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**111 years of  
Scouting**



**2018**

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**100 years of  
Rovering**



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## SA LONES

## SCOUTING IN OUR 105<sup>TH</sup> YEAR





Hello Everybody,

Welcome to another Lone Trail, and yes, it's almost Christmas, so, Merry Christmas to you all and your families and I wish everybody a safe and prosperous 2019.

As another busy Scouting year closes, for some Scouts and Venturers the new Scouting year starts early with a Jamboree from January 3 to 14, have a great time make the most of your time at Jamboree. Just have Fun.



Since my last report, we've had Annual Camp and I've had three weeks, from mid October, in the Czech Republic visiting my Aunty and cousins in a City named Ostrava, and then visiting friends in Germany. It was a busy three weeks as I visited the regional towns in Germany of, Obercunnersdorf, Sternberg, Schermach, Apolla, Hordt and Seligenstadt, so with Ostrava, that's 7 locations!

Google the towns you may find an interesting fact or too.

Ben, my eldest Son and his family are moving from Ceduna to Pinnaroo in the beginning of the new year, he has a contract teaching there for 12months; and, Matt and his family have moved from Tindal in the N.T. to Newcastle, NSW as he is undertaking a five month course with the RAAF.

Congratulations to the Rovers, 100 years of Roving. There was a Dinner to celebrate this milestone, which unfortunately I was away for, but Skip, (check your Lone Trail as he is a past DC of SA Lones for many years) attended and emailed me a photo of the SA Lones Rovers and himself. I heard it was a great night. *[Check out page 13 for the photo].*

Take care everybody and remember to always enjoy what you do, do your best and have fun while you doing it.

Well that's about me for this Lone Trail.

Yours in Scouting,

*"Smokey"*  
Brian Holecek



**Merry Christmas everybody!!!!**

**"Once a Lone Scout always a Lone Scout"**

## ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER OF:

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Season's Greetings Everyone,

Wow, what a year it has been for SA Lone Scouts!! This year has been full on for many of us. We have seen many of our Members participate in many activities all over the place. For us Leaders, we have continued to work through the new Youth Program implementation and Leader Training, and this will ensure we are doing everything reasonably possible to provide you all with the best experience.

For me, work has been busy preparing for a big track machine to come in for some much-needed maintenance.



Unlike a normal locomotive or wagon, this machine cannot be separated into individual vehicles and as a result trying to stop a 210metre long, 700ton machine on a pinhead does get a little difficult.

Thanks to my experiences in Scouting, I know how important planning is when undertaking a job such as this.

With a Jamboree just about to happen at Taillem Bend, many of your Leaders have been very busy helping various departments to prepare for this amazing event and a big BRAVO to them all.

While this Jamboree will be somewhat different to the others that have occurred in South Australia previously, the focus of everyone having a great time has been at the centre of everyone's vision.

**SA Lones** has five **Scouts** and two **Leaders** participating full-time and I hope to get on-site at both locations for a few days to be help out in various roles.

Thank You to the SA Contingent and the A212 Troop Leaders, *Graham Baker* and *Brain Williams*, for hosting our Scouts and I look forward to catching up with them one day during the Jamboree.

A huge **Thank You** to **Lee & Andrew**, our amazing Scout Leaders for all of their work in making sure the *Scouts* are best equipped and prepared for what will be a once in a lifetime experience – I know it was for me.

In my view Annual Camp was a great success and everyone seemed to have a great time with the array of activities being completed. While we did things a little differently this year in regards to how we ran things, I never heard anyone complain about being bored and things not being fun. As we were at Woodhouse at the same time as the Jamboree Shakedown Camp, this gave the older Cubs a great opportunity to see what they can look forward to in three years' time. I believe the next Jamboree is in Victoria, so there will be a travel aspect too – "getting there is half the fun" they say.

Our Annual Dinner was attended by many guests and they all appreciated the opportunity to attend. Like last year, *Bagheera Lee-Anne* has been busy seeking feedback from all involved and I look forward to reading this.

