



Newsletter

Ashmore
Scout
Group

Term 2, 2016

Parachute fun at the Gold Coast Region Joey Scout Activity Day

Group Leader

Welcome back to another Scouting term.

A big thank you to the Joey parents and Waikerie who helped at the Gold Coast Region Joey Activity Day, from cooking the BBQ and completing paperwork for me.

A big thanks to the Scouts who came and helped also.

The day was enjoyed by all who attended.

BRAVO

New Leaders are always welcome to come and join the adventure that is Scouting, with full training paid for by the Group.

We are in need of help in the Cub and Venturer sections. If you are a Venturer parent and can help with the cashbook, entering payments and expenses, please see me.

The Group also requires a similar volunteer for the Cub section.

Robyn BUGLAR (Possum)
Group Leader
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Group Chairman

What happens at our Den during the day when our youth members are not in attendance? Some answers may surprise you....!!

All Scout Groups in Queensland are required under State Government legislation to have an asbestos audit completed. Our Den was constructed at a time when asbestos was still available in Australia (being opened in 1990), with asbestos manufacture ceasing in 1983, however only being banned fully in 2002.

Our on-site inspection has been completed, with samples being removed for testing.

The results were provided to the Group on the 23rd of April 2016, with no asbestos being detected.

The Group is still seeking the services of a suitable volunteer for the position of Group Quartermaster. A position description is available on page 6 of this newsletter.

Remember that many hands make light work, and that this position can't be filled by a Leader.

Stuart McCONAGHY (Woody)
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Joey Scouts

Upcoming Activities:

Monday 25 April - ANZAC Day

Friday 06 May – Mothers and Joeys Sleepover

Cub Scouts

Dear Cubs and Parents / Guardians

WELCOME TO TERM 2 2016

I hope everyone has had an awesome Easter Break! Thank you to all who attended the Jungle Book Movie! A massive thank you to Waikerie - Leesa Kennedy, Scout Leader for all her hard work in organizing the event. We had a great time!! We started with a Cub Parade and ended with the Scout Parade! a great effort by everyone all round. This term we have sadly said by to yet another cub, Amy; the scouts and princess the unicorn collected her from our final parade. Amy completed her Grey Wolf badge requirements, the highest honor given to a Cub by taking us on a hike to the Glow Worm Caves. It was the first time a few of us have ever been there!! The most interesting fact was...glowworms light shines out their bum!! Well-done Amy!! A big howl from all the pack!! We will be presenting Amy's Badge and Plaque to her on parade as soon as it arrives!!

Thank you to those parents who have assisted Cubs in Term 1, we would not have been able to do the actives/camps planned if it wasn't for you. Cub Scout Olympics was a massive success! The Cubs had a blast, even though the heat was stifling. A big thank you to the Scouts and Scout Leader Waikerie, Possum, Koala, Sienna, Kron and Piper's mums for aiding me while I was on Leadership training in taking Cubs to the Olympics...for all of you that missed out on joining a cub camp, don't stress...we have plenty of opportunities coming up for you to join the fun!! I know your all eager to volunteer!!

So far this term we have planned...

24 to 25 April: Anzac Day Sleepover at Den \$10 - Drop off 3pm, 4pm Bowling, 6pm Dinner, 7pm Movie, 9:30 Bed, 5am rise, hike, march, Gunfire Breakfast (gold coin donation), 1pm Pick up at Den

28 April: Health and Safety - Parents help needed

05 May: Mother's Day - TBA

14 May: JOTT - Jamboree of the Trail - Springbrook Mountain Trail Hike - Kilometers to go to Hiking badge. 9am-12pm, supervisors needed - \$10 - lunch at McDonalds on return

June: Air Activities - date and cost TBA - drivers and supervisors needed - Cubs Scouts get badge, 15-minute joy ride in Cessna 3 seater over Brisbane - major part of flight badge in yellow record book. 7am - 5pm

