



THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF MALTA, FGURA SCOUT GROUP

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April 2019

Group

Fri 19th Apr	Forcina Bearers for Good Friday Procession @HQ	1710-2130hrs
Fri 26th Apr	Group Drill Practice @Bulebel	1830-2030hrs
Sun 28th Apr	Annual Parade 2019 @HQ	0845-1200hrs
Sun 5th May	Family Fun Tour @HQ	1400-1900hrs

Beavers

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Sat 13th Apr	Pot a Plant + Help a friend @Gnien Kottonera	1000-1430hrs
Wed 17th Apr	Spiritual Session + Games @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Wed 24th Apr	Drill + Games @HQ	1800-1930hrs
Fri 26th Apr	Group Drill @Bulebel	1830-2030hrs
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Moving on Beavers are to attend with Pack where marked (+MOB).

Pack

Sat 6th Apr	Sessions (+ old & new LB & +MOB) & 2 bkg @HQ	1130-1330hrs
Sat 13th Apr	Tea & Toast/Games (+ old & new LB optional & +MOB) @Near Fgura Football Grnd	1330-1630hrs
Thu 18th Apr	Maudy Thursday activity (+ old & new LB) @HQ	0900-1200hrs
Sat 20th Apr	No Meeting	
Fri 26th Apr	Group Drill (+ old & new LB) & bkg for Father & Cub Activity @Bulebel	1830-2030hrs
Sun 28th Apr	Annual Parade (+LB) @HQ	0845-1200hrs

Moving on Beavers are to attend with Pack where marked (+MOB) whilst Link Badge members are to attend with Pack & Troop where marked (+LB).

Troop

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Do not forget that every Monday we are having Talent show rehearsals from 8 pm onward

Crew

Sun 7th Apr	Joint Activity @HQ	0800-1500hrs
Sat 13th Apr	Activity with the Woodend Scouts @HQ	0900-1500hrs
Tue 23rd Apr	Discussion Meeting: Talent Night @HQ	2000-2230hrs
Tue 30th Apr	Meeting @HQ	2000-2230hrs

Band

Wed 3rd Apr	Band Rehearsal @HQ	1830-2000hrs
Wed 10th Apr	Band Rehearsal @HQ	1830-2000hrs
Mon 15th Apr	Purcissjoni ta' Gesu Redentur @HQ	1800-2030hrs
Wed 17th Apr	Band Rehearsal @HQ	1830-2000hrs
Fri 19th Apr	Good Friday Procession - Gozo @HQ	1300hrs onwards
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Group

Dear parents,

Whilst all of you to provided details of any important matters related to your children when you filled in the member application forms; we would like to remind you that *it is your responsibility* to inform us of any changes to these details that we should be made aware of. These include:

- Any chronic health issues
- Allergies
- Physical / Mental Impairments (If you feel we should be made aware of these to safeguard the best interests of your child)
- Any matters related to changes in the child's custody
- Any other special circumstances affecting your child that we would need to cater for specifically

Please make sure to keep us informed of any changes to the above - either by informing your son/daughter's section leader or by sending an email to the GSL on gsl@fgurascouts.org

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

Membership for the period March 2019 to August 2019 is to be paid by the end of June 2019. Hence all members are kindly requested to pay the amount due of Eur 30 by the end of June 2019. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

Shubija - Beavers, Cubs, Troop, Ventures u Rovers

Il-kontribuzzjoni ta' shubija ghall-perjodu Marzu 2019 s' Awwissu 2019 għanda tithallas sal-ahhar ta' Gunju 2019. Ghalekk kull membru huwa gentilment mitlub jagħmel il-hlas ta' Eur 30 sal-ahhar ta' Gunju 2019. Napprezzaw il-koooperazzjoni tagħkom.

