

THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF MALTA, FGURA SCOUT GROUP

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1630-1800hrs

1715-1815hrs

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1800-1930hrs

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1700-1830hrs

0800-1130hrs

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Mon 7th Oct All Leaders Meeting (including Young Leaders) @HQ 1900-2100hrs Mon 14th Oct Council Meeting @HQ 1930-2100hrs Sun 27th Oct Jum il-Fgura 2024 @HQ 0830-1130hrs

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

1800-1900hrs Wed 2nd Oct Animal & Pet Care @HQ Wed 9th Oct Learning About Other Countries @HQ 1800-1900hrs Sat 19th Oct 1300-1630hrs Joti-Jota @HQ Wed 23rd Oct 1800-1900hrs Beaver Log Chew @HQ

Sun 27th Oct Jum il- Fgura Parade @HQ

There are no Link Badge members for the month of October. The 3 present Moving On Beavers should attend with Pack

Pack where marked (+MOB)

Jum il-Fgura Parade @HQ

Sat 5th Oct 1430-1630hrs Sessions (+MOB). Gold cubs to have their own activity. @HQ Sat 12th Oct Craft (+MOB) @HQ 1430-1700hrs Sat 19th Oct 1400-1700hrs JOTI-JOTA + Booking for hike on 26th Oct @HQ Sat 26th Oct Hike (+MOB) @Bulebel 0845-1700hrs

Sun 27th Oct Church Parade @HQ

Troop

Fri 27th Sep Pioneers Mastery Badge @HQ 1900-2100hrs Fri 4th Oct PLC @HQ 1700-1830hrs Fri 4th Oct Pioneering and Lashings Sessions + MOV @Bulebel 1830-2100hrs 0730-1330hrs Sat 5th Oct Ajkla Surpise Activity @HQ Fri 11th Oct First Aid Refresher @Bulebel 1830-2100hrs Sat 12th Oct First Aid course @HQ 0900-1300hrs Sat 19th Oct JOTA and Pioneering Activity + MOV @Polverista 1400-1730hrs Fri 25th Oct Usual Scout Meeting + MOV @HQ 1900-2130hrs

<u>Unit</u>

Band

Sun 27th Oct

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Band Meeting @HQ Sat 5th Oct Band Rehearsal for Bagpipes @HQ Fri 11th Oct Sat 12th Oct Band Meeting @HQ Fri 18th Oct Band Meeting @HQ Fri 25th Oct Band Rehearsal for Bagpipes @HQ

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Group

Mon 7th Oct All Leaders Meeting (including Young Leaders) @HQ

1900-2100hrs

All leaders and Young Leaders are invited to attend meeting wherein in the main item on the agenda shall be the planning of Group Events and settling the Group Theme for 2025.

Mon 14th Oct Council Meeting @HQ 1930-2100hrs

Council Meeting ahead of forthcoming Group Activities.

Sun 27th Oct Jum il-Fgura 2024 @HQ 0830-1130hrs

It's time to animate and celebrate Fgura Day.

All Group shall meet at HQ at 0830hrs sharp in full uniform.

Sunday Parade shall start from HQ towards Local Council Building and continues to the Parish Church for the 0930hrs Mass.

A brief ceremony shall be held soon after at Reggie Miller Square.

The group shall march back to HQ and finish by 11.30hrs.

** Band Members may be required to meet at 08.00hrs (to be confirmed in the Band Section)

Beavers

Wed 2nd Oct Animal & Pet Care @HQ 1800-1900hrs

In today's session we will learn about the important role animals play in our lives, in particular pets.

Beavers are invited to bring along their pets for the meeting as long as all pets are securely held in their respective crates and cages.

Wed 9th Oct

Learning About Other Countries @HQ

1800-1900hrs

There is a total of 195 countries around the globe and in today's session we will together dig in the culture, history and customs of 5 of these countries.

Sat 19th Oct Joti-Jota @HQ 1300-1630hrs

The Joti-Jota which stands for Jamboree on the Air- Jamboree on the Internet, is a yearly digital scout event where scouts from all corners of the world unite all together and communicate with each other via internet or radio.

We will meet at hq at 13.00 sharp and head to xghajra scout group hq where we will be meeting with four other colonies from xghajra, zejtun and cospicua for a fun packed pirate theme activities.

Later on we will try our luck to communicate with different scouts from all around the world.

Wed 23rd Oct Beaver Log Chew @HQ 1800-1900hrs

The last session of the month will consist of 'The Beaver Log Chew' which is an opportunity to allow beavers to express their opinions and get involved in discussions and colony planning.

