

Flagstaff Hill Scout Group "WARRA" Newsletter



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Term 3 2014

We hope you enjoy this edition of the "Warra", the official newsletter of Flagstaff Hill Scout Group.

Read and learn more about our dynamic Scout Group! Are you interested in getting involved? We would be delighted to have you!

From the Group Leader

Chris Wise (0401 570 800)

It seems not long ago I was writing an article for our Term 2 newsletter – and here we are already into Term 3 – where does that time go! It's been another busy term across all areas of Flagstaff Hill Scout Group.

The various activities that our sections participate in are well covered in this newsletter so I won't go through all of these in great detail!

Our Group has remained strong with over 200 Youth Members attending the Group each week. We welcome a number of new families to the Group, and unfortunately also say farewell to a number of members. Any time spent in Scouting we hope is a positive one — some Youth Members join with us at Joeys and leave when they finish Venturers at 18. Others start with us and stay for a year or so and move on to other adventures. This is all fine and is part of any young person's natural progression through different interests and activities.

I would however ask all our families out there to be aware of a couple of points. Firstly, it is important that the Leaders of your child's section are aware what is happening. If your child isn't returning, please do let us know. A great deal of work goes into the planning of programs – and to find out a member has left through other means is sometimes disappointing to our Leaders.

If there are issues that may lead to your child not attending anymore that we can assist with (especially if it relates to them not being comfortable in any way) please let us know – we are unable to work on solutions to any such issues if we are not aware of them.

We have increased our work on the 'linking' of Youth between sections – this is a common time when Youth decide not to continue with Scouting – the idea of linking is to allow this transition smoothly and in a non-threatening way. A letter is issued near the start of the term for families with children eligible to be linking over the next term so this process can happen. Please do take the time to consider this and let's work together on strengthening this process.

Our Leader team is slowly building and it is great to see a number of new faces

with us. These new Leaders are working on their training to ensure that we continue to provide outstanding programs for all our Youth Members. A number of Leaders have received awards over the last term for long service — these are mentioned in the WARRA. A number of Leaders also received Good Service awards from Scouts SA on I August and I congratulate all Leaders on their fantastic contributions to our Group — these are also mentioned in the WARRA.



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Left: Warriparri Cub Pack and families on their Costal Walk.

Right: Karkanya Scouts on their Heysen Trail Hike.

Kuraka Joeys

5:45 to 6:45 Tuesday Night Joey Scout Leader: Amelia LeCornu (0439 888 163)

Kuraka Joeys got up to lots of mischief and fun activities this term!

They brought their Mum's along to celebrate Mother's Day with them and gave them some luxurious massages and made them a beautiful bracelet to wear. On building night the Joeys experimented with different building techniques and challenged them selves and their teams to think outside the square. They cooked pizzas and brought in their set of wheels to ride around the hall. We had a Space Invaders night and the Joeys made their own astronaut masks.

We were lucky enough to have Sam Long, one of our Joeys Dad's come and share his history and ancestry from Native North America, he showed the Joeys a thousands of years old Buffalo skull, along with arrow heads made from stone and authentic head dress. The Joeys also had a go at some traditional games; it was a really amazing experience for them and

we thank him very much for this.

At the end of the term we had a Camp Fire, sang some songs and cooked loads of marshmallows. Then, in the last week to celebrate the end of term we all went to play some games of Laser Skirmish and it was so much fun!!!

Written by: Amelia LeCornu.



Ingarnendi Joeys

5:45 to 6:45 Wednesday Night Joey Scout Leader: Rebecca Beer Smith (0419 854 368)

Term 2 went by so quickly but that might have been because I was away for the first half

While I was way Bilby and Tassie ran campfire, Mother's day, construction and navigation nights. When I returned we had lots of fun looking at stars, joining the circus, creating mazes, being detectives and having a disco.

