



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

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## October 2022

### **Group**

Sun 2nd Oct	Family Fun Walk @Gnien Il-Gibjun, Zurrieq	1600-1830hrs
Sun 30th Oct	Fgura Day Church Parade @HQ	0830-1100hrs

### **Beavers**

Wed 5th Oct	Wonders of the World- Part 2 session @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Wed 12th Oct	Intro to ' The Scout Movement ' @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Wed 19th Oct	Gift to a Friend session @HQ	1800-1900hrs
Sat 29th Oct	Valletta Tri Tran outing @Senglea Ferry Station	0900-1200hrs
Sun 30th Oct	Fgura Day Church Parade @HQ	0830-1100hrs

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### **Pack**

### **The four new MOB's are to attend with Pack where marked (+MOB). There are no LB members for this month**

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Sun 2nd Oct	Family Fun Walk @TBA	1600-1830hrs
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### **Band**

Sat 22nd Oct	Band Rehearsal @HQ	1600-1730hrs
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# Group

**Sun 2nd Oct**

**Family Fun Walk @Gnien Il-Gibjun, Zurrieq**

**1600-1830hrs**

If you've ever been to one of our fun walks - you already know that they're not to be missed. On the other hand, if you've never been - this is a great opportunity to find out what you've been missing!

The walk is well-planned purposely to be well-suited for all ages without being boring. This is not a fund-raising event and there is nothing to pay - just an opportunity for us to spend some quality time together in the outdoors.

We'll be meeting at 16:00 next to Gnien Il-Gibjun in Zurrieq - [click here for the location on Google Maps](#)

**Sun 30th Oct**

**Fgura Day Church Parade @HQ**

**0830-1100hrs**

It's a special day for the residents of Fgura - today we celebrate Fgura Day.

All beavers, cubs, scouts and ventures are to assemble at HQ at 0830hrs sharp dressed in full parade uniform.

The group will be marching to the Parish Church and participating in the 0930hrs Mass. A brief ceremony will be held afterwards in Reggie Miller Square. The group will march back to HQ after the ceremony and will be dismissed at around 1100hrs



# Pack

Dear Parents & Cubs

Summer is now over and school has started and even our activities have geared up more. In fact there is a Family Fun Walk on Sunday 2nd October which we encourage you all to attend.

During the months of October and November we have another 4 Moving on Beavers with us who will become cubs during the anniversary parade. These Moving on Bavers (MOBs) are to attend with Pack only where marked (+MOB).

As regards the first two meetings of October (Sat 1st and Sat 8th Oct) which are dedicated to proficiency and interest badges, all the cubs (and MOBs) have now made their choice of badge and a notification will appear on our Cub Scouts Facebook Group so that the parents will know when their son or daughter will present their badge. Obviously ALL the cubs are invited to attend both meetings but badge material should only be brought when the cubs have their own badge to present. In the first meeting - on Saturday 1st October we have the booking for the activity of Saturday 29th October (Tulliera Farm Deli).

On Monday 10th October we will be having the booking for the pack camp to be held in November - at HQ from 6 - 6.30pm. Details can be found in this circular. The parents can also take the opportunity to pay their child's monthly fee of Eur 1 per month. Fees are now due from July onwards and they can check with Hathi how much they need to pay. There are some parents who already paid until the end of the year.

**Sat 1st Oct                                      Proficiency Badges (+MOB) - Part 1 @Park San Klement                                      1430-1700hrs**

This will be the first of two proficiency badges meetings to give the opportunity to cubs to do a badge of their liking and present it in front of their fellow cubs. The second meeting will be a week later (Saturday, 8th October). If weather does not permit, the meetings will be held at our HQ - please follow our Facebook Group if there is need for any updates.

In our Cub Scouts Facebook Group there will appear (or has already appeared) a post where details are given as to which cubs will be doing their badge on the 1st of October (today) and who will be doing badge on the 8th of October (next week) so that badge material will be brought only on the day of presentation of the badge. ALL CUBS ARE INVITED TO BOTH MEETINGS THOUGH SO THAT THEY SEE THE BADGES OF THEIR FELLOW CUBS.

**Today booking should be made for Tulliera Farm Deli Visit on Saturday 29th October - Consent Form + Eur 8.50 (Eur 5 for the visit and Eur 3.50 for transport). Bookings should be given to Baloo/Hathi and should be given in an envelope marked with the cub's name.**

**Sun 2nd Oct                                      Family Fun Walk @TBA                                      1600-1830hrs**

This is not a fund raising activity but a relaxed event where parents, relatives and group members of different sections can get together and get to know each other more in an informal way. Moreover, the walk is really relaxing and probably takes you to places you've never been to before. Hope we see most of you there. NO BOOKING IS REQUIRED.

