



# MAG-RAG

1st Magill Scout Group Newsletter

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## 2014 Annual General Meeting

We held our AGM on Tuesday 2nd September. Thank you to the parents and carers who attended and a big thank you to our Parent Committee Members. I would like to introduce you to the new committee:

Chairperson – Annabel Holliss

Treasurer – Loretta Wheatland

Grants/ Fundraising – Chrissi Crouch

Secretary – Bronwyn Coles TBC

Quartermaster – John Frith

BBQ Manager – Robert Holliss

I would like to thank all the above mentioned people for taking on the positions for the committee. The above mentioned positions are formal positions however we are also happy to have parents attend the committee meetings to offer suggestions and assistance. Our next meeting is Tuesday 25th November and the minutes are always placed on the website after.

I would like to offer a special thank you to Jillian Ketteridge. Jillian has been a very important member of the Parent Support Committee for the last 5 years in the position of Treasurer. Jillian has continued to be a member of the committee even though her son left Magill a few years ago.

## Australian Jamboree 2 – 14 Jan 2016

### *“Leap Into Adventure”*

Information is starting to be sent out regarding AJ2016, the next Australian Jamboree, to be held at Cataract Scout Park in NSW. To keep up to date with information there is a Facebook page called AJ2016 - SA Contingent. Like that page to be kept in the loop.

Flyers have been sent to Scouts and Cubs who may qualify for the Jamboree inviting them to attend a Jamboree Information session to find out more. In our areas the closest are:

Pembroke School DY Hall            Sun 26th Oct at 2pm

Attendance at a Major National Event by a young person is not only a great experience but provides an enormous opportunity for personal development for those who

attend - it is likely to be one of the highlights of their Scouting lives.

The fun and magic of a Major National Event is the result of bringing together a large number of Scouts from all over Australia and the World to live and play together in a Scouting environment.

The objective of all Major National Events is to provide young people with an active program that encourages participation and learning and that includes activities that stimulate their physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual development both singularly and collectively that leads to character development.

All participants must be a member of a contingent to attend the Jamboree.

All participants must apply through their home State, National or International Contingent.

The Jamboree Executive Committee will not accept applications directly from youth members, leaders or other interested participants.

All participants are to apply via the online Jamboree Application System.

### **AJ2016 PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

#### **Off Site Activities**

There will be at least 3 off-site activities;

- City Tour
- a commercial operator site (theme park type activity)
- Water Base Activity

#### **On Site Activities**

- Onsite activities will include (but not limited to);
- Challenge Valley
- Abseiling, Flying Fox, Caving
- Waterslide
- Skills Base
- Australiana Village
- Themed Physical activity base
- Arena Program & Night time activities

Duty Patrol will be a key component of the program.

A range of free time activities will also be available.

## Fiji Centennial Jamboree

On the 16th of August 2014, 80 Australian scouts and leaders (including six scouts and one leader from 1st Magill), headed off to Fiji for their Centennial Jamboree. This was an amazing experience for everyone to see what scouting is like in Fiji. We had 3 nights at a resort and 5 nights at the Queen Victoria school.



We had many different activities planned for us such as hiking, water activities, community service, obstacle course and drug awareness. On the Thursday all of the scouts at the jamboree got on buses and headed into Suva. We all marched through Suva to celebrate 100 years of scouting in Fiji. This was amazing and us Aussies were applauded heaps.

We were very noticeable around the jamboree site and were called to by the phrase "Aussie, Aussie, Aussie!" This became annoying by the end but was good to see that Fijians wanted to talk to us. Most Fijians were very friendly and we became good friends with them.

It was good to relax at the resort for the last two days of our trip in Fiji. The resort had activities for us to do and for us to just be with friends. This trip was eye opening and good to see what scouting is like in another country.



## Fundraising

Now that our toilets are completed it is time to move onto our next project which is to re-oil the floor and maintain our hall. We will be holding another general fundraising BBQ on the 7th December at Mitre 10 Glynde. It is expected that all members and families participate in these BBQs regardless of whether you are participating in Jamboree fundraising BBQs as this is to maintain our hall. There will be a sheet of paper put up on the notice board in the next couple of weeks for you to book your time.

Everyone should assist with at least one BBQ per year. If you have any questions, or wish to offer your help, please contact Robert Holliss on 0405 814 327 or [robertholliss@gmail.com](mailto:robertholliss@gmail.com)

## Contact

Please keep up to date with events and the program by regularly visiting the group website;

<http://magill.myscoutgroup.org/>

### Leaders:

Group Leader: Marco Hess 0407 785 566

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Scout Leader: Phil Cornish 0439 332 287

### Committee:

Chairperson: Annabel Holliss 0419 125 903

Treasurer: Jillian Ketteridge 0415 373 023

## Important Dates

Tue 11 Nov: Remembrance Day

Fri 14 - Sun 16 Nov: Adelaide Foothills District Water Activity Camp for Scouts at Roonka

Fri 5 - Sun 7 Dec: Magill Scout Troop Camp (Normanville)

Fri 12 Dec: 1st Magill Scout Group Christmas Party

## Feedback

If you have any interesting ideas about fundraising, or future events or activities, please do not hesitate to contact anyone listed above.