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Wellington District

10 years

Murat Djacic
Maree Kemp
Shirley Padmore

Tamar Venturer Unit
Blackmans Bay
Rubicon

15 years

Alec Reavell

Training Team

20 years

Wesley Ford
Lyn Harvey
David Johnson
Steven Locke
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Ronald Plummer

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Chief Commissioner's Report

The long awaited letter from our National Chief Commissioner, Chris Bates, will be distributed to all members of Scouting in Tasmania by BHQ immediately before this Newsletter is distributed. As I have said many times it is very important that all members of Scouting follow the Youth Program Review (YPR) on our web page. On this occasion, big changes are being proposed and it is very important that as many of our members as possible get involved in providing responses. If you don't get a copy please contact BHQ. If you are not a member of Scouting but want to see what is happening, it will be on the National and Tasmanian web sites. (www.tas.scouts.com.au or <http://ypr.scouts.com.au>) Express your opinions, have your say, don't be a wall flower. Accompanying Chris Bates letter will be one from me, because Pip Cornish and I have to vote on your behalf, on any changes, in November and we need to know the opinion of Tasmanian Scouts. Please also respond to my letter.

On 11th September the Branch Annual Meeting will be held at the Latrobe Community Centre. The Governor, Her Excellency Professor Kate Warner will be chairing the meeting and presenting Good Service Awards. A highlight of the evening will be the awarding of Life Membership to two outstanding members of our organisation, Rose Tanner and Sue Hill. Rose is known to almost everyone in the North and North West. She started as a Cub Leader and is now involved in a number of committees in the North. Sue also started as a Cub Leader and is currently Joey Leader at Clarence Sea Scouts and is the longest serving Section Leader in Tasmania. This is the first time the Annual meeting has been held in the North West. I hope it is well supported from all around the State.

I am very pleased to be able to welcome the new Branch President Elect, Brendan Kelly. A Queen Scout, for a short time a Leader and later a Scout parent, Brendan had a distinguished career in the Education Department and he is looking forward to helping to support Scouting in Tasmania. I would also like to welcome Michael Verrier as a Leader representative on BEC, replacing Fiona Broadby who has completed her very successful six year term on BEC. Thank you Fiona for all your hard work. While welcoming people, I would also like to welcome Andy and Jen Ralph and their daughter Katherine, who have started as the new caretakers at The Lea. What a start they had. They came here from the Northern Territory and on their first day it snowed. Please make them welcome if you see them out and about. Again thank you to Fiona and Ken Broadby for so capably looking after The Lea for the last four months.

The Gang Show on Thursday 20th, Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd, was a total success. To see a group of young (and not so young) Scouts and Guides perform a show that they have also written and choreographed themselves is a wonderful example of Scouting and Guiding in action. The creative skills, the personal satisfaction and the resilience that develops in young people from following such a grand plan into action will be a lifetime highlight for the dedicated cast of over 60 members. The Leaders and supporters who have put so much effort into making this success possible are to be commended as are the Leaders who got behind the Gang Show and encouraged their Youth members and families to attend. Thursday night was nearly a sell out and total audience numbers have gone up every year. Well done everyone involved!!! What amazing talent we have in our organisation.

The Cuboree is only 24 sleeps away. I hope that everyone is looking forward to their trip to The Lea, particularly the bus trips from the North and North West. We are also being joined by a large contingent from Victoria. The Organising Committee has planned an action packed weekend based on a 'Centenary of Anzac' theme. The Rovers, Venturers and Scouts are helping by providing activities. I hope to see as many of you as possible having a great time.

The Regatta Committee has reached a watershed moment at their recent meeting. For the first time, they are formally recognising the additional traveling cost to our members in the North and North West when the Regatta is held at Snug every year. Please see the letter giving details, which appears in this Newsletter. This is a decision that has been given a great deal of thought and should help show our members North of Oatlands that we do greatly value their contribution and participation.

It is with sadness that we note the passing of Malcolm Grant OAM. His funeral on 19th August was attended by many past and present members of Scouting and was a fitting celebration of a life well lived. The Lea and the Regatta will be poorer for his absence but Malcolm achieved a great deal both within and outside Scouting. As a Leader at Mt Stuart, as a DC and as Southern Regional Commissioner he influenced many lives, as he did at Jamborees, at the Gang Show, at Regattas and as a Leader of the The Lea Service Crew. He will be remembered as a friend by many people.

