

Gang Show "History in Review"



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Chief Commissioner's Report

I am very pleased to announce the Governor of Tasmania, Barbara Baker AC has accepted our invitation to become our Chief Scout, which is excellent news. We will invest the Governor into our Movement when she next attends a Scout function.

The Regatta and Cuboree are still on track to go ahead, that's if we don't have a COVID outbreak. It's been hard for the committees to try and do what the Government requires, but they are getting there. Fingers crossed things will be almost back to normal in time for Regatta next year.

The Gang Show had another great production this year; it's good to see young faces enjoying what they are doing. I attended the Friday night session which was also streamed. We are very fortunate to have been able to run as most other States will most likely have theirs cancelled again because of COVID. I did hear of at least one person on the big island who saw it. Unfortunately, the attendance numbers were down, but the Show went on!

Our First Aid Courses in the south went well. Many thanks to Murat and Ross, who came down to the south and run them. The second course over the weekend was primarily Venturers, which was great. Future courses will be available for the Scouts and Venturers to attend which is great to be able to offer as these courses can get expensive.

Some of you might know Fiona Broadby, who unfortunately, had to go to the hospital in Cairns while travelling around Australia. Everything is ok now, but as she came out of the hospital, they had to go into lockdown, double dam!

Most of you are having trouble with Terrain, but help is on its way. National is passing the second stage budget to get many bugs fixed and put in new features. Not sure when it will be finished, but we hope it is soon.

In the south, the Cubs are invited to Baskerville to have a Pedal Car Race; it will be interesting to see how it goes. The only problem they may have, is the size of the Youth, as they need to be the correct height to get into the pedal cars. I hope we have enough Cubs with the right height to get an entire race running. It would be great PR for Scouting as the race will be held in the break of the car racing.

The Marketing Team is working on a photo competition as we need good photos for our PR activities. Tony Park of Port Arthur Villas has given us some tickets for accommodation, as prizes. Thanks for the help Tony.

Michael Hovington Chief Commissioner cc@scoutstas.org.au

ONE DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM ACROSS FIVE SECTIONS



Years of Service Awards

5 Years	Rosie Bird Samuel Fittkau Gail Saunders Fiona Woolley Niall Woolley	Joey Scout Leader Venturer Scout Leader Assistant Cub Scout Leader Assistant Cub Scout Leader Assistant Scout Leader	Kingston Scout Group Mersey Venturer Unit Spreyton Scout Group Kingston Scout Group Kingston Scout Group
10 Years	Willem Wyker	Assistant Scout Leader	Clarence Sea Scouts
15 Years	Claire Prince	Assistant Cub Scout Leader	Derwent Sea Scouts
20 Years	Kathy Winduss	Committee Secretary	Mersey District

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Branch Calendar

September	Event	Where				
4	Joey State Event	Ross Town Hall				
11	J/C/S Council & GL Meetings	Ross (TBA)				
17 - 19	Basic White Water Rafting (Week 2 of 2)	Arm River				
18	Scouting Leadership (previously Wood Badge) (all Sections)	Ross Town Hall				
19	Sea Scouters Council					
25 - 28	Cycling Skills Camp - MTB Derby					
October						
2 & 3	Scouting Essentials W / E 1 (all Section & LoA)	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 (all Sections & LoA)	The Lea				
13 & 14	Training Team Meeting & EOY Dinner					
20 & 21	Clark Trophy - Scouts					
20	Basic Kayaking (North & South)					
December						
6	Moot 2023 Meeting					
10 - 12	State Venture					
17	Branch Closes	The Lea				



For more information call Tony Peck - 0499 250 360



Gang Show Report

Hobart Gang Show is over and what a delight it was to see the Youth of Scouting and Guiding put on such a wonderful Show. There were many uncertainties throughout the rehearsal period, but the Show did go on. Our Show this year was dedicated to the many Gang Shows that had to cancel this year due to lock-downs and related challenges. Some Shows had bumped in, others were about to go to camp etc.

So Friday night's performance of Hobart Gang Show was livestreamed to the Gang Shows across Australia and New Zealand, many of whom were in lockdown. The true spirit of Scouting, Guiding and Gang Show was seen as encouragement and joy was given to those lockeddown. We received many words of thanks as they sang along to well known Gang Show songs as they watched online.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the livestream happen and in particular to Gareth, from GK Productions who provided so much.

