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Hello Everybody,

Well it's February 2020 ready!

Hope you're settled back into school/university (well almost with Uni).

I've had a busy time since my last report, with Christmas and finishing up working, as I retired on the 20th December, moved houses, then Christmas, Matt's wedding on the 4th Jan and I have been flat out since. I had a great Christmas Day with all our family.

Ben continues to teach at Pinnaroo School and Amanda finishes her first year at University also completing a teacher degree, so she busy studying and looking after Lachlan and Joseph.

Matt and his family still live in Newcastle NSW and currently he is in the USA with the US Air force for conversion to the new aircraft the RAAF are purchasing, and we are going to be visiting him early April with his wife Sarah and daughter Florence.

At end of March we are staying at Pinnaroo to look after Lachie and Joseph for several days as Ben and Amanda have a wedding to attend.

We are looking forward to these trips as we get to spend time with them all.

With your scouting, get involved in the new YPR program to achieve what you want to achieve in the areas that interest you most.

That's about all for now.

Yours in Scouting,

"Smokey"

Brian Holecek

"Once a Lone Scout always a Lone Scout"



above: Our newest Lone Joey, Teagan



top right: Jaeger Family

right: Lone Cub Leo



ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER OF: PROGRAMME / SPECIAL PROJECTS / QUARTERMASTER

Happy New Year to you all,

Wow, what a busy start to the year it has been for SA Lone Scouts!! I trust that you all have had a chance to get a bit of a holiday break and are now back into the swing of things at school.

The past few months have certainly tested a lot of people with some of the most damaging bushfires in history, and more recently localised flooding in some parts of Australia. I'm sure many of you have been helping where you can and doing what you can to support your family members and wider community – Thank You to you all. I understand that many of your Leaders have been working hard, both on the frontline and supporting family members, during this busy period of time – so please understand why they may not have gotten back to you about Scouting. I too have been helping out have spent some time up on the fire-ground at Lobethal helping to clear debris and damaged fences. This active participation in the community is a very important part of your Scouting career and I hope you learn from the experience. It has been great to see the community spirit come through during all of this and to all who have helped, be proud of your contribution.

A big BRAVO to everyone!

Work continues to be busy as we transition to a new management system and business owner. The weather events in Queensland have had an impact on us moving some locomotives to Maryborough and other operators have also had to deal with various challenges. Some track damage north of Port Augusta did hold up some train movements but things are back to normal. We have also been busy changing out some engines in our locomotives and getting others ready to send back to the United States for overhaul and rebuilding.

I was very lucky to have some time to call in and see the Venturers at Supersplash at Roonka and it was great to see everyone having a great time, while building lifelong friendships. A huge *Thank You* to *Kirsty, Caitlin, Marco, Kylie* and *Ed* for their amazing efforts and making sure everyone had somewhere to sleep; along with making sure all the necessary forms were submitted correctly.

It is great to hear that a number of Lones Members have already completed the requirements for various badges and awards - I look forward to reading about these achievements in the future. Congratulations to you all on a job well done and I hope that you all learnt something about yourselves while achieving these great milestones. Please assist your Leaders by giving them plenty of notice of when you plan to undertake activities as part of your badgework, as there might be some things that they need to do to ensure your safety.

The remainder of 2020 is already beginning to look very busy and I'm sure everyone will have many opportunities to enjoy what Scouting has to offer over the year. Please keep our activity/camp dates in mind (refer to the Lone Trail calendar) as it will be a great opportunity for the Lones family to enjoy some time together. There will be other opportunities to catch up with your fellow Lone Scouts throughout the year and we'll be providing the various dates as they become available.

Please keep the badgework and communication coming in as I know your Leaders enjoy receiving it.

Take care and I look forward to catching up with many of you over the coming year.

Andre
(*'Diesel'*)



B R A V O Jaeger Family

 News

The time for giving...

Sally Crowther reports:

AT Christmas time, most kids can get a little distracted by the magic of Father Christmas and receiving gifts, but for a family of young children from Eudunda, they are the ones doing the gift giving this season.

