

# 23RD WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE AUSTRALIAN CONTINGENT

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To: *All Australian Contingent Members*  
CC: *Branch Chief Commissioners*  
*Branch International Commissioners*

## FROM THE CONTINGENT LEADER

Merry Christmas everyone! It is hard to believe that we are little more than half a year away from our departure to Japan. I have been lucky to be in Japan for work quite a few times in recent months, and have been able to hold some regular discussions with the Jamboree Organising Committee about their preparations. I can assure you that the event being planned will be a very enjoyable experience for everyone.

IST would have received their Opportunities Catalogue earlier this month allowing them to select roles that they would prefer at the Jamboree. The Australian Contingent will be working with the Jamboree Organising Committee to have the final role allocations published as soon as possible. As with past events however, it is still possible that we will not know the allocations until we arrive on site.

The majority of participants have now completed their Branch Interviews around Australia. I do hope that this was a worthwhile opportunity to meet other participants, and to learn more about the responsibilities of traveling overseas and representing Scouts Australia. Some extra sessions are still being organised in various locations over the next few months and are a good chance to meet your local International Team who are always available to support you in preparing for your international experience.

All flights have now been confirmed and these have been published in the online registration system. A summary of the flights is also included in this bulletin. Please login to the system and verify your itinerary now. If there are any problems, please let Ricci know and we will follow up with the necessary changes.

The long awaited Troop allocations have now been completed as well. This was an absolutely mammoth task to complete and we have done our best to please as many people as possible by having one friend in their Troop where we could. Every patrol does however provide a truly Australian experience with at least four or five different Branches represented. You will be sure to make some great friends from around Australia even before you reach the Jamboree site!

Dates have now been set for our Contingent Briefings in May 2015. These dates will be where the Contingent Gear will be issued to all participants. Parents are welcome and encouraged to join us for these sessions. If you are not available to attend yourself, please see if you can arrange a relative or friend that can collect your Contingent Gear on your behalf. Participants from regional cities and those that cannot attend the briefings on offer will have their Contingent Gear couriered to their home address. Please indicate your preferences clearly on the form provided and return to the Contingent by the due date.



Also included in this Bulletin is some information on the role of Young Correspondent. This is a great role for those interested in media and being able to contribute material for the Jamboree media. Other roles are previewed as well, including the Australian Flag Bearer and Hiroshima Peace Ceremony Representative. More details on these roles will be distributed closer to the event.

It is absolutely essential that all youth members pass this Bulletin to their parents so that they can have a read as well. Lots of questions have been received from parents over the past few months about information that was published in the last Bulletin. Please have a thorough read of all the details listed and make sure that all forms are returned via mail as soon as possible.

I am planning to visit the Australian Venture in Adelaide during January. For those attending, I am sure that you will have another wonderful experience. I shall try to arrange a gathering during the event so that you can meet some of the other Contingent members from around Australia.

Otherwise, I wish everyone a very safe and enjoyable summer holidays, and I look forward to seeing you in the year we have been waiting for – the year of the 23rd World Scout Jamboree!

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## **FROM THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONER OF AUSTRALIA**

Along with your Contingent Leader, Aaron Wardle, I welcome you to the third edition of the Australian Contingent Bulletin.

As you know, the theme of the 23rd World Scout Jamboree is "WA" or "A Spirit of Unity". In reflecting on current world affairs, I am struck by how relevant this theme is, and the contribution that world Scouting can make to unity across international borders.

I encourage each of us to develop the "spirit of unity" in the lead up to the Jamboree, and to practice it universally at this world event. Importantly, I urge each of us to continue applying the "spirit of unity" in our everyday lives on our return to Australia, and to encourage our friends and colleagues to do likewise.

To get us in the mood, the 23rd World Scout Jamboree song based on "WA - a spirit of unity" is available on the 23rd WSJ website, together with the lyrics.

Good Scouting, as you prepare yourself for "WA - A Spirit of Unity" - the 23rd World Scout Jamboree.

