

## Joining the Fellowship

### Introduction

The 2nd Gilwell Park Fellowship was formed in January 2000 as the body of support to the Campsite. Previously called the Service Team, which is still our working name, we were required to form a Fellowship under new Scout Association rules designed to formalise such support teams.

The Fellowship which was formed is effectively the only part of the 2nd Gilwell Park Scout Group and is managed by an executive committee formed from its members. It welcomes members from the Scout and Guide Associations as well as those that have previously not been involved Scouting.

There are two sections to the current Fellowship:

- *Service Team:* This is the body of adult support that works on the campsite.
- *Junior Service Team:* This is a group of young people aged 14-18, who because of their age cannot join the main service team.

### What do I get out of being a member?

Notwithstanding the reward that any voluntary work involves, members also receive:

- A copy of the occasional newsletter, the Gilwell Log which publishes details of what is happening on the campsite as well as invitations to Campsite and Fellowship events.
- A Fellowship neckerchief, which they are entitled to wear on the campsite.
- Upon completion of training, members can also purchase the log and axe badge for the neckerchief to signify they are fully trained.
- Junior Service Team members will also receive a newsletter and events specifically designed for them.

We also have an email mailing list which is used for faster communications to members, details of this can be found on the website.

### What does it cost?

There is a joining fee of £5 per person, this covers the cost of the necker and membership mailings, it is currently the committee's intention that this is a one off fee, but this is subject to adequate fundraising. Existing Scout Association members would then not have to pay any further fees, however for those that are not members of the Scout Association an annual membership fee is payable (£18.50), and this covers the cost of insurance.

### What do I need to do next?

To join the Fellowship, a number of steps need to be completed:

1. Fill in a membership form (there are separate ones for adults and under 18s).
2. If you are over 18, you will also need to fill in a Criminal Record Bureau (CRB) form and have this validated in person, either via a local Scout Association signatory or via Sam Avery at the park. You will not be able to work on site until this check has been completed.
3. Return both the CRB form and Membership form, along with any supporting documents, a passport photo and cheque for the joining fee to the address on the membership form.

### What happens after I have returned the forms?

Once we receive your forms back we will acknowledge them and then send your CRB form away for processing. We will not be able to accept you as a member of the Fellowship until the full CRB check is complete and this can take a number of weeks. When this has been returned successfully, we will then write to you to confirm your membership and send you your necker. You will automatically be added to our mailing list at this point.

When you have received the final membership letter from us you will then be able to arrange to come and work, this doesn't necessarily have to be a special event, all we ask is that you inform the campsite at least two weeks in advance to allow the relevant arrangements to be made.

## Membership Application Form

Forenames: \_\_\_\_\_ Surnames: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Next of Kin: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address As Above? . yes/no If not: \_\_\_\_\_

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Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any illness/allergies/disability that you may suffer from:

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Please list any activity qualifications you have gained and attach photocopies of the original certificate: Please also attach a copy of your driving licence if you have one in order to be considered to drive site vehicles.

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Are you a member of the Scout or Guide Associations'? Scout: \_\_\_\_\_. Guide: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: e.g. Leader/Network: \_\_\_\_\_ Scout/Guide Group: \_\_\_\_\_

**If you are already a member of the Scout/Guide Association and have paid capitation or had it paid for you then confirmation from either the Group/District Treasurer or District Commissioner is required:**

I have confirmed that the person named above has paid their capitation or had it paid for them.

Position	Signature	Print Name	Date

**I have read and agree to abide by the constitution and associated policies of the 2nd Gilwell Park Fellowship. I wish to apply for membership and accept my details will be held on a database for membership administration purposes.**

Signature of prospective member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- Before returning this form, please check the following:
1. It has been signed by all required signatories
  2. A cheque for the membership fee £5 payable to *2<sup>nd</sup> Gilwell Park Fellowship* has been enclosed
  3. A passport photo is attached

*Return this form to:*

2nd Gilwell Park Membership  
c/o P. Eason  
63 Shaftesbury Road  
Watford  
Hertfordshire  
WD17 2RG

Please staple a passport sized photo here