



## West Sussex Programme Support

### VE Day – 75th Anniversary



75 years ago, on the 8th of May, during WWII we had something to celebrate: Victory in Europe (VE Day). Although in the current situation we cannot proceed with the national events as planned, we can still mark this important day in our own ways at home.

- Bake a cake ( a Victoria Sponge would be perfect)
- Hold an indoor picnic/tea party
- Learn about the history of VE Day
- Make home-made bunting
- Donate/Support a veterans' charity

Walk in their shoes:

- taste 1940s rationing style food
- play some traditional games like tin can alley or marbles
- play 1940s and wartime compilation playlists (you can find them on Spotify)

Try these two activities at your next online meeting!

- Guess the Badge – [scouts.org.uk/activities/guess-that-badge/](https://scouts.org.uk/activities/guess-that-badge/)
- VE Prepared - [scouts.org.uk/activities/ve-prepared/](https://scouts.org.uk/activities/ve-prepared/)

### Pawprint Badges – VE 75 Challenge



When VE Day dawns on 8th May 2020 it will be 75 years since the guns fell silent in Europe marking the end of World War II.

Commemorate the anniversary and come together to remember. The VE Day 75 Challenge Pack is an expansion to their hugely popular Remembrance Day Challenge. Use it in conjunction or independently.

Proceeds from this badge go towards helping Scouts and Guides from across the UK take part in lots of adventures via The Pawprint Trust.

The Challenge pack has a huge number of activities that you can do from Creating your own War Art to Learning a dance from the 1940s or creating your own play about VE Day/wartime Britain.

<https://pawprintfamily.com/product/ve-day-challenge-pack/>



## Scouting on the Home Front: They Were Prepared

During the Second World War Scouting carried on both at home and abroad. Scouts on the Home Front used their skills to support their communities, Scout Leaders volunteered to support refugees and displaced people and in prisoner of war camps across the world Scouts secretly carried on Scouting risking punishment in order to keep their connection with the Movement going.

Do you want to know more about the role Scouts played in different elements of the Second World War? The Scouts Heritage website has the answer – Go to [heritage.scouts.org.uk/explore/scouting-during-the-second-world-war](https://heritage.scouts.org.uk/explore/scouting-during-the-second-world-war)

## Scouts VE Day 75th Anniversary Fun Badge

The 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day is a time to remember, give thanks and to celebrate the return of peace to Europe. Scouts Stores are proud to introduce a range of products produced in partnership with The Royal British Legion and the Scouts. 50% of the proceeds from the sale of each item will directly benefit The Royal British Legion charity to support the valuable work that they do, with the other 50% going back to UK Scouting. This is NOT a uniform badge.



## Keep up to Date with West Sussex Scouts

Make sure you are keeping up to date with the latest ideas and information while you are Scouting from home on our Social Media channels. We also want to know what you are doing so make sure you tag West Sussex Scouts in your posts. We want to make a video to document this time so get posting and let us know what you have been up to and keeping Scouting going strong!

Facebook: /WSScouts Twitter: @WestSussexScout Instagram: wsscouts

**FRIDAY  
8th MAY**

**VE  
DAY**

**75TH  
ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION**

*Join your neighbours  
in a nationwide 'stay  
at home' street party!*

Prepare for the day by decorating the house in red, white and blue

**11am**

2 minute silence on your door step

**3pm**

Churchill Speech shown on the BBC

Then grab your picnic blankets or garden table and head to your front garden for:

**4pm**

Tea and Scones (or coffee and cake)

**6pm**

Dinner and raise you glass to your neighbours

**9pm**

Nationwide sing-a-long to "We'll meet again" with the RBL after the Queen's address

**Please remember to follow the social distancing rules**