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Wavell Heights Cub Scouts and Joey Scouts on their recent camp





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## FACT SHEET

fact sheets are being developed to assist all Leaders. These will be made available on the website through an icon named FACT SHEETS. These fact sheets are now available. Use the content wisely.

Kirsty M Brown OAM, Chief Commissioner

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If an individual has made a report to the relevant authority, they should also report the ma er to the Execuv e Manager. The Associaon will then make direct contact with the relevant authority about the ma er.

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# News and events

## Communication

### SCOUTS AND GUIDES CLEAN UP THE TOWN

Scouts and Guides hit the streets of Toowoomba City to clean them up for Clean Up Australia Day this year. Members of 2<sup>nd</sup> Toowoomba and Glensvale Scouts as well as Yellaloo Guides scoured an area from Russell Street down Ruthven St to Herries St sweeping across the green areas around the City Hall and behind the Council Offices and back along Victoria St.



Mr John Pugh (Taz) Joey Scout Leader and Site Supervisor said that the Groups mostly found bottles and cans that are hidden in the gardens around the city. "Nearly every garden bed in the city had some sort of can or bottle in it. It's really sad when you have recycle bins almost next to them where people can dispose of them properly. However the children did enjoy finding them. The most unusual thing they found was a pair of drinking glasses outside the Shine Centre."



The Scouts and Cubs have used this activity towards their badge work as well the Joeys completed some of their Environment Challenge Badge and the Venturer Scouts as part of their Environment Venturer Level Tape.

### PIALBA SCOUT GROUP JOIN CLEAN UP

Our cub pack at Pialba in Hervey Bay did a cross sectional activity with the Pialba Joey Scouts, rolled our sleeves up and spent two hours picking up rubbish from the Hervey Bay foreshore.



It was a great turn out with Cub Scouts and Joey Scouts buddied up and a parent accompanying the pair. The joint venture worked really well. For 1.5 hrs until the smell of free snags overpowered even the keenest. The event turned up 2 reels, several 1000 cigarette butts, half a shark carcass and some lucky Cub Scout found \$5.

Each Cub Scout has now added 1.5 hrs to completing the Landcare specialist badge and the Joey Scouts involved completed their Environmental badge

### LOWOOD SCOUT GROUP TIDY THE TOWN

On Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March the Lowood Scout Group participated in Clean Up Australia Day at Savages Crossing near Fernvale in SE Qld.

Over 2 ½ hours we helped to collect 8 tyres, 3 broken camping chairs, numerous star pickets and 18 bags of rubbish along the start of the Brisbane River. We had members from Joey Scouts to Scouts involved and lots of parents. It was a fantastic day helping our local community.



### SCOUTS IN ACTION MURRUMBA DISTRICT

Murrumba District Scouts have had some exciting activities since returning from end of year recess. The inaugural Field Gun Run which was part of our Founders Day Rally saw Troops from all over preparing for months prior in order to participate in the challenge of building and firing a field gun, dismantling it, running through an obstacle course with the whole patrol, rebuild and fire at a target. It was a fantastic challenge and the Scouts had a great deal of fun with it.



Followed closely by a District Swimming Carnival. This is the first District swimming carnival in Murrumba for more than 30 years, and better yet it was organised by a Patrol Leader. There were swimming races and patrol challenges in the pool. It was an excellent night and the swimming pool lifeguards congratulated all Scouts for their well behaviour. Well done Jessica/ PL Kallangur! It was so successful that it will be repeated and the challenge has already been passed on to another Patrol Leader to organise next year.





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### CAPALABA CUB SCOUT VISITS OVERSEAS

Ben Jones, a Cub Scout from Capalaba Scout Group travelled to Europe in June 2013 with his mother Group Leader 'Hathi' Yvonne Jones and was able to meet with a Cub Scout Pack just outside London in England as well as one in Vienna Austria.

It all started in August 2012 when Ben sent a letter of introduction which made its way via his father and great Aunt to the 17th High Wycombe (Wye Valley) Cub Scouts who meet in Loudwater just outside London. The Akela of the pack wrote back and then all their Cub Scouts wrote letters to the Capalaba Cub Scout Pack, who then all wrote back.

Ben then contacted writing to the Akela's son Joseph who was a Scout but has now moved up to Explorers, the equivalent of our Venturer Scouts.

On 12 June 2013 Ben and Hathi joined the 17<sup>th</sup> High Wycombe Cubs for their regular weekly meeting. After some games and navigation work Ben and Hathi spoke to the Cubs about Australia and a discussion followed about the similarities and differences between Cubs in the 2 countries.

Akela had a big surprise in store for Ben at the final Parade when he invested Ben into their Cub pack and presented him with one of their uniforms, scarf and woggle and many badges including their Cub Chief Scout Award which is the highest award available in the Cub section. It was then Hathi's turn for a surprise when she too was invested into their Cub pack and presented with scarf, woggle and many badges.



The Pack leaders and their children then took Ben and Hathi out to dinner so they could chat more and find out about Scouting in each other's countries. Though the uniforms were very different, there were far more similarities in how Cubs operate in both countries proving that Scouting truly is a worldwide movement.

Much fun was had swapping scarves and badges and Ben brought badges home for his whole pack.

Ben's Austrian second Cousin managed to find a Cub pack in Vienna to visit and luckily it was their last meeting for the year before they broke for their summer holidays, so it was a fun evening with lots of games.

They played a version of Kim's game where all the Cubs were blindfolded and different foods were placed into their mouths and they had to guess what they were eating. Lots of laughter ensued. Ben and Hathi then talked about Australia and our Cubs and uniform. Ben was highly impressed as he did not realise Hathi could speak German, and apart from help with a few translations was able to speak directly with the Cubs.

Ben then introduced the Cubs to his favourite game; 'riverbank' and the Cubs loved it so much they said they would definitely play it again.

There were more differences between Cubs in Australia and Austria than England. The Cubs do not usually wear their uniforms to weekly meetings, only to outings and events. Also the boys are Cubs and the girls are Brownies but they run together as one Pack. They have the same uniform and scarves, but the girls have different investment and achievement badges to the boys. Cubs have a blue uniform, and then every second from Scout level as well as leaders all wear the red uniform you can see on the male leader in the photos.

Again fun was had swapping scarves and badges and Ben was able to bring home badges for his whole pack.







## INDOOROOPILLY SCOUT GROUP

### PINEWOOD DERBY

16th March 2014

#### 2014 Australian Grand Prix

Laps—58

Circuit length—5.303km

Number of racers—22

#### Indooroopilly Pinewood Derby

Laps—3

Circuit Length—6.796m

Number of racers—47

Vehicles—pre-impregnated carbon fibre composites.

Vehicles — pinewood block



Sunday 16th March 2014. As the crowds gathered in Melbourne for the Formula 1 they also converged on Indooroopilly Scout Den for the annual running of the Pinewood Derby. Anticipation heightened as 47 entrants arrived with their finely tuned, highly sculpted vehicles, all with the same thought — this year, their car might take the top podium position.

Indooroopilly Scout Group and guests from the Tayakunda District taking part in the 2014 Pinewood Derby.



The 6.8m sloping track is built from pine, with three lanes and a starting box with a spring-loaded gate to ensure a fair start. It was lifted 1.5m off the ground to provide the slope for the cars to race down.

Each entry ran three races in the heats - one in each lane to ensure fairness, with the average time of all three runs used to find the fastest car. The top ten were then run against each other in the final (again once in each lane). Separate heats were run for the cubs and scouts / leaders. Two hours of racing saw a total of 72 races with an intermission at half time with a sausage sizzle to refuel hungry racers.

**The fastest car zoomed down the track in 2.398s (avg 10.2 km/h), the slowest 3.561s (avg 6.9km/h) and only a few did not finish typically with a wheel falling off!**

To avoid any judging disputes, this year saw the introduction of an electronic timing system, using infrared sensors on the starting gate and finishing lanes. Previous years required an amount of guess work and even a video camera to record the finish but this year an Arduino embedded computer was used to record times accurate to a thousandth of a second. The results were recorded and calculated on a Mac laptop and a big screen projector kept the crowd up to date with the fastest cars and latest times adding to the excitement.



In the end the top ten cars were only separated by 15 thousandths of a second!



The cubs and scouts had been given a pack with 4 wheels and nails for axles, a block of pinewood 18x4x4 cm with grooves cut for the axels and a set of rules.

The rules stated that no power source could be added to the car, and it must weigh less than 150grams and maintain a ground clearance of 1cm. A weigh-station was set up before the race for entrants to check their weight and do any final modifications to meet the maximum weight and clearances.

The designs were many and varied. One racer was convinced that inscribing the laws of physics on his vehicle would get him to the line quicker and another modelled his car on Kitt from Knight Rider (complete with swooshing red lights) to put challengers off. Sadly neither went any faster but they looked good. Some thought aerodynamics played a big factor, although a largely uncut block of wood ended up in the top ten cubs (being decorated in hulk colours probably helped it to stomp its way to victory!)



In the end, getting close to the weight limit, distributing the weight evenly and paying special attention to the axles may have been contributing factors, but we haven't yet tied down the winner on their 'secret sauce'.

For those for whom speed was elusive there was the opportunity to wow the judges with their creative designs. Hours of careful carving, painting and accessorising left the judges with a difficult decision.

If the raw imagination poured into the cars could be counted as fuel, all the cars would have rocketed down the track.



The competition will be wide open again next year.





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### A CHARITY PADDLE FOR THE HEART FOUNDATION

A Charity Paddle for the Heart Foundation is being organised for the 6<sup>th</sup> Sept 2014 by Lyne e Kingston, Bramble Bay District Commissioner. In July 2012, Lyne e was diagnosed with a life threatening heart condition that went from bad to worse resulting in a heart transplant this year. Lyne e would like to assist the Heart Foundation by holding this fundraiser but she needs your support.



The paddle is 20kms long for the experienced paddlers and includes an 8km or 13.5km shorter legs for the less experienced paddlers. It will start at Leis Park on the North Pine River at Petrie and finish at Shorncliffe. Cheer squads are welcome at the start point, Deepwater Bend, the Old Hornibrook Bridge, along the Sandgate foreshore and at the finish line.

Funds will be raised by sponsorship forms for the under 18yrs and a registration fee for the over 18yrs with the option of the use of the sponsorship form. All funds raised will go to the Heart Foundation. All paddlers will receive a free sausage sizzle and cool drink and non-paddlers can purchase a sausage sizzle and cool drink for a small fee at the finish line. Pre-registration will be important for catering purposes. Lyne e invites all paddlers including those who attended her training weekends to join her on this paddle as well as cheer squads. Paddlers will need to supply their own boats, safety gear and qualified personal. Maps will be available on request.

Please contact Lyne e for further details and to register your interest via email – [lekington@hotmail.com](mailto:lekington@hotmail.com) with the subject line 'Charity paddle'.

### 2<sup>ND</sup> TOOWOOMBA JOEY SCOUTS CELEBRATE HARMONY WITH AN INDIGENOUS THEME

Harmony Day took on an indigenous theme this year as local artist Kim Walmsley came along to share her skills and knowledge. The Joey Scouts discussed the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags



as well the importance of Totems to the indigenous people of the land. The Joeys were encouraged to think of an animal totem that best describes them and paint the totem. It was a great night and a fantastic way to celebrate our diversity

### NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL

Five Queenslanders of the Scouts Australia National Youth Council (NYC), myself Nipuna (young leader), Patrick (Scout), Charlee (Venturer Scout), Sophie (Scout) and Harley (young Leader), flew down to Melbourne for the first NYC conference of the year during 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> March. NYC has 25 keen, motivated young members selected across Australia to represent the views and opinions of over 52,000 youth members nationwide. We discuss issues of importance to scouting at a national level and make recommendations directly to the national team.



For myself, Patrick and Charlee, it was our very first conference as the new members of the NYC, appointed for a period of 3 years. We had a memorable investiture ceremony in the candle light, which was a big surprise event. During the conference, not only we worked hard, but we also played hard! We made a lot of new friends from all over the country. We are all very excited to start our new projects for the term with our new patrols.

How can you help? Spread the word of what we do at NYC amongst your youth members and get them involved in our surveys that we send out. Like us on our Facebook page 'Scouts Australia – National Youth Council' to stay up-to-date on what we do. Any member of the scouting movement can send any suggestions, concerns or issues to the NYC via



## QUEENSLAND BRANCH YOUTH COUNCIL

Saturday 8 March and Sunday 9 March 2014 saw the first meeting of the Queensland Branch Youth Council at Baden Powell Park Samford.

The Council is made up of 25 Youth Members and Young Adults from all over Queensland including Chairman – Rover Scout Denica Gorman and Vice Chairman Rover Scout Laiken Wailes. The 25 Youth Members come from the Scout, Venturer Scout and Rover Scout sections.

Facilitating the Council is Branch Adviser Shaun Sandilands and Deputy Chief Commissioner – Pieter Van Der Kamp.

So what is the Branch Youth Council? The BYC are a body of Youth Members who represent the points of view of the 10,000 Youth members in Queensland.

For the Queensland Branch this is the first time a Youth Council has been in operation for 10 years. The Council will research and report (from a Youth point of view) on topics and discussions that have been passed on by the Chief Commissioners Team, Youth Program Team and the Region Commissioners.

Over the weekend the Council looked reported on 4 areas of the Movement those were;

- 1) How should Queensland Celebrate 100 years of Cub Scouting,
- 2) Does Scouting currently have too many badges in the award scheme,
- 3) What are some ways to eradicate bullying from our Scout Programs and
- 4) Looked at Adult Leaders in the Movement and if there should be an age cut off.



The BYC found these topics very interesting and spent the weekend brainstorming and developing the best recommendations. The reports were well presented and the Region Commissioners, Deputy Chief Commissioners and the Chief Commissioners were impressed with the standards of the presentations. The reports and findings have been distributed to the Chief Commissioner and it's hoped these will be presented to the relevant bodies in the future.

Towards the end of the year Queensland Branch will be looking for more young people to join the 2015 Branch Youth Council. If this seems like something you would be interested in have a chat with your Region Commissioner or look out for application details in future editions of Encompass.

## CENTRAL AND COASTAL REGION NEWS

There has been plenty of OUT in scouting in the Central and Coastal Region this last month.

Whitsunday Scout Group was reopened after being in recess due to lack of adult membership. A successful sign up day was held at the den with the assistance of Bowen Scout Group and since then the Group has started operating once again.

