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New fact sheets are being developed to assist all Leaders. These will be made available on the website through an icon named FACT SHEETS. The fact sheets are now available and are a great resource for all groups. Use the content wisely.

Kirsty M Brown OAM, Chief Commissioner

REPORT CHILD PROTECTION CONCERNS AND ABUSE!

All suspicions, concerns or allegations about criminal matters or child protection matters should be reported directly to the Executive 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 Executive 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

1 November 2013

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News and events

QUEENSLAND AGOONOREE 2013 DEEMED A HUGE SUCCESS!

The Guests have gone home, the tents have been packed down and everyone has left camp with a feeling of fulfilment and exhaustion. This year's Agoonoree saw 405 campers converge on BP Park Samford for a week of fun and excitement. This year's Agoonoree had a theme of science and gave the opportunity for 60+ young people with special needs to experience Scouting in Guiding.



This year's campers participated in activities such as abseiling, rock climbing, water sports, getting lost in a maze plus many many more. Once the sun went down the fun didn't finish at Agoonoree with a vivid night entertainment programme on offer consisting of an opening/ closing ceremony, disco, movie night and of the course the famous Rover Scout games night.



Agoonoree also was joined by a number of special guests across the week including the Queensland Chief Commissioner Kirsty M Brown OAM, Branch President Craig Ray, Girl Guides Queensland representative Robyn Gibbs and Local Member for Ferny Grove Dale Shuttleworth MP who represented the Queensland Premier. A highlight for many campers was a visit from the man who started the Queensland Agoonoree in 1980, Mr Peter Blatch OAM, who hosted the sponsors afternoon tea on the Sunday of camp.



Camp Chief and camp attendee for the past 28 years Melita Goff says "Agoonoree is a highlight in my calendar each and every year. I find being Camp Chief of such an iconic Queensland Scouting event very self rewarding and challenging experience. Each and every year we welcome new campers and I would encourage you and your troop to look at attending Agoonoree in 2014".

Agoonoree has been running in Queensland for 33 years and in 2014 Queensland will host the 34th Queensland Agoonoree. Expression of interest forms will be out in



March 2014 and will be available for download from the Agoonoree website – agoonoree.scoutsqld.com.au.

Agoonoree would like to thank the various Lions, Lioness, Apex, Rotary, Quota, BP Guilds, Trefoil Guilds, Zonta Clubs and various other supporters. Without their kind sponsorship Agoonoree would not be able to offer this camp to the 60+ children with special needs. Agoonoree would also like to pass on thanks to the Queensland Branch Support Office, Girl Guides Queensland, Baden Powell Park and Rover Scouts Queensland for their continued support of this activity.



If Agoonoree sounds like an activity that you would like to be involved in 2014, be sure to check out the Agoonoree website – agoonoree.scoutsqld.com.au for the latest information.

Agoonoree Scout Camp is based on ability not disability.

GREENBANK SCOUTS CAMP OUT IN TOWN SQUARE

Members from Greenbank Scout Troops spent the weekend camping out in the Orion Springfield Shopping Centre Town Square as part of a promotion for the opening on the new BCF (Boating, Camping and Fishing Store). The Scouts were the first people into the store to help welcome all the new customers and then spent a short time interacting with the customers before setting up camp.



They set up a standard campsite and participated in activities such as construction, geocaching and completing badgework requirements. They also assisted with fundraising for the Group and the promotion of Scouting in the community. The Scouts had lots of fun and enjoyed their new experience of camping. Thanks must go to Orion Springfield for the opportunity and the local businesses that supported the event by providing the Scouts with a number of meals and treats throughout the weekend.



News and events

KIRWAN SCOUTS COOK UP A STORM

Kirwan Scout Troop pulled together a fantastic cooking night to tantalize the taste buds of the hungry scouts, leaders and parents alike. It was an idea that arose in our last troop council that we dedicate two weekly nights to prepare and run an international food night.

The five patrols in our Troop picked from a hat their allocated countries. Each patrol then spent the rest of the night exploring and planning some of the authentic cuisines of their country. Next week was the action night! The prepared patrols came in with their own ingredients, coupled with excitement to bring their plan into reality. Jaguar patrol was hard at work cooking their Indian cuisine of butter chicken and rice, so as Tassie Tigers who made powder puffs from the USA, the Parrots made nachos and Mexican doughnuts, the Falcons made the Asian cuisine of fried rice and the Redbacks made their Italian dish of Pizza. While all patrols were fantastic in their cooking, the Redbacks went the extra mile to wear costumes to match the theme.



Along with the Troop Leader, Michelle Reid, the Assistant Leaders and Uniformed adult members provided supervision and guidance to the scouts, however, the authority, responsibility and trust were put into the hands of the Patrol Leaders. After all, this whole event was an idea of the Troop Council. We saw the patrol system in action; as the Redbacks PL Chloe mentioned *"we worked as a team and had heaps of fun whilst doing it. I also made sure that everyone had something to work on"*.

Just like that at the end of the day the scouts had the satisfaction of being a useful participant of the team and whilst doing it they also developed their ongoing skills in planning and organization, communication and problem solving via the scout method of learn by doing. BRAVO to all the PLs, APLs and the Kirwan Scout Troop!

KIRWAN VENTURER SCOUTS TAKE TO THE HEIGHTS

Kirwan Venturer Scouts recently participated in an abseiling activity which gave them the opportunity to abseil down Mt Stuart.



SCOUTS THANK LOCALS FOR THEIR SUPPORT!

Over 30 local dignitaries, committee members and special guests from Community Groups and Service Clubs around Bribie Island gathered at the Bribie Scout Den on Friday 6th September. The evening was held to recognise the contributions of the many sponsors that helped to finance and assist with the renovation of the Scout Group's premises.



There was a long list of local VIPs who were there to accept a certificate of appreciation on behalf of each group they represented. Among the groups represented were Bribie Island's Lions Club, Rotary Club, Busy Fingers, RSL Sub branch, Men's Shed, Gleemen, East Coast Apprenticeships & the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations. Thanks was also extended in absentia to the Bribie Island Bowls Club, RSL & Bribie Screens & Things. All of these local groups have assisted with sponsorship of the Den refurbishment.



Bribie Island Scout Group have had their work cut out for them, attempting to refurbish the upstairs section of the den that was damaged by termites, water leakage and required asbestos removal. Thanks to support from the local community, the Scout Group was able to complete most of the works ready for Friday night's Grand opening, where Region Commissioner Irma Howell and District Commissioner Stephen Bryant were invited to cut the official ribbon and declare the den open for perusal.



The Scout Committee Chairperson Mrs Kerryn Riddell acknowledged the welcome attendance of Mr & Mrs Derek Cornett, who donated the original buildings that were being refurbished. She also thanked the many parents and volunteers who had worked tirelessly to help see the project reach fruition. The pack shelter is now available for hire with a commercial grade kitchen and four showers and toilets.

The new bunk bed legislation has been overcome by having single beds for leaders and adults and mattresses on the floor for youth. A new outdoor kitchen is also under construction for those who choose to camp. Booking enquiries should be directed to Leader in Charge Andrew Cornett on mob: 0428 786 485 or via email bookings@bribie.ozscouts.com

BURLEIGH HEADS JOEY SCOUTS CARE FOR NATIVE ANIMALS

This is the seventh year that the Burleigh Heads Joey Scouts have made feeders for Tasmanian devils and birds living at the Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary (CWS). Known as animal enrichment activities, these feeders are used to store food in a way that provides the animals with a more challenging meal. CWS Wildlife Education Officer Penny Whitehouse, a former youth member of the Victoria Point Scout Group, once again received the animal feeders that the Burleigh Heads Joey Scouts had made and collected.

This is just one of several service activities that the Burleigh Heads Joey Scouts perform annually. Other annual acts of service include participating in Clean Up Australia, planting trees at Federation Walk and making possum dreds for Wildcare.

This year the Joey Scouts have also provided gold coin donations to Search and Rescue Dogs Australia and to Dollars for Dili. The Burleigh Heads Joey Scouts see service as an important part of their Scouting experience.



MOUNT ISA CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS EARLY

Last weekend Scouts of the Air Mount Isa had their annual camp. This year the theme was Christmas in September. We had 6 youth members

and some parents stay. Chil and Raksha had a great time teaching scouting skills and having fun. We made our own paper chains from Christmas wrapping paper, painted the paper for their own bon bons, baubles from old Christmas cards, floating candles, lolly wreaths. We made dessert of mini plum puddings which the parents loved. They tracked a wounded Santa through the bush, drew Christmas trees using compass directions, decoded messages, found the missing Christmas decorations, all left Sunday having had a wonderful time with a long trip home.



MOUNT ISA DRUM BEAT

Mount Isa Scouts for the last 10 weeks have been participating in a program called 'Drumbeat'. This social development program explores relationships using music, beliefs emotions, attitudes and thoughts. Its aim is to build resilience in young people for later life. The scouts have been able to earn their music badge during this time. Their performance was fantastic. They even produced two pieces developed during the program.



NORTHERN BEACHES SCOUTS IN ACTION

Scouts in Action Week 2013, was all about Scouts getting out in the community, and partnering with other community groups to complete a project or activity. Thanks to the very generous participation of all our Northern Beaches Scouting families, we were able to donate a significant amount of food to Harald's House. It was a great experience for several of our Scouts, Cub Scouts and Joey Scouts to visit Harald's House to hand over the donated goods. They were given a tour of the facility by volunteer worker, Lau, who also provided an insight into the great work done for the young people there. Up to six homeless/ disadvantaged youth (up to age 18) can be accommodated at a time, each with their private bedroom. There is also a large pool, games room, communal kitchen and a vege garden out the back. A chef comes each week to teach the tenants how to cook for themselves. All of the youth are expected to be actively enrolled in education and/or work. Harald's House is entirely community funded, and was most grateful for our donation. Our gold coin donations mean we have also been able to provide a Street Swag to Youthlink Cairns. A big thank you to all our families for your generosity. Special thanks to Rachel and Sara for their hard work in organising the event



I HAVE "GONE HOME".

Owen Kelvin "Kel" GRIFFITHS, OBE August 2013

Felix Leonard PRINCE August 2013

Edward William John HAFFENDEN September 2013

If you would like us to add your loved one to the "Gone Home" column, please forward their details to the editor by emailing encompass@scoutsqld.com.au

Chief Commissioner of Queensland



Kirsty M Brown OAM



Australia Scout Medallion certificates, Leader & Supporter Awards

On Sunday, 25 August 2013, the Australian Scout Medallion certificates and Leader and Supporter awards were presented at the Queensland Scout Centre. One of the highlights of the presentation of Australian Scout Medallions certificates was as I looked into the sea of faces of these young people all but four present had progressed to Venturer Scouts with the other four still in the Scout Section. That was extremely pleasing. It was a great day enjoyed by everyone present.



Queen's Scout Awards, Baden Powell Scout Awards and Silver Kangaroos

These were presented by the State Chief Scout Her Excellency, Ms Penelope Wensley AC, on Monday, 2 September 2013, at Government House. Again, this was a great evening for all participants and families with the Chief Scout giving an inspiring address to all present.



Region Development and Support Officer - Western Region

Our first Region Development and Support Officer, Gillian Hall commenced work in the Branch Support Office on Monday, 2 September 2013. Gillian has a long Scouting history as a Section Leader and Group Leader which will be an asset in this new role. Those of you who have been in Scouting many years can possibly consider that this role is similar to that of the Field Commissioner but certainly modernised. Gillian reports directly to me and will support the Western Queensland Region Commissioner.

International Scouting

Have you considered encouraging the young people and young adults in your Group, District or Region to apply to participate in, not only a Queensland or National activity, but an International event?

Fundraising for participants to attend overseas events significantly reduces the financial burden on parents and may provide opportunities to enhance the event by allowing participants to undertake extra activities.

