

4th Sevenoaks Scout Group



Key dates & Information 2014

February Edition

Date	Activity	Notes
Jan Sat 25	Cub Car Rally	Cubs only - Wildernesse sports centre 12:30pm
Fri 31	Return Mag7 District forms + deposit	For the camp in May
Feb Sat 01	Community Day	Scouts only - helping the local community
Sun 09	Grounds & Hut Maintenance Day	Parents & family 10:30am to 1pm
w/c 17	Half term	No meetings
Mar Sun 16	Grounds & Hut Maintenance Day	Parents & family 1pm to 5pm
Sat 22	Quiz Night	New improved family quiz night (17:30-20:30)
Sat 29-Sun 30	Scout Camping Skills Weekend	Scouts only
April w/c 07	Start of Easter break	No meetings
Wed 23	Summer term starts	First week of meetings
Sun 27	St George's Day Parade	Parade through High Street to St Nicholas Church. Usually meet at 14:00
May Fri 02-Mon 05	Mag7 District Camp (duration varies by section)	Forms to be returned by end of January
w/c 05	Half term	No meetings
Sun 11	Grounds & Hut Maintenance Day (TBC)	Parents & family 10:30am to 1pm
Jun Sun 01	Greatness Residents Association Big Lunch	Date TBC - Beavers & Cubs must be accompanied by their family
Sun 08	Grounds & Hut Maintenance Day (TBC)	Parents & family 1pm to 5pm
Jul Wed 09	AGM & badge presentation	All parents & sections invited 6:30pm
Mon 21	Start of Summer break	No meetings
Fri 25-Fri 01	Scouts Summer Camp – Peak District	Scouts only
Sept Fri 5	Autumn Term starts	First week of meetings
Fri 28-Sun 30	Group Camp	All sections
Oct w/c 27	Half term	No meetings
Nov Fri 7	Fireworks	Discounted advance tickets available in October
Nov 9	Remembrance Day Parade	Sevenoaks War Memorial, The Vine Usually meet at 10:15
Dec w/c 17	Start of Christmas break	No meetings
Fri 21- Sun 23	Christmas Camp	To be confirmed

Note: All details correct at the time this was published. You will be updated of any changes in the usual manner. We aim to update this document at the beginning of each term.

Summary of key information

Detailed information on the running of the troop & each section plus the answers to many questions you may have can be found in our [Welcome Pack on our website](#) - please use it & feedback to Michael Dreksler (contact details on the back page) if you cannot locate an answer to your question.

Queries & questions

Email your section leader, wherever possible, if the answer to your question is not in the welcome pack. Please try **not** to speak to them at the start of a meeting, whilst they are preparing for the young people to arrive, unless it is urgent. The end of the meeting is generally better.

Membership Details

Please complete page 20 of the [Welcome Pack](#) for each child on joining & every autumn term or for more than one change in details. Single changes can be emailed to your section leader.

Subs

Subs form can be found on our website and are due at the latest by the end of the first month of each term. £27 for the spring & summer terms for all invested members and those moving between sections. Young people new to the group can pay for the term as above or £3 per week from the 2nd week onwards until invested. If you do not pay the Subs, then your son/daughter will not be covered by the Scout Association Insurance and will **not** be able to take part in any activities or trips

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If you didn't tick the box on the member details form, complete a gift aid form per family if you pay tax - we can claim some of it back! Download one from the web-site in the [resources section](#).

For news and updates, check <http://www.4thsevenoaks.org.uk/>

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Website & Facebook

Our website is full of useful information, copies of forms to download & features on your children's activities.

Sign in on our site to access our group calendar on your phone - we intend to make more use of this secure sign in once more are signed up. If you do not have access to a printer please ask a leader for a copy of a form.



We are on Facebook (www.facebook.com/4thScouts) too, please find us & like us to follow news.

Uniform

All meetings & activities are in full uniform unless specified in programme.

Uniform is required in order to be invested & must be worn after completing half a term's attendance.

Sevenoaks scouts have their own shop - please support it. See our website resources section for times, dates & location. We are trying to start our own second-hand uniform - please see the [resources section of the website](#) for further information when available.

On moving up, wear existing uniform until your child is settled in. Certain badges need to be moved from previous section to the next uniform - new membership badges can be purchased for £2 per set. Scarf is the same in each section. Please consider donating your old uniform to our second hand stock.

Parental Help - please volunteer!

There will be something you can do to help the running of the troop, enhance our facilities & therefore your child's enjoyment. Whatever your skills, whenever you can fit it in & however much time you can spare all help is appreciated. Please talk to or email a leader or committee member to find out what you can do.

Fundraising

Please look at our website for more information on using www.easyfundraising.org.uk, a percentage of your purchases from well known websites (including Amazon) can benefit the group at no cost to yourself.

Occasional Helper form

Please download this from our website if you think you would like to help out at a meeting, camp or activity. Completion is *essential* in order to attend our family camps. Please note there is no obligation once this is completed, it just cuts down on unpredictable waiting times. See the [Welcome Pack](#) for more information.

Waiting list

Please do not give names to leaders - [go to the website & register](#). Siblings must be registered in the same way too - do not assume they will get a place! We have long waiting lists and it is never too early to get your child on the list! The only way to escalate your child is to volunteer to help weekly at meetings, as this enables more children to participate. To check or get an update on progress please contact our Secretary, Zuzi Ledger .

Your group leaders & committee

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Section Assistants Charlene, Tim & Graham (Squirrel, Wolf & Mouse)

Young Leader Clara (Fox)

Cubs

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Young Leaders Riana, Kelly, Lizzie & Will (Rikki, Tikki, Tavi & Mowgli)

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