



East Sussex County Scouts



GoldBITZ 2022

Dear Leader,

Thank you for your interest in the first ever GoldBitz Challenge 2022! This pack should contain everything you need to enter a team, including all the paperwork.

Page 2 contains a brief overview of the event and an interest slip which can be given to each Scout showing initial interest in GoldBitz. Page 3 is a story for the event. Pages 4, 5 and 6 contains some additional information for you, detailing what happens during the event. Once you have sufficient interest please email goldbitz@eastsussexscouts.org.uk with your details for online payments, or page 7 can be filled in, printed and sent back to the organisers. Once payment is received you will be emailed login details to enable you to enter basic details of the team. Please print out and fill in one copy of the permission form per entrant, preferably printing on a laser printer and writing in biro. Please DO NOT laminate any of the paperwork.

GoldBitz is run by East Sussex Scouts, and uses one of their leader's camp permits. Therefore there is no need for the Scouts to have their own camping passport, or for you to stay. However, to make the event work properly we do need volunteers to help run bases in the evening. If you are able to run, or help out on a base, then we would ask that you be on site from 19:00, for a briefing at 19:30 ready for teams to arrive at your base from 20:00 onwards. The event finishes at 00:00, after which there are hot drinks and biscuits available at the camp site. There is the option for you to stay overnight if you wish. If you think you may be able to help, then please email goldbitzhelpers@eastsussexscouts.org.uk.

Yours In Scouting,

The GoldBitz Team

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Where: Broadstone Warren.

When: 1.00 pm Saturday 16th to 11.00 am Sunday
17th July 2022

Who: Teams of 4 Scouts with minimum age of 10½ years and under 14 ½ years on the day of the event. The total age of the team must be a minimum of 46 years and a maximum of 54 years.



Teams will be required to be self-sufficient in camping and cooking. They will have to bring and pitch their own tents, provide cooking equipment and cook their own food. They can choose to cook on hiking stoves or gas burners. Although the team's menu will **not** be marked they will be marked on having a cooked two course evening meal (main course & sweet) on the Saturday and a hot breakfast on the Sunday. Both meals should include a hot drink.

For further information please see
GoldBitz Challenge website: goldbitz.esscouts.org.uk
Facebook page: www.facebook.com/goldbitzchallenge

Closing date for registration is 9th July 2022



My child is interested in taking part in the GoldBitz Challenge
on July 16th / 17th 2022

Signed parent / guardian

Please return this slip to your troop leader



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After setting up camp earlier in the day, you discover that you are in woodland controlled by Overlord, a tyrant leader with a passion for gold. Overlord wants payment, two exchanges must be made before you can leave his woodland and travel home.

Residents can be found scattered throughout his land, they are willing to give you base metals if you are polite when you find them, completing a small challenge will earn you extra currency. You will need 6 base metals (Iron, Lead, Nickle, Zinc, Copper & Tin) to exchange for currency and access into the forbidden zone where the Alchemists live, they need these base metals to make 'Gold'. The Alchemists are secretive, lonely individuals who will give you 'Gold' in exchange for friendly conversation, if they are feeling generous they may even pass on some additional currency.

Two pieces of 'Gold' is the exchange required by Overlord, two pieces of 'Gold' for currency and you may leave, but, be warned, not everyone in the woodland is friendly, some are out there purely to gain currency, should they find you, they will expect payment and you will loose some of your gains.

You have until Midnight to perform the two exchanges and gain as much currency you can. The richest team that returns for the woodland win.

Will you accept the GoldBitz Challenge?