Some guidelines for fundraising are:

- Set goals. Know how much money you need and when you need it.
- Decide who will be involved in the fundraising.
- Discuss fundraising options with the participants. Which types of fundraising events have been successful in your Group or community previously? A quick internet search on "Fundraising Tips" or "Fundraising Ideas" will turn up plenty of info that may help you decide on the best fundraising method.
- Set a timeline for the fundraising program.
- Inform your Group of your plan so that your fundraising doesn't clash with anything planned by the Group Support Committee.
- Implement an accurate method of recording and reporting on the funds collected.

International Funds Committee

The International Funds Committee is a National body that meets twice a year and allocates funding to specific events to ensure Australian representation. Grants may be made to individuals after they apply in writing to the International Commissioner of Australia. Scholarships are available for both youth and adult members of Scouts Australia. There are two types of scholarships available:

- "Hardship Scholarships" for Scouting members who cannot afford to go overseas without assistance.
- "Representative Scholarships" for Scouting members who are chosen to represent Scouts Australia based on their skills and experience.

Not all international events will receive scholarship funding allocations; this is at the discretion of the International Funds

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Committee. The percentage of the Contingent fee that will be covered by the scholarship is also at the discretion of the International Funds Committee. The minimum age level of youth members and young adults who can apply for a scholarship is determined by the age range of the event. If you wish to apply for a scholarship for an international event, contact the International Commissioner for more information. You will be required to apply in writing and have your application endorsed by this Branch. Funding assistance to individuals is not publicised and is considered to be confidential.

For successful applicants:

- Funding grants will be made to the Contingent account held at National Office; individuals will not receive the funding directly.
- Youth members will be required to provide Scouts Australia with a report on their experience, together with photos for use in national publications.
- Youth members will be required to complete two other reports/talks/presentations at a Group/District/Region or Branch level or outside of the Movement.
- A total of \$100 will be withheld from any grant until the member has returned to Australia and completed the required reports.

Pass on these tips to youth members who'd like to apply for a scholarship

International events are great fun, but they can also be quite overwhelming for a young traveller. They will be in unfamiliar surrounds, their family will be far away, and the culture, people and even the food will be different. In addition, they will also have the responsibility of representing Scouts Australia as an ambassador. So are they up for the challenge? Here are some things to consider before they apply:

- Are they willing to research and prepare for the trip?
- Can they adapt to another culture?
- How will they cope if English is not the main spoken language?
- Can they manage as an independent traveller?
- What if something unexpected happens - are they capable of dealing with it?
- Are they willing to immerse themselves in the experience? How can they use their skills and initiative to get more fully involved in the event they are attending?

Travelling overseas usually throws up some unexpected challenges. However, if you are well prepared and go into your international experience with the right attitude, you'll have the adventure of a lifetime! If you would like more information please contact the Queensland Branch Commissioner (International) Paul Rollason.

Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions (QBSI)

At long last QBSI has been updated. What a job! Some of the chapters now require further updates and this now can be done progressively to keep these Branch Instructions up to date. The updated version will appear on the Branch website mid-September and during October all Leaders will progressively be issued with a USB containing this version.

THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER MEMORANDUM

QUEENSLAND BRANCH SCOUTING INSTRUCTIONS (QBSI)

This memorandum is to advise everyone that, at last, the first review of the *Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions (QBSI)* has been completed. *Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions (QBSI)* is now uploaded on the Branch website.

The *Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions (QBSI)* should be treated as a living document and the version numbers for each chapter may alter in the future when chapters are updated, changed or added to.

The majority of chapters will have Version 1 in the footer of the document but there are a few chapters that have been pre-released (i.e. *QBSI 2.14 Rover Scout Motorsport*, *QBSI 6.5 Grants* and *QBSI 8 Uniform*) that will now be Version 2 or Version 3.

The content page of QBSI indicates which version is the current one, this will also be reinforced on the website, and both will be updated when new versions are released. You will also be notified of updates and or new chapters in Encompass.

A copy of *Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions (QBSI)* will be issued to all Leaders, who are financial, on a USB by the end of October 2013. All new Leaders will receive their USB through the Training Department once they are signed up. Paper copies will be made available for purchase, by request only, by contacting the Scout Supply Centre.

We realise that there are some chapters that may require updating in the not too distant future. Advice regarding any updates, as mentioned above, will appear in Encompass and on the website



APPLICATIONS CLOSE 24TH NOVEMBER

You're invited to apply to join the Scouts Australia National Youth Council
Scouts' peak youth involvement body
Be part of National decision making
Attend 2 national conferences a year
Any Scouting member aged 13-23 can apply

Want to know more? Like us on facebook and keep an eye out for our brand new website. You can also email us: yoursay@nyc.scouts.com.au

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Branch Commissioner Cub Scouts



Tim Gibbings (Kaa)

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"Look well, Oh wolves, Look well"

*"On my honour,
I promise that I will do my best,
To do my duty to my God, and
To the Queen of Australia
To help other people, and
Live by the Scout Law."*

This Promise I reaffirm, with all of you as my witness; also, implicit in this Promise, is that I will do my best to do my duty as your Branch Commissioner (Cub Scouts). I could think of no more fitting way to take-up this role and position than by reaffirming my Promise; as it is a privilege to be given this opportunity to serve the Cub Scout Section (Leaders, Cub Scouts and Supporters) of the Queensland Branch.

I look forward to the challenges that lay ahead, getting to see and support the wider Cub Scouting in Queensland and particularly, meeting and working with you, the Leaders and Youth Members that make Cub Scouts such a great Section. However, before I introduce myself:

"WOOF!, WOOF!, WOOF!" – Three massive 'Woofs' for Robyn Devine (Rikki) in recognition for her outstanding dedication, passion, enthusiasm, sacrifice and achievement during her six years as Branch Commissioner (Cub Scouts); I believe Cub Scouting in Queensland has benefited greatly from her efforts and leaderships.

To highlight just a couple of the achievements:

- Taking the vision for a Queensland Cuboree and making it happen, with the 1st Queensland Cuboree held in 2010, a next in 2012 and planning in hand for 2014; and
- The increase in general communications and cooperation within and between the Cub Scout Sections of Queensland, through her encouragement and use of Social Media.

I believe these two achievements, in combination, alone have contributed significantly to improving Cub Scouting in Queensland through improved networking of Leaders and the support that comes with it.

Robyn will be remaining a member of the Branch Cub Scout Team, primarily in her capacity as the Branch Adviser (Cuboree 2014 Project) and will remain the Camp Chief for Cuboree 2014. I also welcome Robyn staying part of the team, as I am sure her considerable 'corporate knowledge and experience' and general advice will be of great value as I find my feet.

So, who am I? – An Introduction

Well, I grew up on a farm and in a country town on the Darling Downs; so I am a 'Queenslander' to the core. I was never a youth member in Scouting, though I was a member of the Church of England Boys Society (CEBS), a bit like Boys Brigade, and in the Army Cadets at High School. I essentially joined the regular Army straight after High School and served full time for 30 years, before transferring to the active Army Reserve, where I still do regular periods of

work. My career in the Army has been a significant influence on my values and ethos.

I have five children/step-children (now all grown-up), four of which have been scouting youth members, and six grandchildren, the eldest just under one year away from Joey Scouts. I hold family, teamwork, mateship, initiative, respect, discipline and loyalty in high regard; this has carried through to my Scouting.

From a Scouting perspective, I started like many do, as a Parent Helper when my son joined Cub Scouts in the UK in 1990 (posted for two years in UK). I first became an Assistant Cub Scout Leader in South Australia when the need arose in my Son's Cub Scout Pack. On leaving South Australia, I resigned as a Leader, but continued as a Parent Helper as we moved around. Then, when I turned up at Albany Creek, Brisbane in 1998 and tried getting my kids into the Scout Group, I mentioned I might be interested in becoming a Scout Leader, but a Cub Scout Leader put pressure on me (pleading and begging, if I recall) until I 'caved' in and signed up as an ACSL (very glad I did), becoming the Pack Leader in July 2000.

I changed roles in April 2007 to become the Murrumba District Adviser/Leader (Cub Scouts), a role I have remained in until now taking -up this position. I have been regularly involved in training as an Assistant Trainer on Cub Scout Leader Skills Training Courses since 2007, as many of you may have experienced. I have also been on the Cuboree Executive Committee and the Logistics Leader for the first two Queensland Cuborees (2010 & 2012) and currently for 2014, and on Jamboree Executive Committed and Logistics Director for AJ2013.

I am passionate and enthusiastic about Cub Scouting, in particular, and Scouting in general and the benefits it can provide, not only for our youth, but for the adults involved and consequently the community as a whole. I believe strongly in the Aim, Principles and Fundamentals of Scouting and the Methods that are used and have been continually proven. When was the last time you revised/reviewed the Aim, Principles, Fundamentals and Methods of Scouting and considered how you are applying them?

I am also passionate about the ongoing relevance of the Jungle Books to Cub Scouting, and I like to throw a Jungle Law or two around; one of my favourites – *"For the Strength of the Pack is the Wolf, and the strength of the Wolf is the Pack."* I intend to talk more about 'the Jungle' in future Encompass Articles and will seek your views and interpretations, etc – so I would encourage 'brushing up' on your Jungle Lore (*Lore - an accumulated knowledge about a subject, especially of a traditional or popular nature*) – my recommended references are:

- *The Wolf Cub's Handbook* by Lord Baden-Powell, and
- *Jungle Lore – Book 9 in the PAWS Series*, an Australian Scout Publication.

If you do not already have either of these books available within your Pack, consider obtaining them as an important reference resource, both books are available at the Scout Supply Centre.

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Branch Commissioner Venturer Scouts



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QV2013 Badge

Since 6 July those of us who attended Queensland Venture this year were permitted to wear the QV event badge on our uniform. Well the Chief Commissioner's approval comes to an end on 6 October so please ensure anyone in your Unit with the badge on their uniform takes it off now.

The Queen's Scout Award and the District or Region Venturer Scout Council

It has been over four years since the recommendations of the most recent Venturer Scout Review Committee were accepted nationally. A major consideration of that review was eliminating unnecessary barriers to Venturer Scouts participating in our award scheme. In this article I will explain what the role of the District or Region Venturer Scout council is with regard to the award scheme. In future articles I will explain what the roles of the other participants in the award scheme are.

Two salient quotes from the Review Committee's 2008 report are *"The previous practice of having a District Venturer Scout Council (DVSC) responsible for supervising Award Scheme agreed requirements is no longer required and this responsibility transfers to the District Leader – Venturer Scouts"* and *"Monitor the progress of Unit Standards sub committees of Unit Councils. Units are to provide a regular summary of Activity Award Proposals"*. The first quote makes it clear what the DVSC has not been responsible for since 2009. What then is the role of the DVSC regarding the award scheme? This is answered by the second quote.

Putting it another way, the DVSC is responsible for monitoring the award scheme activities of the unit councils, not the award scheme activities of individual Venturer Scouts. Venturer Scouts working on the award scheme are not required to present their work to the DVSC, nor is it the role of the DVSC to accept or reject badge work, either at the proposal stage or the completion stage. I understand this constitutes a change for many district or region Venturer Scout council but the time has come for those steeped in the old ways to embrace the change to the new ways.

This change makes it really important that all Unit Councils send a detailed report (who, what, when, where, how, why) about the award scheme business they have dealt with to DVSC meetings, along with one or more informed members of the Unit Council even if there has been no award scheme business at their Unit. It is also really important that DVSCs discuss these reports, and constructively communicate their findings about correct and incorrect Unit practices to all Units that make up the council. Thoughtful and informed discussions at DVSC meetings will lead to more Venturer Scouts making good decisions at the Unit level.

