

7th Sevenoaks (HALSTEAD) Scout Group



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WELCOME

Dear Parent/Guardian

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

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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.



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 are show commitment.

Scouting works well when young people enjoy learning by doing 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 6 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.

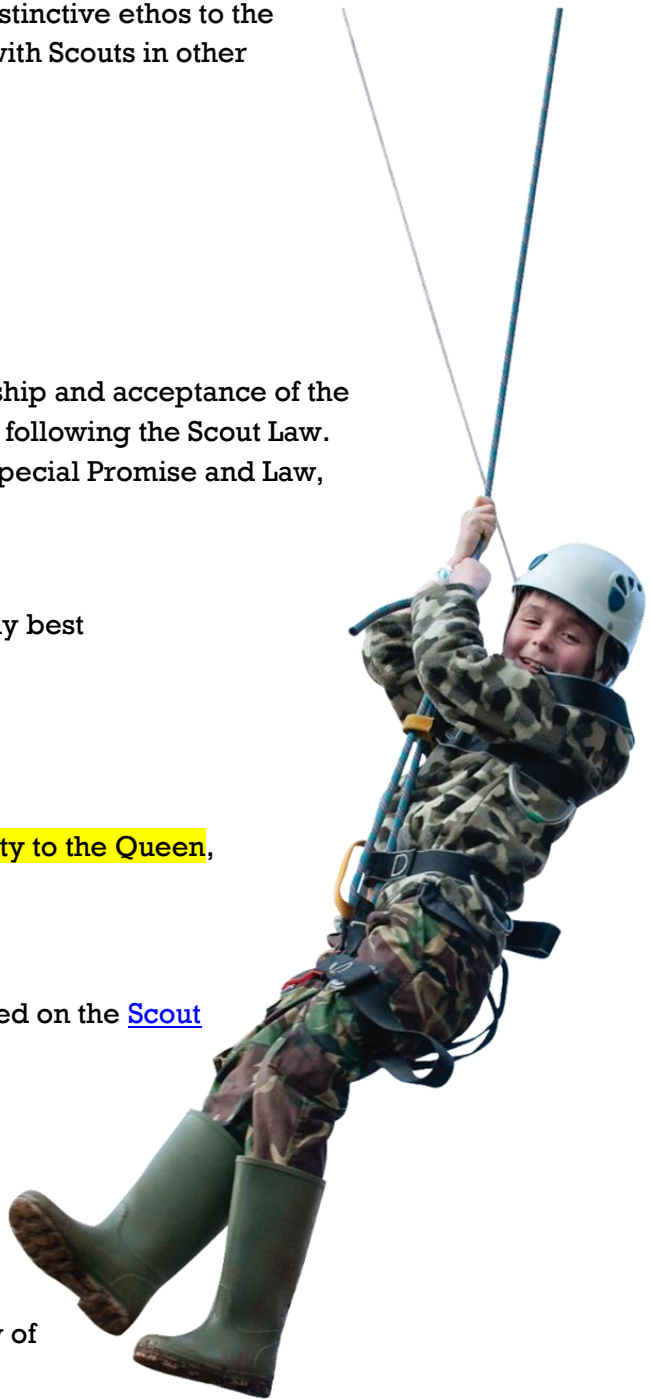
A Scout has courage in all difficulties.

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 FIVE SECTIONS

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

The balanced Programme spans the 6-25 age range which is made up of five 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 Beaver Scout Colony has members aged between six and eight. (6-month flexibility applies)

A Cub Scout Pack has members aged 8 - 10 ½. (6-month flexibility applies)

A Scout Troop is for young people aged from 10 ½ - 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. Explorer Scout Units are part of a Scout District (Sevenoaks 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 (Kent).

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

We are a uniformed movement

We use Lodges', 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

Additionally, the group may have a **Scout Active Support** section, comprising adults who are prepared to assist with activities and events. If you are happy to join the SAS mailing list and receive occasional requests for help, please contact our group manager Rose Mears if you would like to help form a Scout Active Support section for our group (manager@halsteadscouts.org.uk)





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 volunteer 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 Scout 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, which is presented in a district ceremony by the Town Mayor.

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 Monday evenings 17:00 to 18:15.





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 may be 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, which is presented in a district ceremony by the Town Mayor

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 volunteer Leadership Team.

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

Meetings

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





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, which is presented in a county ceremony by the County Commissioner. 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 Tuesday evenings 19:00 to 21:00.



WHERE DO WE MEET?

Most meetings are at the Scout Hut, Shoreham Lane, Halstead, Sevenoaks, TN14 7BY

We have a purpose built hut on our own site comprising a parking area, playing field and camp-fire area.



