



South Coast Scouting

South Coast and Tablelands Region

Newsletter - March 2015



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Regional Commissioner



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Regional President



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Regional Chairman



Albion Park Scouts visit



Air Ambulance Service



The year has started with a flurry of activity with everyone getting ready for AJ2016.

Programmes are being developed to ensure they encompass all activities that will have our Jamboree Scouts with their Pioneer badges.

Camps are being planned to ensure the Jamboree Scouts have their 10 nights under canvas.

So this year will be a busy one for Leaders and Scouts alike.

This year is also the continuing commemoration of 100 Years of ANZAC and a lot of activities are planned for our Scouting community to assist in this special commemoration.

Happy Scouting and keep the articles coming.

Robyn Bates
Editor

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A Quote from Lord Robert Baden-Powell.....



Varied are the ideas of what constitutes "success," e.g. money, position, power, achievement, honours, and the like. But these are not open to every man - nor do they bring what is real success, namely, happiness.

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Wheelchair access available to the Scout Shop Only.



This award was introduced in the year 2000 for all members of Scouts Australia, with the intention of raising the level of awareness of youth members about our Veterans and providing Scout members with an opportunity to actively participate in the 'Their Service - Our Heritage' program.

This is an annual award and is achieved each year with the year commencing on 25th April. The badge will have a different coloured edging each year. Participate in two activities relevant to 'Their Service - Our Heritage'.

Suggestions:

- Take part in an ANZAC day march or ceremony.
- Take part in Remembrance Day.
- Invite a Veteran to your meeting to talk to you.
- Visit a Veterans Home or the local RSL.
- Maintain your local Memorial.
- Visit a tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



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2015 Calendar



State		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
CMR / Invoice periods		1 Q4 inv	1 Q1 cmr		1 Q1 inv	1 Q2 cmr		1 Q2 inv	1 Q3 cmr		1 Q3 inv	1 Q4 cmr		1 Q1 inv
Chief Com Council (CCC)				7-8				18-19				7-8		
Commissioners Conference (CC)			14-15				27-28			12-13				
Region Com Forum				8				19				8		
District Leaders Conference (All Sections) Bundilla														
State Council AGM														
Special Needs Conference (Disabilities) (BPSC)								25-26						
State Leader Training Conference								29-30						
State Environment Activity Camp (Ingleside)				tba										
SCT Region		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
SCT Region / RCAC (Reg Comm Adv Council)				21-22	tba		13-14	mksc				21-22	venue tba	
SCT Region / DC Forum				21-22	tba		13-14	mksc				21-22	venue tba	
SCT Region / RC Council (RC/DC)				21-22	tba		13-14	mksc				21-22	venue tba	
RC Conference (RC, DC, DL, GL, G Ch, G Tr)						tba								
SCT Region Christmas lunch													6 or 13	
SCT Region Exec Committee		22		26		28		23		24		26		28
SCT Region AGM							14							
Reg Group Promotion day / Founders Day			22											
Mt Keira Camp Mngmt Com		19		16		18		20		21		16		18
D C W Meeting				2		4		6		7		2		



Presentation by the Manager of Southern Phones limited of a cheque for \$25,000 to the Lord Mayor of Wollongong the Rev. Gordon Bradbury OAM to community groups for various projects.

Over 200 applications were received and Mt. Keira Scout Camp was successful in gaining \$10,000 to assist with disabled access to the Lodge at the Camp.



Special Events		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
BPs Birthday Bash - SCT Founders Day Lunch			22											
Awards Day Luncheon	sat									5				
Mt Keira Scout Camp 75th Anniversary												7-9		
Christmas in July - Mt Keira								18,19						
Scout Day Easter Show														
Scout Job Weeks						1-31								
World Scout Day									1					
Jamboree of the trail						9								
JOTA / JOTI											17-18			
Harmony Day				21										
Mc Happy Day												tba		
Agoonaree										tba				
St George Day Service					23									
Scout Environment month										1-30				
SCT Australia Day Activities (Flagstaff Hill)		26												26
SCT Korimul Gang Show auditions				29										
SCT Korimul Gang Show rehearsals begin					26									
SCT Korimul Gang Show MKSC Camp								10-12						
SCT Korimul Gang Show (IPAC bump in)									18					
SCT Korimul Gang Show (IPAC) - 4 shows									20-22					
CCOGS (Combined Camp of Guides and Scouts)			21-22											
Head of the River Camp (Shoalhaven District)	tba													
Long Canoe Run (ShoalHaven District)	tba													
Brass Balls Challenge (Bendeela)	tba													
QS & BP Awards - Gov house				tba					tba					
Scout Medallion Presentation				29					16					
Viva La Gong - Wollongong												7		
Billy Cart Derby Day - Port Kembla												14		
Illawarra South Founders Day Event			25											
Illawarra South Anzac Day Camp						1-3								
International Elective							27							
International Showcase										12				