Participation in a District or Region Venturer Scout council is not an option for Units, it is mandatory. Consequently when the District or Region Commissioner receives a Queen's Scout Award nomination, the District or Region Venturer Scout Council records should back up everything in the record book and explain any apparent peculiarities.

Where there are less than four Units in a District, and it is practical to do so, the Units from two or more Districts should work together to establish a functioning District Venturer Scout Council.

Dates (a partial list)

October

- 4-7 VenMX – South East Queensland
- 12-13 Race Around the Lake – South East Queensland
- 18-20 Venturer Scout Leadership course – Brisbane South Region
- 23 Branch Youth Venturer Scout Council meeting – Skype

November

- 24 Unit Management Course – Kawana
- 27 Branch Venturer Scout Council meeting – Skype
- 29-1 Noosa Venture – Noosaville

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

Birthday Party Invitation

From the Beaudesert Scouts

65th Anniversary

Where: Beaudesert Scout Group Den
Cnr Eaglesfield & Hart Streets
Beaudesert

When: Saturday 30th November 2013

Time: 10am – 2pm

MONSTER DISCO

COME AS YOUR FAVOURITE MONSTER 10.30A – 11.30A

Fun for all the family

Entry and activities are all free There will be food & drinks on sale

ENTRANCE THROUGH HART STREET

Branch Commissioner Rover Scouts



Gavin Brady

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Banana Bash Visitors Day - Sunday 6 October—All Welcome

All members & non-members welcome 9am to 5pm. Why not organise a day visit for your mob, pack, troop, unit?

Members under 15 - \$5

Members over 15 - \$10

Non-members 18 and over - \$10

All visitors will receive a free bumper sticker.

Banana Bash Rover Information

Banana Bash 2013 will be held from Friday 4 October to Monday 7 October 2013 at a site located adjacent to Queensland Raceway at Willowbank; not far from Ipswich. For all your Bash Information including attendance forms, merchandise, payment forms and vehicle specifications go to www.bananabash.com.au



Costs are as follows:

\$75 full weekend (after 20 September – late fee)

\$25 day pass

\$45 overnight pass

For more information contact the Banana Bash Chair Kate Rimon at kate_rimon@hotmail.com

Region Representatives

Nominations are now open for 2013/2014 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 commences on 1 September and nomination forms must be submitted to chair@qldrovers.org.au or bc.rovers@qldhq.scouts.com.au

WAM – Perth – Dec 2013—Jan 2014

Applications are open for the 19th Australian Rover Moot in Perth.

Payment Schedule:

Participant \$850 - Deposit \$450 now due; Final Payment \$400 due 1-Jul-13

Staff \$650 - Deposit \$350 now due; Final Payment \$300 due 1-Jul-13

Expedition Fee for all participants will be due 1-Oct-13
Fees include all meals and accommodation for the 12 day event, On and Off site day activities over 6 days, Night time entertainment,

including live bands and New Years Eve party!

A \$100 late fee will be added onto the Moot fee for new applications received after 30 Sept.



Expeditions:

All participants & general staff get to select a 5 day 4 night expedition. The expeditions, ranging in costs from \$250-\$1000 are: Perth on a Budget, Bound for Southbound, Sun Soaker, South-West 4WD Adventure, High End Adventure Tour, Diving 101, South-West Dive Adventure, Vastly Rickety Rover Rally Race Meet, Sailing on the Swan, Pampered in Perth, Rotto Rampage, Perth Coastal Explorer, Rock 'N' Hole, Hungry -Hungry Hippos Go Gourmet, Dwellingup Adventure Tour, Northern Explorer, Southern Explorer, South-West Safari, Munda Biddi Mountain Biking, Hike with Ease, Bibbulmun Bushwalkers, West Coast Waves.

Future Dates

QBRC Meeting – 20 October QSC – 7PM

Have you or your crew joined the Rover Website

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

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BRANCH COUNCIL NOTICE OF MEETING

The half yearly meeting of the Branch Council for The Scout Association of Australia, Queensland Branch Inc will be held on:

Thursday 31 OCTOBER 2013 at 7.00pm

Venue: Queensland Scout Centre
32 Dixon Street, Auchenflower QLD 4066

Dress: Uniform / Lounge Suit

RSVP: RSVP essential by Monday 28 October 2013. You can RSVP online at <http://rsvp.scoutsqld.com.au> or telephone: (07) 3870 7000 or email reception@scoutsqld.com.au

Deputy Chief Commissioner Youth Program



Peter Blatch

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The other day I was chatting with some Scouting friends and the gum leaf logo and scoutcraft names were mentioned. Two of the group wondered what we were talking of and became amazed as we shared the interesting developments of our Scouts Australia logo. While many of us are well aware of the traditions of the left hand shake, the Gilwell scarf and woodbeads, I would like to share information- good for a scout trivia night- about our logo and also our Scout leader names.

Scouts Australia Logo

Our Scouts Australia logo was designed by John Coburn, a prominent artist, designer and former Scout from Queensland. The image retains the essential aspect of the North Point arrowhead, while at the same time giving it a modern approach and placing it contextually in the Southern Hemisphere. It strongly features the five stars of the Southern Cross.



The three elements of the North Point incorporates several images:

- the three components of our Scout Promise
- the Scout salute, and
- the stylised eucalyptus leaves- quintessentially Australian.

The central vertical component represents strength, purpose of youth, growing and aspiring. The superimposition of the Southern Cross represents the infinite universe and the wonder and inspiration of the natural world as seen by a Scout in Australia sleeping under the stars. These composite natural features (eucalyptus leaves, the heavens, growth and vigour) depict Australian Scouting as it is - natural, healthy, outdoors, unfettered but with direction, goal seeking, free, uninhibited, focused and positive.

Scoutcraft Names

As part of the Adults in Scouting Strategy, scout leaders throughout the world are encouraged to use a scoutcraft name which young people may use to communicate with them. This avoids the young person having to call the leader, Mrs Black or Mr Bridge and assists break the barrier and builds a special relationship between youth members and adult leaders.

Traditionally for Cub Scout Leaders the scoutcraft names come from The Jungle Book written by Rudyard Kipling, a friend of BP's. I am sure we all know many Akelas, Rikkis, Kaas and Bagheeras. Joey scout leaders tend to take names from Australian bush animals such as Wombat, Kanga and Koala. Many traditions exist in Groups where for example as a youth member from Mt Bruce Scouts, all our new leaders needed to take a name starting with the letter K and us as youth selecting suitable names. This did present challenges for leaders on transfer. Just as Akela was the name of the Cub Scout leader, there were many Skips in scout troops.

It is important that these traditions continue especially for our youth members as this assists maintaining those special scouting links between youth and leaders. However we should not get too involved in the name aspect of scouting to find that as leaders we use these labels when interacting among other adult scout leaders. This was a trend in the sixties and was phased out deliberately, as part of the New Design where it was reported some leaders hid behind the anonymity of the scoutcraft name. As adults we have a clear and focussed role in Scouting as identified in our Mutual Agreement and Code of Conduct.

We must remember that these and many other strategies are being used throughout the world as part of creating special links to make it easier for young people to establish a rapport with their scout leader, so that they can experience the great game of Scouting. I wish you well.

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Reminders:

- **Cuboree 2014 - Time of Legends:** A reminder to get your applications in, noting that first payments are due 1st November 2013. There is additional information in respect to Cuboree 2014, elsewhere in this edition of Encompass, which I encourage you to read.
- **Branch Commissioner Cub Scouts' Challenge:** The Branch Commissioner's Challenge is still a go, but finished in December, so time is short. Details are available in the Cub Scout Section online at <http://scoutsqld.com.au>. Robyn has advised me that many Packs have accepted the Challenge and I look forward to seeing the results.

I look forward to sharing and supporting the amazing experience of Cub Scouting with you over the coming months and years.

Good Hunting All



Queensland Branch
Scout Supply Centre

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Be Prepared...
for new adventure!

Bumper Stickers \$1.00

Logo Sticker—\$3.50



Executive Manager



Ian Lightbody

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I am hopeful that every member enjoys Scouting and would like as many others to enjoy Scouting too. The privilege of leadership carries with it responsibility and commitment. Although they may not say it enough: youth members, families, the community and the Branch say “thank you” for what you do. It is appreciated.

The Branch Support Office at the Queensland Scout Centre strives to give you as much assistance as possible from an administration and business perspective. In addition to the paid staff, we are in debt to the volunteers who now regularly assist in the office. This month I would like to draw your attention to recruitment (Bring a friend month), a few business matters and some news.

Bring a friend month

October this year is bring a friend month. The idea is that youth members can invite a friend to come along to a meeting with the hope that some may join. This is for all sections from Joey Scouts through to Rover Scouts. As non-members, they need to complete an F6 Non-member Activity Advice Form for each time that they attend during the month.

Information and invitation templates were sent out last month but are available on the website (in the Promotions area). If you already have a full section or are at capacity, then this may be problematic but we hope that many groups encourage youth members to bring a friend (this is how I joined 39 years ago).

Unfortunately with the need for Blue Cards, it is not as easy for adults to invite adults; however, it is beneficial to invite all parents to be Adult Helpers and after they have had Blue Cards issued, it is a much smoother path into a leadership role. Please openly discuss the options of becoming an adult leader or supporter with any suitable parents or other adults. Many leaders are super committed and super busy; asking for assistance and sharing the load is a good idea.

Grants

Recently Cameron Stanley, our Grants and Projects Officer, finished with us to pursue a career goal. We received many applicants for the vacancy which are currently being considered. We welcome Louise Doig, who is assisting us with the grant management process until the vacancy is filled.

If you are considering a grant, please refer to the QBSI on grants (QBSI 6.5 Grants), as there are many important rules to follow. It is important to note that the formation must:

- be financial with the Branch (have no debt; our terms are 30 days)
- have submitted a current financial return
- have the approval of the Region Commissioner
- be lodged at the Branch Support Office (at least one week prior to the closing date)

These rules may be relaxed if the grant application is deemed significant and based on the situation. For instance, the Get Going Grant (see below) will be available for all formations to apply.

There are numerous grant opportunities available to our formations. Under the Sport & Recreation Get in the Game funding, there are three programs:

- Get Started \$150 vouchers – to assist needy families with membership fees (next round early 2014)
- Get Going – for promotions, recruitment, equipment, and training up to \$10,000. We have encouraged Scout Groups to apply for their training needs for 2014. We are also trying to apply for funds to promote Scouting at a Branch, Region and District level. (Next round due 15 October but more rounds in 2014)
- Get Playing – for infrastructure development up to \$100,000 with 20% from the formation; this may assist formations who wish to do building works but there needs to be a substantial amount of planning with the application. (Next round due 15 October but more rounds in 2014)

Various Council grants exist. Please check your own local councils. For those in the Brisbane area, the BCC Access and inclusion grants for between \$2,000 and \$50,000 may be suitable for upgrades to your building to improve disability access but also can be used to encourage disadvantaged groups to take part in Scouting.

Please remember that Community Benefit Fund Grants are due 30 November, so they will need to reach the Branch Support Office by 23 November at the very latest, earlier if possible.

Scout Supply Centre

Lisa Crowley joins the Scout Supply Centre Team – welcome – and we farewell Libby Smith, who is pursuing her chosen career in hospitality. Please let everyone know that the Saturday shop hours have changed to 9am – 1pm (rather than 3pm) to reflect the times that most customers visit.

Networks

I would like to let you know that Scouts Queensland is involved in many networks within the community. There are three that I would like highlight in this article:

- Queensland Outdoor Recreation Federation (QORF) – provides us with contact within the outdoor recreation sector. Scouts have been nominated for a number of QORF Awards this year.
- Queensland Youth Alliance (QYA) – a network of the mainstream youth organisations in Queensland. The alliance is a collaborative effort to share information and provide a voice for youth organisations with the Government and the wider community.
- Defence Force Families – Scouting can provide defence force families with a community link and a sense of stability for their children. There is dialogue to strengthen this relationship but there is already a National program to support defence force families in Scouting which is described on the Scouts Australia website <http://www.scouts.com.au/images/upload/base/18312451.pdf>.