On with the Show, enjoy the photos and watch out for script writing and audition dates for the next Show.

Denice Walter Project Commissioner Gang Show pc.gang@tas.scouts.com.au



Joey Report

At the time this newsletter is published, we will have less than a week to go until the Joey Scout State Event at Ross. With over 100 Joey Scouts registered to attend from 14 different Joey Scout Units across the State, it is promising to be a fun day. I'm looking forward to reporting back on this event in the October Newsletter.

Cuboree Taster

Registration forms will be coming out shortly for the Cuboree Taster. At this event the Joey Scouts will have an opportunity to explore the Cuboree Camp, participate in some of the activity bases (such as the

ever popular hurdy gurdy) and enjoy some "bush donuts". It's also a great opportunity for the Joey Scouts to see the sort of opportunities and activities available to them when they continue further into Scouting.

Commissioner's Challenge

I know a number of Joey Scout Units are close to completing the requirements of the Commissioner's Challenge. Keep up the great work Joeys Scouts as you 'plan, do and review' activities from across the four Challenge Areas. Badges can be ordered clicking on the link:

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Or by emailing djsl.launcestontamar@scoutstas.org.au

Peak Award

Just a reminder that if your Group is in the process of transitioning to the New Program and you have a Youth member who is close to moving up to the Cub Scout Section, that Youth member can still complete the Peak Award on the Old Program. No Youth member should be disadvantaged in completing their Peak Award by the transition process.

Upcoming dates for your diary:

- 3 September, course closing date for the Advanced Leadership Course (Wood Badge) see page 9 for more information on this course.
- 4 September, Joey Scout State Event, Ross Town Hall and adjacent grounds, 10:30am to 2:00pm.
- 9 October, Cuboree Taster, The Lea, 2:00pm 4:30pm.

Well that's it for this month. I hope to see you at the State Event! Happy Joey Scouting!

Ruth Henderson

Branch Commissioner Joey

JOTA/JOTI

On Saturday the 7th Aug, 4 Scouts from Huonville & 1 from Port Cygnet Groups successfully passed their Amateur Radio Foundation Licence exams. Now they are eagerly waiting on allocation of radio callsigns.

On this note, Scouts from Huonville were intending to participate in the ALARA contest on the evening of 28th August. This is run to promote female participation in amateur radio and the Scouts had received an invitation to join in.

As mentioned last month JOTA/JOTI is approaching fast (15 -17 October).

If your participating as a group, can you please register at **https://www.jotajoti.info** You will not need to do this if you are attending a larger station such as at Rocherlea. Individuals can also register if they are not able to attend a group location.

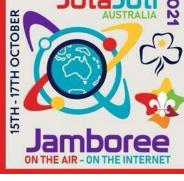
Youth members can register, however parents should be supervising the internet use. There will be no need to also register at the VKJOTAJOTI.com site this year as registrations will be updated from the main site closer to the date. Hoping to have Rocherlea bookings open soon.

To find out more about what JOTA/JOTI means please check out the below links https://www.scout.org/jota-joti-2021-programme or https://youtu.be/fR_1s8RgXSw

Please email me if your group is planning an activity.

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This month I'm writing about:



Commissioner's Challenge

Numbers

- Cuboree
- District Cub Scout Leaders

We're chasing 2018 in terms of Cub numbers now and are only six Cubs from our January numbers.

Numbers

Thank you again Cub Leaders for all of your hard work.

Commissioner's Challenge

How is your Unit doing with the Commissioner's Challenge? You have until the end of the Scouting year to get it done. Please encourage your Cubs to do their best.

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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

Attending Cuboree is one way to achieve a lot of this!

Cuboree

We're getting close now! Registrations close(d) on the 10th September and soon we'll be forming into Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, Delta, and Echo Sub-Camps and enjoying Fun from A–Z at The Lea and at Kingston Beach. We look forward to seeing you there.

If you have any questions, please contact me. bc.cubs@tas.scouts.com.au

District Cub Scout Leaders

In the next couple of weeks we'll be having our next meeting of the Branch Council. If you have anything you'd like discussed, please contact your District Cub Scout Leader.

