups.

This camp is for experienced FSC campers only.

DATES: WEDNESDAY 28 JULY -  
TUESDAY 10 AUGUST

TRAVEL: TRAIN FROM KING'S CROSS TO  
YORK

AGES: 13.0 - 17.11 FEES: £290