

Residential information supplement

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A GUIDE TO PLANNING A SUCCESSFUL RESIDENTIAL TRIP WITH YOUR YOUTH GROUP



About Youth Scotland

Youth Scotland is the network of youth clubs and groups in Scotland. It is the largest non-uniformed youth organisation in Scotland and one of the key providers of training, information, advice and support to part time and voluntary youth workers and the young people they support. Working in partnership with a network of area associations and local authorities, Youth Scotland is committed to supporting youth workers to deliver high quality, inclusive and effective youth work. For more information about the range of projects, programmes and training Youth Scotland currently offers log on to www.youthscotland.org.uk

A residential is often amongst the most memorable experiences of a young person's personal and social development. This supplement provides a guide to the basics for planning, organising and running a residential trip with a youth group in Scotland.

As well as key pointers and tips, the supplement contains a directory of residential and outdoor centres across the country.

Planning, running and evaluating a successful residential



Planning and Programming

Residentials can take place in a variety of settings and can encompass a range of different activities.

Identify what the purpose of the residential is before you begin planning - clear objectives will enable you to effectively measure the success of the residential once it is over. The type of residential you organise will depend on the needs of the young people you are working with and you should always involve young people at the planning stage. Things to consider include:

- When would be the best time to go? The needs of the young people in the group, the availability of venues and even the weather are factors you may need to consider.

- How many staff/volunteers will you need?

- Choosing activities – what is the programme for your residential? Examples of activities can include activities based around environmental work, issue-based work, arts projects and personal development and may also include outdoor activities such as climbing, abseiling, walking, orienteering, sailing or kayaking.

- Youth Scotland's **Keep It Real** pack, available to order from the Youth Scotland website, includes a guide to planning a residential activity programme.

- Finance – how will your group or project fund the trip? Most funding streams do not fund residential trips specifically unless they are part of a wider project. You may wish to contact your local authority, or ask the young people involved to contribute to the costs. Encouraging young people to undertake activities to fundraise for the trip can form part of the planning process and help to support a sense of ownership and responsibility in the project.



Choosing a Venue

The venue you choose for the residential should be suitable for the size of group and the age range of the young people that will be involved. You may wish to consider whether the location of the venue has appropriate travel links, but also whether you will have easy access to activities. Choosing a venue in the centre of a town, for example, can have its advantages and disadvantages. Whilst you may be closer to local amenities there may be added safety issues to consider.

The facilities you need will depend on your group's specific needs, but you may need to think about:

- Is there a large room to accommodate group activities?
- Catering facilities – is the venue self-catering or does it provide a catering service?
- A comfortable 'living' space
- Sleeping accommodation that meets the requirements of your group – e.g. number of young people, appropriate sleeping arrangements for a mixed gender group

TOP TIP:

Book early! Residential and Outdoor Centres tend to get booked up very quickly. Always remember to have your booking confirmed in writing.

Safety and Insurance

You should always make sure that you have appropriate insurance cover of your own, or from the activity centre, for both travel and activities.

Your standard youth group insurance may not always cover activities your group undertakes whilst on a residential. Hazardous activities require certain additional safeguards and conditions to be met and they usually require an increased insurance premium.

For further details, you may wish to have a look at Youth Scotland's Insurance Matters information supplement, which can be downloaded from www.youthscotland.org.uk

If you are ever in doubt if an activity is classified as excluded or hazardous, contact your insurance provider. Youth Scotland affiliated groups should contact MacDonald Reid Scott insurance providers on 0141 331 1515.

Licensed Activity Providers

The Adventure Activities Licensing Authority inspects and licenses organisations offering adventure activities to young people aged under 18.

The website www.aals.org.uk has a searchable database of all organisations that are registered with the Licensing Authority as licence holders, including outdoor and residential centres and adventure activity providers.

CHECKLIST

You may find the following checklist useful in preparing for a Residential. Where appropriate, forms, details and equipment should be stored securely together by the course leader.