Ben, 15, Belinda, 13, Angela, 12, Thomas, 10, Leah, 8 and Harrison, 7, have been busy raising money for the Huong La Centre for Children in Cambodia.

The centre is an orphanage for children with disabilities ranging from Down Syndrome to Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

The children decided to raise money for the orphanage after Ben visited for a school trip with the Eudunda Area School.

The children also participate in Lone Scouts and as part of the Messenger of Peace badge, have to fulfil a good deed for someone, which is another reason they chose to raise money for the Cambodia



Ben, Angela, Harrison, Belinda, Leah and Thomas Jaeger.

orphanage.

The six children have been busy selling eggs, collecting cans and putting donation tins around the town of Eudunda, raising more than \$325.

Tanya Jaeger, mother to the generous six children, said she is proud of their efforts in wanting to help the less fortunate.

“I am extremely proud of all of them for wanting to volunteer their time and raise money for the centre,” Tanya said.

“The orphanage receives no funding from their Government and we thought we might be able to help as with

our exchange rate, a little money can go a long way.

“My youngest child, Harrison, has Down Syndrome, and has received a lot of help from the government, however kids in Cambodia with the same disabilities seem to be forgotten about.”

The funds raised will be passed onto the orphanage and will be delivered just in time for their New Year to buy essentials and a present for each student.

The Jaeger family will again put out collection tins around Eudunda to raise further funds in the New Year.



ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER ADMINISTRATION

Hi everyone,

Before anything, I must apologise for my lack of communication through emails. Computers with upgrades do not always work out as they should and for some reason, this affected one of my Gmail accounts.

The problem has recently been rectified and I am in the process of going through the back-log of emails and will eventually catch up with everything. If there is anything urgent, you can still ring me.

In the past 12 months, we have seen Groups go through the adoption process of the new Scout Programme and both Leaders and Youth Members have been helping with this process by offering feedback and ideas to make this Programme work. This has all been taken into account and applied to make this somewhat easier for everyone but some of these ideas are taking a little longer to implement and I have no doubt that in the end, this will be for the benefit of all.

As from the 1st April 2020, the yearly Group Fees will be:

1st Child - \$50.00

2nd Child - \$40.00

3rd and every child thereafter - \$25.00

Branch Fee will continue to be \$58.00.

I also have in my possession, the Scout uniform in various sizes and if there are any members that require a new uniform, please contact me as we may be able to help you out. These are for the Scout Section only.

I would also like to give a big **THANK YOU** to all our Leaders for adopting the Programme to Lone Scouts and to our Youth Members for their input into ideas that help with application of the programme and communication with others. The work that has been going on behind the scenes has been nothing but outstanding and the results have been of great benefit for both the Sections and the Group as a whole. Once again, THANK YOU!

To everyone, enjoy the year ahead! Take on the challenges, accept failure with a smile, then start over and most importantly, be there for one another! After all, that's what being a Scout is all about!

*“Enjoy life today
Because yesterday is gone
and tomorrow is never promised”*

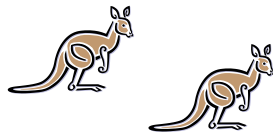
Yours in Lone Scouting,



*Bagheera
Lee-Anne "Esme" Whitehead*



JOEY'S JOTTINGS



JOEY News



Hello Everyone,

In February we touched on BP's birthday with a Teddy Bear theme as part of the 'Introduction to Scouting' and participation in Milestone 1 of Outdoor or Creative Challenge.

Four Joeys attended the Ronnka Water activities camp with **Teagan** being invested by our special Leader Leanne. We were sorry **Adam** had to leave early as he was ill, but all who went achieved parts of their Bushcraft, Camping, Aquatics and Paddling Outdoor Adventure Skills. **Well done Joeys.**



right: Teagan's Investiture

below: Erin, Dad Mark & little brother Liam at Roonka

below right: Charlie & Dad Hamish at Roonka



March is 'Clean Up Australia', and bubbles are our theme, so more opportunities for Special Interest Badges to be marked off.

Max is working on Tennis lessons for his Adventure and Sport.

