



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

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## February 2020

### **Group**

Sun 9th Feb	South District Parade - Zabbar @Bulebel	0900-1300hrs
Fri 21st Feb	Group Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall	1900hrs onwards

### **Beavers**

Wed 5th Feb	Scouting Session - Founder's Day / International Scouting @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Sun 9th Feb	South District Parade @Bulebel	0900-1300hrs
Wed 12th Feb	Carnival Celebration @HQ	1800-1930hrs
Wed 19th Feb	No Meeting	
Fri 21st Feb	Group Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall	
Sat 29th Feb	Beaver Olympic @HQ	0900-1200hrs

### **Pack**

**LB members are to attend with Pack and Troop where marked (+LB). 4 new MOB's start this month and are to attend with Pack where marked (+MOB)**

Sat 1st Feb	Pizza making/Games in Sixes (+LB) @HQ	1000-1330hrs
Sat 8th Feb	Buy & Sell - Fund Raising for the Group (+MOB & +LB optional) @HQ	1130-1330hrs
Sun 9th Feb	South District Parade - Zabbar (+LB) @Bulebel	0900-1300hrs
Fri 14th Feb	Sessions/Games (+MOB/+LB) @HQ	1800-2000hrs
Fri 21st Feb	Group Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall	1900hrs onwards
Sat 22nd Feb	Costume Making by Six (+LB & +MOB) @HQ	1130-1330hrs
Fri 28th Feb	Spiritual - session for Gold Arrow (+LB) @HQ	1800-2000hrs
Sat 29th Feb	Cultural Visit at Valletta - FOR GOLD ARROW CUBS ONLY @As informed by Bagheera	0900hrs onwards

### **Troop**

Fri 7th Feb	Backpacker Session + LB @HQ	1800-2030hrs
Sun 9th Feb	South District Parade @Bulebel	0900-1300hrs
Sat 15th Feb	Tests and sessions + LB @HQ	0900-1100hrs
Sat 15th Feb	PLC @HQ	1100-1200hrs
Fri 21st Feb	Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall	1900hrs onwards
Sat 29th Feb	Operation Tallinja @HQ	0800-1600hrs
Sun 1st Mar	PL and APL Workshop @HQ	1000-1700hrs

### **Unit**

Thu 6th Feb	Let's Talk Unit. @HQ	1830hrs onwards
Fri 7th Feb	Spiritual @HQ	2030-2200hrs
Sun 9th Feb	District Parade @HQ	0900-1300hrs
Tue 11th Feb	Scouters Meeting @HQ	1900-2030hrs
Sat 15th Feb	Cook Off & Executive Meeting @Fgura Football Ground	1000-1300hrs
Fri 21st Feb	Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall	1900hrs onwards
Fri 28th Feb	PowerPoint - Venture Olympian @HQ	2000-2200hrs

### **Crew**

Tue 4th Feb	Executive meeting @HQ	2000-2200hrs
Sun 9th Feb	District parade @HQ	0800-1210hrs
Fri 21st Feb	Carnival party @Fgura Primary School Hall	1900-2240hrs

### **Band**

Wed 5th Feb	Band Rehearsal - for all band members @HQ	1830-2000hrs
Sun 9th Feb	South District Parade - Zabbar @HQ	0830-1300hrs
Mon 10th Feb	Band Rehearsal - Bell Lyres only @HQ	1900-2030hrs
Wed 19th Feb	Band Rehearsal - Bell Lyres only @HQ	1900-2030hrs
Wed 26th Feb	Band Rehearsal - for all band members @HQ	1900-2030hrs

# Group

**Congratulations to Ms Emily Zerafa - Holder of Ticket No. 03519 for Winning the Christmas Raffle 2019**

**Sun 9th Feb**

**South District Parade - Zabbar @Bulebel**

**0900-1300hrs**

The whole South District will be taking part in a Church Parade in Zabbar to commemorate the Zabbar Scout Group's 25th anniversary.

All members are to meet at 0900hrs sharp at Bulebel in **full parade uniform**. Private buses will take us to the Zabbar Parish Church where we will take part in the 10:15am Mass, after which we will be marching to the Zabbar Scout Group's HQ where some *light* refreshments will be served.

We expect to be back at **HQ** at 13:00

**Fri 21st 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, but all children (aged 14 and under) are to be accompanied by a responsible adult.***

NOTE: In an effort to minimise our impact on the environment we encourage all attendees to bring their own reusable cups and cutlery. Don't worry we'll still have the disposable sort for those of you who forget to do so.

# Beavers

**Wed 5th Feb**

**Scouting Session - Founder's Day / International Scouting @HQ**

**1800-1900hrs**

Today's session will be about our founder - Lord Baden Powell. During this meeting we will welcome new members within our colony.

