



**THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF MALTA, FGURA SCOUT GROUP**

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## April 2015

### **Group**

Fri 3rd Apr	Good Friday Procession - Gozo @HQ	1300hrs onwards
Fri 24th Apr	Group Drill @Bulebel	1830-2000hrs
Sun 26th Apr	Annual Parade @HQ	0930-1300hrs

### **Beavers**

Wed 1st Apr	Spiritual Meeting @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Wed 8th Apr	Hygiene Session @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Wed 15th Apr	Scouting Session & Drill @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Sat 18th Apr	Cookout @AC	0930-1330hrs
Wed 22nd Apr	No Meeting	
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### **Pack**

**LB and MOB are to attend where marked. Both LB and MOB are to have their going up/moving on ceremony during Group Drill.**

Thu 2nd Apr	Maudy Thursday Activity (+LB) @HQ	0845-1300hrs
Sat 4th Apr	No Meeting	
Fri 10th Apr - Sun 12th Apr	Badge Workout Camp (+LB/+MOB) @Rinella Scout Centre	
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### **Band**

Sun 12th Apr	Annual Parade Rehearsal @HQ	0800-1030hrs
Sat 18th Apr	Annual Parade Rehearsal @HQ	1630-1800hrs

## Group

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

Membership for the period March 2015 to August 2015 is to be paid by the end of June 2015. Hence all members are kindly requested to pay the amount due of Eur30 by the end of June. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

### Shubija - Beavers, Cubs, Troop, Ventures u Rovers

Il-kontribuzzjoni ta' shubija ghall-perjodu Marzu 2015 sa Awwissu 2015 għanda tithallas sal-ahhar ta' Gunju 2015. Ghalekk kull membru huwa gentilment mitlub jagħmel il-hlas ta' Eur30 sal-ahhar ta' Gunju. Napprezzaw il-kooperazzjoni tagħkom.

**Fri 3rd Apr**

**Good Friday Procession - Gozo @HQ**

**1300hrs onwards**

Our group band is keeping its annual appointment and accompanying the Good Friday procession in Victoria (Gozo). Once again we are inviting family members and friends of the band members as well as children or parents from other sections to join us for the day in Gozo and attend the procession with us. More details are given in the enclosed flier.

**Fri 24th Apr**

**Group Drill @Bulebel**

**1830-2000hrs**

*All Group Members* (including band) are to meet at Bulebel Industrial Estate at 1830hrs. We will finish at around 2000hrs at the same place.

It is very important for everyone to attend this meeting. Band members are to bring their personal band equipment wear. All members are to wear full and correct winter parade uniform.

All members are to make sure that their uniform is in good condition (clean, well-ironed with all badges in place and up to date).

All members (i.e. Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Ventures, Rovers, Leaders and Council members) are kindly asked to bring €2 during the group drill. This will be collected to cover transport expenses for the Annual Parade.

**Sun 26th Apr**

**Annual Parade @HQ**

**0930-1300hrs**

**Note:** We will not be attending mass before going to the Annual Parade, so members are kindly asked to make alternative arrangements. ***It is very important that all members have a good breakfast in the morning.***

### **Programme:**

**0930hrs:** ALL Group members are to meet at HQ dressed in FULL WINTER UNIFORM. We leave for Floriana where we will assemble on the Granaries.

**1100hrs:** Marching starts from Floriana Granaries to Valletta, down Republic Street to Great Siege Square, turning right into Old Theatre Street and heading back through Merchant Street towards Auberge de Castille, where we will break ranks and head towards the waiting buses.

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

A fee of €2 for transport will be collected during the group drill on the 24th April.

## Beavers

No electronic gadgets and/or mobiles are to be in Beaver's hands or bags during meetings and outings please. Also note that camouflage clothing is not to be worn for scout meetings or outings.

**Wed 1st Apr**

**Spiritual Meeting @HQ**

**1800-1900hrs**

Spiritual Session at HQ from 1800hrs to 1900hrs.

**Wed 8th Apr**

**Hygiene Session @HQ**

**1800-1900hrs**

Today we will have a session on 'Hygiene' and some related games.

**Wed 15th Apr**

**Scouting Session & Drill @HQ**

**1800-1900hrs**

In preparation for the coming Annual Parade we have scouting sessions and a drill today. Please Book and Pay 3.50euro each for next Saturday's cookout. Do not forget to bring a signed permission form.

**Sat 18th Apr**

**Cookout @AC**

**0930-1330hrs**

The much awaited cookout has finally arrived :) We meet at AC at 0930hrs for a joint cookout with our Venture Unit. Apart from enjoying ourselves and eat some delicious burgers and sausages, we will learn how to prepare and light an outdoor fire today. (Beavers will only see how it is done and will not be allowed near the fire) Do not forget your own cutlery bag and drink please. All food will be bought by leaders beforehand. Pick up at 1330hrs from AC.

