



THE DUKE OF
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Westhill Open Award Group email: WesthillDoE@aol.co.uk

Event Information for Parents & Guardians

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and check updates online at www.WesthillDoE.co.uk

ALL BRONZE PRACTICE & QUALIFYING EXPEDITIONS 2019

Type of Activity:	Walking and camping for 2 days/1 night near Aviemore
Locations & Dates of Activities:	15th-16th June Practice Expedition in the Rothiemurchus area AND 7th – 8th September Qualifying Expedition near Nethybridge
Cost:	paid with annual fee
Age Range of the Group:	14-16 years old
Transport Arrangements:	Participants to make their own arrangements
Supervision of these events will be led by:	Richard Shaw, Dave Anderson, Jonathan Bellarby, Heather Wood, Matt Burke, Elspeth Winram, Richard Nixon
Emergency Contact during Event:	Katie MacLure 07518 020478 (mobile)

A completed Parental Consent Form must be returned to the Community Centre or Award Group **by Thursday 18th April (either a printed copy or an emailed electronic copy)**

Westhill Open Award Group operates through Westhill Community Centre. Aberdeenshire Council is the Operating Authority. All activities are risk assessed and supervised by appropriately qualified volunteers, also trained in first aid. Further information on the Safety & Good Practice Policy can be found online at: www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/outdoorlearning or at the Community Centre.

Event Details

EXPEDITION INFORMATION EVENT FOR PARENTS WILL BE HELD ON 23rd MAY IN G11 FROM 7PM.

Participants also welcome to attend

Each team plans to undertake a self-reliant, remotely supervised, two day purposeful journey with one overnight camp, for their Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze level practice and qualifying expeditions. Teams are required to plan menus and carry all food and cooking equipment for the trip.

The expedition start/finish times and locations, routes and campsites vary as they were decided by each team; please ask your child for details and contact us if necessary for clarification or ask at the Expedition Information Event

If you are delayed in arriving at the event start or finish locations, please notify the emergency contact given above. We in turn will use the emergency contact information you provide to keep you informed of any significant delays or incidents so please inform us of any changes to your details.

Please remember mobile phone reception can be 'patchy' in these areas – guidance on the use of mobile phones on expeditions is available on our website as are expedition kit lists and additional checklists.

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For further information on the event, please contact Katie, the coordinator for Westhill Open Award Group, via email at WesthillDoE@aol.co.uk.

Please note that Aberdeenshire Council hold **no** insurance cover in respect of personal accident, illness, loss or damage incurred by any individual or group taking part in activities or events under its aegis. The Council's Public Liability Policy **will** cover any injury or loss incurred by individuals due to the negligence of the Council or its employees (including volunteers). Participants wishing to obtain cover for personal accident and Third Party liability are advised to contact an insurance company or broker.