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FROM THE REGION COMMISSIONER

Our Region Annual Report Presentation is on 27th May 2018 at 2.30pm and we would like to see a full room for this meeting as we have a number of politicians attending on the day. The meeting will be followed by our usual excellent afternoon tea.

The disabled friendly toilets are close to completion with only some painting to be done and a special thanks to David Stopps for the project management on this work. They will be open for inspection at our ARP.

I have had the pleasure to attend several events during the month; kicked off with attendance at the ANZAC Day Service at The Richmond Club where my Granddaughter Laura from 1st Grose Vale Scouts (representing her school) and Lawson Doyle from 1st Hawkesbury Cubs gave presentations entitled "ANZAC Day through a young person's eyes". We can be very proud when we have young people of this calibre in our region. Thank you to all the Scouting members who participated in Dawn Services, ANZAC Services and attended the march in the city.

It was great to see around 40 Cub Scout Leaders attend the Region Palanee at Bundilla recently and I was privileged to be invited to attend as a guest. Congratulations to Gabie Thompson and her excellent district team members. I learned a bit about the planets on the night! A big 1-2-3 Woof to all concerned.

As my son has been away overseas I have been delivering my grandchildren to their Scouting nights and I saw an example the other night of "put the out into scouting" when a patrol conducted a night hike in the Blue Mountains National Park. They all returned safely and I was told they enjoyed a great experience. I can assure you that it is very dark when you go off the tar and onto a dirt road at 8.30pm at night.

The Hawkesbury Scout Groups held their annual St George's Day Service at North Richmond Community Centre and I was pleased to see the attendance of around 70 people on the night. It makes me proud to see all the various sections from Joeys to Rovers represented.

Just a reminder that tickets are now available for Cumberland Gang Show and if you purchase them between now and 2nd July you will be entitled to a 15% discount.

I hope your ARPs are going well as it is now time to get them up and running prior to the Region ARP. There was an error in the covering note to Groups about the Scout Group financial year – which should have been listed as 1 January to 31 December (this

has been updated). The rest of the document remains the same. The original link has been expired.

The updated ARP Pack can be obtained electronically via this **updated** downloadable link <https://spaces.hightail.com/receive/xI3GamMwMX>

I look forward to the next three months and don't forget - until then ... Carry on Scouting

Neville Henderson OAM JP

Region Commissioner

Email: rc@greaterwestscouts.com.au



Audrey Reed
Friday 11th May 2018
at the age of 100

Audrey spent more than 60 years involved with 1st Wentworthville Scout Group. She was an extraordinary woman and one that will be missed. She was secretary and the rock of the Group for so many years.

Audrey also carried the Olympic Torch, was Senior Citizen of the Year and taught everyone how to knit and crochet right up until the end. Every knitted blanket in the nursing home was made with the help of Audrey!

She will be interred on Friday 25th May 2018 at 11am, North Chapel Pinegrove.

Rest In Peace



1st Hawkesbury Scout Group

Like many other Scout Groups, 1st Hawkesbury attended a number of ANZAC Day services.

Hawkesbury District was invited to an ANZAC Service hosted by The Richmond Club. In that invitation we were asked if we could have one youth member give a talk on "What ANZAC means to me". Lawson Doyle, a 9 year old Cub from 1st Hawkesbury, was quick to put up his hand to say he would like to do it.

Along with five other School representatives, Lawson gave his moving speech very confidently in front of a crowd of nearly 200 people. I believe that what made Lawson's speech so moving, was that he was able to reflect on personal experiences with his Uncle who is currently serving with the Army's Special Forces. The end of his speech saw some people in tears and Lawson received a large round of applause from the crowd.



1—2—3 Woof Lawson

To read the article from the Hawkesbury Gazette, which covered the service, and did a feature on Lawson, go to <http://www.hawkesburygazette.com.au/story/5363529/lawson-embodies-anzac-spirit/>

There is also a video in the article for the whole of the Service, but if you would like to see Lawson's speech, he came on at the 35:33 point of the video.