**Thank You** to all of the *Leaders, Parents, Helpers* and the *Youth Members* for making this weekend great. **BRAVO to you all.**



**Lones** again had a great promotional presence at the Melrose Show by helping to sell everyone's favourite Golden North ice creams and other drinks. The day was a success for the Group and I'm sure everyone liked the give-away items we had for those who participated in the Melrose version of 'The Yellow Brick Road'.

A huge **Thank You** to **Deni** and **Paul** for helping out on the day and it was great to wake up Saturday morning to see the sun reflect off the Southern Flinders Ranges; thus, heralding the beginning of a great day – and it was!!

Our participation in community events such as this is very important as it provides an opportunity for people to learn about *Lone Scouts* and the possibilities we can offer. I look forward to doing it again next year.

**Congratulations** to a number of **our Youth Members** and **Leaders** who received awards this year or were recognised for their service within Scouting and the Community. It is important that we recognise the achievements of our Members as it shows to others that we appreciate the tireless work you all do. If you think there is someone that needs recognition, then please let *Smokey* or me know.

As always at this time of the year, I will again take the opportunity to thank all the **Leaders** for their tireless work over the year and I know it has been trying but everyone has still had a great time.

As many of you are now busy with Harvest and end-of-year wrap-ups, I hope that all goes well and that this work is completed by Christmas.

Please take the time to communicate to your **Leaders** and fellow *Lones Scouts* over this time, so that you can continue to build on the great friendships you've all developed.

**A big BRAVO to everyone.**

Have an enjoyable Christmas and a safe New Year.

Take Care

*Andre*  
(*'Diesel'*)



*p.s.*

**THANK YOU ANDRE for ALL that you do for LONES & SCOUTING ☺**

## ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER ADMINISTRATION



Good day One and All,

I hope that this finds you all well and looking forward to the summer break.

After Annual Camp, I 'landed on the ground, running' as harvest started early for us this year due to the year that it was with rainfall or lack of it and many frosts. Harvest has surprised us though as we were a little worried that it would be small grain that we were going to reap and not get our seed back. However, what is there is worth reaping and we will get something back, so I consider ourselves very fortunate in comparison to friends of ours out there who had nothing other than sheep feed to offer from their crops, if that. There is always someone worse off!

It was great to see many of our members at Annual Camp once again! Everyone worked well together and both the Annual Dinner and Campfire was enjoyed by all. Malu had some great games for Friday night and that's always a good way to start a really good weekend. We have a great group of members with an amazing support base. Thank you for making this weekend a success!



I must take this opportunity to apologise to some of you also for being tardy with my bookkeeping. As I said recently, harvest started early and we also had some issues to deal with regarding our family, so this became our priority. I do thank you all for your understanding with this and as we near the completion of our harvest, things will be back on track again.

I would like to also take this opportunity to congratulate once again, *Meg Haensel-Fuss* for her outstanding long service achievement of 25 years, presented to her in her 26<sup>th</sup> year; *Kirsty Short* on receiving her Silver Wattle and Honorary Lone Scout, *Nicola Capon* on receiving her Silver Koala. There is a lot dedication that goes along with those awards and they are all well and truly deserved. **A BIG BRAVO to you all!**

This being the last Lone Trail for 2018, can I ask you all to reflect on this year in some way. It's been a hard year for a lot of Australians out there, with drought and personal loss. Spare a thought for the families of *Pauline Treloar* (SA Lone Scouts) and *Gail Darcy* (WA Lone Scouts) as they approach the festive season without them. Also for *Michelle Farran* (NSW Lone Scouts) for her continuing battle with cancer. It's been a tough year in some ways for Lone Scouts all round Australia but we are always there to support one another in any way we can.

Last but by no means least, I want to pass on my best to those of you who are attending the **Australian Jamboree** next year in any particular role. I hope that you have the best time, make 'friends for life' and keep safe while doing it. **HAVE FUN!**



Finally, I would like to wish you all a very '**Merry Christmas** and a **Prosperous New Year**'! Stay safe, enjoy life and what it has to offer, and like me, love and laugh lots! See you next year!

