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A Scout participating in Challenge It at AJ2013





# What you need to know

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### February

07-10	National Rover Council
9-11	State sign on weekend
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15-17	Annual Training Team Conference
15-17	Adventurous Activity Instructor Workshop
22	Baden Powell Founders Night Dinner
22	Darling Downs Region Fishing Competition
22	Darling Downs Founders Day Service

### March

03	Clean up Australia Day
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## NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN.

Each year the Queensland Greats Awards program honours individuals and institutions that have shown lifetime dedication and significant contribution to the development of Queensland. Since the program's inception in 2001, 60 outstanding individuals and seven institutions have been recognised. Queensland Greats honoured in 2012 were Professor Emeritus Ken Donald AO, Deborah Mailman, Daphne Pirie AO MBE, Sir Sydney Schubert, Terry White AO and Queensland Meals on Wheels.

If you know an individual or institution that has made a significant contribution to our great state, nominate them today for a Queensland Greats Award. The 2013 Queensland Greats will be announced during Queensland Week celebrations, 1 – 9 June 2013.

For more information and to download a nomination form visit the website or call 07 3405 5215. Nominations close at 5 pm, **Friday 15 March 2013**



**Annual Report 2011/2012 now available from the Branch Website- <http://www.scoutsqld.com.au>**

## REPORT CHILD PROTECTION CONCERNS AND ABUSE!

All suspicions, concerns or allegations about criminal matters or child protection matters should be reported directly to the General Manager on **07 3870 7000**. Once we receive a notification, the Association will make an immediate report to the relevant authorities.

If an individual has made a report to the relevant authority, they should also report the matter to the General Manager. The Association will then make direct contact with the relevant authority about the matter.

Reporting to the Association enables the Association to work directly with the authorities in managing the matter. It enables the Association to take immediate action under its policies, in consultation with the authorities.

## Deadline for the next issue

The next deadline for submissions

# 1 March 2013

Submit your articles to  
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# News and events

## CANBERRA AND SNOWY MOUNTAINS TRIP

The Bribie Island Scout Group trip of 14 days to Jindabyne, Snowy Mountains, Canberra, top of Mt Kosciuszko, Sydney included many fun and educational places such as Questacon, The Australian War Museum, Parliament house, Opera house, Sydney Harbour Bridge, and Bondi Beach has ended.

Our bus did a total of 3,600km and we climbed up to 2,228m. The diary with its 'Scout Learning' and Scout Reflections' on the daily facebook site became an important part of the trip, kept all the families up to date and recorded all the 'firsts' that everyone did. Thanks to Rama for his organisation and safe bus driving, to the NSW Scout Groups that assisted with accommodation and the Bribie Island families that helped to make this trip the success it was. The Scouts and Cub Scouts are to be congratulated on their great behaviour, positive attitudes and the help they gave to each other and to Ethan who as the youngest had the hardest job – keeping up with his 10 'big brothers'.

### Thursday, 10 January - Friday, 11 January

After leaving Rama's place at 4:20 am..... We stayed at 1st Gosford Sea Scout Hall and watched the sun set over the harbour. Are we there yet? Yes! We are now at Lake Burley Griffin Scout hall on the edge of the lake -. Bus driver Rama has clocked up 20 1/2 hours.

### Saturday, 12 January

Off to the War Memorial where the Scouts proved themselves very knowledgeable about Australia's history.

### Sunday, 13 January

Old Parliament House was incredible. Did you know that one Prime Minister only lasted 8 days? Our next tour was around Canberra with a local guide –Scrivener Dam, Governor General's house, top of Mt Ainslie, listened to the Carillon, bouldering, identifying flags, police memorial readings and past The Lodge.

### Monday, 14 January

Started at Questacon this morning which all agreed was fun and we all learnt things including the need to remember where you left your hat and LISTEN or you may miss the bus. All the Scouts with Jacala, Skip and Brolga walked up Black Mountain while Rikki and Rama took the bus. The view of the sunset from Telstra Tower top was worth the cold walk. On the way back was a quick night tour of Canberra.

### Tuesday, 15 January

What is a Mintee? (Not wrapped in paper). Ask a Bribie Scout .Yes we went to the Australian Mint today and learnt how important Rum and Gold are. Australia is the only country that makes notes

like ours. If lost in parliament house look at \$5 note. The Mint paid for part of the Sydney Olympics. Decimal currency came in 14/02/1966. Onto the new Parliament house (opened 1988) with its flag on top as big as the side of a double decker bus. The flag weighs 15kg, there are 10 on rotation and every 4 -5 weeks the current flag is pulled down by using the 'death lift'. The flags are made in Queensland. Enough of history!

### Wednesday, 16 January

On to Jindabyne via Cooma and the Snowy Mountain Hydro centre. A mountain of washing and drying later and we are all ready to go up the mountain tomorrow. The evening walk along Lake Jindabyne was enthusiastic and noisy.

### Thursday, 17 January

An early start to Thredbo for the chairlift. Fantastic ride up and then a 6.5km hike to Mt Kosciuszko's summit. Amazing views and we all threw snow balls around. After returning (another 6.5km) we all had 4 rides on the bobsleds. Lots of fun! Our only Cub Scout made not one complaint in the entire 13km walk, carried his own backpack all day and was tipped off the toboggan twice. Next was the Leisure Centre for several hours of water sliding, bouldering and basketballing. We were all soooo tired but no one fell asleep on the way home.

### Friday, 18 January—Saturday, 19 January

A quiet day was had by all. A swim in Lake Jindabyne was very cool. Moved house from a drizzly and cold Jindabyne in record time to Baden Powell Scout Centre in Sydney and to Eastern Creek GoKart track.

### Sunday, 20 January

What a day!!! spent in Sydney CBD. Went in by double decker train. Walked all day. First was the Sydney Tower and the Skywalk. Overalls and harnessed up off we went looking like prisoners with chain but no ball on the end. The next stop was a Jet Boat trip followed by Paddy's Market, Pitt Street and the Sydney Opera House.

### Monday, 21 January

Walked on South Head of Sydney, swam at Bondi Beach. A night trip through King's Cross and home to bed.

### Tuesday, 22 January -Thursday, 23 January

The bus trip to Port Macquarie Sea Scout hall with its water view was uneventful. Surfing was cool. It was a long trip home (8.30am NSW time to 6.30pm QLD time) and unpacking was done in record time.





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## BENARRAWA DISTRICT GETS A NAME

In 2012, the recently formed 'Brisbane West' District, made up of Oxley & Archer districts finally decided from a short-ish list of 13 names on 'Benarrawa' as it's new name. Benarrawa is the The Jagera peoples word for Oxley creek.



And of course, with a new District, we needed a new badge. All the Youth Members in the District were invited to design a new badge, and the Group Leaders picked the best designs from their Groups, and then voted on the winner.



The new badge is based on a design by Sunnybank Scout Courtney Angel, who was in Cub Scouts when she drew the design. She incorporated elements from both the Oxley & Archer badges, placing the Archer plane and the Oxley Bora Ring (which is at Chelmer) on the one side of the Oxley creek

to represent the unity of the two districts. The bright green colour combines both the green of the Oxley & Archer badges, but also represents a bright new future.

Courtney was presented with certificate, showing her design & the new District badge, by the District Commissioner Chris Burns for her winning design.

A BRAVO to Courtney for her great design!

Random Trivia: A popular Australian English word 'Yakka' (as in Hard Yakka) also comes from the Jagera people!



## MANLY LOTA CUB SCOUTS UNITE WITH HEART KIDS

Over the last few years we have sought to end the year on a high by taking on our most important role, helping others. In 2012, this all started with our Pack making handmade Christmas

decorations at our final Den meeting. Then on Saturday 15th December we organised for 4 of our Cub Scouts, Eli, Josh, Tracey and Gabby, to take these in, on behalf of the Pack, to present to Anne Bannister, the CEO of Heartkids QLD at the Mater Children's Hospital.



This was without doubt not only a very rewarding and emotional experience for our Cub Scouts, the Leader's Rama, Jabiru and Echidna who accompanied them, and Anne, but also the wonderful families and Heartkids who allowed us to spend a little time with them on the day.



We met Anne at 10am. She spent time with us explaining a little about where we were to go, who we would be seeing, and was thrilled with the effort we had put in making the decorations, before heading off to the 8<sup>th</sup> floor. We visited a few different patients and their families, and placed decorations on the doors of those who were spending some quiet time to themselves. We even met a Parent who was once a Venturer Scout and Rover Scout herself!

We then talked with Swetha, a strong and brave 14yr old girl, who is facing some difficult challenges, and tried to brighten up her day. It is always our hope as Scouts that we can do whatever we can to help others, and we hope Swetha's journey is a strong and resilient one. While our time with her was brief, it will be long in our memories.

We then talked with the families of Jacob and Slaviana, two very inquisitive under 2's, who have only in the last few days had what may be one of many heart surgeries. I think I can speak for all of us, when I say it is hard to spend such little time and not want to spend so much more, but we of course respected the privacy of these families, and cherished the time spent with them. Both loved the paper snowflakes which they wore as bangles, the raffia pom poms and garlands which were hung from the ends of their beds, and the letters of support written by Gabby which we gave to the parents. After saying goodbye we took the rest of the decorations to leave in the Head Nurses Office, along with some Christmas activity sheets/booklets we printed to be placed around the wards in the lead up to and over Christmas.

Anne took us on a tour of the rest of the Ward, showing some of the great facilities available to not only the children themselves but also their siblings and parents. We then said goodbye to Anne and headed home full of emotion.

Our big thanks go out to Anne, and everyone at Heartkids QLD for allowing us to have this wonderful opportunity, and we congratulate them on the fine effort they are doing supporting families in need in what are clearly very difficult circumstances.

Visit the Heartkids QLD Facebook page for more about the work they do: <http://www.facebook.com/HeartKidsQLD>

## BENARRAWA DISTRICT CUB SCOUT CAMP

On the 23rd of November, 53 Cub Scouts and a support crew of Leaders and parent helpers descended on Karingal for the First Benarrawa District Cub Scout Camp! The theme for our camp was 'Knights of the Round Table'

Friday night saw a wide game, meeting new Cub Scouts and cooking up a feast of Spaghetti Bolognese for the hungry. On Saturday, Cub Scouts hiked the length of Karingal to partake in a series of activity bases. Ikki from Richlands & Raksha from Sunnybank showed the Cub Scouts how to build a fire, cook vomit omelettes in a billy, and cakes in an orange. Quokka from West Centenary made fake wounds, and taught the kids all about First Aid. They especially loved the snake & insect bite part! Akru from Kurilpa & Goanna from Salisbury ran the catapult building base, but only provided the Cub Scouts with a few pictures of catapults, and the Cub Scouts worked in Groups to construct their own designs from skewers, paddle pop sticks, rubber bands, sticky tape, twine and glue.



Falcon from Sherwood and Bagheera from Kurilpa watched the Cub Scouts get very very wet on the flying fox, while the mums from Sunnybank Belinda & Jane paddled around in the canoe to keep an eye on all the Cub Scouts that fell in (or jumped in!!). Thumper from Sherwood ran the pyrography base, and the kids got to design their own signs. There were some very creative designs! After a huge lunch and a big dinner, the Cub Scouts were treated to a medieval carnival, which was very kindly run by the members of the 4x4 Sub Branch of the Baden-Powell Guild. The Cub Scouts tested their skills in archery, bean bag toss, jousting, pole wrestling, tyre wrestling, and had a mini battle with pool noodles and garbage bin lids.

A very tired bunch of kids then enjoyed campfire, where we were treated to some funny songs and some excellent skits. All was quiet in the cabins quite early, as a bunch of tired kids could be heard snoring! Sunday we went for a short hike for our Scouts Own, and then went for a hike to the dam where the Cub Scouts learnt about Battle of Mafeking. After a big water and flour bomb fight, many a go was had on our 2 lane waterslide! A bunch of tired and dirty Cub Scouts, Leaders and Parents finally trudged out of Karingal on Sunday afternoon after a hugely successful first District camp! A huge thanks to all the Cub Scouts, Leaders, Parents of Kurilpa, Salisbury, Sherwood, Sunnybank, Richlands and West Centenary for all their help and also to the 4x4 Sub Branch for putting on such a great carnival!

## TROOP O13 EXPERIENCE AJ2013

Troop O13 were very excited to see their hard work paid off in receiving their second QLD camping Standard award at Jamboree on 9th January. Troop Leader Robert Pitt had nothing but praise for the efforts of all Scouts, especially the hard working Patrol Leaders and his Line Leaders, their support and diligence made everything in camp flow smoothly. Their excitement was shared that evening when Pieter Van Der Kamp (Smokey) Chief Director AJ2013 was able to come for dinner the same evening with his wife Sue. The youth were able to share their experiences with Smokey and give praise for the hard working Leaders of Jamboree. "This Jamboree has been an amazing experience for the Scouts and Leaders in our Troop, the friendships that have grown, the amazing



once in a lifetime experiences have been nothing short of fantastic to be involved with" Said Rob Pitt, "I get so much enjoyment out of being a Leader in Scouts, being able to help guide and support these youth in Scouts into the young adults they are becoming. It is really an honor to know them"

Troop O13 at AJ got to meet some interesting people at AJ, - some of our Scouts were invited to Serve VIPs at the VIP function on Saturday night, before Closing Ceremony. They then had the pleasure of meeting and talking with Mr Reg Williams RFD, Chief Commissioner for Scout Australia.





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## BRISBANE FIRST CHINESE SCOUTS QLD ANNUAL REPORT CATHAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

It is an honour to write our annual report for this year. This year is our eighth year since our Scout Group founding. Since then, we as a Scout Group together faced many ups and downs. This year we had many new experiences that we had never faced before including an investiture ceremony and camp.

This year, in August, we had the greatest honour in welcoming the Queensland Scout Chief Commissioner, Mrs Kirsty Brown OAM, and her husband, Assistant Chief Commissioner Mr Bryan Brown to our investiture ceremony. The investiture ceremony is when new recruits are officially welcomed to join the world-wide scout movement by joining our Scout Group. This year, we are happy to have two Leaders, one Scout and three Joey Scouts to join our Scout Group. During the ceremony, it is an honour that we had the Chief Commissioner to invest our two Leaders, the Assistant Chief Commissioner for our new Scout recruit and finally our three Joey scouts by the Cathay Community Association President, Mr Ken Cheung. After the investiture ceremony, it was also with the greatest honour that the Chief and Assistant Commissioner inspect the Group like trooping the colour in the United Kingdom.



