2nd Onchan Scout Group



30 March 2022

ST GEORGE'S DAY - 24 APRIL 2022

Dear Members, Parents & Guardians,

St. George is the Patron Saint of Scouting and each year Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers from all over the British Isles get together to take part in Parades and Services to celebrate Scouting's National Day. We at 2nd Onchan will be joining with all the other Island Scout Groups on Sunday 24 April 2022, at the St. George's Day Parade, which this year is taking place at Government House and will be attended by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Being one of the most important dates in the Scouting calendar, all the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Leaders will be renewing their Promises, during the Service. As you may know, 2nd Onchan is the largest Scout Group on the Isle of Man and as such, we will be expected to have the biggest and most likely, the smartest, turnout on the Parade.

I would ask that every member of 2nd Onchan Scout Group, from the youngest Beaver Scout to the oldest Explorer Scout takes part, to support not only their Section, but also the Group and Scouting on the Isle of Man, particularly in 2nd Onchan's 60th year.

Full Uniform is to be worn, including navy (not black) trousers and School Shoes. I would also suggest that a coat is brought by everyone, just in case of inclement weather.

We will be meeting in the car park of Government House for no later than 2pm. Please access the car park using the first entrance on the left as you drive from Signpost Corner down to Governor's Bridge (West Drive). Please do not use the main driveway off Governor's Road. The Service will finish at approximately 4.30pm and collection will be from the gardens of Government House. Parents are welcome to watch the Parade and take part in the Service, but we ask that they don't walk in the parade with members.

In the event of inclement weather, the Service will take place in the St. Andrews Church (by the St. Ninians Traffic Lights), there will be no Parade. Announcements will be made on Manx Radio and added to our Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/2ndonchan/

This Parade should be the largest ever gathering of 2nd Onchan Scout Group Members so far this year, please help ensure that it is.

Yours in Scouting,

Alex Armstrong
Group Scout Leader