Yours in Lone Scouting,

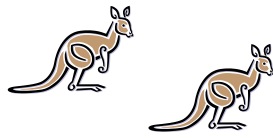


*Bagheera*  
*Lee-Anne "Esme" Whitehead*





# JOEY'S JOTTINGS



# JOEY News



Hello Everyone,

Our last Lone Trail for the year, the older one gets, the quicker time flies!

I will start off with our Lones Annual family camp. It was as always a great camp. We invested **Sarah**, **Vivienne** and **Adam**, all very keen Joey Scouts.

At camp we started working on Disabilities, which was also our theme for the month of October. We were lucky to have **Isaac** visit us who did a fantastic job talking about his visual disability and showing us books with both Braille and typed words and one book even had toys to go with the pages about the story. I think a big hit with the Joeys and Cubs was **Isaac's** 2 Braille machines or typewriters and we all were able to make the Braille dots to spell out our names.



Among other things, blindfolded we pinned the tail on the kangaroo and face painted **Darzee** - but wait - the brush had to be held in the mouth. **Sarah** and **Vivienne** did a great job.

Joeys also started their Adventure badge and I am just waiting on a photo or drawing before presenting this badge.

**Jodie** also visited with her children, we are doing a Buddy challenge with them - Goolwa Joey Mob, although I have been very slack at getting something posted.

"**Pelican**" is having fun with **Sarah**, "**Joey**" is staying with **Adam** and "**Beaver**" is with **Vivienne** I hope both are getting some photos taken while holidaying with their families as they will have to go to another family soon so everyone can get a turn.

The Disability theme continued for the month with **Hayden**, **Izaak**, **Vivienne**, **Stella** and **Cody** all adding photos to Seesaw, finger signing their names, face painting each other or Dad (thank you **Luke**), painting or drawing pictures with the brush or pencil held in the mouth. I also received photos of both **Harrison** and **Leah** following a string trail while blindfolded which led them under and around furniture, both wearing big smiles. It is very rewarding getting feedback, knowing the Joeys are enjoying what I am sending out to them.



Congratulations to **Leah**, who has just finished her Promise challenge which is the highest level a Joey can obtain. She will be starting on her Link badge to Cubs very soon.

As I write this report, I believe 4 very lucky Joey Scouts are enjoying the Joey Fun Day with their Dads: **Sarah** & her dad **Brenton**, **Erin** & her dad **Mark**, and **Harrison** & **Leah** with their **Mum**, as Dad is busy with harvest. Thank you Dads & Mum for giving these Joeys a fun day to remember.



Have a very Happy and safe Christmas holiday break to everyone from the Lone Joey Scout Mob.

**Darzee**





Every Thursday at 4pm a group of **Lone Joey** and **Cub Scouts**, along with our Lone Leaders **Darzee** and **Malu**, switch on their computers to run a Scouting meeting together. We share what's happening in our communities, from *Carrieton* to *The Birdsville Track* to *The Far North of SA*, *Oodnadatta* to the *Queensland border* to *Broken Hill* to the *Clare Valley* and even the *Eyre Peninsular*. We have 7 members; 5 Joey's, 1 Cub and 1 Scout. We say the Promise and the Law each week, talk about badge work and have demonstrations, we play games and sing camp fire songs, we always give thanks for what we have. Sometimes the sessions go for nearly an hour. We try to make them shorter as Mums need to start tea and the Scouts need to do their chores around the place.

**This term:**

**William** has been invested into Lones and has obtained his **Scout Craft Badge**. He is working on three others at present. Well done **William** for your great efforts. You are a great Scout.

**Todd** has obtained his **Bronze Boomerang** and is now working on his Silver Boomerang.

**Todd** had his Bronze Boomerang presented to him Abseiling down a cliff near where he lives. This was very exciting, I wonder what he will do when he is presented with his Silver Boomerang. Well Done **Todd**.



