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Report to the Nation 2009



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Message from the Chief Commissioner



In this 49th National Annual Report of Scouts Australia, membership growth of a further 2% in the Scout year to 31st March 2009 indicates continuing improvement in the quality of the delivery of the Scout Program to our young people across Australia, and effective communication of Scout values and

benefits to our varied communities.

The Scout Movement membership grows or declines at local Group level and is affected by many factors including, of course, the socio-economic climate of the diverse local communities. Ultimately these factors influence the delivery of the Scout Programs to and by local Joey Scout Mobs, Cub Scout Packs, Scout Patrols, Venturer Scout Units and Rover Crews. The principal factors of Youth Program, Adult Training and Personal Development, and the image and profile of the Movement are the focus of this report.

The Adults in Scouting Review and its consequential projects – particularly with respect to dynamic relationships, support, encouragement and coaching of our adults to provide effective, exciting and challenging activities – have been a major factor in this success. Well supported adult leaders deliver excellent Scout Programs and also assist Patrol Leaders, Venturer Scouts and Rovers to do so. This results in greater retention and recruitment of both youth members and adults.

The Chairs of the National Youth Council and the National Rover Council jointly launched the 'Year of the Scout' at 'AussieMoot', an event for Rovers and young leaders, at Cataract Scout Park in January 2008.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics Handbook for 2008, whilst not everyone's bedtime reading, is a vital reference for our country and strongly featured Scouts Australia on the covers and in a ten page article. It was launched on 7th February 2008 by the Chief Scout of Australia, His Excellency Major General Michael Jeffery. Numerous other publications also featured Scouting Centenary articles including the 2008 'Superbrands' book.

Three great Australia Post stamps were launched just before Founder's Day in February 2008 – a 50 cent 'everyday' stamp and two international stamps. Special envelopes and marks also commemorated the Centenary. The Canberra Stamp Show featured Scouting as its major theme, and the stamps have since featured internationally.

Also in February, the Royal Australian Mint issued a brilliant set of commemorative 'Scout' coins, then surpassed this with the issue of a circulating one dollar coin which ultimately had the potential to end up in the pocket of every Australian. The dollar coin was launched by our National President, Sir William Deane, former Chief Scout and Governor-General.

Major youth events included exciting and imaginative 'Cuborees' in several Branches – local magazines featured great stories about these activities. The South Australian Branch conducted a very successful combined Cuboree/Hoporee, involving over 2,500 Cub Scouts, Joey Scouts and their parents.

Our National Indigenous Scouts Program blossomed, establishing new Scouting Groups in Bourke in outback New South Wales and Djarindjin near Broome in Western Australia. This added to the Groups already in Cape York, South Australia and the Northern Territory.

The highly successful 'Scarf Up For Scouting' campaign commenced in National Youth Week in April 2007 and flowed into 2008. Many prominent local and national citizens were presented with a 2008 version Centenary scarf and lapel badges to recognise their support for Scouting. As ongoing reminders of Scouts Australia's Centenary, we ourselves wore the 2008 Indigenous-themed woggle and the white Good Turns wrist bands.

Each Branch in Australia had a major Centenary event around Easter involving all five youth Sections together – the first time ever on such a scale. There were also street parties, commemorative camps, regattas, kite-flying and celebratory dinners.

Scouts Australia's international profile remains high with many requests for the services of our leaders, resulting in the appointment and ongoing involvement of Australian members on five World Organisation Task teams, the Asia-Pacific Region -Committee and the five sub-committees.



David Jones OAM, Joeys and Cubs from the ACT Branch and The Hon. Warren Snowdon MP, Federal Minister for Defence Science and Personnel, celebrating the 1000th water tank installation at the Scouts Australia ACT Branch Office.

The Venturer Scout Review was successfully completed in June 2008, allowing the relevant publications and updated adult training programs to be ready for the launch of the revised Venturer Scout program at the 14th Australian Venture 'Escape' in Western Australia on 9th January 2009.

National Adviser to the National Youth Council and National Youth Forum, Steve Tyas, very efficiently and effectively facilitated the Youth Forum at Escape. Recommendations from National Youth Forums go directly to the National Operations Committee and to the relevant Youth Program councils for action, the results of which are then reported back to the young people by various means.

The National Youth Council plays a major part in examining the recommendations in detail, to assist the discussion by other key national bodies. Jade Elliott was elected in 2008 for a two-year term as Chair of the NYC. As well as these duties, she has already been a delegate to the 2008 World Scout Conference and World Scout Youth Forum in Korea, played a role in farewelling the outgoing Chief Scout, Governor-General Michael Jeffery, and presenting a National scarf to our Chief Scout, Governor-General Quentin Bryce. Jade also assisted Steve Tyas in conducting the National Youth Forum at Escape.

Outgoing Chair Alyssa Pears chaired a very successful National Rover Council in Perth following the Venture. Sophie Feint from ACT Branch and Libby Davison from Victoria were elected Chair and Vice-Chair respectively for 2009, with Daniel Smith from Western Australia elected as Training Officer. Valuable resolutions from the NRC Executive have been adopted by the National Operations Committee, relating to youth involvement in decision making at all levels of the Movement.

Scouts Australia's Law "A Scout Cares for the Environment" was again illustrated by The Murray-Darling Rescue, the Rottneet Invasion, participation in Clean Up Australia, and local tree-planting. On a much wider scale, we joined Clean Up The World with a media conference in Parliament House, Canberra. Participating in Clean Up Australia and McHappy Day for Ronald McDonald House Charities has enhanced our reputation for community involvement and service.

These activities also provided additional opportunities for all members of Scouting, from Groups through to the National personnel, to further lift the commitment to and standards of Scouts Australia's ideals, programs, adult support and community profile.

The major 100 Year Water Grants Project has rolled on across Australia, with a water tank for every Hall or Den requested by a Scout Group. On 23rd February 2009 the 1000th tank was installed. Some funding is now available for large water tanks on priority campsites.