Mackay City Central Venturer Scout Tyla Fleay was recently presented with her Queen's Scout Award. She was a very worthy recipient and she encouraged other Venturer Scouts to strive to achieve the Award as it is well worth the effort. Tyla said learning to abseil was one of her major achievements and attending the AJ2010 at Cataract Scout Park Sydney was a memorable experience.



Two Banksia Cub Scout Louis Lamb and Isaac Galea achieved their Grey Wolf Award and they were presented with their badges at a Special Meeting at the Scout den with fellow Cub Scouts, Scouts, Leaders and family. Both Cub Scouts said they enjoyed meeting other scouts and they like going to camps.



Six scouts from Mackay City Central and two support crew embarked on a Bike Hike which was held as an adventure level hike. On the Saturday they rode 56 kilometres from their scout den at West Mackay to Balnagowan to the Seaforth Road and down to Cape Hillsborough Resort to camp for the night. The next day they rode from Cape Hillsborough to Mt Charlton and on to Mirani a further 70 kilometres.





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### MARYBOROUGH WEST GREATEST SHAVE

On the 11<sup>th</sup> of March 2014 Maryborough West Scout Group participated in the World's Greatest Shave. Joey Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts and Venturer Scouts all participated in this event. The Leaders and Venturer Scouts from Maryborough ran games such as pin the hair on the head, shave the cream off the balloon and long hair tangle. We posted posters around the community inviting Maryborough's community, families and friends to our event.

Our main participants were Rory O'Connell and Ayden Hatchman from the Cub Scout Section, Charlee Howard – Osborne a Venturer Scout, Tanya Howard – Osborne Assistant Scout Leader and our amazing secretary Deb Eagleton from Maryborough West Scout Group who shaved their hair in all different styles. As members of the Scouting



movement shaved their hair. Rory's sister Gracen shaved half of her hair supporting the World's Greatest Shave in memory of their father. Their mother Helen and older sister Erin were both proud of Rory and Gracen for participating.



Deb Eagleton says, "After losing my daughter and now caring for her beautiful grandchildren. We decided to try raising money so that other families may be spared the pain of losing someone they love."



Charlee organised the event which gave the members of Maryborough West Scout Group and their families the confidence to stand up for a good cause that they believe in. Members from Queensland Scouting Movement and community members all got involved by raising more than double their goal. What an amazing feeling to see Maryborough West Scout Group take part in the World's Greatest Shave. Even if it was colouring their hair or shaving it was a proud moment for the Group. The night ran to perfection and it was a moment that the Group will remember forever.

"Hi, My name is Rory O'Connell and I'm 9 years old, I live with my Mum, two sisters and one brother and sadly to say our Dad passed away last year 2013 on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May from Horrible Pancreatic Cancer. He was the Best Dad Ever. He was amazing and always fun to be around. Dad was a Big Bull Dog Football Fan and he always enjoyed watching us kids play any sports, he was always the one who everyone could hear, always cheering for us. Dad loved being

outdoors doing the things he loved-sports-gardening-looking after many animals. I wanted to shave my hair for my Dad so he could be proud of me. I know how hard it is to go through cancer so I wanted to raise some money to help other families who are going through and battling this horrible thing called cancer. I didn't have a long time with my Dad and it is sad my heart is broken. I miss him so much. Xoxo I pray one day there will be a cure."



The event was amazing and Charlee should be very proud of herself. She gave families the opportunity to be proud of them. Charlee said, "Over last year I saw my grandmother suffering because of



cancer. I was extremely close with my Nan. My Nan, My mum and I were organising the event together but sadly my Nan passed away just three days before Christmas 2013. Even though she was not here in person with me I know she was

up in Heaven cheering us on with all other Scouting Members who have lost their lives because of cancer."

### BAYSIDE SEA SCOUTS OUT AND ABOUT



Bayside Sea Scouts recently saw the Cub Scouts on an outing to the awesome Southern Passage. An opportunity to see a great ship and a great project

They also participate in Nasho's Memorial and local newspaper item. Bayside Sea Scouts have been involved with Nasho's since the original placing of the memorial, when a huge morning tea event was organised and since then hosting a breakfast every year at 'The Landship'





## SEONEE CUB SCOUT PACK & EDGE HILL SCOUT GROUP – “WATERWORLD-FITZROY ISLAND CAMP”

We woke up really early on Saturday morning to drop our overnight gear at the den before our wonderful parents transported all 22 Cub Scouts and Leaders down to the Cairns Marine Terminal, ready for part one of our camp – a day trip to Fitzroy Island on the Great Barrier Reef. The boat trip to the Island was a little rough on the 45minute trip over, we certainly did some rocking and rolling in the safety of our cabin and luckily most of us weren't sea sick. When we arrived at Fitzroy Island we went walking along the coral beach which sounded like wind chimes.



Combing the beaches we found large pumice rocks that were heavy on the land but light like feathers in the water, we saw some crabs and found a beautiful blue starfish and a rather interesting slithering snake, which we thought was a lizard to start with. We also found many different types of coral and shells, whilst we also collected rubbish from the beach and put it in the bin, before we headed to the mornings highlight where we visited the Turtle Rehabilitation Centre.

We learnt so much about turtles, including the fact that they die because of ghost nets and plastic bags. We had the best time seeing the turtles and Jan our tour guide gave us lots of information and introduced us to Barney and Betty; two green turtles. The turtles were quiet inquisitive and seemed excited to meet us, even turtle splashing us, which was a nice way to cool down. Lunch time came and we filled our bellies up before we ventured out for our afternoon activity – a ramble to the lighthouse.

For those who saw “The Biggest Loser Season 4” you may remember this was the walk the Commando used to train the contestants on. To quote two of our Cub Scouts – “IT WAS A FAIR HIKE” and certainly on heartbreak hill we all stuck to the motto “Cub Scouts do not give into themselves”; and encouraged each other that we could do it, and wow what a fabulous view when we finally reached the top where we watched a rain squall out at sea and did a massive wolf in appreciation for our huge effort. Feeling pleased and happy with our results we then had the fun of going back down to our meeting place, before we changed into a wet gear and cooled off in the crystal clear water, swimming with the local fish.

Sadly the boat arrived and we had to return to Cairns, however we had an awesomely wet ride home on the top deck of boat as once again we got to rock and roll with the ocean and bounce about which was lots of fun. Back at the den it was time for dinner, PJ's and a movie to finish the day – of course it was “Finding Nemo”.

The next morning we awoke to an early breakfast and our special guest visitor Yoko a Cub Scout Leader from Japan and her two daughters Marina (Cub Scout) and Sarina (Beaver). Playing games and sharing the pen pal letters that Yoko brought we got to really know each other before we ventured out to do a bit of helping the environment where we picked up rubbish on our way to the local gardens.

We were able to show Yoko and her daughters a Cairns Bird wing Buttery, Ulysses Buttery, Kookaburra, crabs and many different bugs, lizards and marine life that

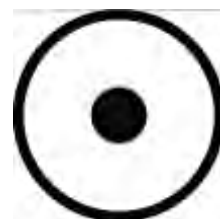


live in the local creeks. Luckily this time we didn't need any crocodiles. Back at the den it was time to get ready for lunch – a great Aussie Sausage Sizzle that we cooked for our new friends and our cub scouts Fin, Spencer, Laura and Katrin who were moving to Scouts on Thursday night, before sadly it was time for us to return home to our families.

We hope that you have enjoyed reading about our wonderful weekend camp and the adventures of Seonee Cub Pack – Edge Hill Scout Group, Cairns written by Nicholas Mitchell, Kade Williams and Seonee Lea

## KIRWAN MEMBERS CLEAN UP

Kelly Furphy - Cub Scout, Ryan Furphy - Scout and Hayden Sadler - Joey Scout ventured out to make a difference in their local suburb. Kelly, Ryan and Hayden are members of the Kirwan Scout Group and together they collected litter from their local waterway. Kelly, Ryan and Hayden and their Parents have been invited to attend a certificate presentation by the Mayor of Townsville.



## I HAVE “GONE HOME”.

Linda Turner

March 2014

*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](mailto:encompass@scoutsqld.com.au)*



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## QUEENS SCOUT ACHIEVEMENT

On Saturday 22 March Capalaba Scout Group congratulated Nathan Sears with a ceremony to present his Queen Scout Award. Nathan has worked hard over many years, earning his Grey Wolf, Scout Medallion and now his Queen Scout Award. He would have the Joey Promise Challenge as well; however it did not exist when Nathan was in Joey Scouts.

The celebraon was a ended by many of Nathans past Leaders, current Group members, friends and family, MP for Capalaba Steve Davies and also Nathans Duke of Edinburgh Mentor/teacher.

Many people spoke of Nathans outstanding character, loyalty, determinao n and commitment. Nathan does the Scoung movement proud. He is a natural leader and go ge er and will go far in life. Congratulaon s Nathan, well done. Here's hoping you enjoy Rovering as much as you have enjoyed all the other secon s and we look forward to a ending the presentaon of your BP award in years to come. BRAVOOO

Capalaba Scout Group







## **HOST FAMILIES** **Urgently Required!!**

I am still after some Families willing to Host an Explorer Scout from Denmark. So far I have only 2 Families interested. The main criteria is a Family with a Venturer Scout aged child, agreement from your Group and School and a willingness to Host them for approx 6 weeks from the end of June till early half of August. This opportunity is available throughout Qld, not just the SE corner!! Previous Host Families have got a lot out of this experience and there is no obligation to reciprocate! But you can if you want to

I am also pleased to say that Qld has a candidate to go on exchange. I will be conducting an interview later in April. If you want to go on exchange for 2015/16 – Applications are now open!! The sooner you get in the sooner you can start planning and fundraising!! For more information on the SISEP Program both as a potential Exchangee or Host Family, please email me at [sisep@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:sisep@qldhq.scouts.com.au) I will then send you more information and Expression of Interest Forms. Please also email others in your Venturer Unit/Group the Encompass magazine so they can also see this information.

Hope to hear from you soon.

Scott Edwards

Youth Program Support Branch Advisor (International) – SISEP Coordinator - Qld

## **JOEY SCOUT PROMISE CHALLENGE SUCCESS**

Congratulations to James Riches from 2<sup>nd</sup> Toowoomba Scouts who was presented with his Promise Challenge Badge by Taz (John Pugh JSL) on the 14<sup>th</sup> March.

James worked over the Christmas Holidays to complete his badge.



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## **BIRKDALE SCOUT GROUP**

*Looking Back ... Catching Up ... Looking Forward*

Birkdale Scout Group is celebrating their 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on

Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May from 1.45pm

at 32 Mary Street, Birkdale

Scout Headquarters granted permission to start the Group on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 1969. 15 Cubs met at the Birkdale School of Arts on 5<sup>th</sup> June 1969 with Ler Bates and Joan Johnston as Leaders.

All past members, Leaders, supporters are cordially invited to attend.

RSVP to Andrina Becht on 0402 810774

or email to [andrinabecht.scouts@gmail.com](mailto:andrinabecht.scouts@gmail.com)



# Chief Commissioner of Queensland



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## **The Scout Method, Symbolic framework and Areas of Personal Growth**

In many of our programs we see the symbolic framework of Scouting on forgo the emphasis only placed on one of the seven elements usually *learning by doing*. A symbol is an image or figure with a certain feature that enables it to represent an object, situation, concept or process. On an educational level, the existence of a symbol helps build up the momentum needed to move toward becoming something with which we identify. The symbolic framework that the Scout Method proposes for young people is a referential environment that underpins the shared life in the Group; helping to make everything we do consistent offering educational advantages from several different perspectives, encouraging imagination and developing sensitivity.

The World Organisation of the Scout Movement defines the Scout Method as a non-formal self-education system, and is a key part of Scouting. It is composed of seven different elements that work together to provide a rich, active and fun learning environment. The Scout Method includes:

### **The Scout Promise and Law**

The Scout Law is a concrete and practical way to understand the values of Scouting. The Scout Promise is a personal pledge to do one's best to live according to those values, which you make before a group of peers when you choose to join. The Promise and Law are considered as one element because they are closely linked.

### **Learning by doing**

Learning by doing means developing as a result of first-hand experience as opposed to theoretical instruction. It reflects the active way in which one gains knowledge, skills and attitudes and illustrates Scouting's practical approach to education. Learning by doing also allows everyone in the Scout patrol (or team) to actively engage with the process and take ownership, with the assistance of their peers and adult volunteers.

### **The Patrol (or Team) System**

The patrol is the basic organisational structure in Scouting. Each small group, normally comprising 6-8 youth members, operates as a team with one member acting as team leader. Within each team and in ways appropriate to their capacities, the Scouts organise their life as a group, sharing responsibilities, and decide upon, organise, carry out and evaluate their activities. This is done with the support of adults.

### **Symbolic Framework**

In Scouting, a symbolic framework is a set of elements which represent concepts which Scouting seeks to promote. The purpose of the symbolic framework is to build on young people's capacity for imagination, adventure, creativity and inventiveness. It is a way to make activities cohesive and fun and to understand the values of Scouting.

### **Personal Progression**

Personal progression is about helping each individual to be consciously and actively involved in his or her own development. It

enables them to progress in their own way and at their own pace, to gain confidence and to recognise the progress made. The progressive scheme (set goals for each age group), is the main tool used to support this element of the Scout Method.

### **Nature**

The natural environment (woods, plains, sea, mountains, deserts etc) provides an ideal setting in which the Scout Method can be applied, and for developing ones physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual potential. It involves the development of constructive contact with nature and making full use of all the unique learning opportunities provided by the natural world.

### **Adult Support**

Scouting is a youth movement, where young people do activities with the support of adults. The role of adults in Scouting is to be activity leaders, educators and group facilitators. In other words, to make sure that our youth members do meaningful activities that promote the development of the individual Scout as well as the group as a whole.

Each National Scout Organisation must have the Scout Method included with its Mission, Aim and Principles. In Scouts Australia we have adapted the World document for the Scout Method as:

Voluntary membership of a uniformed group which, guided by adults, is increasingly self-governing in its successive age groups; Commitment to a code of living as expressed in the Promise and Law, the meaning of which is expanded as the member grows towards maturity;

The provision of a wide range of activities, constructive and challenging activities, including opportunities for adventure and exploration, both indoors and outdoors;

The provision of opportunities for leadership and responsibility; Learning by doing;

Encouragement of activities in small groups;

An award scheme that encourages participation in the full range of activities and provides recognition of individual achievements.

