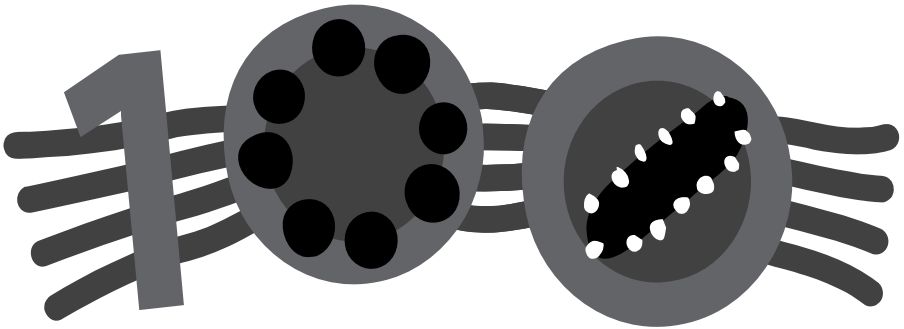


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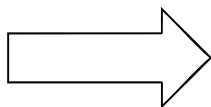
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Position Vacant **HONORARY CAMP WARDEN** **Bundilla Activity Centre**

Expressions of interest are sought for the position of Camp Warden to live in the house on site. We are looking for preferably a couple with an appointment in the Scout Movement, but will consider all applicants on their merit. Duties will be fully discussed at interview, but include security, meeting and greeting clients hiring the centre and some maintenance. Rental to be discussed at interview.

Persons interested should apply as soon as possible with a brief outline of previous experience to;

Jan Playford RC c/- Region Office or email:
janplayford@iinet.net.au

FROM THE REGION COMMISSIONER

Jan Playford



Hi Everyone and Happy New Year,

I hope you all had a relaxing break and are ready to celebrate 2008 ***The Year of The Scout***. There are lots of activities planned for the Centenary of Scouting in Australia.

Keep looking at the State website for current updates.

Project Star is moving ahead and there will be training organised. Dates to be confirmed as well as venues. It is envisaged that all groups will have at least 2 people come to the training, and they in turn will be able to help others. Groups will be written to as well as all Commissioners and District Leaders. They will be kept fully informed of what is happening, and as soon as more information is to hand we will let you know.

Stop the Summer Drop is an initiative you can all take part in. Each group has received a poster with their magic number on it. Remember you need to maintain this number or increase your numbers by 31st March. Every member who qualifies will receive a collectable scarf.

Founder's Day weekend has been nominated to advertise Scouting across the Region. Is your Group or District taking part? If you need brochures or advertising material make sure you order early. We do have banners at Region, but they are limited and will need to be booked.

We are still looking for a Camp Warden for Bundilla, at the time of writing this we have not received any applications. If you are interested please contact me for more information.

Kevin Dudeney has resigned as Region Chairman and Colin Nicholas has agreed to take on the role. Colin brings a wealth of Scouting experience to the role and will be taking the non uniform side of Scouting in the Region, whilst I concentrate on the uniform side. It is great to have Colin on board in this role.

Some more great news, Roger Hyatt, GL 1st Emu Plains has agreed to be District Commissioner for Penrith. Roger has lots of

plans for Penrith and I welcome him to the team.

I also welcome Dianne Stocks back to Scouting. Dianne has a wealth of experience and has returned after a break. Dianne will be doing some projects, particularly in the development area. I look forward to working with Dianne and moving the Region forward.

As you can see 2008 is beginning positively. We are still looking for DC's for Hawkesbury, Hills and Parramatta. There are also District roles available in all Districts. Once again if you want a change please make contact.

January 19th brought most of the Region and District teams together. A very positive day, with discussions on ways to improve numbers and keep the Region on track.

Remember I welcome everyone's input and ideas.

Thought for the month:

"Beliefs of what lies behind us and what lies ahead of us are insignificant compared to what lies within us."

