

EVELYN WOOD NEWS — ISSUE 31, JULY 2015

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EDITORS NEWS

We are now in to term 3! I find it scary that the time is going so quick. We are in the colder months of the year but scouting still happens nothing called bad weather just dress appropriately and have fun. Camping under canvas is still happening and there seem to be a lot of badge work going on as well.

The format of the newsletter has changed from the previous one as we are trying out different formats, so it might change again until we are totally satisfied. One of the reasons for this is so the file will be smaller and easier to distribute and also for you as families to down load.

So for now happy reading the great news from all the scouting sections and activities they have been up to so far.

Marit Almenning — Newsletter Editor

SCOUT SECTION; BUNGALOCK AND MOCCOTA TROOPS

Welcome to what the Bungalook Troop has been up to in Terms 1 and 2 in 2015

With Term 1 finished, we look back at the following activities on troop nights – Gadget construction, Pioneer Hike along the Warburton Trail, Cooking night trying out new recipes for camps, Navigation around Chirnside Park, Water safety at Kilsyth Pool, Fun & Fitness and Jambowree, with many of these nights aimed at helping scouts to qualify for Jamboree in 2016. We also supported the community by participating in Clean up Australia Day.

Our Weekend camps commenced in mid Feb with an Explorer Bike Hike on the Warburton Rail Trail for some of our older scouts and a Patrol camp in March at Wishart Lodge, followed by the ever popular Welding and Forging camp at Gilwell Park and finishing up with Stradbroke Cup over the Easter break. We were very proud of our scouts as none of them had participated in a Competition camp (or a 4 night camp) before and both the "Teenage Mutant Ninja Swans" and the "Wonderful Flizards of Oz" patrols came home with Silver pennants. Congratulations to all of the scouts.

Term 2 has seen us start with an Anzac themed night and then some First Aid (the bandaging for snake bite needs a little practice). We had a sleep over on Anzac eve and then headed off nice an early to the Dawn service at Mt Evelyn and back to the hall for breakfast provided by the Venturers.

Term nights have been hiking basics (for preparation of a Pioneer journey that coincided with Jamboree on the Trail), a joint scout/venture night with a life size version of Hungry Hippos, Box Car rally night and then a joint night with the Tallawalla cubs doing some camp cooking over open fire.

This weekend saw some of our scouts attend the Boer War Memorial Service at the Shrine of Remembrance, which will go towards the "Their Service, Our Heritage" badge. The rest of the term sees our Science night, an International night and Leaders Surprise night for Troop nights and our upcoming camps include an Explorer Journey at Murrindindi and our In Tents Camp for scouts and linking cubs at Wishart Lodge at Lilydale.

Term 3 & 4 weekend activities include Fantastic Race in the South Eastern Suburbs, Leadership Course for Youth leaders, Scouts in Action week, Community Service (Tree planting), Cohen Shield, JOTA, and a 4 night camp combined with a canoe proficiency. All of this, as well as qualifying scouts for Jamboree.

Working Bee at Montrose Hall

The weather was on our side and many tasks were achieved, including :

- Stripping and resealing the main hall floor.
- Paving at rear of hall
- Painting girls toilet
- Cleaning of gutters
- Mowing and general gardening
- Sorting of Qstore paint and equipment

A BIG Thank to Craig for preparing and organizing this Working Bee!

Up coming events

- Christmas in July. Date: 25th July.
- ARAP (AGM). Date: 24 August, Time 7 pm.
- Working Bee at Mt Evelyn Hall. Date: 5 September.
- Mt Evelyn Street Party. Date: 24 October.
- Lilydale Show compulsory Event for all families. Dates 21-22 November.

The 24th Australian Jamboree will be held at Cataract Park, NSW from January 2nd to 14th, 2016.

Don't miss out on the most exciting time of your life For those eligible for the next Jamboree, **the final closing date is July 20th**. The link to register is below. Just click on the

"Click Here to Apply for AJ2016 NOW!" button

<https://www.vicscouts.com.au/jamboree.html>

This is a fantastic experience for scouts and something that you will definitely remember. It is also way cool. To qualify you just need your Pioneer badge and 10 nights under canvas (with 4 nights consecutive). See further emails for our upcoming 4 night camp if you still need one to qualify.

