

Scouting Facts: Cyprus



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Scouting started in Cyprus in 1913 as a Branch of The Scout Association, and in 1961 was granted direct membership of the World Scout Conference as The Boy Scouts of Cyprus.

The Association places great emphasis on helping refugee and disadvantaged children. This is revealed by the Organisation of a 26-day summer camp for 1,000 boys in 1975, which was combined with the Scouts offering home hospitality to the boys and visits by the Scouts to the refugee camps to provide recreational activities.

The Association also places emphasis on Community Development and is considering co-operation with other developing countries.

The Association is open to all boys and includes the Greek, Turkish, Maronite and Armenian Cypriots as well as the British Scouts on the British Sovereign Bases. Scout Troops have been started at a reform school, at a school for the blind and at a centre for training deaf and dumb children.

Motto: Eso Etimos (Greek)

Daima Hazir (Turkish)

Be Prepared (English)

Promise:

On my honour I promise to do my best:

to do my duty to God and my country, help other people at all times and to obey the Scout Law

Law:

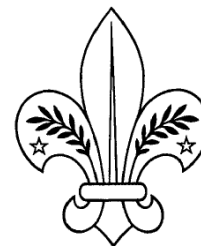
1. A Scout's honour is to be trusted
2. A Scout is loyal to his country, his Scouters, his parents, his employers and those under him
3. A Scout's duty is to be useful and to help others
4. A Scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout
5. A Scout is courteous
6. A Scout protects wildlife and forests,
7. A Scout obeys the orders of his parents, Patrol Leader, or Scoutmaster without question
8. A Scout has a sense of humour and is optimistic in all difficulties
9. A Scout is thrifty
10. A Scout is clean in thought, word and deed,

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