Mike Patten
Chief Commissioner

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From the President

I am pleased to advise that at the Branch Council held on Friday 21st August the election of officers was confirmed and as a result we have a new President Designate Mr. Brendan Kelly.

It is my privilege to welcome Brendan back to Scouts Tasmania as he is a former Youth member and Queen's Scout who has recently retired. Fortunately for us, he is looking for a post retirement challenge. Brendan has a background in education, both as a school principal and as an administrator in the top level of the Education Department, he has served in the Army Reserve and will bring a wealth of experience and skill to our Branch.

Another returnee is Mrs Pamela Cornish who joins the Branch Council for a three year term. Pamela is well known in the branch not only for her support of myself but also as a former Venturer Leader and Branch Chaplain.

Congratulations are in order as Branch Council has appointed two new Life Members in Mrs Rose Tanner and Mrs Sue Hills. Rose has done sterling service in support of the Groups and Districts in the North and North West both through her business the "Northern Scout Shop" and in her committee work. Sue is a Leader of long standing in the Branch, a stalwart of Cub and Joey sections whose untiring enthusiasm and energy have provided encouragement to Leaders and Youth Members alike.

No doubt many of you have been following the reports in the press of the deliberations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Abuse. Our National Office was in expectation that the Commission would report in late July. Clearly this didn't eventuate and we have no further information as to when a report can be expected. National is keeping a very close watch on this matter.

The Youth Program Review

As the Chief has advised, there are changes being proposed by the Program Review Committee which, if made, will change not only the actual Youth Program but the fundamentals of Scouting like the Law and Promise. It is vital that all members make an effort to understand and respond to the proposed changes by filling out the surveys. You have two representatives on the National Executive Committee of Scouts Australia and you need to advise the Chief and I of your opinion and wishes in respect to the changes so we can reflect your views. Please don't leave this to someone else to do.

The Branch Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday the 11th September at the Latrobe Memorial Hall. This will be the first occasion our new Chief Scout will chair the meeting and I hope to see as many of you as possible at the event to support the members receiving awards for good service.

John [Pip] Cornish
Branch President



Joey Report

Well, our Joey Scout State Event is behind us now for another two years but what a busy and fun day it was. This special event was held on a cold but fine Saturday 15th August at the Ross Town Hall and adjacent 'old school' grounds, with approximately 160 Joeys and siblings along and a good variety of different activities on the 'Possum Magic' theme on offer for them to try out. All activities were enjoyed by the participants but perhaps not surprisingly the biscuit decorating and lamington making were two of the favourite activities according to the Joeys' feedback I've received. Thank you to all the Leaders, Youth and Adult Helpers (and the parents and carers too) for all of your efforts in making the day a success, and a special thanks to Kath Milburn, Lisa Lord and Robyn Russell, and also to Mike Patten for making the trip to Ross to join us for the Opening Ceremony and morning activities.

With nearly 300 people attending, it is quite likely that there will be the odd hiccup with the smooth flowing of the day's program, and improvements can always be made at future events (like this time we were able to overcome some of our previous events' issues!) I already have a few ideas in mind for next time but would still like to hear from any other leaders who have comments about the event you would like to pass on (what you liked and what you didn't) and any suggestions you may have too. Also, we are still missing some lanyards/colour tags and flags - let me know if you have these.

Next year we will be holding Regional Events again. I have already received some great suggestions from the Joeys in a few Mobs for possible themes for these, and the next State Event, but if you haven't already done so, please ask your Joey Scouts for their ideas too, and let me know what they come up with as well as your ideas too.

This last month has been a busy one - as well as the State Event, August has also been Scouts in Action Month with an Environment theme this time around. Hopefully all Mobs have been busy with this as it is an important part of our badgework. If you haven't already, it is still not too late to go to www.scoutsinactionmonth.com to register your Mob (or Group) and order your badges.

Are you still following the Youth Program Review? New options for consideration for the age ranges in each section; which aspects in your section's current program are important to you; and the Promise and Law and Spirituality are all current topics and all very important ones - make sure you have your say and encourage your Mob's families to have theirs too. The website again is <http://ypr.scouts.com.au/> - help shape Scouts Australia's future.