Jan Playford

POSITIONS VACANT

District Commissioner/ Assistant Parramatta District

District Commissioner Assistant Hills District

District Commissioner/ Assistant Hawkesbury

Assistant District Commissioner/ Penrith

District Leaders Training, Joey, Cub, Scout, Development

Please send applications to Region Office or for further information contact;

Jan Playford 0411 375 047 or email janplayford@inet.net.au

2008 GWSR CALENDAR

MARCH

- 1-2 First Aid Course
- 7 Region Seeonee (Cub Scout)
- 8-9 Youth Advisory Council
- 8-9 Chief Commissioners Council
- 14 Region Wandarra (Joey Scout)
- 15 Cub Scout Leadership Course
- 17 Region Mindari (Scout)
- 19 Region Council
- 21 Harmony Day
- 24 Region Executive

APRIL

- 4 Region Seeonee
- 4-7 Dragon Skin
- 5-6 Palaver
- 8 Abseiling Theory
- 11 Region Wandarra (Joey Scout)
- 12-13 Abseiling Practical
- 12-27 School Holidays
- 16 Region Council
- 21 Region Mindari (Scout)
- 23 Region Commissioners Forum
- 25 Anzac Day
- 28 Region Executive

Please keep for handy reference.

Sincere apologies - unable to publish the yearly calendar as promised last December, due to insufficient available space!
Editor

POSSUM'S CORNER

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Good Day, Good People

I have noticed that some Groups have leaders on their books who are no longer active. To avoid paying membership, please address your February CMR correctly and if you decide to resign any leaders, please use the W4 and return to GWSR Office before the end of February.

I Rest My Case

Many of you may have read in the local newspaper about the 18th birthday party in the Hills District that got out of hand and left the Scout Group with \$1000.00 damage bill.

You would be surprised at the number of requests I get where parents/teenager want to hold parties in Scout Halls. Why? Because they don't want this sort of incident at their homes! I am very vigilant in finding out what sort of party they are planning to hold, maybe it is a party for Granny who will be 100 years old in June 2008. I would not think there would be too many problems there, especially if the right paperwork was submitted. I will question very carefully just what the people want before I give a booking officer contact and I am also aware of which Groups have yet to completed their Safety Inspection Recommendations (in which case I tell them no they cannot use that hall because there are safety issues).

I realise that some Groups rely on this income to enhance their funds, but think of the consequences when things go wrong.

Please do the right thing, think before you accept a booking and send the correct paper work into SHQ in plenty of time - as they add your booking to our insurance.

First Aid Courses

Please note that the dates for the first aid courses to be held at Bundilla are as follows and not as previously advertised;

March 1st & 2nd, May 31st & June 1st, October 11th & 12th and November 29th & 30th. Cost \$85 for 15 years and over. Application forms must be in two weeks prior to course commencement.

APPOINTMENTS LIST - NOVEMBER 2007

APPOINTMENTS

CARDILINI John	AL (G)	1 st North Mt Druitt
PERRIMAN Andrew	AL (G)	1 st Penrith Scout

TRANSFERS

COLQUHOUN, Ian	Fr AJSL	1 st Springwood
	To JSL	1 st Springwood
ELLIOTT, Rebecca	Fr JSL	1 st Springwood
	To AJSL	1 st Hazelbrook
JENNIS, Anthony	Fr AL (G)	West Pennant Hills Valley
	To ACSL	West Pennant Hills Valley
PAWLIW, John	Fr AL (G)	1 st Hawkesbury
	To ASL	1 st Hawkesbury
SOBOLEWSKI Liz	Fr AL (G)	1 st Parramatta
	To GL	1 st Parramatta
SOMMER, Gary	Fr ACSL	2 nd Baulkham Hills
	To ASL	2 nd Baulkham Hills
WOOD, Jeanette	Fr AVSL	1/2 nd Merrylands (St Anne's)
	To GL	1/2 nd Merrylands (St Anne's)

RESIGNATIONS

BALDOCK Rodney	RA	Hawkesbury River Rover Crew
BRABAKARAN Sumathi	AJSL	1 st North Rocks
CRAFT, Christine	ACSL	1 st Blackheath

TRAINEE LEADERS NOT PROCEEDING

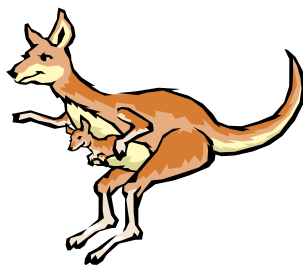
DAINES, Keiran	T/L (V)	West Pennant Hills Valley
RULE, Paula	T/L (S)	1 st Parramatta

JOEY SCOUT NOTES

Kathy Cuneo

Region Commissioner Joey Scouts

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We finished 2007 with our 21st Promise Challenge for the year being awarded to Taylah Massingham of 1st Dural. Congratulations to Taylah.

