

## Scouts **TASMANIA**

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## Chief Commissioner's Report



Congratulations John (Pip) Cornish OAM! yes, Pip has received an Order of Australia Medal in the 2022 Australia Day honours. Pip started as a Scout Leader back in February 1964 at Blackmans Bay, went on to Sandy

Bay Group as a Venturer Leader, then moved to 10th Hobart before going to the Northwest Central Coast as a Venturer Leader. He took on the District Venturer Leader position in Hellyer District in 1980. He then moved to Queenstown, where he was the Venturer Leader for 5 years. Pip became the Assistant Branch Commissioner for Venturers in 1985, and then three years later became the Branch Commissioner for Venturers. In 1991 he started his service to the Training Team and in 1993 he moved to Launceston, where he



took on the role of Regional Commissioner for 4 years. In 1998 Pip became the Chief Commissioner. The position became a six-year term; before him, it was a five-year term. In 2009 he took on the Presidents role for six years, then became the Project Commissioner for Cycling, which he loved doing. Pip was Awarded his Sliver Kangaroo in 2004, and he became a Life Member in 2009. Pip has given the Tasmanian Scouts a lifetime of distinguished service, and we all thank him for the time and effort he has given. Congratulations again Pip, an Award well deserved.

Hopefully, you all know Phil Harper is the Chief Commissioner-elect. Phil will be taking over the position at the State AGM, which will be in early June this year. Phil and I have been working together for a while, so it will not take long for him to pick up and execute the position. Phil is the first Deputy Chief Commissioner to move into the Chief Commissioner role. As everyone has different views and experiences, Phil will do things differently I'm sure, but we look forward to seeing where he will take this role and the plans he has for the development of Scouts Tasmania. Congratulation Phil: I will always be there to help if you need it.

\*\*\*\* We still haven't appointed a new Branch Commissioner for Scouts\*\*\*

As most of you will know, Jonathan Pyefinch retired at the end of last year, and we all thank him for the six years of Scouting service. He was not only doing the BC Scouts but also doing a DC position and a couple of State committees and working full time. Thank you, Jonathan, for all you have done and continue to do.

Last year I was getting around the Christmas functions; thank you to the Groups/Districts for the invitations. In the next couple of months, I will be attending the District AGMs, and now, it looks like our State AGM will be on the 3rd of June in the south. However, we need to find another venue as the Brighton Hall we usually use is booked, so keep an eye out for another venue.

For the Leaders who follow the National scene, Toby Phillips has been appointed the new Chairman of the National Executive Committee (NEC)(board); we welcome him to the new role.

It was a great honour to be invited to the 90th year celebration of the Derwent Scout Group. Our new Governor also attended in December and, as it was just over the road from Government House; it was a short trip for her to get home. The Lord Mayor and Madeleine Ogilvie also attended. It was the first outing for Dougal McDougal since he lost his sight. Dougal was a Scout and Leader in the Group. Thank you, Klaus (Derwent GL), for all the work and your team for putting on a great day. We have also had Eric Abetz and Jacquie Petrusma visit us at The Lea during November and December; we thank them for their time and interest in our Organisation.

I had a weekend of National online meetings over the of 27-28 November. Unfortunately, I had to miss some of them because of Derwent's 90th birthday, but our Groups and Youth come first. A couple of the things you might be interested in is that National has produced a Flag Standard booklet. Get your hands on the brochure if you are unsure when and where to use a flag. We also discussed the new Queen's Scout Certificate for the Venturers, which doesn't have the Queen's signature. They have made it so it is the same as the other Sections. It is going to be very hard to put her signature on the many certificates that have been printed but we are in talks to come up with a solution.

Unfortunately, COVID is in our state, but as I'm writing this article, it looks like the numbers are coming down; fingers crossed, they keep going in this direction. Hopefully, by the time you read this Newsletter, our Branch Commissioners will have an update on what to do when the Youth return to the halls, along with some good suggestions to help prevent the spread of the virus. We still need to do 2 sqm the 1.5m distancing, and now we need to have masks on indoors. This gives us an excellent opportunity to do more outside, so get the outdoor programs out!

