

The Bulletin

Newsletter of the Greater Western Sydney Region

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Special Needs Workshop Elective Saturday May 2, 2015 1:00pm to 4:00pm

1st North Rocks Scout Hall, Baden Powell Place, North Rocks

****\$ 20 payable to GWS Region Office**

(Cheques payable to Scouts Australia)

****Submit L10 Training Application form to GWS Region**

This elective is an introduction to supporting youth with special needs. Covers all sections!

Topics covered include:

- Perceptions/Feelings/Values/Attitudes
- Myths vs Reality
- Barriers to participation
- Strategies for positive support
- Adapting programs and award schemes
- What support is available

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Cassie Rec

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Applications close 1st May 2015



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FROM THE REGION COMMISSIONER

Easter is now over and I trust those people who attended Dragonskin had an enjoyable time and I look forward to hearing from Aaron how it all went.

During March, David Stopps and myself had a busy time attending Australian Scout Medallion and Queen's Scouts Presentations and I would congratulate the following youth on their achievements.....we attended Australian Scout Medallion presentations for Mitchell Gallagher from 1st Kings Langley, Jordan Vella from 1st Grose Vale, Elysia Higgins 1st Ermington and Byron Davis North Rocks and Queen's Scout Awards for Rose Mercieca 1st Blaxland (attended by Tony Dent – Acting DC Blue Mountains), Mitchell Howlett from 1st/2nd Blacktown and Matthew Anderson from 1st Oakville.

As mentioned in the previous Bulletin we are partnering the Salvation Army this year as the major Region service project and I will be forwarding details to you next week.

I hope you have all locked in your ARP dates with your Region Representative and a reminder that our ARP is on 21st June 2015 at 2.30pm for 3.00pm. Please put this date in your diary.

All the local members from our Region who were re-elected at the recent State Election have been sent a congratulatory letter from our Region and I would suggest that you make contact and make yourself known to them.

Advanced notice: The 2015 Adult Recognition Awards Presentation will be held on **Thursday 22nd October** at a new larger venue. We are returning - after many years - to Wentworthville Leagues Club where we can cater for double that of the previous venue. **Please read the notice on Page 3 in this Bulletin regarding the roll out of the requirements for our Region for Working with Children Checks.**

Not long until the Jamborette and I am looking forward to visiting again this year

Until next time...Carry on Scouting!

Neville Henderson OAM

Region Commissioner

Email: rc@greaterwestscouts.com.au

TRAINING REPORT

May I remind all Group Leaders and Scouters in Charge who are bringing new leaders for Interview - to make sure that they have done a Working with Children check first. State will not put them on the system without it. Special needs elective workshop: Cassie Rec is running his workshop at North Rocks Scout hall on Saturday 2nd May from 1:00 pm to 4:00pm, cost just \$20. Please see the - ad elsewhere in this publication and on the website.

Kathy Cuneo RC AT&D

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WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC) ROLLOUT SCHEDULE 2015

During 2015, Scouts Australia NSW is required by the Office of Children's Guardian to ensure that all of its Adult Leaders, and Adult Helpers attending Events and Camps and other designated Adult Helpers, as well as Rovers, hold verified Working with Children Checks ("WWCC") by 31 December 2015.

To ensure an orderly rollout of this process, the following phase in schedule is to be followed:

All Adult Helpers and Adults in Scouting including Rovers, attending any National and State Camps and Events must obtain their WWCC and provide it to State Office for verification prior to attending the Event.

All Adult Helpers and Adults in Scouting, including Rovers, attending any Region Camps may be requested by the Region Commissioner to present a current verified WWCC before attending any overnight camps.

From 1 February 2015, all new applicants for Adult membership must provide their WWCC number with their Application. The application will not be processed without a verified WWCC number.