Joey Scouts		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
State Konara														
State Joey Council			14-15				27-28			12-13				
Region Wandarras														
Region fun day -														
Joey Camp -														
Joey environment day - Mt Keira Scout Camp	tba													
Cub Scouts		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
State Cub Council			14-15				27-28			12-13				
State Cub Campfire														
7th NSW Cuboree	2017													
Region Cub Council				1	Tapita lee	17	Benga lee				4	Jamb		
State Palaver						22-24								
Cub Scout Leadership Course / Camp						16-17	Benga lee					14-15	Noon	
Cub environment Camp - Mt Keira Scout Camp										4-6				
Scouts		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
AJ2016														2-14
State Rally								31	-2					
State SYC														
State Mindari			14-15				27-28			12-13				
Region Mindari			28			23		18			4			
Region SYC (Scout Youth Council)			28			23		18			3			
Jamborette Organising Committee			28			23		18						
Region Jamborette											2-5			
Region POW WOW weekend (leaders only)										19-20	*start of school holid ays			
Region Weekend Wide Game South						23-24								
Region Weekend Wide Game Cataract												21-22		
Region Pig Skin				27-29										
Scoutventure	tba													
Scout Leadership Course - Keirawarra							20-21							
Scout Leadership Course - Ill South							20-21							
Scout Leadership Course - Shoalhaven														
Scout Leadership Course - Southern Coast				14-15										
Scout Leadership Course - Sthn Ranges			21-22											
Scout Environment Camp - Mt Keira Scout Camp							17-19							



Venturer Scouts		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
Regional Vent & Rover Caving weekend								4-5						
Regional Vent & Rover Canyoning Weekend				7-8									5-6	
Venturer L/ship Course									8-9					
Vent Initiative Course						9-10								
Unit Management Course							27-28							
Rover - Venturer Rally						9-10								
SCT Scoutventure														
State Venturer Council			14-15				27-28			12-13				
Dragon Skin - easter					3-6									
16 Aust Venture		2-13												
Vent/Rover Environment Camp - Mt Keira Scout Camp								24-26						
Rover Scouts		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
Region Rover Moot		16-18												15-17
Region Rover Council			10		14	12	9	14	11	8	13	10	8	
Region Rover A G M				14										
Rover - Venturer Rally						9-10								
Weekend Wide Game - Venturer/Rover/Scout												21-22		
Weekend Wide Game South - Venturer/Rover/Scout						23-24								
Jamborette											2-5			
Dragonskin					3-6									
Progressive Dinner										26				
MKSC Service weekend									8-9					
Regional Vent & Rover Caving weekend								4-5						
Regional Vent & Rover Canyoning Weekend				7-8									5-6	
St Georges Day					23									
Hike for Hunger												tba		
Hike for Hunger - Sydney												7		
Lord Mayors Picnic													31	
Branch Rover Council			13			30			1	12		21		
State Rov AGM&Conf					18-19									
Snow Moot														
State Moot														
State Rover Ball			21											
State Rover bush dance														
Uni Breaks					6-10		29	-24		28	-2			
Uni Exams							13-25					7-19		
Vent/Rover Environment Camp - Mt Keira Scout Camp								24-26						



Adventurous Activities		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
Canoe/Kayaking Assessment (Bengalee)	SIS 10			7-8							31	-1		
Abseiling/rockcraft Please email the Region Office for training courses.														
Flying Fox Course - Bengalee									8-9					
Bushwalking Level 1 and level 2 See state training calendar or email the Region Office for training courses.														
First Aid		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
Apply First Aid Course - Bomaderry														
Apply First Aid Course - North Wollongong														
Remote First Aid Course - Bengalee														
Remote First Aid Course - Mt Keira SC														
Leader Training, visit nsw website		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
Cataract Training														
Joey Scout BST not at cataract														
Cub Scout BST									15-16					
Scout BST			7-8			16-17		25-26			24-25			
Venturer BST									15-16					
Rover BST not at cataract														
LOA BST not at cataract														
ALL ADVANCED COURSES AT PENNANT HILLS														
Public Holidays		J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J16
Australia day / Easter		27			3-6									
ANZAC Day					25									
Queens Birthday/Lab Day							8				5			
Mother / Father Day						10				6				
School Holidays		1-27			3-19		27	-12		19	-5		20-31	1-26
Christmas Day/Boxing Day													25/26	



Welcome back to 2015.