I would also like to note that Laura Henderson a Scout from 1st Grose Vale Scout Group recited a poem at the Service, however she was representing Grose View Public School. Well done Laura.

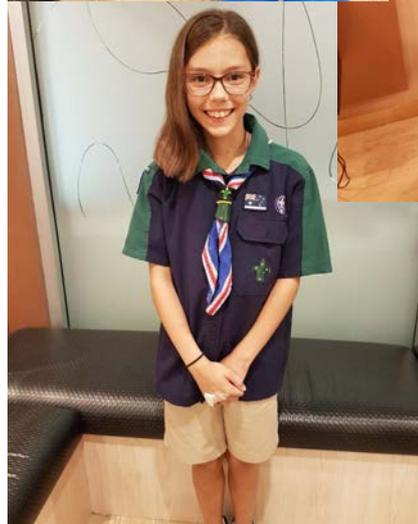
Phil Heinrich DC
Hawkesbury District

World's Greatest Shave

After 10 years of growing her hair Jade Massingham, 1st Hawkesbury Scout Group, took the plunge and cut 45cm off her long hair to raise funds for the **World's Greatest Shave**.

Jade raised almost \$2,500

Phil Heinrich GL
1st Hawkesbury Scout Group



Before, during and after

Bravo Jade!

CHANGE TO GWS REGION BANK DETAILS

All payments including Membership Fees
Asset Management and
Region Courses and Events must be paid
into this account.

Account details are as follows:

BSB: 032 000

Account Number: 213088

Kim Harris & Wendy Dimmock
GWS Region Office T: 9639 2488

CUB SCOUT REPORT

I had the pleasure of arranging my first Region Palanee on Friday 4th May. I would just like to say, it was a wonderful evening. Forty Cub Scout Leaders joined the Region Seonee team at Bundilla for a great night of fun and games at the Region Palanee 'May the fourth be with you', with the theme of the night being 'Space'.

The Region Seonee team did a fantastic job of putting together a Cub Program for the Leaders to participate in and the skies were clear for star gazing. This was followed by a chat, tea/coffee and cake and a visit from the Region Commissioner, Neville Henderson.

A huge thank you to all the Cub leaders for giving up two hours of their time on a Friday night to join in this event. A great big shout out to all that assisted on the night including, Jeff Hook, Michelle McLean, Ian Lutz, Jim Abbott, Andrew Selmes and Robert Rigby. A great deal of fun was had by all!

I have visited a number of Packs in the past month and I would like to thank each Pack for being very welcoming. I look forward to visiting many more Packs this month.

NSW/ACT State Palaver: For those Cub Leaders that enjoyed the Region Palanee and for those that missed out, please have a look at attending the NSW/ACT State Palaver. This year, the Palaver will be held at Camp Cottermouth, in the ACT from Friday 17th August to Sunday 19th August 2018, and it will be a joint event with ACT Branch. The cost for the full weekend in Cabin Accommodation is \$100.00. As this is a training weekend, the cost should be covered by your Scout Group – please discuss this with your Group Leader. The Region is currently looking into the hire of a mini bus or coach for travel there and back at no cost to the participants. To find out more and to register, visit the Region event management system at <https://events.greaterwestscouts.com.au/event/138>

Cub Day at Jamborette: All Cub Packs are invited to attend the Cub Day at the Region Scout Jamborette on Sunday **10 June 2018**, between 9.30am and 3.30pm. Cubs will be able to participate in a wide range of activities during the day, including Caving! The Region Seonee will also be conducting the Region Pack Council during the day. *Attendance to Region Pack Council is by invitation only, so please speak to your District Seonee Leader in regards to this.* Applications are open and can be made through the GWS Event registration system: <https://events.greaterwestscouts.com.au/event/142> **Applications close Monday 21st May, so don't delay, register now!**

NSW Cuboree 2020: Applications for GWS Region Roles

Thank you to Tracey Hansford for applying for the role of GWS Region Activity Base Manager. Tracey has been appointed to the role and is already working on plans and ideas for the wonderful base activities. Applications are still open for the remaining two roles of GWS Region Liaison Manager and GWS Region Register. If you would like to find out more, feel like you have what it takes, would like to take on a new challenge, and would like to apply for one of these roles, please submit your application here: <https://form.jotform.co/GabrielleThompson/Cuboree-2020> by Friday 1st June 2018.

