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## **FROM THE REGION COMMISSIONER**

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I hope you all had a good break and have come back to scouting refreshed and ready to go for another busy year. We have the 25<sup>th</sup> Australian Jamboree in Adelaide early next year and I know there will be lots of fundraising throughout the coming year.

It was with a great deal of pride that I represented Region at a Queen's Scout presentation at South Penrith with David Stopps during this month. I congratulate Cameron Letta, Cooper Vanderjagt and Eva Cole who received their badges on the day. It was a pleasure to meet Councillor Karen McKeon of Penrith City Council and Emma Husar MP the Federal Member for Lindsay. Thanks ladies for your support of Scouting.

I also had the pleasure to write to Aidan Bath of 1<sup>st</sup> Kellyville Venturer Unit and Byron Davis of 1<sup>st</sup> North Rocks Venturer Unit on being awarded their Queen's Scout Award. Well done boys and congratulations to their units, leaders and parents on the assistance you have given to these two young men.

Congratulations to Phillipa Lovely, a Region Supporter, on receiving an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) in the Australia Day Awards. Pip was a long serving member of the Activities Team particularly involved in abseiling. She worked closely with our friend Frank Barr. I have emailed Pip with congratulations from GWS.

It is time to get your thinking caps on as I am looking for nominations for the 2018 Alan Overton AM Award to be presented at the Region ARP in May. Nominations should be emailed to me and close on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Please see details below.

I have just completed the Awards nominations for 2018 and I thank the leaders who took the time to nominate their fellow leaders and supporters.

I would comment that it has taken me over 70 hours (15 hours over the Australia Day long weekend) to read, do corrections and bulk up some of the citations. The final number is 62 compared with 91 in 2017. Now we have to prepare the nominations for State Office and the State Awards Committee.

From 5<sup>th</sup> February I will be taking six weeks leave of absence and David Stopps will be Acting Region commissioner for that period. My wife and I are looking forward to catching up with relations and some Scouting friends while we are away.

As always.....Carry on Scouting!

**Neville Henderson OAM**  
**Region Commissioner**

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## **THE ALAN OVERTON AWARD**

In 2017 the Region Executive decided that some form of recognition should be given to Alan Overton AM for his 22 years of service to GWSR as Region President.

To honour Alan we have established a special award called *The Alan Overton AM Award* which is presented annually at the region ARP.

The award will be presented to any person over 18, who has contributed to Scouting above and beyond that normally expected of a person involved in Scouting.

Anyone can nominate a leader or layside person connected with GWSR and the nominations will be considered by a committee consisting of the Region Commissioner and two other members appointed by him.

This award will in no way replace the adult recognition awards.

# MESSENGERS OF PEACE

In December last year, the Scouts from Westmead and Merrylands joined forces to organise a Christmas Food Drive to help the Parramatta City Mission which prepares and serves meals to the disadvantage and homeless three times a day, every day of the year!

The Scouts planned this activity after attending the *Messenger of Peace base* at the 2017 NSW Scout Rally.

After contacting Rev Hamilton at the Mission, the Scouts received a list of the non-perishable items most needed by the Mission. The scouts, using this list, asked shoppers entering the shopping centre to purchase one item from the list to donate to the Mission. The response was awesome. We collected the equivalent of 15 trolley loads of groceries, which was transported to Parramatta City Mission. Also collected was over \$200 in cash to help with the purchase of eggs and fresh vegetables.

Thanks to Col, Alex and the Leaders who helped to transport all the groceries - the generosity of the shoppers at Woolworths Plaza, Wentworthville was truly amazing!

Well done to the Scouts who participated: **Jasmine, Toby, Eric, Alannah, Fabian, Persi, Kshitiji, Aarush, Emilio Robert, Nicole, Taha, Sarah, Billy** and their Leaders **Moby, Aurora and Kimba**.

Each and everyone has truly earned and deserve to wear the Messenger of Peace badge.

**Christine McGrath (Kimba) SL**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Westmead**



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## ***CUB SCOUT REPORT***

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Welcome back to Cub Scouts for 2018. I hope you all had an enjoyable relaxing break and are ready for an exciting year of Cubing ahead.

