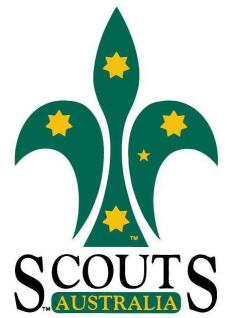


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Tasmanian views, news and events



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Chief Commissioner's Report

This month's big event is the Gang Show. Thursday 20th, Friday 21st and two shows on Saturday 22nd, a dedicated cast of over 60 members will show us what they have been working for many months. They have written their own scripts and will perform their original tale of courage with their usual enthusiasm. I hope Leaders will get behind the Gang Show and encourage their Youth members and families to attend. It is amazing the talent we have in our organisation, but they need your support.

The Rovers have their Winter Moot coming up at Harvey Dale near Westbury this coming weekend, 1st August, and the Joey State event "Possum Magic" is two weeks later in Ross. I hope the weather is kind to them both. The next big State event is the Cuboree at The Lea on the last weekend in September. I hope to see Cubs from every corner of the State there, in uniform, waving their pack flag, meeting new people and having a great time. See you there!

We are still waiting for some Group Leaders, LIC and Camp Committees to send in their verified Financial Reports. This is an important part of our collective accountability for how Scout funds are expended.

The Lea Scout Camp is a state wide facility, particularly for major events like the Cuboree and the Corroboree. However, like all the other Camps around the State, the only way it can be maintained is by volunteer labour. Recently Southern leaders were asked to do a little more to help. A few people responded. Dale Foggo from Huonville was a welcome addition to last week's Wednesday Working Bee and Clarence District is having a morning working bee this Sunday 2nd August. A special thankyou to NW Bay Venturer, Elenora Greener who did 10 hours of weed control work over the holidays. Come on Southern Leaders, we need you to get behind The Lea Service Crew and help then look after this wonderful facility.

Adventurous Activities (AA) are alive and well after all. Twenty Leaders took part in a meeting at The Lea on the 4th July and good progress was made on documenting Leaders qualification. Thank you to those who travelled to get to the meeting. A couple of topics covered were a mountain bike training session on the new tracks at Derby later in the year and sail training Hobart in 2016. The plan is to open both to participants from other States. Advanced Bushwalking went ahead last week despite the weather. Well done David Chalk and his team.

The Scouts Australia Youth Program Review (YPR) continues to challenge every aspect of Scouting. Keep up with what is happening on the YPR website and on Facebook. If you want to influence what is happening, you have to be part of it.

Mike Patten

Chief Commissioner

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From the President

Election of the next Branch President

A change to the Branch Regulations to improve the continuity of Branch management and representation at the National Executive Committee by providing a change over period of Branch Presidents has been adopted by the BEC.

Once the change is ratified by the Branch Council at the August Meeting, the person elected will become Branch President Designate and will work with me up to a hand-over at the December 2015 Meeting of the BEC. This change compliments our current process used during the change of Chief Commissioners and should ensure a smooth transition in the role.

Changes to the “Scout Year”

The BEC Working Party tasked to examine the most appropriate future format for the “Scout Year” has recommended that **Tasmanian Branch change to a calendar year system**. This is consistent with Group, District, Branch and National operational programs and will ensure that the financial reporting and the reports presented at AGM's reflect the year just gone and not the year previous to the year just gone as is currently the case.

This recommendation was supported by the Business and Finance Committee and changes to the Branch Regulations (as follows) have been adopted by the BEC subject to ratification by the Branch Council.

Changes to R17 TASMANIAN BRANCH YEAR

R17.1 The Scout financial year shall commence on the **1st January** and end on **31st December**.

R17.2 Groups, Districts and all other Formations shall hold Annual General Meetings prior to the **31st March** in each year.

R17.3 The Branch Annual General Meeting shall be held prior to the **31st May** in each year.

These regulatory changes will come into immediate effect this year thus making the 2015 Scout Year a short one. Expect a briefing from BHQ on the mechanics involved in effecting the change.

