

Have you heard the buzz?

There are cases of Malaria reported in Hertfordshire !

Dear Leader,

Thank you for participating with your group in the Scouts Against Malaria programme.

More than 1/3 of the world's population that live in tropical regions are at risk of Malaria and there is no vaccine.

There are 200 million cases of Malaria each year, primarily of children aged under 5 years old.

The best form of protection is to sleep under insecticide-impregnated nets, as mosquitos are active at night.

Scouts from 10 UK counties are collaborating with Scouts in Africa, who are helping to distribute such nets, explaining how to use and maintain them.

Inside this case you will find informational and fun resources to enable your colony, pack, troop or unit to participate in the Scouts Against Malaria initiative. By holding a SAM based evening, your Scouts will be working towards their Global and International Challenge and Activity awards, whilst making a real difference in the fight against Malaria.

Inside the Case of Malaria you will find:

- Resources to enable Hertfordshire Scouts to learn about the illness and understand how protection can be given.
- How to recognise Malaria symptoms and know why treatment is needed within 12 hours.
- How to earn your Scouts Against Malaria badge by raising funds (£10 per section member) to help pay for the cost of the insecticide-impregnated nets, their distribution and leader education in sub-Saharan Africa. Hertfordshire Scouts is partnering with Scouts in Burkina Faso
- A series of fun activities which will explain the burden of Malaria and what can be done to reduce mortality, particularly for children under 5 years old.