Taylah's award was the first one for the 1st Dural Joey Mob. The 21 Promise Challenges awarded in 2007 were spread among 14 mobs. This is a positive outcome for the Joey section in GWSR. During December, I visited a number of mobs to present Promise Badges and was very impressed by the programs being presented. Keep up the good work Leaders.

The first Wandarrah for the new year is on Friday 8th February at 7:30 p.m. in the Rotary Hut at Bundilla. At this Wandarrah we aim to plan activities for the Joey Fun Day with its Circus theme. It is hoped that all mobs can be represented at this important meeting. The Joey Fun Day is planned for the 18th May. We will also be discussing the Joey's role at the Regional Centenary Day to be held on 29th June at Bundilla.

During the holidays a number of programs have been added to the Joey Scout website by Sandy Knox. All leaders are encouraged to look at these. The website is <http://www.gwsjoeys.org.au>

If any Joey Scout Leader has topics they wish to discuss or be clarified at Wandarrah please let me know.



The 58th Sirius Cup Regatta 7th - 9th March 2008

Balmoral Oval/Balmoral Beach, Sydney

This premier Scout sailing regatta is on again - don't miss it.

For more details visit <http://au.gwocites.com/siriuscup> or email siriuscup@yahoo.com.au

CUB SCOUT NOTES

Patricia Shaw

Region Commissioner Cub Scouts



Well here we are at the start of a great year, when we will celebrate the Centenary of Scouting in Australia. This is a wonderful opportunity for us all to grow our numbers.

We need to follow up on the excellent Television and Theatre advertising, by giving great programs to our Cub Scouts. Remember to include outdoor outings to the bush in your programming. Young people see the advertising and then come to join our groups. If we fail to meet the image they have, they won't stay. So take the time to have planning meetings with all section Leaders present and 2008 will be terrific.

To help you with ideas for your programs plan to be at Palaver on April 5th and 6th, as this is a fun filled weekend with great program ideas and a chance to share ideas with other Leaders. Your DLCS has an invitation for you.

Our first Cub Scout Leadership Course will be held on 15th March at Bundilla. Your DLCS has application forms. This course is designed for the older Cub Scouts who show leadership attributes and who you feel are likely to be Sixers or Seconds in the future. There will be other Courses on June 14th and Nov 1st, so please do not send cubs that are too young.

Just a reminder on how important it is for all Leaders to attend their Seeonee. It is here that you will get the information for coming events, share program ideas and plan District events. So ensure you know when and where these meetings are held.

Your DLCS will be happy to let you know this information.

Let's all have a great 2008.

Have FUN!

'Tricia Shaw

FROM THE SCOUT DEN

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Region Commissioner Scouts

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Hi everyone. I trust everyone had a good Christmas, unlike some I know who were sick. As you probably already know, there is a lot happening this year. I am only going to mention a couple of things.

Patrol/Troop/District Councils

One of the concerns from the November PL Conference was that information is not passing between the Scouts in the Troop and State. Some of this is due to leaders not passing information on, and PL Councils not operating the way they should or none existent. Hopefully none of these happen in our Region.

The core of each Troop is the Patrol with a Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader and up to six other Scouts in that Patrol. This Patrol meets regularly to do badge work, patrol hikes and camps and to discuss other issues affecting that Patrol.

The Patrol Leaders in their Troop come together as a Troop Council. This Troop Council is the governing body of the Scout Troop. It is here that activities are planned, badge work is discussed including the authorisation and approval of patrol activities/badges etc. The Scout Leader or his/her delegate is the only leader that participates in this Council and that is only to answer questions and pass on information.

The Troop Council should be making the decisions in the Troop. The Scout Leader will only veto a Troop Council decision in certain circumstances. For Troops which are low on numbers, I would suggest joining in with another Troop Council to see how they do things and participate to help the PL's learn. It is important that they meet together on their own, to discuss things regarding their Troop. This will help them raise their expectation of what they should be doing and hopefully mature that little bit more.

We then need each District to form a District PL Council where two or three Scouts from each Troop come together to discuss issues

within the District. Here the District Scout Leader will share information at a District level. Also attending that District PL Council should be the PL's who attended the Region PL Council who can then pass information on down or gather information to take up the line.

