



Kandersteg
International
Scout Centre



Members Weekend

INFORMATION PACK





MEMBERS WEEKEND

Becoming a Member of the KISC Association gives you the opportunity to make a positive contribution to the World Scout Centre and shape the impact we have on thousands of young people every year. The KISC Association is a group of people from all corners of the world who support Baden Powell's dream of a Permanent Mini Jamboree. We want to highlight the positive impact Members make and recognise the support they provide to KISC. To showcase our appreciation of all our Members and to offer a chance to engage in the 2023 Centenary celebrations, we are hosting an unforgettable Members Weekend!

The Members Weekend is an occasion to reconnect and experience the KISC magic again. This special weekend event will celebrate the support Members provide to KISC. You will renew old friendships and reminisce about past visits, all while creating new memories. Socialising, networking and celebrating will be key elements of the programme.

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WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

To be part of this event, you need to be a Member of the KISC Association. If you are not a Member, you can still register, and you will need to pay extra fees for membership. Find more information about how to be a Member of the KISC Association [here](#).

*National Scout Organizations/Associations who are Members of the KISC Association can send their representatives during the Members Weekend.

*Membership system works based on the calendar year. You must be a Member of the KISC Association from the 1st of January 2023 and onwards.

Dates of Members Weekend

Friday 26th – Sunday 28th of May 2023

PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR YOUR TRIP TO KISC

High up in the mountains, Kandersteg can be found in the Jungfrau-Aletsch region of the Swiss Alps, about 65km from Bern or a 1-hour train journey away. You can reach us by plane, train or car. The local bus from the station is free if you wear your scarf! If you are walking from the station, we are a 20-minute walk away.

You can find our tips to plan your stay here: [Tips to plan your stay | Kandersteg International Scout Centre \(kisc.ch\)](#)

THE WEATHER DURING MAY

The Members Weekend will take place at the end of May. At this time of year, there can be anything from sun to rain to clouds. Typical temperatures are likely to be between 8°C (46.4°F) and 19°C (66.2°F).



PACKING RECOMMENDATIONS

The weather in the valley and the mountains tends to change quickly, so you must be ready for everything. If you plan to spend some time here in the Alps, we strongly recommend that you bring:

- Rucksack - 20 to 40 litres
- Waterproof hiking boots with ankle support (not trainers)
- Waterproof trousers and jacket
- Warm clothing - thermal-based layer, long trousers, fleece
- Warm hat and gloves - preferably waterproof
- Sun protection - sun cream, sunglasses, sun hat
- Water bottle - minimum 2 litres
- Personal medication - EpiPen, asthma inhaler, etc.
- Reusable lunch box for your packed lunch

COVID SITUATION

At KISC, we follow the Swiss national health guidelines to tackle the COVID-19 pandemic. At the time of this publication, the National Authorities do not have any mandatory requirements for entering or travelling in the country. However, we strongly recommend all participants are vaccinated against COVID-19 according to their National Health Authorities. For more information, please stay updated on any news through the [Swiss Government](#) and monitor your National Health Authorities' restrictions in advance.

ACCOMMODATION

Campsite Full Board: This accommodation requires you to bring your own tents and camping equipment. You can rent tents and camping equipment at the Centre, but we have a minimal number.

Indoor Full Board: You can stay in a room in the Chalet or the Sunneblick building. This distribution will be decided based on the most suitable allocations by our team. We will provide you with bedding, including bed sheets, pillows and blankets. You will also be given cleaning supplies for cleaning your room on departure.

Kanderlodge Full board: The Kanderlodge is the newest building at KISC. Every two rooms share a private bathroom. The building has a fully equipped kitchen, dining and social area for participants to use.

You can find more information on the facilities and accommodation at <https://www.kisc.ch/accommodation>.

CATERING

When booking one of the three packages, all meals at KISC are included, starting with dinner on 26th May 2023 and ending with packed lunch on 28th May 2023.



REGISTRATION AND FEES

Registration is now open for the Members Weekend. To sign up, please fill in the booking form at [Members Weekend | KISC 2023](#), and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

This package deal for the Members Weekend includes the use of your 2023 free Members overnight.

Participation options

Package type	Total
Campsite full board	90*
Indoor full board	100*
Kanderlodge full board	125*

* All prices are in Swiss Francs (CHF) and exclude tourist taxes.