A reminder that the (Advanced) Wood Badge Training is on 18th - 20th September and 6th - 8th November (both weekends) for those who are eligible and have done the e-learning - applications need to be in by 4th September.

Joey Report Cont'd

Promise Challenge Awards

This month's recipients of this special award are Josiah Reader and Liam Coulson - both of Old Beach and Lachlan Atkins, Emily Hill, Lewis King, Bridie Perrott, Abraham Wilson, Joshua Zeeman and Willow Mourant - all of Sandy Bay. Congratulations to all of you.

I'm looking forward to catching up with most of you at an informal Joey Scout Leader get-together in each region over the next month or so, as well as some of you at the Branch AGM. In the meantime, as always, please contact me anytime with any questions, suggestions, and newsletter items plus your comments and ideas on our State and Regional Events.

Happy Joey Scouting!

Sue Cooper

Branch Commissioner Joey Scouts

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Branch Calendar

Date	Event	Where
5 & 6	Brent Gaffney Memorial Raft Race	
8	Branch IT Meeting	
9	The Lea Board of Management Meeting	The Lea
11	Branch AGM	Latrobe
12 & 13	Venturer Leadership	
17	Business and Finance Committee Meeting Branch Executive Committee Meeting	The Lea
18	Advanced Sectional Techniques Training	The Lea
25	Basic Seamanship	
25—27	Cuboree	The Lea
30	Water Craft Inspection Due	



Cub Report

Sorry there was no Report last month, however I was out of the country getting some much needed sunshine, but then came back to our beautiful snow day. I think that's called Karma! There is a lot happening, so let's get straight into it.

23rd Tasmanian Cuboree – September 2015

This will be the last Newsletter before our Cuboree, so I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all good luck, and hope that you all have a fantastic weekend. It looks like this year's Cuboree will be bigger than ever. At the time of writing, we have received just on 600 registrations, including 7 packs from Victoria. Information kits will be sent out shortly, and we will be organising for the scarves, badges and hats to be handed out prior to the Cuboree date. However, as the suppliers have not yet specified the delivery date, I will let you know the final date for this as soon as I can. Overall, I hope you have a great time, and I look forward to seeing you there.



Cub Scout Centenary 2016

Now that we are finalising details for the Cuboree, it is time to start thinking about our 100 years Cub Scout celebrations for 2016. As you may have noticed in my previous Newsletter reports, I spoke about the National Badge Competition. Entries for this closed on the 31 August, and the time of writing this report we had 149 entries from around Australia. Having said that however, I did say that there would also be a Tasmanian winner, and I will be able to announce this hopefully next month. Provided that they don't win the National prize, the Tasmanian winner will not only receive some more great camping gear, but also have his or her badge made into a Blanket Badge that will be sent to everyone in the State. Good luck to those who have already entered

The first event that we will have on the calendar for next year will be a State wide "Come & Try" day to be held at Campbell Town oval on Sunday 21st February 2016. This event is being held as close and we can get to Founders Day and will involve as many groups from around the state as we can get. Each group will be asked to run an activity/craft/food stall that all of the other Cubs can try during the day. Chris Wisby from ABC will be there for the day, transmitting his Sunday show from the event, so we are hoping to have a big turnout. I will be writing to individual Leaders shortly with more details and asking them to supply me with their ideas for activities on the day. It will be first in first served for these activities, so get in early or you may have to think of something else.

Cub Report cont'd

This will be first of three events for the year, so keep an eye out for what is happening in 2016.



Commissioners Challenge Award 2015

We have another 2 Packs who have completed this years Commissioner's Challenge. Congratulations to 10th Hobart & Burnie Packs on a fantastic effort. There is still plenty of time to complete the challenge. Once your Pack has completed the requirements that were set, please complete the order form and send it to me. The badges cost \$2.00 each, with further details included in the Activity Packs sent to each Leader.

Please get behind the Challenge and I look forward to hearing how you get on. If you have any questions, please let me know straight away.