Later in the year, October, my little brother and I, Raymond, went to a first aid course at St John Headquarters. This is seen as an achievement for the Group, as our knowledge may be passed on and also we were awarded badges towards our main goal of earning the Queen Scout Award as the highest. During the course, we learnt many unexpected situations and techniques and also the renowned saver, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). CPR is an emergency procedure which is performed in an effort to manually preserve intact brain function until further measures are taken to restore blood circulation and breathing in a person in cardiac arrest.

Later in the same month, we had been invited to join in the annual world-wide camp of JOTA-JOTI. Jamboree on the air (JOTA) and Jamboree on the internet (JOTI). At this camp, it consists of different Scout Groups around Brisbane that come together as one camp to play different activities and to communicate with other scouts in other countries. During the camp, the activities includes;

abseiling, swimming, berg buggies, JOTA radio base, JOTI Internet base, sumo suit challenge, chariot rice challenge and construction challenge. During the camp we faced many new experiences and difficulties. One of the experiences we faced was during abseiling. During abseiling, we had a few injuries that ranged from little burns on hands to massive burns to the hands and legs.

One of the new experiences was to contact other scouts nationally and internationally. During the JOTA base, we were happy to contacts in New South Wales and Victoria by calling on the radio and microphone. During the conversation, we were supposed to ask many different things about each other such as "What do you do in your scout Group?" But, that was not all; we also had so much fun like making jokes such as "Have you planned your Christmas, yet?" when it was still the middle of October. Another method of contacting other scouts nationally and internationally was over the Internet. During the activity, I was assigned with contacting other scouts over Skype. While on Skype, I was happy to be talking to different scouts in Taiwan R.O.C., Great Britain, Norway, Hong Kong, Japan and Italy. When at the rear of the camp, we played in the swimming pool.

Once again, it is an honour to be writing our annual report for this year after so many new experiences. Hope next year, will be as great.

Thank you  
Gary Wong  
Venturer Scout Unit Council  
Brisbane First Chinese Scouts Qld

## TROOP D61 – AJ2013 – MARKET DAY WINNERS



Desert Troop D61 outside their gateway proudly displaying their Camping Award and Market Day Winner's banner. D61 consisted of scouts from Browns Plains, Gordonvale, Morayfield, Northern Beaches, St Johns Wood and Teviot

A great day was had by all troops, creating their own activities and bartering their way to be the troop that collected the most "Jam Bucks" for their Sub Camp.

## “REACHING OUT” TO DISASTER VICTIMS

“The very least we could do is “reach out” and help the Scouts who were victims of the Japanese 2011 earthquake and tsunami”, Neville Tomkins, International Commissioner, Scouts Australia said.

Neville was commenting on 4 Japanese Scouts, Naoya Takahashi, Yamato Kato, Takeyama Kaiji, Keitaro Koga, and their Leader, Tomohide Sato, who attended the 23<sup>rd</sup> Australian Jamboree in Maryborough, from 2-12 January.

Scouts Australia was amongst the first to express our condolences to the Scout Association of Japan following this natural disaster, in the north east Tohoku Region, that claimed 15,000 lives, and left hundreds of thousands homeless. Scouts in the Hume Region did some extraordinary work in fundraising, through badge sales nationally and internationally, to help Scouts who were affected.

“The 4<sup>th</sup> Strategic Priority of World Scouting is about “reaching out” to the disadvantaged”, Neville said. “I wanted us to do much more for our brother and sister Scouts who had lost so much”.

Neville subsequently received a grant from the Australia Japan Foundation to bring 4 disadvantaged Scouts and their Leader to AJ2013, and to sponsor a female Scout on our Student in Scouting Exchange Program later this year.

The Scouts and their Leader have been delighted with their visit to Australia and to AJ2013.

“None of this would have been possible were it not for the wonderful support of the Australia Japan Foundation, Scott Thomas and Linda Taylor (who hosted them before and after the Jamboree) and the Japanese Embassy”, Neville added. “I pay particular tribute to Snowgum who have again extended Scouts great support by donating clothes and equipment for these disadvantaged youth members”.

Any Scout Group interested in raising funds to help bring a second female Japanese Scout from the disaster affected region to Australia through SISEP is welcome to contact Neville at [int.comm@scouts.com.au](mailto:int.comm@scouts.com.au).

## MURRENBONG CELEBRATES THEIR 60<sup>TH</sup>

Murrenbong Scout Campsite will celebrate 60 years in 2013. When the Caretakers House and Murrenbong Office burnt down in 1994 we lost our old records, plus a collection of Murrenbong badges up to then.

We have received copies of our records but do not have our badges prior to 1994. We are hoping Leaders from the early days may have seconds of these badges that they will be happy to send us, or a photo, or photocopy of them. If you can help, could you send them to Murrenbong Scout Campsite, 135 Scout Road, Kurwongbah Q4503, together with an appropriate date if possible. Many thanks for your help.”

## SCOUTS HELPING TO BRIDGE THE GAP IN OVERSEAS DENTAL CARE

Some overseas Scouts attending this Jamboree got more than they bargained for during the 23<sup>rd</sup> Australian Scout Jamboree that was held January 1-12 in Maryborough. A small contingent of Scouts from the Timor-Leste and Papua New Guinea region received a full dental overhaul during their stay including a check, clean, repair of any decayed teeth and extraction of teeth that are beyond saving.

Dental Officer Dr Paul Rollason oversaw their treatment.

“Each Timor-Leste & PNG Scout spent about two-hours in the chair as we cleaned, x-rayed, checked and completed any necessary fillings or extractions,” he said.



“This is a vital service that we can supply thanks to the generosity of our many supporters”, Dr Rollason said. “These kids come from third world countries and have limited access to dental facilities, so to be able to send them home with clean teeth and a good stock of toothbrushes and toothpaste for their families and community is really beneficial. This is the epitome of the Scout motto of doing a good turn,” he said. 11,500 Scouts and their leaders from all over Australia and overseas descended on Maryborough in the beautiful Fraser Coast region to “Dream It, Live It” at AJ2013.

Scouts working in patrols of 6 organised their way around 10 days of activities including climbing, abseiling, trade skills, exploring the town of Maryborough and water sports at Hervey Bay. Such adventurous activities sometimes come with minor medical mishaps. Dr Rollason planned for around 70 dental emergencies including chipped and broken teeth, toothaches and orthodontic work during the Jamboree.

“Many kids at this age have braces to manage. We are able to give parents peace-of-mind, knowing that most problems can be easily managed on-site,” Dr Rollason said. “It really is a privilege be able to help out,” Dr Rollason said. “I grew up in the Scout movement and I love to give back to the organisation that has given me so many wonderful experiences.

“Scouting helps to build these young people’s character and turn them into better citizens,” he said. Thanks to the Queensland Health – Oral Health Unit at Logan, Dr Rollason had a fully functioning dental surgery on wheels to cope with the workload. Generous AJ2013 Dental Unit sponsors have ensured the costs of operating this facility are small. Sponsors include Henry Schein Halas, Symbion Dental, Oral B, 3M, Dentsply, GC, Amalgadent, Adam Dental, ORMCO, Independent Dental Supplies, Ivoclar Vivadent and Absolute Dental Care.



# Chief Commissioner of Queensland

 **Kirsty M Brown OAM**



A happy New Year to everyone!

As the year begins, I reflect on how we commenced our scout year. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Australian Scout Jamboree provided a brilliant opportunity to showcase Scouting to the Australian and International communities during January 2013 in Maryborough.

More than 11,000 Scouts and their Leaders **Dreamt It!** and **Loved It!** with Scouts from all over Australia and more than 250 international guests from 14 countries, including large contingents from the Asia Pacific Region.

Scouts Australia sponsored four scouts and one Leader from Miyage, Japan which is where the tsunami and earthquake struck. Speaking with these young scouts demonstrated how scouting was assisting in rebuilding their lives even though they have lost everything - their homes, families and friends, schools etc. Seven scouts and one Leader from Timor Leste (East Timor) had the time of their lives at AJ2013. This is a new scouting country striving to re-develop scouting so that they may join the world organisation.

Two scouts from Papua New Guinea had a fantastic time camping with some of their host scouts from Edmonton Scout Group who looked after them.

While at the Jamboree, thanks to the Logan Region of Queensland Health, each Timor Leste scout and the two scouts from Papua New Guinea had a full dental check. Dr Paul Rollason, Branch Commissioner (International), and dentist within the Australian Jamboree's comprehensive medical centre said, "These Scouts have no dental facilities within their local community and it is of great benefit that they can have access to these fantastic facilities while at Jamboree".

The chance for Australians to share their Jamboree with international scouts was a unique opportunity for many scouts to understand more about themselves and others by living together and sharing cultural exchanges.

For many scouts it was the first time for loads of things:

- to swim at the beach
- to be away from family for this time period
- to wash their own clothes – without power
- to challenge and conquer their fears
- to learn about other cultures
- to share their own spiritual beliefs with others
- to try different foods
- to live in a tent with other people that are not their own family
- to fly on a plane
- and many more personal growth stories...

My thanks goes to the Jamboree Executive Committee, the Chief Director, the many parents, Leaders and Associations that supported scouts to attend AJ2013 and make the event a truly global experience for all. I believe the Queensland Branch has lots

to be proud of as we showcased to the community and other Scouts Branches what we can do, we Dreamt it and Lived it!

Thank you everyone!

## APPROVED EVENT BADGES FOR UNIFORM

Name of Badge	Date Approved	Date to be removed
JOTA JOTI Badge	23 October 2012	<b>21 January 2013</b>
AJ2013 Badge	21 December 2012	21 March 2013
Maroon Name Tapes		1 April 2014

## THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER MEMORANDUM Royal Commission

Further to my memorandum of 13 November 2012 I need to advise you all that the media is focusing on The Scout Association in regards to the Royal Commission on Child Sexual Abuse.

As is Queensland Branch policy, all allegations of child and or sexual abuse are to be immediately reported via the General Manager to my office. We have a central contact in the Queensland Police Force in the Child Safety and Sexual Crime Group. This unit will deal with historical and current allegations.

All information referred to this unit will also be passed to the Scouts Australia National Advisory Committee for inclusion in the Royal Commission.



Charlee Howard—Osbourne receiving her Australian Scout Medallion at the closing of National Youth Council at AJ2013



# Branch Commissioner Joey Scouts



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## AJ2013 Jamboree

Welcome back to what is expected to be another great year in Scouting. It could not of started any better than with the AJ2013 Jamboree which ran in Maryborough. If you attended, how did you find it? What did you like the most; was it the onsite or offsite activities, the night activities, or the interaction with and finding life time friendships. It was one of the greatest events ever on the Australian Scout Calendar? As a Leader attending the AJ 2013 I feel that I have further developed and grown through my experiences and interactions with both the youth members and Leaders.

If you have a chance to attend AJ2016 in Sydney take it, you will never regret the decision. What roles would Joey Scout Leaders perform? You could start to think of welfare, administration, service or activity Leader, security, etc. Don't leave it to the last moment to think about what you could do, start your planning now.

## PARENT INTERVIEWS

With the start of the new year and the prospect of introducing new members into your section it is prudent to think about how we interact with our parents and obtain vital information about our Joey Scouts. It was important years ago when I ran a Mob and it is just as important now – Parent Interviews.

Where can we hold a Parent Interview; maybe the den or at the child's home. Holding a parent interview in the child's home provides you an opportunity to assess and evaluate their environment, how the child lives, their interaction with the parents and other siblings and to informally speak with the child in an environment they feel safe and comfortable.

Going to meet the family and the prospective Joey Scout, we need to ensure we are ready to provide relevant information and respond to questions frequently asked, which could be:

- How do I sign up for Joey Scouts?
- How and where do I purchase a uniform?
- What will my child need?
- What are the costs to join Scouting?
- Is there any financial aid for families of limited means to assist with the costs of joining Scouts?
- What can my child expect when they join?
- Where do my Registration Fees go?
- Does Scouts Australia admit both boys and girls?
- Do you have to believe in God to join Scouting?
- What is Scouts Australia's Policy on Parents/Guardians participating in Scouting activities?
- What is a Parent's/Guardian's role at a Scouting activity?
- What can Parents expect before they come to activities?
- What should we do about siblings who aren't Members of Scouting?
- What are our responsibilities with the Group?
- What are the Parent's responsibilities?

Being a Scout parent comes with important responsibilities too.

Explain they need to:

- Show your interest and encourage your child's Scouting participation.
- Provide transport for meetings and outdoor activities.
- Help to raise money for your child's Scout Group.
- Give your time to participate in Scouting activities and events.

Also speak about the benefits of Scouting covering areas of educational outcomes, family involvement, and interaction with the local and wider community. Parents are vital members of our team assisting with working and training youth members, and that their help and participation is a normal expectation. It is vital that parents understand this expectation at your meeting, and should be made to feel welcome and an important part of the Mob/Group. Don't be scared of 'Parent Interviews', look at the process as a tool to communicate with your parents and to improve your understanding of the youth member. If you do not feel comfortable in conducting a parent interview in their home, then organise for it to occur at the den at a time mutually agreeable to all parties.

For more ideas add this topic to your next District Training Meeting (DTM) agenda for discussion.

## Encompass Topics for Discussion

This year I am looking for input from Joey Scout Leaders on topics they would like discussed, and that would be interesting and supportive to other Joey Scout Leaders. Topics of interest can be emailed to my BC email address: -  
bc.joeyscouts@qldhq.scouts.com.au.

This is your opportunity to raise topics that interest you.

Upcoming dates for 2013

Founder's Day – 22 January 2013

Easter Period – 29 March 2013 to 01 April 2013

ANZAC Day – 25 April 2013

Mothers' Day – 12 May 2013

Joey Scout Jaunt, BP Park Samford – 03 August 2013

Skillarama, Redcliffe Show Grounds – 07 September 2013

Fathers' Day – 08 September 2013



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# Branch Commissioner Cub Scouts



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## **2013 is here!**

Welcome back to another exciting and dynamic year of Cub Scouting, I hope you had a safe and fun time with your family during the holiday season. For those Scouting families affected by the extreme weather of January – my heartfelt sympathy goes to you – I hope you are rebuilding and please reach out and let us know how we can help.