The major National Communications and Promotional Program during 2008 focused on:

- Building the image and profile of Scouting as the pre-eminent youth organisation in Australia and emphasising the benefits that our programs and ideals bring to young people and the community in general;
- Strengthening Scouting's image and "brand" as dynamic, adventurous, empowering and safe;
- Building awareness of Scouts Australia as part of a worldwide Movement of 28 million people;

The Hon. Kate Ellis, Minister for Youth, with other members of Federal Parliament and some members of Scouts Australia's National team proudly displaying their 2008 Year of the Scout Good Turn Wristbands.





- Recruiting youth members, especially for the younger sections;
- Recruiting adults in leader and support roles and to be advocates for Scouting;
- Capitalising on the “Year of the Scout”.

The most helpful and professional work of AdPartners in supporting and sponsoring our advertising continues to have a significant impact, and is very much appreciated by all involved in Scouting.

In the latter part of 2008 we sponsored popular Nickelodeon TV program ‘Camp Orange’. Nickelodeon produced a 45-second spot promoting Scouts Australia’s partnership with ‘Camp Orange’ to the target audience, with 5-second opening and closing billboards as well. The Scouts logo and banner advertisements on the ‘Camp Orange’ website assisted in directing a significant number of enquiries through to Scouts Australia’s own website.

Whilst the Year of the Scout officially finished in December 2008 there was a continuation of activities and promotions into early 2009 as Branches and Groups commenced celebrating their own centenaries. The challenge for us is to keep the momentum going throughout 2009 and beyond!

Again we record our great appreciation of the continuing tremendous support from our Governors-General and Chief Scouts, His Excellency Major General Michael Jeffery throughout his five-year term and Her Excellency Quentin Bryce.

This year we saw the retirement of two very successful National Commissioners, Chief Commissioner John Ravenhall and National Commissioner Youth Program Julie Creed. Both completed their six-year terms in 2008 but continued in office for short periods to provide seamless transitions for their replacements.

John’s long and dedicated service at both Branch and National level is unparalleled. He has led the Association through a number of important programs and changes, in particular the Adults in

Scouting Review and the Centenary of Scouting. He can stand down well satisfied that these activities have had the desired effect, creating an upward trend in Scout numbers.

Julie has had a very busy term of office driving program reviews, youth forums and managing the National to Branch interface for all the youth sections.

Both John and Julie have been active in international affairs, taking on roles in the South Pacific Region that have earned them and our Association much credit and respect. On behalf of Scouts Australia I thank them for their wonderful contribution to Australian Scouting.

Reg Williams

Chief Commissioner, Scouts Australia



Message from the National Chairman



Every year the Report to the Nation contains an excellent summary of Scouting in Australia as it brings together the achievements, challenges and milestones which have highlighted our year.

This year's Report is no exception and it can be likened to a colourful kaleidoscope depicting the outstanding year that we

have all enjoyed. It has been one of excitement, of growth, development and progress; all combining as befits the success of our centenaries. Furthermore, we can all share in our success with pride knowing that it has been achieved with the sense and spirit of togetherness which is Scouting.

I am sure that each of us has our own special memories from the Year of the Scout. From amidst the many events and occasions that I have enjoyed and shared there are two that I would like to highlight as they demonstrate the diversity of recognition that Scouting enjoys in our communities.

In September 2008, I attended the Official Opening of the RSL National Congress and received, on behalf of Scouts Australia, the 2008 ANZAC Peace Prize from the Minister of Veterans' Affairs, the Hon. Alan Griffin and the National President of the RSL, Major General Bill Crews.

In announcing the award of the Peace Prize the RSL noted that "the award of the ANZAC Peace Prize recognises the part that Scouting has played in the development of two million Australians over the past 100 years, both as individuals and as citizens".

Both during this ceremony and afterwards I was delighted with the esteem in which Scouting is held and also the encouragement for us to continue our efforts in assisting youth not only in Australia but throughout the world. This was a singular honour for Scouts Australia.

The second, an entirely different event, was the "para-drop" of the South Australian Branch's "Year of the Scout" banner during the tea-interval on day three of the Boxing Day Test at the Melbourne Cricket Ground. There were 42,000 people attending the cricket that day, being family day, and the coverage and exposure for Scouting was outstanding. This event helped mark the end of a very successful "Year of the Scout" and I thank both the South Australian and Victorian Branches for their cooperation in organising and obtaining such brilliant publicity.

A major tangible legacy from the "Year of the Scout" is the 100 Year Water Grants Project flowing from our partnership with the Federal Government and it was fitting that a celebration of the 1000th rainwater tank installation took place at the ACT Branch Headquarters on 23rd February 2009, the day after our Founder's Day. Just on 1100 rainwater tanks were installed at Scout Halls across all of our Branches and, in addition, we were able to spend

over \$5,400,000 providing tanks at Branch campsites and activity centres.

This has been an outstanding Project and we owe an immense debt of gratitude to David Jones and his colleagues around Australia, within Scouting as well as our contract partners led by Storm Sustainability Ltd. Many challenges have been faced and overcome, the finances have been professionally husbanded and the final outcome is of great benefit to Scouts Australia.

Having celebrated and benefited from our centenaries and the "Year of the Scout" we, as we must, are currently looking to the future and the way forward. This requires the focus of all of us be it at Section/Group level, at Branch or at National. There will be many individual steps along the path but they must all contribute to the common aim of ensuring that we are a contemporary movement with a bright future.

Two key initiatives that are already underway are the creation of a Strategic Marketing Committee, which has a strong membership bias to external experts in this field, and the development of a new Strategic Plan. In these, as in all the steps that we will be taking, we must be creative and lateral in our thinking, we must understand what the "touch buttons" are for each of today's generations and, above all, we must ensure that we are fully briefed on the hopes and aspirations of our youth.

