

# Camp@Home2 – The Jamboree

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## Introduction

1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> August was due to be Durham Scouts first ever international camp – Durham2020 - to be held at Wolsingham Show Ground in County Durham. Due to the on-going coronavirus emergency this has been postponed to 2022.

Following the success of our first [Camp@Home](#) in May we are inviting everyone to join us on our second ever virtual camp – [Camp@Home2](#) – The Jamboree. To mark the fact that we were due to be hosting an international camp this will have more of an international theme.

Many of you will already have participated in a sleepover or camp at home with your section or Scout Group in the last few weeks, or you may have joined us for the original [Camp@Home](#), when thousands joined us for the event.

Although organised primarily for Durham Scouts the event is open to all: Scouts and Guides from the North East Region, Scouts and Guides elsewhere in the UK and from around the world. We are also welcoming all families with children to join us, to help give all young people something to do during the summer school holidays.

[Camp@Home2](#) runs from 7pm on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July to 5pm on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August and you can join in with as much or as little of the programme as you wish.

## Finding Information

All of the information you'll need to take part in [Camp@Home2](#) will be published in various documents ahead of the weekend. These will include:

- Overview document (this document)
- Outline Programme
- Activity Ideas Booklet (details of all the planned activities you can do with your families during the weekend)
- Equipment lists (for 'camping' and activities)
- Workshop details (details of the various workshops being run over the weekend)

Before asking questions about the weekend, please be sure to check these documents, which should have most of the information you need.

During the weekend we will also be publishing Pop Up Activity Ideas (see below)

All documents will be published:

- On the [Camp@Home](#) webpage (see below)
- In the 'Files' section of the [Camp@Home](#) Facebook Group (also see below)

## Facebook Group (and Webpage)

To help us share information and stay in touch during **Camp@Home2** we be using the Facebook Group we set up for the original event. You can find it at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/DurhamScoutsHomeCamp/>

The Facebook Group helped us to build a great community during the weekend of the original **Camp@Home** weekend where thousands of great photographs, videos and stories were shared.

If you're not already a member, you'll need to apply to join the Group and you'll need a Facebook account – so that means only older Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Scout Network members or parents/carers who have a Facebook account can join and post for themselves.

Beavers, Cubs and younger Scouts will need to get parents/carers to post for them.

When you ask to join the Group, to help safeguard our youth members we will ask you a few questions and will ask you to accept the Group rules.

For those who “don't do Facebook”, all the information you need will also be published on the Durham Scouts website at <https://www.durhamscouts.org.uk/events/camphome/>

## Badges and Awards

**Camp@Home** will count as two Night's Away for all our youth members.



For some it will be their first and second Night Away, which will earn the 2 Nights Away badge.

For others who have already completed previous Night's Away, it will add two more Nights Away to their total.

Youth members (or their parents) should be sure to tell their section leaders that they have taken part in **Camp@Home2**, to be credited with their Nights Away.

Many other activities over the weekend will also count towards different Scout (or Guide) badges and awards and we'll make the Scout badge and award requirements clear when we share the activity ideas.

## Camp@Home Programme

Details of the outline **Camp@Home2** programme are provided in a document called “Camp@Home2 - Programme” (see 'Finding Information' above). This will give an overview of what you can do and what is happening when.

## Camp Activities

The camping activities you can expect to do as part of **Camp@Home2** are as follows:

- **Build and prepare your camp site** before of after the opening ceremony (Friday evening). This may involve
  - Pitching a tent or slinging a hammock in the garden or back yard (or the garage, or even indoors)

- Setting up a bivouac on the balcony, in the porch or in the garden
- Building a den, blanket fort etc indoors

Think ahead of time where you will camp (you may already have done other camps at home in the last few weeks). When planning your camp site, please check the weather forecast ahead of time and make sure that the location is suitable and safe.

- **Lighting a fire.** If you have a suitable outdoor space (a garden or back yard) and you can do so safely, you may wish to build a small fire to join in with the online campfire. Please consider the risk to yourselves, your property and any neighbours property.
- **Camp@Home** – the clue is in the name. To properly take part in [Camp@Home2](#), you need to sleep in your 'camp site' and not your own bed.
- **Cooking supper / breakfast / brunch**
  - If you'd like to, you could use your outdoor fire (or a barbecue, grill or camp stove) to prepare some supper during or after the camp fire. We'll be inviting you to toast marshmallows or make 's'mores' and you might want to make some hot chocolate.
  - For 'breakfast club' and the 'brunch bunch' we're going to ask everyone to join us for breakfast on the Saturday morning and brunch (slightly later) on the Sunday morning. You may want to cook outdoors (weather permitting) or cook indoors – either is fine
- **Strike Camp.** After the closing ceremony on the Sunday we expect you to tidy up and put everything away properly. When Scouts leave an overnight camp, no-one should know that they've been there!

With all these activities, you may want to tell your neighbours why you are camping in your garden or lighting fires. We're sure they'll understand.

## Planned Activities

Depending on how much time you have available, you may want to take part in any of our planned activities. These are all optional, you can do them when you want (including before and after camp) and you can spend as much or as little time on these activities as you wish.