Congratulations to the many that are helping in a variety of ways around the State by helping in the recovery of our Qld communities.

## **Are you ready for 2013?**

We know the best way to keep Cub Scouts in our Packs is by running programs that excite and develop our Youth – have you planned your way through the year?

There is a lot of talk lately online about who is responsible for running programs, my advice is that any Leader that is part of the Pack has the responsibility and is accountable for the Cub Scout Program. It's not up to the allocated Cub Scout Leader to do all the work, as soon as you put on a uniform you are part of the Wide World of Scouting and you make a promise to live by the Scout Law.

Shared leadership always works best in any community/team, and the Cub Scout Pack is no different. Sure it's important to have a driver of ideas and actions, but unless we all commit as one and are on the same page then we will not provide a quality and sustainable program. All that happens is the one that does all the work will burn out and/or become resentful, so I put this to you – are you pulling your weight? Have you asked how you can help? It's fine to say someone won't let go – but have you actually asked?

On the other side Cub Scout Leaders are notoriously for having a 'control freak' natured personalities – well most of us anyway, it's up to the designated Cub Scout Leader to embrace the Patrol System and encourage and mentor your other Leaders to step up.

Look out for each other, regardless of our personality types, backgrounds, or ways – we are all united as CUB SCOUT LEADERS regardless of what name we take or who is the Cub Scout Leader and who is the Assistant – we all owe it to our Youth to do OUR BEST!

## **AJ2013 Future Scout Day**

Wow what an amazing day – we had more than 3,000 Cub Scouts, Joey



Scouts and their families attend Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park to check out what Scouts get up to at an Australian Scout Jamboree. I have included some pics here for you. Thanks to the small but amazing team that helped support this day.



## **Cuboree 2014**

There will be more about Cuboree 2014 – Time of Legends in next month's Encompass, the team have started their planning and budgeting – be excited – I know we are!!!!

## **2013 events:**

Don't forget if you missed AJ2013 – you can always:

### **Join In Jamboree**

The *Join In Jamboree* Programs and ideas are on [www.aj2013.scouts.com.au](http://www.aj2013.scouts.com.au) check it out purchase a camp blanket badge for your Cub Scouts

Need programming ideas 2013 will be the year we have tie to add more resources to:

- ***Eurek-It***

A great resource for planning fantastic programs, visit [www.scoutsqld.com.au](http://www.scoutsqld.com.au) or <https://www.facebook.com/Eurekit> it's still in its infancy, but the potential to support and reduce isolation of our Leaders is inspiring. Volunteers are being sought to help enter data and also for Program ideas and activities – so anything you can do will support this great resource contact Ryan [om@scoutsqld.com.au](mailto:om@scoutsqld.com.au) if you can spare some time or have Programs, ideas or activities you want to share.

- **Bring a Friend Program**

These Programs will be added to *Eurek-it!*

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# Branch Commissioner Scouts



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Welcome back to another great year of Scouting. It has already begun with one of the biggest events in a Scouts life, an Australian Jamboree packed full of challenges, fun, camaraderie, independence and adventure. Let's not let it all end there. An open road lies at our feet just waiting for our Troop Councils to litter it with destinations, each one an adventure in itself. To a Scout it doesn't have to be a solo crossing of the Antarctic on a sled pulled by Meerkats to be an adventure. It could be as simple as a night spent under the stars, a paddle up a local creek, a lightweight hike, climbing to the top of the highest hill you can see, building a watch tower, making a movie .... and the list goes on.



The important thing is that it is the Troop Council steering the ship. We as Leaders are there to guide and support the Troop Council but ultimately we are empowering the Scouts to achieve their goals within the bounds of Scouting policy. This is an awesome role to play in a Scouts life but it can be difficult also walking the fine line between facilitating the Troop Councils, or Patrols, goals and on the other hand quashing them or imposing our own goals. I'm sure we will all do our best and remember that if you do struggle a bit don't be afraid to ask for help from your Group, District or Region. I look forward to hearing of the great ADVENTURES your Scouts have been on throughout the year.

## AJ2013

AJ2013 is over and we are nearing the point where we can close the book on this Jamboree, take a short rest and start looking forward to AJ2016. Rather than telling you about the Jamboree I'd like you find a Scout that went. Sit down and ask them to tell you all about it. They'll either tell you they did "stuff" or talk your ear off.



A few Patrol Leaders dropped over for breakfast. Over two mornings we had the pleasure of entertaining 230 Patrol Leaders. They all received a very special gift to signify their time as a Jamboree Patrol Leader.



- Jelly Wrestling was a popular activity at Contingent HQ.

- How many Scouts can you fit into a typical Ozzy thunder box – 21 and still close the door!!



- So this is how Mum washes the clothes?



There are countless people who have contributed to the Jamboree's success and I thank you all for your contribution. I'm sure in later years when we are looking back through old photos we will all have warm recollections of the positive impact we had on these young people's lives. (Hopefully any photos of my time as a ventriloquist dummy will have been lost by then). I must especially thank the members of the Contingent Committee for their tireless work in the years leading up to and during the Jamboree. No task has been too much to ask and everyone has pulled together to get things done. The teamwork and support was inspiring to be a part of. I recall one night, or morning, sending out an email to the team at around 1:30am and minutes later responses are firing back from all directions. This Jamboree has been particularly tough on human resources with Qld also hosting the Jamboree. Some people may not be aware but Pieter Van Der Kamp (Smokey) also headed up a team (JEC) that were responsible for planning and running the entire event. This has been an effort of mammoth proportions stretching over 4 years; the end result a fantastic Jamboree for us all.



Thankyou.



"If you make listening and observation your occupation you will gain much more than you can by talk."

Sir Robert Baden-Powell

# Branch Commissioner Venturer Scouts



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## Welcome to 2013

For some of us, the Scouting year is just starting to warm up. For others the past two months never slowed down in terms of Scouting and possibly got a bit more frenetic. Whatever you have done since my previous article, welcome back. At the same time, please spare a thought and some assistance for those Scout Groups, Leaders, and youth members who have had their lives devastated by the winds and flooding from the recent cyclone along the east coast and the bush fires all over the state.

At the January meeting of the Branch Venturer Scout Council (the meeting of Leaders representing the Regions of the Branch) we talked about a theme for this year. This follows on from the thoughts I expressed in Encompass in early November i.e. about units programming **and doing** a unit hike or camp once each term this year. By that I don't mean turning up at a well run event organised by a District or a Region – I mean get your unit to do it just for themselves, and do something more challenging than the previous time.

Anyhow, it appears I struck a bit of a chord as the other Leaders suggested: getting involved, doing something, and (and this may become a slogan) getting out there. If you want a target, consider walking on Jamboree On The Trail day in 11 May. [Have a look at jott.org for more information.]

Another suggested theme was *transitions* as in transitions from Scouts to Venturer Scouts and Venturer Scouts to Rovers. We've just finished a very successful jamboree and there are now many older scouts wondering "*is that it for me and Scouting*". Don't wait to be asked by them – get your unit in touch with your local troop or troops and sell the challenge and excitement of venturing. Of course your Venturer Scouts cannot just talk the talk, their program and their actions will have to show to the scouts, and their parents, that the Venturer Scout section is as good as the Venturer Scouts

say it is.

This of course comes back to programming, and now is the time for units to be drawing up or reviewing short term, medium term and long term program goals. When they do, encourage them to go and do that Venturer Scout training (unit management and leadership) that is on offer, get those first aid qualifications, and so forth. Ensure the program is balanced around the four areas of the award scheme, or if you like, the five areas of personal growth.

Whether you had a break from scouting over Christmas or you did not – the game is afoot.

## Queensland Venture 2013

In my previous article I wrote briefly about Queensland Venture which this year is being held at Camp Barrabadeen on Lake Tinaroo in north Queensland, from 29 June to 6 July. The application forms are really really close now. For more information, especially about the expeditions that are being organised, visit "QV2013 – Expeditions" on Facebook or follow the topics about QV on the Venturer Scout forum "<http://venturerforum.scoutsqld.com.au>".

### Dates (a partial list)

#### February

- 17 Unit Management Course – Toohey Mountain den
- 22 Founder's Day
- 27 Branch Youth Venturer Scout Meeting – Skype

#### March

- 9-10 Operation Archer – Mulgowie
- 27 Branch Venturer Scout Meeting – Skype

[See <http://venturerforum.scoutsqld.com.au> for details of these activities.]



**\*Make 2013 the year to join the Gang\***

**Brisbane Gang Show**

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# Branch Commissioner Rover Scouts



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## AJ2013 - CHALLENGE IT

Queensland Rovers made a strong contribution along with the thousands of other Scouters involved in the successful running of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Australian Jamboree at Maryborough. Rovers were involved in a variety of roles ranging from the organising committee, to the troop lines and of course in making "Challenge-it" one of the highlights for all Scouts who attended the Jamboree.



## 2013 YEAR OF THE MOOT

If you thought 2013 was just going to be a big year because of the Jamboree; well hold onto your seats campers; 2013 is shaping up to be an even bigger year for Australian Rovers with 3 moots; WAM in Perth, RAPPA Moot in NZ and the World Moot in Canada.....

So do you have what it takes; are you a "real" Rover; because if you are you won't want to miss out on any of these great moots in 2013!

## WAM – PERTH –Dec 2013-Jan 2014

Applications are now open for the 19<sup>TH</sup> Australian Rover Moot in Perth.



Participant fee is \$850 plus the expedition fee. Staff fee is \$650.

### This fee includes the following:

*All meals for the 12 days of the event, Accommodation for 12 nights, Heaps of On and Off site day activities spread out over 6 action filled days, Night time entertainment, including live bands and New Years Eve party, Opening & Closing ceremonies, Transport to/from day activities, Shuttle bus to Fremantle*

### Other costs to consider are:

*Your 5 day moot Expedition, Travel to/from Perth (flights, fuel, train ticket), Spending money  
Any pre or post moot adventures you seek.*



## 14<sup>TH</sup> WORLD MOOT CANADA – August 2013

Applications are now open for the 14<sup>th</sup> World Rover Moot in Canada in August 2013.

The Moot 2013 headquarters will be located at the Awacamenj Mino outdoor base, 75 km north of Ottawa-Gatineau, the National Capital Region. The opening and closing ceremonies, conferences, workshops, outdoor activities and other large gatherings will take place deep in the backwoods of Quebec, on the shores of a pristine clear lake. One portion of the program will take place in urban settings, in Montréal, Quebec City and Toronto. The Australian contingent Leader is Pete Favelle (from NSW) who can be contacted at Sp38Trains@hotmail.com

## 71st NZ Rover Moot (Rapa Moot)

28 March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013

The moot will be at the Wairarapa Outdoor Pursuits Centre just out of Masterton - The name means "Glistening Waters", and with 3 major forest parks and a wild stretch of coast it's ideal for outdoor adventuring. Wairarapa is also one of NZ's top food and wine destinations, and is at the heart of the Classic New Zealand Wine Trail. There's no shortage of interesting opportunities in the Wairarapa, and it therefore makes it an excellent setting for a Moot!

Some awesome stuff the area offers (that may or may not appear in the tour options):

The Tui Brewery

Riversdale and Castlepoint (the best swimming, surfing and fishing beaches on the coast!)

Pukaha Mount Bruce National Wildlife Centre

Stonehenge Aotearoa (a full-scale working replica of England's Stonehenge)

Palliser Bay (fur seals, a lighthouse, and the "spooky Putangirua Pinnacles")

Fell Locomotive Museum

Olive groves and the Martinborough Wineries

For more information go to [www.rapamoot.com](http://www.rapamoot.com)

## FUTURE DATES

BP Lodge Founders Night – 13 February - Stones Corner Masonic Centre

QBRC Meeting – 17 February QSC – 7pm

Founders Day – 22 February

QBRC Meeting – 17 March QSC – 7PM

Roventure – 12-14 April – BP Park (to be confirmed)

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# Youth Awards



## JOEY SCOUT PROMISE CHALLENGE

Hayden Tunley  
Aliesha Freebairn  
Casper Cole  
Molly Hennessey  
Benjamin Batho  
Aiden Goddard  
Timothy Bigalla  
Oscar Dickson  
Skye Briggs

Dalby Yumborra Scout Group  
Chermside Burul Scout Group  
St Johns Wood Scout Group  
Albany Creek Scout Group  
Burleigh Heads Scout Goup  
Wynnum Scout Group  
Kallangur Scout Group  
Shailer Park Scout Group  
Kirwan Scout Group



## AUSTRALIAN SCOUT MEDALLION

Charlee Howard-Osbourne  
Luke Butterworth  
Zachary McAulay  
Joshua McAulay  
Benjamin McAulay  
Clare Frost  
William Richards  
Nathan Holden

Maryborough West Scout Group  
Burleigh Heads Scout Group  
Atherton Scout Group  
Atherton Scout Group  
Atherton Scout Group  
Oakleigh Scout Group  
North Ipswich Scout Group  
Nashville Scout Group



## CUB SCOUT GREY WOLF AWARD

Teagan Barritt  
Ethan McMaster  
Sienna Coyne  
Benjamin Simpson  
Jesse Ballard-Lee  
Vincent Norwood  
Knaiche Phillips

Coomera Scout Group  
Pimlico Mundingburra Scout Group  
Clifton Hill Scout Group  
Maryborough West Scout Group  
Upper Mount Gravatt Scout Group  
Upper Mount Gravatt Scout Group  
Upper Mount Gravatt Scout Group



## VENTURER SCOUT QUEENS SCOUT AWARD

Brendan Wilson  
Broderick Mace  
Arthur Bradbury  
Benjamin Kasper

Albany Creek Scout Group  
Rangeville Scout Group  
Dayboro Scout Group  
Samford Scout Group

