

# 39th Green Beret Challenge 2024

Tolmers Activity Centre



Final Information Pack

## 39th GREEN BERET CHALLENGE

39 Years of Inter-Troop Patrol competition for Scouting Skills, Ingenuity and Fitness

15 – 17 November 2024

### FINAL INFORMATION

Dear Leader and Team Leaders,

Welcome to the 39th Green Beret Challenge.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Tolmers for this year's Green Beret Challenge.

Please read this final information pack in conjunction with the general information pack, which was sent to you when you first made your booking.

#### Arrival and Departure Times:

Troop Name	District (County)	Teams	Arrival Slot	Departure Slot
Arlesey Scouts	Bedfordshire	5	Visitor	Visitor
Flitwick Scout Group	Bedfordshire	2	Visitor	Visitor
First Stotfold	Bedfordshire	1	Visitor	Visitor
1st Thorley Adventurer	Bishops Stortford	4	6pm - 7pm	11am - 12pm
1st Bishops Stortford & Hockerill	Bishops Stortford	1	6pm - 7pm	11am - 12pm
Silver Leys Scout Group	Bishops Stortford	2	6pm - 7pm	11am - 12pm
1st Sawbridgeworth Scout Group	Bishops Stortford	1	6pm - 7pm	11am - 12pm
1st Thorley Buccaneer	Bishops Stortford	2	6pm - 7pm	11am - 12pm
255th Bristol	Bristol	1	Visitor	Visitor
1st Halton (RAF)	Buckinghamshire	1	Visitor	Visitor
1st Aston Clinton (Vale of Alesbury)	Buckinghamshire	2	Visitor	Visitor
2nd Goffs Oak	East herts	1	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
2nd Datchworth	Stevenage	1	7pm - 8pm	10am - 11am
1st Harpenden	Harpenden & Wheathampstead	5	8pm - 9pm	10am - 11am
1st Wheathampstead Lamer	Harpenden & Wheathampstead	1	8pm - 9pm	10am - 11am
9th Harpenden	Harpenden & Wheathampstead	2	8pm - 9pm	10am - 11am
12th Harpenden	Harpenden & Wheathampstead	3	8pm - 9pm	10am - 11am
1st Kimpton	Harpenden & Wheathampstead	2	8pm - 9pm	10am - 11am
4th Harpenden	Harpenden & Wheathampstead	3	8pm - 9pm	10am - 11am

3rd Harpenden Scouts	Harpenden & Wheathampstead	3	8pm - 9pm	10am - 11am
2nd Harpenden Scouts	Harpenden & Wheathampstead	2	8pm - 9pm	10am - 11am
1st Leverstock Green Scouts	Hemel Hempstead	2	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Kings Langley	Hemel Hempstead	3	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Hemel Hempstaed	Hemel Hempstead	1	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovington & 1st Gadebridge	Hemel Hempstead	8	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
2nd Hemel Hempstaed	Hemel Hempstead	2	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
8th St Marylebone Scout Group	West London	3	Visitor	Visitor
1st Redbourn	St Albans	1	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
Hertford	Hertford	5	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
6th Hertford	Hertford	2	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
2nd Hitchin Air Scouts	Hitchin	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
5th Letchworth Scouts	Letchworth & Baldock	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
1st Ashwell	Letchworth & Baldock	2	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
4th Letchworth (St Pauls)	Letchworth & Baldock	2	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
2nd Baldock	Letchworth & Baldock	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
8th Letchworth Scout Group	Letchworth & Baldock	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
1st Baldock Scout Group	Letchworth & Baldock	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
1st Welwyn	Mid Herts	2	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
7th Hatfield (South)	Mid Herts	1	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
2nd Little Heath	Potters Bar	2	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
1st Cuffley	Potters Bar	2	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
1st Sarratt	Rickmansworth & Chorleywood	2	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Chorleywood	Rickmansworth & Chorleywood	3	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Rickmansworth	Rickmansworth & Chorleywood	2	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
Batchworth Sea Scouts	Rickmansworth & Chorleywood	3	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Croxley Green	Rickmansworth & Chorleywood	2	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Royston	Royston	1	8pm - 9pm	11am - 12pm