Gabie Thompson (Darzee) RC Cub Scouts
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Congratulations to the following Cubs who have achieved their Grey Wolf Award

Rupert Hill
1st Blaxland

Reuben Matthews
1st Carlingford

Jason Ong
1st Carlingford

Jaswant Yuvaraj
1st Westmead

Amanda Khor
1st Carlingford

Wayne Fisher
1st North Mt Druitt

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Cuboree 2020 – GWS Region Roles:

Region Liaison Manager

Role Description:

- Is a member of the Camp Chief's Directorate Team
- Is the go-to person for all strategic, operational and logistical information for the Region
- Works with, but is not also, the Region Activity Base Manager
- Works with, but is not also, the Region Registrar
- May be the Region Commissioner Cub Scouts if they are not also the Region Activity Base Manager or Region Registrar
- Represents the interests of all Cub Leaders, members and parents in the Region to the Cuboree Organising Committee via the Camp Chief
- Approves all attendees from the Region
- Ensures all attendees from the Region are suitable supported with a local contact and support person in the lead up to and at the event, including Cubs, Junior Service Leaders, Service Leaders and Parent Helpers. This may include providing specific and identified appointed adults to provide this service for different types of attendee.
- Supports the Logistics, Support & Admin and Infrastructure team on operational matters such as buses, local support issues, camping allocations, marketing & communications and similar task by linking those directorates with the local members and families in the Region

Region Registrar

Role Description:

- Is a member of the Admin Manager's Team
- Is the go-to person for all registration, payment and membership qualification information for the Region.
- Works with, but is not also, the Region Liaison Manager
- May be the Region Commissioner Cub Scouts if they are not also the Region Activity Base Manager or Region Liaison Manager
- Uses the Cuboree On Line Electronic Registration system (OLEMS) to ensure attendees accurately and fully complete all requirements of registration, qualification and payment to attend the event
- Manages any paperwork associated with the registration and payment by attendees
- Works with the Finance Manager's Team to ensure all payments and any expense claims for the Region are handled efficiently and correctly
- Provides technical support to attendees in how to register
- May choose to attend the event in another role or just provide support outside of the event.

APPOINTMENTS LIST - GWSR



APPOINTMENTS

BURROWS, Noriko	AVSL	1st Carlingford Venturer Unit
ELLIOT, Rebecca	From GL-P To GA	1st Hazelbrook Scout Group 1st Hazelbrook Scout Group
KELLEHER, Mallory	From T/Ldr (CS) To CSL-P	1st Springwood Cub Pack <i>Tibrogargan</i> 1st Springwood Cub Pack <i>Tibrogargan</i>
RICKARDS, Benjamin	From T/Ldr (CS) To ACSL	1st Springwood Cub Pack <i>Tibrogargan</i> 1st Springwood Cub Pack <i>Tibrogargan</i>
ROWE, Naomi	From T/Ldr (S) To ASL	1st Westmead Scout Troop 1st Westmead Scout Troop
THOMPSON, Andrew	From T/Ldr (Reg) To RA (Rsp)	Greater Western Sydney Region Blacktown Rover Crew (Group)
TOMKINS, Joanne	From T/Ldr (JS) To AJSL	1st Springwood Joey Mob 1st Springwood Joey Mob

APPOINTMENTS LIST - THE GOLDEN WEST



APPOINTMENT

JEWELL, Brian	From RC (Act) To ACSL	The Golden West Region 1st Kandos Cub Pack
ROBINSON-CARROLL, Rebecca-Lyn	From T/Ldr (JS) To AJSL	3rd Bathurst (All Saints Cathedral) Joey Mob 3rd Bathurst (All Saints Cathedral) Joey Mob

CGS 50th Anniversary Committee Fundraiser

Get your Entertainment Membership NOW to help raise funds for Cumberland Gang Show's 50th Anniversary celebrations in 2019!



