



BCA Local Cave Leader Level 2 Training

With Steve Banks

Overview

Steve Banks Outdoors runs a wide range of caving provision both home and abroad to suit all interests. This British Caving Association (BCA) course is the second step on the instructional ladder. Holders of this award have been assessed as competent to lead others in a restricted number of caves with simple pitches up to 18m in depth. The list of caves is personal to each individual and is agreed at assessment. The training course comprises 2 days of practical and theoretical input which will be run as far as possible in line with Steve's strong experiential ethos. Assessments need to be arranged directly with BCA assessors (such as Steve), this process will be explained during training.

The basic qualification covers appropriate equipment and rigging, ladder usage, safety lines, group abseiling, rescue procedures and group leadership and management. Most individuals additionally opt, at assessment, to include Single Rope Technique (SRT) use for the leader. This element will therefore be covered as part of the training course.

Dates and Cost

As advertised on the website though bespoke courses can be run by arrangement – please call to discuss your needs.

Venue

This course will be based in the Western Dales. It is a non-residential course though advice and assistance is available if needed.

Equipment

Whilst it is anticipated that most trainees will possess most of their own kit, Steve has excellent technical equipment for caving which will be available should you need it.

Prerequisites

You must have registered on the BCA's Local Cave and Mine Leader Scheme, have completed the Level 1 Local Cave Leader award and arrive on the course with your BCA logbook up to date. You do not need to join the BCA to register.



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Potential programme

Day 1:

9.00am Meet at a suitable venue to be announced
Welcome and introductions
Remit and content of the award
Relevant Equipment

10.00am Move to suitable surface training venue
Training and Practise above ground
Personal SRT check
Rigging for Level 2 Cave Leaders

5.00pm Review and discussion of relevant topics.
Plan and organise appropriate trip for following day in Dales.

6.00pm Finish

Day 2:

9.00am Meet at prearranged venue,
Training and practise underground

4.00pm Return to base
Personal debrief and action plan
Course review

6.00pm Course closure and depart

If you are interested in this course or would like to discuss it further please contact Steve – he'll be very happy to advise and assist you in any way he can.

Due to high staff/client ratios and the highly disruptive effect of late withdrawals, any course cancelled within 30 days of the start will incur loss of all fees. If you have any concerns regarding your ability to participate in a course on which you have enrolled you are strongly advised to take out appropriate insurance. Steve Banks is not in a position to indemnify clients against any illness, injury or other misfortune which may affect attendance. If a course has to be cancelled a full refund will be given.



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