

April 2015

Newsletter



# Scout'n'About

## Welcome !



Welcome to the Pimlico Mundingburra Scout Group's second newsletter for 2015.

We hope everyone had a safe and relaxing Easter and didn't eat too many chocolate eggs. Term 2 is shaping up to be very busy with lots of camps and other fun activities on the program.

Inside you will find, as usual, an update on our Sections' activities in Term 1 and important dates for Term 2, starting with the Anzac Day March on 25 April. We are also having a Family Fun Day at the Den on 23 May 2015, commencing at 1.00pm. There will be entertainment for the kids, a free sausage sizzle and our Annual Report presentation. Come along and enjoy the fun. All are welcome, so bring a friend as well.

Our Scouts are in the countdown to Jamboree, which is about 260 days away. And the organization for Cultural Fest has begun in earnest. **Keep an eye out for the Cultural Fest Roster which will be in the Den towards the end of Term 2.**

The Group Committee also warmly welcomes Rebecca Tolentino who was appointed Group Treasurer in March.

*The Group Committee*



***Our newest Scout Leader, Panda***



***Anzac Day March***

***Saturday***

***25 April 2015***

***The Strand***

**PIMLICO MUNDINGBURRA DEN  
McIntyre Street, Mundingburra**

**Meeting times:**

**Joeys—Mondays 6-7.30 pm**

**Cubs—Wednesdays 7-8.30pm**

**Scouts—Thursdays 7-9pm**

**Venturers—Thursdays 7-9pm**

**NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS**

**WELCOME**

# Joeys



The only word for the Joeys first Term this year is—HUGE!!! The Joeys have been learning about the environment and hosted some very special guests at the Den. They also participated in Clean Up Australia Day and held their annual Toad Day Out camp at Oak Valley. This year's toad-al (ha ha!) haul was a whopping 12.3kg, with the heaviest toad weighing in at 220grams. Thanks to Keego and Pumbaa for hosting what has become a highlight of the Joey year.

Important dates for this term for the Joeys are:

- \* JOTT on 9 May; and
- \* Joey Region Mob Holiday Camp on 21 and 22 June, 2015.



# Get to know your Cub Leaders

## Raksha

**When did you first get involved with the Scouting movement, and in what capacity:**

My brother was a Senior Scout and Dad was a Scout leader in the 1960s. I first joined in 1984 when my eldest son became a Cub in the 1st Clovelly Group in Sydney. Both my sons were involved in Scouting.

**What is your most memorable Scouting moment:**

Hiking with a blind Cub in a national park in Sydney, and the cub told me "we haven't got far to go Raksha. I can hear the waterfall". Also, receiving my wood beads from my father.

**What is your favourite Scouting activity:**

Any activity involving the Cubs

**Tell us one interesting fact about you:**

I met my husband at the RAAF base in Townsville, and we married in 1973. I did my nursing training in North Ward. I have been a leader in 3 different states (Qld, Vic and NSW) and have received the Silver Koala and Paul Fellows award. My husband was a leader; he held the District Commissioner position and we were both involved in Gang Show.



## Bagheera

**When did you first get involved with the Scouting movement, and in what capacity:**

I became involved in Cub Scouts in November 2009.

**What is your most memorable Scouting moment:**

Having my mum, dad, sister and grandparents watching me get my Wood badge.

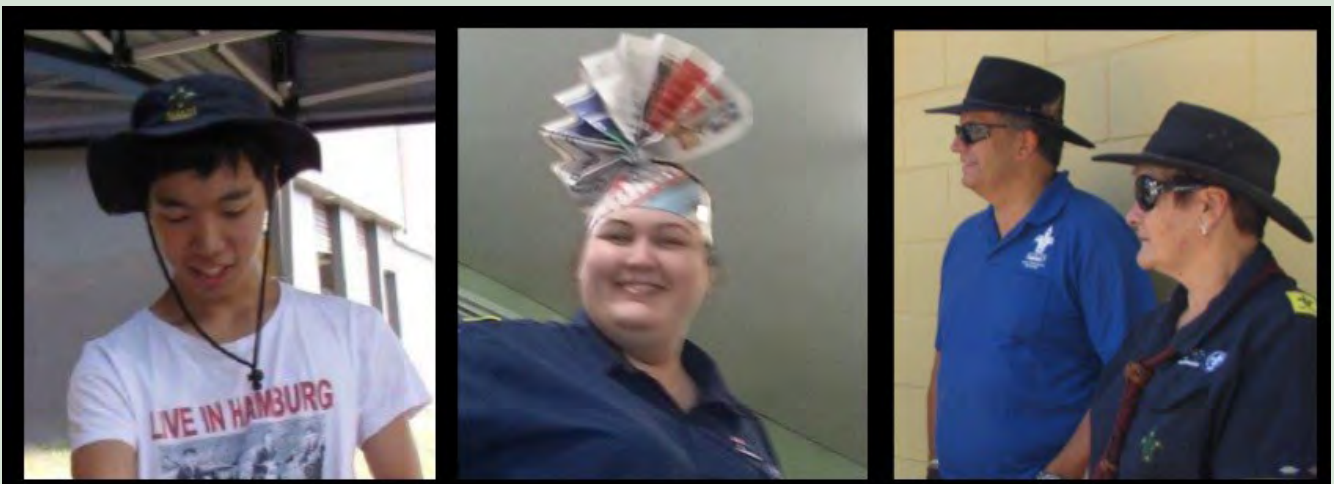
**What is your favourite Scouting activity:**

Coming back from a campfire at camp and asking the Cubs what they have learnt from that day.

