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Newsletter of the Greater Western Sydney Region

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GWSR

Fun Day on the Water

Sunday, 12th December 2010

Chipping Norton Lakes, Angle Park, Chipping Norton

9.00am till 3pm

Cost: Members of Scouts Australia - \$10 per person

Family members (non-Scouts) - Free

Closing Date for Registrations - 26th November 2010

Come and join us for a fun filled, action packed day on the water!

We will have sailing boats and power boats for you to ride in
as well as canoes you can paddle.

(Joey Scouts must have a parent or a Level 2 holder in the boat with them)

PFD's will be supplied by the Region.

ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE

Canoe and sailing boat races, donuts in power boats
and a Mintie scramble

**Please wear your uniform, bring a hat, sunscreen
water bottle, towel and swimmers.**

Limited number of BBQ's available.

Food stall available to purchase hot food and drinks.

The A1 form is available on the Region website. All forms and money are to be in Region Office by
26th November 2010. **NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY.**



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FROM THE REGION COMMISSIONER

What a great night the Good Service Awards at Blacktown RSL turned out to be. We had 187 people attend with 44 awardees receiving their awards. Thanks to Maggi and Kim, Anne Thompson, Geoff McGrath, Sandra Parker, Alan Overton and Matt Thompson for their assistance prior to and on the evening. Also a thank you to our citation readers Jan Playford, Kathy Cuneo and Jeanie Wood. A job well done by all concerned. Bravo!

Any award recipient who was unavailable to attend on the evening can arrange a presentation at their convenience. Please contact the office to arrange.

I had the pleasure of attending the recent BL1 conducted at Bundilla and it was good to see the 18 participants enjoying themselves. Thanks to ** SUPPRESSED ** for the great catering. Well done to all.

Whilst I was at Bundilla for the BL1 I took the opportunity to walk around the Cuboree Shakedown Camp. The Cubs and Leaders seemed to be enjoying themselves and looking forward to the Cuboree in January.

It is amazing the number of Leaders in the Region who have long service to our organisation. I was invited to attend a luncheon to celebrate 30 years service by Owen Manson as Group Leader at 2nd Northmead. Well done Owen, I look forward to working with you for some time to come. I also had the pleasure to present the Silver Koala to Charles Yendle who has 47 years as a Cub Scout Leader with 3rd Merrylands (50 years in all as a Leader). Fantastic service Charles.

Along with several Region and District Leaders and also most of the Leaders for 1st/2nd Blacktown I had the pleasure of attending the Grey Wolf presentation for Tanaya Sloan. It was good to see some Scouts and Venturers also attend. *One two three Woof Tanaya.*

Recently I had a complaint from a parent whose daughter had been invested in June 2010 and had paid the fees and completed the appropriate paperwork which after many follow ups by our office staff was eventually received in Region Office in late October. Due to the daughter no longer wanting to be in Scouting we have now lost a youth member. Remember a person happy with the service tells a few friends, someone unhappy with service will tell everyone.

After a call from State Office, I had the pleasure to write to a Group Leader congratulating him on the way he had handled a particularly touchy problem in his Group. It is nice to know we have competent Group Leaders in our Region.

I am looking forward to attending the Waratah at Cataract and will report in the next Bulletin.

Until next time.....Carry on Scouting

Neville Henderson - Region Commissioner

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**Charles Yendle (Baggy) CSL
3rd Merrylands**

**is congratulated by Neville Henderson RC
following the presentation
of his Silver Koala Award**

FROM THE REGION OFFICE

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLOSURE

The Region Office will close from 17th December, 2010 and will reopen on 1st February, 2011. During this period the office will open for just three hours on the 25th January 2011 from 9am to 12 noon.

FORMS

We are still experiencing many problems with the forms Leaders and youth members send into us. Membership numbers, formations, dates and signatures are frequently missing, incorrect or illegible. We would really appreciate it if everyone could make a sincere effort to complete forms neatly and correctly. It would certainly make our job a little easier and save us a great deal of time spent chasing up missing information.

