

Be Prepared ... for a new direction

Tasmanian views, news and events



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Corroboree 2012 at The Lea. Great to see our newly completed climbing Tower in use. Other Corroboree photos throughout the Newsletter.



Wild Dayz Sale of Surplus Stock See pages 18th- 19th

Palaver 19th-20th May see page 6

Lenah Hop see page 5

National Volunteering Week 14th-20th May

Years of Service Awards – April 2012

There were no Service awards issued for April.

Rover Reunion

26th May 2012

6:30 for a 7pm start

\$24 a head for 3 courses

Ulverstone Rowing Club

RSVP by 14th May:

Renee on 0415 526 305

Expressions of Interest:

DC Kingborough

DC Wellington

Acting Chief Commissioner's Report

Well, I hope Mike is having a very well deserved holiday. We received a short note to say he had been to Gilwell Park and is enjoying seeing where all the traditions came from.

Just before the Chief left he made 2 new appointments to his team. Welcome to Fiona Pearson as Branch Commissioner International and Tony McDonald as Branch Commissioner Adventurous Activities. Congratulations to both of you.

Mersey, Leven and Hellyer Districts had an all Leaders meeting for a report back from Commissioners Conference a few weeks ago. It was nice to have 19 Leaders attend with 430 years, 6 months & 3 days of Scouting between them, dedication like this is hard to find and the amount of Scouting knowledge there was great, with everyone having something to offer.

This was a very informative night with combined Leadership & construction courses to be held soon and the Queens Diamond Jubilee bonfire on 8th June at Fulton Park organised. The co-operation amongst the three combined Districts to run these events shows the good Scouting fellowship we have.

A different perspective view of the sail past at the Regatta was great from the Official Launch to see so many happy Youth paddling their way past. Many took up the Regatta theme of recycling with so many different ideas. We were disappointed to see that the wheelie bins did not make it too far from shore; everyone seemed to slow down enough for the salute without any collisions, only near misses. The colourful amount of crafts, canoes, kayaks, sail boats in all shapes and sizes, as well as costumes and decorations was a credit to all who put in the effort. I am looking forward to seeing what the 50th Regatta theme is to see what everyone comes up with. Good luck on ideas.

Accountability of money and equipment has been a great passion of mine while I have been in Scouting. Many Groups have lost money from not collecting registration fees and term fees properly. When a Youth member's parents sign a registration form this is a legal document saying they are prepared to pay all fees and help raise money. If Groups do not get their accounts out on time and well before end of terms it makes it hard for parents to budget. Group committees need to send out an early reminder for fees and to make arrangements to pay off weekly or fortnightly if needed.

If registration fees are not paid by due date the Youth member is not financial and there may be issues affecting their insurance cover, therefore they should not be allowed to attend any nights or functions until all arrears are paid. Groups should follow up with reminders of unpaid accounts with a personal approach by the Group Leader.

Please make sure all Group accounts are audited by a suitably qualified person. This does not have to be an accountant but must be someone who has good sound knowledge of bookkeeping. They cannot be done by a family member. Group Leaders may audit Section books of a Group or another person with knowledge but NOT the person who signs on them. They must be forwarded to Branch along with a photocopy of the last bank statement of all accounts held, including Jamboree and term deposits accounts & section accounts. An inventory of all equipment should be given to District Commissioners.

If a Group has difficulty with their book keeping, please ask your District Commissioner for help, as they can arrange someone to show Groups how to keep good records. If a Treasurer does not present a full statement of accounts and makes excuses for a few months, they may need some help but are too proud to ask, so please offer your help. This will keep your Group on a good sound financial basis.

Acting Chief Commissioner's Report cont.

I made a quick trip to Hobart to attend the funeral of Mrs Cynthia McDougall, the wife of Mr Dugald McDougall who has been a lifetime supporter of Scouting in Tasmania. We offer our condolences to him on the loss of a much loved wife and a very noted Community & Church worker.

My congratulations must go to the two Cub Scout Leaders of 1st 2nd Ulverstone, Keryn Stafford & Duncan Champion on their recent marriage. Our best wishes go to you both.