- ✓ Consent forms completed (medical, contact, travel and media if appropriate) including emergency contacts if appropriate for the parents and guardians of young people.
- ✓ Ensure parents and guardians have details of the course including details of who to contact if there is an emergency.
- ✓ Risk Assessment completed.
- ✓ Code of conduct prepared and agreed by staff and young people involved.
- ✓ Emergency/Evacuation guidelines for site/accommodation.
- ✓ Child Protection policy and procedures.
- ✓ Useful phone number list (local police, local hospital, local contact).
- ✓ Maps of location and accommodation layout.
- ✓ Participant evaluation forms.
- ✓ First Aid kit, where applicable.
- ✓ Charged mobile phone and confirmed landline available at venue.
- ✓ Ensure all staff have copy of relevant forms – code of conduct, event and residential guidelines, reporting forms, accident forms and risk assessment.
- ✓ Ensure all staff are aware of their roles and responsibilities, prior to, or at the start of the residential. If working with other organisations, it may be useful to draw up a partnership agreement.
- ✓ Ensure participants have been given suitable pre-course information, perhaps in the form of a pre-course information pack and/or a pre-course meeting.

If you would like to receive examples of the forms mentioned in this checklist, please contact meg.watson@youthscotland.org.uk.

Accrediting young people's involvement in residentials

The informal learning that takes place on residentials can be formally recognised through awards programmes such as the **Dynamic Youth Awards** (for those aged 10-14) and **Youth Achievement Awards** (for those aged 14 plus). For more information about both Awards programmes, please visit www.youthscotland.org.uk.

UK Youth have recently published a guide entitled '**Accrediting Residential Learning**', which acts as a tool for anyone leading a residential with young people, enabling them to plan and deliver Youth Achievement Award accreditation as part of the residential experience. This publication will shortly be available to purchase through Youth Scotland – please contact awards@youthscotland.org.uk to order.

After the Residential - Evaluation and Reviewing

After the residential it is important that your group takes time to consider what was successful and what could have been improved. You should also encourage them to consider how their new skills and experiences can be transferred to their every-day environment. The **Keep It Real** pack includes a number of practical Reviewing Activities that can support groups to evaluate their activities.



Directory of Residential and Outdoor Centres in Scotland

Below is a list of residential and outdoor centres you may wish to consider. These venues are listed by local authority area. Their inclusion in this guide does not mean they are endorsed by Youth Scotland, and we would always advise making your own enquiries and/or visiting the chosen centre before making a booking.

Aberdeenshire

- **Sir Arthur Grants Centre** (Aberdeenshire Council)
Monymusk, Inverurie, Aberdeenshire, AB51 7JA
Book through: Aberdeenshire Council Education and Recreation Office, Queens Road, Stonehaven, AB39 2QQ
Tel: 01569 766960

Argyll and Bute

- **Ardentinny**
Ardentinny, Dunoon, Argyll, PA23 7UH
Tel: 01369 810271
Web: www.actualrealitycentres.com
Email: ardentinny@actualrealitycentres.com
- **Ardmay House**
Arrochar, Argyll and Bute G83 7AH
Tel: 01301 702 998
Web: www.ardmay.com
Email: info@ardmay.com
- **Ardroy Outdoor Education Centre**
Lochgailhead, Argyll PA24 8AB
Tel: 01301 703 353/ 703 391
Web: www.outdoorededucation.co.uk
Email: info@outdoorededucation.co.uk
- **Benmore Centre** (City of Edinburgh Council)
By Dunoon, Argyll, Scotland PA23 8QX
Tel: 01369 706337
Web: www.benmorecentre.co.uk
Email: benmorecentre@benmorecentre.co.uk
- **Blairvadach Outdoor Centre** (Glasgow City Council)
Rhu, Helensburgh, Argyll and Bute, G84 8NN
Tel: 01436 820491
Web: www.blairvadach.org.uk
Email: bvprincipal@blairvadach.ea.glasgow.sch.uk
- **Castle Toward**
Toward, Dunoon, Argyll PA3 7UH
Tel: 01369 870249
Web: www.actualrealitycentres.com
Email: info@actualrealitycentres.com
- **Glencoe Outdoor Centre**
Carnoch House, Glencoe, Argyll PH49 4HS
Tel: 01855 811350
Web: www.glencoeoutdoorcentre.org.uk
Email: Gocchris1@aol.com
- **Kilbowie Outdoor Centre** (North Lanarkshire Council)
Gallanach Rd, Oban, Argyll, PA34 4PF
Tel: 01631 563287
Web: www.ea.n-lanark.sch.uk/kilbowie
Email: Kilbowieinfo@ea.n-lanark.sch.uk
- **The Lochgailhead Centre**
(Scout Association National Centre)
Shelter Park, Lochgailhead, Argyll PA24 8AQ
Tel: 01301 703217
Web: www.lochgailhead.org.uk
Email: info@lochgailhead.org.uk

