

THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH

SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS

TRIP TO FIRBUSH ~ 5th - 7th October 2012

(Supported by James Murray Brown Bequest)

The School of Mathematics has booked the University Field Centre at Firbush from Friday evening 5th October – Sunday 7th October and plans to take a party of approximately 16 students and 2 staff to Firbush to participate in various academic and outdoor/social activities. The current third year students are the first to be invited to join this trip. We will leave Friday late afternoon and return Sunday evening.

Activities

Various activities will take place at Firbush. The outdoor activities are run by Firbush staff on Saturday and Sunday. These activities include canoeing, sailing, windsurfing, hill walking, kayaking, and mountain biking. The actual activities offered each day will depend on the weather and participant's preferences. The Firbush centre will supply all specialist equipment. There will also be less strenuous activities on offer such as short walks around Firbush, cycle rides around the loch, or a visit to the coffee & cake shops of Killin. After dinner there might or might not be team activities for all which will be run by either lecturing staff or postgraduates of the School of Maths.

General information on the Firbush Point Field Centre can be found at:
<http://www.firbush.ed.ac.uk/facilities/firbush.html>

Travel Arrangements

Travel to Firbush will be via coach, leaving Edinburgh at 5pm on Friday 5th October returning by about 7pm Sunday 7th October. The meeting locations are the main entrance of the James Clerk Maxwell Building or Appleton Tower. You must indicate your preferred location on the attached booking form. Please notify Joy Clark (505059) of any change to this.

Booking

The invitation to Firbush is open to all third year students attending mathematics courses and is on a *first-come first-booked* basis. The James Murray Brown Bequest covers most of the visiting cost to Firbush though extra costs such as transport and insurance that are not covered by this. Each student will be required to pay a **non-refundable** deposit of £35 to cover these expenses.

If you wish to attend, please complete and return the attached booking form with your deposit to Joy Clark, Room 5319, School of Mathematics, James Clerk Maxwell Building, King's Buildings. Places will be allocated mainly on a first-come-first-served basis with a deadline of 21st September 2012.

For your personal records

My Meeting Point is:

Main door of JCMB at 5pm on Friday 5th October []

Main door of Appleton Tower at 5.10pm on Friday 5th October []

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Surname:

First Name:

Matric No:

Sex: Male / Female **Year:**

Edinburgh Address:

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Edinburgh Phone Number:

Mobile Phone Number:

Permanent Home Address:

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Home Phone Number:

Payment may be made by cash or cheque.

Cash []

Cheque []

Cheques should be made payable to "The University of Edinburgh".

Do you have any health problems?

Yes []

No []

If Yes please explain briefly:

Do you have any special dietary requirements?

Yes []

No []

If Yes, please give details:

Meeting Point (please select one):

JCMB at 5pm Friday 5th October []

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1. What to Bring

Bring warm clothes and spares, because you may get cold or wet or both. You will need spare training shoes for water activities and enough towels and toiletries for your comfort. Lots of dry socks are useful and a hairdryer. Although we can provide specialist waterproof clothing and hiking boots, you should bring your own if you have any of these items, as well as a thermos flask and/or water bottle.

2. Travel Arrangements

The party will depart from James Clerk Maxwell Building at 5pm stopping at Appleton Tower at 5.10pm as a second collection point. The School will travel by coach. The party will leave Firbush on Sunday 7th October after high tea returning to Edinburgh about 7pm dropping off at the same points.

If you are not able to come due to illness etc. please phone Joy Clark on 0131.650.5059 well before the day of departure.

3. Accommodation

The accommodation is 4-bunk cabins. Each cabin is provided with clean linen, duvets, cupboard space and a wash basin. On the same level there are male and female shower areas and toilets. Drying room facilities are available in the basement, where there is also a social area with a well-stocked club bar. *There is no shop at the Centre.* All meals will be provided.

4. House Routine

08.00 hrs Rise
08.30 hrs Breakfast
09.00 hrs Prepare packed lunch
09.30 hrs Day programme begins
19.00 hrs Evening meal
20.00 hrs Bar opens
23.00 hrs Bar closes
23.30 hrs Sinderson Room closes
23.50 hrs Lights out

5. House Rules

On arrival, residents are asked to sign the Residents' Book which is essential to conform to licensing and fire regulations.

All private vehicles should be left in the upper car park, thus ensuring access to the building by emergency vehicles at all times.

Residents should read the fire drill instructions which are posted on the back of all cabin doors and beside all fire alarms.

To avoid breach of the requirements of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976, it is requested that residents at the Field Centre should NOT take in private supplies of alcohol under any circumstances. (There will be a bar in the evenings).

For safety and health reasons, a 'No Smoking' policy applies throughout the main Firbush Field Centre building.

6. Phone Number The residents' phone number at Firbush Centre is 01567.820.261.