

THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF MALTA, FGURA SCOUT GROUP

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<u>Group</u>	Introduction of Berets for L	.eaders, Rovers - Troop;	Caps for Pack & Beavers effective	e from 1 Jan 2026

Sun 4th JanBongu Malta TV Programme @Fgura Local Council0800-1200hrsMon 5th JanAll Leaders Kick Off Meeting @HQ1900-2100hrsMon 12th JanCouncil Members and Helpers Kick Off Meeting @HQ1930-2130hrsFri 30th JanAnnual General Meeting @Fgura Local Council Hall1900-2230hrs

Beavers (MOB) are to attend with Pack where marked (+MOB).

Wed 7th JanNew Lodges @HQ1830-1930hrsWed 14th JanMovie Night @HQ1800-2000hrsSat 24th JanPizza @ Beonos Marsascala @Beonos Marsascala1300-1500hrs

Fri 30th Jan Annual General Meeting @Fgura Local Council Hall

Pack This month 2 cubs will start their link badge period and 3 moving on beavers their moving on period to go up

or move on in April 2026.

 Fri 9th Jan
 Reshuffle of Sixes (+LB) & (+MOB) @HQ
 1800-2000hrs

 Sat 17th Jan
 Cookout (+LB) @Polverista
 1400-1700hrs

 Sat 24th Jan
 Sessions at Bulebel (+LB) & (+MOB) @Bulebel
 0900-1530hrs

Fri 30th Jan A.G.M. (+LB) @Fgura Local Council

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+LB is written

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 Zulu Challenge +exMOVs +MOV @Bulebel
 0800-1700hrs

 Fri 16th Jan
 Movie Night +MOV +LB @HQ
 1900-2130hrs

 Fri 23rd Jan
 New Patrols +MOV +LB @HQ
 1830-2100hrs

Fri 30th Jan AGM +MOV @Fgura Local Council

<u>Unit</u>

 Thu 15th Jan
 Executive @HQ
 1900-2000hrs

 Tue 20th Jan
 Unit AGM @HQ
 1900-2130hrs

Fri 30th Jan AGM @TBA

<u>Crew</u>

Sat 10th Jan - Sun 11th Jan Night Expedition @HQ 1900-1600hrs

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Band

Fri 30th Jan

Sun 4th Jan Bongu Malta TV Programme @HQ 0800-1200hrs Wed 7th Jan Band Rehearsal for Bagpipes @HQ 1730-1830hrs Wed 7th Jan Band Meeting @HQ 1815-2000hrs Fri 16th Jan - Sun 18th Jan Fgura & Zabbar joint band camp @Kalkara Campsite 1800-1200hrs Wed 21st Jan Band Rehearsal for Bagpipes @HQ 1730-1830hrs Wed 21st Ian Drums rope making + maintenance @HQ 1830-2030hrs Band Rehearsal for Bagpipes @HQ Wed 28th Jan 1730-1830hrs Wed 28th Jan Band Meeting @HQ 1830-2000hrs



Group

Happy New Year to everyone. Another year full of success and innovative projects and initiatives.

Each year the Fgura Scout Group dedicate a Priority Theme to be included within our activities. In 2023, the Group focused on integration and participation abraod, in 2024, the Group focused on its role within the Community of Fgura, in 2025 focused on the individual physical and emotional wellbeing and this coming year, it shall focus on a Sustainable Environment.

To this effect, the Group's welcomes any invites, suggestion and opportunities that can help us out address this new Priority Theme.

Above all, we look forward to welcome Adult Volunteers both as Helpers, Council Members or Leaders.

The Group requires assistance for Teachers on Trade & Academic subjects; Professionals in the Social Field; Sales & Management of the Merchandise Store, HQ Management, Project Management and Tapping of Funds; Musicians, Architects, Surveyors and Construction and whoever wish to share their talents and skills with us.

Promise that everything can be scheduled so a proper time schedule is maintained for any interested volunteers.

Giving time, skills and energy for others, especially in Scouting is a very rewarding feeling!

Sun 4th Jan

Bongu Malta TV Programme @Fgura Local Council

0800-1200hrs

The Locality of Fgura in collaboration with TVM shall be shooting the Bongu Malta Live TV Programme.

A selection from our group shall be participating. Respective Section Leaders will communicate with members accordingly.

Link: tvmi.mt

Mon 5th Jan

All Leaders Kick Off Meeting @HQ

1900-2100hrs

All registered leaders of the Fgura Scout Group shall gather for the Kick Off of the Group's Programme 2026.

