



NATIONAL YOUTH FORUM

INFO PACK 2

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National **YOUTH FORUM**



6-7 December 25



*Larch Hill International
Scout and Guide Centre, Dublin*



Welcome Back!

Hello again, and welcome to Info Pack 2 for the National Youth Forum!

The countdown to December is on, and we're thrilled to be sharing even more details with you about this exciting event. This second pack dives into more of the important details to help you get ready for an unforgettable weekend of ideas, inspiration, and youth-led action.

Please pay close attention to the information in this pack, as there are a few important updates. Due to the expected high number of participants and some staffing limitations, a few aspects of the event will be run a little differently than previously outlined. To help with planning, booking will also open earlier than stated – so make sure to check those details carefully!

Inside, you'll find information on how to book County Reps and Group Delegates/Observers, plus all the details you need around food, accommodation, and pricing. We've also included a more detailed weekend programme so you can start getting excited about what's coming.

Our National Youth Rep Team has been hard at work behind the scenes to make sure this event is not only fun and informative but also welcoming, inclusive, and meaningful for everyone who attends. We want you to feel heard, supported, and empowered to help shape the future of Scouting Ireland.

We can't wait to welcome you in December. Let's keep the momentum going and make this year's forum something truly special!

Kayleigh O'Neill

National Youth Rep Facilitator - on behalf of the National Youth Reps



NATIONAL YOUTH REPS

SCOUT REPS



- Maia Shрма – **Co-Chair**
- Ethan Corrigan – **Co-Chair**
- Lucy Hogan – **Secretary**
- Lauren O'Dwyer – **Social Media**
- Skye Kay – **Social Media**

VENTURE REPS

- Sarah Reilly
- David Keating
- Kelly Rock
- Thomas Hickey
- Nicole Walters
- Jake Kavanagh



ROVER REPS



- Cúán Bannon – **Chair**
- Niamh O'Connell – **Secretary**
- Asher Ni Chaoidealbh – **Social Media**
- Alfie Markham – **Social Media**
- Cathal Carr
- Conor O'Shaughnessey
- Rhianna Mc Donnell – **Clubs and Socs**





“I want to harness the energy and positivity of our youth members.”

Chief Scout ~ Eoin Callanan

SIGN UP DETAILS

Sign-up opens on Monday 3rd November 2025 – and we can't wait to see your names coming in!

All County Commissioners will get an email with everything they need to register their county's participants.

Because we're expecting big numbers this year, County Commissioners will register six County Reps per section to start with. It's really important to remember that these spots can't be swapped or transferred, as they help us confirm who's eligible to run for National Youth Rep.

We'll also be sending out an Expression of Interest form to Group Leaders so we can see how many groups are keen to send two observers per section.

If all County Rep places are filled, we unfortunately won't be able to take additional observers. But if there's still space, Observer tickets will go live on Monday 17th November 2025.

Keep an eye out for a follow-up email with all the latest updates!



NATIONAL YOUTH FORUM DETAILS

ACCOMODATION

Due to the expected high number of attendees, all in attendance will be required to camp for the duration of the event. A limited amount of indoor accommodation is available to support those with medical or accessibility needs. If you require this type of accommodation, please contact events@scouts.ie so we can make the necessary arrangements.



FOOD

Due to staffing limitations and the high number of expected attendees, all participants will be self-catering over the course of the weekend. Tea and coffee will be available to everyone throughout the event. To help support our youth members, we ask that accompanying scouters take the lead in preparing meals for their County Reps. This will allow young participants to fully enjoy the experience without worrying about meals.



COST

The cost for the weekend is €20 per person. This includes the full programme, camp fees, access to the grounds and facilities, and tea and coffee throughout the event. Payment will be taken at the time of sign-up. We've aimed to keep the cost as low as possible while still delivering a fun, engaging, and well-supported event for all - a catered event would likely increase the price by €20-€30 per person.



WHO CAN ATTEND NYF?



COUNTY YOUTH REPS

Each county may send up to six County Reps per section. County Commissioners are responsible for registering these youth members and will do so via an online form that will be sent directly to them by email.

County Reps can take part in all programme activities over both days. They will also have the opportunity to propose, speak, and vote on motions, run for National Youth Rep positions, and vote in the elections.