John [Pip] Cornish
Branch President

Heritage Report August 2015

The year has passed the halfway mark and many jobs have been done at the centre. We have finished sorting the District records which are now sitting on shelves with appropriate labels. A big thanks go to Dick Geeves who helped with the sorting.

A few months ago Tony and I, along with our spouses, made a visit to Launceston. After receiving a letter earlier this year asking for help, we called in on the widow of a 1st Launceston Leader who needed our assistance sorting his memorabilia. We were able to help her and brought back many interesting items for the centre.

We then went to the Scout Shop where Rose Tanner has been collecting many items from Northern Groups which needed our attention. Thanks Rose for helping us out. On the way home we stopped at Perth to pick up another box of memorabilia which belonged to the late Trevor Hogan. We have already gone through another box of his.

Tony and I are members of the Lindisfarne Historical Society and it has recently released its first book on Lindisfarne Heritage. We researched and wrote a chapter for the book on early Scouting in Lindisfarne which we found goes back to 1910.

My husband Robert, who does our computer records, recently made us two wonderful display cases from western red cedar. These are currently hanging in the Rowallan Hall with displays on Gang Show and Sea Scouting. They are portable and can be filled with displays for Scouting events away from the centre.

I recently got back from a break to find 15 boxes from the Mersey District to go through. There is always something to do! One thing is certain, it is never boring.

Susan Gardner
Project Commissioner Heritage



Training Report

The first Basic Sectional training for 2015 held at the end of June. What a Fantastic weekend – the weather was perfect (especially considering it was winter), the outdoor activities all went ahead as planned in the bright sunshine at The Lea. Not even a frost! We had 44 participants attend the basic Practical supplement – 4 Joey Leaders, 10 Cub Leaders, 12 Scout Leaders, 3 Leaders of Adults AND 14 ROVERS. This was an outstanding number of participants, so I won't apologise for the harassing of people to get them through the E-learning. Hopefully as everyone becomes more familiar with the new processes, it will be a more seamless process in future.

For those wishing to undertake their Advanced training this year, the Wood badge course will be offered, with the first weekend in September and the second weekend in November – check the calendar and ensure you have enrolled in plenty of time. E-learning for the Advanced training can be commenced as soon as you have a spare five minutes.

Then on the first weekend in July Phil Harrison (Deputy Principal of Scouts Australia Institute for Training) and responsible for Adventurous Activities training came to Tasmania. Thank you to all of the more than 20 people who attended on the Saturday, many of whom have now been 'signed off, but more importantly we now know what we need to do in this space. On the Sunday Phil spent time at the Commissioner's Conference so that Commissioners all have a basic understanding as well. We appreciate the fact the national paid for Phil and also for two more trips this financial year. We will be exploring options of having training in mountain biking and sailing, perhaps a national school and also caving was a popular choice to be considered. The input from everyone was terrific and hopefully everyone thought it worthwhile.

Finally, the Training Team farewelled Marion Blight from her paid training role at Branch at the end of June. Most of you will have had the opportunity to speak to Marion when you ring Branch and her knowledge of training will be missed, as Sharon takes on the role. Please give Sharon all the support she needs as she takes on this daunting task. Marion is staying on the Training Team, responsible for Joey Leader training, so she is not lost totally from Scouts.

All the best in your retirement from paid Scouting employment Marion and many thanks for all your hard work and input over the last eight years – it has been much appreciated.

Geraldine Harwood

Branch Commissioner—Adult Training & Development



Joey Report

It has been fantastic to hear about the various ways Joey Scout Mobs around the State have found to commemorate our section's **25th Birthday** over the last month or so with many celebrating the occasion with a party (including some very well decorated birthday cakes). Thank you to those Leaders who have sent in a report and/or photos of their activities. I look forward to receiving more of these, and 'news' of other activities you have done over the last couple of terms for our newsletter.