7th Royston	Royston	1	8pm - 9pm	11am - 12pm
1st Orwell	Royston	3	8pm - 9pm	11am - 12pm
5th/13th St Albans	St Albans	1	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
18th St Albans Tyler Scouts	St Albans	2	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
1st Sandridge	St Albans	2	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
16th St Albans	St Albans	3	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
1st London Colney Heath	St Albans	2	6pm - 7pm	10am - 11am
5th Ware Scouts	Ware & District	3	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Braughing	Ware & District	2	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
3rd Ware	Ware & District	4	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
2nd Ware (St Mary's)	Ware & District	1	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
Stanstead Abbots Scout Group	Ware & District	2	8pm - 9pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Watford North	Watford North	2	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
2nd North Watford	Watford North	2	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
1st Abbots Langley	Watford North	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
8th North Watford	Watford North	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
6th North Watford	Watford North	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
74th St Luke's	Watford South	2	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
64th Bushey & Oxhey	Watford South	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
29th Bushey and Oxhey Scouts	Watford South	1	7pm - 8pm	11am - 12pm
1st Tring	West Herts	3	7pm - 8pm	12pm - 1pm
Ridgeway	West Herts	2	7pm - 8pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Northchurch	West Herts	1	7pm - 8pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Little Gaddesden	West Herts	1	7pm - 8pm	12pm - 1pm
1st Wilstone & Long Marston	West Herts	2	7pm - 8pm	12pm - 1pm

Visitor Teams please advise us when you intend to arrive by contacting us at [greenberet@hertfordshirescouts.org.uk](mailto:greenberet@hertfordshirescouts.org.uk)

There will be special arrangements for Teams outside of Hertfordshire for the dropping off of equipment.

We would also suggest that car sharing is adopted where practicable.

Please remind parents to be prepared for slight delays when entering and leaving the site during these times. We appreciate that this can be a stressful time, but any abuse towards the Service Team &/or the Management Team will not be tolerated.

No vehicles will be allowed from the car park area to the camping area to drop off any equipment, this will need to be carried by hand.

### Team Numbers & Start Times:

Team	Troop Name	Team Name 1	Assault Course	Orienteering
1	1st Thorley Adventurer	A	07:30	11:18
2	1st Thorley Adventurer	B	07:36	11:24
3	1st Bishops Stortford & Hockerill	Aztec	07:30	11:18
4	1st Watford North	A	07:36	11:24
5	1st Watford North	B	07:42	11:30
6	1st Thorley Adventurer	C	07:48	11:36
7	1st Thorley Adventurer	D	07:42	11:30
8	Arlesey Scouts	Arlesey 1	07:48	11:36
9	Arlesey Scouts	Arlesey 2	07:54	11:42
10	1st Orwell	Orwell Team 1	08:00	11:48
11	1st Orwell	Harston Team 1	07:54	11:42
12	Arlesey Scouts	Arlesey 3	08:00	11:48
13	Arlesey Scouts	Arlesey 4	08:06	11:54
14	Flitwick Scout Group	A	08:12	12:00
15	Flitwick Scout Group	B	08:06	11:54
16	1st Royston	A	08:12	12:00
17	7th Royston	A	08:18	12:06
18	5th Letchworth Scouts	A	08:24	12:12
19	Hertford	Hertford 1	08:18	12:06
20	Hertford	Hertford 2	08:24	12:12
21	1st Welwyn	Romans	08:30	12:18
22	1st Welwyn	Celts	08:36	12:24
23	Hertford	Hertford 3	08:30	12:18
24	Hertford	Hertford 4	08:36	12:24
25	1st Sarratt	A	08:42	12:30
26	1st Sarratt	B	08:48	12:36
27	Hertford	Hertford 5	08:42	12:30
28	1st Harpenden	Gold	08:48	12:36
29	1st Harpenden	Green	08:54	12:42
30	1st Ashwell	A	09:00	12:48
31	1st Ashwell	B	08:54	12:42
32	1st Harpenden	Purple	09:00	12:48
33	1st Harpenden	Red	09:06	12:54
34	1st Chorleywood	Spark Plugs	09:12	13:00
35	1st Chorleywood	Grass Stains	09:06	12:54
36	1st Harpenden	Blue	09:12	13:00
37	1st Chorleywood	High Voltage	09:18	13:06
38	2nd North Watford	A	09:24	13:12
39	2nd North Watford	B	09:18	13:06
40	5th/13th St Albans	Desmond's Crew	09:24	13:12
41	4th Letchworth (St Pauls)	Go Fourth	09:30	13:18

