Welcome to the 15th World Scout Moot in Iceland 2017

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READY FOR THE FLEECE PARADE?

The Icelandic sheep is a breed of domestic sheep. The Icelandic breed is one of the Northern European short-tailed sheep, which exhibit a fluke-shaped, naturally short tail. The Icelandic is a mid-sized breed, generally short-legged and stocky, with face and legs free of wool. The fleece of the Icelandic sheep is dual-coated and comes in white as well as a variety of other colors, including a range of browns, grays, and blacks. They exist in both horned and polled strains. Generally left unshorn for the winter, the breed is very cold-hardy.

Join us at the 15th WORLD SCOUT MOOT 2017 - and meet the cold-hardy Icelandic sheep!
Dear Scouts!

It is a great honor for the Icelandic scouting movement to have the opportunity to host a major event such as the World Scout Moot. Exciting times lie ahead, as well as an opportunity for Scouts of the world to come together in Iceland to enjoy everything our country has to offer.

The scouting movement has great significance in Icelandic society, and its values reflect the sort of society in which we would all like to live. The pedagogical values of which the scouting movement is representative provide invaluable life lessons for young people, and its members have the satisfaction of becoming independent, engaged, and responsible members of society. The value of non-formal education is undisputed, and the scouting movement has invested a great deal of effort in providing formal instruction alongside the social development of its members. Indeed, the concepts of education and individual development always go together.

The Ministry is very familiar with the work of the scouting movement in Iceland, and has supported the preparations for what will undoubtedly be a major event, requiring a great deal of organization, planning, as well as the participation of everyone involved in the scouting movement. The scouting movement has succeeded in mobilizing a large group of people for this project in some capacity or another. Thus, these preparations may in many ways be said to have strengthened the scouting movement in Iceland, and to have demonstrated the extensive human capital it has at its disposal.

I, along with many others, sit on the Moot’s honorary committee, where we are kept well informed of the preparations for and execution of the Moot. The Moot will have a large impact on our small community, and we look forward to welcoming Scouts from all over the world.

The Rt. Hon. Illugi Gunnarsson, Minister of Education, Science and Culture

What is this Bulletin?

The main purpose of this Bulletin is to provide National Scouting Organizations (NSO’s) and their contingents with detailed information on the preparation of the 15th World Scout Moot, which is to take place in Iceland in 2017. The Bulletin will be distributed to all NSO’s through ScoutPak.

In addition, the Moot maintains an active presence in social media as well as an active website, www.worldscoutmoot.is.

Bragi Björnsson, Chief Scout of Iceland, João P. Armando Gonçalves, Chairperson of the World Scout Committee (WOSM), Illugi Gunnarsson, Minister of Education, Science and Culture and Hrönn Pétursdóttir, Head of the 15th World Scout Moot Organizing Committee.
Iceland
A land of opposites

Iceland is a country of extreme contrasts, widely known as “The Land of Fire and Ice.” Iceland is home to some of the largest glaciers in Europe, and some of the world’s most active volcanoes. Iceland is also the land of light and darkness. Long summer days with near 24-hours of sunshine are offset by short winter days with only a few hours of daylight.

Located in the North-Atlantic ocean close by the Arctic Circle, Iceland is very much a bridge between continents. It takes approximately five hours to fly from New York to Reykjavík, and three hours from London.

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The best way to reach Iceland is by air to Keflavik International Airport, which is a 40 min drive from downtown Reykjavík. Another possibility is sailing with Smyril line from Hirtshals in Denmark to Seydisfjordur, which is in the East of Iceland, a 9 hour drive from the city of Reykjavik.

Your flight to Iceland

The following airlines offer flights to Iceland during the summer of 2016. For full details of flights to Iceland contact your local travel agent or airline office.

We recommend to use a search engine for getting best possible flight connection!

As a point of information, for those contingents that need to do a stop-over on the way, lower prices can sometimes be had by separating the part of the flight that flies into/from Iceland. However, there is a certain risk to travel with two separate air tickets, that need to be considered.

List of locations that have direct flights to Iceland during the summer of 2016, for reference:

Please note that the following list is valid for 2016 and could be different in 2017. Further information at Keflavik Airport website (http://www.kefairport.is/English/).

- Alicante, London Luton
- Amsterdam, Los Angeles
- Anchorage, Lyon
- Antalya, Manchester
- Baltimore Washington, Milan Malpensa
- Barcelona, Minneapolis
- Basel, Munich
- Bergen, New York JFK
- Berlin, New York Newark
- Billund, Nauk
- Birmingham, Orlando Intl
- Boston, Orlando Sanford
- Bristol, Oslo
- Brussels, Paris Charles De Gaulle
- Cologne Bonn, Paris Orly
- Copenhagen, Portland Intl
- Denver, Rome Fiumicino
- Dublin, San Francisco
- Düsseldorf, Seattle
- Edinburgh, Stockholm
- Edmonton, Stuttgart
- Frankfurt Main, Toronto
- Geneva, Vagar
- Glasgow, Vancouver
- Gothenburg, Vienna
- Halifax, Vilnius
- Hamburg, Warsaw
- Helsinki Vantaa, Washington Dulles
- London Gatwick, Vienna
- London Heathrow, Zurich

Icelandair


**Seasonal:** Bergen, Brussels, Dublin, Faro, Las Palmas, Rome, Tenerife, Valencia, Verona.


WOW Air


EasyJet

Belfast, Edinburgh, Manchester, Bristol, London (Stansted, Gatwick, Luton), Basel, Geneva,

Norwegian

Oslo, Bergen

Dettifoss is a waterfall in Vatnajökull National Park in Northeast Iceland, and is reputed to be the most powerful waterfall in Europe.