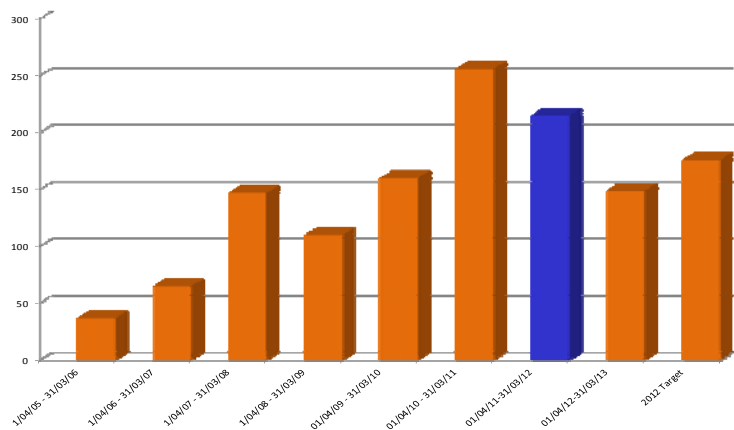


## BADEN POWELL SCOUT AWARD

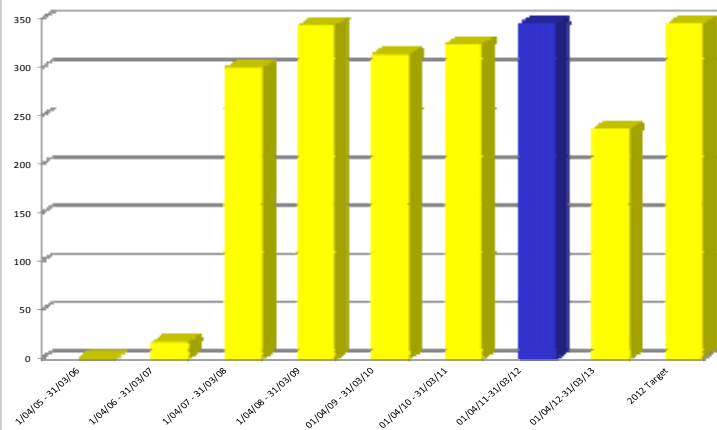
Philip Verner

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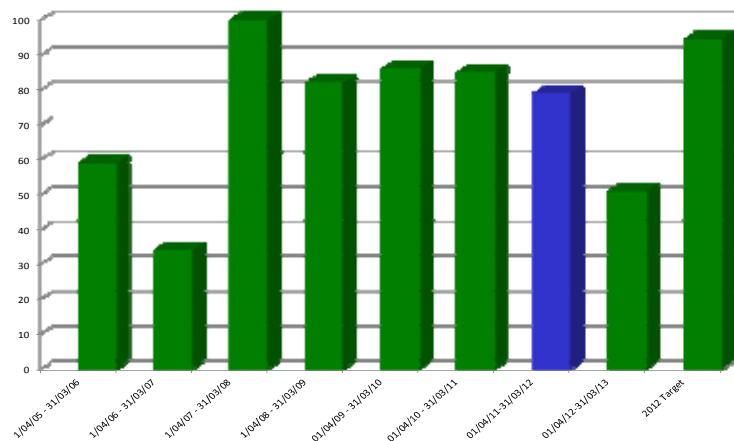
Joey Scout Promise Challenge



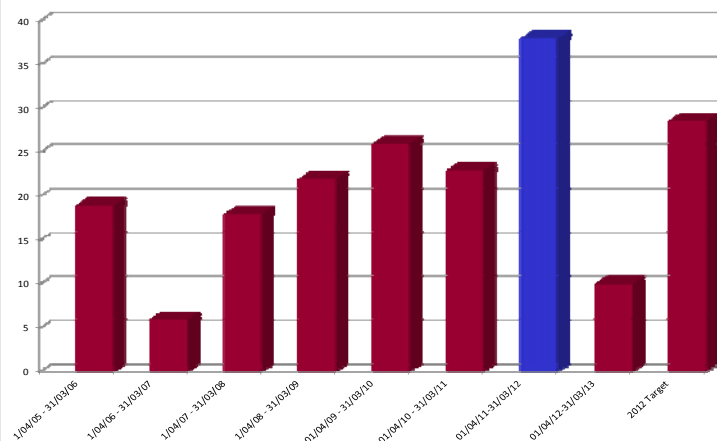
Cub Scout Grey Wolf Award



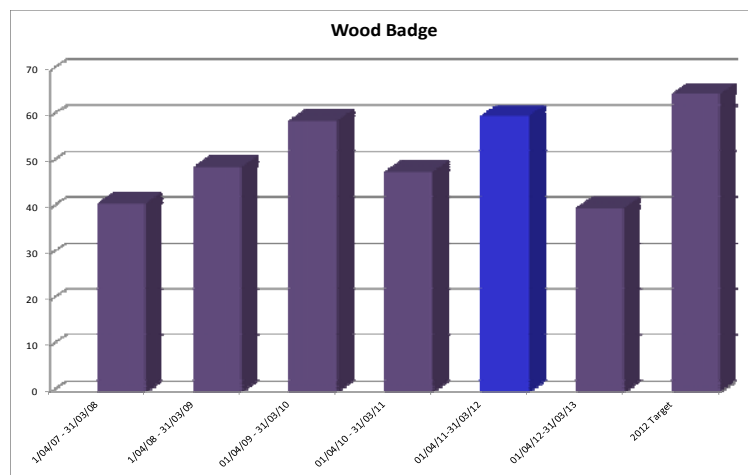
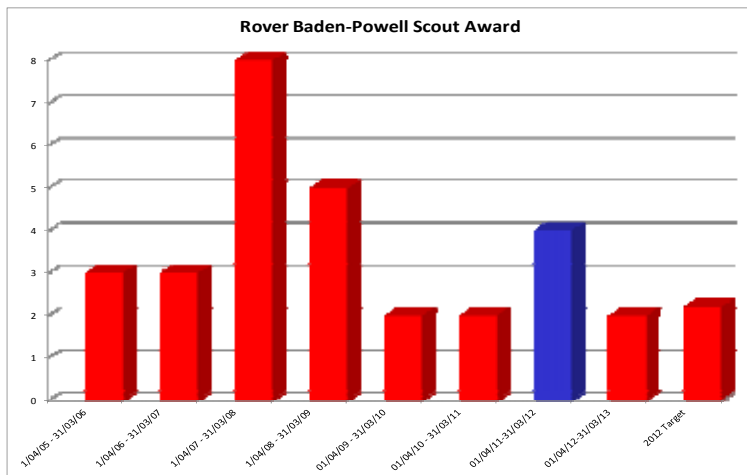
Scout Australian Scout Medallion



Venturer Scout Queen Scout Award







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### Facebook Cub Scout Leaders in Qld page

Are you a member? See what other Leaders have to say about the great activities they run.

### Waingunga Day

More information about this exciting event will be available in March

### Seeonee Region Days

Talk to your Region and District Leaders about this event – more in next month's Encompass

### Branch Commissioners Challenge 2013

The Cub Scout Branch Commissioners Challenge will be available in March, due to AJ2013 I didn't get a chance to get onto this, but remember it is a great chance to challenge your Pack so check out [www.scoutsqld.com.au](http://www.scoutsqld.com.au) Cub Scout page as well as from your Region or District Advisor; there will be camp blanket badge for this event.

So you can see I am very excited about 2013 for our Cub Scouts – there is a heap to do and so many ways you can support your Programs. Remember to look after yourself and always factor in some family time too – we want you to stay in your Packs.

Thanks for being part of the **BEST** Section – just don't tell anyone – it's my best kept secret! See you around in your Packs or at Training soon.

### Good Hunting

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### REGION REPRESENTATIVES

There are still some vacancies for 2012/2013 Rover Region Representatives.

Rover Region Representatives are an important activities and communication link between Crews, Regions and QBRE. As region representative, you are a voice for Rovering in your region. Your duties include regularly communicating with crews in your region, attending QBRE meetings (where possible) and participation in two major rover conferences each year.

If you are interested in becoming a Rover Region Representative, the term officially commences on 1 September and nomination forms must be submitted to [chair@qldrovers.org.au](mailto:chair@qldrovers.org.au) or [bc.rovers@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:bc.rovers@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

### ROVER RED AND WHITE POLO SHIRTS

The famous RED and WHITE Rover polo shirts are back in stock

after losses during the January floods. Orders for shirts can be sent to [merchandise@qldrovers.org.au](mailto:merchandise@qldrovers.org.au)

### HAVE YOU OR YOUR CREW JOINED THE QLD ROVER WEBSITE

If you have not joined the Queensland Rover Website, it's easy to join, just log onto the Qld Rover Website and follow the simple instructions. If you have any problems logging on or aren't receiving emails, contact [communications@qldrovers.org.au](mailto:communications@qldrovers.org.au)

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# General Manager



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Welcome back to an exciting new year! Well done to all those who made the Jamboree such a great success and our sympathy to those affected by the aftermath of Cyclone Oswald.

## Jamboree

The Jamboree was an amazing event and shows just what Scouts can achieve. The Jamboree Team is to be congratulated for all their hard work. Despite the heat, it was terrific to see so many Scouts have such a wonderful experience.

From a shop perspective, we sold out of almost everything. The financial details are yet to be sorted out but we are pleased with the sales at the Trading Post. There will be some official AJ2013 items for sale on our website shortly and the proceeds of these will be going to assist those affected by the recent storms.

## Cyclone Oswald

The storms associated with Tropical Cyclone Oswald have caused a great deal of damage to a number of areas across the state. The impact and amount of damage is still being assessed; however, the response has been pleasing. There have been many offers of assistance and a flood appeal has been established. Our intention is to provide fee relief for those members and new members who have been directly affected by the storm damage. We are also aware of Scout members providing voluntary labour in the clean-up and flood recovery efforts. Thank you!

For your information, there were concerns that the Queensland Scout Centre would be inundated. In preparation, numerous volunteers and the staff prepared the building by relocating equipment to higher ground, sealing and sandbagging the lower floor and removing the servers from the building. We apologise for the disruption to service; however, the water did not enter the building. Some large trees and branches came down in the storm but with minimal damage to property. The additional greenery currently resting on the building's roof does put a twist on calling this the "Branch Office".

## Safe Buildings

The need for our buildings to be safe and compliant with legislation is a major focus for the Branch this year. Thank you to those Groups and other formations who have nominated a contact person to coordinate the building audits this year. We will be contacting you shortly, if this has not occurred as yet. If your Group has not nominated a contact person, please do this as a matter of importance. We have developed a checklist for inspecting our buildings and will forward this to the nominated person. Buildings and property needs to be checked for fire and electrical safety, maintenance issues and image. Any issues need to be addressed in a maintenance plan. We will provide advice and support where possible, such as assistance in writing grant applications.

## Finances

Firstly, just a friendly reminder that all of our accounts have 30 day terms. We realise that a number of Groups have shut down over Christmas and are only just catching up; we appreciate your assistance with these matters. I have been informed that some Groups have missed out on some invoices, please let the Finance Team know if there are any documents that you need or if there are problems in paying any invoices.

I am planning to contact some formations to discuss overdue accounts; my apologies for the delays in responding to your emails. The storm has put me a little behind.

We have been pleased that some Groups have successfully applied for Get in the Game vouchers for membership fee relief for needy families from the government. This is the first time Scouts Queensland have been eligible for this type of funding. If you are applying, you will need the Incorporation Number for The Scout Association of Australia Queensland Branch Inc. which is IA17583. The website is [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame)

Please note that a new approach to membership fees has just been released (refer to the Chief Commissioner's Memo dated 31 January 2013). It means that new members pay an enrolment fee and that ongoing membership fees are now reduced. It is advantageous for continuing members to remain financial. I urge all Group Leaders and Leaders-in-Charge to ensure that membership details are current and correct **before the census date on 31 March**. The membership data on this date is used to invoice the Movement.

## Campsites and Activity Centres

Just as building compliance is a major focus this year, so too is developing our campsites and activity centres. It is my intention to arrange a number of forums for those who manage our campsites and activity centres to discuss relevant matters.

## Action List

To assist with your planning, I hope that the following list of important tasks is beneficial:

- Implement new fee schedule in place
- Check and update Scout websites
- Nominate a contact person for building compliance matters (otherwise it will be the GL or LIC)
- Update membership details online through SMS (**before 31 March**)
- Establish yearly plans for the formation (including billing members, membership update, maintenance schedule, audit, AGM, finance return and property return)

Thank you for your contribution to Scouting!



**AUTHORISED TRADING OFFICERS NOTIFICATION CARD (SS1) AND APPOINTMENT OF BADGE SECRETARY FORMS (SS2) WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE SCOUTS QLD WEBSITE AND IN NEXT MONTHS EDITION OF ENCOMPASS**



# Administration matters

## UNKNOWN BLUE CARDS RECEIVED

We have received Blue Card information from the Commission for the following people, however there is no record of their involvement with Scouting as a Member or an Adult Helper. If any of the people listed below are attached to your Formation please contact the Adult Membership Support officer immediately. Failure to determine where these people are attached to will result in advice to the Commission of their non involvement with Scouting in Queensland. Contact the Membership Support officer on 3721 5733 or [membership@scoutsqld.com.au](mailto:membership@scoutsqld.com.au)



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## CHARTERED FORMATIONS

The following Formations have become Chartered or rechartered during the month:



Burpengary Scout Group  
Gumdale Scout Group  
Victoria Point Scout Group  
Clifton Hill Scout Group  
Rosedale Scout Group  
Upper Mount Gravatt Scout Group  
Hemmant Scout Group  
Enoggera Scout Group  
Woombye Scout Group

## UPDATED FORMS

The following forms have been updated on the Scouts Queensland Website in the Members Only Area. To download these forms you need Adobe Acrobat Reader.