If anyone has any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us:
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Needed: Leaders and Committee Members

Have you ever thought of becoming a Leader or Committee Member? Maybe this is for you!!!

You could:

- Have fun with your youth
- Make lots of friends
- Go on camps
- Learn survival, skills like teamwork, and management skills which are useful for other jobs
- Make a positive contribution to our youth and community
- You can sign up by yourself, with someone or if you know someone who would welcome having another interest in life, ask them to consider being a Leader or Committee Member

For More Information contact: Newton Harvey, Mob. 0407 545 177 or Carolyn Murphy, Mob. 0425 772 623.

Or you can talk to your youth's section Leader.

Committee Members

- E learning modules are available for committee members to learn new skills
- You will always be supported
- Learn new skill
- Meet new people
- Help run one of the biggest Scout group in Australia

CONGRATULATION TO GREAT BADGE WORK

Cubs Section

- Grey Wolf Badge: Ryley Doyle, James Love
- First Aider, Information Technology, Cooking, Cyclist and Weather Badge: Kai Weston

Scout Major Badge Presentation

Moocoota Section:

- Patrol Leader Stripes: Nathan Zmegac
- Heritage Badge: Alice Tripp, Zack Webbern and Ella Webbern
- Scout Craft badge: Zack Butcher, Peri Butcher, Kale Johnson and Ella Webbern

SCOUT'S Major Badge Presentations

Bungalock and Moocata Troops:

- Pioneer Badge and Cord: Anika Homann, Liam Clark
- Pioneer Badge: Tommy Voigt
- Explorer Citizenship: Nick Rowe
- Explorer Watersafety: Liam Clark, Tristan Skell
- Pioneer Watersafety: Camden Hewitson
- Scoutcraft: Riley Stringer, Sam Thomas, Chris Creasey, Charly Bolton, Tom Heather, Cody Stringer
- Their Service Our Heritage: Nick Rowe, Liam Clark, Kristen Murphy, Camden Hewitson

WELCOME TO NEW LEADERS

We would like to welcome out two new leaders who have joined the 1st Mt Evelyn Scout Group: Melissa Tewksbury (Chill) at Tallawalla cubs and David Campbell (Baloo) at Baree Cubs.

It is great to have new members onboard as it helps us continue to run and develop our group, bringing new ideas, enthusiasm and contribution to the youth groups.

Thanks for joining and we hope you enjoy the new exciting journey!

TITANIC NIGHT FUNDRAISER

The Titanic night was a very successful night. There was a lot of fun with the hall set up with first class down the front with nicely set up tables with white table clothes and flowers and candles. They were also served supper at the tables. Second class had table clothes only and had to come to the serving window for their supper.

Steerage class on arrival had to set up their own tables and camp stools. For steerage supper they had to get their own supper with a table set up with airports foam cups, plain label tea coffee and biscuits. If they wanted the better supper they had to pay for it, beg or even steal. There was a total of about 80 people attended and we raised approx. \$800.

The night was run by myself with the help of Victoria Hens, Kerrie Graaf and Sandra Rowe. Thank you for your help. Also a thanks to the people who donated – Bunnings, Goodlife, Continental Belt-ing, Carolyn Murphy, Newton Harvey, Tint a car Ringwood, Jenny Anderson, Dave Chalkley, Allens Bakery, Sarah Love and myself Dianne Bull.

Thanks Di Bull

SCOUT SECTION ATTUNGA TALES

Leader Team John (Akela) Barry (Kaa) Kevin (Rama) Cherie (Jacala) Emma (Rikki) Erin (Chil)

Sixers Brooklyn Pynaker, Liam Buchan, Sam Graaf, Cody Potts

Seconds Fletcher Crunden, Erin Callanan

Attunga Pack has had a busy half year once again; our first term theme was Out and about, and second term was Personal Safety.

- Our first outing away from the hall was in February Big Day Scout starting out at Federation Square on a city Wide Game with a Street Art twist. Then on to the Sydney Myer Music Bowl for some live entertainment also the investiture of our new Chief Scout Shane Jacobson. It was very hot out in the sun at the "Bowl" we left after the formalities for the journey home.
- Later in February the district Founders Day celebration held at the Woori Yallock scout hall.
- We attended the Anzac Day parade at the Mt Evelyn Memorial and after a march at the Scout Hall for breakfast
- May was Mothers night we all had a great time starting the night playing some challenging games mums participated well did they win I don't remember it was fun anyway. We finished the night with supper. Thanks mums for your part in making the night a success.
- In Early June we visited the Yarra Junction pool, cubs had a great time in the water where some earned their Swimming Badge. One of our cubs James Love earned the highest award in Cub scouts, the Grey Wolf badge. Fantastic job congratulations James, a great achievement.