I am sure that we are equal to these challenges provided that we are not unduly shackled by what I will describe as "our traditional past".

While Scouts Australia has not been immune from the financial turmoil that surrounds us I pay tribute to those who, over many years, have established the solid financial platform that we enjoy today. The value of our investments has certainly reduced in recent months. However they are regularly reviewed in conjunction with independent professional advice and, wherever possible, we have applied a policy of ensuring that the capital of our major funds is regularly adjusted to reflect current values.



Certainly we have the challenge of maintaining our cash reserves and our cash flow is continually monitored. One by-product is that Branch membership fees will be increased by \$2 (to \$8.20) as of and from 1st April 2010 which will be the first such increase in five years. We have also resolved to continue modest discretionary spending in the areas of advertising and market research and the funding for such expenditure will be jointly sourced from National and the Branches.

In a wonderful gesture on 10th December 2008 Dick and Pip Smith donated \$1 million to Scouts Australia. The money will be used in a number of ways including \$300,000 being allocated for a sculpture to commemorate the Centenary of Scouting in Australia. This sculpture will be located in Scouts Place, Circular Quay, Sydney. At Dick's request, the balance of the donation will be used to promote "responsible risk taking" amongst youth and the wider community. \$420,000 has been allocated for funding across the Branches and each Branch has been requested to advise how they would like to apply their funds. The balance will be directed towards National programs.

In some ways the past year has also been one of change with a key change occurring on 1st February 2009 when Reg Williams succeeded John Ravenhall as Chief Commissioner of Australia. John's contribution to Scouting, both in Australia and internationally, has not only been outstanding but also inspirational. In each of his many roles he has served with distinction whether it was as Assistant Cub Master, 2nd Strathmore in 1961-1963; as a member of the World Adult Resources Committee in 1995-1998; or as Chief Commissioner of Australia from 2002 until recently.

On behalf of all members, friends, colleagues and supporters of Scouting I thank John for his outstanding contribution and pay tribute to his leadership in so many facets of Scouting.

Reg is no stranger to the national echelons of Scouts Australia having been both the Chief Commissioner and President of the South Australian Branch and on behalf of us all it is my pleasure and privilege to congratulate Reg and welcome him into his new role. We certainly look forward to his guidance and stewardship in the coming years.

We also extend our grateful thanks to our retiring National President Sir William Deane.

Not only has Sir William provided invaluable advice and support to the National Team and the National Executive Committee but through them his support has flowed to tens of thousands of our youth who are, and have been, members of Scouts Australia. By quietly working on our behalf not only have we received financial support but, most importantly, the presence and role of Scouting in the community has been greatly enhanced.

However, if there is one field of Scouting endeavour that is possibly closer to Sir William's heart it is the program that Scouts Australia undertakes working with Indigenous Australians. Sir William worked

with us in obtaining our original funding from the Federal Government and subsequently through his direct efforts we have received continuing funding for this project.

Sir William, on behalf of us all, I thank you for all you have done and are doing for Scouting in Australia.

Finally, as I step down as National Chairman I wish to thank you all for your friendship and support over the last six years. I have really enjoyed being part of the journey that Scouting has taken during that period and I am blessed with friendships and memories that will remain with me. I am also extremely proud of the many young people and leaders that I have met and who are the heart and soul of our great movement. I wish you continued success in the years ahead.

Ian Langford-Brown

Chairman, National Executive Committee



Dick Smith with Peter Garrett, Federal Minister for Environment, Heritage and the Arts, and "cotton wool kid" Blake Whittaker of 1st Brush Park Scout Group.

"As a boy, I enjoyed camping and climbing in Scouts. I accept there is going to be a risk involved but Scouts are best placed to help manage that risk and now, more than ever, we need to stop wrapping our kids in cotton wool and let them discover their true potential."

DICK SMITH

Highlights 2008-2009

Following the very successful and exciting World Scouting Centenary events in 2007, the celebrations continued through 2008 with Australian Scouting's own centenary and the Year of the Scout.

ANZAC Peace Prize awarded to Scouts Australia

In recognition of the part Scouting has played in the development of two million Australians over the past 100 years, the RSL awarded the Association the 2008 ANZAC Peace Prize.

The ANZAC Peace Prize, announced annually, is awarded by the RSL to 'recognise any outstanding effort by an Australian citizen who has promoted the concept of international understanding and who, in so doing, has made a contribution to world peace'.

The award recognises the part that Scouting has played in development of young people, both as individuals and as citizens. International Scout Jamborees, whether they have been held in Australia or in other countries, have brought young people and their leaders together from all parts of the world, regardless of nationality, creed or religion. The friendships thus established have made a significant contribution to international goodwill and understanding, and to world peace.

In acknowledging the award, then Chief Commissioner John Ravenhall said, "Scouts Australia is proud and delighted to accept this wonderful award on behalf of the many thousands of men, women and children who are currently, and have been over the past 100 years, involved in Scouting. Scouting worldwide, through its diversity of membership across 160 countries is indeed a Movement that prides itself on being a culture of and active agent for peace."

The Prize itself is a silver medallion some four inches in diameter, depicting the legendary "Simpson" of Gallipoli and his donkey. Already a most rare and valuable item in itself, the medallion has been specially struck in sterling silver at the Royal Australian Mint, is presented in a specially designed presentation case and inscribed with the name of the recipient. The medallion is accompanied by a certificate setting out the nature of the Prize and the citation on which the award was given.

A new look website

During the year Scouts Australia undertook a total revamp of the National website. Working with members of the National Youth Council along with other Scouting members, positive feedback was received on how the site could be improved and made more user-friendly and relevant to today's cyber surfers.

With a clear plan in place, the site redesign was implemented by our long standing partner and webmaster Mindvision Interactive and launched in January 2009. The simplified and creative website breathes new life into one of the most important resources for Scouting in Australia.

