

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

You can contact the Scout Leader, Moz, on 07779 272340 or via emailing wxmmoz@gmail.com Please don't phone Moz on Fridays, he's usually busy!

1st Rhosnesi have a website which we'd encourage you to visit. It includes up to date programmes, reports and photos of our activities. You can find it at www.clwydscouts.org.uk/rhosnesni

For more general information about Scouting, contact the Scout Information Centre on 0845 300 1818. It operates 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 12 noon on Saturday. Or you can visit the website: www.scouts.org.uk

THANKS FOR READING THIS! NOW...

Please fill in the attached forms - information form and health form - and return to Moz the next time your son or daughter goes to Scouts

Keep the entire pack safe as you'll need it for reference in the future

YOUR GUIDE TO RHOSNESNI SCOUTS.





WHO ARE WE?

1st Rhosnesni Scout Troop is run by the Scout Leader - Moz - and a team of Assistant Scout Leaders and Young Leaders.

WHERE AND WHEN DO WE MEET?

We meet once a week during the school term on Friday nights usually from 7pm to 9pm.

For about half of our meetings we're at our Scout hut on Dean Road, but we do get out quite a bit! We issue programmes but these are liable to change. If you're unsure, check online, or phone Moz on 07779 272340.

Please don't leave it until Friday night to find out what's going on so you have plenty of notice in case, for example, your child needs to bring something with them or we are meeting elsewhere.

WHAT DO I NEED?

For the first few meetings your child needs nothing at all to experience the magic of Scouting.

Moz will agree a time when it is suitable for your son or daughter to join Scouts officially by making the Promise. For this a

uniform will need to be purchased. This consists of a teal Scout shirt, navy Scout activity trousers, a yellow & red neckerchief and a woggle.

Uniform is available from Wrexham Scout Shop, in Wrexham District Scout HQ, Station Approach. The shop is open Wednesday nights in school terms from 6.30-8.30pm.

WHAT WILL IT COST?

We charge subscriptions ('subs') to cover costs of equipment and the upkeep of the meeting place. This also includes the Scouts' annual membership fee paid to headquarters for the day-to-day running of The Scout Association and includes insurance for all members.

The annual subs is £75 and you can pay this in one go, once a year, or split it into three lots of £25 paid at the beginning of January, May and September. Please bring a cheque for the required amount to Scouts and hand it. Cheques should be made payable to '1st Rhosnesni Scout Group' and have your child's name and SUBS written clearly on the back.

An extra charge is normally required for special events, camps, and other outings.

GIFT AID

If you pay tax, we can use Gift Aid to claim 28p for every £1.00 you give in subs or donations. All you need to do is sign the Gift Aid form that forms part of this information leaflet. All the money will be used to benefit members of the Scout Group.

LEADERSHIP

The adults who run Scout Groups are called Leaders. They are unpaid volunteers

who are required to undertake training or learning appropriate to their role. Section Leaders are responsible to a Group Scout Leader, who in turn is responsible to a District Commissioner.

If you have any questions, concerns or complaints please speak to the Section Leader. If your concern is about the Leader please contact the Group Scout Leader. If not available or you are still not satisfied please contact the District Commissioner whose details are available from the Scout Information Centre on 0845 300 1818.

PARENTAL PERMISSION

It is taken as understood that you give your permission for your child to take part in Scout activities during the normal meeting time.

Your permission is sometimes needed for specific events, camps and activities that may take place at a different place or time.

You will be asked to complete a parental consent form in such circumstances.

MEDICAL/DIETARY INFORMATION

It is essential that you inform the Section Leader if your son / daughter suffers from any medical condition or if they require any specialist medicines or treatment.

It is also necessary for information to be supplied to the Section Leader about any dietary needs of the member. Please complete the details on the attached form and update the Leaders if circumstances change.

HELPING SCOUTING

The Scout Association is run by volunteers and it encourages parents and carers to

assist in the leadership team on a regular or an occasional basis. Any support that you or your family can offer Scouting is welcomed, appreciated and valued.

Help is particularly appreciated with practical skills, outdoor activities, as well as with transport, and lending equipment. You may also be willing to assist occasionally with the Section meeting night, with administration and fund-raising.

Please fill in the section under 'You can join the adventure too' on the attached form. We really do need your help.

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD

The Scout Association encourages you to support your child's involvement in Scout activities. Please ensure:

- You deliver and collect your child at the appropriate times and place, as advised. Always check that an adult leader has arrived before leaving your child. Please tell the Scout Leader if somebody different from usual will be collecting them. Members are never left unsupervised, but if you are persistently late the Section Leader may ask you to make other safe arrangements for collection.

- Your child wears suitable clothing and footwear for activities.

- You return forms and payment on time. If you have difficulties completing forms or making payments then please speak in confidence to the Scout Leader.

- You inform the Scout Leader of any additional needs that your child may have and any medication required e.g. inhaler.

- You inform the Scout Leader of any change in the family situation that is likely to affect your child's behaviour. It is not necessary to give details. All information will be treated in confidence.

WEEKEND CAMP KIT LIST.

This is the standard kit list for weekend camps. Please keep a copy of it safe as we will not continually re-issue it.

Please do make sure that everything on the list is brought to camp, it will make the Scout's experience more enjoyable. Scouts should pack their own rucsac and then they can't blame it on mum!

If we ever need you to bring anything more or less than this, we will let you know.

