

Scouting 2007 UK Events & Activities Key Dates



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Introduction

The celebration of the Centenary of Scouting worldwide takes place in 2007 with some of the biggest events that Scouting has ever seen. This is an opportunity to promote the values, benefits and achievements of Scouting to the world, and also for millions of Scouts around the world to make a real difference to the lives of others through their Centenary activities.

2007 UK Events and Activities

During 2007, there will be a whole series of exciting events and activities around the UK. Some of these will be on a national scale but most will be local. Counties and Areas have appointed their own "Agent 2:007" with the mission to help every member, young or old, to get the maximum out of the Centenary of Scouting.

Join-In-Centenary

A "Join-in-Centenary" resource pack is being developed and is planned to be available in late 2006. This will be full of programme ideas for each section to help every member of Scouting in the UK participate in the Centenary of Scouting to the full.

Centenary Camps

The Centenary Camps are an opportunity for our half million membership in the UK to join together simultaneously on an adventurous Centenary activity in a really big and fun way.

This will involve every youth member across all five sections, and every adult involved in helping make Scouting happen for our young people as a Leader, a helper, a member of Scout Fellowship

or as supporters no matter how much or little they contribute.

The camps will be built around Saturday 26th May and will last as long as chosen locally, this may be anything from an activity day to a full weeks event. The main theme of the event will be Scouting through time, Past, Present and Future.

Scouting's Sunrise

Scouting is a million times bigger than when it started. Today, there are 28 million Scouts in nearly every country in the world. On 1st August 2007, all 28 million Scouts around the world will join together to celebrate the dawn of a new century of Scouting. At 0800 hours local time, Scouts will gather together to renew their Scout Promise. The main theme of the event will be Reflect, Renew, Respond.

21st World Scout Jamboree

In the summer of 2007, 40,000 Scouts from almost every country in the world will come together at the largest World Scout Jamboree ever. Hosted by the UK at Hylands Park, Chelmsford Scouts will come together to celebrate Scouting, make new friends and show that peace is possible in the world. There are lots of opportunities for people to be involved from being part of the International Service Team (of around 8,000 adults) to being a Day Visitor.

Home Hospitality

HoHo, as it is more commonly known, is a unique opportunity for British Scouts of all ages to have a truly international experience without traveling outside of their own home. At least 8,000 foreign Scouts will require host families or Group

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Accommodation before and after the World Scout Jamboree, usually for a 3-day period. This will be an opportunity for UK Scouts to participate in one of the most exciting International Programme activities in 2007 whatever their age.

Brownsea Island

Brownsea Island was the site of the first experimental Scout camp in 1907 and will be the focus of many of the Centenary celebrations especially on 1st August. In addition, there are many opportunities to visit and camp on Brownsea Island right through to 2008.

Festival of Scouting

This will be the finale to the Centenary year, a unique and prestigious festival to be held at the O2 Arena (formerly Millennium Dome). The event will feature a cast of up to 2000; selecting quality acts from Scout events taking place all over the Country during 2007. With an audience of over 34,000 over two shows, the event will celebrate the success of 2007 and provide a big thank you to those who supported it.

2007 Scarf and Badges

As part of the Join-In-Centenary, four badges will be commissioned. These can be worn either on the sleeve of the uniform, or on a dedicated 2007 Uniform scarf. The scarf would be worn in addition to any other scarf or tie but tied at the bottom with a friendship knot. The badges would form a diamond shape when all sewn on to the apex point of the scarf at the back and would be achieved as follows:

Join-in-Centenary Badge and scarf would denote a persons participation in the year of Join-in-Centenary.

Centenary Camps Badge added to the scarf immediately before a persons participates in a 'local' Centenary Camp activity.

Scouting's Sunrise Badge added to the scarf immediately before a person participates in a local, national or international Scouting's Sunrise activity.

Bring a Friend Badge added to the scarf at any time during 2007 as a result of introducing a new

young person or adult to Scouting in their local area.

The main objective is to engage as many people as possible to participate in the celebration of their Centenary of Scouting. The scarf will be a very tangible way of demonstrating the unity and celebration that is scouting.

Key National Dates for 2007

To help with planning for your own Centenary celebrations the key dates for nationally led activities are listed below. Put these in your personal and County diaries, so that you can then plan additional local events around them.

Further information will be available about each event via the UK website, and additional factsheets on each one will be produced when the content has been finalised.

Your County Agent 2:007 will also be able to help you with the latest information on all the national Centenary events.

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Key National Dates for 2007

January 2007

[1st] Join-in-Centenary Programme commences
[5th - 7th] Winter Camp, Gilwell Park – Scouts

February

Founders Day Celebrations
[Birthday 22nd, Westminster Abbey 24th &
Thinking Day 25th]

March

[16th] Comic Relief Red Nose Day

April

[22nd] St. George's Day (Thinking Differently)

May

[Built around 26th] Centenary Camps

June

[16th & 17th] Cub & Beaver Fun Days, Gilwell
Park
[23rd] 2007 GIG & Network Gathering,
Manchester

July

[7th] Gilwell 24, Gilwell Park – Explorer Scouts

July/August – Brownsea Island

[26th - 28th July] Patrol Leaders Camp
[30th July - 1st Aug] Sunrise Camp
[1st Aug] Sunrise Breakfast
[1st - 4th Aug] New Centenary Camp
[28th July - 4th Aug] 1907 Replica Camps

August – 21st World Scout Jamboree

[24th - 27th July] HoHo (Pre Jamboree)
[27th July - 8th Aug] 21st World Scout Jamboree
[27th July - 6th Aug] Reunion 57
[8th - 11th Aug] HoHo (Post Jamboree)

August – Scouting's Sunrise

[1st Aug] Scoutings' Sunrise (Worldwide, UK & BI)
[1st Aug] Sunrise Adventure, Gilwell Park

September

[7th - 9th] Gilwell Reunion

October

[20th & 21st] Centenary JOTA & JOTI

November

[24th] Festival of Scouting, London

December

[31st] Join-in-Centenary Programme ends

January 2008

Multi-faith Celebration – Scotland & National