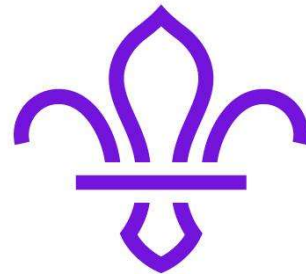


Scouts



5th Holme Valley
(Meltham)



WELCOME!

Dear Parent/Guardian

Can I wish you a very warm welcome to our Group.

This welcome pack will hopefully answer any questions that you may have regarding the Scout Association and our Group.

If you have any further queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or my Assistant Group Scout Leader.

position vacant

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WHAT IS SCOUTING?

Scouting is an international movement with over 28 million members worldwide, spread through 216 countries and territories. The number of countries recognising the value of Scouting and accepting its principles is increasing and there are only six countries in the world who do not offer Scouting to young people.

In total there are about 500,000 people in Membership throughout the United Kingdom. This includes about 100,000 adults who have taken up appointments as voluntary leaders, administrators and supporters.

The Scout Association in the UK accepts members of all major faiths and offers equal opportunities for both boys and girls no matter what their social, religious or ethnic background may be.

During 1991, girls were admitted to the Beaver Scout, Cub Scout and Scout Sections. This complemented the admission of young women to the Venture Scout Section in 1976.

During the spring of 2002 the Scout Association launched a new programme for young people aged 6-25. This was the largest change to our curriculum for nearly 40 years. A careful strategy of change management was devised to help people move forward, delivering a totally new way of providing Scouting, to the 14-25 age range. In Summer 2021 the Scout Association then launched a new junior section for children aged 4-6.



OUR GROUP

Was formed back in 1918, we are a fantastic group with three sections and over 40 young people. These young people are supported by over 8 adult volunteers and many parents.

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EXPECTATIONS

It is our primary aim that every member of Meltham Scout Group feels valued and respected and that each person is treated fairly and well. We are a caring community, whose values are built on mutual trust and respect for all. The Group's Code of Conduct is therefore designed to support the way in which all members of the Group can work together in a supportive way. It aims to promote an environment in which everyone feels happy, safe and secure. The Meltham Scout Group expects every member to behave in a considerate and respectful way towards others. We treat all children fairly and apply our Code of Conduct in a consistent way. Leaders provide a positive model of behaviour and ensure high expectations are made explicit to the children.

Parents and Carers

Parents and Carers agree to the Code of Conduct when their child joins Meltham Scout Group. Parents are expected to ensure their child/ren adhere to the Code of Conduct and support the actions of the Group but are able to address any queries regarding sanctions firstly to the Section Leader, then to the Group Scout Leader. The Group collaborates actively with parents and carers, so that children receive consistent messages about how to behave at home and in Scouting. We expect parents and carers to support their child's learning, and to cooperate with the Group.

Code of Conduct

Good behaviour is expected from all Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Young Leaders and Leaders and we clearly set out the behaviour we expect in a 'Code of Conduct'. It is not acceptable to the leaders or other young people for an individual or small group to regularly disrupt the programme and therefore any young person whose behaviour is frequently unacceptable, will be escalated through the code of conduct set out below. Our Code of conduct is:

1. A verbal warning will be issued.
2. A written warning will be issued.
3. A 2 week ban from any Scouting activities.
4. Permanent exclusion from the group.

N.B Any appeal should be in writing and taken up with the Group Scout Leader.

We encourage all young people to maintain a neat, tidy and clean appearance, so please ensure your child attends in full uniform each week (unless otherwise stated). We carry out regular inspections of uniform and appearance and young people are awarded points for this.

Uniform

It is important for all young people involved in Scouting to wear smart and clean uniforms for several reasons. Firstly, uniforms create a sense of unity and identity among scouts, fostering a strong team spirit and camaraderie. Secondly, uniforms represent the values and principles of Scouting, instilling a sense of pride and commitment to the organisation's mission. Additionally, clean and well-maintained uniforms reflect personal discipline and attention to detail, qualities that are highly valued in Scouting. Moreover, uniforms promote a professional and respectful image when interacting with the community, enhancing the reputation and credibility of the Scouting movement. Lastly, uniforms serve as a visual representation of the Scouting experience, allowing scouts to proudly showcase their achievements and dedication.

