



GIRL GUIDES  
AUSTRALIA  
VICTORIA

*2015 Jamborella*  
**EXPLORERS**  
*Guides aged 5 – 9*



# **Basic Information**

## **What?**

Jamborella Explorers is a three night indoor camp specially designed for Guides aged 5 – 9 years. Days will be spent having fun and sharing adventures outdoors, on-site, with their new explorer friends in the care of experienced leaders.

As an option girls will have the opportunity to spend one night in a tent if they wish (weather permitting).

Please note due to the nature of the program, Jamborella Explorers is **not** a Guide uniformed event.

## **When?**

There will be two camps to choose from!

### **Camp 1**

***Sunday 27 September to Wednesday 30 September.***

### **Camp 2**

***Wednesday 30 September to Saturday 3 October.***

## **Where?**

At our beautiful Britannia Park Camp, Guide House Road, Yarra Junction.

## **Cost?**

\$240 which covers all accommodation, food, and camp activities.

## **Contact Details**

Enquiries regarding registration and payment can be directed to [support@guidesvic.org.au](mailto:support@guidesvic.org.au) / 03 8606 3500

Enquiries regarding event plans, transport or health matters can be directed to [jamborella@guidesvic.org.au](mailto:jamborella@guidesvic.org.au)

# Program

## *Camp 1*

### **Sunday**

Organise patrols and rooms and explore the area around our new house. Have fun with our leaders.

### **Monday**

Get outdoors and practise our explorer skills. Keep track of our adventures in our Explorer's Journal. Spend the night in a tent in the Outback Camp (optional – weather permitting).

### **Tuesday**

Welcome home the tent dwellers. Explorer Games Day. Surprise night.

### **Wednesday**

Pack up our gear then head out for the Giant Treasure Hunt. Say goodbye to our new friends and return home.

## *Camp 2*

### **Wednesday**

Arrive, organise patrols and head out on the Giant Treasure Hunt. Return to settle into our rooms and get to know our new friends and leaders.

### **Thursday**

Get outdoors and practise our explorer skills. Keep track of our adventures in our explorer's Journal. Spend the night in a tent in the Outback Camp (optional - weather permitting).

### **Friday**

Welcome home the tent dwellers. Explorer Games Day. Surprise night.

### **Saturday**

Pack up our gear and spend some more fun time with our leaders and friends before returning home.

# How to apply

## Apply online

Visit [www.guidesvic.org.au/UpcomingEvents](http://www.guidesvic.org.au/UpcomingEvents) for online registration.

## Registrations close on Monday 17 August 2015

Unfortunately no late applications can be accepted.

Registration enquiries: [support@guidesvic.org.au](mailto:support@guidesvic.org.au)

Event enquiries: [jamborella@guidesvic.org.au](mailto:jamborella@guidesvic.org.au)

*Due to the number of staff required, adult staff registrations are invitation only.*

## Cancellation Policy

For Events Run By Girl Guides Victoria (As at October 2011)

If the event is cancelled by Girl Guides Victoria, a full refund will be given.

- If you withdraw from the event at least one month prior to the closing date for applications, a 90% refund will be given.
- If you withdraw from the event less than one month before the closing date for applications, a 50% refund will be given.
- If you withdraw from the event after the closing date for applications, no refund will be given.

You may apply for special consideration in exceptional circumstances. Such requests should be addressed to the Database Manager at Girl Guides Victoria.

## Conditions of Attendance

All participants must be current members of Girl Guides Victoria and be registered for the event. Girls do not need their unit leader to attend in order for them to come to Jamborella, any youth member aged 5 - 9 years can attend.

Youth participants must attend for the entire event – late arrival or early departure is not possible.

We aim for all participants to have a happy and safe time at Jamborella. To ensure we meet this aim, in applying for camp, all campers agree to abide by the rules set out in this booklet.

Disciplinary measures will be carried out at the discretion of the organizing committee and in the event of extreme breaches, participants will be sent home at the expense of their parent/guardian.

# At Camp

## Food

Participants of camp are not to bring any food from home. It is a medical and safety requirement that all food and drinks are sourced and prepared by the program staff. This is an aspect of anaphylaxis prevention management and included in the GGV Jamborella Explorers Camp Risk Management Plan.

All camps embrace healthy eating objectives and the consumption of high sugar content snacks is not encouraged. There will be ample catering including morning/afternoon tea and snacks/fruit available throughout the day.

To assist us to ensure that a safe, healthy and active environment is maintained for all participants please do not pack any snacks or drinks. Any extra snacks and drinks that are brought will be collected as a contribution to the camp carnival event for all to share and under leader supervision.