The commemorations continued with our **Joey Scout Leader Reunion** which was held on Saturday 4th July at Ross. This was a very enjoyable day with both current and past Leaders along, nicely spanning the full 25 years that our section has been operating. Lee Cowan gave the group an insight into how the section first began and a display of photos and other Joey Scout memorabilia provided plenty of interest too and of course there was plenty of conversation happening throughout the day. Our catered lunch was very nice and the yummy birthday cake finished the day off very well. There are already plans to do it all again in the not too distant future and we'll continue to try and locate others who have previously been rather involved in the Joey section before the next reunion event.

Coming up very soon now is our **Joey Scout State Event** to be held on Saturday 15th August at the Ross Town Hall and adjacent grounds on a Possum Magic theme. Mob registrations are in, and final registrations (for any new families) close on **31st July**. The list of activities that the Joey Scouts and their siblings will participate in on the day is taking shape and final Leader and parent information for this event will be distributed shortly. With a good number registered this should be a very successful event!

August is also **Scouts in Action Month** with an Environment theme this time around. If you haven't already, go to www.scoutsinactionmonth.com to register your Mob (or Group) and order your badges. As well as being an ideal time to work on the Environment Challenge badgework, why not have a go at the World Environment badge too with your Mob. Let me know if you need more information about this one.

Another activity your Mob may like to try at some stage is the Mob Hop Challenge. This is similar to the 'Across the Water' badgework and involves corresponding with two Interstate Mobs, swapping information and badges between you and running each other's programs. This can be done with existing contacts you may already have or new ones can be set up for you in the State/area of your choice. A badge is available for those who complete the challenge. Contact me if you are interested in this.

Are you still following the Youth Program Review? A number of reports have been released in the last couple of months that make interesting reading, but there is a one page summary of each if you prefer the quick version. See <http://ypr.scouts.com.au/> to check them out as well as other reports to be released shortly and keep having your say to help shape Scouts Australia's future.

Promise Challenge Awards

This month's recipients of this special award are Andrew Kingston - City of Devonport, Axl Rowell - Mt Faulkner and Jackson Burns - Glenorchy. Congratulations to all of you.

That's all from me this month. As always please contact me anytime with any questions, suggestions, and newsletter items and I look forward to seeing many of you at our Joey Scout State Event in a couple of weeks' time! Happy Joey Scouting!

Sue Cooper

Branch Commissioner Joey Scouts

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Gang Show Report

Hobart Gang Show – It's a Gas – this is it, Gang Show is on THIS MONTH. I certainly hope all Groups/Units in the Southern area have taken a night off from their normal meeting and instead are heading to see one of the four performances. The dates are

Thursday 20th August, Friday 21st August (both at 7.30 p.m.) and Saturday 22nd August (2.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.). Online books are open

<http://www.trybooking.com/HMYV>

Tickets – Adults \$16; Children/concession \$11. Discount tickets for group bookings and ALL MATINEE TICKETS ONLY \$11.00. We also wish to thank all Leaders for their dedication and therefore we offer leaders who come with their Mob, Pack, Troop or Unit to come in at no cost (maximum of 4 for each Mob, Pack, Troop or Unit). The discount code is HGS15LEAD. See the poster elsewhere in the newsletter.

Yours in Scouting,

Denice Walter

Project Commissioner Hobart Gang Show

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BRANCH CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	WHERE
August		
1	Team Training Meeting	The Lea
1	Winter Moot for Rovers	
4	Branch Property Committee Meeting	
11	Branch IT Committee Meeting	The Lea
12	The Lea Board of Management Meeting	The Lea
15	Joey State Event	
20	Business & Finance Committee Meeting Branch Executive Committee Meeting	The Lea



Cub Report

Grey Wolf Awards

Mitchell Fleming

Clarence Sea Scouts

Meg Bracken

Penguin

Aiden Bloom

Motton-Preston

Thomas Bennett

Howrah

Terry Bryan

Branch Commissioner Cub Scouts

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Adult Support

This month we have a number of procedural issues we need to discuss.

