



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

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## February 2018

### **Group**

**Congratulations to Charisse Spiteri from Zejtun for winning this year's Christmas Hamper Raffle with ticket No. 001635**

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### **Beavers**

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Wed 7th Feb Carnival Craft @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Wed 14th Feb Beaver Story and games @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Wed 21st Feb Learning about other countries @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Wed 28th Feb Folding a Scarf and tying shoe laces @HQ 1800-1900hrs

### **Pack**

**Link Badge members (LB) are to attend where marked (+LB) in both Pack & Troop Sections. There are no MOBs until further notice.**

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Sat 10th Feb No Meeting

Sat 17th Feb Smoochie Making (+LB) @HQ 0915-1230hrs

Fri 23rd Feb Proficiency Badges/Founder's Day Activity @HQ 1800-2000hrs

### **Troop**

**The Troop section is organizing a fun filled afternoon and pasta night on Saturday 17th March for all group members, family and friends. More on page4**

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Sat 24th Feb Pioneering and Geocache +LB @near Fgura FootballGround 1000-1500hrs

### **Unit**

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Fri 9th Feb Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall 1530-1800hrs

Sat 10th Feb Cookout at Polverista @Near Fgura FootballGround 0900-1200hrs

Fri 16th Feb General Meeting @HQ 1930-2200hrs

Sun 25th Feb Car booth sale - Fundraising Activity @HQ 0600-1200hrs

### **Band**

Sat 17th Feb Band Rehearsal and year planning @HQ 0830-1100hrs

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### **Tentative Dates for your 2018 Calendars:**

- 16-19 MAR - Troop: Camp
- 25 MAR - Band: Good Friday Parade in Gozo
- 30 MAR - Troop+Unit: Senglea Parade - Forċina
- 20 APR - Group Drill Practice
- 22 APR - Annual Parade
- 11-12 MAY - Pack: Mother & Cub Camp
- 19 MAY - Car Wash
- 28-30 JUN - Pack Camp
- 14 JUL - Fund-Raising BBQ
- 23-31 JUL - Unit: Bristol Camp UK
- 1-8 AUG -Medjam 2018
- 1 SEP - Car Wash
- 15 SEP - Cleanup Malta
- 23 SEP - Church Parade
- 7 OCT - Family Fun Walk
- 28 OCT - Fgura Day Parade
- 16-18 NOV - Group Winter Camp
- 25 NOV - Group 31st Anniv. Parade

### **Clearance Sale - Brand New Grey Sweatshirts**

Following the introduction of the new branded activity T-shirts, activity hoodies and caps, the Group still has in stock a sizeable stock of branded new grey sweatshirts. We have decided to sell off these sweatshirts at a very discounted price of just Eur3 each. These sweatshirts are ideal for camping, crafts and outdoor activities that the Group organises throughout the year.

Anyone interested in purchasing these brand new sweatshirts is kindly asked to enquire at the headquarters before and after the weekly meetings.

This information applies both to our old members and to the members newly forming part of the Fgura Scout Group.

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

Membership for the period March 2018 to August 2018 is to be paid by the end of June 2018. 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 2018 sa Awwissu 2018 għanda tithallas sal-ahhar ta' Gunju 2018. Ghalekk kull membru huwa gentilment mitlub jagħmel il-hlas ta' Eur30 sal-ahhar ta' Gunju. Napprezzaw il-koooperazzjoni tagħkom.

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On Saturday 17th March, the troop section is inviting all group members, family and friends for an afternoon full of fun activities, a delicious pasta night and campfire.

All proceedings will be going towards funding the participation fee of all troop members attending the MedJam 2018 (international camp in August at Ghajn Tuffieha Campsite). More details will be provided in March circular.

Bookings can be made by calling or texting SL, Gail Spiteri on 99636806

**Fri 9th Feb**

**Group Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall**

**1900hrs onwards**

Time to put on your masks, hats, funny noses, big shoes and LOTS of makeup – IT'S CARNIVAL!!!

Come and show off your costumes and have fun with us at the Fgura Primary School Hall. More details can be found on the poster enclosed with this circular.

**Event is open to all group members, their families and friends.**

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## Beavers

**Sat 3rd Feb** **Malta National Aquarium @HQ** **1000-1400hrs**

Today we will meet at our HQ where we will head to St Paul's Bay to visit the Malta National Aquarium. Beavers are to wear full activity uniform including cap and scarf. It is important that beavers bring a packed lunch, enough water to drink and a raincoat in their backpack.

**For today's event we will be collecting €7.50. Beavers are reminded to bring the consent form. Today we will also be collecting €3.00 for next week's carnival craft.**

**Wed 7th Feb** **Carnival Craft @HQ** **1800-1900hrs**

Today we will be making a carnival craft. Beavers are to bring an apron and the craft bag which should include colours, UHU Stick and liquid glue.

