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Kingston Scout Group



Kingborough Rover Crew - Alex Ruut & Bradley Thompson



Huonville Scout Group



Scouting ANZAC Album



On behalf of the Huon Rover Crew and Huonville Scout Group, I would like to thank the Huonville community for supporting our event. We had approximately 400 people attend the two services to honour our ANZAC Legends on Sunday.

I would like to acknowledge the following people and groups that made our event a success;

- Huon Anzac ensemble musicians and singers, Asher Read, Gerard Velnaar, Amber Leatua, Sheila Keshan, Eleanor Webster, Bethany Carona, Simone Watson, Nathan Read
- Kieran & Sheila Keshan, musicians and song writer
- French Horn soloist for Last Post and singer Sophia Mitchell
- Louella Jury
- Huonville Girl Guides for making and serving morning tea
- Huon Valley Council
- Glen Huon Dairy for supplies
- Woolworths
- Guest Speaker Mr Garry Wilmot of Crabtree
- Pastor Ian Cartmel
- Sound System by Scott Hutchins
- Michael Sweeney
- RSL Tasmania Branch
- Ecomist Tasmania , Covid control measures
- Tasmanian Police
- Huonville High School for poem reading

Thank you and
Lest we forget



ANZAC DAY
Lest We Forget



Branch Calendar

May	Event	Where
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)	
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	



Chief Commissioner's Report



I have been in Brisbane with our son, his partner and 8-week-old grandson. So, I've been keeping a low profile in the Scouting world. Thanks to Phil, Ruth and others for all the work they did during this time.

As you might have heard or seen via email from the Branch, Nigel Clutterbuck has taken on the role of Branch President. Our resigning President, Corey McGrath has work commitments that have increased so much he had to step down on all his Volunteer roles, and unfortunately, his role as Branch President was one of them. We all thank him for all the time and effort he has put into Scouts Tasmania, and we wish him well in the future with his work. We also have a new Vice President, thanks to Griffin Blizzard for putting his hand up for this position. Griffin has been on the BEC for some time now and knows the ropes on this Committee.

National has put together an Awards Team. This Team will look at Silver Kangaroo and President Awardees to see if they warrant an Australia Day Award. Hopefully, this will put our Scouting profile into the Australian Day Awards more. With these top two Awards, we need to see if the Awardees have been doing other volunteering work to help the National Committee get more of these Awards.

National has also passed that any Youth or Leader can wear the long sleeve Activity Shirt. Tasmanian Leaders are still talking about this as many of the Leaders are unsure of how it would look with two different uniforms, for example, on ANZAC Day. So, we are holding off on a decision for now.

Leaders are still having trouble with Terrain. The BC's and Training Team are working hard to get the Leaders to understand the program. **Terrain Champion - Alistair Luckman** alistair.luckman@tas.scouts.com.au

The all-Leaders weekend has been booked at Orana in the south for the weekend of 17-18 July, fingers crossed that COVID doesn't interrupt it this year.

Our First Aid Courses are now running, with the first couple of Courses run in the North and Northwest. We are hoping to have instructors for the South soon.

The Marketing Committee is still working on their Play Group document (which will be a Marketing Guide for the Committee). All Marketing members have been asked to look at this to get it completed. We have one member working on the Website and another the Facebook page, so we are getting there. One of the action points from this month is getting good feeling stories from new Leaders and Youth members and getting them out to others. We are also looking at a Uni Marketing Internship student to do some work for us. Unfortunately, we need a person to mentor this person to qualify to have an Internship Student, so we hope to find someone soon.

Pip (John Cornish) and his Team have completed another Tour. Unfortunately, Pip is calling it a day with the Cycling Team. Still, he leaves the Group in good hands, with Julian Varney taking over the role. Thank you, Pip, for all the time you have put into this activity and getting it up and running, and thank you, Julian, for taking over from him.

The Leader Build Team has been successful in signing up more Leaders for us, this time in the North West. The Training Team are now trying to do a Training session in the North West for them.