Parent (Family) Rota

At Meltham Scout Group, we strongly believe in fostering a sense of community and engagement among parents and family members. When a child joins our group, we expect parents to join in on the parent rota, which plays a vital role in creating a supportive and enriching experience for everyone involved. By participating in the parent rota, parents have the opportunity to actively contribute to their child's Scouting journey and build lasting connections with other families. Whether it's helping with camp preparations, helping with activities or assisting with fundraising events, their involvement not only enhances the Scouting experience for their child but also strengthens the bonds within our scout community.

Together, we create a thriving and inclusive environment where every child can flourish.

Fundraising

Fundraising plays a vital role in supporting Meltham Scout Group, benefiting your children in numerous ways. Firstly, it enables the group to provide a wide range of activities, from camping trips to skill-building workshops, enhancing their personal growth and resilience. Fundraising ensures access to essential equipment, uniforms, and resources, fostering inclusivity for all scouts. It also helps maintain and improve facilities, creating a safe and stimulating environment. Additionally, fundraising aids in organising community outreach programs, promoting teamwork, leadership, and community engagement.

By contributing to fundraising efforts, you directly contribute to your child's development, enabling them to build lifelong skills and create lasting memories.

PARENTAL SUPPORT & ADULT HELP

Scouting depends on its adult volunteers and we would welcome your involvement.

As a parent of a group member, as a minimum we expect you to help out for one evening with your young person's section each term as required, and help at one of our two termly maintenance sessions (each session is around two hours).

Maybe you could help in one of the following ways and join the adventure that Scouting offers adults as well as young people?

Did you know that we can offer you:

- Nationally recognised training, typical qualifications can include First Aid, and qualifications in activities, such as climbing, water sports, sailing, archery and even chainsaw use.
- You can also achieve tutoring qualifications in any/all of our activities.
- Offering a skill to help train or help one of the sections for a badge or award.
- Help prepare refreshments for a section or Group event.
- Help to transport some to any event away from the hall.
- Support the Scout Group at social evenings
- Support the Group's fund raising activities.
- Join the Executive committee and help manage the Scout Group
- Look after the waiting lists
- Help with the second-hand uniform and kit shop
- Or helping out maintaining the hut and grounds.

If you, your partner, a friend or relative is interested in Scouting as an adult on an occasional or regular basis, please email gsl@melthamscouts.org.uk or speak to a leader. No previous experience is necessary, as training will be provided.



The only payment for being a leader (except basic expenses) is lots of fun and to make many friends!

ONLINE SCOUT MANAGER

At Meltham Scout Group we use Online Scout Manager (OSM) as it brings several valuable benefits that enhance the scouting experience for both parents and their children. Here are some of the key advantages of using OSM:

1. **Enhanced Communication:** OSM provides a convenient and reliable platform for parents to receive important updates, event details, and announcements. It ensures that parents are well-informed about upcoming activities, changes in schedules, and any other relevant information, fostering better communication between scout leaders and parents.
2. **Clear Visibility of Activities:** With OSM, parents can easily access and view their child's scout calendar, which includes meetings, events, and camps. This visibility allows parents to plan and prepare accordingly, ensuring their child's participation in scouting activities without conflicts.
3. **Real-Time Updates:** OSM offers real-time updates and notifications, keeping parents informed about any changes or emergencies during events or meetings. This feature provides peace of mind for parents, knowing that they will receive timely information about their child's safety and well-being.
4. **Badge and Progress Tracking:** OSM simplifies badge and progress tracking, enabling parents to stay informed about their child's achievements and advancement within the scouting program. Parents can easily view their child's completed requirements, badges earned, and progress toward higher ranks, fostering a sense of pride and motivation.
5. **Volunteer Opportunities:** OSM provides a platform for parents to explore volunteer opportunities within the scout group. Parents can easily sign up for tasks, events, or camps, actively participating in their child's scouting journey and contributing to the success of the group.
6. **Secure Information Management:** OSM ensures the safe and secure storage of important information, such as medical details and emergency contacts. As a parent, you can trust that your child's information is protected while remaining easily accessible to authorised individuals when needed.