The network is as follows:

Clarence — David Henwood dcsl.clarence@scoutstas.org.au Distant Groups (Queenstown) — Adrian Mather dcsl.distant@scoutstas.org.au Hellyer — Corey Pilkington dcsl.hellyer@scoutstas.org.au Huon — Robyn Bishop dcsl.huon@scoutstas.org.au Kingborough — Terry Bryan dcsl.kingborough@scoutstas.org.au Launceston & Tamar — Jillian Parkinson dcsl.launcestontamar@scoutstas.org.au Leven — Nicky Hallam (c/- Stuart Bennell dc.leven@scoutstas.org.au Mersey — Jacqui Sherriff dcsl.mersey@scoutstas.org.au Northern Midlands — Jillian Parkinson dcsl.launcestontamar@scoutstas.org.au Wellington — Stuart Ferguson dcsl.wellington@scoutstas.org.au

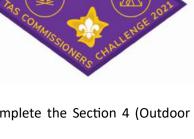
Good Hunting!

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

District Cub Scout Leadership Course Group Photo

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Mersey Dístríct Cub Leadership Course



The Cub Leadership Course was held on the 31/7 - 1/8.

Youth attendance was 19 from the District and Queenstown and was held as a camp at Fulton Park where the Cubs had fun with different leadership games and activities.

The adult Leaders during the time of the camp dressed incorrectly and used this to see if the Cubs picked up on uniform presentation while making this a point of conversation for the Youth.

Jacqui Sherriff District Cub Scout Leader— Mersey



Venturer Report

It's been another busy month for Venturers across the State with some fantastic activities being run. Notably the North West Region run a Advanced Bushwalking Course at Cradle Mountain, the White Water Rafting Course and a Christmas in winter run by the Northern Area Rover Crew out of the Tamar Scout Hall.

Behind the scenes there have been things going on too. The TOP 1R form that Venturers need to complete before they turn 18 is now available on MyScout, there has been some work done rewriting the Venturer Section of TOPS and updating a few forms Venturers will use to sign up for courses in future.

There are also a lot of things coming up soon including Teniswood in the second half of September, registrations are currently open. It is looking to be a fantastic event this year and will certainly be a challenge.

Additionally, the second weekend of the Rafting Course is seeking Venturers to be victims, I mean participants, so that the students have novice paddlers to practice their guiding skills. Venturers are able to register their interest in this fantastic opportunity now by emailing Will Percy **perceywilliam@gmail.com**

It has been fantastic to see Venturers attending these courses and I look forward to seeing Venturers leading adventurous activities. It's also a fantastic opportunity to gain Nationally recognized qualifications if that's something you're interested in.

I have also seen some more information coming out about this years State Venture, again it's looking like being a fantastic weekend and there looks to be some really amazing activities being run. I just wish I could do them all.

Many of you will have received emails by now reminding us that any communication with Youth members such as emails or direct messaging must include another adult in the conversation. This is to maintain our two deep policy and is for both your and your Youths protection.

Venturer submissions:

Port Cygnet Venturers have been off to Freycinet, they stayed at Honeymoon Bay on a Friday night and then off to Cooks Beach for the Saturday before returning to the carpark via Hazards Beach on the Sunday. This was a lovely 26km hike and was lead by the recently awarded Queens Scout Thomas Reed. (photos Below)





18TH September / 5th-7th November 2021



Hello all Leaders

Are you eligible to do an Advanced Leadership Course (Wood Badge)?

To be eligible you need to have your Certificate of Proficiency or (Certificate of Adult Leadership). In other words, all your Basic Training must be completed and signed off. If this is you, please read on.

We are holding Advance Training, our Wood Badge Course in 2021 on: -

18th September – one day in Ross at the Town Hall, 10.00 – 4.30pm.

5th – 7th November – At The Lea, Kingston - Residential weekend.

You must be able to do both sessions. If you are only unable to do the 18th September due to other Scout training or previously planned activities, please contact me ASAP to discuss other options.

Closing date is **Friday 3rd September**. Please get your Group Leader to send in your Training Top 7 Form immediately.