Looking Ahead to Term 3

02 July: CCC at BP Park, Stamford. Cubs Can Come - Full day activity with Scouts at SSS - parents to assist in driving and supervision .7am-6pm cost TBA

July: Date TBA - Brisbane Gang Show - Theatre Production - QUT Brisbane, Schonell Theatre - Drivers and supervisors needed please. 8am-5pm

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22 to 24 July: Region 10-Year-Old Camp - cubs 10+ may attend - Cost TBA

30 to 31 July: Night Howl - Region Cub Scout 100th Anniversary Camp - Camp Fire - Cost TBA - parent's assistance needed to drive and supervise

02 to 04 September: Father's Day Fishing Camp - South Stradbroke Island - Details TBA Cost TBA - Fathers with Boats, rods and experience please speak up - as a female my knowledge is limited - your assistance in planning and executing this will be very welcome!!

18 to 23 September: Cuboree "Rumble in the Jungle" - 5 nights 6 days - \$500 - registrations still open. Bi-Annual Event, Maryborough, QLD.

Now for Admin Stuff

Badge work - Cubs may be guided and assisted with badge work at home, most badge work is relevant to their current years in school, ex. Music level one - year 3/4 recorder. If you would like assistance in understanding or any ideas to encourage please come and see Rama or Koala. Badge work completion builds confidence and aids the cub in their learning and personal growth journeys. it also is a great way to fill those boring days at home on weekends and holidays - get them into the garden or cooking, or helping out with house maintenance - it's all able to go to their badge work, takes some photos and get them to tell me about it and answer some questions it's as easy as that.

******on another note** - badge work is hard to keep up with if you have eager children - parent's assistance is needed to keep track of badges completed and earned as a group and by individuals. If badges are missing or haven't been issued yet please remind Rama or Possum, so they may be added to ordering list, your assistance is a blessing!!

Subs and Levies are \$77 for term 2, it is a 11-week term. You may deposit this directly into the Cub Scout Account (Possum will provide details if needed). Please help us by depositing funds directly rather than bringing cash, it makes book keeping so much simpler. Please use your cubs last name as reference. Remember that we are limited to the amount of change we carry so correct amounts are always appreciated.

I'm looking forward to a busy couple of terms coming up, we have plenty of badge work to complete and activities/camps to attend. If you are interested in assisting with any of these actives please make it know, many hands make for light work. Together we can make a lifetime of memories and experiences for all the cubs to enjoy!!

Scouts

Dear Scouts & Parents/Guardians

WELCOME TO TERM 2 2016!

Firstly, thank you to all who supported our holiday event - The Jungle Book movie release! DB, Grillzy & I were so impressed to see so many of you there with your families! It was a great movie!

COMING UP THIS TERM

Apart from the normal weekly program, we have lots of opportunities for our Scouts to get out and about on the weekends.... here's what's planned for Term 2. Remember, there is no expectation that your Scout attends every activity but they are most welcome to!

24 to 25 April - ANZAC DAY Camp

29 April to 02 May – Region Scout Camp

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SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday 11 May - Mother's Day Night

Saturday 14 May - JOTT (Jamboree on the Trail Bushwalk) - Springbrook - final location and meeting point TBA

20 to 22 May - Camp and Cooking Skills weekend with Helensvale

25 May (Wednesday) - Annual Report Presentation

27 to 29 May - Scout Leadership Course

HERE'S THE BIG ONE! 11 June 2016 - Scout Air Activities

01 to 04 July - SSS Camp - Training days: *Sunday 19 June 2016 & Sunday 26 June 2016*

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND!

Agoonoree registrations will be coming out this term! What is Agoonoree? A weeklong camp assisting those with disabilities. This camp is from 17-23 September 2016. You must be over 12 by the start of camp to apply.