Form	Description	Issue	Date
A57	Venturer Scout Section Course Application Form	7	12/12
B2	District Procedures	6	12/12
B8	Region Procedures	1	12/12
A15	Leader Training Application	28	02/13
A75	Leader Training Application—Special Training Courses	9	02/13
A76	Leader Training Application—First Aid Courses	8	02/13
A78	Leader Training Application—Specialist Outdoors Training	11	02/13

For any issues relating to the follow matters:	Please contact
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# Training calendar

*Dates are subject to change  
throughout the year*

Course #	Venue	Start Date	End Date	Closing date
<b>Cub Scout Skills Training 1(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5101306	Aldershot Campsite - Maryborough	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5101308	Bayview	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5101307	Tarmaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	23-Mar-13 (Sat)	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Cub Scout Skills Training 2 &amp; 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5111301	Baden-Powell Park	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Cub Scout Skills Training 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5111301A	Baden-Powell Park	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>First Aid - Apply First Aid Plus</b>				
7001301	Moreton Region Scout Centre	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
7001302	Queensland Scout Centre	6-Apr-13 (Sat)	7-Apr-13 (Sun)	15-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>First Aid - CPR Fast Track</b>				
7301302	Moreton Region Scout Centre	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
7301304	Moreton Region Scout Centre	6-Apr-13 (Sat)	6-Apr-13 (Sat)	15-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>First Aid Preliminary</b>				
7401301	Moreton Region Scout Centre	6-Apr-13 (Sat)	6-Apr-13 (Sat)	15-Mar-13 (Fri)
7401302	Moreton Region Scout Centre	7-Apr-13 (Sun)	7-Apr-13 (Sun)	15-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>First Aid Remote Area</b>				
3731301	Kenmore	9-Mar-13 (Sat)	10-Mar-13 (Sun)	15-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Joey Scout Skills Training 1(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5001306	Aldershot Campsite - Maryborough	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5001308	Bayview	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5001307	Tarmaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	23-Mar-13 (Sat)	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Joey Scout Skills Training 2 &amp; 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5011301	Baden-Powell Park	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Joey Scout Skills Training 3(e- Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5011301A	Baden-Powell Park	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Leader of Adults Skills Training 1 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5501306	Aldershot Campsite - Maryborough	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5501308	Bayview	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5501307	Tarmaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	23-Mar-13 (Sat)	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Leader of Adults Skills Training 2&amp;3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5511301	Baden-Powell Park	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Leader of Adults Skills Training 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5511301A	Baden-Powell Park	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Leadership Training 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
4491306	Aldershot Campsite - Maryborough	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
4491308	Bayview	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
4491307	Tarmaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	23-Mar-13 (Sat)	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Module 1 Train the Trainer (2013)</b>				
2801301	Baden-Powell Park	27-Mar-13 (Wed)	1-Apr-13 (Mon)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Module 2 Train the Trainer (2013)</b>				
2811301	Baden-Powell Park	27-Mar-13 (Wed)	1-Apr-13 (Mon)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Module 3 Train the Trainer (2013)</b>				
2821301	Baden-Powell Park	27-Mar-13 (Wed)	1-Apr-13 (Mon)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Module 4 Train the Trainer (2013)</b>				
2831301	Baden-Powell Park	27-Mar-13 (Wed)	1-Apr-13 (Mon)	27-Mar-13 (Wed)
<b>Scout Skills Training 1 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5201306	Aldershot Campsite - Maryborough	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5201308	Bayview	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5201307	Tarmaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	23-Mar-13 (Sat)	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Scout Skills Training 2 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5211301	Baden-Powell Park	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Scout Skills Training 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5221301	Baden-Powell Park	13-Apr-13 (Sat)	14-Apr-13 (Sun)	22-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Abseiling Level 1 (Natural Surfaces)</b>				
1091301	Blackwater	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	21-Apr-13 (Sun)	29-Mar-13 (Fri)
1091302	Baden-Powell Park	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	21-Apr-13 (Sun)	29-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Abseiling Level 1(Artificial Surfaces)</b>				
1011301	Baden-Powell Park	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	21-Apr-13 (Sun)	29-Mar-13 (Fri)



# Training calendar

*Dates are subject to change  
throughout the year*

Course #	Venue	Start Date	End Date	Closing date
<b>SISO - Canoeing (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 1</b>				
1051302	Murrenbong Campsite - Kurwongbah	1-Mar-13 (Fri)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
1051303	Karingal Campsite	8-Mar-13 (Fri)	10-Mar-13 (Sun)	15-Feb-13 (Fri)
1051304	Barrabadeen Campsite	22-Mar-13 (Fri)	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
1051306	Lake Awoonga Campsite - Gladstone	5-Apr-13 (Fri)	7-Apr-13 (Sun)	29-Mar-13 (Fri)
1051305	Leslie Dam	5-Apr-13 (Fri)	7-Apr-13 (Sun)	15-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Canoeing (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 2</b>				
1061301	Non Scouts Site	8-Mar-13 (Fri)	10-Mar-13 (Sun)	15-Feb-13 (Fri)
1061302	Aspley	5-Apr-13 (Fri)	7-Apr-13 (Sun)	15-Mar-13 (Fri)
1061307	Barrabadeen Campsite	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	21-Apr-13 (Sun)	29-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Common Core Part A</b>				
7421301	Tyamolum Campsite - Mt Crosby	12-Apr-13 (Fri)	14-Apr-13 (Sun)	22-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Common Core Part B</b>				
7751301	Tyamolum Campsite - Mt Crosby	12-Apr-13 (Fri)	14-Apr-13 (Sun)	22-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>SISO- Level 1 Common Core</b>				
6851313	Murrenbong Campsite - Kurwongbah	1-Mar-13 (Fri)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
6851314	Karingal Campsite	8-Mar-13 (Fri)	8-Mar-13 (Fri)	15-Feb-13 (Fri)
6851315	Barrabadeen Campsite	23-Mar-13 (Sat)	23-Mar-13 (Sat)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
6851316	Leslie Dam	5-Apr-13 (Fri)	5-Apr-13 (Fri)	15-Mar-13 (Fri)
6851301	Blackwater	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	29-Mar-13 (Fri)
6851302	Baden-Powell Park	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	21-Apr-13 (Sun)	29-Mar-13 (Fri)
6851317	Lake Awoonga Campsite - Gladstone	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	19-Apr-13 (Fri)	29-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>SISO-Kayaking (Flat and Undemanding Water ) Level 1</b>				
1071302	Murrenbong Campsite - Kurwongbah	1-Mar-13 (Fri)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
1071303	Karingal Campsite	8-Mar-13 (Fri)	10-Mar-13 (Sun)	15-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>SISO-Kayaking (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 2</b>				
1081301	Non Scouts Site	8-Mar-13 (Fri)	10-Mar-13 (Sun)	15-Feb-13 (Fri)
1081302	Aspley	5-Apr-13 (Fri)	7-Apr-13 (Sun)	15-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Leadership</b>				
2721301	Petrie	1-Mar-13 (Fri)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Scout Skills Training 1(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5301306	Aldershot Campsite - Maryborough	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5301308	Bayview	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
5301307	Tarmaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	23-Mar-13 (Sat)	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Scout Skills Training 2(e-learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5311301	Baden-Powell Park	2-Mar-13 (Sat)	3-Mar-13 (Sun)	8-Feb-13 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Scout Skills Training 3(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5321301	Baden-Powell Park	13-Apr-13 (Sat)	14-Apr-13 (Sun)	22-Mar-13 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Unit Management</b>				
3421302	Freshwater	17-Mar-13 (Sun)	17-Mar-13 (Sun)	22-Feb-13 (Fri)
3421303	Highfields	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	24-Mar-13 (Sun)	1-Mar-13 (Fri)

## CONGRATULATIONS WOOD-BADGE

Pleased to announce the awarding of the Wood badge to the following Members.

Jennifer Grant Woombye Scout Group  
 Louise Doig Pamphlett Sea Scout Group  
 Shaun Sandilands Taringa Milton Toowong Scout Group  
 Mark Redmond Taringa Milton Toowong  
 Julie Christensen Narangba Scout Group  
 Sharon Rigby Clifton Hill Scout Group  
 Gavin Brady Queensland Branch  
 Jaqueline Unold Stanthorpe Scout Group  
 Katie Woodbridge Raceview Scout Group  
 Quinton Stanley Stanthorpe Scout Group  
 Emmi Thomas Majestic Park Scout Group  
 Madeleine Davie St Johns Wood Scout Group  
 John Horton Taringa Milton Toowong Scout Group

Alexander Topp  
 Andrew Cornett  
 Arjan Plessius  
 Norah Walden  
 Laurence Cole  
 Peter Savage  
 Peta Fray  
 Brett Rigby  
 Melissa Pascoe  
 Christopher Pascoe  
 Wendy Hedemann  
 Jennifer Lang  
 Joann Brzozowski

Caboolture Scout Group  
 Daguiar Range District  
 Mudgeeraba Scout Group  
 Karalee Scout Group  
 Tyakunda District  
 Brisbane North Region  
 Brownsea  
 Clifton Hill Scout Group  
 Stanthorpe Scout Group  
 Stanthorpe Scout Group  
 The Gap Scout Group  
 Stanthorpe Scout Group  
 Banksia Scout Group



# Deputy Chief Commissioner Special Duties



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Welcome back to Scouting for 2013. I heard the following story at the Jamboree and thought I would share its great message with you all. Have a great year.

When Tim was 12 years old his family spent their summer vacation with their grandparents at their cabin beside the river. Tim loved it there because he felt it gave him a chance to be a *real* Scout. There were mountains to climb, wild animals to track, and the river to explore. His younger brother and sister preferred to dangle their toes in the river while he went off searching for adventure.

Fortunately, he met a boy his age to share his adventures with that summer. They had many things in common: they were both visiting their grandparents, they both loved to hike and explore, and, best of all, they were both Scouts.

Both boys quickly explored the area around the cabins but soon wanted to see more, and with their parents' consent, planned a day-long forest adventure. The night before the big day, Tim's friend told him that his 76-year-old grandfather wanted to come along. "My grandfather likes to hike," he said with a shrug.

Not wanting to hurt his new friend's feelings, Tim reluctantly agreed. *His grandfather will only last a few miles*, he thought to himself.

The next morning he got up with the sun and ran to his friend's cabin. As he waited, his friend's grandfather came out first, and Tim could hardly believe how he looked. He was tall and thin and wore a wide-brimmed Scout hat, a heavy Scouting jacket, jeans, and laced-up hiking boots; he looked like he had just walked off the cover of *Encompass!* Tim was momentarily impressed but still believed he wouldn't be able to keep up with us for long. *After all, how much can you learn from a 76-year-old grandfather?*

As the three of them headed up the trail into the forest, the boys tried to walk slowly, but their excitement to explore got the best of them. They had been waiting so long to be free in the woods that they took off running up the narrow path.

The boys felt like real explorers. Then they heard grandfather calling for us to come back. Walking back down the trail, they wondered out loud how soon it would be before he returned to the cabin.

When the boys reached him, he pointed to the ground and said, "Look at this." They knelt down, wondering what he wanted to show us. Beside their footprints, he was pointing out two sets of animal prints in the soft dirt.

"This one is the mother deer," he explained to his now captive audience. "The imprint isn't very deep, and the strides are short. That's how you can tell it's not a buck; it's a doe." He smiled, pointing to the second set of prints. "She has a little one with her."

"A fawn!" Tim said. *This is great. It's like being with a real tracker following the trail of a wild animal.*

Tim glanced at his friend, and his eyes were filled with excitement. "Maybe we'll stay with you for a while, Grandfather," he said. Tim quickly nodded. Grandfather pointed out different types of trees, flowers, and edible plants, and he talked about tracking an animal by signs it had left behind.

"See this broken branch? It shows that an animal came from this direction," he said. "Look at the moss on this tree. It's been rubbed off along here. That means animals use this path regularly. Now, if you wanted someone to find you, you could leave the same kinds of clues."

They spent a few hours tracking different animals until Grandfather announced it was time for a test. "I want to see how much you two have learned today," he said. "I'm going to hide and leave clues so you can track me."

The boys closed their eyes and gave him plenty of time to get ahead of them and leave a good trail. Then the search began. "He went this way!" Tim's friend hollered with excitement. "See, this rock is overturned."

"Yeah," said Tim, "and there are some broken branches over there. We've got to be close." They followed little piles of rocks and forked branches that led them in the right direction where the path divided. Every so often they could make out the imprint of hiking boots. They must have followed his trail for over an hour. By this time the sun was beginning to go down and they still hadn't found him.

"I'm over here boys." They heard his voice a moment before he stepped out of his hiding place near us. "Our day has been a success," he said. "You have certainly learned well."

Hiking back to the cabins, both boys were exhausted. It had been a long day, and they had worked hard trying to keep up with Grandfather.

When Tim reached his cabin he could hardly keep his eyes open, but he just had to tell his parents all about his adventures. Tim told them what a great Scouter Grandfather was and that he wanted to be just like him. Mum got Tim into bed by promising that in the morning she would make some of her special scones and that Tim could take them over to thank him for such an exciting day.

When Tim got to his friend's cabin the next day, Grandfather greeted him with a smile. "You are a great Scout," he said. Then thanked him for the wonderful day in the forest. Grandfather proceeded to say to Tim, "The pathway of righteousness is the highway of happiness. Don't lose your way."

It left an impression on Tim that he has never forgotten.

Good Scouting.



# Deputy Chief Commissioner Youth Program



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Reflections are a wonderful activity. On returning from the Maryborough Jamboree, AJ 2013, I have made time to reflect on the number of great activities and opportunities that were presented during those magical AJ days. I have attended ten Australian jamborees and have assumed a variety of different roles at each of these. While, understandably we seem mostly concerned about the activities and food each day,

I could not help but be continually impressed by the standard of our leadership being demonstrated in all of the areas that I encountered- from the Chief Commissioner, the Jamboree Chief Director, the various business directors, our contingent Leaders, our Troop Leaders and their line Leaders, the activity Leaders, youth Leaders and patrol Leaders. The patrol system was so strong and so youth Leadership opportunities were abundant.

Leadership is an integral skill that we use in all sorts of activities whether it be at the Jamboree, at work, in our business, or every day life including Scouting. This is so evident at a Jamboree where we build our own mini city and staff all essential areas including troop lines and provision of exciting activities. This made me reflect on our leadership styles and the way we change these according to the roles we have, the nature and purpose of the activity and the overall goal of the event.

AJ 2013 certainly was living proof of how effective the patrol system is, even 110 years after our founder created this method. This was evident from the operation of the Jamboree Council down to troop lines and activities where the patrol unit was the basis of all that occurred.

Youth empowerment and youth involvement in decision making was also very evident again from having Charlee, a young scout from Maryborough involved in the Jamboree Council from its inception to the 100 scouts who presented their recommendations about a number of issues- some generated by Scouting's hierarchy while others came direct from the young people themselves. We will report more on these matters in a later article.