Travel to Iceland

SAS
Oslo, Copenhagen

Delta
New York

Airberlin
Berlin, Dusseldorf, Hamburg, Munich,

Eurowings
Berlin, Cologne, Dusseldorf, Hamburg, Stuttgart

Austrian
Vienna

Lufthansa
Frankfurt, Munich

Vueling
Barcelona, Rome

Edelweiss
Geneva, Zurich

British Airways
London

WizzAir
Gdansk, Warsaw, Budapest

Transavia
Paris

Atlantic Airways
Vagar, Bergen, Copenhagen

Niki
Vienna
The World Scout Moot starting point

The World Scout Moot organizing team will have a welcome team at Keflavik International Airport from the 21st of July 2017 until the morning of the 25th of July, when the event is due to start.

The starting point and opening ceremony of the 15th World Scout Moot will be at 10:00 o’clock in the morning of the 25th of July in Laugardalur in the capital city of Reykjavik.

Prior to the opening ceremony, all contingents will have to drop off their luggage at Laugardalur, so time should be allowed in the contingent schedule for that. Registration will start the evening before in Laugardalur and should be finished well in advanced of the opening ceremony.

Laugardalur is located centrally in Reykjavik, and is easily accessible via public transport — although the Metropolitan public bus system is unlikely to be able to transport large groups through its regular service. Contingents wishing to transport large groups via the regular bus service will, therefore, have to negotiate special arrangements with the bus company. However, to ease the logistics of getting everybody to the opening ceremony, the World Scout Moot organizers are presently engaged in negotiating access to schools within walking distance, for those contingents that need accommodation in Reykjavik due to pre-event activities.

Following the closing ceremony, in the afternoon of July 2nd, transportation to Laugardalur will be provided by the World Scout Moot. Accommodation in nearby schools is being negotiated for contingents wishing to visit Reykjavik as a post-event activity.

Travel and pick-up arrangements for the IST, which are expected to arrive earlier and leave later than the participants, will be announced at a later date. More information on www.worldscoutmoot.is under IST section.

Transportation between any point of entry into Iceland and Laugardalur is the responsibility of individual contingents. Any attending individual unable to utilize transportation to and from Laugardalur after the opening ceremony and following the closing ceremony, scheduled by the World Scout Moot organizers, will be responsible for arranging and paying for his or her own transportation. As participants will disperse to different places around Iceland following the opening ceremony, the farthest of these being a 5 hour drive away, all participants are strongly advised to arrive in time for the opening ceremony and only to plan their departure after being dropped back at Laugardalur after the closing ceremony.

The Icelandic Boy and Girl Scout Association has set up a Scout Travel Office in order to assist contingents in making arrangements for travelling to Iceland and in planning any pre or post event activities in Iceland.

Any questions about what to do, planning accommodation, or excursions may be directed to: travel@scout.is.

A Head of Contingent meeting will take place from the 21st to the 24th of July 2016 at Úlfljótsvatn Scout Center, the location of the main camp for the 15th World Scout Moot.

Only one Head of Contingent meeting will be organized, so each contingent is advised to send representatives to that meeting. Please register at http://www.cvent.com/d/bfqsls before June 1.

The Head of Contingent meeting will take place during Landsmót skáta (National Jamboree), which takes place from the 17th to the 24th of July at Úlfljótsvatn Scout Center. One of the aims of this year’s Jamboree is to test the infrastructure for the World Scout Moot, but it will also provide an opportunity for the Heads of Contingents to visit the World Scout Moot’s main camp site, to observe the site in action.

Venue
The Úlfljótsvatn Scout Center is located about 75 km. east of Reykjavik, approximately a 45 minute drive from BSI Reykjavik bus terminal and 1.5 hours from Keflavik International Airport. More information about the site is available at www.campiceland.com.

For arrival and departure
Transportation for the Head of Contingent meeting will be available between Úlfljótsvatn and BSI Reykjavik bus terminal. Pick-up on the 21st will be at 18:00 hrs. at BSI Reykjavik bus terminal and, departure on the 24th from Úlfljótsvatn will be at 14:00 hrs. to Reykjavik bus terminal. Participants are requested to arrive on Thursday the 21st of July, and to depart on the 24th of July.

