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Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> – Fellowship talk	Thu 20 <sup>th</sup> – IHQ Forum
Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> – Meeting for Co-ed Groups	Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> – Fellowship AGM
Thu 6 <sup>th</sup> – Heritage Committee Meeting	Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> – 4x4 Rally Preliminary Meeting
Thu 6 <sup>th</sup> – Wood Badge Meeting ( <i>see 18</i> )	Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> – Woodbadge Evaluation Meeting
Tue 11 <sup>th</sup> – GSLs Forum	<b>Thu 27<sup>th</sup> – GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b>
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup> – Commissioners' Meeting	Weekend 28 <sup>th</sup> / 30 <sup>th</sup> – Ventures/Rovers Camp

## POINTS TO REMEMBER

### The Winning Team

There are many Scouters who would not want to accept an appointment as Group Scout leader. They feel, often quite rightly, that they can best serve the Movement by working in one or other of the Sections, in direct contact with the young people for whose benefit Scouting exists. They cannot succeed fully, however, without the support of the Group as a whole and of the Group Scout Leader in particular. The Group Scout Leader in turn cannot do a really effective job unless he/she can rely on enthusiastic and committed support of the Group Council.

In Scouting it is often said that there are no ranks but only appointments, and nowhere is that more true than within the Scout Group. Every adult Leader whether Leader, Instructor, Member of the Group Council or Helper has his/her part to play and each one can take pleasure and pride in watching the physical, mental and spiritual development of the Group's young Members as they grow from childhood into constructive members of society.

There is no room for self gratification but only dedication to the common good of the Movement. If we want to see a better world, how better to achieve it than by helping to mould those who will be its future citizens? We can only achieve this objective by setting an example. It is useless preaching and not putting into action what we preach. Example communicates volumes of words. We must all work as a team to reach these objectives.

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## **1. ALL WHEELS ADVENTURE RALLY 2003**

*by Ms Debbie Xuereb (Organising Committee)*

After the great success of last years' event, and many requests, the committee is once again organising a fund-raising, non-damaging adventure rally. This year a few changes have been implemented. The rally will be open for all kind of vehicles, 4 X 4s, private vehicles and also motor bikes. 4 X 4 vehicles and motor bikes will compete in an off road route and the private vehicles will compete on normal roads.

Persons not interested to participate are welcome to help in the running of the event. In such case, helpers are invited to contact Jonathan Callus on Mob. 99262622. Your help is highly appreciated. A big thanks goes for all those that gave a hand in last years' event.

An event meeting will be organized for all competitors and helpers on the 25<sup>th</sup> March at 1900 hrs at IHQ. **Application forms are available from the Administration Dept and are to be forwarded at this meeting at which the** Competitors are to pay the Competition Fee (LM 15.00 per participant) For more information contact Organising Committee: Martin 79060808, Teddy 99420792, Joe 99443380, Jonathan 99262622, Deborah 79258910, Mary 99223338.

## **2. VENTURES' VISIT ON "USS GRASP"**

*by Ing Mario A Frendo GSL Paola*

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> February a group of ventures from the Pawla, Fgura and Tarxien units were invited on board the Salvage and recovery vessel USS Grasp which at present is undergoing repairs at Malta Drydocks. The visit was organised by GSL (Pawla) Ing Mario A. Frendo who is the ship repair manager and the vessel's Commander Capt. Kurt Hedberg USN (The Commander being an ex-scout !!.)

The tour's theme was safety on board military vessels and started from 1030 till 1430 hrs. Lt Graeser was our tour leader and we went through fire operations; the decompression chamber, and all the equipment used for eventual emergencies and diving procedures :the ventures had the opportunity to ask questions to specialists and at times had hands-on experience with the equipment. The Captain also invited us for lunch in their canteen Venture leaders from the other two units assisted Mr. Frendo.