My favourite night though was Possum's Spanish Adventures. The joey's heard all about the trip I went on and I showed them a slide show of some of my favourite pictures. We also made some mosaic pictures out of coloured foam which the joey's loved. We also followed a path of yellow arrows just as I had done on the Camino de Santiago.

Coming up this term we are working on our environment badge which includes a visit from James from the Scout Environment team to talk about bugs, Visiting the erosion site in the Sturt Gorge with one of our Venturers – Laura, and learning about recycling. We will also go to Laser zone, do glow stick bowling and another campfire while the weather is still suitable.

We are sad to 'whip' Genevieve out of joeys at the end of term 2 but are thrilled that she is continuing her scouting journey into Cubs and wish her all the best.

Written by: Rebecca Beer Smith.



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Kaurna Cubs

6:30 to 8:00 Monday Night

Cub Scout Leader: Kathryn Affleck (0413 448 056)

Term 2 was busy and full of fun for the Kaurna Cub Pack! Highlights include a night hike in the Gorge with Hackham Cubs, and a family campfire night. Our Environment Camp-Out at Aldinga Bay Scout Hall was also a big hit. The Cubs went for a walk in the nearby conservation park, lit their own campfires and cooked some toast, among many other fun activities. To finish off the term, we had a ball bowling at Marion Bowland. Throughout the term the Cubs were working towards their Level I and 2 Citizenship Achievement Badges. As a part of these badges, we had the Happy Valley CFS crew pay us a visit for a night of fun and interesting activities, and the Cubs each had to tell us a "good turn" that they had done throughout the week.

We are delighted to see that our leadership team has grown throughout term 2. We would like to extend a warm welcome Ryan Manser (Baloo) (Assistant Cub Scout Leader) and Heidi van der Wielen (Dahzee) (Youth Helper). We are still looking to expand our leadership team further, so if you/someone you know would be interested in helping out a motivated Cub Pack, please let us know!

We have also welcomed a number of new youth members to our pack. Welcome to Alice H, Ben M, James C, Lachlan C, Mitchell L, Chloe H, Annali H and Ben J. We hope you enjoy your time in Cubs.

What exciting activities does the Kaurna pack have planned for term 3? We will be working towards our Level 2 World

Friendship Achievement Badge, which will involve a range of great, international-themed activities. We will also be having a theatre games night to warm us up for Adelaide Gang Show's matinee performance. Our overnight activity is a "Caves and Sculptures" camp in Naracoorte, which should be a great camp where Cubs will get to explore the Naracoorte caves and work towards their Level I Masks and Sculptures Achievement Badge. We are looking forward to a great term!

Written by: Megan Franzon.



Warriparri Cubs

7:00 to 8:30 Tuesday Night

Cub Scout Leader: Chris Taliangis (8370 6336)

The Warriparri Cub Pack (Tuesday night) had a busy term 2 concentrating on our Level 2 Photography badge. Cubs learnt about the different types of cameras available, composition, how to take a better looking photograph and all took a series of photos to tell a story. Well done to all the Cub Scouts that completed this badge. Early in term 2 we ventured out and played 10 pin bowling which was great fun. Some Cubs even got a strike! Warriparri Cub pack sent along their older Cubs to participate in the "District 10 Year Old Cub Hike". They hiked from Eden Hills Scout hall through the gorge and up to the Flagstaff Hill Scout hall. They spent the night there and on the Sunday took on some leadership challenges before heading home in the afternoon. In late May our pack along with parents and siblings all participated in a hike starting from Hallet Cove and ending up at the Kingston Park Caravan Park for a sausage sizzle. We followed the "Coastal Trail" for most of the day. The weather was perfect. Thanks to everyone who made the effort and participated in this great outing. The

term was finished off with a family bonfire at the hall where Cubs put on fun skits and tried hard to sing!

Term 2 saw two Cubs gain their Grey Wolf Award. Well done to Georgia and Carrie.

Written by: Chris Taliangis.