PARENTS BECOME MEMBERS OF THE 7TH HALSTEAD SCOUT COUNCIL

When your child joins the 7th Halstead Scout Group, you as a parent become a member of the 7th Halstead Scout Council. The group functions because everyone volunteers in some way to benefit the young people.

We ask that along with helping in some way on the list 'How would you like to help the group' below, that as parents you support your young person and the group by ensuring they have what they need for each weekly meeting and as a family attending our annual general meeting. This meeting is a legal requirement for the group to retain its charity status and is an opportunity for the young people to receive badges and awards along with the best Beaver, Cub & Scout trophy for the year.

The leaders put a lot of their time voluntary into providing scouting for the young people all year round, so one could say that it is very little to ask of parents to ensure that they attend this one meeting a year.

How Much Does It Cost?

Scout Groups charge subscriptions to cover 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 termly subscriptions are £50.00 for all three sections with a £5 discount for payment within 2 weeks of the start of each term. (correct at the time of publication – see page footer).

Subs are collected at the **start** of each term. We prefer these payments to be made via the OSM payment system. You will receive automated emails inviting you to make your payment.

or you can send a cheque in a sealed envelope via the Section Leader. Please make cheques payable to **7th Sevenoaks Halstead Scout Group**. However we must stress that we would prefer you to use the OSM system.

When the young person is invested, they will be issued a group scarf and woggle, should you need a replacement scarf, a £5.50 charge will be payable.

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 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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Please return the ticked gift aid email that you receive from OSM and tick the gift aid box on your registration form from this pack.



How do I join?

There is a waiting list for entry into each unit 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?

Please use the form on the web-site (www.halsteadscouts.org.uk) 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 Group Manager will request further information from you and will then be in touch 4 weeks before your young person is likely to start.

Is there anything I can do to get my young person a place?

We accept people into the group depending on their age and how long they have been on the waiting list, location & sibling link. However there is a way to move your young person up the waiting list...

Volunteer! Not only does this help us increase the size of each unit, we give priority to children of leaders. See the section *Parental Support & Adult Help* in this document.

What happens when my child joins?

Your young person will attend the relevant section for 4 -6 weeks to ensure that they are enjoying themselves and that we do not have any issues that need to be discussed with the parents.

From here you will be asked to purchase uniform and badge book for your young person to be invested. A scarf, woggle and certificate will be presented. Subscriptions become payable as soon as your child starts attending meetings..



HEALTH



The Scout Association Rules stipulate that no child is allowed to undertake any activity without a Health Information Form.

Please complete the Member Details Form (towards the end of this pack), 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 hand



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 7th Halstead Scout Group 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 Treasurer, or Group Chair. 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.

This policy also includes every adult connected to Scouting in our group who helps more than once a month or stays overnight at a camp with any of the sections

PARENTAL SUPPORT & ADULT HELP

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

As a parent of the group member, you automatically become a member of our Scout Council and as a minimum we expect you to help out for one evening with your young person's section each term if required, and help at one of our maintenance days.

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

- Offering a skill to help train or help one of the sections for a badge or award.
- Help prepare refreshments for a section of Group event.
- Help to transport some to any event away from the hall.
- Help when we take the young people on camp.
- Support the Scout Group at social evenings
- Support the Group's fund raising activities.
- Join the Executive committee and help manage the Scout Group
- Or helping out maintaining the hut and grounds.

Did you know:

- You can also achieve tutoring qualifications in any/all of our activities
- There is no payment for being a leader (except expenses), but you can expect lots of fun and to make many friends!
- That Nationally recognised training, typical qualifications can include First Aid, and qualifications in activities, such as climbing, water sports, sailing, archery and even chainsaw use



If you are interested in becoming a leader or a helper on a regular or occasional basis please contact Rose Mears (contact details at the back of the Welcome Pack). No previous experience is necessary, as training will be provided.

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.

Beavers

Beaver Scout uniform consists of the following items

A Beaver Scout jumper (available from Sevenoaks Scout Shop)

Scout activity trousers (available from Sevenoaks Scout Shop)

A 7th Halstead Group polo (available from Section Leader at Halstead £10)

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

In addition to the specific uniform items each member will need a Beaver Badge Book (available from Section Leader at Halstead £4) and should have a **waterproof jacket** and a **day sack** of sufficient size to carry lunch, a drink and waterproofs during activities offsite.