## **3. SCOUTS AND GUIDES ASSIST NATURE TRUST (MALTA).**

*By Mr David Schembri Commissioner for HR and Support*

Scouts and Cubs scouts from the Qrendi Scout Group and Guides and Rangers from the Mosta Girl Guides teamed up on a cold and wet Saturday morning, assisting Nature Trust (Malta) in its Green 2000 tree planting campaign. The Scouts and guides, on Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2003 planted the Maltese national trees, the Sandarac gum Tree (Gharghar) at Wied Ghollieqa reserve opting to finance the adoption of these indigenous trees in lieu of the receiving of Christmas presents over the festive season.

Addressing the large contingent of Nature lovers, Parliamentary Secretary the Hon. George Pullicino emphasized on the need to protect our environment for our children and ourselves. Praising Nature Trust (Malta) and its dedicated members, Mr. Pullicino thanked HSBC for their sponsorship of the event and the Scout and Guide Associations for their high sense of commitment having turned up very early in the morning and assisting Nature Trust in the tree planting activities despite the numerous rainy showers during the whole morning.

Muddy and extremely wet, the scouts and guides returned home only too happy to have done their part in the afforestation of another small part of the Maltese island having had trees named in honour of their respective groups and units.

#### **4. VENTURE SCOUTS TEN PIN BOWLING CHALLENGE**

*By Mr David Schembri Commissioner for HR and Support*

No fewer than fourteen Venture Scout Units from the Malta Scout Association, on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2003 participated in the first ever Venture Scouts Ten Pin Bowling Challenge held at the Eden Leisure Bowling Centre in Baystreet.

The Venture Units from the Fgura, Hamrun, Marsa, Paola, Qrendi, Santa Venera, St Aloysius, St. Augustine Collage, Stella Maris, Tarxien, Tigne, Xghajra, Zejtun and Zurrieq Scout Groups braved the rainy weather and accepted this challenge as organised by the Stella Maris Scout Group. In a highly competitive contest the five member team's aggregate score over two games saw the St. Augustine Collage, Tigne and Qrendi Units emerging first, second and third places in a very close competition.

Addressing the teams and supporters in a packed bowling hall, Venture scout Commissioner John Micallef Engerer congratulated all for the excellent turn out, fair play and high sense of Sportsmanship. Presenting the Venture Scout Ten Pin Bowling Challenge Trophy to St Augustine and the second place trophy to Tigne venture, Mr. Micallef Engerer praised the Stella Maris VSL Twanny Bugeja and his unit for this fine initiative.

The Venture Scout Commissioner also thanked the Eden Leisure management and its entire staff, not only for allowing the various venture Units to "take over" the center but for also allowing the association to gain from preferential reduced rates. He continued by thanking the Eden Leisure Manager, Mr. Neil Dent for his invaluable assistance through out the evening. All participating teams were later presented with a commemorative certificate by the Eden Leisure management.

#### **5. DIN L'ART HELWA LAUNCH THEIR CD-ROM**

*By Mr David Schembri Commissioner for HR and Support*

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2003, members of the Qrendi Scout Group joined numerous private school children and guests of Malta's heritage guardians Din l'Art Helwa at the launching and presenting of their CD-ROM, "**Malta: A Treasure Trove of History**". In a packed Imax Cinema in Baystreet, the Din l'Art Helwa president Mr. Martin Scicluna explained the aims and benefit behind this CD-ROM, earmarked for our younger generation and those not too familiar with Malta's heritage. The work incorporating detailed aspects of Malta's history, a treasure hunt around our historical sites and numerous fun games serving as "a must" for our youths and tourists alike.

Addressing the audience, Mr. Scicluna also found the time to praise the Scout Association of Malta and its respective scout groups for the supportive role that they play whenever their services were needed. Also attending the launching and presentation ceremony was the Hon. Dr. Louis Galea and Hon. Dr. Joe Borg, Ministers for Education and Foreign Affairs respectively together with the Malta Scout Association's Chief Scout, Mr. Vincent Cassar. All present were later entertained to the screening of "The Blue Planet", a highly informative and educational IMAX documentary on World Environmental issues.

## 6. CENSUS RETURNS

*by Mr Noel Muscat Doublesin Director Administration*

Please note that the following Groups are, as at 13<sup>th</sup> February, still to submit the census returns.