This is an excellent Course full of fun and friendship while joining many other wonderful Leaders to achieve your Advanced Training. The satisfaction of achieving your wood beads amongst friends is highly rewarding.

The Training Team look forward to this course and we are hoping to hold the course again this year, number permitting. See you all there.

Geraldine Harwood Branch Commissioner Adult Training & Development 0418 124 185 gharwood@intas.net.au





The last few months have been very busy in the VET space. Up to the 30th June we have issued 149 Units of Competency, plus a number of qualifications.

Andrew Thompson has been awarded the Certificate IV in Outdoor Recreation and several Venturers have achieved a Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation.

Murat and Ross are working with David Walsh, the chief instructor, to finalise White Water Rafting assessment processes and appointing assessors.

The Outdoor Recreation qualifications (SIS40319) are changing to a new qualification Outdoor Leadership (SIS40619) this will require all Leaders to transition to the new qualification.

The first step is for our assessors to gain the new qualification and this will be achieved a series of RPL (recognition prior learning) workshops. When our assessors have completed the workshops and have gained the new qualification, we will start the process of converting others in the Branch who hold utdoor rec units of competency or qualifications. At this stage, we can also assess the new qualifications.

Assessors appointed in the Branch:

Ross Smith, Andrew Thompson, Murat Djakic and Tony McDonald – Outdoor Recreation to Certificate IV.

This covers bushwalking, canoeing/kayaking, white-water rafting, abseiling, sailing.

Mike Wilson - Cert II, III in Business & IV in Leadership & Management, Certificate II in Creative Industries and Cert III in Community Dance, Theatre and Events.

Scout Cycling

Derby MtB 2021 25-28 September

Experience this year's premier Scouts MtB camp. 4 days, 3 nights of MtB action!

- MtB trails, road & rail trail
- Fully supported:
- Transport, food & accommodation
- Grow your MtB riding & maintenance skills
- Earn OAS award progressions
- All for \$55 per day!
- Numbers limited, get in quick!

Information & applications: pc.cycling@scoutstas.org.au Scouts: \$220 Adults: \$120 (extra for bike hire) Applications close: 3rd September

Get your applications in quickly for the upcoming Derby MtB camp, 25 - 28 September. There is already a fair bit of interest in this event, so don't delay & risk missing out.

The MtB camp will aim to cover basic & intermediate MtB skills & maintenance, allowing for participants to progress in their OAS Award, as well as building on the leadership & ride planning skills of those that have attended training events already.

The Derby MtB camp includes transport for participants & bikes to & from the event, meals & accommodation. Bike hire can be arranged for those without a mountain bike, for an additional fee.

We'll be planning more MtB events in the future, building on our successful road cycling events & getting as many Scouts as we can on two wheels!

For Derby MtB 2021 applications or more information on this & other cycling matters, email: pc.cycling@scoutstas.org.au

Julian Varney Project Commissioner Cycling

Outdoor Adventure Skills Report

Nearly all groups around the State are now progressing Youth through a multiple of OAS stages. Using the appropriate Risk Management proforma for the activity, it is exciting to see the younger Sections walking the trails of Mt Wellington or the warmer climates of Coles Bay.

In using an appropriate Risk Management form, Youth and Leaders can organize appropriate activities from the OAS stages for their Units. Yes, there have been some updates to the OAS stages. The latest of these can be found at - https://pr.scouts.com.au/achievement-pathways/

If you need clarification on any OAS activity feel free to contact me.

Murat Djakic Co –ordinator (Outdoor Adventure Skills) abc.vet@scoutstas.org.au



Training Report



Gilwell Reunion

Another great night enjoyed by Gilwellians (photos page 13). Although numbers were down from past years everyone seemed to enjoy the night and most have already 'booked' for 2022. My thanks to Julia, Marion, Sue, Karen, David, Susanne and Mike (times 2). Without their support the event would not have

happened, as our caterer needed a minimum of 40 participants. The team stepped up and there was plenty of great food and wine, lots of laughs and fun with the photos and memorabilia. We all look forward to a much bigger event next year.

Trainer Emeritus

It was with a great deal of pleasure that I presented Julie Creed with her Trainer Emeritus Award at the Gilwell Reunion. Julie has been a very long standing member of the Training Team as well as having been the Branch Commissioner Adult Training and Development on two occasions as well as assisting with International Training Courses over many years in the Asia Pacific Region. Julie joins Marion Blight and Brian Williams with this accolade for their service to the Training Team. So very well deserved and we look forward to Julie's continued involvement with the Team.

