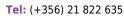


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1400-1630hrs

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April 2017

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Sun 23rd Apr	Annual Parade @HQ	0900-1300hrs

Beavers

Wed 5th Apr	Easter Craft @HQ	1800-1930hrs
Wed 12th Apr	Spiritual Meeting - Good Friday @HQ	1800-1900hrs
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Pack Moving on Beavers should attend only were marked (+MOB). Link Badge members to attend

where marked	(+LB) for	both Pack &	Troop Sections.
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Easter Craft (+MOB)/Booking for National Treasure Hunt @HQ	1130-1330hrs
Badge Workout Camp (+LB/+MOB) @Zurrieq Campsite	1730-1500hrs
Maudy Thursday Activity (+LB) @HQ	1100-1315hrs
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Sun 30th Apr National Treasure Hunt @HQ 0745-1400hrs

Troop

Sat 1st Apr

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Fri 14th Apr	Forcina Bearers for Good Friday Procession in Senglea + LB @HQ	1710-2130hrs
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Band

Sun 2nd Apr	Band Rehearsal for Good Friday Parade @ Gozo @HQ	0800-1000hrs
Sun 9th Apr	Band Rehearsal for Good Friday Parade @ Gozo @HQ	0800-1000hrs
Fri 14th Apr	Good Friday Procession - Gozo @HQ	1300hrs onwards

Group

Fri 21st Apr Drill Practice @Bulebel 1830-2015hrs

"Alert, Stand At Ease, Alert....Right Turn...."

Time for some drill practice to sharpen our marching skills. The annual parade is right around the corner and practice makes perfect!

ALL group members are to meet at Bulebel Industrial Estate at 1830hrs and we will finish at around 2000hrs at the same place.

It is important that everyone attends this practice session and all members are encouraged to make every effort to have the new scout uniform ready in time for this event.

All members (i.e. beavers, cubs, scouts, ventures, rovers, leaders and council members) <u>are kindly asked to bring €2</u>. This will be collected to help cover transport expenses for the annual parade.

Sun 23rd Apr Annual Parade @HQ 0900-1300hrs

NOTE: We will not be attending Mass before the parade. Members are kindly advised to make alternative arrangements. It is very important that all members have a **good breakfast** in the morning.

Programme

0900hrs: ALL Group members are to meet at HQ dressed in the new uniform. We will head to Floriana where we will assemble on the Granaries where some light refreshments will be provided.

1100hrs: Marching starts from Floriana towards Valletta. This year the South District will be heading the parade.

Approx. 1300hrs: Arrival back at HQ (exact time may vary depending on traffic conditions and the duration of the parade itself).

A fee of €2 for transport will be collected during the group drill on the 21st April.

Beavers

Beavers are reminded to stay up to date with their monthly fees.

Wed 5th Apr Easter Craft @HQ 1800-1930hrs

Today we will be doing our Easter Craft. Beavers are reminded to bring an apron, craft bag and \mathfrak{t}_1 for the items which will be bought by the leaders.

Wed 12th Apr Spiritual Meeting - Good Friday @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Today we will learn about the true meaning of Good Friday. This Spiritual meeting will be delivered by Shada (a leader within the pack section).

Wed 19th Apr Drill + Games @HQ 1800-1900hrs

It's time to start practicing our marching skills for the Annual Parade. For new members it is important to learn the promise which can be found in the beaver handbook. We will end the meeting with some games. Beavers are reminded to pay $\ensuremath{\notin} 2$ for the Annual Parade transport.

Fri 21st Apr Group Drill @Bulebel 1830-2000hrs

Today we will be having the investiture ceremony of new beaver members and the moving on ceremony for beavers who will be continuing their progress with the pack section.

We will try to finish before 20.00.

See group details for more information.

Sun 23rd Apr Annual Parade @HQ 0900-1300hrs

A special event, we have been waiting for :)

Beavers are reminded to have a good breakfast in the morning.

See group details for more information.

Sat 29th Apr Tracking Signs Hike @HQ 1000-1400hrs

Today we will again be doing the tracking sign hike. This time we hope for some good weather. Beavers are reminded to bring a packed lunch with them. We will meet at HQ and finish the activity at our HQ.

Pack

April is jam-packed with different activities which we hope you will all attend and enjoy - a section camp, holy week activities, the annual parade and to end it all....a national activity!!