Well here we are, the end of February already, so everything should be back into full swing. I hope you enjoyed the Christmas break and are keen to deliver the best possible programs to our youth members across all Sections, both in terms of all program delivery aspects and the all-important support of the youth members at all levels.

As this is a lead-in Jamboree year, the Scout Section will no doubt be concentrating upon getting all wood-be attendees up to the standard to withstand a 10 day Camp, which runs on high octane. It is certainly an event which captures the imagination of Scouts and Leaders alike, and always delivers on fun for all.

2015 Priorities:

During the break, some of the Team have continued to work towards 2015 by reviewing what our priorities will be for 2015. To this end, the following is a broad overview of those priorities;

- **Program Delivery**
 - Improve the District support to Group Sections.
 - Improve the activities available to Youth Sections.
 - Develop and implement the Desirable Standards across all Sections.
 - Complete the Region Program Delivery Team appointments.
- **Program Support**
 - Extend the role of RC, Administration.
 - Training for Group Supporters.
 - Ensure holiday coverage for office staff, including volunteers.
 - Continue to advance the renewal of the Campsite's Plans of Management, in conjunction with the Region Executive.
- **Property**
 - Finalise all outstanding lease and licences renewals.
 - Provide understanding to all Groups/Districts on their responsibilities under the terms and conditions of the lease or licence.
- **Members Support**
 - Ensure that all within the Region have an awareness of the services available under this portfolio.
 - Provide understanding for our obligations for reporting (eg. WHS incidents, conflicts of interest, etc.).
- **Districts**
 - Finalise and support Districts in their structures to enable new Group development and membership growth generally.

Also we will be looking to setting some growth targets for the Region not only in Groups but also overall membership, but more on that later, once the District Commissioners have had a chance to discuss and agree.



While there are many more initiatives which need to be advanced, the ones listed above are the key focus for 2015.

Region Team Appointments:

I am pleased to announce that Sandra Gould has kindly agreed to come onto the Region Team in the capacity of Region Commissioner, Joey Scouts.

Sandra (or Possum to her friends) has had a very long association with the Joey Section and will add a great deal of experience and knowledge to the Team.

Please welcome her and we look forward to working with Sandra into the future.

Mt Keira Scout Camp turns 75 years:

Don't forget that this year is the 75th Anniversary Year of the Mt Keira Scout Camp and planning is well under way to provide a weekend of celebration in November (7th & 8th). More details will come to hand as we progress towards the event, so please pencil it into your calendars now.

Port Kembla Billy Cart Derby:

SC&T Region is becoming more involved in the Port Kembla Billy Cart Derby event in November and this year we are hoping that we can enter a number of Scout Teams in the event. So start to think about what your Group can muster by way of a team to race. Who knows, if we get enough entries, we may even be able to have a Scout race category.

E-Learning Modules

In the closing months of 2014, we were required to complete the **Child Safe Module** in order to maintain our appointment status. In the main this was done, however, a number of members did not complete the requirement. State Office is in the process of suspending members who have not completed that module.

The Chief Commissioner has also stated that "If the module is not completed by **31st March 2015** consideration will be given to termination of their membership of Scouts Australia, NSW Branch."

Also, during the same period, Region required all members to undertake completion of the Basic Work, Health and Safety Module as well as the Basic Scout Safe module before the end of February, 2015. Region made this decision in the light of a number of incidents where avoidance of the incident outcomes would have been achieved, had the training been done.

Since that time National has now mandated that the **WH&S module** be completed by all members, nationally **before 30th June, 2015**, which in turn means we have extended our deadline to the same date. The **Scout Safe module** is still a requirement of the Region for members to complete and the deadline for that module has also been extended until **30th June, 2015**.