Jamboree was full of leadership opportunities, challenges and solutions and each of us has gained a great deal from these. On reflection however, just what are the basic attributes we expect of leaders- whether it be at a Jamboree, in the political arena or in Scouting.

Attributes such as honesty, living by the Scout Promise and Law, integrity and possessing good communication and people skills and sharing the vision with others are surely at the top of any list. In the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, 5th edition, Kouzes and Posner (2012) in *The Leadership Challenge- How to make extraordinary things happen in organisations*, found that people to follow some one willingly require a Leader to be honest, forward looking, competent and inspiring and these attributes have not changed in the last 25 years.

Also they do not change from despite the country, ethnicity, gender, cultures, level of education or age groups. This is strong information. How well would you measure up?

Do you consider yourself to be:


- Honest
- Forward looking
- Competent
- Inspiring

Living by the Scout Promise and Law.

I challenge you to reflect on your Leadership and to assist others in your teams to achieve great things in 2013.

I wish you all a great Scouting year full of adventure, excitement and stimulating programs.

# Wandarrah Day



## A Day of Fun for Joey Scouts, Cub Scouts and Guide's

**Theme: Jungle Book**

**When:** 17<sup>th</sup> March 2013      **RSVP:** 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 2013

**Where:** Evendale Parklands  
135 Bundall Rd, Bundall. Gold Coast

**Time:** 10am – 3pm

**Cost:** \$6.00 includes the Badge.

**BBQ food and Drinks of sale**

**Bookings:** SallieFletcher RL (Cub Scouts Gold Coast)  
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# Branch Commissioner International



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**Scouting is a worldwide Movement with over 30 million Scouts in 160 countries. International Scouting is aimed at creating an understanding of other cultures as well as promoting peace and tolerance through our common understanding of the Scouting Aims and Principles.**

*"When you join a Patrol you become part of a worldwide brotherhood in which every member has promised to keep the Scout Law. Because of this it doesn't matter if they speak different languages, are of different colours or hold different religious beliefs. When you meet Scouts at large gatherings, remember that they are your brothers and show by your actions that you regard them as friends."*

**- Lord Robert Baden-Powell, Founder of Scouting**

## Internationals at AJ2013

The first of our international Scouts attending AJ2013 to arrive was Sandra Binzegger from Switzerland. Sandra was picked up from the International airport by her host Sandra Hemming. Sandra had a leisurely time seeing the sights around Brisbane, by Sandra, before making her way up the coast to Maryborough.



## Thursday

We met Susan at the airport and were introduced to our guests. We loaded people into one car and gear into the other and returned home to unload. It was then off to Snowgum. A big thank you to Samantha and Brendan at Snowgum, it was a little busy in the store at the time, but they fitted the clothing etc without any problems. We were short a correct size for one of the Scout's long pants, but they arranged an overnight parcel post and it arrived on Friday. We then went to the Consulate to collect the cultural gear. Emma, the lass at the Consulate, spoke with Tom (the Japanese Leader) of her visit to Japan as a volunteer following the earthquake and tsunami. We returned home to let the boys get out of their uniforms and rest after the long trip. For dinner we cooked steaks on the BBQ with salad and hot chips.



## FRIDAY

We visited Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary. Here they all got to cuddle a Koala and pat the Kangaroos, along with watch the Birds of Prey show and see the other birds and animals on display. On the way home we went via Mt Coot-tha to see the view of the City and see the rain falling in the distance. For dinner we had roast lamb and roast veggies.

## Saturday

We went to shops first thing, as the boys were cooking us a Japanese meal for dinner and we were searching for particular ingredients. We also passed a BCF store and Tom was keen to look around inside, so a slight detour after successfully locating the ingredients. The Scouts have been wearing their scarves when we

are out and have been receiving welcomes and questions regarding Jamboree from various people as we travel about. We drove to Victoria Point and travelled by ferry to Coochiemudlo Island. A friend of mine, Doug, and his family were holidaying on Coochie and had hired a pontoon boat for the day. The boat is fully roofed and has a BBQ onboard. The wind was up, so it was a little rough. The Scouts all had a go at fishing with rods and hand lines. Yamato caught a small Bream that we released. A sand crab was nearly caught, but unfortunately we didn't have a landing net to scoop it up with before it let go of the line. We motored around to the calm side of the island and had a sausage sizzle for lunch. Doug took the boys ashore and we pumped yabbies for a short period only to find in the 15 or so minutes we were gone the tide had receded sufficient to beach the boat. Doug has twin 8 year old boys and the collective boys then went swimming, made sand castles, pumped more yabbies and generally just played around. Unfortunately Naoya cut his foot on we suspect was a cockleshell. Doug swapped badges with Tom and the boys as we waited for the return ferry. The Scouts cooked us Misso Soup and a Japanese Curry with rice for dinner.

## Sunday

This was essentially a day of rest. We had a pre-arranged gathering for a BBQ lunch of Linda's family for her mother's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday happening at our house. It was also her Mum's friend Lyn's birthday and Linda had invited her along to celebrate, as she lost her husband in 2011. We had 14 family members attending. We had given Tom and the Scouts the invitation to be a part of the celebration or Tom could take the Scouts on an outing. Tom had noted the train line we were on and asked about purchasing tickets etc. However at the end of the day, I think he decided a rest day was in order. Prior to everyone arriving, I took the boys down to the basketball courts at the local school and they played there for an hour or so before lunch. One of the family members is a 9 yr old boy, Sean. Tom showed him a traditional Japanese toy and tried to teach Sean how it worked. The Scouts interacted with Sean with this toy, as they also have their own and another skill/challenge toy (balancing kiwis) that I introduced to the Scouts. Tom generously presented Linda's Mum and Lyn with a small gift and these were very much appreciated by the ladies. After lunch, with Tom's permission, the boys played on the xbox. Late in the afternoon, we jumped in the car and drove down to the wading pool at Wynnum and the boys all went for a swim to cool off and climbed on the "spiderweb" at the park in Manly. Having had a big lunch, we fed them all toasted sandwiches for dinner.

## Monday

After dinner on Thursday night, we had discussed with Tom and the Scouts on a Theme Park that they would like to visit. The Scouts all agreed on SeaWorld. So Monday was SeaWorld day. We covered the highlights of SeaWorld. I did approach "Guest Services" at SeaWorld to see what the possibility of a "dolphin encounter" or "seal encounter" would be, but the lady on the counter was quite negative saying that you have to book months in advance and was not prepared to put me in contact with management as the answer is "no". This was a disappointing response from my perspective,



but Tom didn't know that I had gone to see on this, so there was no disappointment from the Scouts or Tom. On leaving SeaWorld we did a quick visit to the surf beach on the Spit, so the Scouts could see a Gold Coast beach. On getting home, though we had cleaned and kept covered Naoya's foot wound and no redness was present, he was still limping. Tom was concerned and decided that he would like a Doctor to check it out. Hmm, New Years Eve at 5pm??? Tom had literature of medical centres and hospitals to go to. We rang the Medical Centre, but they were closing and Tom was keen to therefore go to St Andrew's Emergency Centre. So following an early dinner of Pie and Peas, we split the party. Tom and I took Naoya to St Andrew's and Linda took the other 3 Scouts to Southbank to see the early New Years Eve fireworks. The Doctor was very happy that the wound was clean and recommended to keep it covered and essentially change the dressing when it falls off or following any water related activities. Tom was provided with spare dressings by the hospital and Naoya was given a Tetanus shot. Unfortunately the fireworks were over by the time we got out of the hospital, so we picked up Linda and the 3 Scouts and returned home. Keitaro was falling asleep, so went to bed, but the rest of us stayed up to see the New Year in, watching the Sydney fireworks on TV. Tom advised that he has been in Sydney for the fireworks 3 times.

#### Today

This morning, the priority is making sure everything is clean and packed ready to go to Jamboree. Linda has the boys cooking pancakes for breakfast. Subject to how the day pans out, we may all go on a ferry ride to Southbank for a swim and return ferry ride. Tonight,, we are all off to the Outback Spectacular.

#### **Article submitted by Scott Taylor.**

New Years Eve saw Graham Monk and his group of Scouts and Leaders arrived at 8pm from the UK at the Brisbane International Airport, where they were meet by Susan and Kath Thomson, Group Leader of the Dayboro Scout Group. All very tired after nearly 24hours of flying.



After several cups of Earl Gray tea, monies exchanged, Kath called up her band of wonderful parents, who were waiting outside the airport somewhere to come and do the pick-up convoy style. They were then all transported out to the Dayboro Scout Den.



The Dayboro Scout Group Venturer Scouts, Group Committee, and parents then gave them a New Years Eve to remember, with the traditional aussie BBQ, complete with Kanga Banga's, and lots of fun. On New Years day, Lyle Thomson Group Committee Chairman, organised some sightseeing around beautiful Dayboro and surrounds. They even visited a waterhole, with waterfall, for a cool swim, saw some kangaroo's and lots of our wonderful Australian wildlife.

Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> saw the wonderful Brisbane Mini Bus Hire arrive at 9.30am to take them to



Maryborough.

Richard Spearling arrived on Dec 27<sup>th</sup>, and was very graciously picked up at 1am from the airport by Michelle Currin, a UAH from Morooka. Richard spent a few great days with Michelle and her family before meeting up with Kelly Johnson (Nat. Pen Pal Coordinator) and Janelle Southwell (NSW SISEP Coordinator) on the 29<sup>th</sup> when they flew into Brisbane, for a lift onto Maryborough.



After many months of emails and phone calls Susan and Sandra meet the New Caledonian contingent when they arrived on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2013, slightly delayed by TC.Freda, and rather tired from a night of celebrations.

After getting the 5 Leaders mobile phones out, it was outside where Raewyn Adams and Adam Hampson (both from Youth Act.Team) were waiting to help out with transport to Roma St train Station.



On arrival at Roma St, after Susan and 3 scouts on the train from the airport finally arrived, it was book all their luggage in and head up to the



Parklands for a look around, BBQ lunch, and for some a nap.



After all were fed and slightly rested it was time for a group photo, and then back to platform 10 and the 3 hour trip to Maryborough on the Tilt Train. They don't have trains in New Caledonia. The escalator from train station to the Parkland provided much



amusement for them all.

#### **After the Jamboree**

After travel arrangements for Richard Spearling and another UK Leader, Peter Morall, went out with the tide, they were duly booked on the Tilt train, and returned to Brisbane in the next carriage to the New Caledonians. Raewyn and Adam were there to meet the New Caledonia's, and Susan who met the UK Leaders. While luggage was being put into vehicles, Tom and his Japanese scouts wandered through the carpark, and friendships were renewed. Raewyn and Adam then took the New Caledonians down town to do the much awaited for souvenir shopping, and Susan

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headed off to Dayboro with Peter and Richard.

Richard was to spend a few days with Hosts Linda and Karl Calle from Dayboro Scout Group, and Peter at the Gold Coast with Susan. Richard had a very restful and great time with Linda and Karl, saw the delights of Mt.Mee, and had a BBQ breakfast with our glorious King parrots while he was there . Then it was down to the GC for the remainder of his time in Australia. Richard managed to experience 3 different Australian ways of life, and thoroughly enjoyed each of the three.

Susan was lucky enough to have Richard and Peter for 1 night together, and had the experience of talking to 2 Leaders, who between them had 94 years of Scouting between them. Richard having 44years, and Peter who just before coming to AJ2013 was presented with his Silver Wolf (or 'tin dog', as he calls it) for 50 years of service. Richard is a member of the Portsmouth scouts as well as a very active member of the International Badgers Club. Peter is from Wellingborough Scouts, and lives and breathes Gang Shows, having been the show's producer for the last 27 years, with the Wellingborough Gang Show is back for its 28<sup>th</sup> year in 2013. When he is not producing Gang Shows he is off scouting in Serbia, helping Scouting Groups get established, or attending a Jamboree in some overseas country.

All in all, we have had a great opportunity to host many wonderful Scouts from around the world, and make new friendships that will last a long time. **Many, many THANK YOU'S once again must go to Michelle Currin and family, Sandra Hemming, Raewyn Adams and Adam Hampson, Scott Thomas and Linda Taylor and family, Kath Thomson and the Dayboro Scout Group, Linda and Karl Calle.**

### Internationals at AJ2013

One of the best ways to experience International Scouting without even leaving Australia is to attend an Australian Jamboree. AJ2013 was certainly no different. There were 13 international contingents ranging from a single person to 107 people with 255 people in total. The breakdown per contingent was:

Belgium	1
Canada	1
Hong Kong	2
Indonesia	73
Japan	5
New Caledonia	18
New Zealand	107
Papua New Guinea	2
Timor Leste	9
Tonga	12
Switzerland	1
United Kingdom	23
United States of America	1
<b>Total International</b>	<b>255</b>

As you can see this was a pretty impressive representation of countries. Members from Timor Leste, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia, Japan and Tonga were sponsored either by Scouts Australia or other Scouting members.



On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January, there was a special reception, hosted by Mr Neville Tomkins (International Commissioner for Australia) for the International Contingents and every contingent was represented and performed a cultural item for all the invited guests. Some of the invited guests included the Indonesian Ambassador for Australia and a representative of the Japanese Consulate. The youth members dressed in traditional costume and they did their countries proud with their singing and dancing. Every contingent was also presented a gift.



Each contingent also performed an item at Ergon Arena on International Night for participants of the Jamboree.

One evening I was invited to have dinner with the Timor Leste contingent followed by them singing in their own campsite. Amazing to watch especially as the Australian youth joined in.

My role at Jamboree was slightly different as I was the dentist on site. However this didn't mean I missed out on interacting with the international Scouts. I, along with my wonderful dental assistant (Qian He), decided to actually attend to all of the dental needs of our Timor Leste and Papua New Guinea brothers and sisters. It was quickly identified that these young people had never seen a dentist before nor could they have access to one. In fact some of these kids had never seen a toilet before let alone seen an aeroplane or a dentist. We treated these members (some with some quite extensive dental problems) and were able to send them home with their dental needs resolved. This was a truly uplifting experience for me and my assistant knowing we had helped these members and probably saved their life. They could now return to home in a healthier and pain free state. To be greeted with a huge smile and a hug from these kids even a couple of days after treatment was the biggest reward ever.



