



THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF MALTA, FGURA SCOUT GROUP

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Group

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Sat 26th Nov	Cook out + LB @Besides Football Ground	1200-1600hrs
Sun 27th Nov	Church Parade @HQ	0800-1215hrs

Unit

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Band

Sun 13th Nov	Band Rehearsal FOR ALL BAND MEMBERS @HQ	0800-1000hrs
Sun 20th Nov	Band Rehearsal FOR ALL BAND MEMBERS @HQ	0800-1000hrs
Sun 27th Nov	District Parade @HQ	0730-1215hrs

Group

Purchasing of Badges from the Badge-Shop

Please note that as of the 1st November 2016, parents/members may start purchasing any badges awarded to them directly from the IHQ in Floriana. Members are to present the necessary certificates when purchasing badges. **The badge shop will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 17:30 to 19:00.**

The Badge Shop is situated within the Scout Association's Island-Headquarters at Pjazza E.S. Tonna in Floriana (opposite Sarria church)

Membership - All Beavers, Cubs, Troop, Ventures and Rovers

Membership for the period Sept 2017 to Feb 2017 is to be paid by the end of November 2017. Hence all members are kindly requested to pay the amount due of Eur30 as soon as possible .

Your cooperation is much appreciated.



New Band Members!!

New band members are needed to join the Fgura Scout Band.

Any pack or troop members (aged 10+) who would like to come and try an instrument or join the Fgura Scout Band are to ask their section leaders during the meetings for more information.

Sun 27th Nov

District Parade @Bulebel

0800-1215hrs

Today we'll be joining our fellow scouts from all over the South District for a parade organised by the Cospicua scout group to celebrate their 100th year anniversary. Today also happens to be our group's 29th anniversary, so it will be a double celebration for us!

All members are to meet in full uniform at **Bulebel** at 0800hrs sharp. We will start off with some presentations and ceremonies and then head off to Kalkara for the parade where we will be participating in the 1030hrs Mass. After mass we will have a short march and head back to HQ.

Group will be dismissed at HQ at around 1215hrs

All members (cubs, scouts, ventures, rovers and leaders) are kindly asked to bring €1.50 to cover the cost of transport.

Fri 9th Dec - Sun 11th Dec

Super Hero Winter Camp! @Rinella Scout Campsite

1700-1600hrs

Quick! Find the nearest telephone box, put on your cape and mask, check your spider-sense and flex your superhuman muscles - This year's winter camp them is SUPER-HEROES!

The winter camp is open to all Cubs, Scouts and Ventures and the Beaver Colony will be visiting the camp for half a day on Saturday (more info in the Beaver section of this circular).

All cubs, scouts and ventures are to be at the Rinella scout Campsite at 1700hrs sharp. The camp will come to an end on Sunday at 1600hrs.

Camp Fee will be as follows and is to be paid in advance during the section meetings:

- Colony: €7 (inc. transport to/from HQ)
- Pack/Troop/Unit: € 23

(Camp fees cover the cost of the camp-site facilities, water and electricity costs, all activities and materials, three meals a day and as much drinking water as is required).



Beavers

Dear Parents,

The winter months are approaching, so kindly ensure that the beavers carry a rain jacket with them for all outdoor activities. For outings beavers are to wear the activity uniform which consist of the group T-shirt/Hoodie, group cap, a good walking slippers and also wear the group scarf. During outings, beavers should also bring water and a light healthy snack in a wide strapped bag pack. No Draw string bags or plastic bags please!

Thank you for your kind attention and co-operation.

Wed 2nd Nov

Autumn Craft @HQ

1800-1900hrs

Today we will be doing a very interesting craft. Do not forget your craft bag! Beavers are reminded to pay 2 euros for the items which will be bought by the leaders. Beavers are also reminded to book and pay 4 euros together with duly signed consent form for the Ziguzajg activity.

Wed 9th Nov

Scouting Skills @HQ

1800-1900hrs

Today we will meet at our HQ to sharpen up our scouting skills whilst doing some preparation for the parade coming up this month. Do not forget to bring your torch! Beavers are reminded to book and pay 3 euros together with a duly signed form for the Tracking Signs Activity. Today we will allocate some time after the meeting for any badges to be bought. Do not forget to bring any certificates related to the badges.