Group Leaders/LIC's please forward the Y1 form as soon as possible after a youth member's investiture. We often hear that the forms are held up because the Group is waiting for the parents to pay fees! The money should be collected and banked before investiture to avoid this problem.

Thank you from Maggie and Kim

JOEY SCOUT REPORT

Congratulations to Dean Maddock for receiving his Wood Badge. His presentation of his project on *Science Programs* at Wandarrah was inspirational to all the Leaders present - his willingness to share and help others is a great Leader characteristic.

At the Region Awards Dinner for Adult Recognition for Good Service three other Joey Scout Leaders had their talents recognised. Congratulations to Cassie Rec, Helen Sara and Valerie Lockman for receiving Certificates of Merit.

The Joey Scout section welcomes new Leaders at Quakers Hill-Doonside and Hawkesbury. It is refreshing to see parents with the enthusiasm to participate in activities with the children.

Many Joey Scout Mobs are taking advantage of the extra daylight to have more outdoor activities. The variety of activities is one reason children are attracted to Scouting. Wide games, bike rides and hikes are all being incorporated into the programs. Well done Leaders.

The final congratulations must go to the Joey Scouts themselves who are completing badgework. Blake Gibbons from 2nd Castle Hill and James Peirce from 1st North Rocks have both completed their Promise Challenges. Hop Hop Hop.

Kathy Cuneo - RC Joey Scouts

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On behalf of the Region Executive I would like to thank Anne Thompson, Maggi Roynon, Kim Harris and Neville Henderson for all the work they put into preparing for our Region Celebratory Dinner and Awards Presentation and ensuring that everything went smoothly on the night.

Thank you also to Jan Playford, Jeanie Wood and Kathy Cuneo for the excellent job they did reading all the Citations and to Sandra Parker for her invaluable assistance on the night.

A huge thank you to Matt Thompson for taking on the role of official photographer for the night. Congratulations to everyone concerned for ensuring a most enjoyable and successful evening.

**Geoff McGrath, Chairperson
Region Executive**

CUB SCOUT NOTES

CUBOREE – All packs have now completed their Shakedown Camps. Those who attended the first and last camps are ready for anything after braving the rain and storms. Thank you to Mark Fell for visiting each weekend to offer helpful advice to the Pack Leaders and cooks. A reminder that Leaders need to go to the activity bases with their Cub Scouts.

Each pack will travel together by bus, with the remaining seats being filled by activity Leaders, Scouts and Venturers. I will send you details as soon as I have them.

Congratulations to Ayla-Shannyn Sloan who has been appointed as a Youth Helper at 1st/ 2nd Blacktown Cub Pack.

DIARY DATES

2011

January 9 - 13	CUBOREE
March 12	Youth Helpers Course @ Bundilla
March 26	Cub Scout Leadership Course
May 14-15	PALAVAR
June 12	CUB DAY @ Jamborette
August 28	REGION COOK-OFF
September 17	Cub Scout Leadership Course
September 24-25	STATE COOK-OFF
October 29-30	Cub Baayna

Have Fun!

Tricia Shaw RC Cub Scouts

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*Congratulations to these
Cub Scouts who have earned their
Grey Wolf Award*

Nicholas Morley - 1st Balcombe Heights

Bryn Catlin - 1st Cambridge Park

James Barton - 1st Castle Hill

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FROM THE SCOUT DEN

Hi everyone. During October I managed to get around most of the JOTA/JOTI sites in our Region to see some of the activities which our Scouts were involved in. The efforts of our Leaders and friends, particularly radio operators, parents, Venturers and Rovers is most commendable. If it was not for the radio clubs, like Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club, Baulkham Hills Rovers and Venturers, some of the activities would not have been available.

