



Girlguiding

Warwickshire



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Arden 2010

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The first newsletter for our international visitors! We will keep you in touch with developments over the coming months.

This is Warwickshire's sixth international camp. Some of you joined us for our previous camps at

Arden 91 – Charlecote Park

Arden 94 – Moreton Morrell

Arden 98 – The Crofts, Leamington Spa

Arden 02 – The Crofts, Leamington Spa

Arden 06 – Blackwell Court

*and we welcome you all to **Arden 2010** at Blackwell Court*

Blackwell is a fantastic site with even more facilities and activities available than in 2006 so we can't wait!

A message from our camp organiser:

I am delighted to hear you are hoping to join us at Arden 2010. This camp is particularly special to us as we are celebrating our centenary. We are especially looking forward to sharing with you all the exciting activities we are planning for the camp.

I look forward to meeting you at the camp but until then I hope you will make use of the web site www.arden.org.uk and the International Team who are always willing to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

*Bridget Halpin
Camp Organiser*

Bridget is leading our many planning teams who are all full of enthusiasm as their ideas take shape. Several of them have asked to contribute to future newsletters to give you all a taste of what to expect at Arden.

There is now a section on the website to tell you about the range of activities that will be available with something for everyone. I know the Guides/Girl Scouts will be excited to see the great variety of fun and challenging options they can look forward to.

Camp facilities:

We shall be camping in tents in a number of Sub-camps. There will be several Group Camps within each Sub-camp. Each group of international visitors will camp in a Warwickshire Group Camp and will share in the daily routines of camp life. All tents and camping equipment will be provided but we ask you to bring your own sleeping bags. Food will be prepared and eaten in the Group Camp and you will have an opportunity to mention any allergies or special requirements at a later stage. A recommended kit list will also be issued.

Registration fees:

The deadline for payment in full is 1st March 2010. Payment should be in £ sterling and by bank transfer if possible. All bank charges will be payable by you. The bank details will be sent to you individually when you are ready to pay.

Why not consider extending your stay for a few days to explore the area with your own group? We can arrange accommodation for you at a modest extra cost in village halls or Guide headquarters buildings. There is so much to see and do in the area as well as many lovely walks in the Warwickshire countryside. If you would like us to make some suggestions we will be glad to do so. Just let us know in good time what your requirements are so that we can book the accommodation on your behalf.

We are excited to have received expressions of interest from groups and individuals in eight different countries so far and we hope you will soon feel able to confirm that you will be coming.

Please keep in touch with us at the International Visitor Team international@arden.org.uk and don't forget our website www.arden.org.uk