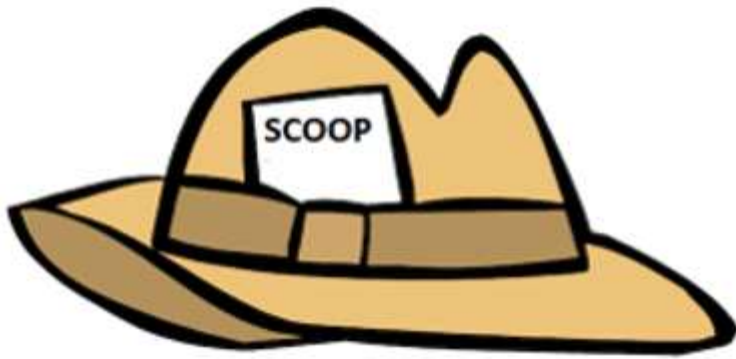


# SCOOP



**QUARTERLY  
NEWSLETTER FOR THE  
1<sup>ST</sup> UPWEY  
SCOUT GROUP**

## Term 2 in brief

Term 2 saw loads more action and activity among our sections. From ANZAC Day and Mother's Day activities through to visits to Gang Show, participating at Scout Hike and all manner of wonderful stuff.

Take a look inside for articles on these activities and much more from across the Joey, Cub and Scout sections as well as the Foresters Venturer Unit and some information on what the Birubi Rover Crew has been up to.

If you or your child have some questions about the next section and what's in store for them as they move through the Scouting world, please feel free to contact the leaders in that section or drop in on their meeting night to have a word.

Joey Scouts meet at 5.30-6.30pm on Thursdays. Joey Scouts is for 5-7½ year olds.

Cub Scouts meet at 7.00-8.30pm on Wednesdays. Cub Scouts is for 7½ to 11 year olds.

Scouts meet at 7.30-9.30pm on Thursdays. Scouts is for 10½ to 15 year olds.

Venturers meet at 7.30-9.30pm on Mondays. Venturers is for 14 to 18 year olds.

Birubi Rover Crew meet at the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Bayswater Scout Hall (right next to Bayswater Station) from 8.00-10.00pm. Rovers is for 18 to 26 year olds.

# Joey Scouts

## Joey Scouts – Term 2!

By Emily (Kookaburra)

Term 2 was just as exciting for the Joey Scouts as Term 1, with many highlights of the term and programs including 'My Environment' and 'Recycling Night' as we worked towards our Environment Scheme badge.

## ANZAC Day & the RSL

In just the second week of term 2 the Joey Scouts marched in the ANZAC parade. We lined up, proudly leading the 1st Upwey Scouts marching to the RSL with lots of smiles. The happy Joey Scouts that marched earnt the 'Their Service Our Heritage' badge.



## Mother's Day

Mother's Day was the focus of one of our nights. The Joey's invited their special lady to be pampered! They received massages and a hand scrub. These special women received some yummy treats that the Joey Scouts prepared the week before. Who doesn't love a pamper?



The very next day the Joey Scouts visited the Running Rabbits Military Museum. We were shown around and got to play dress ups. We looked very closely at each exhibition. There were lots of questions asked by our ever eager Joey Scouts.







## Bugs!!

Bugs night was a crowd favourite! Lynda Power brought a beehive in and taught us all about bees and what they do for us. We were allowed to taste natural honey and have a closer look at the bees with a torch, seeing if anyone can find the queen bee.



Echidna also brought in her stick insects for holding and we found ourselves searching through their poo for eggs!



## Campfire Night (with the big kids!)

The Venturers ran a campfire night on our second last week of term. This included sitting round the campfire, singing, roasting marshmallows and having lots of fun. To finish our night the Joeys wrote down what they are thankful for and put it in the fire.

## Disco – Joey Rave!

Term 2 finished with a disco by our one and only Venturer Riley. This was a very fun filled night, with many dancing, games, food, laughs and smiles. We finished the night by presenting badges and saying farewell for the school holidays.

We are very excited for what term 3 will bring.



# Knots, and parent involvement

Joey parent Geoff Clarke shared his expertise on knot tying with Joeys who practised lashing to make a shelter (and tie up Rama!).