In summary, Online Scout Manager offers parents a convenient and reliable tool to stay engaged, well-informed, and actively involved in their child's scouting activities. It provides a seamless experience that enhances communication, visibility, and participation, ultimately fostering a stronger connection between parents, Section Leaders, and the Scouting community as a whole.

THE PURPOSE OF SCOUTING

Scouting in the UK is organised through The Scout Association. The Scout Association has a clear purpose:

'To help young people achieve their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential as individuals, as responsible citizens and as Members of their local, national and international communities'

Even if we can't solve all the problems in the world, we can help to make it a better place. We do this by helping young people to develop as active members of their community;

- who are self-reliant
- who are caring
- who are responsible
- who show commitment.

Scouting works well when young people enjoy learning by doing it in partnership with adults. They do this by taking part in a variety of activities and new experiences exploring the outdoors participating in teams taking responsibility.

Our method for giving young people the opportunity to learn by doing is called the Programme. The Programme is a seamless progression of training, activities and awards that covers everything that young people do in Scouting from the ages of 4 to 25.

All adults in Scouting have a responsibility to make sure that the Programme is fun and exciting. We must also make sure that it is safe. The Scout Association's policies, rules, code of behaviour, advice on child protection and safety are there to help adults make sure that the young people in their care stay safe while they enjoy themselves and learn.



THE SCOUT PROMISE

Scouting has a simple and positive promise that is required to be made by all members. The Promise together with the Scout Law, gives a distinctive ethos to the practices of the Movement and acts as a bond with Scouts in other countries.

The three key principles are:

- Duty to self
- Duty to god
- Duty to others

Everyone in Scouting expresses their membership and acceptance of the three key principles by taking the Promise and following the Scout Law. Beaver Scouts and Cub Scouts have their own special Promise and Law, suitable for their age range.

The Scout Promise

On my honour, I promise that I will do my best
Either
To do my duty to God and to the Queen,
Or
To uphold our Scout values, to do my duty to the Queen,
To help other people
And to keep the Scout Law

Other alternative wordings can be viewed on the [Scout Association Website](#)

The Scout Law

- A Scout is to be trusted.
- A Scout is loyal.
- A Scout is friendly and considerate.
- A Scout belongs to the worldwide family of Scouts.
- A Scout has courage in all difficulties.
- A Scout makes good use of time and is careful of possessions and property.
- A Scout has self-respect and respect for others.

The Scout Motto

Be prepared!

THE SIX SECTIONS

Irrespective of a member's age, a young person in the Movement is a 'Scout'.

The balanced Programme spans the 4-25 age range which is made up of six Sections. Each Section has its own identity, ethos and style. They all have adult support that varies in style across the different age groups.

A Squirrel Drey has members aged four and five years of age. Generally young people attend with an adult.

A Beaver Scout Colony has members aged between six and eight. (minimum age 5 $\frac{3}{4}$, maximum age 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ applies)

A Cub Scout Pack has members aged 8 – 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ (6-month flexibility applies)

A Scout Troop is for young people aged from 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 14 years (6-month flexibility applies)
These are all part of a **Scout Group**.

An Explorer Scout Unit is for young people from 14-18 years old (minimum age 13 $\frac{1}{2}$, maximum age 18). Explorer Scout Units are part of a Scout District (Holme Valley District), although some are attached to Groups.

A Scout Network is for young people aged 18 - 25 years old. Scout Networks are the responsibility of the Scout County (West Yorkshire).

There are several important things, which make Scouting different from many other youth organisations:

- We are a uniformed movement
- We use 'Sixes' and 'Patrols' of about 6 young people who work together, learning from and supporting each other
- We involve young people in decision making as part of their development

Squirrels

The Squirrel Drey

A Squirrel Drey has members aged 4 and 5 years old.

Every week, Squirrels will gather to grow and learn their way through lots of different games and activities

Squirrels will achieve anything they set their minds to and having lots of fun along the way.

The one-hour sessions will be a brilliant opportunity for young peoples' first step into Scouting and preparing them for school years.

Outdoor activities, fun, games, badges and so much more, Squirrels is the opportunity for young people to learn skills for life. Supported by amazing leaders delivering an inspiring programme.

