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November 2024

Group

Mon 4th Nov
Mon 11th Nov
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Sun 24th Nov

Sale of Merchandise (incl. Activity Wear) now open every Thursday from 17.30 till 18.30 (HQ)

Section Leaders Meeting @HQ 1900-2100hrs
Resilience Toolbox: Coping skills for Teens aged 12-16 yrs @HQ 1730-1830hrs
Council Meeting @HQ 1930-2130hrs
Group 37th Anniversary Parade @HQ 0830-1200hrs

Beavers

Wed 6th Nov
Wed 13th Nov
Wed 20th Nov
Sun 24th Nov
Sat 30th Nov

Moving on Beavers are to attend with the pack section where marked (+MOB)

Seasons of the Year @HQ 1800-1900hrs
Autumn Craft @HQ 1800-1900hrs
Scouting Drill & Games @HQ 1800-1900hrs
Group Anniversary Parade @HQ
Afternoon Tea & Toast Cookout @Polverista Gate 1400-1600hrs

Pack

Sat 2nd Nov
Sat 9th Nov
Sat 16th Nov
Sat 23rd Nov
Sun 24th Nov
Sat 30th Nov

The new Link Badge members will attend with Pack & Troop where marked (+LB). The 3 MOB's will attend with Pack where marked (+MOB) until the end of Nov

Cookout (+LB & +MOB) + Booking for Group Winter Camp @Polverista 1330-1700hrs
Ecohive Academy Activity (+LB) @Marsascalea 1330-1630hrs
Ziguzajg Performances (+LB & +MOB) @Bulebel 1000-1630hrs
FSG celebrates 37 years & Games (+LB) @HQ 1430-1630hrs
Anniversary Parade @HQ
Sessions (+LB & +MOB) @HQ 1430-1630hrs

Troop

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Mon 11th Nov
Fri 15th Nov
Tue 19th Nov
Fri 22nd Nov
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Fri 29th Nov

Delfin Patrol Camp @Xghajra Scouts HQ 1700-1600hrs
Zombie Apocalypse Night Games +LB @Xghajra Scouts HQ 2015-2230hrs
PLC @HQ 1730-1900hrs
Scouting Sessions +LB @Bulebel 1900-2130hrs
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Troop Goes To Bella Sicilia Info Meeting +LB @HQ 1830-1930hrs
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Band Meeting @HQ 1730-1900hrs
Band Meeting @HQ 1830-2000hrs
Band Rehearsal for Bagpipes @HQ 1800-1900hrs
Band Rehearsal for Bagpipes @HQ 1745-1845hrs
Band Meeting @HQ 1630-1800hrs
Group 37th Anniversary Parade @HQ 0800-1200hrs
Band Rehearsal for Bagpipes @HQ 1800-1900hrs

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Group

Mon 11th Nov

Resilience Toolbox: Coping skills for Teens aged 12-16 yrs @HQ

1730-1830hrs

Aġenzija Zgħazagh has offered this workshop aimed at strengthening resilience by learning about various coping skills.

Young people will explore resilience-building techniques to help them cope with life's challenges and develop skills to identify different feelings and emotions.

It offers an opportunity for self-improvement, encouraging participants to practice self-reflection and gratitude.

Sun 24th Nov

Group 37th Anniversary Parade @HQ

0830-1200hrs

This is a great opportunity for us to get together and celebrate our group's anniversary by making our presence felt throughout the streets of Fgura.

ALL GROUP MEMBERS are to meet at our HQ at 0830hrs sharp in full parade uniform. We will be marching to the Fgura Parish Church and will be holding an anniversary ceremony soon after Mass at Pjazza Reggie Miller.

Following end of ceremony, the Group shall march back to HQ and the event shall close off by 12.00

Beavers

Wed 6th Nov

Seasons of the Year @HQ

1800-1900hrs

In today's session we will have a closer look at the four seasons of the year. Together we will learn about each season and the changes in weather throughout the year.

Wed 13th Nov

Autumn Craft @HQ

1800-1900hrs

Today's session consists of creating and assembling a colourful themed Autumn Craft using mainly recycled materials. Beavers are reminded to bring with them their craft case for this session together with the Beaver Handbook!

