

ABBOT'S HOUSE FARM BUNKHOUSE BARN

USEFUL INFORMATION January 2010

REGISTRATION

Please call at the farmhouse to **register** and collect a key. (£10 deposit).

FUEL

Logs and coal are kept in bins in the shed immediately behind the main building. Access is through the narrow passage between the buildings.

THE STOVE

For best results, *keep the firebars and ashpan free from ash build-up*. The stove will burn all fuels, coke will burn the longest. Close the lower dampers on the stove front to prevent the fire from 'burning up' too quickly, once a steady fire is established. The top plate may be used to boil water, keep tea hot etc.- take care, it gets very hot.

PLEASE CLEAN OUT THE FIREGRATE BEFORE YOU LEAVE, PUT THE ASH IN THE YARD BINS, and clean all cooking appliances before you leave.

HEATING and WATER

When the stove is lit, it will heat the hot water cylinder and two radiators, one in the small dorm, and one in the large dorm nearest the door. The hot water will be drawn from the right hand hot tap above the kitchen sink. Hot water will also be provided to all taps and showers in the hostel facilities area. There is a long 'dead-leg' of water to this area, so about 60 seconds or so is needed for the hot water to reach from the storage cylinder.

When the stove is not lit, there will be hot water provided automatically, to all taps and showers, from the gas boiler. Please be patient, there is also a long 'dead-leg' on this circuit too. Hot water in this case is provided from the centre tap on the kitchen sink.

All other radiators will be hot from the gas system if conditions require heating to be on.

OUTDOOR CLOTHING

Note the drying room is temporarily out of use, and is being converted to a WC wetroom for disabled use. The understairs area may be used to place boots etc **Please avoid bringing muddy boots into the main building, especially the dormitories.**

RUBBISH

Please use the bins in the kitchen, toilets and the yard, and ensure the whole building is left clean and tidy as you would expect to find it, thanks.

FIRE

Smoke alarms are positioned where necessary. The large dormitory window opens onto a metal roof, and may be used as an emergency exit. Keep the lower corridor emergency doors closed and clear of items at all times to enable emergency use.

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