



NORTHBRIDGE NEWS



Term 3 - 2015

Contacts

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Scout Parent Helper

Heather Price

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Assist. Cub Scout Leaders

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Cub Parent Helpers

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Joey Scout Leader

Peter Hooper (Platypus)

Assist. Joey Scout Leaders

Chris Cole (Gecko)

Felicity Hooper (Possum)

Rebecca Schoff (Kookaburra)

Quarter Master

Mick Vojnovic

Parent Committee

Chairperson

Christine Ward

Secretary

Diane Holty

Treasurer

Heather Price

Mish Hooper

Amy Horne

Sylke Roberts

Diary Dates

September

21st-26th

25th

1st - 30th

Adelaide Gang Show Performances, Scott Theatre

Term 3 ends

Scout Environment Weeks

October

2nd-5th

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12th

17th-18th

25th

31st - 1st

AJ Shake down camp @ Woodhouse, Scouts

Sandblast (Rovers & Venturers)

Term 4 starts

Jamboree on the Air/Internet (JOTA/JOTI)

Branch Annual Awards Ceremony

Ridley district inaugural Mud Camp, Scouts

November

15th

13th-15th

21st - 22nd

22nd

27th-29th

December

4th-6th

11th

Comedy Capers Gang Show Auditions

Mallee Rover Mud Camp, scouts – cancelled!!!

Anniversary Hoporee, Joeys (25 years of Joey

Scouts) @ Woodhouse

Comedy Capers Gang Show Auditions

Minisplash, Scouts

Supersplash, Venturers

(last day term 4) Christmas break up/ End of year celebration

2016

January

3rd- 14th

Australian Jamboree @ Cataract Scout Park

April

8th - 10th

Group Camp @ Woodhouse, all sections

May

2nd

AGM

Scout Group Committee Secretary Position vacant from there on! Would someone be interested to take over from Diane?

Scout Troop T-Shirts

They are great for camps and out of the hall scout activities where uniform is not required.

If you would like to purchase a scout troop shirt please fill in the order list on the door in the scout hall.

Cost: \$20 each

There are a few size

14 & 16 shirts left in stock.

Northridge Scout Group jackets can also be ordered.



From the Group Leader

Welcome everyone to our Term 3 Newsletter. We've had a busy term 3, probably a busy holiday break and guess what - Term 4 will be just as busy! I'd like to acknowledge this month the Leaders and Adults in our Group who were recognised with World Scout Day awards this year by Scouts Australia. You can read details of 2015 recipients online at: <http://www.sa.scouts.com.au/ara2015>.

Special Service Award: Chris Cole (Assistant Joey Scout Leader), Diane Holty (Committee Secretary), Christine Ward (Committee Chairperson).

Meritorious Service Award: Sarie Bryker (Assistant Venturer Leader), Trevor Thompson (Group Leader)

Silver Wattle: Peter Hooper (Joey Scout Leader).

Regardless of official recognition or otherwise, I also thank ALL our Leaders and supporters for the magnificent work they do with our Group.

During the term we welcomed a new member onto the Leadership team, with Sam Ielasi joining the Scout Section as an assistant leader - Welcome Sam.

On a less happy note, our outgoing Treasurer - Andrew Bryker, has been suffering from ill health over the last few months, and our thoughts are with him and his family at this time.

You will have noticed that our Group birthday celebrations did not go ahead in term 3 - this was as a result of the Council declining permission for the Group to use the park due to renovations/works in the park. This event will be combined with our Christmas break-up this year, with an intent to try and recognise the Group birthday annually.

As always I ask families to please keep yourself updated by checking our noticeboard regularly and also visit our website (www.northridgeparavista.sa.scouts.com.au)

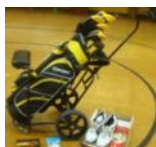
Fundraising



* Thank you for your support by selling the people's choice community lottery tickets. The 2015 lottery closes soon. Prizes will be drawn on the 20th October.

Please return all raffle tickets and money ASAP and keep an eye out for the winning numbers!

* Cadbury Chocolates was our term 3 fundraiser. Thanks to all, who took a box (or more) home to eat or sell. Could all unsold chocolates and or money please be returned to your section as soon as possible? If you are keen to fundraise more there are 8 boxes left at the hall.



Not for sale anymore

Northridge's People's Choice Lottery Prize from 2014 has been sold via Gumtree. Is our group lucky again to win a prize? Thanks Diane for posting and managing the lot.

Donations

Can you please help us with donations for the Christmas raffle? The raffle will be drawn on the 11th of December 2015 during our Christmas celebration / break up.

Any donations like Christmas decorations, wrapping, none perishable goods, vouchers etc. are greatly received.

Thank you for your support.



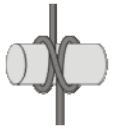
Joey Mob



The leaders considered 'Scouts in Action - Environment' when setting the program as well as the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Joey Section in the Scout family. We also listen to our youth members when they are asked about what they enjoy most about scouting and the type of activities that attract them. We also are keen to ensure that, when we spend a night at the hall towards the conclusion of each term to set the new programme, the Scouting ethos is entwined.

Another busy term for the youngest members of the Group: We started with our traditional 'ease in' night where we extract from some of our Joeys what they did or didn't do over the break whilst others are only too keen to let us know exactly what they did. Always great to hear, 'I was bored', as this gives us something to aspire too for the new term.

This term on 'Scout night' we concentrated on the three basic knots i.e. the reef knot, clove hitch and bowline under the keen eye of Possum whilst Gecko kept the Joeys enthralled with the importance of behaviour particularly when in uniform in the public eye and reminding them of the significance of the limited badges they have on their uniform. As you can imagine Gecko's group were thrilled to bits as were the parent carers when he noticed a number of badges missing from Joeys shirts.



