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Branch Calendar

| April | Event | Where |
|---------------|---|--------------------|
| 9 - 16 | Tour De Tassie | Assemble in Burnie |
| 10 & 11 | Mariners Trophy - South | |
| 11 | Gang Show Training Workshop | |
| 18 | Gang Show - Information Session | |
| May | | |
| 3 | Moot 2023 Meeting | |
| 6 - 8 | Advanced Abseiling Course | Agfest |
| 8 | JOTT | |
| 14 - 16 | YOU Course (South) | |
| 15 & 16 | Basic Seamanship Course / Seamanship Update | |
| 21 | Queen's Scout & Baden Powell Presentation | Government House |
| 23 | Southern Joey Scout Leader Lunch | Salamanca |
| 29 & 30 | Scouting Essentials (all Sections) | The Lea |
| 30 | PLA Update | The Lea |
| June | | |
| 7 | Moot 2023 Meeting | |
| 18 - 21 | Advanced Cycling/Ride Planning Course | Carnaroo |
| 19 & 20 | Scouting Adventure Course | The Lea |
| 26 | Joey Scout Leader Reunion | Ross Town Hall |
| July | | |
| 3 & 4 | Gilwell Reunion & Training Team Conference | The Lea |
| 3 & 4 | Youthfest | |
| 5 | Moot 2023 Meeting | |
| 10 & 11 | NOC Meeting | |
| 10 & 11 | Youth Leadership (Cubs, Scouts & Venturers) | Launceston |
| 17 & 18 | All Leader Get —Together Weekend (Palava, Scoutfest and GLOW) | |
| 24 & 25 | Advanced Bushwalking Course | BP Lodge |
| 31 & 1 | Winter Moot | |
| August | | |
| 2 | Moot 2023 Meeting | |
| 14 & 15 | Basic White Water Rafting | Arm River |
| 14 & 15 | Gang Show - Bump-in Crew | |
| 16 - 18 | Gang Show - Dress Rehearsals | |
| 19 - 21 | Gang Show Performance | |
| 28 | Commissioners Conference (online) | |



Branch Calendar

| September | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| 4 | 1st Aid Course (all Regions) | |
| 4 | Joey State Event | Ross Town Hall |
| 11 | J/C/S Council & GL Meetings | Ross (TBA) |
| 18 & 19 | Scouting Essentials (all Sections) | The Lea |
| 19 | Sea Scouters Council | |
| 24 - 29 | Cycling Skills Camp - MTB Derby | |
| October | | |
| 2 & 3 | Scouting Leadership W / E 1 | The Lea |
| 9 & 10 | Cuboree | The Lea |
| 16 & 17 | JOTA/JOTI | |
| 16 & 17 | Basic Seamanship / Seamanship Update | |
| 23 & 24 | Scouting Adventure Course | The Lea |
| 30 & 31 | Basic Abseiling Course (North) | |
| November | | |
| 1 | Moot 2023 Meeting | The Lea |
| 6 & 7 | Scouting Leadership W / E 2 | |
| 13 & 14 | Training Team Meeting & EOY Dinner | |
| 20 & 21 | Clark Trophy - Scouts | |
| 20 | Basic Kayaking (North & South) | |
| 27 & 28 | NOC / NEC / National AGM | |
| December | | |
| 3 - 5 | State Venture | |
| 6 | Moot 2023 Meeting | |
| 17 | Branch Closes | The Lea |



**Joey
Scouts**

Discover
Adventure



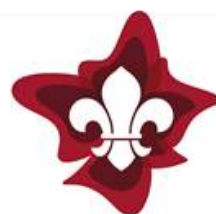
**Cub
Scouts**

Create
the Path



Scouts

Explore the
Unknown



**Venturer
Scouts**

Look Wide



**Rover
Scouts**

Beyond
the Horizon



Chief Commissioner's Report



I have three new Project Commissioners to announce this month. Matthew Anderson is now our Project Commissioner for Risk Management and Emily Ezzy is now our Project Commissioner for Diversity and Inclusion, also Michael Sweeney is taking on the Assistant Project Commissioner of Radio role. We also have a new Assistant District Commissioner in Launceston/Tamar Bec Edson. Ross Smith is taking on the Assistant Training and Development Commissioner role and Murat Djacic is taking on the Assistant Commissioner for VET. We welcome them all to the Commissioners Team. I'm still looking for a Branch Commissioner for Venturers, if you are interested, email me.