The DCC Youth Program is the Queensland Branch contact.

Building Issues

The new version of Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions has
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now been distributed. I would encourage everyone to become familiar with its contents. In particular, for those responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of Scout properties, please refer to QBSI Section 7 – ScoutSafe, which describes the need to maintenance and safety checks on buildings, among other important matters.

Administration

A few timely reminders, Branch accounts have 30 day terms. Please contact us if there are any issues with payment. Thank you to the many Scout Groups who have been working hard to keep or fix up their financial situations. It is appreciated.

I have recently been in contact with a number of Groups who appear to have unfinancial members. These people cannot attend any Scout activity until their membership fees have been paid. Membership renewal fees are payable for all current members as at 1 April each year. It is advisable to have the fees collected before this date. Many Groups are making the renewal process part of the State Sign-on Day (8-9 February next year) to provide certainty. We will be endeavouring to publicise the membership fees with as much lead time as possible.

Please be aware that **Property Returns are now overdue**. This was required to be returned by 30 September. If your return is not in, please send it in quickly. We require this information for many reasons, but it fits in with the timeline for us to receive insurance quotes to work in with the Branch budget timeline, which helps us to define the membership fees for the next Scout Year.

Thank you for the work you do for Scouting. It is appreciated.



MARYBOROUGH
3rd Queensland Cuboree 2014

Are you ready for Cuboree 2014?
Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park
November is the deadline for the first payment! Don't miss out on the opportunity of a lifetime.

The Cuboree Executive has started planning and wow what an exciting adventure Cuboree 2014 is becoming.

As a Pack Leader or Assistant Pack Leader It is your responsibility to ensure your Cub Scouts (and Leaders) are ready for the fun, adventures and challenges that Cuboree will provide, do not just sign off on application forms without giving thought to how they will cope with such a large event like a Cuboree.

	Fee	Initial Payment 1 Nov 2013	2 nd Payment 1 Mar 2014	Final Payment Due 1 June 2014
Cub Scouts	\$500.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
Leader/Adult/Youth/ Other	\$450.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00

The fee for Cuboree 2014 includes *transport to and from Cuboree as this is designed to be part of the Cuboree Award and its activities.
*Transport is provided to and from Cuboree from a centralised area of origin. Four hour drive – members outside this catchment area will be required to find their own transport (at their own cost) to the closest pick up area within the four hour catchment area.

Visit the website <http://cuboree.scoutsqld.com.au> for eligibility requirements and the latest updates
So are you ready to become a legend too?

Robyn Davies (Rikki) – Cuboree Camp Chief

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Email: info@cuboree.scoutsqld.com.au Web: www.cuboree.scoutsqld.com.au

Deputy Chief Commissioner Special Duties



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How easy it is to see the shortcomings of others, perhaps this little story will help us to get everything into perspective as we go about our daily meetings with others.

A water bearer had two large pots, one hung on each end of a pole which he carried across his neck. One of the pots had a crack in it, and while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water. At the end of the long walk from the stream to the master's house, the cracked pot always arrived only half full. For two years this went on daily, with the bearer delivering only one and a half pots full of water to his master's house. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments, fulfilled in the design for which it was made. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection, and miserable that it was unable to accomplish what it had been made to do.

After two years of enduring this bitter shame, the pot spoke to the water bearer one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself and I apologize to you." "Why?" asked the bearer. "What are you ashamed of?" "I have been able, for these past two years, to deliver only half my load because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your master's house. Because of my flaws, you have to do all of this work, and you don't get full value from your efforts," the pot said. The water bearer felt sorry for the old

cracked pot, and in his compassion he said, "As we return to the master's house, I want you to notice the beautiful flowers along the path."

Indeed, as they went up the hill, the old cracked pot took notice of the sun warming the beautiful wild flowers on the side of the path, and was cheered somewhat. But at the end of the trail, it still felt the old shame because it had leaked out half its load, and so again the pot apologized to the bearer for its failure. The bearer said to the pot, "Did you not notice that there were flowers only on your side of the path, and not on the other pot's side? That's because I have always known about your flaw, and I took advantage of it. I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we've walked back from the stream, you've watered them. For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate my master's table.

Without you being just the way you are, he would not have this beauty to grace his house." Each of us has flaws. We're all cracked pots. But if we will allow Him, the Lord will use our flaws to grace His Father's table. In God's great economy, nothing goes to waste. Don't be afraid of your flaws. Acknowledge them, and you, too, can bring something beautiful to the Father.

Branch Commissioner Air Activities



Laurie Radcliffe

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Move back to Hanger 1

The Air Activities section has now moved back to Hanger 1 as of the 1st October 2013. This has been in the plan for a while now, this is the hanger we operated from a few years ago. We have different facilities and much closer to an outside activity area including chairs and tables for breaks. We now meet in the car park outside Hanger 1 near the entry of the Royal Qld Aero Club. We look forward to the new Hanger and we are operating our first course this year on the 12th October



2014 Calender

Month	Joey Scout Mornings Saturday 9.00am – 12noon	Cub Scout Morn- ings Saturday 8.00am – 3pm Level 1	Cub Scout Days Saturday 8.00am – 12 noon Level 2	Scout Course Days Saturday 8.00am – 5.00pm	Gliding & 737 Simulator
August 2013	17	24	3	10 / 31	
September 2013	7	-	14	-	AS
October 2013	19	26	-	12	
November 2013	9	30	16	4 / 23	R
February 2014	8	1	-	15	E
March 2014	15	29	1	8	Q
April 2014	-	-	26	-	U
May 2014	10	17	-	3 / 31	I
June 2014	7	-	14	21	R
July 2014	-	19	-	26	E
August 2014	2	30	9	16	D
September 2014	-	-	13	6	
October 2014	25	18	-	11	
November 2014	29	-	15	1 / 22	

Congratulations

The following Groups successfully undertook the following Air Activities award levels for the month of September

Saturday 7th – Joey Scout - Oakleigh, Beaudesert

Saturday 14th – Cub Scout Flight Level 2 Badge—Victoria Point, Gumdale

Leaders Flying

Leaders (financial and with a member number) are also invited to fly on the day of the youth activity. A small fee of \$50 to cover the cost of the flight is payable, this is also a great opportunity for leaders to also experience a flight in a light aircraft. Please ensure leaders are also booked for a flight on your initial application

Regional Activities

All local groups to the areas listed below are also invited to register an interest, please contact Laurie B.C Air Activities on bc.airactivities@qldhq.scouts.com.au, Or contact BHQ

Blackwater Early November 2013

Cairns Early 2014

If any regional group wishes to plan or run an Air Activity course please contact Laurie B.C Air Activities for further information on bc.airactivities@qldhq.scouts.com.au

Branch Commissioner Environmental Education



Judy Seymour



Environment Dates

7th October - World Habitat Day
 4th October - World Animal Day
 20th -26th October - National Water Week

National Water Week is an initiative that was started in 1993 to raise community awareness about our current and future water issues. Encourage your Scouts to suggest ways that they can protect and conserve this vital resource. Get involved in cleaning up rubbish from a local water way or conduct a water audit in your den or home. Reduce consumption by installing a rainwater tank, using water saving appliances and fittings and planting native trees and shrubs in your gardens.

Youth Programs

World Scout Environment Badge, Waterwise, Joey Scout Adventure Challenge.

The Cub Scout Waterwise Badge can be completed in one day. Activities cover: discovery, conservation, protecting our wetlands, health, water and the natural environment, and fun games.

Calendar Dates

		Location
Joey Scouts	November 9	Landsborough
Cub Scouts	October 12 (WSEB) at Rocky Creek November 2 (WSEB) at Eprapah	Landsborough Victoria Point
Scouts	November 16 at Eprapah November 23 at Rocky Creek	Victoria Point Landsborough
Venturer Scouts	On request after exams	Victoria Point

Bookings: activity.bookings@scoutsqld.com.au
 or (07) 3870-7000.
**BRANCH COMMISSIONER ENVIRONMENT,
 JUDY SEYMOUR PH: 3203 4193**

2014 ENVIRONMENT CALENDAR

Month	Joey Scouts	Cub Scouts	Scouts	Venturer Scouts	Leaders/Rover Scouts
February	15		22	8-9	
March	*15 # 29	1 WW	8	22-23	
April		5	*5		
May	3	*10	17	31 May-1 June	23-25
June	21	14WW			
July	19	*26 26			
August	9 *30	2 *16 23	16 30-31 Weedbust	30-31 Weedbust	
September	13				
October		11 18WW	25		
November	*8	1	15 *22	On request after exams	Rover/OP Guides 28-30

*Rocky Creek Campsite, Landsborough # – Wirraglen, Darling Downs WW – Waterwise

Branch Commissioner International



Paul Rollason

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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.



International Scouting involves relationships with other National Scouting Organisations (NSO's) around the world. The relationships involve international events and projects, the Scouts International Student Exchange Program (SISEP), Jamboree of the Air/Jamboree of the Internet (JOTA/JOTI), and the International pen Pal Program. International Scouting is also about developing Scout's awareness of their place within the worldwide movement.

"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

56th JOTA 17th JOTI

19-20 October 2013—LET'S SHARE

'LET'S SHARE' The theme for this important international on the 2013 Scout Calendar. I am sure that all groups can brainstorm many great program ideas from the two small but powerful words. The official JOTA Badge competition has just closed on the international website and we are waiting on the publication of the badge for JOTA 2013. It is expected that this will be released in the next couple of weeks and I should be able to advise the design for the international badge in the next encompass. It is time for all Groups, Districts and Regions to start preparing for the 2013 JOTA JOTI camps over the third weekend of October. A great place to start is by making contact with your local Amateur Radio Club to seek assistance with operating the radios over the JOTA weekend. The Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA) website is a handy location for contact details of the radio clubs in Qld. The link is wia.org.au/clubs/vk4. For those youth members and leaders who hold an Amateur Radio License this is a good time to dust off your radio and with your fellow scouts LET'S SHARE the excitement with about 400,000 other scouts world wide. Over the coming months I will be updating the Qld JOTA/JOTI web page to include the 2013 handbook, software links and great program ideas to share.

Until next month

JOTA & JOTI – Albert Shelley- Queensland Coordinator
jota@qldhq.scouts.com.au



AKELA 2014

Cub Scout and Brownie leaders will come together in the summer of 2014 (02.-06. August) in Westernhoe for an international camp. Leaders of both genders are invited by the German Scout and Guide associations to discuss the following topics: What activities do you do during your weekly meetings? What issues are important to children and group leaders in other countries and cultures?



This camp is a fantastic opportunity to make friends, gain new contacts and develop fresh ideas for your weekly meetings as well as to present your activities with this age section in Germany. And perhaps you will also feel like planning an international exchange with children. Save the date in your calendar! And if you have international contacts, promote the event and invite your friends to the camp. The online camp registration will start at 15. June 2013.
<http://www.akela2014.de/index.php?id=240&L=1>

The International Explorer Award

The award is a belt and buckle that can be worn in place of the uniform belt. This award can be earned by any registered member of Scouts Australia who travels to an Officially recognized International Scouting event overseas and participates in two of the following activities:

1. Service (minimum 4 hours)
2. Camping (minimum 1 night)
3. Training (minimum 1 complete day)
4. Attend at least three meetings (minimum 3 hours)



Upon return from overseas, the candidate is required to complete at least 3 reports or presentations.