**Payment for this craft was done on the 3rd of February.**

**Wed 14th Feb** **Beaver Story and games @HQ** **1800-1900hrs**

The Beaver Story is an interesting story where we'll learn about the origin of the beaver leaders names, the beavers and their lodges. It is important that beavers bring a cushion to sit down on. The story will be followed by some games!!

**Wed 21st Feb** **Learning about other countries @HQ** **1800-1900hrs**

This is a very interesting session where beavers will learn about other countries.

It is important to bring the beavers handbook for this session.

**Wed 28th Feb** **Folding a Scarf and tying shoe laces @HQ** **1800-1900hrs**

Beavers will today learn how to fold their scarf and how to tie the shoelace.

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## Pack

**Fri 2nd Feb** **Sessions/Games (+LB) @HQ** **1800-2000hrs**

These are the first sessions for 2018 so all cubs are to make sure to attend this important meeting. **Today we plan to finalize the Tender Paw badge for the newly appointed cubs (the 6 MOB's who moved on with Pack last week). We also plan to bring in line those cubs who, for some reason or other, fell back on their arrow progress.**

Cubs are to make sure to get their Cub Book with them to follow the sessions done by the leaders.

**Today booking will be done for Smoochie Making activity on Saturday 17th February - Consent Form + €8 which includes provision of all fruit, 2 bottles of smoochie drinks and all material used during the activity; together with transport.**

**Fri 9th Feb** **Group Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall** **1900hrs onwards**

See Group Section for further details and attached poster. All families are encouraged to attend and bring along extended family and friends for this fun fund raising activity!! Please make sure to book your place and may we remind you that trophies will be given out for best costume in the various categories.

**Sat 17th Feb** **Smoochie Making (+LB) @HQ** **0915-1230hrs**

Today we are going to a small factory where smoochies are produced and cubs will be making their very own smoochie!! The cubs will also be shown the machinery where these smoochies are bottled. Cubs are to attend in activity uniform with cap and scarf. They are to bring a snack/small packed lunch and enough to drink for the day. Otherwise all else will be provided on the spot...fruit and all; and cubs will be taking home with them two bottles of delicious, natural smoochies :)

Booking for this activity was done on Friday 2nd February.

**Fri 23rd Feb** **Proficiency Badges/Founder's Day Activity @HQ** **1800-2000hrs**

Today we give the cubs the opportunity to present a badge which they choose to do themselves from the Cub Book (the proficiency/interest badges at the back of the Cub Book). This is purely on a voluntary basis and cubs do not need to do a badge every time we do a similar session.

If the new cubs are interested in doing a badge, we suggest you ask the leaders about the badge chosen first, so that it won't be beyond the level of the cub's age.

Since on the eve of the meeting we celebrate Founder's Day, we're going to see a feature about our Founder - Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell.

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**Mon 5th Feb** **PLC @HQ** **1730-1900hrs**

This meeting is for the SPL and PL's only

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See Group Details

**Fri 16th Feb** **Sessions +LB @HQ** **1730-2100hrs**

We will be having scouting sessions regarding the orienteering and backpacker mastery badge. Important to bring the scout handbook.

Today we will also be taking the booking and collecting the signed consent forms for the next activity on 24th February.

**Sat 24th Feb** **Pioneering and Geocache +LB @near Fgura FootballGround** **1000-1500hrs**

We will be having a pioneering session followed by a small pioneering project which will help in achieving another geocache.

Important to bring water, packed lunch, scarf, raincoat, first aid and a torch

**Patrol leaders, Assisstant Patrol leaders and SPL are to meet at 9.30 am sharp in front of the stores to help with carrying the equipment.**

Booking of this activity was done on Friday 16th February

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## Unit

**Fri 2nd Feb** **Pizza and DVD night @HQ** **2000-2300hrs**

Is time to do a relax eve at our HQ, so today we will watch a DVD and order pizza. Some don't forget to get money with you and select a movie for your age.

**Fri 9th Feb** **Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall** **1530-1800hrs**

We will meet at Fgura Primary Hall to assist the council members to set up for the carnival party organized by our group.

**Sat 10th Feb** **Cookout at Polverista @Near Fgura FootballGround** **0900-1200hrs**

Today, we will meet near Fgura Football ground to go together at Polverista just in case someone doesn't know where, to conduct a cookout. Get all the necessary equipment, food and drinks.

**Fri 16th Feb** **General Meeting @HQ** **1930-2200hrs**

All venture members must attend this meeting to discuss coming months. Members who are going to start their venture program must present activities that he or she will intend to conduct. Furthermore, during this meeting we will discuss next executive election.

**Sun 25th Feb** **Car booth sale - Fundraising Activity @HQ** **0600-1200hrs**

Fundraising activity to get necessary funds for Bristol, therefore every member must give his utmost to attend.