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National Council 2013

Second Notice: by Post/Email/Text/my.scouts.ie

22nd March 2013

National Council 2013 – Second Mailing

Dear member of the National Council,

The tenth annual meeting of the National Council of Scouting Ireland is now a little over four weeks away and I would like to bring your attention to the final documentation for the purposes of the meeting. **All the information for National Council can be downloaded from my.scouts.ie from Friday 22nd March 2013.**

Your admittance card/s for National Council 2013 will be sent in a separate 'hard copy' mailing.

Please note that the elections for positions on the NMC will take place on Saturday 20th April 2013 between 09:00 – 16:00.

I would like to bring the following to your attention.

National Council Documentation: (available to download from my.scouts.ie)

- Cover Letter from the National Secretary
- Registration Procedures
- Voting Procedures
- Nominations & Candidates Biographies
- Agenda
- Submissions to National Council
- Audited Accounts of Scouting Ireland
- Memorandum and Articles of Association - Scouting Ireland
- The Annual Report of the Scout Foundation
- Report from The Scout Shop
- Letter - Safeguarding the welfare of Youth Members attending National Council
- A note from the Western Province
- Gala Dinner Booking Form
- Campsite Poster
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- Q&A Forum Guidelines
- Spa Offers at Hotel
- Copy of the First Mailing Full Book

Responsibilities:

I would like to draw your attention to the letter from the two Chief Commissioners highlighting who is responsible for any Youth Reps that are attending National Council. You should read this letter carefully.

PATRON Michael D. Higgins
PRESIDENT OF IRELAND

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It is important that Youth Member Representatives are assisted by Adult Members to inform themselves and to understand the business and purpose of National Council. Those members seeking election should engage in a positive way with the Youth Reps so they understand the issues facing the association and can make an informed judgement on how to cast their vote.

Who is the Scouter-in-charge in terms of the Youth Members attending?

Youth Members attending as part of the Scout Group delegates nominated by the Group Council	Group Leader or person designated by the Group Leader
Youth Members attending as part of the two representatives from each County Youth Forum (Scouts, Venture Scouts & Rover Scouts)	County Commissioner or person designated by the County Commissioner
Youth Members attending as part of the nine representatives of each of the National Youth Forum (Scouts, Venture Scouts & Rover Scouts)	Programme Commissioner for that Programme Section or person designated by that Programme Commissioner

Timetable for National Council: (Agenda issued on a separate sheet)

Friday 19th April 2013

19:00	Parade in Sligo Town
20:00	Civic Reception at Sligo Town Hall
21:00	Questions & Answers Forum with candidates for National Positions

Saturday 20th April 2013

08.30	Registration
09:00 – 16:00	Voting in elections
10.00	Commencement of National Council
13:00	Close of Day 1 of National Council

14:15 – 17:00	Drop in clinics
	Youth Programme
	Adult Resources
	Spiritual
	Compliance
	Scout Foundation
	International Team
	Communications Team

14:15 – 17:00 Activities: [\(Please complete online expression of interest form HERE\)](#)

Water Activities – Canoeing
Hike to Benbulbin – 4 hours
Stroll to Knocknarea – 1 Hour
Shopping in Sligo
Self-Drive Tour of the area
Walking Tour of Sligo

18:00	Religious Observance
19.30	Gala Dinner

Sunday 21st April 2013

09:00	Registration
10:00	National Council Resumes World Scout Jamboree 2015 - Presentation Election Results
14:00	Close of National Council

General

We have been working hard over the last number of months to ensure that this National Council will be a very special event. It will showcase the best of Scouting Ireland. It will be rich in symbolism and the Promise and Law will be at the heart of everything.

There will be a series of workshops & 'clinics' to engage with delegates on Youth Programme, Adult Resources, Spirituality, Association Compliance, Communications, International Scouting and property matters.

There will be a Chief Scouts Award Mentor Course run on Saturday afternoon; places on which can be booked [HERE](#).

For those of you attending National Council for the first time, I look forward to meeting you. There will be a welcome desk at the venue manned by Scouters that will be happy to help you with any questions you might have.

For those of you that have attended National Council before, I look forward to meeting you again and I'm sure you will get great value out of the weekend.

The National Office Team will be on hand throughout the weekend at the venue and in the various workshops taking place and they will be happy to discuss and assist you with any challenges you are facing at the moment.

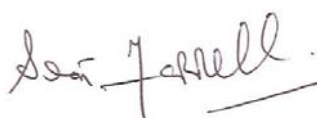
I would respectfully remind members to;

- Act in a scout-like fashion,
- Have respect for yourself and for other delegates,
- Take care of yourself and your fellow delegates.

Don't forget; this is our National Council, yours and mine so let's take ownership of it and make it a big success. Let it be the guiding light for scouting in the years ahead.

I trust that the above is in order. Please contact me or the National Office if you have any concerns; otherwise I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Yours in Scouting

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Seán Farrell'.

Seán Farrell
National Secretary

CIRCULATION TO:

Group Leaders,
County Commissioners,
Members of the National Youth Forum,
Programme Commissioners,
Training Commissioner,
Honorary Vice-Presidents,
Members of the National Management Committee,
Scouting Ireland Staff