



2nd RING WOOD SCOUT GROUP

ANNUAL REPORT

1996

GROUP LEADERS REPORT 1996

Firstly, I'd like to welcome you all to this the 43rd Annual General Meeting of 2nd Ringwood Scout Group. As you read the reports, they tell you of many achievements, some great, some extraordinary, some from individuals; but what they don't say is the lack of recruitment within the Group. THAT'S YOUR JOB. Tell people what your doing. Invite them to visit and find out for themselves what you are talking so enthusiastically about. If you don't sound enthusiastic, how can you expect other people to be interested in joining. So lets all start talking Scouting - Activities both past and future, Achievements, etc. to all age groups and recruit as many new members as possible (Joeys, Cubs, Scouts and Leaders).

Scouting has a lot going for it even in this day and age of computers, fast food and television. Leadership, Planning and Decisions play a big part in our daily lives. Every day we make decisions in what we do, what we eat, the way we react to problems. This is how Scouting can help and skills learnt can be applied daily.

Today a new sign was erected to signify who inhabits this Scout Hall. It should be viewed as a new beginning and a breath of life back into 2nd Ringwood provided you make it happen.

I would like to welcome Andrew Gryst into the Group as Assistant Scout Leader and Louise O'Brien, who until recently was a Joey Scout Helper, is now an Assistant Joey Scout Leader.

We said fair well to Akela Rosemary Holley and hello to Karen Mace as the new Akela of the Cub Pack. This ultimately means two new Leaders will need to be recruited and quickly

The Parents Committee was increased this year with two new members, Richard Hodgson and Ivan Jones. Both contributed enormously throughout the year. Richard breathed new life and ideas back into the Committee, while Ivan constructed new trestles for camping and the installation of the hot water unit. Trevor Barter became Treasurer, a totally foreign position to him and did an excellent job. Much of the credit should go to Robyn Rowe for a smooth change over. Hopefully 1997 will be a better year, and I thank all the Committee for their efforts during the year.

Most of the achievements for the year will appear in the Section reports. However one may have been over looked, and that is the competition for the new Maroondah District Badge. Congratulations to Graham Holley who's entry won the competition.

In closing I wish to thank the Leaders, especially Graham for preserving in a difficult role last year.

GEOFF NAUGHTIN Group Leader

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TREASURERS REPORT 1996 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS

Group Fees and Registration	2679.00
Hall Hire	4313.50
Bottle Recycling	40.00
Bank Interest	271.00
Fundraising	26.70
Sundries	15.00
Toothbrush Sales	26.00
Tee Shirt Sales	50.00
From Other Sections	25.00

TOTAL INCOMING

\$7446.20

EXPENDITURE

Equipment	905.00
To Other Sections	2200.00
Land Building & Loan	1359.51
Scouter Expenses	1079.95
Special Functions	447.80
Membership	1974.25
Property Charges	777.00
Stationery, Postage & Telephone	269.40
State & Feeral Taxes	32.41
Repairs & Maintenance	272.68
Hall Hire Refund	100.00
Donations Care For Kids	50.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURE

\$9468.00

Deficit	2021.80
Opening Bank Balance	7108.76
Closing Bank Balance	5086.96

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

Cheque Account	3886.96
Term Deposit	1200.00

2nd. Ringwood Scout Troop 1996 Annual Report.

To say that 96 was a good year for the troop would be a big understatement. 96 was a HUGE year for the scouts!

Included in the various outings that members of the troop was involved in were:-

A first aid course in February in which every one involved learned first aid to the level of the Explorer emergencies badge and then bike riding to the Ferntree gully Ambulance station, in all a very busy day.

A canoe charge certificate course

An Easter sleep over in the hall

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Lasseters weekend competition (won for the third year in a row by an activity patrol - the older scouts organised themselves to go and camp with Heathmont troop).

A swimming night at the pool

A week-end camp at Wilsons' Prom - wet and windy in June.

A course for patrol leaders in leadership

An explorer hike hosted by district.

The scouts made and then raced billy carts (and got to keep the carts - which are still popular with all sections)

A visit to 7th. Ringwood scouts

Two patrols entered Cohan Shield competitions this year resulting in one patrol gaining a Silver pennant and the other gaining a gold pennant and Co-holder of the shield.

One combined patrol entered the district camping competition and came away with two awards, the gadget award for the best constructed camp gadgets and the one that all scouts strive for:-, Camp Champs. This also involved a practise camp a couple of week prior to the event at the hall.

To end a successful year the scouts finished off with a night of Indoor rock climbing.

We also welcome to the troop Andrew Gryst, as an assistant scout leader.

Regards

Buddy.

2ND RINGWOOD CUB SCOUTS ANNUAL REPORT

The Cub Scouts have had a fruitful year, gaining Achievement and Boomerang Badges and attending District Events.

Some of the year's activities included:

* The first Yellow Cord Award for a 2nd Ringwood Cub Scout was presented to Craig Dickie.

* 5 Cub Scouts attended Maroondah District's "Mini Olympics Day" at Clifford Park. "St. Lucia" coming in 2nd place.

* Know your District night - we visited the local Constabulary and toured their premises.

* Joint night with the Scouts, Joey Scouts.

* Swimming night at Ringwood Pool.

* Visit to Ferntree Gully Ambulance Station with the Joeys. Thanks Buddy.

* Campfire night - complete with marshmallows.

* Sleep-in at the hall and a trip to the pictures.

* District Footy day - 3 Cubs attended.

* District 10 year old camp - 3 Cubs attended.

* Region Cub Scout Day at Lilydale Lake.

Karen Mace has taken over as CSL as Rosemary Holley resigned at the end of 1996. Kim Edmanson and Stephen O'Brien continue to act as ACSL's.

We hope that 1997 brings success, achievement and FUN to your Cub Scout.

Yours in Scouting

Akela Karen Mace

Oo Kim Edmanson

Bagheera Stephen O'Brien

2nd RINGWOOD JOEY SCOUT MOB ANNUAL REPORT

Joey Scouts even though low in numbers have had lots of fun, games and craft during 1996. The Joey Mob attended Regional and District events.

District Day was held at Currawong Park. Joey Scouts worked through bases - games, scavenger hunt, iced biscuits, made craft and enjoyed lunch. Then walked through the Kangaroo enclosure. This event was a great success.

Later in the year we attended the Regional Day at Clifford Park. The Joey Scouts again worked through various bases, enjoyed lunch and the day ended with a Joey Scout Hop. At this event the Joey Scouts who attended, received a badge.

The Joey Scouts now wear their T-shirts and Group Scarf as their uniform.

Melbourne Cup night was held on Cup Eve. It was terrific to see Joeys, Cubs, Scouts and Parents having so much fun. I would like to thank the Scouts for their help on this occasion.

During the later part of the year, Maragret was unable to attend the Mob nights, because of the university timetable. During this period Louise O'Brien was a great help.

This year Louise has turned 18 and decided to become a leader. We would like to welcome her to the Mob.

I would like to thank the Joey Scouts and their families for the participation and support during 1996. Thanks also to Margaret Hanley for her support.

Ann Naughtin Joey Scout Leader

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