Joscelyn McKenna
Acting Chief Commissioner



President's Report

Those of you who read my contribution to the March newsletter will remember that I announced the Branch Executive Committee (BEC) had defined a set of nine strategic directions for 2012 and beyond.

Briefly these were; (1) Arresting Membership Decline (2) Engaging adults in Scouting (3) Work safe Compliance (4) Development of a Cost Centred Budget (5) Structuring a Futures Fund (6) Exploring Alternative Funding Options (7) Supporting Marketing Initiatives (8) Advancing Property Maintenance and (9) Connecting to the National Broadband.

I can now report that significant progress has been made toward achieving these goals. This month I want to highlight the establishment of three special Working Parties chaired and coordinated by members of the BEC namely:-

- Arresting Membership Decline – Chairman Gordon Luckman.
- Engaging Adults in Scouting – Chairman Harry Quick.
- Work Safe Compliance – Chairman Michael Hunt.

In the case of the first two, these Working Parties have specific Terms of Reference which broadly speaking define the task, outline the desired outcomes and provide a timeline for completion.

You and /or your Youth members, Committee persons or helpers may be approached by a member of one of these Working Parties to assist with information or opinion. The emphasis particularly in the case of Arresting Membership Decline is to find out what youth thinks about what we do and how we do it currently. We are unashamedly after the Gen "Y" and Gen "Z" views. We have plenty of input to membership issues from experienced adult members. Now we need to find out what the "clients" think. The blend of the two should provide us with an updated perspective which can translate to a tactical response with the goal of increased membership and retention.

The Work Safe Compliance Working Party is much more of a watching brief to liaise with other Scouts Australia (National) and other Branches on matters relating to the new legislation and to provide a conduit to the Government Department (Work Safe Tasmania) responsible for administering the new Act. Ultimately this will ensure that we in Branch are fully appraised of what is required and can put in place the necessary policies to deal appropriately with this new and somewhat confusing legislation.

John [Pip] Cornish
Branch President



Training Report

E-Learning Update

The Patrol System DVD

Did you know that the "Patrol System" DVD can now be downloaded from the SAIT E-learning site?

This is the latest release of SAIT E-Learning modules in DVD format. This format allows you to burn a DVD for viewing on your TV using a DVD player.

There is also a quiz and the DVD art work available. Be warned that it is 650 mb!

A link to the DVD download is available on the Electives page. You will need to be logged in to E-learning to access the page!

The Fundamentals of Scouting and the Leader of Adults Role

This module helps to apply the Fundamentals of Scouting as part of the overall role of a Leader of Adults.

The Group plan

What is a group plan?

It is a tool that assists a Group in organising all of its resources in order to progress from its current condition to its desired future condition.

Five areas have been identified as being the main focus for most Groups.

Membership - recruitment and retention targets, establishment of the Group concept.

Program - implementation, youth involvement (operation of troop/pack, council, youth achievement)

Adult Leadership - staffing targets within each section, training targets for each Leader, review process in place

Group Council operating successfully

Group Committee - regular meeting schedules, goals clearly defined

Community Involvement - activities identified to promote Scouting in the local community.

Establish relationships with Community Leaders

If your group has a plan, now is the time to review it.

If your group does not have a plan, I strongly suggest you start the process. If you need assistance with the process, please feel free to contact me.

A big thank you to David Chalk for his sterling work as the BC Adventurous Activities. We have worked closely over the years to ensure that AA training was delivered to our Leaders. David was also very involved in the preparation of the Branch Calendar, Training Calendar and TOPS. David will remain on the Training Team as the Leader Trainer for Adventurous Activities and Rovers.

Upcoming training

Course	Date	Closing	Location
Basic Abseiling	21st-22nd April	30th March	South
Basic Seamanship	28th -29th April	6 th April	South
Basic Seamanship	29th April	6th April	South

Training bookings

Applications for Training must be received at BHQ using the TOP 7 (Training application) by the closing date as shown on the Training calendar.

If you have registered for Training you will receive a course letter from our administrator at least a week prior to the course. If you do not receive a letter, please ring or e-mail the administration officer.