You can help us by buying an Entertainment Book or a Digital Membership. Both contain hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, but the Digital Membership gives you the convenience of the traditional Entertainment Book on your Apple or Android device so you can redeem on the go.

Not only will you receive 25 to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for many of the best restaurants, hotels and attractions in your area but you'll be supporting us to raise funds for Cumberland's 50th Anniversary - 20% of each membership comes back to CGS to support our fundraising. You will still get great value out of your membership even if you don't eat out a lot.

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If you are a prior Entertainment book member, ensure you use the above link to support CGS—don't follow any 'renewal' links you may receive.

Please spread the word among your family, friends and colleagues – thank you.

FROM THE SCOUT DEN

It looks like we will have 9 troops going to AJ2019. Registrations for AJ2019 are still open but there is no guarantee that you will be camping with your troop. This is an awesome event that everyone should experience if they can. There is help out there for the cost: Contact Wendy White or the Receptionist at NSW State Office to have one of these packs sent out to a particular family who may need some assistance with sending their Scout to AJ2019.

The close off date for these funding assistance applications is 15 June 2018.

As you all are aware the 41st Jamborette is coming up. Yes it will be at Cataract again this year the theme is 'Time to Fast Forward'. Registrations are CLOSED! We have over 1000 people registered including people from the ACT and some Guides. I hope they enjoy it as much as we do!

Sorry about last month I made a mistake:

State Rally (not Scout Hike) is coming up in August and will be held at Cataract with a few changes this year. Our RAC is Witches and Wizards and will host some amazing activities. Camping will be standing but with the reintroduction of the weigh system it will be a light weight camp. You will also have the freedom to move about the bases and RAC as you wish but you will need to check in at each. I'm excited to see our activities come together. I expect more districts to participate this year with the new changes and have more leaders to help. I have it on very, very good authority that Quidditch will be played.....

I would also like to ask if any troops have Witches or Wizards themed decorations that we could possibly borrow for our RAC – of course they would be returned. I am hoping to make the RAC as exciting and fun as possible.

Scout Hike was held in Wingello state forest on 4-6th May. It was a great weekend! Just the right amount of sunshine and plenty of activities to do. I only caught up with one of our patrols but I know there were plenty around. I did get to see most of the bases which I enjoyed and got a few ideas for State Rally.

If anyone has some photos and a story about what they have been up to lately please email them to me and I'll add them into this section if I can. I know there you are all out there doing exciting things.

It's also time to think about if scouts would like to attend the 2020 Cuboree as a Junior Service leader. We have started to plan for this amazing event and have so exciting activities planned not only for the cubs but for the JSL and Leaders. It will be a little

different from past Cuborees as it will involve the NYP and we are hoping to have JSLs and Leaders signed off on a number of OAS outcomes. But more on that later!

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

****NEWS****

Patrol Tent have updated the format to the ASM applications. Please check these out ASAP!!!

Tracey Stopps (Wiangi) RC Scouts

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My sincere apologies to Tracey for running the same report this month as last month—hence Version 2 of the May Bulletin. Perhaps it is time for me to retire as Editor!



Feel the Beat - Cumberland Gang Show 2018

170 Scout and Guide cast members, 8 performances only, 2 hours of live theatre. Plan your outing now - get your tickets to the greatest show in town. Ticket details tickets.gangshow.asn.au

Would you like us to come and visit your group?
Contact us at workshops@gangshow.asn.au

Want to get involved? Support teams now taking applications, great work experience opportunities for youth members 16 years and over. Contact us at info@gangshow.asn.au



VENTURER REPORT

School holidays and an early Easter saw a fairly quiet April this year, with Anzac day and our Initiative Course in early May being our biggest activities. I am pleased to see Queen's Scout Award work progressing and I hope to make some announcements next month.