Charlie has completed one Environment challenge watching tadpoles turn into frogs then releasing them. He is currently working Stem and Innovation by designing a robotic claw and with Dad's help upgrading it to a working robot.

Till next time, keep hopping,

Darzee



CARRY on CUBBING



Hi Everybody,

Aurelius, Jack, Leah and *Ruby* enjoyed spending time with their family and friends over the Christmas New Year period and are now settling back into the school routine.

Leo 's School Holiday Report

How did your Christmas go? Did Father Christmas find you? Christmas was really fun. I got some art supplies, some really good rubiks cubes and a cool t shirt. I went and visited my family. We picked up my dad at lunch time from the CFS headquarters up in the hills, then had lunch at my grandparents Mary and Jaja with my uncles Simon and Tom.

What did you do during the school holidays? For a lot of the school holidays we were at home. We went to Melbourne and Phillip Island for a few days. There was an indoor climbing gym called Clip 'n' Climb, we ate Asian food, went to see the Penguin Parade, went on a long hike and saw a lot of wallabies. In Melbourne we looked at a lot of cool street art in the laneways. Some were a big scary, but some were really beautiful murals. My favourite was a mural of a baby Yoda.

How is being back to school going?

It has been fun seeing my friends. I liked meeting my new teachers, and played a lot of games. Today and tomorrow I am doing aquatics, which is on Port Noarlunga Beach, where we do a bunch of activities. Today was snorkelling and surfing, tomorrow I am doing stand-up paddle boarding.



Leah's Report

Before the school holidays we fixed the shearing shed and found 5 kittens. We named them Tiger, Tabitha, Midnight, Stripes and Socks. Stripes and Socks were too wild but Tabitha, Midnight and Tiger are now are pets. Midnight is black and it is Angela's, Tabitha is a tabby cat and is mine, Tiger is a black tabby cat and is mum's and Harrison.

Christmas went well and Santa found me! I got a bag ,pencil case and cup.

During the school holidays I did Vacswim. I went for a girls day out and went shopping. In the holidays we did preserving of peaches and apricots.

In school when it was swimming carnival I got the champions gold medal.

A busy summer for Cub Leader Ed

Over Christmas and New Year, I was looking forward to some holidays with my family, but things turned out a bit different. I work for the Environment Department, and am part of the National Parks Brigade, which is part of the CFS. Like hundreds of other staff and volunteers this year, Christmas, New Year and Australia Day were all spent away, or about to go away from my family to help with the bushfires. From the 20th of December until Christmas Day, I was in the Mt Barker control centre that managed the Cudlee Creek fire. When most of us are getting up early to open presents, hundreds of volunteers were arriving on fire trucks, cooking meals, or something simple like spending day after day just making coffee.

On New Year's Day I was on the Kangaroo Island Ferry. The small Ravine Fire was up in the north West Corner of the Island, and I was with a team putting in a fire break to try and stop it spreading. For two days we put in a long line of back-burn, making a barrier of burned ground between the fire and Flinders Chase National Park.