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## **CONTINGENT LEADER'S FAVOURITE FACTS**

The most popular names in the Australian Contingent are Daniel and Thomas with seven participants each. Other popular names include:

Six:	Five:	Four:	Three:	
Ryan	Harrison	Benjamin	Alexandra	Lachlan
	Matthew	David	Andrew	Nathan
		Jack	Christopher	Peter
		Jessica	Emily	Samuel
		Robert	James	
		Samantha	John	
		Timothy	Kieran	

## NICOLA CAPON

I remember wanting to be a Guide from a young age; I was a Brownie and a Guide before becoming a Venturer at Belair Scout Group. I have been in the group ever since, as a Venturer, Rover and Cub Scout Leader and I am currently a Venturer Scout Leader and Group Leader. Belair is ~10km south of Adelaide in the foothills.

I received my Queen's Scout Award, hold a Wood Badge in Venturer Scouts and Leader of Adults and was awarded with a Silver Wattle in 2009.

I have attended many Australian Jamborees, Ventures and World Jamborees in Australia, New Zealand, England and Sweden. My roles have included Service Leader, Line Leader, Activity Manager and Contingent Team Member.

By the time you read this, the Australian Venture, to be held in SA in January, will be very close... I am the Contingent Leader for SA; I hope to meet some of you there – come to Contingent HQ to say hello.

I am the Finance Officer on the Contingent Management Team for our trip to the World Jamboree. I am looking forward to this Jamboree and meeting you all. You will ALL receive money from me during our trip; whether that is money for meals or pocket money that you have previously given to the Contingent (more information is in this newsletter).

I often say, "In my spare time, I work full-time"! My paid job is as a Teacher of the Deaf. I work in an auditory-verbal setting, which means we teach the students, who are hearing impaired or deaf, to listen and speak. The students wear hearing aids or cochlear implants and may have other equipment to help them hear as well as possible. I work with students from 5-18 years and I either visit them at their school or via video conference, if they live away from Adelaide. I have been working there for 15 years and have had many rewarding experiences seeing the students grow and learn.

I am really, really looking forward to going to the WSJ in Japan with you all.  
Until we meet.....  
Nicola

## DR JUSTINE DOUTHWAITE

Growing up I was never a Scout, I was a Girl Guide. This was way back when Girl Guides never got to do all the awesome things Scouts and Guides get to do today. When my oldest daughter Samantha joined Scouts I was completely blown away by all the unreal adventures she was having (and slightly jealous). So much so, I joined too.

I am now the Scout Leader at Killarney Heights in Northern Sydney, both my girls are Scouts there. I also work in a busy emergency department for NSW Health, which I love. There we look after everyone from tiny babies, to very elderly folk, and every illness and injury you can imagine, and some I am sure you can't. It is hard to surprise me, but not impossible. (FYI that is NOT a challenge....!) Before I was a doctor, I was a Registered Nurse, before that (when I was at school) I was a nurse's aide (and worked at Wendy's selling ice-cream), talk about a career in \*health!

One of my hobbies is expedition medicine, for small groups travelling to remote locations. WSJ2015 will be the biggest group I have ever accompanied, so I have been speaking to past Health and Welfare contingent team people making sure I try to cover all the bases.

Japan is going to be awesome, how could it not be? It's got everything- an exotic location, excellent adventures, fantastic people and a few surprises in store. The Health and Welfare role for the Australian Contingent is to make sure we are all healthy and helping solve any welfare concerns. Basically if there are "human" problems these will come under my umbrella, my approach to any difficulty is "There is always a solution- just keep thinking." It usually works!

As an ounce of prevention is always better than trying to find a cure- if you have a question or concern, have a look at the FAQ's and if you can't find it there,- please feel free to email me at [justinedouthwaite@gmail.com](mailto:justinedouthwaite@gmail.com) and I will do my best to help.

I can't wait to meet all the Contingent.  
Justine  
(\* Except the ice-cream bit...)

