



EPPING SCOUT
GROUP

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Newsletter of Epping Scout Group

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DID you know? "Durian" is the traditional title for the Epping Scout Group Newsletter, which has not been published recently.

The ESG Committee has decided to reinvent the newsletter, so welcome to this first edition for 2010.

If you can tell us the meaning of the word "Durian" and why it was chosen as the title for our newsletter, you could win a prize.

Send your answer to:
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Adventure Bush Dance Coming Soon

After a hugely successful Bush Dance last year, we are holding another one, this time with an "Adventure" theme.

The Southern Cross Bush Band will provide the music and call the dances.

Wear your best adventuring dancewear!

Judy Buckley, who has been planning the bush dance said that the event is for all ages, from Joeys right through to Rovers, and their families and friends.

"The program will be similar to last year's event" explained Judy, "there will be lots of dancing throughout the evening as well as games and prizes. The event starts at 7:00pm with a Joey activity. Supper will be provided around 9:00pm, and the night should finish up

about 11:00pm."

But do you need to know how to dance to be able to join in a Bush Dance?



"Not at all!" says Judy. "That's the fun of a Bush Dance- it's really easy and you just join in! The Caller tells you what to do—it's lots of fun!"

So come along on Saturday 14th August and invite your friends.

The Bush Dance is open not only to scouting families but also to anyone from the wider community. Why not organize a group to come along. Dancing is always more fun in groups!

How to Buy Tickets:
Call 9876 4383; or email: jamboreebush-dance@gmail.com

Tickets cost \$25 Adults, \$10 Children or \$60 Families (2 Adults, 2 Children).

Discounted Family Tickets available at \$50, only if pre-purchased before the day.

Details:

**Saturday 14 August
From 7pm to 11pm.**

**St Alban's Memorial Hall
(Pembroke St, Epping)**

What's that smell....?

No, it's not your unwashed scout returning from a rough night's activities, it's fertiliser!

Yes, it's that time of the year again—the **annual Fertiliser Fundraising Drive.**

We need all joeys, cubs, scouts, venturers, rovers and their parents to distribute leaflets around Epping over the next two-three weeks.

Then on Saturday 4th September, we need as many cubs, scouts, venturers and their parents as possible to deliver the fertilizer orders.

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and always brings in thousands of dollars for our scout group. The more hands (and cars, and trailers!) we have, the easier the job. So please put the date in your diary now and plan

to



come along on **Saturday 4 September, from 8am till about 12.**

Dads can then put their feet up and relax for the rest of the weekend, as it's Father's day on Sunday 5th!



What can YOU do?

Scout Groups depend on volunteers for their success—all our leaders and committee members are volunteers and give generously of their time to help our kids grow, learn, develop skills and have fun!

We have a wonderful group of dedicated leaders, so wonderful in fact, that all our sections are bursting at the seams. Which means we really need some new leaders.

At the moment we are looking for:

Assistant Leader for Joeys

Assistant Leader for Cubs

Female Leader for Venturers

Full training is provided for leaders. If you think you could help out, please contact one of the leaders, or talk to the group leader, Peter Buckley: 9876 4383 or

pbuckley55@gmail.com

We also have a vacancy on the Group Committee for a person who can write Grant Applications.

If you have experience in applying for Grants, perhaps in your workplace, or in another community based organization, we would love to hear from you. Contact Drew Bewsher: 9876 6923 or:

drew@bewsher.com.au

“A Scout is never taken by surprise; he knows exactly what to do when anything unexpected happens.”

- Sir Robert Baden-Powell

Calling all history buffs!

Did you know that the Epping Scout Group is one of the oldest continuously operating Scout Groups in the world? In fact, we will be celebrating our Centenary in 2015.

In preparation for the centenary we would like to put together a working party to search out historical facts and memorabilia about our

group.

If you are interested, or if you know of any interesting historical items or memorabilia associated with the group, please contact Peter Buckley on 9876 4383 or email:

pbuckley55@gmail.com

Newsletter Contributions

If you have any suggestions for items for this newsletter send them to:

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Boats, Boats, Boats

Epping Scout Group is very fortunate to have its own boat-shed in Meadowbank, fully equipped with sailing boats and canoes. Not to mention our skilled and enthusiastic sailing leaders: Merv Turner and Tony Wells.

The Boatshed will need major refurbishment soon if

we are to continue to be able to use it for our activities. So we are looking to put together a “**Boatshed Action Group**”, consisting of interested people who can work out a way ahead for redeveloping the boatshed.

We are looking for anyone with expertise in architec-

ture, boating, grant application writing, engineering. Or just an interest in boats or sailing. If you might be able to help out or would like to know any more details, contact Drew Bewsher: 9876 6923, or:

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