Julian Dermody has now taken on the DC Kingborough role from Julie Creed to add to all his other functions. I'm not sure how he is doing them, but thank you Julian for all your work in Scouting. I'm still after a BC Venturers, if anyone is interested.

The ANZAC Day parade and camps went ahead, as usual this year, but unfortunately, because of COVID were modified slightly. I have heard that some marches didn't go ahead, but most small-town parades did, which was great to hear.

I heard a good saying the other day – "Youth First, Safety Always." I think it says it all!

Michael Hovington
Chief Commissioner
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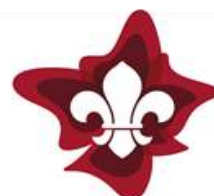
**Joey
Scouts**



**Cub
Scouts**



Scouts



**Venturer
Scouts**



**Rover
Scouts**

Years of Service Awards

5 Years

Timothy Beumer
Steven Harrison
Genevieve Hickman
Tyler Hindrum
Jeremy Kerr
Kerrie Murchie
Janette Power
Jacqueline Townsend

Howrah Scout Group
Huonville Scout Group
Sandford Scout Group
Northern Area Rover Crew
Huon District
Branch Cycling Team
Taroona Scout Group
Rubicon Scout Group

10 Years

Tracey Howard

Motton-Preston Scout Group

15 Years

Kathryn Brown
Amanda Potter

Tamar Scout Group
4th Launceston Scout Group

25 Years

Lyn Harvey

The Lea Service Crew

30 Years

Faye Whiting

Newstead Baptist Scout Group

35 Years

Jan Tuxworth

Spreyton Scout Group

45 Years

Lynette Young

Westbury Scout Group



Training Report

Scouting Essential & Scouting Adventure - Mid Year Courses

Due to the amazing job Marion has done with Leader Build we have 24 applicants from the North West for the Scouting Essentials Course for May 29th and 30th. As a trial, and with such a large number of participants from the North West we are intending to change the venue from The Lea Scout Centre to Fulton Park. We have had great support in organising gear for the weekend, and also for the Scouting Adventure weekend on 19th and 20th June. We will start at 8.00 am on the Saturday morning, but any participants from the North or South are very welcome to join us at Fulton Park, just outside Forth, a very beautiful part of Tasmania. A great opportunity for those outside of the Region to find out a bit more about a terrific Scouting resource.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact me, and please remember applications need to be into Branch by 8th May.

GILWELL REUNION

Saturday 7th August – all holders of a Wood Badge are invited to catch up with their fellow Gilwellians at the Gilwell Reunion, The Lea Scout Centre from 5.30 pm. Nibbles, main course, dessert and cheese and biscuits, including all drinks, all for the frugal cost of \$45.00 per head. If you could let me know of possible attendance as soon as possible, that would be much appreciated. I would also ask that two weeks prior to the event that payment be made, so Branch is not out of pocket.

This is always a fun evening, with lots of chat, reminisces and catching up with fellow Scouters. As always partners are very welcome to attend.

Congratulations to all members of Scouts Tasmania who have been nominated for Awards, especially members of the Training Team.

Geraldine Harwood
Branch Commissioner Adult Training & Development
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Joey Report



I hope that you had a lovely Easter and you have had a chance to have a break over the holiday period. Thank you to all those who were involved in ANZAC Day services and events. It meant so much to the Veterans and older members of our Community to see the involvement of our Joey Scouts and it was a wonderful way to show our commitment to our Community.

Joey Scout Leader Reunion

Our Joey Scout Leader Reunion is drawing closer. Please see the below ad for updated details. Invitations are going out shortly to all Joey Scout Leaders we have email addresses for. If you can pass on information about the reunion to any Leaders you know or who used to be attached to your Mobs/Units, that would be very much appreciated. If they are on Facebook you can also invite them to join our Tassie Joey Leaders Reunion FB Page **Tassie Joey Leaders Reunion | Facebook!**

2021 Commissioner's Challenge

As I mentioned in my previous Newsletter Report, this year we have a new Commissioner's Challenge Badge (badge design will be coming out soon...). Last year the Joey Scouts were challenged to "Scout at Home". This year we are celebrating that we can do things together again by having a Commissioner's Challenge the whole Joey Scout Unit can do together. The requirements for this badge have now been circulated. Please contact me if you have not received them or have any queries about the Commissioner's Challenge.

