

THE BOYS' BRIGADE - NORTH WEST KENT BATTALION - D.E.A. EXPEDITION COMMITTEE.

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Dear

The dates for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Expedition Training and Tests during the coming session are as follows:-

- 1st-2nd Oct. 1983 - Training weekend, Map Reading-Bronze level.
- 5th-6th Nov. 1983 - Training weekend, Map Reading-Silver & Gold level.
- 13th-19th Feb. 1984 - Training weekend, General Expedition - Silver & Gold.
- 17th-18th Mar. 1984 - Training weekend, General Expedition - Bronze level.
- 19th-22nd Apr. 1984 - Expedition Tests - Snowdonia - Silver & Gold level.
- 5th-6th May, 1984 - Expedition Tests - South Downs - Bronze level.

The Training weekends, this year, will be at THE SEEKERS TRUST, THE CLOSE, ADDINGTON PARK, Nr. MAIDSTONE, KENT. This is at Map reference 65483 on O.S. Sheet No. 188.

Reception will be from 07.45 hours to 08.00 on the Saturday morning and departure at 17.00 on the Sunday. It is important that all boys/girls arrive promptly.

I am enclosing an equipment list but would ask you to ensure they do bring a pair of plimsolls, or similar, with them - this is to ensure utmost protection of the property we are using.

Will you please note that boys/girls must attend the Map Reading Training weekend to be eligible for the General Expedition weekend - they must also bring their D.E.A. Record Book with them.

In order to carry out the necessary administration and let the Instructors have the information, it is essential that the enclosed forms are returned, properly completed, to me NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, 9th SEPTEMBER, 1983 and be accompanied by the remittance of £2.30 per head. Cheques and P.O's should be made payable to N.W. KENT BB, D.E.A. EXPEDITION.

If your Company has no entrants this session, I would appreciate notification of this, also by 9th September.

The earliness of this letter may surprise you but because of Centenary events we have to bring the date of the first Training weekend forward, and, in order to organise the weekends we need to receive your replies NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, 9th SEPTEMBER.

Knowing that some Companies have not re-started by then I am giving you the details far enough in advance to deal with them this session. Whilst the latest date for returns is 9th September I will be quite happy to receive them sooner - replies sent to me by return will not be too early!

Yours sincerely,

*R. Hardy*  
ROBERT A.C. HARDY.

N.B. Because of the large number of Entrants at Bronze level in recent years it may be necessary to restrict numbers - an application to attend the Training Weekend does not necessarily guarantee a place.

*Phone Simon Allen to help envelope up  
phone him early Jan.*

*NOTE R. #65*