# Welcome to Motu Moana Green Bay Scout Group

KEAS 5 - 8 yrs

CUBS 7 ½ -11 yrs

Tuesday 5.15pm-6.15pm or Thursday 5.15pm - 6.15pm

Tuesday 6.30pm - 8.00pm or Thursday 6.30pm - 8.00pm

SCOUTS 10 ½ -14 ½ yrs Monday 6.45 pm-8.30pm or Thursday 6.45pm- 8.30pm

VENTURERS 14-18 yrs Monday 7.00pm – 8.45pm



## Blockhouse Bay Hall- 6 Kinross Street, Blockhouse Bay

At Motu Moana Green Bay Scout Group we have a 2 x Kea Clubs, 2 x Cub Packs, 2 x Scout Troops and a Venturer Unit.

We offer a **1-month FREE trial membership** to all new members - so your child can come along to try it out first **Sign Up Here** <a href="https://scouts.nz/groups/motu-moana-green-bay-scout-group/">https://scouts.nz/groups/motu-moana-green-bay-scout-group/</a>

**Contact:** Group Leader-Toni Moffatt Ph 021 02916079 Email: motumoanagreenbay@group.scouts.nz

https://www.motumoanagreenbayscoutgroup.org/ www.facebook.com/Motumoana

**Joining Fee:** This includes your 1<sup>st</sup> Term Group fee at a discount Official Grey Scout Shirt with Zone, Group and Section Badges Group Black Activity T-shirt

Group Scarf and Woggle upon investiture

Section Handbooks are either available as a QR Code that you will be sent or you can order a Hard Copy Section Handbook through the Group. They are \$20 each

Joining Fee Total Cost \$155 (without Section Handbook) Total Cost \$175 (Including Section Handbook)

Once we receive your application will be invited to come along and check it about before you decide to join. We will then send you a link to order your Uniform and an invoice from Xero for your joining fee.

If you already have some second-hand items, please contact the Group Leader so we can alter the joining fee:

Group Leader Toni Moffatt 02102916079 motumoanagreenbay@group.scouts.nz

It is desirable that members wear black shorts or longs which are purchased by you

**Term Fees:** Keas, Cubs, Scout, Venturers \$130 per term

Please note that your first Term is already included in the Joining Fee. You will be sent an invoice for your 2<sup>nd</sup> Term. We offer a 10% discount for the 2<sup>nd</sup> child and a 50% discount for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Child.

We do offer FREE fees if a Parent becomes a leader

The Term Fee covers the payment we must make to the Scout Association of New Zealand for each youth member, the rest goes to the running of the programmes and the up keep of the hall and equipment. As the Group Fee does not entirely cover the amount needed to run

our scout group, each family is expected to assist in whatever fundraising or working bee venture is undertaken each year.

**Mahi Tahi:** Scouts NZ use Mahi Tahi for all of our administration. Once you join you will be sent an email from Mahi Tahi to log in. The website link for this is <a href="www.mahitahi.scouts.nz">www.mahitahi.scouts.nz</a> if you have any issues with your log in please email <a href="mahitahi@scouts.nz">mahitahi@scouts.nz</a> with your issue and make sure you say your Childs Name and Section and the name of our Scout Group.

Mahi Tahi is where you can see the term program, register for events and track your badge progress etc

#### What you can expect of SCOUTS

SCOUTS is about fun and personal development: this means promoting the physical, intellectual, social and spiritual well-being of the individual, helping them achieve their full potential. In SCOUTS, we believe that young people develop best when they are 'learning by doing'; when they are given responsibility, work in teams, take acceptable risks and think for themselves.

### What SCOUTS expects of you

Leaders are volunteers who donate around 3-4 hours of their time every week to the provision of fun programmes for our youth, we ask that you support us however you can. The smooth running of programmes and the Group at large means we expect caregivers of all our youth to occasionally help out at activities, to support fundraising efforts, help out occasionally to keep our facilities in good condition and or even better you can volunteer as a Leader, Parent Helper, Scout Associate or a Committee Member. Please talk to a leader about how you can join up via SCOUTS NZ Volunteer Now

#### **Parent and Carer FAQs**

**Do you have a Child & Youth Protection Policy?** We have a Child & Youth Protection Policy which outlines SCOUTS New Zealand's commitment to protecting the safety of all young people involved with our programmes. Our full policy can be found on scouts.org.nz

**Do you carry out Police and reference checks?** Yes, we do. Safety is a top priority in Scouting, so we have a Police vetting system and reference checks in place to ensure the safety of other volunteers and of course our young people.

How can my child benefit from joining Scouts? Parents tell us Scouting gives their children more confidence, responsibility and a broader set of friends. Scouting can help develop your child's social skills and encourage self-sufficiency, and gives them access to activities and opportunities that may have been otherwise unavailable to them. A huge number of parents agreed that since their child joined Scouting family life was easier and they were 'nicer children to live with'. As your child progresses through Scouts, you will see signs of the positive impact their Scouting adventure has on them.

I don't feel I have any suitable skills; how can I get involved? Parents can volunteer and help in many ways; you don't have to be a regular Bear Grylls. You might have first aid knowledge that you could teach the group, or you might be able to teach our Scouts a thing or two about DIY.

If you're good with accounts you could be Group treasurer, or if you're a culinary whizz you could run cooking sessions with the young people. Everyone has a skill (whether you know it or not) and we can make use of it.

There's no pressure to continue as a helper or leader afterwards, but hopefully we'll be able to inspire you by showing how easy and rewarding it can be to volunteer with Scouts. For more information give our Group Leader a call about becoming a Police Checked Adult helper.

My child is moving up a section; what do I need to do to help them prepare? When the time comes to move up to the next age range, a young person can have mixed feelings: excitement at moving on, sadness at leaving friends behind. Making the transition as smooth as possible goes a long way to helping your child settle into their new section. Have a chat to your section leader when you feel the time is right so between the Leader, Parent and Youth member you can put a plan in place for transition. You would then fill out the transition form to order a new Woggle and Scarf and a larger shirt if needed.

How should badges be placed on the Scout uniform? The correct placement of badges on youth and adult uniforms is shown on our Group website

**Motu Moana Green Bay Scout Group** is part of the **MoanaRua Zone** which includes Groups from Oratia, Glen Eden, New Lynn, Western Bays (Lynfield) 1<sup>st</sup> Mt Albert St Judes, Pt Chev, Hawke (Cox's Bay) Balmoral and Owairaka.

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