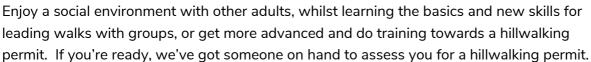




Hike Away 2020!

- Want to support expeditions to help young people gain **Top Awards**?
- Looking to take your Beavers on a ramble or nature walk for their My Adventure challenge?
- Do your **Cubs** need to go on a hike to complete their **Our Adventure challenge**?
- Want to help your **Scouts** earn their **Hillwalker** badge or **Expedition Challenge**?
- Need to support your **Explorers** to do their **Chief Scout's Awards** or **DofE**?
- Network members wanting to climb mountains in the Alps?
- Or just want to support your section to get their first Hikes Away staged badge?

Gwent Scouts' Land Activities Scout Active Support Unit have just the event to support you!



15-16 February 2020, 1st Gilwern Scout HQ

Cost £20 for Gwent leaders, £25 for other Scouting volunteers (subsidy available for members of Gwent Land Activities SASU)

The course is non-residential and no catering is supplied, but the floor of the hall is available to stop over on a self-catering (ie pub/take-away) basis if you wish.

Please see session details below, and book online at https://booking.gwentscouts.org.uk/













Introductory workshops

Interpreting an OS map

If you've never used an OS map before, or need a little refersher, this session will look what's shown on a leisure map, and how to relate this to the world around you.

Equipment, packing and food

Looking at clothing and equipment you might need for a hike, including small stoves for cooking your lunch!

Navigating with an OS map

It's time to get outside and go for a short walk around the local area. Learning how to use the map to identify features and find your way around.

Route planning for group hikes

Learn how to prepare for a hike, choose objectives for a group, and plan your walk, including preparing a route card.

Walking with a group

Then spend a half day on Sunday walking the route you've planned, learning more about managing walking groups along the way.

Geocaching as a Scouting activity

Learn about how GPS and geocaching works, the different types of caches that are hidden. Then go out for a short local walk to hunt for some!

Hillwalking training

If you're already comfortable using an OS map to follow footpaths in open countryside with standard hiking equipment, and are reasonably fit, this option allows you to spend two days on the hills in the local area learning the skills you would need to obtain a "Terrain 1" hillwalking permit for the hills of South Wales in normal (ie non-winter) conditions.

Hillwalking assessment

Know your way around and ready for a permit? Join the assessment group and prove it, picking up tips from our experts along the way.

Next steps

For those who already got, or been assessed for, a permit, spend the day looking at any gaps in your knowledge and the next steps – T2, steep ground and/or winter skills - *=depending on the weather conditions on the weekend.

Timetable

Here's a rough outline of when the sessions will run over the weekend – don't forget there's lots of things going on during the weekend but you can only attend one thing at a time!

	Skills workshops		Training	Assessment
Saturday	Interpreting an		T1 permit	T1/Brecon Beacons
	OS map		training part	hillwalking permit
	Equipment, packing and food		1	assessment
	Navigating with			
	an OS map			
Sunday	Planning a group walk		T1 permit	Next steps (Further permit
			training part	assessment, gap evaluation,
	Walking with a	Geocaching	2	winter skills)*
	group	as a Scouting		
		activity		