	WHO	WHEN
1	All Adult Leaders, Rovers and all Adult Helpers attending Australian Jamboree 2016	Immediately from 4 February 2015 with a Final date of 20 March 2015
2	All Adult Leaders, Rovers and Adult Helpers attending Dragonskin 2015 in April 2015	Immediately from 4 February 2015 with a Final date of 20 March 2015
3	All Adult Leaders, Rovers and all designated Adult Helpers in Hunter and Coastal Region and The North Coast Region	From 1 April 2015 to be completed by 31 May 2015
4	All Adult Leaders, Rovers and all designated Adult Helpers in South Metropolitan Region, South Coast and Tablelands and The Riverina Region	From 1 June 2015 to be completed by 31 July 2015
5	All Adult Leaders, Rovers and all Adult Helpers (not already compliant) attending State Scout Rally	From 1 June 2015 to be completed by 31 July 2015
6	All Adult Leaders, Rovers and all designated Adult Helpers in Sydney North Region and the North West Region	From 1 August 2015 to be completed by 30 September 2015
7	All Adult Leaders Rovers and all designated Adult Helpers in Greater Western Sydney Region, Hume Region, and The Golden West Region.	From 1 October 2015 to be completed by 30 November 2015

Failure to obtain your WWCC within the specified time frame will result in suspension from Scouting activities; with the consequence of cancellation of membership for any specified Adult in Scouting who does not comply within the time frame in the suspension letter.

JOEY SCOUT REPORT

Region Wandarrah - 14th May 2015 - 7:30pm: ALL Joey Scout Leaders are requested to attend the Region Wandarrah at Bundilla in the Rotary Hut. This call goes out to ALL leaders who are attending the **Joey Fun Day**. We are going to discuss how the day will operate and we will also be discussing the 25th Anniversary celebrations at the Sydney Opera House. Note that the 14th is the 2nd Thursday, not the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Promise Challenge

With a fair few new Joey Scout Leaders in the Region, it's time for a refresher on the Promise Challenge Procedure.

Q) Which Youth members are eligible to do the Promise Challenge?

- * Must not start any earlier than 7.5 years old.
- * Joeys do not need to complete any challenge badges prior to the Promise Challenge.
- * Must be a registered as a Joey Scout at the time the paperwork is signed off by the Joey Scout Leader.
- * While 8 is the nominated age limit for Joey Scouts, it is their registration as a Joey Scout that is considered as the upper limit, not age.

Q) What is the process?

- * At 7.5 years, talk to the Joey and parents - present them with the Promise Challenge card or a similar printed information.
- * They are expected to present the information as a project. It may be in a sleeved folder or on a sheet of cardboard. These are suggestions only. Let them be creative.
- * When the Joey submits the Promise Challenge project to the Joey Scout Leader, the leader should sit down with the Joey Scout and interview them on each of the points in the promise challenge. It's Ok for the Joey to read from any of the notes in their project. This is more about an understanding of Scouting, rather than a verbatim test results The level of challenge should be in line with their ability, not a score card. Include photos as evidence of community service work.
- * The JSL should complete the Promise Challenge Checklist and the Promise Challenge Application Form: See www.gwsjoeys.org.au/joey-badges/
- * There are 3 ways to submit the promise challenge: 1) Scan & Email (preferred method); 2) Post or deliver to Region Office or 3) hand delivery at Wandarrah.
- * Payment of \$5 to Region Office is required for the cost of the certificate and badge.
- * The Promise Challenge is then vetted by the Region Commissioner Joey Scouts and either returned for further info OR submitted to the State Commissioner Joey Scouts for processing.
- * The SCCS will process Promise Challenges in the first week of each month and then forward the certificate and badge to the RCJS for awarding.
- * The RCJS will then contact the Joey Scout Leader to arrange a suitable time for presentation.
- * The Presentation should be in front of the Joey Mob. If the recipient has already "Gone Up" to cubs, please invite them back to the mob for presentation.

Q) What standard is expected in their project /submission for the Promise Challenge?

This all depends on the capability of the Joey Scout. Ideally it should represent the same level of challenge across the board. A highly talented Joey Scout should present a highly polished detailed project, while a Joey with learning difficulties or the like may present something less but still to the best of their ability.

Q) Duty to Others - Can they do McHappy Day?

Not if the Scout group is involved at that location. The Duty to Others is an individual pursuit. Any activities done as a Mob does not qualify.