Thanks to Marion who has organised a trophy so we can record the holders of this Award.

Wood Badge

I am hoping for an influx of TOP forms for the Wood Badge Course for 2021. The first weekend is only a day at Ross then a residential weekend 6th-7th November. This will hopefully give all participants the time to complete eLearning, a 10 hour project and visits to see you 'in action' and therefore having everything completed by the end of the residential weekend.

First Aid Training

Mutiny at the Storm Hut - First Aid Course - who is listening?? The First Aid Training has been going extremely well, organised by Murat who is developing a strong team across the State. Look for dates in the calendar for the next available course.

2022 Calendar

The Training Calendar for 2022 is already in draft and the major difference is the addition of a wider range of Adventurous Activity Training. Keep an eye out on MyScout as well as the Newsletter for upcoming Courses.

Please ensure that any relevant eLearning is complete, your TOP form is complete, including being signed by your Group Leader/Leader in Charge or District Commissioner. It takes Sharon a lot of time to continue to having to send forms back that are not fully complete.

Another request – please get the Training form in with plenty of time to avoid Courses being cancelled due to low numbers.

Venturers - TCE - Queen's Scout

Just a reminder to all Venturer Scouts and Venturer Leaders. A Queen's Scout Award is worth 30 TCE points and we need to have the final names and paperwork to the Department of Education by the end of November, for it to be included on your 2021 Tasmanian Certificate of Education.

Geraldine Harwood

Branch Commissioner Adult Training & Development





Adventurous Activities Report

It is great to see many of you are following up and making sure your AA qualifications are up to date. So this month has been another busy one in the AA space with Rafting (pictures below) and Advanced Bushwalking (for Venturers) plus some 1st Aid Training. Now while 1st Aid Training is not necessarily an AA course, I would like to highlight that we now have 1st Aid Courses on our Training Calendar. A big thanks to Murat, you have been instrumental in having these courses now available to Scouting regularly and very cost friendly. A current 1st Aid qualification is the starting point for any AA qualification as this is how your expiry works for your AA qualification i.e. all your AA qualification start and finish on the expiry of your 1st Aid.

So as you read this we have just completed an Advanced Abseiling Course and for Sept we have the 2nd weekend of White Water Rafting and then the Derby MTB 2021. While the MTB ride is not a training course, after a discussion with the PC Cycling (the Right Honuorable Julian Varney) we do consider the bike rides Scouting is running are the perfect training ground for any Leaders and Youth members to obtain the required skills for a Cycling qualification to run activities. In October there will be 2 Leader training courses (Scouting Essentials and Scouting Adventure) and slotted into other weekends we have Basic Seamanship (Sailing and Rowing) and possibly a Basic Abseiling, so you can see it is all happening and make sure you apply early for any of these Courses.

SO THE VISION is for next year, and I am currently working on the Training Calendar for next year, is to not only continue the current range of Leader Training and AA Training but we are looking at adding in Training in the following areas. Canoeing/ Kayaking – Moving Water, Caving, Climbing, Sea Kayaking, Power Boat / PWC, Pioneering and Cycling (Road/MTB). There are other activities being considered and I would be interested to hear from anyone interested in being involved in any of the areas above as either a participant or assisting with training.

Please remember to record all your AA activities in your logbook (TOP 27). Once again to update/record your AA appointment you need to fill in the TOP 31 – Activity Endorsement Application (this is about to be updated but keep using the current one on MyScout) and send it into BHQ (training@tas.scouts.com.au) along with your 1st Aid, complete any required eLearning and send in your current logbook. Remember to use the new codes of – Safe Participant (SP) or Trained Participant (TP) instead of the old Level 1, 2 and 3.