Sliema, St Michael School, Stella Maris College, Tigne Qawra.

Birkirkara, Dingli, Hamrun, Qormi, Rabat, St Aloysius College, St Augustine College, Zebbug.

Those Groups who have in the meantime presented their census are to disregard this advice.

## 7. Birkirkara Group Activities

*by Mr George Mangion Birkirkara Group Secretary*

The First Birkirkara Scout Group aims to provide interesting scouting activities for all its members. To achieve this aim, a number of activities were planned and implemented during the last weeks of last year and in the first week of 2003.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> November, Mass for the Repose of Souls of past member scouts as celebrated. All members in full uniform paraded with the Group's Band to the Tal-Herba Chapel. Parents, friends and relatives of members were invited to attend Mass.

On Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December the Group held its annual commemoration of the Group's Formation since 1916 and celebrated also the setting up of the Group's Band, forty six years ago. Thanks giving Mass was celebrated by Rev Provost Canon Anthony Vella at the St. Helena Basilica.

Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, the Fund Raising Committee at the First Birkirkara Scout Group hosted the Annual Christmas Dinner. The event was very well attended. A word of thanks goes to the fund raising committee for working so hard to make this event a huge success.

The Troop Section under the watchful guidance of a number of its dedicated leaders, organised a hike and a cook-out in the vicinities of ta' I-Ahrax woods. Scouts and their leaders spent an enjoyable day on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December where a number of badge exams were conducted.

On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December members of the Band at the First Birkirkara Group played a number of traditional marches and Christmas Carols at the Best in Town Pub in Paceville, where the Welfare and Entertainment Committee organised a party for a number of residents at Mount Carmel Hospital.

The Venture Unit on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December round about mid-day gave a demonstration using abseiling equipment to conduct a rescue operation simulation three stories above ground. All students at the Iklin Primary School were invited to watch the demonstration which was completed successfully.

In the afternoon the Group held its Annual Christmas Party for all section at the Group's Head Quarters in Qrejzu Street. The party was very well attended, and besides the games that were organised, the Group's Choir sang a number of carols prepared for the occasion.

As part of the service the Group gives to the Community, the First Birkirkara Scout Group together with its Band visited St. Vincent De Paule residence on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December in the afternoon. Christmas Carol singing was presented by the Group's Choir. All sections participated in this event and a high level of personal satisfaction was felt by all those that took part. A lot of appreciation was evident with the

residents. Thanks go to the coordinator of the Welfare Committee, Mr. Nenu Aquilina for giving the Group this opportunity.

Members and Band of the First Birkirkara Scout Group participated in the opening of a fund raising activity organised by the Duke of Canought Band Club in Birkirkara in aid of Id-Dar tal-Providenza. The Group paraded and played a number of traditional marches before the kick-off of a football match between the present Birkirkara Football Team and past players of the same Club. This was held on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December at the St.Aloysius Football Ground.

This year the Christmas Camp was held at the Victoria Scouts Head Quarters in Gozo. The programme was spread over three days between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2003.

The Pack, the Troop and the Venture Unit met on Friday at 7.30.a.m., and the thirty eight strong contingent left for Cirkewwa where we took the 9.15.a.m. boat to Mgarr. On arrival the troop and the venture unit took up a fifteen kilometer orienteering exercise carrying their full kit. The route was predetermined by the skipper but had to be worked out using bearings and map reading. At the same time the pack was taken to the Victoria Head Quarters where after settling in they started an orienteering exercise at the Cittadella and Rabat area. The three days in Gozo were packed with scouting activities and a lot of team work and participation was present and which without any doubt contributed to the success of this camp.

The First B'Kara Group had a memorable experience during their three day stay at the Victoria Head Quarters. This was only possible through the boundless assistance of the Victoria GSL Mr. Lorrie Saliba to whom the Group is very grateful.