Q) Duty to Others - Can I wash my Granddad's car?

No. The goal is to support your community. Relations/family are not the target of this requirement.

Q) What are some things we can do for the 'Duty to Others'?

Clean up a Park. Collect food for the Homeless. Help out at a soup Kitchen. Take care of pets animals while people are on holidays. Be creative, but remind parents that these things should be done with adequate supervision. Joeys should not be collecting money (it is against the Charities Act)

Remember, this is the pinnacle badge for the Joey Scout Section, it should not be treated as just filling in a form and ordering the badge. All Promise Challenges should be respectfully considered and don't be afraid to seek further research by the Joey Scout. It should be a challenge, but at the same time it should be achievable by every Joey Scout.

As Region Commissioner for Joey Scouts, I will be relying on your judgement for most of these applications. You will know your Joey Scout better than I do. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to the District Leaders or myself. We are happy to help.

Brian Zarth (Magpie) - RC Joey Scouts

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**Congratulations to these
Joey Scouts who have earned their
Promise Challenge Badges**

Jacob Gill - 1st Carlingford

Emily Ford - 1st Carlingford

Reuben Matthews - 1st Carlingford

Caeden Drake - 1st Hazelbrook

Koby Dulas – Daley - 1st Hazelbrook

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JOIN-IN-JAMBOREE 2015

2015 is the year of the 23rd World Scout Jamboree.

To celebrate this special event, **all sections** are encouraged to participate in the **Join-in-Jamboree program** and earn the souvenir badge.

Program resources are available from www.wsj2015.scouts.com/jij and groups can order their badges using the form available on the website. There is also a certificate template available for Leaders to use for those that join the activities.



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OPENING HOURS

Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri 9am - 4.30pm

Thursday: 10am - 4.30pm

Saturday: 9am - 12pm



N.S.W. PALAVER 2015

All Cub Leaders and Youth Helpers are invited on board
Castaway Cruises
from 7:00pm May 22 to 2:00pm 24th May, 2015

Your tour will depart from the lounge at
KKC Conference Centre 'Mountain Camp'
Corner Cliff Drive and Violet Street, Katoomba

Tour cost - \$140

Closing date 6th May 2015

Dress for Saturday evening – Captain's Table (Vinnies Challenge)

Special limited edition Tour polo shirts available for \$30 each. These are a royal blue with an embroidered logo - NSW Palaver Castaway Cruises.

Please note that these shirts must be ordered before 1st May 2015

- You will need to arrive in uniform
- Bring suitable clothes including a sun hat for activities and personal items
- Bring pillow slip, sleeping bag and sheet or sheet set (a pillow and doona is supplied per bed)
- E1 and Polo shirt order forms are available from your DLCS/Seeonee Leader/GWSR website
- All payments may be sent to Patricia Shaw SCCS or made through the Region Office via Journal entry to Account: 15225/101/04/4384 (please ask for your name to be included). Cheques payable to Scout Australia NSW.
- Complete your E1 and Polo shirt order form and send to the Tour Director
- **Tour Director:** Patricia Shaw, 5 Bogan Street, Greystanes NSW 2145

I hope to see you ready to join in all the fun and games the tour team has prepared for you!

**Patricia Shaw
State Commissioner Cub Scouts**



CUB SCOUT REPORT

Another successful **CS Leadership course** was run at Bundilla on March 21, for 53 Cub Scouts! A huge thank you to my Region Seeonee Team and all the Leaders who came in to lend a hand during the day, Pinaroo for cooking for us and to all the CSLs who organised their Cubs to attend the course. The majority of Cubs had completed the pre-course work and I hope that the remaining Cubs have now completed the work and had their badges presented. The next course will be held on September 5.

I would like to urge all Cub Scout Leaders to attend the **State Palaver** weekend, May 22 to 24 in Katoomba. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet other CSLs, gain new ideas, receive fully prepared pack Programmes and above all have some FUN. Start checking out the Op shops for a suitable outfit to wear to the Captain's Dinner on Saturday night! All details and E1 available on our website. Please talk to your GLs/SICs - hopefully they will support your attendance, as this is considered training.