- Uniform (to be worn to camp)
- Rucsac to put kit in
- Small Daysac for trips out
- Sleeping Bag
- Insulation Mat (eg Karrimat, Thermarest)
- Spare socks / underwear
- Spare clothing
- Warm coat / fleece etc
- Waterproofs (top & bottoms)
- Warm hat & gloves
- Hiking boots
- Wash kit
- Towel
- Tea towel
- Torch plus spare batteries & bulb
- Drinks bottle

PLEASE: We don't want to see...

- Sleeping bags loosely rolled up in bin bags!
- More than two bags
- Things dangling off rucsacs
- Loosely rolled insulation mats

We'd rather see...

- Sleeping bags tightly rolled up, ideally in compression straps (about a fiver from Milletts!) and inside rucsac
- Everything in one suitably sized rucsac (about 50 litres)
- Mats tightly rolled (you should only just be able to get your finger into the hole in the middle) and strapped to side of rucsac

We recommend...

- Kit is labelled or engraved to it doesn't get lost
- Packing the things you need last, first and first, last
- Packing heavier things at the top



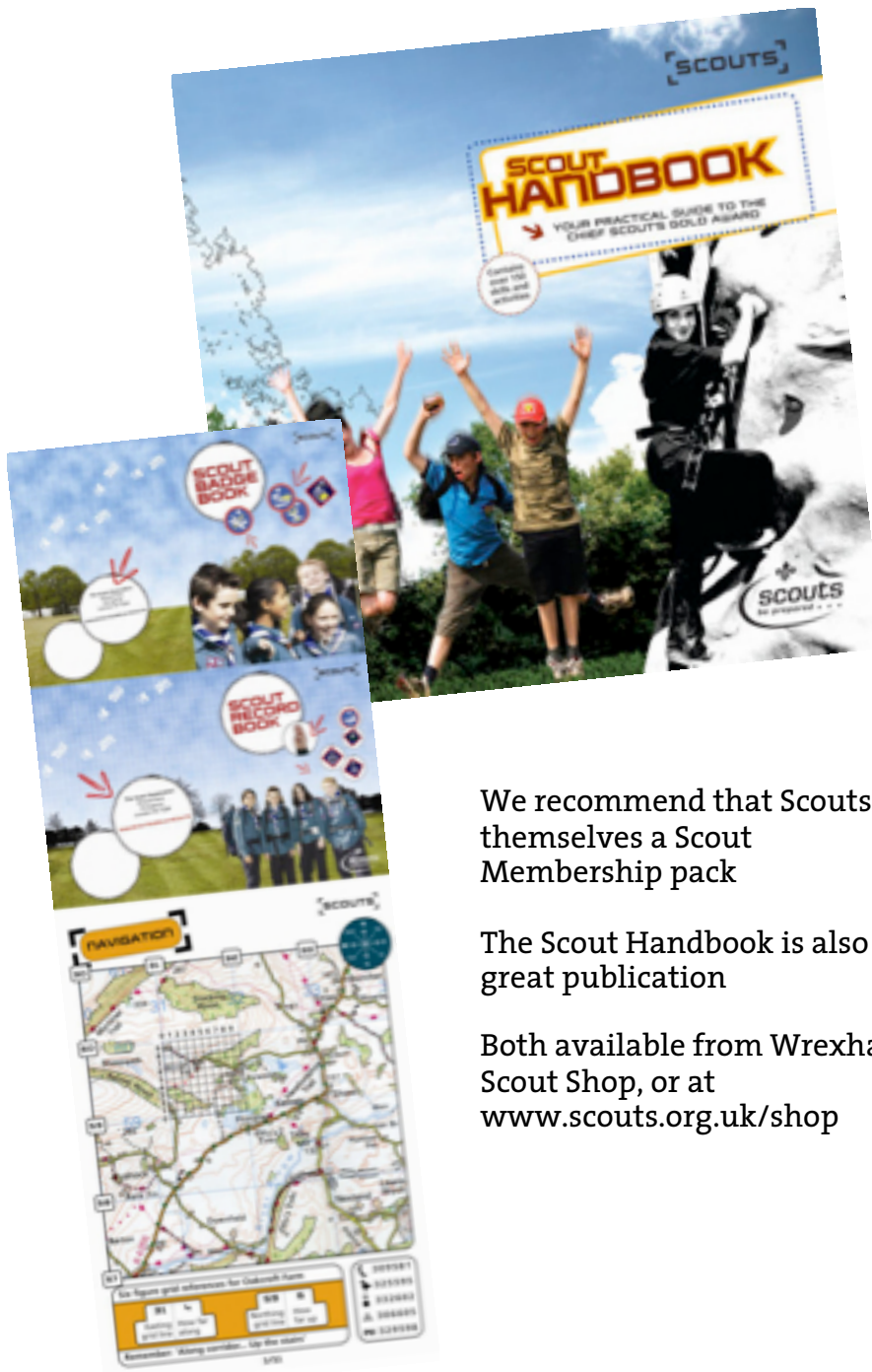
WHERE DO THOSE BADGES GO?

Note: Only the highest numbered Staged Activity badge (round badges with numbers on that go on the left arm) – eg if a Stage 5 Nights Away badge is earned, the Stage 1 badge should be removed and replaced with the Stage 5

For Participation Badges (the coloured small square badges with stars on), the highest badge from Cubs should be sewn on to the Scout shirt, then each further badge earned in Scouts added to the side as shown above. If direct entry to Scouts then the first year badge will be earned after a year in the Troop, then the 2nd year badge etc.

Please pay special attention to the placement of Dragons – they are different!





We recommend that Scouts get themselves a Scout Membership pack

The Scout Handbook is also a great publication

Both available from Wrexham Scout Shop, or at www.scouts.org.uk/shop

You'll also need...

Sleeping bag



Waterproofs



Camping mat



Hiking boots