*Jamborella Explorers Camp is a NUT FREE camp.*

## Weather

The major weather event to be aware of is in regards to our **optional night spent in a tent.**

As this will involve transferring bedding and making sure the girls will remain dry overnight, this will not go ahead if weather forecasts or weather radar indicate any chance of rain on that night. This has been planned for Day 2 of camp to allow the possibility of switching nights if the weather is suitable on Day 3.

*Please ensure that your daughter understands this may not go ahead if conditions are not suitable.*

# At Camp

## **Camp Houses**

Jamborella will have participants sleeping in a number of different houses. The three houses at Britannia Park Campsite will be used for the participants. We have themed each house to match with our 'Explorers' theme, the houses are:

**Captain Cook's Cottage** - Brownie Cottage

**Dig Tree House** - Guide House

**Back of Beyond Lodge** - Broadhurst Lodge

Final decisions on the specific Houses used for Jamborella will be made upon closing of applications.

## **Bedrooms & Beds**

Each House has differing layout and configuration of beds. Prior to the start of camp, all girls will be assigned a bedroom and a specific bed.

During the registration process you will be asked a series of questions regarding sleeping arrangements. This will allow us to collect information on sleeping preferences such as: top or bottom bunks, night lights, bed wetting.

We will endeavour to place each Guide in a bedroom with at least 1 other member of their Guide Unit (if others from her Unit are attending).

Please note it may not be possible for us to place all girls from the same Unit into the same bedroom but remember, camp is about making new friends and girls will be supported and encouraged!

Leaders will have designated rooms separate to the Explorers.

At the first activity - girls will eat their lunch in a group with their new room mates. After lunch the girls will help each other to set up their bedding and luggage (with the assistance of the Leaders).



# ***At Camp***

## ***Supervision***

Girls are under constant adult supervision for the duration of camp; including outdoor supervision at all times. Jamborella Explorers supervision management follows Girl Guides Victoria's standard ratios according to ages of girls. The age range for camp is 5 - 9 years, the minimum ratio is 1 adult : 6 girls.

The staff in each house includes a designated First Aider to attend to slips, trips and falls whilst out exploring, and any other minor mishaps. If in her opinion, your child becomes too ill to remain at camp, for any reason, you will be contacted on the emergency contact number you have provided, to make arrangements for your child to be picked up

## ***Behavior Management***

All participants of camp are encouraged to talk through any issues that occur and reflect on this process. Trained staff are available at all times to manage any issues by adopting a positive problem solving approach to achieve constructive outcomes. One of the goals of Camps is - Inclusive and positive participant interaction.

At the start of each program girls and staff will work collaboratively to establish agreed behaviour guidelines. These will include safety, respect, kindness and common sense aspects to provide rational and valid behaviour parameters.

If any camp participant displays inappropriate behaviours and / or a breach of the Jamborella Explorers policy, this may result in dismissal at parent cost.

Girls that are homesick will be encouraged to work through these feelings.

# ***At Camp***

## ***Parent Contact***

Britannia Park campsite has ***no mobile phone reception on the grounds***. Telephones in the houses are for emergency use only. It is not possible for you to make direct contact with your Girl Guide during camp.

If you need to make contact with camp staff in an emergency, please phone the camp office on **5967 1331**. If the office is unattended you can leave a message for someone to return your call.

If your Girl Guide does bring a mobile phone with her it will be taken from her for safekeeping and returned at the end of camp.

## ***Mobile phone/ Technology/ Valuables***

Mobile phones, electronic games and other devices are not to be used at Jamborella, so it is best if you do not bring them. Girl Guide events are great opportunities to get to know others and enjoy all the fun activities that have been organised for you, using devices such as these is not in the spirit of the event.

Cameras are permitted to be used in outside spaces only and are held at the Guide's own risk. Girl Guides Victoria holds no responsibility for any valuable items brought to Jamborella nor the publication or distribution of photos taken by participants at Jamborella.

## ***Pocket Money***

There is no extra money required for camp and we request that you do not provide any money for your Girl Guide to eliminate any concerns about carrying cash around.



# ***Health & Wellbeing***

## ***First Aid***

As well as every house having a designated First Aider, all Guide leaders hold a current first aid qualification so your child will be well looked after.

## ***Medication***

All personal medication must be registered on arrival at Jamborella. It should be in its original packaging in a snap-lock bag and labelled with the Guides' name, Unit, House name and dosage instructions.

All personal medication must be itemised on the 'Health Form' which must be handed in on arrival. You must also bring a current management plan for any medical condition you have listed on your daughters health form (e.g. asthma, anaphylaxis, Aspergers, mental health).

Any medications brought will be available for collection from the 'House First Aid Officer' as you leave the event. Girl Guides Victoria volunteers are not permitted to issue any medication to participants without the consent of their guardian as specified on the 'Health Form'; or any medication that is not provided by the parent/guardian.

## ***Sensible Bedtime***

To maximise the benefits of active participation in all activities 'lights out' each night will be at 9.00pm. All girls and staff will be encouraged to get a good nights sleep!