You can rest assured that every International Scout at AJ2013 thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the experience; as did those Australian Scouts that interacted with them. Everyone left with a truly amazing experience as they all got to experience International Scouting. As an Australian Scout, we know that the experience and the memories these youth have gained will help them in everyday life back in their own communities.

Now the challenge for you is; **when are you going to share this experience?** If you never go to an event like this at least once in your Scouting life, then you have never experienced International Scouting.

### **Article by Paul Rollason**

*There does not have to be an AJ2013 for you to be involved in International Scouting. There are many ways you can be involved:*

### **Would you like to become a Host Family.**

*Scouts from all around the world visit Brisbane every year, be it for work/holiday, and you can very easily become part of the Host Corp*

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Team. it could just be for 3-4 hours to meet at the airport and have a coffee, a few hours, to show them local Australian Scouting, to 1-2 days whilst they are here on holidays, and up to several weeks if they are on exchange.

**Contact Sandra Hemming, Branch Advisor-International, Qld Coordinator, Host Families and Host Corp Team**  
**ba.internationalhost@qldhq.scouts.com.au**

#### **SISEP - Scout International Student Exchange Program**

Qld's 4 Venturer Scouts who went to Denmark and England returned from their SISEP Adventure on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January after nearly getting stuck at London's Heathrow Airport due to snowstorms. Fortunately, they were only delayed a couple of hours and after changing flights in Singapore arrived back in Brisbane on time and got through Customs & Immigration in a record time which surprised everyone waiting for them.

Over the next few months, we will be sharing with you all their reports on their experience with SISEP and hopefully, some of our Qld Venturer Scouts will participate in the program over the next few years.



Interested Venturer Scouts who want to participate in the Scout International Exchange Program for 2013/14, who is currently a Venturer Scout and does not turn 18 until after January 2014 will be eligible to participate in the 2013/14 experience. The earlier you apply, (future years) the more time you will have to raise/save the money to attend. All the Venturer Scouts who have participated agree that it is the best time and experience and well worth the effort. I already have a couple of potential starters for the 2013/14 group and welcome more enquiries during the year, so don't delay – **Applications for 2013/14 close 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013.**

Early expression of interest for next year or later, will help towards future planning of the program both here and overseas. It will also give you a lot more time to save money for the experience of a lifetime.

**I am now urgently looking for Host Families for 2013.** I have just been advised that there will be 19 coming from Denmark, 4 from Japan and England is still to advise. Our visitors normally arrive around the 30<sup>th</sup> June and depart around the 7<sup>th</sup> August. I am after Host Families who preferably have a Venturer Scout aged son/daughter. The experience is highly recommended by those Families who have hosted in the past. Please email me urgently if interested in finding out more (details below).

For more information on the Program both as a potential Exchangee or Host Family, please email me at [sisep@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:sisep@qldhq.scouts.com.au) I will then send you more information and Expression of Interest Forms.

**Article by Scott Edwards**

#### **Do you have a Venturer age Scout?**

*You can become a Host Family for an International Scout on the Scout International Student Exchange Program. Or your Venturer Scout can participate in the program.*

**Contact Scott Edwards SISEP Coordinator QLD**

**SISEP (Scout International Student Exchange Program)**  
**[sisep@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:sisep@qldhq.scouts.com.au)**

#### **Does your Mob, Pack, Troop, Unit or Crew have an International Pen Pal?**

You can register for the International Pen Pal Program today for a Pen Pal from a sectional link. Contact Susan Rogers—Qld pen Pal Coordinator—[penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

#### **WATCH THIS SPACE:**

**20th New Zealand Jamboree to be held in Fielding, North Island, from 28 December 2013 to 5 January 2014.**

#### **See the exciting events we have in the Asia-Pacific Region.**

**2013**

##### **BSA 2013 National Scout Jamboree**

Venue: - Summit Bechtel National Scout Reserve, West Virginia, U.S.A.

Date: 15th July - 24th July, 2013

For patrols of Scouts (8 Scouts and 2 Leaders) - 14 to 20 years of age

##### **Auchengillan International Jamboree (Scotland)**

Venue: Auchengillan Outdoor Centre, Stirlingshire, Scotland

Date: 27th July - 3rd August 2013 (for Scouts and Guides)

##### **30th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Jamboree / 16th Nippon National Jamboree**

Venue: Yamaguchi City, Yamaguchi Prefecture, Japan

Date: 31st July - 8th August, 2013

##### **14th World Scout Moot**

Venue: Ontario and Quebec Provinces, Canada

Date: 8th - 18th August 2013

#### **In Closing**

Being part of a world-wide brother and sisterhood is really exciting. You don't have to leave Australia to feel part of it. You can participate in international Scouting right here at home! There are plenty of options, and here are just a few ideas:

**SISEP (Scout International Student Exchange Program) –Scott Edwards** SISEP Coordinator QLD [sisep@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:sisep@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

**Host families and Host Corp Team- Sandra Hemming, Qld Coordinator**—[ba.internationalhost@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:ba.internationalhost@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

**JOTA & JOTI – Albert Shelley- Qld Coordinator**

[jota@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:jota@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

**International Pen-Pal Program –Susan Rogers Qld Coordinator**  
[penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

**Hands Across The Water Program (Joey Scouts)**  
[penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

If you **would like to know more about what is happening internationally in Scouting** or would like to participate in an overseas event, visit Scouts Australia's Website at [www.international.scouts.com.au](http://www.international.scouts.com.au) and it will open up many more links for you to explore? If you have International stories and pictures to share, or require further International information please contact Paul Rollason, BC International, via Branch or E-Mail [bc.international@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:bc.international@qldhq.scouts.com.au) or visit the Queensland website at [www.scoutsqld.com.au](http://www.scoutsqld.com.au) and click on "Events" and then "International".

What are you waiting for???? **GET INVOLVED NOW and ENJOY.**

# Branch Commissioner Youth Activities



**Kerry Tully**

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## THE QUEENSLAND SCOUT RALLY CHAMPIONSHIPS

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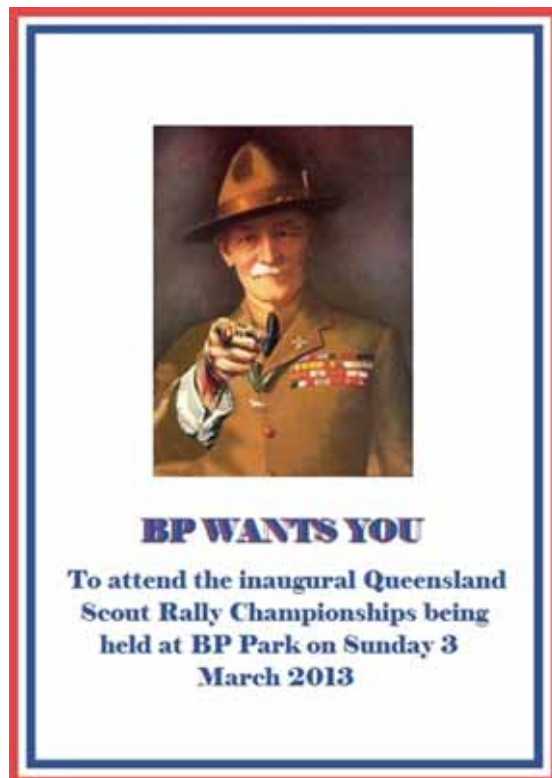
**Baden Powell Park, Samford—Sunday 3rd March**

### Scouts and Venturer Scouts

Kick off 2013 with a bang by participating in this action-packed day. Activities include but are not limited to: slot car races, remote control car races, berg buggy races, and a billy cart construction and timed race event. Don't miss out on being involved in what could be the most "fun on wheels" had by any Scouts members during the 2013 calendar year. Places are limited so nominate now. Any queries, contact Kerry Tully on the details at the top of this page.

### Scouts, Venturer Scouts, Rover Scouts Bike Hike

Start your training for the upcoming Scouts, Venturers and Rovers bike hike that runs from Beaudesert to Christmas Creek on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> of June 2013. Please consider that youth member fitness and stamina will be tested in this activity as they will be riding approximately 40 kilometres over the course of the day.



## SCOUTS AUSTRALIA MAWSON SCHOLARSHIP IN LEADERSHIP

The "Mawson Scholarship in Leadership" is an advanced training program for Venturer Scouts aged 15 to 18 years. Two courses will be running in 2013 as follows:

- **8-12 July 2013 Woodhouse, South Australia**
- **30 September – 4 October 2013 Bay Park, Victoria**

Conducted over five days, participants will receive instruction and practical training in teamwork, communication, decision making and problem solving, conflict resolution, and event management.

24 participants will be selected to attend each course. Each Branch identifies its most talented and passionate youth members with the potential as great ambassadors for Scouting. All applications close on **Thursday 28 March 2013**.

Each participant should have completed the Venturer Scout Leadership Course prior to attending the course. Participants should also hold a current leadership role or have recent leadership experience. The selection of participants will be managed by each Branch with the aim to select young Leaders with the potential to enter dynamic leadership roles within their Branch.

The cost to participants is **\$150** and your Branch Scholarship covers everything else. Participants will be accommodated in dormitories at the venue and full catering will be supplied. Flights to the venue will be provided free of charge. Successful candidates will be issued with tasks to be completed before arriving at the residential course. The Mawson Leadership program also provides ongoing mentoring support to all participants and each Branch is encouraged to engage their representatives in various leadership and spokesperson roles.

Any questions about the program should be directed to Aaron Wardle at [youth.leadership@scouts.com.au](mailto:youth.leadership@scouts.com.au)

For further information and application forms see

<http://www.scouts.com.au/main.asp?iStoryID=23229124>



# Branch Commissioner Environmental Education



2013 UN International Year of Water Cooperation - – the transversal and universal element.

Were the brolgas dancing like war horses prancing for your Christmas Day? For those enjoying the twenty-third Australian Jamboree at Maryborough here in Queensland, there was definitely the orana chorus of the birds. Among the open forest, you would have noticed the butcher birds, kookaburras, and for the lucky, the black-faced cuckoo shrikes. Venturer Scouts on *Endure It* were occasionally startled by the goannas about!

In Billabong sub-camp, one snake was politely transported to another area of the showgrounds and equestrian centre. And along the water courses were the sole past-possession of royalty, the purple swamphens with their ever-flicking tails flashing a white signal. Well done to those who emu-paraded when it was all done, especially the Venturer Scouts across their activity bushland. All was left better than we found it.

## Programming ideas for 2013

- Where to start?! Sea Week (03-09 Mar), Clean-up Australia Day (03 Mar), World Water Day (22 Mar), Earth Hour (23 Mar), World Heritage Day (18 Apr), World Migratory Bird Day (11 May), World Environment Day (05 Jun), National Tree Day (28 Jul), Keep Australia Beautiful Week (19-25 Aug), National Biodiversity Month (Sep), World Habitat Day (07 Oct), National Recycling Week (11-17 Nov), and International Mountain Day (11 Dec) just to name a few. Start learning more about the world around us.

## Calendar dates

The 2013 Environment Education calendar can be found on the Scouts Queensland Website, [www.scoutsqld.com.au](http://www.scoutsqld.com.au)

- **Joey Scouts** – 16 Feb (Erapah), 23 Mar (Rocky Creek).
- **Cub Scouts** – Waterwise 02 Mar.
- **Scouts** – 9 Mar (Wirraglen).
- **Venturer Scouts** – 09–10 Feb.
- **Leaders**— 17-19 May—Erapah—**Environmental Training Weekend** (Includes catering)

Environmental Training Weekends (Friday evening – Sunday afternoon) are designed to introduce Leaders from ALL sections to environmental information and a wide range of activities. All sessions include practical activities and printed notes and other materials. Skills acquired will assist Leaders to include environmental activities in their programs. Plenty of hands-on activities and handouts, heaps of FUN. Also welcome are Badge Examiners. Cost: \$100 (includes catering and materials).

Any Venturer Scouts or Rovers/Crews looking for a major interest or service project, we have a project for the removal of some illegal dumping at Erapah (camping fees will be waived). For those Rovers or Leaders changing direction or commitments, consider becoming part of the Erapah Scout Fellowship. If we can help you or after a visit from the team, drop us a line.

**Bookings:** [activity.bookings@scoutsqld.com.au](mailto:activity.bookings@scoutsqld.com.au) or on (07) 3870 7000.

See the 2013 Calendar for more dates and opportunities, or contact the Branch Commissioner, Environment Education, Judy Seymour, By telephoning 3203 4193.

**Leader courses, course content and general information:** Branch Commissioner Environmental Education – Judy SEYMOUR 3203 4193.

**Youth program information:** Branch Adviser – Jean HOWELL 3820 7707 (after 6 pm).

**Bookings:** Queensland Scouts Centre 3870 7000.

Costs: Joey Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts \$12, accompanying Leaders \$4, Weedbust Weekend (includes handouts and catering) – Scouts, Venturer Scouts \$45, accompanying Leaders \$30, Venturer Scout Weekend (includes handouts) \$30, accompanying Leaders \$15, Rover Weekend (includes handouts and catering) – \$45.

# THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

## MEMORANDUM

### Annual Census and Membership Fees 2013/2014

During 2012 a major review of the Facility and Activity fee and Membership fees was undertaken. The aim of the review was to provide clarity and a more accurate distribution of fees. As a result, the fees for the coming year have been adjusted to reflect the redistribution. The fee differential between Chartered and non-Chartered Formations has been removed along with a number of other changes which are reflected below.

#### **RENEWAL FEES**

The fees listed below are for membership from 1 April 2013 until 31 March 2014. They include all world scouting and national association fees which includes the levy for the eLearning system. There is no difference for chartered and non-chartered formations.

#### **Youth Members**

	Fee
Youth Member no. 1	\$115.00
Youth Member no. 2 (within the same family)	\$110.00
Third and subsequent Youth Members (within the same family)*	\$105.00

Rover Scouts pay the above membership fees plus the \$12.00 Rover Scout levy. Rover Scouts who will reach their 26<sup>th</sup> birthday within the Scouting year will pay a pro-rata Membership Fee.

The family concession is only available on the renewal of annual membership fee for the second, third and subsequent registered financial youth members. In calculating eligibility for the family concession adult members, Rover Scouts and youth helpers who are not youth members in a section are not included.