Training Report continued

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End thought. "When you do a good turn you feel rich, even if you are broke." (Lionel Blue - British rabbi, journalist & broadcaster)

Mike Wilson
Branch Commissioner Adult Training & Development

The Patrol System DVD

Branch has several copies of this great video all ready to go for the terrific price of only \$5.00

This is a movie that explains how the Scout Patrol System Really works. Leaders! Find out how your job can become so much easier— and more fun!

Scouts and Patrol Leaders! Discover how to get the absolute best out of Scouting.



Joey Report

ANZAC Day Wednesday 25th April - Don't forget badges are available from BHQ.

Lenah Hop 18th/19th May - Carnaroo, Launceston. By the time you receive this issue of the Branch Newsletter all Registrations should have been received. I am looking forward to catching up with everyone, also hearing from Mary Landers in regards to the "**Save the Tassie Devil**" program.

North West/Northern Regional Event – Sunday 27th May—the venue will be Wesley Vale Primary School.

Southern Regional Sleepover 28th/29th July – to be held at Orana Guide Camp. The next planning meeting is set for the 4th May and is to be held at **Woody's Skate World, Glenorchy**. We need input from all Leaders who wish to attend the event; we need your help to make the event a success.

Badges for the event have already arrived and they look great.

Scouts in Action Week – "International" Theme now is the time to Register on, **www.scoutsinactionweek.com** this is a National run event and badges will be available, but you do need to register.

Wendy Granger,
Branch Commissioner Joey Scouts
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Cub Report

Hi everyone. Finally, after all of the planning, the Palaver is here. Thank you to everyone who has assisted in the planning. Please see further details below.

This month's Programme has been supplied by Marian Ellul (DCSL Huon) and uses a theme from the Jungle Book.

Palaver 2012

By now all Applications for the Palaver should have been sent to me. For those late comers, I will extend the deadline to Monday 7th. Any Forms that I receive after this date will unfortunately miss out.

A reminder that the Programme will commence at 10am on Saturday (19th May) and finish at approximately 2.30pm on Sunday (20th May).

Grey Wolf Award

This month's Grey Wolf recipients are:

Shannon Evans	Riverside	Joshua Hindrum	Riverside
Patrick Nothrop	Riverside	Lily Robertson	Riverside
Vinod Fernando	Latrobe	Dominic Newman	4th Launceston
Grace Figg	Howrah	Kelly Hewett	Howrah
Soren Steven	Howrah	Johnty Mitchell	Tamar
Mikaela Anderson	Tamar	Liam Wood-Baker	10th Hobart
Tasmin Chilcott	Blackmans Bay		

Pathfinder Camps

Planning for our 10 year old Pathfinder Camps has now commenced. I urge all Leaders to assist where possible. There will be 3 Pathfinder Camps, one in each Region, and each will be during the September School holidays. Keep your eyes open for more details when they become available.

Anzac Day

Congratulations to all those Packs that participated in Anzac Day events this year. Please remember that Cubs are eligible to obtain their "Their Service, Our Heritage Badges". The requirements for this badge are:

Participate whilst in Uniform in any two of the following activities:

- Anzac Day ceremonies
- Remembrance Day ceremonies
- Visit either a State or National War Memorial
- Visit a Local War Memorial and give a brief report (verbal, written, photographic or other approved medium) to your pack on the veterans commemorated and the theatre of war in which they served
- Visit a local veteran and give a brief report (as above) on their military experiences. Preference should be given to veterans in hospitals or aged care facilities.



Programme Ideas

Jungle Book - Snakes – See attached

That's it for me for this Report. Please don't forget to send me your photos, programme ideas, or any other suggestions you have for inclusion in the Newsletter. Good Hunting.