Until further notice, this will be the last month that there will be +MOB and +LB in the circular. Whilst we welcome our 6 new members, we wish the best of luck to the 6 cubs who we proudly see as scouts now :))

Sat 1st Apr Easter Craft (+MOB)/Booking for National Treasure Hunt @HQ

1130-1330hrs

There will only be two weeks left for Easter and this is the only weekend we have some time to do an Easter craft!!

First and foremost cubs are to get their craft bag which should include all the items necessary (the same one you will be getting for the camp and which is found on the camp list). The most important item in the craft bag for this craft is the liquid glue. Then all you have to get is a **square** facecloth (pastel colour if possible) and 1/2 metre ribbon of a colour of your choice which goes well with the facecloth colour. Cubs are to get also 0.50 for items bought by the leaders.

Today booking should be done for the National Treasure Hunt in Valletta on 30th April - Consent Form + €8 (€5 participation fee which includes a certificate, snack and drink and €3 for transport) - all details in this circular. This is the first meeting that MOBs will be attending with us as cubs!!

Fri 7th Apr - Sun 9th Apr Badge Workout Camp (+LB/+MOB) @Zurrieq Campsite

1730-1500hrs

The camp has finally arrived!! This is the last camp with Pack for the Link Badge members whilst the Moving on Beavers will be joining us on Saturday morning to do a badge with us. All details are on the Camp List given out to all the cubs in previous meetings together with the badge requirement sheets....Cubs should come prepared!!

Just a sum up of the timings please:

- Link Badge and Gold Arrow cubs to arrive at 4.30pm on Friday 7th April for help in pitching of tents
- Rest of the cubs should come between 5.30-6.00pm on Friday 7th April
- One-nighters and Moving on Beavers should come on Saturday 8th April at 7.45am in time for flag break and breakfast
- Moving on Beavers leave after lunch on Saturday 8th April at 1.15pm
- Camp ends for the rest of the cubs on Sunday 9th April at 3pm and parents are invited for the closing ceremony
- Please do not forget Health Form to be given to leaders upon arrival at the campsite (except MOBs)

Map of Zurrieg Scouts HQ Campsite sent to all parents by Akela.

Thu 13th Apr

Maudy Thursday Activity (+LB) @HQ

1100-1315hrs

Please note that today meeting starts at 11.00am (not 11.30am) and we finish a bit earlier

This year we decided to watch a film together about the life of Jesus Christ - this is a lovely film especially adapted for children and Shada will be commenting on certain episodes.

Cubs can get a bottle of water to drink, however no snacks should be brought - this is not a DVD night and cubs should refrain from snacking to serve as a small sacrifice....the Lord made a much bigger sacrifice - He gave His life so that we live!!

Fri 21st Apr

Group Drill (+LB) @Bulebel

1830-2015hrs

Today the Pack will balance itself out :)) - 6 link badge members will be going up to the Troop Section, whilst 6 moving on beavers will join the Pack!!

Please see details in Group Section of circular. Parents of MOBs are kindly asked to remove from the uniform all badges relating to the Beavers section - if in difficulty please ask the leaders. Moving on Beavers today should wear the new cub's woggle given to them in previous meetings.

Transport fee for Sunday's parade should be paid today

Sun 23rd Apr Annual Parade @HQ

0900-1300hrs

The moving on beavers....new cubs will today march with the Pack Section whilst the link badge members....new scouts will today march with the Troop Section!!

All details are in the Group Section of the circular, Full and proper parade uniform should be worn. We suggest you take a good breakfast before coming and kindly note that we will not be hearing Mass together.

This is one of the activities organized by the Zejtun Scout Group to commemorate their 100 years and Packs from all over Malta were invited to attend.

This treasure hunt is being held at Valletta and is also being held in aid of the Richmond Foundation. Members will be divided into mixed groups and spend the morning solving challenging routes and puzzles which will lead them on an adventure of discovery and fun. This will also help develop the cubs' interpersonal skills, make new friends, learn about Valletta's rich history and further their scouting skills. Children forming part of the Richmond Foundation will also be taking part in this activity.

A snack and drink will be given when the activity is over, before giving out the certificate of participation however, cubs are urged to bring their own drink for the day and a small healthy snack (like a fruit for example) which is easily eaten along the way (no packed lunches please). Cubs are to get also a pencil case with them and attend in full activity uniform - uniform combat trousers can be worn + activity sweatshirt, cap & scarf.

