

What we hope to achieve

Scouts Against Malaria (SAM) is a multi-county initiative to educate UK Scouts regarding Malaria and its effects. SAM will also contribute to 3 of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and Scouts for SDGs initiative



How to earn the Scouts Against Malaria badge

The challenge badge can be gained by participation in a number of activities. To achieve the badge/ award each person should complete the following malaria themed activities:

- Understand how malaria is contracted and can be prevented.
- Help to raise funds to reduce the incidence of malaria. This will include the purchase of insecticide treated mosquito nets and may also include the provision of material to educate people about malaria.

By raising money from the UK challenge badge scheme we can provide insecticide treated mosquito nets for distribution by African Scouts who will be trained to educate the local population in the correct use of the nets.

Resources and contacts

Further details of the scheme can be obtained by contact-ing Scouts Against Malaria, via our website, Facebook, or email

A number of program resources have been created and are available to view on our website.

Members of the Scouts Against Malaria team are also able to give talks and presentations to interested sections and groups.

Website: www.scoutsagainstmalaria.org.uk

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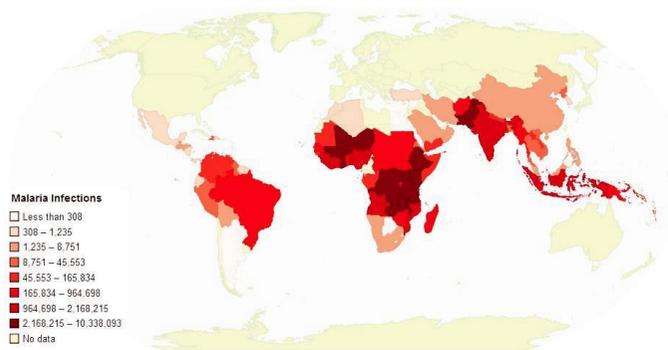
You don't need to travel to
the other side of the world to
make a difference





What happens in the UK

- Individuals, sections and/or groups learn about Malaria and it will be possible to complete the criteria for the challenge badge
- The completed application form is sent to Scouts Against Malaria (SAM) along with the funds raised (minimum of £5 per badge)
- SAM will post the requisite number of badges to the fundraisers.
- The corresponding number of insecticide treated nets is supplied to the African scouts.
- Once SAM has been informed of where the nets have been distributed the information will be uploaded to our website, so that the fundraisers can keep track of their nets.



The Malaria Zone

Every 2 minutes, a child dies of malaria. And each year, more than 200 million new cases of the disease are reported. Although countries have dramatically reduced the total number of malaria cases and deaths since 2000, progress in recent years has stalled. Worryingly, in some countries, malaria is on the rise due to growing resistance to the current insecticides. WHO report 06/19

- 3.2 billion people (half the world's population) are at risk of Malaria.
- 198 million malaria cases and 584 thousand malaria deaths occur every year
- Most deaths occur among children
- In Africa a child dies every minute from malaria.
- Sleeping under long lasting insecticidal nets protects against malaria.
- Nets cost £2-3 and are effective for 3-5 years.
- Half the population of Africa is not protected by nets.



What happens in Africa

- Local Scouts will purchase nets and in conjunction with local authorities allocate them to individual homes.
- Scouts will meet the families and teach them the importance of using the nets and how to set them up correctly.
- The Scouts will keep in contact with the families to ensure that the nets are used correctly.
- Participating Scouts in Africa will earn the same badge as those in the UK