**The Joey's:**

**Izaak, Hayden, Stella, Cody & Vivienne** have been busy working on their 'Disability' Badges & 'Their Service Our Heritage' Badges, plus been doing science experiments. Read the Joey section from **Darzee** to see all that they have been doing. Excellent activities by all five of these Joey Scouts.



We had a special **Remembrance Day Service** that was led by our Lones Leader **Meg** Haensel-Fuss. It was a great service and every one learnt so much. **Todd** wrote the prayer for the Service and read it out. *A job very well done.* After the Service **Meg** discussed her service in the Navy, 11 years (& 32 days) of it. It was truly interesting and the Lone Scouts asked many questions to **Meg** afterwards. Thank-you so much **Meg** for giving up your time to be with us all to run the Service and discuss what it was like while you served our country.

From all of us on SOTA...

have a **HAPPY, FUN** and **SAFE**

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR!**

Yours in Scouting,



**Malu**





## The BEST Day with the Nuriootpa Cubs and Joey's at the Jaeger Farm.

It was a very cold day with drizzle of rain all day, we needed our coats and hats, and would you believe, it was October in Australia! The day before was 30 degrees with a hot northerly wind.

There were 14 Cubs and Joeys from the Nuriootpa Scout Group and 7 from the Lones Group. The two Lone Scouts showed excellent Leadership skills as they helped out with the younger Members, they were fantastic.

We all had a picnic lunch that we took with us, thankfully the two Nuriootpa Scout Leaders organised everyone to gather wood and they made a BIG Camp fire for us to sit around and keep warm. During the day we went for a short hike, played games, made damper in camp ovens and ate it with butter and homemade jam.

One of the Nuriootpa Cubs led us singing some camp fire songs together, he was very good at this. I think the favourite song everyone sang was 'Singing in the Rain', as it was raining. It was so funny seeing everyone in the rain singing how happy they were with wrists, elbows knees together and bottoms out and tongues out, I just had to laugh and be happy as was everyone else there.



Mrs Jaeger spent the day with us and Mr Jaeger visited us while he was checking out his crops of wheat and barley etc. It was nice to be able to say Thank-You to them for letting us use their Farm for a very fun day.

Oh yes there was a tyre swing in one of the trees, that was well used all day.

The other thing was a friend that came with the Jaeger's who had a baby magpie she had rescued and was in her coat and we got to feed it and hold the dear little bird.

WE must say a BIG **THANK-YOU** to the Nuriootpa Cub and Joeys and to the Leaders for letting us join them on such a FUN day. Thank-you so much.

Lones who participated were; Joeys, **Harrison**, **Leah** & **Sarah**; Cubs, **Tom** & **Angela**; and Scouts, **Belinda** & **Ben**.



Tom & his "toasted" marshmallow



a good campfire for cooking





## CARRY on CUBBING

Hi Everybody,



CONGRATULATIONS to **Angela** on the completion of her **Grey Wolf**.

We are working a date for the presentation of her award with the Branch Commissioner of Cubs. We also farewell **Angela** from our Pack and we wish her well as her Scouting Journey continues.

I hope everyone enjoyed Annual Camp as much as I did. The highlights for me were catching up and meeting all who were able to attend, doing Challenge Hill with the Joeys, Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, Leaders and Parents, **Tyson's Grey Wolf Hike** to Bridgewater and the session with **Sarah, Isaac** and **Ollie** about Visual Impairment.

I hope everyone who attended had a wonderful time, and I can't wait to catch up again soon.



### Report from Thomas

"In the holidays, we had the *Nuri Cubs* and *Joeys* come over to our place (for the BC Challenge). We had toasted marshmallows and damper, played on the hay bales and played on a tyre swing that *Pa* made for us. It drizzled almost the whole day. My hands were black because when I was jumping on the bales and grabbing them with my hands, dirt was getting on my hands. Me and some of the other boys found a ledge where we could jump over on my bike. I had heaps of fun.

*Malu* and *Sarah* came too. *Malu* took lots of photos of us."

**Cubs** are currently working hard on their *Achievement Badge* and their *Boomerang* badges with one working towards their *Grey Wolf Award*.