Squirrels gives young people the chance to:

- Make friends
- Have fun outdoors
- Learn new things
- Earn badges through fun activities

Squirrels Scouts work towards 12 Activity Badges, four Challenge Awards, a Membership Award, a Joining In Award, a Moving On Award and a Top Award.

Meetings

Unfortunately we do not have a Drey at the moment but please feel free to contact gsl@melthamscouts.org.uk if you want to help start one at Meltham Scout Group.



BEAVERS

The Beaver Colony

A Beaver Scout Colony has members aged between 6 and 8 years old (6-month flexibility applies). They meet together as a Colony and work within small groups called 'Lodges'. A team of adults will run the Beaver Scout Colony. Beavers take part in a wide range of activities. These include making things, singing, playing games, going on visits, investigating nature, listening to stories etc. They do this through taking part in a programme of activities provided by the leadership team.

Beaver Scouts:

Learn about themselves – exploring their feelings and developing good habits of health and personal safety.

Get to know people – finding out about people in their family, the family of Scouting, the local community and the wider world

Explore - discovering the exciting world of science, nature and technology, exploring the natural and man-made world

Care - growing and responding to the needs of others, the local community and the wider world.

Beaver Scouts work towards challenge awards, which are awarded by taking part in the regular programme. With hard work and regular attendance Beavers can gain their Bronze Award.

Beavers also have the opportunity to gain Activity Badges, which they can work towards both inside and outside pack meetings.

Meetings

Our Beaver Colony meets on Tuesday evenings 17:30 to 18:30





The Cub Pack

A Cub Scout Pack has members aged 8-10 ½ years old (6-month flexibility applies). Cub Scouts meet together as a Pack and work within a variety of small groups called 'Sixes'. A team of adults will run the Cub Scout Pack, usually led by an Akela, some will be uniformed leaders, others maybe sectional assistants, helpers or parents.

Cubs take part in a wide range of activities that are designed to be interesting and to challenge them. At the same time they have fun, adventure and make friends along the way. They do this through taking part in a programme of activities provided by the Leadership team such as: camping, playing games, trying new things and exploring the outdoors.

Cub Scouts work towards awards and badges. The Cub Scout Membership Award is presented to new Cub Scouts once they have learnt about the traditions and history of Scouting and about being a Cub Scout today. Activity badges are specialist interest badges that can further develop a Cub Scout's interest. They can also form the basis for special events and some are geared at the whole pack working together. With hard work and regular attendance Cub Scouts can gain their Silver Award.

Camps and outings are the most memorable events during the year. They are the chance to carry out activities that are not possible at the regular weekly meeting.

Akela, the Cub Scout Leader, who has overall responsibility for the Pack, will lead the Leadership Team.

It is however, very much a team effort with everyone having something to offer.

Meetings

Our Cub Pack meets on Tuesday evenings 18:30 to 20:00



SCOUTS

The Scout Troop

A Scout Troop is for young people aged from 10 ½ - 14 years old (6-month flexibility applies). Scouts meet together as a Troop and work within a variety of small groups called 'Patrols' lead by a Scout Patrol Leader.

The Patrol Leaders work with the Leadership Team in setting the programme and in decisions affecting the Troop. The Patrol system is one of the important ways that young people can take responsibility for themselves and others.

A volunteer leadership team made up of uniformed Leaders and other informal Assistants and helpers will guide the Troop.

Scouting has a reputation as an outdoor organisation based on strong traditions of camping and other outdoor pursuits.

Scouts work towards challenge awards, culminating in the Chief Scouts Gold Award. Scouts also have the opportunity to gain a wide range of activity badges by working inside and outside troop meetings. Most of the badges and awards in Scouts require independent work by the scouts themselves.

Most Troops will offer a number of events away from home during the year, and very often a summer camp. These are important to the life of the Troop, as they are the culmination of much of the training during the year.

Meetings

Our Scout Troop meets on Monday evenings 19:00 to 21:00



WHERE DO WE MEET?

Most meetings are at the Scout Hut, Huddersfield Road, Meltham. HD9 4AL

If this is not the case due to activities which take part in the community or have to run at a specialist centre, your Section Leadership Team will give you advance notice.