At the Region we already have our Region PL Council functioning where we have asked for two or three Scouts from each District to meet with us. They discuss issues at a Region level and share information that needs to go to State or to the Districts/Troops. Three representatives from our Region council go to the State Council. We also have representatives from the Region PL Council attend our Region Mindari, where they have an opportunity to talk about issues they would like to raise with the Scout Leaders.

I would like to ask you all as Scout Leaders to make sure these councils happen in your Troops and Districts. If you need some assistance to get these going or to answer questions, please let me know. I would be happy to visit your Troops or District to assist. We see these councils as being very important to the operation of the Patrol System in Scouts. For this coming year we would really like to push for these to happen.

Calendar

We have a few activities coming up this year, one of which is Scout Hike. This is a State event being organized by Sydney North Region. It is a camp/hike/activity bases run in a state forest somewhere in NSW. Patrols register themselves on the website www.scouthike.com.

The Scout Hike will take place on May 2 - 4, 2008. Scouts in Sydney will meet at certain bus departure points and be transported to the location. More information is available on the web site. We have a promotional DVD and power point presentation available if you want it. Most of the District Scout Leaders or reps received a copy of the DVD. I can provide a copy of this DVD if needed. Registrations on the Website will open in February. The power point presentation is also available on the website along with all the dates. There is a discount for those who register and pay early.

Other calendar dates are on the next page.

VENTURER REPORT

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After a relaxing break, the Venturers of the Region are up for a big year!

Dragonskin

The major event within the State will be the annual Dragonskin competition weekend over Easter, which is being held at Belangalo State Forest. A very large contingent of GWSR Venturers will be representing their units over this weekend.

Courses

There will also be a number of courses conducted to help those Venturers who are working towards their Queen Scout Award or who just need help to learn how to get the most out of Venturers.

Waratah

Towards the end of the year the annual Region camp "Waratah" will be held with an all new theme to challenge the Venturers who attend.

Australian Venture

The year will culminate with the next Australian Venture which is being held in WA, just south of Perth. I would recommend this exciting event to all Venturers. Please give it some serious thought as this is a once in a lifetime opportunity. Go on - give it a go!

Unit Management Course

Finally, we have a Unit Management Course on Sunday March 16th at Winston Hills Scout Hall. Those Venturers who are interested in attending need to get their applications in by Friday 22nd February to avoid missing out.

Mark Absalom

ROVER REPORT

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Welcome to a brand new year for the world of Scouting. Two more big birthdays are coming this way in 2008 - the 100th anniversary of Scouting in Australia and the 90th anniversary of Rover Scouts!

GWS ROVERS WEBSITE: The site is running, but still being constructed. If there are any photos or other things you'd like to see on this site, email them to me and I'll put them up there ASAP.

REMINDER: SLAMBOREE 2008: The Slamboree is on again and NSW Rovers have been asked to help support the event by promoting it to the younger sections and supervising on the day. The Slamboree is an afternoon/evening event where Scout Groups will watch the West Sydney Razorbacks vs. the Melbourne Tigers at the Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre on Saturday 16th February. Cost: \$25 per head includes pre and post game activities and entertainment, sausage sizzle and Razorbacks/Scouts Slamboree cloth badge. Please lend your support to this event.

UPCOMING ROVER EVENTS

February 2	NSW BRC Meeting, Homebush Bay
February 2	NSW Branch Ball, Campbelltown
February 6	GWSR RC Meeting, Bundilla, 7:30pm
March 5	GWSR RC AGM, Bundilla, 7:30pm
March 14 - 16	Sydney North Region's "Summer Moot"
March 22	GWSR RC Exec Handover Day

If there are any events that you think would be of interest to the Roving community, please send the details to me via pr.internet@gwsrovers.com.au

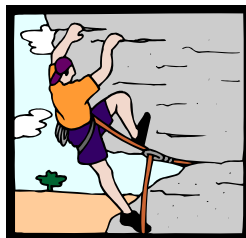
ROCK RELATED ACTIVITIES

Rick Jamieson Region RRA Co-ordinator

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See our website: www.beprepared.com.au/gws



Special Badge Courses for Scout Troops

If you can't find an Instructor, we can organize Scout Abseil Badge courses and Scout Top-Rope Climbing Badge courses. Please contact Rick.