After the Log Chew, scouting themed games will follow.

Sun 27th Oct

Jum il- Fgura Parade @HQ

Kindly refer to the Group section of the monthly circular for further details.

Pack

Dear Parents and Cubs

This is the month where we kick start again to more regular and interesting activities after slowing down in Summer due to the heat. So we will be meeting as we normally do as a Pack on Saturday afternoons from 2.30-4.30pm (or a bit longer if need be) or for whole day activities like hikes. Please pay particular attention to timings since these might vary according to the activity.

Try to make it a point not to miss any meetings or activities since we do our best to amalgamate the cubs' scouting progress in various activities not just during sessions and also the cubs gain points for their attendance which go to gain awards for best cub and best six during the AGM.

Please also be on the look out for any bookings which need to be done and stick to the booking date.

Thank you. AKELA & PACK LEADERS

Sat 5th Oct Sessions (+MOB). Gold cubs to have their own activity. @HQ

1430-1630hrs

Today, Gold arrow cubs will have their own activity seperately from the rest of the cubs where they will focus on scouting skills for their sessions. This activity will take the form of a hike where they will be practising various scouting skills. Time will be from approx 9am-5pm and meeting place will be Bulebel since there is transport involved. <u>Details (including booking) will be communicated</u> on the Pack Facebook Group a couple of days before.

The rest of the cubs have their meeting at our HQ and they should get Cub Book with them (those who have one).

Sat 12th Oct Craft (+MOB) @HQ 1430-1700hrs

Let's practice our creativity and painting skills with a good cause!!

Today all the cubs will be painting and decorating small pots to prepare them to eventually plant small plants in them and take them with us to present to elderly persons when we go for an Old People's Home visit in December.

In this way these elderly persons will have a keepsake of our visit specifically done with love by the cubs themselves:)

Today cubs should get Eur 4 for items bought by the leaders and get any decorations with them which they can add on to the painted plant pot. Obviously the craft bag with the basic items in it (including UHU glue) is a must.

The 3 MOBs who are attending the hike on Sat 26th Oct should book and pay today by getting Consent Form and Eur4 for transport in an envelope with the child's name.

Sat 19th Oct

JOTI-JOTA + Booking for hike on 26th Oct @HQ

1400-1700hrs

Today the meeting is longer than usual since this is the JOTI-JOTA weekend where scouts worldwide would be available online and on the radio to make contact with their counterparts.

From our part, we will be organising games at our HQ related to different modes of communication and there will be various stations, including laptops to communicate with foreign scouts.

A meeting not to be missed!!

Cubs also need to book for the Hike today. Cubs are to bring the signed Consent form and 4 euro fee in a sealed envelope with their name written on it. MOBs should book for this hike when they have a meeting with Pack (since today they are not with us), i.e. on Saturday 12th October.

Sat 26th Oct Hike (+MOB) @Bulebel 0845-1700hrs

Autumn is the ideal time of the year for a hike and today the whole pack (including the MOBs) will go for another fun and interesting hike where we will also take the opportunity to do some outdoor sessions so make sure you attend:)

Apart coming with full activity uniform, cubs should come with good running shoes and a padded strapped backpack with a healthy packed lunch and snacks, enough water to drink for the day and.....a rainjacket since scouts are always prepared.

Sun 27th Oct Church Parade @HQ

The first church parade after the summer season - the Fgura Day parade. During this parade no ceremonies will be held.

Please see details of timings in Group part of circular.

Parade uniform with badges neatly sewn on and shiny black shoes are a must for our parades. Please don't forget your breakfast and a visit to the bathroom before leaving home!! Let's be proud to show off our uniform!!

Troop

This month will be dedicated to Pioneering, as we plan to build a tower during the JOTI JOTA weekend and we will also have a First Aid Course delivered at our HQ. Whoever attends the course will earn a First Aid Certificate. Bookings for this course will be taken on the 4th of October, €12 per person.

The Pioneers eligible to design the tower are those who have completed section 2- Lashings. Those who have not completed all lashings yet, don't worry- we will complete other sections from the book :)

Note: On the 27th of October there is an AFM Open day from 10am till 6pm. Whoever wishes to attend with their families, entry is free and will be held at Maritime Squadron, Floriana.

Fri 27th Sep

Pioneers Mastery Badge @HQ

1900-2100hrs

Today, the scouts who have completed until section 2 - Lashings will have a theoretical session to cover sections of the Pioneer Mastery Badge.