A lot of work has been done in following up members who are required to complete these modules and yet we still see individuals who do not comply. Thank you to all those who have been involved in following up members on this matter.



Who is the Region Commissioner?

Since my appointment to the role of Region Commissioner 18 months ago, I have been delving into a whole host of challenges that the Region faces, both internally and externally and I'm not sure that we have totally understood or identified what opportunities face our Movement within the Region.

In undertaking this task, I have foregone one of my many responsibilities of getting out and about among our Districts and Groups in particular and plan to address that matter from now on. What this means is that I intend to visit events, activities, District meetings and where possible some Group meetings, not only to understand in more detail the challenges that face all of us, but also to establish relationships across the Region at all levels. After all it is not my Region; it belongs to all of us.

Initially, Districts will come into the focus as we progress towards re-establishment (in some cases) of the support structures around helping Groups in all facets of their operations, then to understand and match how Groups need that assistance and to what level.

This will see a fundamental shift in the role of the District Commissioner and their teams. Essentially, District Commissioners and their teams need to become more operational and less administrative by getting out to promote Scouting within the District, Groups and general community at large. This issue has been discussed at our DC Forums and Region Commissioner Councils of recent times and we are committed to progressing forward.

Another aspect is to provide you with an overall plan or view of what Region is attempting to achieve both in terms of membership growth, stronger support, stronger Group administrative management and resource maintenance.

It seems that the tasks ahead are many and challenging, so if you see me out and about, say g'day and who knows we may be able to find the answers.

See you along the trail,

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MOUNT KEIRA SCOUT CAMP

COME ALONG TO OUR 75th BIRTHDAY PARTY Sat 7th & Sun 8th of November 2015

**you, your Section & Group their Family & Friends are invited
to join us for this celebration so put it in your diary**

NOW

What will we be doing? The program has not been settled as of yet but it will include but not be restricted to the following:-

There will be activities for all sections

there will be celebrations

there will be a Campfire at night

there will be guided tours for those interested in the history of the Camp

Scouts will be camping

75th Anniversary badges. great for swapping at the Jamboree

You don't have to be there all day or all weekend for that matter but please arrange to visit the Camp on this weekend.

The public as well as Scout members will be welcome

The Mount Keira Scout Camp Management Committee



Your'e on Santa's list!
Join us for

Christmas In July

Saturday July 18th 2015

for dinner at 6 pm for 6:30 pm

or Sunday July 19th 2015

for Lunch at 12 pm

Mt Keira Scout Camp

\$30 per person

BYO Drinks

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For the attention of the Scout Leaders:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and my business the Oak Flats Roller skating Rink, which has been operating over the past 5 years.

Roller skating is great way to entertain the kids and the whole family. At Oak Flats Roller skating Rink we cater for all ages. It is a great form of exercise and lots of fun.

The Oak Flats Roller Skating Rink operates mainly on weekends during the school term and every day during the school holidays. We would like to offer roller skating as part of your scout group activities.

As a Scout Group we would like to offer \$10 per person, for a 2 hour session, including skate/blade hire and the use of our party room for bookings of 20 plus skaters. Scout Leaders can skate at no cost. For groups 40 - 100 skaters we would like to offer private hire of the skating rink and its facilities outside Tuesdays and Thursday nights.

Group booking can arrive 15 minutes earlier, so that we can organize your group and have them fitted with skates or blades and ready to go before the public starts coming in.

Our Session Times are:

School Term Sessions

Wednesday 7pm-9pm

70's, 80's & 90's Disco

Disco Skate Beginners Session

Disco Skate

School Holidays Sessions

Monday - Saturday 10am - 12pm Beginners sessions 2pm - 4pm

Wednesday Night 7pm - 9pm 70's, 80's & 90's Friday & Saturday Night 7pm - 930pm Disco

Sunday 2pm - 4pm

Friday Saturday Sunday

4pm-6pm 7pm-930pm

10am-12pm 2pm-4pm 7pm-930pm

2pm-4pm

We are located at 137 Industrial Road Oak Flats Right next door to the Australia Post delivery centre.

If you would like to discuss any details please feel free to Contact me 0448 720 520.

Yours Sincerely,

SAMANTHA FANNING



a scout cares for the environment

Do you have the dates of the 2015 SC&T Environment Camps at Mt Keira in your groups diary yet?