42	4th Letchworth (St Pauls)	B	09:36	13:24
43	1st Rickmansworth	Kilimanjaro	09:30	13:18
44	1st Rickmansworth	B	09:36	13:24
45	5th Ware Scouts	A	09:42	13:30
46	5th Ware Scouts	B	09:48	13:36
47	2nd Hitchin Air Scouts	Spitfire	09:42	13:30
48	1st Leverstock Green Scouts	A	09:48	13:36
49	1st Leverstock Green Scouts	B	09:54	13:42
50	5th Ware Scouts	C	10:00	13:48
51	1st Tring	Zebras	09:54	13:42
52	1st Tring	?	10:00	13:48
53	Silver Leys Scout Group	A	10:06	13:54
54	Silver Leys Scout Group	B	10:12	14:00
55	1st Tring		10:06	13:54
56	Batchworth Sea Scouts	Conqueror A	10:12	14:00
57	Batchworth Sea Scouts	Conqueror B	10:18	14:06
58	1st Aston Clinton (Vale of Alesbury)	AC1	10:24	14:12
59	1st Aston Clinton (Vale of Alesbury)	AC2	10:18	14:06
60	Batchworth Sea Scouts	Conqueror C	10:24	14:12
61	1st Abbots Langley	Abbo Orange Necker's	10:30	14:18
62	First Stotfold	Chickens Ride West	10:36	14:24
63	Arlesey Scouts	Arlesey 5	10:30	14:18
64	1st Sawbridgeworth Scout Group	SBW Challengers	10:36	14:24
65	1st Halton (RAF)	Buckinghamshire 1	10:42	14:30
66	8th North Watford	Sizzling Tin Foil	10:48	14:36
67	1st Thorley Buccaneer	One Direction	10:42	14:30
68	1st Thorley Buccaneer	Same Direction	10:48	14:36
69	2nd Baldock	Baldockians	10:54	14:42
70	2nd Datchworth	Datchworth	11:00	14:48
71	1st Kings Langley	Pathfinders 1	10:54	14:42
72	1st Kings Langley	Pathfinders 2	11:00	14:48
73	Ridgeway	A	11:06	14:54
74	Ridgeway	B	11:12	15:00
75	1st Kings Langley	Pathfinders 3	11:06	14:54
76	1st Wheathampstead Lamer	Laser Explosion	11:12	15:00
77	18th St Albans Tyler Scouts	A	11:18	07:30
78	18th St Albans Tyler Scouts	B	11:24	07:36
79	Stanstead Abbots Scout Group	A	11:18	07:30
80	Stanstead Abbots Scout Group	B	11:24	07:36
81	2nd Goffs Oak		11:30	07:42
82	2nd Little Heath	Super Team	11:36	07:48
83	2nd Little Heath	Team 2	11:30	07:42
84	1st Cuffley	A	11:36	07:48
85	1st Cuffley	B	11:42	07:54

