



*The DofE Award.  
In conjunction with  
The Boys' Brigade  
Wolverhampton & Shropshire Battalion*

***EXPEDITION SECTION  
INFORMATION PACK  
2025***

***For***

***New 2025 Bronze & Silver Participants***

***&***

***Gold Expedition Participants.***



**The Boys' Brigade, Wolverhampton & Shropshire**  
**DofE Expedition Training Team.**

**Dear Participant, Group Leaders, Parents & Carers.**

We are really looking forward to being of service to you if starting off on your Bronze DofE Adventure or to have you on board with continuing your Silver & Gold DofE Expeditions.

The last few years has been one of the most difficult times in all our lives, but now with us getting to live with coronavirus in our daily way of life we are pleased to say that we are now running DofE Expeditions to the full, including taking some new ideas from the pandemic into our 2025 programme.

For our **New 2025 Bronze Participants**, this will be focused with full training, practice and then in the autumn with a Qualifying Expedition, so there is no reason that during the summer and autumn period, you can complete your Bronze Expedition Section of the Award, but remember you still have three other sections to complete before gaining your Bronze Award.

Our **Silver Participants** will have the offer of training expeditions during the expedition season. This includes a full programme to ensure all our participants will be ready for Qualifying Assessment in Spring 2026. As a Training Team, we are very aware that many participants for Silver Award will have constraints due to school examinations on weekend training events & we will accommodate their requests as we can.

**Gold Award.**

Over the last few years, we have run Gold Award Expedition for participants from various groups and from different parts of the country.

This year we will be taking on Gold Participants from both BB & Associated Groups as an "Open Gold Assessment". So, this year we will be offering a full Gold Training / Assessment programme.

**Leader Training.**

It is our delight this year again that we are offering **DofE Leader Training** on any of our planned weekends. The idea being that Leaders, new or old to DofE Expeditions can gain whatever extra training they require.

This being in a package set up for that Leader.

We can also offer guidance on all other Sections and with edofe within The Award.

For more details contact me directly.

So, this is our 2025 Expedition Programme, and we hope that you will come on board with us.

If you feel you would like more information on what we can offer, please feel free to contact me and have a chat about your requirements.

*Stay Safe & Best Regards & look forward in working with you in 2025.*

***Dave Briscoe.***

***Wolverhampton & Shropshire Battalion - DofE Expedition Training Team Leader.***



## **DofE Expedition Section - Dates for 2025.**

### **Participants Training / Assessments Expeditions.**

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<b>No 1</b>	<b>Gold Training Part 1</b>	<b>Sat 5<sup>th</sup> – Sun 6<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>The Long Mynd Area</b>
<b>No 2</b>	<b>Pre-Meeting Bronze For Parents/New Participants</b>	<b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Lanesfield Church Hall 2-4 pm</b>
<b>No 3</b>	<b>Bronze Training Theory Part 1</b>	<b>Sat 10<sup>th</sup>-Sun 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Patshull Activity Centre</b>
<b>No 4</b>	<b>Silver Training Part 1</b>	<b>Sat 10<sup>th</sup> – Sun 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Patshull Activity Centre</b>
<b>No 5</b>	<b>Gold Practice Part 2</b>	<b>Sat 24<sup>th</sup>-Mon 26<sup>th</sup> May (Spring B.H)</b>	<b>Peak District -Dark Peak</b>
<b>No 6</b>	<b>Silver Practice</b>	<b>Fri 20<sup>th</sup> – Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>The Long Mynd Area</b>
<b>No 7</b>	<b>Bronze Practice Part 2</b>	<b>Sat 5<sup>th</sup>-Sun 6<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>The Boyne Estate Bridgnorth</b>
<b>No 8</b>	<b>Gold Assessment</b>	<b>Sat 19<sup>th</sup>-Thu 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>North Wales (Eryri)</b>
<b>No 9</b>	<b>Bronze Extra (If required only)</b>	<b>Sat 16<sup>th</sup>- Sun 17<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>The Boyne Estate</b>
<b>No 10</b>	<b>Pre-Meeting Bronze For Parents/Participants</b>	<b>Sat 27<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Lanesfield Church Hall 2 – 4 pm</b>
<b>No 11</b>	<b>Bronze Assessment</b>	<b>Sat 11<sup>th</sup> – Sun 12<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Cannock Chase Area</b>

**Note's:** 1 # The Burwarton Show . Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August - Help always required.  
2 # If not, enough Silver's come forward – Weekends No 4 & No 6 will be cancelled  
3 # Silver Assessment in Spring 2026.

