

May 2022

HOT OFF THE PRESS

Branch Council Vice President Role Open for EOI

Looking to share your governance knowledge and skills with NSW's leading youth organisation? Scouts NSW Board of Directors invites suitable candidates to submit an Expression of Interest, including a Statement of Intent, for the Scouts NSW Branch Council Vice President position.

The successful candidate must be aged 18 years or older, hold a current WWCC and NPC, will embody the values and ethos of Scouting, and have a strong ability to connect with the perspectives of the young people who are at the centre of Scouts NSW.

[Click here to read the full position description and apply.](#)

Fundraising In Action



Many Groups and families have done it tough over the past year, so with tax return time looming, Scouts are reaching out to potential supporters to donate to the cause. A marketing campaign will run over the next month through a range of communications and social media, encouraging donations (which are tax-deductible) to the *Scout NSW Family Support Fund* – feel free to share with your networks.

[Donate to the Family Support Fund](#)

National Sorry Day

This Thursday, 26th March 2022, marks the 14th anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations. National Sorry Day is a day to acknowledge the strength of Stolen Generations Survivors and reflect on how we can all play a part in the healing process for our people and nation. Scouts NSW is committed to working in mutual respect with our First Nations people to understand the past, and work towards a brighter future. [See our statement here.](#)

POSITIONS VACANT

Are you one of our next Region Commissioners?

Have you got what it takes to be a *Region Commissioner* (RC)? Scouts NSW is currently seeking applications for three volunteer RC roles in:

- Hume Region
- South Coast & Tablelands Region
- The Golden West Region

The roles are responsible to the Deputy Chief Commissioner (DCC) Operations for providing effective leadership to these Regions and strategic and operational support of Districts and Groups in governance, compliance and management of Groups/Units and delivery of the Scout Youth Program. [Find out more here.](#)

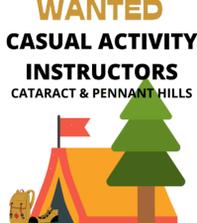
Seeking Bushwalking, Bushcraft & Camping State Leader

Run, don't walk, to get your application in by 3 June 2022 for the volunteer role of *State Leader - Bushwalking, Bushcraft & Camping*. As a member of the Educational Support team within the Youth Program and Support portfolio, you'll be responsible for ensuring that legislative and statutory regulations are adhered to for Adventurous Activities – [find out more here.](#)

Looking for a Community Development Officer for Scouts NSW

Love Scouts and would like to work encouraging new youth members and families to join the Movement? The Community Development Officer will play an important role in helping to build and retain Scouts membership and develop the profile of Scouts in the community. See more about this position and how to apply [here.](#)

The Great Outdoors



How would you like to join the team at Cataract and Baden Powell (Pennant Hills) Activity Centres? Casual *Outdoor Activity Instructors* are needed on an ad-hoc shift basis - perfect if you're looking to have some fun and get paid at the same time. There's also the possibility of onsite accommodation the night before and the night after your shift. You'll need an enthusiastic, positive attitude, excellent work ethic and a natural ability to form positive relationships with others, especially children and teens. If this sounds like you, or someone you know, contact mitch.stubbe@nsw.scouts.com.au.

Upcoming Events

Get ready for take off



On 5 June 2022, the Scouts NSW Air Activity Centre is throwing open the hangars to celebrate 50 years of safe and fun aviation experiences for all ages. Come along to Camden Airport from 10am to 3pm for the *50th Anniversary Open Day*. There's a ceremony at 11.30am in the presence of the Chief Commissioner and local dignities, a BBQ lunch, display of historic memorabilia, and a flyover by three vintage aircraft dating back to 1944-54 (courtesy of the RAAF 100 Squadron and Temora Aviation Museum). Spots are limited for this unique event, so [RSVP here by 29 May.](#)

Hottest tickets in town

Don't miss out on tickets to your local *Gang Show!* Kicking off in Albury (17-18 June 2022) followed by Kirrawee (5, 6, 8 & 9 July), Cumberland (6, 8, 9 & 10 July), Central Coast (7, 8 & 9 July), Hornsby (8, 9, 10, 13, 15 & 16 July) and Korimul (9, 10 & 11 September). [Book here.](#)

Rally around

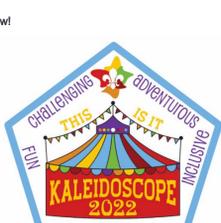


Block out 5-7 August 2022 for the biggest, annual state-wide Scout event - *State Rally!* Taking place at Cataract Activity Centres and open to all Scouts in NSW, it's the highlight of the Scouting year. Early Bird bookings end on 8 July. [Read more or book here.](#)

Brush up on your towing skills

Skill up with the first official Motoring Adventurous Activity - *learning how to tow safely*. You'll practise the correct procedures in a controlled environment to develop your know-how and confidence in towing. All licenced Venturer Scouts, Rover Scouts, Leaders and Adult can participate in the one-day course on 31 July 2022 at Nirimba TAFE in Quakers Hill. The \$285 fee includes a sausage sizzle, and there are only 16 spots available, so don't delay! [Learn more here.](#)

This it, the greatest show!



