

Gaelic Wolf Software's Outdoor Activity Planner Version 1.0

Introduction -

Welcome to Gaelic Wolf Software's Outdoor Activity Planner. This package is designed to help you plan safe, challenging outdoor activities of all types, from one day outings in a park to wilderness backpacking, canoeing, and mountaineering in any season or terrain. It is well suited for planning activities for both individuals and groups. You can even use it as a preliminary planning guide for major expeditions.

The copy you have downloaded is designed for use with either the retail release of Microsoft® Access version 2.0 or with its runtime version. If you do not own Access 2.0, you can register this software by sending the included registration form and a cheque for US \$20.00 to:

**Norman J. MacLeod
1300 South Farmview Drive, #M-16
Dover, DE 19904**

In return, you will receive the complete version of the software, which includes your individual serial number, and a disk set containing the application, a runtime version of Access 2.0, and a complete set of help files, and a file that will print a user's guide, using your Windows™ word processor.

The Gaelic Wolf application on-line help system is somewhat unique, because we do not stop at just telling you how to operate the software, but we also give you a lot of information on why you should be using a particular planning step. We then go on to present you with a lot of practical tips on wilderness leadership and safety that will help enhance your ability to live and work in the outdoors in safety and at least relative comfort. You may well find yourself using the help files as much for an outdoor technique reference as for information on how to fill in the blanks!

System Requirements -

This version of the Outdoor Activity Planner requires Microsoft® Windows™ version 3.1 or higher and either the retail or runtime version of Microsoft® Access 2.0.

In common with many of today's software packages, the Planner is unfortunately rather greedy in terms of system resources. While it will run on an i386 compatible processor with 4MB of RAM, it will be painfully slow. Life becomes much happier with the Planner if you have 8MB or more of RAM, and even better if you are using an i486 compatible or Pentium processor.

NOTE: You may have difficulties displaying the included documents in Print Preview mode if you do not have adequate memory in your system, as well as problems gaining complete display of all screen objects when a form includes graphics. While we have not experienced any difficulties in this regard with 8MB of RAM, you may experience a problem or two if you have a lot of device drivers loaded in the first 640K of RAM.

We have found that we get excellent performance using a 486 with 8MB or more of RAM, but realise that you may not have this type of resource available to you. A 386 with 8MB is more than adequate, and you can get by with 4MB, if you are patient. We feel that your patience will be rewarded if this is the case.

The Planner is not available for Macintosh systems.

Printing is possible on any printer supported by Microsoft® Windows™.

Other Information -

The custom toolbar developed as part of this application has been deactivated in this uploaded version, since retail Microsoft® Access 2.0 already has toolbars available, and an extra toolbar will alter the appearance of the bottom edge of the form panels. The toolbar is active in the version that will be sent to you when you register.

Since we are just starting out, and are only part time (in the evening after work kind of thing), we are not yet able to offer lots of support. We are sorry that this is the case, but hope that you will understand our position. If we have substantial success with this product, we will expand and hire someone to take care of production/packaging and support as soon as it becomes economically feasible.

At this point, technical support is limited to those of you who register the software officially, using the form provided. Instructions on obtaining that support are included in the help file of the full package that you will receive by return mail.

We offer you the opportunity to help us build future software packages. If you would like to be included, we will be able to use photos (with proper attribution, of course), as well as your outdoor experiences.

We are particularly interested in accounts of problems encountered in the outdoors and how they were resolved (as well as in the outcomes). Copies of reports from search and rescue (SAR) agencies involved (if any) are also of great value to us in building future wilderness use and wilderness leadership training packages. We will fully respect your wishes in regard to whether or not your name or the names of others involved can be used. There is a specific release form included in the help file for the Outdoor Activity Planning software.

Again, let us take this opportunity to thank you for purchasing a copy of the full version of the Gaelic Wolf Outdoor Activity Planner. Should this venture prove successful, we will make the effort to expand on the format we have selected to increase the package's flexibility and ease of use and improve it for you. We hope you enjoy what we have made for you, and that you will use it to help build more enjoyable and safer outdoor activities. Your suggestions are much appreciated and very welcome.

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Registration

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Name: _____

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Thank you very much for your time and support.

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