SP and TP, below is the definition:

Safe Participant (SP) is a member who has undergone entry level training in an activity area and can operate under direct or indirect supervision depending on the activity area. On completion they possess elementary skills to participate safely with directions, understand the risks associated with the activity, and form part of an operational team. Apart from Bushwalking (tracked Environments), they are not recognised as holding a qualification to lead an activity, however in a learning sense they may participate in activity to further their skills, knowledge, and experience. It is desirable that an SP holds a current 1st Aid Qualification

Trained Participant (TP) is a Member who holds all the **Safe Participant** requirements and has advanced through to the next level completing core units (VET or Scouting Skills) and having logged additional experience in more than one environment. e.g. different locations, weather conditions, or ages of participants. It is mandatory a TP holds a current 1st Aid Qualification. Where the TP is a Youth member, an adult Leader with a suitable level of qualification must be present at the activity.

If you wish to discuss anything further feel free to drop me an email or call me on 0418 130 996.

Ross Smith

Assistant Branch Commissioner Adult Training & Development and Acting Assistant Branch Commissioner Adventurous Activities (AKA Thommo's sidekick) ross.smith@tas.scouts.com.au





Forms

Leaders, Group Leaders & Leaders In Charge

Please check your forms before sending them to Branch to make sure they are sign and completed correctly, this will make processing forms much quicker if all the required info is already included on the form.

Tips From BHQ to make your volunteering time less stressful

Scouting Gilwell Album



"Gilwellians" Gilwell Reunion 7th August





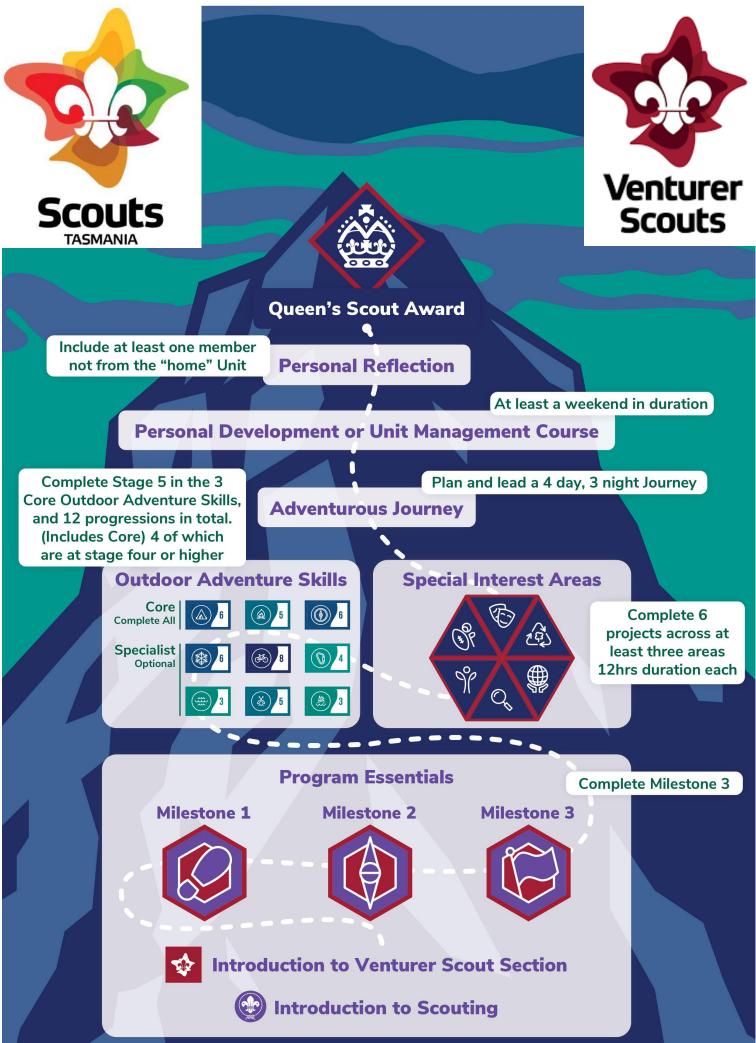
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	Intro to Scouting	Intro to Section	Milestone	OAS	SIA	Advanced Journey	Leadership Course	Personal reflection
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	~	~	3	Core Stage 3 8 Progressions	6 2 Areas	Min 4 hr	~	~
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	¥	~	3	Core Stage 5 12 Progressions	6 3 Areas	Min 4 days 3 nights	¥	~
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Scouts Tasmania

VH-NSC

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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WINNEWS



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