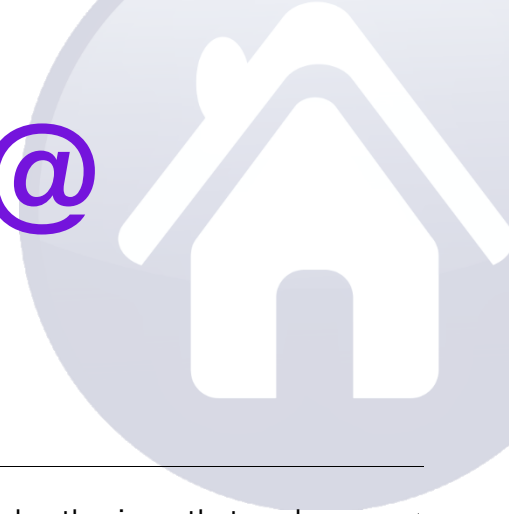


Berkshire Scouts @ Home Challenge

Challenges to complete whilst Scouting at home



We have been hugely impressed with the creativity and enthusiasm that we have seen around the County during the lockdown period. But we are also aware that constantly coming up with new programme ideas can be somewhat demanding!

So, that's why we are issuing the 'Scouting at home' challenge open to all members of Scouting in Berkshire. The challenge can be completed as a section, as a Group, or by individual members, but the main aim is to have fun and give leaders some new ideas to try.

What do I need to do?

To complete the challenge, you should complete one activity from each of the following sections (full details can be found on the next page):

1

Helping others

2

Nights Away

3

International Scouting

4

Youth Shaped Scouting

5

Learning new skills

6

The Scouting Family

Can we back date activities?

Yes, of course. If you have already completed activities since the suspension of face to face Scouting came into force, that's fine. But to keep things fresh you might like to consider challenging your Scouts to do other activities too!

What do we do when we have completed the challenges?

Celebrate! Leaders can request a certificate of completion and badge from the County website and issue them to each Scout that has completed the challenge. Sharing your programme ideas on the County Scout Leaders Facebook page is also encouraged as you may inspire others to follow in your footsteps!

Staying safe

Don't forget to apply normal safety rules to events that you run, even if they are online or remote. Further information can be found here:

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/scouts-at-home/taking-scouts-online/staying-safe-online/>

Category	Challenge	Resources to help you
Helping others	Take part in an activity to support your local community	<p>https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/scouts-at-home/scouts-helping-others/care-for-care-homes/</p> <p>Or try some of our Million Hands partnerships, like kindness in every community: https://www.scouts.org.uk/about-us/help-others/community/kindness-in-every-community/</p> <p>If Scouts are working on finishing their Chief Scouts' Gold Award, they could pick a Personal Challenge that helps the local community.</p> <p>First Aid guidelines have changed for the duration of the pandemic . . . why not update the Troop with the latest news from St John's Ambulance: https://www.sja.org.uk/get-advice/first-aid-advice/covid-19-advice-for-first-aiders/</p>
Nights Away	Take part in an 'at home' camp	<p>https://www.scouts.org.uk/the-great-indoors/the-great-indoors-weekender/</p> <p>And try some outdoors cooking while you are at it!</p>
International Scouting	Complete an activity from the County Join-in Award or the Global Awareness Programme (or another international activity as agreed with your leaders)	<p>https://www.berkshirescouts.org.uk/join-in/ https://www.berkshirescouts.org.uk/global-awareness-programme/</p> <p>Scouts from Berkshire would have been travelling to Poland this summer had it not been for the pandemic. Why not cook a Polish meal at home?</p>
Youth Shaped Scouting	<p>1. See if you can help your leader run a game or an activity for others in your Troop either live online or a suggestion through your Facebook page</p> <p>2. Complete an activity from the County Youth Shaped Pack</p>	<p>https://www.berkshirescouts.org.uk/youth-programme/youshape/</p> <p>Why not pick your Scouts' brains on what socially distant Scouting could look like . . . what activities would work . . . or how could they adapt some of their favourite games?</p>
Learning new skills	Learn a new skill, and demonstrate it to your Troop or leader	<p>Get every Scout to find their own mug cake recipe and make it during your virtual meeting, then compare the results.</p> <p>Or give the Scouts a digital photography challenge and see what they come up with. https://www.scouts.org.uk/scouts/activity-badges/</p>
The Scouting Family	Take part in an activity with Scouts from another Troop or District	Is there a Troop in your District that is not meeting digitally currently, whose Scouts might like to join one of your sessions.



Thought about peer leadership?
Could one of your young people lead this activity for their Section?