Blacktown District ran their JOTA/JOTI base at Kings Langley with several computers for JOTI and radios for JOTA run by the Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club. Holroyd District also conducted JOTA/JOTI at 1st Greystanes hall. The radio was provided by BMAR Club operator and former SL, John Allan. Winston Hills ran a large JOTI base in conjunction with the Guides next door who provided three radios plus a whole lot of other interesting activities for their Guides. North Rocks provided JOTA/JOTI bases thanks to their Venturers, Baulkham Hills Rovers and our own Karl Humphries. Hawkesbury District ran a JOTA base which included an overnight camp for those who wanted to stay and various other activities, including an obstacle course.



Holroyd District

Winston Hills



North Rocks

Kings Langley



Hawkesbury Scouts receiving instruction from radio operator Carl Hardford (VK2HRC)



World Scout Environment Badge

During our October Region Mindari we covered the World Scout Environment Badge (WSEB) which is the replacement for the World Conservation Badge (Panda badge). Your DL Scouts/Rep should be presenting this material at your next District Mindari if they have not already done so. Anyone currently doing the requirements for the World Conservation Badge can continue as it is still recognised and badges can still be obtained until they run out. Here is a link to the web site that has the Guidelines and other material. <http://www.scouts.com.au/main.asp?iMenuID=18145731>. For further information please attend your District Mindari or speak to your DL Scouts or representative.

Robin Garrett - RC Scouts

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Peter and Lesley Tamsett - 1st Pendle Hill, both received a most well earned Silver Wattle award at the recent Region dinner. Sadly these two fine Scout Leaders will soon be retiring from Scouting after many dedicated and successful years of service.

A great loss to their Group Holroyd District and the Association but we do wish them a long and happy retirement in their new home.



VENTURER REPORT

I would like to thank the following volunteers for helping to prepare the recent mail out for the Australian Venture: Caitlin Trindall, Mitchell Hodgson, Angus Boxall, Ash Thompson, Chris Holtom, Dorothy Bell and Wendy Sheppard.

All current Scouts and Venturers who are eligible to attend the next Australian Venture as a participant should have received their invitation last month. It is important that all youth members interested in attending the event be sure to register on the Venture website as soon as possible (www.wilddayz.com). That way, the NSW Contingent can communicate the latest developments directly to those who are interested. The deposit is due in March next year (only four months away now), and priority for the tour will be based on date of payment.

The Rovers have recently released information about the next Roventure to be held in March 2011. Forms will be available shortly and Rover Crews will be visiting the units to assist with promotion for this activity. Stay tuned for more details!

Aaron Wardle - RC Venturers

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DESIGN A BADGE AND WIN!

A badge is needed for the NSW Contingent to the Venture in Tasmania.

The badge must include the following:

- Light blue background
- Platypus
- 15th Australian Venture
- Tasmania
- NSW Contingent
- 3 - 14 January 2012

***Please be as creative as you can!
It can be round, square, oval or any shape you like.***

Closing date for entries is 30th November 2010

Email your design to Warren Batty
warrenbatty@bigpond.com



WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE

2011

SWEDEN

There are now 141 members recruited to attend next year's World Scout Jamboree in Sweden and the Australian Contingent is still accepting applications until January 2011. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to travel to a major international Scouting event and share with over 30,000 Scouts from around the world.

Don't miss out on your final opportunity to join the Australian Contingent!

If you are born between 25 July 1993 and 27 July 1997, visit the Contingent website and download your application form. Then send in your completed form along with your deposit of \$750. When your application is accepted, you will then need to pay any overdue payments. The total cost for the Jamboree is \$6,550.

Details of the Arctic Explorer post Jamboree tour have also just been released.

This optional tour will extend for 9 days after the Jamboree and feature travel into Norway with visits to Oslo, Andalsnes, Steinkjer, Mo-I-Rana, Oppdal and Lillehammer – site of the 1975 World Scout Jamboree and proud host of the 1994 Winter Olympics. We even get to try out the Olympic bobsled run in our very own Viking Olympics!

