

2nd Onchan Scout Group



St. GEORGE'S DAY PARADE

SUNDAY 28. APRIL 2019

Dear Parents

Re: St. George's Day Parade and Service

St. George is the **Patron Saint of Scouting** and each year Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers from all over the British Isles get together in their Counties and Districts to take part in Parades and Services to celebrate **Scouting's National Day**.

Here on the Isle of Man, we at 2nd Onchan, will be joining with all the other Island Scout Groups on **Sunday 28. April 2019**, at the St. George's Day Parade, which this year is taking place in **Nobles Park, Douglas**, with the service being held in the **TT Grandstand**. 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. We will also be leading the Parade this year.

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, by attending the St. George's Day Parade and Service. *Parents are also welcome to attend the service.*

Full Uniform is to be worn, including Scout Activity 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 at the warm up area just north of the Grandstand for no later than **2pm**. Please assemble with other members of 2nd Onchan. The Service will finish at approximately 4.30pm and collection of members will be from behind the Grandstand. 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

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Group Scout Leader