Coming Activities

Caving Trip to Wee Jasper: 1st & 2nd March (Caver qual. needed)

Canyon Course: 8th March (Fortress Canyon); and 9th March (Serendipity Canyon). Camping overnight at Mt. Wilson.

Abseil (Rockcraft) Courses: 12th February (theory) and 16th and 17th February (practical); and 8th April (theory) and 12th and 13th April (practical).

Scout Abseil Badge Course: Friday 4th April (theory) and Sun. 6th April (practical). Location will be chosen to suit attendees.

Caving Course: Tues. 29th April (theory) and 3rd and 4th May (practical at Bungonia).

Applications (on the Rock Activity Form) should be sent to the Regional office (phone 9639 2488) two weeks before the course. Two-day and three-day courses cost \$20, one-day trips \$10, Scout Proficiency Badge courses \$5.



**GWSR Canyon Trip to
Deep Pass Canyon in
December 2007**

Photo by John Cupit

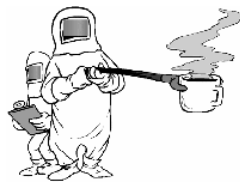


Bookings for 2008

By the time you read this the Science Team will have attended their fourth activity for the year. The first section meeting was with 18 Rovers at Wentworthville hall on a rainy Sunday afternoon in January. An attentive and informed group of young people from across the Region joined us for a Liquid Nitrogen night. A couple of Blaxland Rovers

joined in again, "because they had so much fun last time".

I learn something new each time we visit Rovers. This time I found out what happens when you freeze an egg and then smash it! The instant ice-cream tasted good as a finish to a steamy evening.

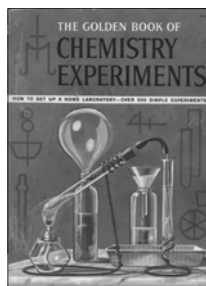


The good news is that ROVERS CAN BOOK ANYTIME, because they meet on Sundays (*and the Activity Team get paid double time for Sundays; that's true isn't it Keith?*).

The frustrating news (for me) is that we only have the last two weeks in December free - but don't let that stop you from asking,. Another Section in your Group may have booked, and we can do a consecutive night. In fact I will require that we do either combined or consecutive sections, to see as many youth as possible.

Chemistry Kit

I decided to make the grandchildren a chemistry kit for Christmas. (Commercial chemistry kits are so safe, they are useless as well as unexciting and over priced). Since I couldn't be there all the time, they needed a good instruction book. I found an excellent illustrated manual on the Web for FREE, called 'The Golden Book of Chemical Experiments'. It was printed in 1960, so some of the 'common' substances aren't available now, but the descriptions on how to use cooking utensils and coathanger wire to make laboratory equipment would foster ingenuity and dexterity.



The next challenge was to find the chemicals. I wanted them to be able to buy them from the local garden, pool shop, beer making supplies, hardware, health store or supermarket. (One thing I did

discover is that 'Chemists' don't supply chemicals these days, only dispense propriory pharmaceuticals.) Even their farm yielded some chemicals like Bluestone (Copper Sulphate and Lime (Calcium Oxide). We eventually assembled most of the substances required in the book, and filled them into small labelled jars. They could use Mum's old digital kitchen scale, if I supplied a new one, and Dad volunteered the back room in the garage if they cleaned it up. A small kero garden light (\$1 at Reject) substituted for the 'ink bottle metho burner' and there was plenty of fencing wire to make retort stands, filter holders and test tube holders. (more later)



Rockets with 1st Emu Cubs



If you have an oval near your hall, consider booking us for a Rocket night. 1st Emu Cubs meet at Glenbrook next to a large oval. We were there in December for their last night. Letting off Disk Burst Rockets first, whilst there was still

some light. Those who had had their launch, played with the large Hover disk. Then it was inside for a relay game of 'Fuel the Rocket'. As the sun went down, we added glow sticks to the Water Rockets and continued the launches after dark. We had so much fun that we barely had time for closing parade and sampling some of the Christmas party food the Cubs had provided.

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TRAINING TALK

Ann Pounder

Region Commissioner ATD

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Welcome to 2008 and the Year of the Scout.