Peak Award

Don't forget that if your Joey Unit has just transitioned (or is transitioning) to the Program, those older Joey Scouts who are close to moving up to Cub Scouts can still compete their Peak Award on the old Program. Remember that, as we transition to the Program, it is important no Youth member is disadvantaged in completing their award. Speaking of the Peak Award, congratulations to Betty McRobert from the Taroon Scout Group for earning the Promise Challenge Award this month. Well done Betty!

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.

That's it for this month. As always, please contact me anytime with any questions or suggestions. Happy Joey Scouting!

Ruth Henderson

Branch Commissioner Joey Scouts

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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

Help us spread
the word!

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

Cost \$15 (covers light lunch and refreshments), wear uniforms, scarves and/or awards if you wish and bring along any photos or memorabilia for our display corner!

RSVP by 23/5/21 to Sue - djisl.hellyer@scoutstas.org.au, 0409318379 or at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/tassiejoeyleadersreunion/>

Payments to "Joey Scouts Tas Branch Council" 067115 10225921 (ref is your name)
Contact us for other payment options, special dietary requirements or more information!



Can't attend that day?



We would love to hear from you anyway!



Postponed from 2020 due to Covid-19!





Cub Report



This month I'm writing about:

- Cuboree XXVI
- Commissioner's Challenge
- Kingborough District Leadership Course
- Grey Wolf Awards
- 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. In the next couple of weeks registration will be open on MyScout, so please look out for it. Registrations before June 30th will attract a 10% discount. Transport is arranged for the Units beyond the Southern Region.

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 that you can make, please get in touch: bc.cubs@tas.scouts.com.au



Commissioner's Challenge

Recently I emailed the requirements for the 2021 Commissioner's Challenge Badge: Get Outside and Cub!

Cubs are required to:

- Lead/Assist in running an Outdoor Activity
- Participate (or Lead or Assist) in at least four outdoor activities —
 - * One with their Patrol (or additional Cubs)
 - * One with their Unit (or additional Units)
 - * One with the Section(s) of their Group (or additional Groups)
 - * One with other Units from their District (or additional Districts)
- Complete Stage 2 (or higher) in any three Outdoor Adventure Skills streams or complete the Section 4 (Outdoor Scouting) requirements of the Bronze/Silver/Gold Boomerang



Kingborough District Leadership Course

Terry Bryan (DCSL Kingborough) is running the Cubs Leadership Course on May 15th. For Cubs in Kingborough and the adjacent districts of Huon and Wellington, if you'd like your Cubs to attend — and are willing to attend with them and help deliver activities for the course — please contact Terry at dcs.kingborough@tas.scouts.com.au

Grey Wolf Award

As our Units transition from the 'old' program, Cubs will move to the Grey Wolf requirements of the 'new' program. But, many are transitioning part way through their journey and may not be able to complete all the new requirements in a short period of time. Please use your common sense and don't penalise Cubs by placing the Grey Wolf beyond their reach. If they want to complete on the 'old' program, please let them, or, take their existing progress into account when your Unit Council considers whether the requirements are complete.

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

As I wrote last month: 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 (<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>

Cub Report cont'd



TOP 15's

This is another reminder to discard saved/printed versions of all TOP forms and to ensure we always go back to MyScout and hence always use the most up-to-date version. You can access the latest TOP 15 here: <https://tas-1.myscout.com.au/DocumentDisplay/1605>

Please ensure that 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.

Good Hunting!

