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SA LONES

WE'RE STILL SCOUTING 110 YEARS ON!



GROUP LEADER

Greetings Everyone,

WOW, isn't the year just flying by real fast and it is good to hear a number of Lone Scouts are keeping themselves busy by participating in a number of things.

Our members have been attending camps, or participating in activities, or working towards their Peak Awards. It is always good to hear how much people are enjoying themselves while having the opportunity to participate in these experiences.

For us Leaders, we have been busy planning for our Annual Camp, working around the farm or home, taking care of family, undertaking training, and keeping up with all the busy things in life. Along with communicating with all of you and hearing about all sorts of things.

For some Leaders, this winter has been a little bad in terms of catching colds or general family illness; so please be patient with your Leaders, as they may take a little longer than normal to reply but they do try to keep things moving from their bed.



Annual Camp is fast approaching and while things will be a little different this year in regards to what we will be doing, I am looking forward to the opportunities that we have this year. Everyone has been working hard to put together a great programme for all and I encourage you to attend, even if it is only for the day.



Please speak with your Leaders about any special circumstances that you have early, as this way we can plan a little better for them but please remember that we have many aspects and people to consider.

Diet requirements are important, so please ensure you have this well documented on your camp forms.

As I say every time, we understand that some of you will not be able to make it but rest assured that we will be thinking of you, as you are part of the Lone Scout family.

While talking Annual Camp stuff, many of our Members, Lone Trail readers and past Lones members, may recall the Activity Equipment Shed (AES) at Woodhouse and how we have often drawn upon it as part of our camp planning, or used it as a last-minute alternative. Those who have participated in Cuborees, Hoporees and other Branch Activities, may also recall the many activities that were supplied by the AES during these events. As a Leader, I always enjoyed walking over (often in the damp grass) with a group of wide-eyed camp participants, to collect items needed for activities and returning them in the late afternoon after everyone was tuckered out.

Unfortunately, due to many circumstances, the AES is being wound down and I would like to take this opportunity to **Thank Paul H** and **others Leaders** who kept this amazing resource running for many years. The activities that the AES provided, gave many Scouts the opportunity to experience something different and always ensured there was a smile on everyone's face – even if there was an argument about who should sit in the billy-cart before said smile.

Meg remembers Mick Bickley & Dave Medlow always having helpful suggestions and tips for all of us when collecting and returning gear from Stag Store. They would go out of their way to assist Lones and would often come down to the Scouts' camp site to check we were okay before they went home. Hanging wet canvas Patrol Tents were always a chore but Mick & Dave made it fun.

Just before I sat down to write this, I heard that the Scouts from South Australia, who participated in the World Jamboree, were flying back into Adelaide and they were very happy. As you may have heard through media reports, not everything went to plan and there was a heatwave, a very bad storm, a few windy days, along with a couple of other weather-related issues. However, the reports are that many of the Scouts got through with a smile and proved how resilient we really can be. It is amazing what can be achieved and overcome with a helping hand, a chance to talk and some experience.



Thank You to everyone who supported the SA Contingent and those attending from SA Lones – I look forward to hearing about it all.



Speaking of Jamborees, the next Australian Jamboree, AJ2025, will be held in Maryborough, Qld. (same site as AJ2013) and information will be starting to become available from now on. As some will know, AJ2022, along with alternate state-based activities, had to be cancelled due to COVID; so, we have a bit of catching up to do and getting back into the groove of Jamboree planning. Also, the way this Jamboree will be run is a little different; as Venturers will be given the opportunity to participate in the activities, or attend as a Service Leader. There are some additional requirements for Adults who will be attending, so please ensure you keep an eye out for information.

Please also start to consider about fundraising opportunities that you think might be helpful. Lone Scouts have been very diverse in regards to fundraising and has included things such as collecting scrap metal, or rounding up feral goats – both of which were thought of by the Scouts themselves. I encourage you to have a look at the website aj2025.com.au and the SA Contingent can be found at jamboree.sa.scouts.com.au There are some social media links that can be found on these websites.

As always, please keep the communication with your Leaders going as we all love to hear what you've been doing. The communication and pictures help us greatly to maintain our history for future generations. We are very lucky to have a great resource of history for South Australian Lone Scouts and your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Thank You to all the Leaders for their amazing and ongoing work, and to the families of our Members (both Youth and Adult) for their ongoing support. As Leaders, it gives us no greater enjoyment to see the development and change in our members as you go through your Scouting.