Friend finder torches are still going strong. At the moment I've given out 206 torches, 17 to Joeys, 111 to Cubs, 71 to Scouts and 7 to Venturers. Hopefully, I will have enough to get to the end of the year; if not, I will get some more.

Northern Area Rover Crew (NARC) tell me Carr Villa is back up and running again. Just in time for winter camping, so if you are interested, contact NARC.

There has been some discussion about the long sleeve activity shirt being part of the uniform, as per the last Newsletter. The Section Branch Commissioners have been talking to their Leaders, asking if they want this to happen. We are getting a lot of different answers, depending on the Section. The biggest problem is the long sleeve shirt only comes in blue, which is a problem for the older Units. How do we tell the Youth apart from adults — the younger Sections like the colours as the Leaders can tell them apart at large events. Discussions will continue.

VET Certificates are available for Youth members, to the point, if a Venturer, for example, gets their Queen's Scout Award, they get 30 points toward their TCE. VET Certificates get more TCE points as well, so it is worthwhile to look into these VET Courses.

I have modified the TOP 13 - New Youth form to include Youth Helpers, so if you want to have a Youth Helper help in your Section you can use this form now. If the Youth is already an older Scout or Venturer, then send an email to Lori at BHQ, and she can put that member down as a Youth Helper. This will help the Training Team to see if they need to run a Youth Helper Course.

We now have a short description of the Adventurous Activity Courses in the MyScout Calendar for the Leaders who don't know what the Course is about and want to learn more. Hopefully, this will give our Leaders a better understanding of the Course before putting their hand up to go on these Courses.

Gang Show International will run again this year over the JOTA/JOTI weekend. Last year was a great success, so they are giving it another go this year. Our Tasmanian Gang Show will run this year as usual with a bit of luck. Still, they need people to help, so if you are interested, contact Denice Walters.

Unfortunately, our Queen's Scouts and BP Awardees will not be able to be presented at Government House this year, as COVID has restricted the numbers at Government House to only 50 people. As we have nearly 30 Awardees this year, having it at Government House only allows one person per Awardee to attend. So we have found another venue thanks to our Branch Manager Maria. The venue is near the Shot Tower, Glen Albyn Estate, and the Governor will still be presenting the Awards.

Unfortunately, the Australian Jamboree is not going ahead, either in 2022 or 2023. Therefore, the Branch Scout Council is planning an all Scouts 5-day camp, starting on the 28th of December at Fulton Park. I'm looking forward to seeing most of the Scouts there.

For the Sections and Groups starting with the new program, don't forget you can get a lot of information from the website 'pr.scouts.com.au'. A lot of Leaders are having trouble with the new program app 'Terrain'. All the BC's and the Training Team are looking at getting help for you. We have some Leaders working with it and enjoying it, so we are hoping they can help and get everyone up to speed. **Terrain Champion is Alistair Luckman — alistair.luckman@tas.scouts.com.au**

Our Project Commissioner for Mental Health, Ian Hart, is working on applying for a Grant to Train a couple of Leaders to become Mental Health Trainers. They, in turn, will Train Leaders in our Groups. It would be great to have a Mental Health Leader in every Group as it is becoming a challenge for many Youth and some Leaders. With a lot of luck, we will get the Grant and get Leaders trained.

Staying on the subject of Grants. Our Project Commissioner for Grants has had some problems with Leaders, who think she has a magic wand and can get all the Grants we apply for. Gabby can only help you with the words; she has no influences on the companies giving the Grants out. Since COVID, it has been even harder to get Grants as more Groups apply for them.