### **8. News from the Scout Fellowship**

*by Mr A.A. Tortell the Hon. Secretary of the Scout Fellowship*

A number of activities are being planned during March

- 4<sup>th</sup> March a talk on "Journalism – What it entails" by Mr J A Consiglio. All are invited. Venue: IHQ. Time: 1730 hrs.
- 25<sup>th</sup> March the Fellowship AGM. Venue: IHQ. Time: 1730 hrs.

All members are advised to settle their subscriptions as soon as possible.

We would like to congratulate Mr John Gulia, a member of the Scout Fellowship, who donated blood no less than 104 times. Well done.

### **9. From the Zurrieq Venture Unit**

*by Mr Kenneth Mangion VSL Zurrieq*

Congratulations go to Terence Farrugia from the Zurrieq Venture Scout Unit for achieving the Venture Award and the Discovery Award together with Jeffrey Cachia, Daniel Mallia, Ritienne Zammit, Robert Ellul, Pierre Vassallo who achieved the Discovery Award as well. Well Done.

### **10. Beaver Section Committee**

*by Mr Mario H Calleja Commissioner Public Relations*

The Chief Executive has appointed the following persons to advise him on the Beaver Section. Mr Leslie Bonnici Commissioner for Cubs, Mr Joe E Briffa Scouter-in-charge San Anton Group, Capt. Reuben Lanfranco Commissioner for Sea Scouts, Mr Mario H Calleja GSL St Venera Group, Mr Adrian Borg GSL San Gwann Group. Terms of reference were given to the committee who have been given up to April to submit their recommendations.

### 11. St Venera Group Celebrates 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

by Mr Mario H Calleja GSL St Venera Group

On the 9<sup>th</sup> February the St Venera Group celebrated its 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a Church Parade. Thanksgiving Holy Mass was celebrated by the founder of the Group, Fr Renato Valente. The Group is embarking on a drive to locate its past members with the objective of holding a grand reunion in time for the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Group. All ex-members of the Group who are now serving with other Scout Groups are therefore asked to register themselves and to advise others who they might know.

### 12. New Membership Badge

by Mr Mario H Calleja Commissioner Public Relations

Reference is made the Chief Executive's Circular CE 7/2003 re the above. The new membership badge will replace the International Badge on the front left pocket (as worn). The latter will now be positioned on the top of the left sleeve. This New Badge is on sale at the Scout Shop and all are to comply with this instruction.

### 13. Buskett Games

by Mr Mario H Calleja Commissioner Public Relations

The Scout Association has been approached by the management of The Buskett Roadhouse with a proposal to hold a Tournament between Scout Groups using a number of games that have been just acquired by the same enterprise. It is proposed that this would be run on a league basis and that each Saturday afternoon there would be a team of ten participants (5 Troop / 5 Unit) from four competing Scout Groups.

A meeting will be held in due course to discuss further details but in the meantime we would like to have some feedback from the Groups to assess the potential participation. We hope to "kick off" in mid March and are therefore asking all Scout Groups who wish to participate to register their interest as soon as possible.

### 14. Marsa Group Activities

by Mr Alfred Savona GSL Marsa Group

On the weekend of the 17<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> January the Marsa Group held a PI/APL Course in which a number of Scouts were present. The Course included Scouting Skills, First aid, Fire safety, Leadership, Religious Dimension and the Patrol Leaders' Council. On the 23<sup>rd</sup> February the Group held a Sportsday as part of its Founders' Day activities.

### 15. New Appointments and Warrants

by Mr Godwin D'Anastasi Chief Executive

- Withdrawal and cancellations of Appointments

20/2002	Noel Bezzina	Training Advisor
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- Appointments

The Chief Executive has approved the following appointments with effect from the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2003:

1/2003	Noel Muscat Doublesin	Director Administration	IHQ
2/2003	Omar Livori	Acting Leader	Birzebbugia
3/2003	Sandrine Spiteri	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Attard
4/2003	Martin John Bonnici	Asst. Dist. Commissioner South	IHQ
5/2003	Lorraine Brincat	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Birzebbugia