During the school holidays, Venturers from 2nd Baulkham Hills went to Vanuatu for a mix of adventure, service, sharing skills and commemorating ANZAC Day.



We have a whopping 168 Venturers registered for Jamborette in June this year. This is always a great opportunity for the Venturers to work with the Scouts and get the older ones excited about moving up to Venturers. See you all there!

Brian Nelson RC Venturer Scouts

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Watering in a Winter Wonderland

Winter is coming! Or rather by the time this note reaches the Bulletin, winter will be here!

The Water Activities Team believes that the best time for touring in canoes is in winter and early spring. Why, you might ask? Because you don't get too hot and sweaty paddling and, most water skiers, speed boats and jet skis are tucked away for the Winter, so Scouts can have some of the best waterways to ourselves (almost).

This season, we have 3 enticing and exciting overnight journeys for Scouts, Ventures, Rovers and Leaders to attend. These journeys are great preparation for Scouts and Venturers looking to improve their paddling and gain experience to undertake their Red, Blue and Green cord journeys (Scouts) and Venturer Outdoors tapes. We will have the capacity to host one or two red and blue cord hikes on each journey. Journeys using Region Equipment and including camping fees \$65. Journeys using Group equipment - \$10 -25 depending on camp fees. All journeys are self-catered, with lightweight hiking gear recommended.

Canoe Hike 1: Level 1 and above paddlers - Windsor to Cattai (return) 23-24 June. Book on the GWS EMS – **Registrations close 7th June.** Limited numbers book quickly.

A novice journey of approximately 24 kms over 2 days. Great for new paddlers who have attended a canoe workshop or those returning to paddling after a time off.

Day 1 From Windsor, the river unravels towards the sea across flood plains and through spectacular sandstone country more than 200 million years old. Along its banks, the Hawkesbury tells the story of the earliest days of



Venturers from 1st South Penrith arranged a remote area first aid course to support their upcoming trip to JamboRi (that's the Irish National Jamboree).



Finally, Venturers from 1st Glossodia are in final stages of preparation for their trip to Sweden to walk the Kings Trail.

British settlement. This area blossomed into a food bowl for the colony. The river cradled a flourishing trade, as steamers carried passengers and goods up and down the Hawkesbury. The river was a lifeline for settlers, and it remains a timeline.

A couple of hours' paddle from Windsor, perched above a languid bend in the river, is the oldest church in Australia. Ebenezer Church is more than the final resting place for many of the area's pioneers; it is also an ideal exploring stop for us. While the sandstone church may feed the soul, there's also a café to feed the stomach! You will need to bring some money if you want to partake in the delights of the café. We will stop at the café for a Devonshire tea, hopefully piling the scones with great home-made jam! Note – the café only sells Devonshire Teas. We will have a wander around the Church, schoolhouse and cemetery, before we return to our canoes and travel back across the river to our camp site in the Cattai National Park.

Day 2 12kms – upstream. On our return journey we will learn about the economies of paddling, learning to paddle to a race line (travelling the shortest distance possible and how to read the river and use the conditions to protect us from the fast-moving currents.

Canoe Hike 2: Parramatta on the Hawkesbury – Overnight Hike for Level 2 paddlers and above 28-29 July. Registrations close 13 July.

Overnight Canoe Hike – For the proficient and those who listen - Distance 30 kms over 2 days (for the non-proficient or those who don't pay attention 40 kms!!) - Brooklyn to Spencer return. Refer GWS EMS for more details - Numbers limited to 14 participants.

A great winter hike! This hike is not recommended for inexperienced paddlers due to strong tidal flows. Best suited for paddlers with some paddling experience (Level 2 Scout or Venturers and Adults - SIS L2 or L2 equivalent with experience) - Scout age and above. This hike is suitable for a Scout Blue Cord journey, or a Red Cord journey (one way). Scouts must have the recommendation of their leader to attend.