# Explorer Rules

Please discuss these rules with your Girl Guide prior to arriving at camp:

- We walk inside the Houses instead of running
- We always walk outside instead of running unless we are playing a game with a Leader.
- Everyone has a shower while they are at camp
- We will stay with our Explorer Group during activities
- We listen to the Leaders so we know what we need to do
- We do our best to live by the Guide Promise and Law at camp
- When the Leaders turn the lights off it is time for us to go to sleep
- We will try to eat some healthy food before eating special treats
- We will make sure we tell a Leader where we are going
- We will be sensible with the bunk beds
- We will give activities and food a try before asking for help
- We will take care of all the other Girls and Leaders at Jamborella!
- We will give all birds and animals we meet plenty of space to go where they want to go as Britannia Park is their home and we are their visitors.

# Transport

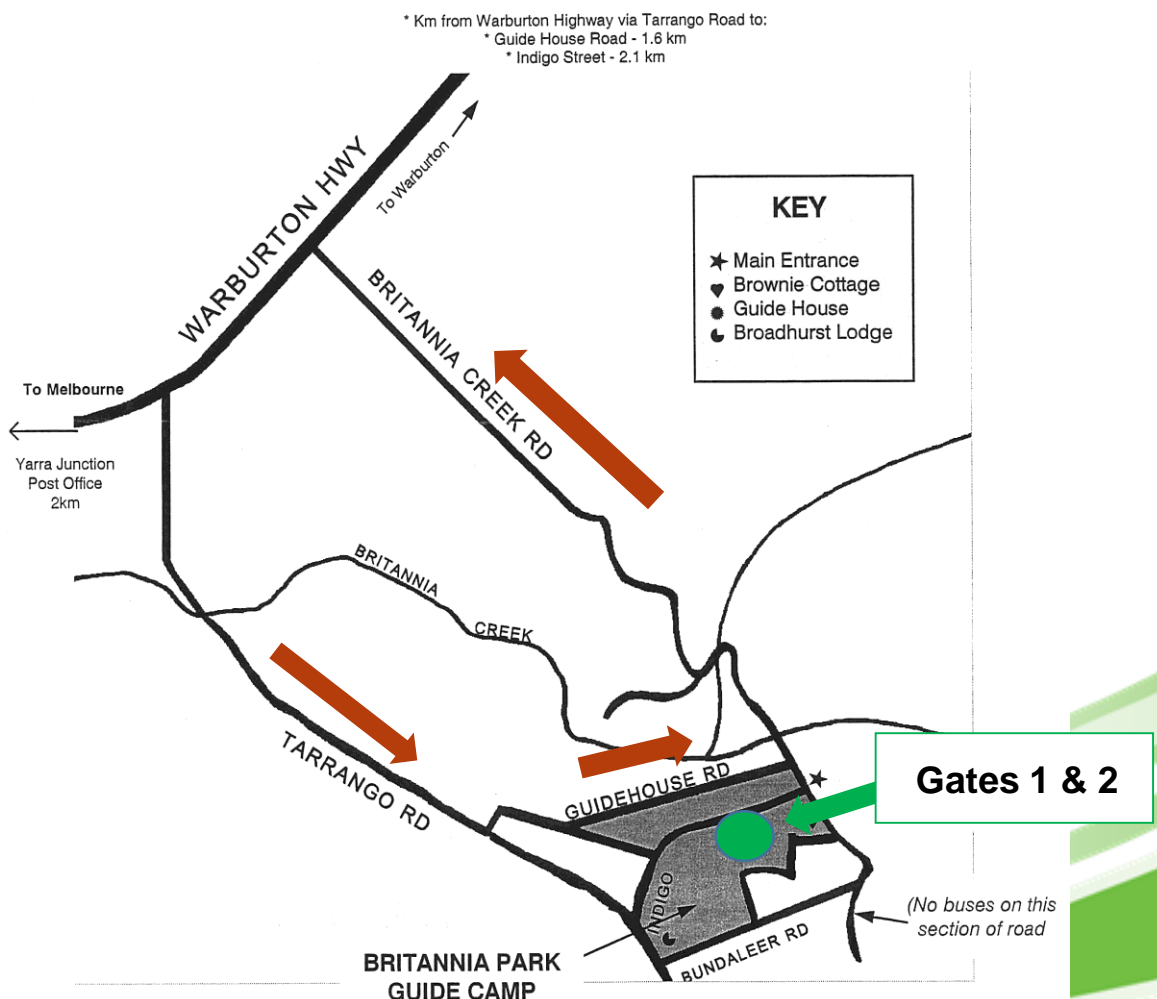
Guide Units are encouraged to travel to and from Jamborella together from their local area to reduce congestion at the Campsite and streamline the entry and exit process. Please discuss this with your daughter's Unit Leader so she can provide you details of the other local Girl Guides attending the Jamborella

## Getting There

Guide House Road will be operating as a one way road for Jamboree traffic. Please enter via Tarrango Road (as per the map below) and exit via Britannia Creek Road. Please follow any instructions given to you by traffic marshals on Guide House Rd.