For more information, visit: www.agoonoree.scoutsqld.com.au

You can assist at **Cuboree** as a helper (age 13+!) Registrations are due now! For more information, click here:

<https://cuboree.scoutsqld.com.au/eligibility-and-costs/>

Many Hands Make Light Work

Can you help us? We are looking for someone to help us each week with paperwork! Doing the receipting, preparing deposits, collecting paperwork, sorting C4s for events, photocopying etc. Time required Wednesdays 6:30pm to 9pm. We would also love someone to help with our badge work for our troop. If you could spare this time each week during the term, we would greatly appreciate you giving us a call!

We are looking forward to another wonderful term with you all and thank you for your continued support.

Venturer Scouts

Upcoming Activities:

25 April – ANZAC Day - Please meet in Short Street, Southport at 3:30am in full and correct uniform (yes this includes scarf and correct pants). We will have a BBQ breakfast in the park at no cost.

29 April – 02 May – May Venture – Allawah Campsite (near Ipswich).

02 to 09 July – 6th Queensland Venture – Seeonee Park, Rockhampton.

Annual Report Presentation (ARP)

The Group's Annual Report Presentation will be held at the Den on **Wednesday the 25th of May, commencing at 7:15pm.**

This is an excellent opportunity for all parents and/or guardians to provide their input into the Group's direction for the next 12 months and beyond.

Positions within the Group Support Committee are available for persons wishing to volunteer; see page 6 if you are interested in the Group Quartermaster position.



Jamboree On The Trail (JOTT)

What is JOTT?

Jamboree On The Trail is an annual day for the World Scout Movement to hike together. All Scouts, whatever their age and wherever they may be in the world, are invited to participate in whatever way they can. Cubs and younger Scouting sections could visit a local nature trail as part of a weekend camp. A Scout Troop might check out a hiking trail while working on badge requirements. A Rover Crew might make a Service Project out of restoring or maintaining a hiking trail.

In their own way, everyone will be hiking the same direction: towards a better future through Scouting. JOTT is held on the second Saturday of May each year.

2016 will see Members from our Group participate in JOTT for the first time!



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**.

The time to apply for this event is fast running out...

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 are currently assigned to members of our Cub Pack (Queensland Cuboree 2016) and our Venturer Unit (Queensland Venture 2016).

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

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

Positions Vacant - Group Quartermaster

All Scout Groups need equipment to operate an exciting program of activities for its youth members and leaders. Equipment is not cheap and each item represents a great deal of hard work in fundraising. It follows, therefore that everybody in the Group needs to look after the equipment. The care and control of the equipment is the responsibility of the Group Quartermaster.

The Group Quartermaster is a role filled by a parent and/or guardian, and is not available to Leaders. The Group Quartermaster reports directly to the Group's Executive Committee.

In reality the Quartermaster will need to have a practical working relationship with the Section Leaders who will be the chief users.

The key elements of the role include:

- operate the booking arrangements for equipment
- control the issue and return of equipment
- check the condition of equipment and maintain as necessary
- maintain a neat and tidy equipment store
- advise the Group's Executive Committee of any requirements for equipment maintenance, and of the requirement to rationalise or replace equipment as necessary
- use of the Group's Quartermaster email account

It is a role that requires a good deal of patience and flexibility. Remember that the equipment is there to be used, even if that does make the store look less tidy from time to time.

If you are in a position to volunteer your time to this role, please email our Group Chairman directly:
ashmorechairperson@gmail.com

Events Calendar

**19th Jamboree On The Trail
(JOTT)**

14 May 2016



4th Queensland Cuboree

'Rumble In The Jungle'

18 to 23 September
2016

Maryborough



**59th Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)
&
20th Jamboree On The Air (JOTI)**

15 to 16 October
2016



17th Australian Venture

02 to 13 January
2018



25th Australian Scout Jamboree

Woodhouse Activity Centre,
South Australia

January 2019



24th World Scout Jamboree

'Unlock a New World'

July 2019

