

# SCOUT TROOP MEMBERSHIP FORM



Welcome to the **18<sup>th</sup> Cambridge Scout Troop**. In order for you to enrol your child into the group it is required under the Policy, Rules and Organisation of the Scout Association that we take a few details for insurance and contact purposes. There are a number of questions below that will need to be filled in. Once completed, please hand this form to the Scout Leader or one of the other troop representatives. These records will be kept for Scouting purposes only.

## SCOUT'S INFORMATION

NAME:..... DATE of BIRTH: ...../...../..... GENDER: M / F  
ADDRESS:..... SCHOOL:.....  
..... HOME TEL:.....  
POSTCODE:..... EMERGENCY TEL:.....  
EMAIL:..... FAITH:.....  
SPECIAL NEEDS - Dietary, Medical (*including allergies*), Other: OTHER CLUBS / INTERESTS:  
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## PARENT INFORMATION

PARENT 1:..... PARENT 2:.....  
HOBBIES:..... HOBBIES:.....  
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EMAIL:..... EMAIL: .....

## MEDICAL INFORMATION

In case of an emergency, a doctor may need to be contacted if any serious accident occurs that may require treatment. Parents will be informed immediately if such an event occurs as treatment can only be given to a scout by consent of a parent. Please let us know which Doctors Surgery your child is registered with:

DOCTORS SURGERY:.....

Do we have your consent to use a standard First Aid kit for general accidents?  YES  NO

## MEDIA & DEVELOPMENT

Scouting photos for general display may be taken to show others the type of activities we do. Photos for any other purpose cannot be used without the general consent of a parent under the Child Protection Act. Please ~~strike through~~ any media that you would NOT be willing to allow photos of your child to be circulated beyond the colony:

- LEAFLETS
- SCOUTING WEBSITES
- DISTRICT / COUNTY PROMOTING
- SCOUTS HQ

There may also be times when the media are invited to scouting events that the troop may participate in. On these occasions, we may need permission for the child's name and image to be used. Please tick the following box if you would prefer for your child NOT to be involved with the media. By leaving the box unticked, we assume that you give your general consent for your child's name and image to be used.

I do not allow my child's name and image to be used by the media (TV, Radio or Press).

Signed..... Printed..... Date.....  
(Parent/Guardian)

Dear Parent,



## Welcome to the 18<sup>th</sup> Cambridge Scout Troop!

My name is Simon Gates and I am a Scout Leader with the 18<sup>th</sup> Cambridge Scout Troop. I would like to start off by saying thank you for showing an interest in scouting locally. There are over 28 million scouts worldwide enjoying an adventurous and active programme every week and I am certain we won't be an exception.

So what is the Scout Troop? What do we do? I've tried to answer these and many other questions in a small insight below. I hope in the long term that my leadership team and I will be able to deliver the sort of adventurous activities modern scouting can offer to our 10½-14 year old scouts and I hope it will encourage them to continue scouting in later life, especially through Explorers and into leadership.

Kind Regards,

Simon K Gates  
18<sup>th</sup> Cambridge Beavers and Scouts

### The Scout Troop - An Insight:

Our main aim is to provide activities which are fun and challenging to the 10½-14 year age range, allowing them to try new things, learn life and practical skills, take part in adventurous activities, learn about themselves, others and the world around them, play games, take responsibility and gain leadership skills.

As a leader, we will encourage the scouts to reach their physical, mental, social and spiritual potential. To do this we intend to be out and about as much as possible, in all weather conditions.

The 18th will aim to hold at least 2 camping experiences a year and mix with other local scout troops to broaden the range of activities we can offer. There will be a new challenge every term and it will be up to the scouts to decide what activities they would like to do in order to complete that challenge. The programme, in effect, becomes what they want it to be.

As well as our usual weekly meetings we'll take the opportunity to attend numerous District and County activities where Scouts from across Cambridgeshire come together for big scouting events, such as the District Swimming Gala, CUSAGC's Forward Incident Hike, County Camp and the County Challenge Weekend at Mepal.

### Scout Troop - Membership

The cost of Scouts at the 18th will be £22.50 per term. This covers the cost of the Scout Association membership and insurance, as well as weekly activity costs. As the 18th is a sponsored group, the Church of the Good Shepherd allow us to use their facilities for free, providing we attend special services twice a term.

Scouts, like all scouting sections, is a uniformed movement which means a member must wear the correct uniform to meetings. The cost of the uniform is around £20 and includes the teal shirt, necker, woggle, membership badges and investiture certificate. These can be purchased from the Group, online at [www.scoutshops.com](http://www.scoutshops.com) or from the Scout Shop at 195 Perne Road (6:45-8:30pm - Mondays & Wednesdays).

In order for a child to become a Scout, they are expected to wear uniform, attend at least 4 'starter meetings', learn about the basic history of scouting and be able to accept and recite the Scout Promise and Law:

### SCOUT LAW

- 1) A Scout is to be trusted
- 2) A Scout is loyal
- 3) A Scout is friendly and considerate
- 4) A Scout belongs to the worldwide family of Scouts
- 5) A Scout has courage in all difficulties
- 6) A Scout makes good use of time and is careful of possessions and property
- 7) A Scout has self respect and respect for others

### SCOUT PROMISE

On my honour,  
I promise that I will do my best,  
To do my duty to God,  
And to the Queen,  
To help other people,  
And to keep the Scout Law.

On completing all of these objectives, the child will partake in a small investiture ceremony where they'll officially become members of the group and the worldwide scout movement. If moving on from Cubs, they will also receive their 'Moving On' Award.

### Scout Troop – Contact Details

If you ever need to get in contact with a Scout Leader at the 18<sup>th</sup>, here is a list of our details:

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