Hobart Christmas Pageant

I have just been advised the details about this year's Hobart Christmas Pageant. As the numbers for this event have been declining over the years, as more groups put in their own entries, can you please e-mail me as soon as possible (details below) to advise if you will be participating in this year's event? This will give me an idea as to whether we put in an entry or not.

Programme Ideas

Unfortunately I do not have a programme for this month, due to time constraints on my behalf.

Don't forget however, that you can find a lot of Programme ideas, on Scouts Central (www.central.scouts.com.au). If you need help getting access, talk to your District Cub Scout Leader who will show you how to find them.

That's it for me for this month. 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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Planning is underway for the 53rd Scout Guide Regatta to be held at Snug on 12-14 March, 2016. Encourage your youth members to participate. Look for information in *Platypus*, the Branch Newsletters and on the web site.

If your Troop/Unit hasn't been to a Regatta before, it is easy to enter and lots of fun. You don't need to bring boats or have expertise in water activities. Many events are shore based and you can share equipment with other Units or Troops. Participants can 'have-a-go' at patrol boat rowing, kayaking or learn to sail a Pacer dinghy – the Regatta makes craft available and provides experienced help. Talk to other Leaders who know the ropes, give me a call on 0488964817 or email sg.regatta@tas.scouts.com.au

Parents enjoy the Regatta and contribute to its success by participating in some events and helping to run others. Remind parents they can camp on the oval with the Regatta participants (remind them that, if staying overnight, they must have a Working with Children card). They can be catered for if they wish. Alternatively, they may wish to book at the Snug Caravan Park – but would need to do this soon – or make alternative arrangements.

For experienced Leaders there are some changes this year in both the fee structure and the necessity for adults staying overnight having a Working with Children card. The changes are detailed by the Scout and Guide State Commissioners in this publication.

Filling in the Registration form

Please ensure you choose the correct Registration form for your area.

Anyone over 18 camping (staying overnight) on the Regatta oval must have a Working with Children Card. This is a legal requirement. It is likely that all Leaders and others registered with either Girl Guides Tasmania or Scouts Tasmania will have given the details of their card to either Scouts Tasmania or Girl Guides Tasmania. Leaders, please record on your Registration form the names and Working with Children Card number and expiry date of any other adults camping with your group whose Working with Children card details have not been given to either the Guide or Scout Associations. Rovers and Olaves, if there are adults over 18 not registered with the Scout or Guide Associations camping with your group, you will also need to record this information. The rationale for this is in the letter from the State Commissioners in this publication.

Please register your Troop/Unit/Crew by 15 December and complete a separate registration form for each Troop/Crew/Unit. If your Troop/Crew/Unit registers after 15 December, there will be a \$50 surcharge. Troop/Crew/Unit registrations cannot be accepted after about mid-January.

We appreciate numbers may change after your Troop/Crew/Unit has registered – we all know youth members don't always commit to an event too far in advance. Of course you can add to your numbers, using the Additional Entries Form, until 3 March. Remember that there are fee increases for registrations after 15 December. Entries cannot be accepted after 3 March.

As more sections are choosing to pay fees by bank transfer, it is important that you record the name of your Troop/Crew/Unit in the transfer details so I can register your section. Please email me when you have paid by BSB. The details of the Regatta account are on the Registration form.

Catering

The FULL CATERING fee is for seven meals from Saturday lunch to Monday lunch. Leaders, you will need to cater for Saturday breakfast for your Troop/Unit. Regatta catering provides a standard menu with vegetarian meals, gluten-free meals and gluten-free dairy-free meals, available for those registered as requiring them. Do you have a query? Please ring 0488964817 or email sg.regatta@tas.scouts.com.au The OWN CATERING fee includes activities, pennant, administration costs and a small amount set aside for infrastructure maintenance and repair. Only Rovers, Olaves and parents, or youth members who require a specific diet because of a medical condition, may cater for themselves.

Assistance Details

Please list the names and phone numbers of any medical practitioners associated with your section who will be attending the Regatta and are willing to be on call for emergencies. Someone from the Regatta Committee will contact them.

We would like to involve more parents and others associated with your Troop/Unit in assisting with in-shore safety on the water. If you know of someone who has small boat experience, is willing to help, and who has a small dinghy or rubber ducky with an outboard motor, then please let us know.