Take Care and please keep up the great work,

Andre



Andre

*SA Lones
First King Scout, 1910
Ken Dunk*





ASSISTANT GROUP LEADER

A very happy 'hello' to everyone,

NEW SCOUT LEADER

I would like to start off my report in congratulating **Skye-Bianca Hughes** on her promotion as our new Scout Leader! Since taking on the position of Assistant Scout Leader, Skye has become a valuable asset to the Group and I would like to thank her for taking this position on!

ASSISTANT VENTURER LEADER POSITION AVAILABLE!

This brings me to our next leader vacancy.

Firstly, I would like to thank **Marco Forg** for being our Assistant Venturer Scout Leader –

THANK YOU MARCO!

If you would like or know of anyone who would like to become our new Assistant Venturer Scout Leader, please let either myself or Andre know.

QUEEN'S SCOUT AWARD

Congratulations to

Anise Piltz

and

Jayden Howe



for achieving their Queen's Scout Award!

ANNUAL CAMP 2023

Camp forms are in the process of being emailed to all members, so if you are coming along to camp, fill them in and get them back to me as soon as possible. Payment is to be made prior to attending camp. *Those parents who are looking to stay at Woodhouse, in particular, the parents/guardians of Lone **Joey** Scouts, will need to do their 'Working With Children Check' online.* This can be done at –

<https://screening.sa.gov.au/types-of-check/working-with-children-check>.

Once you have received your results, please email them to me at: leanne.salonescouts@gmail.com
Thank you!

CAMP COOKS



Chefs **Greg** and **Tara** will once again be in charge of the cooking at Annual Camp at the Bunkhouse. This means a great deal to the Group as it keeps camp costs down! Many thanks for their time and willingness in helping us out, especially to **Greg Hurrell**, as he has been doing this for Lone Scouts since 'Noah was a boy'.



BADGE DESIGN – PLEASE HELP!

The majority of our members would like to see the current Communicator Award badge given a face-lift, so we are seeking your help. We would like you to update the design!

Once we have a good number to choose from, I will post them in the next Lone Trail so that our Group members can vote on them.

All designs need to be handed to me at Annual Camp by Monday, 2nd October 2023 or by email if you cannot attend.

What is the Communicator Award? I'm glad you asked!



Communicator Award

The SA Lone Scout Communicator Award is to encourage Communication from the Youth Member / Rover to their Leaders(s) and then "reward" that communication.

Communication can be any form of contact, be it writing a note or letter, text message, email, Zoom (or other internet media form of communication with their leader), phone call or personal contact such as a visit or activity.

The activity can be a Lone Scout activity or with another Scout Group.

If the communication is with another Scout Group, then the Lone Scout needs to give a report to their Lone Leader unless it is a joint Lones/other Scout Group activity.

Everyone who attends Annual Camp automatically has that marked off as one communication for that month. [If Lones Annual Camp goes over two months, end Sept & beginning of Oct like this year, then it is only counted as one communication and not two].

The Communicator Award is based on a twelve month period, being July to June and the Youth Member/Rover must communicate in some form with their Lone Leader(s) a minimum 10 times in that 12 month period - that is a minimum of once per month.

If a new youth member has not been with Lones for the 12 months, (come the end of June), then to be eligible for the Communicator Award, they must have been in Lones a minimum 9 months and communicated a minimum of once for each of the months that they have been a Lone Scout.

Once the youth member has achieved this badge award, they are permitted to wear this on their Scout Uniform for the next 12 months. Placement of the badge is on the central right-hand side of the shirt, level with the Australia Flag badge on their left. At the end of the 12 month period, the badge is removed and hopefully replaced with a new one and the old one can be sewn onto a camp blanket.

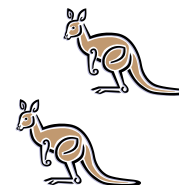
Stay safe, take care & see you at Camp!



Bagheera

Lee-Anne "Esme" Whitehead





Hello Joeys,

I may only have 4 Joey Scouts but they keep me on my toes, always doing things. This term have been doing Zoom Meetings fortnightly. This term have been looking at maps and learning about how to light a camp fire.

We must give a special mention to *Grace* for always wearing her uniform to Joey Scout Zoom meetings. A great effort *Grace* and Well Done.

We have looked at a Map of the Adelaide Zoo and the Joeys could work out the coordinates of the essential places they might need: the *Toilets*; the *Picnic Areas* and of course the *Playground* was identified as well.