Our insurance will no longer cover us for doing Canyoning (abseiling into a cave), we can still do caving, also kayaking, canoeing, and rafting over grade 3. So, if you need to do these activities, we will need to get an outside person to run them, who has the insurance cover.

This year is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee; we hope there will be a badge available. It would be great to see each District organise an event to celebrate this great milestone. I look forward to hearing about your celebrations.

Michael Hovington

**Chief Commissioner** 

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## President's Report



I have spent the last few months joining and following as many of our Groups Facebook pages. It is great to see how much Scouting is being done, so many great activities, camps, boating, hiking etc. What a great demonstration on exactly what we do. Can I ask, if you feel that the post would also suit going on the Scouts Tasmania Facebook page, then please send through to office@tas.scouts.com.au so they can post it.

It is really important we continue to fly the flag and tell everyone we are alive and kicking. On that note if we look from Oct 2020 to 0ct 2021 the numbers are up. When you take into the account the challenges Covid have given us, this is a fantastic result. It shows the need for what we do in our community is strong.

You may have noticed we have been meeting with various politicians throughout 2021, both State and Federal. Lifting our profile and at the same time briefing, not just what we do in the community today, but what Scouts have done and will do in our community for many years.

We want to recognize and thank the Department of Sport and Recreation for their support both financial and for advice over the last 12 months. This Government support is very much appreciated. As I have said we may not necessarily fit the sport category but we are the "recreation" in sport and recreation. We look forward to continuing to build on this relationship in the year to come.

The more our community supports our Youth being outside, learning, challenging themselves the better our community will be in all aspects of life. This year the BEC will certainly spend a large amount of its time on strategy, positioning ourselves for the next 100 years.

I personally, along with our Vice President, Griffin Blizzard would welcome the opportunity to visit as many Groups throughout the state. If you have a particular function or award ceremony, please email me as per below.

In closing, all the best for the upcoming year and thanks very much for the various roles you do to help the Youth in our Organisation to reach their best. Yours in scouting

**Nigel Clutterbuck** 

**President** 

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### Years of Service Awards

Klaus Felsche 10 Years **Group Leader Derwent Scout Group** 

> **Launceston & Tamar District Megan Leeder** DJSL

Scott Lovell **Committee Chair Tamar Scout Group** 

**Tasmania Branch** 30 Years **Geraldine Harwood BC Adult Support** 

**Reginald Williams Training Team** 35 Years Instructor







5 April 1957 - 10 December 2021

Tony started his Scouting involvement with the 2nd Prince of Wales Bay Group in 1974 as ACSL before being involved with several other Group and Committees until 2009 with some personal breaks in between and was GI for the Pittwater Scout Group from 2001 - 2003.

Stalwart will be fondly remembered **Rest in Peace** 







David Christopher Rhodes 16 January 1952 - 10 December 2021

David joined Scouts in 1989 as ASL with the Kingston Scout Group until 2005 when hi took on the role of Branch Commissioner International until 2012

#### **MyScout**

All Leader's, Commissioners & Adult Helpers can you please login to MyScout and check to make sure all your details are correct and amend if needed.

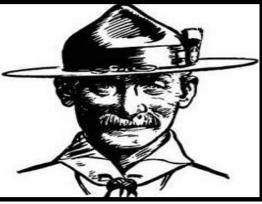
We don't want you to miss any important information, emails or messages. Thank you!