Day 1 16 kms - Travel upstream with the assistance of the incoming tide towards Spencer via Milsons Island. We will stop at the village of Spencer for a drink of hot chocolate or coffee, refill water and eat lunch, and to use the bathrooms. After lunch we will paddle across the mighty Hawkesbury to our campsite at Gentleman's Halt and set up Camp.

Once camp is set up, we will go for a paddle upstream towards Gundermann, returning on the outgoing tide around 3pm, for a bush walk, some free time and maybe a play board game after dinner.

Day 2 16kms - downstream - anticipated speed 3kph. Departing at 9.30am, it will be a little more challenging as we will be paddling against the tide. Today we will hug the banks and look for economies, learning to paddle to a race line, using the sheltered banks to protect us from the fast-moving current in the centre of the river. At Bar Point we will be turning across to the left side of the river to head over towards the shallows at Cascade Gully where we will search for the wreck of HMAS Parramatta which was abandoned in the River last century. We will continue to hug the shoreline back to Deerubbun Reserve.

Canoe Hike 3: Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous (Overnight Hike on Pittwater) - Scout L2 and above 1-2 September 2018. Closes 16 August 2018.

A great overnight 30km paddle through the domain of the rich and famous on fabulous Pittwater. Staying overnight at beautiful "the Basin" campground we will take the Scenic Route and return to Bayview via Scotland Island on Sunday afternoon. Suitable for Level 2 Scout or Level 2 or above SIS qualified paddlers or Scouts wishing to cover a Blue Cord or Red Cord Journey or Venturers looking for an Outdoors sign off.

Scouts must have the recommendation of their leader to participate and have sufficient skills to maintain an average 4-5 kph paddling rate (which means you can paddle a boat in a straight line and have had a few experiences in canoes on your log book).

**Tracey Hansford DC
Parramatta District**





GWS REGION ACTIVITIES

Is summer ever going to finish?

Sydney's average temperature for April has been 4°C above normal, and we have had less than 25mm of rain over the whole month. Difficult for the farmers, but certainly providing favourable conditions to get out, and do some adventurous stuff.

Tristan Flores ran a very successful three-day hike mid-month, hiking along the beautiful coastline around Kiama. Certainly, a beautiful part of our coast, and just spectacular when the weather is good. Big thank you to Tristan for all his effort and organization, along with all who attended.



Photo Tristan Flores

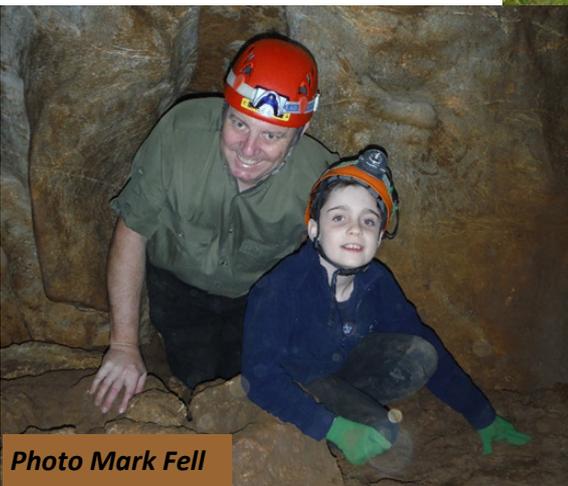


Photo Mark Fell

The big Activity event for this month, which I had the privilege of attending, was our 11th annual pilgrimage to Wee Jasper, for another one of our Scout Caving Proficiency Badge Weekends. With over 60+ participants in attendance, this is a great introduction to caving; with the Scouts able to explore a number of horizontal caves (non-abseiling), along with a guided tour of Careys Cave. Here they learn not only about how the caves are formed, but also learn how to appreciate just how long it takes for a stalagmite to actually grow.

