



THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF MALTA, FGURA SCOUT GROUP

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Group

Sat 29th Jul Group Fund-Raising BBQ @IHQ 2000hrs onwards

Beavers

Wed 5th Jul Senglea Walk @Senglea Parish Church 1830-2030hrs

Wed 12th Jul Water Games @Gnien Kottonier 1830-1930hrs

Wed 19th Jul No Meeting

Sun 23rd Jul Family Fun Day @IHQ 0900-1600hrs

Wed 26th Jul No Meeting

Pack

We have no MOBs or LB members until further notification

Sat 1st Jul No Meeting

Fri 7th Jul Cinema Activity @Galleria Shopping Complex 1745-2030hrs

Sat 15th Jul No Meeting

Fri 21st Jul Beach Activity / Swimmer's Badge @HQ 1530-2000hrs

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Group

Our May Car Wash was a Great Success

We would like to thank all those members who participated in the car wash we had in May and those parents who took the time to bring their car over to be washed or who were so generous as to give a donation. An EXTRA BIG THANK YOU goes to those parents who lent a hand washing cars, setting up and taking down the shading and transporting equipment on the day. We loved having you there and your help was really appreciated. With everybody's help and enthusiasm we were able to wash a total of 86 cars. The proceeds from this activity will be mainly going towards purchasing some brand new first-aid back-packs for our group and to repair some of our tents which took a beating during the last summer camp.

Sat 29th Jul

Group Fund-Raising BBQ @IHQ

2000hrs onwards

Summer is here - Let the BBQs Begin!!

Everyone loves a nice BBQ in summer - remove the hassle of buying, preparing, cooking and cleaning and it becomes even more fun.

This summer we are organising a BBQ at the Scout Association's Island Headquarters in Floriana to help raise funds to keep up with the costs involved in running the group. For a small fee (€10 for adults and €5 for children under 10) you will be treated to a selection of BBQ meat/chicken and a drink.

Bookings will be collected by our council members before section meetings or over the phone. More details in the enclosed poster.

Beavers

Please note that during the months of July and August we will not meet every Wednesday because of the heat. However it is recommended not to miss out any Summer activities which will be full of fun. So look out for the dates!

Moreover this month the Beavers Section will be celebrating their 10th Year Anniversary where a special family fun day activity will be held. This is not to be missed :-)

Wed 5th Jul

Senglea Walk @Senglea Parish Church

1830-2030hrs

Today we will meet at Senglea Parish Church at 18.30. Beavers are to wear full activity uniform including cap and scarf and a small backpack with enough water to drink. We will then proceed for an evening walk around the beautiful city of Senglea. Later we will stop at one of the kiosks to enjoy some chips! Ideally insect repellent should be used. We will end up the activity at Senglea Parish Church at 20.30.

A €2 fee will be collected along with a duly signed consent form.

Wed 12th Jul

Water Games @Gnien Kottonier

1830-1930hrs

We will today meet directly at Gnien Kottonier wearing activity uniform including the scarf. Please bring water to drink and do not forget to apply insect repellent.

Beavers are reminded to bring a duly signed consent form for this meeting. Today we will be taking bookings for the 10 Years Beavers Anniversary Family Fun Day - Adults €10 each and Children €5 each. This activity will be held at the IHQ in Floriana on Sunday the 23rd of July.

Sun 23rd Jul

Family Fun Day @IHQ

0900-1600hrs

This year we will be celebrating the 10th Year Anniversary since the first ever Beavers Meeting. To mark this special occasion we're organising a family fun day where leaders, parents and children get together for a day packed with fun in a relaxing atmosphere. It is recommended to bring a cap and apply sunblock however, will try as possible to avoid direct sunlight. We will be meeting at IHQ in Floriana at 9am and finish at 4pm.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Ladies please bring your make up.

Gents please bring a tie.

Be prepared for a great Sunday together.

Pack

Dear Parents

Please note that during the coming two months we will be meeting every fortnight. This is because during the summer months, everybody needs to take some time off and the pace slows down due to the heat. Leaders need to take some time to recharge their batteries for the last months of the year :)

However, bookings would still be ongoing for the summer activities so please make sure **to book on the date indicated on the circular and not later**. Sticking to the booking date prevents a lot of hassle and time wasting for us leaders. If a cub is unable to make it to the activity and so doesn't book, the parent should inform the leader taking care of the bookings accordingly. Moreover, if a cub is not able to make it to a meeting where there are bookings, the parent should either pop by at HQ and book just the same or inform Akela accordingly. Your co-operation is highly appreciated.

Fri 7th Jul

Cinema Activity @Galleria Shopping Complex

1745-2030hrs

As we do every year for the weekend of the Fgura feast, we will be watching a film together at the Galleria Shopping Complex in Fgura. Parents are to get cubs directly there - Ground Floor Main Foyer; and pick them up again from the same place.

Cubs today can come in casual clothing and there is no need to wear activity uniform. Popcorn and drink are included in the price and these will be given to the cubs before entering the cinema theatre since there will be no time during the intermission for all the cubs to get their popcorn and drink. However the popcorn and drink can be consumed at any time during the film. Cubs can go to the bathroom, if they feel the need during intermission time. Please do not give more money to the cubs to buy extra snacks.....there is absolutely no need.