## **Areas of Personal Growth (AoPG), the Scout Method and Program Planning**

This program is a program developed by the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) to address the changing needs of development of our youth members and the methods we incorporate in our programs to achieve success.

To some of our scouting Leaders this program will simply be an update, while to the others it will be a reinforcement of the methods used every day in their Scouting life.

By ensuring the AoPG and our method are the basis of everything that we do in Scouting we can guarantee that we will provide quality programs for our youth members across all sections.

*"The purpose of the Scout Movement is to contribute to the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social, emotional and spiritual potentials as individuals,*

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as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities."

As you read through the Areas of Personal Growth think about the Scout Method and the Symbolic framework. Nothing has changed, it is just reworded to reinforce the methods used every day in their Scouting life.

#### **Social:** Area of development: Social Nature

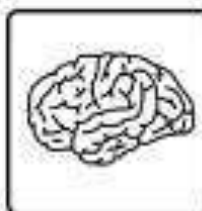
Having a sense of belonging in a group, through friendship and interaction. Developing an understanding of social issues in my communities, and recognising my responsibility to appreciate cultural diversity. Having fun. *Acquiring the concept of interdependence with others and developing one's ability to Co-operate and lead.*



**Social**



**Physical**



**Intellectual**

#### **Intellectual:**

Area of development: Intelligence

Having the ability to create ideas, leading to a plan of action and carrying it through to its conclusion using common sense. Being able to plan and analyse and take on board the consequences of my actions. Having the ability to understand how a team works, and my role within it. Having the ability to evaluate a situation and follow instructions as appropriate. *Developing one's ability to think, innovate and use information in an original way to adapt to new situations.*

#### **Emotional:** Area of development: Emotions

Having the confidence and security to be aware of and express my emotions, and to understand and accept them. Learning how to deal with situations and people I meet every day while having respect for other people's emotions and being aware of the impact of my actions. *Recognising one's own feelings and*



**Emotional**



**Spiritual**

#### **Spiritual:** Area of development: Soul

Having an understanding and acceptance of myself and my value as a unique human being, and an equal acceptance of the value of others. Having respect for myself and others and the world in which we live. Having a sense of responsibility for my environment and my place in it. Developing a personal awareness of a higher being and an expression and

exploration of a faith. *Acquiring a deeper knowledge and understanding of the spiritual heritage of one's own community, discovering the Spiritual Reality which gives meaning to life and drawing conclusions for one's daily life, whilst respecting the spiritual choices of others.*

In recent years a sixth area has been added CHARACTER this being an outcome of the other five areas, so you will hear the acronym SPICES being used when referring to the purpose of Scouting.

#### **Character:**

Area of development: Character Development

Accepting myself and recognising my own potential for growth and what it is I can become. Developing myself in a manner consistent with a set of values and with mutual respect and understanding for others. *Recognizing one's responsibility towards oneself and one's right to develop, learn and grow in search of happiness whilst respecting others. Learning to assert oneself, make one's own decisions, set aims and identify the necessary steps to achieve them.*



**Character**

Please think about this when planning your next term program.



# Agoonoree Scout Camp Expressions Of Interest NOW OPEN!!

[agoonoree.scouts.com.au](http://agoonoree.scouts.com.au)



# Branch Commissioner Joey Scouts



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Over the last few months I have been out and about enjoying meeng and having conversao ns with Joey Scout Leaders and Joey Scouts. While chan g I have invariably asked about 'Parent Interviews' with qeson s such as; Do you do parent interviews? How valuable do you n d parent interviews in understanding, managing and building a rapport with the youth member and parents? How important is it to ensure the family feels part of the Mob and the Group?

More common than not the response has been we don't do parent interviews. I feel parent interviews are so important in scoung that I have decided to repeat my previously wri en arc le on 'Parent Interviews' - enjoy.

### PARENT INTERVIEWS

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

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

Going to meet the family and the prospec ve Joey Scout, we need to ensure we are ready to provide relevant informao n and respond to qeson s frequently asked, which could be:

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

What are the Parent's responsibili es? Being a Scout parent comes with important responsibili es too. Explain they need to:

- Show your interest and encourage your child's Scoung parcipao n.
- Provide transport for meeng s and outdoor acv i es.
- Help to raise money for your child's Scout Group.

Give your m e to parcipate in Scoung acv i es and events.

Also speak about the benets of Scoung covering areas of educaon al outcomes, family involvement, and interac on with the local and wider community. Parents are vital members of our team assisng with working and training youth members, and that their help and parcipao n is a normal expectaon . It is vital that parents understand this expectaon at your meeng, and should be made to feel welcomed and an important part of the Mob/Group.

Don't be scared of 'Parent Interviews', look at the process as a tool to communicate with your parents and to improve your understanding of the youth member. If you do not feel comfortable in conduc ng a parent interview in their home, then organise for it to occur at the den at a m e mutually agreeable to all pare s. For more ideas add this topic to your next District Training Meeng (DTM) agenda for discussion.

### JOEY SCOUT JAUNT 2014' - Queensland *Agent-Sorry About That Chief'*



Joey Scout Jaunt will be held on Saturday 02 August 2014 commencing at 10:00 am with an opening parade. Following is a y er which you can use to advers e Joey Scout Jaunt in your Group, District and Region. Within the next week you will be able to n d on the Queensland Scout website under Joey Scouts, a copy of Registraon informao n, Flyer, applicao n form and food order form.

**When:** Saturday 2 August 2014 – 10.00am – 3.00pm

**Where:** Baden Powell Park, Cash Ave, Samford

**What:** Branch Joey Scout Ac vity

**Who can aen d:** Joey Scouts, Leaders, Parents, Siblings/Friends

**How much:**

Joey Scouts - \$10.00 (including Joey Scout Jaunt badge)

Other children - \$7.00 ,

Adults - \$4.00 – JSJ badges available for purchase

3yrs & under – free

**What do you need to do?** : Leaders are requested to bring an acv ity to share and, parents or extra leaders to assist with running the ac vity. JSL should take Joey Scouts around and take note of ideas for future programming.

**Lunch:** There will be a half hour break for lunch. Bring your own for a picnic or buy from the Venturer Scouts Sausage Sizzle – sausages, drinks, poppers.

**Armbands:** An armband will be provided for each registra on and is required to be worn during the ac vity. This has been implemented for the safety of everyone, anyone not wearing an armband maybe asked to register or leave the park. Leaders are

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asked to check armbands of youth members as they rotate through your base.

### Do you want a change in roles

Air Activities are looking for a Joey Scout Leader interested in flying and willing to work at Archerfield Aerodrome. The position will be working with Leith Cline and require a landing at the centre approximately every six weeks or as necessary to run Joey Scout programs. If you or someone you know would be interested in taking on this role then please contact Leith on her mobile 0407 178 172 or email at leithcline@hotmail.com for further information or discussions.

### **Upcoming events:**

**ANZAC Day** – 25 April 2014

**Brisbane Gang Show** - 04-07-2014 to 12-07-2014

**Joey Scout Jamboree** – Saturday 2 August 2014 at BP Park Samford

**Skillorama** – Saturday 06 September 2014 @ Redcliffe Show Grounds, Redcliffe.

*Chaos is the score upon which reality is written. —Henry Miller*

## **SCOUTSAFE SAM**

Many Scout Groups use gas appliances for cooking at camps and also the fundraising BBQs, at places like Bunnings.

It is important that the all gas bottles and equipment are checked out by the Adults, Leaders or Youth members who are using and assembling the equipment.

Gas bottle: Enough gas for the event, not rusty, no leaking valve and in test date. Have a spare bottle.

Hoses and regulators: in good order, not leaking and all seals in place. All with compatible threads.

Burners: In place after travelling, burn cleanly, not full of dirt after long periods of storage.

Control valves: Working properly

Personnel: Familiar with connecting and testing the equipment

Try the YouTube video @ [www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3GCrCGWPb0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3GCrCGWPb0) Or <http://www.elgas.com.au/blog/570-bbq-safety-basics-gas-bbq-bottles>



## **BREAKING THE CYCLE; BULLYING IT'S NOT PART OF SCOUTING**

Please visit the Facebook page and hit like to keep up to date with the latest information.

[www.facebook.com/ScoutsBreakingtheCycle](http://www.facebook.com/ScoutsBreakingtheCycle)

This is the new logo and the badge will be available during Scouts in Action month in August 2014 after completion of certain tasks.

A Messengers of Peace project by Scouts Australia.



# **THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER MEMORANDUM**

## **UPDATES TO QUEENSLAND BRANCH SCOUTING INSTRUCTIONS**

Please find attached the following updates to Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions (QBSI).

- QBSI Cover and Content (*version number updates to reflect the below changes*)
- QBSI 2.1 Youth Sections (*QBSI 2.1.11*)
- QBSI 2.9 Camping and Outdoor Activities (*QBSI 2.9.3, QBSI 2.9.3.1 and QBSI 2.9.7.2*)
- QBSI 2.15 Adventurous Activities (*QBSI 2.15.5 and QBSI 2.15.11*)
- QBSI 3.6 Appointment of Adult Members (*QBSI 3.6.1, QBSI 3.6.4.1 and QBSI 3.6.4.2*)
- QBSI 3.10 Grievances and Disputes (*QBSI 3.10.3 and QBSI 3.10.4*)
- QBSI 7.4 Restricted Activities (*QBSI 7.4.1, chapter was previously called "Prohibited Activities"*)
- QBSI 7.5 Personal Safety Guidelines and Procedures (*QBSI 7.5.1*)
- QBSI 7.6 Bunk Beds Policy (*complete re-read recommended*)
- QBSI 7.9 Reportable Incident Policy (*QBSI 7.9.6*)
- QBSI 8 Uniform (*QBSI 8.1.1, QBSI 8.2.2 and QBSI 8.3.2*)
- QBSI 9.5 Privacy Policy (*complete re-read recommended*)

These updates will also be published in the next issue of Encompass for circulation to the Movement and they will also be placed on the Branch website.

## **NOTICE OF MEETING BRANCH COUNCIL**

The Annual General Meeting of the Branch Council will be held on:

**Thursday 26 June 2014**

**Venue: TBC**

All Members can attend. Only eligible Members can vote.

See Constitution for listing of Eligible Voting Members.

Nominations will open for Branch Executive Committee in the near future

See Branch Website for nomination form and position descriptions



# Branch Commissioner Cub Scouts



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***"Look well, Oh wolves, Look well"***

## **IMPORTANT: National Youth Program Review (YPR) - Survey**

As I highlighted in last month's Arcle, Scouts Australia is conducting a comprehensive Review of the whole Scouting Youth Program; a dedicated website that supports the Review is at: <http://ypr.scouts.com.au/>.

**Currently the YPR is conducting a survey about Scouting's Promise and Law, Aims, Principles and Values.** This is likely to be a **very important survey** for the membership and, though only one of the ways that the YPR Team will be gathering information, it is **essential that you consider participating in the Survey and providing your considered views and comments.** Please ensure you **share this survey** with other Leaders and also consider how you may be able to gain some perspective or comments from your Cub Scouts, especially the older ones (Perhaps a Pack Council discussion). It is estimated that the survey will take between 10 and 20 minutes to complete; the **survey is live until the mid-April 2014**, and can be found at: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/nypr\\_aim\\_and\\_principles](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/nypr_aim_and_principles).

## **Cubs Can Come (CCC or Triple C)**

Last month I indicated that the **Triple C** (CCC) activity, which is part of **Triple S** (Scout Second Skills) was initiated by my predecessor, Robyn Devine (Rikki); this was incorrect, it was in fact an initiative of the current Branch Commissioner Scouts, Steve Marshall (Wolf), to help encourage linking to Scouts; sorry Wolf. As an aside, I note with interest, that 'Wolf' is a very Cub Scout 'friendly' type of name.

**Triple C** involves your Scout Troop liaising with your Cub Scout Pack to invite appropriate Cub Scouts to come along to the Scouts' **Triple S** for a day (not overnight) and join with their respective Scout Troop/Patrols on appropriate **Triple S** activities or special **Triple C** activities. This year's **Triple S** is planned for 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> July at BP Park and the **Triple C** day is tentatively planned for Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July; confirmation of the **Triple C** day and more detail should be available soon. The 'inviting' of appropriate Cub Scouts to the **Triple C** day is to be by the Scout Troop. **However, Cub Scout Leaders, I suggest you start the 'conversation' with your Scout Troop ASAP.**

## **The Investiture**

Many Cub Scout Leaders are not sure how the Investiture of a Cub Scout can be related to the Jungle Book Theme. It is easily aligned with the story of 'What was the Price Paid for Mowgli?' (Scouts Australia Paws Series, Book 9 – 'Jungle Lore', Page 9) when the very young Mowgli and his other 'brother' Wolf Cubs were presented to Akela and the rest of the Pack, at Council Rock, by Raksha and Father Wolf. The wolves of the Pack were told to **"Look well, Oh wolves, Look well"** in order that they were able to identify the new cubs as members of their Pack, as the young cubs left the den and started to run with the Pack.

In a similar way, the soon to be invested, Cub Scout is: escorted into the Pack Circle (by their Sixer), to stand in front of the Leader (Akela); is asked by the Leader if they are ready to become a Cub Scout; make their Promise and presented Badges, etc; and before the new Cub Scout joins their Six, the Leader asks the New Cub Scout to turn and face the Pack and then 'introduces/presents' the

newly invested Cub Scout to the Pack; normally salutes are exchanged between the Pack and the new Cub Scout. (See Ceremonies Book for details).

## **Jungle Law**

Continuing my series over the past few months, this month's Jungle Law is:

*"His spots are the joy of the leopard; his horns the Buffalo's pride, Be clean for the strength of the hunter is known by the gloss of his hide,"*

As always, I would be very interested to know your interpretations of this Jungle Law/Maxim of Baloo and how it may be applicable to today's Cub Scouts and Leaders? Either post your comments on the Facebook page for **'Cub Scout Leaders in Queensland'** or send them to me via email at [bc.cubscouts@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:bc.cubscouts@qldhq.scouts.com.au).