Will you and your Group make a difference in 2008? Take up the challenge **retain, recruit and grow!**

Something new for 2008 in GWSR - ***Distance Learning Workshops for BL1 and BL2***

If you have prospective new leaders who find it difficult to train and/or be away for three weekends, this may be the answer. At the time of writing, Blue Mountains District are currently negotiating dates and place. Those wishing to be part of this workshop need to have attended an Introductory Interview, talk to your DLT or me and then apply for Distance Learning BL1 on the 2008 Training Course application form. This completed form needs to be sent to State Office with a Group cheque.

For further information contact Gayle Reid DLT Mountains or me on the above email. (*NB: Names need to be submitted to me to ensure enough people are on hand to assist participants*).

Introductory Interviews - 1st Thursday of the month

Feb 7th, Mar 6th, Apr 3, May 1st, Jun 5th, Jul 3rd, Aug 7th, Sept 4th
Oct 2nd (school hols), Nov 6th and Dec 4th

Final Interviews, Paper work catch up and help Night - 4th Thursday of the month

Feb 28th, Mar 27th, Apr 24th (School Hols), May 22nd, Jun 26th
Jul 24th, Aug 28th, Sept 25th, Oct 23rd and Nov 27th

Scouting Forms updated

Please note that the website forms have all been updated and have 01/08 on them. Make sure you use the current forms only.

Training Calendar

You may be wondering where the Training calendar for 2008 is ?? There was no mail out of the NSW Scout Magazine in December, hence no calendar. However it can be found on the State Scout Website. For those of you without internet access, the early course dates are as follows;

BL1

Mt Keira	Feb 16 - 17	\$110 to SCT by Jan 25 th
* Chatswood	Feb 20, 27 & Mar 1	\$80 to SN by Jan 25
Heathcote	Mar 1 - 2	\$110 to SM by Feb 8 th
Glenrock	Mar 8 - 9	\$110 to HC by Feb 15 th
Pennant Hills	Apr 5 - 6	\$110 to SN by Mar 4 th

BL2

*Chatswood	Mar 12, 19 & 29	\$80 to SN by Feb 15 th
Mt Keira	Mar 28 to 30	\$110 to SCT by Mar 7 th

CBL3

Heathcote	Feb 29 - Mar 2	\$110 to SM by Feb 8 th
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SBL3

Glenrock	Mar 28 - 30	\$110 to HC by Mar 7 th
Mt Keira	Apr 4 - 6	\$110 to SCT by Mar 14 th

GL , LOA BL3

Pennant Hills	Mar 14 -16	\$110 to SN by Feb 22
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AL1

Heathcote	Mar 7 - 9	\$110 to NSW by Feb 15
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Combined AL2 and AL3

All sections	Mar 21 - 24	\$110 to NSW by Feb 29
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*** Denotes non-residential at Chatswood, week nights and Saturday**

If there are people who wish to travel further a field there are courses available at the following centres; Camp Kurrajong, Glenreagh, Lynchwood, Kamilaroi and Camp Canobolas. Please note that the Course numbers are not printed here.

Have fun and enjoy getting out and about during our Centenary Year of Scouting.

REGION ACTIVITIES TEAM

Keith Travers Activity Commissioner

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I hope everybody is ready for a great year. The Year of the Scout is taking off with a pageant in Darling Harbour and Scouts and Leaders are being presented to the governor.

Water Fun Day

The boating team finished 2007 with a great day at Lake Chipping Norton with well over 200 present, 165 registered scouts, cubs, and most of all JOEY's, we were certainly tested for equipment, and a big thank you to all who brought gear including canoes, jet ski and 3 power boats. The queues were there all day.

Everyone I spoke to wants the event again this year so we have set a date already - **December 14th, 2008.**

We had a great time at our sailing course on Chipping Norton Lake 8 people gained level 2, 6 gained level 1 and only one did not complete the course.

Thank you to 1st Ermington who organised the boat transport and Bruce Brigden, Danny Hardiman and Mitchell Hodgson, who returned to help from previously completing the course. We found 15 on the course is too many so our next course will be restricted to 10 people only.

Canoe course dates were published in the December Bulletin to make programming easier. We have had requests for courses already BUT NONE ON THE DATES WE HAD ADVISED. We also have other commitments so we try to program for 12 months.

Canyoners had a great day with Peter Coffill - 35 attending just before Christmas. This is a very popular canyon trip so look ahead to the rock calendar.

February is the month of conferences so we are short of Leaders for courses.