**Please bring your beaver handbooks with you for this session.**

**Today we will be collecting Eur 3 for "Carnival Celebration" which will be on the 12th February.**

**Sun 9th Feb**

**South District Parade @Bulebel**

**0900-1300hrs**

Beavers will be joining the rest of the group wearing **full parade uniform** for the South District Parade in Zabbar. We will be meeting at **Bulebel** at 9am sharp. It is important that beavers have a good breakfast before.

We expect to be back at **Hq** at 1pm.

Please see group details for further information.

**Wed 12th Feb**

**Carnival Celebration @HQ**

**1800-1930hrs**

During the coming days we will be celebrating Carnival and so we will take ourselves into the carnival spirit by doing face painting. :-)  
We will also be having a party. So come prepared to have loads of fun!

**Today we will be collecting a duly signed consent form and Eur3 for activity dated 29th February.**

**Eur 3 were collected for today's activity.**

**Fri 21st Feb**

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

Prepare your carnival costumes and get ready to join in the Carnival fun! More information can be found in the group details section.

**Sat 29th Feb**

**Beaver Olympic @HQ**

**0900-1200hrs**

Today we will meet at hq at 9am sharp. We will go to Marsa Sports Grounds for this activity. Beavers are to bring a healthy packed lunch including a fresh fruit, plenty of water to drink, rain jacket, tissues and wipes in a wide strapped backpack.

**A duly signed consent form and Eur3 were collected on the 12th of February for this activity.**

# Pack

Dear Parents

As can be noted from our activities, we are giving particular importance to sessions since we would like the cubs to be able to attain the Gold Arrow when they go up with Troop. This is not a must for the cub to go up with the Troop Section, however the cub will be more informed and prepared for the Troop if this is attained.

During February we have three very important meetings for the Gold Arrow cubs especially for the 2 Link Badge members and other gold arrow cubs who will be starting their link badge period later on this year.

Please always read circular carefully and do not hesitate to approach us with any difficulties.

**Sat 1st Feb** **Pizza making/Games in Sixes (+LB) @HQ** **1000-1330hrs**

We will be making our own pizza according to our tastes :)

The leaders will order the pizza dough and the cubs are to get the ingredients they want on their pizza in separate containers. Please do not forget to get the two basic ingredients being tomato puree and your favourite cheese topping (ready cut or grated).

Cubs should also get an apron, a rolling pin and the cutlery bag with them, together with a plastic container with a lid to take back any pizza they might leave behind.

Whilst waiting for the pizza to be ready, we will do some games in sixes to enhance teamwork.

**Please note that the meeting starts earlier than usual and LB members were invited to attend if they so wish.**

Booking for this activity was done on Saturday 18th January.

**Sat 8th Feb** **Buy & Sell - Fund Raising for the Group (+MOB &+LB optional) @HQ** **1130-1330hrs**

Today 4 moving on beavers (MOB) begin their alternate meetings with Pack and we start off by giving them a warm welcome :)

It's been some time since we did this meeting and this is an activity where the cubs have fun and at the same time learn the principle of sharing and helping others.

Cubs are to get any items from home which they do not use any more but which are still in good condition - books, toys, stationery, decorative items; whilst the leaders give a price to these items and the cubs can then buy items brought by their friends and money collected will be donated to the group :)

Please do not get a large amount of items - not more than 5 items for each cub.

**Sun 9th Feb** **South District Parade - Zabbar (+LB) @Bulebel** **0900-1300hrs**

See details in Group Section of circular. Cubs are to take a good breakfast before coming and all Group members are to meet at Bulebel (NOT HQ) at 9am but then picked up from our HQ at 1pm.

**Fri 14th Feb** **Sessions/Games (+MOB/+LB) @HQ** **1800-2000hrs**

We will have our monthly arrows session today and cubs should get their Cub Book.

Sessions are important for all cubs but especially for link badge going up to Troop and Gold arrow members so that cubs will be able to finalize their Gold arrow preferably before going up to Troop.

After sessions are delivered, we will be having some relaxing and fun games.

**Fri 21st Feb** **Group Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall** **1900hrs onwards**

Go and get merry and take with you as many family and friends as possible since this is a fund raising event for the Group. Best costume competitions for various categories will be held.

**Sat 22nd Feb** **Costume Making by Six (+LB & +MOB) @HQ** **1130-1330hrs**

Since we are in the carnival weekend, today we will ask the cubs to improvise a costume by six. They can get any material which they like from home, whilst we will make some material available also from our HQ. Come prepared with loads of ideas to have fun and be as original as possible!!

Being Founder's Day today we will definitely spare a thought to our founder Baden Powell.

**Fri 28th Feb** **Spiritual - session for Gold Arrow (+LB) @HQ** **1800-2000hrs**

Shada will be dedicating this spiritual session to the Gold arrow requirement so it is very important that **gold arrow cubs especially Link Badge members attend today.**

**Sat 29th Feb**                      **Cultural Visit at Valletta - FOR GOLD ARROW CUBS ONLY @As informed by Bagheera**                      **0900hrs onwards**

**Today's activity is for Gold Arrow cubs only** - Bagheera will be giving out a mini circular in previous meetings with exact details to all the Gold arrow cubs.

