



THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF MALTA, FGURA SCOUT GROUP

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Group

Thu 19th Mar National Leaders' Event - Darbtejn Insiru Tfal @Ghajn Tuffieha Campsite 0830-1430hrs

Beavers

Wed 4th Mar Hot Dog Day @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Wed 11th Mar Scouting Session - How Things Work @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Wed 18th Mar How to Fold your Scarf & Tying Shoe Laces @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Sat 28th Mar Afternoon Tea & Toast @Fgura Football Ground 1300-1600hrs

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

Pack

Fri 6th Mar Our Environment Badge (+MOB & +LB) @HQ 1800-2000hrs

Fri 13th Mar Sleepover for Gold arrow cubs ONLY (+LB);Booking for hike @HQ

Sat 14th Mar Quiz (+MOB & +LB); Booking for hike @HQ 0900-1100hrs

Sat 21st Mar No Meeting

Sat 28th Mar Easter Craft @HQ 1130-1330hrs

Sat 4th Apr Hike & Sessions (+MOB & +LB);Booking for Maudy Thrs activity @HQ 0900-1600hrs

Moving on Beavers (MOB) and Link Badge members (LB) are to attend with Pack where marked (+MOB) or (+LB).

Troop

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

Fri 6th Mar Valletta Treasure Hunt @HQ 1730-2200hrs

Fri 13th Mar Nature Badge Activity @HQ 1700-2200hrs

Sat 21st Mar Bike/Walking Hike (+LB) @HQ 1000-1600hrs

Fri 27th Mar Sessions (+LB) @HQ 1800-2030hrs

Sat 4th Apr READY...STEADY....COOK! @HQ 0930-1530hrs

Unit

Sat 7th Mar - Sun 8th Mar Iscout 2020 @HQ 1700-0100hrs

Mon 9th Mar Scouter's Meeting @HQ 1900hrs onwards

Tue 10th Mar Executive Meeting @HQ 2000-2200hrs

Fri 20th Mar - Sat 21st Mar Sleep Over and Escape Room @HQ 1900-1000hrs

Fri 27th Mar Spiritual @HQ 2030-2230hrs

Crew

Thu 5th Mar Lets talk rovers @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Sat 7th Mar Iscout 2020 @HQ 1900-2300hrs

Mon 9th Mar Executive @HQ 2000-2200hrs

Fri 27th Mar - Sat 28th Mar The Journey @HQ 1900-1200hrs

Band

Wed 4th Mar Band Rehearsal - Bell Lyres only @HQ 1900-2030hrs

Wed 11th Mar Band Rehearsal - For all band members @HQ 1830-2000hrs

Wed 25th Mar Band Rehearsal - For all band members @HQ 1900-2030hrs

Group

Revision of Group Membership Fee

As announced during the last AGM, the group's membership has been revised to **€40 every 6 months**.

This change was mainly necessary due to the increased cost of rents that group is paying for its HQ as well as other increases in general running costs.

The Group is committed to doing everything it can to keep its membership fees as low as possible to keep scouting as accessible as possible to everyone.

Thu 19th Mar National Leaders' Event - Darbtejn Insiru Tfal @Ghajn Tuffieha Campsite 0830-1430hrs

For the first time ever the Scout Association of Malta will be organising a national event for scout leaders and their families.

All those leaders who booked for the event are requested to be at **Ghajn Tuffieha Campsite** at 08:30 and to bring with them €8 per adult and €5 per child to cover the event costs.

Tentative event schedule:

- 08:30 - Registration
- 09:00 - Opening Ceremony
- 09:30 - Rotational Activities
- 12:30 - Lunch
- 13:30 - Group Activity & Closing
- 14:30 - Dismissal

Beavers

Wed 4th Mar Hot Dog Day @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Today we'll be making our own hot dog!! Beavers are to bring a small bottle of water to drink, an empty lunch box with lid, a napkin, plastic fork, spoon, knife and wipes in a back pack.

We will be collecting Eur 3.00 for this activity.