Then each Joey gave the coordinates of the animals they would like to see at the Zoo and we all found where to meet them on the map.

The Joeys also tried to draw something that Malu was telling them to do on graph paper using N, S, E, and W directions, but that was a little confusing so will practice that at camp I think!!!

We have played games or N, S, E and W on the Zoom meetings, its been fun and everyone knows which way their houses face now.

We also discussed, how to make a fire from leaves and dry grass and bark, pine cones and twigs and logs. Talked about lighting a match and some safety precautions re this. Great pictures were drawn.

Toby's fire-lighting drawing



Grace has earned her 50 km Hiking Badge.

Sabaai has earned his 10km Hiking Badge and well on the way to his 50km.

Toby has earned his 10 nights under canvas Badge and his 10 km Hiking Badge.

Liam will have 10 km Hiking after he gets back from the Flinder's Ranges this week as well.

All Joeys Celebrated NAIDOC Week this year.

Sabaai earned the Pelican Dance with his class and ate a Kangaroo burger.

Well Done Joeys.

Liam came to see me with his family, we had a great afternoon playing games and catching up together. **Liam** went home and did craft work and made a bottle with fairy lights in it, he painted the outside of the bottle.



Bush Tucker Foods

You are all doing well in the Joey Mob and keeping active to help the environment and keeping yourselves Healthy.

Hope to see you at Annual Camp and this year will be learning about camping in the bush and hiking in the bush.

So looking forward to seeing you all with your Scout Helper.

