



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

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## October 2020

### **Group**

Sun 11th Oct	Fund-Raising Fun Walk @Buskett (Under the tent)	1600-1930hrs
Fri 16th Oct - Sun 18th Oct	JOTA JOTI 2020 @Home	

### **Beavers**

Wed 7th Oct	Guess the sound @Virtual	1800-1900hrs
Wed 14th Oct	Learning about nature @Virtual	1800-1900hrs
Sat 17th Oct	Meeting new scouts online @Virtual	1000-1100hrs
Sat 24th Oct	Afternoon Tea and Toast @Near football ground	1500-1630hrs
Wed 28th Oct	No Meeting	

### **Pack**

**The present 3 Link Badge members (LB) should attend with Pack and Troop where marked (+LB). There are no MOB's for this month.**

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Sat 10th Oct	Obstacle Course (+LB) @Gnien Kottonera	0930-1100hrs
Sun 11th Oct	Fund Raising Fun Walk (under the tent) @Buskett	1700-1900hrs
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Fri 23rd Oct	Presentations @Outdoor	1930-2100hrs
Fri 30th Oct	Hike @Outdoor	1925-2100hrs

### **Crew**

Mon 5th Oct	Online Meeting @virtual	2000-2200hrs
Sun 11th Oct	Fun Walk @Buskett	1600-1930hrs

## Group

**Sun 11th Oct**

**Fund-Raising Fun Walk @Buskett (Under the tent)**

**1600-1930hrs**

Our Rover Crew will be organising a fund-raising fun-walk. This will give us all a great opportunity to meet you all in person again whilst enjoying some fresh air.

Due to the pandemic, we've had to take into consideration some special measures.

- All participants will be required to wear face masks for the duration of the event
  - Participants will need to book in advance and will be split up into groups of not more than 15 people each (each group will be given a slightly different departure time to keep groups separate)
  - Unfortunately we will not be able to provide transport - so participants need to make their own transport arrangements
  - The walk will follow a circular route so we will end up where we started (and where you parked your cars)
- We will be providing bottled drinking water to all participants and Rover Scouts will be assigned to each group as guides.

At the end of the event we'll be collecting donations - you may give as much (or as little) as you feel the event was worth. Every little helps during this time!

**Fri 16th Oct - Sun 18th Oct**

**JOTA JOTI 2020 @Home**



It's time for the annual Jamboree On The Air / Internet (a.k.a. JOTA JOTI).

After the huge success of the JOTI special edition held last April, this month's edition will be following a similar recipe - with a super cool online virtual 3D campsite and tons of activities, games and discussions you can participate in from home.

All you need to do is to visit [www.jotajoti.info/](http://www.jotajoti.info/) and sign up for an account. If you took part in April - you'll be able to log in with the same account.

The programme and the 3D campsite will be uploaded in the coming days and you can start planning which events and activities you'd like to participate in during the JOTA/I weekend.

If you experience any difficulties please feel free to reach out to one of your section leaders for help.

## Beavers

Wishing every beaver the best of luck for the upcoming scholastic year :)

**Wed 7th Oct**

**Guess the sound @Virtual**

**1800-1900hrs**

Today we will be testing one of our five senses, our ears. We will be having a list of different sound from different objects. We will also be discussing whether such objects are or are not commonly present in our everyday lives.

**Wed 14th Oct**

**Learning about nature @Virtual**

**1800-1900hrs**

Since we are experiencing a change in our weather due to the upcoming season, today we will be discussing do and don't when visiting the nature around us. We will be also discussing how scouts build up a fire pit when cooking outside for our upcoming activity this month.

**Sat 17th Oct**

**Meeting new scouts online @Virtual**

**1000-1100hrs**

During this weekend, another edition of the Jamboree On The Air / Internet known as JOTA/JOTI will take place. During such activity, scouts from different regions around the world will meet online and share some of their scouting experience. As a colony we will meet for an hour where we will try to make contact with other colonies around Malta and also around the world.

Please see group's note for more details on how you can participate individually.

**Sat 24th Oct**

**Afternoon Tea and Toast @Near football ground**

**1500-1630hrs**

Today we will practice what we have learned during this month and build ourselves a fire pit where we will be able to cook some delicious toast and sip our favorite drink. Beavers are reminded to bring their cutlery bag made of a plate, knife and fork, cup and some tissues. Please do not forget to bring enough water for the duration of this activity.

We will start and end the activity near the Fgura football ground.

# Pack

First and foremost we wish you the best of luck for the new scholastic year - a year that will be unique and will definitely go down in history - learning during a pandemic! It is very important that you remember that you are not just students but scouts - children with a difference - show what you have learned - obey and be disciplined for your safety and those around you. You will come out of this experience a whole lot wiser :)

As you know we decided to keep a balance in this situation by holding both online and outdoor meetings. In the latter, we will observe all the safety procedures, whilst still enjoying each other's company.