Groups should get back to fundraising again; The work is then distributed through the group instead of on one or two people. The Group becomes a better Group as the parents socialise and become a family while working together. This, in turn gets more Leaders, more Youth and so on, a win-win situation. So, if your Group only needs a kayak, tent or something small, fundraise for it. It's a great experience for your Group.

Michael Hovington Chief Commissioner cc@scoutstas.org.au



Years of Service Awards

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|-----------------|---|---|
| 5 Years | Lorna Barrett Victoria Eastman Tammy Filder Karen McMillan Donna Kemp Carolyn McKinley Mark Williamson | North West Bay Scout Group Blackmans Bay Scout Group St Helens Scout Group Mt Faulkner Scout Group Burnie Scout Group Taroona Scout Group Howrah Scout Group |
| 6 Years | Olivia Bracken Cassandra Denney Jessica Huxley Craig Spencer | Penguin Scout Group Penguin Scout Group Mt Faulkner Rover Crew Wellington District |
| 7 Years | Sharon Hockley | Wynyard Scout Group |
| 8 Years | Marcus Holland Annette Levis Carol Liefing Margaret Townsend | BP Lodge Clarence District St Helens Scout Group Rubicon Sea Scout Group |
| 10 Years | Graeme Gifford | Port Cygnet Scout Group |
| 11 Years | Tony Black Scott Huxley Jeffrey Leitch | Leven District Mt Faulkner Scout Group Mt Faulkner Scout Group |
| 13 Years | Lorraine Gowland | Northern Districts Property Committee |
| 15 Years | Amanda Potter | 4th Launceston Scout Group |
| 17 Years | Michael Green | Taroona Scout Group |
| 20 Years | Andrew Hardman | Clarence District |
| 22 Years | Robert Gardner | 10th Hobart Scout Group |
| 35 Years | Greg Boon | Tasmanian Branch |
| 47 Years | Daphne Mitchell | Launceston & Tamar District |
| 50 Years | Michael Wilson | Training Team |

BHQ Office TIPS

Tips From BHQ to make your volunteering time less stressful



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Terrain

If you have any issues with the Terrain site then Scouts have a Terrain Champion who you can contact for help or with questions

Alistair Luckman - alistair.luckman@tas.scouts.com.au



Joey Scouts

It's on again!

Inviting all
Joey Scout Leaders

past and present to
join in the fun and fellowship at the

Joey Scout Leader Reunion

Save the date!



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Saturday 26th June 2021, 11am - 2.30pm Town Hall, 12 Bridge St, Ross

More details to come but to register your interest and receive updates join our Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tassiejoeyleadersreunion/>

or contact Sue on 0409318379 or djsl.hellyer@scoutstas.org.au



Now celebrating 30+ years of Joey Scout fun!



Catch up with 'old' friends; make new friends and share laughs, stories and experiences from years ago or last week!



Do you know others who were Joey Scout Leaders in the past? Please pass this on and help us spread the word!

Adult Recognition Awards

Special Service Award

John Johnson
Julian Varney
Georgina Rush
Stephen Jones
Amy Stephens
Anthony Burrows
Jamie Nicholson
Jessica Morgan
Stephen Hepburn
William Percey
Dylan Pearce
Jenny Brown
Noelle Rattray
David Blanch
Martin Neumeyer
Cynthia Nielsen Beck
Janette Power
Melanie Thompson



Meritorious Service Award

Sandra Johnson
Jason Sanderson
Naomi Howe
Ruth Henderson

Outstanding Service Award

Carol Denman
Kathryn Howe

Silver Wattle Award

Ruth Niekamp

Silver Koala Award

Anthony Peck

Silver Emu Award

Malcolm Evans
Ian Hart

Silver Kangaroo Award

Denice Walter
Anthony McDonald
Marion Blight

**Awards Presented at the AGM
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The President of Scouts Australia
Tasmanian Branch
Mr Corey McGrath
Invites you to attend

the Annual General Meeting
on Friday 30th April 2021

Riverlands Centre
159 Wellington Street, Longford

Commencing at 7pm

Dress: Uniform or Lounge suit (Ladies after 5 wear)
Decorations may be worn.