Applications are now open for *Kaleidoscope 2022* with the theme, 'This is it, the greatest show!' Join in sharing and learning new ideas about developing and running fun, challenging and inclusive Scouting programs. All Leaders, Rover Scouts and Fellowship members from across NSW are welcome to this event, being held at Glenfield Scout Camp, from 16-18 September 2022 – [register here.](#)

GRANTS

Money, money, money

Leaky roof? Floorboards need sanding? Kitchen requiring TLC? If you're seeking funding for your Scout Hall, put this date in your diary - *Thursday 26 May 2022 at 7pm.*

Join a Scouts NSW webinar to find out how to maximise your chances of getting funding through the State government-run *Community Building Partnerships Grants*. Whether it's for hall improvements or new equipment, this is one of the largest grant schemes that Scout groups have had success in applying for previously. It's also one with the least red tape. Register now to get the low-down from Chief Commissioner, Neville Tomkins OAM and State Commissioner Partnerships & Advocacy, John Dwyer.

[REGISTER FOR THE WEBINAR](#)

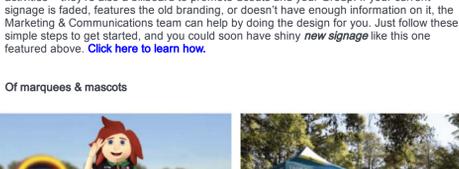
State Noticeboard

Spruce up your signage



Is your signage in need of a refresh? Halls are so much more than just a place to hold your activities – they're also a billboard to promote Scouts and your Group. If your current signage is faded, features the old branding, or doesn't have enough information on it, the Marketing & Communications team can help by doing the design for you. Just follow these simple steps to get started, and you could soon have shiny *new signage* like this one featured above. [Click here to learn how.](#)

Of marquees & mascots

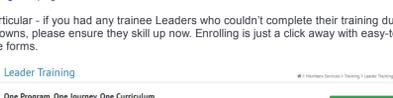


Now that lockdowns are a thing of the past, it's time to get out and about and start promoting Scouts in your local community. Scouts NSW have a range of *FREE promotional items* that you can hire, including a branded marquee and Kym the NSW mascot. [Enquire about availability here.](#)

Skill up

Finding and booking onto training courses just got easier! Acting on board recent feedback, the Scouts NSW team has just collated all events in the *Training Calendar* into one, easy to read and downloadable PDF [here](#) - or click one of the two places below on the [Leader Training](#) webpage.

In particular - if you had any trainee Leaders who couldn't complete their training during lockdowns, please ensure they skill up now. Enrolling is just a click away with easy-to-use online forms.



Send in your snaps

It's not too late to send in your photos for consideration for the *Annual Review*. Thanks to all those who have already submitted some great imagery. If you want to be in the running to be featured, [pop your pictures in the Dropbox here](#) (just remember to caption them with your Group and where in the shot is taken).

Want to recruit new members?

The *Bring a Friend Night* promotion is proving popular! If you haven't tried it yet and are keen to recruit new members, just get your current ones to invite their friends along to see what Scouting is all about. [Click here](#) to order your postcard invitations, digital invite, logo for social media posts and much more.

Winter wonderland - Swiss snow trip 2023/24

As the weather cools down, now is the perfect time to start thinking about ski trips - and you have the chance to join the mother of them all next year with the *NSW KISC Branch Friendship Tour to Switzerland*. Register ahead to ring in the 2024 new year with celebrations at the *Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC)*. It's a Permanent Mini Jamboree – an experience you'll never forget. [Find out more here.](#)

Youth Safety in Scouting

Scouts NSW is committed to operating as a youth safe organisation and implementing youth safe policies and practices in accordance with the elements of a child safe institution outlined by the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse report entitled *Creating Child Safe Institutions*.

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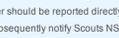
All suspicions, concerns or allegations about members or child protection matters should be reported directly to the Chief Commissioner, the Deputy Chief Commissioner (Youth Safety, Compliance and Support), the CEO or the Child Protection Officer at the Scouts NSW Service Centre. To make a report use the online *youth protection form*, call 02 9735 9000 or email youthprotection@nsw.scouts.com.au.

Imminent Danger

If someone is in danger NOW, the matter should be reported directly to NSW Police on 000. Where a report is made to the Police, you must also subsequently notify Scouts NSW Service Centre.

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