## JAMBOREE TROOP ALLOCATIONS

The Contingent Team has worked hard to allocate the Jamboree Troops over recent months. For those that returned their Youth Member questionnaire, we have attempted to include one of your friends in the same Troop.

When constructing the Troops, here are some of the things that we considered:

- A maximum of five males and four females in every Patrol to fit the number of tents on each campsite
- A minimum of four different Branches represented in each Patrol for maximum diversity
- A balance of ages in every Patrol
- Every person in every Patrol from a different Scout Group
- Every Patrol to have a similar number of participants with past Jamboree experience
- Adult leaders from at least three different Branches in every Troop
- At least one adult leader under the age of 26 in every Troop
- Two male and two female adult leaders in every Troop
- Every Troop to have at least one adult leader with past international Scouting experience

As you can see this is no simple task! Nonetheless, we have succeeded in having seven strong Troops for the Jamboree.

You will get to know the other participants in your Patrol and Troop very well while we are in Japan and we hope that everyone is able to make many new friends from across Australia and around the world.

### ALPHA

➤ <b>040 Jennifer</b>	<b>QLD</b>	<b>F</b>
• 063 Tiarn	QLD	F
• 219 Isabel	NSW	F
• 107 Caitlin	NSW	F
• 570 Morgan	VIC	F
• 184 Patrick	ACT	M
• 547 Haydn	NSW	M
• 620 Leo	NSW	M
• 672 Jacob	VIC	M
➤ <b>440 David</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>M</b>
• 581 Madison	QLD	F
• 014 Keely	NSW	F
• 489 Hannah	SA	F
• 228 Katelyn	VIC	F
• 555 Lee	NSW	M
• 041 Ryley	NSW	M
• 608 Tristan	VIC	M
• 241 Damon	WA	M
➤ <b>223 Dorothy</b>	<b>VIC</b>	<b>F</b>
• 619 Rosemary	NSW	F
• 426 Astrid	NSW	F
• 023 Amelia	VIC	F
• 673 Brendan	ACT	M
• 572 Steven	NSW	M
• 292 Bonho	NSW	M
• 615 Ryan	QLD	M
• 660 Jackson	VIC	M
➤ <b>173 Keith</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>M</b>
• 293 Keiko	NSW	F
• 148 Alexandra	SA	F
• 535 Anika	VIC	F
• 638 Daniel	NSW	M
• 600 Dylan	NSW	M
• 442 Chris	NSW	M
• 512 Jared	QLD	M
• 770 Austin	VIC	M

## BRAVO

➤ <b>661 Cathy</b>	<b>QLD</b>	<b>F</b>
• 469 Sally	NSW	F
• 067 Samantha	NSW	F
• 249 Ashleigh	QLD	F
• 653 Talei	VIC	F
• 639 Thomas	ACT	M
• 546 Ashton	NSW	M
• 486 Daniel	NSW	M
• 488 Malcolm	VIC	M

➤ <b>524 Mark</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>M</b>
• 605 Selin	NSW	F
• 517 India	NSW	F
• 717 Samantha	QLD	F
• 335 Kaija	VIC	F
• 585 Mitchell	NSW	M
• 143 Aaron	NSW	M
• 174 James	VIC	M
• 582 Daniel	WA	M

➤ <b>117 Andrea</b>	<b>ACT</b>	<b>F</b>
• 556 Scout	NSW	F
• 487 Jenna	SA	F
• 658 Rachel	VIC	F
• 091 Isaac	NSW	M
• 593 Benjamin	NSW	M
• 624 Alan	QLD	M
• 159 Thomas	TAS	M
• 412 Leroy	VIC	M

➤ <b>520 Joshua</b>	<b>VIC</b>	<b>M</b>
• 476 Claire	NSW	F
• 533 Misha	NSW	F
• 644 Chloe	VIC	F
• 597 Lucas	NSW	M
• 160 Christopher	NSW	M
• 114 Timothy	QLD	M
• 523 Ryan	SA	M
• 080 Thomas	VIC	M