Wed 20th Nov

Scouting Drill & Games @HQ

1800-1900hrs

The Group's anniversary parade is round the corner and to look and march smart for the special occasion, we'll together have a session on scouting drill where our marching skills will be polished and perfected. The session will end with a few drill-themed games.

Attention - New Members

Please speak to Kees should you have any difficulty preparing the uniform required for the next parade or you're unable to attend. Please be reminded that during the next parade informed members will be having their investiture.

Sun 24th Nov

Group Anniversary Parade @HQ

Kindly refer to the Group's news section for further details about the event.

Sat 30th Nov

Afternoon Tea & Toast Cookout @Polverista Gate

1400-1600hrs

Today we will be meeting at Polverista Gate at Wied Blandun for an afternoon tea in scouting style. We'll together learn how to assemble an open fire safely and then toast some soft fresh bread accompanied with some jam and tea/milkshake. Beavers are to attend in full activity wear and to bring their cutlery bag.

Please inform Kees of any beaver's dietary requirements.

Pack

Dear Parents & Cubs

November is another month full of interesting and exciting activities and as is customary in November we also attend performances from the Ziguzaig Festival.

Activities are educational and mostly hands on and some of them are scouting sessions in themselves like the Cookout we have in November so attendance is not to be taken lightly. We cannot continue to try to compensate for lost sessions in order for the cubs to be able to obtain the badges since apart from proving difficult and sometimes impossible; it is up to the cub to make sure that meetings are not lost.

During the November Church Parade, the 5 link badge members who have started attending with Troop in October will do their going up ceremony whilst we will have 8 MOBs doing their moving on ceremony with the Pack Section - 5 of them have already started attending with the Pack Section from September whilst the other 3 will conclude their moving on period in November.

Akela & Pack Leaders

Sat 2nd Nov Cookout (+LB & +MOB) + Booking for Group Winter Camp @Polverista 1330-1700hrs

Parents are to get the cubs directly to the Polverista area (behind the Fgura Football Ground) where cookout sessions will be conducted and the cubs will cook their own meal.

Cubs should come with activity uniform (with cap but WITHOUT SCARF) and those who have a Cub book should get it with them. In their backpack cubs should get a small cooler bag with food to cook like burgers, sausages and nuggets together with a bun or roll if they so wish. Cubs should also get their cutlery bag with them and enough water to drink. (It is important that cubs get ONLY the amount of food they are able to eat and not for example a whole packet of frozen sausages since these can go to waste).

The cookout is a scouting session through the three arrows.

Today we have booking for the Group Winter Camp (12-15th December 2024).

Winter Camp starts on Thursday 12th December in the evening and ends on Sunday 15th early afternoon (for cubs attending full camp) and for one nighters it starts on Friday 13th for breakfast and ends after the campfire on Saturday 14th around 11pm. Exact timings and camplist will be given later to the cubs.

Cubs should get a duly signed Consent form and the fee (in a sealed envelope with the child's name) as follows:

Full Camp (3 nights) - Eur 45;

One nighters (1 night and two full days) - Eur 30. (The one nighters are the 8 members who will be doing the moving on ceremony this month - Jan Dalli; Logan Cassar; Nick Grima; Yan Psaila; Gianni Luigi Stafrace Coldman; Rylee Pisani; Raquel Briffa D'Agostino and Jacob Tanti Lombardo.

Today we will also start collecting the Monthly fees of the remaining Months of this year. So please make a note to bring the booklet along with any payments that need to be done.

Sat 9th Nov Ecohive Academy Activity (+LB) @Marsascala 1330-1630hrs

The Ecohive Academy which is situated next to Sant'Antnin Family Park in Marsascala, near the Marsascala Football Ground is an organisation which deals with waste management and sustainability and they hold educational activities for children.

Parents should get the cubs directly there and pick them up from the same place. The location will be sent to you in the reminder post done by Bagheera.

Cubs should come in full activity uniform with cap & scarf and get enough water with them to drink and maybe a light snack.

Sat 16th Nov Ziguzaig Performances (+LB & +MOB) @Bulebel 1000-1630hrs

Booking for this activity was done on the 12th October and tickets procured accordingly. Cubs are to come with full activity uniform with cap & scarf and get a backpack with a packed lunch and enough water to drink.

