



Participants Booklet 2022

Gloucestershire County Scouts
Charity Number 302129

WELCOME TO STRATEGY

This booklet is designed to provide you with the information that you will need before, during and after the event. If there are any questions before the event please email us on info@s-e.org.uk or at the event, ask someone in S&E hi-vis or who is wearing a yellow S&E necker.

BEFORE YOU COME

THE VENUE

Cirencester Park is the venue for our event. There are over 3,000 acres with a mixture of woodland and fields; plenty for everyone to get lost in! Our site has moved slightly again this year so please follow the directions. Treat the site with care and respect – it's not our land.

ARRIVALS

The site will open at midday on Friday. Arrival time is always very busy due to the single track leading to site so please consider sharing lifts with others from your group or using a minibus. On arrival you will be directed to the camping area. Your group leader can check-in your group at the admin tent, where they will receive your wristbands. Teams must be finalised before 9pm on Friday.

SETTING UP

It is essential that we keep the number of tents you bring to a minimum; otherwise, we will not have enough space for activities. Please do not bring additional mess tents or similar shelters unless you have pre-booked, please note that tags will be handed out to those who have paid for shelters. Vehicles will not be allowed on camping areas even for unloading.

A supply of drinking hot water will be available from the hot water tent near Admin. For safety reasons, there will be no open fires, personal stoves, or barbecues.

FOOD

All dietary requirements must be provided by June 1st. Dietary requests made after this time can unfortunately not be guaranteed. Food will be served from the catering area at the times specified in the programme. We encourage the use of reusable crockery and utensils on site as these are not provided.

MENU

Friday Supper	Catering Tent	Soup & A Roll
Saturday Breakfast	Catering Tent	Hot Breakfast Sandwich & Porridge & Cereal
Saturday Lunch	Packed Lunch Tent	Packed Lunch
Saturday Dinner	Catering Tent	Chicken Curry OR Spaghetti Bolognese
Sunday Breakfast	Catering Tent	Hot Breakfast Sandwich & Porridge & Cereal
Sunday Lunch	Packed Lunch Tent	Packed Lunch

Vegetarian and other dietary requirements will be catered for. Please make yourself known as you reach the front of the queue!

WASHING UP

Hot water and washing up bowls will be available by the washing up area. Groups may wish to bring their own washing up bowl, liquid & sponges to ease queueing. These facilities are to be used for personal eating equipment only. Groups will need to provide tea towels.

STRATEGY MERCHANDISE

There will be loads of S&E branded items to buy from pens and badges to neckers and t-shirts. So don't forget a bit of spending money! You can see a selection and pre-order online at shop.s-e.org.uk. Pre-ordering ensures the items you want are available as we often sell-out of popular sizes and colours. Pre-ordering will also give you the chance to personalise items until the 15th May. Any items pre-ordered can be picked up from the Shop – opening times will be displayed outside.

THE CAFÉ

There will be a café on site, serving a range of hot and cold food & drinks. There will be a selection of healthy alternatives as well as some of the classic S&E sweets & treats! This will be open throughout the weekend – opening times will be displayed outside. If you bring your own mug for hot drinks, we'll even give you a discount!

THE RETREAT

The Retreat is an area for use by those over the age of 18 only. It offers a place to relax, chat and unwind with other leaders and helpers. We will do ID checks on anyone lucky enough to look under 25. No ID, no admittance, no exceptions. To help reduce the amount of waste we produce, we will only be serving out of reusable souvenir glasses. These will be available for one pound each.

ALCOHOL AND DRUGS

Alcohol is only allowed in the retreat area and only drinks purchased in this area may be consumed. The consumption of alcohol by under 18s is not allowed. The event has a zero-tolerance policy when it comes to the use of illegal substances.

HYGIENE

There are toilets on site, with basic hand-washing facilities. Sanitary waste excluding packaging can be placed into the toilets. Hot water will be provided for personal washing, you will need to bring bowls for this.

FIRST AID

Groups are responsible for their own first aid provision for their young people. We do have a medical team for more serious injuries.

INSECT & TICK BITES

Due to the events taking place in fields and woodland there is the risk of being bitten or stung by insects including horse-flies, wasps and ticks. It is important to be aware of ticks and to safely remove them as soon as possible, just in case.