Terry Bryan

Branch Commissioner Cub Scouts

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Cub Program

Theme JUNGLE
Sub-theme SNAKES

Time	Activity	Gear Required.
7:00pm	Subs	
7:05pm	Grand Howl – Using the Council Rock Grand Howl. (Print words onto card to be held up during Grand howl for Cubs to Sing/Repeat)	
7:10pm	Inspection [paws, claws & fur]	
7:15pm	Game Jump the snake [Jump Bottle] (bottle on rope)	
7:25pm	Game Kick the snake [4 corner football - draught stoppers converted into snakes – googly eyes and felt fork tongue]	
7:35pm	Yarn Rikki Tikki Tavi [Jungle Book] [Coloured pictures of Rikki Tikki Tavi & Main characters in the story to be placed around the hall before Cubs commences]	
7:40pm	Boomerang Knotting & coil/ hank ropes.	
7:55pm	Handcraft Coil a rope. Spray with spray glue to hold in place. Cubs glue to a piece of card and then decorate as one of the snakes/pythons out of the jungle book – Challenge Cubs to identify all the names.	
8:05pm	Game Kim's game [Kaa's Meal – using the principle of Kim's game, have items to be memorized represent food that Kaa may eat. Cub who remembers the most items in 60 seconds wins a chocolate mouse].	
8:10pm	Activity Dance of Kaa [Leaders Handbook – all Leaders to participate!]	
8:20pm	Grand Howl - All lights off. Light box with moon silhouette and special closing Grand Howl as per Leaders Handbook [print words on cards]	



Scout Report

Corroboree 2012:

Well, what a Camp! Something for everyone, in both activities and weather.

Over 200 Scouts, and over 100 Leaders, Parents and family members doing 21 different activities.

The work done by The Lea Management Committee and Service Crew since we booked The Lea over 2 years ago, was well planned and resulted in a quality venue, with the ability to run almost all activities on site now, which is a distinct advantage.

The thing I noticed and appreciated most about Corroboree was the input of the DSLs and their Leaders and parents to make sure all the activities were well staffed and run on time, making it possible for the Scouts to get the most out of the Activity Sessions.

Going around the activities I noticed the involvement of the Scouts and their willingness to give them all a go. I know some stretched their personal boundaries, especially with the Ab-seiling and Tree climbing, and that's what I think Scouts is all about. Providing those opportunities in a safe and friendly environment is something our Organisation does well and often. We just need to make sure we promote it and get the Scouts who attended to talk about it to their friends and encourage them into Scouting.

Many thanks to everyone involved.

Scoutfest 2012: August 4th – 5th - Carnacoo

The Scout camp without Scouts is on, put it in your diary now if you haven't already done so. It's a great social event with a bit of fun and learning thrown in. I will be circulating the program shortly, but I can confirm that we will "mess about in boats" on Sunday morning.

Phil Harper Branch Commissioner Scouts



Scouts having Fun at the Corroboree 2012



Venturer Report

Future events:

The Maritime Challenge ran on the weekend of 14-15th of April on the Trevallyn Dam. The Northern Leaders remembered to put in the weather request form so we were treated to a great weekend on the Dam. Congratulations go to North West Bay for taking out first place, Blackmans Bay followed in second place.

Vetapo is approaching; the plan is for it to be held on the weekend of 2-3rd of June at Carnacoo. Information should be out, so if you have missed it give me a call...

Leadership Course is due to run on the weekend of 6-8 July at The Lea, applications will be out soon.

Glow 21-22 July. Reg is currently working on some great plans for Glow, so stay tuned for more information.

Other than that, keep an eye on your emails – it's time to update some contact lists, and send out some programming tools for your units. If I've missed anything – give me a call.

Donna McDermott
Branch Commissioner Venturers

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BRANCH CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	WHERE	CLOSES	CONTACT
May				
3rd-5th	AGFEST			
10th	Branch IT meeting	The Lea		N.Schulz
13th	Mothers Day			
17th	B & F / BEC Meeting	The Lea		Branch Tres/Pres
19th -20th	Lenah Hop	Carnacoo		BC Joeys
19th-20th	Palaver			BC Cubs
26th	Rover Reunion			BC Rovers
27th	TBRC Meeting			BC Rovers



Rover Report

Giant Board Games Moot

Over the Easter Weekend, Eastern Shore Rover Crew hosted 'Giant Board Games Moot', at Charlotte's Cove south of Cygnet. Activities included Giant Twister, Giant pick-up-sticks, Giant Monopoly (complete with giant dice), Giant Hungry Hippos, Giant Battleships, and the list goes on. Crews had to cook their own dinner in moving wheelbarrows using ingredients obtained during the Monopoly game. Fourteen Rovers also attended the Corroboree following the Moot to help with Wide-games, however these were unfortunately cancelled.