Along the way we will explore the Geiranger Fjord, Trolls Pass, Svartisen Glacier, and make an unforgettable journey to the Arctic Circle. There is an additional cost for this tour, however, it is well worth the experience.

For more information, simply visit the Contingent Website www.wsj2011.scouts.com.au or email our International Commissioner international@greaterwestscouts.com.au

RADIO, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

RECENT NIGHTS

Monday, October 11, saw us at 1st/2nd Blacktown Cubs for an **Arcs and Sparks** night. The usual fun with the Van de Graaff generator had everyone's hair standing up on end. Even an adventurous Joey joined in the fun. On October 18, we were at 2nd Baulkham Hills Cubs for a **Measure Up** night. Here we try to weigh as many Cubs as possible, at the same time.



AROUND THE JOTA BASES

Karl Humphreys took his tower and radios to **North Rocks** so that they could participate in JOTA. They also had computers set up and working reliably in the main hall.



While I was at **Winston Hills** I heard Karl on one of three radios the Guides had operating. They also had numerous craft and code bases. A police car was parked in the driveway and two police officers were demonstrating the radios and other equipment to the girls. The Scout hall next door had computers set up for JOTI, and some Scouts were involved in internet chat.



BOOKINGS FOR NOV - DEC 2010

Fri Nov 19	1 st Wentworthville Scouts then Venturers	
	Rockets	
Thu Nov 25	1st North Rocks	Scouts
	?	
Tue Nov 30	1 st Blaxland	Venturers
	?	
Mon Dec 6	1 st Grose Vale	Cubs then Scouts
	Arcs & Sparks	
Tue Dec 14	1 st Kings Langley	Cubs then Scouts
	?	

I went across to **Marsfield** to see their hall extension and the type of electronic kits they were offering. About 15 Scouts were camping there the weekend and they had a radio setup in the new hall and another room with computers. They had a couple of Bat Detector kits which had very little information. I have been able to work out the design and give them circuit diagram and assembly instruction.



On the way home I stopped at **1st Kings Langley** where they had a Radio Base out the back manned by three Blue Mts Radio operators, and a couple of computers in the main hall.

Sunday morning I visited Glossodia Radio Base in **Hawkesbury** District. Cubs and Scouts were camping for the weekend and numerous bases were in operation to keep them interested and busy. Karl Harford from the Blue Mts Radio Club operated the radio, and talked about how they worked. Other bases included soldering practice, light the bulb Kim's game, projected video car racing, metal detector find the treasure game, Rickshaw rides, commando course run by the Venturers, china plate breaking in Grannies Kitchen and a code breaking base.



Solder practice



Light circuit



Video game

THE RADIO, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TEAM

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APPOINTMENTS LIST - NOVEMBER 2010

APPOINTMENTS

BOYD, Samuel	AL (G) 1st North Mt Druitt
FINCH, Kelly	AL (G) Nepean Rover Crew
KENNEDY, Maree	AL (G) 1st Kellyville
THOMPSON, Andrew	AL (G) 1st Westmead

TRAINEE LEADERS NOT PROCEEDING

BLACKHURST, Douglas	T/L (CS)	1st Blaxland
FINCH, Heather	T/L (JS)	1st Blaxland
ROGGE, Miles	T/L (S)	1st Blaxland



Our two delightful Region Office Assistants Maggie Roynon (left) and Kim Harris (right) obviously enjoying the Region Dinner, which they had worked so hard to organise. Congratulations and sincere thanks to both of you.

LEADERS NEWS ON THE WEB

It appears some Groups are having problems when Council/Shire Inspectors assess their fund raising BBQ's, using the **'Food Handling Business'** classification, which subjects **businesses** to strict notification requirements and licensing, rather than the more reasonable Food Authorities **'Charity, Groups and Volunteers'** classification.