Cub Day at the Jamborette - 7th June 2015: Once again we have kindly been invited by the Scouts to visit their annual Region Jamborette at Bents Basin. Cost for Cubs is just \$5 and includes all activities and a souvenir badge. Leaders are free, as are parents, siblings and other visitors - however parking is not! Every parked car must display a current NP&W sticker or valid day pass - these cost \$7 each and can be purchased from the vending machine in the car-park or from a Scout attendant in the car-park (please make sure you have the correct change, to make life easier for everyone). Park rangers will patrol the car-parks and fine anyone not displaying a valid pass! Entry is only via Bents Basin Road at the northern end of the basin (take Silverdale Road at Wallacia and follow the signs). Bases will close at 4pm for cubs and all visitors must be off site before the gates are locked at 4:30pm. No visitors are permitted in the campsite after close of bases.

Bases will run from 9:30am to 12 midday and 1:30pm to 4pm. During the lunch break you can visit your Scout Troop (it is up to individual groups to decide if they will feed the cubs or they need to bring their own). There will be many things for the Cubs to do and some of the Scout bases will display a yellow flag to denote "Cub friendly bases". The climbing wall and flying fox are off limits to the Cubs because time is limited and the Scouts need to complete all the bases for their Jamborette Award. Cubs can go canoeing as long as they have a pair of water-shoes or a pair of old sneakers and a towel and the parent has consented to water activities on the E1

Cub Day badges will be available for sale on the day at the registration table plus there will be woggles and badges for sale and swap at the International Display tent.

Applications have changed this year, thanks to our very own on-line **GWS Events Management System (EMS)**! **Please read the instructions carefully and don't leave it until the last day to submit your applications:**

- Every applicant must complete an E1 available at www.events.greaterwestscouts.com.au
- One person from each Pack must enter all the Cubs and Leaders names on-line into the EMS at www.events.greaterwestscouts.com.au
- Each Pack must then send in the following to Region Office by close of business on **Friday 22nd May, no late applications will be accepted.**
 1. Printed EMS invoice cover page (automatically generated)
 2. Correct payment (cash or Group cheque made payable to Scouts Australia)
 3. Copy of completed E1 for each applicant
 4. A signed Y1 for any New Chums

This may sound complicated, but in reality should prove to be fairly easy. All CSLs will need to set their own closing date on the E1 to allow themselves enough time to gather in the forms and money from the parents and deliver them to Region Office well before the closing date.

If you need help, please contact the RC for Communications: communications@greaterwestscouts.com.au

Anne Thompson (Wontolla) - RC Cub Scouts

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

Corey Brooke - 1st Kellyville James Farrell - 2nd Baulkham Hills
Lucy Stevens - 1st Carlingford Emma Wilson - 1st Quakers Hill/Doonside
Dale Abnett - 2nd Kings Langley Ryan Cagney - 2nd Kings Langley
Jack Linfoot - 1st Grose Vale



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VENTURER REPORT

Over 50 Venturer Scouts travelled to East Maitland last month for the **Laser Tag competition**. Thank you to 1st/2nd Blacktown for coordinating the event.

Dragon Skin was held over the Easter weekend. Unfortunately I was not able to attend myself, however I was very pleased to hear that there was a huge turnout from across NSW and that this was the largest event in more than a decade! Despite the challenging weather, it appears that everyone enjoyed the weekend. I would like to particularly recognise the huge turnout of Leaders from the Region that helped with activities and the BOOTS team. Without your help, this event would never be possible.

Full results from the competition are available from the Dragon Skin website.

Online registrations for **Kandersteg 2016** open this month. All Venturer Scouts are eligible to attend. Cost is approximately \$4,000 for travel between 24 June and 10 July 2016. Visit kisc2016.com for more information.