23rd World Scout Jamboree 2015 Japan

The Jamboree will be located on Kirarahama or Kirara Beach in Yamaguchi Prefecture. The Japanese word "kirara" means mica: Kirara Beach offers a beautiful landscape in front of which the Seto Inland Sea glitters in the sunlight just like mica.

Applications

Online Registrations are now open on the APPLY NOW page of the website. Follow the link and be sure to select 23rd World Scout Jamboree from the menu. <http://www.wsj2015.scouts.com.au>. All youth members that will be aged between 14 and 18 are eligible to attend (i.e. born between 9 August 1997 and 27 July 2001 inclusive). Adult members are eligible for selection as a Line Leader or as a member of the International Service Team (IST). If you are eligible to attend and would like to be kept informed of the latest information as it becomes available, please send an email to wjcontingentleader@scouts.com.au with your Name, Scout Group and Contact Details.

SISEP - Scout International Student Exchange Program

Applications for 2014/15 are now open and interested Venturers have until 31st March 2014 to lodge their Expression of Interest Forms with me. The sooner this is done, the sooner you can fund-raise and the easier it is to put money aside for this great experience. Interested Venturers who want to participate in the Scout International Exchange Program for 2014/15, must be a Venturer and do not turn 18 until after January 2015. All the Venturers who have participated agree that it is the best time and experience and well worth the effort – Applications for 2014/15 close 31st March 2014.

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



Please also email others in your Venturer Unit/Group the Encompass magazine so they can see this information.

Hope to hear from you soon.

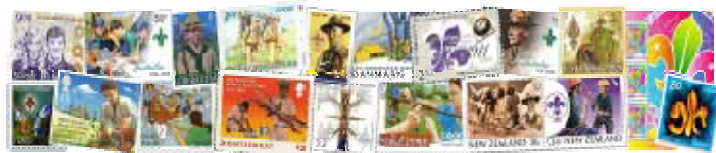
Youth Program Support Branch Advisor Scott Edwards
(International) – SISEP Coordinator - Qld
(Scout International Student Exchange Program)
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Host Families and Host Corp Team

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Pen Pals Required

For more details or to register now for the pen pal program contact International Pen-Pal Program – Susan Rogers Queensland Coordinator at penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au



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

2013

20th New Zealand Jamboree—28th Dec-5th January 2014

Venue: Fielding North Island New Zealand

December 2013 4th National jamboree – Brunei

2014

William I Koch International Sea Scout Cup—22nd-28th June 2014

Long Beach, California, USA

Akela 2014—2nd-6th August 2014

Westernohe, Germany

World Scout Youth Forum—4th -7th August

Slovenia

World Scout Conference- 11th -15th August 2014

Slovenia

2015

ANZAC Centenary Celebrations—Turkey

23rd World Scout Jamboree—July – August 2015

Kirara-hama, Japan

2016

New Zealand Venture

2017

15th World scout Moot—Iceland

2019

24th World Scout Jamboree—North America (Canada,USA,Mexico)

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)

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Host families and Host Corp Team

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JOTA & JOTI

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International Pen-Pal Program

Susan Rogers Queensland Coordinator

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Hands Across The Water Program (Joey Scouts)

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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 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 visit the Queensland website at www.scoutsqld.com.au and click on "Events" and then "International" or email bc.international@qldhq.scouts.com.au.

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



Branch Support Office Christmas closure period



Please note that The Scout Association of Australia, Queensland Branch Inc office and Scout Supply Centre (Branch Support Office, 32 Dixon Street, Auchenflower) will close at
11am on Friday 20 December 2013.

Friday 20 December 2013	Close at 11am
Monday 23 December 2013	Closed
Tuesday 24 December 2013	Closed
Wednesday 25 December 2013	Closed—Christmas Day
Thursday 26 December 2013	Closed—Boxing Day
Friday 27 December 2013	Closed
Monday 30 December 2013	Closed
Tuesday 31 December 2013	Closed
Wednesday 1 January 2014	Closed—New Years Day
Thursday 2 January 2014	Open

Branch Commissioner Youth Activities



Kerry Tully

bc.youthactivity@qldhq.scouts.com.au



2013 CAMPS HELD AT BP PARK, SAMFORD

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Youth Activities Team

Want to be involved in perhaps the BIGGEST Scouting event of the year?



Branch Youth Activities Camp

Join over 500,000



Scouts this year



"Let's Share!"



At this camp you will... explore, create, construct, play and learn!
So what are YOU waiting for?
Register your interest now and join us at BP Park on October 19-20 2013.

Well here is your chance. JOTA-JOTI generally involves over half a million Scouts from all walks of life. This year sees our very own Branch Youth Activities Team join forces with the Branch International Team to plan and run a diversified program embracing the sense of this special annual event, "Let's Share!". Camp activities will run over two days, Saturday and Sunday, the 19th and 20th of October at BP Park. Key features are not limited to but will include: a radio base, an internet base, craft, games, challenges, geocaching, abseiling and water activities. **With almost 300 youth members attending, we are almost at capacity so book now!**

For more information, contact BC Youth Activities: Kerry Tully kerrytully@myacn.net.au 0401535544

Keep your eyes and ears peeled for new information coming in relation to this years' final themed camp, occurring on the weekend of 16-17 November – The Elements. Get back to basics with the elements of our world. You will be inspired by what we do with just the basics. We are also after feedback on our camps and day/weekend camp ideas for how we can best meet your needs in 2014. Please email these to Kerry Tully on kerrytully@myacn.net.au.

If you are a new leader to Scouting wanting some new ideas and skills, or are just after a fun-filled weekend full of challenges and achievements for your youth members, then our newly-designed camps are for you.

THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER MEMORANDUM

REGION REVIEW AND STRUCTURE

Over the past 12 months a project to investigate the Region structure and management of the current Regions was undertaken with final recommendations being adopted at the Region Commissioners Conference in July 2013. All Region Commissioners were requested to discuss these outcomes within their Regions, if Groups within their Region were to be affected.

Changes as follows will occur from 1 April 2014:

1. All Groups within Western, Central Western and North Western Region will amalgamate into one Region.
2. Region Commissioner (Central Western) John Finn will be appointed as Region Commissioner of the newly amalgamated Region from 1 April 2014. The Region will be known as Western Queensland Region (or another recommended name). A new Region badge will be developed.
3. Region Commissioner John Finn will make recommendations regarding his team by 1 March 2014 as they need to be located within this vast Region.
4. As the Chinchilla Scout Group is in the process of reopening, an agreement with the Region Commissioners was made to include Chinchilla Scout Group within the Darling Downs Region.
5. Transfer of the Taroom Scout Group from Western Region to Capricorn Region from July 2014.
6. Further work will be undertaken by 1 April 2014 to transfer Dalby-Yumborra, Goondiwindi, Inglewood and Texas (when reopened) Scout Groups into Darling Downs Region.
7. Guidelines for creating and or splitting Regions has been developed and included in the update of the Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions (QBSI).
8. The size and demographics of the Brisbane South Region may be reviewed again after July 2014 if deemed appropriate.

No one particularly likes changes but please remember that this is about better support for our Groups from the Region structure.



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Region Development and Support Officer



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In line with the 2020 Mission as outlined in the current QBSI my new role will be to “extend to every community the opportunity to deliver Scouting using the Fundamental Principles, Educational methods and Recreational activities to develop self-reliant, supportive and committed people”.

Having already had the wonderful opportunity to attend the Longreach Scout Group 100 year celebration and arranging time to speak with people who live in Western Queensland and who have taken on similar roles in the past, I am starting to get a feel for what Scouting brings, or could bring to this huge area.

I must say that the whole weekend in Longreach starting on Friday afternoon and evening with a meet and greet was very well organised and executed by GL John Palmer and his team. The Parade through the streets of Longreach on Saturday was well attended and the Sections looked great marching in full uniform with the Chief Commissioner in a bright blue Corvette in one of the lead vehicles.

Georgia Palmer was presented with her Scout Medallion during the official Parade and after an afternoon of scouting activities we were fed stew, apricot chicken and damper from the many camp ovens that had been tended all day by a dedicated team. Sunday morning saw everyone assemble at the Smith's



property on the bank of the Thompson River for an inspiring Scouts Own, followed by Devonshire tea.

Longreach Scout Group also opened a magnificent Museum filled to the brim with memorabilia of 100 years of Scouting in Longreach as well as World and Australian Jamboree's. This is well worth a visit if you are ever in Longreach. Well done Longreach Scout Group! This vibrant Community is already showing the dedication to take Scouting forward into the next 100 years.

Creating a “Starting a Scout Group” Manual has put things in perspective and this will be able to be used for, not only new Scout Groups but also new Group Leaders and Leader's in Charge. Not wanting to reinvent the wheel I would like to thank all those people I have spoken to who have said “I have already done that” and forwarded a multitude of papers from which I have sourced and collated ideas into a timeline for documents. It appears there are a lot of very well organised, creative Leaders with enormous time on their hands (joke).

I look forward to bringing you details of my adventures out West.

Yours in Scouting - Gill Hall

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KAWANA SCOUT GROUP DOUBLE SUCCESS

Kawana Scout Group proudly celebrated two of their Venturer Scouts receiving their Queen's Scout Award by holding a Presentation Ceremony at the Scout hall in Buddina on Saturday 14th September 2013.

The Queen's Scout Award is one of the highest achievement that can be obtained in Scouts and is highly regarded in the community at large. The Royal Certificate was presented to Brooke Shepherd and Peter Robinson at Government House by Her Excellency the Governor Ms Penelope Wensley AC. The requirements for achieving the Award are designed to be inspiring and challenging and it has been many years since the last Queen's Scout Award was awarded in the Kawana Scout Group.

The Honourable Jarrod Bleijie, Queensland's Attorney General, attended the ceremony and was complimentary of the Scout Program. He stated that it was pleasing to see our youth being involved in community activities and the Kawana Scout Group fulfilling the Scouting aim of developing young people to take a constructive role in society and communities. Local identity Kevin Asmus, who was instrumental in the formation of the Kawana Scout Group in 1984, was Master of Ceremonies for the event and proudly supported these two young people and the wonderful award they have achieved.

After the completion of formalities the celebrations began with over 100 guests, youth members and families enjoying the festivities which included a jumping castle, face-painting, sausage sizzle and a disco. BRAVO Brooke and Peter.



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Encourage your leaders and members to use Facebook and Twitter, it is a great communication tool. We'd love to know about any events happening in your neck of the woods. Please email Lysa Dugandzic at marketing@scoutsqld.com.au or phone 3721 5712.

Scout Wiki

Be Prepared for New Adventure as Scouts Australia moves to the next stage in its digital strategy, launching a new **Scout Wiki** on **Scout Central**, to harvest and share over 100 years of collective Leader experience.

A wiki, derived from the Hawaiian word meaning 'fast' or 'quick', is a web application which allows people to add, modify, or delete content in a collaboration with others. The **Scout Wiki** has been created to engage Scouts Australia's members, encouraging them to share their scouting knowledge by contributing to a valuable Scout community resource.

With information spanning across everything related to Scouting, from how to toast a marshmallow to tips on running or operating at a Jamboree, this **Scout Wiki** will become a valuable reference resource as well as an important collaborative capture of the experience and knowledge of all our talented Leaders. This tool will help generations of scouting members, both now and in the future, to better understand Scouting.

The **Scout Wiki** located in Scout Central or at <http://wiki.scouts.com.au>, already contains some core information on the different elements of scouting. There are however still many sections which have purposely been left blank to encourage Leaders and members to jump in and complete them. These links have been highlighted in red. There are also endless opportunities to edit current or create new links, sub headings and sections.

Agoonoree

This year's Agoonoree ran from 21 - 27 September at Baden – Powell Park. The Agoonoree is a scouting term to describe a camp for young people with special needs. Over the seven days of Agoonoree, youths who are aged 11 - 14 years and have a disability or are disadvantaged in some way, attended as guests of the camp.