1	Branch Calendar								
February	Event	Where							
12	Basic Kayaking Course ( South & North/Northwest )	ТВА							
19	GL Conference - J/C/S Councils	Online							
19	Unit Management Course North ( Venturers )								
25 - 27	AG2022 Anything Goes - Venturers	Victoria							
March									
5 & 6	Scouting Essentials Course								
12	Commissioners Conference	ТВА							
14 - 16	Hellyer, Leven, Mersey Districts AGM's								
19	Maritime Challenge (Venturers)								
25 - 27	Scouting Adventure Course	The Lea							
27	Gang Show Auditions	ТВА							
April									
1	Clarence District AGM								
3	Gang Show Auditions	ТВА							
9 & 10	Basic Abseiling Course	Quercus Park							
16 & 17	Glow ( Venturer Leaders )								
22 - 24	Road Cycling Camp								
23 - 24	Kayak / Canoe TP — Moving Water	Forth & Derwent River							
May									
6 - 8	Advanced Abseiling Course	TBA (North)							
14 & 15	Basic Seamanship Course								
14 & 15	Climbing TP — Natural	ТВА							
15	Seamanship Update								
21 & 22	Leadership Course ( Venturers ) North								
27	Queen's Scout & Baden Powell Award Presentations	Government House							
27 - 29	Bushwalking — TP	Mt Cameron							
28 & 29	Pioneering — TP	Fulton Park							
28 & 29	Scouting Essentials Course	Fulton Park							
June									
3	Branch AGM ( South )	ТВА							
3 - 5	Caving Trained Participant Course	ТВА							
17 - 19	Scouting Adventure Course	Fulton Park							
July									
2	Gilwell Reunion								
2 & 3	Training Conference								
29 - 31	Advanced Bushwalking & Alpine Course	BP Lodge							
30 & 31	Gang Show Camp								

	Branch Calendar								
August	Event	Where							
12 - 14	White Water Rafting Course W/E 1	Arm River							
18 - 20	Gang Show Performances	ТВА							
19 - 21	First Aid Course								
24 - 27	Agfest - Abseiling Assistance required, perfect for experience	Quercus Park							
September		Where							
3	Scouting Leadership Course W/E 1 ( Wood Badge )	Ross (TBA)							
23 - 25	Tenniswood Trophy ( North West )								
30 - 2	Bushwalking TP	Mt Cameron							
October									
1 & 2	Scouting Essentials Course	The Lea							
7 - 10	Mountain Bike Camp								
14 - 16	Basic Seamanship Course	ТВА							
16	Seamanship Update								
21 - 23	Scouting Adventure Course	The Lea							
28 - 33	Scouting Leadership Course W/E 2 ( Wood Badge )	The Lea							
November									
12 & 13	Training Team Conference & End of Year Dinner	The Lea							
19 & 20	Basic Abseiling Course (Day 1) & Basic Kayaking/Canoeing Course (Day 2)	ТВА							
20		ТВА							
27	Gang Show Reunion	ТВА							
December									
2 - 4	State Venture								
16	Branch Headquarter Closes for 2022	The Lea							

## The Tasmanian Scout Heritage Centre

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



For more information call Tony Peck 0499 250 360



Get involved, Start your next Adventure Join Scouts now!





## Joey Report



Over the past two years, the COVID pandemic has impacted on all of us. It's impacted on our personal, professional, and Scouting lives and just when it feels like we are on top of things again, the COVID pandemic throws us more challenges. I know this may be a time of apprehension for many, but as we restart our activities in 2022 it is important to remember we are navigating this road together. Scouts Tasmania has reviewed

Scouting operations in light of the current Public Health guidelines and will be providing Groups with guidance to assist with their return to Scouting. In addition, if you have any worries or concerns about returning to Joey Scouting in 2022, please don't hesitate to contact me.

#### **2022 Joey Scout State Event**

The Joey Scout State Event will be on again this year! The plan is to hold the event at the end of the October school holidays in Campbell Town (further details will be in the March Newsletter). We would love to hear from you and your Joey Scout Unit as to what theme you would like to have for the event and what suggestions you have for the activities. I'll be sending a survey out to Joey Scout Units soon to get your ideas.

#### **Commissioner's Challenge**

Given the fabulous job our Joey Scout Units did working together to plan, do and review the activities for last year's Commissioner's Challenge. This year we will again be having a Commissioner's Challenge that is Unit based. The details for this year's Challenge will be out soon.

