

# St George's Day Parade and Celebration

Sunday 27th April 2025



Rehearsal – Castle grounds	11:45 am
All assemble – Hartham skateboard bowl	1:00 pm
Parade leaves Hartham	1:20 pm
Parade arrives at Hertford Castle	1:45 pm
Celebration begins	2:00 pm
Celebration ends	3:00 pm



Please stay around afterwards and enjoy tea, coffee, squash, and cake  
from the Girlguiding Charity Refreshments Stall

Please come in your uniform and dress appropriately for the weather  
– a hat and sunblock for sunny weather or waterproof for rain!

Hertford Scouts and Guides would like to invite you, Beavers, Rainbows, Cubs, Brownies, Scouts, Guides, Explorers, Rangers, Young Leaders, Leaders, Scout Active Support Members, parents and the public, to join us in celebrating St. George's Day, the patron Saint of Scouting.

This year's celebration will be taking place with the usual parade through Hertford followed by a fun outdoor celebration event in the grounds of Hertford Castle. Young people, leaders, parents, friends and everybody interested, being part of our local community to which Hertford Scouts and Guides belong, are welcome to join us at the celebration event on the lawn area of Hertford Castle.

**Route of Parade:** From Hartham skateboard bowl, through the Folly into Bull Plain and on into Maidenhead Street, crossing the wash into the Castle grounds. The parade will follow the marshals to take your places on the Castle lawn area ready for the celebration event. Flag bearers will assemble at the back of the group.

**Rehearsal for all Flag Bearers, Readers, and Performers:** For those Young People with the honour of Flag bearing or reading Promises or Laws, please join us on the Castle Grounds at 11.45 am to practice what you need to do with the Flag, where to stand and speaking using the microphone so you are ready for your big part! We recommend you bring along your packed lunch to the rehearsal, so you don't get hungry before the Parade.

## Celebration activities:

During the celebration, we will renew our Scouting and Guiding promises. Below are the promises.

**Scouts:** During the celebration, when renewing your promise, please feel free to use the appropriate promise that best reflects your own beliefs.

After we have renewed our Promise Splodge will lead a selection of camp fire songs.

## Weather conditions:

Please dress appropriately for the weather and bring a filled water bottle with you in case you get thirsty. We recommend all young people bring along a suitable plastic bag to sit on if the ground is wet. Adults and Leaders can bring along fold-up camp chairs to use during the Celebration. These can be left in the designated area at the Castle during the parade – the Castle will be manned throughout the parade. All items are the responsibility of the owners at all times.

**First Aid/Contingency:** Each unit/sectional Leader is responsible for providing appropriate First Aid for their group. A qualified First Aider will be available in the Castle grounds near the stage area. In an emergency please contact Chris 07711 342380 or Clare 07854 545354.

During the Parade should there be a serious emergency, which requires the parade to be stopped and dispersed, the meeting point will be the Stage area at the rear of the Castle Gatehouse. If such a situation occurs the Parade organisers and marshals will direct the parade as appropriate. If an ambulance is needed the Parade Leader will organise it. Should emergency vehicles need access the parade will halt and move in an orderly manner to the nearest pavement and await instructions. Parents and spectators are asked to cooperate.

**We are looking forward to seeing you all there  
and showing how vibrant and active Scouting and Girlguiding are in Hertford.**

We will be singing the National Anthem at the end of the Celebration. Why don't you share the lyrics with your young people (if they don't already know them) so they can sing as loud as they can?

**God save our gracious King  
Long live our noble King  
God save the King  
Send him victorious  
Happy and glorious  
Long to reign over us  
God save the King**

## Promise (no faith)

### Beaver Scout Promise

I promise to do my best to be kind and helpful and to love our World.

### Cub Scout Promise

I promise that I will do my best to uphold our Scout values, to do my duty to The King, to help other people and to keep the Cub Scout Law.

### Scout Promise

On my honour, I promise that I will do my best  
To uphold our Scout values, to do my duty to The King,  
To help other people  
And to keep the Scout Law

## Faith Promise

### Beaver Scout Promise

I promise to do my best to be kind and helpful and to love God.

### Cub Scout Promise

I promise that I will do my best to do my duty to God and to the King to help other people and to keep the Cub Scout Law.

### Scout Promise

On my honour, I promise that I will do my best  
To do my duty to God and to the King,  
To help other people  
And to keep the Scout Law

## Alternative Promise (Muslim)

### Beaver Scout Promise

I promise to do my best to be kind and helpful and to love Allah.

### Cub Scout Promise

I promise that I will do my best to do my duty to Allah and to the King to help other people and to keep the Cub Scout Law.

### Scout Promise

In the name of Allah, the Most Beneficent the Most Merciful, I promise that I will do my best  
To do my duty to Allah and to the King,  
To help other people  
And to keep the Scout Law

## Alternative Promise (Hindu)

### Beaver Scout Promise

I promise to do my best to be kind and helpful and to love my Dharma.

### Cub Scout Promise

I promise that I will do my best to do my duty to my Dharma and to the King to help other people and to keep the Cub Scout Law.

### Scout Promise

On my honour, I promise that I will do my best  
To do my duty to my Dharma and to the King,  
To help other people  
And to keep the Scout Law

## Guiding Promise

### Rainbow Promise

I promise that I will do my best to think about my beliefs and to be kind and helpful.

### Brownie Guide Promise

I promise that I will do my best, to be true to myself and develop my beliefs, to serve the King and my community, to help other people and to keep the Brownie Guide Law.

### Guide Promise

I promise that I will do my best, to be true to myself and develop my beliefs, to serve the King and my community, to help other people and to keep the Guide Law.