Keep on hopping and smiling Joeys,

Malu Sue



Grace's tissue flowers and instructions on how to make them

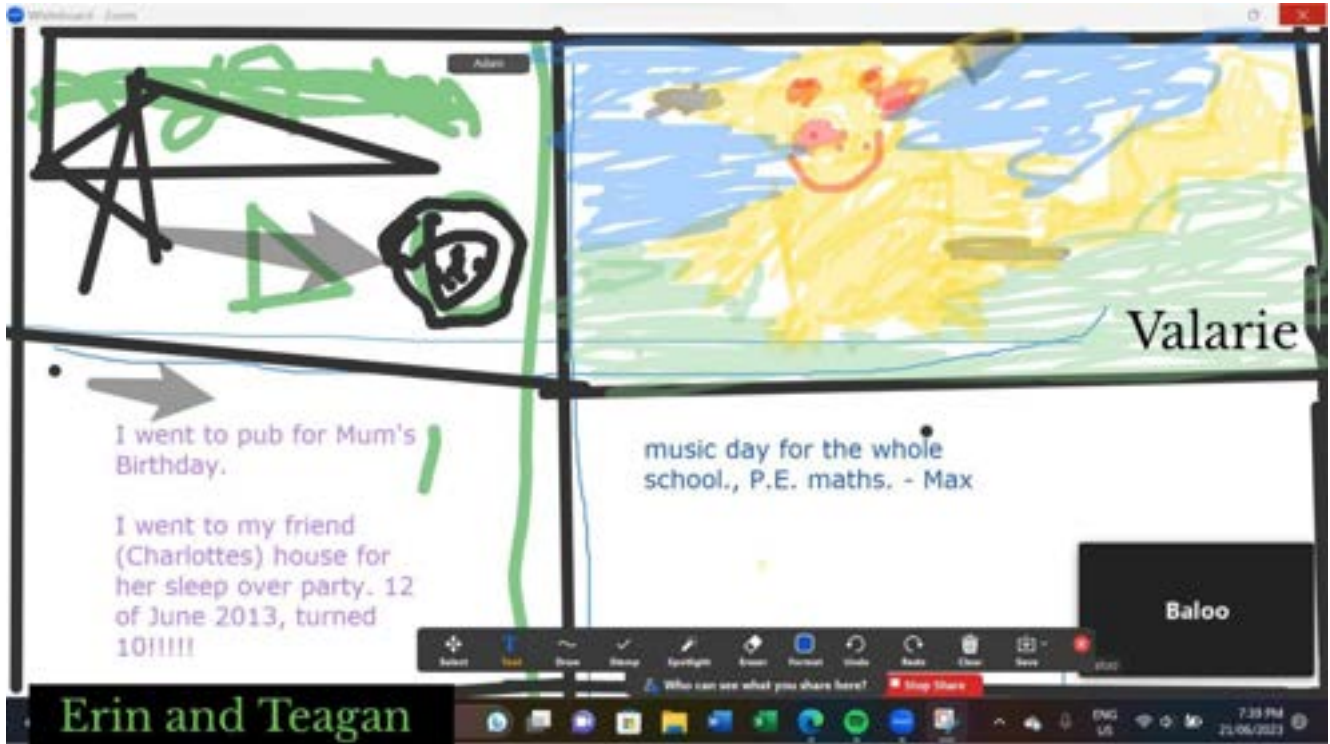


CARRY on CUBBING



Hi Everybody,

During Term 2 each Cub had taken a turn at being of running a game for each of our sessions. We played a game of Kahoot, Emoji Game, Hangman or drew picture or wrote about our week.



Upcoming Events

August:

Wednesday 30th On-Line Cub Meeting 7:00pm Special Interest Area

September:

Wednesday 6th On-Line Cub Meeting 7:00pm Annual Camp Planning

Wednesday 13th On-Line Cub Meeting 7:00pm Annual Camp Planning

Wednesday 20th On-Line Cub Meeting 7:00pm Annual Camp Planning - WHAT to pack for Camp

Friday 29th September to Monday 2nd October - Annual Lones Camp - Woodhouse

Tube Slide, Archery, Trangia/Campfire Cooking, Sleeping in tent, Sarah's Grey Wolf Hike, Challenge Hill plus other Activities

November: Friday 3rd - Sunday 5th - Roonka Camp - Disney Theme

Fun activities themed to Disney. A variety of land and water activities for Joeys and Cubs covering various areas of Outdoor Adventure Skills.

A Parent / Guardian MUST attend with their Child.

A tent per Family will be required. ALL Meals supplied.

For any queries contact: Leanne Worthley at: starwagon.lw@gmail.com

Applications close Friday 13th October via MyScout Event Registration – Scouts SA





Sarah about to hit the ball

We farewell 🙌 **Harrison** from our Cub Scout Section and we wish him all the best

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Annual Camp! Till then,



Cheers,

Andu Alison & **Raksha** Karen



Max enjoying a light aircraft flight



Sam with his new pup

Our Lones, out and about



Teagan, Liam & Erin



Andu wore her Lones Scarf to work on World Scout day



Adam, Book Week



Max and Toby

SCOUTING AROUND

G'day Everyone,



Over the weekend of June 16 – 18, a Pioneering Course camp was held at Roonka in the Riverland. Three of our Scouts, **Matthew**, **Brock** and **Addy** attended and had a great time as well as upskilling in the pioneering field.



Brock building a 10-minute tower



Bridge constructed by participants



Matthew & Brock, with other Scouts after constructing a table and chairs

Lone Scouts have been busy this term cooking up a storm with indoor damper and chocolate bananas in foil, making musical instruments, and learning about Morse Code -- --- ••• ••• •••• --- ••• •

One of our Scouts, **Brock**,



completed his Australian Scout Award,

Congratulations Brock

and another Scout, who joins in from another group has nearly completed theirs. Therefore, they have been busy finalising the last details of their Adventurous Journey in the July School Holidays on "Walk the Yorke" - around the "The Gap" area and finalising the paperwork.

Ady has attended her Scout Development Course and First Aid Course and completed both.

Group Camp planning is well underway, with Scouts eagerly looking forward to the weekend. Please let me know around the 27th of August, if you are planning to attend Group, thanks.

Plus, keep your eyes peeled for the planning ideas and details for upcoming camp in the summer holidays.

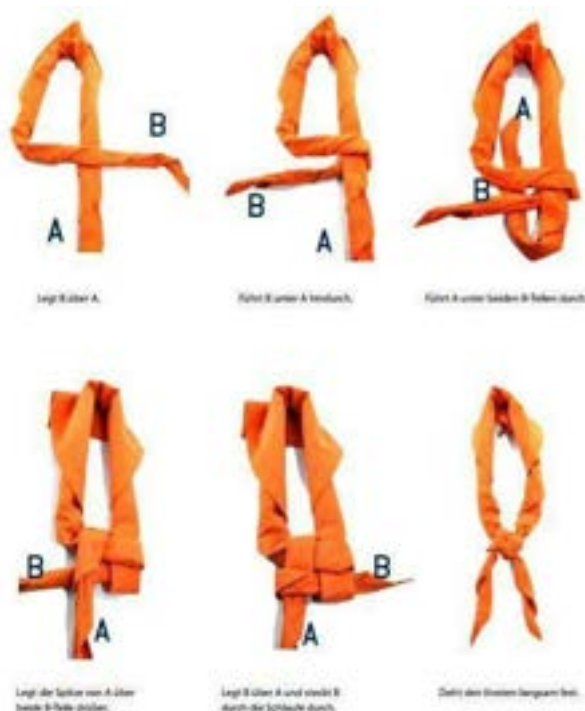
There has been a leadership change in the Scout Section, **Skye-Bianca** is now the Section Leader, and **China Mug** is now the Assistant Leader. If you need to contact me [S-B], the best way is by email.