BADEN POWELL AWARD

1985
Peter Shallcross

1989
Graeme Fuss

2001
Louise Holla

2003
Robert Mutton



2019
Ashleigh Dungey

KING SCOUT AWARD

1910
† Kenneth A Dunk

1921
N.N. Birks
W.P. Fooks
J.H. Younkman

1940
Laurie Middleton

1942
Clarrie Hamilton

1951
† Kevin Haese

QUEEN SCOUT AWARD

1954
Brian Champion

1955
Robert Rav

1957
Keith Pitman

1961
Napier Mitchell

1967
Jeffrey W Scutchings
Terence Unger

1982
David Curby

1985
Jade Taylor

1986
Scott Duncan

1987
Anthea Browne
Cameron Dreckow

1988
Ben Hollister

1989
Jon Black
Craig Duncan

1990
Paul Coles
David Peel
Stephen Smith

1991
Sarah Smith
Paul Williams

1992
Colin Hinze
Kristene Willmott

1993
Mark Duncan
Jim Mutton

1995
Robert Mutton

1996
Andre Freund
Geoff Paelser
Jodie Saint

1997
Justin Williams

1998
Amanda Freund

1999
Serena Baker-Kang
Adrian Green

2000
Brenton Light
Michael Light

2003
Mark Gurd

2004
Marcus Baker-Kang
Jakab Foster
Alex Johnston
Shaun Light
Kate Turner

2005
Tegan Asser
Laura Shane

2006
Daniel Light

2007
Sarah Wright
Sophie Lewis

2008
Elyse Shane

2011
Tamara Welke

2012
Tara Whitehead
Callum Hue

2014
Sarah Schultz

2015
Leah Ashe

2016
Ashleigh Dungey
Nathan Dunn
Martyn Pilgrim

2017
Kendall Meyers
Emily Dungey
Michael Short

2019
Tamika Molloy

SCOUT ADVENTURER AWARD

1996
Brenton Light
Michael Light

1998
Lisi Phillips

1999
Shaun Light

2000
Jakab Foster
Alex Johnston
Mallory Phillips

2001
Tristan Clements

2003
Tegan Asser
Peter Dunk
Ben Holecek
Penny Johnston
Daniel Light
Aaron Foster

2004
Sarah Wright
Trent Dolphin

AUSTRALIAN SCOUT MEDALLION

2004
Trent Dolphin

2008
Tara Whitehead

2010
Nick Lawrence

2013
Michael Short

2015
Jack Ashe
Tahlea Loechel
Tamika Molloy

2016
Chloe Short

2019
Josiah Kitchen

CUB SCOUT YELLOW CORD AWARD

1996
Shaun Light

1999
Peter Dunk
Daniel Light
Adrian Phillips

2000
Sarah Wright
Trent Dolphin

2002
Craig Borchardt
John Henery

2003
Reece Gander
Mikaela Foster

2004
Mitchell Scobie
Drew Clements
Jared Verran
Tara Whitehead
Tamara Welke
Michelle Henery

2005
Robert Redding

CUB SCOUT GREY WOLF AWARD

2006
Joey Hunt
Ben Welke

2008
Kate Collins
Ellie Weckert
Meg Weckert
Damian Welke
Natalie Hunt

2010
Randal Sheehan
Lachlan 'Billy' Barns

2011
Chloe Short

2016
Petrea Meyers
Tamsin Meyers

2018
Angela Jaeger

2019
Tyson Gibson
Thomas Jaeger

HONORARY MEMBERS

1988
Mrs Rose Warner

1990
Mrs Phyl Daniel
Mr Darren Lodge

1992
Mr Barry Browne
† Mr Ivan Turner
Mrs Maxine Turner

1996
† Mr Robin Maslen

1999
† Mr David Weston
(posthumously)

2002
Mr Barry Light

2005
Mr Greg Hurrell

2007
Mrs Sylvy Dolphin

2010
Mr Steve Welke
Tim Niemann (Germany)

2013
Hazel Matthews (Tic Tac)

2014
Nicola Capon

COMMISSIONERS

1925 - 1938
W.H.B. Beadnell

1931 - 1933
H.M. Earle

1933 - 1936
Vern Dawe

1936 - 1939
Newton Walkington

1940-1946
E.J. Mortess

1947 - 1953
C.B. Eyers

1954
Jim Bullock

1954 - 1957
C.R. Bainger

1957 - 1973
† R.A.(Bill) Mugge

1974 - 1979
† David Medlow

1980 - 1981
Doug Daniel

1982 - Jun1995
Greg Warnes

Jun95-Dec95
Diane Strutton

1996-Feb2004
Greg Warnes

Mar2004-2007
Brian Holecek

Mar07-Jun13
Andre Freund

Jun13-Oct 14
Margy Wright

Jan2015
Brian Holecek



This was to try and keep the fire from spreading. Unfortunately, under very strong winds, the fire sent embers past the back-burn, and on 3 January the western end of the Island burned. I was able to help where I could, and ended up at the Western KI caravan park when the fire went through, helping to protect some holiday cabins, and also help some people in cars find shelter in the open areas of the camp sites to shelter from the fire.