Booking for this activity was done on Friday 23rd June.

Today booking should be made for Beach Activity on Friday 21st July 2017 - Consent Form + €3.

Fri 21st Jul

Beach Activity / Swimmer's Badge @HQ

1530-2000hrs

Unfortunately last year we were not able to do the Swimmer's badge for the cubs cos of the winds blowing on the day which didn't make it possible. However, this year we will try to avoid this by deciding on the day the beach we will be taking the cubs to - according to the wind direction.

So today we will be doing the Swimmer's badge for all the cubs. May I remind you that cubs using swimming aids (trainers, noodle or fun board) to swim cannot attain this badge.

Cubs should come in activity uniform with cap and scarf. Boys can wear their swimming trunks to serve as trousers if they are bermuda style. Girls cannot wear bikinis or else they have to swim with a T-shirt; they should obviously wear shorts and activity T-shirt over their swimwear. Sunblock should be applied at home so as to avoid waste of time but cubs can still get their sunblock with them if they need to apply more. Jelly shoes or beach clogs can be worn instead of slippers.

Cubs should get a backpack with padded straps which should contain enough water to drink, a packed lunch and any fruit/snack. Cubs can get a small amount of cash for an ice-cream.

Today booking should be made for the two activities we have in August:

• **Harbour Cruise on Friday 4th August - Consent Form + €5 which includes transport from HQ and back. Timing should be from 4pm - 8pm but is to be confirmed by the date of this booking.**

• **Beach Games & BBQ on Friday 25th August - Consent Form + €3 for transport (timing should be approx from 3.30pm - 9pm).**

Any cubs who are unable to come today should book for these two activities on the 7th July

Sat 29th Jul

No Meeting for Cubs. Group Fundraising BBQ in the evening @IHQ

Please see Group Section for details of Group Fundraising BBQ. Parents are encouraged to come and get family and friends in order to help the Group and get to know each other better.

Hope to see you all there :)

Troop

Thu 6th Jul

Booking/Payment for Troop Summer Camp @HQ

1700-1800hrs

Today we will be collecting the booking and payment for next week's summer camp. The camp will only be held for Pls, Apls, and senior patrol and it will take place @ Ghajn Tuffieha Campsite.

A fee of €30 along with a duly signed consent form is to be collected by today only for these members.

For the other members who are attending one day at camp, they are to bring a fee of €7 along with a duly signed consent form by today too.

Thu 13th Jul - Sun 16th Jul **PLs, APLs & Senior Patrol Summer Camp @Stores** **1700-1900hrs**

It is time for the much awaited summer camp. This year we will be having a camp just for the troop section. It will be held at Ghajn Tuffieha Campsite. The camp will **only** be held for the Senior Patrol, Patrol leaders and Assistant Patrol leaders. More details are to be given during previous meetings.

Everyone is to meet at the stores at 17:00. Transport will be provided to the Campsite and back to the HQ on the 19th at 19:00. Each member is to bring the usual camp list including swim suit, sun block, cap, notepad and a duly signed health form.

Last day to book for this activity was on the 6th of July.

Sat 15th Jul **One day at Camp @HQ** **1400-2200hrs**

This meeting only applies for the rest of the troop members (not PLs or APLs). We will be going to join the rest of the troop in their Summer Camp at Ghajn Tuffieha Campsite and we will be having some scouting activities as well as the annual campfire.

Everyone is to bring a swimsuit, sunblock, cap, cutlery, shower accessories and a torch.

We will be meeting at the HQ and transport will be provided for the beginning and the end of the meeting.

Last day to book for this activity was on the 6th of July.

Fri 21st Jul **Maltese Games @Cottonera Gardens** **1700-2000hrs**

Today we will be having some traditional Maltese Gardens. The meeting will start and finish at Cottonera Gardens.

Each patrol has to prepare a game for today and if you need/require any equipment, please contact the Scout Leader (Gail Spiteri) at least a week before today.

Sat 29th Jul **Sessions @HQ** **1000-1230hrs**

Today we will be having sessions about how to plan a 3 course meal. Each patrol will be planning their own 3 course meal so come prepared with your own ideas since next week you will be cooking it.

This is an important session to attend since a large portion of the program will be focusing on cooking.

Sat 29th Jul **Group Fund-raising BBQ @IHQ** **2000hrs onwards**

See group details for more information.

Unit

Fri 14th Jul **Kayaking + BBQ @HQ** **1600-2200hrs**

We will be meeting at the HQ from where we will go to the beach for a kayaking activity and a BBQ afterwards. Further details on this activity will be given later on.

Fri 21st Jul **Rehearsals for talent night @HQ** **1930-2200hrs**

We will be meeting at the HQ to rehearse for the group's Talent night which will be held in November.

Fri 28th Jul **Rehearsals for talent night @HQ** **1930-2200hrs**

We will be meeting again to rehearse for the talent night in November.