Former Chief Scout awarded Silver Kangaroo

On Wednesday, 27th August 2008, at Government House in Canberra, His Excellency Major General Michael Jeffery AC CVO MC was awarded the Silver Kangaroo for his eminent achievement and meritorious service to Scouts Australia. His Excellency's term as Governor-General and Chief Scout of Australia finished on 4th September 2008. The presentation was made by Chief Commissioner John Ravenhall, assisted by Jade Elliott, Chair of the National Youth Council.

Richard Miller, National Chief Executive, also presented His Excellency with a specially prepared pictorial souvenir of the 2007-2008 Scouting Centenary period. Other members of the Scouts Australia National Team in attendance included National Chairman Ian Langford-Brown, International Commissioner Emma Barker and Junior Vice-President Wayne Geale, as well as Mrs Sally Ravenhall and Mrs Barbara Geale.

Partnering with Linkme.com.au

Entering into strategic partnerships which will benefit our members and Scouting in general has become a fundamental and significant part of our planning and development. Our most recent strategic partnership is our relationship with LinkMe Pty Ltd to form the online 'Scouts Australia Career and Networking Community', accessible through the National website.

LinkMe provides career networking opportunities for both job seekers (including our members present and past) and employers. The interaction is simple; an individual registers and posts his or her CV on the LinkMe website. The CV is then made available to employers and/or recruitment agencies who subscribe to that website on a commercial basis. There is no cost to those seeking jobs.

This partnership between Scouts Australia and LinkMe has both practical benefits to our members and a potential income stream for Scouts Australia.



Indigenous Scouting

The National Indigenous Scouts Program aims to support the development of young Indigenous people by the introduction and operation of Scouting in remote Indigenous Communities. It is a longitudinal program which is driven by the Indigenous members of each Community with support from Scouts Australia.

Scouts Australia received a Commonwealth grant under the YouthLinx Program for \$2 million for the Program to operate for three years commencing mid 2006.

The Program's outcomes centre on improving life opportunities for young people. It aims to continue community ownership and operation and address the critical areas of community capacity building, closing the life expectancy gap and developing life skills which promote resilience for young people in Indigenous Communities.

The Program was piloted in far north Queensland (The Northern Peninsula Area, Napranam and Mapoon). It was reintroduced to the Northern Territory and has now expanded into South Australia (Yalata), Western Australia (Fitzroy Crossing and Djarindjin) and New South Wales (Bourke).

In establishing the Program, flexible models and processes are used to adapt to the requirements and needs of different Communities. The success of the Program depends on volunteers and paid personnel from Scouts, government and non-government organisations, and the people of the Communities.

The Program is coordinated nationally, with day-to-day operations being managed by State and Territory Scout Branches. In each Branch a senior volunteer, the Development Coordinator, oversees and supports the Development Officer who is employed for the Program by each Branch.

The Development Officer visits and stays in the Community regularly and supports the Community to establish the Scout Program by providing guidance and resources to help them identify potential adult supporters, leaders and youth participants. Once the Program is established, the Development Officer provides ongoing support.

In New South Wales the Development Officer is a resident of one of the Communities involved in the Program.

In the past year there has been an increase in youth and adult members in the Weipa area. The Program in the Northern Peninsula Area continues to be promoted and engages with other youth programs.

Our Queensland Development Officers have supported wet season programs "Kids Living Safer Lives" in Hope Vale and Cohen.

Scouting is now established in Western Australia in Djarindjin through the Community Council, and a Community Committee has been established in Fitzroy Crossing with leaders identified and young people engaging in the Program.



In New South Wales the Scout Program is now operating very successfully in Bourke and is being established in Brewarrina.

A new Development Officer is working in Yalata in South Australia whilst work continues to re-establish the program in the Northern Territory.

An independent evaluation is now under way with a final report due on 31st July 2009. Further funding is being sought for the next three years.

Asia-Pacific Region and World Scouting

Scouts Australia once again supported our fellow Scouts in the Asia-Pacific Region (APR). We invited and financially supported two youth members from each of Sri Lanka, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and Indonesia to attend the Australian Venture 'Escape' in January 2009.

Members of Scouts Australia's National Team attended and made major contributions to various APR sub-committee meetings and workshops. John Ravenhall, in his capacity as an APR Committee member, worked with the Indonesians at the Committee NSO Visit (CNV) self-evaluation, and also supported the Council of the South Pacific Conference at their recent meeting and training course.

Scouts Australia sent a delegation of 22 to the World Youth Forum and 38th World Scout Conference held on Jeju Island in South Korea in July 2008. Attended by 1189 participants from 150 countries, the conference focused on the theme of "Creating a Better World". Aside from the official sessions and workshops, participants had the opportunity to take part in a varied evening program and an educational tour of the Island. Australian delegates



facilitated and ran a number of workshops, all promoting the great work of Scouts Australia and demonstrating best practice examples.

With all Scouts around the world finalising their centenary celebrations in 2007, the number of overseas events in 2008 was limited. However, Scouts Australia still had good representation at a number of international events.

Nippon Agoonoree – Japan

A very special Australian Scout contingent of eight Scouts with disabilities and their 20 carers attended the 10th Nippon Agoonoree in Japan. It was an opportunity to meet Scouts with disabilities from around the world. The girls and boys were away for 16 days and each was assisted around the clock by a pair of volunteer carers who are also members of Scouts Australia. This trip demonstrates that by working to each other's strengths, young people can achieve amazing things. The experience will be a lasting memory for all those involved. The hard work and dedication of the Contingent Team made for a very successful event.