March's Jungle Law was interesting; thank you to those that commented and/or thought about it. My views, for your consideration, are:

*"The Kill of the Pack is the meat of the Pack. Ye must eat it where it lies; And no one may carry away of that meat to his lair, or he dies. The Kill of the Wolf is the meat of the Wolf. He may do what he will, But, if he has given permission, the Pack may not eat of that Kill."*

I feel this Jungle Law is very much about **integrity** or **honesty** and perhaps **respect** for property and effort. What has been worked for and earned by a group (team, six, etc) – *"The Kill of the Pack...."* – always remains the property or achievement of the group – *"...is the meat of the Pack."* – and no one person should take (as their own) or take credit for what belongs to group, it (item), the achievement, etc is to be shared to the benefit of all the group. In the same vein, the property or achievement of an individual – *"The kill of the Wolf..."* – remains theirs – *"...is the meat of the Wolf."* – and it theirs to do with as they decide and no-one (or group) is to use, borrow, remove, etc, or take credit for, it – *"...may not eat of that kill."* – without permission of the owner.

## **Reminder:**

**Encompass – Scan/Read it all:** Well, you have at least read this far in this arcle, for that I thank you and I hope that it's of some use to you. However, if you do not already, I would strongly encourage you to Scan the remainder of Encompass for other arcles and/or notes that are, or may be, of use to you in your role.

**ANZAC Day:** A topic near and dear to my heart; in your upcoming discussions/programming/etc in respect to ANZAC Day, please remember that 'Veterans' are no longer just 'old' men and women. There are now many more Veterans, from recent conflicts, who are probably younger than most of us, some as young as 20 years of age. There are many Cub Scouts 'out there' who will likely have a close relationship (parents, siblings, uncles/aunts, etc) who are now Veterans. It should now be easier to relate the ANZAC Spirit as 'current' to your Cub Scouts. Also, check with your Cub Scouts to see if any of them are related to a recent Veteran and perhaps that Veteran may be able to come along and talk to the Pack.

**Good Hunting All**

# Branch Commissioner Scouts



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### AJ2016

It may seem a little early to start talking about a Jamboree in 2016 but it is surprising how fast it will get here. AJ2016 will be hosted by NSW Branch and held at Cataract Park south of Sydney. This site is a permanent Jamboree site and has been used for three previous Jamborees and a World Jamboree in 1987-88 so there are plenty of facilities in place.

The theme for this Jamboree will be "Leap into Adventure". It's a little early for costs just yet but these will be coming later in the year. It's not too early however to start promoting the Jamboree, to begin working on fundraising and ensuring that Scouts are progressing through the award scheme.

To stay up to date with the latest information make sure that you visit <http://www.aj2016.com.au> which is the official Jamboree web site. You can sign up for a newsletter there to stay informed.

Fundraising is important so that the Scouts are earning their way towards this event. This will give them a lot of pride and satisfaction in what they've achieved but it is also an important life lesson to know that you need to work towards your goals. The downside of fundraising is that it takes away from the Patrol and Troop program. We need to ensure that there is a healthy balance and that we are still providing the developmental opportunities to our Scouts. When I was a Scout Leader I saw a neighbouring Scout Troop turn into what can best be described as a fundraising machine. They raised sufficient funds so that all of the Scouts (and there were a lot) were able to attend without additional personal cost. After the Jamboree the Troop almost folded because all of the Scouts left because they were burnt out from fundraising and hadn't been doing any Scouting.

A lesson I learnt fundraising for my first Jamboree was that everyone needs to have a clear understanding of the basis on which the fundraising is managed. This will eliminate endless squabbles over money. Some things you should consider are:

- How is the money divided?
- Do Leaders get a share?
- What happens if the Scout leaves the movement?
- What happens if the Scout transfers?
- What if there are multiple Scouts going from the same family?
- What happens if the Scout withdraws from the Jamboree?
- What happens if more money is raised than is needed?

By my second Jamboree I had a one page contract that the Scout and their parents signed before participating in the Jamboree



fundraising. This quelled all arguments as everyone had committed to the same set of rules. During the coming weeks I will put a copy of it in the Scout resources section of the website. It may need tweaking to your particular circumstances but if you have nothing in place it will make a great starting point.

We should always be working through the award scheme but it never fails to amaze me at the amount of Scouts who are rushing at the last minute to complete their Pioneer Badge. This requirement is there so that the Scouts will have the ability to look after themselves in a camp environment for the duration of the Jamboree. The nights under canvas are particularly important as it helps the Scouts develop some independence from their parents and they are better able to cope with homesickness at the Jamboree.

### Branch Youth Council & Proficiency Badges

I recently had the pleasure of being present when the Branch Youth Council delivered their recommendations after a weekend of deliberation. To all those involved a big BRAVO as the Council did an excellent job and showed a mature and considered approach to the topics they discussed.

One recommendation that was made was in relation to proficiency badges, in particular the IT badge. They wanted it changed because it was dated. While I appreciate the recommendation from their perspective it is disappointing that the message isn't being delivered to the Scouts by the Leaders – all of the proficiency badges are negotiable; anything can be changed as long as the fundamental philosophy of the badge is being observed. What's in the record book are just suggestions. I won't go into detail now because I covered this in last month's encompass. If you haven't read it then I suggest you download a copy and have a look.

### SSS

Expressions of interest are available on the Branch website for SSS so please take the time to pass them on to your Patrol Leaders. They are already flowing in and this is the only way your PLs will be able to get an application form. Please only return the cut-off on the bottom of the form. Applications will be being sent out in the next week to those that have sent in their expression of interest.

This year there will be a definite cut-off date for the receipt of applications from Patrols and Leaders. The applications must be received with full payment by the 13<sup>th</sup> of June so don't leave your run too late.



*"When a boy finds someone who takes an interest in him, he responds and follows."*

Sir Robert Baden-Powell



# Branch Commissioner Venturer Scouts



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## Australian Venture 2015

The information night we had on 4 March was a great success in all but one measure. It was well attended. It started on time. The presentation looked good. Many good questions were asked and answered. Everyone appeared to go away happy. What was the problem? The recording failed. Something to do with the super duper brand new memory card being *dead on arrival*.

As we had promised to publish the video on the web and didn't, last week the team got together and had another go at recording the presentation. What you will see shortly does not contain all the odd hand gestures, head movements, stumbles and mistakes of the original recording in front of a live audience, but I think you will be happy with the mumbling and stumbling we put into the second attempt. All Region Commissioners have a copy of the Powerpoint presentation and a supply of AV promotional wristbands and, I believe, a small supply of posters. If you don't have any material with which to promote attendance at AV by your Venturer Scouts and fellow Leaders, have a chat to your Region Commissioner.

Remember, **applications have not closed**, but the date for receipt payment has passed so everyone who applies now must make the receipt payment at the time of applying – which is what was meant to happen before the first payment date so in fact nothing has changed.

A Venture is a great experience for Venturer Scouts. Just as a jamboree is a *must do* activity for Scouts, an Australian Venture is the *must do* activity for Australian Venturer Scouts. Make sure your Venturer Scouts don't miss out on this opportunity due to a fear of the unknown or a disinterest in the unfamiliar. Let's help as many Queensland Venturer Scouts as possible push their limits by doing this thing they have never done before because the rewards will be well worth the effort.

## The Queen's Scout Award and the Branch Venturer Scout Council

Just as the District or Region Venturer Scout Council needs to see what proposed and completed badge work has been approved by Unit Councils rightly or wrongly, the Branch Venturer Scout Council wants to see the same information. This means that the badge work part of Unit reports should be forwarded by District and Region Venturer Scout Councils to the Branch Commissioner for Venturer Scouts to discuss with the leaders and Venturer Scouts on the Branch Venturer Scout Council. If the BVSC is concerned about a difference in approach or interpretation between one unit and others or between one part of the state and others then it is up to that council to share those concerns with the relevant region council that may in turn clarify matters with the unit or units involved. This is of course does not alter the decisions already made by any Unit Council regarding individual Venturer Scouts, but it hopefully will lead to better decisions being made by all Unit Councils in the future.

In summary therefore, a Venturer Scout seeks approval from his or her Unit Council. The Unit Council essentially seeks to have its decisions endorsed by the District or Region council Venturer Scout Council and the Branch Venturer Scout Council. If those Councils

interpret the Award Scheme differently then future decisions of the Unit Council on the same matter may be different but the previous decisions are not overturned as that would be unfairly penalising the Venturer Scout who has in good faith acted on the decision of the Unit Council.

## Dates (approximate list)

### April

- 4-6 Venturer Scout Leadership course – Mackay
- 6 Venturer Scout Unit Management course – Queensland Scout Centre, Auchincloss
- 12 National Youth Week Forum – Queensland Scout Centre, Auchincloss
- 23 Branch Youth Venturer Scout Council teleconference
- 25-27 Darling Downs Region Venturer Scout Standards Camp – Cummeragwauke

### May

- 2-4 May Venture – Karingal campsite, Mount Cotton
- 16-18 Venturer Scout Leadership course – Raceview
- 25 Venturer Scout Unit Management course – Eagleby
- 28 Branch Venturer Scout Council teleconference

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

## AV2015 IS FAST APPROACHING.

The Queensland Conngent Planning team for AV2015 are in full swing ensuring that Queenslanders attending the next Australian Venture have an absolute Blast. The team have been working together for the past year planning, discussing and debating the operations of the Queensland Conngent at the Venture. The hope is to have as many Queensland supporters as possible at this Venture as 2018 sees Queensland hosting the 17<sup>th</sup> Australian Venture. If you are wanting to get out and explore South Australia next Jan then AV2015 is your answer. All Region Commissioners now have a copy of the parent info session powerpoint. If you are wanting to promote AV2015 to your unit contact your RC to obtain a copy and some promotional collateral. The conngent can be contacted a few ways:

**Email:** [venturerscoutsqld.com.au](mailto:venturerscoutsqld.com.au)

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/AV2015QLDCON](http://www.facebook.com/AV2015QLDCON)

Important information on the conngent and Pre-Venture tour can be found at [www.av2015.scouts.com.au](http://www.av2015.scouts.com.au). The site contains all the committee contacts as well as what can be expected at AV2015.



Get ready to have a HEAPS GOOD time next Summer at AV2015

# Branch Commissioner Rover Scouts



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## WHATS GOING ON AT QBRC!

There were 53 people at the March meeting of QBRC .... So what did you miss out on! The only way to find out, is to get there yourself! All Rovers, Squires, Invested Rovers, RA's, ARC Rovers are always welcome.

## NEW BADEN POWELL SCOUT AWARD BOOKLETS AND BADGES NOW AVAILABLE

New BP award booklets and badges are now available from the Scout Supply Centre. Initial arrangements are as follows; The books can be bought over the counter at the shop and the badges can be ordered through your local badge secretary.

## URBAN CHALLENGE 2014

Jessica Woodcraft from Taringa Milton Toowong Rover Crew is the Chairman for this year's Urban Challenge. The date has been set as 2-3 August 2014 and as usual will be one of the biggest Rover activities of the year. For more information email [jessica.woodcraft@hotmail.com](mailto:jessica.woodcraft@hotmail.com)

## ROVER TRAINING DATES

Rover Basic w/e (LT3 / RS1) - 11-13 April, 16-18 May  
Pre-requisites include completion of LT1, Elearning basic modules and workbooks.

### Advanced

Bush Walking Weekend (Skills 3) - 14-15 June, 16-17 August  
Or any other seasonal Skills 3 weekend in the branch training calendar

Wood Badge Weekend  
20-22 June, 19-21

September  
Pre-requisites for woodbadge weekend include completion of Advanced E Learning modules and workbooks.

The above training is suitable for Rovers and Rover Advisers

For more information contact QBRC Training & Development Officer, Travis Jordan at [training@qldrovers.org.au](mailto:training@qldrovers.org.au)



## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It is extremely important for all existing Rovers to ensure that they renew their membership before 31 March 2014. If you are reading this and you aren't sure if your membership has been renewed or you haven't recently paid your 2014-15 membership, then you need to urgently get in contact with your Group Leader. While you are doing

that, you might like to make sure your GL has a signed copy of the adult indemnity and the code of conduct which all Rovers are required to sign.

## QBRC ELECTIONS

Nominations for QBRC Executive positions except chairman (Under QBRC rules, deputy automatically goes on to become chair in the following term) closed on 28 March 2013. Ballots will be sent out to Region Representatives in early April and need to be returned by 28/4/14.

The actual voting is done by crews and it is the Region Representatives role to contact all crews in their region to get the vote of their crews. If you haven't heard from your region Representative by the middle of April, make sure to contact them to ensure they have the correct contact email and phone number for your crew.

## HAVE YOU OR YOUR CREW JOINED THE QLD 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](mailto:communications@qldrovers.org.au)



## FUTURE DATES

St Georges Day – Worldwide - 23 April  
QBRC Meeting – QSC – 7pm 27 April  
Mothers Day – 11 May  
QBRC Meeting – QSC – 7pm 18 May  
BPSA Info Evening–Cameron Park Booval - 7.30pm 17 May  
(Combined with Moreton Region Rover Night)  
QBRC Annual Conference – BP Park Samford – 30 May – 1 June  
QBRC AGM – QSC - 7pm – 1 June  
CQRC – June Moot – 6-9 June

## QBRC CONTACTS

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# Deputy Chief Commissioner Youth Program



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## **ASIA PACIFIC REGION ENVIRONMENT WORKSHOP WOODHOUSE, ADELAIDE HILLS, SA 2<sup>ND</sup> to 5<sup>TH</sup> OF JUNE 2014**

Did you know that Scouts Australia is sponsoring the 2014 Asia Pacific Region Environment Workshop at Woodhouse, Adelaide Hills, South Australia between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2014.

There are places available for second leaders and Rovers interested in the environment to join the workshop to extend their knowledge, share their experiences and to learn from other National Scout Organisations. Registration fee is US \$200 per participant which includes meals and accommodation.

Queensland Branch is prepared to provide financial assistance to enable an adult member with interest and experience in the environment to attend this Workshop.

Applicants should submit up to two A4 pages only containing their CV with an emphasis on what they can contribute to this APR Workshop in sharing their environmental experiences with leaders from other countries and how they can share the new information learnt.

Electronic copies should be forwarded to [dcc.youthprogram@scoutsqld.com.au](mailto:dcc.youthprogram@scoutsqld.com.au) with a closing date 24 April at 5pm.

### **ACKNOWLEDGING THE SKILLS OF OTHERS**

One of the great things I believe about having been in Scouting for a long time is the opportunities to meet and work with people who have great skills that are different to mine.

If we ever need to consider this, just think of the Jamboree or Cuboree where the skills that people use that are so different to those they may normally use in their jobs and we find ourselves working with people whom we may never get to meet otherwise.

The Helix at the Jamboree is a classic example, where the Rovers with engineering skills designed the structure and hairdressers, mechanics and accountants built this complex activity.