Tarnda Cubs

7:00 to 8:30 Thursday Night Cub Scout Leader: Steve Jaffer (8370 4497)

Term 2 has been a busy term for Tarnda Cubs. We have made use of the winter season by having campfire cooking sleepover and night. The Cubs always enjoy these nights (marshmallows are involved, what's not to love?), and the leaders especially enjoy them when the Cubs cook for them! We have had a few outings as well to laser skirmish at Noarlunga and a penny hike around the local area. Tarnada Cubs have also covered a variety badge work this term, making coil clay pots and Día de Meurtos masks as part of the Level 2 Masks and Sculptures badge. We also started making Possum boxes as part of the Handicraft badge and we hope to finish these up for next term

We are lucky enough to have seen Josh and Sarah complete their Jungle Book resource as part of their Grey Wolf award, and they are both very close in completing this. Sarah and Josh have both put in lots of hard work into their Cubbing and the leaders congratulate them in their achievements. Unfortunately this

term we also said goodbye to Kaitlin as her family have recently moved and as such Kaitlin is moving Cub Packs. Kaitlin has been a wonderful Cub and will be sorely missed, we wish her all the best in her future Scouting.

Finally, Tarnda Cubs have decided to adopt a Facebook page to assist with communication with parents and to show you what we do at Cubs. The link can be found as follows, please like the page a support our pack! Link: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Tarnda-Cubs.

Written by: Natasha Wood.





Peter Michell — "Gone Home"

Ist November 1971 to 24th July 2014
Assistant Cub Scout Leader and Flagstaff Hill Scout Group ANZAC Day Dawn Service Presenter

On a sad note, we learned about the tragic passing of one of our Leaders in the Kaurna Cub Pack, Mr. Peter Michell. Peter had recently signed on as a Leader with Kaurna Cub Pack, continuing a legacy of his father, John Michell, who started the Kaurna Cub Pack back in 1977 as the first Cub Pack (and section) of Flagstaff Hill Scout Group. Pete's son Ben has only recently joined the Kaurna Cub Pack as a Cub Scout. Peter was a Youth Member in our Group when he was a lad a few years ago. Many of you will remember Pete from recent years with his involvement in our ANZAC Day Dawn Services both as a support to John and in recent years as an active member of the 'presenting team' of this event.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Peter's family – his wife Rachael and children Charlotte, Ben and Oliver. We also extend our condolences to John and Susan Michell, Peter's parents, and his sister Amy, who have had such an extensive involvement with our Group.



Above: Peter Michell with his wife and children along with his father.

Karkanya Scouts

7:00 to 9:00 Wednesday Night

Scout Leader: Darren Sutton (0414 270 133)

The below comments were written by the Scouts who took part in a hike along the Heysen Trail on the first weekend of the school holidays. They all did extremely well and as Leaders we are very proud of each and every one of them – however far they hiked!

Explorer Level:

These Scouts hiked a total of 27km with a day pack containing rain jacket, water, scroggin and lunch. Some of the Scouts decided to carry their full back pack for one of the days.

Friday 4th July our parents dropped us off at Chookarloo campsite in Kuitpo Forest. After we set up the tents in the dark, we sat around the campfire and had hot Milo and went to bed.

Day I The next day was tiring, we got woken up at 7am and had to be ready by 8.30am. We had a planned route but that fell apart when we took a wrong turn. The turn cost us an extra kilometre but it was all fine when we found out where we were and found out how to get back.

Day 2 Again we woke up at 7am and left at 9.30am. We hiked 12km it was a really fun day.

Day 3 Darren woke all of us up at 7.15am so we could leave at 10am. We hiked about 7km. The last day was the most tiring. Aaaaaa!

Overall the camp was a great experience.

Adventurer Level:

These Scouts hiked a total of 31km and with a full back pack containing clothes, tents, water, cooking equipment and food.

On Friday we went to Chookarloo Camp grounds and got ready to hike for the next three days.