As you may well be aware, after more than six years as the GWS Region Commissioner for Cub Scouts, Anne Thompson has decided to step back and retire from the role. I believe I speak for everyone when I say that Anne has done a wonderful job during this period. Anne is well respected and loved, and has been a wonderful support not only to her team of District Cub Scout Leaders but to all Cub leaders throughout the Region. Anne will continue to carry out the other Scouting roles she has been involved with over many years, including editor of the monthly Bulletin magazine and her support of Cumberland Gang Show.

Anne has also agreed to support me over the coming months during my settling in period whilst I recover from some medical issues, which I am most grateful for. I know I have big boots to fill.

We have some exciting and engaging activities for Cubs and Cub Leaders planned during 2018. Below is a summary of **Cub events for 2018:**

<b>March 10</b>	<b>Joey/Cub Fun day on the water</b>
<b>March 24</b>	<b>Cub Scout Leadership Course</b>
<b>May 4</b>	<b>Palanee</b>
<b>May 19-20</b>	<b>Intro to Scouts Camp (for 10 ½ yr old Cubs, hosted by Scout section)</b>
<b>May 26</b>	<b>Youth Helper Course</b>
<b>June 10</b>	<b>Cub Day @ Jamborette</b>
<b>August 10-12</b>	<b>State Palaver to be held in ACT</b>
<b>September 1</b>	<b>Cub Scout Leadership Course</b>
<b>Nov 10 &amp; 11</b>	<b>Cub Baanya</b>

All Region Cub activities can be found in the calendar on the Region website. Please check the website for further information and updates.

**Joey/Cub Fun Day on the Water: Saturday 10th March:** The Region Water Activities Team will be holding a Joey/Cub Fun Day on the water at Lake Parramatta. Full details and registrations can be found on the GWS website <https://events.greaterwestscouts.com.au/event/107>

**Cub Scout Leadership Course – Saturday 24th March**  
Our first Cub Scout Leadership Course for 2018 will be held at Bundilla Scout Camp. **The closing date for all applications is Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March.** Details including E1's will be forwarded to DLCS and Seonee Leaders in the coming week for distribution. Please remember the Cub Scout Leadership Course is not suitable for all Cubs and as such is an invitation only event. It is more suited to older Cubs that show

leadership potential. Assistance from leaders on the day is welcome, however as places are limited, you will need to let your District Leader know that you are interested.

### **Cub Scout Commissioners Challenge 2017:**

The Commissioners Challenge is open to all leaders in the Cub section, assessed and awarded by the State Commissioner Cubs in November each year. To be eligible, leaders must be able to demonstrate that they incorporate and run at least 15 key elements into their Cub Scout programme over a 12 month period. Successful applicants will receive a badge that can be worn on their uniform for 12 months. Further details and information can be found on the Region website at <https://www.greaterwestscouts.com.au/cubs/resources/580-leader-challenge-application-2017>

### **Congratulations to the following Cub Leaders for being awarded the Cub Scout Commissioners Challenge for 2017:**

**Jo Hillyard - 1<sup>st</sup> Blaxland**

**Mathew Oakey - 1<sup>st</sup> Blaxland**

**Tony Milne - 1<sup>st</sup> Blaxland**

**Matt James - 1<sup>st</sup> Blaxland**

**Katie Vane - 1<sup>st</sup> Blaxland**

**Liz Reibelt - Erskine Park**

**David Boulton - Erskine Park**

**Rachel Antala - Erskine Park**

**Charlotte Abnett - 2nd Kings Langley**

**Gillian Miller - 1<sup>st</sup> Oakville**

**Jodi Merryfull - 1<sup>st</sup> Oakville**

**Helen Hodge - 2<sup>nd</sup> Castle Hill**

**Tim Uidam - 1<sup>st</sup> Balcombe Heights**

**Phirooza Battiwalla - West Pennant Hills Valley**

**Gabie Thompson - Hills District**

**Anne Thompson - GWS Region**

### **Well done and congratulations on your achievement!**

I would love to get out and about to meet with you all. If you would like me to visit your Cub meeting, Pack Council, District Seonee, Cub Pack Holiday or to present a Grey Wolf Award, then please email me.

If you have any questions, suggestions or ideas, also email me. I am looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

**Gabie Thompson (Darzee) RC Cub Scouts**  
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From the National Executive Committee  
Scouts Australia  
Effective from April 16, 2018

**AGE RANGES FOR CUB SCOUT SECTION**

- The young person must have had their 8th birthday prior to commencing in the section.
- Youth are able to commence their progression to the Scout section at any time after their 11th birthday, and will have completed their progression by their 12th birthday.
- It is recognised that some young people with special or cultural needs may require additional considerations regarding age and their developmental levels. As these cases will be highly individual, each Branch should establish mechanisms to enable such accommodations to be considered, This should occur in consultation with the youth member’s Parents/Guardians, the Group Council and the youth member where possible.