The busy year continues with **Jamborette applications** opening this month as well. As in past years, the following requirements apply:

- Units must camp in the Venturer Sub Camp and be fully self-sufficient.
- All Venturers must be current registered members of the association and have completed their Venturing Skills Award prior to submitting the Application Form.
- All Venturers must be allocated to their Unit Activity Base or to one of the Region Activity Teams. A maximum of 10 Venturers are permitted per activity base.
- Activity Base Application Forms and the Scoutsafe Risk Awareness Form must be submitted together with your Unit Registration.
- An adult leader must camp with the Unit. An adult leader must also supervise each base for the entire duration of activity sessions.
- All Venturers will be required to vacate Troop Lines no later than 10:30pm with lights out at 11:30pm.

Our next Region Venturer Scout Council will be held at Penrith Scout Hall (Lethbridge Street) at 7:30PM on Monday 18 May. All Units should have at least two Unit Council members and one adult leader in attendance.

Aaron Wardle RC Venturer Scouts

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Congratulations to all those that attended Dragon Skin over Easter and especially to our three highest ranking teams in the Region.

1. The Richards, 1st North Rocks (61st = 651 pts)
2. Wandering Wizards, 1st Westmead (71st = 636 pts)
3. Danny Doritos, 1st Kings Langley (77th = 628 pts)



1st Castle Hill Scout Group Turns 100 in 2015

We would like to invite everyone to our special upcoming event celebrating the Centenary of 1st Castle Hill Scout Group, which will be held on Saturday 21st November 2015 at Rowallan Avenue, Castle Hill.

We are looking for past scouts, cubs, leaders, committee members and Queen's Scouts.

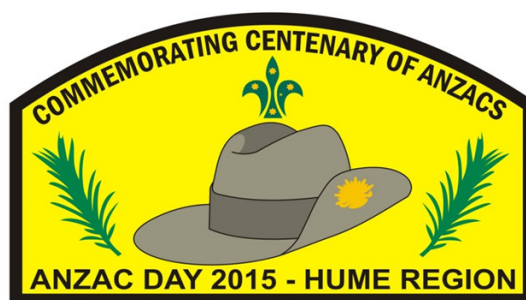
Anyone who was previously with the Group, please contact **Tracey Hourd**

Email: hourd@bigpond.com or mobile: 0418 228 173

We have a Facebook group for the upcoming centenary which will announce more information as the day approaches. Please use this link to join the group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1560880024173247/>



1st Castle Hill Troop 1949/1950



Hume Region Scouts lends a helping hand to Papua New Guinea Scout Groups

Show that you care - purchase a badge

These badges may be ordered direct from Hume Region - cost \$2.00 per badge and \$3.00 for postage

Hume Region Scouts
PO Box 1153
CAMPBELLTOWN NSW 2560
Phone: 4628 4994

REGION ACTIVITIES TEAM

Firstly I must apologise for last month's Activities Article in the Bulletin. I inadvertently attached my Region Report, which explains the more formal "point form" and no photos format. Thanks to Anne who kindly put out an "Edition 2" for the month with the correct article.

There have not been very many free weekends at present, which is certainly not a complaint. As I have said before, it shows a very active Region, with lots of us getting out and doing stuff in the great outdoors.

Had the opportunity to run a canoe course for ½ Blacktown, camping at Camp Windeyer (Crosslands). Great weekend of getting wet and muddy; not to mention a heap of paddling in between.

Looks like deep in a New Guinea Rainforest, but actually a secluded backwater near Crosslands. We have such great places we can explore! ...and no crocs!

Photo Mark Fell



I also took the opportunity to go out with Keith Travers on a personalised sailing workshop. Apart from the fact we didn't travel more than 150m from the boat ramp for the first two hours, does suggest there was not a lot of wind, however a very light breeze did finally eventuate which allowed us to sort of move; to at least get out of the way of those ever present Rivercats. *Apart from little wind, it was certainly a great day to be on the water.*



While on sailing, Bruce (Homer) Brigden spent an enjoyable weekend at the Sirius Cup with the Region Catamaran; an annual event run by Sydney North Region.

....a bit of wind certainly helps!

Our caving Team was out and under again with another successful trip to Bungonia caves in the Southern Highlands. Looking forward to their next trip 11-12 April at the beautiful Wee Jasper.