#### Joey Scout Challenge Award

Since the last Newsletter, Madeleine Henwood from Howrah Joey Scouts and Will Colquhoun from North West Bay Joey Scouts have earned the Joey Scout Challenge Award. Congratulations to you both on this fabulous achievement!

#### Resources

Just a reminder that there are some fantastic resources on the internet to assist you and your Joey Scout Unit in planning an exciting Term program. These include:

- Scouts Australia's Program resources website https://pr.scouts.com.au/ subscribe on the main page to receive updates by email when new resources are added.
- STEM activities for Joey Scout Units at: https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/activities-events/activities/stem-innovation/program-resources/
- 1000s of programs at Scout Central which can be adapted for the Program:
   https://central.scouts.com.au/programs?program\_search%5Btype%5D=Program
- Some fantastic Joey Scout programs and activities, especially in the OAS areas, at: http://www.ermingtonscouts.asn.au/Joey%20Resources.html
- Facebook Groups such as the Scouts Australian (new) Youth Program Community, Scouts | Terrain User Community, Joey Scouts Resources, and our own Tassie Joey Leaders Facebook Group.

Finally, I'd like to wish you and your Joey Scout Unit all the best for Term 1, as well as a Happy Founder's Day for the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February.

If you have any questions or concerns about anything mentioned here or anything else Joey Scout related, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Happy Joey Scouting!

Ruth Henderson Branch Commissioner Joey Scouts bc.joeys@scoutstas.org.au











## Cub Report



#### **COVID**

I'm writing this on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January. Two years ago today the first COVID-19 cases were confirmed in Australia. Who knew then that it would affect us the way it has and that it would still be continuing to affect us? Who knew that omicron was a Greek letter? Who knew that the Greek alphabet only had 24 letters? Who

knew it was called an alphabet because the first two letters are alpha, beta? Who knew, ah ok, I'll stop.

I hope that you and yours are well. As we begin the Cubbing year, please stay safe and keep those in your care safe. In Term 1 we generally have good weather and so I hope your Unit can do as much as possible outside. All Leaders received an email from the Chief a couple of weeks ago saying that further advice on handling COVID-19 would be shared. I don't know if it has come out before this Newsletter; either way, please remember that we need to:

- Practise social distancing and keep our Cubs distanced where possible;
- Ensure the Cubs wash/sanitize hands on entry and exit (and whenever else is appropriate);
- Adhere to the density limits of 2m<sup>2</sup> of floor area per person inside and this includes tents;
- Wear masks when inside, and when outside not exercising and not able to social distance; and
- Stay at home if we're unwell, or required to isolate.

I'd strongly recommend the Cubs wear masks when inside, or when unable to social distance outside too. At the moment this isn't mandatory but it is safer and it is encouraged by Government. I'd also recommend masks for Cubs and Leaders whenever you're car-pooling.

#### **Training**

Are you a new Leader? Are you an existing Leader who's interested in learning/doing more? Please have a look at the calendar on **MyScout** for Training opportunities **https://tas.myscout.com.au/admin/calendar\_month**. The first Scouting Essentials Course will be held on the first weekend of March. Please get your application (TOP 07) in early!

#### Commissioner's Challenge

Is there anyone who hasn't yet received their 2021 Commissioner's Challenge badges? Please contact me if that's you. Also contact me if your Cubs did the work but haven't yet requested the badges. A new Commissioner's Challenge will be issued in March.

#### **March Long Weekend**

Once again, there's no Regatta Taster for Cubs this year (because once again there's no Regatta!), but if your Unit does anything over the March long weekend, please send me photos so that I can include them in the April Newsletter. Please also send Founder's Day photos for inclusion in the March Newsletter. (Make sure you have permission of all involved first!)

#### **Regional Event**

Later this year we'll have a regional event to promote Cubbing and ideas are welcome. I'd like us to do something where the public can see us and where the public can see us gather. Ideas welcome!