Cubs are to meet at Bulebel at 10am sharp (no late comers please since we would need to be on time for the performance).

We will be watching a performance in Sliema at Teatru Salesjan and the coach will then accompany us to Valletta where we will have a break to eat our packed lunch, watch an exhibition at Spazju Kreattiv (part of the Ziguzaig Festival as well) and then go to see the other performance at Teatru Manoel in Valletta.

We will be back in Bulebel at around 4.30pm.

Sat 23rd Nov

FSG celebrates 37 years & Games (+LB) @HQ

1430-1630hrs

Being our Group's anniversary we decided to give the cubs some information about how our Group was formed and it's history throughout these past 37 years which should surely be very interesting.

We will also be having games associated with the topic. This is a scouting session valid for the silver arrow cubs.

Do not forget cap and scarf to go with your activity uniform.

Sun 24th Nov

Anniversary Parade @HQ

Please see Group Section for exact details.

This is a special occasion for the Group's members and Mass will be animated by our members as well. There will be refreshments at HQ after the parade.

It is very important that cubs take breakfast and use the toilet exactly before coming to HQ.

Uniform should have all badges acquired sewn on and shoes should be black and polished.

Sat 30th Nov

Sessions (+LB & +MOB) @HQ

1430-1630hrs

We're going to end the month of November with scouting sessions held at our HQ.

Those cubs who have a Cub Book should get it with them today.

No need to emphasize the importance of attending today.

Troop

Hemm xi laqgħa dax-xahar?!?

Dear Parents and Scouts,

We thank you for your support. Your encouragement motivates us to plan ahead fun activities. Our planning is done together with the PLs and APLs. We aim to plan a good mix of meetings to ensure that your kids are well prepared and enthusiastic to future meetings. During the month of November, we are preparing ourselves for **two major activities**: The Group Winter Camp (12-15th December 2024) and a trip to Sicily (28th-31st March 2025).

Kindly note that our meetings will mostly start at 7pm, as most leaders finish work late. Having said that, we would like to shed some light on **Punctuality**. The meetings will start **on time**, hence anyone attending late will not only disrupt the meeting and miss out on important information, but will also lose points (-10 points) for being late. (PS this does not apply to those who advise beforehand that they will be joining late due to other commitments).

Thank your for you understanding!

SL and Troop Leaders.

Fri 1st Nov - Sun 3rd Nov

Delfin Patrol Camp @Xghajra Scouts HQ

1700-1600hrs

This activity is for Delfin Patrol members. The Patrol camp is themed Zombie Apocalypse. Please refer to the camp booklets for the equipment list. It's going to be fun!

Fri 1st Nov

Zombie Apocalypse Night Games +LB @Xghajra Scouts HQ

2015-2230hrs

For tonight's activity you are invited by the Delfin Patrol to join them for Zombie Apocalypse Night Games. Tonight we are meeting directly at Xghajra Scouts HQ. For tonight only, you are allowed to wear dark clothes (instead of the activity wear, but no camouflage clothes). Please come in your group scarf.

What to get? Consent form, water, First aid kit, raincoat and torch.

Fri 8th Nov

PLC @HQ

1730-1900hrs

This meeting is for PLs and APLs only. The chairman is to draft the Agenda, while the secretary should get the meeting minutes of the last PLC. During today's meeting we shall clean the HQ too.

Fri 8th Nov

Scouting Sessions +LB @Bulebel

1900-2130hrs

If weather does not permit, we shall hold this meeting at HQ.

During today's meeting we shall split into various groups, some topics which will be covered include; bushcraft tools, orienteering activity planning, rope work and mountain boots.

Today is the deadline to book for the Group Winter Camp- Conquest of Parade is the theme. The full Camp fee is €45 whilst for one nighters the fee is €30. The camp fee shall be collected today.

What to get? Consent form, the mountaineer award book, pen, notebook, raincoat, torch and FA kit.

Mon 11th Nov

12yrs+: Resilience Toolbox: Coping Skills for Teens @HQ

1730-1830hrs

Yes, we have a special meeting on a Monday... This meeting is designed for young people aged between 12-16 years old. We strongly suggest to all those eligible to attend.