## CHARLIE

➤ <b>077 Phillip</b>	<b>VIC</b>	<b>M</b>
• 172 Emma	NSW	F
• 643 Bianca	NSW	F
• 562 Riley	QLD	F
• 691 Zoe	VIC	F
• 237 Andrew	ACT	M
• 484 Kieran	NSW	M
• 321 Albert	NSW	M
• 262 Alexander	QLD	M
• 626 Ryan	VIC	M

➤ <b>207 Margaret</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>F</b>
• 577 Taylor	NSW	F
• 121 Zoe	QLD	F
• 724 Katharine	SA	F
• 761 Orianna	VIC	F
• 069 Andrew	NSW	M
• 202 Jaedan	NSW	M
• 245 Dylan	QLD	M
• 550 Andrew	VIC	M

➤ <b>123 Peter</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>M</b>
• 609 Eleanor	ACT	F
• 428 Lola	NSW	F
• 568 Georgia	QLD	F
• 099 Catherine	WA	F
• 529 Peter	NSW	M
• 647 Julian	NSW	M
• 656 Jack	NSW	M
• 101 Josh	VIC	M
• 179 Christopher	VIC	M

➤ <b>498 Alexandra</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>F</b>
• 576 Rhiannon	NSW	F
• 671 Marley	NSW	F
• 182 Georgia	QLD	F
• 134 Kara	VIC	F
• 541 Thomas	NSW	M
• 537 Pocholo	NSW	M
• 613 Lachlan	SA	M
• 136 David	VIC	M
• 765 Samuel	VIC	M

## DELTA

➤ <b>047 Fiona</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>F</b>
• 094 Alexandria	NSW	F
• 586 Melanie	NSW	F
• 178 Kiah	QLD	F
• 092 Shani	VIC	F
• 437 Rian	ACT	M
• 646 Timothy	NSW	M
• 333 Kieran	NSW	M
• 664 Adam	VIC	M

➤ <b>060 Mark</b>	<b>VIC</b>	<b>M</b>
• 482 Taryn	NSW	F
• 595 Molly	NSW	F
• 048 Kaitlin	QLD	F
• 532 Jordan	VIC	F
• 086 James	NSW	M
• 650 Blake	NSW	M
• 497 Daniel	SA	M
• 675 Gabriel	VIC	M

➤ <b>093 Sharleen</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>F</b>
• 623 Hannah	NSW	F
• 097 Braieta	NSW	F
• 545 Jessica	TAS	F
• 459 Nathan	NSW	M
• 580 Christopher	NSW	M
• 596 Lochlan	QLD	M
• 186 Harrison	VIC	M
• 679 Julian	VIC	M

➤ <b>602 Phillip</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>M</b>
• 353 Stella	NSW	F
• 073 Emily	SA	F
• 683 Ashley	VIC	F
• 061 Connan	NSW	M
• 601 Johnathon	NSW	M
• 611 Jaidyn	QLD	M
• 471 Dean	VIC	M
• 618 Max	WA	M

## ECHO

➤ <b>042 Samuel</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>M</b>
• 104 Erin	NSW	F
• 475 Makaila	NSW	F
• 480 Charlee	QLD	F
• 542 Emily	VIC	F
• 633 Nicholas	ACT	M
• 566 Kieran	NSW	M
• 574 Benjamin	NSW	M
• 431 Jack	VIC	M

➤ <b>416 Dianne</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>F</b>
• 507 Jessica	NSW	F
• 587 Ashley	NSW	F
• 715 Jadzia	QLD	F
• 559 Roselin	VIC	F
• 697 Arjaan	NSW	M
• 687 Lachlan	NSW	M
• 103 Thomas	SA	M
• 654 Cooper	VIC	M

• <b>122 Reece</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>M</b>
• 194 Olivia	NSW	F
• 414 Kay	NSW	F
• 666 Rebecca	QLD	F
• 751 Matthew	NSW	M
• 020 Brandon	NSW	M
• 096 Harrison	QLD	M
• 622 Maxwell	TAS	M
• 436 Ethan	VIC	M