Over the Australia Day weekend, I was back on the Island, helping plan the demobilisation, or taking apart, of the temporary town called "Base Camp". Hundreds of fire-fighters from all over the State had eaten and slept there over a month or so, and hundreds more people had helped to make sure they were fed, their trucks kept working, and they had comfortable places to sleep.

Looking back on those days and weeks, it is amazing to see how small phrases from Scouts like '[do your best](#)' and '[help other people](#)' can Mean so much. The fires on some days were scary and unstoppable, but we [did our best](#) to try and stop them, and kept trying even when something didn't work. Thousands of people gave

up precious time with their families to [help other people](#), whoever they were, even the simplest things like making coffees or cooking meals, or donating a few coins.

People do this all the time, and it's important to remember to keep thinking of others and doing our best to help them, even when the fires go out.

Andu's Summer News

December was a crazy for us as we had Tyson's last primary school concert, Tyson's Year Six Graduation and then Tyson's 12th Birthday! For Tyson's birthday we spent the weekend in Adelaide where we visited the Christmas Lights in Victoria Square, did a spot of shopping in Rundle Mall, took Tyson rock climbing for the 1st time at Latitude, caught the tram to Glenelg where Tyson and I went on the Ferris Wheel and finished off with a few laps of go-karting (Tyson's 1st time and he loved it!)



We spent Christmas Day with my family in Brinkworth and we spent Boxing Day with Paul's family here in Clare.

January was just as busy! To start the month off Paul and I went to the Gold Coast for a few days to celebrate our 20th Wedding Anniversary.

We enjoyed going on a few boat cruises, a visit to the Hard Rock Café and walking along the beach.

On our return it was back to OSHC for me where I got to spend lots of time with the children doing lots of fun activities.

We went to an Adelaide Strikers match with my sister Nicole and her boys Max and Toby as that was their birthday present to Tyson.

February has seen us settle into a new routine of Tyson going to High School, Paul new work routine of visiting 5 schools each week and I am back to working 3-4 days at OSHC.



Cheers,



Andu & Ed



**Lone Scout Unit
Scouts... Explore the Unknown!**

Hi again Lone Scouters and friends!
Scout section has been on a bit of a hiatus over the Christmas period. Despite the fact we haven't really had any organised activities, that hasn't stopped some enthusiastic Scouts doing some badge work over their long breaks from school. Here are a few snippets of what some of them have been up to...



The Jaeger family have been raising money for an orphanage in Vietnam for their Messengers of Peace project. After the first round of fundraising, they collected a total of \$326.95 from a combination of collection tins, bottle and can collections and egg sales. TOP JOB, guys!! Terrific effort for a very worthy cause.



Angela got busy in her school holidays and prepared 400 tubes with soil for planting trees around their property as part of her Landcare Badge. That's an amazing effort!!



Belinda spent some time researching the Royal Flying Doctors as part of her Adventurer level Citizenship badge work requirements. Here is the report of what she found out



On May 15, 1928 the Aerial Medical Service, became operational. The first doctor of the service was Dr K St Vincent Welch, and the pilot was Arthur Affleck. The first base was at Cloncurry in North Western Queensland. John Flynn was the founder. They started it because people who didn't live in cities and towns couldn't get to doctors and hospitals fast enough on their horses and carts, and in most cases people died before they got there. With planes, the doctors could get to their patients fast and prevent deaths. There are now 23 air bases, and last year the RFDS flew 27,286,414km. There are now 77 aircraft, 71 of them are planes. It is funded by donations and since the 1930's, the government has also funded it. Their motto is 'The furthest corner, the finest care'. John Flynn is on the \$20 dollar note



Alex and Thomas have also communicated well over the Christmas holiday period, writing or calling to say g'day and let me know what they have been up to. We all know that communication is vital when it comes to Lone Scouts, so great work to these boys for keeping in touch!!

We look forward to some more exciting adventures and challenges in Scouting as we move into the new Youth Progression Scheme in the year ahead for the Scout Section.



Southern Griffins

VENTURER VIBRATIONS



Hi everyone,

We would like to Welcome new Venturers, **Brock** Elsworthy (Moonta), **Michael** Gobbie (Roxby Downs) & **Josh** Lange (Gawler) to Lone Venturers.