6/2003	Josephine Gatt	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Birzebbugia
7/2003	Maria Theresa Bonnici	Asst. Scout Leader	Mosta
8/2003	Adelina Zerafa	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Tarxien
9/2003	Irene Sammut	Asst. Group Scout Leader	Tarxien
10/2003	John Zahra	Acting Leader	Attard
11/2003	Deborah Xuereb	Acting Leader	Birzebbugia
12/2003	Joseph Custo`	Auxiliary [QM]	Hamrun
13/2003	Violet Zammit	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Attard
14/2003	Adrian Farrugia	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Birzebbugia
15/2003	Alexander Cutajar	Scout Leader	Marsa
16/2003	Raymond Zammit	Auxiliary [Asst. QM]	Marsa
17/2003	Paul Camilleri	Acting Leader	Marsa
18/2003	Antoine Vella	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Marsa
19/2003	Christopher Camilleri	Acting Leader	Birkirkara
20/2003	Leonard Mintoff	Acting Leader	Birkirkara
21/2003	George Albert Mangion	Acting Leader	Birkirkara
22/2003	Ivan Azzopardi	Acting leader	Birkirkara
23/2003	Bruce Cortis	Acting Leader	Naxxar
24/2003	Doreen Depares Valenzia	ACSL	Naxxar
25/2003	John Barbara	Acting Leader	Naxxar
26/2003	Helen Farrugia	Acting Leader	Naxxar
27/2003	Loredana Sciberras	Acting Leader	Mosta

- Warrants

The Chief Scout is pleased to approve the following warrants with effect from 12<sup>th</sup> February 2003:

W1/2003	David Schembri	Group Scout Leader	Qrendi
W2/2003	Mark Catania	Cub Scout Leader	Marsa
W3/2003	Joseph Sciberras	AGSL	Mosta
W4/2003	Maria Theresa Bonnici	Asst. Scout Leader	Mosta
W5/2003	Jacqueline Sciberras	Cub Scout Leader	Mosta

## 16. Awards & Decorations

The following Awards and Decorations have been announced and awarded during the Founder's Day reception held at IHQ on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2003.

- Medal for Meritorious Conduct

*For conduct involving a high degree of Courage, Endurance, Initiative and Devotion to Duty under suffering without necessarily involving any element of risk.*

Joseph Filletti	Group Scout Leader	Attard
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- Silver Dolphin

*For exceptionally outstanding service over a long number of years to the Association.*

Emanuel L. Bonnici	District Commissioner South	IHQ
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- Bar to the Medal of Merit

*For further specially good service to the Association.*

Leslie Bonnici	Commissioner Cub Scouts	IHQ
Leo Grima	Group Scout Leader	Hamrun

- Medal of Merit

*For specially good service to the Association*

Adrian Borg	Group Scout Leader	San Gwann
Elvio Briffa	Cub Scout Leader	San Gwann
Stefan Farrugia	Group Scout Leader	St. Julians
David Schembri	Group Scout Leader	Qrendi

- Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service

*For good service to the Association*

Gregory Attard	Venture Scout Leader	Fgura
Martin J Bonnici	Asst. Dist. Commissioner South	IHQ
Evander M Borg	Group Scout Leader	St. Michael
Jesmond Borg	Group Scout Leader	Birzebbugia
Saviour Borg	Group Scout Leader	Xghajra
Lorraine Caligari	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Cospicua
Martin Camilleri	Acting Leader	St Michael
Mark Cassola	Cub Scout Leader	St Aloysius College
Glen Catania	Acting Leader	St Venera
Marica Chappell	Cub Scout Leader	Rabat
Christopher Farrugia	Scout Leader	Fgura
Stephen Micallef	Asst. Scout Leader	St. Venera
Anita Muscat	Cub Scout Leader	Victoria
Carmen Muscat	Cub Scout Leader	St. Julians
Louis Sammut	Scout Leader	Qrendi
Jacqueline Sciberras	Cub Scout Leader	Mosta
Anna Tabone	Asst. Cub Scout Leader	Fgura
Ivan P. Vella	Commissioner for Inclusive Scouting	IHQ

- Bar to the Long Service Decoration - 30 Years Clasp

Lawrence Saliba	Group Scout Leader	Victoria
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- Bar to the Long Service Decoration - 25 Years Clasp