William I Koch Sea Scout Cup, USA

In July 2008 the Scouts Australia team from Canberra, Chris Eddes and Adnan Mueller, represented Scouts Australia at the William I Koch International Sea Scout Cup Regatta at the US Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, USA. Countries represented at this event were USA, Australia, New Zealand, Brazil, Trinidad, Germany, Finland, Denmark and Sweden. The team achieved selection for the Koch Fleet sailing the Vanguard 420 after making it to the top half of the preliminary races. The team made Australia proud with a placing of 13th out of the 40-boat line-up.

New Zealand Moot

Once again Scouts Australia sent a contingent of 22 Rovers to Midnight Moot, the 66th New Zealand Moot held during Easter 2008.

Taiwan Indigenous Scouts Jamboree

It has also been an exciting time for a young Indigenous Scout and her father, a Leader, both from the Mapoon Scout Group. Scouts Australia funded their travel to and participation at the Taiwan Indigenous Scouts' Jamboree.

"It was awesome," said both Sabrina and Lee.

Scout International Student Exchange Program

Through the Scout International Student Exchange Program, Scouts Australia families hosted two Japanese, two English and nine Danish Venturer Scout-aged youth members in Western Australia, Victoria, South Australia, New South Wales and Queensland. In addition, we sent four Australian youth members from Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia to Denmark and England.

Plans are being developed to expand the number of countries involved in the exchange program.

Pen-pal Program

Scouts Australia has a very active Pen-pal Program with many requests from overseas for a pen-pal. The traditional concept of writing a letter to a pen-pal has now given way to youth members all over the world from Hong Kong to Peru to the UK to Zimbabwe requesting links with Australian Scouts via email. Links have been established between youth members from all sections as well as Groups and Cub Packs. Many long-term friendships are developed through this program. The Pen-pal Program is being extended to Joey Scouts, with Mobs linking with their peers overseas.

A web-based registration system for the Pen-pal Program is being developed and will operate through a page on the National website.

Branches are being encouraged to promote the Pen-pal Program as a way of introducing international Scouting into different sections. It's a great way to help our young members learn about other cultures and the international aspects of Scouting.

JOTA/JOTI

The 2008 Jamboree of the Air (JOTA) enjoyed renewed interest with an increasing number of Groups planning to operate JOTA stations in the future. Radio Propagation is improving with radio conditions across Australia and New Zealand being good in recent times.

The 2008 Jamboree of the Internet (JOTI) drew the usual large crowds worldwide. Organised and trained through WOSM's Scoutlink, channel operators help run the event. Several members from Australia are amongst them. A young Leader from South Australia maintains the Scoutlink Australia website and a Venturer Scout from Tasmania assists with maintaining 21 chat servers located around the world.

"Over half-a-million Scouts around the world gathered on the air during the 51st JOTA, and via the Internet for the 12th JOTI. Once again, the Scout Movement has demonstrated its capability to open space for dialogue and mutual recognition to young people of all nations, regardless of culture, religion or race. Through the



ACT Venturers Chris Eddes and Adnan Mueller represented Scouts Australia at the William I Koch Sea Scout Cup Regatta in the USA in July 2008.

adherence to its values and principles, the Movement has shown how it jumps over obstacles and barriers, at least geographical ones," said Luc Panissod, Secretary-General of WOSM.

"Empowering young people by using communication technology is an important step to learn how to explore the world. Innovative by nature, Scouting uses technologies to pursue its educational mission."

Environmental Update

2008 was a highly active and successful year for Scouting and the Environment, featuring several Branch and local events, some media coverage, and further cooperation and coordination between the Branch Commissioners for the Environment on a national scale.

A number of excellent events were run, including the Murray-Darling Rescue in South Australia and Victoria which included the millionth tree planting during August, the EnviRo Venture in WA, SPLASH and Backyard to Bush in NSW, as well as a plethora of local events run by Scout Groups. Many of these local events were eligible for and received a Scout Environment Week certificate to recognise their efforts.

These events, promotions and the subsequent articles written and published have done much to raise the awareness and understanding within and beyond Scouts Australia of the important role Scouting plays in the environmental challenges we now face.

National Youth Council

In May 2008 the National Youth Council (NYC) welcomed ten new members from across Australia at its annual conference held at the Baden-Powell Scout Centre at Pennant Hills in Sydney.

Throughout the year the NYC made a number of recommendations to the National Operations Committee on issues including Parent Involvement, Scouts and Technology, Cultural Awareness, Scholarships and Leader Training. The NYC also provided information and ideas for the Venturer Scout Review which was completed during the year with the changes now being implemented across Australia.

The NYC has continued to produce the National Youth E-News several times a year with a new design being implemented in late 2008. The Scouts Australia Facebook page which is monitored in partnership with National Rover Council has grown to over 1500 members. It is an excellent social and information networking tool for Scouts across Australia and helps ensure that Scouts Australia remains relevant to today's youth.

Rovering

Rovering kicked off to a positive start in 2008 with a successful National Moot (Aussiemoot) held at Cataract Scout Park in New South Wales, providing an excellent Rovering experience with 'endless opportunities' for the 800 staff and participants from both interstate and overseas. The official launch of the Year of the Scout took place at Aussiemoot.

The NRC developed a new list of goals, action items and projects for the year with '90 Years of Rovering' celebrations being at the forefront, along with further development of an events management toolbox, the revision of NRC standing orders and the development of strategies for recruitment, retention and the transition out of Rovering to new opportunities.

One of the major goals of 2008–2009 was to promote Rovering by continuing the development and strengthening of communications with different Sections, Branches and the general public.

The NRC is working with the Northern Territory Branch to assist in the development of Rover training and the growth of the Section through increased promotion.

An NRC representative participated in the NYC Annual Conference in May 2008. This was an excellent step in improving and extending relationships between the two Councils. The National Rover Council has not had a representative at the National Youth Council Conference for some years.

'Rovering's Greatest Adventure' and 'Fly the Flag', two NRC initiatives, ran again during the year.