➤ <b>455 Narelle</b>	<b>VIC</b>	<b>F</b>
• 610 Brooke	NSW	F
• 162 Jasmyn	SA	F
• 141 Jessica	VIC	F
• 563 Connor	NSW	M
• 090 Timothy	NSW	M
• 150 Ryan	QLD	M
• 677 Riley	VIC	M
• 598 Samuel	WA	M

## FOXTROT

➤ <b>682 Lachlan</b>	<b>QLD</b>	<b>M</b>
• 501 Alex	NSW	F
• 505 April	NSW	F
• 667 Samantha	QLD	F
• 769 Bree	VIC	F
• 617 Jack	ACT	M
• 655 Aidan	NSW	M
• 549 Jacob	NSW	M
• 743 Xavior	QLD	M
• 612 Oliver	VIC	M
➤ <b>018 Janelle</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>F</b>
• 492 Ebinee	NSW	F
• 525 Emma	NSW	F
• 030 Lauren	QLD	F
• 485 Brearna	VIC	F
• 599 Matthew	NSW	M
• 283 Cameron	NSW	M
• 139 Bradley	NT	M
• 614 Nathan	QLD	M
• 328 Jack	VIC	M
➤ <b>062 Duncan</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>M</b>
• 135 Bronte	ACT	F
• 579 Jayne	NSW	F
• 635 Caitlin	VIC	F
• 500 Alexander	NSW	M
• 526 Max	NSW	M
• 651 Christian	QLD	M
• 659 Jaryd	TAS	M
• 665 Rory	VIC	M
➤ <b>496 Rebekah</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>F</b>
• 594 Anika	NSW	F
• 511 Darcy	QLD	F
• 548 Jasmine	SA	F
• 767 Scarlett	VIC	F
• 642 Joseph	NSW	M
• 567 Archie	NSW	M
• 689 Aiden	QLD	M
• 180 Harrison	VIC	M
• 768 Joshua	VIC	M

## GOLF

➤ <b>439 Stephen</b>	<b>VIC</b>	<b>M</b>
• 345 Emilia	NSW	F
• 325 Iolanthe	NSW	F
• 688 Laura	VIC	F
• 641 Harrison	ACT	M
• 554 Matthew	NSW	M
• 506 Daniel	NSW	M
• 151 Bryce	QLD	M
• 558 Ryan	VIC	M
➤ <b>113 Vicki</b>	<b>QLD</b>	<b>F</b>
• 578 Rebecca	NSW	F
• 279 Ruby	NSW	F
• 452 Maeve	VIC	F
• 022 Benjamin	NSW	M
• 133 Thomas	NSW	M
• 604 Braden	QLD	M
• 064 Charlie	SA	M
• 327 Campbell	VIC	M
➤ <b>039 Noel</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>M</b>
• 629 Isabelle	ACT	F
• 230 Emilia	NSW	F
• 424 Sarah	SA	F
• 681 Anushka	VIC	F
• 046 Ian-Ross	NSW	M
• 170 James	NSW	M
• 540 Michael	NSW	M
• 171 Harrison	VIC	M
➤ <b>028 Alexandra</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>F</b>
• 508 Tanaya	NSW	F
• 528 Claire	NSW	F
• 607 Michaela	VIC	F
• 652 Emily	WA	F
• 418 Peter	NSW	M
• 744 Paul	NSW	M
• 185 Oscar	QLD	M
• 479 Jay	VIC	M



## POCKET MONEY

The Australian Contingent will be offering a secure Pocket Money system to all youth members. Participants will be able to access cash on a regular basis throughout their time in Japan without the risk of carrying their total balance in cash during the event. This will be of particular interest since we are unlikely to have ATMs available at the Jamboree or during much of our other travel plans.

The Australian Contingent recommends a daily maximum of ¥2000. This recognises that all meals, accommodation, transport and activities are already included in our Jamboree Fee. Therefore, pocket money would only be used to cover souvenirs and snacks during our time away.

Pocket Money will be distributed in multiples of ¥2000 and will be available at a set exchange rate. Surplus Pocket Money will be refunded at the same exchange rate after our return to Australia.