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- What:** The actual GoldBitz Challenge is a set of activity bases joined by a Scouting theme.
- Where:** Broadstone Warren.
- When:** 1.00pm Saturday 16th to 11.00am Sunday 17th July 2022 (Individual check-in times for each team will be included with the final instructions.)
- Who:** Teams of 4 Scouts with minimum age of 10 ½ years and under 14 ½ years on the day of the event. The total age of the team must be a minimum of 46 years and a maximum of 54 years.
If a troop cannot make-up complete teams then please let the organisers know and send them along anyway. We will help to put teams together, although any non-complete teams must be prepared to be split between other teams and should have individual food and equipment as far as possible.
- Cooking:** Teams can choose to cook on hiking stoves or gas burners.
- Food:** Although the team's menu will not be marked they will be marked on having a cooked two course evening meal (main course & sweet) on the Saturday and a hot breakfast on the Sunday. Both meals should include a hot drink.
- Awards:** The winning team of the night exercise will receive the "GoldBitz Challenge Trophy". A separate "Skills Trophy" will be awarded to the team who wins the Saturday afternoon skills challenge. Both trophies will be held for one year.
- Fee:** £10.00 per Scout (Cheques payable to ESCSC).
- Registration:** Completed registration form, together with fee to be sent to – GoldBitz Challenge, c/o 32 Cricketfield, Newick, East Sussex, BN8 4LL by Friday 9th July 2022, or details emailed to goldbitz@eastsussexscouts.org.uk if you wish to use online banking. Any registration forms received late or without fees will not be accepted.
Each troop can book 2 teams on initial registration, but can request additional places should there be space.
- Booking:** Username and password will be emailed to you upon receipt of the registration form for the online booking system. This enables leaders to add/amend Scout names ages and parent contact details up to 11pm on 15th July.

Any enquiries to Chris Weller 07799 410405 or email goldbitz@eastsussexscouts.org.uk

IN ALL CASES THE ORGANISERS DECISION IS FINAL

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Guidance Notes – Activities

There are two trophies up for grabs over the course of the weekend.

The Skill's Trophy for the team that does best during the afternoon "Scouting Skills" Challenge. It is a team-based event that this year will require teams to bring along 12 x 2 metre bamboo canes and some elastic bands.

The GoldBitz Trophy for the team that gains the most points during the evening exercise. The challenge is to escape from 'GoldBitz' having collected all the items necessary to aide escape and gained as many points as possible by visiting bases and completing the incidents set. All this without being captured by the Explorer 'Guards' and therefore losing some of the points gained.

The scoring for the GoldBitz Trophy is kept as simple as possible. There are points for visiting bases (marks for finding the base and marks for completing the activity), and points for getting through to zone 2 and finding the resistance members. For each time a team is found by the guards, they lose 1 point. There are occasionally variations, such as one year where due to the weather many teams' cards were too wet to identify – therefore we gave points for handing in legible cards.

Key points for the GoldBitz Trophy Activity

Emergencies: Each team will be given instructions of what to do in an emergency.

Team Card: Each team member will carry a team card and these must be handed in at each base for the staff to fill in; they must be collected as the team leaves the base.

Meeting Other Teams: When a team meets another team they should not discuss where they have been or what they have done, as this may give the other team an advantage.

Bases: Teams will be awarded points for their manners and the way that they tackle the incident. Team members should work together as points will be awarded for teamwork.

Guards: Teams will have points deducted if the guards catch them, however they will be able to continue and perhaps earn the points back. All the bases are safety zones and teams cannot be captured whilst completing an incident. However, teams cannot wait on a base if there is no room for them.



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Registration Form - Closing Date 9th July 2022

_____ Scout Troop of _____ District wishes to register

_____ Team(s) (maximum of 2) for the GoldBitz Challenge and request an additional _____

Team(s) if there is space.

I enclose the entry fee of £_____ (£10.00 per scout – cheques payable to ESCSC)

Signed _____ Scout Leader

Date _____

Name _____ Scout Leader

Address _____ (In capitals please)

_____ Postcode _____

Telephone(s) _____

Email _____

- ✓ Username and password will be emailed to you upon receipt of this registration form for the online booking system. This enables leaders to add/amend scout names, ages and parent contact details up to 11pm on 15th July.
- ✓ The past and future success of the GoldBitz competition depends upon the volunteers who run activity bases for Scouts during the evening. All activities, both modern and traditional are welcomed although we do our best to co-ordinate bases to provide a balanced range of skills.
- ✓ Ideally, each District in East Sussex will be able to provide 2 bases. If you can help, please contact Daraius ideally by email - goldbitzhelpers@eastsussexscouts.org.uk.
Groups that provide help on bases will be given team place priority, however all teams are welcome even without a leader.