Not sure whether Meredith is pleased to be going down or coming out, but all reports indicate everyone had a great time at Bungonia!

Photo Brian Nelson (Sparkie)

Stuart Cowen, our Rock Guru, ran another successful Scout Abseiling Proficiency Day at Lindfield, for scouts from Erskine Park, Kings Langley and Northmead. We trialled a new format of two identical sessions; one in the morning, and the second one in the afternoon, which worked a treat.

Our next Abseiling workshop is on the weekend of the 23 -24 May, with a theory night on the 20 May at Bundilla. Full details are on the Region Website.

As leaders have you put together an Activities Log as yet? While most of the activity workshops are for the youth, as leaders we can put them onto our log as a participant in a particular activity. All helps down the track with RPLing if you wish to acquire an SIS Qualification.



Have you thought about tickets for Gang show yet? It is really a great night of good funny and clean entertainment, suitable for the whole family.....even including Aunty Mable! Good seats will go quickly.

For more details go to www.gangshow.asn.au/

Time to go out and have some more fun!



Mark Fell (DINGO) RC Activities

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2015 PERFORMANCES

Date	Time	Cast	Performance
Friday 3rd July	7.30pm	Gilbert	Evening (Red Scarf Night)
Saturday 4th July	2:00pm	Sullivan	Matinee
Saturday 4th July	7:30pm	Sullivan	Evening
Sunday 5th July	2.00pm	Gilbert	Matinee
Wednesday 8th July	7.30pm	Sullivan	Evening
Friday 10th July	7.30pm	Gilbert	Finale Evening
Saturday 11th July	2.00pm	Gilbert	Matinee
Saturday 11th July	7.30pm	Sullivan	Finale Evening

TICKET PRICING Children (14 years and under) \$21 | Youth (15-25 years), Seniors & Concession \$27 | Adult \$33

For any one performance: Family (2 adults 2 children) - \$102 or 10% group booking discount for 10+ (by phone/in person)

Transaction fees apply | To arrange special access at the theatre, please contact the theatre box office by phone

HOW TO BOOK

Tickets are purchased directly through the Theatre Box Office.

ONLINE: riversideparramatta.com.au

PHONE: (02) 8839 3399 during operating hours

IN PERSON: Riverside Box Office during operating hours
Cnr Church & Market Streets, Parramatta

Operating hours: Mon-Fri 9.00am to 5.00pm,
Sat 9.30am to 1.00pm and up to 1 hour prior
to each performance.

DISCOUNTED PARKING valid after 6pm weekdays and all day weekends

Present your car park ticket to the theatre box office when attending a performance to receive a \$5 parking voucher for the Erby Place Carpark!

GANG SHOW TICKET SELLER

Name:



WOGGLES FOR SALE

These woggles will be available for purchase from the International Base at the Jamborette for \$5 each.

Don't forget to visit the base and buy one or two!

Peter Stieme CSL (Kaa)
1st Pendle Hill

Scout Event Information
Greater Western Sydney Jamborette
Wolstenholme Avenue, Bents Basin
5th June 2015 ~ 8th June 2015
Registrations Close: 22nd May, 2015



Information about the Camp:

The Jamborette will be held at Bents Basin Conservation Area, commencing Friday evening 5th June and ending Monday afternoon 8th June. Camping and catering will be on a Troop basis managed by individual Troops. Transport to and from the event will be everyone's own responsibility unless specific Troop arrangements are made. Consult with your leaders.

Activities for the event include Water Activities, Obstacle Course, Abseiling & Rock Wall, Flying Fox, International Badges Club, Gang Show Base, Theme Bases, Radio, Science and Technology plus others. All water activities must be done using your own closed in footwear. We will provide an approved floatation device which is required to be worn for all boating activities. Flying Fox and Rock Craft activities require the wearing of an approved harness and helmet which will be provided and must be worn.

A minimum of 18 bases must be completed to gain the Jamborette Award. There will be good camping certificates for those troops who earn them and also a Gateway competition for **Theme** and **Traditional Scout** gateways.