The Chair of the NRC attended the World Scout Youth Forum and World Scout Conference in Korea, joining other Rovers and youth members from around the world representing their own countries in Scouting.

Roverscope @ Escape was a success, with Rovers from around Australia and New Zealand participating at the 2009 Venture. This is a productive way of promoting Rovering to the Venturer Scout section and helping Venturer Scouts find out more about how



'Cleaning up the Beach' by Robert McKnight, a Leader with the 1st Balgownie Cub Pack, won the Silver Prize in the 7th Asia Pacific Region Scout Photo Contest 2009.

Rovers work in their state. The NRC assisted Roverscope with funding for 'I want to be a Rover' stickers and booklets.

During the January 2009 NRC conference, six workshops were conducted on topics such as developing a membership toolbox, mental illness in Rovering, marketing and promotions, social networking in Rovers, future projects and the NRC Constitution.

Youth Program



There is a real sense of achievement with the work that has been done and the progress that has been made by all the Program Teams during the year.

Rovers

Branch reports show that Rovering is going from success to success with some great things happening out there! Centenary of Scouting activities continued on from 2007 – two major activities included Unearth Perth, an initiative of WA Rovers, and Victoria's Street Party.

Venturer Scouts

The Venturer Scout Review concluded with the launch of its implementation at Escape, the 14th Australian Venture held in January 2009. Work has been done on setting and strengthening guidelines for Venturer Scouts attending Jamborees, whilst the requirements for Venturer Youth Helpers working in the Scout Section have been updated.

Scouts

The new 'Campcraft Target' book was published and was very well received. The 'Camping and Hiking' publication has also been updated. Concerns re the Linking process between the Scout and Venturer Sections are being addressed and changes have been made to the level of comprehension in the Pioneer award.

Cub Scouts

A training session for Youth Helpers was developed during the year and a promotional flyer for Youth Helpers has also been developed and is being used within some Branches. The NSW Branch has introduced a Try Scouts badge along the lines of the Try Venturing badge. Information has been shared with Branches who do not currently run Cuborees, as many Cub Scouts will travel interstate to attend Cuborees held by other Branches.

Joey Scouts

Celebrations were held in some Branches for Joey Scouts' 18th birthday. The publication 'Promise and Law' has been produced in a new format, whilst work is continuing on the 'A-Z of Programs' which will follow a similar format. A CD of Joey Scout Resources is being investigated and promotion of Joey Scouts through Kindergartens using the new Joey Scout flyers is also being undertaken.

Youth Councils

The communication and cooperation between the NYC and NRC continues to strengthen. Credit must go to the Executives of these two Youth Councils for their strong leadership and commitment. The Rover, Venturer and Scout Program Teams continue to discuss the recommendations put forward by the NYC and provide feedback as required. In a similar way, the attendance of the NRC Executive at the Rover Program Teams has enabled issues to be dealt with speedily.

Scouts Australia Institute of Training (SAIT)

The Scouts Australia Institute of Training has continued to provide a wide range of training opportunities across all Campuses, and to particularly high standards.

Training statistics for the Wood Badge for the previous twelve months are detailed opposite. Having all Leaders qualified with the Wood Badge continues to be a training priority, and Branches are making every effort to ensure increases in the number of Leaders completing Wood Badge training and the associated accredited qualifications which are valuable adjuncts.



Wood Badge Statistics

Branch details of the training statistics for the previous twelve months. 1 April 2008 to 31 March, 2009.

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	TOTAL
Basic-Certificates of Adult Leadership – LOY	48	339	3	62	78	122	501	213	1366
Basic-Certificates of Adult Leadership – LOA	3	45	0	22	15	9	77	18	189
Advanced Training Courses – LOY	0	78	0	123	29	6	145	17	398
Advanced Training Courses – LOA	0	1	0	129	10	8	26	7	181
Wood Badges LOY	5	57	0	17	33	4	86	18	220
Wood Badges LOA	1	15	0	14	10	0	12	7	59
Training of Trainers Part 1, 2, 3 and 4	16	75	0	42	24	23	118	71	369
Assessors	0	43	0	13	10	0	18	0	84

LOY – Leader of Youth

LOA – Leader of Adults

Branch	Cert II	Cert III	Cert IV	Diploma	Diploma Units Issued
ACT	(Nil) Nil	(9) 24	(Nil) 1	(Nil) Nil	Nil
NSW	(Nil) Nil	(104) 207	(53) 61	(1) 1	5
NT	(Nil) Nil	(2) 3	(Nil) Nil	(Nil) Nil	Nil
QLD	(Nil) Nil	(56) 81	(18) 20	(Nil) Nil	4
SA	(Nil) Nil	(74) 93	(35) 37	(Nil) Nil	2
TAS	(Nil) Nil	(18) 29	(7) 8	(Nil) Nil	Nil
VIC	(Nil) Nil	(107) 176	(80) 99	(2) 2	4
WA	(Nil) Nil	(86) 130	(13) 15	(Nil) Nil	1
Total	(Nil) Nil	(456) 743	(206) 241	(3) 3	16

() Leadership

Attaining the Wood Badge is a WOSM requirement and continued promotion of the Wood Badge as part of our SAIT Business Plan remains a priority.

The 'Leader Training – Access to All' eLearning project, funded by a significant grant from the Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation, has made significant progress towards completion within project timelines. Currently the Rover Section training course 'Introduction to Rovering' has been tested and reviewed and a number of Electives for use in Advanced level training and other specific training events have been completed in readiness for uploading. eLearning will offer another method of delivery in training, a deliberate response to training access needs for many adults. The SAIT is most grateful to the Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation for this much needed funding.

Two meetings of the National Training Committee were held. New South Wales Branch hosted the first National Training Committee Meeting, and the ACT Branch hosted the second meeting in Canberra in October. These meetings ensure that the direction of training and development for Scouting in Australia is maintained, and assist greatly in noting the achievement of specific SAIT Business Plan goals.