Kevin Phillips (RAMA) has stood down as a leader to pursue other interests. Thank you for the dedication and service to our cub scout pack over many years, for being a friend and mentor to our cubs.

"KEVIN, THANK YOU FOR BEING THE BEST RAMA EVER"

Congratulations to Brooklyn Pynaker, Liam Buchan, Cody Potts and Sam Graaf who have advanced to Sixer and also to Erin Callanan and Fletcher Crunden who have advanced to second.

We said farewell to Oliver Harvey, Kale Johnson & James Love who are continuing their scouting journey and advanced to Scouts.

We have again welcomed new members to our pack this year, Amber & Peter Damen, Jacob Dawes, Sam Graaf, Alex Graham, Amelia Harvey, Cody Potts, Mason Pynaker, Devlin Tull.

Welcome also to our new addition to our leader team Rover Helper, Erin Hocking (Chil)

ROVERS SECTION

It has been a busy term for the rover crew as we returned to meeting weekly.

We had a big week to commemorate the centenary of ANZACs, we met for dinner at the Ringwood RSL where we had a lovely meal and then invested Johannes into the crew. On ANZAC eve some crew members slept over at Mt Evelyn with the Scouts and Venturers before getting up nice and early for the dawn service. After the lovely service and march we all piled into cars and went into the city to assist with the big march in the city. We spent the day assisting veterans out of vehicles, serving tea and sandwiches to the VIPs and directing marchers when they finished. It was a great, wet, serviced filled day.



We have also had a night full of laughs watching Sharknado 2 the sequel and another creating weird and wacky inventions with Lego while watching the Lego movie.

We spent a night out at the comedy festival giggling away to Wil Anderson. We then did a badge presentation outside the comedy theatre before meeting Wil Anderson at the stage door for an awesome photo!

Cheyne completed her dancing badge by convincing us all to dance - and even got venturer leader Dave to learn some new moves!

We've had an awesome bowling and planning night where we had some venturers linking into the crew!

We would also like to congratulate Johannes for taking on the roll of Crew Leader and we welcome all the new crew executive!

Coming up we are going to Mudbash, holding a minion movie fundraiser, a painting night and going to a Rover Ball!

HALL HIRE

Do you have to plan for an event and need lots of space and a functional kitchen then this might be your solution: Mount Evelyn Hall, Montrose Hall

If you are interested please call Jo Goodvin, Tel. 03 9736 3290 or Email: jb1958@ihug.com.au

IMPORTANT NOTE

We would like to wish Lisa Crunden and her family a fantastic safe adventures holiday for the next 3 months discovering great places in Australia on their Road Trip. We will miss you, but we look forward to hear all about your trip on your safe return.

Thank you to Craig Heather which has put in so much work as coordinating and keeping up the maintenance for both Halls, Craig is now perusing work away and will have very limited time to contribute to the maintenance so we are in great need of someone to step in and help out.

CUBS SECTION; TALLAWALLA PACK, BARREE PACK

At the beginning of term 2 Tallawalla pack participated in several ANZAC services. Some cubs attended Montrose others went to the dawn service at Mt Evelyn and also the Shrine of Remembrance Melbourne. We were lucky enough to have a special visitor to our hall on 21st April by Jarrod who came in his full army uniform spoke to the cubs about Anzac day and its meaning, played lots of army games made a paratrooper and even got to wear some camouflage paint on our faces.



Tallawalla pack got on their bikes and did some bike tests and covered some safety. We had Craig come in and teach us some handy maintenance for our bikes.



We had a special mothers day craft night where Belinda helped the cubs to make some beautiful photo frames and very fancy cards which were given to our mums the next week when mums visited and played games with us and then we pampered them with massage nail polish and foot and hand rubs.



Bungalook scouts put the cubs through their paces with outdoor cooking a few weeks back. The cubs learnt how to strike a match correctly, lighting a cooking fire and cooking food to fill our tummies like sausages, damper and hot chocolate - yum! Thank you scouts for your help.