**BASIC SCOUTING CAMP**

**Bundilla Scout Camp**

**7am Saturday May 19 to  
3pm Sunday May 20**

**For all 10½ and 11 year old cubs  
and new scouts**

**You will complete your Scout Craft  
and part of your Pioneer badge**

**\$15 pp**

**Register your Patrol now  
through the EMS**



**FROM THE SCOUT DEN**

I hope you have had an enjoyable and restful break over the summer. You should all be rejuvenated and raring to go for another action packed year in the Scouting world!

We have a special ‘*Introduction to Scouting*’ camp coming up in May and all 10.5 year old cubs and new scouts are eligible to attend. The camp is aimed to help scouts gain their Scoutcraft badge and parts of the Pioneer Badge.

It will be held at Bundilla and we will need the help of older scouts to run bases and be Patrol Leaders. The camp is a Scout Medallion Leadership activity and will be run by the Region Scout Youth Council with the help of Region Leaders. Cost is \$15 per person and camping will be in troop format. Online registrations opened on 1<sup>st</sup> February via the region EMS.

Don’t forget ***Scout Hike will be held on May 4 - 6***. Early bird registration opened on February 3 and the theme is ***25 years and Into the Future***. This is a light weight competition hike; 24 of the 28 bases are based around the award scheme.

As you all are aware the ***41<sup>st</sup> Jamborette*** is coming up. Yes it will be at Cataract again – it’s the only place big enough for us now! This year the theme is ***Time to Fast Forward***. Registrations will be open soon but the closing date has been moved forward to the 12<sup>th</sup> May. There will be no early bird registration. All 10.5year old cubs will be invited to camp for the whole weekend as a ***Try Scouting*** event. So cubs need to keep an eye out for their invitations in the mail.

The ***Australian Scout Medallion Presentation*** is in March. Congratulations to Zaki Razi (1<sup>st</sup> Carlingford) Lachlan Diego (2<sup>nd</sup> Castle Hill), Kai Hansen (1<sup>st</sup> South Penrith), Lachlan Murray (2<sup>nd</sup> Castle Hill) and Elizabeth Jenkinson (1<sup>st</sup> Grose Vale). BRAVO!!!

I still have some of the power banks left from last year. If anyone would like some please let me know - \$10 each.

Remember to keep an eye on ***PatrolTent*** – things are changing all the time!

Tracey Stopps (Wiangi) RC Scouts  
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## **VENTURER REPORT**

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I would like to congratulate the following 9 Venturers on achieving their Queen's Scout Award:

- **Katelyn Woods and Furqan Chowdhury from 1st/2nd Blacktown**
- **Byron Davis from 1st North Rocks**
- **Aidan Bath from 1st Kellyville**
- **David Elliot from 1st Springwood**
- **Sean Turner from 1st Winston Hills**
- **Caitlyn Wilby, Emma Katen and Anusha Pillai from 1st Carlingford**

**Bravo  
Bravissimo**

I also attended the presentation for Eva, Cooper and Cameron at 1<sup>st</sup> South Penrith.

That brings the total number of Queen's Scout awardees for 2017 to eighteen - the most since Greater Western Sydney Region commenced in 1990 (when we had 21 awardees). So far for 2018 we have five.

Congratulations to the Venturers, their families and their Units on such a wonderful achievement.



We had a strong contingent from GWS attend the **Australian Venture in Queensland** in early January. I have spoken to a number of the attendees and by all accounts it was a very successful event and everyone had a great time.

I joined a party of Scouts, leaders and three of our Venturers on a hike from Jenolan to Katoomba via the Jenolan River (also known as Hellgate Gorge).

This was an epic six day walk over nearly 60 km. Almost a repeat of last year's walk with a diversion to Galong Creek and Tinpot Hill and a climb up Taros Ladder to Narrowneck.

A test of endurance, perseverance and skills. I am consistently in awe of the capabilities and resilience of our youth as I struggle to keep up with them! Thanks to Tristan Flores for organising the hike and Connor Kennedy from 1st South Penrith Venturers for his leadership of the hike.