We recommend bringing insect repellent and insect bite creams/clickers & antihistamines as part of your first aid kit.

To reduce the risk of being bitten:

- Cover your skin while walking outdoors and tuck your trousers into your socks.
- Use insect repellent on your clothes and skin.
- Stick to paths whenever possible.
- Wear light-coloured clothing so ticks are easier to spot and brush off.

To remove a tick safely:

1. Use fine-tipped tweezers or a tick-removal tool.
2. Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible.
3. Slowly pull upwards, taking care not to squeeze or crush the tick.
4. Clean the bite with antiseptic or soap and water.

You don't need to do anything else unless you become unwell.

See a GP if you've been bitten by a tick and you get:

- Flu-like symptoms – such as feeling hot and shivery, headaches, aching muscles or feeling sick, or
- A circular red rash

Always remember to tell them you've been in forests and grassy areas.

RECYCLING INFORMATION

Working together we can help keep Strategy and Evolution litter free. The waste will be collected and transported offsite, where it will be mechanically, and hand sorted to segregate it into the different waste streams. Recyclable material will be bulked and baled for onward processing and non-recyclable material baled ready for waste to energy production.

This means ZERO WASTE TO LANDFILL

There will be two segregated collections:

Cardboard: flatten and place into blue wheelie bins labelled 'mixed recyclables'
Plastic, Paper, Tins & Cans: blue wheelie bins labelled 'mixed recyclables'

General Waste: blue wheelie bins labelled "non recyclables". This includes food waste.

Food Waste: blue wheelie bins labelled "non recyclables". You can put any raw or uncooked food in these bins and any of the following:

- ✓ Meat and fish – raw and cooked including bones.
- ✓ All dairy products such as eggs and cheese.
- ✓ Raw and cooked vegetables and fruit.
- ✓ Bread, cakes and pastries.
- ✓ Rice, pasta and beans.
- ✓ Uneaten food from your plates and dishes.
- ✓ Tea and coffee grounds.



If you have any questions, or suggestions, then please ask.

THE PROGRAMME

Friday

12 noon	Campsite opens	
Noon-10pm	Registration	
6.30-9pm	Supper	Bring a Mug!
7.30-11.00pm	Entertainment	Disco Talent Show Heats Dance Fusion

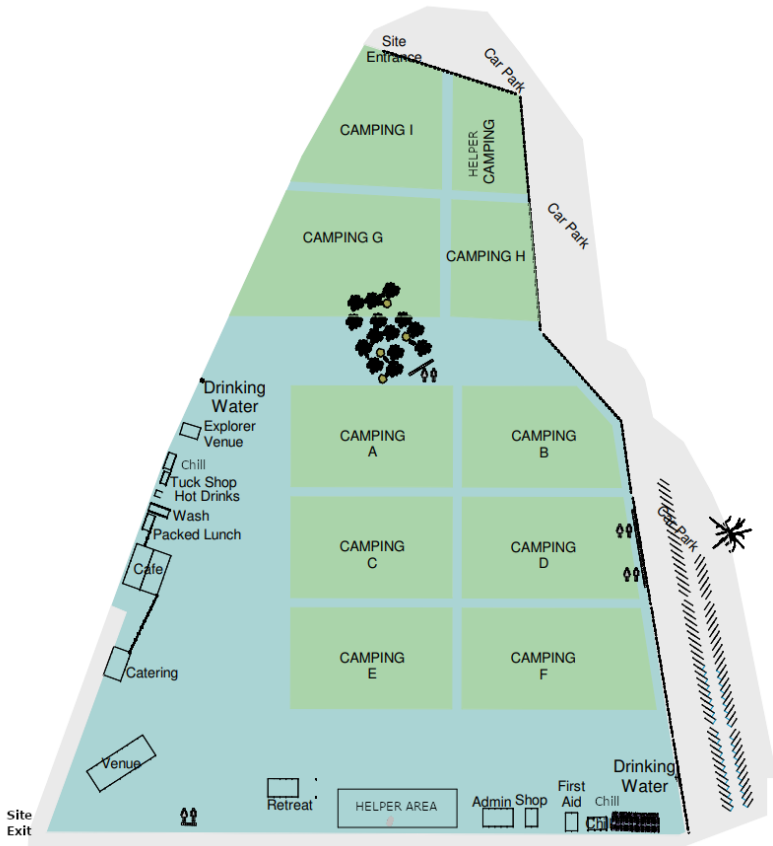
Saturday

7.00-8.00am	Breakfast & Pick up Lunch (Pink, Orange, Blue wristbands)	
8.15am	Event Briefings Start	Event Kit required
9.30am-5.00pm	The Main Event	Bases shut 4.30
6.00-7.00pm	Dinner (Orange, Blue, Pink wristbands)	
7.30-11.30pm	Entertainment	Disco Dance Fusion Talent Show Final