We are lucky enough to have a purpose-built hut on a three-acre site comprising of a playing field, wood, stream and camp-site.



HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Scout Groups charge subscriptions to cover the cost of equipment and the resources to enable us to deliver good quality Scouting. Part of those subscriptions (subs) go towards the annual membership fee paid to headquarters for the day-to-day running of The Scout Association that includes insurance for all members.

The monthly subscriptions are £12.00 for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts (correct at the time of publication – see page footer).

Subs are collected by bank transfer; by Direct Debit through our online management system (Online Scout Manager. See page 7) or only if absolutely necessary, cash as advised by the section leader, usually by email. Please make cheques payable to **5th Holme Valley (Meltham) Scout Group**.

For young people trying out Scouting, the first couple of sessions are free.

Financial Help

We appreciate that funds can sometimes be tight. If you need a bit of help with the cost of a camp etc or if you want to spread the payments, then please have a quiet chat with one of the Leaders. We are as flexible as possible and would rather know in advance than be chasing you later!

We are keen that everyone has the opportunity to attend at least one camp each year.

It is not our policy to exclude any young person from an activity because of cost, however we do not have a bursary fund.

Gift Aid

The Group is now able to recover income tax on any donation provided a declaration has been made to cover the tax reclaim. Donations may now be of any value. The only criteria is that the individual making the donation has to pay income tax or capital gains tax of at least the amount to be recovered by the Group. If you pay by cheque, the name on the cheque must match the Gift Aid declaration.

If you sign the attached declaration, up to 25p in each £1 can be claimed back by the Group from the 'Tax Man'. This will really help the Groups finances and cut down the pressure on the essential fundraising!

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There is a gift aid form included in this pack or can be claimed through Online Scout Manager



HOW DO I JOIN?

Unfortunately there is a waiting list for entry into each section of the Group. Our numbers are limited by space and the number of adult volunteers that can attend regularly.

Once a member of the group, young people are guaranteed a space in the next section as they progress.

We make every effort to accommodate siblings of existing members, however there is no automatic entry for siblings – they must be added to the waiting list in the normal manner.

How do I put my name on the waiting list?

The only way to join the waiting list is to use the form on the web-site to register, under Contact Us | Join.

You will need to provide the name and date of birth of the young person and your contact details.

The Membership Secretary will be in touch when you register and a term before your young person is likely to start.

Health



The Scout Association Rules stipulate that no child is allowed to undertake any activity without a Health Information Form. Most sections do this online by sending an email reminder before each event.

Please complete the Member Details Form (on Online Scout Manager, your Leader should send you a link), which will be kept on file by the section leader for regular week-to-week activities. For out of the ordinary activities, you will be sent a permission form which will include a health information section. Please include anything that may be relevant to the activity on that form, including dietary restrictions.

Safety

The Scout Association takes pride in its safety record. Guidance is provided to Leaders through their District and County support to ensure that Scouting activities are as safe as possible. Safety issues are covered extensively in our Leader Training.



For more adventurous activities such as water sports, caving and mountaineering, we have special authorisation arrangements to ensure Scouts are in safe hands

Child Protection

The Scout Association's child protection policy is known as the 'Young People First' policy.

It's often referred to as the 'yellow card' policy because of the pocket sized reminder card all adults are asked to keep and carry with them.

The 'Young People First' policy is held up as an example of best practice and praised by the child protection agencies. The Scout Association also enjoys the confidence and trust of thousands of parents who each week place their children in our care.

It is the policy of The Scout Association to safeguard the welfare of all members by protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional harm. The Scout Association is committed to:

- taking into account in all its considerations and activities the interests and well-being of young people;
- respecting the rights, wishes and feelings of the young people with whom it is working ;
- taking all reasonable practicable steps to protect them from physical, sexual and
- emotional abuse, and
- promoting the welfare of young people and their protection within a relationship of trust.



All adults aged eighteen or over, no matter what their role or involvement within Scouting, are responsible for putting this policy into practice at all times.