The exchange rate is expected to be about \$22 for ¥2000 and will be confirmed in March 2015 once the updated exchange rate is known. A separate Pocket Money Order Form will be distributed with the next Bulletin for this purpose.

## PERSONAL MEDICATIONS

All Contingent Members are asked to login to their online account and ensure that their medical information, emergency contacts and other personal details are fully updated.

As Justine highlighted in the last Bulletin, there are many restrictions with taking medications into Japan. The Australian Contingent recommends that you talk to your doctor about any medications that you will be taking to the Jamboree.

The Embassy of Japan in Australia also has information on bringing medications into Japan. Please visit the following website for assistance: [www.au.emb-japan.go.jp/en/visa/medicine.html](http://www.au.emb-japan.go.jp/en/visa/medicine.html)

## CONTACT CARDS

It is very common in Japan to exchange business cards with your contact details with new friends. The Australian Contingent is arranging for everyone to be issued with a small supply of contact cards free of charge. There is a separate order form attached for you to record the contact details that you would like included. Contact cards will only be ordered for Contingent members that return their order form before 31 January 2015 and have parent/guardian approval.

## PASSPORTS AND VISAS

All Contingent Members are now required to supply their passport details to the Contingent. If you have not already done so, please login to the online registration system and complete the Travel Details Page listing your passport details.

\*\*\* The details provided must match EXACTLY with your passport. \*\*\*

The Smart Traveller website advises that Visas are not normally required for Australians entering Japan for tourism for less than 90 days. Nonetheless, it is the responsibility of each Contingent Member to verify the need to hold and obtain a Japanese Visa – especially if you will be using a Passport from a country other than Australia.

Holders of foreign passports may also need to find out if they require an Australian Visa to return to Australia after the Jamboree as well!

Additional information can be obtained from the Embassy of Japan in Australia:  
[www.au.emb-japan.go.jp](http://www.au.emb-japan.go.jp)

## FACEBOOK

All participants are encouraged to like our Facebook page. We will be adding regular news updates online as we get closer to our departure.



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## FLIGHT DETAILS

All flights have now been finalised and paid for. Flight details have been loaded into the online registration system providing a personalised itinerary for every member of the Australian Contingent.

All Contingent Member should review these details and notify the Contingent of any errors immediately.

Please contact Ricci Burgess ([ricci.burgess@live.vu.edu.au](mailto:ricci.burgess@live.vu.edu.au)) if you have any problems or you have any questions on flights. A summary of the flights are included below:

### Domestic Connections

QF1073	17/07/2015	Broome	13:00	Perth	15:40
QF969	18/07/2015	Townsville	05:55	Brisbane	07:40
QF509	18/07/2015	Brisbane	08:25	Sydney	10:00
QF2353	18/07/2015	Rockhampton	10:00	Brisbane	11:10
QF2282	18/07/2015	Launceston	10:25	Melbourne	11:35
QF2533	18/07/2015	Longreach	11:45	Brisbane	13:40
QF1508	18/07/2015	Hobart	12:00	Sydney	13:45
QF525	18/07/2015	Brisbane	12:25	Sydney	14:00
QF576	18/07/2015	Perth	08:05	Sydney	14:10
QF434	18/07/2015	Melbourne	13:00	Sydney	14:25
QF529	18/07/2015	Brisbane	13:25	Sydney	15:00
QF438	18/07/2015	Melbourne	14:00	Sydney	15:25
QF925	18/07/2015	Cairns	12:50	Sydney	15:50
QF736	18/07/2015	Adelaide	13:25	Sydney	15:50
QF1476	18/07/2015	Canberra	15:00	Sydney	15:55
QF791	18/07/2015	Alice Springs	13:10	Sydney	16:25
QF537	18/07/2015	Brisbane	15:25	Sydney	17:00