Fri 19th Apr

Forcina Bearers for Good Friday Procession @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 and ventures who will not be joining the band in Gozo today will be attending the Good Friday procession in Senglea and carrying the forcina to assist the statue bearers during the procession. Transport to/from Senglea will be provided free of charge. **It is important that any member who is not able to attend this event notifies the VSL, SL or GSL as early on as possible as the group is committed to having a specific number of scouts present for the event.**

Fri 26th Apr

Group Drill Practice @Bulebel

1830-2030hrs

Iron your uniform shirts and scarves. Remove any outdated badges and sew on the new ones - It's time to make sure our marching and drill skills are up to scratch before the Annual Parade. All members are expected to attend in full and correct parade uniform - we will be having some presentation ceremonies and a uniform inspection, after which we will have some drill practice.

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

Sun 28th Apr

Annual Parade 2019 @HQ

0845-1200hrs

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:

0845hrs: ALL Group members are to meet at HQ dressed in full and correct parade uniform.

0945hrs All Groups assemble on the Granaries in Floriana. Some *light* refreshments will be provided.

1045hrs: Marching starts from Floriana Granaries towards Valletta.

1200hrs (Approx.): 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 26th April

Sun 5th May

Family Fun Tour @HQ

1400-1900hrs

Following the success of this event over the past couple of years; the Family Fun Tour is back!

This is not a fund-raising activity - it's more of a social event where leaders, children and parents get to know each other a little better in a relaxed and fun atmosphere.

We're still working on the details so just keep the date free and your eyes open for a promotional poster with more details coming up soon ;)

Beavers

Wed 3rd Apr

Easter Craft @HQ

1800-1900hrs

Today we will be doing an Easter Craft. Beavers are reminded to bring an apron, pocket with colours, scissors and UHU liquid glue.

€2.00 were collected for this craft on the 27th of March.

Today we will be collecting €3 and a duly signed consent form for next activity "Pot a Plant".

Sat 13th Apr

Pot a Plant + Help a friend @Gnien Kottonera

1000-1430hrs

Now that we are in Spring time, we will first show you how to pot a plant and explain to you how to care for it and then by helping each other, every beaver will pot a plant. You will be able to take the plant with you at home and care for it. Please bring an apron, a packed lunch and enough water to drink for the whole session.

€3 and a duly signed consent form were collected on the 3rd of April.

Wed 17th Apr

Spiritual Session + Games @HQ

1800-1900hrs

Today Shada, (a leader within the pack section) will deliver a spiritual session about the true meaning of Good Friday. Afterwards we will play some games.

Wed 24th Apr

Drill + Games @HQ

1800-1930hrs

It is time to practice our marching skills for the Annual Parade therefore we will first do some practice so as to be prepared for this coming Sunday and then we will also have time to play some games.

Fri 26th Apr

Group Drill @Bulebel

1830-2030hrs

Please see group details for more information.

Today we will be collecting €2 for Sunday's transport.

Sun 28th Apr

Annual Parade @HQ

0845-1200hrs

This is a special event for all scout members.

All details are in the Group Section of the circular. Full parade uniform should be worn. We suggest you take a good breakfast and apply sunblock before coming.

€2 for transport were collected on Friday the 26th.

Pack

6 new cubs will be starting their link badge this month (as informed in parents' meeting) whilst the other 5 link badge members will go up with Troop during Group Drill. For the purpose of this circular, the 6 new cubs will be called New LB whilst the other 5 Old LB :)

Attention all Fathers !!!!!

We have a treat awaiting you. On the occasion of Father's Day you are invited to spend a day with your child in Gozo.....yes you heard right....Gozo!!! The day is Saturday 15th June and itinerary will be from 8am HQ till about 5.15pm back at HQ. If dad absolutely can't make it, granddad, uncle or male adult member 18+ can attend. During activity cubs will be under the responsibility of accompanying parent/guardian. New LB members are eligible to attend this activity :) Booking is on Friday 26th April (Group Drill) and fee is as follows (no Consent Form needed):

Father & 1 Cub - €40; Father & 2 Cubs (siblings) - €50

Price includes:

Transport HQ/Cirkewwa/HQ

Ferry tickets for both father & cub

All Transport in Gozo

Visit to Magro Brothers factory & tour

Lunch in Xlendi Restaurant

Trip in Hop-On/Hop-Off Coach around Gozo

An opportunity not to be missed and good quality time with your son/daughter and making friends with other scout dads.