If you would like a copy of the Yellow Card, please ask your Section Leader

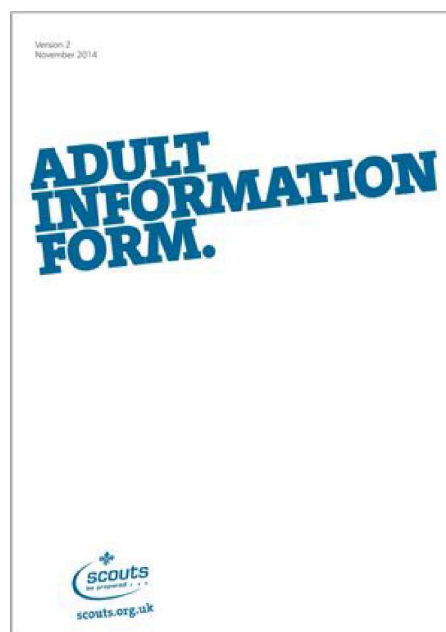
DISCLOSURE AND BARRING

Scouting continues to hold the safety and wellbeing of your child with utmost importance. It is therefore the policy of The Scout Association that every adult in Scouting should complete a 'DBS disclosure', every adult in Scouting means – any adult who holds a role within our organisation be it, Cub Leader, Group Executive Committee Member or regular parent volunteer. As a District (Sevenoaks and the surrounding villages) we of course follow The Scout Association and its policies to keep young people in our care safe from harm.

We have therefore adopted the policy and now encourage every adult connected to Scouting in our district – that now means parents and guardians that are regularly involved in Scouting events. We have taken this path as some parents support Scouting in many ways other than joining in with our regular meetings, such as transporting young people in their cars or joining in group activities such as family camps etc.

Please note that completing a DBS check is **not** a condition of your young person joining and participating in Scouting, however note completing one will prevent you joining in with some activities, for example Family Camp.

Should you wish to become involved in the group as an adult (and we encourage it – it is fun!), then we would look to record your personal details and undertake a DBS check. This can be done all online or, if necessary, using a paper form. The most up-to-date Adult Information form can be downloaded from the Scout Association website.



BADGES, UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT

Each section has its own uniform, although the activity trousers are common to all sections
Specific activities may have additional requirements. With any luck you will be notified of these in good time by your Section Leader.