We appreciate the ongoing family input and support to our program and encourage anyone within the group with expertise or experience within the Joeys term 3 and 4 themes of 'caring and sharing' or 'adventure' to contact Echidna (Monique) on 0409 322 477 to see if we can arrange a visit or guest appearance.



# Cub Scouts

## Ninja Warriors Term

By Judith (Akela)

Term 2 had a Ninja Warrior theme. This included activities such as Ninja Warrior Training, Ninja Warrior Obstacle Course, a Ninja Night Hike and culminated in Ninja Clip n Climb!

## Berwick Clip and Climb Night

By Phil (Bagheera)

In the heaviest rain we've seen in a long time, Cubs poured into the Berwick Clip and Climb for a district night. The wet

weather didn't dampen anyone's spirits - the noise and enthusiasm generated by so many Cubs was quite amazing!

Activities on offer included rock climbing, aerial walks, flying foxes and a rather amazing series of poles that Cubs ascended like nimble mountain goats! Some of the highlights were competitive climbing - walls that offered a timer where Cubs could push themselves to beat their own times - or those of their friends - as they raced to the top and pushed the Big Red Button.

Another favourite was the "Face to Face" wall - a clear perspex wall with a climb on each side of it. Friends delighted by racing each other on this climb.





The professionalism of this centre was evident - staff were everywhere, assisting the Cubs, and demonstrating the safety gear. Even Cubs who declared they were scared of heights had the confidence to tackle rock climbing and give it a go.



Quite a few kids surprised themselves with just how much they could achieve in an activity they never thought they'd try.

The night was a great success, and if you didn't make it along, make sure you don't miss the next one!



# A special THEATRE report for Alina

## Gang Show

On the 24/6/2018 [Also my birthday] the Upwey Cubs and I went to go see Gang Show. It was a story about 2 lands, broken apart by a ginormous wall. These 2 worlds are **Mechanos** and **Greenhaven**.



In **Greenhaven** they grow all sorts of fruit and vegetables.

And in **Mechanos** they like to invent things. Before the show began they showed us all the music, sound effects, costumes, props and lighting cues of the show. [Well not all of them, just a few to get us into what the show was about].

**Review:** 10 golden eggs



## THEATRE!!!!

On the weekend we went to see Sleeping Beauty. It was so FUNNY!!!!!! It was a pantomime. The difference between a panto and a theatre performance is that a panto is SO MUCH FUNNIER 😊

I've also been to:

- 78-story treehouse
- The Little Mermaid
- Aladdin
- Wizard of Oz
- The Lion King
- Mr Stink
- Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

As you can see, I love the theatre!





## School Productions

I've also been involved in my school productions. I have only been in two. They are Snow White and the other Seven Dwarfs and Once Upon a Time! I'm not sure what the next year's production is going to be. Mrs Lang usually hides the topic until the next year. I would like to act in Gang Show when I'm old enough.



*Thanks, from Alina*

# Scouts

## Term 2

By Vicki Morris

Wow what a finish for this term with Gang Show and District camp. We welcome new Scouts Kevin, Nikloai and Declan, Linking Cubs Bailey, Anders and Oisin. We also welcome Scout Olivia who is transferring from another troop. We said goodbye to Emily and wish her and her family well down at the beach. We also say goodbye to Owen and hopefully see him around at Venturers. Next term we look forward to seeing more Cubs linking to Scouts, while some of older scouts start linking to Venturers.



This term's activities included a Murder Mystery night, Anzac Day, Cultural Cooking, Just Dance, construction and proficiencies. Due to poor hiking weather, the night hike with 1<sup>st</sup> Healesville was changed to a bridge construction and

games night at Healesville. We had four tripods joined together and managed to get everyone on the bridge at once.



## Cultural Cooking

By Erin B (Redbacks APL)

Cultural Cooking was great. My patrol decided to do North Korea vs America. One patrol member decided to dress up as a Korean citizen, my patrol leader decided to dress up as Kim Jon Un and I decided to dress up as Donald Trump. Even though some bits might have been embarrassing it was a great experience of new things.

## Scout Hike

By Violet M (Scorpion PL)

Scout Hike was great. We travelled to the Tallarook state forest to begin our journey. From taping Weet-Bix to Patrol members' arms to climbing very large hills, we had a great time and met a lot of other troops that we hope to see in the future.