* This event will not use the "NSO World Scout Event participation fee category by country," which has been used in events before since a special Member's discount is already applied to the final price.



PAYMENT

This event must be paid before the due date of 30 days after the registration confirmation by our team. If the payment is not paid before the due date, the booking will be cancelled.

In case of booking cancellation after the payment, 20% of the total amount will be forfeited to the Centre.

If a visa support letter is required, the participant must request this immediately and no later than the 20th of April 2023. Full payment is required before a support letter can be issued. The same cancellation policy applies.

KISC to have received as payment	Due
Full payment	30 days after the confirmation of registration by KISC staff
Full payment in case of visa support letter	By 20th of April



VISA

If a visa support letter is required, you must send the full payment before KISC issues the requested letter. You need to communicate your request to us early as our staff require adequate time to prepare and send the letter to you.

Refunds will not be considered when the denial of a visa to attend the Members Weekend occurs if an individual did not follow the application procedures, deadlines, or processes outlined by the appropriate governmental authority. The only instance where a refund can be made is when the Swiss Government denies visa issuance. In such a case, relevant evidence should be submitted.

Refunds requests for Members Weekend due to visa denial by the Swiss Government must include the following information with any request:

- Booking number
- Copy of visa appointment email (with date)
- Copy of visa denial letter. The letter must show evidence of why the visa request was denied (with the date)
- In case of cancellation, it will follow the normal event T&C.

Once our team receives the refund request, we will evaluate each case based on the evidence given and communicate with the groups/contingents the decision made by our team.



	Friday 26.05.2023	Saturday 27.05.2023	Sunday 28.05.2023
Breakfast		Breakfast	Breakfast and packed lunch
Morning		Speakers session and Centenary workshops	Oeschinensee lake trip (optional) and check out
Lunch		Lunch	Departure
Afternoon	Arrival & Check-In	Service Project	
	Promise renewal at the new time capsule		
	KISC Committee Chair Speech		
17:30 - 18:00	Break	FOSE Reception	
Dinner	Apéro & Dinner	Special Dinner	
Evening	International Evening	International Campfire	
	The Marquee bar	Party at The Marquee	



PROGRAMME

Friday - 26.05.2023

Promise Renewal

You will get a chance to reflect on the past and imagine the future during this promise ceremony. You will get an insight into what is happening in the Centre from the Chair of the KISC Committee, Aidan Jones.

In addition, we will celebrate the newly trained leaders from the Wood Badge training that is happening at KISC just before the Members Weekend.

Apéro

You will have the opportunity to socialise and relax with an included drink and snacks before dinner starts.

International Evening

This is a chance to connect with others, share your culture and create new international friendships. Here, we will embrace the global aspect of the centre. Come and join this activity where you can share traditional food, games, dances, and culture from your country. Wear your Scout uniform or traditional clothes and prepare a table so everyone can learn about your country. There will also be the opportunity to meet Pinkies and swap badges. If you are planning on attending, please bring things with you to represent your country.

Important information for the International Evening

Confirm your attendance at the International Evening during check-in upon your arrival.

Equipment for the International Evening

Scout uniform or traditional clothes.

If you want to represent your country, prepare a table so everyone can learn something about your country (It is up to your creativity and traditions on what to bring).

National flag (after the International Evening, you can choose to donate the flag to KISC so we can put it up as a decoration at the Chalet if you would like).

The Marquee

After the International Evening, the Marquee will be opened next to the Tower. This is a large event tent which includes a bar, music and some social games. Here you will have the opportunity to meet and socialize with other Members during the two evenings of the event.

Saturday - 27.05.2023

Speakers session and Centenary Workshops

Our 'Speakers session will highlight the positive impact that KISC continues to have on the lives of the young people who visit and volunteer at the Centre. The Speakers session at our Members Weekend will be an opportunity for KISC Association Members to listen to inspiring stories that will spark new conversations. You will hear from ex-Staff how KISC has impacted their lives. The workshops will cover a vast range of topics, including insights of what is happening in the management of the centre - there will be something for everyone. You will also be able to explore new interests through these workshops.



Service Project

During the Members Weekend, we want to offer you the chance to leave your mark at KISC and help support the Kandersteg community. Scouts always aim to positively impact their own communities and the ones they pass through on their Scouting journey. Community involvement enables Scouts to increase their intercultural understanding and develop a greater worldview. At the Members Weekend, you will get a unique opportunity to leave your mark on the Centre and all those who engage with us.