TOP updates

We have made a few minor changes to TOP. Please be aware that in the Branch safety rules, we have changed several references to “Sail Australia” to “Yachting Australia” which is the correct name of the organisation.

In section 5, Leader Training, we have changed the wording to reflect a change in policy whereby Leaders who require a VET qualification will need to apply separately to Scouts Australia Institute of Training (SAIT). Please visit the SAIT page which is available via the E-learning tab on Scout Central for more information.

In chapter 8 there is a reference to TAG. This term has been changed to paintball. The Tasmanian Firearms act (1996) will be changed to enable this activity to be undertaken by persons over the age of 16 on registered fields. It is expected that by November a number of fields will be available. Watch this space for more details.

Adult Support cont'd

Electives

There is a requirement for all Leaders to complete the electives “Child Safe Scouting” (BCOR CHILD) and WHS & Scouting (BCORE WHS) which are available via the E-learning tab on Scout Central. All Leaders need to complete the modules by the end of the year

In the Child Safe Scouting module

Know how our values and attitudes can impact on acknowledging child abuse and/or neglect

Understand how child abuse is often discounted

Appreciate your role as a trusted, non-threatening adult

Be aware of the importance of maintaining a child focus

Understand your responsibility to report, including suspicion of abuse.

The module takes 45 minutes to complete.

WHS & Scouting

Although the WHS legislation is all encompassing, it was mostly written with only commercial workplaces in mind. Working with Safework Australia, Scouts has developed a clear framework that interprets the law in the context of Scouting. This module explains WHS in the context for Scouting and takes 25 minutes.

Induction training

I am rather concerned that prospective Leaders are not getting the “complete story” when they sign up. Just recently a new Leader told me that the job (Group Leader) would only take about 2 hours a week. So when the new Leader gets to training and is told of the “actual” time commitment we get some very surprised looks and in some cases this leads to resignations. Secondly, all new Leaders should be given a job description for the role for which they have applied. Finally they should be made aware of the training requirements. This is particularly important so that they understand the time required for E-learning so that they have completed it prior to face to face training.

New Leader induction should be undertaken by the Group Leader or the District Commissioner. It is essential that new Group Leader induction is performed by the District Commissioner.

In the resources tab on My Scout you will find the induction training material and position descriptions. There is also some very specific Leader of Adult material.

Mike Wilson

Branch Commissioner Adult Support



International Report

23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan.

Saturday 18th July four Scouts from Tasmania left for the overnight flight to Japan with over 320 Australian Scouts (including 250 youth members) to attend the World Scout Jamboree in Japan.

The contingent hired the entire Qantas plane for the flight to Japan. The Tasmanian Scouts who attended were Thomas Chrisoulakis Blackmans Bay Scouts, Jessica Bull Clarence Scouts, Jaryd Dearing Penguin Scouts and Maxwell Pardo Smithton Scouts.

They have a 9 day pre-jamboree camp while touring Japan, 12 days at the Jamboree and then 3 days as a guest with a home stay family.

The participants were hosted by the Consul-General of Japan at a reception in Sydney and boarded a Qantas plane painted with the Jamboree logo. Their first day in Tokyo was spent visiting Asimov the robot and taking in the sights.

Thank you to Jeanette Loosmore and Kerri Hallam for the information and photos.



National International Conference in Canberra

I attended the National Conference a full program as usual. I will be contributing to the International Commissioners hand book, which is being produced as a guide for newly appointed International Commissioners to supplement their handover information.

Tasmania received a very big pat on the back for its participation in International Contingents – e.g. Japan and New Zealand.

International Report cont'd

Tasmanian Leaders attending the Wonderland, this is a repeat visit for Annastasia who took with her who other Scout members. We had a Tasmanian Scout member attend the Kandersteg International Scout Centre as a short term staff member. Tasmania has had its first International exchange Student leave and now has four International Exchange Students being hosted here. The Pen Pal program and Letters of introduction have increased on last year's numbers. The 40th World Scout Conference Tasmanian Chief Commissioner Mr Michael Patten attended the Conference as an observer. A donation to Scouts organisations in need due to natural disasters by Tasmanian Scout groups was also noted. Thank you to all for raising Tasmania's International profile within Scouting Australia.

