



12 - 14 September 2025

Phasels Wood Activity Centre

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About Us...

Activity Spectacular at Phasels (ASAP) is a Hertfordshire Scouts Activity Centre's Event, run with the support of a wide range of Scouting volunteers – many of whom are members of Team Hertfordshire.

Bookings for ASAP are managed by the Hertfordshire Scouts Bookings Team, the event is held at Phasels Wood Activity Centre owned and operated by Hertfordshire County Scout Council (HCSC).

Welcome to ASAP 2025

We are incredibly excited to be able to bring you the details of ASAP 2025. We look forward to welcoming back ASAP regulars and groups who are new to the event. ASAP offers young people the opportunity to experience the joys of camping alongside a range of activities.

Following the positive feedback from previous years, we have kept the same activity format. A full range of adventurous and inflatable activities will be available for an extended day on Saturday running from 9am-6pm, followed by a disco and firework display in the evening. On Sunday you are able to book additional activities, relax and do your own thing or simply get ready for departure.

We are always looking for volunteers to help run ASAP, if you feel this is something you can do, either yourself or as a group, please get in contact with us.

Included in this guide are most things that you need to know to enjoy ASAP 2025 - should you have any further questions please drop us an email at info@phaselswood.org.uk.



Doug Stack
Manager Activity Centres and Support Functions

ASAP Programme

	Daytime	Evening
Fri 12	Set up from 9.00	Arrivals
Sat 13	<p>7:30-9:00 Those with catering- Woodland Bites will be serving breakfast.</p> <p>9:00-13:00 Activities</p> <p>13:00-14:00 Those with catering- Woodland Bites will be serving lunch.</p> <p>14:00-18:00 Activities</p>	<p>18:00-19:30 Those with catering- Woodland Bites will be serving dinner.</p> <p>20:15 Evening Entertainment</p> <p>21:15 Fireworks</p>
Sun 14	<p>7:30-9:00 Those with catering- Woodland Bites will be serving breakfast.</p> <p>Relax and do your own thing or simply get ready for departure.</p>	



Activity Information

Please find below the activity programme for last year.

All activities will run on a queue and do basis.

All activities are subject to change if wet and are dependant on numbers.

Risk assessments will be available on the website.

ACTIVITY	AGES
360 Traverse	4+
Abseiling	8+
Aeroball	4+
Air Rifles	8+
Archery	8+
Batak	6+
Bungee Run	8+
Caving	4+
Climbing Wall	11+
Coconut Shy	4+
Coconut Tree	8+
Crate Stacking	8+
Cresta Run	6+
Dash & Grab	6+
Football Darts	8+
Garden Games	4+
Helter Skelter	8+
High Ropes	8+
Hook a Duck	4+
Human Buzzwire	4+
Human Hungry Hippos	6+

Human Table Football	6+
Kurling & Skittles	4+
Land Zorbs	6+
Last One Standing	8+
Low Ropes	6+
Mini Golf	4+
Pedal Racers	6+
Rear Steer Racers	6+
Ridgeline	4+
Slacklines	4+
Soft Archery	4-8
Spider Mountain	6+
Tin Can Alley	4+
Total Wipeout	8+
Trampolines	4+
Unclimbable Ladder	8+
Vertical Wall	6+
Water Wars	6+
Wild West	8+



Catering Package

A limited number of catered packages are available for the weekend, available to book on a first come, first served basis.

All food will be served at Woodland Bites on a takeaway basis.

Dining area is limited.

Wrist bands will be available to collect from reception on Friday evening for those who have booked.

- £27 for the weekend

Sample Menu*:

- **Saturday Breakfast - 07:30-09:00**
Sausage in a roll, chocolate brioches and fruit juices.
- **Saturday Lunch - 12:30-14:00**
Packed lunch
Ham or cheese sandwich, crisps, a piece of fruit & a chocolate biscuit.
- **Saturday Dinner 18:00-19:30**
Pasta Bar with bolognese, cheese and tomato sauces, garlic bread.
Apple Crumble and Custard.
- **Sunday Breakfast - 07:30-09:00**
Bacon roll and chocolate brioches
- Hot drinks on the go throughout the day.
Please ensure you bring your own reusable cup or mug.

Dietary requirements will be requested in the Guest Information Form prior to the event.