# Gang Show

By Tanya (Georgia and Noah's Mum)

Gang Show for 2018 was mine and my children's first ever time with MGS and it turned out to be a wonderful experience for all of us. Better than I ever anticipated. When Georgia told me that she wanted to audition for Gang Show, I was very reticent. I didn't think "we" were up to it. I was concerned that the kids might have been putting too much on themselves. Truth be told, I was more worried about me. The driving around, the long hours and late nights etc. etc. There was always an excuse - from me. BUT ... both my kids auditioned and got in and I reluctantly went along with it. Well, since February of this year I have blind hemmed costumes of many colours. I have cut and sewn and stabbed my fingers. I threaded a thousand needles with a hundred different coloured threads and have driven all over strange suburbs seeking out that elusive cup of coffee. I chatted and laughed and sewn some more. I made friends. Good friends. When the sewing was done, my new friends and I ushered the patrons to their seats to watch our children shine.

Oh my gosh, how they shined. I was told that my kids will be very different by the time the show finished and they were so right. My beautiful, quiet girl overcame her own reservations to be a part of a show that was bigger, busier and more hectic than she is comfortable with to shine in her own right. She made new friends, sang, danced and smiled - a lot! My boy who doesn't always follow instructions well, never missed a step, a lyric, a position and even - got up the front and centre a few

times. My son learned to overcome fear and anxiety. He learned time management and how to work as a team. He too made friends and told me that he is already wanting to sign up for next year. He's found something that he loves. I am so proud of both my kids for doing this. It is a memory they will have for the rest of their lives.

Here are the highlights from our performers:



## Noah

*Highlights:* having fun and doing my best

*Favourite Scenes:* freedom of imagination part 2 and lets all party tonight.

*Favourite acting scene:* final song change the world

*Role:* Junketeer

*Favourite costume:* freak outfit

*Patrol:* Othello:

## Georgia

*Highlight:* meeting new people

*Favourite scene:* start of act 2 chosen one.

*Hardest thing to do:* keep in character onstage.

*Role:* spirit God for most of the show.

*Favourite costume:* Mechanos outfit in chosen one.

*Patrol:* Portia.

### **Ezekiel**

This was Ezekiel's second year in Gang Show. Ezekiel was awarded the Don Smilie award for smiling and beaming at appropriate parts during the performance.

*Highlight:* Enjoyed all performance and being in a patrol that shares the same passion as me.

*Favourite Scene:* opening scene fun to perform. Liked all the scenes

*Roles:* spirit god and a freak cast, hunchback

*Patrol:* Othello

*Favourite costume:* spirit god and man up costume. Man up costume was fun to jog around in the funky boots.

*Hardest thing:* to leave the after party.

Don't like waiting for the next performances; wish it could go all year. Saddest part is the after party because Gang Show has ended for the year.

## District Camp

By Vicki Morris

District Camp started at Platform 9 ¾ and we travelled by train (and bus) to Eumeralla Scout camp. We were placed in patrols with scouts from other Troops in the District. Before dinner the sorting hat sorted us into our houses. Muggle Quidditch was won by Hufflepuff.



We played a wide game to capture the sock to free Dobby. We spent a lot of time cooking and ate lots of food, making stew in cardboard boxes and an enormous vegetable soup for lunch one day. We also had a very large campfire and watched the stars after some Theatre Sports which were quite funny.





## Jamboree Car Boot Fundraiser

Saturday 25th August from 10am - 3pm will see a car boot fundraiser happening in our car park.

\$20 per car for your chance to sell your wares. There will also be tie-dye activities for children, a BBQ and cake stall.

All money raised is going towards Australian Jamboree 2019 fees and expenses.

## Coming up in Term 3

- Fantastic Race
- Cohen Shield

## Taste Point Fundraiser

HELP! All over 18-year-old meat eaters we NEED You!

On the Tuesday 31st July between 6pm and 8pm we have a Taste Point Fundraiser. It doesn't cost you anything, but we need at least **60 people** to taste test meat for a very short time (about ½ hr). In return the Scout Jamboree Fundraising will get \$1000.

Email: [vickimorris@netspace.net.au](mailto:vickimorris@netspace.net.au) if you can help us out

# Venturers

## Greek Cultural Night

With Gabby keen to share her heritage with the unit, she was joined by Tamika in running a wonderful evening of activities, topped off with souvlaki for supper.