Joey Scouts	21 June	Scouts	17-19 July
Venturers & Rovers	24-26 July	Cub Scouts	4-6 September

If you are interested in helping out please drop me a line at environment@sctscouts.org.au

Check out the next issue of South Coast Scouting for all the environment camp details such as application dates, camp costs and the activities available for each section.

Looking for a green activity to do in your local area? I can help you out. There are lots of activities happening throughout our region all year round and participating in a community project is also great PR for your group.

Join the SC&T Regional Environment facebook group for updates on what's happening and to share what your group has been up to with other leaders.

Alex

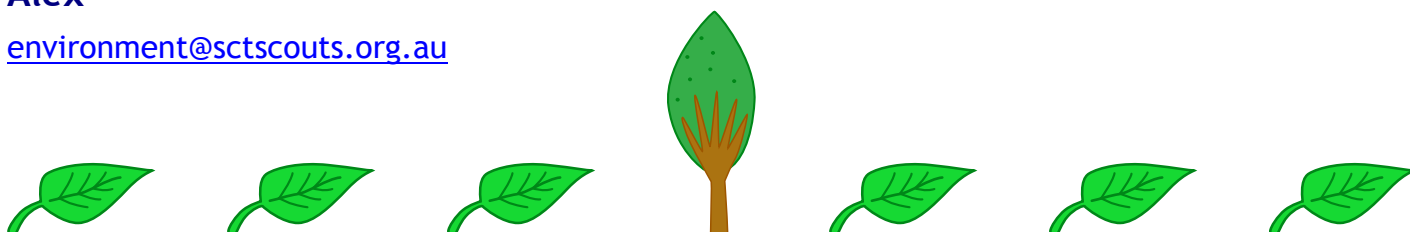
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Yours in Green Scouting

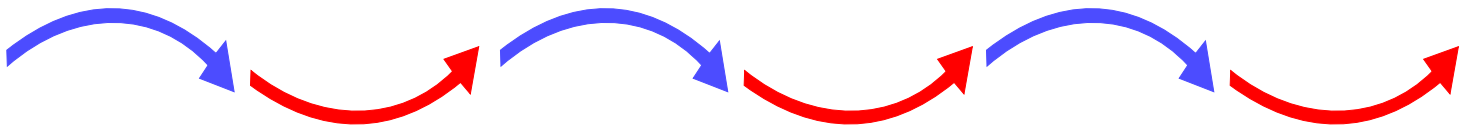
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Unanderra Scout Hall



Albion Park Scouts - Greenpatch Camp



Practicing their survival skills.

Scouts - Regional Commissioner Report



Hi all. Here we go again. I trust everybody had a peaceful and joyous summer break. In the lead up to AJ2016 the year ahead looks to be hectic.

AJ2016

I hope those people who are off to the Jamboree are madly fundraising. It is important that everyone who will be attending has read all the information on the website and that you are aware of all the important dates.

It is crucial the application forms are filled out correctly because if there are any mistakes the entire group batch will be returned. Information on the application form must be the same as that shown on the MIS otherwise it will be sent back for correction. That includes the group making sure Cubs coming up are transferred. This process does not happen automatically.

I hope that all Scout Leaders have read the notes that I took at the February Contingent Council Meeting. If you haven't seen those notes please contact your District Scout Leader.

Registration and masses of other information can be found at:

<http://www.patroltent.com/PageD.asp?p=163&m=4>

Pigskin

This year's Pigskin will be held at Penrose State Forest on the weekend of 27 - 29 March 2015. Registration for this event will again be through the Region website. E1 Permission Notes and some other information about what to pack when hiking and catering for lightweight hiking has been sent out through District Scout Leaders. Again, if you haven't seen the E1 and the other info please ask your DSL or give me a ring.

I desperately need to hear from leaders who can organise a base for Pigskin. Please talk to me.

75th Anniversary Mt Keira Scout Camp.

In the November issue of South coast Scouting I wrote...

Celebrations for the 75th Anniversary of Mt Keira Scout Camp will be held at the camp on the weekend of 6 & 7 November 2015.

Troops are hereby invited to submit a proposal to be part of these celebrations. The plan is that a *Traditional Scout Camp*, (patrol tents dining flys etc) be set up on the camping flat at Keira and that the participants build impressive looking constructions. Priority will be given to troops who will be camping in old style patrol tents and who plan to build the most spectacular structure or structures.

