

19 Feb 2010 - APOLLO/CHALLENGER - NORFOLK CAMP



To view photos taken over the weekend

SEE HERE

<http://picasaweb.google.com/2ndNene/>

We arrived at the Mill on Friday evening.

After breakfast on Saturday, some of the evening food was prepared and then it was time for a walk.

Three groups of Scouts chose their own route ending up on the beach near Cromer Pier. The tide was going out and some of the Scouts decided to see if they could get as close to the water without getting wet – THEY LOST.

After Greg had taken a short nap on a bench on the Pier (see link to Photos above) it was back to the Windmill to prepare the rest of the evening meal. The marinated pork bake had been left in the cold on the first floor landing of the Mill. When we got back all we could smell was GARLIC.

The menu was

Soup with freshly baked bread.

Pizza slices – made on the night.

Pork & vegetable bake.

Expertly, freshly made profiteroles with chocolate and cream.

Freshly made “Cookies”

The Scouts made and prepared all of the above food from first principles.

By the time we had eaten this lot we were rather full.

Did we abseil down the Tower?

Nearly – everyone was ready and then it started to snow & the photo above shows a view from the top of Windmill about 30 minutes after it started snowing.

Plan B was put into operation – swimming at Sheringham Leisure Pool, with its wave pool and 150 foot slide.

After a packed lunch Greg drove us back to the HQ.

A very good weekend, enjoyed by all.



ROUGHTON MILL was built in 1815 and stands on the site of the former Post Mills dating back to the 17th century. In 1906 the Mill was destroyed by fire and remained a ruin until the local Scout Group took possession on Christmas Day 1977.

The Mill was one of the tallest in East Anglia, and without sails, is nearly 60ft high and is the tallest abseil tower in the district.

Facilities include a Main Hall (25'*50'), which can be slit in two and used for indoor sleeping for boys and girls. Leaders sleep separately in the base of the tower. The kitchen is equipped with electric cookers and a refrigerator. The ground floor of the tower is the reception area, suitable for quiet activities, and also contains Ladies' and Gentleman's toilets. The rest of the floors are not currently available to visiting parties. Additional toilets, together with two showers are located in the end of the hall.

The Mill stands in approximately half an acre of land. Roughton village is one mile to the South and Cromer is two miles to the North.

Facilities in the area include heath land, woodland and grassland with sandy beaches and rocky pools on the coast.

LOCATION. The Mill is located at Grid Ref [TG 217 393](#).

For a MAP see [HERE](#)

http://www.multimap.com/maps/?qs=TG+217+393.+&countryCode=GB#map=52.90538,1.29535|14|4&dp=os&bd=useful_informati on&loc=GB:52.9054:1.29528:14|TG217393|TG217393

More details about the Mill can be found here.

<http://www.norfolkmills.co.uk/Windmills/roughton-mill-hill-towermill.html>