Craft has a place in Joeys but leaders are keen that it not be all that we do. We have begun decorations for the birthday celebrations and recently completed Father's Day gift and cards. Joeys created their own wrapping paper by using stamps made from scourers, sponges, carved potato and even a cut lemon just to broaden the mind.

Being involved in District events is an opportunity to meet other youth members and this term we participated in the District Bowling Event at the Elizabeth Bowling Centre. Congratulations to all on being so well behaved particularly in staying off the boards when not bowling. Well done to Connor for top scoring in our group.

Kookaburra, aided by Possum, took the lead in running team games this term and did a great job in having the Joeys join in on some different events. Team participation is at the heart of all we do in Joeys. Caring and sharing is never far from our minds and we are proud to say that our members generally perform well in this regard. We introduced the Joey Promise to our opening ceremony this term just to remind all of their commitment.

The last gasp of winter gave us the opportunity to gather round the fire pit for that truly scouting tradition of campfire cooking and of course, a song. It is difficult for us in the short time available to successfully complete everything associated with campfire cooking but thanks to early preparations by Platypus, a fire was struck and the song was sung. Again it would be easier to prepare the baked fruit apples and choco' banana in advance but we like to involve the Joeys in this important aspect. What would a campfire be without marshmallows? I must admit the ones we had were giganormous! True to tradition we finished off with a rendition of 'Singing in the Rain' and the Joeys took their banana and apple home with the parent carer to consider supper after bath and 'jamas.



Surprise Night on 16th September (more of a surprise to the leaders I suspect Ha!!) with the term to finish with a no Joeys on Wednesday 23rd due to the Disco Night finale on Friday 25th September. John Travolta watch out! No doubt about it, Joey Scouts do it all!

Gecko on behalf of the Joey Section

Cub Scouts

At the end of last term we attended the National Railway Museum to initialise Our BC Challenge with Salisbury cubs, and a visit 'to Scotland' at Angle Vale.

Wow what a busy term we've had! We then completed our report to the BC and received our Blanket Badges. We were introduced to Geocaching, and had a great science night at Manor farm with Manor Farm and Salisbury cubs. It is great to mix with other groups! We went on an eco-tour at Bunnings at Parafield and made a truck for Father's day. We held a badge night where lots of badges were assessed/completed or started.

We have just finished our friendship camp at Fromm's Farm at Mt Crawford, where we enjoyed perfect weather, hiking (including geocaching), making friendship bracelets, little people activity, getting to know each other better and the highlight of the camp TREE Climbing. Every spare minute (and not so spare) the Cubs would be found up the lovely Pine tree in the camp site. Even making their bracelets up the tree! We'd like to Thank Jeremy and Skye Graham for helping at camp by cooking and tent setup.

We are looking forward to another busy term next term including a District Cub camp.



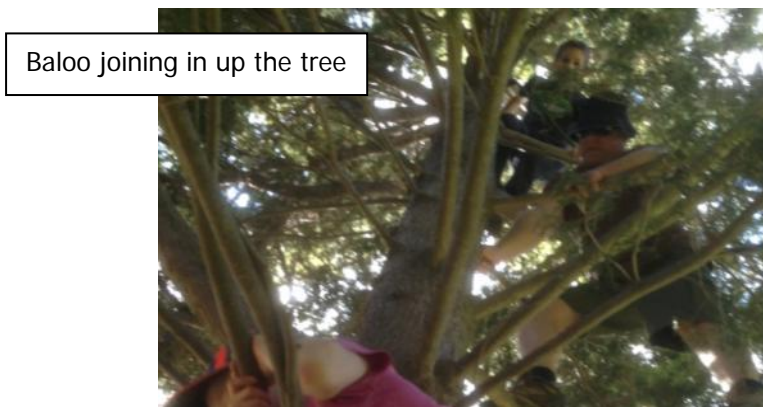
At Bunnings with the trucks they made



Camp Site



Little People Activity (make a campsite for little person)



Baloo joining in up the tree



Craft time in tree

Scout Section

Numbers are steady with 26scouts and a few coming to try. We like to welcome our new leader Magpie. Some recent activities include:

Badge work - Scouts are trying hard to earn their badges and their sleeves look colourful.

Cooking night - each patrol had to bring, prepare and cook one course - breakfast, lunch and dinner - as they would at camp.

Art night - scouts designed and painted individual canvases, penguin patrol worked on their shield and environmental garden beds were made.

Board games night - "Re-discovery" of twister, connect 4, marble board, battle ships & chess the old way

Joint night with the cubs - pole reef knot relay, designed and built flag poles out of pioneering poles

Formal night - scouts & leaders turned up in fancy dresses and suits, had a quiz and enjoyed KFC dinner



We had 2 patrol camps.

Falcons and Penguins went up the block. There they set up the dining tent, made a fort, did plenty badge work, collected firewood, discussed fire safety, had a bomb fire and a night hike.

Emus and Rosellas froze up at Woodhouse. They went on a 10km hike, tackled Challenge Hill, collected firewood, built bridges over the creek and had an egg throwing contest.

On the same weekend our Pioneer Level (red) Scouts went on the Branch Hike at/ in Mount Crawford and also froze.



Formal Night



Kingfisher and Hawk received there 5 years in scouting certificate from our D C.

Altamira Venturers

Upcoming event: *Supersplash* - An end of year weekend for Venturers to let their hair down. For more information check the Venturer Section website - link www.venturers.sa.scouts.com.au