Yours in scouting,

Skye-Bianca & China Mug

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How to tie a Friendship Knot



G'day Everyone,

VENTURER NEWS

With a dedicated bunch appearing online weekly, we have had numerous activities including a challenging Google Maps scavenger hunt and a guest speaker night with Scouts SA Outdoor Activities guru *Michael Woodward* giving us his wisdom and many stories of fun and adventures. We were unsuccessful in having a combined meeting with NSW Lone Venturers and will try again in Term 4.

QUEEN'S SCOUT AWARDS



Both *Jayden Howe* and *Anise Piltz* have completed their requirements and have achieved their Queen's Scout Award. **BRAVO!!!**

Along with *Benjamin Forg*, *David Forg* and *Jack McKenzie* who completed their requirements last year but 2022 did not have an award presentation, these three Venturers plus *Jayden* and *Anise* will be presented with their Queen's Scout Award certificate at the Branch Awards Presentation on Sunday 24 September 2023 at Prince Alfred College in Adelaide at a time to be announced (we think it's 9:00 am).

Many may not know this, but the Queen's Scout Award is actually conferred by the monarch via Royal Warrant; you are not awarded the Queen's Scout Award, rather you become one. It is a title, much like when a person is knighted as a "Sir".

Another Venturer *Brodie Gaskin* is currently nearing completion of his Queen's Scout Award requirements, and we hope to see him at the Awards Presentation next year.

RECENT MAJOR ACTIVITIES

2023 World Jamboree

The World Scout Jamboree is held every 4 years in a different country and started in 1920 in London.

The 25th World Scout Jamboree was held from 1 to 12 August 2023 at *Saemangeum* in *South Korea*, with the theme, "Draw Your Dream".

About 43,000 participants from 158 countries attended.

The location, Saemangeum, is a reclaimed tidal flat on the coast of the Yellow Sea in South Korea.

The campsite is flat, overlooks the sea on one side and features a view of the mountains.

The site is about 8.8 square kilometres.

The South Korean government, in cooperation with the World Organization of the Scout Movement, decided to evacuate the attendees on 8 August due to Typhoon Khanun.

After the evacuation, a program of visits to cultural and historic sites and tourist attractions was improvised for the displaced participants in various regions of the country.

The closing ceremony was relocated to a football stadium in Seoul where many famous Korean K-Pop bands entertained Scouts.

Lone Venturers *Colby Ind*, *Abbey Gerritsen* and *Ebony Wurst* attended this world Scout event, and we hope to detail their experiences in the next Lone Trail!



The next World Scout Jamboree will be in Gdansk in Poland in August 2027.

<https://www.jamboree2027.org/>



Australians at the WJ2023, Lone Venturer Colby is standing in the centre of the photo.

Australian Scout Award Expedition

Venturers **Brodie Gaskin** and **Tyson Gibson** provided numbers to form a team of Scouts from Barmera and Roxby Downs and for their recent Adventurous Journey in July in the Yorke Peninsula. **Bravo** to **Brodie** and **Tyson** for their "helping others" attitude.

Unit Road Trip

Since Venturers started talking about a road trip back in November 2022, there has been many planning meetings. We had originally planned to do land yachting at Lake Ellen, next to Lake Eyre, but this fell through due to lack of availability of the Scouts SA Land Yacht team, and we then changed this to a Road Trip from the end of this year's Lone Camp from 4 to 9 October 2023.

However, due to low participation interest, Venturer **Brodie Gaskin**, as the Expedition Leader, has made the decision to cancel the road trip. It was not an easy decision to make.

As the Lones Venturer Leader, I would like to acknowledge the hard work that **Brodie** had done, and I have been really impressed with the level of planning and the detail of his documents for the road trip.

