



THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF MALTA, FGURA SCOUT GROUP

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Group

Sun 19th Feb	District Parade - Zejtun Scout Group 100th Anniversary @HQ	0800-1230hrs
Fri 24th Feb	Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall	1900hrs onwards
Mon 27th Feb	Sale of New Uniform Badges and Accessories @HQ	1830-1930hrs

Beavers

Moving on Beavers are to attend all the meetings marked under the Pack Section.

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Wed 8th Feb	Scouting Sessions @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Sat 11th Feb	Esplora Visit @HQ	1000-1400hrs
Wed 15th Feb	Carnival Craft @HQ	1800-1930hrs
Sun 19th Feb	District Parade - Zejtun Scout Group 100th Anniversary @HQ	0800-1230hrs
Wed 22nd Feb	No Meeting	
Fri 24th Feb	Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall	1900-2230hrs

Pack

Link Badge (LB) and Moving on Beavers (MOB) should attend where marked +LB or +MOB respectively.

Sat 4th Feb	Hike (+LB) @HQ	0830-1530hrs
Sat 11th Feb	Proficiency Badges/Games/Sessions for MOBs + new mbrs (+MOB) @HQ	1130-1330hrs
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Sat 25th Feb	Making Prinjolata @HQ	1130-1330hrs

Troop

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Sat 11th Feb	Sessions + LB @HQ	1400-1630hrs
Fri 17th Feb	Spiritual + Pizza & Dvd Night +LB @HQ	1700-2000hrs
Sat 25th Feb	Joint Treasure hunt with ventures +LB @HQ	0900-1500hrs

Unit

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Band

Sun 12th Feb	Band Rehearsal @HQ	0800-1000hrs
Sun 19th Feb	District Parade - Zejtun Scout Group 100th Anniversary @HQ	0730-1230hrs

Group

Xmas Raffle Winning Ticket - No.003900 (Red Cover) - Congratulations Ms Azzopardi from Marsaskala!

30th Anniversary Badge Competition

We are organizing a competition open to all our juniour members (under 18 years) to come up with a design for a badge to commemorate the Group's 30th anniversary. Those of you who wish to take part are asked to sketch their design on the form attached with this circular.

A panel of judges will be choosing the winning design in April. All submissions are welcome and the final decision will be based mainly on the design concept and not on the quality of the sketch. Judges will be looking for an original design that represents the Fgura Scout Group and it's 30th anniversary.

Tentative Dates for your 2017 Calendars:

- **7-9/APR - Pack: Badge Workout Camp**
- **14/APR - Band: Good Friday parade in Gozo**
- **21/APR - Group Drill**
- **23/APR - Annual Parade**
- **30/APR - District Treasure Hunt**
- **21/MAY - Family Fun Day**
- **27/MAY - Car Wash**
- **6/JUN - Fun Walk + BBQ**
- **29/JUL - Fund-Raising BBQ**
- **2/SEP - Car Wash**
- **7-10/SEP - National Summer Camp**
- **24/SEP - Church Parade**
- **8/OCT - Fun Walk**
- **21-22/OCT - JOTI/A**
- **29/OCT - Fgura Day Parade**
- **4/NOV - Talent Night**
- **24-26/NOV - Winter Camp**

Sun 19th Feb

District Parade - Zejtun Scout Group 100th Anniversary @HQ

0800-1230hrs

Today we'll be joining our fellow scouts from all over the South District for a parade organised by the Zejtun scout group to celebrate their 100th year anniversary.

All members are to meet in full uniform at HQ at 0800hrs sharp. We will head off to Zejtun for the parade where we will be participating in the 1000hrs Mass. After Mass we will have a short march and head back to HQ.

Group will be dismissed at HQ at around 1230hrs

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

Fri 24th Feb

Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall

1900hrs onwards

TIME TO GET SILLY!

Prepare your masks, hats, funny shoes and brightly coloured trousers and get ready to join in the Carnival fun!

More details can be found on the poster enclosed with this circular.