Agenzija Zghazagh is launching Resilience Toolbox, a workshop offered to youth groups, that aims to strengthen their resilience by learning about various coping strategies. Through this workshop, young people will explore resilience-building techniques to help them cope with life's challenges and develop skills to identify different feelings and emotions. Additionally, the workshop offers an opportunity for self-improvement, encouraging participants to practice self-reflection and gratitude.

What to get? Water, pen and notebook and come in activity wear.

Fri 15th Nov

Scouting Sessions +LB @HQ

1900-2130hrs

Another Sessions meeting to tick off other sections from the M.Award book. Some will continue planning the orienteering activity others will get the pioneer mastery ticked off whilst other will learn about personal equipment, as we have a Group Winter Camp approaching. There will be a session suitable for everyone. Duty patrol- organize a fun interesting game :)

What to get? The mountaineer award book, pen, notebook, torch, and first aid kit.

Tue 19th Nov Troop Goes To Bella Sicilia Info Meeting +LB @HQ 1830-1930hrs
This activity is eligible to all Troop members born between 2010 and 2013 and also Link badge members.

Attention Parents and Scouts, our Troop section is going to Bella Sicilia from the 28th of March till the 31st of March 2025. Further details will be provided during today's first information meeting. We suggest that at least one person and the scout attends for this meeting. This meeting will be purely an information session meeting, no money will be collected on the day. However, we will advise the booking deadline and the costs involved.

Fri 22nd Nov Tent Pitching +LB @Polverista 1900-2145hrs

The Group Winter Camp is fast approaching, so we shall carry out a tent pitching session. Each member will have the opportunity to put up a tent and strike down a tent.

What to get? Consent form, torch, water and raincoat.

Sun 24th Nov Anniversary Parade @HQ

Happy birthday to Fgura Scout Group, we are celebrating 37 years of adventurous activities and a strong community. During today's parade we will witness the MOVs moving on to their next adventure, and link badge members joining our Troop.

For every parade, please ensure that your uniform badges are up to date, your formal black shoes are clean and your hair is tied up. Woggles are a must, no friendship knots on the uniform :)

Refer to the Group Section of the monthly circular for the meeting start and end time. Please be on time.

Fri 29th Nov Interest Badges and Sessions +LB @HQ 1900-2130hrs

During today's session, we shall allocate time for some members who got in touch with ASL Susanne, to complete sections of their interest badges requirements. After the interest badges, we shall split into various groups to tick off other sections of the mountaineer award and prepare ourselves for the upcoming camp.

Unit

Thu 7th Nov

Executive Meeting @HQ

1900-2100hrs

We will be meeting for the usual Executive, to plan the upcoming month. Come equipped with ideas to build an excellent programme.

Sat 9th Nov

Ready Steady Cook @HQ

1000-1400hrs

Another cooking competition has arrived. The 3-course menu, theme and groups for this activity was decided on the 24th October. Prior to this meeting, make sure to submit an equipment list of kitchen utensils needed for this cook-off to prepare beforehand the needed items

You will be cooking a 3-course meal following a theme and judged on the following: food presentation, taste, creativity, teamwork and cleanliness. Important to bring your own cutlery, water and other separate equipment which may be needed

Food will be purchased and brought by the groups you have been put into

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Sat 16th Nov - Sun 17th Nov

Overnight Hike-TBD @HQ

This activity will be organised by our VSL where the Unit will undertake an overnight hike. Let's see what an interesting route will be done...

Make sure to bring necessary equipment for an overnight hike (we won't be sleeping in tents) especially: a consent form, enough water to drink, a drink a raincoat, torch. We might be using transport, so further details on any fees will be given at a closer date

Sun 24th Nov

FSG Anniversary Parade @HQ

0830-1100hrs

Make sure to come in full parade uniform. For further details please refer to the Group Section.

Sat 30th Nov

Ventures Day Bootcamp-TBD @.

As part of the Hermes badge, the Executive will organise a fun intensive training day equipped with a mixture of sports and fitness.

Make sure to bring a consent form and a lot of water to drink. Further details on this activity will be given at a later date.

Crew

Wed 13th Nov

Explorer Belt Tentative Meeting @HQ

1930-2200hrs

To continue planning explorer belt preparations.