Please stick to booking date and advise also if unable to make it. Hope to see all/most of you book :) This is the reason why we informed you so early - to have time to make arrangements if necessary.

Dear mothers - don't worry we haven't forgotten you!! Booking for mother & cub activity is in the first meeting of April - Saturday 6th April and details can be found there.....not all the details (only the necessary ones).....it's nice to have surprises!!

Troop

Sat 6th Apr **Topographic map model @HQ** **1430-1700hrs**

As part of the orienteering mastery badge we will be building a topographic map model. For this activity each member will need to bring scissors, glue and a cardboard box (which you can get from any supermarket or confectionery).

We will also be taking the booking for the activity of 12th April and collecting the fee of €5 along with a signed consent form

A PLC (for PL's, APL's and AAPL's) will be held one hour before the meeting i.e. at 13:30 hrs

Fri 12th Apr **Mdina Treasure Hunt with 1st Woodend Scouts (Old + New LB) @HQ** **1715-2230hrs**

Today we will be heading to Mdina to meet with the 1st Woodend scout group from UK and together we will be taking part in a treasure hunt.

Important to bring with you group scarf, raincoat, torch, water and snacks (optional).

Booking for this activity was done on 6th April

Fri 19th Apr **Forcina Bearers for Good Friday Procession @HQ** **1710-2130hrs**

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See group section for more details

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See group section for more details

Unit

Mon 1st Apr **Executive meeting @HQ** **1900-2030hrs**

Today the executive will meet to plan future activities and meetings. It is important that all executive members attend.

Sun 7th Apr **The Challenge @HQ** **0830-1700hrs**

Today we are going to meet at our HQ in order to take transport and head towards Siggiewi to meet with Rabat and Zejtun Ventures. This activity is part of the basic training of our AVSL Brian. More information will be given at a later stage. Important consent form, activity wear and scarf.

Tue 16th Apr **Treasure Hunt w/ 1st Woodend scouts and troop @HQ** **1700-2100hrs**

Today, we will join force with the troop section to take part in a treasure hunt mainly organized for our brothers of the 1st Woodend Scouts. Consent form, activity wear and scarf are a must. 5 euros will be collected to cover transport and buy some pastizzi :)

Fri 19th Apr **Gozo (band)/Forcina (Isla) @HQ** **1600hrs onwards**

Continuing our yearly tradition for Good Friday our band has been invited to accompany the procession in Gozo.

Those ventures who will not be joining the band in Gozo will be attending the Good Friday procession in Senglea.

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Fri 26th Apr **Group Drill @Bulebel** **1830-2030hrs**

Next Sunday we will have an annual parade and therefore today we will be preparing for it with a group drill. It is important to attend wearing the full parade uniform with all the badges up to date.

Sun 28th Apr **Annual Parade @HQ** **0845-1200hrs**

Today we will be attending the annual parade together with most of the other Maltese scout groups. It is of utmost importance that everyone attends smartly wearing the full parade uniform. See Group details for more information.

Crew

Sun 7th Apr **Joint Activity @HQ** **0800-1500hrs**

Our RCC Brian will be taking care of organising a joint activity with another crew - more details will be given prior to the event.

Sat 13th Apr **Activity with the Woodend Scouts @HQ** **0900-1500hrs**

The Fgura Scout Group has a long history with the 1st Woodend Scout Group, and for another year we will be welcoming the group to our shores and ensuring another enjoyable trip for them. As a result, the Rover Crew will be organising an activity with the Woodend group during their time in Malta. Details and time of the activity are to be confirmed at a later stage.

Tue 23rd Apr

Discussion Meeting: Talent Night @HQ

2000-2230hrs

We will be meeting at the HQ to start planning our stunt for the famous Talent Night, which will be held in November. Make sure to come with ideas on how we can make the night one to remember!

Tue 30th Apr

Meeting @HQ

2000-2230hrs

One last meeting for the month to look back at the progress the Crew has done, as well as revisit the Rover Programme and plan the way forward for the crew.