Charles Grixti	Asst. Scout Leader	St Michael
Mark A Pizzuto	Director of Finance	IHQ

- Bar to the Long Service Decoration - 20 Years Clasp

Reuben Lanfranco	Commissioner Sea Scouts	IHQ
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- Long Service Decoration

*Fifteen years accumulated service.*

Mario Azzopardi	Group Scout Leader	Siggiewi
Joseph Custò	Auxiliary [QM]	Hamrun
Mary Rose Pace	Cub Scout leader	Victoria
Ivan P. Vella	Commissioner for Inclusive Scouting	IHQ

- Service Decoration

*Ten years continuous service*

Jesmond Borg	Group Scout Leader	Birzebbugia
Mario H Calleja	Group Scout Leader	St. Venera
Edward Cassola	Asst. Group Scout Leader	St. Aloysius
Marica Chappell	Cub Scout Leader	Rabat

- Bronze Cross 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Medal

Albert Edward Vella	Fellowship Member	Ex - Birkirkara
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- Thanks Badge

*For their supporting role*

Maryanne Bonnici	Joanne Farrugia	Carmen Bonnici
James Chappell	Anthony Mercieca	Victoria Brincat
Desiree Farrugia	Catherine Tanti	Marie Louise Vella

## 17. Heritage Award Committee

by Mr Mario H Calleja Commissioner Public Relations

The Chief Executive will be calling a number of persons to for the Heritage Award Committee. Din l'Art Helwa will be sponsoring this Award and the Committee is to review the proposals which have already been made. Further details on this Award will be circulated in due course.

## 18. Training and Programme Section

by Mr. Michael J Cefai, Director Training and Programme.

### 1. Level 1 – Initial Adult Leadership Course

The next *Initial Adult Leadership Course (Level 1)* will be held on Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> March and Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2003. Further details may be collected together with an Application Form from the Secretariat at IHQ. Closing date for applications is Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2003.

### 2. Level 4 – Advanced Adult Leadership Course

Application Forms to attend the *Advanced Adult Leadership Course (Level 4)*, which will commence towards the beginning of May 2003, are now also available from the Secretariat at IHQ. This course will be run on a Modular System and further details will be given to the participants of this course at a preliminary meeting to be held on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2003 at IHQ at 6.00 pm. Closing date for applications is Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2003.

### 3. Meeting for Section Leaders of Co-educational Scout Groups

A meeting for GSLs and Section Leaders of Co-educational Scout Groups will be held with the Director Training and Programme on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2003, at IHQ at 6.00 pm. The meeting will focus upon an analysis of current Adult Leader Training needs and support.

### 4. Co-Educational Scout Groups

Scout Groups, who have to date adopted the co-educational system within the Scout Group and who have as yet not handed in their application form for Co-Educational Scout Groups, are to regularize their position at their earliest. The Application Form is to be forwarded to the Director Training and Programme at IHQ.

### 5. Wood Badge Evaluation Meeting

An evaluation meeting with the Director Training and Programme on *Wood Badge Training* will be held on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2003 at IHQ at 6.00 pm. All those, who have obtained the *Wood Badge* in the last four years, are invited to attend.

### 6. First Aid Course

The Training and Programme Section is organizing a *First Aid Course*, which will be run by the *St. John Ambulance (Malta)*. The Director Training and Programme has appointed Mr. Edward Vella, Commissioner Rover Scouts, to co-ordinate this course, which will commence on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2003 at IHQ. The course is open to Adult Leaders, who are 18 years and over. Adult Leaders, however, who have completed *Level 2* of their Adult Leadership Training are reminded to complete this course as part of their Wood Badge requirements. Other Adult Leaders, already in possession of a *St. John Ambulance First Aid Certificate* but needing to renew their Certificate after three years, may also attend. Knowing and updating First Aid techniques is a must for every Scouter, who is in charge of young people and a service to all other fellow men. Knowing what to do and how to do it correctly at the right time may save an endangered life. Further details will be given by the Course Co-ordinator through a circular.