Fri 4th Oct PLC @HQ 1700-1830hrs

This meeting is for PLs and APLs only. Secretary to get minutes for endorsement and Chairman to prepare Agenda beforehand. During today's meeting we will allocate time to clean the main hall.

Fri 4th Oct

Pioneering and Lashings Sessions + MOV @Bulebel

1830-2100hrs

During this meeting we will split into various groups:

The Pioneers will start preparing the pioneering model.

Another group will continue on lashings

Whilst the third group will continue on knots.

What to get? The consent form, mountaineer award book, water bottle, torch, raincoat and first aid kit. Please come in activity wear and scarf.

Today, we will take bookings and collect €12 for the FA course. Today we will also collect €7 from all Ajkla Patrol members attending the surprise activity.

Duty patrol- to prepare a game

Sat 5th Oct

Ajkla Surpise Activity @HQ

0730-1330hrs

This meeting is for the Ajkla Patrol only, as they were the best patrol for the period of April-June. A fee to cover transport costs of €7 were collected on 4th October.

What to get? Consent form, snacks, water, raincoat, and first aid kit.

Please come in activity wear and scarf.

Fri 11th Oct

First Aid Refresher @Bulebel

1830-2100hrs

Today we will have a refresher course in preparation for the FA course which will take place the following day.

What to get? The consent form, mountaineer award book, first aid and water. Come in activity wear.

Sat 12th Oct

First Aid course @HQ

0900-1300hrs

Today, we shall have a qualified First Aider attending to deliver a Basic First Aid course which will cover a requirement from the summit First Aider badge.

For this course each member needs to pay **€12 per person**. Bookings for this activity will be collected on the 4th of October.

What to get? The mountaineer award book, first aid, water, snacks and enthusiasm to learn how to deliver first aid to someone in need.

Sat 19th Oct

JOTA and Pioneering Activity + MOV @Polverista

1400-1730hrs

PLs and APLs only are expected to meet at $1.15 \, \mathrm{pm}$, walk to Polverista and help us unpack at $6 \, \mathrm{pm}$ at Stores.

The rest are expected to meet at 2pm at Polverista and pick up at 5.30pm from Polverista.

JOTI JOTA is a weekend dedicated to scouts all over the world to meet over the internet or over the air. This year, we shall run an activity where we shall play games related to communications, and meet other scouts through JOTA- Jamboree on the Air.

During today's meeting, the Pioneers will build a tower which will be used to pass on messages via semaphores.

What to get? The consent form, mountaineer award book, note book and pen, sunblock, water, snacks, raincoat and first aid. Please come in activity wear.

Fri 25th Oct

Usual Scout Meeting + MOV @HQ

1900-2130hrs

Let's complete those requirements, to achieve the mountaineer award. During today's meeting, we shall have various sessions running in parallel- splicing sessions, interest badges sessions and First Aid!

What to get? The mountaineer award book, water, notebook and pen.

Sun 27th Oct

Jum il-Fgura Parade @HQ

Kindly refer to the Group section of the monthly circular. Meeting at HQ in full uniform. Tied hair, black closed shoes and smart:)

Unit

Tue 1st Oct 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

Thu 3rd Oct Joint Activity with Seminarju Unit @HQ 1900-2100hrs

Tonight we will be finalising planning for JOTA JOTI weekend camp, get to know some of the members from the Seminarju Unit and collect bookings for the camp. Fee for the camp will be given at a later date

Thu 10th Oct Presentations and Discussion @HQ 1900-2100hrs

Tonight, some of our recruits and members will be doing a presentation to further progress in the Olympian Award. It is imperative to attend and respect your friends

Afterwards we will also be doing a discussion between the Unit on building a CV and work as part of the Athena Badge. Make sure to bring either a laptop, mobile or a tablet with you for the discussion

Fri 18th Oct - Sun 20th Oct JOTA JOTI Camp w/Seminarju Unit @TBA 1800-1600hrs

We will meet for a joint weekend camp with ventures from Seminarju Unit, and spend a weekend with some activities related to JOTA JOTI. Further information will be given at a closer date.

Make sure to bring equipment for a normal weekend camp and health form. Booking and payment for this camp was done by 3rd October.

Thu 24th Oct Games and Pizza @HQ 1900-2200hrs

Some time to relax after a busy month with starting off a new scholastic year and many intensive meetings. Bring with you some board games and money to buy some pizza.

At the beginning of the meeting we will also split into teams and discuss the Ready Steady Cook on the 2nd of November

Sun 27th Oct Fgura Day Church Parade @HQ 0830-1130hrs

See Group section for more info