

# Guidance for Meet Organisers

This is a guide to help support meet organisers where “tough judgement” calls may be encountered, particularly on family meets at the hut. It also serves to encourage a larger variety of members to organise club trips in the future by describing the process involved.

All ideas for meets will be considered and having organisers does promote an active club atmosphere.



## ALL MEETS

- In good time before a meet (eg the Tuesday before a w/e meet), collate a list of those planning to attend (taking into account notes on children and guests found here)
- Include notes on location, possible activities, min levels of expertise, links to guidebooks or anything else relevant.
- Invite offers of lifts from drivers to reduce the number of vehicles and promote camaraderie during the journey.
- Highlight any specifics e.g. parking/access restrictions, latest arrival times, segregated sleeping areas etc
- Ensure fees are collected or paid directly, and recorded as required (eg in the hut fee book)
- Consider writing a blog or report for inclusion in the next newsletter



## LONGER MEETS

- Liaise with the committee regarding any deposit or booking fees for accommodation and transportation (eg ferry/plane / hire car) where appropriate.
- Promote the meet to members via email, clearly detailing the booking process for the meet.
- Further communication with interested parties may be conducted by appropriate means.
- Additional requirements eg vaccinations, permits, insurance and collate details for use in case of emergency.
- Consider a blog, a newsletter report or a slideshow.



## FAMILY MEETS

- All camping meets are open to children of any age with their parents/legal guardians.
- Children are also welcome at Tal-y-Braich but only during meets marked as “Family Meets”. Each member can take up to 3 children/guests - subject to bunk availability.
- Prospective members (PMs) can take children but the child must be the ‘guest’ of a full member.
- The committee suggests a minimum ratio of 2 full members per PM.
- Where possible, the bottom bunks should be reserved for younger children. Family members may share bunks as dictated by the child’s parent/guardian concerns.
- The 2 bunk rooms of the cottage can be used to segregate boys/girls or separate families. Use of the external door as a means of accessing the back bunk room is encouraged.
- Members attending a Family Meet who are not bringing a child should stay in the byre.
- Members remain able to make exclusive bookings of the hut which are free of these restrictions.



## CHILDREN & GUESTS

- A guest can only attend a meet at the invitation of a full club member.
- A full member can take up to 3 guests (where bunk spaces allow). Prospective members are normally unable to invite guests on club meets.
- On a Family meet at TyB a child will take one of the member’s 3 guest places.
- Children (under 16) are only allowed to attend camping meets and designated “Family Meets”
- 16 & 17 year-olds can attend all meets but must have a loco-parentis form completed if not attending with their parent / legal guardian.
- Priority for bunks will be given to Members and Prospective Members. Guests may then occupy any unfilled bunks.
- Guests do not benefit from the club’s liability cover provided through the BMC. Children can be added to the cover through the committee.