RSVP by 16th April 2021 to Branch Headquarters on
Phone 6229 9385 or
Email: admin@tas.scouts.com.au



Joey Report



It's hard to believe it is almost Easter! It's been a short but busy Term 1 for our Joey Scout Units and it has been wonderful to hear about all the fantastic outdoor activities our Joey Scouts have been enjoying. Some photos of North West Bay and Clarence Joeys enjoying the camping facilities at the top of The Lea are below. From all accounts, both Joey Units had a wonderful time.

March has also been a busy time for Joey Scout Leader get-togethers. Southern Joey Scout Leaders enjoying afternoon tea at San Churros on the 14th of March and District Leaders and District representatives attending a Joey Scout Branch Council meeting on the 24th of March via Zoom. Thank you to the Leaders who attended those events.

Speaking of Joey Scout Leader get-togethers. Sue Cooper and Sue Hill have been busy organising our Joey Scout Leader Reunion. Unfortunately we have had to move the date to secure the Ross Town Hall as a venue. The Joey Scout Leader Reunion will now be held on the **26th of June**. See the advertisement (page 6) for further information.

2021 Commissioner's Challenge

A new Commissioner's Challenge will be coming out soon. Last year's Scouting at Home Commissioner's challenge was successfully completed by 107 Joey Scouts. That's an amazing effort! Well done to all. The focus for this year's badge will be on challenging Joey Scout Units to **PLAN, DO and REVIEW**, 8 activities across the 4 Challenge Areas. More information will be coming out soon.....



CREATIVE



COMMUNITY



OUTDOORS



PERSONAL GROWTH

Some dates for your diary:

23 May, Southern Joey Scout Leader Lunch, Rendezvous Café, Salamanca, 1:00-3:00pm.

26 June, Joey Scout Leader Reunion, Ross Town Hall, 11:00 am to 2:30pm.

17-18 July, All Leaders Weekend, Orana

***4 September, Joey Scout State Event**, Ross Town Hall. **Note we have had to move this from 21 August due to a clash of events.*

Resources

Just a reminder there are lots of resources on the internet to assist you in your implementation of the Program. The central point for those resources is **Scouts Australia Program Resources – Adventurous, Fun, Challenging, Inclusive** which links to the **Scheme-To-Pathways Converter** (ie the badge converter) as well as **Scouts | Terrain** (which includes a number of Terrain videos and user guides).

That's it for this month. I look forward to seeing you all at the many events over the coming months. I hope you and your family have a wonderful and relaxing Easter.

Happy Joey Scouting!

Ruth Henderson
Branch Commissioner Joey
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JOEY SCOUTS
DISCOVER ADVENTURE



VET Report

Outdoor Leadership qualifications.

Ross Smith, Andrew Thompson, Will Percey and Luke Dimsey have now gained their Diplomas in Outdoor Leadership. The assessors have also assessed Units of Competency in canoeing, climbing and kayaking.

Business qualifications

Julie Creed has now gained a Certificate IV and Diploma in Leadership and Management plus a Certificate IV Coordination of Volunteer Programs.

Congratulations and well done to all.

Statistics for SAIT, Jan 1st – 28 Feb 2021 - National

For the first two months of 2021, SAIT issued:

199 qualifications, 492 testamurs with a value of \$ 1,718,799. Please remember, we don't charge for Units of Competency or qualifications, this is market value!

Over the next few months, we will be working with members of the Training Team to update some of their training & assessing competencies as ASQA (National regulator) have made some minor changes.

ASQA have also reviewed Business Services (Cert III – Diploma Leadership & Management) and have made some changes to the qualifications.