See also http://www.halsteadscouts.org.uk/spage-beavers-beaver_badges.html

Cubs

Cub uniform consists of the following items

7th Halstead Group polo shirt (available from Section Leader at Halstead £10)

Green sweatshirt (available at Sevenoaks Scout Shop)

Scout activity trousers (available from Sevenoaks Scout Shop)

Group scarf with a woggle (both presented by the group – ours is green with yellow edging)

In addition to the specific uniform items each Member will need a Cub Badge Book (available from Section Leader at Halstead £4) and should have a **set of waterproofs** (jacket and trousers) and a **day sack** of sufficient size to carry lunch, a drink and waterproofs during offsite activities.



See also http://www.halsteadscouts.org.uk/space-cubs-cub_badges.html

Scouts

Scout uniform consists of the following items

A scout shirt (available from Sevenoaks Scout Shop)

Scout activity trousers (available from Sevenoaks Scout Shop)

Scout belt (available from Sevenoaks Scout Shop)

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

7th Halstead Group polo shirt (available from Section Leader at Halstead £10)

In addition to the specific uniform items each Member will need a Scout Badge Book (available from Section Leader at Halstead £4) and should have a **set of waterproofs** (jacket and trousers) and a **day sack** of sufficient size to carry lunch, a drink and waterproofs during offsite activities.



See also http://www.halsteadscouts.org.uk/spage-scouts-scout_badges.html

Scout Uniform

Please use the form within this welcome pack to order your Beaver, Cub or Scout Uniform. Return to section leader with cheque made payable to '7th Halstead Scouts'

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	Month of September	Group AGM and prize giving
Scouts	Summer holidays	Scout Camp
All	Sunday am. Near 11 th Nov	Remembrance Sunday Parade
All	Early December – Mon Eve	Group Xmas Bowling Event
All	Every 4 Years – Next one May 2018	Sevenoaks District Camp



MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

The Scout Association in the United Kingdom is a membership organisation. To enable it to operate - and to communicate with its Members - it is necessary to maintain accurate records.

This will include details of name; address; date of birth; contact telephone numbers along with details of your son's or daughter's progress through Scouting (eg badges gained). Information held in our Scout Group may be shared from time to time within Scouting including the National Headquarters of The Scout Association.

Legislation came into force in March 2000 that covers the protection and processing of personal data. Adults and young people have the same rights under the Data Protection Act 1998. The Act covers paper-based (as well as computer-based) information.

Certain information is classed by the law as 'Sensitive Personal Data'. In a Scouting context this may include information about your son's or daughter's:

Health (to ensure that we are prepared for medical emergencies it is important that we hold relevant information).

Disabilities (to ensure a safe integration of your son's or daughter's participation in activities, details of any disability need to be known).

Religious or similar beliefs (this will help us ensure that we make appropriate arrangements when necessary).

Racial or ethnic origin (again this will help us ensure that we are sensitive to cultural needs of our Members).

Images (we may use images of your son or daughter to promote scouting. These images may be used in our recruitment or in other printed publications that we produce, as well as on our website. First names only will be published. Our scout group may be visited by the media to take photographs or film of a visiting dignitary or other high profile event. Your son or daughter will often appear in these images, which may appear in local or national newspapers or on televised news programmes).

To hold this 'Sensitive Personal Data' we will need your consent. This can be given by completing and signing the 'Parent/Guardian signature on the next page of this pack.

All of the information will be used only in connection with your son's or daughter's membership of the Scout Movement in the United Kingdom. This will include membership management and communications. None of the information provided will be passed to any third parties outside the Scout Movement.

We would be grateful if you could complete the form on the member details page of this pack and return it, to your Section Leader in a sealed envelope.

This is a pre-requisite of your young person's joining the 7th Sevenoaks Halstead Scout Group.

Notification of New Member/Change Of Details

The information which you give on this form will be used by the Leader of your son's/daughter's section. The Leader will keep a reference copy and a further copy will go to the Group Manager & Group Treasurer (for subscription and Gift Aid purposes only).

You will be asked to complete one of these forms every Spring term to ensure our records are kept up to date.

Remember to inform one of your section leaders of any changes to the details shown on the Member Details Form that happen during the year.

DATA PROTECTION ACT

As a small charity, the Group does not have to register with the Information Commissioner's Office. However, the group is still subject to compliance with the Data Protection Act. We do ask if you object to your personal details being kept on computer by the Group for purposes of administration. We would stress that information held on computer is only available to for use within Scouting and is treated with respect. Passing data relating to young people is in fact illegal.