Dumfries and Galloway

- **Abernethy Barcaple** (Abernethy Trust)
By Ringford, Kirkcudbrightshire, Scotland, DG7 2AP
Tel: 01557 820261
Web: www.abernethy.org.uk
Email: barcaple@abernethy.org.uk
- **Galloway Sailing Centre**
Loch Ken, Castle Douglas, DG7 3NQ
Tel: 01644 420 626
Web: www.lochken.co.uk
Email: gsc@lochken.co.uk

- **Marthorn of Mabie**
Mabie Forest, Dumfries, DG2 8HB
Tel: 01387 247900
Web: www.marthorn.com
Email: info@marthorn.com
- **Stronord Outdoor Activity Centre**
(Dumfries and Galloway Council)
Stronord, Newtown Stewart, Wigtownshire, DG8 7BD
Tel: 01671 402185
Web: www.dumgal.gov.uk

East Lothian

- **Innerwick Outdoor Education Centre**
(East Lothian Council)
Innerwick, Dunbar, East Lothian EH42 1SE
Tel: 01875 616 690
Web: www.eastlothian.gov.uk
Email: innerwick@eastlothian.gov.uk

City of Edinburgh

- **Bonaly Outdoor Centre**
(Scout Association, South East Region)
71 Bonaly Road, Edinburgh, EH13 0PB
Tel: 0131 441 1878
Web: www.bonaly.org.uk
Email: info@bonaly.org.uk
- **Pilton Retreat**
70 Baird Rd, Ratho, Newbridge EH28 8QZ
Tel: 0131 333 1659
- **Eilean Siar/ Western Isles**
 - **Scaladale Activity Centre**
(Lewis and Harris Youth Clubs Association)
Ardvourlie, Isle of Harris, Western Isles, HS3 3AB
Tel: 01859 502 502
Web: www.scaladale.co.uk
Email: scaladale@ukonline.co.uk
 - **Uist Outdoor Centre**
Cearn Dusgaidh, Lochmaddy, Isle of North Uist, HS6 5AE
Tel: 01876 500 480
Web: www.uistoutdoorcentre.co.uk

Fife

- **Fordell Firs National Activity Centre**
(Scout Association National Centre)
Hillend, Near Dunfermline, Fife KY11 7HQ
Tel: 01383 412704
Web: www.fordell-firs.org.uk
Email: warden@fordellfirs.org.uk

Glasgow City

- **Auchengillan Outdoor Centre**
(Scout Association - Clyde Region)
Blane field, Glasgow, G63 9AU
Tel: 01360 771 197
Web: www.auchengillan.com
Email: centre@auchengillan.com

