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## **Scouts take home top award**

55 Scouts from across New South Wales have been awarded the highest honour in Scouting, taking home the prestigious Australian Scout Medallion.

As the pinnacle award for the Scout Section, the Australian Scout Medallion demonstrates a Scout's commitment to developing their independence and leadership skills.

State Commissioner for Scouts, Chris Buggie said: "The Australian Scout Medallion is a highly commendable achievement for our Scouts and represents hundreds of hours of service, hard work and dedication."

"Scouts receiving the award have shown great personal development and commitment to the three Scouting principles; duty to one's faith, duty to self and duty to others," said Mr Buggie.

The award, which was introduced in 2003 to provide an additional challenge for our top Scouts, brings together a number of key skills and elements learnt through Scouting.

Participation in a Scout leadership course and completion of the Adventurer Cord is required to earn the Medallion.

Scouts also need to demonstrate an active leadership role by taking part in the Australian Scout Medallion leadership activity.

The leadership activity is chosen by the Scout and showcases their ability to take initiative by following a plan, do, review structure.

Recipients will be presented the award by the Chief Commissioner of Scouts New South Wales on behalf of the Governor of New South Wales at Luna Park on 14 April.

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