COMMUNICATING WITH PARENTS

The Scout Group generates lots of information and instructions for Members and their parents / guardians. You will find that the leaders of each Section have their own preferred mechanisms, but these include

- A termly programme, listing the activities, locations and, where possible, special equipment needed
- Notes home to parents
- Text messages – for urgent information or during an event / activity
- The website – articles, reports and photographs from events and activities
www.halsteadscouts.org.uk
- Emails giving group newsletter, programme updates and reminders
- OSM – Invites to events and payment system for both events and subscriptions.
- Facebook (Closed Group) for general updates, events and follow the fun your young person is having. Click link below and ask to join
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/599986643359689/>

We make every effort to rationalise the information but it is important that you read and respond promptly to messages to ensure that your young person does not miss out.

It goes without saying that if you have any questions or concerns; please raise them with the appropriate Section Leader or with Rose Mears, the Group Scout Leader.

Note. If you need to talk to a leader please do this at the end of a meeting rather than at the beginning. The leaders needs to be starting their planned programme and do not have time at

the beginning of meetings to talk. Often an email or a text message saying that you would like a chat helps too.

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS FORM

(RETURN TO SECTION LEADER)

Member Details – Young Person			
Full Name Child			
Date of Birth	(DD/MM/YYYY)	Gender	

Contact Details	First Parent	Second Parent
Name of Parent or Guardian		
Occupation		
Nationality		
Address		(if different)
Post Code		(if different)
Home Phone		(if different)
Mobile Phone		
Email		
Hobby		
Emergency Contact	Not Parents Details	
Name		
Relationship		
Home Phone		
Mobile Phone		

7th SEVENOAKS (HALSTEAD) SCOUT GROUP GIFT AID DECLARATION

- ☐ Mother (please tick to confirm your Gift Aid Declaration)
☐ Father (please tick to confirm your Gift Aid Declaration)

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I would like the Scout Group to treat all payments I make on or after 4 years prior to the date of signature in respect to the member subscriptions and donations for the Group as Gift Aid donations.

Signature Mother..... Signature Father.....

NOTES

You must be a tax payer and pay an amount of income tax or capital gains tax at least equal to the amount we reclaim on the payments (currently 25p for every £1 you give) • You can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the Scout Group Treasurer • Please notify the Scout Group if you change your name or address • Note that cheques to the Group must be written by the person signing above

Medical Details for Young Person		
Doctor's Name		
Doctor's Address		
Doctor's Phone		
NHS Number		
Medical Conditions		
Regular Medication		
Allergies		
Additional Needs	Please indicate in boxes below	
Development	ADHD, Autistic Spectrum, Dylexia, Dyspraxia, Other	
Injury	Body, Brain	
Learning	Spina Bifida, Downs Syndrome Other	
Medical	Allergies, Arthritis, Asthma, Diabetes Epilepsy, ME/Chronic Fatigue, Other	
Mental Health	Bipolar, Deprerssion, Eating Disorder Self Harm, Other	
Progressive	Muscular Dystrophy, Other	
Sensory	Hearing, Vision, Other	
Anything else you Think we should know? Separation, Divorce, Deceased, Fostered, Adopt.ed etc		

Background Details for Young Person		
Nationality		
School		
Religion		
Ethnic Origin		Please Tick
White	English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	
	Irish	
	Gypsy or Irish Traveller	
	Any other white background	
Mixed/multiple ethnic groups	White and Black Caribbean	
	White and Black African	
	White and Asian	
	Any other mixed/multiple ethnic background	
Asian/Asian British	Indian	
	Pakistan	
	Bangladeshi	
	Chinese	
	Any other Asian background	
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British	African	
	Caribbean	
	Any other Black/African/Caribbean Background	
Other ethnic groups	Arab	
	Other	
Prefer not to say		

I accept that the Scout Group will be keeping information about my child's membership of The Scout Association I accept that this information will only be used for Scouting purposes I accept that images of my child may be taken and used only for Scouting purposes	(signature of Parent/Guardian and date)
	(relationship to Member)

I have provided the necessary medical information that you would require in an emergency and hereby give my consent to any medical treatment and authorise the leader in charge to sign any document required by the hospital authorities.

I (the parent/guardian) will notify you immediately of any change in circumstances, relating to this form.

- I give permission for my child to undertake activities outside of the Scout HQ grounds during normal section meeting times.
- I give permission for my child to partake in activities which involve tasting/eating varying foods
- I give permission for my child to visit/learn about other faiths.

Parent/Guardian **Print Name**.....**Signature**.....**Date**.....