Highland

- **Abernethy Ardgour Adventure Centre**
(Abernethy Trust)
Fort William, Inverness-shire, PH33 7AD
Tel: 01967 411 222
Web: www.abernethy.org.uk
Email: ardgour@abernethy.org.uk
- **Abernethy Nethybridge** (Abernethy Trust)
Inverness-shire, PH25 3ED
Tel: 01479 821 279
Web: www.abernethy.org.uk
Email: nethybridge@abernethy.org.uk
- **Alltnacriche** (Scripture Union Scotland)
Lynwilg, Aviemore, Inverness-shire, PH22 1PZ
Tel: 01479 810 237
Web: www.suscotland.org.uk/centres/alltnacriche.aspx
- **Ardenbeg Bunkhouse and Outdoor Centre**
Grant Road, Grantown on Spey, Inverness-shire PH26 3LD
Tel: 01479 872 824
Web: www.ardenbeg.co.uk
Email: enquiries@ardenbeg.co.uk

- **Badaguish Centre**
Aviemore, Inverness-shire, PH22 1QU
Tel: 01478 861 285
Web: www.badaguish.org
Email: info@badaguish.org
- **Craggan Outdoors Bunkhouse and Bothy**
Craggan Outdoors, Craggan Golf Course, Grantown on Spey PH26 3NT
Tel: 01479 873 283
Web: www.cragganoutdoors.co.uk
Email: info@cragganoutdoors.co.uk
- **Craigower Lodge**
Golf Course Rd, Newtonmore, Inverness-shire, PH20 1AT
Tel: 01540 673319
Web: www.activeoutdoorpursuits.com
Email: info@activeoutdoorpursuits.com
- **Fairburn Activity Centre**
Marybank, Muir of Ord, Inverness-shire, IV6 7UT
Tel: 01997 433397
Web: www.fairburncentre.com
Email: enquiries@fairburncentre.com
- **Glenborrodale Outdoor Education Centre**
(Clubs for Young People)
Glenborrodale, Acharacle, Argyll PH36 4JP
Tel: 01972 500 241
Web: www.glenborrodale-activities-centre.co.uk
Email: glenborrodale@clubsforyoungpeople.org.uk
- **Glenfeshie Hostel**
Kincaig, Inverness-shire, PH21 1NH
Tel: 01540 651 323
Web: www.glenfeshiehostel.co.uk
Email: info@glenfeshiehostel.co.uk
- **Glenmore Lodge**
Aviemore, Inverness-shire, PH22 1QU
Tel: 01479 861 256
Web: www.glenmorelodge.org.uk
Email: enquiries@glenmorelodge.org.uk
- **Highland Adventure Centre**
Knockshannoch, Glenisla, Blairgowrie, Perthshire, PH11 8PE
Tel: 01575 582238
Web: www.highlandadventure.co.uk
Email: jbsmuir@highlandadventure.co.uk
- **Lagganlia Centre for Outdoor Education**
(City of Edinburgh Council)
Kincaig, Kingussie, Inverness-shire, PH21 1NG
Tel: 01540 651 265
Web: www.lagganlia.com
Email: info@lagganlia.com
- **Raasay House**
Isle of Raasay, By Kyle, Scotland, IV40 8PB
Tel: 01478 660 266
Web: www.raasay-house.co.uk
Email: info@raasay-house.co.uk
- **Rus Reidh Lighthouse**
Malvaig, Gairloch, IV21 2EA
Tel: 01445 771 263
Web: www.ruareidh.co.uk
Email: ruareidh@tiscali.co.uk
- **Sabhal Mor Ostaig**
An Teanga, An t-Eilean Sgitheanach, Alba, IV44 8RQ
Tel: 01471-888000
Web: www.smo.uhi.ac.uk
Email: oifis@smo.uhi.ac.uk
- **Snowgoose Mountain Centre**
The Old Smiddy, Station Rd, Corpach, Fort William, PH33 7JH
Tel: 01397 772467
Web: www.highland-mountain-guides.co.uk
Email: enquiry@highland-mountain-guides.co.uk
- **Whitewave**
Lincro, Kilmuir, Isle of Skye, IV51 9YN
Tel: 01470 541 414
Web: www.white-wave.co.uk
Email: info@white-wave.co.uk