We have gone swimming at Yarra Junction Pool, we have tied lots of knots with rope and jelly snakes and we have awarded heaps of achievement badges this term - well done. A special Grey Wolf was also awarded to Ryley after all the work she has done which was very special.

Older cubs had the opportunity to camp at Wishart Lodge in June. We did lots of investing - our newest leader Chil and cubs Caspar, Oliver, Oskar and Liam. We finished the term with a great 10 pin bowling bonanza. We have some great cubs become Sixers and Seconds - Sixers, Ben, Danielle and Hamish backed up by our Seconds, Teagan, Mitch E and Josh.

Thank you all for a great Term!

THE MOOCOOTTA TROOP

The Moocootta troop have been busy over the past months with activities:

- Water Ski camp great time by all everyone being able to get up on ski's and stay for a time.
- ANZAC day dawn service at Lilydale cool morning getting there for 430, but up front and able to see and hear everything. The night before a going up ceremony for 4 cubs then a sleep over before the early morning rise.
- Cooking night 2 course meal, under camp conditions, all cleaned their plates.
- Construction over a 2 week period building towers to make a bridge, and all walk across.
- On the Queens Birthday weekend we are off to Bendigo, with several activities organised, they are always a fun camp.



It was a great Term!

International Cooking Night at Scout's at Montrose Hall

The scout had a great International cooking night at Montrose Hall cooking food from different Nationalities

The recipes was collected from a variety of countries like Egypt, Poland, Russia, and France and they had to organise a 3 course menu

It was great to see them also do a great job at cleaning up after and they all helped each other, great skills for the years to come in planning, cooking and cleaning up.



VENTURER SECTION

DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS IN JULY

On Saturday 25th of July, the 1st Mt. Evelyn Venturer Unit is hosting our biggest fundraiser for the year. A family fun Christmas celebration that includes games and a meal for all those involved.

This year we are fundraising for members of our unit to travel to New Zealand for the 2016 Inferno Venture. It's a once in a lifetime adventure that will leave lifelong memories and friendships for those who attend.

We would like to ask if any of our families and friends could donate an item or service for our Christmas in July Fundraiser. All donations received will be either auctioned or raffled off on the night as part of the fundraiser. We would also like to invite you and your family to attend the evening and join in the fun.

VENTURER SECTION — CONTINUED

WHAT DO WE WANT!? You to join Ventures

WHEN DO WE WANT IT? When you turn 14!

Come and join the fun at 1st Mt. Evelyn Venture every Friday night 8-10 pm at the hall. Ventures are for those in the scouting movement aged 14-18 and here at Mt. Evelyn we do amazing activities every week. Just this year we have already done a cooking night, a construction night, a night hikes, a board game night, visited the local council, swimming, an ANZAC sleepover and dawn services. We have gone on camps such as Kenda Rally, which is motorbike fundraising weekend, and Anything Goes, an annual meeting of venturers across the state. The unit's new speaker has made these camps all the more fun.

As a unit we have done linking activities with both Scouts and Rovers. This term we had a game night with Montrose Scouts that featured a scaled up version of Hungry Hippos and last term our unit was invited to attend a water ski weekend with Hec Sebire Rovers.

We had an interesting visit to William Matthew Funerals at the start of June, and we will be visiting the Sikh Mosque as part of our Ideal badge soon. Coming up we also have some other big activities planned - such as snow skiing, caving and the big Inferno Venture in New Zealand (which is similar to a Jamboree but for Venturers).

At the start of this year some of our Venturers attended the Australian Venture in South Australia and at the end of the year some other members of our unit will be attending the New Zealand Venture. To help pay for these expensive activities our unit is hosting our biggest fundraiser for the year, Christmas in July, on Saturday the 25th of July. It will be a fun family night for all involved and we welcome all to come and attend.

1st Mt. Evelyn Venture Unit



1st Mt Evelyn VENTURERS

Christmas in July

SATURDAY 25TH JULY AT 6PM

MT.EVELYN SCOUT HALL

JOIN US FOR OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN JULY
A FAMILY FUN NIGHT WITH HEAPS OF GAMES, RAFFLES AND PRIZES

Dinner is included, tickets are \$ 15 a head

Fundraising for the new Zealand Inferno Venture.