



Caboolture Campfire Chronicles



Great news from the Group—A Grant.

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The Caboolture Scout Group received a grant of \$29,969 from the Gambling Community Benefit Fund for renovations to 'Andrews Hall'. After many break-ins, and windows broken, the Hall which was originally from the Woodford Prison, was badly in need of some renovations. The Rover Crew helped with the clean out of the Hall ready for the Builder.

At their recent Annual General Meeting, the renovations were acknowledged by Regional Commissioner - Irma Howell, District Commissioner - Stephen Bryant, Group Leader - Ricky Chilcott, Deputy Mayor - Greg Chippendale, Russell Vieritz representing Jon Sullivan, MLA, and the Andrews family, Barry & Dawn, son Craig, and grand-daughters, Darna and Laneeka.

At the D'Aguiar Range District Annual General Meeting, the Chief Commissioner of Queensland, Mr Maurice Law AM and Regional Commissioner Irma Howell, were very pleased to see the new stove in the newly renovated kitchen.

The Group thanks the Gambling Community Benefit Fund for the grant, as many will benefit from the renovated Hall.



Chief Commissioner of Queensland, Mr Maurice Law AM and Regional Commissioner Irma Howell.

ROVERS cleaning hall

Officials and members at AGM





Joey Scouts

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Dear Parents and Joey Scouts,

Wow what a term we had!

Badges achieved and worked on! Buddies came along for a fun time! Excursions & Bike Bungle! A new member to join our Mob! Our Assistant Leader swaps sections!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome to our Mob our latest Joey Scout who will be invested in the new term – Courtney. Courtney was invited by Cael to attend our “Bring a Buddy” night in June. She had so much fun, she wanted to join us! Welcome Courtney and family to the Caboolture Scout Group.

Our Annual District Joey Bike Bungle was held on 19th June with Mobs from Woodford and Bribie Island joining us at Apex Park. We had a total of 16 Joeys attend from the three mobs. The Bribie Island Wildlife Rescue volunteers visited us and talked to the children about what to do if you find an injured native animal and other environmental tips. The volunteers also brought along two orphaned baby possums! It was a wonderful experience for the children.



Joeys during the ride!



BWR Volunteers spoke with Joeys.

Another excursion this term took us to Regis Canning Lodge, Caboolture on the 24th June. This is a centre for the elderly and although our time there was short it was valuable to both the Joeys and the residents. We visited two groups of residents and sang songs to them and played balloon games. The Joeys worked hard the weeks before making flowers to give the residents. We made a total of 75! Before we left we were given a Certificate of Appreciation and invited to come back again.



Joeys, parents and Cub siblings enjoyed sharing songs and experiences with the residents.

Other news to hand is that our Assistant Joey Leader – Platypus (Ange) has decided to leave the mob and go up to Cubs and become an Assistant Leader for the section. Although we will miss her greatly, her presence there will assist with Joeys linking up to Cubs for there will be a familiar face for them. We will miss Platypus weekly but know we can count on you if we need you. Thanks for all your assistance with our Mob.

If you have any questions in regards to any of the activities Joeys get up to or have anyone interested in joining us, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you have any suggestions or would like to help our mob in any way, just let me know.

Yours in Scouting - **Wallaby** - Jenny Colvin



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The Cubs have been very busy during the second term. We had quite a good turn out for the ANZAC Day march and service this year. Some of them stayed behind and helped the scouts stack the chairs up after the service. Thankyou to those Cubs that did.

In May we went to Murrenbong campsite at Petrie for a Pack Holiday with Murrumba District Cubs. There was about 120 Cub Scouts in attendance over the weekend.

This camp was used as a trial for Cuboree. We used the tents from Jamboree this year as they are going to use the tents for Cuboree. The cubs learnt how to cook Mars bar damper in a cardboard box over. Over the weekend the Cubs got to play games, use their 1st aid skills, unscramble codes, and construction. These were all based on team work. On the Saturday night the Cubs had to practise their skits for the night entertainment. The skits were then followed by a camp fire.

There has been a lot of badge work happening this term. Some of the badges were gardener, cooking, collector, international culture, athlete, music and cyclist.

Congratulations

Alex, Tahlia, Bree and Shanae for achieving your Gold Boomerangs. Mitchell and Gemma for achieving your Silver Boomerang.—Bree for finishing your Grey Wolf.

For our last night of term we had a cookout. The cubs cooked toad in the hole, which is a potato scraped out with a bit of bacon and an egg cracked into it and then wrapped in foil and cooked.

They also made damper, but it didn't cook in time.

We smoked out the den with making and cooking our hotdogs in milk cartons.

As part of their Gold Boomerangs Gemma and Shanae had to collect kindling and wood to make and start the fire for cooking on.

By having the cookout the Cubs finished the Outdoor Scouting part of their Boomerang.

Cuboree fundraising has been going well with the first payment being made. We have just raised enough money for the last payment due at the end of the month. But more fundraising will need to be done for shirts and transport costs.

At the beginning of the holidays some of the older Cubs planned their Grey Wolf Hike. We did the hike as a bike hike with the whole pack, with splitting them into smaller groups. They decided what activities they wanted to do along the and what they had to bring. Some of the activities were trail signs, drawing what they see and feeding the ducks, and compass trail. Along the way the Cubs had to use hand signals while riding their bikes on the side of the road.

At lunch time they had to label the parts of the bike before they could have lunch. When we got to the finish point the Cubs had to wash the bikes. By the end of the day the Cubs also achieved their level one cyclist badge.

This term the Cubs will be going Eparaph Scout Environment Centre at Victoria Point to do a Special Interest badge called Water Wise. They will be learning about the water ways and the life in it. And what they can do to look after it.