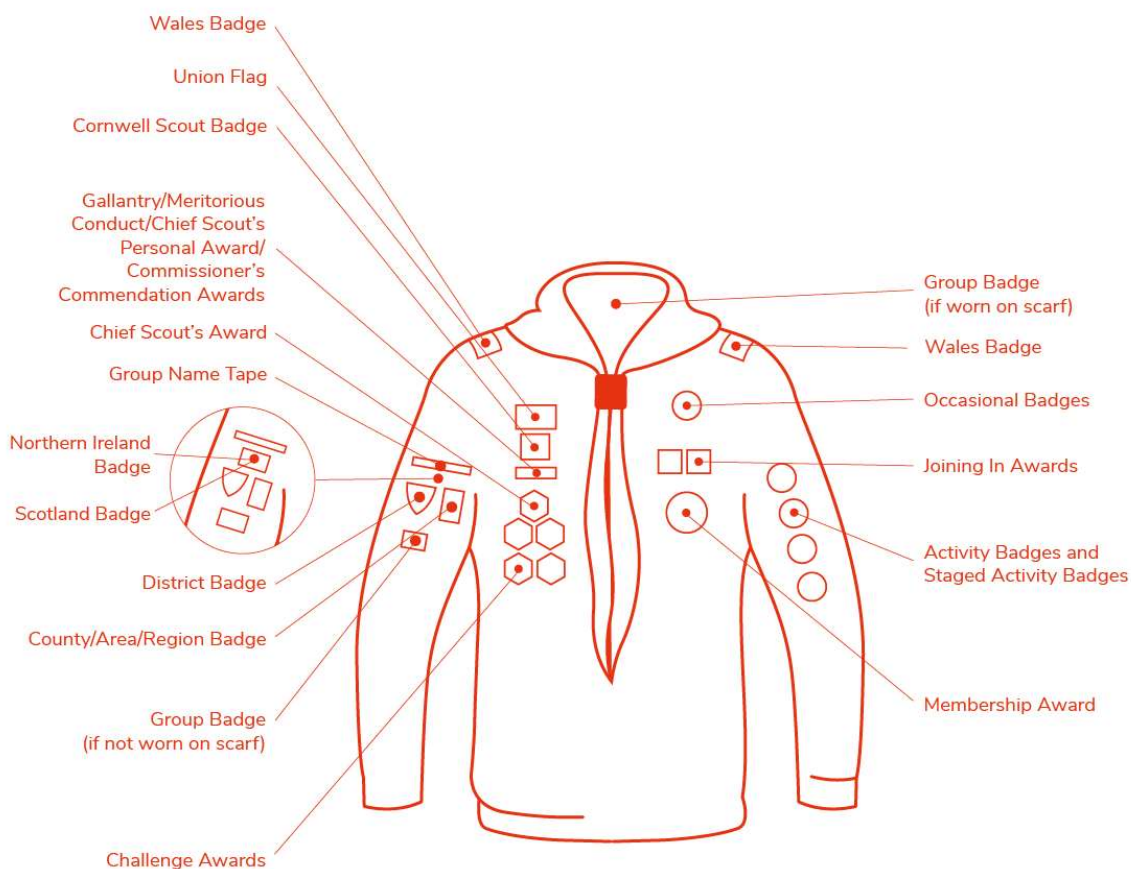
Squirrels

A Squirrel Scout uniform consists of the following items

- A Squirrel Scout jumper
- Scout activity trousers
- A Squirrel scout polo
- Group necker with a woggle (both presented by the group on investiture – ours is yellow with blue edging)

In addition to the specific uniform items each member should have a **waterproof jacket** and a **day sack** of sufficient size to carry lunch, a drink and waterproofs.