#### **Parting Thoughts**

Good luck with your Cubbing year. If you need help assisting the Cubs to identify/deliver fun activities for Youth and with a focus on the Challenge Areas, SPICES, the Patrol Method, empowering the kids to do more and contribute more to decision making (particularly through the use of Unit Councils), please remember that you're not alone. Please make use of your District Cub Scout Leader and your Commissioner! We're all happy to be sounding boards and to offer assistance where we can. Have courage to let your Cubs take more responsibility and to model that role for them. Don't worry about failure, they'll get there with your help. And your help remains crucial so please don't step back and leave a void!

I've taken a break in January — I hope you were able to also — so I've got some email to respond to. If you've got anything you want to tell me or ask me, please contact me; my email address is below.

Good Hunting!

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





## Venturer Report



Welcome back Venturers and Leaders, also to any parents that get the Newsletter.

I hope you have all had a wonderful break and are ready to get back into the year, hopefully a year of lots of fun, adventures, excitement, and fingers crossed no interruptions. I have seen that some Venturer Units are already back into things, and I have enjoyed seeing your adventures appearing on our social media pages, hopefully one day I'll be able to join some of you.

This year our Venturers and Leaders have been invited to Victoria to participate in **Anything Goes** ( **AG2022** ) over the weekend 25-27 February 2022. I understand this is short notice and also given what's going on in the country at the moment may not be the most appealing event, but it is wonderful that our Victorian Venturers have thought of us. AG22 has lots of activities available and is all at a reasonable cost. Some of the major activities include Abseiling, Climbing, High Ropes Course, Scuba Diving, Sailing, 4WD, and Mountain Bikes. Additionally a number of free onsite activities are available, these are Laser Tag, Zorbing, Archery, Rollerblading and rip sticking, Parkour and many many more. Please see the sign-up options at the following website if you are interested in attending: **www.anythinggoes.net.au** 



Tassie Rovers have also invited us to a **RoVenture Regatta** (next page). This is in lieu of Regatta which was unfortunately cancelled this year due to safety and health concerns. The Apple IIse Moot (AIM) team are looking for expressions of interest to attend the event which will be based on providing service to the site for next years National Moot. In addition to a bit of work there will be plenty of fun activities, such as many of the classic Regatta activities, some adventurous activities and plenty of time to relax and chill with your friends. I have included a flyer on the next page if you are interested in attending.

Onto some more activities, I have begun looking at dates for Teniswood, Maritime challenge, Tassie Venture and am looking at dates for Leadership courses, Unit Management courses and if there will be an opportunity to attend the You + Lead courses that were run last year. What I need at this stage is some confirmation from the Venturer Regional Councils that these activities can go ahead and that there are teams in place to get these off the ground.

Finally, I have managed to create a Venturer Calendar on MyScout. This will be the place to advertise your Unit Programs if you want to invite other venturers to join you on your activities. This is completely optional; however, I would like to strongly encourage Units to throw open invitations and allow Youth from other Units to attend.

I'm very much looking forward to seeing as many of you as I can this year and I look forward to seeing photos, reading reports and hearing stories about all your fun adventures.

Jason Page Branch Commissioner Venturers jason.page@tas.scouts.com.au

### ONE DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM ACROSS FIVE SECTIONS



	JOEY SCOU	TS			CUB SCOUTS			SCOU	rs		V	ENTUI Scou	RER TS			RC SCC	IVEF JUTS	}		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25

#### Plan your next Adventure



#### **Forms**

**Leaders, Group Leaders & Leaders In Charge** 

Please check your forms before sending them to Branch to make sure they are signed 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



### Notice Board



#### Australian Ladies' Amateur Radio Association

Huonville electronics and radio team (H.E.A.R.T.) VK7HSD

On Friday 10 December, Linda VK7QP and Justin VK7TW were invited as special guests to the end of 2021 Huonville Scout presentation night to unveil a plaque and present some special radio related prizes. There has been something very special going on at Huonville Scouts thanks to Dale VK7FNED, Michael VK7MRS, Brian VK7BM, Nicole VK7FNJS and Jackson VK7FJAX.