Scouting is all about building better citizens for their future life which in turn will enable each person to take a more active life in their local community. A fortnight ago Queensland Branch held its Branch Youth Conference.

This will be the subject of another article however as I was sitting watching the young people interact and design their presentations about significant issues I wonder if we really are using the young people's skills to their best advantage. Are we promoting a positive image of young people within and external to Scouts?

There is no doubt young people are our future and the skills they possess today are different to but highly relevant to their needs.

Are we as adult members recognising this?

How well do you rate on the following checklist regarding promoting our youth and a young image of Scouting:

In our District/ Region/ Group, young people take an active part in

- developing the weekly, term and annual Program
- designing and taking part in the Going Up ceremony
- designing and taking part in any special Awards nights
- designing and taking part in any special program nights
- designing and taking part in any camps and overnight activities
- the annual general meeting
- a special Group Committee presentation after a special event
- by being the master of ceremony at a particular special event
- reporting back to the community after a special event
- helping out by presenting part of the Anzac Service or other significant community events.

We have many young people who would appreciate the opportunities to take part in some of these types of activities. Can we make a special effort to encourage our young people to take a more active and visible role in many of the activities that adults may have done previously.

Involving and creating opportunities to use the skills of young people is important in Scouting. It is one aspect of the scout method where young people are encouraged to take their meaningful part in the team. This is a challenge for us as leaders. To do this, each leader must know the individual personally or by reputation, value sharing of tasks, and involving others.

A successful leader shares successes and learns from failures. Recognize that when involving young people, Leaders must ensure that our youth members:

- understand the task and the related responsibility within the activity
- know the importance of their contribution
- see the desired outcome from the beginning so there is clear expectations
- trust the youth to deliver but follow up regularly to ensure there are no surprises.

Here's our challenge. What is the next opportunity you have to get a young person involved so their skills and experiences will be widened.

Good luck,

# Deputy Chief Commissioner Special Duties



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I saw a strange sight. I stumbled upon a story most strange, like nothing my life had ever prepared me for. Even before the dawn one Friday morning I noticed a young man, handsome and strong, walking the alleys of our City. He was pulling an old cart filled with clothes both bright and new, and he was calling in a clear, tenor voice: "Rags! Ah, the air was foul and the first light likely to be crossed by such sweet music. "Rags! New rags for old! I take your old rags!"

"Now, this is a wonder," I thought to myself, for the man stood six feet-four, and his arms were like tree limbs, hard and muscular, and his eyes flashed intelligence. Could he find no better job than this, to be a ragman in the inner city? I followed him. My curiosity drove me. And I wasn't disappointed.

Soon the Ragman saw a woman sitting on her back porch. She was sobbing into a handkerchief, sighing, and shedding a thousand tears. Her knees and elbows made a sad X. Her shoulders shook. Her heart was breaking.

The Ragman stopped his cart. Quietly, he walked to the woman, stepping round nappies, dead toys, and Pampers. "Give me your rag," he said so gently, "and I'll give you another." He slipped the handkerchief from her eyes. She looked up, and he laid across her palm a linen cloth so clean and new that it shined. She blinked from the gift to the giver. Then, as he began to pull his cart again, the Ragman did a strange thing: he put her stained handkerchief to his own face; and then HE began to weep, to sob as grievously as she had done, his shoulders shaking. Yet she was left without a tear.

"This IS a wonder," I breathed to myself, and I followed the sobbing Ragman like a child who cannot turn away from mystery. "Rags! Rags! New rags for old!"

In a little while, when the sky showed grey behind the rooftops and I could see the shredded curtains hanging out black windows, the Ragman came upon a girl whose head was wrapped in a bandage, whose eyes were empty. Blood soaked her bandage. A single line of blood ran down her cheek. Now the tall Ragman looked upon this child with pity, and he drew a lovely yellow bonnet from his cart. "Give me your rag," he said, tracing his own line on her cheek, "and I'll give you mine." The child could only gaze at him while he loosened the bandage, removed it, and held it to his own head. The bonnet he set on hers. And I gasped at what I saw: for with the bandage went the wound! Against his brow it ran a darker, more substantial blood - his own!

"Rags! Rags! I take old rags!" cried the sobbing, bleeding, strong, intelligent Ragman. The sun hurt both the sky, now, and my eyes; the Ragman seemed more and more to hurry. "Are you going to work?" he asked a man who leaned against a telephone pole. The man shook his head. The Ragman pressed him: "Do you have a job?" "Are you crazy?" sneered the other. He pulled away from the pole, revealing the right sleeve of his jacket - a tattered, the cut-stud

into the pocket. He had no arm. "So," said the Ragman. "Give me your jacket, and I'll give you mine." Such quiet authority in his voice!

The one-armed man took off his jacket. So did the Ragman - and I trembled at what I saw: for the Ragman's arm stayed in its sleeve, and when the other put it on he had two good arms, thick as tree limbs; but the Ragman had only one. "Go to work," he said. After that he found a drunk, lying unconscious beneath an army blanket, and old man, hunched, wizened, and sick. He took that blanket and wrapped it round himself, but for the drunk he left new clothes.

And now I had to run to keep up with the Ragman. Though he was weeping uncontrollably, and bleeding freely at the forehead, pulling his cart with one arm, stumbling for drunkenness, falling again and again, exhausted, old, old, and sick, yet he went with terrible speed. On spider's legs he skittered through the alleys of the City, this mile and the next, until he came to its limits, and then he rushed beyond.

I wept to see the change in this man. I hurt to see his sorrow. And yet I needed to see where he was going in such haste, perhaps to know what drove him so. The little old Ragman - he came to a landfill. He came to the garbage pits. And then I wanted to help him in what he did, but I hung back, hiding. He climbed a hill. With tormented labour he cleared a little space on that hill. Then he sighed. He lay down. He pillowed his head on a handkerchief and a jacket. He covered his bones with an army blanket. And he died.

Oh, how I cried to witness that death! I slumped in a junked car and wailed and mourned as one who has no hope - because I had come to love the Ragman. Every other face had faded in the wonder of this man, and I cherished him; but he died. I sobbed myself to sleep. I did not know - how could I know? - that I slept through Friday night and Saturday and its night, too. But then, on Sunday morning, I was wakened by a violence.

Light - pure, hard, demanding light - slammed against my sour face, and I blinked, and I looked, and I saw the last and the first wonder of all. There was the Ragman, folding the blanket most carefully, a scar on his forehead, but alive! And, besides that, healthy! There was no sign of sorrow nor of age, and all the rags that he had gathered shined for cleanliness. Well, then I lowered my head and trembling for all that I had seen, I myself walked up to the Ragman. I told him my name with shame, for I was a sorry figure next to him. Then I took off all my clothes in that place, and I said to him with dear yearning in my voice: "Dress me."

He dressed me. My Lord, he put new rags on me, and I am a wonder beside him. The Ragman, the Ragman, the Christ!



# Deputy Chief Commissioner (Major Activi-



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## ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (AMS)

Over the past few months a few of us have been pun g together our proposal for the AMS. At last month's Branch Execu ve Commi ee meeng approval was granted for this program to be adopted for use in the management of Applicao ns for all major Events.

So what is AMS, this system is a program similar to the Event Management system (EMS) used for the electronic applicao ns for events such as Jamborees, WAM and AV2016.

Currently the processes for applying for Branch run Acv i es that include camps, acv ie s, training courses and Brisbane Gang Show have been submi ed via hard copy applicao ns. The leads to lost applicao ns, incomplete forms, not legible, payments missing, addi onal work for oce sta , and a mammoth task to go through hard copy applicao ns at an Acv ity should an incident occur.

Following are some of the benet s of on line applicao ns

- Online lodgment - The applicant can lodge their applicao n online which will help with ensuring the right informaon is captured and is legible. Reduced m e for the applicant as basic personal informao n can be drawn from SMS and just updated as required.
- Quicker access to applicant informao n - Organisers has access to the system and can review applicao ns as they are entered.
- Integraon with SMS - The applicao n system will be linked with SMS. Automac checking if the applicant is nancial, Leaders have Blue cards or is not over aged or under aged for the event. Informaon can be passed back into SMS to assist with keeping basic membership informaon up to date and recording their a endance at events.
- Online payments – A payment gate way is linked into the applicao n process. Applicants can pay at m e of registraon for ac vity fees or addi onal items such as souvenirs etc.
- Reduced workload for the ac vity teams and Branch Support Oce – Reduc on in data processing me and payment processing means more m e for other items.
- Standard but exi ble applicao n forms – The system requires the same basic personal informao n. Ac vie s organizers can add customize informao n to be collected.
- Single registraon point – Applicants will have a single point of access for all ac vity registrao ns. Rather than needing to nd applicao n forms or request one they will nd everything on the same website.

Development for the AMS will now commence for all our major Ac vi es, we most probably will not be ready for this years events except maybe a couple that are held in the last term. The events we will look at will be such events as the following :-

- Agoonoree
- QLD Venture
- Cuboree
- Triple S
- Scoutreach Lones camps
- Joey Scout Jaunt
- Branch Leader Events such as Scoutout and Cub Scout Expo
- Banana Bash
- Roventure
- Training Courses
- Brisbane Gang Show

Once the above have been established we can o er this to Regional Events such as Nighthawk and Skillorama. Discussions with the organisers of these events will be held some me in the near future.

As stated at the beginning the AMS is not new to everyone and the bonus if you have used a similar system before or will be a rs t m er applicao ns will be similar no ma er what Acv ity you a end. Watch this space as developments take place over the coming months

## AV2015

The 16th Australian Venture (AV2015 SA Heaps Good) will be held at Woodhouse Ac vity Centre, Adelaide, South Australia from 2nd to 13th January 2015. If you require details on this Event contact Phil McNicol. Please assist the team by gen g your applicao ns in early



## YOUTH PROGRAM REVIEW

As you are aware Scouts Australia is conduc ng a Youth Program Review.

In order to remain relevant in our

rapidly changing and evolving world requires Scouts Australia to regularly review the youth program provided to its youth members. For many years we have cycled through a review of each sec on of Scoung to ensure its relevance but it has been 40 years since we have ree cted on our whole program from 6 – 25 years of age.

Currently the Review team is seeking informaon about what the membership of Scouts Australia thinks about Scoung 's aim, values, method, promise and law, and what values should Scouts Australia be insl ing in young people in 21st Century Australia?

It is important that you can have your say and join the discussions which are occurring by signing up at: <http://ypr.scouts.com.au/>





*Judy Seymour*



Thousands of red, nerve-shaken, over-civilized people are beginning to find out that going to the mountains is going home; that **wildness** is a necessity; and that mountain parks and reservations are useful not only as fountains of timber and irrigating rivers, but as fountains of **life** (1800s Scottish-American naturalist and author John MUIR). So what are YOU doing to experience and care for the environment, to obey the Scout Law?

World **Water** Day may have been last month, but keep the momentum going! Within the mob, pack, troop, unit, crew, break up into your sixes and patrols. Give each one topic: washing the car, the dishwasher, the laundry washing machine, kitchen taps, showering, ablutions, lawn irrigation. Next meeting each team has to report back (i) how much water is used, (ii) the impacts on the environment, (iii) what they can do to improve water conservation, and (iv) how much money can be saved. (SL, check out the parts of the Explorer level Environment target too.)



With the impending **electricity** cost increases, do the same activity with the den, and at home. Using less hot water will save a lot of energy to heat it (use a great low-flow shower head). Stop using stand-by power on your television, DVD player, microwave etc., and you will also do your part to reduce CO2 levels. Install energy efficient lighting,

Have you booked in for an Environment Education Team activity yet?

April 5—Cub Scouts (Eprapah)  
April 5—Scouts (Rocky Creek)  
May 3- Joey Scouts (Eprapah)  
May 10—Cub Scouts (Rocky Creek)  
May 17—Scouts (Eprapah)  
May 23–25 - Adults, Environmental Training (Eprapah)  
May 31–June 01—Venturer Scout Environment Tapes (Eprapah)

Having a pack holiday or a patrol camp at Eprapah? Think about the Cub Scout **Local History** badge, or the Scout Citizenship target 'Heritage' sections. Additional to the museum and heritage walk on-site, we have Redland's Redland IndigiScapes Centre up the road at Cleveland ([indigiscapes.redland.qld.gov.au](http://indigiscapes.redland.qld.gov.au)).

Have you visited the Redland Museum ([www.redlandmuseum.org.au](http://www.redlandmuseum.org.au); \$5 adult, \$1 child, Sat 1300–1600; Sun 1000–1600) and Beenleigh Historical Village and Museum ([beenleighhistoricalvillage.com.au](http://beenleighhistoricalvillage.com.au); adults \$6+GST; children \$2.50+GST, group tours with sausage sizzle and drink deal as well).

Bookings: Activity.Bookings@scout.qld.com.au, or tel. (07) 3870 7000. Enquiries: Branch Commissioner Environmental Education, Judy SEYMOUR, tel. (07) 3203 4193.



and natural lighting tubes.

## Join the Cast and Crew of WONARGO REVUE 2014!!

If you would like to experience the excitement of Live Musical Theatre, either on stage or in support, then be a part of the 2014 Wonargo Revue.

For full details just go to the Web site: [www.wonargo.com](http://www.wonargo.com) and download the application form.

Performance dates for this year are:



- Wednesday 29th October  
- Thursday 30th October  
- Friday 24th October and 31st October  
- Saturday 25th October and 1st November  
(Including Matinees and Evening shows on the Saturdays)

**Don't Miss Out – Join us NOW!**



# Branch Commissioner International



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A Statement of the European Scout Region on Peace and Reconciliation

**Creating a better world** - Scouts around the world are inspired by these words. Our Movement is a global movement with a very clear vision and mission. As active citizens we do not only experience our passion inside our Movement, but strive to be active in our approach to our world, our societies, with those whom we want to share our message.

Even in hard times, moments of crisis or conflict, we want to underline what binds us together through our world organisation of Scouts: our shared values from which we would like to highlight one specific value: Peace.

Every Member, every Scout, can be an example of peace. As a global movement we can support our brothers and sisters that are in need. A sense of belonging, fraternal feelings, are an essential human need on which we can build solid and lasting peace. Even if our nations experience difficulties, we should not forget our Scout values, not seeing the others as enemies or rivals, but as brothers and sisters facing challenges.

In line with Resolution 14 from the 21st European Scout Conference, we express our concern over the detrimental effects to the lives of young people as a result of any sort of ongoing conflicts.