Mon 27th Feb

Sale of New Uniform Badges and Accessories @HQ

1830-1930hrs

Those of you who wish to purchase the new uniform name tags, epaulettes and badges may do so by visiting our HQ today between 18:30 and 19:30.

Note: Proficiency badges and the uniform shirt/trousers will *not* be sold from our HQ.

Beavers

As from February, 6 moving on beavers will start their journey with the Pack section. They will start to attend some meetings with the pack section whilst continuing attending meetings with the Beaver Section. This is a process to prepare them for such change within the sections. The meetings which will attend with the pack section have been carefully chosen. Therefore it is important to attend all meetings marked and not to lose any meetings.

Wed 1st Feb

Do it yourself - Healthy Snack @HQ

1800-1930hrs

Today we will have an interesting meeting, where we will be doing ourselves a Healthy Snack. Beavers are reminded to bring an apron, cutlery bag and a lunch box. Beavers are also to bring €3 for the food which will be bought by the leaders.

Wed 8th Feb	Scouting Sessions @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Today we will have our monthly scouting sessions. Beavers are to bring their Hand book. Beavers are reminded to book and pay €5 for the Espola Visit together with a duly signed form.		
Sat 11th Feb	Esplora Visit @HQ	1000-1400hrs
Today we will be visiting the recent opened science center - Esplora. This will be an interesting visit and a good opportunity to learn some science experiments. Beavers are reminded to bring their scarf, packed lunch and a small handbook.		
Wed 15th Feb	Carnival Craft @HQ	1800-1930hrs
Today we will take our self into the carnival spirit by doing the most coolest carnival craft. Beaver are to bring a pocket full of colours and pay €2 for the stuff which will be bought by the leaders.		
Sun 19th Feb	District Parade - Zejtun Scout Group 100th Anniversary @HQ	0800-1230hrs
See details in Group Section of the circular. Beaver are reminded to pay €1.50 for the transport.		
Fri 24th Feb	Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall	1900-2230hrs
Details in the Group Section.		

Pack

As from this month we will be welcoming 8 new members in our Pack Section - 6 moving on beavers (MOBs) and two new members. The two new members will be attending all pack meetings (so they will start with the hike on Saturday 4th February) whilst the MOBs will attend with Pack only where marked (+MOB) and so will start on Saturday 11th February. They will move on with the Pack Section at the end of April during the Group Drill.

Sat 4th Feb	Hike (+LB) @HQ	0830-1530hrs
Today we will be going on a challenging and interesting hike so come all geared up with full activity uniform (+ cap & scarf); good walking shoes, backpack with padded straps which should contain a healthy packed lunch and healthy snacks, enough water to drink for the day and a rain jacket. Obviously a jacket can be worn over the activity hoodie if need be - but this depends on the weather on the day and the individual cub.		
<u>Raksha is to be informed (only) during AGM if cub is attending hike or not. Consent Form and payment of €3 is then to be done on the day.</u>		
Sat 11th Feb	Proficiency Badges/Games/Sessions for MOBs + new mbrs (+MOB) @HQ	1130-1330hrs
This is the meeting where we will be welcoming 6 moving on beavers and so we will be having some ice-breaking games.		
Also, the cubs today have the opportunity to present any proficiency/interest badges they have been working on to the rest of the Pack. Cubs who have started a badge in the previous months and who had to complete it should not forget to get the rest of it today.		
Tender Paw sessions will be carried out for the MOBs and new entrants as well.		
<u>Today booking should be made for prinjolata activity on the 25th Feb by paying the amount of €3 for items bought by the leaders. LB and MOBs will not be attending the prinjolata activity so they do not need to pay.</u>		
Sat 18th Feb	Buy & Sell/Sessions for MOBs + new members (+MOB/+LB) @HQ	1130-1330hrs
It has been some time since this meeting was held so we thought it would be a nice idea to do it again. In this meeting cubs are encouraged to get any books, toys, soft toys and small ornaments they have at home which they are not using any more but which obviously are in good condition to sell to the rest of the cubs and the proceeds go to the Group as fund raising :)		
The prices will be established by the leaders but they will obviously be on the lower end of the scale. Cubs should get <u>not more than €5</u> preferably in small change.		
Please bear in mind that since today there will be a total of 39 cubs if everybody attends, the amount of items the cubs should get should not be more than 5 items each.		
Tender Paw sessions will be held for MOBs and new entrants as well.		
Sun 19th Feb	District Parade - Zejtun Scout Group 100th Anniversary (+LB) @HQ	0800-1230hrs
See details in Group Section of circular. We encourage all cubs to attend being a very important anniversary of one of our fellow scout groups in the South District.		

