

FACTSHEET



SSAGO for members of The Scout Association

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Introduction

This factsheet provides a brief introduction of what SSAGO has to offer to members of The Scout Association.

Award Work

SSAGO offers members of The Scout Association a ready made opportunity to continue their Scouting. It can provide links to the local Scout Network as well as connections to the wider Scouting community in order to complete awards such as Queen's Scout Award and the Duke of Edinburgh Award. SSAGO clubs themselves may offer a place where like minded members of The Scout Association and GirlguidingUK meet in order to plan and complete expeditions etc.

Please note that being a member of SSAGO does not make you part of the Scout Association in order to complete awards. If you wish to complete Scouting Awards you are required to be a member of a Scout Network either at home or in your university town or city.

A CRB/DS/ANI check provided through Scouting is acceptable for use in SSAGO provided that it is less than 5 years old and does not have any convictions listed on it. If you have a CRb/DS/ANI check completed through

SSAGO, this is done through The Scout Association and therefore is transferable to Scout Network or other Scouting appointment.

Volunteering

SSAGO can provide opportunities for weekly volunteering within a group or as a skills instructor with the County/Area teams to keep hours up for qualifications whilst away at university. This will allow members to keep an interest in Scouting and for those working for their wood beads to continue to do so.

Many SSAGO members volunteer weekly with local Scout and Guide groups whilst at university. Most clubs have a dedicated member of their executive that will help members to find the right group, on the right day and in the right location. If this is not the case the executive should be able to find a contact for the local County/Area Commissioners who will welcome any willing volunteer.

SSAGO and Network

Some of the Network events are open to SSAGO members who are not active Network members. Networks in towns/cities with SSAGO groups will welcome those from the university/college into the group and it is likely that at least once a year there will be joint SSAGO/Network activity.