By Tamika

On Monday the 4th of June we all got together for Greek culture night. We began the night with decoding some riddles that had been written in Greek. Once they had been decoded you had to solve the riddle in order to receive the next one.

After we looked at Greek letters and words we moved on to looking at what the ancient Greeks used to wear. We gave each group a sheet and they were to create the best toga (ancient Greek outfit) they could. We were quite surprised with the outfits that the venturers came up with.

After this we moved outside where we played a game that is commonly played in Greek school. The game consisted of

having a scarf visible on you and the idea was to try and get as many scarfs as you can.

We all then went back inside to learn some Greek dancing from Gabby. We all stood in a circle and did the Zorba the Greek dance. We were both very surprised with how this turned out as we thought that not many people would get involved but we had the whole unit all giving this a go.

We finished this night off by playing music, eating souvlakis and talking with each other.

Overall, Greek night was a success and many people from the unit have said they really enjoyed this night.



## Scout Hike

Ella, Molly, Julian, Zac and Riley P volunteered their time to help run an activity base at the annual Scout Hike event.



Along with Upwey leaders Tim, Vicki, Ken and Michaela, they ran a very busy base seeing hundreds of Scouts complete their challenge over the weekend.

This has been an annual service commitment that we've made as a unit over the past 5 years. Many thanks for your great work over the weekend!



It has also given many opportunities to the Cubs, Scouts and Venturers to join in with some activities with them.

The Venturers and Joeys joined together to end Term 2 with a campfire evening – complete with roasting marshmallows and singing songs together.

## Farewells

Turning 18 means your Venturing days have come to an end. And so it was that we said farewell to Cody S and Ben C.

Good luck in your future endeavours and hopefully there's some more Scouting in your future!

## Campfire with the Joey Mob

Having a Joey Mob as part of the group has been a real bonus for the entire group – most of all the Joey Scouts themselves. And when you've been used to working with Venturers, Joeys are soooooo tiny!



# Rovers

## Rovering @ Birubi RC

By Madeleine Marshall

This term in Rovers we've been keeping up the activities and excitement while trying to stay out of the cold weather when necessary. Activities such as bowling, venture-joint-nights and car hide 'n' seek; an adaption of hide 'n' seek involving car loads of people who hide within a greater area in a suburb and the group use Facebook 'GIF's' as hints to where they're hiding, are what we've been up to lately.

We also had Mudbash this term, perfect for both the die-hard motorheads and those just interested in catching up with fellow rovers. Shannon Noll was our guest entertainer at Mudbash this year, blessing us with plenty of songs from his newest, very patriotic album as well as plenty of Aussie classics.

We've also visited the Queen Vic Winter Night Market as well as having thrown our annual Under 18s Trivia Night. We have hopes of throwing an 'Adults Only' event next year as we have in previous years, well as our U18's. This year's Trivia Night organisers were first time Trivia Night organisers and did an amazing job at pulling the night together with the support of the fellow crew; I think I can speak for the other helpers on the night in saying we had just as much fun as the participants, on the night.

Mid-July, we will be visiting Mt Baw Baw in a trip open to other crews as well as partners & friends of the crew. This trip takes place in a lodge in the heart of Baw Baw and is a highlight for the crew every year. Next term we're mixing up a lot of low cost/no cost activities as well as some region and state events such as MARB in September.

We're always looking for linking Venturers to come try out our crew and encourage those to feel welcome to come along or reach out if you'd like to have a chat or get to know us as a crew a bit better.

P.S.: If you or somebody you know is 18 (or nearly 18), Rovers is worth checking out. Birubi Rover Crew meet at the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Bayswater Scout Hall (right next to Bayswater Station) from 8.00-10.30pm. Rovers is for 18 to 26 year olds.

For more info head [here](#).



# Group Leader & Committee

## Annual Awards Night

The Annual Awards night was held with all sections in attendance on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. This is a chance for the Group to let our member families know what we've been up to, how the group is going and recognise the achievements of our Youth members.