FOSE Reception

Friends of Scouting in Europe (FOSE) Reception will be a gathering with some and drinks where you can find more information about FOSE and FOSE-projects. The full invitation can be annexe below.



Special Meal

We will ignite the fire of friendship as we join one another in sharing a special evening meal.

International Campfire

In true Scouting spirit, Saturday evening will consist of a world-famous international campfire. Here, you can learn new campfire songs and share your own. We will also have a special recognition for our KISC Life Members. A KISC campfire is a highlight of World Scouting and is not to be missed!

The Marquee

After the International Campfire, the Marquee will be opened again. The locals from Kandersteg will be invited to join us for the Members party!

Sunday - 28.05.2023

Oeschinensee Lake Trip (optional)

You can explore the beauty of the alpine environment in which Kandersteg is located. A trip to Oeschinensee will highlight the joys of the natural world that you can discover through Scouting. This trip will allow you to get outdoors for some fresh air and have a relaxing morning at the lake.

* Additional 12 CHF will be charged for this activity.



PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

Members Weekend Branding is available for non-commercial license. There is a variety of templates and social media materials available for public use. Feel free to use the assets below for your own promotional uses or to decorate your kit. Follow the [KISC 2023 Brand Guidelines](#) to make sure that your designs are aligned with the centenary visual branding.

Social Media Board

Can you help promote the Centenary in your NSO (National Scout Organisations)? Do you need help with what to post? KISC has you covered. Trello is a free online website where you can download 2023 content. Our [Trello board](#) is full of social media post templates that you can post straight onto your channels. Make sure to use the #KISC100 hashtag so we can find you!

Centenary Visual Branding:

Centenary Logo:

[The Centenary Logo](#) encompasses every event happening during 2023 and symbolizes three core concepts of the KISC

centenary: The history visualized in the Chalet that B.P. chose as the location for his dream of a Permanent Mini Jamboree, and a place for scouts to meet year-round. The alpine environment surrounding KISC represents nature and high adventure. Finally, the celebration of Scouts from around the world gathering as part of one big family is represented in the fireworks.



Members Weekend Pictogram:

The Members Weekend is represented in a [pictogram](#). This pictogram reflects the 100 years of the World Scout Centre, depicted in the KISC Chalet, as a symbol of the Members contribution to keeping the dream alive.

Media Kit

[This media kit](#) contains the official “KISC 100” logo and other assets that can be downloaded. NSOs (National Scout Organisations), groups and individuals are welcome to use these assets when complying with the brand and logo guidelines provided in the kit.

2023 Website

[The KISC 100 website](#) has been created specifically for the Centenary and covers all fundraising and event information. It is updated regularly and is the first point of contact for all information.

Social Media

Follow our official social media channels to receive regular updates on the Centenary and see what is happening at KISC.

[Instagram](#) @kanderstegscoutcentre

[Facebook](#) Kandersteg International Scout Centre

[LinkedIn](#) KISC - Kandersteg International Scout Centre

Other Events in 2023

<u>Wood Badge Training</u>	22nd - 26th May 2023
<u>Kander 100</u>	27th July - 8th August 2023
<u>See you in 100 Years</u>	31st of December 2023 - 1st of January 2024





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The European Scout Foundation (ESF) and the
Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC) invite you:

Friends of Scouting in Europe (FOSE)

and potential new Friends to the:

FOSE reception at the Members-Weekend of the KISC centenary celebration

Saturday, 27. May, at 17.30

At the

Kandersteg International Scout Center (KISC)

Wagetiweg 7
3718 Kandersteg
Switzerland

The program includes:

- **Welcome words and refreshments** (snacks and drinks)
- **Information about FOSE & FOSE-supported projects**
- Opportunity to **welcome new FOSE**
- All Donations made to the European Scout Foundation (ESF) at this event will go entirely to a fund to support Scouts from Eastern and Central Europe who wish to attend KISC for educational purposes.

Join us!

Will you get your pin during the ceremony? Register now as new FOSE! For only € 150 per year (€ 75 per year when you're under 30 or € 2000 as a Life Friend) you can help us support Scouting in Central and Eastern Europe.

Register and make your donation here: europeanscoutfoundation.com/fose-application-form

More information about FOSE on europeanscoutfoundation.com



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