Sunday

7.30-8.30am	Breakfast & Pick up Lunch (Blue, Pink, Orange wristbands)	
9.30am	Presentations	
10.00am	Fayre, Crafts & Sports See notice board outside Admin (You are free to depart anytime)	
2.30pm	Site Closes	

SITE MAP



TALENT SHOW AND SPORTS

Once on site don't forget that you can register to enter the talent show or the sports competitions at the admin tent.

Talent show sign up is on Friday – please bring anything you need to perform as we can only provide tables, chairs, light and sound. Performances will be on Friday and Saturday evening depending on take up. The top three acts get to perform at the Strategy fayre!

Sports sign up is 6pm -9pm on Saturday evening to play on Sunday.

THE MAIN EVENT

Strategy is a multi-activity challenge hike. It consists of 30 bases of varying difficulty and complexity around our 3,000 acre site.

Bases will be organised around three HUBS. Each HUB will have its own main 'Hub Challenge' and then nine bases, each with their own challenge around it. Each base will be worth 50, 100 or 150 points which will be denoted by a corresponding colour (Green, Amber or Red respectively) on the map.

Strategy teams will be made up of either Scouts or Guides and StrategyPlus teams will be made of Explorers or Rangers. Activities at bases will vary depending on the team that arrives!

A leader briefing will take place in the retreat on Friday after 9pm.

Participant briefings will commence on site on Saturday morning, teams will then be walked out to their starting HUB and bases will open at 0930. Bases will close at 1630 and teams must check back into admin at 1700. Teams will not be allowed to leave the play area back to site before 1600.

EVENT RULES

1. All participants **MUST** stay in their teams for the duration of the event. Failure to do so will disqualify them.
2. All items in the event kit list (including a pen) must be carried or worn at all times.
3. Participants cannot retire before 1600 and must check back into site by 1700.
4. Participants must obey marshals, police, and event signs.
5. The organisers' decision is final.

HOW TO GET TO THE SITE

Cirencester Park, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 7HX
What3words reference [///field.lilac.dozed](https://www.what3words.com/field.lilac.dozed)

The site is accessed via the Overly Road gate. Please follow the yellow Strategy & Evolution signs.

The route through Daglingworth is narrow. If driving a large vehicle (van, coach, minibus) please approach the site from the A419 and use the postcode GL7 6JT and follow the signs. This also helps us to keep our neighbours happy.

On arrival at the site there will be a one-way system in operation. Please follow the signs and directions of the marshals.



PHOTOGRAPHS

If you take any photos during the weekend, please share them with the media team in admin tent or when you upload to Facebook, Twitter or Instagram tag us #Stravolution

KIT LIST

Personal Kit

- Sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Wash kit
- Towel
- Tea towel
- Changes of clothes
- Changes of underclothes
- Torch
- Eating equipment

Event Kit (Personal) – Required for the walk

- Water Bottle
- Day sack
- Waterproofs
- Suitable Walking Footwear

Event Kit (Team) – Required for the walk

- Event Route Map
- Pen or Pencil
- Compass
- First Aid Kit (including insect repellent, bite cream)
- Survival Bag (Orange)
- Whistle

Group Kit

- Personal washing bowls
- Sufficient sleeping tents
- Mallets (the soil can be rocky)
- NO stoves or BBQ's
- No mess tents, marquees, or group shelters unless prebooked

Leader's Kit

- Travel /thermos mug (For hot drinks on site and on checkpoints)
- Collapsible chair (For use in the retreat & on checkpoints)

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Each group must have its own emergency contact and your leader will let you know who this is.

However, if you need to contact a leader or child who is on site as the result of an emergency, please contact 01285 505404 (Site Phone).