This year for the first time Scout and Guide Groups were invited to take part in the ALARA Contest. Lakia VK7LJB teamed with Aiva to gain a top score for a Foundation licence in the contest. The Tigers team VK7HSD gained an honourable mention. Linda congratulated the Radio Patrol on their achievements. The District Commissioner of Scouts then unveiled the Huonville Scout Group Licenced Amateur Radio Operators Plaque. This plaque contains the names of the recent 12 foundation licensees. This plaque is being mounted in the main hall for all to see and for scouts to aspire to become involved in the radio patrol and get their name on the plaque. Linda and Justin then presented handheld radios to three of the recent foundation licensees. It was a lovely evening to be surrounded by

scouts and their families celebrating their successes.



#### **The Lea Scout Centre & Hobart Bush Cabins**

Be a part of The Lea.

The Lea Service Crew are a vital part of workings of The Lea.

Changes in the structure of the management of The Lea has opened new opportunities to be involved as a volunteer at The Lea. There is now a full time Caretaker, Matt Bush, whose primary function is to undertake ongoing maintenance of the whole property, without the distractions of dealing with clients and booking enquiries.

This means identified projects can be undertaken on a day of the week that suits your personal circumstances rather than having to be available on the traditional Wednesday.

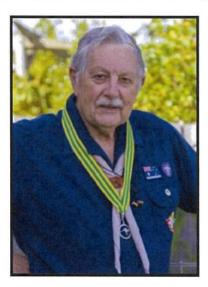
Working with Matt means you can focus on a particular project that interests you at the time, or one that may have been identified as a priority but Matt needs extra help to get it done in a timely manner.

Want to be a part of it all? Please contact **Marion Blight** 0418 195 031 or marion.blight@bigpond.com





## Order of Australía Medal



John (Pip) Cornish

60 years of volunteering service to our organization. Hundreds of our Youth have benefited from Pip's energy and mentorship.

> Congratulations and Thank You Pip. A long overdue honour.

> > Scouts Tasmanía

## VET Report

Welcome back. 2021 was a huge year in the VET space and Nationally it was our second-best year ever.

Here are the statistics for Tasmania:

Total Units of competence: 627 Total qualifications: 22

What's new in 2022?

Certificate IV in Leadership & Management has been updated as has the Diploma.

The Certificate III in Community Dance, Theatre and Events has also been updated, but the Certificate II remains unchanged.

In Addition to the new Units, Scouts Tasmania has continued its

association with the Tasmanian Assessment, Standards and Certification (TASC). A new 5-year MOU on the allocation of TCE point for a Queen's Scout recipient of 30 points has been signed. Soon to be added will be all Certificate II and III successfully completed receiving 15 points.

This year will also see Leaders encouraged to sign up for some of the VET Units other than those attached to AA activities. To assist in this I have included information from Jeffrey Lehrer, who is the Principal and RTO Compliance Manager for Scouts Australia Institute of Training. This outlines how the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and Credit Transfer (CT) of Units already achieved from other training organisations, such as 1<sup>st</sup> Aid.

The Certificates listed above by Mike Wilson and the individual Units of Competencies associated with them can be signed off by SAIT at no cost to the participants.

If you require further information on VET? Please email Murat or myself.

### Mike Wilson: mike.wilson@tas.scouts.com.au

#### Murat Djakic: murat.djakic@gmail.com



Qualification	Number
Cert II Outdoor Recreation	1
Cert III Outdoor Recreation	1
Cert IV Outdoor Leadership	2
Diploma in Outdoor Leadership	7
Cert IV in Outdoor Recreation	1
Cert III in Business	2
Cert IV in Leadership & Management	2
Diploma in Leadership & Management	1
Cert III in Community Dance, Theatre & Events	1
Cert IV in Coordination of Volunteer Programmes	3

#### SAIT Information: 8 December 2021

Information and thoughts from Jeffrey Lehrer

#### **Good or Bad Credit**



Financially we are told that there is good and bad credit. In this article we will have a simple perusal of the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) and work out if there is such a thing as bad credit in education?