This year's award recipients were:

### Joeys

Award for Joey Pawsomeness: Quinn Hum

Caring and Sharing Award: Bode Prochazka

Helping Other People Award: Nate Cassidy



### Cubs

Cub Scout Promise Award: Zach Prochazka

Cub Scout Law Award: Ethan Grainger

Cub Scout Leadership Award: April Heymann

Grey Wolf: Anders Firman



### Scouts

Scout Leadership Award: Owen McKay-Major

Getting the most out of Scouts: Georgia Seedsman

Encourager Award: Violet McLeod

### Foresters Venturers

Venturer Leadership Award: Molly Davis

Venturer Service Award: Julian Rickard

Venturer Watch Your Step Award: Tamika Allan

Many thanks to Abigael Jamieson (Branch Manager) for her attendance and the Upwey Community Bank Branch's generous gift to each award recipient.

## New Q Store Annex Racking

This week, with thanks to Tim, Ben and Ken, some new racking was erected in the Q Store annex.

This was a several stage process involving moving all of the timber and loose items into the main hall as a first step. Then the following day half the carpet and underlay in the Q store annex was removed. This



also required the manual removal of loads of nails and staples.

The racking was then able to be erected against the wall. The

new racking measures 1.2m deep x 4.0m long x 2.4m high.

This provides some much-needed shelf space as well as making storing our equipment and using the Q store annex somewhat safer.

Thanks a lot for your efforts, gentlemen.





# Painting the Hall

Thanks to Better Rentals in Ferntree Gully for the donation of scaffolding hire, Eric Yates and Ken Stanford spent a recent weekend painting the front and rear internal walls of the hall.



It's the support of people like this behind the scenes that often go unnoticed. So next time you see Ken or Eric, say a quick thanks!



## The Group

With 80+ youth members, 1st Upwey Joeys, Cubs and Scouts, the Foresters Venturer Unit and the Rover crews our Rovers call home are really thriving. The help provided by leaders of each section to one another, and between sections, has enabled the program for each section to be delivered as well as possible.

Remember, the newsletter is published once per term. It is anticipated that the newsletter will (hopefully) be published during each term break. If you have any stories or photos you'd like included, please email me at [michael@walkerfamily.id.au](mailto:michael@walkerfamily.id.au) and I'll see what I can do.





# Tea, Coffee and Hot Chocolate!



***Raise funds by drinking tea, coffee and chocolate!***  
*Fair and Direct trade! You are supporting local farmers not big companies!*  
*All tea comes with an infuser to save the extra rubbish created by tea bags.*  
*Coffee can be supplied ground if preferred*  
**Good quality tea, coffee and hot chocolate from a local roaster**  
**Order some to try!! Samples to see at Scouts as below**



## How does it work?

You simply order and pay by Thursday night through the TryBooking link given below and the tea/coffee/chocolate can be picked up from Scouts the next week or by arrangement from Tim at 12 Hughes Street Upwey.

Funds are kept together for your scout and can be used for camps, end of term functions, patrol activities, Jamboree or other Scout events. Your fundraising amount can be checked at any time by an email to Tim

## How do I order?

Order through Trybooking (<https://www.trybooking.com/313760>).

**Cost:** As you order, you raise money for your scout and for 1<sup>st</sup> Upwey as shown in the table below. When your friends order get them to enter your scouts name so he/she can be allocated the funds.

Product name	Unit size	Price	Scout	1 <sup>st</sup> Upwey
Ethiopian Fair Trade	250 g	\$ 10	\$2	\$1
Ethiopian Fair Trade	1 kg	\$35	\$7	\$3
Copper blend Fair trade	250g	\$10	\$2	\$1
Copper blend Fair trade	1kg	\$30	\$6	\$2
Silver blend Fair trade	250 g	\$10	\$4	\$1
Silver blend Fair trade	1kg	\$30	\$7	\$3
Sumatran Tiger coffee Direct trade	250g	\$10	\$2	\$1
Sumatran Tiger coffee Direct trade	1kg	\$35	\$7	\$3
35 Dark drinking chocolate	500g	\$20	\$7	\$3
White drinking chocolate	500g	\$20	\$7	\$3
23 Drinking chocolate	500g	\$20	\$4	\$1
Loose leaf tea with infuser	100g	\$15	\$4	\$1



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<b>Bendigo Savings or Cheque Account</b>	<b>\$10</b>
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For more information, contact us:

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