Saturday morning our group was dropped at our starting point on Mount Magnificent. We then hiked for the next few hours and briefly crossed paths with the second group at lunch time. When we got back to camp we all collapsed in our tents. Then for dinner we had dehydrated past and went to bed in our freezing cold tents!

On Sunday we had to get up at 7am to leave by 9am. We left and started walking first with only four people left. We really needed a boat at some parts of the track because it was almost under water. Then we had to walk across sand. There were lots of ups and downs of hills and feelings. There was lots of singing, and then it was time for lunch. Another person left so that left three of us but we got a new member. We walked back to camp talking about Harry Potter. When we got back to camp we cooked our freeze dried food which was interesting and went to bed at about 9.30pm.



Jindalee Scouts

7:30 to 9:30 Friday Night

Scout Leader: Trevor Rogers (8270 2433)

Another busy term spent doing numerous activates suggested by the scouts.

We had a patrol cooking night, where each Patrol chose a country, a food to cook from that country & organised the ingredients. The scouts then prepared & cooked the food. The leaders were very impressed at how organised & prepared the scouts were on the night & they made some lovely dishes.

We also had a visit it Seacliff Surf Lifesaving Club, which was organised by one of our Scouts, Paige. Paige contacted someone she knew at the club, made the booking date & wrote out the A4 notes for the scouts, this goes towards her Red Level Cord. The evening was very interesting & we all learnt a lot about what is involved in being a surf life saver. Well done Paige.

We had an art night which the scouts could use anything we put out to create something. Some very interesting pieces were made.

On one of our nights we had Kaurna Cubs join

us for a campfire, we toasted marshmallows, cooked raisin toast and sang songs.

Our highlight of the term was a camp at Chookaloo, Kuipto Forest. We only had 7 scouts turn up, 6 of them being our youngest & one experienced scouts. The scouts made mud ovens and roasted chickens, lamb & vegetables. For the scouts it was a whole new experience and also showed them they could cook a lovely meal without gas or electricity. They also got to try some vegetables they hadn't eaten before. On Sunday we made scones, chocolate, sultana & plain in our the kids have had. We also found a lorikeet that wasn't too well, so we wrapped him up & put him in a box with the intention of taking him to Minton farm, unfortunately he died, so the scouts dug a grave, gave impromptu scouts own and marked the grave with a cross. It was very touching to see the compassion in these young people.

For our last couple of nights of term we had a scavenger hunt & fancy dress party, Trev had hidden bottles with lollies in around the grounds & gave the scouts co-ordinates to find them. The last bottle unfortunately could not

be found, it is somewhere along the track in the gorge. We did search very carefully up & down the track for it. For the fancy dress everyone got involved, Trev came as a skeleton, Orna as batman & Cher in a leopard onesie. The scouts wore onesies, Tweedle Dee & a maid. We played pass the parcel with First Aid questions in each layer, collect the lolly with a spoon, pass the lollies with a spoon & generally just had a fun night.

We have had a few new cubs join us, Georgia & Trent from Warriparri Cubs & Lachlan from Kaurna Cubs. We hope you enjoy your time with us

This term we also had James Hewitt join us, James is a lot younger than us old leaders & we are really grateful to have him in our team; James was in scouting at Mount Lofty.

Written by: Cheryll Terpstra.



Venturers

7:30 to 10:00 Friday Night Group Leader: Chris Wise (0401 570 800)

Another term down, how the time flies. This term the Flagstaff Hill Venturers were very busy collaborating with two other groups. We have had night's that some of the unit members had organised and they were all very successful. We had some nights that we collaborated with other groups as well. The first night we had the Havac Rovers coming over and we had a really nice night together playing games and we had a paint fight. It was really nice to see everyone getting involved and participating.

The second night some of the Venturers went to Woodhouse to go and help with the activities which were organised for the Aberfoyle Park Scouts so that they had something to do in their pit stops during their hike.