A new **Leaders News on the Web** has been prepared to assist any Group which finds themselves in this situation. Visit the Scouts Australia website for this useful resource - www.nsw.scouts.com.au

Robert Rodgers BLegS
Assistant Chief Commissioner
Dr Warwick Bateman OAM
State Commissioner (Special Projects)

ROVER REPORT

The December RRC will take place at Bundilla on Sunday 12th December. The meeting starts at 2pm and will be followed by a BBQ.

2011 NSW BRANCH BALL VENUE ANNOUNCED AND VOTING OPEN

Hear ye! Hear ye!

The Royal Palace of Razorback cordially invites all Cinderellas and Prince Charmings to attend the Grand Ball to be held in the Enchanted Garden of Camden Valley Inn (290 Remembrance Drive, Camden) on Saturday 5th February 2011. (In layman's terms, the 2011 NSW Branch Ball will be run with a Fairytale theme by the Razorback Rover Crew Hume Region!)

The Branch Ball is also an occasion where Rover Crews will be presented with awards for their contributions to Scouting and the wider community. Awards to be presented are as follows:

- Crew of the Year
- Service Crew of the Year
- Most Adventurous Crew of the Year
- Largest Active Crew (non voting category)
- Smallest Active Crew (non voting category)
- Crew That Always Gives It A Go
- Best Crew Interstate Performance
- Event Of The Year
- Best Dressed Crew (on the night)

Nominations for the awards are now open. For more information, please visit www.nsw.rovers.com.au and follow the links.

ROVERING TOWARDS 2020

Scouts Australia conducts a national review of each Section every eight years or so in order to ensure that the youth program remains dynamic and relevant.

The purpose of Roving Towards 2020 is to conduct a professional and considered review of the Rover program and make recommendations to ensure that Roving contributes to the education of young adults through a value system based on the Promise and Law, to help build a better world where people are self-fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society.

The Scouts Australia youth program aims to achieve this personal growth by providing young people with opportunities for new experiences and adventure using the Scout Method, and we all know that it's FUN as well! Roving Towards 2020 will ensure that the Rover program is consistent with this nationwide, and indeed, worldwide approach to Scouting.

If you'd like to tell us what you think about Roving now and how it should look in the future, or if you'd like to subscribe to the Roving Towards 2020 newsletter, email rovers2020@scouts.com.au

You can also [follow us on Facebook](#) to keep up to date with all the latest news and research, and make sure you don't miss out on Roving Towards 2020 surveys and forums! (Sourced from the NSW Rovers website)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| November 27 | Branch Rover Council 2pm
State Office, Homebush |
| December 3 - 5 | Mootgyver (South Met. Moot)
Camp Kariong |
| December 11 | Hume Region Rovers Christmas Party (please contact Hume Region for more info) |
| December 12
December 30, 2010 to January 11, 2011 | GWSR RRC & BBQ 2pm at Bundilla
OzMoot |
| December 31 | Lord Mayor's Picnic (please contact NSW Rovers for more info) |

Brendan Richards - PR/Internet Officer
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Mr Allan Overton presenting our Region Commissioner Mr Neville Henderson with his Silver Emu at the Region Dinner

REGION ACTIVITIES TEAM

Now we are in the best part of the year (some may say that is April). The weather is starting to warm up and the breeze is enough for a sailing course (great time almost had by all)! We have run a canoe course and there are several more to come. Blue Mountains Fellowship have expressed their interest and we will be running a course at Wentworth Falls Lake on November 27th & 28th. The closing date for fees and A1 is November 12.

Unfortunately, from time to time we have to remind people of the rules:

FAMILY/DISTRICT CAMPS - canoeing (see page 6 Schedule A for the full spiel). I would like to point out **paragraph 3.1** The activity must be under the control of a Level 3 or a Level 2 approved by the RWAC. In addition there must be at least one Level 2 for every 4 participants. This must be stated on the A1 form.

FAMILY FUN DAY ON THE WATER at Lake Chipping Norton on December 12. Closing date is November 26 Cost is \$10. You will receive a ticket in the lucky draw for a kayak and a canoe. These boats have a few repairs but still have a lot of life yet.