Leaders play a central role in Scouting through their values, example and youth development. They are also responsible for the physical, emotional and moral safety of our members, including Risk Management, Safeguarding Polices and creating an inclusive, respectful environment.

Prior to meeting all leaders are required to present a Copy of Safe From Harm Certificate. Training can be accessed through - https://learn.scouts.org

Mon 12th Jan

Council Members and Helpers Kick Off Meeting @HQ

1930-2130hrs

Council Members and Helpers Kick Off Meeting shall aim at preparing the ground work for the 2026 Group Events.

Council Members and Helpers are key in ensuring the successful implementation of the Scout Programme.

Same as leaders they do support the safety and wellbeing of each Scout Members, such as providing extra eyes and hands, in particular during large or challenging events.

On the instructions of the Scouts Association of Malta, Council Members are to carry out the Safe From Harm Training through the following link - https://earn.scout.org

Fri 30th Jan

Annual General Meeting @Fgura Local Council Hall

1900-2230hrs

During the Annual General Meeting, the Fgura Scout Group shall be presenting its Annual Progress and Financial Report and also distribute awards to Members.

A general update on the groups' ongoing projects shall also be published.

And above all, we look forward to hear your views and suggestions for a better future.

Beavers

Wishing a prosperous New Year to all parents and Beavers, as we look ahead with optimism to a year filled with learning, laughter and new adventures!

Wed 7th Jan New Lodges @HQ 1830-1930hrs

The start of the New Year commences with a reshuffle of new lodges within the colony. Therefore, in today's session we will form new lodges together with new lodge leaders.

Scouting themed games will follow once the new lodges are formed.

Wed 14th Jan Movie Night @HQ 1800-2000hrs

Today bring with you a comfy cushion from home and let's enjoy watching a fun movie together. Beavers are to bring a small amount of snacks to share and popcorn will be provided by the leaders.

Sat 24th Jan Pizza @ Beonos Marsascala @Beonos Marsascala 1300-1500hrs

Today we will get our hands messy with flour and dough at Beonos Marsascala for an interesting pizza session.

Beavers are to attend in full activity wear including scarf, cutlery bag and lunch box together with enough water for the duration of the activity. Consent form and a 7 euro fee will be collected on the day.

Fri 30th Jan Annual General Meeting @Fgura Local Council Hall

The Annual General meeting will be held at the Fgura Local Council Hall. Kindly refer to the Group's section for further details.

Pack

Dear Parents & Cubs

Another year is with us and we kick off in January of every year with the formation of new sixes meeting.

At the end of the month we also have the much awaited Annual General Meeting (AGM) where parents are invited to attend and we all see what the Group went through in 2025 it's plans for 2026.

It is also customary for awards to be given at the end like Best Six, 1st 2nd and 3rd Best Cub awards and other awards given for character and behaviour traits noticed throughout the year.

Looking forward to many more scouting adventures together.

AKELA & PACK LEADERS

Fri 9th Jan

Reshuffle of Sixes (+LB) & (+MOB) @HQ

1800-2000hrs

We kick off the year with the usual reshuffle of sixes meeting where cubs will be assigned their new six and sixers and second sixers appointed by each six.

After this, there will be some team building games.

Sat 17th Jan

Cookout (+LB) @Polverista

1400-1700hrs

We will meet near Fgura Football Ground with activity uniform and get a backpack with enough drink for the activity and a small cooler with items to cook.

Please keep the food simple - sausages and chicken nuggets and no raw meat or chicken. Do not get whole packets of sausages or chicken nuggets for two reasons - it will take us longer to cook a lot of food and extra food will go to waste.

Do not forget cutlery bag and a packet of tissues and wipes.

Sat 24th Jan

Sessions at Bulebel (+LB) & (+MOB) @Bulebel

0900-1530hrs

We will meet at Bulebel to go to do outdoor sessions in Buskett.

Cubs should come in full activity uniform with cap and scarf and get a padded backpack with enough water to drink and a packed lunch and healthy snacks to last them a day.

Please do not forget your rain jacket and those cubs who have the Old Cub Book should get it with them.

We will be back at Bulebel at 3.30pm.

Fri 30th Jan

A.G.M. (+LB) @Fgura Local Council

Details can be found in the Group Section of circular.

Full parade uniform should be worn and attendance of both cubs and parents is important. There will be awards distributed at the end of the A.G.M. which the cubs should look forward to.

The Group will go through the main events of 2025 and put forward plans for 2026.

We hope to have full attendance for the Pack.