Activity Information and Parental Permission Form – Target Shooting for young people with membership to the 7th Sevenoaks (Halstead) Scout Group

Written parental permission is needed before a young person can take part in this activity

Name of child: _____

Relevant medical information: _____

Date or dates of activity: - From day of signed form until notified

Activity Information: *Please tick the appropriate box(es)*

- | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Air rifle shooting | <input type="checkbox"/> | Clay pigeon shooting | <input type="checkbox"/> | Rifle shooting | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Air pistol shooting | <input type="checkbox"/> | Target shotgun shooting
(Shotguns on a range) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Laser clay shooting | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Muzzle loaded
pistol shooting | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sport Crossbow
shooting | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

Parent or Guardian's consent

I, being the parent/guardian of the young person named above, declare that he/she is not subject to restriction by virtue of Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 (which applies only to persons who have been sentenced to a term of imprisonment or youth custody) and give permission for him/her to take part in the activities identified above.

I understand that it is my responsibility to inform 7th Halstead Scout Group of any changes to the above statement.

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

UNIFORM

All members are required to wear correct uniform. To aid you in the purchase of this, please complete the order form below and return to section leader with a cheque made payable to '7th Halstead Scout Group' for the correct amount.

We hold some stock of uniform at the HQ and if we do not have the size you require, we can normally get this for the following week.

Please ring the sizes you require.....

NAME.....

Beavers							Price	x	Total
Sweatshirt	24	26	28	30	32	34	£14.50		
Trouser	5/6	7/8					£18.00		
Group Polo	7/8	9/10					£10.00		
Badge Book							£4.50		
Cubs									
Sweatshirt	26	28	30	32	34		£14.50		
Trousers	5/6	7/8	9/10				£18.00		
Group Polo	7/8	9/10					£10.00		
Badge Book							£4.50		
Scouts									
Shirt	xxs	xs	sm	m			£20.00		
Trouser	9/10	11/12	13				£18.00		
Belt Girl	s/m	m/l					£16.00		
Group Polo	9/10	11/13	Sm	M			£10.00		
Belt Boy	s/m	m/l					£16.00		
Badge Book							£4.50		
							Total		£

CHEQUES PAYABLE TO 7TH HALSTEAD SCOUT GROUP

YOUNG PERSON'S CODE OF CONDUCT - CUBS & SCOUTS

This code of conduct has been put together by the young people so that they can get the most out of their Cub Scouting experience. Please can you read it with your young person, making sure they understand what it means? **Please you sign and return it with your membership details form.**

The Cub Leaders

If you have any queries please speak to one of the Leaders

I will always be on time and in uniform, and be quiet during flag break

I will always be respectful of other people and property

I will always listen to the Leaders and Sixers / Seconders and do as I am instructed

I will always be truthful, polite and have a positive attitude

I will always let a leader know if am not able to attend

I will not shout out, talk back or interrupt

I will never spit or swear

I will not fight or say nasty things

I will not bring a mobile phone or electronic game to an activity unless specifically permitted by a leader

If I damage a piece of equipment carelessly or intentionally I will be expected to replace or pay for it.

Signed (Cub/Scout)

Signed (Parent/Guardian)

Signed (Leader)

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP THE GROUP?

When your child joins the 7th Halstead Scout Group, you as a parent become a member of the 7th Halstead Scout Council. The group functions because everyone volunteers in some way to benefit the young people.

We ask that along with helping in some way on the list below that as parents you support your young person and the group to attend our annual general meeting. This meeting is a legal requirement for the group to retain its charity status and is an opportunity for the young people to receive badges and awards within the meetings.

Please remember that everyone at the group is a VOLUNTEER and many of the leaders do not have children at the group anymore. They give their time freely to give your child the opportunity to experience Scouting.

If these VOLUNTEERS end up doing all the other jobs that need to be done to keep the grounds and hut safe for Scouting to take place – We will lose them. Please do your bit and help at work parties, fund-raising and when an extra pair of hands are needed at the weekly meeting.

In addition to this, to keep our charity status we must have a functioning executive committee to deal with the business side of things – Please take this seriously when a member of the executive retires and we ask for new members to come forward. It effects your child and without the committee – we cannot function.

Please return this with your membership form.

Name.....Email.....

	Mother	Father
Group Executive Committee		
Fund-Raising Committee		
Help with Badge Work at meetings		
Help with the grounds, cutting grass etc		
Help with Maintenance of HQ, painting etc		
Help Transporting young people to activities		
Help at weekly meetings – Every week		
Help at weekly meetings – Fortnightly		
Help at weekly meetings - Once a month		
Help organise social events for group parents		

MEET THE LEADERSHIP TEAM



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County Website www.kentscouts.org.uk

National Website www.scouts.org.uk/parents

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1.4		07/05/2016	RM	Updates
1.5		02/12/2016	RM	Updates
1.6		06/02/2017	RM	Updates
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