### International Flights

QF21	18/07/2015	Sydney	21:30	Narita	06:20
GK204	12/08/2015	Kansai	14:00	Narita	15:20
GK206	12/08/2015	Kansai	16:40	Narita	18:00
QF22	12/08/2015	Narita	20:30	Sydney	07:10

### Domestic Connections

QF461	13/08/2015	Sydney	08:45	Melbourne	10:20
QF1467	13/08/2015	Sydney	09:00	Canberra	09:55
QF512	13/08/2015	Sydney	09:05	Brisbane	10:35
QF924	13/08/2015	Sydney	09:15	Cairns	12:25
QF1508	13/08/2015	Sydney	09:25	Hobart	11:20
QF421	13/08/2015	Sydney	09:30	Melbourne	11:05
QF790	13/08/2015	Sydney	09:40	Alice Springs	12:30
QF741	13/08/2015	Sydney	10:05	Adelaide	11:45
QF581	13/08/2015	Sydney	10:10	Perth	13:20
QF520	13/08/2015	Sydney	11:05	Brisbane	12:35
QF2283	13/08/2015	Melbourne	11:50	Launceston	13:00
QF2366	13/08/2015	Brisbane	13:40	Rockhampton	15:05
QF974	13/08/2015	Brisbane	13:55	Townsville	15:55
QF1930	13/08/2015	Perth	16:10	Broome	18:40
QF2534	14/08/2015	Brisbane	07:45	Longreach	10:30

## JAPANESE CULTURE

Nick Bennett

Assistant Contingent Leader

While we are in Japan we will be moving around a lot on Public Transport. The train system in Japan is a tourist attraction in itself, which we will get to experience throughout our pre-Jamboree camp. However as with everything in Japan there are certain pieces of cultural etiquette that are important to know.

### **First and foremost, Japanese trains run on time.**

They are very rarely late. If you are late for your train, you can count on missing it! However you don't need to worry – trains arrive every few minutes so you won't be waiting long for the next one.

**Getting on the right train.** In the big cities the majority of signage will be in both English and Japanese, but this can still be confusing. In Japan, there are four main types of commuter trains that transport millions of people every day. They are called 'Limited Express', 'Express', 'Rapid' and 'Local', in ascending order of the amount of stops the train makes. It is all too easy to get on a train and then discover it is not stopping for another 10 stations. Knowing that there are these different types of trains will help you to recognize which one you want to be on.

**Waiting for the Train.** When waiting on the platform, it is essential that you stand behind the white or yellow line painted on the platform. While this might sound obvious, Japanese people take it very seriously, especially if a Shinkansen is coming through the station at very high speed. When your train arrives, you will need to line up along the painted lines on either side of the door to first let people leave the train. Every station marks door positions on the train platform floor. How you stand in line varies with location. If in doubt follow what everyone else is doing! Some carriages are designated as 'Female only' carriages. If you're not a female... don't go in that carriage!

**While on the Train.** As I previously mentioned, millions of people take the train in Japan each day. During peak hour it might seem like you are swimming in a sea of people! Japanese commuter

trains are built to carry as many people as possible, so are configured with very few seats.

You can count on standing for most of your train trips. As in Australia, the seats are reserved for the elderly, disabled and pregnant women. If you have a bag, you must take it off your shoulder and hold it in front of you while on a busy train, otherwise you will hit people as you turn around. Try to carry just the essential items with you if possible, as large bags are cumbersome and awkward on a tightly packed commuter train.

Many people play games, watch movies and text on their phones while on the train. But you must not talk on the phone or make loud noise. **The Australian Contingent suggests that you leave your phones at home anyway!** Also, avoid eating on the trains just as a general rule, as it helps to keep the train tidy. The exception of course is the Shinkansen (Bullet train) where you will have an assigned seat and can eat and drink.

Travelling in Japan is a very enjoyable and unique experience. Be considerate to the other passengers and have a great time!