Well Done to:

- **Angela** on achieving her *Gold Boomerang*, *Level 1 Handcraft*, *Level 2 Entertainer*, *Literature*, *Animals and Birds*, *Traveller*, *Collector* and *Cooking Achievement Badges* plus *2018 Communicator's Award*
- **Jack** on achieving his *Level 1 Literature Achievement Badge*
- **Thomas** on achieving his *Level 2 Traveller Achievement Badge* plus *2018 Communicator's Award*
- **Todd** on achieving his *Level 1 Scientist Achievement Badge* plus *2018 Communicator's Award*
- **Tyson** on achieving his *Level 2 First Aider Achievement Badge* plus *2018 Communicator's Award*



Looking forward to hearing from you all soon.

Cheers,

**Andu**



Wishing everyone a fabulous Christmas and an even better 2019







# SCOUTING AROUND



## JAMBOREE 2019 - Wanna visit?

As you are probably all aware by now, the biggest event of the Australian Scouting calendar is getting VERY close. January will see thousands of Scouts from around Australia and the World landing in Adelaide for ten days of scouting fun. We will have 5 Lone Scouts attending the Jamboree this time. We would encourage anyone and everyone to pay our Scouts a visit on Celebration Day (Visitor Day) and watch a Jamboree in action. It is always a great event for Joeys and Cubs to see what they can do when they get a bit older, and the Scouts love to see familiar faces. If you would like to visit the Jamboree site at Taillem Bend, you must register at:

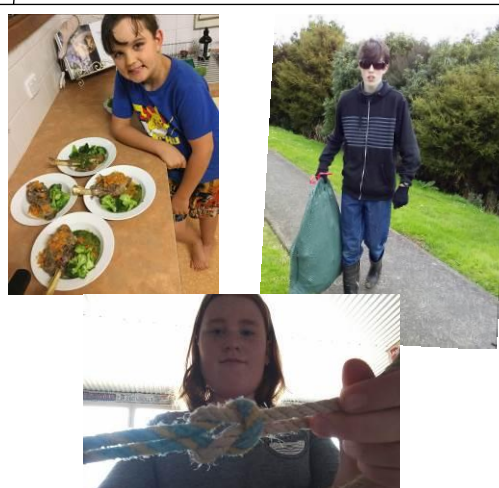
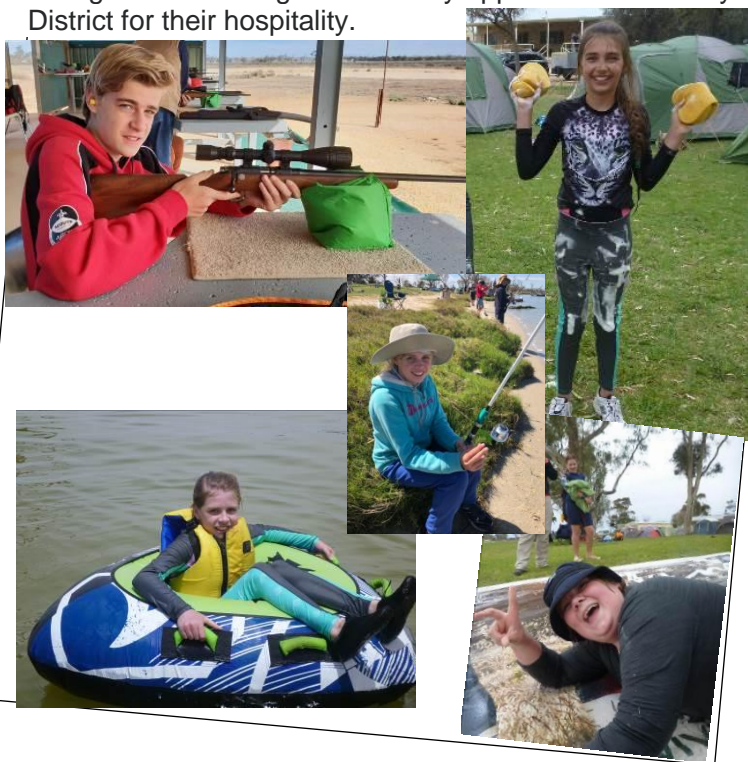
<https://www.aj2019.com.au/activities/celebrationday/>