We say farewell to **Jack** Roennfeldt (Blakeview) as he turns 18. We wish Jack all the best with his future endeavours and hope he remains in contact with the Unit as his help with IT has been much appreciated.

We wish **Kylie Ind** all the best as she takes a break from Assistant Leader to work on her new business. We wish, **Nick, (Bear)** all the best as he to takes a break from Assistant Leader roles as he focuses on work and family. Both **Nick** and **Kylie** still offer their support and assistance to the Lone Venturers.

All Leaders within Scouting dedicate a significant amount of time to the movement. As a SA Lone Scout Leader I don't go a day without some connection to the Group and Unit. Transition to the current Scouting program is ongoing as new members join and while the process is not difficult it often means a couple of hours on the phone to each individual to help them work out where they are at, what they would like to achieve and set a plan in place with them. Thank you to the many Venturers, Parents and Leaders who have supported this transition and been patient. I appreciate it immensely

We remain positive with the program and have at least 8 Venturers working towards achieving their Peak Award but more importantly the Unit is working together to achieve an adventurous, challenging, inclusive and FUN Scouting program.

As our Unit is consistently growing and spreading throughout many areas of the State our team is on the look out for more Assistant Venturer Leaders and support if anyone is interested please contact us.

SUPERSPLASH

To say Supersplash was well attended by Lone Venturers is perhaps an understatement! Over 80% of our Unit attended and we were joined by a number of linking Scouts. Thank you to **Caitlin, Marco, Ed,** and **Kylie** for supporting the Unit over the weekend. It was a fantastic weekend!

Venturer Kayak Camp

A number of Lone Venturers will be holding a **Venturer Kayak Camp at Goolwa Scout Hall 4-5 April.** Further details will be available soon.



Easter Venture 2020 -Spaced Out
Early Bird Applications, \$45 close Sunday 8th March 2020
(\$80 after this date).

All Applications Close Sunday 22nd March 2020
<http://www.easterventure.sa.scouts.com.au>

Leadership Course - Glenelg
Feb 28th - March 1st

We have a number of Venturers attending the Leadership course.

OzVenture 2021

Registrations for OZ Venture 2021 will be open March 1st!

Cheers

Kanga, **Caitlin,** **Marco,** **Bear,** & **Kylie**
(PA/VL) (AVL) (AVL) (Nick, AVL) (AVL)



ROVER RAMBLINGS

...with the Crew!

Hi Everyone,

The last quarter has been quiet for the Lone Rovers, with many of us on break from study or working.

Karen has moved closer to us (YAY) with her new job which we are all very excited to hear about.

The last BRC was in December and since then we have done very little.

This year the Crew will be taking on an event at Easter Venture and are eagerly awaiting the theme and dates for Roonka Raft Challenge.

As we step into 2020 our Crew hopes to organise some more exciting and fun events so stay tuned.

We hope all the sections have had a very merry Christmas and a better new year.

YIS

Karen
Rover Advisor

&

Ashleigh
Crew Leader



above: Leo



right: Leah



above: Queensland Floodwaters



Teagan at Roonka

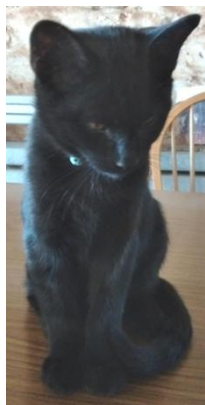
below: some of Andre's loco engines ready for the USA



left: Tyson right: Ed



street art from Leo's holiday



Tabitha, Midnight & Tiger



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 2020 Lone Trails:

Feb 16; May 17; Aug 16 & Nov 15



2020

February 22 'Founders' Day'
birthdays of Lord BP & Lady BP

March 1 - Clean-up Australia Day

April 10 - 13 - Easter
&
Easter Venture *for Venturers*

25 - ANZAC Day



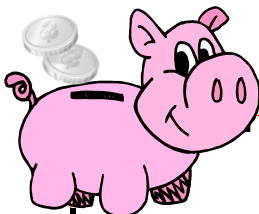
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