Consent

The 'Leader in Charge at Regatta' needs to sign and date this section. Youth members under the age of 18 must have at least one adult for every 10 youth members or part thereof camping with them. Scout and Venturer Units with male and female youth members must have both male and female Leaders. Participating youth members must be at least 10 years old at the time of the Regatta. Endeavour to have parents available during the "regatta" for the duties and security shifts which will be allocated to your Troop/Crew/Unit! Registering an initially small number of participants and then increasing them does not result in reducing the number of duties assigned - the Committee tries to be fair in the allocation of duties.

Refunds

Generally a decrease in numbers advised by 25 February will be refunded 100% and if advised by 3 March there will generally be a 50% refund. Changes to the numbers registered cannot be made at the Regatta.

Camping

Please plan to arrive after 6pm and be set-up by 11pm on the Friday night. All tent pegs must be 'tagged'. Electricity will not be available. Please do not connect to existing outlets. Generators are prohibited.

Remind all those associated with your group that the Regatta site is an '**alcohol, smoking and drug free zone**'. There are two areas outside of the oval designated for smoking and with butt out containers provided.

Youth members under 10 are invited to **Taster Day** which next Regatta runs from 1–4.30 pm on Saturday, 12 March. There will be more details later, but this event is cost free for participants, a great introduction to the Regatta and good fun especially the exciting finale of the water bomb fight!

Please contact me, Lyn Muir, on 0488 964 817, or email sg.regatta@tas.scouts.com.au if you have any queries about the Regatta. See you at Snug!

Lyn Muir
Secretary/Registrations

For Regatta Registration forms
please download from My Scout
under Resources.
Refer to message from the Scout and Guide Organisations.

New policies for the Scout Guide Regatta

Two recent changes have been made to how the Scout Guide Regatta will be organised for 2016.

- Changes in legislation mean that any adult (18 years and above) who plans to stay overnight at the Regatta will need to have a Working With Vulnerable People – Child Related Activity Card. All Leaders, Adult Helpers and Rovers should already have one. The change will be for parents and supporters. This will be policed between 6pm and 8am each night. **Leaders should take action as soon as possible to ensure that they have enough helpers with a card.** There will be no exceptions. The only change for those with a card will be that each group will need to list the names and card number of all adults who register to stay within the camp area.
- The other change is that the Regatta Committee had decided to recognise the additional travel costs faced by Groups and Units in the North and North West by introducing a sliding registration fee. This will involve a small \$5 increase for the vast bulk of attendees from the South, a \$10 reduction for the North and a \$20 reduction for the NW. This doesn't represent the full cost of travel but is a show of support for participants from the North and NW.

Both these changes have the total support of the Scout and the Guide organisations.

Mike Patten
Chief Commissioner
Tasmanian Branch

Mary Laing
State Commissioner
Tasmania

Gang Show 2015 "It's a gas"



Gang Show 2015 "It's a gas"





Gang Show Report

The mystery of *It's a Gas* has now been solved ... Hobart Gang Show is over for another year. What was supposed to be a lethal gas turned out to be laughing gas which proved obvious – ‘after all, the audience were laughing’ all the way through the show!

A team of dedicated supporters all helped the show run smoothly. As always too many to list individually, but thanks to all those involved (not in any particular order) – back stage crew, band, front of house team, lighting, sound, video, photography, props, costumes/sewing, make-up, hair, security, cleaning, parents, choreographers, musical directors, singing director, assistant directors, production assistant, script director, sets director, set construction team, set painting, poster, red scarf research, program, camp, traffic wardens, cast song writing director, stage manager, helpers at camp ...

The show was a success and audience numbers are growing each year. Opening night saw the balcony seating area of the theatre open! This year over 800 saw the show. Don't miss next year's show ... it will be a special celebration.

Our final show on Saturday night was dedicated to the memory of Malcolm Grant, a former cast member and fantastic supporter of Hobart Gang Show. Many would remember Malcolm best for his role as “B.P”, often believing he was B.P. During the singing of *The Scout Hymn* in the finale some tears were shed, but as in the last words of *The Scout Hymn*, Malcolm always encouraged everyone ... “To be the best, the best that I can be”.