Mike Wilson

Branch Commissioner VET



Scouts Terrain

I have had a few queries around video tutorials for Scouts | Terrain and where they are located.

<https://pr.scouts.com.au/terrain/> hosts a lot of official support material including training and walkthrough videos. Just some of the topics covered in these videos include;

- **Navigating Scouts | Terrain**
- **Getting Started in Scouts | Terrain**
- **Import Data Wizard**
- **Using the Members Table**
- **Special Interest Areas**
- **Outdoor Adventure Skills**

There are also a range of written user guides if that is more your learning style and over 100 questions answered in the FAQs.

As mentioned last month, there is also a helpful Facebook user group where you can ask for suggestions, ideas or help from other Scout Leaders from around Australia. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/scoutsterrain>

Don't forget to answer all of the questions when applying to join this group.

Alistair Luckman

Scout Terrain Champion

alistair.luckman@tas.scouts.com.au





Cub Report



This month I'm writing about:

- Cuboree
- All Leaders' Weekend
- Terrain
- TOP 15s

Cuboree

The Cuboree is a Leader- (and parent-) supported three-day camp held at The Lea from October 8th-10th. The theme for this year's Cuboree (the 26th) is "Fun from A to Z" and will contain lots of exciting activities for Cubs that will be fun and adventurous. It's open to all Cubs (and Cub-aged Guides) and we will need each Group to have a Scout stay over too. You should have received a flyer for parents in an email from me. Please use it to promote the Cuboree. Leaders who assist with organising the Cuboree don't have to pay registration. And coincidentally, we need more volunteers. If you've got the skills to planning some activities, manage our finances, be a go-to person for a sub-camp (collection of about 100 Cubs), assist with catering organisation, assist with the site and problem-solving, or pretty much have a contribution of any kind you can make, please get in touch: bc.cubs@tas.scouts.com.au

All Leaders Weekend

On July 17th and 18th we're planning to have an All Leaders Weekend in the south of the state (at Orana). What would you like to do on that weekend? Would you like to learn anything in particular, do anything in particular, hear from an expert on anything in particular? Please let me know, and please put the weekend in your calendar now.

Terrain

We've had plans to run some sessions on Terrain in early 2021. At the moment, the sectional Branch Commissioners together with the Chief Commissioner and Assistant Chief Commissioner are attempting to learn from National the development status of Terrain — i.e. how complete it is and what, if any, significant alteration remains. Once we learn that Terrain is complete, or very near to completion, we will then arrange some Training.

In the meantime, however, there are excellent How-To Guides at <https://pr.scouts.com.au/terrain/> on many topics:

- Logging In
- Getting started
- Importing data
- Setting up Units and Patrols
- Managing members
- Planning an event
- Entering a Special Interest Area project
- Navigate the Outdoor Adventure Skills

and many more.

There's also video guides, FAQs, and a dedicated Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/scoutsterrain/?src=stp>

TOP 15s

You may have seen a recent email about TOP 15s from the Chief Commissioner. It reminds us all to discard any version we have printed and to ensure we always go back to MyScout and hence always be using the most up-to-date version. You can access it here: <https://tas-1.myscout.com.au/DocumentDisplay/1605>

Please ensure you complete a TOP 15 form whenever you do an activity described in Chapters 8 or 9 of the current TOPS. (TOPS is being updated, but for now, it is all we have.) With the exception of visiting other Districts, the form has nothing to do with proximity to your Hall, it is all about the activities. If you don't do the paperwork, insurance may be void and you expose yourself to potential financial damage and the organisation to reputational risk.

Well that's it for another month. Enjoy the Easter break, and if you have eggs to find... Good Hunting!