Information about Registrations:

Scouts: \$45.00 plus your Troop catering costs

Venturers, Rovers and Leaders: \$35.00 plus your Troop catering costs

Final closing date for all applications is May 22, 2015: Venturers is May 8, 2015. For all others an Early Bird closing date is set for May 8, 2015 which will entitle you to a \$5 discount, if applications are received at the GWS Region Office by this date.

Registration Process

Unlike last year, Scouts and Leaders **do not** need to register online individually!

Please follow the below process:

- Leaders distribute Jamborette E1 form to their Troop/Unit/Crew/Group (youth and adults) – ensuring they update it with any additional information such as Troop catering costs. Leaders should request that the completed forms and money are returned by a chosen due date. Leaders are to check the forms are correctly filled out and that they have received the correct money for each applicant.
- The Leader creates a registration and enters *all* applicants on-line in the Region Event Management System (EMS) at www.events.greaterwestscouts.com.au. Only basic details such as name, group/formation and member ID will need to be added for each applicant. Multiple registrations can be created for the same event if you have any late comers.
- Once all applicants have been added, submit the registration online and an invoice (summary sheet) will be generated. The invoice will contain all information needed to submit payment to GWS Region Office.
- Available payment options include Cash, Group Cheque (Payable to 'Scouts Australia'), Credit Card and EFT. It is preferred that leaders deposit all money received from applicants into their group/section bank account and then submit ONE payment for their Troop/Unit/Crew/Group Registration.
- All E1 forms are to be retained by the Leader in Charge of the Troop/Unit/Crew/Group and taken to the Jamborette; however, copies must be forwarded to Region Office for checking and use at Jamborette HQ. It is preferred that these are scanned and emailed to Region Office (gws.region@nsw.scouts.com.au), however, paper copies are also accepted.
- Region, District and Activity leaders should register online at www.events.greaterwestscouts.com.au

Cancellations:

Refunds will only be given in the event of illness or other similar cause. Requests must be made in advance or on the day of registrations at the Jamborette. A \$5 administration fee will apply to *all* refunds. Anyone not turning up with no explanation will forfeit their full registration.

Activity Bases:

Venturer Units, Districts and Activity Teams organising their own base must ensure that the activity requires at least 20 minutes of effort for a minimum of 3 Patrols at a time. The Activity Base Application Form and Scoutsafe Risk Awareness Form must be submitted to GWS Region Office by Friday 8th May 2015.

General:

All standard rules for Scout camping must be followed which apply to both uniformed members and any parent helpers. All members must be registered members of the association. All adults must have completed a Prohibited Employment Declaration (PED) form or sign one upon arrival at the Jamborette. Venturers need to have completed the appropriate form for Venturers. Anyone who already has a Working With Children Check, which is registered to the Association, do not need to complete the PED.

Car Parking:

Bents Basin State Recreation Area requires all vehicles must display a valid pass when parked within the site. Park rangers will book any vehicles without a valid pass displayed on their windscreen. Vehicle passes cost \$7.00 and can be purchased from the on-site vending machines or from Jamborette HQ located near the ablution blocks. Leaders camping for the weekend are eligible to receive a free weekend pass from Jamborette HQ on arrival and must park their cars in the designated car parking area (opposite ranger headquarters at entrance to park).

For further Information:

Contact your local leaders or Robin Garrett – GWS Region Commissioner (Scouts), 0405-103-331 or 4577-2662

Calling all **Scouts**, **Venturers**, **Rovers** and **Leaders**

SCOUT SNOW WEEKEND

Come along and join us on
24 – 26 July 2015
 For an AWESOME weekend in the snow

Included

- 2 nights at the Scout Alpine centre
- 2 Breakfasts and 1 Dinner
- All transport including mountain transfers
- National park entry fees