The launch of the **Contingent Leaders hand book** was made at the conference. This handbook is a work in progress and should be a valuable source of information for anyone who is currently a Contingent Leader or thinking about applying to be a Contingent Leader. If you would like an electronic copy please ask – contact details below.

I represented Tasmanian Scouting in attended the Embassy of Korea and the Embassy of Japan for a reception which was held in the Ambassador's Residence.



Looking forward to hearing from you.

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'Twas a bitterly cold night but we had three Devonport fire trucks along with ten firemen and women come to our combined Cub and Scout Meeting and give us all a look over their equipment, show us how to make a home emergency plan, and a few good tips on fire safety. Finished the night with some hot food and drinks. More pics on our Facebook page.

Cheers,
Ron Davey
CSL City of Devonport
Scout Group



The President of Scouts Australia
Tasmanian Branch
Mr John [Pip] Cornish

Request the pleasure of your company at the
Annual General Meeting and Presentations to be held on
Friday 11th September 2015 commencing at 7.30pm
at the Latrobe Memorial Hall
Gilbert Street, Latrobe

In the presence of

The Governor of Tasmania
Her Excellency Professor The Honourable
Kate Warner AM

Presentation of Awards

Good Service Awards and Scout Medallions will be presented
Queen's Scout and Baden-Powell Awards acknowledged.

Dress: Uniform or Lounge suit (ladies after 5 wear)

Decorations may be worn:

Light refreshment will be served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

RSVP by 21st August 2015 to Branch Headquarters on
Phone 6229 9385 (11.00am- 5.00pm) or
Email: admin.bhq@tas.scouts.com.au



Grants Report

Tasmanian Community Fund –Round 31 is now open for small (up to \$10,000) and medium (\$10,001 to \$90,000) sized grants. The closing dates for each category are:

Small grants – 2 September 2015

Medium grants – 23 September 2015

Guidelines are available on the TCF website: www.tascomfund.org.

Applications for Round 32 open in January 2016.

Sport and Recreation Minor/Major Grants Program – The Minor/Major Grants Program offers financial assistance towards equipment purchases and the development/improvement of facilities or playing surfaces that directly benefit sport and recreation clubs and improve opportunities for Tasmanians to participate in sport and active recreation.

Clubs, associations, local government and other not-for-profit providers of sport and active recreation can apply for minor grants of between \$500 and \$10,000. Applicants must contribute at least half of the project funding. Important dates for the Minor Grants Program:

Round One	
Friday, 15 July 2015	Round opens
Wednesday, 23 September 2015	Round closes
Late December 2015	Outcomes expected to be advised
31 December 2016	Projects are expected to be completed by this date
Round Two	
Thursday, 24 September 2015	Round opens
Wednesday, 9 March 2016	Round closes
Late May 2016	Outcomes expected to be advised
30 June 2017	Projects are expected to be completed by this date.

The Major Grant Program opens on 18 August 2015 for grants between \$15,000 and \$80,000. Applications close on 4 February 2016. Again, applicants must contribute at least half of the project funding.

For more information, including the Program Guidelines and Application Form, visit www.dpac.tas.gov.au/divisions/csrt/sportrec/funding_opportunities or telephone 1800 252 476.

Please contact me if you require any information or advice regarding grants.

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JOTA/ JOTI Report

JOTA/JOTI is upon us again, with only a couple of months to go and by now your Group or Section should have your plans well under way, ie A venue, Radio operator/s organised or internet equipment and some planned activities or you may be having a camp.

JOTA-JOTI is the largest Scouting event in the world. In 2014 over 1.3 million Scouts participated across 157 countries. The event is held the third weekend of October; for 2015 the Jamboree takes place **17th and 18th October**.

This year the JOTA / JOTI badges will remain at \$3:50 each including postage.

Please note. JOTA/JOTI badges are pre-ordered from National.