Sat 12th Nov

Ziguzajg @HQ

0900-1230hrs

Today we will meet at 9.00 sharp! We will be taking part in one of the Ziguzajg activities. Beavers are reminded to bring their rain jacket, lunch and drink. Do not forget your cap and scarf!

Sat 19th Nov

Tracking Signs Hike @HQ

0900-1230hrs

We will meet at our HQ sharp to go for a very interesting Hike. Beavers are to bring a rain jacket, lunch and drink. Beavers are also reminded to bring their scarf!

Sun 27th Nov

District Parade @Bulebel

0800-1215hrs

Today we will have new investiture joining our Group and some moving on Beavers joining the Pack section in a ceremony to be held at Bulebel before we leave for the parade. This is a special day not to be missed!

Beavers are reminded to take a good breakfast before the parade and to be in activity t-shirt for those who do not have a uniform.

Beavers are reminded to get 1.50 for the transport.

Wed 30th Nov

Scouting Session @HQ

1800-1900hrs

Today we will be learning about personal hygiene and how to do the shoe laces. Beavers are to bring a pair of shoe laces.

Beavers are also reminded to book and pay 7 euros together with a duly signed consent form for the Day at the Group Camp Activity coming up in December.

Pack

As from this month we have 5 cubs who will be starting their link badge and will go up with Troop in April 2017. These cubs should attend with Pack and Troop where there is (+LB). Sessions in the Pack Section are very important (even if in certain cases these will be a revision of sessions already attained), especially when it comes to scouting skills. Also LB have already been informed that they should now work together as a team to plan games, etc. This will help them to get more familiar with the system of patrols in the Troop Section.

Fri 4th Nov **Spiritual/Games (+MOB/+LB) @HQ** **1730-1930hrs**

Shada will today deliver her usual interesting spiritual session and we will also have some games - kindly organized by our LB members :)

Sat 12th Nov **Ziguzajg Activity at Valletta (+MOB) @HQ** **1000-1400hrs**

We had to change the date of this activity to a weekend before that planned and booked for - with the reasons already explained to the parents in previous meetings. LB had already been informed that if activities chosen fall on a Saturday and not on a Friday they will be attending meeting with Troop, so in that case, online booking wasn't done for LB members on Mon 17th October and a refund will be given as agreed.

Today it is very important that cubs are punctual since we have to arrive on time for the performances. We will be watching Sticks Stones Broken Bones which is a shadow puppet comedy show and Three Monks which is a play. In between we will try to stop for a short break so cubs are to get something to drink and get a small snack. Full activity uniform is a must with cap and scarf, socks & trainers.

Booking for this activity was done on the 7th October.

Sat 19th Nov **Cookout (+MOB) @Near Fgura Football Ground** **0900-1230hrs**

This activity is a session throughout the cubs' arrow progress - bronze, silver and gold so it is very important that cubs attend. Cooking outdoors is fun as well :)

A session will be delivered for the 3 arrows and then we will proceed to do the cookout. All cubs are to get their cutlery bag, enough to drink, and food to their liking in a small cooler bag, ex, burgers, chicken nuggets and sausages. They can also get pre-boiled potatoes in foil and some salad. Gold arrow cubs are also to get items as advised by Bagheera in previous meetings. **Please do not give excessive food to the cubs to cook since it will go to waste.**

If it rains, a normal meeting will be held at our HQ from 11.30am-1.30pm; but if this happens you will be informed by the leaders. This will be a proficiency badges meeting. If cookout is held as planned, a proficiency badges meeting will be held in the first weekend of December.

Fri 25th Nov **Sessions/Games & Booking for Group Winter Camp (+MOB/+LB) @HQ** **1730-1930hrs**

Cubs please do not forget to get the Cub Book with you today. The moving on beavers today should be able to complete their Tender Paw in time for their moving on ceremony the next day!!

Today booking should be made for Group Winter Camp (LB are to book with Troop Section since they will be attending camp with them). Details can be found in Group Section of this circular. To book cubs are to get Consent Form + €23 and moving on beavers will be one nighters in their very first camp (Sat10th/Sun11th Dec) and are to get Consent Form + €16. All details regarding this camp will be given to the cubs on the camp list forwarded to them in the meetings prior to the camp.