86	1st Braughing	Braughing Bangers	11:48	08:00
87	1st Braughing	B	11:42	07:54
88	1st Northchurch	A	11:48	08:00
89	9th Harpenden	A	11:54	08:06
90	9th Harpenden	B	12:00	08:12
91	1st Sandridge	A	11:54	08:06
92	1st Sandridge	B	12:00	08:12
93	3rd Ware	A	12:06	08:18
94	3rd Ware	B	12:12	08:24
95	6th Hertford	1	12:06	08:18
96	6th Hertford	2	12:12	08:24
97	3rd Ware	C	12:18	08:30
98	3rd Ware	D	12:24	08:36
99	12th Harpenden	Green	12:18	08:30
100	12th Harpenden	Red	12:24	08:36
101	1st Kimpton	Alpha	12:30	08:42
102	1st Kimpton	Beta	12:36	08:48
103	12th Harpenden	Blue	12:30	08:42
104	1st Little Gaddesden	Gadders	12:36	08:48
105	4th Harpenden	Lions	12:42	08:54
106	4th Harpenden	Tigers	12:48	09:00
107	1st Hemel Hempstaed		12:42	08:54
108	3rd Harpenden Scouts	A	12:48	09:00
109	4th Harpenden	Leopards	12:54	09:06
110	3rd Harpenden Scouts	B	13:00	09:12
111	3rd Harpenden Scouts	C	12:54	09:06
112	16th St Albans	A	13:00	09:12
113	16th St Albans	B	13:06	09:18
114	1st Redbourn		13:12	09:24
115	16th St Albans	C	13:06	09:18
116	1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovingdon & 1st Gadebridge	1st Apsley 1	13:12	09:24
117	1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovingdon & 1st Gadebridge	4th Hemel 1	13:18	09:30
118	6th North Watford		13:24	09:36
119	2nd Ware (St Mary's)		13:18	09:30
120	1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovingdon & 1st Gadebridge	1st Bovingdon 1	13:24	09:36
121	1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovingdon & 1st Gadebridge	1st Gadebridge 1	13:30	09:42
122	1st Wilstone & Long Marston		13:36	09:48
123	29th Bushey and Oxhey Scouts		13:30	09:42
124	1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovingdon & 1st Gadebridge	1st Apsley 2	13:36	09:48
125	1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovingdon & 1st Gadebridge	4th Hemel 2	13:42	09:54

126	74th St Luke's	Alpha	13:48	10:00
127	74th St Luke's	Beta	13:42	09:54
128	1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovingdon & 1st Gadebridge	1st Bovingdon 2	13:48	10:00
129	1st Apsley, 4th Hemel, 1st Bovingdon & 1st Gadebridge	1st Gadebridge 2	13:54	10:06
130	1st London Colney Heath	Chicken Laners 1	14:00	10:12
131	1st London Colney Heath	Chicken Laners 2	13:54	10:06
132	7th Hatfield (South)		14:00	10:12
133	1st Croxley Green	A	14:06	10:18
134	1st Croxley Green	B	14:12	10:24
135	2nd Hemel Hempstaed	Gold 1	14:06	10:18
136	2nd Hemel Hempstaed	Gold 2	14:12	10:24
137	1st Wilstone & Long Marston		14:18	10:30
138	8th St Marylebone Scout Group	A	14:24	10:36
139	8th St Marylebone Scout Group	B	14:18	10:30
140	2nd Harpenden Scouts	A	14:24	10:36
141	2nd Harpenden Scouts	B	14:30	10:42
142	8th St Marylebone Scout Group	C	14:36	10:48
143	8th Letchworth Scout Group		14:30	10:42
144	1st Baldock Scout Group		14:36	10:48
145	255th Bristol (Channel) Sea Scouts		14:42	10:54
146	64th Bushey & Oxhey		14:48	11:00

Please note that you should arrive and report to the Assault Course and Orienteering Exercise 15 minutes prior to your start time. Please do not arrive any earlier.

Day Bases – Teams should be using the time outside of the Assault Course and Orienteering Exercise to complete as many of the Bases as possible.

