

Hornsea Scout Group

Fells Marathon Hiking Competition
Friday 12th - Sunday 14th October

What's it about?

Basically the scouts are organised into teams of 4 or 5 and set off from the Thornwaite Scout Centre, near Pately Bridge on the edge of the Dales early on Saturday morning. They have been given the previous evening a set of map references which are manned checkpoints which they have to navigate their way between until they reach the overnight camp site (Total distance about 18K). The following day - they navigate their way back, only on a different, shorter route (about 12K). All teams spend the Saturday night at the overnight camp which has leaders on site, On arrival there they will be provided with soup and a roll. They (the scouts) then are responsible for setting up their tents and cooking their meals

Kit / Equipment

See attached list. In addition to the personal gear teams will also have to carry tents, stove, food, maps + compass. So your bag will be quite heavy - so no luxury item - heated hair rollers fall into this category, sorry! Food will be provided. **No one should be carrying more than 22lbs**

Organisation

This event has been running for over 25 years and the organisation is stunning. In addition to manned checkpoints there is a team of leaders who walk in advance of the first teams, a team who walk in the middle and a "sweep" team to catch the stragglers. It is a great opportunity for young people to be let loose on the fells safe in the knowledge that if they make any navigation errors they can't get lost. (Honest!) If any team members drop out at a checkpoint they will be taken by minibus either back to base or to the overnight site. There is even a GP on site.

Travel / Departure

I'm not sure re travel arrangements at the moment - I suggest we aim to meet at the hut around 4.00 p.m. on the Friday. I will need volunteer drivers? I will write a note for Hornsea School if it is necessary to leave school early. Hopefully we will return to the hut about 5.00 on the Sunday evening.

Good luck to all - and remember the most important thing is go round as a team and hopefully all will then successfully complete the walk

Cost

To cover the entry fees, food etc - £20 per person

Rob

See attached - KIT List + HEALTH/CONSENT FORM +
Any queries - please talk to me.

**FELLS MARATHON – CONSENT AND MEDICAL INFORMATION
CONFIDENTIAL**

TEAM NO..... **A** **B** **C** **D** **E**

Surname First Name

Home Address Contact Address [if different]

Home Tel No Scout Troop

Date of Birth Contact Tel

GP Name GP Tel No

GP Address Please advise us of medical conditions

Please list any allergies

Please list any medicines

I give permission for my son/daughter/ward to attend the Fells Marathon. The information provided is accurate and complete to the best of my belief and knowledge and I will inform the organizers if he/she is in contact with any infectious disease in the 3 weeks prior to the event. I agree that any adult leader may consent to medical treatment for him/her in an emergency should postponement of treatment whilst my own consent is obtained be considered detrimental to him/her.

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date