*Please note this is a sample menu and is subject to change

Arrival

You can start setting up your tents from 09:00am on Friday 12 September. If you need to arrange to drop off equipment, or to start setting up tents earlier this can be arranged. Please contact info@phaselswood.org.uk to discuss this. Arrival slots will also be allocated to groups closer to the event to help with the flow of traffic.

Upon arrival, participants should make their way to our event reception located in the office at the top of the car park.

Please note, dogs are not allowed on site at any time, except for guide/hearing/assistance dogs.

Departure

Departure on Sunday 14 September by 16:00. Departure slots will also be allocated to groups closer to the event to help with the flow of traffic.





Site Information

About the site

Phasels Wood is comprised of 95 acres of meadows and woodland and has purpose built infrastructure to support an event the scale of ASAP.

There is easy access to the site from the A41, the entrance is in the second lay-by from the M25 roundabout. There is a sign just before the lay-by: 'Scout Camp access via lay-by' a mile and a half from Junction 20 of the M25 and whilst Phasels Wood can feel like it is in the middle of the countryside, all the local services you would expect are available in nearby Hemel Hempstead.

We plan to use the main meadow and part of the woodland for the sub-camps, with the events fields used for a number of activities and to provide all the parking required.

Toilets & Showers

Phasels Wood has plenty of toilet, shower and washing facilities.

There are also a number of National Key Scheme (RADAR key) wet rooms for those with additional needs, along with accessible toilet and washroom provision. These can be booked in advance. Booking can be made via email to info@phaselswood.org.uk

Water

Drinking water is available from taps conveniently situated throughout the site.

Camping Areas

Groups will be pre-allocated camping areas corresponding to their numbers in camp. Should you have a particular preference please let the bookings team know in advance of the event and we will endeavour to allocate on a first come, first served basis.

Our Event Support team will ensure that fire breaks are left at regular intervals throughout the subcamp.

It is the group leader's responsibility to ensure that all Scout Association/ Girlguiding guidelines are adhered to within their own camping area.

Caravans & motorhomes – we understand that some campers may wish to bring a caravan or motorhome, particularly for health reasons - please contact us for further information. Any provision for these will not be in the main camping areas.

Souvenirs

A range of souvenirs are available to be purchased and pre-ordered from our online shop.

The online shop can be found at www.hertfordshirescouts.org.uk/shop.

Equipment Hire



Altar Fires

Altar fires and grids are available to hire.

Free for this event



Benches & Tables

We offer craft and cooking tables for hire as well as table and benches.

From £5.00



Tents

We offer a range of 3 and 5 man tents for hire with capacity for over 300.

From £3.00
per person per night



Marquees

Our marquees come in a range of sizes from 6m x 6m to 100m x 12m.

From £150.00
per 24 hour*

We also have larger equipment such as cookers and lighting available either on site or for your own event at another centre.

Please contact us for more information and to discuss any requirements.

Waste & Recycling

Hertfordshire Scouts work with Cawleys for their waste disposal. As Cawleys sort the waste at their plant, there is no need to separate it before disposal in our bins.

The bins are situated at the end of the car park outside the main reception building.

Internet

Phasels Wood has network dependent data coverage, which can vary through the site. There is no public wi-fi access, but we can make arrangements through the ASAP office should it be required in an emergency.

Mobile Phone Charging

We have phone charging lockers available for adult participants to use free of charge, on a first come first served basis. Each locker has two sockets. Please provide your own mains charger.

You can register for a locker at reception. Please make sure you return the key - failure to do so will result in a £25 key replacement charge being made to your group.

Grocery Deliveries

Any deliveries must be booked between 9.00 and 21.30, they must be clearly marked with a Group Name and contact number, as well as that of the person ordering. You must be available on site to receive your order.

Delivery vehicles are unlikely to be permitted to drive to individual camp areas at Phasels Wood. It is your responsibility to meet the delivery at designated points, these will be at the gates to camping areas.

Woodland Coffee

Our on-site coffee shop will be open from 9.00 – 21.00 throughout the event. Woodland coffee also offers a range of cakes and snacks should you feel like indulging!

Generators

Generators must NOT be switched on before 07:00 and should be switched off no later than 22:00.

Generators MUST be used in accordance with the manufacturer's guidelines. We strongly recommend that an earth rod is used in compliance with BS7671. Generator fuel MUST be stored in BS-approved safety containers. Generators should be diesel, unless no fueling required.