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APPOINTMENTS LIST

16/3/2015 to 13/4/2015



APPOINTMENTS

UDALAMATHTHA KANKANAMGE , Chaminda	Appt TL (C)	1st Balcombe Heights Cub Pack
SIEDENTOPF , Charles	ACSL	1st Kellyville Cub Pack <i>Zazu</i>
RIGBY , Robert	ASL	1st South Penrith Scout Troop <i>Yee Na Pah</i>
OVERLAND , Joshua	ASL	2nd Castle Hill Scout Troop
JOEL Tallia	Appt TL (S)	1st Ermington Scout Troop
DAVIS , Andrew	Appt TL (C)	1st Blackheath Cub Pack
DAVIS , Sharon	Appt TL (S)	1st Blackheath Scout Troop
BONITZ , Tara	CSL	1st Kellyville Cub Pack <i>Zazu</i>
MOAT , Graeme	ASL	West Pennant Hills Valley Scout Troop
COCHRANE , Holly	Appt TL (J)	1st Springwood Joey Mob
WILLIAMS , Simone	CSL	1st Kings Langley Cub Pack
NEELY , Malcolm	SL	1st St Marys Scout Troop
WILLARD , Rex	ASL	1st Toongabbie Scout Troop
PRIEST , Matthew	SL	1st Cambridge Park Scout Troop

TRANSFERS

SIEDENTOPF , Charles	CSL	1st Kellyville Cub Pack <i>Zazu</i>
RIGBY , Robert	ASL	1st South Penrith Scout Troop <i>Gundooi</i>
WADE , Donnalee	ACSL	1st/2nd Blacktown Cub Pack
LOMAS , Kerri	CSL	1st/2nd Blacktown Cub Pack
OVERLAND , Joshua	Appt TL (S)	2nd Castle Hill Scout Troop
JOEL , Tallia	ASL	1st Ermington Scout Troop
DAVIS , Andrew	Appt TL (C)	1st Kellyville Cub Pack <i>Zazu</i>
DAVIS , Sharon	Appt TL (S)	1st Kellyville Scout Troop
BONITZ , Tara	ACSL	1st Kellyville Cub Pack <i>Zazu</i>
GARDNER , Phillip	RA (Rsp)	Nepean Rover Crew
MOAT , Graeme	Appt TL (S)	West Pennant Hills Valley Scout Troop
WELTON Denis	ASL	1st Winston Hills Scout Troop
WILLIAMS Simone	ACSL	1st Kings Langley Cub Pack
PRIEST , Matthew	Appt TL (S)	1st Cambridge Park Scout Troop
WILLARD , Rex	Appt TL (S)	1st Toongabbie Scout Troop
NEELY , Malcolm	Appt TL (S)	1st St Marys Scout Troop

RESIGNATIONS

BOOMLA , Farzeen	Appt TL (J)	1st Murray Farm Joey Mob
O'REILLY , Tracy	ACSL	1st South Penrith Cub Pack <i>Glenmore</i>
MCLENNAN , Honni	CSL	1st Blackheath Cub Pack
JARVIS , Deborah	ASL	1st Hawkesbury Scout Troop
JONES , Nelly	Appt TL (C)	1st South Penrith Cub Pack <i>Glenmore</i>
YOUNG , Bradley	Appt TL (C)	1st South Penrith Cub Pack <i>Glenmore</i>
LEACEY , Charles	CSL	1st Winston Hills Cub Pack
SIMPSON , Brett	Appt TL (S)	1st Glossodia Scout Troop
JEFFREE , Hollie	Appt TL (V)	1st Glossodia Venturer Unit
GREEN , Phillip	ACSL	2nd Castle Hill Cub Pack <i>Nackara</i>
SHAW , Mitchell	SL	1st Toongabbie Scout Troop

RADIO, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Floating up to Scouts

Our latest night was with 2nd Kings Langley Cubs and Scouts. From the pictures you can see the theme was a **Hover Night** based on friction.

When Charlotte booked us she mentioned that there would be a 'going up' ceremony for two of her Cubs on the night. This prompted me to suggest that a Hover night may be a good choice because we have used the hover disk before as a vehicle to transport the Cub up to Scouts.

The 'soon to be Scouts' were the first to ride the hover disk on the night, followed by the rest after the formalities. When I say the rest, well almost, as the battery went flat before the last Scout could have his ride.

Pictures by Akela (Charlotte Abnett)



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