Squirrel Scout uniform

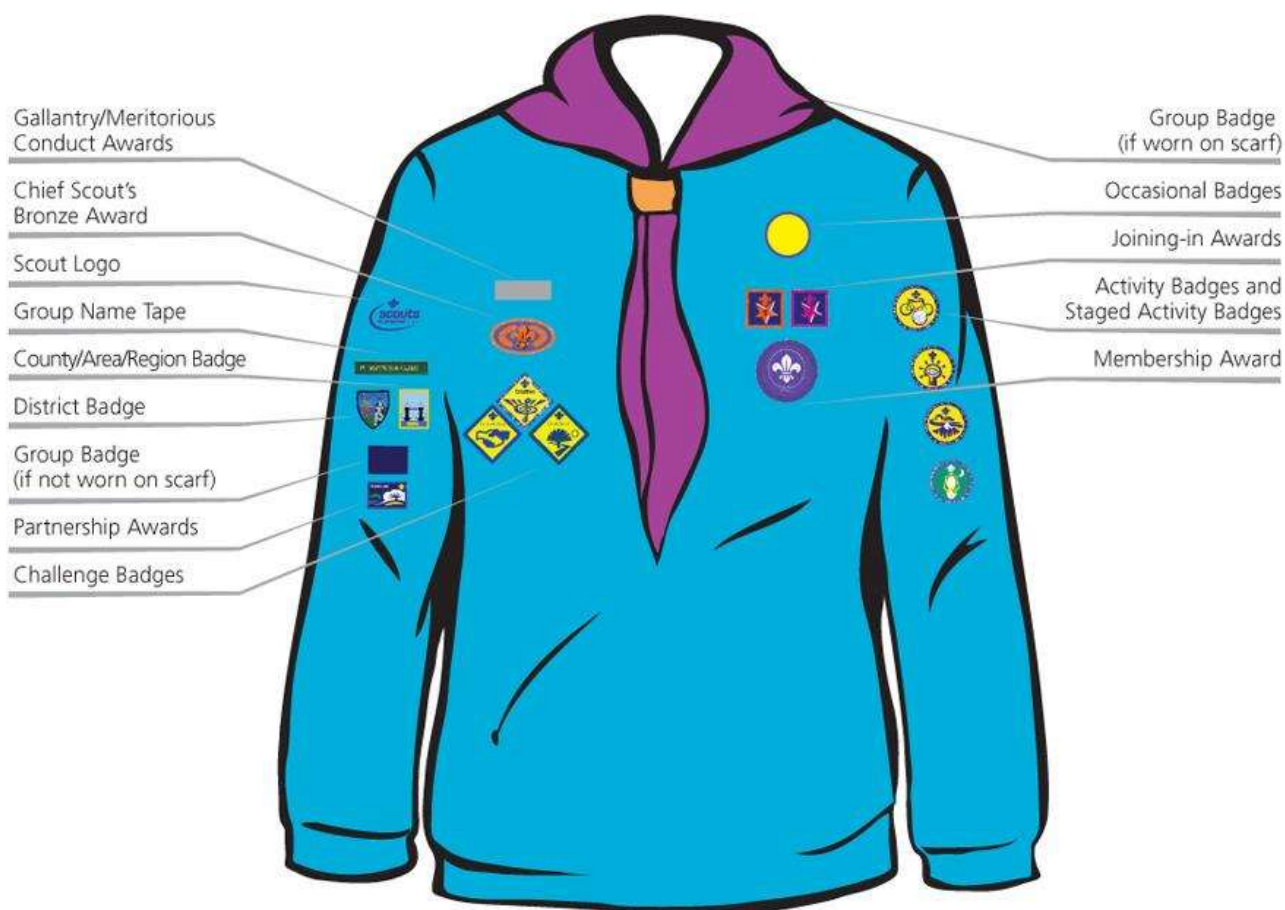


Beavers

Beaver Scout uniform consists of the following items

- A Beaver Scout jumper
- Scout activity trousers
- A Beavers scout polo
- Group necker with a woggle (both presented by the group on investiture – ours is yellow with blue edging)

In addition to the specific uniform items each member should have a **waterproof jacket** and a **day sack** of sufficient size to carry lunch, a drink and waterproofs.



Cubs

Cub uniform consists of the following items

- Green polo shirt
- Green sweatshirt
- Group necker with a woggle (both presented by the group – ours is yellow with blue edging)
- Scout activity trousers

In addition to the specific uniform items each Member should have a **set of waterproofs** (jacket and trousers) and a **day sack** of sufficient size to carry lunch, a drink and waterproofs.



Scouts

Scout uniform consists of the following items

A scout shirt

Scout activity trousers

Scout belt

Group necker with a woggle (both presented by the group on investiture – ours is yellow with blue edging)

Scouts will need a torch, a notebook and pen, waterproof jacket and trousers and a pair of walking boots or stout shoes for many activities – check the programme. Ask a leader for advice.

Scout Uniform



Scout Shops

All the uniforms mentioned above are conveniently available at various locations. the District and County HQ, at Bradley Wood, offer a wide range of uniforms, ensuring accessibility for local scouting communities. (see <http://www.bradleywood.org.uk/youth/scout-guide/shop>)

Additionally, [The Scout Shop](#) serves as a dedicated outlet, specialising in scouting merchandise, including uniforms. These various locations ensure that scouts and their supporters have multiple options to acquire the necessary uniforms, catering to their specific needs and preferences, ultimately enhancing the overall scouting experience.

Both of these places return profits to Scouting.



Contact Details

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Hut enquiries	hello@thehutmeltham.org.uk

Programme of Recurring Events

Whilst every year is different, there are a number of events that tend to occur at the same time each year.

Section(s)	When	Activity
All	Sunday pm. near the end of April	St Georges Day Parade
All	Wednesday in early July	Group AGM and prize giving
Scouts	Summer holidays	Summer Camp (7 nights)
Cubs	Summer holidays	Summer Camp
All	Friday near 5 th Nov	Fireworks Night
All	Sunday am. near 11 th Nov	Remembrance Sunday Parade

Gift Aid Declaration form

Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate.

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer. These details are kept for 6 financial years for any additional queries regarding your gift aid declaration.

In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the box below:

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I want to Gift Aid my donation of £ _____ and any donations I make in the future, or have made in the past 4 years to the Scout Association.

Donor's details

Title: _____ Initial(s): _____ Surname: _____

Home address:

Postcode: _____

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

FAQs

Please notify The Scout Association if you:

- Want to cancel this declaration.
- Change your name or home address.
- No longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

If you pay income tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

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