## JAPANESE VOCABULARY

Zero	ゼロ	zero
One	一	ichi
Two	二	ni
Three	三	san
Four	四	yon/shi
Five	五	go
Six	六	roku
Seven	七	nana/shichi
Eight	八	hachi
Nine	九	kyū
Ten	十	jū
Eleven	十一	jūichi
Twelve	十二	jūni
Thirteen	十三	jūsan
Twenty	二十	nijū
Thirty	三十	sanjū
Forty	四十	yonjū
One Hundred	百	hyaku
One Thousand	千	sen
Ten Thousand	万	man
One Million	百万	hyaku-man

## CONTINGENT GEAR ISSUE

The Australian Contingent has organised a range of merchandise to be issued to all Contingent Members. This official gear will be used throughout the Jamboree.

- Travel Bag
- Day Pack
- Akubra
- Shirts x2
- 2nd Badge
- Water Bottle
- Contact Cards
- Other accessories



## CONTINGENT BRIEFINGS

The Australian Contingent will be hosting information briefings around Australia on the dates listed below. All Contingent Gear will be issued to participants at these briefings, including any additional shirts and badges ordered after the last Bulletin. It is therefore essential that every member of the Contingent attend these sessions, or at the very least have a family member or friend come to collect your items.

➤ Brisbane	Friday 1 May 2015	7:30PM	Marsden Scout Hall Tamarind Street, Marsden
➤ Cairns	Saturday 2 May 2015	10AM	Far North Region Office 186 Irene Street, Cairns
➤ Townsville	Saturday 2 May 2015	2PM	Kennedy Scout Shop 387 Charles Street, Kirwan
➤ Perth	Saturday 2 May 2015	2PM	WA Branch HQ 133 Scarborough Beach Road, Mt Hawthorn
➤ Melbourne	Sunday 3 May 2015	11AM	Victoria Scout Centre 152 Forster Road, Mount Waverley
➤ Canberra	Saturday 16 May 2015	10AM	ACT Branch HQ 89 Kitchener Street, Garran
➤ Sydney	Saturday 16 May 2015	4PM	Bundilla Scout Activity Centre 6 Baden Powell Place, Winston Hills
➤ Adelaide	Sunday 17 May 2015	1PM	SA Branch HQ 211 Glen Osmond Road, Frewville

For those that live in other cities around Australia and not able to attend one of these sessions, the Contingent will be arranging to courier your Contingent Gear directly to you.

Please complete the attached form and return in the envelope provided by 31 January 2015.

## YOUNG CORRESPONDENT



Are you confident, enthusiastic about Scouting, and have a desire to share that enthusiasm? Are you willing to share your experience and relate stories to the media?

Young Correspondents tell the story of the Jamboree by writing articles for the Jamboree media (newspaper, website, and so on) and providing stories to professional journalists visiting the Jamboree. Volunteers will also get to learn more about the media, including how to write articles, use cameras, video editing, etc.

Interested volunteers should send an email to [wjcontingentleader@scouts.com.au](mailto:wjcontingentleader@scouts.com.au) including details of any previous experience of working with the media, and any skills or information that would be useful in the role. Expressions of interest will close at the end of January 2015.

## AUSTRALIAN FLAG BEARER

One Youth Member will be selected to represent Australia as our official flag bearer at the Opening Ceremony of the World Scout Jamboree. More information will be available closer to the event.

## HIROSHIMA PEACE CEREMONY REPRESENTATIVE



One Youth Member will be selected to represent Australia at the Hiroshima Peace Ceremony on the 6 August 2015.

The chosen participant will depart the previous afternoon and stay overnight in Hiroshima with representatives from every other nation at the Jamboree in readiness for the early morning ceremony!

Details on selection criteria will be published closer to the event.

## FINAL PAYMENT INSTALMENT

The Final Payment Instalment is due at the Contingent by 31 January 2015. All outstanding amounts must be finalised by this date. We appreciate your assistance in ensuring these payments are delivered on time.

*NB. Please note that only our barcoded envelopes can be used for Reply Paid mail. Handwritten envelopes must have a stamp attached.*

## ATTACHMENTS

- Final Payment Form
- Contingent Briefing Form
- Contact Card Order Form
- Postage Paid Return Envelope