Leaders Needed

We need Leaders who are prepared to help with the Jamborette fun days. Minimum qualification is a level 2. If you would like to help on

our teams or you would like to become an Activity Leader please contact me by phone or email. Full time Activity Leaders are expected to do about 30 days a year. Some do much more than that!

Canoe Courses

March 1 - 2 theory to be advised - closing date 25/2/08

April 5 - 6 theory tba - closing date 21/3/08

May 3 - 4 theory tba - closing date 24/4/08

Sailing Course

12th to 16th April. Closing date 31/3/08 We hope to have a sailing course in each holiday period so book early

Bushwalking Course

Don't forget the bushwalking course with Frank Barr on Sunday 2nd March. Contact Region Office for bookings.

CENTENARY OF SCOUTING IN AUSTRALIA

Greater Western Sydney Region will be celebrating the Centenary of Scouting in Australia on 29th June 2008 at Bundilla with all sections **Activity Day**.

The Region Commissioner has asked me to head up a committee to make this an unforgettable activity and I am asking **for a representative from all sections** to join the committee. So far Cathy Cuneo from the Joey Section and Anne Thompson from the Cub Section have volunteered to assist. We need to have our first meeting in early February 2008.

We will also be looking at offering groups the opportunity to run food and soft drink outlets so let your Group Committee know that expressions of interest will be sought in February 2008.

If you are interested and available to assist please contact me on any of the following:

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Neville Henderson
Deputy Region Commissioner

APPOINTMENTS LIST - DECEMBER 2007

APPOINTMENTS

BARTON Karen	AL (G)	1st Castle Hill
CHILD Kerry	AL (G)	1st North Mt Druitt
CUTNER Bradley	AL (G)	1st St Marys
ELTIS Matthew	AL (G)	1st Dural
FLEMING Tania	AL (G)	1st Ermington
FRANKLIN-Browne Tanya	AL (G)	1st Kings Langley
GEELEN Andrew	AL (G)	1st Parramatta
GRAY Faye	AL (G)	1/2nd Merrylands
HEMMONS Michelle	AL (G)	1st Kings Langley
KENNEDY Robert	AL (G)	1st Kellyville
MOUNTFORD Alison	AL (G)	1st Carlingford
PRESTON Katherine	AL (G)	1/2nd Merrylands
REETOV Alexander	AL (G)	1st Kings Langley
STAELENS Jean-Pierre	AL (G)	1st Balcombe Heights
TARANTO Christopher	AL (G)	1st Quakers Hill-Doonside

TRANSFERS

CROPPER, Debbie	Fr (AL)	1st Hawkesbury
	To AJSL	1st Hawkesbury
CUNEO Kathy	Fr RL (JS)	GWSR
	To RC (JS)	GWSR
FLAVELL Mark	Fr AL (G)	2nd Kings Langley
	To ACSL	2nd Kings Langley
HALL, Aafke	Fr DA	Hills District
	To DLT	Hills District
MILLER, Noel	Fr (AL)	1st Castle Hill
	To ASL	1st Castle Hill
SHARROF, Jonathan	Fr (AL)	1st Springwood
	To ASL	1st Springwood
SWAN, Linda	Fr (AL)	1st Hawkesbury
	To JSL	1st Hawkesbury
SWAN, Raymond	Fr (AL)	1st Hawkesbury
	To ACSL	1st Hawkesbury

RESIGNATIONS

CAMPBELL, Andrew	AL (G)	Guildford
GARDNER, David	GL	2nd Kings Langley
GARDNER, Jan	SL	2nd Kings Langley
GAUCI Michelle	AL (G)	1st Hawkesbury
GERHARD Veronica	AL (G)	1st Hawkesbury
SEDGERS, Liana	ACSL	1st North Rocks
SLOAN Sharon	CSL	1st Leura
YOUNG, Andrew	ASL	1st Grose Vale

REGISTRATIONS

1st Hawkesbury Joey Scout Mob

Congratulations to the following Cub Scouts who have earned their Grey Wolf Award

Rose Mercieca - 1st Blaxland
Thomas Zierholz - 1st Springwood
Taylor Eastwell - 1st Cambridge Park
Connor Reynolds - 1st Cambridge Park
Ethan Toft - 1st Springwood
Sosian Toft - 1st Springwood



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Congratulations and very best wishes to

Graham Cuneo GL

1st Balcombe Heights

who has recently been awarded his Wood Badge

Bravo - well done

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