**Sat 8th Oct                                      Proficiency Badges - Part 2 (+MOB) @Park San Klement                                      1430-1700hrs**

Same as Part 1. Please note that meetings finish half an hour later so that cubs will have ample time to present their badges properly.

The list of cubs who should present their badge either today or on the 1st of October will appear on our Facebook group.

**Mon 10th Oct                                      Booking for Pack Camp @HQ                                      1800-1830hrs**

Today we're going to take the booking for the pack camp which is going to be held between Friday 4 and Sunday 6th November. The leaders will be at HQ at 6pm to take the booking until 6.30pm (then the leaders will have their monthly section meeting afterwards).

**Parents are to get Consent Form + Eur 30** for the whole camp which includes the camp fee and all food and drinks consumed at the camp. Upon booking the parents will be given the usual Camp List with the items the cubs should get, together with a note from our AGSL Brian who is organizing the camp to outline some rules and regulations and to give more details.

**Today the parents should also pay the monthly fee of Eur 1 each month which is now due from July onwards.** Parents can pay from July to September or else pay until the end of December. Please bring with you the **small white booklet of the monthly fees** so that Hathi can update it accordingly.

**Sat 15th Oct** **Hike (+MOB) @Top Choice(MScala bypass)** **1400-1700hrs**

Prepare your padded backpacks, put on good walking shoes (slippers), wear your full activity uniform (+ cap & scarf) and we're off to an afternoon hike. As you can see we're not going to walk much since it is not a whole day hike.

Backpack should contain a small snack and enough water to drink. Cubs who have done their First Aid session (Silver arrow upwards) and have a First Aid box should get it with them today for this outdoor activity.

Parents are to get the cubs near Top Choice shop in new M'Scala bypass and then pick them up at 5 o'clock from Zonqor (near the Pixxina).

**Cubs should also get a signed Consent Form with them and give it to the leaders as soon as they arrive.**

**Fri 21st Oct** **2nd Meeting with SEDQA (+MOB) @HQ** **1845-2015hrs**

This is the first meeting at HQ after quite some time.

Today we're going to have the second meeting with SEDQA staff and the subject will be Wise Use of Technology - a very topical subject as you know which will definitely be of interest to all the cubs.

Cubs should attend in full activity uniform (+ Cap & Scarf) and can bring some water in their backpack.

**Sat 29th Oct** **Visit at Tulliera Farm Deli @Bulebel** **0915-1300hrs**

Today we're going to have a very interesting visit at Tulliera Farm Deli in Delimara. This is an organic farm which produces fresh and locally grown products that are minimally processed. Parents can visit this Farm's Facebook page here:

[https://www.facebook.com/tullierafarmdeli/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/tullierafarmdeli/?ref=page_internal)

Items can be brought from the shop which they have there, however since the cubs are still young it is not advisable that they buy the items themselves seeing that containers will be glass ones. Parents can get all the information from the Facebook link I just sent.

Cubs are to come in full activity uniform with cap & scarf and bring a packed lunch with them and enough to drink. The Pack will be split into two groups and whilst one group will be touring the farm with an explanation of what organic farming is and its benefits; the second group will go for a small coastal walk with the leaders and eat the packed lunch. Then they will switch and the second group will have the tour whilst the first group goes for the coastal walk. Cost of this visit (tour) is of Eur 5 whilst transport fee is Eur 3.50. **The total of Eur 8.50 was paid on 1st October 2022.**

**Sun 30th Oct** **Fgura Day Church Parade @HQ** **0830-1100hrs**

Today we will be taking part together with the Girl Guides and other organizations to celebrate Jum il Fgura. We will meet at HQ at 8.30am sharp where we will march to join the corteo of the Local Council together with the Girl Guides and hear the 9.30am Mass. There will be a small ceremony after Mass at Reggie Miller Square and then we will march back to our HQ.

Please check that parade uniform is in order when it comes to badges and ideally black shoes should be worn, together with the uniform belt.

Please take a proper breakfast before coming to HQ. Parents can pick up their children from HQ when the parade finishes around 11am.

# Troop

We are proud to announce that at the end of this month there will be a Troop section camp organised **fully** by our very own Mountaineers at Bahar ic-caghaq.

For this reason, many meetings this month are dedicated to ensure this goes smoothly.

