

# Cambridge University Scout & Guide Club



**FORWARD 2012**  
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Dear Guider/Scouter,

Once again this year, CUSAGC will be running its Forward incident hike for Scouts and Guides and would like to invite your Group/Unit to participate. It will take place on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** and will be held in the area a few miles west of Cambridge. Teams must consist of 4-6 Scouts/Guides. They will need to be able to navigate using a map and compass, including planning their own route of approximately 10 miles from a set of 6-figure grid references. Teams start the event at staggered time intervals. Whilst finalised times will not be available until nearer the event (when we know the number of teams participating); we anticipate that the first teams will set off around 8.30am and the presentation of trophies and certificates will be around 6pm.

Alongside this letter, you should also receive a letter to send to parents, should wish like to use it, and an entry form. Further information and all forms are available from [www.cusagc.org.uk/forward](http://www.cusagc.org.uk/forward).

The entry fee for Forward 2012 is **£16.00 per team**, which includes hot drinks at the central checkpoint, hot snacks and drinks on return to HQ at the end of the day, a certificate and a contribution to the kit and hall hire costs needed to run the event (not lunch). Please could you send this by cheque (made payable to 'CUSAGC') together with a completed entry form to the address above. Please could we ask that the contact details given are those to which additional information (including exact location and start times) should be sent. Upon receipt of your entry, we will send final details (assuming places are still available), a kit list, and medical forms for each member of the team.

It is left to the Leader's discretion whether teams are to be accompanied by a chaperone to assist them with navigation for the hike - however, out of fairness, such teams will not be eligible for the trophy. This chaperone **MUST** be a **COMPETENT** leader/parent/Network/Senior Section member. Chaperones must have the appropriate child protection clearance (at least a Scouting/Guiding CRB) and it is the responsibility of the Leader to ensure that this is the case, although we reserve the right to check.

Please send your entry forms to the above address before **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**, so we have sufficient time to process them and to send out the final details. Places are limited, so you are strongly advised to reply as soon as possible. Competition for places in previous years has been intense!

Thank you for your interest; we look forward to receiving your entry in the near future. If you, or any member of your leadership team, would like to help with running the event, please do get in touch - we would welcome all offers! If you have any further queries then please do not hesitate to contact us!

Yours in Scouting and Guiding,

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## CUSAGC Forward 2012: Entry Form

Please send this form together with the entry fee of £16 per team (cheques payable to 'CUSAGC' please) to the address above by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2012. Places are limited so please return the form as soon as possible.

Group/Unit Name (including team letter A/B/C if necessary):

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Team type:  Scouts  Guides

Will this team be chaperoned?  Yes  No

Name of chaperone: \_\_\_\_\_

Position of chaperone (e.g. leader, parent): \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm that the chaperone holds a Scouting/Guiding CRB:  Yes

Names of team members (4-6 per team): Age (on 3/3/12):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Leader's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please provide an email address if possible, as this is the easiest way to send final details about the event.

If there any changes after you have submitted this form, please could you inform us by email as soon as possible. Teams of less than four on the day will not be allowed to participate unless they join another team. We regret that we cannot guarantee a refund if a team drops out after the fee has been paid due to our fixed costs.

The entry fee includes the event (hall hire and kit hire), hot drinks part-way round and hot dogs and drinks once the event is finished and certificates. Lunch is not included. Two trophies are available to be won; one for Scout Association teams and one for Girlguiding UK teams.

We are also looking for people to help with running the day, so please get in touch if you would like to be involved.



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Dear Parent/Carer,

Once again this year, CUSAGC will be running its Forward incident hike for Guides and Scouts and has invited your Group/Unit to enter a team (or teams). It will take place on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** and will be held in the area a few miles east of Cambridge. Scouts and Guides will follow a 10-mile route with challenges for them to perform to test their map-reading and teamwork. It's always a fun day and there is fierce competition for the two trophies! The first teams normally leave the start location at about 8:30, and all walking is completed by dark. Final times and details of where to go will be released in late February.

The entry fee for Forward 2012 includes hot drinks at the central checkpoint, hot snacks and drinks on return to HQ at the end of the day, a certificate and a contribution to the kit and hall hire costs needed to run the event (not lunch). Your child/ward's leader may also need to charge a little extra to cover transport to the start or kit hire costs, but it should work out at less than £5 per person, or in some cases be taken from subs.

Younger or less-experienced groups may be supervised on the way round by one of their Leaders; this is the Leader's decision.

For now, your Leader only needs to know whether your child/ward will be taking part, but in a few weeks they will be sending round permission/medical forms and a kit list to everyone who will be coming. We would ask that you read these carefully and fill them in, as children will not be able to participate if these have not been completed.

For now, you should let **your Leader** know whether your child will be taking part by **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February**, so that they can let us know before the deadline for entries. However, places are limited, so try to tell them as soon as possible.

We hope to see your child/ward at Forward on March 3<sup>rd</sup>; we guarantee they will enjoy themselves and learn a lot! Any questions should be directed to your leader in the first instance, but do email us if there are any other problems

Yours in Scouting and Guiding,

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My child/ward \_\_\_\_\_ would like to take part in CUSAGC Forward 2012 on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Their date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_. I agree to pay any necessary fees and fill in the health forms.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to your Leader by **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February** at the latest; places are limited so act fast!