

# WELCOME

Welcome to Butchers Coppice Scout Camp & Community Outdoor Centre. Whether you're here for a week or an hour we hope you enjoy your stay.

Butchers Coppice is a 7½ acre campsite situated in the north west corner of Bournemouth, close to Bournemouth, Poole, Christchurch, Wimborne, the Isle of Purbeck and the New Forest. We are also the closest Scout campsite to Brownsea Island, the birthplace of Scouting. The campsite is easily accessible by road, rail or air.

The campsite has two indoor accommodation centres, one sleeping 42 and the other sleeping 30. Both centres have fully equipped kitchens, toilets, hot showers and central heating.

For campers we offer a choice of sites, either on the main field, for those who need plenty of space, or in a variety of individual copse sites, ideal for smaller Patrol camps.

We have a modern toilet and shower block at the copse entrance to the main field to serve campers and day/evening visitors. The facilities, built in 2007, offer free male and female toilets and hot water showers as well as separate washing points. The block also includes separate disabled toilets and showers and a baby changing area.

We welcome Scout and Guide Groups, schools and other bona-fide youth organisations from around the World.

Bournemouth is a fantastic venue for longer holidays or short breaks with a rich and varied landscape - from forest to beaches to busy shopping centres - visitors to the campsite can enjoy a variety of on-site and local activities.

This is a local, friendly campsite, owned by Bournemouth Scouts and is operated entirely by voluntary staff.

If you have any other questions about the site please contact our site office on 01202 574747 or visit our website – [www.butcherscoppice.org.uk](http://www.butcherscoppice.org.uk)

Darren Gilbert  
Site Manager

# INDOOR

We have two indoor accommodation centres at Butchers Coppice which are both available for use throughout the year – the Jubilee Centre and the Dad Atkins Centre.

The Jubilee Centre is set in it's own private area in the corner of the main camping field. The Centre has central heating. The main hall measures 10.6m (35ft) by 5.8m (19ft) and is equipped with tables and benches. A large draughts board is set into the floor in the main hall and pieces are available.

The Centre has seven dormitories - two with three bunks (sleeps six in each of the two rooms), four with two bunks (sleeps four in each of the four rooms) and one with two single beds, an en-suite toilet and shower facilities, which are fully equipped for disabled guests, giving a total of 30 beds.

The Centre has male and female toilets, hot water showers, a kitchen with a large gas cooker, microwave, fridge/freezer and a full range of cooking and eating utensils.

The Dad Atkins Centre is set in the copse area of the site. The Centre has central heating. The main hall measures 15.7m (51ft) by 7.4m (24ft), has dividers which can be moved out to provide some segregation if required and is equipped with 36 mattresses, tables and benches.

The centre has male and female toilets, hot water showers, two Leader/helper bedrooms (one sleeping four adults and the other sleeping two), a kitchen with a large gas cooker, microwave, fridge/freezer and a full range of cooking and eating utensils.

# OUTDOOR

Campers can choose sites on the main field or from our smaller copse sites. For Patrol camps you may use more than one copse site, subject to availability.

All field camping sites have easy vehicle access and all copse camping sites are within a very short walk of vehicle access. Trolleys can be provided to help you move your kit if necessary.

# FACILITIES

## Tuck Shop (Harry's Provi)

Our Tuck Shop offers a variety of sweets, drinks, confectionery and souvenirs, all very reasonably priced! The Tuck Shop is usually open daily.

## Campfire Circle

You are welcome to use our campfire circle in the copse area. We organise a weekly campfire on a Wednesday evening for all visitors in peak periods.

## Chapel

You are welcome to use our Chapel in the copse area for religious observances. There are several local places of worship close to the campsite.

## Shopping

There are a variety of large 24 hour supermarkets close to the campsite including Tesco, Sainsbury's and Lidl. There is also an early-late convenience store just five minutes walk from the campsite.

## Fires

Wood fires and gas cooking are permitted on the site and a well stocked woodpile is provided. A small number of alter fires are also available. Felling or cutting from trees is strictly forbidden.

## Mobile Phones

The campsite has excellent coverage on all major mobile phone networks. Adults are welcome to recharge mobile phones, satnav units, rechargeable batteries and other electrical devices at reception.

## Freezers

Both indoor accommodation centres have fridges and freezers in their kitchens. A freezer is available for campers at reception.

## Wifi

A wireless internet connection is available at reception.

## Recycling & Waste

A recycling system is in operation at the campsite. Non-recyclable waste is collected regularly.

## Local Information

Our reception centre is open daily and staff will be more than happy to provide you with information such as weather forecasts or directions to local places of interest or give advice and assistance.

# ACTIVITIES

Butchers Coppice offers a variety of activities on-site and we have a range of activities within easy reach.

On-site we offer:

abseiling	games room
adventure playground	giant games
agility trail	orienteeing
air rifle shooting	picture treasure hunt
archery	pioneering
bouldering	rounders
burma rope bridge	scramble net
traditional climbing	teambuilding challenges
rock climbing	trampolines
crate stacking	volleyball
football	wildlife garden

To complement the wide range of activities available on-site, you'll find even more just a short journey from Butchers Coppice...

astronomy	nordic walking
body boarding	play areas
bushcraft	power boating
canoeing	raft building
catamaran sailing	ringos
ceramics	rock climbing
cinema	sailing
circus skills	ski bobbing
clay pigeon shooting	skiing
country parks	snowboarding
cruises	surfing
dragon boating	swimming
high ropes	ten pin bowling
high wire	theme parks
karting	wakeboarding
kayaking	water skiing
laser clay	water slides
low ropes	windsurfing
mountain biking	zorbing

# LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

As well as all the activities on-site and in the local area there's also loads of attractions to visit including the Tower Park Leisure Park, Adventure Wonderland, the Bournemouth Oceanarium, Brownsea Island, the Electricity Museum, Moors Valley Country Park including the Moors Valley Miniature Steam Railway, Farmer Palmers Farm Park, Corfe Castle, the Swanage Steam Railway, Monkey World, the Bovington Tank Museum, Putlake Adventure Park, Lulworth Castle, Lulworth Cove and the Jurassic Coast, the Dinosaur Museum, the National Motor Museum, the New Forest Otter, Owl and Wildlife Park, Brewers Quay including Weymouth Timewalk and Marwell Zoological Park. You'll also find beaches in Bournemouth and Poole and forest walks in the New Forest.

You'll find further information about all these activities and attractions at our website or leaflets are available from reception.

I think you'll agree there's no shortage of things to fill your programme!

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