Julian Dermoudy
Branch Commissioner Cubs
bc.cubs@tas.scouts.com.au

Grey Wolf Award
Hamish Azar Penguin

Special Interest Areas

- Adventure & Sport

Arts & Literature

Creating a Better World

Environment

Growth & Development

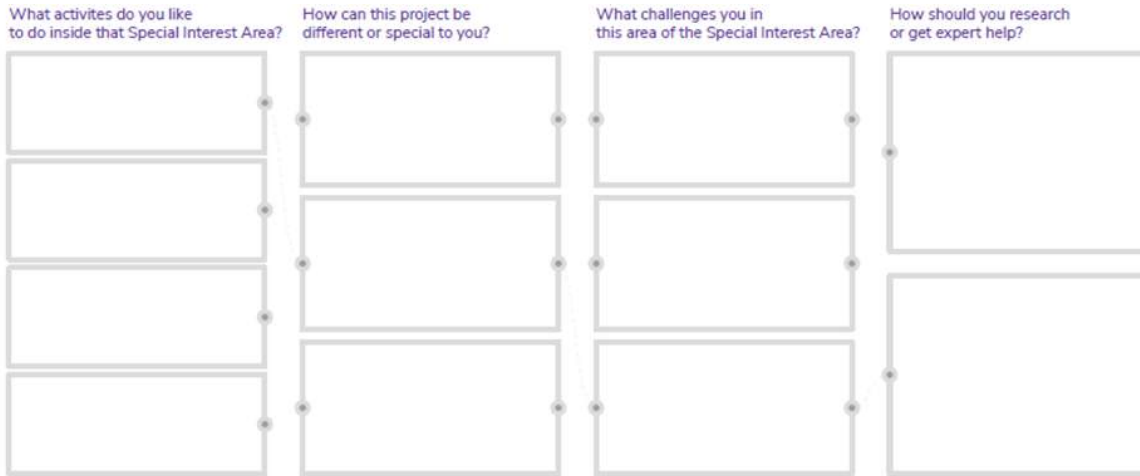
STEM & Innovation

pr.scouts.com.au has many tools to assist you and your Youth plan, document, and review their SIAs. Looking in the Achievement Pathways section reveals:

| NAME ^ | DOWNLOADS | VERSION | LAST MODIFIED | DOWNLOAD | FILE SIZE |
|---|----------------|---------|---------------|----------|-----------|
| Guide to Special Interest Areas | 2965 downloads | 2.0 | 05-11-2020 | Download | 677.1 KB |
| SIA Project Planning Tool - Joey Scouts, Cub Scouts | 2591 downloads | 2.1 | 31-05-2020 | Download | 590.4 KB |
| SIA Project Planning Tool - Scouts, Venturer Scouts, Rover Scouts | 2416 downloads | 2.2 | 31-05-2020 | Download | 580.4 KB |

Special Interest Areas Cont'd

All of these resources are really useful. The Guide, Fact Sheet, and Flow Chart are a great read as an introduction. The Flow Chart is a great way to get a Youth member to brainstorm their ideas and work through the identification and planning process. The flow chart in part is simply:



This allows you (and/or the Youth member) to think through what kind of challenges they're interested in, what they could do, and the help they would need.

In addition to this, of course, there is the more formal Planning Tool. There is one for Joeys and Cubs, and one for the older Sections. Recently, these have been turned into fillable PDFs for those who wish to complete them that way.

SIA Project Planning

Development Tool - Scouts, Venturer Scouts, Rover Scouts

Plan >

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|---|---|--|------------------------|
| Name: | Date: | Section: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Rover Scouts</div> | How long will it take? |
| What is your Special Interest Area idea/ ideas? | Outline what you aim to achieve within the Special Interest Area | | |
| Consider below which SPICES "I" statements found in the back of your Youth Guide relate to these goals and what UN's Sustainable Development Goals could be covered in your project. | | | |
| Goal 1: | | | |
| Goal 2: | | | |
| Goal 3: | | | |
| This will be a: | I am being supported by: | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patrol Project <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Project | <input type="checkbox"/> Patrol Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Subject Matter Expert <input type="checkbox"/> Mentor | | |
| Who is participating in this project with you? (Who else is involved?) | Named: _____ | | |
| How do you hope to personally grow by doing this project? (eg. Deliver a speech, demonstrate, teach others, keep a diary, code an app, engage a community group, etc.) | | | |
| The person that is supporting me feels comfortable assessing the success or quality of achievement in this project because of the following: (eg. The Leader has been working in a relevant area for a number of years, the mentor is a musician/photographer etc.) | | | |