Cubs are to revise the scouting arrows which they have done till now, since along the way, questions will be asked from the arrow sessions and also about Valletta in general - come prepared and do your best!!

Booking for this activity was done on 1st April.

Troop

Sat 1st Apr Sessions + LB @HQ 1400-1630hrs

We will be having sessions, so anyone who feels ready for a test, come prepared. Do not forget the scout handbook.

Today is the last day to book for the rounders activity in two weeks time. A fee of €2.50 along with a duly signed consent form is to be collected by today.

Today is also the last day to book for the expedition activity. A fee of €4 that includes transport & campsite fee, along with a duly signed permission form is to be collected by today. Fee for LB members will be €1.50 which covers campsite fee since they will not be making use of transport.

Wed 12th Apr Rounders + LB @HQ 1700-2000hrs

Today we will be heading to Ta Qali to play some rounders and other outdoor games. Do not forget to bring plenty of water and some snacks.

Last day to book for this activity was on the 1st of April.

Fri 14th Apr Forcina Bearers for Good Friday Procession in Senglea + LB @HQ 1710-2130hrs

Tradition is an important part of our cultural identity and we enjoy any opportunity to strengthen local traditions - especially if it means being of service to others whilst doing so!

Those scouts who will not be joining the band in Gozo will be assisting the Good Friday procession in Senglea by carrying the *forcina* to assist the statue bearers during the procession.

It is important that any member who is not able to attend for this event notifies the SL or GSL as early on as possible as the group is committed to having a specific number of scouts present for the event.

Mon 17th Apr - Tue 18th Apr Expedition (patrol competition) + LB @HQ 1300-1330hrs

We will be having a two day expedition which will be a patrol competition. Every member has to prepare a lot of food for dinner & breakfast and lunch. You will also need healthy light snacks as these are very much needed during the expedition. However be prepared of balancing the amount of weight in your rucksack as you will be carrying your stuff. Each patrol has to bring a stove and cutlery with them. A good sleep and breakfast is recommended before this meeting.

Troop members are to meet @ the headquarters at 13:00 (except link badge members). Link badge members are to meet us @ Birzebbugia campsite at 19:00.

The expedition will also end at the headquarters on the 18th of April @ 13:30.

Last day to book for this activity was on the 1st of April.

Fri 21st Apr Group Drill @Bulebel

See group section for further details.

Sun 23rd Apr Annual Parade @HQ

See group section for further details.

Fri 28th Apr Sessions @HQ 1700-1930hrs

Today we shall be meeting at our HQ for some sessions and tests. Those doing their tests, please come prepared so that you will not be disappointed.

Unit

Fri 7th Apr Help cubs at BWC Zurrieq campsite @Zurrieq campsite

1630-2230hrs

Today we will meet at Zurrieq campsite to pitch the tents that our lovely cubs will sleep in. Afterwards, we will organize night games for cubs.

Sun 9th Apr Help cubs at BWC Zurrieq campsite @Zurrieq campsite

0930-1400hrs

Today we will strike down the tents. Afterwards, we will have some fun with our young ones.

Fri 14th Apr Forcina Senglea @HQ 1710-2130hrs

Those ventures who will not be joining the band in Gozo will be assisting the Good Friday procession in Senglea by carrying the *forcina* to assist the statue bearers during the procession.

It is VERY IMPORTANT that any member who is not able to attend for this event notifies the VSL or GSL as early on as possible as the group is committed to having a specific number of scouts present for the event.

Mon 17th Apr - Tue 18th Apr

Expedition @HQ

1300-1500hrs

Today we will meet at HQ to do a nice expedition with our troop section. Don't forget to bring your health form and consent form, enough food and drink and activity wear is a must. Further details will be given later.

Fri 21st Apr Group Drill @Bulebel 1700-2000hrs

Have a look at the Group Section Part for further details.

Sun 23rd Apr Annual Parade @HQ

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Band

Fri 14th Apr

Good Friday Procession - Gozo @HQ

1300hrs onwards

Once again our band will be accompanying the Good Friday procession at the Cittadella in Gozo.

All band members (and other supporting scouts) are to be at HQ on time and in full and correct uniform.