As an educational and peace movement, we directly ask all our Members not to forget about our common values. Therefore we ask everyone to strive for peaceful dialogue, to get in contact in a positive way and to reach out towards each other in times of crisis, war and catastrophes, to all who are currently experiencing challenging circumstances that impact their lives.

While we are leading by example and doing our good deed when natural catastrophes happen, or humanitarian actions are needed, we ask our National Scout Organisations and National Scout Associations to use their Scout values and especially our common value of "Peace" whenever any of us experience challenges such as we see around the world.

European Scout Committee, 19.03.2014

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## Asia Pacific Region Events

Scouts of China New Taipei City Council, in cooperation with the Education Department, New Taipei City Government will host **the New Taipei City Municipal Scout Jamboree on 10-13 July 2014**, in Tamsui, New Taipei City, Taiwan.

The Jamboree will be held in Tamsui, which is a smaller city to the north of Taipei that was the center of shipping and commerce in



northern Taiwan in the 19th century. The city is still popular with visitors from Taipei and boasts many historical attractions, and is a popular location for viewing the sunset. The main Jamboree site will be located in the campus of New Taipei City Municipal Tamsui

Get ready for a new level of excitement and learning as you join **the 3rd King Vajiravudh Scout Jamboree from 16-22 October 2014**, at the Rama VI Camp, Chalam, Petchburi Thailand. An opportunity for Scouts to experience the Mrigadayavan Palace, which was built by King Rama VI in 1923 as his summer palace. The campers will discover why the palace is known as "Palace of love and hope"

The Camp offers full of adventure with the goal of tapping your undiscovered potentials. Learn more about the world and yourself, sign up now. The event is organized by

The Bangkok Boy Scout Club, which has been serving the young people of Thailand for over 50 years.



## **Blair Atholl 2014**

**The 34th Scottish International Patrol Jamboree will be held at Blair Castle, Blair Atholl, Perthshire, Scotland in July/August 2014.**

### **Dates**

Scots arrive on Saturday 19th July, Scottish Scouts arrive on Monday 21st July and Overseas Convergents arrive at camp on

Tuesday 22nd July.

All scouts depart on Friday 1st August and All Staff leave on Saturday 2nd August.

The Scottish Scouts and staff are offering home hospitality after the camp up to Wednesday 6th August.

### **Age Ranges**

Scouts/Explorer Scouts who wish to participate in the camp must be aged between 14 and 17 years of age on 21st July 2014. No Scouts/Explorer Scouts out with this range will be accepted for this camp.

<http://www.jamboree.org.uk/>

<http://www.jamboree.org.uk/forms/international.html>

## **15th World Scout Moot Iceland**

The 15th World Scout Moot will be in Iceland from July 25th to August 2nd 2014. The Moot will bring up to 500 young adults 18-26yrs together

<http://worldscoutmoot.is/>



## Facts

**Date:** August 6<sup>th</sup>–14<sup>th</sup> 2014  
**Who:** Groups of girl and boy scouts aged 12–21 accompanied by their leaders – too old? Join the IST  
**Fee:** 210 € – Register latest March 15<sup>th</sup> 2014  
**E-Mail:** international@bundeslager.vcp.de  
**Online:** www.vollcamp2014.de

**what?**  
 Our National Scout Association, the FNEI (Fédération nationale des Éclaireurs et Éclaireuses du Luxembourg) is very proud to invite you to its national ordinary camp, in the spirit of international friendship we want to share Luxembourgish history, culture and scout life with you. Please forward this information to all scout units of your country and feel free to contact us if you have further questions.

**when?**  
 17– 26.7.2014  
 Arrival on the 16.7.2014 is possible

**who?**  
 • Age 11–14 – Scouts: national and international guests  
 • Age 15–17 – Explorers: national and international guests  
 • Age 18–20 – Leaders: national and international guests

**how?**  
 • by train  
 • by bus  
 • by car  
 • by plane

**where?**  
 Luxembourg City  
 30 minutes away from the city centre, surrounded by woods, 5 km from the airport and train station.

**price?**  
 350€  
 Included:  
 - entire camp programme  
 - on- and off-site activities  
 - all meals  
 Not included:  
 - arrival and departure costs

on-line registration: August 2013 until February 2014.  
[www.together2014.lu](http://www.together2014.lu)  
[together2014@fnei.lu](mailto:together2014@fnei.lu)  
 Fédération Nationale des Éclaireurs et Éclaireuses du Luxembourg



### AKELA 2014

Cub Scout and Brownie leaders will come together in the summer of 2014 (02.–06. august) in **Westernhohe** 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. A weekend at least three meetings (minimum 3 hours)

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

### “PUT SOME INTERNATIONAL” INTO YOUR PROGRAM

In **Germany** it's a centuries old tradition to make an Egg tree. Eggs are blown and then decorated, some with dyes, pictures, covered in material, even covered with mosaics. The eggs are then hung on the branches of a tree and bushes, and on cut branches indoors. Every den can have a touch of Germany.

Does Super Soakers, water balloons and spray bottles sound like weapons of war and a whole lot of fun??? **Thailand's Songkran Festival** runs from April 13–15. Water dousing represents a purification ritual to wash away the evil spirits in anticipation of the **Thai New Year**. Three days are spent soaking everyone in their biggest party of the year. Why not build some catapults, load them with water bombs, or play a wide game with super soakers...the fun can be endless.

**May Day** is on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and is an ancient traditional spring holiday in the many countries in the Northern hemisphere. The Maypole can be found at many festivals around the world that occur on May Day, many can be found within Germanic Europe and neighbouring areas.

Our challenge to you as leaders is to **“Put Some International”** into your programs. Take some pictures, and write a brief account of what you did and email it to [bc.international@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:bc.international@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

### SISEP - Scout International Student Exchange Program

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



Hope to hear from you soon.

Youth Program Support

Branch Advisor

Sco Edwards (International) – SISEP Coordinator - QLD (Scout International Student Exchange Program)

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

### Host Families and Host Corp Team

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





### Pen Pals Required

Register now for the pen pal program contact  
**International Pen-Pal Program –Susan Rogers**  
**Queensland Coordinator**  
[penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

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

#### 2014

**William I Koch International Sea Scout Cup**

22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> June 2014—Long Beach, California, USA

**Akela 2014—2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> August 2014—Westernhe, Germany**

**World Scout Youth Forum—4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> August—Slovenia**

**Fijian Jamboree—17-25<sup>th</sup> August 2014—**

**World Scout Conference—11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> August 2014—Slovenia**

#### 2015

**ANZAC Centenary Celebrations—Turkey**

**23<sup>rd</sup> World Scout Jamboree—July – August 2015—Kirara-hama,**

Japan

#### 2016

**New Zealand Venture**

#### 2017

**15<sup>th</sup> World scout Moot—Iceland**

#### 2019

**24<sup>th</sup> 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) –Sco**

**Edwards SISEP Coordinator Queensland**

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

**Host families and Host Corp Team-**

**Sandra Hemming ,Queensland Coordinator**

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

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

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

**International Pen-Pal Program –Susan Rogers Queensland**

**Coordinator** [penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:penpals@qldhq.scouts.com.au)

**Hands Across The Water Program (Joey Scouts)**

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

If you would like to know more about what is happening

internationally in Scouting or would like to participate in an

overseas event, visit Scouts Australia's Website at

[www.international.scouts.com.au](http://www.international.scouts.com.au) and it will open up many more

links for you to explore? If you have International stories and

pictures to share, or require further International information

please contact Paul Rollason, BC International, via Branch or E-Mail

[bc.international@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:bc.international@qldhq.scouts.com.au) or visit the Queensland

website at [www.scoutsqld.com.au](http://www.scoutsqld.com.au) and click on "Events" and then

"International".

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

## Region Development and Support Officer



**Gill Hall**

[rdso@scoutsqld.com.au](mailto:rdso@scoutsqld.com.au)



Goondiwindi had an excellent turnout for their open day and have increased their youth membership from four to eleven. In a visit in the past week they have Cub Scouts and Joey Scouts running successfully but still need to find a Scout Leader to give the few Scouts a true Scout program. I am still receiving calls so am confident the second numbers will continue to grow.



Roma held an Expression of interest evening to reopen the Group. Jonathan Barford and Jill Shaw did a lot of work advertising this meeting, using posters we created with the help of Lysa in Markeng and spent a lot of time talking to interested individuals. This showed as a large number of people came to the meeting and from this a number of Leaders and committee members were identified. The plan is to open with a Cub

Scout Section and a Scout section to begin with. There were a lot of interested Joey Scout age youth however no one came forward to run the Section. This will happen in time. It was stressed that these Youth will not be able to attend until they can join as a Cub Scout at age 7.



Chinchilla have been running their sections for three weeks now and this week we invested six Joey Scouts and six Cub Scouts. They looked so proud in their uniforms. I was very impressed that the Joey Scouts knew their Joey Scout Promise and were able to recite it without prompting. The six Scouts will be invested next week. Chinchilla also welcomed a new Group Leader Iain Chapman (Emu) who has been a Scout Leader. Iain started in Joey Scouts and have come right through the movement including Scout Leader so will have a good idea of what a Scout Group needs. All the Groups now will need to consider strategies for succession planning for ongoing Leaders and Committee members.

# Branch Commissioner Performing Arts



## Geoff Doo (Wombat)

bc.arts@qldhq.scouts.com.au



Welcome everybody to "Performing Arts"  
It has been an exciting month in Performing Arts!

Wonargo Revue cast applications have now opened- applications are available from [www.wonargo.com](http://www.wonargo.com), so make sure if you want to experience a theatrical opportunity you get your application forms in NOW!

This year also sees Redlands, Limestone taking to the stage later in 2014 – so more about those activities over the coming months.

Just quick note to let you know that the Brisbane Gang Show booking office is **NOW OPEN!** Tickets for the 2014 Brisbane Gang Show can now be purchased from the Brisbane Gang Show website - [www.brisbanegangshow.com.au](http://www.brisbanegangshow.com.au), tickets can also be purchased by calling the Brisbane Gang Show ticket line – 07 3077 6854

### **JOEY SCOUT/ CUB SCOUT PROGRAM NOW AVAILABLE FOR BOOKING**

Really excited to advise that our Joey Scout and Cub Scout program is now ready for booking by your Mob or Pack.

How does it work – you simply, email me  
[bc.arts@qldhq.scouts.com.au](mailto:bc.arts@qldhq.scouts.com.au) – and we shall be in touch with a

booking form for you to fill out.

We have run some practice programs among leaders and also in a Cub Pack. It has been very well received.

The Performing Arts Activity team will then discuss with the best man to run the program within your section/group. The programs are based on a performing arts theme that link to your sectional award scheme.

Joey Scout Program runs for 50 mins and the Cub Scout Program for 80 Minutes. We are hoping to run at least 2 programs per month – so first in best dressed so to speak – so please drop me an email – that way we can get a idea of your program planning early and be able to accommodate your needs – programs will be available until end of November 2014.

PS – do not forget the CD's I mentioned last month – if that helps with music/singing in any sectional program happy to provide them for you simply drop me an email. There has been solid interest in them so far.

Also do not forget Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Carols – keep the date free!

So make sure you participate in Performing Arts!

## THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER MEMORANDUM

### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST SUPERVISOR FOR BRANCH ACTIVITY AND EQUIPMENT STORE

The Branch Activity and Equipment Store is located at Baden Powell Park, Samford, and according to our Branch procedures should be managed by a Supervisor appointed by the Chief Commissioner. This practice has broken down and the management of the store has fallen to the staff at Baden Powell Park.

As a result, I am calling for a person who would be interested in taking on this role and would report to the Deputy Chief Commissioner (Major Activities) who will be supported by the Deputy Chief Commissioner (Resources).

Applications for this role should be sent to my Executive Assistant by email to [ccea@scoutsqld.com.au](mailto:ccea@scoutsqld.com.au) no later than 30 April 2014.

#### Basic information about the equipment store is:

Each major event such as Cuboree, Triple S, Jamborees, Ventures etc., pays a fee set by the Branch based on a per head for the hire of the equipment (non-consumable items such as tents, Branch marquee, tables, chairs, BBQs, tents, poles, tools etc.). The fees paid by the body hiring the equipment cover the ultimate replacement of this equipment, its storage, insurance and minor repairs.

The equipment retained for Queensland Branch formations use for activities is by application to the Supervisor who would then make recommendations to the Deputy Chief Commissioner (Major Activities) for approval. Only Queensland Branch is permitted to use the equipment, except at the direction of the Chief Commissioner (e.g. in times of natural disaster). When the Conngent Leader is appointed for a National event the responsibility for the provision of equipment required for the activity is handed to the Conngent leader, at a meeting negotiated between the Conngent Leader and the Supervisor.

The Supervisor will be responsible for keeping the store tidy, the inventory of equipment, making recommendations when equipment should be replaced and or repaired, arranging to sign equipment in and out for activities etc.



# Marketing & Promotions

## Communication



like us on facebook  
"Scouts Queensland"

We are at 2948 likes!

Jump onto Facebook and Twitter @ScoutsQLD to find out all the latest news and happenings around the State.

Send your Group's photos to Lysa at  
marketing@scoutsqld.com.au or phone 3721 5712.

### Scouts Australia's National Campaign: Breaking the cycle— Bullying, it's not part of Scouting

As an excellent follow on from Harmony Day, it is important to reinforce that bullying and violence will never be tolerated. "LIKE" this Scouts Australia page, 'Breaking the Cycle - Bullying, it's not part of Scouting', to stay linked into this cause.

<https://www.facebook.com/ScoutsBreakingtheCycle>



### 'Come and Try' Days in May

During the month of May we would like to support your Group in holding a 'Come and Try' Day. Perhaps an advertisement in the local paper or school newsletter could promote your day where young people are invited on a certain day to experience scouting. It might be a great opportunity to get the local press involved or to invite a local Councillor to come down. Resources are available under "Promotions" on the website.

### Queensland Day, Open Day Government House

Come and support the Scouts promotional display at the Government House Open Day on Sunday 8th June, from 10am to 3pm. We will be a part of a community fair to promote Scouts and our role in the community. We have a group of Rovers who will be manning the display, but we would love to see you too.

### Branch Team photos

Have you checked out the new photos of the Chief Commissioner, Deputy Chief Commissioners, Assistant Chief Commissioners, Region Commissioners and Support Office team on the website and Facebook? Branch Commissioners coming soon.....

### Marketing Resources

Need a template for a:

- Press release?
- Poster?
- Flyer?
- Advertisement for a school newsletter?

