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Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

I've been offered the opportunity of joining the East Devon co-ordinator for a Silver assessed expedition;

Sat. 30th, Sun. 31st & Mon. 1st Sep.

This is over subscribed, but we have first shout at the places, so it's critical that those who say they want a place do actually take part.

We must complete a minimum of one training camp of the same duration before the event. Some of our pupils are very skilled having completed other walking event with us; Abbots way, Exmoor Challenge, Bronze DofE & Ten Tors.

However I have been embarrassed once before with one group's poor performance in low-land areas, navigating on paths can be rather tricky at times & is a different skill set to upland areas. The practise is very important. The assessment is not a rubber stamp event, they must deliver.

The group is expected to undertake all the planning & complete the expedition unaided. They will not be accompanied by an adult on the assessed expedition.

The assessor & the trainer, parachute onto the group at undisclosed points to check up on their progress.

We need to get the training camp done before we break-up, wow, when! Sun. 6th Mon. 7th & Tue. 8th July looks like the only possibility.

The training is much more relaxed & would be a great opportunity for the Bronze group to get out to. They would be completing an extra night & day in their training, ideal.

I plan to get the Bronze group assessed in mid to late September.

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wish	to attend:
?	Bronze & Silver Training expedition; Sun. 6 th Mon. 7 th & Tue. 8 th July Cost £20
?	Silver Assessed expedition; Sat. 30 th , Sun. 31 st & Mon. 1 st Sep.
•	Cost to be confirmed (about £40)