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# Wartime Weekend Spectacular

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> & Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2010**

## NOTES FOR PERFORMERS

English Heritage warmly welcomes you to Scarborough Castle and we hope you enjoy your time with us – we are certainly aware of the time commitment you give voluntarily to make this event happen.

**Arrival – Re-enactors are welcome to arrive on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May . We will have all the facilities in place by 2pm. Re-enactors are welcome to camp on site until 10am on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Vehicles will be allowed on site on Friday afternoon, from 1pm, up to Saturday 9.30am.**

**Modern Campsite** – This will be sited at the far end of the site. Please do set up camp and cars in a safe way so as to give yourself walkways, emergency routes, etc but please keep the campsite as tight as possible.

**Security** – The main gate will have a combination padlock on the bolt securing the gates. The bolt and lock will be in place after-hours overnight from 6.00pm – 9.30am. The combination is known to staff, Emergency Services, etc and will be given to all performers so you can go to and from the castle in the evening. The combination is 1066. Please do not park on the hill nor on the barbican. **But please do keep the gate locked.** We cannot maintain security of your belongings if this gate is left unlocked.

**Vehicles** – Please note that the Castle is open to the public from 10am – 6pm every day; therefore we can't have any vehicle movement between these times across the site – except in the case of medical emergency. All vehicles need to be parked up in the plastic campsite or Living History areas by 9.30am each morning at the latest. Routes across the site may vary depending on ground conditions - please do follow instructions from the EH staff. Once LH equipment is dropped off, please return vehicle to campsite/car park area. Vehicular access to the LHE is OK during arrival on Friday afternoon; naturally, maximum speed 5MPH, headlights & hazards on please. Depending on ground conditions but we may have to prevent authentic vehicles taking part in the event. **Please note there is to be no joy riding across the site at any time this means authentic vehicles too, whether there are visitors or not, the ground conditions are not firm enough to support repeated traffic movement.**

**Fires** – This is an archaeologically sensitive site and there can be no digging on site - fire pits are not allowed anywhere. All fires must be above ground in fire boxes so arranged as to cause no charring of the grass as this can affect subsequent Carbon 14 dating. There is a supply of firewood at the outer by the compound near the toilet block. There should be no open fires in the plastic camp/car parks area.

**Loos** – There is a loo block by the Master Gunners and also hard by – a block of portaloos for overnight use. The loos have been placed where they are best sheltered from the wind. The Loos are scheduled to be cleaned each morning.

**Rubbish** – Please bag all rubbish before placing it in the skip next to the compound. We'd be most grateful if nothing loose is dropped into the skip – this can be a very windy site & loose stuff gets blown about the grounds.

**Fire Points** – Please note the Fire Points – with extinguishers in the modern campsite/performers car park and the Master Gunners house area. In the event of an emergency please do sound the alarm on the fire points and inform the Security guard or member of staff (if on site) and the emergency services if required.

**Water** – There is a drinking water tap on the left hand wall of the Master Gunners house. Please be aware that we sometimes have very low water pressure.

**Entrances, Exits, - There is only one way in and out of the Castle - and that's through the gatehouse and up the barbican which is only. This is only one way – once arrived and parked on site there can be no vehicle movement until closing time each day. The gatehouse has a max width of 10' and a max height of 10'. The gradient of the Barbican is unsuitable for any vehicles/trailers/caravans that have a large overhang as the steep turn towards the top corner result in long vehicles being grounded.**

**Tea Room/Museum** – the new museum and tea room at Scarborough contains many finds from archaeological digs on the site. Please do not use the tea room when in costume. No matter how good the LH displays are – a uniformed soldier drinking a can of coke, etc can ruin the impression. Obviously tea bought and then poured into an authentic mug is OK. Apologies for teaching granny to suck eggs.

**Arena events – Non combatants.** Non combatants will certainly be appreciated to help steward the barrier lines. But please be aware not to stand/sit in front of visitors who may have claimed their viewing spot some time before displays start.

**Other guests –The Spitfires, Warp & Weft, etc.** Just to let you know others staying on the campsite will include our invited music trio and maybe also one or two EH event staff. They will certainly observe your campsite etiquette of noise at night, etc. Wealos have a security guard to oversee safety and look after the marquees.

**Children** – Children must be supervised at all times. Please, please no climbing

**Dogs** – Must be kept on leads and obviously poop scooped

**Smoking** – Please be sure when smoking with modern cigs in kit not to be in sight of the public

**Generators** – we have a strict no petrol generators rule on all our sites. There should be no generator noise during open hours in any case, i.e. between 9.30am – 6pm.

**Please also regard the wooden compound by the toilet block as out of bounds.**

**Walking about the site at night** – You will all know all too well the nature of historic sites, with bumps and lumps, long grass, steep banks, slippery grass and stones, darkness at night, etc, etc. Please be careful when walking about at night – to the portaloos, etc.

**Packing down** – I'm aware of the distance that many of you will have travelled and the need for swift exit on Sunday. Please do not pack down until Dave has given clearance. I will be looking for a pack down time of 4pm, but please do not drive vehicles across the site unless I have given clearance. Finally, thank you to Paul Hilditch for all his hard work in planning for this event. Jon Hogan – Events Manager