GROUP DELEGATES/OBSERVERS

Due to expected high numbers, observer places will only be available if County Rep spaces are not filled. **An Expression of Interest form will be sent to Group Leaders, who can register their interest for and additional 2 youth members per section to attend the event.** If spaces become available, they'll be contacted to confirm bookings. Observer roles remain the same – they can take part in Day 1, share views and vote on motions on Day 2, but do not vote in elections of reps.



SCOUTERS

All Scouts and Ventures attending the forum must be accompanied by a Scouter to meet child safeguarding ratio requirements. It is recommended that Provincial Commissioners, PYPRs, and County Commissioners coordinate within their Provinces and Counties to organise appropriate Scouter supervision and transport. As a guide, each county may send up to six Scout Reps and six Venture Reps, meaning that two to three Scouters per county would be sufficient to cover ratios.





SATURDAY

Workshops/Activities will last for 50 minutes – times allow 10 minutes for changeover.

10:30 AM	Opening Ceremony		
11:00 AM	WHAT IS A REP?	EVENT PLANNING	BUILDING A SCOUTING CV
12:00 PM	SPEECH/MOTION WRITING	WHAT IS A REP?	SCOUTING IN 2030
13:00 PM	Lunch Break		
14:00 PM	EVENT PLANNING	SPEECH/MOTION WRITING	WHAT IS A REP?
15:00 PM	SCOUTING IN 2030	BUILDING A SCOUTING CV	SPEECH/MOTION WRITING
16:00 PM	Social/Movement Break		
	(Prep for Motions/Speeches)		
16:30 PM	Scouting Ireland Stands		
	(Prep for Motions/Speeches)		
17:45 PM	Dinner Break		
18.30 PM	BUILDING A SCOUTING CV	SCOUTING IN 2030	EVENT PLANNING
19.30 PM	Free time/Networking		
21:00 PM	Evening Entertainment		
	Motions to be submitted by 21:00 PM)		
23:00 PM	Close of Day 1		

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SUNDAY



08:30 AM	Breakfast
09:15 AM	Opening of Day 2
09:30 AM	Motions
10:30 AM	Movement Break
11:00 AM	Speeches/Elections
12:00 AM	Lunch Break (Votes counted)
12:45 PM	Election results
13:15 PM	Closing Ceremony
13:45 PM	Close of Forum/Departure

This timetable is subject to change, however, to assist with planning travel etc, start and finish times are fixed and will not change.

WHAT CAN BE FOUND IN PACK 1?

If you missed Information Pack 1, don't worry – here's a quick recap of what it included!
You can also check out the full pack online at:

👉 [National Youth Forum – Information Pack 1](#)

(Not everything from the first pack is repeated here, so it's worth having a look back if you need more details!)

- What is NYF?
- What is a National Youth Rep?
- National Youth Rep Role Summary and Time requirement
- Steps to become a National Youth Rep
- Eligibility to be a National Youth Rep
- Motions and Suggested Topics
- Elections
- National Youth Rep Team Structure
- Speeches Guidance
- Dress codes





SAFEGUARDING/ACCESSIBILITY

All youth members attending the forum must bring a completed Activities Consent Form. Links to the Activities Consent Forms and Managing Medications Forms can be found below. Accompanying Scouters should collect these forms and keep them in their possession for the duration of the event. At registration, accompanying Scouters will be required to provide the NYR Facilitator with an emergency contact number.

Counties and Provinces should ensure that child safeguarding ratios are adhered to. All accompanying Scouters and Rover Scouts must have in-date Garda Vetting or Access NI and Safeguarding Training.

Please note: Larch Hill is a dry campsite. All attendees are expected to adhere to this rule for the safety and wellbeing of everyone on site.

We want the National Youth Forum to be as inclusive as possible, so please let us know if there are any support or accessibility needs we should be aware of. We will do our best to ensure everyone can fully participate.

ADDITIONAL FORMS REQUIRED


The Activities Consent Form and Managing Medications Form mentioned above can be found using the links below:

- [Activities Consent Form](#)
- [Managing Medications Form](#)

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions, queries or concerns about the event, please do not hesitate to contact Kayleigh (NYR Facilitator) via email – nyr.facilitator@scouts.ie





SEE YOU SOON!

Note: All registered participants will receive a third and final information pack.