I order a few hundred badges each year, using last year's participation numbers and if I run out of badges unfortunately I cannot re-order any more.

You will now have a choice on how you would like to fill out the 'Participation Report and Badge Order Form'. There are two Forms which are in a PDF Format and can be read and completed on your laptop/computer in Adobe Acrobat Reader version 9 and above – available from Adobe – Free download from Adobe.

How does it work - With this Electronic Banking PDF version you must put my e-mail address in your address book (robjmckay@optusnet.com.au) - then open the form and complete it as you have done in the past, but electronically. It is important to provide a banking reference so that it will match up with the TREAT statement. No badges will be sent until payment is made. After completion click the '**Send by E-mail**' and follow the prompts, don't forget to open your e-mailer before sending, otherwise it will sit in your e-mailer until it is opened. You will have to have internet banking to use this form of payment.

The other form is the same layout and again can be completed on the computer / laptop, but you must print this completed form and post with your payment. Both of the above forms do the calculations for you.

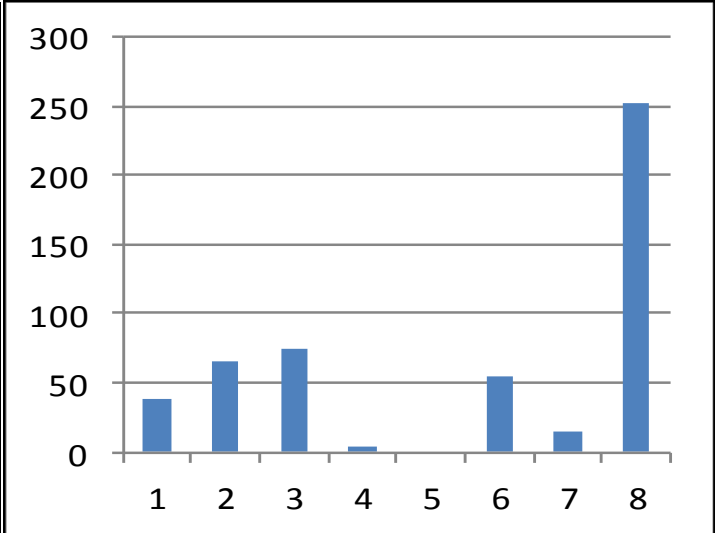
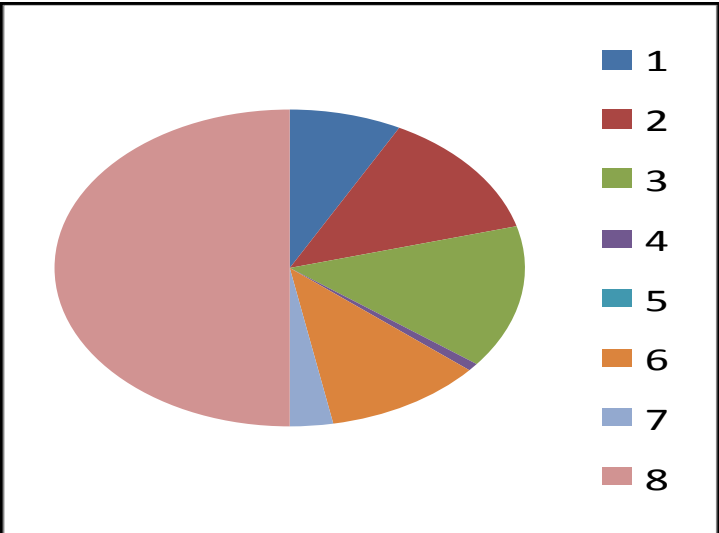
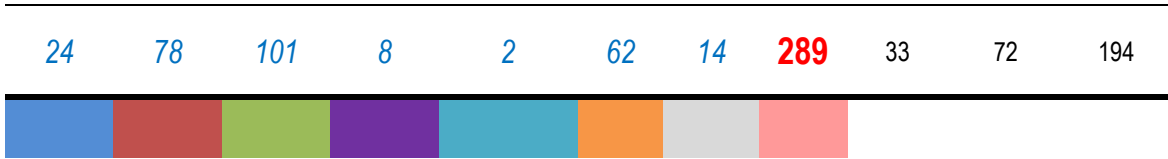
All forms and JOTA – JOTI information for this year, should be available shortly on the Branch Web Page (www.tas.scouts.com.au) and then go to events on menu bar and click on JOTA/JOTA or alternatively, click on JOTA /JOTI in the 'Latest News & Updates'. There will be a wide range of information to help you in planning and running JOTA / JOTI.