Inverclyde

- **Sportscotland National Centre Inverclyde**
(Sportscotland)
Burnside Road, Largs KA30 8RW
Tel: 01475 687 806
Web: www.sportscotland.org.uk
Email: maureen.chantry@sportscotland.org.uk

Moray

- **Cromdale Outdoor Centre** (Aberdeen City Council)
Book via Adventure Aberdeen, Summerhill Centre,
Stronsay Drive Aberdeen, AB15 6JA
Tel: 01224 346 191
Web: www.aberdeencity.gov.uk
Email: adventureaberdeen@aberdeencity.gov.uk
- **Findhorn Village Centre**
Church Place, Findhorn IV36 3YR
Tel: 01309 692 339
Web: www.findhornvillagecentre.co.uk
Email: info@findhornvillagecentre.co.uk
- **Cullen Community & Residential Centre**
(Moray Council)
Seafield Road, Cullen, AB56 4AF
Tel: 01542 840701
Web: www.moray.gov.uk
Email: cullen.cc@moray.gov.uk

North Ayrshire

- **Arran Outdoor Education Resource**
(North Ayrshire Council)
North Ayrshire Council, Council Offices, Lamlash,
Island of Arran, KA27 8KB
Tel: 01770 600 532
Web: www.arranoutdoor.co.uk
Email: ArranOutdoor@north-ayrshire.gov.uk

Orkney Islands

- **Birsay Outdoor Centre**
(Orkney Islands Council)
Birsay, Orkney, KW17 2LY
- **The Hoy Centre**
(Orkney Island Council)
Hoy, Orkney, KW16 3NJ
- **Rackwick Outdoor Centre**
(Orkney Islands Council)
Rackwick, Hoy, Orkney, KW16 3NJ

Bookings for all Orkney outdoor centres can be made via:
The Dept of Education and Recreation Services
Orkney Islands Council, School Place, Kirkwall, KW15 1NY
Tel: 01856 873 535 ext 2417
Web: www.hostelsorkney.co.uk
Email: bookings@hostelsorkney.co.uk

Perth and Kinross

- **Belmont Centre**
(Scottish Outdoor Education Centres)
Meigle, Strathmore, Perthshire PH12 8TG
Tel: 01899 221 115
Web: www.soec.org.uk
Email: belmont@soec.org.uk
- **Blackwater Outdoor Centre**
(Perth and Kinross Council)
Bookings can be made via Perth and Kinross Council,
Blackfriars Development Centre, North Port, Perth,
PH1 5LU
Tel: 01738 477 878
Web: www.pkc.gov.uk
Email: lamowatt@pkc.gov.uk
- **Glenshee Lodge** (Compass Christian Centre)
By Blairgowrie, Perthshire, PH10 7QD
Tel: 01250 885 209
Web: www.compasschristian.co.uk
Email: office@compasschristian.co.uk

- **Gulabin Lodge**
Spittal of Glenshee, by Blairgowrie, PH10 7QE
Tel: 01250 885 255
Web: www.gulabinlodge.co.uk
Email: info@gulabinlodge.co.uk
- **Kinloch Rannoch Outdoor Centre**
(Perth and Kinross Council)
Bookings can be made via Perth and Kinross Council,
Blackfriars Development Centre, North Port,
Perth, PH1 5LU
Tel: 01738 477 878
Web: www.pkc.gov.uk
Email: pkSPORT@pkc.gov.uk
- **Lendrick Muir** (Scripture Union Scotland)
Rumbling Bridge, Kinross, Perthshire, KY13 0QA
Tel: 01577 842000
Web: www.suholidays.org.uk/sites/lendrick-muir.htm
- **Meggernie Outdoor Centre**
(Scout Association National Centre)
Fasgadh, Bridge of Balgie, Glenlyon, nr. Aberfeldy,
Perthshire, PH15 2PP
Tel: 01887 866 231
Web: www.meggernie.org
Email: warden@meggernie.org.uk
- **Stanley Nairne Centre**
At Dalguise, Near Dunkeld, Perthshire
Tel: 0131 555 6123
Web: www.stanleynairnecentre.com
Email: bookings@stanleynairnecentre.com