Rover Reunion

The 2012 Rover Reunion Dinner will be held in Ulverstone on Saturday 26 May. All current and former Rovers are invited, no matter your age. The Dinner will be at the Ulverstone Rowing Club at 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start, and is \$24 a head for a 3 course meal – choice of 2 soups, 2 mains, & 3 desserts. Accommodation is available at the Ulverstone Scout Hall at no cost and there will be limited space available for tents or caravans. A BBQ Lunch and TBRC Meeting will be held on the Sunday. **Please RSVP by 14 May** to Renee on 0415 526 305 or sweet_stuff_88_baby@hotmail.com as we need to ensure we have the required minimum booking.

Stuart Morse

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PR & Marketing Report

I trust we are all well and enjoying our Scouting.

Reminder of the contest about having your Group have an article in a community publication is closing end of April. We won't be drawing a winner too early in June to allow you to have a copy of same sent to HQ.

We will then have all entries placed in a hat and a winner drawn. The more entries the better your chance. We have received some fantastic articles, so go to face book to view some photos and articles.

Please email me below, put up on **face book** or send in an actual copy to Branch.

We will endeavour to get as many as possible on face book but not all will be there due to the format received. We will do our best.

On **community media** - if you need any help please email me and I will be happy to help.

When Groups have done this and some do it very well, their Groups are full with waiting lists. We are not just advertising for Scouts but also Leaders and Committee people. As one Group told me it made it much **easier** to get a local Government grant.

We can assist you in this—all it takes is a quick phone call or email with some info, a couple of photos and done, we can help.

Please see some photos in the newsletter of things built at The Lea in use at the recent Corroboree.

Remember **your Group Scarf and corflute sign** are your best advertisements. Maybe have one of your Scouts to take responsibility for making sure that when you have an activity the sign is on the gate.

Send us a photo for face book.

As always please contact me on 0438735275 or email nigel@ancatas.com.au



Adventurous Activities

I thank the many people who responded to the expression of interest, and after interviews Tony McDonald has been selected to be the next Commissioner. I congratulate Tony and wish him well in his new role. I will continue on the Training Team assisting Tony. This will be my last newsletter report as Adventurous Activities Commissioner.

I thank the many people who have supported me whilst in the role.

New email address.

Tony will soon be monitoring the BC email, so if you need to contact me please use david.chalk@tas.scouts.com.au

Abseiling Tower – The Lea.

Well, after a huge amount of work on internal stairs and externals it was ready to use for the Corroboree. Much of the work was done in conjunction with The Lea Service work team, and thanks go to them. More work still needs to be done but it is now able to be used. It has also been used at the Basic Abseiling Course held recently. An operational manual is currently being written and will be sent to those who have done a course recently. If you are qualified and would like a copy please email me at the above address.

Combined National Training Team and Adventurous Activities Meeting 26th - 27th May

Mike Wilson, Tony and I will be attending the National Meeting in May. After the combined e-learning meeting last year it was decided it was beneficial to have another combined meeting as many topics are similar.

First Aid Course – South – Venue TBA, 1st – 2nd June

A reminder - there will be a Workplace Level 2 First Aid Course held in the South on Friday 1st June (7.30pm-10.00 pm) and Saturday 2nd June (08.30-4.00pm). An annual CPR update/assessment will take place on the Friday night to renew your certification. An Instructor from St John Ambulance will be taking the Course. Applications close 11th May. Depending on numbers a Course may run in the North.

Advanced Bushwalking Course - Carr Villa Ben Lomond, 27th -29th July – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE of DATE

The Advanced Bushwalking Course will be held at Carr Villa – Ben Lomond. Due to not being available on the scheduled weekend, the date has changed. The electronic Branch Calendar will be updated to reflect the new date. Cost will be \$100. Applications close 6th July. Applicants may need to arrange time off from work to travel to the venue to be there on time. Further details in coming Newsletters.

David Chalk Branch Commissioner Adventurous Activities



Tree Climbing at The Lea Corroboree 2012



International Report

Scouts in Action Week 2012 International Scouting 20-26 August



Registration for the 2012 Scouts in Action Week is now open at the website. 160 programming ideas will be uploaded in time for the event in August.

