

What SCOUTS expects of you

Welcome to what we hope will be a long and happy relationship with our Scout Group. The Leadership and Committee of this group firmly believe that parents and caregivers have an important role to play in supporting your child and the group.

One form that support must take is financial. It costs our group around \$7,000 each year to meet our obligations and supply the materials for quality scouting.

Our group offers the following options for payment of our subscription, please advise the group treasurer of your preference. **Children of warranted leaders do not pay term fees.**

Option One:

I will pay the \$_____ per term subscription by the second week of each term. I further agree that I will participate fully and regularly in any fundraising activity that I am asked to.

Option Two:

Because of my circumstances I am unable to agree to Option One. Please help me to come to an arrangement where I can help the group by providing a service to clear my obligations; or please help me to seek the costs of my child's attendance through a Government Social Agency or a Local Service Club.

I agree to be present as Parent Help when rostered.

I understand that if I have not agreed or paid the subscription by the due date my child may be stood down until the issue is resolved.

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VENTURERS



WELCOME TO VENTURERS

We know both you and your young teen will enjoy the benefits of Venturers at our Venturer Unit. Please feel free to talk to us should you have any queries on issues not covered here.

Venturers is a programme of achievement and leadership. Units offer learning programmes where young people are encouraged to explore leadership, responsibility, challenge, fun and adventure.

When you join Venturers you'll become a member of a unit with other teenagers who are Year 10 to Year 13 at school.

So, come and join Venturers and have lots of fun, explore new things, make new friends, experiment, accept responsibility, and lead an adventurous Venturer life.

Venturers have a number of laws and make the following promise, it forms a basic guideline for everything that SCOUTS do:

The Scout Promise

On my honour, I promise
To do my best
To do my duty to my God
To the Queen
and my country
To help other people
And to live by the Scout Law

Motto

Be Prepared

KEEP THIS FOR YOUR REFERENCE

ADVENTURE
PLUS!

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What you can expect from SCOUTS

Joining

First visit

You will receive a Consent and Application to join form to complete. This gives us important information about your child and family.

Your child has 3 free visits to decide if SCOUTS is for them before they are invested.

Investiture

Members are required to have a uniform shirt and an award book for the ceremony. Your child makes the Promise and is then presented with the group scarf, a woggle and a membership certificate.

The uniform is a green SCOUTS shirt, which should be worn with dark shorts or trousers. The uniform can be purchased from www.scoutsdirect.co.nz.

Your Regional Service Centre may have samples of the uniform to assist with assessing suitable sizes. You can contact them by phoning 0800 SCOUTS. Sometimes uniforms are available second hand, ask the Group Leader.

Subscriptions

Subs are levied to assist in meeting the cost of materials, cooking ingredients, badges, certificates and other costs related to weekly meetings and the facilities.

Some events may attract their own charge, full details will be provided prior to the event.

SCOUT FACTS...

The generic term for members of all the sections is "SCOUTS". Not all of our volunteers wear the uniform. Many of our volunteers help because they're parents of a current member. Many were not SCOUTS when they were younger but have learned new skills and made new friends through SCOUTS. Many of our adult volunteers say they are more confident in their everyday lives as a result of their involvement with SCOUTS. All our leaders are covered by comprehensive insurance whilst taking part in SCOUTS.

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Safety

Please come into the hall to drop off and pick up your child. We appreciate it when you promptly collect your child. Let your leader know if someone else will collect your child.

A safety and risk management policy is displayed on the wall at the scout hall.

Absence

If your child is absent for any reason please call us.

Behaviour

Good behaviour is the joint responsibility of the child, parent and leaders. Everyone is expected to cooperate, follow instructions, and treat people and property with respect. Leaders use positive reinforcement and a reward system to encourage appropriate behaviour.

Our behaviour management policy is on display.

How you can help

- Parent help
- Become a leader
- Provide transport
- Clean the Scout hall
- Share your skills
- Provide resources
- Sew scarves
- Assist with fund raising/working bees
- Become a committee member.

We are all volunteers in Scouts and your help and support is important and appreciated.

THE BIGGEST MYTH...

...groups are closing down through lack of youth wanting to become members.

Nothing could be further from the truth. SCOUTS is growing; Adult helpers and Leaders are currently our limiting factor. We just don't yet have enough Leaders to run the exciting adventure programmes we want to, with all the youth who want to join SCOUTS!