Fires & Cooking

It wouldn't be ASAP without an evening spent round a campfire. Altar fires (1 per group) can be hired free. Please let us know by e-mail, info@phaselswood.org.uk, no later than 9 September if required. It is highly unlikely there will be any available without pre-booking. No ground fires are permitted.

All cooking should be on gas. Please ensure that your gas pipes are in good condition and ideally have been replaced within the past 5 years. Gas bottles MUST be kept outside of the cooking tents on a suitable pipe.

For more information about Gas safety with the Scout Association see Scout Factsheet FS120347.

First Aid

Each group will be responsible for providing first aid and dealing with medicines for its participants.

For prescribed medications that require refrigeration please ask at reception when on site.

To simplify registration, we will not be gathering individual participants medical and contact information. If required we will contact group leaders using the contact information provided on the Guest Information Form which will be sent out prior to the event.

We will have a central first aid team to handle any incidents that occur outside of your camping area and to give advice/assistance to groups.

Event Safety Guidance

Phasels Wood has comprehensive safety procedures in place, details of these will be sent to you prior to the event. Please ensure that your group are made familiar with them.

Please note during the fireworks, all participants within the safety exclusion zones will be asked to leave the area for their own safety and will not be admitted back until the contractor states it is safe to do so.

Security

Phasels Wood is a fully enclosed site, entrances are barrier controlled and all key areas and access routes are covered by CCTV.

Access to the site will be restricted to ASAP participants and Scout/Guide visitors.

Nights Away Permits

Every group will require a leader with a 'campsite' nights away permit.

Adult to Young Person Ratio

Adult to young person ratio should be adhered to as stated in POR.

Post & Parcels

All post should be clearly marked with the intended recipients name and their Scout/Guide Group.

Should you wish any other 3rd party deliveries to be accepted by the site eg, Amazon Prime, please ensure they are easily identifiable and that the delivery instructions are marked to reception. No delivery will be accepted before 09.00. Deliveries prior to arrival are by arrangement only.

Drones

Phasels Wood Activity Centre operates a strict no drones policy.

Smoking

We ask that anyone who wishes to smoke does so out of sight and away from young people. For more information see

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/staying-safe-and-safeguarding/supporting-life-issues-and-young-people/dealing-with-an-issue/smoke-free-scouting/introduction/>.

Alcohol

No alcohol is permitted in the 'public' areas of ASAP.

Should you have alcohol within your group camping area then current Scout Association guidelines should be followed, for more information see:

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/staying-safe-and-safeguarding/safe-scouting-cards/scouting-and-alcohol>.



How To Find Us

Phasels Wood Activity Centre is just 3 miles from Junction 20 Northbound of the M25 towards Hemel Hempstead on the A41. The entrance is in the second lay-by from the M25 roundabout. There is a sign just before the lay-by: 'Scout Camp access via lay-by'. **There is no postal address or postcode for the main entrance.** We recommend using Google maps to find us!

On arrival drive up to the automatic barrier and follow the appropriate signs. At busy times you will be directed to the nearest available parking and therefore you may have a 5-minute walk. The barrier is automatic between 08:00 and 22:30. Outside these times please make alternative arrangements for access.

If arriving via coach, please park in the first car park off the A41 and walk to the camp centre.

Prices (per person)

Young Person - £40 (Guides +VAT)

Scouting and Girlguiding Leaders - FOC

Other Adults - £10 (Guides +VAT)

Weekend Catering - £27.00 inc VAT

Team Members of The Scouts with a current role (exc Young Leaders) are entitled to free outdoor camping & day visits when supporting Young People. Non members & parents/guardians will be charged camping or day visit fees at the rates below.

Booking and Payment Information

Please book via the online portal.

Key Dates to Remember

25% deposit due 14 days from provisional booking.

Beginning September 2025

Complete and return ASAP Guest Information Form and Dietary requirements to confirm numbers.

Balance Invoice Issued

Booking will close one week before the event or when event places are full.

Booking are made in accordance with Hertfordshire Scouts standard terms and conditions available on our website.

Contact Info

General information about Phasels Wood Activity Centre is available at www.phaselswood.org.uk

ASAP information can be found at www.phaselswood.org.uk/asap25

E-mail: info@phaselswood.org.uk

Phone: 0208 236 0040

Post:

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