Spread the word to all of your Scouting friends in Australia and overseas. International participants are welcome in 2012.



Be Prepared...
for new adventure!

www.scoutsinactionweek.com





Gang Show Report

Hi everyone, sorry about no Gang Show report last month I was interstate and had a few challenges along the way. Gang Show auditions have now been held and what a fantastic group of young people came along – and this year even more auditioned than last year. There is so much talent to be seen in our young people. Special thanks to Tim Swann, Lance Cowled, Jenni Pyefinch, David Henwood, Georgie Boon, Louise Patterson and Don Fitzpatrick for the time and effort put into running of the auditions.

If there are any other Youth members who missed auditioning (maybe they weren't available on the set date and thought they couldn't be in it) and they would still like to be part of Gang Show 2012, they must make contact with me no later than the 19th May to arrange an alternative audition time.

I can tell you the title of the Show for this year is "WITHOUT A CLUE' !! Sounds intriguing and you want to know more ... then come along and see the Show. Remember, once again it has been the Youth who have written the Show.

The cast for 2012 is about to embark on an exciting journey. For some it will be their first time on stage and for others they have gained more confidence and are coming back for another Show (for the 2nd, 3rd, 4th or ... time)!

Rehearsals will be starting on 3rd June and will be held weekly between 1.00 – 6.00 p.m. at the Lenah Valley Scout Hall. Longer or specific extra rehearsals will be advised if required and there is the Gang Show Camp 4th & 5th August at The Lea.

To those who are not going to be IN Gang Show, NOW is the time to start planning which Gang Show performance you and your Mob, Pack, Troop, Unit or Crew are going to attend. You have a choice of four performances ... 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 23rd, Friday 24th and Saturday 25th August plus a matinee on Saturday at 2.00 p.m.

Basic ticket prices will remain the same as last year and warranted Leaders attending as a group booking with their Mob, Pack, Troop, Unit or Crew will be admitted free. Now there's a bargain. Next month look out for full booking details and don't forget to get your tickets early.

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Fellowship Report

NEW FELLOWSHIP PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

As a result of an enquiry from a Fellowship member, we have been accorded a new classification of "Perpetual Fellowship Member" through the B & F Committee which has reviewed this matter. This is now available to any registered Fellowship member, whether in the State or Rover Fellowships, on the basis that from the age of 50, a donation of \$1,000 is made by that member to cover fees. Thereafter that member's membership fee will be Nil. This actual fee itself will be subject to an annual review from 2013 onwards.

The category is designed in that it is not to be confused with the existing Scouting "Life Membership" category, bestowed for 'Services Rendered' to Scouting, as defined already within our Constitution and Regulations. TOPS has been amended, however this will not be shown in print until next edition.

Members are welcome to contact me further if you wish to take this up.

ROVER REUNION

It's on again. For all Rovers, Rover Fellowship members and past Rovers, the annual Reunion is being held at the Ulverstone Rowing Club on Saturday, 26th May commencing with 6.30pm assembly, for a 7pm dinner. Cost is \$24 per head.

Accommodation is available at the Scout Hall if required, or alternatively there is limited space if you bring your own caravan, tent, or other arrangement for overnighting.

On Sunday 27th May, T.B.R.C. will be held at 10am (uniform), followed by a BBQ lunch at 11am at either ANZAC Park, or Ulverstone Scout Hall, weather dependant.

Please **RSVP no later than 14th May**, to Renee, Leven District Crew, 0415 526 305 or email sweet_stuff_88_baby@hotmail.com regarding numbers and your advance arrangements.