Branch Commissioners for Adult Training and Development continue to provide opportunities for adult leaders wishing to participate in the Training of Trainers Program. Current industry directions indicate that all members of the Scouts Australia Training Team will ultimately require the complete Certificate IV in Training and Assessment, and we have been proactive in assisting in this process. A Partnership Agreement was signed with St John Ambulance in December 2008 which, for the first time, will allow the SAIT to offer direct training and assessment for this qualification to all adults in Scouting. A steady program of implementation in all Branches continues.

Our registered Adventurous Activity programs in Abseiling, Bushwalking, Canoeing, Kayaking and Sea Kayaking have continued to be of value in training young people and adults in these outdoor skills. The 2008-09 reporting period has seen a number of updates which reflect the Sport and Recreation Industry changes and all manuals and training materials that support this training within Scouting have been rewritten and updated. This reinforces the Association's commitment to conform to the VET national industry standards, and a steady rate of implementation has started to occur across all Branches.

The biggest challenge facing Scouting in these areas is having adequately trained personnel at the higher levels to allow wider program and activity opportunities for all members of the Movement. A meeting of Branch Adventurous Activities Coordinators was conducted in Canberra in August 2008. National Project Commissioner Peter Blatch continues to provide valuable and supportive leadership in this area.

Changes have occurred to assessment choices for the completion of Basic Training. Leaders undertaking Basic training have a choice - to be assessed for Scouting competency only in order to complete Basic training and gain the Gilwell Woggle, or to present their workbook materials for accredited assessment and thus gain additional accredited qualifications. By allowing some choice in assessment at the Basic level, many Leaders may be motivated to undertake Advanced training leading to the completion of the Wood Badge.

Our own accredited courses relating to the Certificate II in Leadership Support through to the Diploma of Leadership were due for re-registration in December 2008. The SAIT completed all the required documentation and successfully registered to deliver these training programs for another five-year period.

Paul Parkinson, National Commissioner for Adult Training and Development, attended a number of meetings of the APR Adult Resources sub-committee as a Committee Member during the period. He also provided training leadership to the Asia-Pacific Workshop on Training Methods and Techniques in Bangkok, Thailand, in September 2008, and assisted the Singapore Scout Association in the conduct of a Course for Leader Trainers as a trainer in Singapore in November.

Lord Baden-Powell Society

The Lord Baden-Powell Society, formed 25 years ago, has four levels of membership – Members, Ambassadors (new level introduced in 2008), Leader Members and Patron Members – who contribute from \$165 to \$1000 annually.

The Society introduced a new Member Invitation Kit for acquisition mailings and had a 300% increase in the number of new members joining the Society compared to the average number resulting from similar mailings over the past few years. These new members have enabled the Society to maintain its membership numbers despite the tougher economic times being experienced by many Donor Societies.

Members also give to a Jamboree Fund appeal on an annual basis, providing additional funds for distribution. The Society contributes funds towards Branches and gives financial assistance to Australian Scouts to attend national and international youth events which they would otherwise be unable to attend. In the 2008 financial year, over \$163,000 was contributed to Branches and Scouting members.

Scouts Australia greatly appreciates the ongoing support of the Society's 1200 members.

Scout Law

A Scout is trustworthy
A Scout is loyal
A Scout is helpful
A Scout is friendly
A Scout is cheerful
A Scout is considerate
A Scout is thrifty
A Scout is courageous
A Scout is respectful
A Scout cares for the environment

Scout Promise

There are two versions of the Scout Promise. Individuals taking the Promise may choose to use either of the Promises.

On my honour
I promise that
I will do my best
To do my duty to my God
And to Australia
To help other people and
To live by the Scout Law.
or,

On my honour
I promise that
I will do my best
To do my duty to my God
And to the Queen of Australia
To help other people and
To live by the Scout Law.

What is Scouting?

Scouts Australia is the largest youth Movement in Australia. There are over 60,000 members, joining over 28 million Scouts in 160 countries.

The Mission of Scouts

To contribute to the education of young people, through a value system based on the Promise and Law, to help build a better world, where people are self fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society.

We achieve this by:

- Involving young people through their formative years in a non-formal education process.
- Using a specific method that makes each individual the principal agent in his or her development as a self-reliant, supportive and committed person.
- Assisting them to establish a value system based upon spiritual, social and personal principles as expressed in the Promise and Law.

Aim

The Aim of Scouting is to encourage the physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual development of young people so that they take a constructive place in society as a member of their local, national and international community.

Principles

The Principles of Scouting, as identified by the founder, Lord Baden-Powell, are that Scouts serve their God, act in consideration of the needs of others and develop and use their abilities to the betterment of themselves, their families and the community in which they live.

Methods

The principal methods used by the Association to achieve its aims are:

- Voluntary membership of a uniformed group which, guided by adults, is increasingly self-governing in its successive age groups;
- Commitment to a code of living as expressed in the Promise and Law, the meaning of which is expanded as the member grows towards maturity;
- The provision of a wide range of attractive, constructive and challenging activities, including opportunities for adventure and exploration, both indoors and outdoors;
- The provision of opportunities for leadership and responsibility;
- Learning by doing;
- Encouragement of activities in small groups;
- An award scheme that encourages participation in the full range of activities and provides recognition of individual achievements.

The Scouting Sections

Joey Scouts

(Ages 6 to 7.5)

Joey Scout activities develop childrens' sense of sharing and personal identity, as well as teaching them about nature. The Joeys work together as a Mob under the theme HOP (Helping Other People). The Program emphasises co-operative, participatory learning through a wide range of fun activities.

Cub Scouts

(Ages 7.5 to 10.5)

Cub Scouting gives boys and girls adventure, achievement and a chance to grow their character. Cub Scouts develop their skills by working for achievement badges in their favourite areas such as sport, environment and art. Cubs operate in a Pack, with the emphasis on fun activity.