**For those members that would like to join, the dates are 28th - 31st Oct and will cost 50 EUR per member. Booking and payment is to be paid on 1st October.**

**Sat 1st Oct** **PLC @HQ** **0900-1000hrs**  
**PLs and APLs only**

Our monthly Patrol Leader Council. PLs and APLs get together to discuss activities gone by and into the future.

**Sat 1st Oct** **Camp Planning + Sessions @HQ** **1000-1200hrs**

Whilst the more advanced members planning the camp at the end of the month, the younger members will be doing various knots sessions.

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**Booking for Troop Section Camp to be made today. Cost of 50 EUR per member for the full camp.**

**Sun 2nd Oct** **Family Fun Walk @TBA** **1600-1830hrs**

Not a troop activity per se, but the Group is doing a family fun walk on this day. Should you wish to bring your family and/or pets you will find members, leaders and parents from various sections attending this.

No money needed. Suitable for all ages.

See Group details for more details.

**Fri 7th Oct** **JOTI/JOTA @Fgura Football Grounds** **1830-2100hrs**

It is time for this year's JOTI/JOTA (Jamboree On The Internet/Jamboree On The Air). Although we are not sitting in front of a laptop this year, we are still practicing our communication skills in the dark via the medium of flashlight morse code, rave stick semaphores and much more.

Bring: Consent form, raincoat, scarf and flashlight

Note: JOTI/JOTA is an international scout event and occurs throughout the weekend of the 14/15/16th October for other communities. If you wish to learn more about this here and get involved you can check out the main site here: <https://www.jotajoti.info/about>

**Fri 14th Oct** **Tent Pitching @HQ** **1830-2030hrs**

With the camp now 2 weeks away, we all need some quick practice on pitching tents. Leaders will be providing you a tutorial on the quickest way to strike and take down a hike tent then its over to you.

**Fri 21st Oct** **Sessions and Final Camp Planning @Gnien Mintoff** **1830-2030hrs**

The last camp planning session for the advanced members before the camp. For other members, we will covering backpacker section 3 (personal equipment) and Camper sections 3 and 4.

Bring: Mountaineer Book

**Fri 28th Oct - Mon 31st Oct** **TROOP CAMP @Bahar ic-caghaq** **1700-1500hrs**

Be prepared scouts, because we're going camping again at the end of the month! And this camp is going to be Western Themed! This camp is being organised by the mountaineers of the Troop, and we hope you enjoy it!

The Sheriff is welcoming you to the wild village in Baħar iċ-Ċagħaq where you have been put on exile for the next couple of days. You must survive with your knowledge of camping, cooking, pioneering, and orienteering surrounded by the four tribes of this neglected land: the Cowboys, the Pioneers, the Indians and the Outlaws.

Full equipment list will be given to you in the Camp Booklet which will be handed out before the camp.

The Camp Fee will be of €50 for the full camp which covers the cost of the campsite facilities, water and electricity costs, all activities and materials, sanitary supplies, three meals a day, tea breaks and as much drinking water as is required. Camp fee will be collected during the section meetings along with a filled-out consent form.

Members will be asked to bring with them a filled-in Health Form on the first day of the camp.

# Unit

- Fri 7th Oct**                            **Joint Activity with Saint Edwards College @St. Edwards College**                            **1900-2300hrs**  
Today we will be meeting at St. Edwards College to help in giving scouting sessions to a group of people and to give an example of scouting.
- Fri 14th Oct**                            **Presentations by Link badge @HQ**                            **2030-2200hrs**  
Today we will be meeting to listen to presentations made by the link badge as part of their Theseus badge.  
Information about this meeting was given in a previous meeting.
- Fri 21st Oct**                            **Presentation about pioneering activity @HQ**                            **2030-2200hrs**  
Today we will be meeting for a presentation organised by Nigel who will be explaining his idea for a pioneering project. It is important that everyone attends for the meeting in order to show respect to our fellow Venture.
- Sun 30th Oct**                            **Fgura Day Church Parade @HQ**                            **0830-1100hrs**  
See Group section for more details.

# Crew

Additional Information about meetings shall and will be issued at a later date. Thanks :)

**Sun 2nd Oct**

**Family Fun Walk @Gnien il-Gibjun, Zurrieq**

**1600-1830hrs**

See Group Section for more Details.

**Fri 7th Oct**

**Crew & Unit Joint Activity @St Edwards College**

Today we shall meet for a Crew and Unit Joint Activity at St Edwards College, In this Joint we shall practice our Scouting Skills while in Action. More information will be issued at a later date.

**Sun 30th Oct**

**Fgura Day Church Parade @HQ**

**0830-1100hrs**

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