Wed 11th Mar Scouting Session - How Things Work @HQ 1800-1900hrs

As part of the program, today we'll be doing a very interesting session about "how things work". This is an interesting meeting not to be missed ;-)

Please bring your beaver handbook.

Wed 18th Mar How to Fold your Scarf & Tying Shoe Laces @HQ 1800-1900hrs

Today we'll practice how to fold the scouts scarf and we'll also learn how to tie our shoe laces, both of which are useful tasks!

It is very important that today ALL Beavers bring a torch with them.

We will be collecting Eur 3 and a duly signed consent form for next activity, named "Tea and toast on open fire".

Sat 28th Mar Afternoon Tea & Toast @Fgura Football Ground 1300-1600hrs

Today we will meet near Fgura Football Ground. Beavers are reminded to bring a cutlery bag (plastic knife, teaspoon, tissues, wipes, cup, bottle of water, and an empty lunch box with lid). Please bring a rain jacket as well.

Beavers are to wear full activity uniform including cap and scarf.

Eur 3 and a duly signed consent form were collected on 18th of March for this activity.

Pack

Dear Parents & Cubs

March is jam-packed with activities which are fun and interesting to attend whilst at the same time cover arrow sessions and even a proficiency badge. We highly urge all cubs to attend all activities if possible but special emphasis is made on the gold arrow cubs since all meetings are aimed at helping them to achieve the gold arrow in good time.

ATTENTION ALL DADS - We have just booked Rinella campsite for a one night camp for father & cub between Friday 19 and Saturday 20 June - Father's Day weekend!! Although this seems a bit far away for now, we are advising you of the day so that arrangements can possibly be made for you to be free on the dates indicated. A Father & Cub camp was promised to the dads after the success of the Mother & Cub camp and we are showing you that we keep our word :) Please mark the dates in your diaries!!

Fri 6th Mar **Our Environment Badge (+MOB & +LB) @HQ** **1800-2000hrs**

This badge was supposed to be done during the Group Winter Camp but plans had to change. In fact we requested cubs to get some information about an organization (either in Malta or abroad) which works in favour of the environment as requested in the Cub Book. So cubs can get this information which they had prepared before the Winter Camp today.

Tabaqui will be delivering this badge and will show us what the environment actually is and how living things interact within it. The positive and negative impact which man leaves on the environment will also be discussed.

Points covered in this badge can also serve the gold arrow members to acquire the WSEP badge so it is very important that gold arrow cubs attend today.

Those cubs who did not attend the camp and therefore do not have the information requested above will be informed in previous meetings what they need to do. Even the four MOBs are requested to bring this information on the day and their parents will be informed accordingly in previous meetings.

Fri 13th Mar **Sleepover for Gold arrow cubs ONLY (+LB);Booking for hike @HQ**

The gold arrow cubs ONLY will be having a sleepover at our HQ this weekend in order to cover various Gold arrow sessions. Details of this sleepover will be given to them directly by Bagheera in previous meetings.

Gold arrow cubs should get with them booking for hike on Saturday 4th April - Consent Form + €3 for transport.

Sat 14th Mar **Quiz (+MOB & +LB); Booking for hike @HQ** **0900-1100hrs**

The rest of the cubs who did not have the sleepover the day before, will have a meeting this morning from **9-11am** and will be joined by the gold arrow cubs who would have slept at HQ the night before.

We will be having a quiz where a number of questions will be about the sessions in the three arrows. There will also be general knowledge questions and fun activities included in this quiz so make sure to be there :))

Today booking for hike on Saturday 4th April should be made - Consent Form + €3 for transport.

Sat 28th Mar **Easter Craft @HQ** **1130-1330hrs**

We decided to do a craft this Easter - something which you can decorate with at home. For a craft you should ALWAYS get your craft bag which should contain the basic stationery items like pencil, biro, ruler, rubber, round pointed scissors, UHU stick and liquid glue and items to decorate your craft with.

Other requirements for this particular craft will be given to you in previous meetings.