The guests participated in all aspects of camp life alongside similar aged scouts and

guides. The children were able to experience once in a lifetime opportunities like abseiling, camp craft, a film night, a disco, sports and more. Find out more at <http://agoonoree.scoutsqld.com.au>



Bring A Friend in October



In the same way the cub scouts have had "Bring A Friend" month in the past, we have broadened the concept to all sections in the group. The idea is simply to invite a friend along to "come and try" scouting. Leaders may

choose one night in October or use the whole month to have new friends visit. There is a sample invitation which may be downloaded from the web site. Don't forget the F6.

McHappy Day in November

On Saturday 9th of November, scouts will once again join with McDonalds to raise money for McHappy Day. Thank you to all the groups who are now registered. I will contact you soon with details of your Event Manager in your preferred McDonalds store. It would be great to see lots of scouts visit a McDonalds on 9th of November and make a donation on this most worthy day!



Fly The Flag in December

With festive activities in the air, why not think of a unique way to fly the flag in your group? Maybe replace the Christmas tree star with the world scout flag! Send in your photos to share with everyone.



Clean Up The World (CUW)

CUW is one of the largest community based environmental campaigns in the world. Since 2008 the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) has been involved with CUW.

Your scout group may like to get involved with the CUW campaign too. Check out the details at <http://cleanuptheworld.org/en/Activities/clean-up-the-world-weekend.html> and register your CUW activity in your community at <http://activities.cleanuptheworld.org/>



Hire Rex for your next event

If you have an upcoming display for a fete or show, why not hire Rex? He costs \$50 to hire and needs to be collected and returned to Qld Support Branch. He also needs a minder. Rex is great way to increase the profile of scouting in your area!

Training calendar

*Dates are subject to change
throughout the year*

Course #	Venue	Start Date	End Date	Closing date
Cub Scout Skills Training 2 & 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)				
5111305	Baden-Powell Park	26-Oct-13 (Sat)	27-Oct-13 (Sun)	4-Oct-13 (Fri)
Joey Scout Skills Training 2 & 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)				
5011305	Baden-Powell Park	26-Oct-13 (Sat)	27-Oct-13 (Sun)	4-Oct-13 (Fri)
Leader of Adults Skills Training 2&3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)				
5511305	Baden-Powell Park	26-Oct-13 (Sat)	27-Oct-13 (Sun)	4-Oct-13 (Fri)
Module 3 Train the Trainer (2013)				
2821302	Baden-Powell Park	1-Nov-13 (Fri)	3-Nov-13 (Sun)	11-Oct-13 (Fri)
Module 4 Train the Trainer (2013)				
2831303	Queensland Scout Centre	26-Oct-13 (Sat)	26-Oct-13 (Sat)	4-Oct-13 (Fri)
Scout Skills Training 2 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)				
5211305	Baden-Powell Park	26-Oct-13 (Sat)	27-Oct-13 (Sun)	4-Oct-13 (Fri)
Scout Skills Training 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)				
5221310	Barrabadeen Campsite	2-Nov-13 (Sat)	3-Nov-13 (Sun)	11-Oct-13 (Fri)
5221305	Baden-Powell Park	9-Nov-13 (Sat)	10-Nov-13 (Sun)	18-Oct-13 (Fri)
SISO - Canoeing (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 1				
1051312	Murrenbong Campsite - Kurwongbah	15-Nov-13 (Fri)	17-Nov-13 (Sun)	25-Oct-13 (Fri)
1051317	Loam Island	16-Nov-13 (Sat)	17-Nov-13 (Sun)	25-Oct-13 (Fri)
SISO - Canoeing (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 2				
1061308	Leslie Dam	25-Oct-13 (Fri)	27-Oct-13 (Sun)	4-Oct-13 (Fri)
1061309	Non Scouts Site	1-Nov-13 (Fri)	3-Nov-13 (Sun)	11-Oct-13 (Fri)
1061310	Karingal Campsite	8-Nov-13 (Fri)	10-Nov-13 (Sun)	18-Oct-13 (Fri)
1061311	Allawah Campsite	22-Nov-13 (Fri)	24-Nov-13 (Sun)	1-Nov-13 (Fri)
SISO - Common Core Part A				
7421303	Far North Region	6-Dec-13 (Fri)	8-Dec-13 (Sun)	15-Nov-13 (Fri)
SISO - Common Core Part B				
7751303	Far North Region	6-Dec-13 (Fri)	8-Dec-13 (Sun)	15-Nov-13 (Fri)
SISO-Kayaking (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 1				
1071309	Murrenbong Campsite - Kurwongbah	23-Nov-13 (Sat)	24-Nov-13 (Sun)	1-Nov-13 (Fri)
SISO-Kayaking (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 2				
1081306	Non Scouts Site	1-Nov-13 (Fri)	3-Nov-13 (Sun)	11-Oct-13 (Fri)
1081307	Karingal Campsite	8-Nov-13 (Fri)	10-Nov-13 (Sun)	18-Oct-13 (Fri)
1071311	Allawah Campsite	22-Nov-13 (Fri)	24-Nov-13 (Sun)	1-Nov-13 (Fri)
Venturer Scout Skills Training 2(e-learning Practical Weekend)				
5311305	Baden-Powell Park	26-Oct-13 (Sat)	27-Oct-13 (Sun)	4-Oct-13 (Fri)
Venturer Scout Skills Training 3(e-Learning Practical Weekend)				
5321305	Baden-Powell Park	9-Nov-13 (Sat)	10-Nov-13 (Sun)	18-Oct-13 (Fri)
Venturer Unit Management				
3421308	Kawana	24-Nov-13 (Sun)	24-Nov-13 (Sun)	1-Nov-13 (Fri)
Wood Badge Training 1				
9501304	Rowallan Park - Mackay	25-Oct-13 (Fri)	27-Oct-13 (Sun)	4-Oct-13 (Fri)
9501305	Baden-Powell Park	22-Nov-13 (Fri)	24-Nov-13 (Sun)	1-Nov-13 (Fri)

Administration matters

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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 Membership Support Officer immediately on 3721 5733 or membership@scoutsqld.com.au. Failure to determine where these people are attached to will result in advice to the Commission of their non involvement with Scouting in Queensland.



Todd Ashby	Katherine Waller
Patricia Hervey	Richard Thompson
Anne-Marie Kindley	Antony Grainger
Carol Cann	Kylie Pilcher
Neil Smith	

UPDATED: BUNK BED LEGISLATION

The following campsites have **no bunk beds on site and therefore comply with the Bunk Bed legislation** as at 25 September 2013

Euthella Campsite	Lagoon Creek Campsite
Florence Bay Campsite	Mafeking Campsite
Guanaba Creek Campsite	Numinbah Lake Campsite
Craignish Campsite	Nyleta Campsite
Cumorah Campsite	The Range / Kondalilla
Dunethin Rock Centre	Atkinson Dam - Lowood
Keewol Park	Tibooburra Lodge
Lake Awoonga Campsite	Bribie Island

The following campsites comply with Bunk Bed legislation as at 25 September 2013

Camp Cooroora	Tarmaroo Campsite
Camp Kallaroo	Tyamolum Campsite
Rowallan Park	

The following campsites DO NOT COMPLY with the Bunk Bed legislation as at 25 September 2013. Therefore as previously advised the top bunks may not be used by children (scout or community members under 9 years of age.

Notice is given that as from 21 October 2013 these campsites listed below due to non compliance with the legislation may not be used by youth of any age or adults of any age (scout or community members). The top bunks will need to be removed. Further notice will be given prior to this date re compliance.

Wyper Park Campsite	Wirraglen Campsite
Allawah Campsite	Southport Campsite
Aldershot Campsite	Karingal Campsite
Barabadeen Campsite— Atherton Tablelands	Baden Powell Park Campsite
Murrenbong Campsite	Eprapah Campsite
Brownsea Water Activities Centre	Noosa—Badgers Wood Campground
Seonee Park Campsite	Rocky Creek Campsite (Have two Bunk Houses, one complies)

APPROVED EVENT BADGES FOR UNIFORM

Name of Badge	Date approved	Date to be removed
Maroon Name Tapes		1 April 2014
Triple S Badge	28 June 2013	28 September 2013
Queensland Venture Badge	6 July 2013	6 October 2013
Joey Scout Jaunt Badge	3 August 2013	3 November 2013
Scouts in Action Week Badge	19 August 2013	19 November 2013
JOTA/JOTI Badge	19 October 2013	19 January 2014

UPDATED FORMS

The following forms have been updated on the Scouts Queensland Website in the Members Only Area.

Form	Description	Issue	Date
F18	Personal Injury and Incident Report Form	14	09/13

Youth Awards



JOEY SCOUT PROMISE CHALLENGE

Connor Dowie
Michael Tate
Christopher Thomson
Rachael Delaforce
Isaac Davison

Narangba Scout Group
Karana Scout Group
Aspley Scout Group
Capalaba Scout Group
Gumdale Scout Group



CUB SCOUT GREY WOLF AWARD

Erin Powell
Jennifer Wren
Riley Barnes
Nicholas Boniface
Samuel Martin
Lillian Irvine
Melinda Busfield
Patrick Wilkinson
Thomas Brett
Aidan Ryan
Lachlan Bland
Ellis White
Liam Turley
Thomas Robinson
Kai Mayerle
Amy Lightbody
Cooper McCullough
Bradley Holt
Cameron Mitchell
Samuel Smith
Sienna Huntington
Caleb Austin-Gell
Rhys Vanderkruk
Andrew Reasbeck
Adam Maugeri
Alfred Strivens
Alexander Koranski
William Browning
Michaelah Pringle
Emeleen Gillis
Seth Graham
Georgia Haack
Andrew Lavender
Hunter Brown
Jonathan Cole
Tyein Careless
Harry Adams
Latasha Nankivell
Alexander Wild
Damian Morriss
Euan McGarry
Benjamin Finke

Palmwoods Scout Group
Edge Hill Scout Group
Edge Hill Scout Group
Edge Hill Scout Group
Edge Hill Scout Group
Clifton Hill Scout Group
Dayboro Scout Group
Dayboro Scout Group
Glennie Heights Scout Group
Glennie Heights Scout Group
Helensvale Scout Group
Camira Scout Group
Kirwan Scout Group
Landsborough Scout Group
Morayfield Scout Group
West Centenary Scout Group
Albany Creek Scout Group
West Centenary Scout Group
West Centenary Scout Group
Upper Mount Gravatt Scout Group
Kawana Scout Group
Redbank Plains Scout Group
Moranbah Scout Group
Indooroopilly Scout Group
Freshwater Scout Group
Freshwater Scout Group
Logan Village Scout Group
Parkwood Heights Scout Group
Aspley Scout Group
Teviot Scout Group
Buderim Scout Group
Cooroy Scout Group
Cooroy Scout Group
Mount Archer Scout Group
Mount Archer Scout Group
Mount Archer Scout Group
Warripari Scout Group
Warripari Scout Group
Coomera Scout Group
Esk Scout Group
Samford Scout Group
Clifton Hill Scout Group



CUB SCOUT GREY WOLF AWARD

Braedan Moss
Jordan Frohloff
Jasmin Shearer

Burpengary Scout Group
Lowood Scout Group
West Centenary Scout Group



AUSTRALIAN SCOUT MEDALLION

Karly Watt

Patrick Andrews
Ashley Butter
Michael Thrussell
Rhys Pruden
Morgan Barnes
Megan Cameron
Morgan Marshall
Bethlea Constable
Emily George

Burleigh Heads Scout Group
Banksia Scout Group
Burpengary Scout Group
Drayton Scout Group
Wulguru Scout Group
Wulguru Scout Group
Grovely Scout Group
Burleigh Heads Scout Group
Queens Park Ipswich Scout Group
Mount Cotton Scout Group



