

## ALPS25

## NEWSLETTER

**Enchanté !**

This is our first all participant and delivery team newsletter. As we fast approach the end of the year we wanted to share the first in a series of newsletters keeping everyone up to date as we count down the days to Alps25.



Alps25 Delivery Team

Last week we held the first All Delivery Team Day. The team came together to meet each other and share plans for the event; with valuable insights from the recent recce added into the mix.

With the festive season around the corner, we've included some tips to balance your Alps25 focus with those ever-growing Christmas shopping lists.

Conor, our programme lead, has also shared some plans for the essential water and hill walking training that will be happening around Easter next year

Let's keep the momentum going as we head toward the event in 2025!

Phill - Event Lead

**Recce update**

Annick and Phill visited the Alps in October and met with our campsite hosts, Mathieu, Marine and their 3 children aged 12, 8 and 4. They are really looking forward to welcoming us again, sharing their ideas to ensure we have an amazing time. The site has had a number of improvements since we were last there which we hope to make use of.

Annick and Phill also spent time with some of the activity providers, food suppliers and local officials to discuss the plans for next year. All of whom expressed their delightedness in our planned return.

**Key dates**

<b>30 November</b>	Deposits due Bookings completed
<b>5 January</b>	Training forms due
<b>31 January</b>	Payment 2 due Explorers and Network
<b>24 February</b>	Webinar for All
<b>31 March</b>	Payment 3 due Everyone
<b>31 March</b>	Webinar for delivery team
<b>2-3 March or 22-23 March</b>	Hill walking training (1 day)
<b>5-21 April (not 19)</b>	Water training (2 days)
<b>31 May</b>	Payment 4 due
<b>6 July</b>	Dragon-boat fundraising
<b>11 August</b>	Opening ceremony
<b>22 August</b>	Departure day

## Christmas List Ideas

With Christmas just around the corner here is a few Christmas List suggestions from the core team:



Sturdy holdall 80-100 Litres  
(go faster with wheels)

Get (and stay) organised  
with packing cubes



Sleeping mat (yoga mats  
do not count) or camp bed

Get rest whilst travelling  
with a cushion



Money belt with space for  
phone

Do remember that you can get a scout discount at Go Outdoors, Cotswold, Blacks, Millets & Mountain Warehouse by showing your neckerchief or any other form of scout membership in store. Our [kit list](#) is on the Alps25 website.

## Pre-event Training

In the build up to the event we will be putting on training events for Hillwalking and Water for all participants (no additional cost). You will shortly receive an email with a link to a form that needs completing by Sunday 5th January 2025, letting us know what dates you are available.

We will then timetable everyone to slots that will be confirmed by the end of January.

Attendance at this training is essential for all those wanting to make the most of their Alps adventures. It is also a great opportunity to meet other participants prior to the trip.

## Payments

The deadline for all deposits to be made to County was 30th November. Please note that explorers and unit leaders are paying through their districts. Everyone else is paying direct to County. Thank you to those who have made the transfer. If for any reason you are struggling to make your payments please reach out to discuss this with us as soon as possible.

## Core Team

### Event Lead / Logistics

Phill Wood

### Event Lead Support

Alison Berry

### Programme

Conor Chippendale

### Safety

Bob Meldrum

### Transport

Paul Quinn

### Finance

Kirsty Aldridge

### Finance Support / Network

Xavier Davis

### Unit Liaison & Support

Annick Tremblay

### Event Admin Support

Paul Berry

### Network Lead

Raul Hira



**Annick Tremblay**  
Unit Liaison & Support

Annick is one of our international Scouting experts, originally from Quebec and scouts across East Berkshire. A unit leader for the 19th World Jamboree in the USA. Has attended many Moots, Roverways being part of Berkshire Scouts European expeditions since 2010. She is also one of the team encouraging a growing number of young people to gain their top awards.