**Entry will be via Gates 1 and 2 and then you will need to follow the signs to the registration point on site.** If you get lost please phone the Camp Office on 5967 1331 for assistance.

## Map



# ***Arrival***

## **Camp 1**

Arrival at Jamborella Explorers is between 10.30am and 11.30 am on Sunday 27 September 2015. We ask all parents to be off site by 11.45am. Guide uniform is not required.

## **Camp 2**

Arrival at Jamborella Explorers is between 9.00am and 10.00am on Wednesday 30 September 2015. We ask all parents to be off site by 10.15am. Guide uniform is not required.

## ***Registration***


When you arrive you will be directed to the registration area. You will need to take everything with you. When you get there the adult who brought you will sign you in and you will hand over your health form and any medications and health management plans you have brought.

You will receive a name tag on a lanyard in your house colour. It is really important that you wear your name tag at all times, except when under the shower or in bed.

## ***Explorer Backpack***

Once registered you will need your Explorer Backpack, but your big bag will be placed in an area designated for your house.

Then it is time to say goodbye to whoever dropped you off and you will be taken to an area where you can meet your new friends and start your Explorer adventure!



# *Departure*

## **Camp 1**

Jamborella officially ends at 3.00pm on Wednesday September 30. Departure should take place between 3.00pm and 4.00 pm on this day.

## **Camp 2**

Jamborella officially ends at 11.00am on Saturday 3 October. Departure should take place between 11.00am and 12.00 noon.

The one way system will operate in Britannia Park Road again for pick up. Please be patient as there are many cars to park and much luggage to carry! Girls will be waiting in the activity area near the car park (weather permitting).

***Adults MUST sign out any girls they are picking up.***



# What Every Explorer Needs

Explorers do not wear their best clothes or Guide uniform when they are out and about exploring. They need sturdy clothes that they don't mind getting dirty. They need to be dressed for the weather conditions and wear sturdy shoes for going off the grass.

They also need their name on everything as they sometimes get so involved with exploring that they forget where they put things! Here are the things you **will need** for Jamborella Explorer Camp.

## In Your Explorer Backpack

*You have to be able to carry this yourself as we can't afford pack horses.*

- ☐ Health Form and any medication / care plan - to be handed in at registration
- ☐ Waterproof jacket with hood, long enough to cover your bottom.
- ☐ Small torch and spare batteries
- ☐ Water bottle – full on arrival
- ☐ Notebook and small pencil case with writing and coloured pencils.
- ☐ Small tubes of sunscreen and insect repellent. (No sprays)
- ☐ Book to read
- ☐ Camera (Optional at own risk)
- ☐ A supermarket 'green' bag to carry your loot in on the Treasure Hunt
- ☐ A 'Situpon' – A square of thick plastic big enough for you to sit upon on the ground
- ☐ An explorer hat – a bucket hat or soft hat with a brim

## In a Large Bag You Can Carry Yourself

*This should be packed with the Explorer present so she knows what her things look like and where she will find things when she needs them.*

- ☐ A plastic bag clearly marked **Shower** containing – Soap, towel, shower cap and thongs
- ☐ A plastic bag clearly marked **Hygiene** containing – Tooth brush, toothpaste, hairbrush, spare hair ties and pull ups (if needed)
- ☐ **Three** different bags of clothing containing – Pants, socks, underpants and shirt, labelled for the 3 days in camp - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, Friday, Saturday
- ☐ A bag labelled **Spare** containing – T-shirt, long-sleeved shirt or skivvy, socks and underpants
- ☐ 2 warm jumpers or polar fleeces.
- ☐ A beanie and scarf
- ☐ Dressing gown and slippers
- ☐ Gumboots



# What Every Explorer Needs

## Sleeping Gear

### Indoors

If you are sleeping indoors every night you will need:

- ☐ A pillow
- ☐ A sleeping bag
- ☐ Warm pyjamas
- ☐ A teddy or soft toy

This should fit in your large bag with your clothes.

### Outdoors

If you have chosen to sleep in a tent for one night (weather permitting) you will **also** need:

- ☐ A groundsheet or tarp approx 2 mt. X 1.5 mt.
- ☐ 2 blankets – wool or acrylic fleece
- ☐ A sleeping mat (or yoga mat)

This could be packed in a large **extra heavy duty** garbage bag or a sturdy bag, if you have one, with your Explorer's name clearly marked on it.

These will be stored in the tents, ready for use so please do not mix with other sleeping gear which will be needed **every** night.