One of the great things about caving is you can do it day or night. After dinner on the Saturday night, while most normal people were looking at retiring for the night, few of us went out into some of the more advanced cave systems to do some exploring. With fairly big abseils to get into these caves we were all rewarded with some really spectacular scenes. Huge thank you to David (Macca) McKinley who ran the whole weekend, and to everyone who made the effort to come along. Wee Jasper is a good 3.5 hour drive from Sydney.

To keep up to date with what is happening on the Region Activities front, please go to the following link www.greaterwestscouts.com.au/region/calendar Here you can see what is happening in the next few months. Click the activity you are interested in, and it will take you through to the Event Management System (EMS) to register. Please be aware many of the activities are popular and do have limited numbers.

We can also run tailored courses, if required, providing resources are available.

Time to get out for some more adventure!

Mark Fell (DINGO) RC Activities

Stage Manager CGS

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SPECIAL NEEDS CONFERENCE

Saturday 28th July & Sunday 29th July 2018

Baden Powell Scout Centre, Pennant Hills

Open to all Adults in Scouting and Guiding

Includes Electives

Special Needs Awareness - Saturday morning
Positive Behaviour Supports - Sunday morning
(these can be attended as stand-alone training)

Full time cost: \$160

“AGOONOREE ON THE FARM”



Friday 28th September - Monday 1st October 2018

Glenrock Scout Centre

(near Newcastle)

Open to all Scout and Guide members and their family and friends

Joeys can attend if with a parent or guardian; Cubs if with a parent, guardian or leader

Includes

Saturday 29th September - Visitors' Day

Sun 30th September Off-Site Day to Oakvale Farm and Fauna World
(these can be attended as stand-alone events)

Full time cost: \$120 Youth \$100 Adult helpers

**E1 forms for both events should be available
on the Scouts NSW website, from June.**

Please address all enquiries to:

Mark Burfield, State Commissioner (Special Needs)

markburfield@gmail.com Mobile **0425 236 617**

Presenting the 2018/2019 GWS Region Rover Council



Chairman - Melanie Dimmock

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VLOs - Emma Katen & Bryn Catlin

NSW Rover Council Delegates - Andrew Maccormick,

William Barnes, Gabbie Fulton & Angus Boxall

Region Rover Commissioner - David Twist



Spotlight on Excellence



Rachel Ewings (2nd Baulkham Hills RC) was presented the Queen's Scout Scholarship on March 17th from our Chief Commissioner, Neville Tomkins. Keep up the amazing work!



Wonderful effort by 2nd Baulkham Hills 'Outdoor' Rover Crew who collected **8 cubic metres** of rubbish out of Yellomundee Regional Park for Clean Up Australia Day!



ST GEORGES DAY & ANZAC DAY 2018

St Georges Day is an Annual Service for all Scouting and Guiding Members held on the 23rd April at St James Church, Sydney. It is a long standing tradition that the Rovers take their flags to be blessed and participate in a non-denominational service. This event marks a very special occasion on the Rover calendar as it is in our traditions of squiring and knighthood.



ANZAC Day Services and Marches held on the 25th April, were attended by many Rovers across the Region. There was a large turnout of Rovers at the Martin Place Dawn Service and March where the Region assisted with carrying banners for a variety of groups. It is an important year for the Rovers being 100 years since the movement began and also an important centenary of the end of the First World War.

2nd Baulkham Hills 'Outdoor' Rover Crew attended a Dawn service in Vanuatu as part of their overseas adventure.

A heart-warming edition to the Martin Place ceremony this year was the standing ovation and celebration for Wally Scott-Smith's retirement as Chief Caretaker of the Martin Place Cenotaph after 78 years of Service!

Also being a former Rover, this was a proud moment for the movement.

Thank you Wally for your tremendous Service.



Thank you to anyone from the 10 different Rover Crews throughout the GWS Region who attended an ANZAC Day Service – your presence was greatly appreciated.

Make it your Crews Challenge and Goal to focus on all forms of Service this year.

#Rovers100 #Service100

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