Troop

Dear Parents,

As we begin the new year, we would like to take a moment to thank you all for the continued support and trust shown week in, week out.

We will be starting the year with the Annual Zulu Challenge, which marks the beginning of another wonderful year together filled with fun, laughter, learning and adventure.

SL and Troop Leaders

Sat 10th Jan

Zulu Challenge +exMOVs +MOV @Bulebel

0800-1700hrs

It is time for the annual patrol competition - the Zulu Challenge! The aim of this activity is to promote scouting and teamwork and to put into practice the scouting skills learned throughout the year.

The winning patrol will have their name engraved on the Zulu shield.

We suggest that you prepare for this activity by going through the Mountaineer Award Book.

Come wearing your activity uniform, group scarf and with good walking shoes.

What to bring? Consent form, packed lunch, first aid kit, rain jacket, map kit, water, pen & paper.

Bookings and payments for this activity were made on the 19th of December.

Fri 16th Jan

Movie Night +MOV +LB @HQ

1900-2130hrs

Today, we will be getting together for a movie night. Members attending are encouraged to bring some snacks such as popcorn or nachos to enjoy during the film.

Fri 23rd Jan

New Patrols +MOV +LB @HQ

1830-2100hrs

It's time to reveal the new patrols for the year 2026!

During tonight's meeting, we will be announcing the new PLs and APLs and playing a few games to help patrol members get to know each other better.

What to get? Notebook, mountaineer award book and pencil case.

Fri 30th Jan

AGM +MOV @Fgura Local Council

View Group section for more details.

Unit

As we welcome the New Year, we would like to extend our heartfelt wishes to all parents, leaders and members of our Scout family. May the year ahead be filled with happiness, good health, and new opportunities.

As in past years, we will continue working on the development of the inner self of each member, strengthening character, leadership, and values, while delivering a strong and engaging unit programme. We remain committed to helping every Scout grow, learn, and thrive.

We are also looking forward with great excitement to the upcoming Gilwell experience-an adventure that promises to be truly memorable and inspiring for all involved.

With gratitude for your continued support and enthusiasm, we wish you all a very Happy New Year and look forward to another successful year together.

Vsl and Avsl

Tue 20th Jan Unit AGM @HQ 1900-2130hrs

For today's meeting we will be having a Unit AGM were the new Executive will be announced, what's waiting for us this year...

Fri 30th Jan AGM @TBA

Check the Group Section for more details

Crew

Over the past year, the crew achieved strong results, including our first batch of Explorer Belt finishers, progress in leadership courses, recognition through various awards, and the induction of new Rovers, with plans for more squires next year. Our goal for the coming year is to continue encouraging one another to work on the Rover programme, plan activities and fundraisers, and organise a dedicated Rover trip, while strengthening leadership and increasing our impact within the group and the wider community. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sat 10th Jan - Sun 11th Jan

Night Expedition @HQ

1900-1600hrs

This overnight expedition is being planned by our next batch of squires turning rovers as part of their Induction training.

Further details to be discussed.

Fri 30th Jan

AGM @Fgura Local Council

1900-2100hrs

Refer to group details.

Band

Our band members work extremely hard throughout the year, performing at parades and various events for the enjoyment of others. The group has invested significantly in the band section to provide high-quality equipment and tools for each member.

In 2025, our band participated in an event outside of Malta for the first time, and this July we will be taking part in Europeade in Bergamo. We plan to continue investing in our band section by increasing the more of drummers, tenor players, and bagpipers.

If you are interested in joining our band, we would be more than happy to welcome you:)

Sun 4th Jan

Bongu Malta TV Programme @HQ

0800-1200hrs

We will be participating in the *Bongu Malta* TV programme by playing marches during this event. Full parade uniform is required. Further details will be shared on the Facebook group.

Fri 16th Jan - Sun 18th Jan Fgura & Zabbar joint band camp @Kalkara Campsite

1800-1200hrs

During this joint band camp, we will meet with members of the Zabbar band to share and play our marching songs together.

We will begin by practising in sections and gradually progress to playing various marching pieces as one group, while also learning new techniques.

More information will be shared on the Facebook page.

A participation fee of €25 will be collected on Sunday 4th January during 'Bongu Malta'. Only case payments will be accepted. This fee covers the campsite and food. The consent form and health form are required for this activity. If you have any food allergies please let me know ASAP.

Wed 21st Jan

Drums rope making + maintenance @HQ

1830-2030hrs

Today, we will be working on the new ropes that will be attached to the drums. We will also be carrying out some maintenance on the drums.