THE LEA OUTING

Together with the Pandani Bushwalking Club, which is a group akin to our "Out" within Scouting, on Sunday 15th April, we initially had a short hike from Scout HQ over to South Lea, to be greeted by owner John Walsh, who guided us around his heritage grounds. This involved photos showing how it was when Proctors Road was built in the 1840's Convicts era through his property, now featuring beautiful gardens and the homestead, rebuilt after the 1967 bushfires. We then hiked up the track to the reverse of the Top of The Lea, had a welcome lunch, after which all inspected the High Ropes and Activity Centre area adjacent to the Storm Hut. Many Adults then tried them out - the oldest hiker amongst us in her 70's - and had a 'whale of a time' doing so. After a short walk to the Waterpipe, then down the steep Zem's Track, we arrived back at HQ mid-afternoon, inspected the Scout Heritage Centre, which, along with a beautiful afternoon tea, thanks to PC Heritage Susan Gardner, rounded off a most enjoyable outing.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

It is sometimes difficult to encompass everyone in both Fellowships with respect to activities, being across a vast age range and encompassing the whole state. If any member has activity suggestions, be they a Scouting, social or perhaps a one-off community base which might be deemed suitable, I should be pleased to hear from you. Given our State demographics, even if the 'whole' of membership perceivably cannot attend, perhaps a small Fellowship following from within your local district or region could. For example, perhaps you know of an elderly ex-Scouting person who is in need of say, minor building/gardening assistance, then why not approach a local Service Club, gather in local Fellowship members, plus the local Scout Group and collectively "do it".

Tony Peck

Project Commissioner Fellowship

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GRANTS REPORT

The **TCF Grant (Round 24)** closed on 4 April with no applications unfortunately. I reiterate that any Group wanting to build, alter or add on to property **MUST** go through the process I outlined last month. It can be simplified if your DC is aware of the project but BPC must give their endorsement. In fact BPC can be of value in assisting in planning and Council processes which could save a lot of time. Those of you who have been through the process would be aware of a plethora of Council Forms, 20, 21, 44,46 etc and 12, the Cert. of Final Inspection. There is also the **Scout Assoc. Risk Evaluation Form which was to be completed before you were granted Form 56** (used to be one of the domains of the late Tiny Ewington who inspected all Scout properties – we miss him). All of these ensured that Scout buildings were soundly constructed and safe for Scout use.

The next **TCF Grant Round 26 opens on the 11 August** so start planning now if you are thinking of applying (see www.tascomfund.org for info & application form). **To further assist you I am asking Jeannette to please send out the Grant Application Procedure document that I presented at a Commissioners Conference two years ago with a couple of amendments.**

Applications to various Council Community Grant programs are in the pipeline and thanks to those who sent me a copy for my info. **I was disappointed to find that some were sent in before I saw a draft and therefore were incorrect & illegal because of the ABN usage. Hopefully this will not occur again in any application as I would hate to have to inform the grantee to disregard the submission.** It's up to the applicant to make sure that the correct procedure is followed as you may be missing out on funds that will benefit our Youth.

Grants still available are; Inger Rice Foundation, Matana Foundation for Young People (min \$1,000 to max \$10,000), Sidney Myer Fund, Ian Potter Foundation Grant closing 28 May - some are ongoing.

New Grants:-

- 1. Telstra's Kids Fund** – Max \$1,200 closing 18 June. Tip – if you know a member of your community is a Telstra employee check with them about applying on behalf of your Group. Contact www.telstrafoundation.com and follow leads for more info.
- 2. Coca-Cola Australia Foundation Community Grant** – max \$10,000 closing 30 June.
For more info contact www.ccamatil.com and follow leads.
- 3. Junior Landcare Grants Program.** Various funding and ongoing. For more details contact www.juniorlandcare.com.au/grants-2 or ph Ms Sheena Martin (02) 9412 1040

Local Councils Community Grants – George Town (ongoing), Meander Valley Council ongoing, N Midlands ongoing, Launceston City ongoing. Contact your local Council for info if not listed.

The next Grants info will be in early May and I will send out information on any suitable grants through BHQ.

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Project Commissioner Grants

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Clarence District Venturers (The Clarence Velociraptors Team) at the Closing Ceremony of the Relay for Life 18 March 2012

National Volunteering Week 14th-20th May

Branch would like to say a very big "Thank You" to all our dedicated Leaders, Committee Members and Parents that make all our Groups function so well.



THE GAME...

The Scouts: Secret Island Adventure is a brand new app that will test your outdoor skills to the limit. With over **5 hours** of gameplay, this is an adventure game that will appeal to the 31 million worldwide Scouts, as well as fans of adventure games such as Zelda and Broken Sword.