This activity would be a good opportunity for a Scout to implement a Medallion Project.

ONLY THE BEST TWO SUBMISSIONS WILL BE SELECTED. That is all the room we will be allowed.

SUBMISSIONS CLOSE AT THE END OF FEBRUARY 2015 AND SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO YOUR FRIENDLY REGION SCOUT LEADER.



So far I have had only one reply. Note, applications close at the end of February. Please contact me if you want your troop involved.

Important Scout Section Dates to Remember

2015

• 28 February	JOC, RSYC & Region Mindari	Moss Vale Showground
• 7 - 8 March	Basic Scout Leadership	Southern Coast District
• 16 March	AJ2016	Applications close. 1st Payment Due.
• 20 March	Working With Children Checks	Absolute Deadline
• 27 - 29 March	Pigskin	Penrose State Forest
• 29 March	ASM Citation Presentation	Hornsby RSL
• 31 March	Compulsory E Learning Modules	Absolute Deadline
• 23 - 24 May	Weekend Wide Game Sth,	Region Mindari. JOC & RSYC @ Potato Point
• 20 - 21 June	Basic Scout Leadership Course	Keirawarra & Illawarra Districts
• 30 June	AJ2016	2nd Payment Due
• 31 July - 2 August	State Rally	Cataract Scout Park
• 28 - 30 August	Pow Wow	Bonnie Doon
• 31 August	AJ2016	3rd Payment Due
• 2 - 5 October	Jamborette/Kangaroo March + Mindari & RSYC	Moss Vale Showground
• 6 - 7 November	75th Anniversary Celebrations	Mt Keira
• 22 November	AJ2016 Troop Camping Equipment Drop Off Contingent Merchandise Pick Up	Cataract

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• 2 January	AJ2016	NSW Troops Arrive @ Cataract
• 14 January	AJ2016	NSW Troops Depart Cataract



Adventurer Cords

Congratulations to the following Scouts who have achieved their Adventurer Cord.

David Sirotich
Logan Senn

1st Figtree
Dapto

December 2014
December 2014

Australian Scout Medallions

A big B-R-A-V-O-O-O to the following Scouts who have completed their leadership projects and therefore been awarded the Australian Scout Medallion.

James Walker
Lachlan Page
Logan Senn

1st Moruya
1st Burrill/Ulladulla
Dapto

December 2014
February 2015
February 2015

That's all for now folks.

Peter Gear



1st Austinmer Scouts

Canoe Camp from Douglas Park
to Camden Nepean River



Rovers - Regional Commissioner Report



I want to start by thanking Greg Pearce for his sterling efforts towards achievement of a 100% Childsafe training outcome. Unfortunately, however, a small number of our rovers still received letters advising that they are suspended until the training is completed and warning that the suspension will become a termination of membership if the training is still not done by the end of March. A suspension is a serious matter as it means that the Rover cannot wear uniform or attend any scouting function until it is lifted.

Additionally, all Rovers in SC&T are required to complete the e-learning modules for Basic Scoutsafe and WHS & Scouting by Feb. 28th. The same results (ie. an initial suspension followed by possible termination) are likely for those not meeting this date. These requirements are a sooner date and an extra module compared to other regions. They are, however, what we are tasked with! I make no apology because Safety is important! I believe that we must also expect that further modules will be mandated in the future.

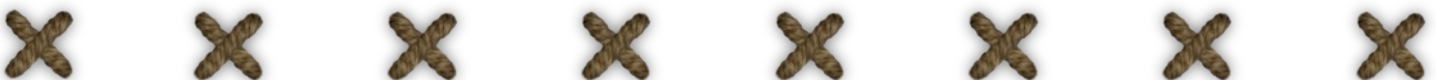
We have struggled on with a reduced executive over the past few months and I hope that getting back to a full team after the AGM will be a significant improvement. Several things have been disappointingly last minute or diminished affairs!

Pool Party Moot came together well in January - even if the organisation was a bit rushed at the end. A great effort by those involved. This continues to be one of the best attended moots in the state.

It's that time of the year again and Greg and I will be busy over the coming few weeks attending each crew's AGM where leadership roles and other office bearers for year ahead are elected. The Region Rover Council's Annual General Meeting will then be held at Mt Keira on the evening of March 10th.

Most crews have their Dragonskin preparations coming together.

Nighty



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