



West Lothian Scouts

Blair Atholl 2026

(Monday 20th to Friday
31st July 2026)

Information Pack

**Please note we do not have the final
information from the Blair Atholl Team
so costs, dates and other information
may change.**

1. What is the Blair Atholl Jamborette

The Blair Atholl Jamborette is Scottish Scouting's premier international event. Information can be found on the Blair Atholl website (www.jamborette.org.uk).

It brings together Explorer Scouts and Leaders from all over the world for a 10-day camp in a picturesque corner of highland Perthshire.

Ever since 1946 the tranquil grounds of Blair Castle have been transformed with participants from all over the world coming together to camp and share in fun, friendship, and a massive range of adventurous activities and challenges.

For the 2018 camp around 1500 Scouts and adults took part. Scottish Scouts representing every District and Region were paired with counterparts from as far afield as Japan, Zambia, Iceland, Hong Kong, the USA and Canada.

Overseas visitors to the camp are treated as the guests of the Scottish Scouts, and as such all they need to bring is their own personal kit, everything else is supplied by the host patrols. The Scottish Scouts and their overseas guests camp in joint patrols on sub-camps and live and work together under the watchful eye of the sub-camp teams.

The vision of the founder, Jack Stewart, is that if scouts camp together in twinned patrols, without leaders, it will lead to better friendships, peace and understanding throughout the nations of the world. This vision continues to hold true today.

2. Who Can Attend

Only Scouts and Explorer Scouts who were born between 21st July 2008 and 20th July 2012 (inclusive) will be between 14 and 17 on the first day of the camp will be eligible for selection as a member of the West Lothian contingent.

3. Key Dates

The deadline for applications is the 31st August 2025. The selection weekend is over the 12th Sept - 14th Sept 2025. If selected you will arrive at Blair Atholl on Monday 20th July 2026 and depart on Friday 31st July 2026.

4. How to Apply for Selection

There is usually big interest and places are usually over-subscribed, thus the need to hold a selection weekend. Any Scout or Explorer in West Lothian who will be between 14 and 17 on the first day of the camp is eligible to apply for selection as a member of the WL contingent. The West Lothian contingent normally consists of 18 young people (i.e. 3 full patrols).

The members of the 2026 West Lothian contingent will be selected during a selection weekend which will be held on 12th Sept - 14th Sept 2025 at The Craigs Camping and Training Centre, Torphichen. ***The cost of this weekend will be £25 per person.***

We would encourage any eligible young person to consider applying for selection. Selection is not dependant only on scouting skills but is an opportunity for young people to show how they can interact and work with others.

One of the most important criteria in the selection process is our assessment of who would most benefit from attending the Jamborette and it is important to recognise that the selection process is not a value judgement on the applicants as individuals and their scouting ability.

You can apply online by following this [link](#) or by downloading an application form the District website Events page ([link](#)). The form should be returned to blair@wlscouts.org.uk. Both the online or downloaded form must be submitted 31st Aug 2024.

5. How much will it cost?

We have not been told the Blair Atholl Camp Fee as yet, however we expect that the cost will be about £550. This will cover the training weekends, transport and any hoodies and badges etc. Please note that parents and participant are encouraged to carry out fund-raising events to reduce their costs.

We will set up a payment schedule for Blair Atholl Camp fees through OSM which will probably start in October / November 2025 with the final payment in June 2026.

6. Still Got Questions?

If you have any questions, please send them to blair@wlscouts.org.uk. There will also be information nights at 7:30pm on the 9th and 19th June at

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Nether Dechmont Community Centre
Fells Rigg
Carmondean
Livingston
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