We had to say goodbye to one of our unit members Jordan Klaassen- Jones as she was turning 18. We are sad to say goodbye but we loved the night that she held for us. We were lucky enough for the leaders to organise a night, especially when Mack took over to give us obstacles and some training. This night was to show us what the leaders like to do and what their hobbies are. We were lucky enough to have an end of term party which everyone enjoyed.

Over the break some of our Venturers went hiking and what I can tell from the stories everything went well and it was a Heaps Good time. For the new term we have had new unit elections resulting in,

Chairman – Jordan Green, Secretary – Jayde Munro, Fundraiser – Jon Wood, Treasurer Heidi Van Wielen and Quartermaster – Andrew Martin.

We are glad to congratulate Laura Terpstra on completing all her badges for her Queen's Scout and we hope she will go well with her interview.

Written by: Caitlin Knell (Outgoing Unit Chairperson).









Left: Jindalee Scouts on their C hookaloo Camp.

Top: Kaurna
Cubs on their
Environment
Camp Out.

Bottom: Tarnda Cubs on their JOTT Hike.

From the Group Support Committee

Chairperson: Lynda Sandor

The Group Support Committee meets monthly on a Wednesday Night

Term 3 is set to be a busy one; starting with a Parent & Leader's only dinner on Saturday 2nd August at the Marion Hotel. We are also running two fundraising drives as well as the Quiz Night on Saturday 30th August.

The first fundraising drive is the Mobile Phone Recycling; this is a great way of raising funds with no outlay of money or your time. The second is the Seat Cushions that are for sale for \$25 each and are available in Crow's or Port colours, great to take with you to sporting events, camping etc.

Jamboree Chocolates are currently available for sale by parents of children that wish to go to AJ2016. If you require more chocolate or are returning monies you can contact me (Lynda) on 0410 380 887. Further jamboree fundraising opportunities will be available soon.

Lastly our annual Quiz Night is coming up at the end of August. Get in early to book a table to avoided missing out. Also, there will be a box at the entrance of the scout hall to place donation.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Written by: Lynda Sandor (Chairperson).

Group Support Committee For 2014

Chairperson: Lynda Sandor Secretary: Denise Ahern

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Assistant Treasurer: Martin Cooper

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Andy Terry

Julie Webb



Upcoming Events

Additional information available on the Scout Group website at: www.flagstaffhill.sa.scouts.com.au/calendar.

Term Three:

Saturday 2nd August Parents and Leader Dinner

Saturday 30th August Quiz Night

Tues 23rd to Sat 27th September Gang Show Performances

Term Four:

Sunday 30th November End of Year Family Function

Warra Honour Board

The Flagstaff Hill Scout Group is extremely proud of the achievements of its Youth Members and Leaders. Those members who made significant achievements in Term Two 2014 are listed below.

Congratulations to the following Youth Members for achieving the highest award in their Section .

Grey Wolf (Highest Award in the Cub Scout Section):

Carrie D (Warriparri Cubs) Jemma C (Warriparri Cubs)

Georgia V (Warriparri Cubs)

Thank you to the following Leaders for their dedication and commitment to the Flagstaff Hill Scout Group.

Five Years of Service:

Steve Franzon (Group Support Committee)

Fifteen Years of Service:

Cher Terpstra (Jindalee Scouts)

Special Service Award:

Kathryn Affleck (Kaurna Cubs) Matt Goodliffe (Tarnda Cubs)

Amelia LeCornu (Kuraka Joeys)

Meritorious Service Award:

Steve Jaffer (Tarnda Cubs)

Silver Wattle:

Natasha Wylie (Branch, Venturers)

Silver Koala:

Trevor Rogers (Jindalee Scouts)

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Sign In and Sign Out Books

Our Group has sign in / out books for all members to assist in tracking attendance and ensuring the safety of all members.

Parents/Caregivers of Joeys, Cubs and Scouts are required to sign their child in at the start and out at the end meeting. **Dropping children off in the** car park and leaving is not permitted!

Venturers are able to sign themselves in and out.

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