May 2020 – Version 2.2- Scouts Australia Official Program Resource

If you've got questions, please ask the team. Thank you. Julian Dermoudy, on behalf of the Team:

Julie Creed, National
Jacki Fox, Howrah (Cubs)

Julian Dermoudy, Branch
Cindy Ruut, Kingston (Scouts)



Scout Cycling Report



CUB SCOUTS – SAFE CYCLING TRAINING

Here are some great pics taken at the Clarence District Cub Bike Safety night held at Howrah Scout Hall. Scout Cycling Southern Coordinator Annette Levis was delighted. "It went really well – a great night for it and just enough light before day light savings ends. We had about 32 Cubs from Howrah, Clarence Sea Scouts and Sandford and about 10 Leaders" "This is the second night I have run for the Cub age group and I think it's a good introduction and lead in to the ½ day Bike Safety Course for Scouts."

Leaders interested in advancing Safe Cycling for your Cub Scouts! Call the Scout Cycling Coordinator in your area:

South: Annette Levis 0438 441 154
North: Ross Smith:0418 130 996

North West Leven & Mersey: Jordan Otten: 0439 998 274
North West Hellyer: Kerrie Murchie: 0417 393 914

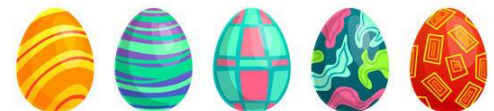


The Tasmanian
Scout Heritage
Centre

The Lea Scout Centre,
330 Proctors Rd. Kingston,
Tasmania, Australia



For more information call
Susan Gardner
0418 289 732



Outdoor Adventure Skills Report

Welcome to the first update on OAS. Through this Newsletter it is hoped to outline some of the finer points of Outdoor Adventure Skills. Two aspect I would like to outline in this report is in relation to 1st Aid and the use of sit on tops boats.

As a requirement of Youth members to obtain their Peak Award a 1st Aid qualification is required. For anyone under 14 this is only required to be the skill set, as no organisation will award a qualification to under 14-year old's. The good news is Courses are being rolled out over the next 12 months in regions through Trainers connected with H&A Training based out of Newcastle. Already the 1st Course has just finished in the North, more will be advertised in other regions over the next few months. The cost of Courses will be less than \$50 for Youth and adult members. It is also planned to run a remote area 1st Aid later in the year. When and where the next courses are to be conducted will be advertised in the Next newsletter.

The second point for this Newsletter is in relation to sit on top kayaks. Although useful for a fun time at the beach or at a lake, it is not recommended they are used to teach canoeing skills relating to OAS. The skills required for these craft are completely different for those used in a sit in kayak or canoe. The training undertaken at a Branch day will also be completed in sit-ins and not sit-on. **Murat Djakic - Training Team**



Hugh and Anne of H & A Training meeting with several of the future TAS Scouts First Aid Training Team

Seamanship Course 2021

When: 14th—16th May

Where: North West Bay Scout Hall

Cost: \$80.00

Expression of interest to

BHQ on a TOPS 15 or 15A (For youth)

Email: murat.djakic@gmail.com





Training Report

Email reminders – mandatory eLearning

Just a reminder to check your junk email in case the early reminders for completion of the mandatory eLearning modules has slipped through into junk and you miss completing the units on time. If the units are not completed within the 12 week period your membership will be suspended until such time as they are completed. The two mandatory units are SP Child Safe and SP Work Health and Safety, and they are required to be undertaken every three years, along with your Police Check and renewal of your Working With Vulnerable Peoples Card. This is part of Scouts Australia response to being a Child Safe organisation.