VENTURER SCOUT QUEENS SCOUT AWARD

David Hambly

Nerang Scout Group



Queensland Branch Scout Supply Centre



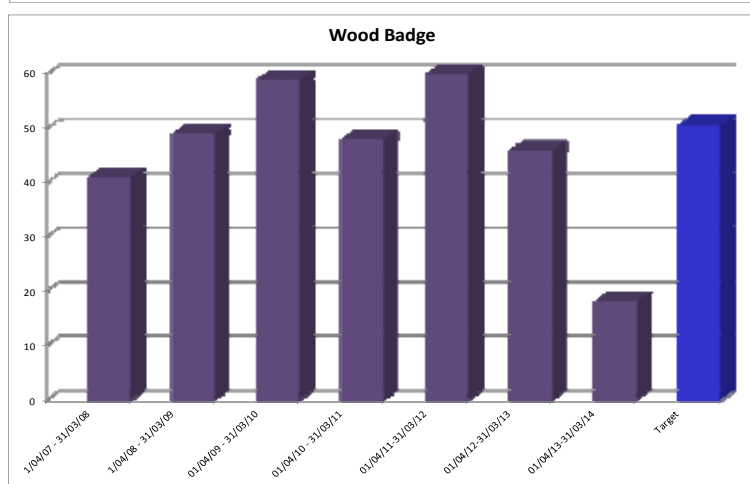
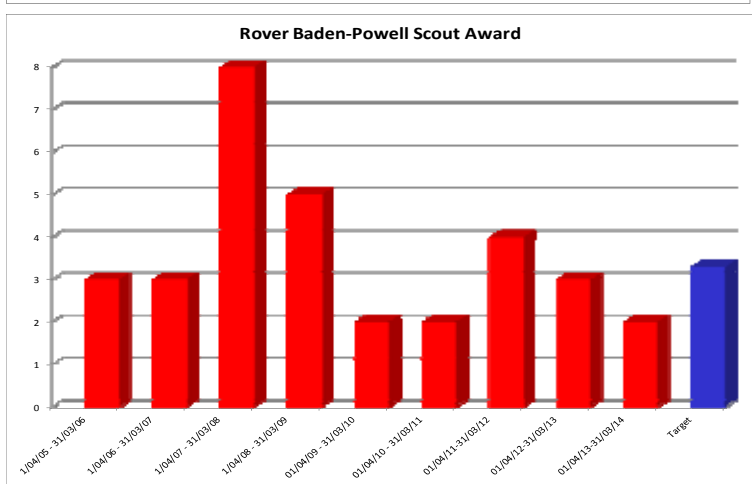
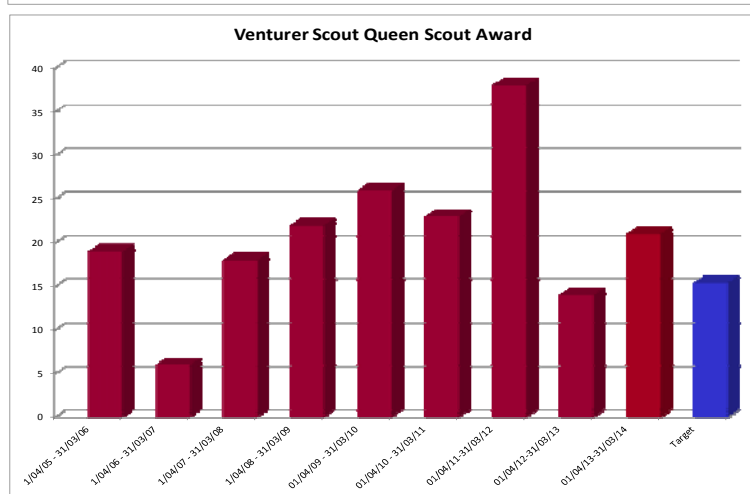
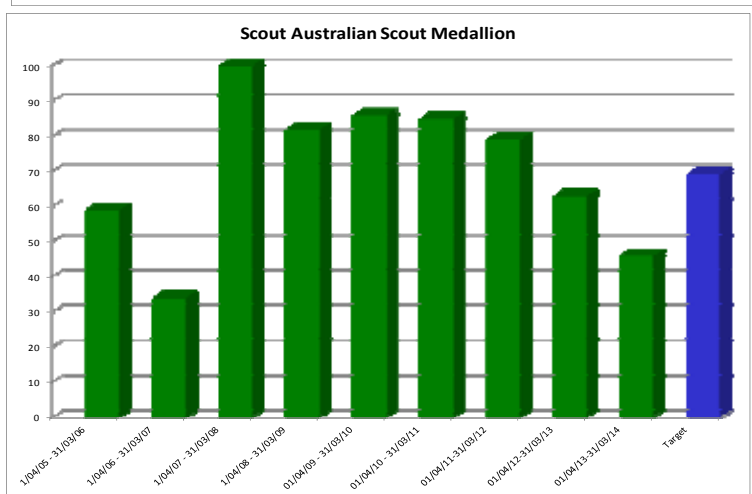
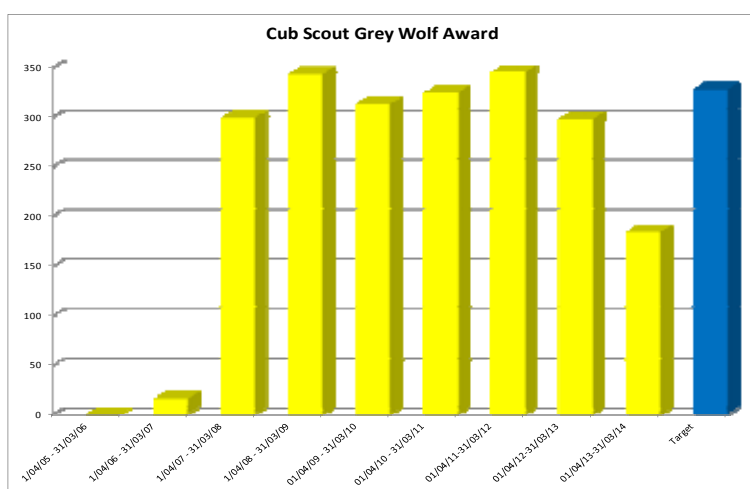
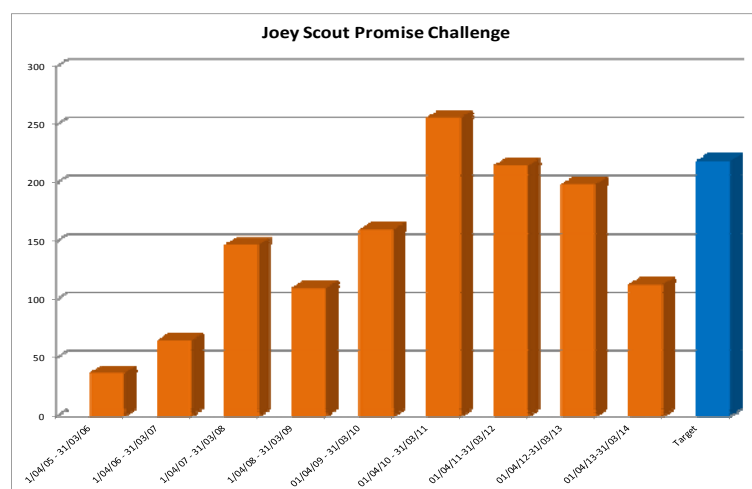
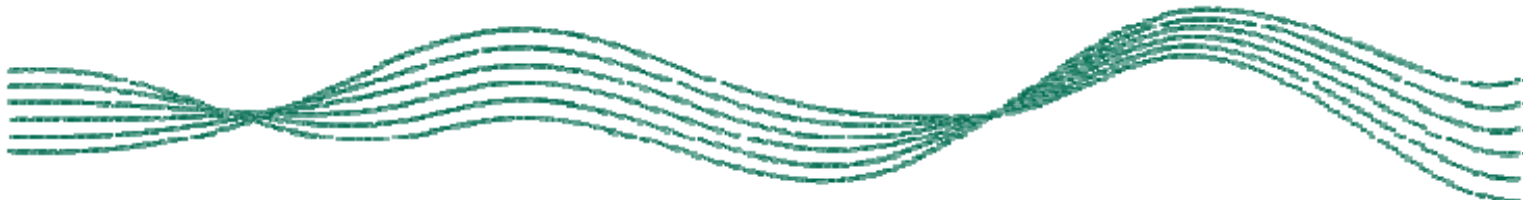
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PLEASE NOTE:

The following forms are required to be submitted for the Youth Award badges to be processed and issued:

- D9—Joey Scout Promise Challenge Application
- D8—Request for the Grey Wolf Award
- D7— Australian Scout Medallion Nomination Form
- D1—Queens Scout Award Recommendation
- D10—Nomination for the Baden Powell Scout Award

Please ensure all members are current and financial before submitting Award Applications. All forms are available in the Members Only Area of the Scouts Queensland Website. The Scout Supply Centre is unable to provide these badges directly.

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Program ideas

Youth Program

CONSTRUCTING A LAND YACHT



Equipment:

For the activity
Mark out suitable course. Use a stop watch to time Patrol around course.

Per Patrol
8 lashing spars of approx. 2 m
2 lashing spars of approx. 1 m
2 lashing spars of approx. 2.5 m

11 lashing ropes of approx. 3 m
2 other ropes for sail
1 helmet for safety
1 sail (could be 6'x4' tarp – cut diagonally) or a 2x2 m square tarp

Two sets of wheels (appropriate diameter for diagram) OR four or five large poles to be used as rollers, poles to be taken from one end of structure to other to negotiate the course.

SIMPLE ROPE BRIDGE

All that is required for this bridge is two ropes and of course, two stout trees! If the bridge is to cross a stream, you should plan a method for getting one of your Patrol members across.

You may have to throw one rope into the far tree with a short stick attached so it wedges in the branches tightly, and then either swing across or go hand over hand. The most important thing is to get both ropes to the same amount of tightness.

The best method of tightening would be by using a tackle. If the ropes are at all loose, the bridge will sag, and the top rope may even go out of reach! The protection around the tree is vital.



To secure the ropes, make a clove hitch and two half hitches to the start, then finish by tightening with a round turn and two half hitches.

TOWERS

Platform

The main requirements of this structure are two long and fairly stout spars to carry the platform. The whole tower can be built on the ground and pulled erect in a way so the main legs drop into holes in the ground about 30 to 50 centimetres deep.

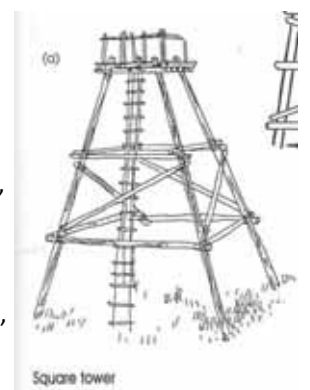
To be successful, the lashings for both the platform supports, and also the diagonal bracings, have to be well made. The rope ladder is attached before the tower is erected, but it should be pegged to the ground so it can be climbed easily. The four main guys should be tightened evenly in order to prevent the tower from twisting.



Square tower

This tower has many uses, and provides a rigid platform that can be up to 6 metres above the ground. It can be made as a permanent structure if the joints between the spars are bolted, or, alternatively, it can be dismantled if rope lashings are used.

As in the previous tower (the platform), the actual building is best carried out on the ground and then pulled upright.



You may find this part of the job is most easily carried out with the help of some auxiliary guy poles.

Pyramid tower

The structure shown is composed of two similar three-sided pyramids, which are lashed together and held in place by short guy ropes. The easiest way of building it is to construct the two pyramids separately, the longest sides on the ground, and to join them with figure-of-eight lashings where the three main spars meet. The whole tower can then be pulled erect with long guy ropes. Make sure the rope ladder is in position before erection. Depending on the length of your spars, a tower up to about 6 metres high can be built.