When you register on the Friday evening, you will receive an envelope which will contain various items that you will need throughout the day.

One of the items is a numbered bib. Please ensure that one member of the team wears this so that it is visible at all times. This must be returned at the end of the Night Exercise

#### **Registration:**

The Registration Team will be based in The Sleepover Centre. This will be open from 4.30pm until 9.30pm on the Friday evening.

You will find the Team Registration Sheet attached.

You will need to hand in your registration sheet, which will be checked, thereafter you will receive an envelope containing confirmation of start times, Orienteering card, Day & Night Exercise cards, final instructions, Event Badges and a numbered team bib.



### Nights Away Permits & In Touch:

Please ensure that you complete the Nights Away Permit information on the Team Registration Sheet.

If you or any other adults with your team(s) do not have a Nights Away permit, you **MUST** link up with another Group from your District with Leaders that do. That Permit Holder will then be responsible for your Troops camping standards for the weekend. You must enter that persons Nights Away permit information on YOUR Team sheet. This information will be checked via the County Database. Failure to provide the information may delay your registration and exclusion from the Challenge.

### On Site In-Touch Information:

In order that we can reach the Support Team member responsible for the team whilst on camp, in an emergency or incident situation, we require an On Site In-Touch mobile number to be included on the Team List. This mobile must be available during the competition hours of 07.00 and 23.00.

### Membership & DBS Numbers:

Each Adult support member is required to enter their Membership & DBS number on the Team Registration Sheet. Failure to do so will mean your entry will not be processed until we get verification from either the National Scout database or your District Lead Volunteer.

There is no medical sheet to be completed this year. However, if you have a young person that has significant needs or issues, please speak to the Medical Team on the Friday evening, who can be found in the Site Reception Area.

### **Challenge Element Instructions:**

#### **Assault Course:**

You do not need to supply any equipment for this element.

The course will be wet and muddy. Please wear old clothes and suitable footwear. DO NOT wear your Scout uniform or Scarf.

Ensure that your team stay together and work together. The majority of the points are awarded for teamwork.

You will get wet, you will get muddy, so please ensure that when you complete the Assault Course you have a shower to warm up and get clean. Change into a clean dry set of clothes so that you can carry on with the rest of the challenge.

### **Orienteering Exercise:**

As a Team should be carrying the following equipment:

Compass.

Watch.

Marker Pen or pencil.

Waterproof map case.

Plastic bag for orienteering card.

The Orienteering Score Card. (This is in your Registration Envelope)

Hand this to the start line person. You will be given either course A or B.

You will be given a map. You will then need to copy from a master map all the checkpoints onto your map taking care on where you put them on your map as there are other check points for the second course out in the woods.

Each table has a different course on it.

Your leaders will NOT be allowed to help.

The time for this year's event is set at 40 minutes, given to you at the start desk.

This will include your map marking.

You will lose one point for each 4 minutes or part of after your 40 minute time has ended.

Each checkpoint can be attempted in any order it is up to you how you plan your route.

The winning team will be the one with the most checkpoints in the fastest time.

Only the correct checkpoint in the right box on the score card will count.

Any team seen moving any of the checkpoints, or not acting as would be expected as scouts, will be disqualified from the Green Beret competition, you will be monitored during the event.

You are on your honour as scouts to make sure this does not happen.

There are several marshals in the woods who will check on your welfare and that the check points are not being moved. They will not stop you but ask if you are ok or need help.

They will have the Green Beret ID card and a Green arm band.

You will only cross a stream where there is a purpose-built structure.

You will not leave the Tolmers site at all on the course.

If you get lost then stay where you are, the leaders on the course will be checking every check point and moving around the course throughout the day. The leaders will help you get your bearings and continue with the course.

Your whole team needs to attend every check point that you clip, you must stay together as a team and go at the slowest person's pace. Any team seen split up will have their team number taken and

briefed again about being together. A decision will be made whether that team is disqualified or deducted a number of check points.