Renfrewshire

- **Lapwing Lodge Outdoor Centre**
(Scout Association – West Region)
Gleniffer Road, Paisley PA2 8UL
Tel: 01505 812 035
Web: www.lapwinglodge.org.uk
Email: warden@lapwinglodge.org.uk

Scottish Borders

- **Broomlee Centre**
(Scottish Outdoor Education Centres)
West Linton, Borders, EH46 7BU
Tel: 01899 221 115
Web: www.soec.org.uk
Email: broomlee@soec.org.uk
- **Netherurd House**
Blyth Bridge, West Linton, Peeblesshire, EH46 7AQ
Tel: 01968 682 208
Web: www.netherurdhouse.co.uk
Email: bookings@netherurdhouse.co.uk
- **Tweedsmuir Outdoor Centre**
Tweedsmuir, ML12 6QP
Tel: 01899 880 252
- **Whithaugh Park** (Barnabus Trust)
Whithaugh Park, Newcastleton,
Scottish Borders, TD9 0TY
Tel: 01387 375394
Web: www.barnabas.org.uk
Email: whithaugh@barnabas.org.uk

Shetland Islands

- **Bridge End Outdoor Centre**
Bridge-end, Quarff, ZE2 9LE
Tel: 01595 745 301
Email: cw.scalloway@shetland.gov.uk

- **Voxter Outdoor Centre**
4 Havragrod Brae, Shetland, ZE2 9SZ
Tel: 01595 743969
Email: cw.brae@shetland.gov.uk

South Ayrshire

- **Dolphin House** (South Ayrshire Council)
Cluzean Castle and Country Park, Maybole,
South Ayrshire, KA19 8JX
Tel: 01655 760600
Web: www.thedolphinhouse.co.uk

South Lanarkshire

- **Abernethy Ardeonaig Adventure Centre**
(Abernethy Trust)
By Killin, Perthshire, FK21 8SY
Tel: 01567 820 523
Web: www.abernethy.org.uk
- **Loaningdale Centre**
(Scottish Outdoor Education Centres)
Loaningdale Centre, Carwood Road, Biggar, ML12 6LX
Tel: 01899 221 115
Web: www.soec.org.uk
Email: loaningdale@soec.org.uk
- **Wiston Lodge**
Millrigg Road, Wiston by Biggar,
South Lanarkshire, ML12 6HT
Tel: 01899 850 228
Web: www.wistonlodge.co.uk
Email: info@wistonlodge.co.uk

Stirling

- **Carronvale House** (The Boys' Brigade)
Carronvale Road, Larbert, Stirlingshire, FK5 3LH
Tel: 01324 562 800
Web: www.carronvalehouse.co.uk
Email: ann.dickson@boys-brigade.org.uk
- **Dounans Centre** (Scottish Outdoor Education Centres)
Dounans Centre, Aberfoyle, Stirling, FK8 3UT
Tel: 01899 221 115
Web: www.soec.org.uk
Email: dounans@soec.org.uk

West Dunbartonshire

- **West Dunbartonshire Council Outdoor Education Service**
Balloch Castle, Balloch Country Park, West
Dunbartonshire, G83 8LX
Tel: 01389 720753
Web: www.west-dunbarton.gov.uk/education-and-learning/outdoor-education/

West Lothian

- **Low Port Centre** (West Lothian Council)
1 Blackness Rd, Linlithgow, West Lothian, EH49 7HZ
Tel: 01506 775 390
Web: www.lowportcentre.co.uk
Email: lowport.centre@westlothian.gov.uk