Scouting Adventure

It was disappointing to cancel the March Scouting Adventure weekend, but with only 5 participants it is not viable to run. The next Course is 19th-20th June, so please ensure your TOP 7 is sent to Branch at least three weeks before the Course. For new Leaders your Certificate of Adult Leadership cannot be issued until completion of the Scouting Adventure weekend. As a reminder for existing Joey Leaders, it is essential you either complete this weekend or have at least one Leader who has completed this weekend in order to take Youth members camping.

We are hoping for a bumper weekend for Scouting Essentials in May. Please ensure all new Leaders have been advised of the dates for face-to-face Training and all Training Application forms (TOP 7) are registered at Branch at least three weeks before the Course so we can ensure the appropriate number of Trainers and Catering.

Geraldine Harwood

Branch Commissioner Adult Training & Development



International Report

With things starting to look up in the COVID battle, it's time to start thinking about your International expeditions again.

I am excited to say that International applications are now back live!. The first event off the rank is the World Rover Moot to be held in Ireland in July 2022. This event is open to participants who are aged between 18 and 26 on the first day of the Moot, 18 July 2022. Anyone 27 or older is also welcome to attend as part of the International Service Team (IST).

Applications are now open, via <https://registrations.international.scouts.com.au>

Head to the contingent facebook page for up-to-date event information including a stack of FAQs regarding the event, the various registration types available and the COVID situation.

Hurry, applications close 19 April, and spots are limited, allocated on a first-come basis so get in early.

Looking further ahead, there are two roles currently open for application for the Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC) Centenary Contingent in 2023. These are Marketing and Communication Lead roles (one Youth [16-25], one adult). Applications are open until 5pm Monday April 5. More information including PDs can be found here: <https://scouts.com.au/blog/2020/07/22/kandersteg-centenary-camp-contingent-management-team-vacancies/>

2023 will also see the World Scout Jamboree take place in South Korea. This contingent has an exciting new initiative, with the Dream Patrol formed from Youth members in every state to help shape the contingent and make this the experience of a lifetime. Congratulations to Monty Abbott and Holly Lowe who are representing Tasmania in the Dream Patrol.

Speaking of the WSJ, keep an eye out on the contingent facebook page for various roles being advertised as they come online, with event applications opening later this year.

I am looking for an enthusiastic Youth member (16-25) who has an interest in International Scouting to come on board as my Youth Assistant. This role will see you work with me to deliver the International Program to the Branch, with a range of interesting new initiatives coming soon. If you are interested in this position, or wish to find out more, please get in touch via email. EOI will close on April 18.

Craig Gardner

Branch Commissioner International

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Gang Show Report

Hobart Gang Show has been a bit busy the past couple of weeks. A team of 8 participated in the Hobart Relay for Life ... raising money for the Cancer Council. In the 20 hours the relay goes for, between all the team we took the baton round the track a total of 256 times (102.4 km). The total number of laps the team walked was 388 (155.2 km). The number of individual laps ranged from 21 – 81, often depending on how long a person could stay. Well done and thank you to Alan, Alistair, Dave Henwood, David Mayhead, Donna, Emmerson and Kirstyn Mee.

Auditions for this year's Show have just been held. We had cast returning, plus new cast, which is fantastic. Scout Groups should now be putting Hobart Gang Show in your calendar to come along and see the Show. Opening night is Thursday 19th August and for the Saturday Matinee we are encouraging Joey Mobs to come along for our "Joey Performance". The Saturday evening is Red Scarf Night and of course the final performance.

Title for this year's Show is "A History In Review" ... loads to see with lots of entertainment for all. It is going to be fantastic to have a Show in the theatre and the Gang are looking forward to giving you another great Show. With Covid and other challenges, I am seeking former cast who might be interested in being involved in just one or two items for the Show this year. If you are interested, please contact me for more details.

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