It is all downloadable from the website [www.scoutsqld.com.au](http://www.scoutsqld.com.au) under 'Promotions' then choose 'Promotional Resources'

### Ekka Helpers Needed Creative Team

The Fruit and Vegetable display in the Agricultural Hall is a youth competition in which Scouts Queensland partakes. The display must be designed and constructed by 13-25 year olds and has a theme provided by the Ekka. If you would like to join the Creative team email [marketing@scoutsqld.com.au](mailto:marketing@scoutsqld.com.au)

### Promotional Team

The fruit and vegetable display needs a team of people for the duration of Ekka, Fri 8—Sun 17 Aug (this year over 2 weekends). If you would like to help at the display (talking to the public about Scouts) for a 5 hour shift during Ekka please email [marketing@scoutsqld.com.au](mailto:marketing@scoutsqld.com.au)

### New Scout Campsite Booklet

Scouts Queensland are looking to promote some of the most valuable assets we have—our campsites! With the release of a new poster and booklet outlining



all the great venues we have, we are hoping that Scouts and Scouting families, as well as members of the public, can start visiting our campsites more often!

# Grants

## Communication

If you would like to know more about funding opportunities and need advice on how to apply for a grant for your Scout Group;

contact: Catherine Schoe Id

grants@scoutsqld.com.au

(07) 3721 5734

### POSSIBLE CHANGES ON THE WAY FOR COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUNDS

The Government has introduced legislation to amalgamate the four funding programs into one fund that will service the whole state.

Eligible community organisations will have access to the same level of funding and the guidelines will be consistent with the value, project and budget eligibility being the same for all applications. Organisations (in our case Scout Groups) will only be able to lodge one application to one fund. If the legislation is approved the new fund will be available for the funding round that opens mid-July and closes August 2014. All existing agreements will continue according to the current arrangements.

#### Key Facts:

- \$35,000 maximum per organisation.
- 4 rounds per year.
- 1 system for the whole state.

### Quality Assurance Checks

This month The Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation carried out a Quality Assurance Check of a grant awarded to a Queensland Scout Group in 2011. The check involved a review of the grant documents and a site visit to view the work completed. The result was a satisfactory compliance with the funding guidelines and no irregularities identified, however the process highlighted the need for vigilance when applying for, spending and acquiring grant funds.

The audit required evidence of the following:

- Authority and eligibility to submit an application.
- Items requested not purchased prior to notification of funding.
- Lease agreement, landowners consent and building approvals.
- Documents and payments prepared on commercial terms.
- Changes to the grant agreement made in writing.
- Completion, proof of purchases, tax invoices and receipts.
- Grant spent only on approved items, quantities, values and within approved timeframe.

This is guide to what a Quality Assurance Check might cover and it stresses the importance of good record keeping, defined processes and clear lines of authority. Please remember that copies of grant documents must be kept for at least 5 years after the successful acquisition of a grant.

Congratulations to the following Groups who have recently been awarded grants from the Brisbane City Council through the Access and Inclusion Program:

- Pamphle Sea Scouts - \$25,882 to build an access ramp
- Grovely Mitchelton Scouts - \$24,150 to build a fully accessible toilet
- Majestic Park Scouts - \$24,770 for a fully accessible toilet



### Grants Toolkit

#### GST component in grant funds—How does it work?

This is a simple explanation of how we account for GST in grants. There are more complex issues surrounding the subject but for those of you who are new to grant applications or if you have never quite understood how it works, I hope the following is helpful.

A grant is awarded for <b>\$220</b> incl GST.	<b>\$200</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>\$220</b>
Branch Support Office receive:	excl GST	GST	incl GST
Branch Support Office have to pay the Australian Tax Office (ATO) the GST via the Business Activity Statement (BAS):			Less <b>\$20</b>
Remaining grant funds:			<b>\$200</b>

#### Scenario 1 (Tax Invoice)

The Group purchase a cabinet and a tax invoice is provided for payment from the grant funds as follows:

			Invoice Total
1 cabinet	\$100 excl GST	\$10 GST	<b>\$110 incl GST</b>

The Branch Support Office pay the Supplier **\$110**.

- **\$100** is charged to the grant account.
- **\$10** GST is claimed back from the ATO.
- **\$110** incl GST remains to be spent from the \$220.00 grant.

#### Scenario 2 (No Tax Invoice)

The Group purchase a cabinet but no tax invoice, no GST component and the supplier was not registered for GST.

			Invoice Total
1 cabinet			<b>\$110</b>

The Branch Support Office pay the Supplier **\$110**.

- **\$110** is charged to the grant account.
- **\$0** GST can be claimed from the ATO.
- **\$90** incl GST remains to be spent from the \$220.00 grant.

Therefore, if you do not provide tax invoices we can not claim the GST from the ATO and the grant fund will have to cover the full cost of purchases.

### What is on offer from your local Council?



A great source of local grant funding on your doorstep. Spotlight on - **Mackay Regional Council**.

A Program of assistance for local community groups that make a positive contribution to the quality of life in the area.

- Workplace Health and Safety up to \$5,000
- Community Organisation Development up to \$5,000
- Community Facilities Upgrade/Development up to \$5,000
- Sport and Recreation Development up to \$5,000
- Community Arts and Cultural Development up to \$5,000
- Community Events Development up to \$5,000
- Natural Environment Grant up to \$5,000
- Small Equipment up to \$1,000

Grants are offered twice each year and close on the first Friday in February and August.



# Administration

## Communication

### UPDATED FORMS

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

Form	Description	Issue	Date
C2 -	Application for Approval to Camp or Travel Interstate –	6	03/14
B5	Annual Financial Return	2014	03/14
A49	Appointment/Reappointment of a Personal Leader Advisor	11	03/14

### CONGRATULATIONS 5 YEAR SERVICE

Congratulations to Fiona Clark for reaching her 5 year anniversary as a Staff member of the Branch Support Office Team. Her dedication and service to the Movement is appreciated. She joins a number of other staff with over 5 years' experience.



### BLUE CARDS

As you are aware, work has been occurring on a federal level in relation to potential changes to the Blue Card system. With the Royal Commission into Child and Sexual Abuse currently taking place we have been looking very carefully at the process used within the Queensland Branch and find that some of our members are in breach of the legislation in regard to renewals and exemptions.

All members who have Blue Cards expiring are notified by the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian (CCYPCG) three (3) months prior to their card's expiry date.

Please note the following:

- It is the individual's responsibility to ensure that the renewal application is made through the Branch Support Office, at the Queensland Scout Centre (not directly to the Commission).
- The form that is to be completed is on the website but must be processed through the Branch Support Office at least 30 days prior to expiry to enable the member to continue working with children.
- As from 31 January 2014 members who have not renewed their Blue Cards prior to the expiry date will be automatically suspended from Scouting and may have no participation in Scouting meetings, events or activities until the card is reissued.
- A letter advising of this suspension will be sent to all members who fail to renew their card as per the legislation.

A member who has an exemption or blue card through another agency must ensure the form linking the cards are completed and submitted so that the Branch Support Office is notified.

### CHARTERED FORMATIONS

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

Beaudesert Scout Group  
Clifton Hill Scout Group  
Ashmore Scout Group  
Robertson Scout Group



### APPROVED EVENT BADGES FOR UNIFORM

Name of Badge	Date approved	Date to be removed
Maroon Name Tapes		1 April 2014

### Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing 'Get Started Vouchers'



We have received an overwhelming response from Scout Groups and Families to the Get Started voucher scheme. To date, we have received 720 vouchers and the Branch Support Office have managed to redeem and reimburse Groups for 450 vouchers.

When the program opened we had hoped that the process from submitting the vouchers through to Groups accounts being reimbursed would take no more than two weeks. Unfortunately due to the sheer number of vouchers we have received, at a time of high membership activities, we have not been able to achieve this milestone. We are also currently experiencing problems accessing the Qgrants system which the Government Department is investigating for us.

Scout Groups still have until **Thursday 15th May 2014** to submit their vouchers to the Grants and Project Officer and please continue to send them as you receive them, but we would ask for your patience and understanding that it could take a while for the funds to be transferred to your Group account.

If you have any concerns about the status of your vouchers please contact the Grants and Project Officer.

### ROVER LEVY FEE CORRECTION

Please note the Rover Scout Levy previously advertised in the Membership Fee's memo as \$12.00 should have been published as \$12.50.

Please be advised that the Rover Levy for all Rover Scouts is \$12.50



## PERSONAL LEISURE KIT

\$29.55

Good youth member kit – has belt tabs



## SMALL LEISURE KIT

\$52.00

Good for a Patrol or Six



## MEDIUM LEISURE KIT

\$82.05

Perfect for a Section



## STANDARD WORKPLACE PORTABLE

\$131.50

Minimum kit for a Den

For Further informa on on contents of First Aid Kits,  
please contact the Scout Supply Centre

## SCOUT GOOD TURN TOKEN



Front – 45mm



Reverse – 45mm

**\$1.10 each (incl GST)**



Their Service,  
Our Heritage Badge

\$2.00  
Available Now

Flag Holster  
\$44.95

Perfect for Anzac  
Day



## PLEASE NOTE:

The Scout Supply Centre will not have Saturday Trading unl the 26th April due to School and Public Holidays. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.



# Training calendar

## Adults in Scouting

Dates are subject to change  
throughout the year

Course #	Venue	Start Date	End Date	Closing date
<b>Certificate II Outdoor Recreation Core Units</b>				
1121402	Pamphlett Sea Scout	21-Jun-14 (Sat)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
<b>Cub Scout Skills Training 1(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5101403	Baden-Powell Park	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5101409	Rowallan Park - Mackay	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5101414	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5101417	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5101404	Baden-Powell Park	19-Jul-14 (Sat)	20-Jul-14 (Sun)	27-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>Cub Scout Skills Training 2 &amp; 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5111410	Far North Region	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5111402	Baden-Powell Park	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5111409	Keewol Park - Emerald	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5111406	Tamaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	24-May-14 (Sat)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
5111405	Seeonee Park - Rockhampton	21-Jun-14 (Sat)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
5111408	Rowallan Park - Mackay	26-Jul-14 (Sat)	27-Jul-14 (Sun)	4-Jul-14 (Fri)
<b>Joey Scout Skills Training 1(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5001403	Baden-Powell Park	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5001409	Rowallan Park - Mackay	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5001414	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5001417	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5001404	Baden-Powell Park	19-Jul-14 (Sat)	20-Jul-14 (Sun)	27-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>Joey Scout Skills Training 2 &amp; 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5011410	Far North Region	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5011402	Baden-Powell Park	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5011409	Keewol Park - Emerald	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5011406	Tamaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	24-May-14 (Sat)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
5011405	Seeonee Park - Rockhampton	21-Jun-14 (Sat)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
5011408	Rowallan Park - Mackay	26-Jul-14 (Sat)	27-Jul-14 (Sun)	4-Jul-14 (Fri)
<b>Leader of Adults Skills Training 1(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5501403	Baden-Powell Park	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5501409	Rowallan Park - Mackay	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
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5501417	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5501404	Baden-Powell Park	19-Jul-14 (Sat)	20-Jul-14 (Sun)	27-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>Leader of Adults Skills Training 2 &amp; 3 (e - Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5511410	Far North Region	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5511402	Baden-Powell Park	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5511409	Keewol Park - Emerald	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5511406	Tamaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	24-May-14 (Sat)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
5511405	Seeonee Park - Rockhampton	21-Jun-14 (Sat)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
5511408	Rowallan Park - Mackay	26-Jul-14 (Sat)	27-Jul-14 (Sun)	4-Jul-14 (Fri)
<b>Leadership Training 3 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
4491403	Baden-Powell Park	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
4491409	Rowallan Park - Mackay	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
4491415	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
4491417	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
4491404	Baden-Powell Park	19-Jul-14 (Sat)	20-Jul-14 (Sun)	27-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>Module 4 Train the Trainer (2014)</b>				
2831405	Tamaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	17-May-14 (Sat)	17-May-14 (Sat)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
<b>Rover Basic Practical Weekend</b>				
5401402	Baden-Powell Park	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
<b>Rover Scout Wood Badge</b>				
9511401	Queensland Scout Centre	20-Jun-14 (Fri)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
<b>Rover Skills Training 3 (new)</b>				
5421401	Baden-Powell Park	14-Jun-14 (Sat)	15-Jun-14 (Sun)	23-May-14 (Fri)



