



Position Description

South Coast & Tablelands Region

Scouts Australia (NSW Branch)

Position title:	Region Commissioner – Program Support (Venturer Scouts)
Primary Purpose:	<p>The Region Commissioner – Program Support (Venturer Scouts) is a volunteer role who has primary responsibility for the quality delivery of the youth program within the Venturer Scout Section across the Region. They will help the Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program to successfully implement the new Youth Program and encourage membership growth across the Venturer Scout Section.</p> <p>The Region Commissioner – Program Support (Venturer Scouts) will promote youth leadership via the Region Venturer Council and support Venturer Scout Units and District Program Councils through the provision of program resources, activities and events; such as the annual GET LOST! event and others.</p> <p>The Region Commissioner – Program Support (Venturer Scouts) will encourage the training and development of Venturer Scout Leaders via the Region Kaleidoscope and support the Scout Section by regularly engaging with Group Leaders, the Region Youth Program Team and State Youth Program Team.</p>
Reports to:	Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program
Directs Reports: (positions reporting to this role)	District Leaders – Youth Program
Tenure:	The appointment is for three years, with Adult Development Plans reviewed annually. Appointments are reviewed regularly (at least every 3 years) and can be extended at 3 yearly intervals, subject to appointment review outcomes.
Key stakeholders:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Commissioner Sections • Venturer Scouts • Venturer Scout Leaders • District Leaders Youth Program • Region Venturer Council (combined youth and adult governance forum) • Group Leaders • District Commissioners • Region Commissioner – Program Support (Scouts) • Region Commissioner – Program Support (Rover Scouts) (Region Rover Council Chair) • Region Commissioner • Deputy Region Commissioners • Region Youth Commissioner • Region Office Manager
Position Responsibilities:	
<p>The Region Commissioner – Program Support (Venturer Scouts) will have responsibility for (but not limited to) the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage the delivery of the Youth Program for the Venturer Scout Section within the Region, with the assistance of Venturer Scout Leaders, District Leaders Youth Program and the Region Youth Program Team. • Provide program support for the Venturer Scout Section in the delivery of the Youth Program. • Co-Chair Region Venturer Council (RVC) meetings, in conjunction with a Venturer Co-Chair, to encourage youth leadership and engagement in programming and decision making. • With the assistance of the Region Commissioner Major Events, plan and coordinate Region Scout activities and major events, including GET LOST! (annual Region RoVenture), Region Jamborette, Pig Skin, Weekend Wide Game and other activities and events. • With the assistance of the Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program, plan and coordinate the annual Region Kaleidoscope, a training and development weekend for all Venturer Scout Leaders in the Region. • With the assistance of the Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program, implement a development plan for the Venturer Scout Section, focusing on membership growth and program delivery quality and standards. • With the assistance of the Region Commissioner Adult Training & Development and Venturer Scout Leaders, plan and deliver Youth Leadership courses for Venturer Scouts across the Region. • Develop resources that support Leaders to deliver the Youth Program and publish these on the Region website. 	

- Support Districts in the implementation of new and revised methods of program delivery.
- Keep the Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program regularly informed of any initiatives, risks or issues regarding the delivery of the Youth Program for the Venturer Scout Section in the Region.
- Together with the Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program, assess the quality and performance of the Venturer Scout Section across the Region, on an annual basis.
- Ensure a Personal Leader Adviser (PLA) is appointed for each new Venturer Scout Leader, in collaboration with the Region Commissioner Adult Training and Development.
- Develop an Adult Development Plan (ADP) and review it on an annual basis, in conjunction with the Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program.
- In conjunction with the Region Commissioner Adult Training & Development, encourage Venturer Scout Section Leaders to complete their Training to Wood Badge level.
- Visit Venturer Scout section meetings and activities, and provide advice regarding quality, standards and program experience.
- Promote, establish and maintain strong working relationships with the Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program, Region Youth Program Team, Region Youth Commissioner, District Commissioners, Region and District Teams, Region Office Staff, State Commissioner -Sections and other Region Commissioners Venturer Scouts to support to Groups, Leaders and Youth members.
- Ensure the Venturer Scout Section delivers an Adventurous, Fun, Challenging and Inclusive Youth Program Experience.
- Measure the Youth Program Experience via feedback from Venturer Scouts and Venturer Scout Leaders.
- Promote youth health, safety, diversity and inclusion throughout the Venturer Scout Section.
- Provide regular communication and social media updates to the Venturer Scout Section, using a variety of digital channels.
- Provide Venturer Scout Section perspectives for the development of the Region Strategy.
- Uphold the purpose, principles and values of Scouts Australia; adhere to the Adult Code of Conduct and Ethics; comply with all WOSM, National and State policies and behave in accordance with the Scout Promise and Law.
- Comply with all applicable legislative, regulatory and statutory obligations.
- Undertake other projects and responsibilities as negotiated with the Deputy Region Commissioner Youth Program.

Qualifications, Skills and Experience:

- A strong understanding and commitment to the Aims and Principles of Scouting.
- Knowledge of the Venturer Scout Section as it relates to the Youth Program.
- Be prepared to complete a Leader of Adults Wood Badge within twelve months of appointment.
- Enthusiastic and able to motivate, inspire and lead others, both youth and adults.
- Ability to communicate with all levels in Scouting and the community, including strong interpersonal skills.
- A commitment to serving young people.
- Demonstrated organisational and administrative skills.
- Demonstrated ICT skills in relation to communication and data management.
- The ability to achieve results through collaboration, teamwork and accepting responsibility.
- The ability to work both independently and as a part of a team to achieve goals within set timeframes.
- Qualifications and/or experience in Youth Development, Program Delivery, Leadership, Management or related fields.

Meetings and Conferences:

- Region Commissioners Council
- Region Venturer Council (Co-Chair)
- Region Youth Program Team meetings
- Region Annual Report Presentations (AGM)
- State Section Meetings

Cadence:

- ➔ Two weekends per year (normally in March and September)
- ➔ Bi-monthly
- ➔ Monthly
- ➔ Annual
- ➔ As required

Note: Meetings are usually held face to face or via electronic means (eg: MS Teams, Skype or teleconference). Conferences such as the Region Commissioners Council are conducted over weekends and are either held at Mt Keira Scout Camp or another mutually agreed venue throughout the Region.

Authority and Agreement

Developed by:	Deputy Region Commissioner HR & Communications	17 July 2019
Approved by:	Region Commissioner, South Coast & Tablelands Region	17 July 2019
Agreed by:	Region Commissioner – Program Support (Venturer Scouts)	