### **How Vennies finish a hike!**

A number of our Venturers and linking Scouts from across all GWS Districts attended **Vertigo**, the first State Venturer Camp on the Australia Day weekend at Glenfield. This was something of a relaxing weekend with a mix of games, chilling out, celebrating our national day and fun at Wet'n'Wild.



## SCIENTIFIC SCOUTS IN ACTION



This was an initiative very much down to the youth led, adult supported line with the program developed by members of the State Venturer Youth Council. Thanks to our rep Bryn Catlin, now a Rover, who was very busy the whole weekend making things work. It was a great weekend.

Despite our best efforts, not everything goes to plan. We have made the hard decision to cancel the planned **Roventure Camp** in February. This was a very ambitious undertaking and something we still would like to pursue, just not this time. Thanks to the RRC, the Roventure organising committee and Erin Walker in particular for her hard work in setting us up for the future.

Finally, with a great deal of sadness, I received news from Shaun Lesslie that he has decided to resign from his position as District Leader (Venturer Scouts) Hills District. Shaun has worked as a leader at 1st Kellyville, Hills South and Parramatta Districts over past 10 years.

Last year, Shaun pulled out all stops and conceived, developed and ran the 2017 Waratah **Tah Vinci Code**. This was a mammoth effort spanning the Sydney basin from Windsor, the city, Bundilla and Parramatta. Shaun also took on the role of setting up the Environment Camp program at GWS (while we take stock, we'll cut back to one camp in September this year). Thanks Shaun, enjoy your retirement - you will be missed!

I look forward to seeing everyone as the Scout year starts again.

**Brian Nelson RC Venturer Scouts**

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This year we are getting scientific. Physics, Space, Chemistry and Natural Sciences are all part of the 2018 Scouts in Action Month theme.

There are lots of Programme and Award scheme opportunities for all Sections from Joey Scouts through to Rovers.

Here is a taste of some ideas for 2018 - <https://www.questacon.edu.au/outreach/programs/science-circus/videos> from Questacon - The National Science and Technology Centre

Make your own lava lamp or Mentos fountain, that has to be lots of fun! What about making some elephant's toothpaste.

Lock in August for Scouts in Action Month 2018 and keep an eye on the website [www.scoutsinactionmonth.com](http://www.scoutsinactionmonth.com) (currently under construction) for programmes, activities and ideas.



### SCOUTS NSW - ACTIVE KIDS REBATE PROGRAM

The NSW Government's Active Kids program launched on 31 January 2018, is helping families across the State meet the cost of enrolling their children into recreation, sport and active fitness activities. Scouts NSW is an eligible Active Kids rebate provider. This means that parents and carers in NSW can claim up to \$100 per school-aged child, per year, as a voucher to cover the cost of their Scouts NSW membership fees.

This gives Scout Groups a fantastic opportunity to support their current members, recruit new youth members and grow their membership, while opening up more opportunities for Scouts NSW as a whole to collaborate with the NSW Government in future programs that encourage active, healthy living.

A number of communication and marketing materials have been prepared to support Scouts Groups to make the most of this opportunity. Each Region, District and Scout Group will receive a hard copy of an Active Kids resource pack, which will include a Group Leader's Guide, a Treasurer's Guide, A3 and A4 Posters, DL Brochures and Quick Info Cards. Groups can distribute the materials enclosed in the Resource Pack to parents and carers of current members, as well as prospective families interested in joining Scouts.

Everything in the Resource Pack as well as additional materials can be found on the Scouts NSW website and are available for download on the Scouts NSW Active Kids Rebate Program website.

<http://www.nsw.scouts.com.au/activekids/>

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## **ROVER REPORT**

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**HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYBODY AND  
HAPPIEST NEW CENTURY ROVERS!!!**

That's right, 2018 is the Centenary of Rover Scouts in Australia. That's 100 years of service, Crew meetings, personal development and friends for life - it's mind blowing!

I guess time really does fly when you're having fun. National, State and our GWS Crews have big plans in the works to celebrate the achievement and work on how we can grow and get ready for another wonderful 100!

Since we last spoke, summer has started off with a bang. Westmead Rovers ventured to Nepal and managed to complete the Everest Base Camp Trek and come back in one piece! BRAVO!