Julian Dermoudy
 Branch Commissioner Cubs
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Grey Wolf Award

Chloe Grain Tamar Sea Scouts
Tiffany Wheeldon Tamar Sea Scouts

Special Interest Areas



Have you considered devoting a night to developing SIAs? One approach you might try is to use sticky notes on a wall/noticeboard you've divided into six for the six different SIAs. Ask your Youth to think of something they'd like to learn about or improve and when everyone has something, ask each Youth member to read theirs out and everyone will determine where it belongs. You'll quickly learn — and so will the Youth — that almost all SIA proposals can be categorised into two or more Areas. For the younger Sections, the Leader can do the writing.

Alternatively, divide the floor of your Hall into the six Areas using the four corners and the far sides of the 'centre line' and get the Youth members to run to the location that represents the Area they believe the project fits in. It's a great way to engage the Youth members, to show them it's the project that's important, and not its categorisation, and it gets them thinking!

Finally, a reminder, 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 - Why?	426 downloads	1.1	01-09-2020	Download	1.4 MB
Special Interest Areas Factsheet	2733 downloads	2.1	26-11-2020	Download	3.4 MB
Special Interest Areas Flowchart	1653 downloads	2.2	03-11-2020	Download	201 KB

If you've got questions, please ask the Team. You can contact me at Julian.Dermoudy@tas.scouts.com.au
 Thank you. Julian Dermoudy, on behalf of the Team:

Julie Creed, Branch
Julian Dermoudy, Branch
Jacki Fox, Howrah (Cubs)
Cindy Ruut, Kingston (Scouts)



Scout Cycling Report



TOUR DE TASSIE 6

This year's peloton consisted of 15 riders, 9 Youth members and 5 adult riders supported by our trusty quartet of non-riding support personnel.

The tour commenced with two days of horrendous weather making stage 1 from Burnie to Natone a really tough ride. High winds coupled with driving sleet brought a change of route after 20 km and a transit back to the coast where conditions were more moderate. A 4 Km hill-climb organised on Fern Glade Rd was enjoyed by those with plenty of energy to spare. Rain eased on Day 2 though the peloton was literally blown East to Penguin and arrived at Fulton Park much earlier than planned. Each day brought new challenges but the riders never wavered, making the best of harsh conditions and having a really good time in the process. The nine Youth members were exceptional, working well together.

This was my last Tour as PC and Leader in Charge of the Scout Cycling formation. By the time you read this newsletter I will have handed over to Julian Varney. The Project and Team could not be in better hands as Julian combines both cycling and management skills and is fully committed to the rationale on which the cycling project is based. I take this opportunity to thank my Team both Youth and adult members. We have had a great time together and achieved many worthwhile goals.

John (Pip) Cornish
Project Commissioner Scout Cycling
P. S.

Hertz kindly donated the use of the van to Scouts Tasmania for Tour De Tassie 6 Thank you Hertz Rental



SCOUTS TOWER



VET Report

Outdoor Leadership qualifications.

This month there were UOC's issued in Caving, High and Low Ropes, Sailing and Rafting. Well done to all.

Statistics

Jan 1st – 28 April 2021 – Tasmania

Total Units of Competency issued so far this year – 510

Qualifications issued 12, made up of 9 in the Outdoor Leadership area and 3 in Business.

We are considerably up in UOC's & Qualifications for the same periods in 2019 & 2020.

Despite the ongoing effects of COVID, the VET sector is still very busy.

SAIT has on scope:

Certificate II, III, IV and Diploma in Outdoor Leadership

Possible Adventurous Activities:

Abseiling, Bushwalking, Canoeing, Canyoning, Caving, Cycling, Fishing, Four Wheel Driving, Kayaking, Mountain Biking, Rock Climbing, Sea Kayaking, Ski Touring, Ski / Snowboard, Snorkeling, Surfing, White Water Rafting

Gang Show / Showtime Certificate II in Creative Industries

Certificate II/III in Business

Certificate IV in Leadership and Management

Certificate IV in Coordination of Volunteer Programs

To name a few!

Interested? Please contact BHQ for more details.

Mike Wilson

Branch Commissioner VET

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Scouts Tasmania



Scouting in Tasmania means 3000 people - mostly children - in 52 local communities across the State. We've been around since 1908 and we are currently enjoying growth.



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