You must not return to your campsite until you have returned to the finish and handed in your score card.

You must not walk with a leader or seek your leader assistance in this event unless there is an emergency.

### **Day incident Bases and Night Exercise:**

The area designated for incidents is out of bounds for all persons (including support members) not taking part in the exercises.

Your top ten scoring bases during the day and your top seven scoring bases during the night will count for the competition. (See notes 4 and 5 for scoring format)

A team may only attempt a base once either during the day or night (if you do complete a base more than once the first score will count).

Day Exercise – Teams must attempt a minimum of four bases numbered between 1 and 80 and four bases numbered 81 onwards. Teams not adhering to this format will automatically be made a non-competing team

Night Exercise – Teams must attempt a minimum of two bases numbered between 1 and 80 and two bases numbered 81 onwards, excluding hot drink base which is compulsory, see note 9. Teams not adhering to this format will automatically be made a non-competing team

You will need to remember which bases you have completed during the day, to ensure you do not do them again in the evening. (If a base is being run through day & night it will carry the same number.)

The day incidents will commence at 08.30 hrs and finish at 17.00 hrs. The night incidents will commence at 19.15 hrs and finish at 23.00 hrs.

It is the team patrol leader's responsibility to hand in the team check card and the team bib at the end of the night exercise. (Yellow card & sun for day – Blue card & moon for night) in to the control point, located at the entrance to the field, before returning to their site, at 17.00 hrs and 23.00 hrs respectively. Failure to do so may result in the team being disqualified from this element of the competition.

HOT DRINK BASE (zero): This base will be open between 8.00 pm and 10.00pm; teams attending this base for a hot drink will be awarded up to a maximum of 50 points. (Don't forget the teams will need their flasks containing a hot drink and mugs)

**THIS IS A COMPULSORY BASE, IF YOUR TEAM DOES NOT ATTEND THIS BASE, THEY WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DEDUCTED A FURTHER 50 POINTS.**

As you are aware there are various areas within Tolmers that are out of bounds during the competition. The day / night exercise area being one of them.

We are aware that you all want to see what is going on so..

There will be an opportunity for all Leaders & Supporters to be escorted around the day exercise area to see what the Scouts get up to when they are out of your sight!!

The tour will be available from 14.00 to 15.00hrs only. Please meet at the registration point at the entrance to the day / night exercise area.

#### NUMBERED BIBS

At the end of the night exercise or whenever the team withdraws it must be handed in to the Registration tent or alternatively at the Information Desk in the Sleepover Centre. Failure to do this will mean the team will be disqualified from the whole competition.

A Shooting permission form is attached for your use. Please do not hand these in at reception, as the Scouts will need to carry these on the Incident Bases (Day).

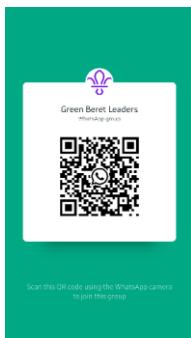
#### First Aid:

All minor first aid, sickness and tired/cold related incidents are to be treated by the Teams adult support team.

For prescribed medications that require refrigeration please speak to the Medical Team at the Camp site reception on arrival.

The event Medical Team will only deal with major first aid incidents.

#### Leaders Whatapp Group:



Use this QR code to sign up to the Leaders Whatsapp group to receive messages, information and much more throughout the weekend from the Communications Team.

#### Closing Ceremony & Presentations:

The closing ceremony will be held in front of the Dutch Barn, starting at 9.30am prompt. Please make sure you are in position by 9.25am.

Our County Lead Volunteer, Ian Tycer, will be attending and presenting Certificates and Trophies to the Winners and Runners up.

It is our intention to be complete by 09.55am ready for the first tranche of departures from site.

If you have any queries on any matters regarding Green Beret Challenge, please contact Ian Greaves on 07999 110945 or via [greenberet@hertfordshirescouts.org.uk](mailto:greenberet@hertfordshirescouts.org.uk)