**1st Westmead's  
Everest Base Camp trek**

We also had a number of GWS Rovers elected onto the incoming NSW Rover Council.

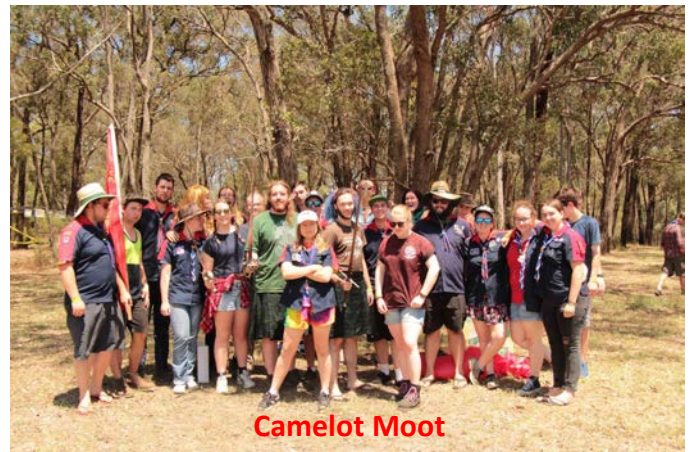
**Vice Chairman: Natalie Castellanos (Kings Langley)**

**Communications Officer: Chris Ward (2nd Castle Hill)**

**Training Officer: Rachel Ewings (2nd Baulkham Hills)**

**NRC Delegate: Rachael Fulton (2nd Castle Hill)**

Congrats team! It's great to see your initiative and enthusiasm to give back more to the Rover Section!



Our crews have also welcomed the warm weather with swimming at the beach, BBQ fundraisers and Moots galore. In case you weren't in the know, summer is the season of Moots. We've already made appearances at 1st Narwee's Camelot Moot, Mootosaurus in ACT, and ScaT Rovers' Tradie Moot which of course Nepean Rovers won! That's the way!

We also have a number of Rovers making their way to international events like NZ Moot and Roverway this year! Have the best time!

**PR & Internet Officer - GWS Rovers**

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2018 is the world-wide centenary of Rovers, and Crews across GWS have been demonstrating the great range of activities on offer in the Rover program. From 1st Westmead conquering the Everest Base Camp Trek, 2nd Baulkham Hills Outdoor canyoning the Wollangambe or Hawkesbury River on their latest canoeing adventure.

Be sure to visit your local Rover Crew today to learn more about the exciting activities coming up in the program and join the celebration – Rovers 100!

**Aaron Wardle International Commissioner**

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**1st Westmead Nepal Trek**



**Hawkesbury River Rovers Canoe Hike**



**2nd Baulkham Hills Outdoor Crew**





# GWS REGION ACTIVITIES

Welcome back to Scouts for 2018, and another year of great adventurous activities.

## So, what is it going to be this year?

Jumping off a cliff for an abseil; crawling through a hole in a cave; perhaps doing an overnight canoe journey or even a multi-day bushwalk. What about combining bushwalking, swimming and abseiling all together and do a canyon! Maybe it's just the water calling. Let the wind direct you as you learn to sail a boat or paddle a canoe - in a straight line! Maybe it's more the wonders of physics and electricity, with the science base unique to our Region; or talking to a fellow scout on the other side of the world, via radio. What about performing in front of 8000+ people with Gang Show; or if you are anything like me, who cannot sing, go to the "Dark side", and be part of the backstage team.

*We have so much opportunity. You would be really struggling to find another organisation anywhere, which covers such a myriad of experiences that we can offer within Scouting ...and even our youth members have an awesome time too!*

While many of us were enjoying holidays and family time, some were still out and about and getting into some serious outdoor fun.

There were two teams both on separate trips, who walked the Overland Track in Tasmania. This would be one of the most iconic hikes you can do in Australia. It can be hot and sunny one day, and blizzarding the next.



Crew members from 2<sup>nd</sup> Baulkham Hills Rover Crew along with David (Macca) McKinley and Ross Smith all strike a pose for the camera, on the Overland Track in Tasmania.

Keith Travers organized another five day sailing workshop on Lake Chipping Norton with 9 participants in attendance. Unfortunately, he had to cancel the last day and a half after strong winds made conditions rather difficult.



**Sometimes the conditions are just not suitable.**

**Photo: Keith Travers**

As I look over the last few years, despite all the activities which are happening, we have been very fortunate not to have had any major accidents or incidents. I do not put this down to simply good luck. I do believe it is the skill and care of so many of you to ensure the safety and well-being of all.