Customise your avatar then begin this epic quest to discover the Chief Scout's Secret Knowledge. Explore the huge Island and negotiate the forest, mountain, rivers and village in your search for the Secret Knowledge. You will have to have your wits about you, collecting, combining and using items to solve perplexing puzzles, complex obstacles and head-scratching challenges. Are you Scout enough to discover the Secret Knowledge?

And the adventure doesn't end there. Hidden on the Island are 3 mini-games: **hang-gliding**, **mountain boarding** and **kayaking**. Unlock these mini-games, test your reflexes and the reaction times of your friends to see who can get the top-score.

The Scouts: SIA - priced £1.99.

Get it on the **App Store** here - [Scouts SIA - The Fyzz Facility](#)

Get it on **Google Play** here - [Scouts SIA - The Fyzz Facility](#)

Are you Scout enough?

www.scoutsapp.com
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To all Leaders

Post Wilddayz Venture Disposal Sale

The Wilddayz Committee is offering the following surplus items for sale, at a reduced price, to Groups, Sections & Leaders/members of the Scout & Guide movements in Tasmania. Any items not taken up by members of the Associations will be made available to the general public.

To show your expression of interest please indicate the quantity of the items you wish to purchase, record your details, credit card details below and return to:

**Gerry Vogels
Wild Dayz National Venture
Scouts Tasmania
330 Proctors Road
Kingston TAS 7050**

Please contact me on 0415 346 335, if you have any queries relating to the sale or equipment.

Yours in Scouting

Gerry Vogels
Finance Director
15th Australian Venture

Post Wilddayz Venture Disposal Sale

Venturer Unit / Scout Group.....
 Contact Person:
 Contact Number:
 Contact Address: P/C

Name on Card: _____
 Card Number: _____/_____/_____/_____
 Expiry date: ____/____
 CSV Number: _____ (last 3 numbers on back of card)

The Venture has the following surplus items for disposal,

Item Description	Quantity Available	Pricing Range (each)	Condition	Qty to Purchase
Fury Buggy R2R 2 + Charger & Spare Battery	1	\$140 - \$160	Fair	
Stone Crusher R2R + Charger & Spare Battery	2	\$140 - \$160	Fair	
6.5hp Go Karts + Helmet	42	\$300 - \$450	Poor to Fair	
Light Work Halogen with Tripod Stand	30	\$13	Used	
Extension Lead 20m x 15Amp	7	\$14	Good	
OzTrail Gazebo	5	\$100	Fair	
Bike BMX 20" + Helmet	6	\$150	Good	
Extension Lead 25m x 10Amp	Approx 150	\$10	Good	
Helmet Open Face – M2R (Large)	1	\$50	V Good	
Helmet Open Face – M2R (X Large)	1	\$50	V Good	
DVD - Love & Other Drugs	1	\$10	Good	
DVD – Unstoppable	1	\$10	Good	
DVD - Battle Los Angeles	1	\$10	Ex-Rental	
DVD - Scream 4	1	\$10	Ex-Rental	
DVD – Thor	1	\$10	Ex-Rental	
DVD - Twilight Eclipse	1	\$10	Ex-Rental	
DVD - X Men First Class	1	\$10	Ex-Rental	
Gazebo 3m x 3m (no sides)	2	\$100	Good	
Puxing Handheld Radio + Speaker/Mic	13	\$30	Fair to Good	
Garment Rack – Adjustable	2	\$11	V Good	
Cascade Premium Light beer	6 doz	\$15 per doz	Excellent	

Post to – Gerry Vogels, Wild Dayz National Venture, Scouts Tasmania, 330 Proctors Rd, Kingston, 7050

Hobart Bush Cabins

Are you coming to Hobart this Summer? Need a place to stay?

Don't forget the Hobart Bush Cabins—phone Graham on 0417 590 986 for availability.

For Scouting Members the rates are \$80 for 2 people and \$10 for each other person per night. Cabins are self contained and can sleep 6.



If undelivered return to:
SCOUTS TASMANIA
The Lea Scout Centre
330 Proctors Road
Kingston TAS 7050