Please return this form with your cheque to:

GoldBitz Challenge, c/o Chris Weller, 32 Cricketfield, Newick, East Sussex, BN8 4LL or email

goldbitz@eastsussexscouts.org.uk

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Kit List

All kit must be with the scouts at check-in

Each Scout will require the following:

- Sleeping bag and mat or blanket
- Suitable, warm clothing, for an outdoor, night activity, in a woodland environment
- Mug, plate & bowl, knife fork & spoon
- Torch – ideally a head torch with spare batteries
- Whistle
- Pencil and notebook
- Watch

Each team will require the following:

- One copy of each team member's consent form together in an envelope. Ideally these should be printed on a laser printer, filled in in biro and **not** laminated
- Food for weekend*(see below) – including a menu to be handed in when asked
- Tentage for 4 people (Separate tents will be required for mixed teams) ** (see below)
- Stove, fuel and matches***
- Fire bucket
- A patrol box containing as a minimum:
 - 2 large containers for cooking (dixies, dutch oven etc)
 - 1 container for boiling water (billie, kettle etc), frying pan (or skillet)
 - 2 chopping boards, colander, grater, tin opener, mixing bowls, measuring jugs, spatulas, large serving spoon, tea/table/desert spoons, tongs, wooden spoons, kitchen knives
 - Washing up bowl, tea towels, washing up liquid, dish clothes, brillo pads or scourers, matches
 - Gloves, 1st aid kit with blue plasters, 2 bin bags
 - Salt & pepper, cooking oil
- Water Container
- First Aid Kit (to be kept with the team at all times) containing as a minimum:
 - Triangular bandage
 - Plasters (minimum of 10, various sizes)
 - 1 medium dressing
- Black sacks for rubbish (to be taken home afterwards)
- 12 x 2 metre bamboo canes and some elastic bands

No penknives or other knives (except kitchen knives) or electronic equipment such as, Mobile Phones, Hand-held electronic games, MP3 players, are to be brought to this camp.

All Scouts will be expected to carry their own and team equipment for at least ½ mile; no adults will be permitted past the check-in. Please pack accordingly.

* Although the team's menu will not be marked they will be marked on having a cooked two course evening meal (main course & sweet) on the Saturday and a hot breakfast on the Sunday. Both meals should include a hot drink.

**Leaders, please ensure your Scouts are practised in the pitching of the tentage provided and that the tent has the correct number of poles and pegs.

***Safety: Scouts should know the safety precautions for cooking on a Trangia (or similar) stove.



The parent/guardian should complete all parts of the form legibly in black ink and return to the Leader

Event Name	GoldBitz 2022	Event Date	16 th / 17 th July 2022		
Personal Information		Medical			
Surname		National Health No			
First names		Date of last tetanus			
Date of birth		Doctors name			
Home address		Doctors address			
Post code		Doctors telephone number			
In the event of an emergency during the event– contact details		Has your child been in contact with any infectious diseases in the last three months?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Contact name		If yes please give details:			
Relationship		Is your child receiving any medical treatment at the moment?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Address		If yes please give details:			
		Does your child suffer from the following?			
Telephone number day		Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Hay fever	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Telephone number evening		Chest complaints	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fits or faints	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Contact name		Wheezing	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Muscle or joint problems	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Relationship		Migraine	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Address		Is there any other information we need to know about your child's Health and Wellbeing?			
Telephone number day		Does your child have any specific dietary requirements?			
Telephone number evening					
Emergency Permission		Allergies			
By ticking this box I authorise any leader to give permission to the doctor to undertake whatever treatment is considered necessary for my child. <input type="checkbox"/>		Does your child have any allergies?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Signed:		If yes please give details:			
Date:					
Note: The medical profession takes the view that the parent's consent to medical treatment cannot be delegated. This view is explicit in the Children Act 1989. Thus medical consent forms have no legal status and a doctor/nurse insisting on the consent of a parent to a particular treatment has the right to do so. For this reason, we do not recommend that Leaders insist on parents signing the statement above. However, it can be a comfort to medical staff to have general consent in advance from parents or to have a Leader on hand able to sign forms required by medical authorities.					
All activities will be run in accordance with The Scout Association's safety rules. No responsibility for the personal equipment/clothing and effects can be accepted by the trip organisers and The Scout Association does not provide automatic insurance cover in respect to such items. I understand that the Trip Leader reserves the right to send any participants home if necessary					
By ticking this box I give permission for my child to attend this event <input type="checkbox"/>					
Signed:			Date:		