Over January I had the opportunity to do some hiking (Tramping) in New Zealand. Being in fairly remote areas, I was made very aware of their **Outdoor Safety Code**. Five simple rules which are as relevant here as they are in New Zealand.

Let me share them with you....

## 1. PLAN YOUR TRIP

See local knowledge and plan your route you will take and the amount of time you can reasonably expect it to take.

## 2 TELL SOMEONE

Tell someone your plans and leave a date for when to raise the alarm if you haven't returned.

### 3. BE AWARE OF THE WEATHER

Weather can be highly unpredictable. Check the forecast and expect weather changes.

### 4. KNOW YOUR LIMITS

Challenge yourself within your physical limits and experience.

### 5. TAKE SUFFICIENT SUPPLIES

Make sure you have enough food, equipment, clothing and emergency rations for the worst-case-scenario. Take an appropriate means of communication.

I have not translated this into "Scout" talk. This is as it is. Nothing new here but certainly a great reminder to all.

So, as we kick off for a new year, let me bring out an old quote; *"Have adventurous fun but be activity safe!"*

**Mark Fell (DINGO) or Mr Fuller, to those in the know!**

RC Activities

Stage Manager CGS

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## APPOINTMENT LIST

### APPOINTMENT

**HUANG, Zeyun** From ACSL 1st Roselea Pack  
To CSL-P WS (BLIA) Cub Pack

### RESIGNATION

**FENNELL, Pauline SL-P**  
1st/2nd Merrylands (St Anne's) Scout Troop

**CUMBERLAND GANG SHOW PRESENTS:**

**FEEL THE BEAT**

**13TH - 21ST JULY 2018**

SCOUTS GIRL GUIDES AUSTRALIA

Riverside Theatres, Parramatta  
enquiries: [www.gangshow.asn.au](http://www.gangshow.asn.au)  
bookings: [riversideparramatta.com.au](http://riversideparramatta.com.au)

**RIVERSIDE THEATRES**

Cumberland Gang Show is inviting everybody along to Feel the Beat. In a brand new show with lots of laughs and toe-tapping songs. Rehearsals start on 10<sup>th</sup> March and tickets will be available from the cast from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April. More information at [www.gangshow.asn.au](http://www.gangshow.asn.au)

Workshops – teams are available to run age-appropriate performing arts activities in section meetings. To make a booking please email [workshops@gangshow.asn.au](mailto:workshops@gangshow.asn.au)

# INTERNATIONAL SCOUTING

## 14th New Zealand Venture 2019

Applications open this month to attend the 14th New Zealand Venture in January 2019. **Illuminate 2019** will be held in Kaiwaka, Northland with a post tour in Rotorua. Applications are limited to the first 500 participants. There is also an optional pre-tour in Queenstown available for an additional fee.

Full details are available from [www.nzv2019.com](http://www.nzv2019.com)



## Scouts International Student Exchange Program (SISEP)

Venturer Scouts aged 16 and 17 are eligible to travel to Japan, Scotland, Denmark or Indonesia for up to six weeks next summer. Applications close on 31st March 2018. Apply today at

<https://registrations.international.scouts.com.au>



Aaron Wardle  
International Commissioner  
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## Contingent Leader Applications

Applications are also currently open for Contingent Leader roles to the following events:

- **77th New Zealand Rover Moot 2019**
- **22nd New Zealand Jamboree 2020**
- **3rd European Jamboree Poland 2020**

The role of Contingent Leader is a hugely rewarding experience leading participants from around Australia to experience overseas culture.

If you have experience at running small events and looking for a challenge, why not consider applying for one of these positions.

There is also an open call for volunteers to join the Australian International Team in a range of other projects.

Applications for all of these roles close on 28th February 2018. For further details, please visit [www.international.scouts.com.au](http://www.international.scouts.com.au)

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## **BUSHWALKING**

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Jenolan River January 14 - 19, 2018 Kanangra Boyd Wilderness Area. 6 Days, 60 km, Hard Grade. Aspects and skills development included difficult access; dynamic aquatic environments; technical and endurance. Tristan Flores - GWSR Leader Bushwalking Email: [bushwalking@greaterwestscouts.com.au](mailto:bushwalking@greaterwestscouts.com.au)



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