We were fortunate enough to obtain an **International 420** sailing boat at the right price - it needs a little work but that is why people donate their gear to Scouts!

Remember to slip, slop, slap and wear a hat for all your outdoor activities!

Keith Travers - RC Activities

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**Karl Humphreys operating the radios
at 1st North Rocks JOTA base**

ROCK RELATED ACTIVITIES

Thanks for a great year. Rock activities are having a huge resurgence at present. Scouts are realising that abseil skills open up great possibilities for canyoning, caving and rock-climbing. The caving group is going fantastically. Venturers are going gang-busters and the level of expertise among youth members and Leaders alike, is reaching a very high standard. We encourage Venturers, Rovers and Leaders to gain their Leader and Instructor qualifications – there are lots of people who have the expertise to be able to do this.

COMING ACTIVITIES

Caving Course: 23rd, 27th and 28th November (this was previously advertised as a Caving Trip).

Canyon Trip: Sunday 5th December: River Caves and Deep Pass Canyons (previously advertised as Birrabang Canyon). No swims or abseils – suitable for Scout beginners).

Group Courses can be arranged by contacting Rick.

The complete year's program is on our web site at:

www.beprepared.com.au/gws

The 2011 program should also be on the above web site by the time this newsletter is published.

Applications (on the A1 Form) should be sent to the Region 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 (one-day) or \$10 (two-day). Note that prices will increase by \$5 per practical day after 1st January 2011. The A1 forms can be found at: greaterwestscouts.com.au/activities/calendar

Rick Jamieson - RRA Coordinator

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**Cavers
at Bungonia on a
GWSR Caving Course**

TRAINING TALK

Well, here we are nearly at the end of another year. How has the year been for you?

The Training Team will see a huge change next year to courses and their delivery. It is true that e-learning will be launched in February 2011. The change will be easy for some and not so easy for others - but then, this is how the current system of training is to people as well. In the October Bulletin, we published a letter from Margaret Crawford, State Commissioner for Training explaining courses for next year.

Training Kits from next year will cost \$35. These kits will have all the necessary paperwork and resources needed to complete requirements for membership of the Association and e learning.

Interviews will occur on the same day as they do now but will be in a different format. It will be necessary for all GL's to accompany their new Leaders so that we can explain and train up people at Group level. PLA's will also be present at this time.

Each new Leader will need to know which section they will be working in so that the correct handbooks can be given out at the time of the kit purchase. (Associate Leaders, at this stage, will need to decide also which section they will most likely be working in).

I have been able to show the Training Team (including PLA's) Region Team and Region Seeonee the website and some of the units. It must be remembered that the site is still in the development stage as not all of the sections are complete yet. Changes happen regularly and I have found it easier the more I have used it. There are common units across all sections and will not have to be redone once completed.

In the new year I will travel though each District with information sessions to explain the new process. Those on the old scheme are encouraged to complete as soon as possible - after August next year it is new scheme only!

So the new system will be:

Basic Training

- ★ Intro Kit (from Region Office \$35)
- ★ E-learning modules (there are various ways to complete this. Please email me if you need to ask a question. Exactly the same for all States making it easier to transfer interstate and credit Leaders as completed)

Sectional weekend

Inservice (This has not changed)

Those wanting to do the Certificate III will apply for it at the time of applying for membership and one

complete book will be sent out to them. An Assessor or PLA will assist the new Leader to complete the certificate.

Just remember that the Cert III is not a requirement for a Scouting appointment now but we find many people require this for their workplace.

Advanced Training has not changed

There are still three residential weekends and every second year AL2 and AL3 are combined at Easter for all sections. The next combined course will be 2012

Wood Badge requirements:

- AL1 (common)
- AL2 (sectional)
- AL3 (sectional)

Project (thought about on the AL1 and set on the AL3)

Evaluation (which come through me to the Region Commissioner for your section)

Certificate IV (4 workbooks)

Congratulations to all those Leaders who have been awarded their Wood Badges recently.

