



Newsletter

Ashmore
Scout
Group

Christmas 2015

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Group Leader

Another Scouting term is over; the last for 2015. What a year we have had, with all Sections very busy.

A big thank you to all our Leaders for giving up their time to take your Scouts out and about to adventures.

For those off to Jamboree have an amazing time and take care. For those members off on a holiday please drive safely.

Special congratulations to Kathryn Whitaker (Turtle Frog) and her partner Jesse on the birth of their second child, Olivia Ellen Grace Jones, born on the 12th of December. Big brother Nathaniel is already taking good care of the new addition.

Thanks to Steven Green for his service to our Group as Assistant Cub Scout Leader. We wish him and his family all the best for their future Scouting activities in Sydney.

I would like to take this time to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you all back in 2016.

Robyn BUGLAR (Possum)
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Group Chairman

As the end of another Scouting year draws to a close, I am reminded of the lyrics from a famous John Lennon song Happy Xmas:

*And so this is Xmas
And what have we done
Another year over
A new one just begun*

Reflecting on 2015 has seen our Group participate in activities conducted at Group, State, National and International levels. Every Member of our Group can stand proud of their involvement and their achievements.

AJ2016 is almost here - watch our [Facebook](#) page for regular updates.

Our Group will be participating in Scouts Queensland's State Sign-On Weekend, with an Open Day at our Den on Saturday the 6th of February 2016. Please spread the word amongst your family and friends.

If travelling on our roads this Christmas, please remember to drive safely - we look forward to seeing everybody again in 2016.

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Bagheera's Farewell Message

Dear Ashmore Group Families,

For those who do not know William, Mollie and I (Bagheera) are leaving the Gold Coast. Over the last 2 years while William has been a Cub he has grown and developed in skills and confidence. Over the last 2 terms Mollie has also become a keen member of the Pack.

We leave with some sadness; we hope to see you in the future at Jamborees.

The Cub pack is growing, it is growing strong and fast. Next year Cuboree will dominate the long term planning and some of the short term activities.

To work well a Cub pack needs leaders, Adult Helpers and good will. I think currently we need a couple more leaders who can help contribute to the growth of the pack. Rama cannot do this job by herself.

Here is the secret to being a leader. Scouting gives you much more back as a leader; friendship, skills and a sense of community. In addition, as you learn how to be a leader you get nationally recognised qualifications (Certificate 3 and 4 in Management).

But the ability to learn how to communicate, negotiate, to priorities are those things that only come from working with children. These are skills which are very transferable to a work place, skills which you cannot get at home and are very difficult to learn at work.

The three of us will continue with Cubs in Sydney.

Bagheera

Steven Green

State Sign-on and Open Day

Saturday 06 February 2016 - 10:00am to 2:00pm

We will be holding an Open Day at our Den, where potential new youth members and adult leaders can experience what Scouting has to offer.

There will be displays and activities for all sections covering Joeys, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers. Current Youth Members and Leaders will be available to answer any questions.

This event is part of Scouts Queensland State Sign-On Weekend.

Current Members are encouraged to provide details of this event to their families and friends.

- ✓ Camping, sailing, hiking, caving, abseiling or rock climbing
- ✓ Orienteering, construction or knot tying
- ✓ Learning first aid skills or geocaching
- ✓ Open fire cooking, kayaking or learning about conservation
- ✓ Learning survival skills, astronomy or learning bush skills
- ✓ Learning about aircraft or tackling obstacle courses
- ✓ Making new friends and experiencing new challenges
- ✓ Earning badges to wear on their uniform

2016 Return to Scouting

Due to the **Australia Day** Public Holiday, please note the following return dates for each Section:

Joeys – **Friday 29 January 2016**

Scouts – **Wednesday 03 February 2016**

Cubs – **Thursday 04 February 2016**

Venturers – **Tuesday 02 February 2016**

24th Australian Jamboree 2016

The final important date is almost here - **03 January 2016** – Let the fun and games begin!

Cataract Scout Park, Baden-Powell Drive, Appin, New South Wales

Further information is available from the Jamboree website: <http://www.aj2016.com.au>

Check out our Facebook page for regular updates during this event.



4th Queensland Cuboree 2016



The 4th Queensland Cuboree will be held at the Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park, between the **18th and 23rd of September 2016**.

Applications are open now, with paperwork and first payments due by the **1st of November 2015**.

Please consult with our Cub Pack Leaders as to payment requirements.

Further details, including application documentation, is available from the Cuboree website: <http://cuboree.scoutsqld.com.au/>

Group Fundraising

DODGER'S BBQ

Dodger's Touch Football Car Boot Sale, Cos Zantiotis Park, Labrador (Behind Hungry Jacks)

2nd Sunday of each Month - 5:00am to 12:00pm

These BBQ's will be assigned to members of our Cub Scout Pack until June 2016 (Cuboree).

Further information on all Group Fundraising is available from our website:

<http://www.ashmore.scoutsqld.com.au/pages/parentinformation.html#fundraising>

Events Calendar

24th Australian Scout Jamboree

Cataract Scout Park,
New South Wales

03 to 14 January
2016



19th Jamboree On The Trail (JOTT)

14 May 2016



4th Queensland Cuboree

'Rumble In The Jungle'

Maryborough

18 to 23 September
2016



17th Australian Venture

January 2018



24th World Scout Jamboree

'Unlock a New World'

July 2019

