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Welcome to our monthly e-newsletter for parents and guardians to keep up to date about what's happening in Scouts across NSW.

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Anzac Day



Bravooo to all the Scouts who showed up for dawn services and marches on Anzac Day to support their local communities. Here are a few highlights from across the State, more can be found on our Facebook here. If you have any more pictures, please send them to communications@nsw.scouts.com.au.

Dragon Skin 2023



Over a bright but blustery Easter weekend, a thousand Venturer Scouts descended on Penrose State Forest for some awesome adventures at Dragon Skin. Congratulations to everyone who participated, and a big thankyou to all the Rover Scouts and volunteers who made this epic event happen - check out the photos here.

OneCamp, WA



Our new Scouts NSW Chief Commissioner, Lloyd Nurthen, along with our CEO Carolyn Campbell, recently attended OneCamp in Perth. This is a new event put on by Scouts WA, bringing together everyone from Joey Scouts to Rover Scouts to participate in adventurous, fun, challenging and inclusive activities linked to Milestones, Outdoor Adventure Skills and Special Interest Areas. Thanks to the WA team for hosting the NSW representatives, and putting on such an engaging event - check it out here.



Gang Shows



They're back – bigger and better than ever! Pencil in these dates for this year's blockbuster Gang Shows. Such a great way for Scouts to get practical training in theatre craft, while showcasing their skills in the arts - and having fun - don't miss your local show! Click here to view all the information about NSW Gang Shows.



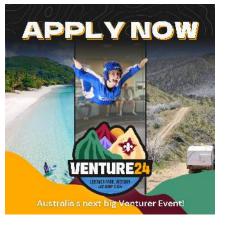
State Rally 2023 | 4 - 6 Aug

Ready, set, rally.... registrations are now open for State Rally – the biggest, annual statewide event in the NSW Scout calendar. This event is open to all Scouts in NSW, and the theme this year is 'Around the World in 3 days'. Cataract Activity Centre will be a hive of activity from 4–6 August 2023, so snap up an early bird bargain if you register by 25 June. Read more and register here!

Venture24 (Gippsland VIC) | January 2024

This large-scale Scouting event takes place in Lardner Park (Gippsland), Victoria in early January 2024. It includes a range of exciting expeditions, from hiking and canoeing to chillout camps and rock sports, and a core camp that promises six days of fun and adventure.

Curious? Check out the details here.



We hope you find lots of useful information in this e-newsletter – if you'd like to send in your stories or suggestions about other topics, please email communications@nsw.scouts.com.au.

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.

Remember

All suspicions, concerns or allegations about criminal matters or child protection matters should be reported directly to the Chief Commissioner, CEO, State Commissioner (Youth Protection & Issues Management) or the Manager of Safeguarding Youth, Issues Management and Research at the NSW State Service Centre. To make a report you may use the online youth protection form, call 9735 9000 or email YouthProtectionTeam@nsw.scouts.com.au.

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