Denice Walter

Project Commissioner Hobart Gang Show

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Malcolm Sidney Grant 20 December 1924—14 August 2015

Malcolm was a Life Member, serving Scouting for over 41 years. Leader of Mt Stuart, District Commissioner and Southern Regional Commissioner. Malcolm was also a great supporter of the Gang Show, Regatta and the Jamboree. As Leader of the Lea Service Crew his services will be greatly missed

Stalwart will be fondly remembered. Rest in Peace

Venturer Report

It has been my pleasure in the last month to meet Tyler Hindrum from Rivallyn and Curtis McGee from Perth and sign off their Queen Scout awards. The first of my tenure as BC they have my congratulations on their achievement. I'd like to take this opportunity to remind Venturers that it is never too early to start on your award scheme towards a Queen's Scout Award and for those getting close to finishing who have any questions, feel free to shoot me an email.

This year's Leadership course is getting closer, 11th to 13th of September to be held at Carnaroo. For all those intending on going please return application form as soon as possible. For those Venturers looking towards their Queen's Scout I can't stress how important it is to attend the Leadership Course as early as possible. The course is also ideal for all those undertaking leadership roles on a Unit Council or considering doing so.

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

Venturer Retreat: 29-30th August, Launceston

Info flyer available on Facebook page

Contact: China Mug 0455039081

Leadership Course: 11-13th September, Carnaroo

Info flyer and application form sent out to regional councils

Cuboree: 25-27th September, The Lea

Info flyer available 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

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Rover Report

Time to get back to updating you all on a more regular basis... via the Newsletter! Numerous activities have come and gone since my last report in June – some of these include:

Winter Moot – held at the Harvey-Dale property just out of Westbury over a pretty cool and wet weekend... from all reports it was a great event enjoyed by all who attended.

Adventurous Activities Workshop – Phil Harrison, National Commissioner (Training) conducted a workshop at The Lea concentrating on adventurous activities training. Some of the main take-home messages were:

- There is now a National Adventurous Activities Framework (since 2013).
- The Scouts Australia RTO (SAIT) is being partitioned off from the Adult Training and Development arm – Rover and Adventurous Activities training is to be run by the AT&D arm with the option of obtaining nationally recognised certification from SAIT through RPL/RCC processes.
- Rover Training implication – Rovers who complete the Rover Wood Badge (and have the required adventurous activity training and endorsements) can be appointed as Instructors!

Commissioners Conference – Held at The Lea and attended by Phil Harrison.

BP Lodge – The annual pilgrimage to BP Lodge this year was with a group of 13 Rovers from NARC and, as usual rewarding and again a timely reminder of what a truly fantastic facility BP Lodge is. I personally really enjoy visits to the lodge and encourage all Crews to make Cradle Mountain an annual event in their respective calendars.

ESRC – Cocktail Party at Lindisfarne.

Midnight Express – the annual treasure hunt 'all-nighter' activity.

Quad-Boot... Carr Villa lodge was a fitting venue for the booting of four well-known members of NARC. With the theme being 'tight & bright' – I won't be including any photos this month! The Ben Lomond facility was bursting at the seams as Rovers from around the state gathered to farewell Tom Harper, David (Crom) Cromarty, Spencer Jennings and Richard (Richo) Guy from the Northern Area Rover Crew.

Upcoming & ongoing events:

Raft Race – The Brent Gaffney Memorial Raft Race weekend is coming up fast this weekend (4th – 5th September) and based at the New Norfolk Scout Hall. Please don't forget to RSVP Georgina at ESRC.

Branch AGM – ROVERS... Please come and witness our three Rover Service Award recipients receive their medallions from the Governor. You might also like to attend the Branch AGM as well! The details are Friday 11th September, at the Latrobe Community Hall at 7pm... Uniform would look great! Usually we are asked to provide some assistance with parking etc., so please come prepared.

Well that's about all for this month – other than the ongoing Youth Program Review that is still ongoing and seemingly ever-expanding in its implications. There is a survey currently running on-line that would probably be a very good thing for every Rover and Leader to participate in! Cheers, until next month.

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Branch Commissioner Rover Scouts

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

Requests 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 refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

RSVP by 21st August 2015 to Branch Headquarters on
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