Bree has started linking to Scouts and will be going up the second week back this term. Alex, Tahlia, Shanae and Gemma will start linking the end of July and they will be going up after Cuboree in October

On 4th September we will be going to Skillorama at Redcliffe again. The theme this year is cartoons. The whole family is welcome to come along. Siblings of Joey and Cub age can also participate at the some cost as the Cubs. You can bring a picnic lunch or you may like to buy your lunch as there is normally hamburgers, chips, hotdogs and drinks available.



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Broncos Blurb

We currently have 16 Scouts, 1 Cub linking and a couple of new visiting kids.

We have had Scouts go to Butterfly and Kiwi Woggle. Which were enjoyed by all that

attended. We have also had a hike which allowed Lee to gain his Blue Cord and Rebekah to gain her Green Cord, they both went up to Venturers on the 18th June with Luke.

We now have new Patrol Leaders with new Patrol members so we will see how that goes.

We should have at least 2 Blue Cord hikes before Christmas as well as JOTA and hopefully a couple more camps as it warms up. There should also be a Red Cord hike in Aug/ Sep which all Scouts can attend. The photos included are of the Troop when Rebekah, Lee and Luke had their going up ceremony & of everyone after the Anzac Day March.

I would like to make a mention to the Caboolture Sports Club for the donation of \$500 which went towards 2 Patrol boxes, 4 ground sheet tarps and 2 gas bottles with adapters.

Yours in Scouting

Bronco - Alex Mizen



Scout Green & Blue Level Combined Hike Report By Lee O'Connell

We started on Saturday the 1st of May at the junction of the track and Mapleton Forest drive, where we were all full of energy and excitement. This was a 3 day journey that would take us to see amazing sights and waterfalls. We were equipped with walkie talkies, a GPS, compasses, and maps. All of this could not prepare us for the ups and downs that this journey had in stall for us, even though the patrol had Blake, Marco (2 human walkie

talkies), Sophie, Sandi, Rebekah, and me (Lee). This was a good patrol for this journey and we all had a good time even when we were walking up big hills, or getting tormented by snakes and leeches.

At the end of the first day we had walked 16.6km, that was over half of the entire journey. When we got to Thilba Thalba Walkers Camp we were all exhausted. But we still put up our tents, had dinner, and stayed up for a while and talked. The second day was much the same (walking, walking and more walking), except that it was a fair bit shorter than the first. We walked 11.5km on the second day. We stopped at Uba-gee Walkers Camp. The 3rd day we walked 2.8km, but we also went and saw a waterfall. We were all tired and when we saw the cars at the end of the track I think that we were all glad that we had finally finished the hike and were happy to go home.





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The D'Aguiar Range Venturers hiked in the Glasshouse Mts Area on June 13 & 14. The hike was part of their requirement to gain their Venturing Skills Award.

Hike Details:

Day 1 - From Old Gympie Rd walked over the saddle of Mt Tunbubudla (The Twins), followed tracks and forestry trails to Jack Ferris Lookout, followed National Park Trachyte Track to a Car Park South of Mt Tibrogargan, then on to Beerburrum Forestry Nursery, and finally on to Beerburrum to camp behind the Beerburrum School; Total Distance 15klm.

Day 2 - Walked to the top of Mt Beerburrum and return; Total Distance 4klm. This was a fairly easy hike designed to practice and learn lightweight hiking & camping skills plus practice and learn map, compass, navigation and GPS skills.

Some of the Venturers discovered muscles they did not know they had and by the end all were looking forward to a hot shower and a comfortable bed.

Participants in the hike were Kris Mizen (Caboolture Group), James Blundell (Morayfield Group), Tim Smoothy (Caboolture Group), Christine Neville (Burpengary Group), and Luke Haggard (Caboolture Group).

Cheers Greg





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Joey Scouts - Thurs - 5:30pm - 6:30pm
Cub Scouts - Thurs - 5:30pm - 7pm
Scouts - Fri - 7pm - 9pm
Venturers - Fri - 7pm - 9pm
Rovers - Mon - 7pm - 9pm

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Rover Report

The past few months for the Rovers has been spent working on our Squire training, we have all been working very hard to achieve this with only a few more things to be completed before most of us are knighted. We also plan to attend events such as Nighthawk to perform service to other sections of the movement. One of the Squires has been attending Joey's on a regular basis as a Joey helper.

On the cards for the next couple of months are some camps being organised by squires and also a joint regional activity with other Rover Crews.

Michael Burney – Rover Crew Secretary

Final installment of Scout History Article.

THE FROG POND -

During 1998, the Cub Scout Section was doing their World Conservation Badge. Ruth Maurer (a Leader in the Cub Scout Section) helped organize a Frog Workshop Day, to build a Frog Pond.

The Department of Environment presented a slide show on frogs with mimicry of each Frog call. Members from Wildlife Preservation Society & Brisbane Frog Society & Burpengary Community Nursery (Now CREEC - Caboolture Region Environmental Education Centre,) demonstrated how to build a Frog Pond.

They discussed aspects of the environment which make it suitable for frogs, and the advantages of frog ponds with the youth members and interested persons. Regular maintenance and enjoyment of the Frog Pond was included in the Cub Program. As part of their Environment Tape for their Queen's Scout Badge, Venturers Aaron Worthington and Stephen Kazakoff decided to restore and rebuild the Frog Pond which had been half dismantled for Kiwi Woggle and used for Gold Panning. Under the guidance of Pauline Fitzgibbon from the Frog Society, they cleared all the grass, weeds and old rocks, dug the pond deeper, created new rock walls and a rock island, made gravel shelves for the frogs to rest on, and planted various native water plants which had been supplied by CREEC. The rocks and gavel were supplied by Bracalba Quarry.