**Tell us one interesting fact about you:**

I was in Guiding for 10 years, and achieved the BP and Silver Endeavour awards. My mum was a Guide Leader for many years, holding a district position. My dad was a Scout leader and held a region position, and my grandmother was a District Commissioner in Guiding.

I have only had about 5 years where I have not been involved in Scouts or Guides.





## Rama

**When did you first get involved with the Scouting movement, and in what capacity:**

I first got involved as a Cub in 1970.

**What is your most memorable Scouting moment:**

Being awarded my Queens Scout award at Government House in Canberra from the Governor-General.

**What is your favourite Scouting activity:**

I love camping with the cubs.

**Tell us one interesting fact about you:**

I am still in touch with my Cub leader (Akela) and he is now the ACT Chief Commissioner of Scouts. Also my father was a Scout leader and I have his wood beads.



## Ikki

**When did you first get involved with the Scouting movement, and in what capacity:**

I joined as a Rover in April 2014.

**What is your most memorable Scouting moment:**

Region camp - it was first time I met the Pimlico Mundingburra Cub Scouts.

**What is your favourite Scouting activity:**

Camping.

**Tell us one interesting fact about you:**

I joined the Japanese Rovers in December 2014 and I am going to the World Scout Jamboree.

# Cubs

The Cubs also had a busy Term 1, working towards their Boomerang badges and learning about first aid, health, Scouts Own and Campfire. Our Sixers and Seconds-to-be attended the Cub Leadership Course at Loam Island with Cubs from around the Region. A Pack Council followed where the Cubs utilized their leadership skills (and apparently learned to make Kindersurprise bombs—thanks Raksha!)

For breakup the Cubs had a BBQ at the Strand and a play in the Water Park (without the water ...).

Important dates to remember for Term 2 for Cubs are:

- JOTT on 9 May;
- Construction Camp with the Scouts on 15-17 May;
- Region Cub Pack Holiday on 30 and 31 May; and
- Sleepover at the Den on 5 June.



# Region Swimming Carnival

The Region Swimming Carnival was held at Kirwan Aquatic Centre on 22 February 2015. Despite threatening skies, the rain held off and everyone had a ball in and out of the water. All our members swam well, but our Joeys in particular were very impressive in the noodle race with some excellent kicking skills on display. Well done, Joeys.

Big thanks to the Rovers for organizing another fun carnival.



# Scouts



Term 1 kicked off with the Patrol Leaders' and Assistant Patrol Leaders' camp at Tarmaroo. The Scouts had fun learning new skills, including some unusual cooking methods.

We also welcomed some new Scouts to the Troop and invested a new Scout Leader—congratulations Panda!

In March a number of our Scouts assisted with the Melanoma March on the Strand, contributing to their Community Service Badge.

Preparation for Jamboree is now well under way, with nine of our Scouts registered to attend.

Important dates for Scouts to remember for Term 2 are:

- JOTT on 9 May;
- Construction Camp with the Cubs on 15-17 May;
- Magnetic Island Camp on 5-8 June; and
- Nighthawk on 27-28 June.



# Venturers

The Venturers started the year with a camp at Tamaroo, and have also been busy renovating the Venturer room at the Den.

Brandon Woodhead participated in the Worlds Greatest Shave and raised over \$1,200 which will be used to support Australians with blood cancer and fund research. Excellent effort, Brandon.

Important dates for the Venturers for Term 2 are:

Region Camp 24-26 April;

Roventure on 15—17 May ; and

Nighthawk on 27-28 June.



Brandon before the shave.



## Cultural Fest 2014

Thanks to everyone who attended the initial Cultural Fest meeting in March. Our 2015 Committee is as follows:

Co-ordinator:	Chris Drew
Treasurer:	Stephanie Dermody
Drinks Supervisor:	Nick Malhouzarides
Roster Supervisor:	Stephanie Dermody
Booth Boxes:	Julieanne Cox
Cleaning Supervisor:	Nick Malhouzarides
HQ Set-up:	Lenny Strong

**We still require volunteers** for on-site managers and supervisors for the post Cultural Fest clean up. We understand that not everyone can take on an organising role; even if you can only volunteer to help with the pre-festival organisation for just a few hours or for a day here and there, we will be very grateful for your help.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Julieanne at [julianne.cox@jcu.edu.au](mailto:julianne.cox@jcu.edu.au).

### Key Dates

**In June** —Cultural Fest Roster will be at the Den

**7 to 18 August 2015** —Cultural Fest set up

**19 to 23 August 2014**—Cultural Fest open to the public. Group on-site

**24/25 August 2015**—pack down/clean up of site

**For more information on Cultural Fest see:**  
[www.culturalfest.org](http://www.culturalfest.org)



# Important Dates—Term 2\*



## April

24-25 Venturer Region Camp

25 Anzac Day

## May

9 JOTT (Ingham)

11 Group Committee Meeting

15-17 Construction camp Cubs and Scouts

15-17 Roventure

23 Family Fun Day at the Den

30-31 Cub Region Camp

## June

5 Cub sleep-over at the Den

5-8 Scout camp (Magnetic Island)

20-21 Joeys Mob Holiday and break up

24 Cubs last day Term 2

25 Scouts and Venturers last day Term 2

27-28 Nighthawk

## July

15 Cubs Term 3 commences

16 Scouts and Venturers Term 3 commences

20 Joeys Term 3 commences

*\* Please note dates/activities subject to change—always check with your Leaders*



### ***Don't forget ...***

**Make sure your child takes warm and weatherproof clothing when they go on camp. It can get cold and wet out there !**

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