Scouts

(Ages 10.5 to 14.5)

Boys and girls of Scout age are looking for a sense of achievement. Scouts gives young people the opportunity to follow their special interests closely, develop personally, and learn special skills in fields such as campcraft, air and water activities and the environment.

Venturer Scouts

(Ages 14.5 to 17.5)

Young people in Venturer Scouts develop their sense of maturity and responsibility through the chance to be self-governing and to choose their own activities. Venturer Scouts expand on their Scouting knowledge, learning more about leadership, initiative and personal skills.

Rovers

(Ages 17.5 to 26)

A Rover is a young adult dedicated to fun and adventure while serving the community in the Scouting way. As young adults, Rovers can apply to their lives the principles of Scouting they have learned whilst still enjoying challenge and adventure.



Scouts Australia Management

Scouts Australia is managed by a National Executive Committee. A body of volunteers, the Committee is made up of Chief Commissioners and Chairpersons from each State Branch as well as the Chief Commissioner of Australia, National Chairman and Hon. Treasurer.

Other members of the National Executive Committee are the International Commissioner, National Commissioner for Youth Program, National Commissioner for Adult Training and Development as well as two young people under 26 years of age, currently the Chair National Youth Council and Chair National Rover Council.

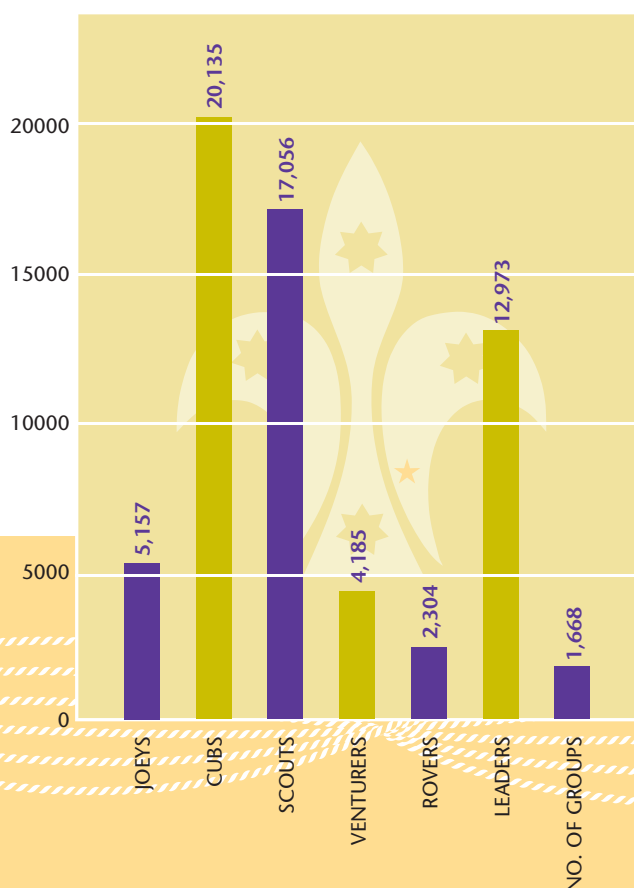
Scouts Australia's National Office has five full-time and five part-time professional staff members providing support to the positions above.

The most significant part of the team, however, is the tens of thousands of volunteers who act as Branch and Section Commissioners, Leaders and Supporters within the State Branches. They work at the ground level, directly with the Scout Sections, building Scouting in Australia, every day.

These volunteers have the support of full-time and part-time staff members at each Branch.

Scouts Australia is an accredited member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM).

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2008-2009 Awards

The following members were included in the Queen's Birthday 2008 and the Australia Day 2009 Honours.

Member (AM) in the General Division

- The Hon John Charles Price

Medal (OAM) in the General Division

- Mrs June Diana Bailey (Gone Home)
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2008 Adult Recognition Awards

The following members of Scouts Australia received the Silver Kangaroo for eminent achievement and meritorious service to the Association in the 1 August 2008 Adult Recognition Award Presentations.

NAME	APPOINTMENT	FORMATION	BRANCH
Anthony Michael Aldous	Branch Commissioner	Archive Team	SA
Ronald Stanley Ash	Youth Program Support District Adviser (Venturer Scouts)	Charles S Snow District	QLD
David Michael Baden-Powell	Assistant Branch Commissioner		VIC
Elizabeth Anne Golec	Branch Commissioner		VIC
Elston Colin Hynd	Deputy Chief Commissioner	NSW State Headquarters	NSW
Stanley Ronald Kennedy	Honorary Leader (Region)	South Metropolitan Region	NSW
Lorrel Margaret Samson OAM	Group Leader	1st Traralgon Scout Group	VIC
Ian Stuart Sharpe	Honorary Commissioner	Manningham	VIC
John Selwood	Region Commissioner	Hume Region	NSW
Alfred William Smith	Assistant Scout Leader	Manningham	VIC
Robert Bruce Thomson	Assistant Cub Scout Leader	1st Dubbo Cub Pack	NSW
Aline Ethel Thompson	Scout Heritage Centre		VIC
Elizabeth Margaret Truscott	Assistant Cub Scout Leader	1st Westmead Cub Pack	NSW
Helen Anne Whittington	Youth Program Support Assistant Region Commissioner (Adult Training and Development)	Far North Region	QLD

2008 National President's Awards

NAME	APPOINTMENT	BRANCH
The Hon Maxwell George Evans MBE	Honorary Commissioner	WA
The Hon Glen Norman Williams AO	Youth Program Support Adult Support Member Non Uniform (Branch Council)	QLD



Thank you to all Volunteers and Supporters

The National Executive Committee of Scouts Australia would like to thank you for your continued support and encouragement of our work over the past year. Your dedication and spirit motivates and inspires us to strive for more in the upcoming year and has helped shape Scouting into what it is today.

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