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5201403	Baden-Powell Park	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5201409	Rowallan Park - Mackay	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5201414	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5201417	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5201404	Baden-Powell Park	19-Jul-14 (Sat)	20-Jul-14 (Sun)	27-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>Scout Skills Training 2 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5211410	Far North Region	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5211402	Baden-Powell Park	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5211409	Keewol Park - Emerald	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5211406	Tamaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	24-May-14 (Sat)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
5211405	Seeonee Park - Rockhampton	21-Jun-14 (Sat)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
5211408	Rowallan Park - Mackay	26-Jul-14 (Sat)	27-Jul-14 (Sun)	4-Jul-14 (Fri)
<b>Scout Skills Training 3(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5221409	Far North Region	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5221410	Far North Region	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5221402	Baden-Powell Park	14-Jun-14 (Sat)	15-Jun-14 (Sun)	23-May-14 (Fri)
5221407	Wirraglen Campsite - Darling Downs	21-Jun-14 (Sat)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
5221412	Keewol Park - Emerald	28-Jun-14 (Sat)	29-Jun-14 (Sun)	6-Jun-14 (Fri)
5221405	Seeonee Park - Rockhampton	26-Jul-14 (Sat)	27-Jul-14 (Sun)	4-Jul-14 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Abseiling Level 1 (Natural Surfaces)</b>				
1091402	Seeonee Park - Rockhampton	23-May-14 (Fri)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
1091403	Barrabadeen Campsite	18-Jul-14 (Fri)	20-Jul-14 (Sun)	27-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Abselling Level 2 (Artificial Surfaces)</b>				
1021401	Baden-Powell Park	23-May-14 (Fri)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
1021402	Kennedy Region	30-May-14 (Fri)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Abselling Level 2 (Natural Surfaces)</b>				
1031401	Baden-Powell Park	23-May-14 (Fri)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
1031403	Kennedy Region	30-May-14 (Fri)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Bushwalking (Controlled) Level 1</b>				
1041401	Rowallan Park - Mackay	16-May-14 (Fri)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
1041402	Tamaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	11-Jul-14 (Fri)	13-Jul-14 (Sun)	20-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Canoeing (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 1</b>				
1051407	Barrabadeen Campsite	2-May-14 (Fri)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
<b>SISO - Canoeing (Flat and Undemanding Water) Level 2</b>				
1061404	Barrabadeen Campsite	23-May-14 (Fri)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Leadership</b>				
2721403	Raceview	16-May-14 (Fri)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
2721404	Rocky Creek Campsite	10-Jul-14 (Thu)	12-Jul-14 (Sat)	20-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Scout Skills Training 1(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5301403	Baden-Powell Park	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5301409	Rowallan Park - Mackay	3-May-14 (Sat)	4-May-14 (Sun)	11-Apr-14 (Fri)
5301414	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5301417	Wyper Park Campsite	31-May-14 (Sat)	1-Jun-14 (Sun)	9-May-14 (Fri)
5301404	Baden-Powell Park	19-Jul-14 (Sat)	20-Jul-14 (Sun)	27-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Scout Skills Training 2 (e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5311402	Baden-Powell Park	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
5311409	Keewol Park - Emerald	17-May-14 (Sat)	18-May-14 (Sun)	25-Apr-14 (Fri)
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5311408	Rowallan Park - Mackay	26-Jul-14 (Sat)	27-Jul-14 (Sun)	4-Jul-14 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Scout Skills Training 3(e-Learning Practical Weekend)</b>				
5321402	Baden-Powell Park	14-Jun-14 (Sat)	15-Jun-14 (Sun)	23-May-14 (Fri)
5321407	Wirraglen Campsite - Darling Downs	21-Jun-14 (Sat)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
5321409	Keewol Park - Emerald	28-Jun-14 (Sat)	29-Jun-14 (Sun)	6-Jun-14 (Fri)
5321405	Seeonee Park - Rockhampton	26-Jul-14 (Sat)	27-Jul-14 (Sun)	4-Jul-14 (Fri)
<b>Venturer Unit Management</b>				
3421403	Eagleby/Twin Rivers	25-May-14 (Sun)	25-May-14 (Sun)	2-May-14 (Fri)
3421404	Rocky Creek Campsite	8-Jul-14 (Tue)	12-Jul-14 (Sat)	20-Jun-14 (Fri)
<b>Wood Badge Training 1</b>				
9501410	Tamaroo Campsite (Bluewater)	13-Jun-14 (Fri)	15-Jun-14 (Sun)	23-May-14 (Fri)
9501402	Baden-Powell Park	20-Jun-14 (Fri)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)
9501409	Far North Region	20-Jun-14 (Fri)	22-Jun-14 (Sun)	30-May-14 (Fri)



# Youth awards

## Youth Programme



### JOEY SCOUT PROMISE CHALLENGE

Alexia Walker	Mackay City Central Scout Group
Robert King	Mackay City Central Scout Group
Toby Cockayne	Mackay City Central Scout Group
Elizabeth Francis	Mackay City Central Scout Group
Caitlyn Ferguson	Beaudesert Scout Group
Gabby Cadman	Majesc Park Scout Group
Harrison Francis	Alice River Scout Group
Samuel Me en	Bracken Ridge Scout Group
Rory Murphy	Clion Hill Scout Group
Kate Russell	Clion Hill Scout Group
Cobey Mensforth	Goodna Scout Group
Summer Galea	Goodna Scout Group
Molly Eiby	Maroochydore Scout Group
Hataya Kereopa	Maroochydore Scout Group
Laura Bryan	Greenbank Scout Group
Carmen Kehoe-Briggs	Majesc Park Scout Group
Micah Hamlet	Glennie Heights Scout Group
Alexander Newley	Glennie Heights Scout Group
Thomas Ryan	Glennie Heights Scout Group
Ma hew Williams	Edge Hill Scout Group
Heidi Overton	Edge Hill Scout Group
Jack Groococh	Edge Hill Scout Group
Alex Haginihtas	Edge Hill Scout Group
Mitchell Henderson	Edge Hill Scout Group
Lochlan Donohoe	West Centenary Scout Group
Billy Grant	Kedron Scout Group
Adrian Smith	Mount Isa Scout Group
Zac Whi aker	Priestdale Scout Group
Bradley Dempsey	Grovely Scout Group
James Hooper	Caboolture Scout Group
Darcy Thyer	Mackay City Central Scout Group
Charles McMahon	Burleigh Heads Scout Group



### CUB SCOUT GREY WOLF AWARD

Riley Horton	Rochedale Scout Group
Kira McKenzie	Rochedale Scout Group
Lachlan Millar	Redbank Plains Scout Group
Samuel Hawton	Jandowae Scout Group
Joseph Slater	Jandowae Scout Group
Andrew Gri ths	Blackwater Scout Group
Jayden Lee	Freshwater Scout Group
Kai Meade	Freshwater Scout Group
Nicholas Leibinger	Freshwater Scout Group
Jack Dugandzic	Shailer Park Scout Group
Laura Feek	Wavell Heights Scout Group
Samuel Colbert	Wavell Heights Scout Group
Jack Knight	Grovely Scout Group
Chloe Nielsen	Burpengary Scout Group
Mickala Boch	Pamphle Sea Scout Group
La ka Hunt	Gumdale Scout Group
Anya Querengassar	Morningside Scout Group
Cameron Money	Morningside Scout Group
Umang Narayan	Aspley Scout Group
David Kirkman-Jones	Oyster Point Scout Group
Oliver Killick	Oyster Point Scout Group
Isabella Holland	Kurilpa Scout Group
Liana Segal	Kurilpa Scout Group
Sienna Barton	Wilston Scout Group
Leif Lundmark-Aitcheson	Kurilpa Scout Group
Lachlan Maddison	Landsborough Scout Group
Zoey Budd	Landsborough Scout Group
Gil Kusy	Buderim Scout Group
David Capp	Helensvale Scout Group
Jackson Porter	Helensvale Scout Group



### AUSTRALIAN SCOUT MEDALLION

Jacqueline Pullen	Oakleigh Scout Group
Brenton Rowe	Edge Hill Scout Group
Aaron Dodds	Queens park Ipswich Scout Group
Elyse Hergenhan	Morayel d Scout Group
Todd Wade	Nashville Scout Group
Anita Gregory	Oakleigh Scout Group



### VENTURER SCOUT QUEENS SCOUT AWARD

Andrew Kinne	Majesc Park Scout Group
Lesleigh Brinner	Glasshouse Mountains Scout Group

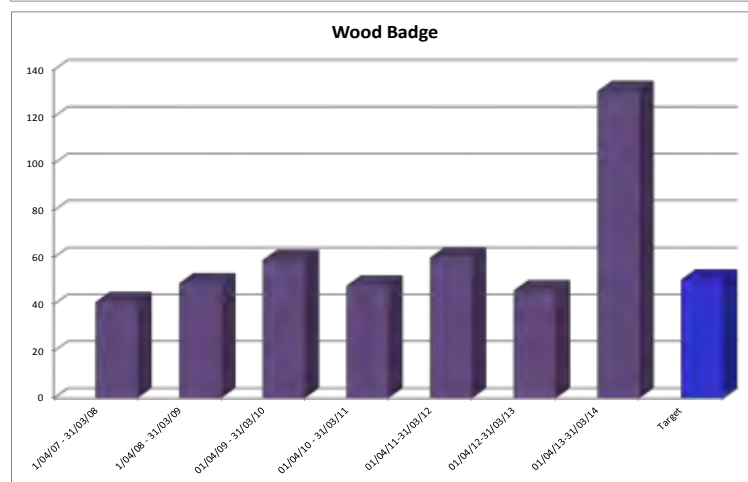
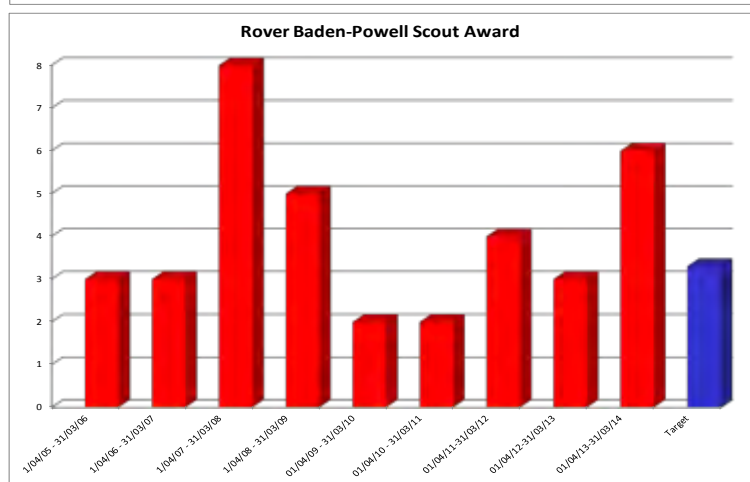
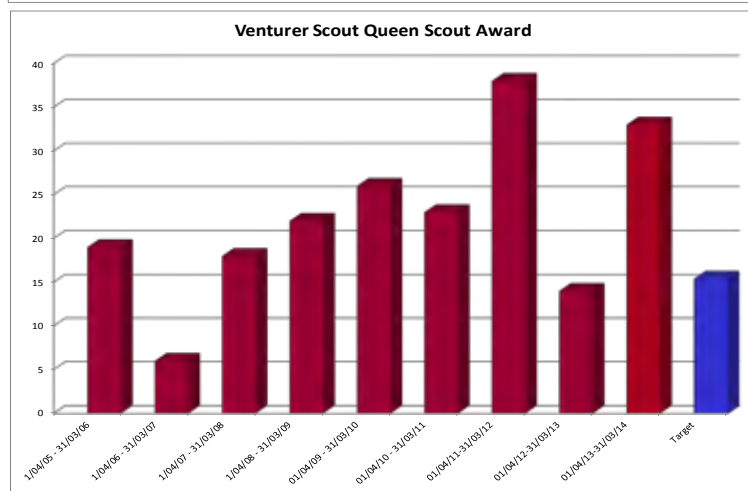
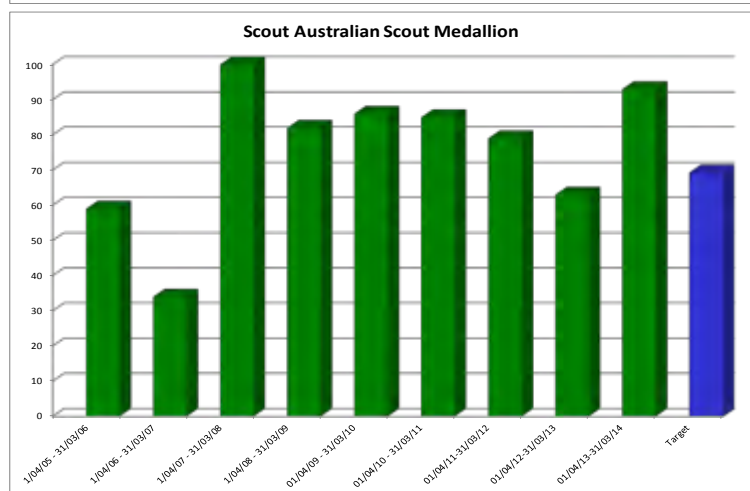
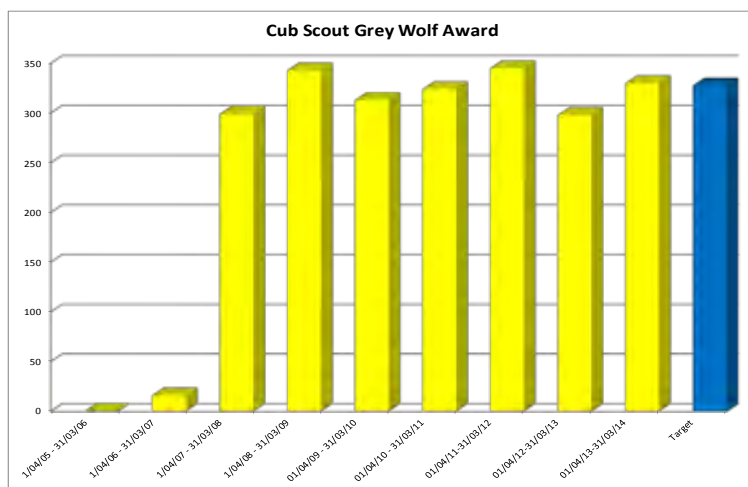
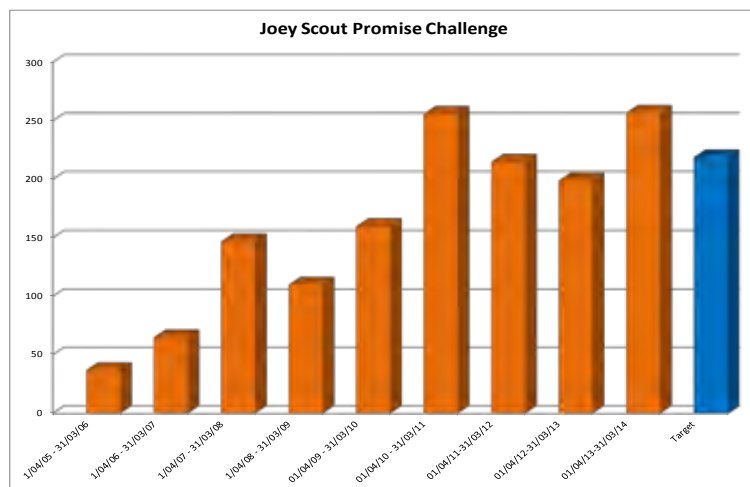


### BADEN POWELL SCOUT AWARD

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**PLEASE NOTE:** The following forms are required to be submi ed for the Youth Award badges to be processed and issued:

- D9—Joey Scout Promise Challenge Applicao n
- D8—Request for the Grey Wolf Award
- D7— Australian Scout Medallion Nominao n Form
- D1—Queens Scout Award Recommendao n
- D10—Nominao n for the Baden Powell Scout Award



## CONGRATULATIONS WOOD-BADGE

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

Stephen Gri n  
Donald Lang  
David Jamieson  
Tanya Bath  
Amanda Je ery  
Julianne Lancaster  
Catriona Cole

Burleigh Heads Scout Group  
Wooroolin Scout Group  
Suncoast Region  
Bracken Ridge Scout Group  
Bracken Ridge Scout Group  
Kawana Scout Group  
Tyakunda District

Mark Langham  
Gareth Oliver  
Colleen Gosden  
Robert Pi  
Barbara Armitage  
Narelle Woodward

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