Please note that any Head of Contingent meeting participants considering arriving at and/or departing from any other time or point will need to make their own travel arrangements to and/or from Úlfljótsvatn, as no public transportation is available to Úlfljótsvatn.

The Jamboree Travel Office can arrange transport to and from Keflavik International Airport to BSI Reykjavik Bus Terminal, as well as from Úlfljótsvatn Scout Center to Keflavik International Airport on selected dates and times. For booking and information please visit http://skatamot.is/book/.

Meeting program
The meeting will open on Thursday evening with an introduction and ice breaker.

The formal program will start on the morning of Friday the 22nd of July, with a day excursion to the Expedition Centers nearby. On the 23rd of July there will be sessions on the practical and program aspects of the World Scout Moot, along with an introduction to the Úlfljótsvatn camp site. During the meeting there will be an opportunity to meet with the Moot Organizing Team, other contingents, to learn about the preparation, and to observe the site in action. No formal program is scheduled for Sunday the 24th of July. However, Sunday might be used for any remaining activities if necessary.
Who should attend?
The Heads of Contingent Visit is for Head of Contingent and members of the Contingent Management Teams. If you have not yet informed the Moot Office of your Head of Contingent, please do so as soon as possible. You will find the Appointment of Head of Contingent Form in previous Bulletins.

Clothing
Participants will be required to wear their scout uniform or a casual outfit with a Scout scarf during formal program sessions. In addition, please bring warm clothes, waterproof outdoor shoes, and rainwear, as the weather in Iceland is unpredictable.

Campfire
There will not be any International Evening during the Head of Contingent meeting. However, participation in the Jamboree’s campfire session is scheduled for Saturday evening.

Youth event
Please note that the use of alcohol and/or narcotic substances is strictly prohibited during the National Jamboree, as well as the 15th World Scout Moot. Any transgression will result in immediate dismissal from the meeting and the Jamboree site, and if appropriate be reported.

Visas
Should you require a visa to enter Iceland, please register as soon as possible and put in a notice of visa requirement. Once the necessary information has been received, a letter of invitation will be issued, with which you may apply for a visa. Please allow ample time for this process, as Icelandic embassies or consulates do not exist in all countries around the world.

Accommodation
Head of Contingent meeting participants may choose their accommodation from the options below.

- **Camping.** A camping area will be reserved for those attending the Head of Contingent meeting at the National Jamboree at Úlfljótsvatn. Participants will have the option of bringing their own private camping equipment or renting it from the Jamboree Travel Office.

- **Private arrangements.** Participants may make their own accommodation arrangements at a location of their choice. Should you choose this option, please inform the World Scout Moot Office of the place of accommodation. Please note that in such cases, participants will need to arrange their own transportation to and from Úlfljótsvatn Scout Center.

Fee
The fee for attending the Head of Contingent meeting is ISK 30,000 for those who choose to camp at Úlfljótsvatn and bring their own equipment. The fee includes:

- Meals, from dinner on the 21st of July to lunch on the 24th of July.
- Organized bus transport between Úlfljótsvatn and BSI Reykjavik Bus Terminal as explained previously.

- Program
- Excursion to the Expedition Centers nearby.
- A visit to a public swimming pool; Iceland is famous for these (optional, please bring your own swimming suit and towel).

Extended stay
Participants wishing to extend their stay for the duration of the National Jamboree may do so upon request. More details about the Jamboree can be found at [www.jamboree.is](http://www.jamboree.is).

Timetable for the World Scout Moot Bulletins
Please note that the timetable may be subject to change.

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Coming up in the next Bulletin
- Head of Contingent Meeting (update).
- Moot program, IST, Althingi and Expeditions.
- Contingent Registration.
Food Houses

At a number of recent world events, such as Moots and Jamborees, International Food Houses have offered a wonderful opportunity to learn about other cultures through food unique to specific countries. In addition, Food Houses have served as meeting points for Scouts as well as visitors, providing a little refreshment time.

The 15th World Scout Moot will follow this trend and welcome Food Houses set-up and operated by Contingents. However, as preparation is still underway, further information will be provided at a later stage. Any contingents interested in operating a Food House should complete and return the "Food House Expressions of Interest Form" (Appendix 1) by the end of May 2016, providing information about the contact person responsible for the Food House. Please keep in mind that Icelandic health and safety restrictions apply on providing food services at a temporary event such as the World Scout Moot, and each contingent must settle agreement about food houses with the Moot Organization.

Appendix

- Food House Expressions of Interest Form
The great expedition

Icelandic National Jamboree
July 17th-24th 2016

www.jamboree.is | facebook.com/jamboree2016
Food House Expressions of Interest Form

National Scout Organization

Country

Please provide details of a person who can provide further details of the food house.

First name | Family name

Position in NSO

E-mail | Phone

Facebook/twitter/whatsapp etc

Street

City | Region/State

Postcode | Country

Please provide information about your ideas for your food house

Approval of NSO

First name | Family name

Position in NSO

E-mail | Phone

Date

Signature

This form should be completed by an interested National Scout Organization (only one per country), and returned to the address above by the end of May 2016.