

# sustainable development goals cub national challenge – 2020

'get involved & be prepared to  
create a better world'



**SCOUTS** *for* **SDGs**

## introduction:

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of November 2018 "Scouts for SDG's" was launched at the United Nations (UN) headquarters in New York – "an unprecedented mobilisation of our Movement that will see 50 million Scouts make the world's largest coordinated youth contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's) for 2030". Check out the [SDG Challenge page](#) on the [SCOUTS South Africa website](#) and the [WOSM Scouts for SDGs initiative](#) for lots more information.

## how can we help?

In order to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all, we all have a role to play. This is where Scouting comes in.

*"Since its beginnings, Scouting has been enabling young people from every corner of the globe to create positive change in their communities, acting on challenges and needs at all levels of society. It uses an action-orientated, self-educational approach to contribute to the empowerment and holistic development of young people as autonomous individuals and active global citizens."*

For the next few years, the SCOUTS South Africa National Challenge for Meerkats and Cubs and the SDG challenge for Scouts, Rovers and Adults will focus on a number of SDG's.

## the 2020 challenge:

This year's SDG Challenge will focus on **SDG's 5, 13, 14 and 15**, being gender equality; climate action; life below water and life on land.

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 <p>All humans are born equal no matter their gender. It's our duty to make sure that women and men have equal opportunities and rights in every part of life. When women are empowered, the entire society benefits.</p>	<p><b>Badge Requirement:</b></p> <p>Encourage the Cubs to earn the <a href="#">Diversity Awareness Badge</a> by running an 'Orange Day' programme/activity on/near the 25<sup>th</sup> of a month.</p> <p>Refer to <a href="#">Adult Working Kit</a></p>
 <p>The negative effects of climate change are already visible in so many aspects of life. Offsetting the impact of climate change starts with education, awareness, and individual action. We can all do something small to offset our footprint on this planet that we call home.</p>	<p><b>Badge Requirement:</b></p> <p>The overarching theme for <a href="#">Earth Day 2020</a> (22 April '20) is 'Climate Change'. In celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, run <b>BOTH</b> Climate Change programmes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Energy Savers</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Planet Protectors</a></li> </ul> <p>Refer to <a href="#">Adult Working Kit</a></p>

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<div data-bbox="286 336 472 523" data-label="Image"> </div> <p data-bbox="221 600 1144 756">Oceans and seas cover over 70% of our planet. Our existence depends on them for food, water, energy, and more, yet they're suffering from overfishing and plastic pollution. By keeping our oceans clean and our fish stocks healthy, we'll ensure that the Earth will remain habitable for humankind for centuries to come.</p>	<p data-bbox="1198 308 1523 336"><b>Badge Requirements:</b></p> <p data-bbox="1198 371 2000 432">As a Pack, complete the entry level badge requirements for the <a href="#">Tide Turners Plastic Challenge Badge</a></p> <p data-bbox="1198 464 1240 493">OR</p> <p data-bbox="1198 523 1541 552">Do <b>TWO</b> of the following:</p> <ol data-bbox="1198 582 2007 836" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Create an underwater diorama.</li> <li>2. As a Six have the Cubs write (and illustrate) a story or comic book on life below water.</li> <li>3. In celebration of World Rivers Day on the 27<sup>th</sup> of September '20, monitor the health of a river and measure the general quality of the water by conducting a mini SASS (stream assessment scoring system) – <a href="http://www.minisass.org">www.minisass.org</a></li> </ol> <p data-bbox="1256 868 1299 896">OR</p> <p data-bbox="1256 927 2018 1051">To raise awareness of the role of the oceans and the importance of conserving and protecting our marine environment, run a water activity on/near World Oceans Day on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June '20.</p> <p data-bbox="1256 1083 1299 1112">OR</p> <p data-bbox="1256 1142 2013 1299">Identify a section of river or beach that is used for recreation and which is polluted with plastic. As a Pack, possibly with a Troop too, organise a clean-up of 2 days at least 2 months apart. How much new litter was there?</p> <p data-bbox="1198 1331 1552 1359">Refer to <a href="#">Adult Working Kit</a></p>

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 <p>Forests provide a home for millions of species and give us all clean air and water. To protect and restore life on land, we need to stop deforestation and preserve biodiversity.</p>	<p><b>Badge Requirements:</b></p> <p><a href="#">Complete the Water Champ Challenge</a> Badge and share your findings with the rest of the Pack.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>During Arbour Week which runs from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 7<sup>th</sup> of September do <b>TWO</b> of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Carry out a tree survey in your community.</li> <li>2. Make seed paper or bombs and plant around an area that could be made more beautiful with flowers or plants.</li> <li>3. Make a Rainforest Terrarium.</li> <li>4. Carry out or assist with a conservation project in your community.</li> </ol> <p>Refer to <a href="#">Adult Working Kit</a></p>