Ann Pounder - RC AT&D

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*Congratulations to the following
Leaders who have gained their
Wood Badges in
a variety of sections*

Dean Maddock	1st Blaxland	Joey Scout
Jodie Green	1st Kings Langley	Cub Scout
Sandy Knox	1st Ermington	Cub Scout
Alison Sullivan	1st Quakers Hill/Doonside	Cub Scout
Lillian Ewe	1st North Mt Druitt	Cub Scout
Rishae Bowen	1st Toongabbie	Cub Scout
Honni McLennan	1st Blackheath	Cub Scout
Leisa Threlfo	1st Cambridge Park	Scout
Stacey Stopps	1st/2nd Blacktown	Scout
Glen Connor	1st/2nd Blacktown	Scout
Stuart Cowen	1st Balcombe heights	Scout
Allan Mason	Activity Team - First Aid	Activities
Aafke Fatcher-Hall	DLT Hills South	LOA

Bravo - Well done!



1ST ERSKINE PARK SCOUT GROUP

Congratulations to 1st Erskine Park who won **Best Decorated Float** at the recent St Marys Spring Festival. The winner of **The Best Walking Group** was The National Servicemen's Association of Australia and two youth members from 1st Erskine Park (Rachel and Nathan) proudly carried the banner for the Association.

It is great to see our Scout Groups attending community events and being publically recognised for their efforts - keep up the great work.

A big hearty B-R-A-V-O-O-O to all involved.

**Rodney Lean - District Commissioner
Penrith City District**



2ND CASTLE HILL SCOUT GROUP LEADERS REQUIRED

Our membership numbers are slowly growing, but with three changes in Leaders recently, our incumbent Leaders are finding it a bit of a struggle. Ideally we would love to recruit;

- 1 x Joey Scout Leader
- 1 x Scout Leader
- 2 x Cub Scout Leaders

If you know of anyone looking for a role in Scouting or looking for a change, please contact;

Todd McKenna GL
2nd castle Hill
Mobile: 0412 404 808
Email: toddm@iinet.net.au

*Please be assured of a very warm welcome
to our Group*

A FIRST FOR 1ST/2ND BLACKTOWN SCOUT GROUP

Cub Scout, Tanaya Sloan of 1st/2nd Blacktown recently received her well earned Grey Wolf award. Lorraine Shaw - Blacktown DLCS, presented the award in front of a large gathering of Leaders and youth members.

This was a very special moment not just for Tanaya but for the Group also because Tanaya is their first Grey Wolf recipient!

**David Stopps - Group Leader
1st/2nd Blacktown**



**Tanaya Sloan poses with all
the proud Leaders from her
Group and Blacktown District**



**A good sized Scouting family!
Tanaya, Tracey Ayla, Kyara,
Jye, Kyle and David.**

UPCOMING GWS REGION EVENTS

NOVEMBER

27th to 28th - Caving Course

DECEMBER

5th Canyon Trip

12th Fun Day on the Water

30th Oz Moot commences

31st Lord Mayor's Picnic



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Don't forget that the next issue will be the last one for 2010. I would appreciate your submissions be on time, as the Office will be closed from the 17th December.

Thank you



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Thursday: 10am - 4.30pm

Friday: 9am - 4.30pm

Saturday: 9am - 12pm

CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE

SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR A YOUNG PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 30

The State Executive Committee is seeking your help in identifying and nominating a Member of Scouts Australia NSW under the age of 30 to participate on a committee to review the Association's Constitution currently being convened by SEC member Ian Londish.

This will be a comprehensive review that will consider a number of areas including the suitability of the existing constitution to deal with a NFP incorporated association, as well as the relationship of the Constitution to the various legislation specifically relating to Scouting in Australia and NSW.

If you are this person or know someone under the age of 30 who might have a keen interest in this area or who can fill the requirements, please send a resume of the candidate to;

Graham Bargwanna email executive@nsw.scouts.com.au

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