Sat 4th Apr **Hike & Sessions (+MOB & +LB);Booking for Maudy Thrs activity @HQ** **0900-1600hrs**

We will enjoy the outdoors today with a hike which Bagheera so kindly plans for us. This will be the first hike for the MOBs with us :)

Cubs should come in activity uniform with cap & scarf and should wear good walking slippers. A padded backback with wide straps at the back should be used for a hike and cubs are to get a packed lunch and a healthy snack and enough water for the day.

We normally do outdoor sessions for all the arrows and today a particular session for the Gold arrow cubs will be delivered by Tabaqui. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT ALL GOLD ARROW CUBS ATTEND TODAY ESPECIALLY LINK BADGE MEMBERS AND THOSE WHO ARE GOING UP WITH TROOP THIS YEAR.

Booking for this activity was done on Friday 13th and Saturday 14th March.

Today booking for Maudy Thursday activity on Thursday 9th April should be done (details will be in April circular) - Consent Form + €3. For this activity MOBs will not be with us so no need for booking.

Troop

There are a number of consent forms to be brought in for March as well some transport costs, please ensure you are aware of the deadlines, summarised as follows:

- Treasure Hunt: 29th February plus 5 EUR
- Nature Badge: 6th March plus 3 EUR
- Bike/Walking Hike: 13th March plus 4 EUR

Note: If you cannot make any of the deadlines for the consent forms and would like to come for an activity please inform your patrol leader or SL as soon as you can.

Remember: no consent form = no activity!

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.

Fri 6th Mar **Valletta Treasure Hunt @HQ** **1730-2200hrs**

This is a treasure hunt organised by the SPLs. Although it is based in and around Valletta we will be meeting at HQ for 5:30pm then taking transport from there.

Bring water, snacks, scarf, walking shoes, torch and potentially a raincoat.

Consent form for this activity to be given on the 29th February and bring 5 EUR for transport costs.

Additionally consent form for the nature badge activity on 13th March is also given in today, with 3 EUR for transport costs.

Fri 13th Mar **Nature Badge Activity @HQ** **1700-2200hrs**

This activity is focused on the nature badge applicants, however, it is open to ALL members.

Bring water, snacks, walking shoes, scarf, torch and potentially a raincoat.

Consent form for bike/walking hike on the 21st March to be given today, bring 4 EUR to cover transport costs.

Sat 21st Mar **Bike/Walking Hike (+LB) @HQ** **1000-1600hrs**

This activity is a day either walking or cycling.

All members to get water, packed lunch, walking shoes, scarf, first aid kit and potentially raincoat.

Those with a bike, also bring a bike helmet.

Fri 27th Mar **Sessions (+LB) @HQ** **1800-2030hrs**

Sessions - To be decided by PLs during the PL workshop on the 1st March on what needs to be covered for their patrols.

Power to the Patrol Leaders!

Sat 4th Apr **READY...STEADY....COOK! @HQ** **0930-1530hrs**

This meeting is organised by the SPLs and our patrols will cooking food from a variety of countries.

Bring cutlery bag, water, food (already organised per patrol), first aid kit and scarf.

Unit

Sat 7th Mar - Sun 8th Mar **Iscout 2020 @HQ** **1700-0100hrs**

The most awaited day has come, It's Iscout Game Day. Today we will meet at HQ to prepare ourselves for this Event. So get ready to Play !!!

Mon 9th Mar **Scouter's Meeting @HQ** **1900hrs onwards**

As we discussed during the last Executive the unit member attending the Scouter's Meeting will be Miguel Vassallo.

Tue 10th Mar **Executive Meeting @HQ** **2000-2200hrs**

Today we will be having our third Executive Meeting of the Year.

Fri 20th Mar - Sat 21st Mar **Sleep Over and Escape Room @HQ** **1900-1000hrs**

This weekend we will be having a Sleep Over in the HQ and apart from that we will be having an Escape Room Activity. It is Important to attend to show some Gratitude and Respect to Elise for preparing the Escape Room.

Fri 27th Mar **Spiritual @HQ** **2030-2230hrs**

Today one of our Members will be doing for us a Spiritual. It is Very Important to attend this Meeting to show some Respect. The Spiritual Main Focus will be Life.