#### **Credit Transfer**



Credit transfer is defined in the AQF as a process that provides students with agreed and consistent credit outcomes for components of a qualification based on identified equivalence in content and learning outcomes.

 Credit transfer is offered for a unit of competency or module, and not for a qualification. Units of competency are not assigned an AQF level.

#### Articulation



Articulation arrangements are defined in the AQF as enabling students to progress from a completed qualification to another with admission and/or credit in a defined pathway.

#### **Clustered Qualifications**



A cluster of qualifications is not defined in the AQF. Two related terms, nested qualifications and integrated qualifications, are defined in the AQF as follows:

- Nested qualifications are qualifications that include articulated arrangements from a lower level qualification into a higher level qualification to enable multiple entry and exit points.
- Integrated qualifications are purposely designed qualifications that enable explicit articulation pathways and encompass more than one AQF level and/or qualification type and/or education and training sector.

#### Recognition of prior learning



Recognition of prior learning is defined in the AQF as an assessment process that involves assessment of an individual's relevant prior learning (including formal, informal and non-formal learning) to determine the credit outcomes of an individual application for credit.

#### Advanced standing

Advanced standing is a form of credit for any previous learning. See also credit transfer, articulation, recognition of prior learning.

#### Credit



Credit is the value assigned for the recognition of equivalence in content and learning outcomes between different types of learning and/or qualifications.

- The only bad credit in education is experienced by the VET sector professionals, Assessors, BCs VET and Administration staff identifying and using the correct term for the type of "credit" in the correct context.
- For students, credit reduces the amount of learning (time, money and effort)
  required to achieve a qualification and may be through credit transfer,
  articulation, recognition of prior learning or advanced standing.

## Training Report

Happy new year to all and what looks like being another interesting year. Firstly, I would like to thank Geraldine Harwood for the many years she has lead the Adult Training Team and look forward to working with her in her Adult Support role. I have taken over the role of BCATD in what should be an exciting year with hopefully a few extra courses in the AA space. These courses can only run if Leaders sign up for them in plenty of time so, please put your applications (TOP7) in with plenty of time. Check the Calendar in this month Newsletter for dates. One date of note this year is AGFEST. If you don't already know has been moved to the 24-27<sup>th</sup> August. Once again we will be running the tower at AGFEST which is a fantastic PR event for Scouts and will be looking for people that may be able to assist both as an abseil/climbing belayer etc. or assisting with the administration. Thommo will be keen to hear from anyone able to assist.

We have a basic Kayaking/Canoeing – Flat water Course in a couple of weeks ( flyer below ) and then the Leader training courses start. The Scouting Essentials Course is on the 5 - 6<sup>th</sup> March at The Lea and your application must be in by the 21<sup>st</sup> February. The Scouting Adventure Course is on the 25 - 27<sup>th</sup> March also at The Lea, application in before the 14<sup>th</sup> March. The Basic Abseiling Course will be on the 8 - 10<sup>th</sup> April and is a 2-day course to ensure the correct content is covered and allow all trainees the chance to abseil in both natural and artificial environments.

Later in the year we will be running an Essential and Adventure course up on the NW coast plus a Wood Badge (Scouting Leadership) Course at The Lea if we can make up the numbers. The additional AA courses we will try and run this year will hopefully be - Canoeing/Kayaking – Moving Water (possible date of 13 - 24<sup>th</sup> April), Caving (3 - 5<sup>th</sup> June), Climbing (14 - 15<sup>th</sup> May), Sea Kayaking, Power Boat / PWC and Pioneering (possible date of 28 - 29<sup>th</sup> May). There are other activities being considered that are included in the OAS and we 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.

Another additional course this year is an additional Bushwalking TP (this is the Advanced Bushwalking) but it is at lower levels i.e. not an Alpine course as the course up at Scout Lodge, Cradle mountain is now classified. The Bushwalking TP Alpine is still a requirement for any Leader wishing to take their Youth member up to Scout Hut of other above the snow/tree line in alpine conditions. The new lower level Bushwalking TP is for those Leaders who would like the TP qualification but do not want to be up in the snow and cold.