Sat 25th Feb

Making Prinjolata @HQ

1130-1330hrs

Cooking Time!! The Prinjolata is a traditional sweet which is made during carnival time so why not try it out and take a tasty dessert at home?? Cubs are to get:

- Mixing Bowl
- Another smaller bowl to shape the prinjolata mixture (approx size: diameter: 13 cms and height: 8 cms)
- Plastic plate wide enough to take the bowl's diameter (upside down - to take the prinjolata home in)
- Wooden Spoon
- Offset Spatula or butter knife (to spread the topping on the prinjolata)
- Apron
- Ingredients chopped to your liking (for the filling) - ex: cherries, chocolate chips, almonds, pine nuts, candied peel (konfettura)

Being carnival weekend, the cubs can get a carnival mask and/or wig in their backpack so that if the prinjolata is ready on time, they can opt to wear them during the games. Please do not come with wig or mask from home and this is purely optional and not a must.

Troop

Sat 4th Feb

Sessions @HQ

1400-1630hrs

Today we will meet at HQ for some sessions. Don't forget your scout handbook

Sat 11th Feb

Sessions + LB @HQ

1400-1630hrs

Today we will be having some sessions so don't forget your scout handbook. Please come prepared with ideas for next week's movie night. Remember that the film has to be adapted for all ages, so choose carefully.

Today is the last day to book for the pizza. The exact fee of €5 will be collected today.

It is also the last day to book for the treasure hunt planned for the 25th of February. A duly signed consent form together with the exact fee of €2.50 have to be handed in by today.

Fri 17th Feb

Spiritual + Pizza & Dvd Night +LB @HQ

1700-2000hrs

Today we will have an interesting spiritual session by our spiritual leader Joanne. We will also have a pizza and watch a DVD together. Those who want to bring some snacks with them are encouraged to do so.

Last day to book for this activity was Saturday 11th February.

Sat 25th Feb

Joint Treasure hunt with ventures +LB @HQ

0900-1500hrs

We will be heading to Mdina along the Venture Unit for a treasure hunt. Do not forget to wear the scout t-shirt along with your scarf. Also come prepared with a lot to drink as well as some snacks.

Last day to book for this activity was on Saturday 11th February.

Unit

Wed 1st Feb

Executive Meeting @HQ

1930-2100hrs

Today, we will meet at HQ to do our executive meeting. Agenda will be sent during the day.

Fri 10th Feb

Moral issue (Liam Cassar) @HQ

1930-2200hrs

Today, we will meet at HQ to watch a movie with a difference. This is not just a relax meeting but a serious discussion about moral issues. At the end of the film, our new leader Liam Cassar will do a short presentation about the moral of the film and all members must discuss it.

Fri 17th Feb

Spiritual Session @HQ

2000-2230hrs

Today our spiritual developer will give us a nice spiritual session about "What is love". It is an imperative that all unit members attend.

Fri 24th Feb

Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall

1900-2230hrs

For more information have a look at the Group section.

Sat 25th Feb

Joint activity with troop - photo hunt. @HQ

0900-1530hrs

Today we will join forces with the troop section. We will go to Mdina to participate in a photo hunt organized by our VSL. A camera is required for this hunt. Transport is organized by the troop.