

## Risk assessment

Name of activity, event, and location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pennine St Georges Day</li> <li>• Axe Throwing</li> <li>• Springfield Park, Marland, Rochdale</li> </ul>	Date of risk assessment	01/12/2025	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Matthew Rush
		Date of next review	01/12/2026		

What could go wrong? What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	What are you going to do about it? How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed? How will they be communicated to young people and adults and remain inclusive to all needs?	Review & revise What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Slips and Trips	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Advise to wear appropriate footwear.</li> <li>+ Advise that ground may be slippery.</li> <li>+ Be aware of tree roots</li> </ul>	
Safeguarding	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Leaders to question any suspicious figures and report it to the marshals, DLV or event lead.</li> <li>+ Fire assembly point to be pointed out at the start of the service after the colour party has entered.</li> <li>+ No parents allowed in the area where the service will be held.</li> <li>+ Any young person separated from their group will return to the stage where the event lead will be. This will be pointed out at the start of the service after the colour party has entered.</li> </ul>	
Wet Weather	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Everyone to be advised to bring coats.</li> <li>+ Groups have the option to put up shelters.</li> <li>+ Go/No Go call on parade and activities to be made by event leader and DLV depending on weather.</li> </ul>	
Geese and other Animals	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Do not feed or touch any animals</li> <li>+ Avoid running at them</li> </ul>	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Wash hands after any contact if it cannot be helped</li> <li>+ Watch out for poo</li> </ul>	
Steep Hills	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Stick to paths and main scouting grassed area</li> <li>+ No running</li> </ul>	
Dropping items on feet	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Ensure all on base are wearing appropriate footwear: -</li> <li>+ No sandals, 'Crocs', flip flops or open toed shoes to be worn</li> <li>+ No bare feet</li> </ul>	
Manual handling	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Moving axes from storage to built range to be done in a secure box so no sharp edges are out during transport</li> <li>+ Moving targets to be done with a minimum of 2 people and using the trolley.</li> </ul>	
Cuts	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Ensure participants are aware that the tomahawks/ axes are sharp and not to touch the cutting edge under any circumstances</li> <li>+ Remove the tomahawk/axe carefully from the target only under instruction or Instructor to remove. Remove holding flat of no throwing hand onto target away from the blades. Wiggle axe up and down to remove axe from target.</li> <li>+ Regularly inspect axes as they may clash during throwing and cause burrs.</li> <li>+ First will be based next to the stage</li> </ul>	
Alcohol, drugs or smoking	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ No person will be allowed on the base under the influence of drugs or alcohol</li> <li>+ No smoking allowed on the base</li> </ul>	
Persons entering the range	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Area to be fenced off correctly with approximate signage and warnings.</li> <li>+ Only one entrance/exit which will be sign posted</li> </ul>	

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		+ Instructor to stop all activity should someone enter the range when not instructed to do so. If they fail to comply or it happens multiple times then the activity will be shut.	
Instructor - Training	All	+ Instructor to have undergone adiquet training either provided by the governing body or a scout campsite  + Instructor to of already instructed at other locations (for experience)	
Instructor – Instructions	All	+ Instructions to be clear  + Anyone not listening to instructions to be removed from the activity	
POR	All	+ Ensure that ranges and instructors comply with scout fact sheet FS120011	

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