No need to stress the importance of this activity for the Gold Arrow cubs as cultural visits are organized once a year specifically for the session.

No previous booking is required, but a duly signed Consent Form should be brought on the day.

## Troop

**Reminder to all scouts to top up your tallinja cards ready for Operation Tallinja on February 29th.**

**Fri 7th Feb**                                      **Backpacker Session + LB @HQ**                                      **1800-2030hrs**

This session is focused on the backpacker badge.

**Booking and consent form** for Operation Tallinja need to be brought in today as well.

Link Badge members may attend.

**Sun 9th Feb**                                      **South District Parade @Bulebel**                                      **0900-1300hrs**

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All members are to meet at 0900hrs sharp at Bulebel in **full parade uniform**. We will walk to the Zabbar Parish Church and take part in the 10:15am Mass, after which we will be marching to the Zabbar Scout Group's HQ where some *light* refreshments will be served.

We expect to be back at **HQ** at 13:00

**Sat 15th Feb**                                      **Tests and sessions + LB @HQ**                                      **0900-1100hrs**

Tests and sessions on first aid and backpacker.

Please revise the scout handbook and previous session learning so that your handbook can be completed.

Link Badge members may attend.

**Sat 15th Feb**                                      **PLC @HQ**                                      **1100-1200hrs**

For SPLs, PLs and APLs only

**Booking and payment** of €8 for PL workshop to be settled today.

**Fri 21st Feb**                                      **Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall**                                      **1900hrs onwards**

See Group comments for further details

**Sat 29th Feb**                                      **Operation Tallinja @HQ**                                      **0800-1600hrs**

New for this year: [Operation Tallinja: Move Back Please!](#)

This is a full day adventure around Malta that is part race, part treasure hunt. More details will be given on the day!

Reminder to all scouts that your Tallinja cards are to be topped up for today.

Please bring consent form, water, raincoat, packed lunch, scarf and cap.

We meet at HQ.

**Sun 1st Mar**                                      **PL and APL Workshop @HQ**                                      **1000-1700hrs**

A full day workshop with SPLs, PLs and APLs to improve skills and leadership qualities.

Bring notebook/paper, pen and cup. Food and drink will be provided.

Payment of €8 for this is to be given on 15th February.

## Unit

**Thu 6th Feb**                                      **Let's Talk Unit. @HQ**                                      **1830hrs onwards**

Today two of our Ventures will together with our VSL will be representing us at the discussion held by the Scout Association of Malta named "Let's Talk Unit". More details regarding this event will be given in meetings later on by the VSL

**Fri 7th Feb**                                      **Spiritual @HQ**                                      **2030-2200hrs**

Today we will be meeting at the HQ as we will be having a Spiritual based on teamwork. This time its going to be particular because the Spiritual session is going to be conducted by a Unit member. It is an imperative that all unit members will attend this meeting.

**Sun 9th Feb** **District Parade @HQ** **0900-1300hrs**

This Sunday we will be having a District Parade at Zabbar together with other South Scout Groups. Transport will be available. See Group details for more information.

**Tue 11th Feb** **Scouters Meeting @HQ** **1900-2030hrs**

Today one of our Executive member will be joining our VSL to attend the monthly Scouters meeting with the rest of the section leaders and GSL.

**Sat 15th Feb** **Cook Off & Executive Meeting @@Fgura Football Ground** **1000-1300hrs**

Until weather permits today we will be enjoying ourselves by having a Cook Off between us Ventures. We will be split into teams to compete against each other not knowing what we will be facing. More details will be given during the last meeting of January therefore everyone must attend.

**Fri 21st Feb** **Carnival Party @Fgura Primary School Hall** **1900hrs onwards**

This years carnival is going to be busy for us Unit as apart from decorating the hall as previous years we will also be giving a helping hand to prepare some games for the younger ones so as they enjoy themselves. We will also be sitting as Judge for the Costume Competition during the party. For further details see Group's information section.  
Hope to see you there! :)

**Fri 28th Feb** **PowerPoint - Venture Olympian @HQ** **2000-2200hrs**

For the last meeting of February some of our Ventures will be preparing for us a power point regarding their requirements for one of the GODS. It is important that every Unit member attends this meeting.

## **Band**

**Sun 9th Feb** **South District Parade - Zabbar @HQ** **0830-1300hrs**

We are going to meet at the HQ at 0830hrs sharp in **full parade uniform**. We will march to Bulebel where we'll meet with the rest of the group. Make sure to attend for the last rehearsal which will be held on Wednesday 5th February. We expect to be at the HQ at around 1300hrs.