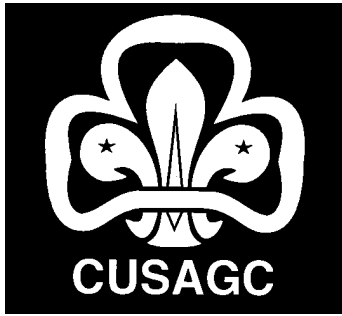

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Dear Scouter / Guider,

Cambridge University Scout and Guide Club (CUSAGC) is organising an incident hike called **FORWARD 2008**. It will take place on **Sunday 24th February**, and will be held in the St Ives area. Teams must consist of between 4 and 6 Scouts / Guides. They will need to be able to navigate using a map and compass, including planning their own route 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 I know the number of teams participating); I anticipate that the first teams will set off around 8.30am and the presentation of trophies and certificates will be around 6pm.

The entry fee for FORWARD 2008 is £15.00 per team, which includes hot drinks at the central checkpoint, hot dogs and drinks on return to HQ at the end of the day, a certificate and a contribution to the kit costs needed to run the event. Please could this be sent by cheque (made payable to 'CUSAGC') together with a completed entry form to the address above. Please could I ask that the address / e-mail given is the one where final details (including exact location and start times) can be sent. Upon receipt of your entry, I will send these final details (assuming places are still available), a kit list, and medical forms for each member of the team.

It is left to the Guiders / Scouters 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 Scout / Senior Section member. In such cases it is the responsibility of the Guider / Scouter to ensure the chaperone has the appropriate child protection clearance.

Please send your entry forms to the above address before **Friday 15th February**, so I 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 and I 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 me.

Yours in Scouting and Guiding,

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