We will also working with the Cycling Team, hopefully provide some Leader training at this year's cycling events that will also be a solution of the cycling events that will also be a solution of the cycling events.

low Leaders to gain training in the Cycling arena.

Another training course we will trial this year is 4WD SP / TP (Safe / Trained Participant) for Leaders and Rovers and I am looking for an expression of interest (EIO) at this stage. This course will be a skills and techniques course and based around our Scouting ethos — Caring for our environment.

This year we will also be running 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Courses and updates, watch the Newsletters and dates in the Calendar.

Just a reminder, all activities we are currently running in Tasmania are subject to TOP's regulations and Risk Management requirements to ensure we meet our insurers guidelines and limitations.

I am also looking at doing a bulk order of GPS's and would like to know if any Group or members are interested. We are looking at purchasing Garmin eTrex 10 and other models, please let me know if you would like a price.

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

#### **Ross Smith**

Branch Commissioner Adult Training & Development ross.smith@tas.scouts.com.au













What to bring : Suitable clothing for

Canoeing / kayaking. No Sit On Tops.

Registration close Friday 4th of February. Further information will be forwarded on application.

Cost: \$50.00 BYO Food.

Contact; Tops 7 or (7a for youth) to

training@tas.scouts.com.au

The south: David.Chalk@tas.scouts.com.au

The North: murat.djakic@gmail.com



## Gang Show Report

The start of another year and lots of different emotions as we head into 2022. I am excited to say that Hobart Gang Show is set for another great year. What a fantastic job the Youth do in preparing and writing the script. Special thanks to Isaac Beswick for his leadership of the script writing process. A script doesn't just happen – there is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes before it gets to the first rehearsal. Along with

the script is the music that needs to be either written or sourced. Here it is the music team Adrian Reader and Lance Cowled who have a lot of work to do. Then there is the director – Tracey Adams, who also has involvement before auditions. There are many other people behind the scenes who work hard to ensure we have a Show, but this month I'm concentrating on the beginning process ... and that leads me to ... AUDITIONS!

HOBART GANG SHOW AUDITIONS - SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2022 Caledonian Hall, 31 Homer Avenue, Moonah. Session times: 11.30 a.m.; 1.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m.

I'm calling all interested in being involved on stage with Hobart Gang Show in 2022, to book an audition. Audition bookings will close on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

- Book your audition online (bookings open 1<sup>st</sup> February) ... https://www.trybooking.com/BXCDF
- Audition times available are 11.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m.
- Alternative times/arrangements can be made if necessary, contact Denice Walter pc.gang@tas.scouts.com.au
- Auditions are open to all in Scouting and Guiding, however casting is usually members aged 11 26 by August 2022.
- Hobart Gang Show is an inclusive production. Auditions are designed to help find the best place for the Youth, ideally
  on stage. Everyone who auditions will be made welcome.
- Auditions and rehearsals follow all current Government Covid-safe guidelines for the performing arts and should changes be necessary all involved will be advised.
- If anyone has any concerns about auditions or the Show, please contact me.

Spread the word – there is definitely no Show without a cast – while the sets are fantastic, they need to have people on stage to make it all work. **Book your audition NOW.** 

Denice Walter
Project Commissioner Hobart Gang Show
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## Peak Awards



	Intro to Scouting	Intro to Section	Milestone	OAS	SIA	Advanced Journey	Leadership Course	Personal reflection
	~	1	3	Core Stage 1	6 2 Areas	Min 3hr	x	1
	1	€.	3	Core Stage 3 8 Progressions	6 2 Areas	Min 4 hr	1	✓
	4	1	3	Core Stage 5 10 Progressions	6 3 Areas	Min 3 days 2 nights	¥	1
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BP	¥	~	3	Core Stage 5 14 Progressions	6 4 Areas	Min 4 days 3 nights	~	<b>~</b>



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