## **DofE Expedition Section**

### **Information on Training & Assessment Sessions / Weekends.**

#### **Bronze Expedition.**

For those New Participants partaking in Bronze Expedition Section this session.

The following Afternoon Sessions & Weekends must be attended:

No 2, No 3, No 7, & No 10 are for Qualifying Accreditation.

On completion of these, then Weekend No 11 can be attended for Qualifying Assessment.

(Note: If trainers feel an extra weekend is required, it may be No 9)

#### **Silver Expedition.**

For those participants partaking in Silver Expedition Section Training.

The following Sessions & Weekends must be attended:

No 4 & No 6 as a minimum.

It is planned at we operate a Silver Qualifying Expedition during spring 2026.

#### **Gold Expedition.**

For those participants who wish to go forward for the Qualifying Expedition

The following Training Weekends must be attended.

These being No 1 & No 5

On completion of those two weekends training then they will be eligible for the week in July,

This being week No 8.

### **Training & Assessment Fee's.**

#### **Bronze Expedition.**

The fee for the Bronze Training Sessions / Weekends & Qualifying Assessment will be £75.00 per participant.

This includes your Training, Training Schedule Materials & Camp Site Fee's,

But **NOT** any food or transport to & from the ventures.

We have some camping equipment that can be borrowed & loaned by participants.

This will be issued on a "*First Booked Basis*", with any loss or damage payable)

#### **Silver Expedition.**

The fee for the Silver Training Sessions / Weekends will be £75.00 per participant.

(This includes your Training, Training Schedule Materials & Camp Site Fee's,

But **NOT** any food or transport to & from the ventures.

Please Note.

The Three-Day Silver Qualifying Assessment in Spring 2026, will have an additional payment.

Included in this fee will be your Assessment Administration, Camp Site Fee's,

but not Food or Traveling Fee.

Details of this Assessment will be available later into the 2025 expedition season.

#### **Gold Expedition**

The cost for the Training Weekend (No 1) & the cost for the Practice Weekend (No 5) will be £95.00

This includes your Training, Training Schedule Materials & Camp Site Fee's,

But **NOT** any food or transport to & from the ventures

The cost for the 6-day *Qualifying Expedition* in North Wales (No 8) will be £150.00

This includes all camping fees, Assessors fee & Centre Accommodation.

But **NOT** any expedition food or transport to & from the ventures.



***The Boys' Brigade.  
Wolverhampton & Shropshire Battalion.***

**DofE Expedition Section for 2025.**

**Participant Training & Assessment Booking Form.**

**Please return ASAP.**

Participants Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company / Unit / Group: \_\_\_\_\_

(If an Independent Participant, please state Independent)

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's edofe Number if already registered with DofE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle your requirements as from the Event Dates.**

**Bronze Section.**      No 2      No 3      No 7      No 10      No 11

**Silver Section.**      No 4      No 6

**Gold Group.**      No 1      No 5

**Contact Details for Booking.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Landline: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Course Fee's.**

**Course Fee Payments for 2025 being £75.00 per participant.**

If paying by CHEQUE or BACS, please make payable to : "The Boys' Brigade Wolverhampton Battalion"  
Barclays Bank. Sort Code: 20-93-15. Account No : 20195472

**CASH payments are always acceptable.**

**PLEASE RETURN BOOKING FORM TO:**

**Dave Briscoe.**

**3 Fern Leys. Finchfield. Wolverhampton. West Midlands. WV3 9EJ.**

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