**Fri 24th Apr**

**Group Drill @HQ**

All beavers are advised to attend Group Drill. It is very important to note that beavers are being prepared to be proper scouts so a serious attitude and best behaviour is a must. Four members from our colony will move to the pack section today. See group details for more information.

**Sun 26th Apr**

**Annual Parade @HQ**

This is a very important event. All beavers are invited to attend in their best behaviour and full uniform. See group details for more information.

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## Pack

All the leaders of the Pack Section would like to wish a blessed Easter to the cubs and their families.

**Thu 2nd Apr**

**Maudy Thursday Activity (+LB) @HQ**

**0845-1300hrs**

This year, for Maudy Thursday we decided to go to Mdina and Rabat to see some interesting exhibitions, being Holy Week. First we will have a spiritual session delivered by Shada to understand better what we will be seeing.

Cubs should come in full parade uniform and get a small snack and enough to drink in a small backpack.

Booking for this activity was done on 28th March.

**Fri 10th Apr - Sun 12th Apr Badge Workout Camp (+LB/+MOB) @Rinella Scout Centre**

Finally the much awaited annual appointment for the cubs has arrived - the Badge Workout Camp :) All the cubs will be attaining 3 proficiency badges each and even the moving on beavers will be attaining their very first badge as prospective cubs since they will be attending for a day on Saturday 11th April.

In these two days not less than 8 badges will be worked upon - First Aider, Computer, Home Help, Photographer, Cyclist, Camper, Map Reader and Entertainer.

All the details about the camp have been given upon booking on the 21st March but as a small reminder timings are as follows:

**Friday 10th April - 4.30pm - Gold arrow cubs** to arrive for pitching of tents;

**Friday 10th April - 5.30pm - 6pm - Rest of the cubs** arrive;

**Saturday 11th April - 7.30-45am - One nighters** to arrive at camp;

**Saturday 11th April - 9.15am - Moving on Beavers** to arrive at camp; Parents to pick them up at **5pm**

**Sunday 12th April - 3pm - Closing of camp** - parents to attend closing ceremony and pick cubs.

**Sat 18th Apr**

**Sessions (+MOB) @HQ**

**1130-1330hrs**

Cubs today should get their Cub Book for another session as part of their arrow progress. Since Link Badge members have already attained their Gold Arrow, today they should attend session with Troop and there is no need for them to attend with Pack.

**Fri 24th Apr**

**Group Drill (+LB) @Bulebel**

**1830-2000hrs**

See Group Section for details. The three link badge members will go up with Troop today; whilst the four moving on beavers will also move on with Pack today.

Today two bookings should be made:

- Booking of transport for annual parade - €2
- Booking for Mother & Cub Activity (since next week cubs have no meeting - Interactive day for leaders). No consent form is needed - just €5 transport fee for the mother and the cub (those mothers having 2 cubs still pay €5). Some small details to be able to book: Date: Saturday 9th May; Time: 0845-1300 - meet at HQ and finish at HQ. More details in May circular however this will be a relaxing and quality time activity with your loved ones and activities are varied....leave it in our good hands :) Looking forward to seeing all the mums with us :) :)

**Sun 26th Apr**

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**0930-1300hrs**

See Group Section for details. This is a very important annual event for which all cubs are expected to attend.

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## Troop

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**Forcina Bearers for Good Friday Procession in Senglea @HQ**

**1710-2130hrs**

Once again our group has been asked to assist in the Good Friday procession in Senglea by accompanying the various statues and holding the *forcina* during the procession.

**All those troop members who are *not* active members of the group band will be expected to assist in this event**

Transport to/from Senglea will be provided by the group.

**Tue 7th Apr - Wed 8th Apr**                      **Expedition - Operation Breaking Point @HQ**                      **0900-1700hrs**

Our country is under siege - are you up to the challenge of providing tactical support for the inhabitants of Fgura?

If you're up for a real adventure - join us for a two day expedition trekking across Malta. If you think it's all just about walking...think again!

All participants are to meet at HQ at 9:00am sharp. Patrols are to bring with them all the necessary items for first aid, mapping, cooking and camping as well as sufficient drinking and cooking water for two days. It is important that all scouts are equipped with adequate, comfortable walking shoes and a good ruck-sack.

More details will be given during meetings.

**Sat 11th Apr**    **Fun & Games @St Edward's College**    **1400-1700hrs**

Today we will be meeting at St Edward's College in Cospicua for some games. Don't forget your group scarf and cap together with enough drink to last the whole meeting.

**Scouts are to meet directly near College entrance. A duly signed consent form is to be handed in, on the day.**

**Sat 18th Apr**    **Sessions +LB @HQ**    **1400-1630hrs**

Today we will be having some sessions and tests for those who feel up to it :) Don't forget your scout handbook and any research/equipment you might need please.

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