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Fordell Firs

National Activity Centre
Dunfermline, Fife

tel: 01383 412704

email: warden@fordellfirs.org.uk

web: www.fordell-firs.org.uk

Residential and day activity packages available

Meggernie Outdoor Centre

Glenlyon, Perthshire

tel: 01887 866231

email: warden@meggernie.org.uk

web: www.meggernie.org

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The Lochgoilhead Centre

Lochgoilhead, Argyll

tel: 01301 703217

email: info@lochgoilhead.org.uk

web: www.lochgoilhead.org.uk

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A central location mid-way between Glasgow and Edinburgh gives excellent accessibility from anywhere in Scotland.

www.carronvalehouse.co.uk

Tel: 01324 562 800



Scottish Outdoor Education Centres

Scottish Outdoor Education Centres (SOEC) is a unique charity designing and delivering programmes that are exciting, challenging and relevant to young people. Our specialist tutor staff team work with groups of between 10 to 200+ young people on a range of experiential and outdoor learning programmes with PSD, eco-literacy and Curriculum for Excellence outcomes.

Our 4 residential centres are: Belmont (Meikle), Broomlee (West Linton), Dounans (Aberfoyle) and Loaningdale (Biggar).

Contact us to find out more. Bookings & Enquiries 01899 221115

www.soec.org.uk



SOME MORE USEFUL LINKS...



Scout campsites and activity centres

There are numerous Scout campsites and activity centres across the country, many of which also provide indoor residential accommodation and are open to youth and community organisations. Scottish Scout Headquarters operates three national centres. These and other Scout Activity Centres with full-time staff, are included in the directory. Other large centres include Aberdeen (Templars Park), Dundee (Douglaswood) and West Lothian (The Craigs). Details of these and many other Centres can be found by searching *Campsite Directory* at www.scouts-scotland.org.uk.

The Scottish Youth Hostelling Association (SYHA) - www.syha.org.uk

Download brochure:

www.syha.org.uk/pdf/groups_brochure_2008.pdf

SYHA also run 'Give Us a Break', a social inclusion programme which provides funding for disadvantaged young people to take part in residential. For more info see www.syha.org.uk/groups_schools/give_us_a_break.aspx or contact the Education & Inclusion reservations staff at education@syha.org.uk or by telephoning **0845 293 7373**.

Scottish Independent Hostels www.hostel-scotland.co.uk

Download brochure:

www.hostel-scotland.co.uk/PDFs/SH_Blue_Guide_2009.pdf

Visit Scotland

www.visitscotland.com

Scottish Campsite directory www.scottishcamping.com

Sailing Residential Trips

There are a number of organisations that provide organised residential sailing trips for young people:

- **Ocean Youth Trust Scotland** - www.oystScotland.org.uk - operates three sailing ships which take young people aged between 12 and 24 to sea on youth development residentials
- **Cirdan Sailing Trust** - www.cirdansailing.com - specialises in enabling groups of young people to experience the challenge and adventure of life at sea on large sailing vessels, and departs from ports across the UK

UK National Parks - www.nationalparks.co.uk

Institute for Outdoor Learning www.outdoor-learning.org

British Activity Holiday Association www.baha.org.uk

Children and Young People Now directory

The Children and Young People Now web site has a searchable directory of outdoor education and adventure activity providers across the UK. Search for them at <http://scypnow.blueboomerang.com>

Accommodation outside Scotland

UK Youth's Avon Tyrrell Centre

If you're planning a residential in England, you might want to consider Avon Tyrrell, UK Youth's Activity Centre set in 65 acres in the New Forest. The centre provides a range of outdoor activities including high and low ropes, archery, environmental activities, climbing, abseiling, kayaking, mountain biking and many more, including a trip on the zip wire. Avon Tyrrell has a variety of accommodation consisting of staying full board in Avon Tyrrell's beautiful house, self catering in one of the Scandinavian style lodges or camping. Please contact info@ukyouth.org, phone **01425 672347** or visit www.avontyrrell.org.uk to find out more.



Also see **England's Youth Hostelling Association (YHA)** www.yha.org.uk or

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