CAMP DRESSER - BASIC



Equipment

- 6 x staves 1.8m long
- 2 x staves 0.5m long
- Sisal
- 2 x pegs
- Roll top table or more short staves

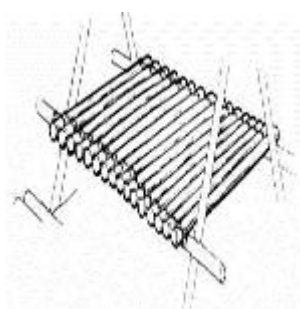
Method

Select the two straightest staves for the work top. Using the remaining staves, make two identical A frames ensuring the horizontal bars are at waist height. Use a sheer lashing at the top and square lashings on the horizontal staves.

- (a) Lash the other long staves on top of the short horizontal staves using square lashings. If you are using a roll top table, make sure that it will sit on these staves without falling through.
- (b) If you have a square or rectangular washing up bowl it can be supported in the dresser by two additional short staves.
- (c) The rest of the dresser should be covered with either the table top or more short staves.

To ensure that the dresser is quite stable, drive a peg into the ground at each end of the dresser and run a guy line from one peg, across the A frames to the other peg. Secure the guy line to the pegs with a mooring hitch or round turn and two half hitches and to the A frames with clove hitches.

TABLE AND BENCHES



Equipment

- 4 x 3.6 metre (12 ft) spars
- 7 x 3 metre (10 ft) spars
- approximately 20 light spars x 2 metre (6 ft) long
- 20 x lashing lengths
- sisal or light rope

Method

Construct 2 A frames using 2 x 4 metre spars and 1 x 3 metre spar

- (a). Join the 2 A frames together using 3 x 3 metre spars. The lower spars are lashed on the top of the bottom cross members of the A frames. Two more 3 metre spars are lashed between the A frames to support the table top

- (b). The last two 3 metre spars are lashed alongside the lower spars joining the A frames to form the bench seats.

The actual table top is made up of light spars that rest on the support members and are held in place with a couple of turns of sisal or light rope

If your lashings are good and tight the table is now complete, but it may be necessary to add a couple of guys for more stability.

BANANA BRIDGE



Equipment

- 20 x 1.8m (6ft) spars
- 5 x 2.4m (8ft) spars
- 8 x 3.0m (10ft) spars
- 4 x 4.0m (12ft) spars
- 4 x 5.0m (16ft) spars
- 68 lashing lengths
- 6 long ropes
- large tent pegs

- 4 stout pickets

- 1 maul

Method

Construct 4 pairs of sheer legs using 8 x 3m (10ft) spars and sheer lashings - two on each side of your stream or ravine.

Lean the sheer legs together in pairs to form two low pyramids

Lash the 5m (16ft) spars across the long sides of each pyramid.

Lash 2.4m (8ft) spars across the short side of each pyramid to provide stability during assembly.

Prepare a 'trapeze' to support the centre of the walkway by tying a lashing length to each end of the remaining 2.4m spar with a round turn and two half hitches. Tie the other end of the lashing lengths to the corners of one of the pyramids at A and B.

Tie a long rope to the corners of the pyramid next to the trapeze ropes. These will be used to raise the pyramid into position.

Ease the pyramid forward across the stream, lifting it using the long ropes and manoeuvring the corners on the ground into position.

Place large pegs in the ground to prevent the corners sliding. Lift it higher than the finished structure will require and tie off the long ropes to pickets to stabilise it.

Place the other half of the bridge in line with the first, tie two long ropes to the corners and raise it, maneuvering it into position and putting in pegs around the bottom corners.

With a team of Scouts on either side, gently lower the pyramids until they interlock.

Lash the 12ft spars together to form the sides of the walkway. Lash the 1.8m (6ft) spars across these to make a ladder.

Carefully pass the ladder across the stream and through the trapeze so that either end rests on the bank.

Careful measurement is required to ensure that the pyramids are the correct distance apart - this may only be resolved through trial and error. Too far apart and they will not lock but will fall down - too close and they may fall backwards.

Knock pegs into the banks and lash the ends of the ladder to them to ensure they do not slip. Finally, tie ropes between the pyramids to act as hand rails.



The Chief Commissioner calls for Expressions of interest for the position



Production Director Brisbane Gang Show

This role provides the opportunity to continue this wonderful legacy and tradition of the Brisbane Gang Show – the annual musical theatrical activity of the Queensland Branch.

The Production Director whilst looking to take the show forward must also ensure it continues to provide young people the chance to experience the many facets of a "live" theatrical production.

You will be responsible for ensuring the show remains a focal point of Scouting's public face.

Your energy and enthusiasm to embrace the show and all its supporters, coupled with your creative flair and ability to lead a great team of cast and supporters will be extremely important.

Your strong leadership skills and ability to encourage and develop young people will be paramount as you bring the show to a production level, fit for purpose and the theatre on an annual basis.

This is an exciting opportunity and if you should possess the skills and can demonstrate them - then put in your expression of interest now!

To be considered for this position you must be able to demonstrate/meet the following criteria:-

- A registered and active member of the Scout Association of Australia/Queensland Branch
- Live by the Scout Promise and Law.
- Demonstrate the skills in the area of theatre, creativity, music, acting and dance
- Demonstrate the ability to be a Leader of Leaders across all ages
- Demonstrate the ability to work with Adults and young people
- Demonstrate the ability to engage, encourage and lead young people
- Demonstrate a strong commitment to achieving outcomes
- Demonstrate strong examples of difficult decision making.
- Demonstrate a calm and mature approach to challenging situations
- Demonstrate a strong level of business acumen to contribute to the business side of the Brisbane Gang Show
- Demonstrate the ability to manage multiple tasks at one time
- Demonstrate the ability to deliver major projects on time and budget
- Understand the large time commitment involved

The appointment will be for an initial term of 3 years with a commencement date to be agreed.

Expressions of interest close on 31st October 2013.

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Branch Support Office Christmas closure period



Please note that The Scout Association of Australia, Queensland Branch Inc office and Scout Supply Centre (Branch Support Office, 32 Dixon Street, Auchenflower) will close at **11am on Friday 20 December 2013.**

The Branch Support Office will reopen on Thursday 2 January 2014.

Friday 20 December 2013	Close at 11am
Monday 23 December 2013	Closed
Tuesday 24 December 2013	Closed
Wednesday 25 December 2013	Closed—Christmas Day
Thursday 26 December 2013	Closed—Boxing Day
Friday 27 December 2013	Closed
Monday 30 December 2013	Closed
Tuesday 31 December 2013	Closed
Wednesday 1 January 2014	Closed—New Years Day
Thursday 2 January 2014	Open

The International Pen Pal Program

The International Pen-Pal Program offers a means of communicating with other Scouts abroad and provides an "international experience" without necessarily having to leave town. The traditional concept of writing a letter has

now given way to members all over the world from Hong Kong to Peru to UK to Zimbabwe requesting links with Australian Scouts online!

As well as exchanging emails, international Pen-Pals can now talk to each other on [Skype](#), share photos and videos using any number of online social networking tools (including Group websites, Facebook, Flickr and YouTube), and link up with each other during [JOTA-JOTI](#), the world's largest international Scouting event! There's still room for snail mail too... badge swaps, anyone?



Who can have a Pen-Pal?

To be part of the Pen-Pal Program you must be a registered Scouts Australia Member, youth or adult. This will be verified with your relevant state before we link you with an overseas Pen Pal. Groups can also link with an equivalent Group or Section overseas.

Registrations are now open for individual Australian youth members and Leaders, as well as Group links between a Mob, Pack, Troop or Unit and an equivalent Group overseas.

What are the benefits of having an international pen-pal?

You will have the opportunity to make a new friend from within our international family.

The Pen-Pal Program may help you complete part of your Award Scheme and allow you to learn about the life of another Scout in their part of the world. You can build a relationship with your Pen-Pal that can last a lifetime.

Your whole Mob, Pack, Troop or Unit can get involved with your Section equivalent somewhere in the world and swap photos, program ideas and camp experiences. Leaders can exchange ideas with and gain support from an international counterpart who, in most cases, will have similar interests and goals.



Scouting has always promoted international peace, understanding and cooperation through encouraging contact between young people from various countries and cultures. These international connections help young people develop a broader awareness of the global community, and assist them in recognising and respecting the differences that exist between the nations and races of the world... all whilst enjoying the common bond of Scouting!

How to register: (simply fill out the details below)

Name:

Age:

Scout ID No:

Scout Group:

Position in Group: ie Joey Scout/VL

Email address:

Full postal address:

Contact No:

Parents Name: (If youth member)

Parents email address:

Parents contact no:

Preferred pen pal M/F:

Preferred country:

Details can be emailed to either— **International Pen-Pal Program –Susan Rogers Queensland Coordinator**
penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au qld.scouts.penpals@gmail.com

Maidenwell Astronomical Observatory

"Our business is looking up"



2013 Night Show dates

Stars & Planets

Sep 01 - 11 & 24 - 30 + Saturn/Venus
Oct 01 - 10 & 24 - 31 + Venus
Nov 01 - 08 & 22 - 30 + Venus
Dec 01 - 08 & 21 - 31 + Venus

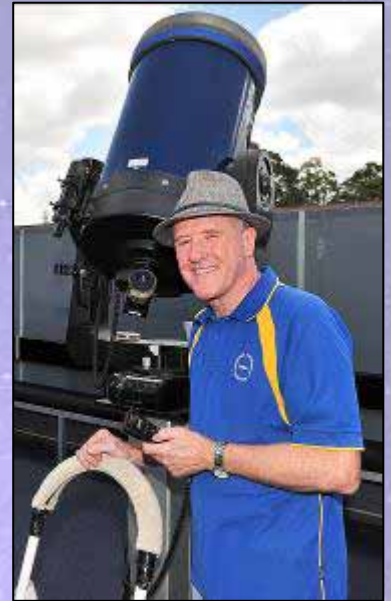
Moon & Planets

Sep 12 - 16 + Saturn/Venus
Oct 11 - 15 + Venus
Nov 09 - 14 + Venus
Dec 09 - 13 + Venus

2014 Night Show dates

Jan 01 - 07 & 30 - 31 + Jupiter
Feb 01 - 06 & 22 - 28 + Jupiter
Mar 01 - 08 & 22 - 31 + Jupiter
Apr 01 - 06 & 20 - 30 + Mars/Jupiter
May 01 - 06 & 20 - 31 + Mars/Saturn
Jun 01 - 05 & 18 - 30 + Mars/Saturn
July 01 - 04 & 16 - 31 + Mars/Saturn
Aug 01 - 03 & 15 - 31 + Mars/Saturn

Jan 08 - 12 + Jupiter
Feb 07 - 12 + Jupiter
Mar 08 - 12 + Jupiter
Apr 06 - 10 + Mars/Jupiter
May 07 - 11 + Mars/Saturn
Jun 06 - 09 + Mars/Saturn
July 05 - 09 + Mars/Saturn
Aug 04 - 10 + Mars/Saturn



Stars and Planets: *Best dates for Scouts, senior levels and Adults.*

Moon and Planets: *Best dates for Cubs, Joey's and young families.*



Free camping adjacent to the Observatory. Modern kitchen with gas BBQ for hire, Coin operated hot showers. Camping permit from South Burnett Regional Council is required (see our website for this application form). Cubs and Joeys can do sleepovers in the adjacent Hall next to the local store.

Host astronomer James Barclay (pictured) will make sure your group gets a thorough understanding of the Universe as he guides you through the night skies with his three large telescopes and his extensive knowledge of Astronomy.

Day shows can also be arranged. Get to see the Sun's real surface on the big screen with supporting videos.

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