



2022 Camping Newsletter

Outline

As many of you already know, we opened 17 acres of camping up in 2021 for families to enjoy as the country came out of COVID restrictions and foreign holidays were not possible. It was a learning experience, and we were struck by visitor interest in upland farming and food production.

As the UK looks at a winter of more COVID uncertainty, this newsletter intends to lay out the lessons that we have learnt and our plans for 2022 in order that families can make plans and have a holiday to look forward to.

Camping

Our 2022 camping season will be 01st April – 29th Aug. As in 2021, campers will continue to arrive and select their own pitch, but we are going to set aside a quiet field to the Northeast for visitors who want to enjoy a little tranquillity. The quiet field will be booked separately on [Pitch Up](#). There are 15 pitches.

To preserve the unique space and experience of camping with us, we are going to limit camping capacity with us to 60 pitches other than the following Bank Holidays when we will open additional (surge) fields and increase the capacity to 90 pitches.

15th April – 18th April Easter

29th April – 03rd May Early May Bank Holiday

02nd Jun – 05th June Spring Bank Holiday & The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

26th Aug – 29th Aug Summer Bank Holiday

Book here: https://www.pitchup.com/campsites/England/North_West/Cumbria/Sedbergh/farm-fell-campsite/

Facilities

The 3 camping fields that will host our 60 camping pitches will boast:

- 6 Porcelain, fitted toilets
- 4 Hot Showers
- A dry stone wall built sink in each field for washing dishes
- A mains water tap in each field
- An Elsan point
- A waste recycling point
- Fire Pits. We guarantee a fire pit for every pitch



Catering

On site catering will continue to be available for breakfast & evening meal in peak season, serving produce from the farm.

Breakfast and BBQ packs will be available. We ask that packs are booked at least 24hrs in advance. Griddle's to fit on fire pits for cooking will be available to buy on site.

In off-peak and quiet times, we offer a free lift to and from Sedbergh to make the most of local hospitality.

Transport

Where families and groups want to extend the range of their activities, we offer a free drop off within a 10-mile radius of Sedbergh for fell walking and canoeing/rafting.

Family Challenges

We were delighted with the response to the 2021 family challenges and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive.

For 2022 we will be laying down additional family challenges to further orientate families to Sedbergh and expose parts of the area that visitors often miss..... be prepared to get wet.

Recycling

Rubbish was our biggest headache this year, so we are going to ask all visitors to recycle at breakfast and evening meal timings. Outside these times the bin area will be locked and we will ask visitors to take rubbish home with them.

After a number of fires in the rubbish caused by disposable BBQ's re-ignighting, I'm afraid we are stopping the use of disposable BBQ's on site and we will ask all campers to cook on the fire pits.



Farm Activities

In 2021 we were surprised by the visitor interest in upland farming and food production (I think Jeremy Clarkson had something to do with it). In 2022, farm activities will be adjusted as follows:

All campers will be invited to join us to feed the following animals free of charge between 0900-1000hrs every Saturday & Sunday:

- Hens
- Ducks
- Pigs & piglets

The following specialist farm activities will take place at a cost of £5 per participant (parents free), per hour (maximum 10 participants):

1st April to 15th May – Lambing Live

- Lambing course (2 hours)
- Feeding pet lambs
- Mucking out and bedding pet lambs
- Assistant shepherd. Monitoring the lambing sheep and assisting where required.

20th to 22nd May, 27th to 29th May, 01st to 05th June – Calf Rearing

- Calf rearing course (2 hours)
- Bottle feeding calves
- Mucking out and bedding calves

10th to 12th Jun, 17th to 19th Jun, 24th to 26th Jun, 01st to 03rd Jul – Sheep Shearing & Shepherding

- Sheep dog demonstration
- Sheep shearing demonstration
- Sheep shearing practical (you keep your own fleece)
- Wool spinning demonstration
- Wool weaving demonstration

08th to 10th Jul, 15th to 17th Jul – Fell Pony School

- Fell Pony Familiarisation
- Safe Handling
- How to prepare a pony for riding & driving including fitting a trap/cart
- Pony Grooming & Exercise

To book the farm activities, please visit: <https://www.farmandfell.co.uk/farm-life>



Hells Fells 2022 **08th – 14th Aug**

Hells fells is our annual charity week to support armed forces, NHS and emergency service veterans and serving families.

Adventure Training

From the 08th to 12th Aug, we will provide a free summer holiday for all of the families that our Rawthey Project www.rawthey.org has been supporting throughout the year. An army team of adventure training instructors will join us for the week and lead activities including:

- Sailing/Canoeing/Paddle Boarding
- Rock Climbing/Abseiling
- Fell Walking & ghyll scrambling
- Target Shooting
- Mountain Biking

For 2022 we are inviting 15 families to join the Hells Fells team for the week of adventure training. The total cost for the family, for the week (including camping) will be £250. The fee is donated to the Rawthey Project.

Family Festival

For the weekend of 12th to 14th Aug, we hold our annual Hells Fells Family Festival to fundraise for the Rawthey Project and raise awareness of the issues faced by our beneficiaries.

The weekend includes live music Friday & Saturday night (finishing by 2300hrs) so we limit camping over the weekend to those attending. The days are action packed with family challenges, trial biking, family entertainment and much more. Details can be found at www.hellsfells.co.uk

The price for the weekend is £100 per family including camping and entrance to the festival (maximum of 2 adults and 2 children per pitch). Extra tickets for a pitch cost £10 per adult and £2 per child per night.

Questions

Please email any questions to: bookings@farmandfell.co.uk or call Brian on 07894 739 232.

We look forward to seeing you.