## **Fri 2nd Oct** **Video Clips & discussion (+LB) @Online** **1845-2000hrs**

Today we're going to watch a video clip and then we will have a discussion between us about what we saw and what we learned from it.....prepare your observation and discussion skills :)

## **Sat 10th Oct** **Obstacle Course (+LB) @Gnien Kottonera** **0930-1100hrs**

This obstacle course will be performed individually by each and every cub one after the other so social distancing rules will definitely not be a problem. We will also make sure that the cubs do not touch any of the equipment being used.

Let's move around and have some fun together outdoors :)

## **Sun 11th Oct** **Fund Raising Fun Walk (under the tent) @Buskett** **1700-1900hrs**

This is a fund raising and social activity organized by our Rover Crew taking into consideration all safety precautions whilst trying to help out the Group and be able to meet even in these circumstances.

We encourage pack families to attend :)

## **Fri 16th Oct - Sun 18th Oct** **JOTI/JOTA weekend @Online**

Please see Group circular for all details of how to enrol to connect.

This is a yearly appointment - and being a virtual activity - there was no problem in holding it again this year....with the difference that it will take the form of a 3D campsite and you can choose the activities, games and even discussions you wish to take part in!! The GSL will be sending out all the details in the coming days so that you can decide what you wish to participate in.

Everybody is encouraged to connect from home and then in some other meeting tell us all about what activities you took part in.

## **Sat 24th Oct** **Creating a Catapult (+LB) @Gnien Kottonera** **0930-1100hrs**

Today we will be creating a small catapult and then use it to test how good it came :) Items to bring with you are the following:

- 11 large posicle sticks (size (largest): length 15cms; width 1.5cms) - can be bought from tal Lira Shop - any colour would do;
- A good number of normal-sized rubber bands (at least 16 but better get some more)
- A plastic cap (of an empty mineral water bottle or similar)....better get 2 or 3 just in case;
- UHU liquid
- Small paper balls made of used up paper (to shoot when catapult is ready) - you can get any other small spherical objects to shoot that obviously fit into the plastic cap BUT THAT CAN BE PICKED UP AGAIN AND TAKEN BACK HOME.

## **Sat 31st Oct** **Halloween Craft (+LB) @Online** **0930-1100hrs**

Today we're going to do a Halloween themed craft together online :)

Items to prepare will be communicated to you a couple of days before this online meeting in our Fgura Cub Scouts Facebook Group.

# Troop

## **Fri 2nd Oct** **Scavenger Hunt @Bulebel** **1800-2030hrs**

Today we are going for a scavenger hunt, you will be giving a list of things to find.

Important to get consent form, mask/visor, hand sanitizer, scarf, torch, raincoat and water

## **Fri 9th Oct** **VSQ - Virtual Scout Quiz #1 @Skype** **1800-1930hrs**

This will be the first virtual scout quiz, and will take place on skype from your homes. The questions will be prepared by the patrol leaders. Follow the Facebook group for more information.

For the patrol leaders: Guidelines about the questions you have to prepare will be given to you by the scout leader on FB.

**Sat 17th Oct** **Jota Joti Games (+LB) @Fort Ricasli, Kalkara** **0900-1100hrs**

We will be meeting at Fort Ricasli to enjoy some games related to Jota Joti. We will be using non verbal communication such as semaphore and morse code.

Important to get consent form, mask /visor, hand sanitizer, scarf, cap, raincoat water and Whistle.

**Fri 23rd Oct** **Obstacle Course (+LB) @Marsaskala Family Park** **1800-2030hrs**

We will be meeting near the entrance of the family park in Marsaskala to participate in an obstacle course.

Important to get consent form, mask /visor, hand sanitizer, scarf, cap, raincoat, water, torch and if you have a blindfold too.

**Mon 26th Oct - Sat 31st Oct** **Weekly Challenge: Pumpkin Carving! (+LB) @Anywhere**

Halloween week is upon us!

Carve some pumpkins and scare the spirits and neighbours away!

Send selfies to sl@fgurascouts.org with your finished pumpkin and get 50 points for participation.

## Unit

Goodluck for the New Scholastic Year !!!

**Fri 9th Oct** **Discussion for a Fund Raising @HQ** **1930-2100hrs**

Today we will meet to discuss a Fund raising event. The fundraising will consist of Christmas and Scouting Cards layout. So we will discuss how things will work out.

**Fri 16th Oct** **Executive Meeting @Outdoors** **1930-2100hrs**

Today all the executive members will meet to discuss next month's Activities. It is Important that all the Executive Members attend to this meeting.

**Fri 23rd Oct** **Presentations @Outdoor** **1930-2100hrs**

Today some of the Grown Ups will be presenting us a presentation regarding the Dimitre badge. It is a must to attend to show our appreciation towards them.

**Fri 30th Oct** **Hike @Outdoor** **1925-2100hrs**

Today we will be having a hike that will be managed by the recruits with the help of two other members. It is a must to attend to show our appreciation towards these members. See you there !!!