

2024 World BLIA Scouts Leaders' Consensus Conference

and BLIA Scouts World Camp

General Guidelines

I. Objective:

- 1. Promote cooperation and goodwill among global leaders of the BLIA Scouts, fostering international friendship and a spirit of mutual assistance.
- 2. Facilitate youths' understanding and global engagement through the integration of BLIA Scouts activities. Encourage exploration of diverse cultures and foster connections with the global BLIA Scouts family via a range of activities.
- 3. Understand the mysteries of nature through outdoor activities and develop the habit of cherishing blessings, while developing wisdom through learning and cultivating the '3G Scouts' motto: Speak good words, do good deeds, and think good thoughts.
- 4. Gain life experiences through communal living, improve interpersonal relationships, show respect and create positive affinities with others.
- **II.** Theme: Coexistence and Coprosperity
- III. Main Organiser: BLIA Scouts Fellowship Committee

Fo Guang Shan Nan Tien Buddhist Temple

Organiser: BLIA Scouts Sydney and BLIA Sydney

Co-organisers: BLIA Scouts WA, BLIA Scouts QLD and BLIA Scouts VIC

IV. Date:

1. World BLIA Scouts Leaders' Consensus Conference

 $1 \sim 2$ July 2024 (Mon. \sim Tue.)

2. BLIA Scouts World Camp

 $3 \sim 7$ July 2024 (Wed.~ Sun.)

V. Venue: Fo Guang Shan Nan Tien Buddhist Temple

VI. Participants:

1. World BLIA Scouts Leaders' Consensus Conference

BLIA Scout Leaders – Group leaders and Section Leaders

2. BLIA Scouts World Camp

BLIA Scouts, Venturer Scouts, Rover Scouts, Adult Helpers, aged 13 to 26 years old. (Registered Rover Scouts and Adult Leaders will be required to take up various active roles at camp.

VII. Participation Fee:

1. World BLIA Scouts Leaders' Consensus Conference

Accommodation and meals will be provided by Nan Tien Buddhist Temple. Donation is welcome.

2. BLIA Scouts World Camp

- For registrations on or before 31 March 2024 (early bird rates)
 - o BLIA Scouts: A\$800 (US\$550)
 - o BLIA Scout Leaders: A\$600 (US\$410)
- For registrations 1 ~ 30 April 2024:
 - o BLIA Scouts: A\$885 (US\$600)
 - BLIA Scout Leaders: A\$680 (US\$460)
 The fees above include accommodation and meals for the entire World Camp period (3 ~ 7 July)
- 3. During World BLIA Scouts Leaders' Consensus Conference, accommodation is mainly in "quadruple rooms".
 - Double room an additional A\$146 (US\$100) per person per night.
 - Single room an additional A\$220 (US\$150) per person per night.
- 4. For those arriving before or staying after the event and require transportation and accommodation (at own expense), please apply through your own Scout group to the Event Administration team, to assist in the planning.

VIII. Registration Information:

- 1. Registration is now open and closes on 30 April 2024
- 2. Online Registration link: https://signup.blia.org.tw/login.aspx
- 3. All participants are required to complete a registration form (Attachment 2 / Online)
- 4. Every Scout must submit a signed consent form from their legal guardian. Scouts under 18 years old must prepare a parental consent form for travel. This form is suggested by Immigration Department to be notorised, to avoid any problem entering the country.
 - 5. All Participants requiring transportation services must complete the "Airport Shuttle Service Application Form" before 31 May 2024 (Attachment 3 / Online registration).
 - 6. All Participants must submit a health declaration using the medical examination/health declaration form of their respective Scout group.
 - 7. Each scout group is to collate all registration forms from their own members and submit to the organiser, along with the participation fees. No refunds will be allowed for cancellations after payment is made.
 - 8. Each Scout group is responsible for obtaining approval from the Scout Branch of their country/state for international travel according to regulations set by their respective national Scout headquarters.
 - 9. Airport transfers will be provided between 1~7 July, to and from Sydney Kingsford Smith Airport and Nan Tien Buddhist Temple, Wollongong.

IX. Event Registration Information:

1. World BLIA Scouts Leaders' Consensus Conference

Registration time: 1 July (Mon.) between 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Location: Pilgrim Lodge, Nan Tien Buddhist Temple

Procedure: Participants must be in BLIA Scouts Leaders uniform and either bring a printed copy or download the "Registration Notice" on your mobile device to assist in the processing.

2. BLIA Scouts World Camp

Registration time: 3 July (Wed.) between 8:30 AM to 9:30AM

Location: Pilgrim Lodge, Nan Tien Buddhist Temple

Procedure: Participants to be in BLIA Scouts uniform and bring either a printed copy or download the "Registration Notice" on your mobile device to assist in the

processing.

X. NOTES On Other Matters

1. BLIA Scout Leaders World Conference – Scouts Activity Report

Please submit the "Registration Form" for the Scouts Activity Report by 15 May. A 5-minute working report presentation with Chinese and English subtitles is also to be submitted by 1 June to blsjsyd24@gmail.com (Attachment 4 /Online Registration).

2. Opening Ceremony

The BLIA Scouts World Camp welcomes Scouts from all countries to wear the Scout uniform of their respective country and carry their national flag at the opening ceremony, to add colour to the occasion. Scout groups from various countries are to hand over their group flag at registration.

3. Commemorative Concert

In memory of Founder Venerable Master Hsing Yun, the World Camp is holding a special Commemorative Concert by the campfire, inviting BLIA Leaders and Scouts from each Scout group to sing Buddhist hymns or Songs from the Human World. Please refer to Commemorative Concert Registration Form (Attachment 5/ Online Registration).

4. Sponsorships

BLIA and Branch Sub-Chapters, Buddha's Light Scouts and individuals are welcome to sponsor the event. Please refer to the methods of sponsorship (Attachment 6/Online Registration)

5. Airport Transfers

Anyone who has registered for airport transfers, please wear BLIA Scouts uniform for easy identification during pick-up/drop-off.

6. Post-event Tour

Those interested in joining the post-event tour, please contact the Event Administration team before 30 April. (Attachment 7 /Online registration)

7. Entry Visa

If an invitation letter is required for the purpose of applying for an Australian visa, please contact the Event Administration team.

8. Safe From Harm Online Training

This is a set of online modules to complete and is aimed to protect children and young people so that everyone can feel safe, at any time. All participants aged 18 years and above must complete the online training 'Safe from Harm' before the event and overseas participants must complete this before their arrival in Australia. Group Leaders are to collate the Certificate of Completion from all participating members and submit to the Organiser before the event. Register and log in at

https://elearning.easygenerator.com/b75a92df-a70a-44+33f6-9328-008885b982cf/#/login to complete the modules.

XI. Payment method:

- 1. Participation fees, sponsorships and Post-event Tour fees must be paid to the organizer before **30 April**.
- 2. After completing the payment, please email proof of remittance to blsjsyd24@gmail.com and fill in BLIA Scout Group Registration Fees Summary form and Reference Name of Your Group / Sub-Chapter, Name of Remitter/Contact Person for easy reconciliation. (Attachment 8 /Online)
- 3. Bank Account details

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| Item | Content | |
| Account | BUDDHA'S LIGHT INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF | |
| Name | AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED BLIA SYDNEY | |
| Bank | Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) | |
| Address | G / floor 46 Market Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000 Australia | |
| Branch | George & Market Sts Sydney | |
| BSB No. | 062 005 | |
| Acct No. | 1123 9140 | |
| Swift Code | CTBAAU2S | |
| Reference | Name of Your Scout Group / BLIA Sub-Chapter | |

XII. Contact Information

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