Robbie McKay

Product Commissioner Radio and Electronics

Tasmanian 2014 JOTA / JOTI Group Participation Report
as at 30 April 2015

Group	Joey Scouts	Cub Scouts	Scouts	Venturers	Rovers	Scout-ers	Parents	Total	Contacts	Contacts	Contacts	Took
									Tasma- nia	Aust States	Overseas	Part in
1/2 Ulverstone Scout Group	0	8	10	0	0	5	1	24	n/s	n/s	n/s	n/s
4th Launceston Scout Group	1	8	14	0	0	10	1	34	0	0	1	Jota & Joti
Burnie Scout Group	4	12	12	0	0	10	0	38	4	5	7	Jota & Joti
Cygnet Scout Group	0	6	6	2	0	6	0	20	4	4	0	Jota
Evandale Scout Group	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	3	2	3	6	Jota/Joti & Echolink
Huonville Scout Group	0	3	10	1	0	2	0	16	n/s	n/s	n/s	Jota & Echolink
Howrah Scout Group	6	9	10	0	0	6	0	31	5	15	100	Jota
Kingston Sea Scouts	0	0	7	2	0	1	0	10	0	2	15	Joti
Leven District Scout Association	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	6	n/s	n/s	n/s	n/s
Sandford Scout Group	4	6	7	1	0	4	0	22	8	12	8	Jota & Joti
Sandy Bay Scout Group	5	5	0	0	2	2	4	18	0	4	25	Joti
Smithton Scout Group	0	7	9	2	0	2	5	25	10	25	22	Joti
St Helens Scout Group	0	1	5	0	0	2	0	8	0	0	7	Jota
Summerhill Scout Group	2	3	0	0	0	2	0	7	0	1	1	Jota & Joti
Turners Beach Scout Group	2	10	9	0	0	6	0	27	0	1	2	Jota & Joti



2015 Adult Recognition Awards

Special Service	Sandy Bramley	Turners Beach Scout Group
	Pamela Brock	Turners Beach Scout Group
	Roger Cox	10th Hobart Scout Group
	Margaret Fitch	4th Launceston Scout Group
	Nichole Harbottle	Blackmans Bay Scout Group
	Michael Lijnzaad	Clarence District Venturer Unit
	Anthony Lucas	North West Bay Scout Group
	Greg Luckman	Howrah Scout Group
	Stuart Morse	Tasmanian Branch
	Michelle Otten	1st 2nd Ulverstone Scout Group
	Neil Rutt	Kingston Scout Group
	Isaac Smith	North West Bay Scout Group
	Douglas Thomson	Tasmanian Branch
	Martin Vialle	Mt Stuart Scout Group
	Anne Wighton	Spreyton Scout Group
	Clinton Wighton	Spreyton Scout Group
	Karen Wild-Allen	Howrah Scout Group
Willem Wyker	Clarence Ses Scouts Group	
Meritorious Service	Christopher Ballard	Mt Stuart Scout Group
	Jan Bonde	Leven District
	Georgina Carr	Clarence Sea Scout Group
	Wendy Gray	Smithton Scout Group
	Maree Kemp	Blackmans Bay Scout Group
	Kathleen Milburn	Mersey District
	Ruth Niekamp	Perth Scout Group
	Alexander Otten	1st 2nd Ulverstone Scout Group
	Heidi Richardson	Old Beach Scout Group
	Emma Riseley	Taroona Scout Group
	Cindie Tenteye	Riverside Scout Group
	Karen Van Den Bosch	Glenorchy Scout Group