These are the main activities that will count towards badges and awards, and our Activities Ideas Booklet will give details of which activities meet the requirements of which Scout badges. You will however need to provide evidence of completing these activities to your section leaders to be awarded any badges.

Over the weekend of 25<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> July we will be publishing a full list of planned activities you can join in with during [Camp@Home2](#), and also a final equipment list of the items you will need to take part in both the camping elements and the activity elements. This is to provide families with some time to obtain items if needed.

## Pop-Up Activities

Pop-up activities will be posted in the Camp@Home [Facebook Group](#) and on the Camp@Home [web page](#) over the course of the weekend and will provide a surprise, fun element to the camp.

These will be simple activities or fun challenges which can be done with little or no equipment, or using everyday things you can find around the house.

## On-line Activities

During the weekend there will be three main types of online activity:

- Main [Camp@Home2](#) – The Jamboree events
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) workshops
- Other workshops

We will provide you will links to all of the online events, and these will all be listed as 'Events' in the [Camp@Home](#) Facebook Group and the [Camp@Home](#) webpage.

## Main Online Events

These are the:

- Opening Ceremony
- Camp@Home Video Premiere
- Saturday Breakfast Club
- Wide Game
- Camp Fire
- Sunday Brunch
- Closing Ceremony

Up to 10,000 people can connect to these sessions, which should be plenty. Most of these will have an element of interaction (you can dance, sing, run around, cook etc) and these will be broadcast using Skype Broadcast.

## STEM Workshops

Thanks to some fantastic support from the North East STEM Ambassador Team we have arranged a series of ten workshops. Some of these will be pre-recorded and some will be live, but these are all designed so that you can follow along at home, or try some of the ideas during the rest of the weekend or in the following weeks.

These will again be broadcast via Skype Broadcast with up to 10,000 connections available

## Other Workshops

We are planning 10 to 12 other workshops, some of which will be repeated over the weekend.

We will be using Zoom for these workshops, which will allow more interaction. These will include activities like yoga, storytelling, Zumba, music and drumming workshops.

Because these are more interactive, places in these workshops will be limited and you will be asked to register for these sessions in advance, during the week immediately before [Camp@Home2](#). Please note that due to demand we apologise in advance if you're unable to be allocated a place.

## Where Should You Camp?

There are no fixed ideas about where you should camp, other than the camp should be at home, at your normal residence, you shouldn't sleep in your own bed and it should be safe.

You might want to:

- Make a blanket or duvet fort in the living room or under the dining table
- Make a comfy nest down the back of the sofa
- Sleep on a balcony
- Build a shelter and bivouac in your back yard
- Pitch a tent in your back garden
- Sling a hammock between trees or some sturdy fence posts

Scouts, Explorer Scouts and Network members might want more of a challenge, for example

- To sleep outdoors, not on the ground
- To sleep above water (don't fall in the garden pond!)

Please check that parents/carers are happy with where people are sleeping, and that youth members are safe, warm and dry (we have no idea what the weather will be like)

Over the course of the weekend we'll be asking everyone to share photos or videos of their 'campsites' and we're looking forward to seeing what you come up with.

## Badges and Tee-Shirts

During our first [Camp@Home](#) we were asked about badges and tee-shirts, which wasn't something we'd originally planned to do. We have learned our lesson!

We will be designing a new badge for [Camp@Home2](#) – The Jamboree. The badge design competition will take place in the two weeks before the camp and we will announce the winning badge design during the opening ceremony.

You will then be able to place orders for the [Camp@Home2](#) badges and [Camp@Home](#) tee-shirts. For those who took part in the original [Camp@Home](#) please note that this will be the same tee-shirt design as the original.

The ordering system will remain open for one week and we will not be able to accept any late orders.

Members of Durham Scouts will be allowed to wear their [Camp@Home](#) badges on their uniforms as occasional badges

## Safety and Safeguarding

All of our activities in planning and delivering [Camp@Home2](#) will be conducted in accordance with Scout Association rules and guidelines and in accordance with government coronavirus restrictions and guidelines in force at the time.

This is NOT a face-to-face Scouting activity and parents/carers are responsible for children in their care. In accordance with government coronavirus restrictions and guidelines, it may be possible for limited numbers of people to sleepover at friends' houses, but this is your decision and you are responsible for complying with restrictions and guidelines in force at the time.

We will identify any possible risks associated with the activities we are suggesting, and will make suggestions on how these risks can be mitigated. However, parents/carers are responsible for family safety at all times.

Members of the [Camp@Home](#) Facebook Group are required to answer membership questions before joining the Group. All of our online communications (Facebook, and broadcast questions and answers or chat) will be moderated in accordance with Scout Association guidelines. Inappropriate posts will be removed and members may be barred.

## **What If I Have Questions?**

Before asking, please check the documents we have published.

We'll start to create a set of frequently asked questions (FAQ) which will update in the Facebook Group and on the County website page, but if you have initial questions you can email us on [info@durhamscouts.org.uk](mailto:info@durhamscouts.org.uk) or post in the [Camp@Home](#) Facebook Group