## SHAKEDOWN CAMP

Scouts have been busy preparing for the Jamboree and a successful Shakedown (Jamboree practice) Camp was held at Woodhouse in September. Unfortunately for our Scouts, Lones Annual Camp was on the same weekend, so whilst they may have missed catching up with all their Lones friends, they DID get to meet their new friends - their Jamboree Troop and Leaders, as well as take part in some awesome activities that included the giant swing, rock climbing, abseiling, go-karting, high ropes courses, challenge hill and laser tag.

## MINI SPLASH

Our friends at Ridley District recently invited us to join them on their water activities camp at Barmera. Jack, Ben, Belinda and Angela all had a brilliant time on the giant slip and slide, water games, rifle shooting, fishing, tubing and swimming. We are very appreciative of Ridley District for their hospitality.



## SOME OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

Elsewhere across the State (and World!), our Lone Scouts continue to work on their Scouting skills. Josiah has been communicating from his home in New Zealand as he works hard towards finishing off his Green cord and Australian Scout Medallion. Shea-Lea has been keeping me up to date with things over in Streaky Bay and continues to work on her Scoutcraft badge. William is enjoying himself with Malu, participating in some Scouts on the School of the Air and working towards earning lots of badges. Recently he achieved his Scoutcraft and Their Service, Our Heritage Badge.

Well done to all the Scouts and we wish you all a merry and safe Christmas and holiday period. We look forward to seeing many of you at the Jamboree in Taillem Bend, whether it be as a participant, helper or visitor!

Until next time...

Lee, Andrew  
SL AL





*Southern Griffins*

**VENTURER VIBRATIONS**



Hi Everyone,

The Venturers all had a lot of fun at Annual Lones Camp as we welcomed in to the Lones Family and the Lones Venturer Unit, **Emily, Oscar, Reece, Candice, Allan** and **Madi**. We also enjoyed helping the Cubs and Joey's enjoy camp too.

I am looking forward to catching up with as many of you at Super Splash as can make it, and we have a fantastic year ahead.

Don't know if anyone got photos of the linking ceremony, if you did can you please email them [jpeg] to Bear and Meg, thank you.

All the best for a happy and safe Christmas and New Year.



See you round....

**Bear, Kristen & Kanga**  
(Nick, AVL) (AVL) (AVL / PA)







### ROVER RAMBLINGS



...with the Crew!



Hi all,

What a big couple of months it has been for us Rovers!

Firstly, we'd like to welcome *Mikhaila Werner* to the Crew. Don't worry *Mikhaila*, you don't have to be crazy to camp with us, we'll train you.

Secondly, a huge congratulations to *Ashleigh Dungey* on completing her St. Georges Award!

As many if you are aware, the Rover Scout section has turned triple figures this year. In true Rover fashion, we're celebrated hard with 30years of Sandblast and Centenary Dinner!

YIS

*Sarah Weatherley*  
Crew Leader.



*Some of our Past & Present Lone Rovers enjoy The Centenary Dinner & Sandblast*







*Lones Members enjoyed fun times with the Nuriootpa Joeys & Cubs, on Jaeger's Farm*



**FUN, FRIENDSHIP & lots of LAUGHS**  
at the 2018 Annual LONES Camp





## LONE TRAIL DIARY DATES

Some future dates of interest – if you are interested in any of the Scouting events below, please contact your Section Leader for more info.

**Leaders, please note:** closing date for 2018 Lone Trails: Nov 18

### 2018

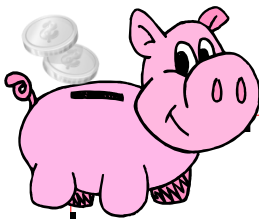
14 December last day of Term 4  
25 Christmas Day  
28 Proclamation Day



### 2019

01 January New Year's Day  
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