#### **Rover Scouts turning 26 during the year**

April 2013	May 2013	June 2013	July 2013	Aug 2013	Sept 2013	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Jan 2014	Feb 2014	Mar 2014
\$20	\$29	\$37	\$46	\$54	\$62	\$70	\$79	\$87	\$96	\$104	\$112

The above fee includes the \$12.00 Rover Scout levy.

#### **Members**

	Fee
Adult members, Life/Honorary members, Scout fellowship members and youth helpers. Does not include Adult/Parent Helpers and Badge Examiners as they are classified as Supporters not Members.	\$60.00

There is no fee for a fellowship member with an existing primary adult member appointment.

#### **ENROLMENT FEES FOR MEMBERS**

Youth members joining the Movement from 1 April 2013 will be required to pay fees in accordance with the scale below. This fee consists of a joining fee and a membership fee. The fee payable is calculated from the date which is indicated on the A5 form in the field titled "Date commenced with Group".

We will also be continuing with the policy which allows for a full refund of the Membership Fee for a Youth Member who withdraws from the Movement within six (6) weeks of joining. The application for a refund must be made in writing to Queensland Scout Centre within one (1) month of the Youth Member leaving.

#### **Youth Members**

April 2013	May 2013	June 2013	July 2013	Aug 2013	Sept 2013	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Jan 2014	Feb 2014	Mar 2014
\$170	\$162	\$154	\$145	\$137	\$128	\$120	\$112	\$104	\$95	\$87	\$78

The February and March 2013 Youth Member enrolment fees have been revised. The following fees replace those previously advertised. All Youth Members joining the Movement in February and March 2013 will pay the below fee and will be further invoiced in April 2013 in line with renewal fees as advertised in the section titled *Renewal fees* above.

January 2013 (Revised)	February 2013 (Revised)	March 2013 (Revised)
\$57.00	\$57.00	\$57.00

Rover Scouts pay the above membership fees plus the \$12.00 Rover Scout levy.

#### **Members**



From 1 April 2013 a joining fee for Members (Leaders and other adult members) will be introduced. Uniform Leaders will also be required to pay for their basic training resource folder. The new enrolment fee is applicable for Leaders, adult members, Life/Honorary members, fellowship members and youth helpers (who are not youth members). This initial fee covers costs of insurance and administration. Does not include Adult/Parent Helpers and Badge Examiners as they are classified as Supporters not Members.

April 2013	May 2013	June 2013	July 2013	Aug 2013	Sept 2013	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Jan 2014	Feb 2014	Mar 2014
\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60

For new Leaders an initial Basic Training Resource kit fee which includes training documentation and relevant sectional handbooks is payable. This is a one off fee and is payable upon submission of an adult member enrolment form.

Basic Training Resource folder	\$60.00
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### **INVOICING FOR RENEWAL FEES**

Invoices for youth and adult members who are listed on the formation's records as at 1 April 2013 will be charged in accordance with the renewal fees scale above. Membership Invoices will be raised and charged to the formation account. The invoice will be addressed to the Formation to which the Member belongs with the invoice details advising the member's name and registration number.

The retain to recruit discount scheme has been discontinued.

### **REBATE FOR PAYMENT OF RENEWAL FEES BY DUE DATE**

If the total of all membership invoices raised to a formation for that year is paid by the due date the formation will receive a rebate by way of credit to their account. This is not a discount to be taken prior to payment but a rebate given once the account has been paid. Youth Fees will be treated separately to Leader fees for rebate purposes and the rebates will be applied and processed separately. To claim the rebates please complete separate A67 forms for Youth and Leader rebates which is available from the forms section of the Branch website.

### **ANNUAL CENSUS**

The 2013 annual Census will **not** be distributed in paper form unless requested. All Group Leaders, District Commissioners and Region Commissioners have access to the Scout Membership System to make the necessary changes required. For those Formations completing census electronically the due date for all changes is **31 March 2013**. If no paper census is received it will be taken as an indication you have completed your changes online and are happy with your Membership data.

If you are completing your census electronically an instruction booklet was distributed and has been sent to all newly registered Formation Leaders. You can download a PDF version of this booklet from the Members Only Area of the Branch website under the heading of "Scout Membership System (SMS)"

### **FAMILY CODES AND CONCESSIONS**

Please ensure that the Family Code is the same for all youth members in the same family. This code can be updated within the Scout Membership System with the access given to Group Leaders. Confirmation of correct family codes is the responsibility of the Group Leader. If the family code is not correct then the appropriate family concession will not be reflected on the invoice. Credits for family concession will not be issued. The family concession is only available on the renewal of annual membership fee for the second, third and subsequent registered financial youth members. In calculating eligibility for the family concession adult members, Rover Scouts and youth helpers who are not youth members in a section are not included.

### **OFFICE BEARERS - CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY AND TREASURER**

The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer must be an Adult Member (Previously Adult Support Members). The joining fees for the new office bearers taking up office during 2013 will be waived if your Formation has a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer registered as an Adult Member as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013 and the renewal invoice is paid. If one or more of those office bearers changes at your Annual General Meeting in 2013, then complete a new A1 for each of the new office bearers and write on the top of the front page of each form "Replacement Office bearer" and forward the form to the Branch Headquarters.

### **FACILITY AND ACTIVITY FEE**

Rate per \$100 for buildings, equipment and marine	\$1.20
Cars	\$434 per car
Trucks	\$460 per truck
Buses	\$460 per bus
Trailers under \$2000	\$66 per trailer
Trailers over \$2000	\$106 per trailer
Caravans	\$106 per caravan
Tractor	\$460 per tractor
Supporters (Voluntary Workers, including Parents and Spouses). This is a compulsory fee for all Formations regardless of whether there is a committee in place or not. To cover Adult/Parent Helpers and Badge Examiners as they are classified as Supporters not Members.	\$170 per Formation
Contribution to Facility and Activity fee. This is a fee for Formations that do not have properties. It is a contribution to the public liability expenses.	\$300 per Formation

# Program Ideas

## BP MIX AND MATCH GAME

**Duration** 10 mins

**Category** Essentials

**Sub Category** :BP History and Traditions

### Description

A set of questions and answers about BP and the beginning of Scouting that can be used in a variety of ways to create games and activities especially around Founders Day and World Scout Day.

### Method

- Transfer the following questions to separate cards.
- Add pictures to the answers to help non-readers. (Joey Scouts)
- For Joeys, give out answer cards. As a Leader reads out the questions,
- Joey Scouts with the correct answer can jump up and match the cards up.
- Older sections can use the cards as a memory game, or a treasure hunt where you have to find the answer to your question hidden around the hall.
- Or give them answer cards and as the group goes through the questions on a chart, they can give up their answer cards onto the chart.

### Questions

When was B-P's birthday?	February 22.
Where was the first scout camp held?	Brownsea Island
In which country was Scouting started?	England
What was the name of B-P's book that started scouting?	Scouting for Boys
What was the name of the war that B-P fought in?	The Boer War
B-P used the symbol for north on a map to help him design what?	The Scout Emblem
Was B-P in the Army, Navy or Airforce?	The Army
Who is known as World Chief Scout?	Sir Robert Baden-Powell
B-P was a talented what?	Artist
B-P gave away what as rewards when he was in Africa?	Badges
Where is B-P buried?	Nyeri, Kenya, Africa
In which year did the Scouting movement start?	1907
Was B-P left handed or right handed?	He was ambidextrous - he could use both.

## FOUNDERS DAY HISTORY

February 22nd marks the birthday of Lord Robert Baden-Powell the founder of the Scout Movement. Coincidentally, B-P (born in 1857) and his wife Olave Baden-Powell (born in 1889), shared the same birthday. Nearly all National Scout Associations throughout the world, celebrate this day as Founder's Day. It is considered a special day, as well as an opportunity to learn more about BP's life and his work. His Writings remain inspiring to many and incredibly on phase with our times.

**February 22nd** is also celebrated by Girl Guides and Girl Scouts around the world as World Thinking Day or just Thinking Day. It is a day to think about the meaning of Guiding and Scouting and about other countries and cultures.

## SCOUT WAYS—GAME

**Duration** 10 mins

**Category** Games - Indoor

**Sub Category** :Physical Games

### Description

A game to promote the knowledge of the ways of Scouting e.g. camping, first aid etc.

### Method

- Cub Scouts line up in Sixes. Each line across to take the name of a Scout Activity.
- The meaning of the Activities are to be explained if necessary. When a certain Activity is called the Cub Scouts so named run to a certain point in front of the Sixes and return to their place gaining a point for the fastest.
- When the name "Baden-Powell" is called, the whole Six runs.

**Award scheme** Nil.

**Equipment:** List of old Scout activities such as Camping, First Aid, Compass, Observation, Estimation, Cooking, etc.

**References:** CP CS 24 Heritage - In The Beginning (PDF) (2005) Scouts Australia: Scouts Queensland Branch Inc. p.4.

## EUREKIT DID YOU KNOW?

### What does the *show detail* button do?

You can hide the details of an activity on your completed program by toggling the show/hide button during program creation. By default all activities are set to show their full method on the PDF at the end. However you can hide the detail if you don't want to see all the instructions on how to run an activity or parade.





## STORY ABOUT BADEN POWELL

(adapted from CSL Resource Folder)

Once there was a boy born on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1857. His father died when he was three years old leaving, 'Stephe' (as he was called by the family) to be brought up by his mother, who had nine living children. B-P later said "How that wonderful woman managed to bring us all up, I do not know and cannot understand. It was her influence that guided me through life ..."

One day a group of boys are exploring an island. One of them, sandy haired and freckled has stopped exploring and has been reading in an old pirate book about a great hero of his, a pirate captain 'One-eyed Bill'. He can splice, sing and take care of himself at sea. He had lost his right arm, so he had learnt to do things equally well with his left hand. In fact he was a very all round sort of fellow. The boy decided when he was a man he would be as good as Pirate Bill. He then began mentally ticking off the things he could do already. It was here that he decided that he wanted to explore the world. This boy was Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell.

At thirteen B-P entered Charterhouse School where he quickly developed a reputation for liveliness. He was not known as a brilliant student. He was a keen and good actor. He had many friends and was always popular because he was not afraid to get into a scrape and own up afterwards. Nowadays you often hear boys and girls running down their teachers which is a pity, because no great adventure is complete unless we can make friends with people who can teach us things.

In spite of his poor schooling record, Baden-Powell took an examination for the army and surprisingly enough, he finished second out of 700. This brought him directly into the army where he distinguished himself in India, South Africa and Malta. He was willing to enter the gates of the enemy to get information for his country. His enemies named him IMPEESA, 'The wolf that never sleeps'. This name came as a result of many scouting trips at night. He would disguise himself in different ways, posing as an artist.

During the Boer War between the English and the descendants of the Dutch settlers in South Africa, Baden-Powell was in charge of the defence of a key town, Mafeking. His troops, badly outnumbered and completely surrounded by the enemy, were under constant attack day after day. Using every trick in his book, Baden-Powell and his men held out for seven months until another army group broke through enemy lines to relieve them. All that time, 217 days, they stayed alert and observant.

After retiring from the army he met his wife-to-be Olave St. Claire Soames, in 1912. They had three children and remained trusted husband and wife, and friends until B-P's death in 1941, at the age of 83 years.

Baden-Powell wrote a book called *Aids to Scouting* for soldiers. It was about how to track, stalk and live in the outdoors. Later he rewrote this book for boys and called it *Scouting for Boys*. In 1907 he decided to try out his ideas. He brought together a group of boys, coming from different social backgrounds and took them to camp at Brownsea Island. Here he learnt that boys were eager to do things he called 'scouting'.

## SONG: BP FEELING

**Note: point to each part of the body when it is named**

I've got that BP feeling up in my head, up in my head, up in my head, I've got that BP feeling up in my head, up in my head to stay.

I've got that BP feeling deep in my heart, deep in my heart, deep in my heart, I've got that BP feeling deep in my heart, deep in my heart to stay.

I've got that BP feeling down in my feet, down in my feet, down in my feet, I've got that BP feeling down in my feet, down in my feet to stay.

I've got that BP feeling up in my head, deep in my heart, down in my feet, I've got that BP feeling all over me, all over me to stay



## GAME: BP & THE STREET KIDS

EQUIPMENT: NONE

One Scout is chosen to be BP, one is chosen to be a Sixer and the rest are Street Kids. BP chases the street kids to catch them. If a Scout is caught he/she must freeze. This means they are interested in Scouting and now their only hope is to be released in to the Cub Scout Pack. The 'Sixer' releases them by crawling between the legs of the scout who has been caught by BP. They are then free to run around again but this time as a Cub Scout. Once they have been caught three times by BP and released by a Sixer each time, they then become a Sixer also.

See how many Street Kids, Cub Scouts and Sixers you have at the end of time. You can have more than one BP or change Scouts to be BP.

## EUREKIT DID YOU KNOW?

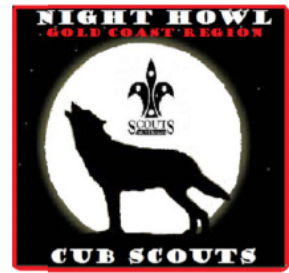
### What do the colours of activities represent?

The colour bar next to activities on your program are a way for you to quickly see the types of activities you have added. You may choose to reorganise those activities if you have two or more grouped together.





# GOLD COAST REGION PRESENTS



## Night Howl

**Venue: Woodstock, 231-315 Plunkett Rd Tamborine. When: 1-2 June 2013.**

Cub Scouts form a six of 6 Youth Members whose ages add up to no more than 56.

Bases/Activities based on the Boomerang System.

Start time - 6pm onwards. Depending on when registration form received to when you start.

Camping and a Night Howl Badge included in the costing's. **\$12.00pp** - BYO Meals

Contact Person: Sallie Fletcher RL(Cub Scouts) Gold Coast Region [rl.kanga.sal@gmail.com](mailto:rl.kanga.sal@gmail.com)

Ph: 0412 985 554 or AH 3388 5299

## Registration Form

**Group:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Team Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Adult Leader of Six:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Blue Card No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cheque Details:** Scouts Aust, Gold Coast Region. PO Box 879, Southport 4215.

**Direct Deposit :** Westpac BSB: 034 238 Acc: 295 238

### Team Member Details

Name:	Youth Membership No.	Age:
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