Sun 27th Nov **District/Anniversary Parade (+LB) @Bulebel** **0800-1215hrs**

Details can be found in Group Section of this circular.

Moving on beavers will be joining the pack today in a ceremony to be held at Bulebel before we leave for the parade so they will participate in this parade and march as cubs :)

It is advisable that all cubs take a good breakfast before the parade and be in proper uniform with all badges sewn on. Those who do not have a uniform for the time being are to come with activity T-shirt (or sweatshirt) and cap, scarf, dark blue jeans, grey socks and black shoes.

Cubs are also reminded to get €1.50 as transport fee.

Troop

Fri 4th Nov - Sun 6th Nov Skills camp (with ventures) @Ghajn Tuffieha 1730-1500hrs

During this weekend we will be heading to Ghajn Tuffieha for a skills camp along with the Venture Section. All members are encouraged to attend this camp, in order to gain scouting experience and to improve your skills.

Those born in 2002 will start their camp on Friday 4th November @ 5:30pm, while the rest of the troop will start on the Saturday 5th November @ 9:00am. Camp will end on Sunday 6th November for all troop members @ 3:00pm. Please note that no transport will be provided by the section to and from campsite. Every scout will need to make his/her own transport arrangements.

Last day to book for the camp was on the 28th of October.

Sat 12th Nov Winter Camp Program +LB @HQ 1400-1630hrs

Today we shall be planning program for upcoming Group Winter Camp. Please come with interesting ideas so as to make activities fun :) This year's Winter Camp Theme will be 'Super Heroes'.

Sat 19th Nov Knife & Axe + Light a fire session + LB @Besides Football Ground 1400-1630hrs

Today we will be meeting near the Fgura football ground for a knife & axe session, followed by a light a fire session. Those members who just joined the troop section are highly advised to attend this meeting.

Everyone has to make sure to bring a pen knife during this meeting.

Also today, each patrol has to prepare the food menu for next week's cookout. Every patrol has to bring the food accordingly during the cookout.

Sat 26th Nov Cook out + LB @Besides Football Ground 1200-1600hrs

Now that the summer heat is gone, it is time again for a cook out. Do not forget to communicate with your patrol members for bringing the food and other necessary things that are required in order to cook.

Menu planning had to be prepared during last week's meeting.

Today is the last day to book for upcoming Group Winter Camp. The exact fee together with a duly signed consent form is to be handed in by today.

Sun 27th Nov Church Parade @HQ 0800-1215hrs

See group section for further details.

Unit

Fri 4th Nov - Sun 6th Nov Team building & Training camp (with troop) @Ghajn Tuffieha 1730-1500hrs

Today, we will meet directly at Ghajn Tuffieha campsite. This camp is intended to enhance your friendship and team spirit. On Friday future recruits will join us to start bonding with the unit members, therefore on Friday we will do some team building games.

On Saturday, the young ones of the troop section will join us. Today the focus will turn onto the troop. We will do a circuit training to enhance their scouting skills. Let have some fun and as always " Be Prepared"

Fri 11th Nov Planning of hike and mapping session @HQ 1930-2230hrs

Today we will meet at HQ to plan a night hike of about 20Km that will be held 18th November. Also during the meeting, we will brush up mapping skill, so get your mapping kit. :)

Fri 18th Nov - Sat 19th Nov Night Hike @HQ 1930-0130hrs

Today we will meet directly at our HQ to start our 20km night hike. Every member will guide a part of the hike. We might have some surprise tests from your leaders along the route. Get a stove and the necessary utensils to do a cup of hot chocolate. Important full activity uniform including scarf.

Sat 26th Nov Backwoods Cookout @Near football ground 0930-1230hrs

Is been a long time from our last cookout. Therefore we will meet near football ground to cook some delicious food recommended by our Unit Chefs.

Today booking should be made for Group Winter Camp. Details can be found in Group Section of this circular.

Sun 27th Nov District Church Parade @HQ 0800-1215hrs

Details can be found in the Group Section.
