Avon Adventure FAQ's

We are compiling a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and Answers. If you cannot find the answer to your question below, then please email Isabelle Mills, Camp Chief at isabelle.mills@avonscouts.org.uk and one of the team will get back to you. We will also be updating this page. Thank you.

Who, What, When, Why, Where and How FAQS and Answers?

Who can attend the Jamboree?

Avon Adventure will be open to all members of Avon Scouting, Girlguiding Bristol and South Gloucestershire and Girlguiding Somerset North from Beavers and Rainbows to Rangers and Network. We also want to encourage Adult leaders and volunteers to attend as Service Team (IST).

What is a Jamboree?

A Jamboree is a large gathering of Scouts and Guides from across the area. A Jamboree gives Beavers, Rainbows, Brownies, Cubs, Guides, Scouts, Rangers, Explorers and Network members the opportunity to experience new things, activities and meet new people from across the area.

Where will the Jamboree be held?

Avon Adventure will be held at the North Somerset Showground, The Showground, Bathing Pond, Wraxall, Bristol, BS48 1NE

When is the Jamboree?

Avon Adventure will be taking place from Friday 22nd at 6pm until Monday 25th May 2020 at 4pm.

Why is there a Jamboree?

The Jamboree is an opportunity for Beavers, Rainbows, Brownies, Cubs, Guides, Scouts, Rangers, Explorers and Network to experience something different. A Jamboree gives them the opportunity to experience new things, activities and meet new people from across the area. The Jamboree is about bringing people together to make memories that will last a lifetime.

How do I get more information?

We have a mailing list. By signing up you will be able to keep up to date on all things Avon Adventure. Sign up now by <u>clicking here.</u>

Is there an event shop? When will this go live? Can I pre-order?

There will be an online shop for participants, leaders, parents and service team to look at and purchase Avon Adventure merchandise from before the camp starts.

The shop will be going live in September 2019.

Pre-ordering is advised as we will only be holding limited stock onsite. Certain items will also be pre-order only (these will be specified). We recommend ordering beforehand to avoid disappointment.

How do I volunteer?

We love our Service Team! Without you the Jamboree wouldn't happen.

To become a member of the Avon Adventure Service Team please sign up once bookings open in September 2019 through the online booking system. This will be accessible via the Avon Scouts website and social media. An email will also be sent out nearer the time directing you to this.

What jobs will be available? Can I choose beforehand?

A variety of jobs will be available for you to sign up for. When signing up through the online system, you can choose which roles you would like to do in priority order. If you don't have a preference, there is also an option for that.

We are currently recruiting volunteers for the following teams – if you are interested, then please email <u>isabelle.mills@avonscouts.org.uk</u> for more information. Please note that the following list is short a short selection:

- Site security and safety
- Sub camps
- Bookings
- Activities
- Facilities
- Media Photographers/Videographers
- Catering

What is involved in being part of the Sub Camp team?

As a Sub Camp Leader or member of the Sub Camp team you will be hands on in making the Jamboree experience for the participants. You will responsible for the day to day running of your sub camp which includes the administration and wellbeing of your participants as well as the organisation of sub camp activities and games to keep everyone entertained in down time.

As Sub Camp Leader, you will be required to attend daily meetings with the DCC Marketing and Communications, Nicole Crompton to discuss the outcomes of the day and take a look into what is scheduled for the next. It will be then your responsibility to filter this information down to your leaders and participants, so they don't miss any vital information.

It sounds a lot, but it is one of the most fulfilling, hand-on and fast passed jobs on site – it is definitely one to be a part of!

What will it cost?

There are a number of Jamboree pricing options – see the 'Prices' section for more information.

PRICES

There will be a number of different rates, including;

Full Jamboree experience:

For those attending the whole Jamboree (Friday 22nd – Monday 25th May), the prices are as follows:

• Participant: £70

• Leaders and Service Team: £30

Mini Jamboree experience (Beavers)

We are also able to offer shorter Jamboree experiences just for Beavers. These will run from Saturday 23rd May to Sunday 24th May 2020. The price for this is £25 (Leaders will be £15) and will be inclusive of camp fees, catering, activities and a small goody bag of Avon Adventure merchandise.

Day visitors

We are offering a Day Visitor option- to come onto the site to get a true Jamboree experience on Saturday 23rd or Sunday 24th May 2020.

The price of a Day Visitor will be £15 (Leaders will be £5). This will include of camp fees, onsite activities and an Avon Adventure badge! Please note, this will not include food, so you are expected to bring a packed lunch onsite.

What's included in the camp price?

The total camp price covers:

- Food
- Camp fees
- Infrastructure
- Onsite and offsite activities
- Avon Adventure Merchandise

BOOKINGS

When will bookings open?

Bookings will be open from September 2019.

How do I book?

Bookings will be made via an online booking system. This will be accessible via the Avon Scouts website and social media. An email will also be sent out nearer the time directing you to this.

LOGISTICS

When can we have access to the site to pre-pitch tents?

Access to the site will be available from 5pm on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st May 2020 to pitch tents. Please note, you will be required to leave the site by 9pm.

When can I drop off / pick up my child?

We will be allocating groups set drop off and pick up times to stagger arrivals and departures. Please contact your unit leader to find out the specific details.

Will the camp be catered, or will I need to provide catering for my group?

The Jamboree will be a fully catered event from Friday evening through to Monday afternoon.

- Friday evening supper
- Saturday/Sunday/Monday cooked breakfast or cereal
- Saturday, Sunday & Monday midday packed lunch
- Saturday & Sunday evening hot meal and dessert

If you are attending the event as a Day Visitor – you will be expected to arrange your own packed lunches.

How will special dietary requirements be dealt with?

Special dietary requirements must be specified when booking onto the camp.

We will do our best to accommodate vegetarians and gluten free intolerances.

Any other dietary requirements will need to be sent in a separate email as this will be forwarded to the external cater. It will be at their discretion to accommodate these needs.

ACCOMMODATION

How is the camping site organised?

To align with the true Jamboree spirit, groups will be placed within Sub Camps throughout the Jamboree to get to know others within the county. There will be an option to camp with your Group or Section on sign up if equipment needs to be shared or you just want to camp together.

What are the sub camps? How are sub camps allocated?

Each Sub Camp will be led by a Sub Camp Leader for which we are currently recruiting. The Sub Camps are:

- Indiana
- Cook
- Earhart
- Croft
- Marco

Do I need a nights away permit to camp?

Scouts:

As a member of the Scout Association, you do not need to hold a Nights Away Permit. Everyone can camp under the permit which is held centrally with the core team.

Girlguiding:

As a member of Girlguiding, you do not need to hold a Going Away with License. Due to the scale of the Jamboree, there will other leaders on site who will cover the numbers attending. Deb Wilkie, ACA Activities, also holds a large-scale camp license which enables everyone to attend large mixed-camps such as Jamboree's without the requirement of a license.

WHAT WILL THERE BE TO DO AT THE JAMBOREE?

What are the activity zones?

Avon Adventure will be split into 4 activities zones which participants will rotate around throughout their time onsite.

The activity zones are Earth, Fire, Water and Wood.

What activities can I expect?

Activities are currently being organised for the camp but expect activities full of adventure, adrenaline and fun!

Activities are expected to include adventurous activities such as climbing, abseiling, sailing, kayaking and pioneering, outdoorsy activities such as orienteering, backwards cooking, campfires and inflatables as well as creative activities such as craft, painting, modelling, dance and performance workshops and maybe even woodcarving!