UPCOMING MAJOR ACTIVITIES

2023 Annual Lones Camp

For Lone Venturers, the camp starts on the evening of Friday 29 September and ends on Tuesday 03 October 2023, continuing with the Unit's recent decision to end the camp one day longer than the rest of the Group.

Our Venturers are currently planning on-site activities, including hosting and running activities for Joeys and Cubs who will camp with Scouts and Venturers on the Saturday.

Activities will include cooking dinner the backwoodsman way.

All Venturers are encouraged to attend our annual Lones Camp to catch up with each other, renew friendships and have some fun together!



Venture24

Venture24 is the next big Venturer Scout event, hosted and organised by Scouts Victoria. It seeks to bring Venturer Scouts together for an unforgettable once in a lifetime experience, starting with expeditions all around Australia and the Pacific Region, and with five days of thrill seeking and adventure at the Core Camp at Lardner Park, Victoria.

The adventure starts 31 December 2023 and ends 13 January 2024.

Lone Venturers **Anise Piltz**, **Tyson Gibson** and **Colby Ind** have signed up.



3rd Law of Scout Camping

Tent pegs only come in quantity "N-1", where N = the number of pegs required to hold down the tent.



SCOUT JOKE:

A caravan of cars pulled into the only remaining campsite.

Twelve Scouts leaped from the vehicles and began feverishly unloading gear and setting up the tent. Some Scouts rushed to gather firewood, while others set up the camp stove and cooking utensils.

A nearby camper marveled at the Scouts, "That is some display of teamwork."

The Scout Leader replied, "I have a system; no one goes to the toilets until the camp is set up."





ROVER RAMBLINGS

...with the Crew!

The SA Lone Rover is the biggest and busiest Crew in SA at this time.
Our Rovers are looking forward to seeing you all at camp soon.



Happy *"official"* 110th Birthday SA Lone Scouts

Scouting began in 1907 following Lord Robert Baden Powell's experimental camp on Brownsea Island, England with 20 boys from various backgrounds and where they learnt many different skills.

Following this successful camp, Scouting spread across the world at a very fast pace.

In 1908, Scouting arrived in Australia and soon after South Australia, with official registrations beginning in 1909.

The first mention of Lone Scouting is in a 1910 booklet titled 'The Boy Scouts: Souvenir of the South Australian Section', where it says, "*If your town does not as yet possess a patrol of Scouts you can raise a patrol yourself by getting five other Scouts to join. Several patrols together can form a Troop*".

The Lone Scout Section is designed to cater for the same process when individuals or patrols are unable to form a Troop. As a result, Lone Scouting in South Australia had unofficially begun.

However, it wasn't until 1913 when South Australian Lone Scouts were invited to apply for registration to the General Secretary, and this marks the official beginning of the Section in South Australia.

Many Lone Scout patrols across South Australia and the Northern Territory later became a Troop in their own right, once sufficient member requirements were achieved and a Scout Master was found.

Many Scouts and Leaders later, we are still going strong and taking Scouting across our State and even further afield at times for all those who wish to belong to the 'Scouting Family', the largest and best Youth Group in the World!

From the SA Lone Scout Archives

28 September 2013



Above ~ some of the past and present Lones at the 100th Birthday Dinner

Left ~ the BIG birthday cake

Below ~ NO Camp is complete without The Wonderful COOKS!



Faces of the 2013 100th Birthday Celebrations



*Lone Scouts from 1948 to early 1960's
Darryl, Keith, QS1957, Don & Eddie*



Once a Lone always a Lone

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 dates for 2023 Lone Trails: Feb 12; May 14; Aug 13 & **Nov 12**

2023 Term 1: 30Jan-14Apr; Term 2: 01May-07Jul; Term 3: 24Jul-29Sept; Term 4: 16Oct-15Dec

September - October

SA LONES ANNUAL CAMP Friday 29 September – Monday 02 October 2023

October

02 AJ2025 Roadshow, Bunkhouse at 1300 (1 pm)

November

03 – 05 Roonka – Disney Theme Camp for Joeys & Cubs. Registrations close 13 Oct.

2025 06 -15 January 26th Australian Jamboree – AJ2025, Maryborough, QLD

2027 August 26th World Scout Jamboree Gdansk, Poland



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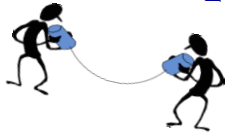


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Position vacant - Leader wanted

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