2015 Adult Recognition Awards

Silver Wattle	Fiona Broadby Robert Green Andrea Heap Patricia Poulton	Tasmanian Branch Blackmans Bay Scout Group Lindisfarne Scout Group Westbury Scout Group
Outstanding Service	Andrea O'Rourke Richard Seeber	Leven District Branch Property Committee
Distinguished Service	Robert Gardner	10th Hobart Scout Group
Silver Koala	Maxwell Melton Rodney Squires	Clarence Sea Scout Group Mt Faulkner Scout Group
Silver Emu	Susanne Hovington Jeannette Vogels	Sandford Scout Group Tasmanian Branch
Silver Kangaroo	David Chalk Michael Wilson	Lenah Valley Scout Group Tasmanian Branch

YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS AUGUST 2015

5 YEARS
John McKillop
North West Bay



Venturer Report

Many thanks to Simon Hughes for hosting GLOW for 2015 at Blythe Park. Topics discussed included the Youth Program Revue, the updated Venturer Leadership Course, this years State Venture, Working with Vulnerable People Card, Leader and Adventurous Activities training and of course next years annual program. Sadly I note a shortage of Southern Leaders participating, hopefully to be resolved next year when GLOW heads south.

Our very own Donna has been hard at work over the last few years overseeing a major national overhaul to the Venturer Leadership Course. Soon to be trialled in Queensland it will be our turn to give the new course a run through in September and hopefully we can get quite a few participants along.

Some upcoming events that I look forward to seeing people attend are:

Venturer Retreat: 29-30th August, Launceston

Info flyer on Facebook page

Contact: China Mug 0455039081

Leadership Course: 11-13th September, Carnaroo

Cuboree: 25-27th September, The Lea, Info flyer on MyScout

Maritime Challenge: 24-25th October

State Venture TV15: 27-29th November, in the North West

Any questions, thoughts or reports? Drop me a line or send me an email

Yours in Venturing

Dave Thomas

Branch Commissioner for Venturers

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Branch Staff changes

There have been a number of changes to staff at Branch Headquarters and I need your assistance until the new staff are trained.

As you are aware Marion Blight has now retired and Sharon Sullivan is taking her place. We have also lost Susan Mace to the mainland, Lori Jack is taking her place.

Over the coming weeks Sharon and Lori are on steep learning curves so it would be appreciated if you could help them any way you can. One way to help is by taking the time before ringing or emailing Branch to see if you could obtain the information you require from another source. As an example Section Leaders ask your Group Leaders, Group Leaders ask your District Commissioners or look for your answer in TOP's. There are also a lot of documents/information sheets in My Scout under Resources.

Another quick way is to make sure you use the correct email for the three of us. I will list what each of us works on so please contact the correct person. I would also suggest that you add the three of us in your address book **under our names instead of just BHQ.**

Lori Jack (admin.bhq@tas.scouts.com.au)- Youth registrations, Membership certificates & cards, Newsletter, Years of Service certificates & badges, Boat certificates, Leader flashes, ANZAC badges, Resource orders, Rover paperwork, Sign-up booklets (New Leader/Adult Helper/Rovers), My Scout passwords, My Scout youth member queries.

Sharon Sullivan (bhq.training@tas.scouts.com.au) - New Leaders paperwork, Change of appointments, Police checks, WWVP cards, anything to do with Training courses/E-Learning/Adventurous Activities paperwork, Scouts Central password resets.

Myself (tas.bhq@tas.scouts.com.au) - Any sort of insurance queries including Property/Personal Accident/Public Liability, Financial queries including My Scout invoices, processing of new Committee paperwork, Property queries including new leases, Trailer rego's, liaison for all Branch Committees including BEC, B&F, Property, IT & LBOM.

Thanking you in advance for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours in Scouting

Jeannette Vogels - State Office Manger



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