

Queensland Branch Inc.

# *Central and Coastal Region*

# Annual Report 2011



**Agenda** for the Annual General Meeting of the Central & Coastal Region being held on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2011 at the Mackay Masonic Hall Meeting Room commencing 8:00pm.

OPENING and WELCOME

PRAYER

APOLOGIES

Minutes of the AGM 6<sup>th</sup> July 2010

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CLOSE

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## SCOUTS AUSTRALIA QUEENSLAND BRANCH Inc.

### CENTRAL & COASTAL REGION

#### MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of the Central and Coastal Region

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2010

North Mackay Bowls Club, North Mackay

**OPENING AND WELCOME:** Meeting called to order 7.15pm by Executive Region Commissioner – Lance Hodda.

Region Commissioner Lance welcomed guests from Mackay Regional Council, Councilor Greg Thomson and his wife Linda; Councilor George Christensen, Bob Sim, John Vassallo and Bob & Margaret Hodda.

He then handed the meeting over to the Patron, Ray Braithwaite to Chair the AGM.

Chairman of proceeding's Patron, Ray Braithwaite called for Grace to be said by Rover Brendan Ross

#### **PRESENT:**

RC Lance Hodda, Mrs Lynn Hodda, Cr Greg Thomson, Mrs Linda Thomson, Cr George Christensen, ARC Bob Hodda, ARC Margaret Hodda, Bob Sim, Mr Ray Braithwaite OAM (Patron), Mr Ray Cross (Secretary), Mrs Chris Cross, Mr John Vassallo, Mr Reg Ross (Treasurer), Mrs Pam Ross, ARC Harry Roestenburg, RL Tim Johnson, Mrs Judy Johnson, Mr Barry Spratt & Mrs Bonnie Spratt (Rowallan Park Caretakers), RL Jane Mumford, RL Joseph Kearns, Mr Michael Stiplavsek, Mrs Karen Turner (Girl Guides Region Leader), Rover Natasha Salty, Brendan Ross, Adam Gould, Livig Schurman, Sarah Blakey, Mrs Mary Wallace, Mr Brian Harvey

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Chief Commissioner Maurice Law AM, Mr. Ryan Sodziak, Mr John Taylor (Executive Committee Chairman), Mrs Margot Taylor, Mr Greg Sutherland, Mr Ian Hamilton, Mrs. Val Hamilton OAM, ASM Dennis Tuckerman, ASM Heather Tuckerman, RL Ken Whyte, Hon. Tim Mulherin (Member for Mackay), Hon James Bidgood (Member for Dawson), Cr Col Meng and Rhonda Meng Mackay Regional Council Mayor), Cr Darryl Camilleri, Cr Dave Perkins (Mackay Regional Council), Cr Wendy Cameron (Mackay Regional Council), Cr Di Hatfield (Mackay Regional Council), Cr Karen Turner (Mackay Regional Council), Cr Dierdre Comerford (Mackay Regional Council), Mrs. Wendy Harm, Mr. Wayne Harm, Mr. Jock Gibson, Mr Duncan Pratt, Mrs. Ivy Pratt, Mr. Ian Wallace, Mr Peter Mumford, Megan Kropp (GL Moranbah), Lesley Bullemore (GL Bowen), Mrs Margaret Barber ( Region Rep), Brendon Fultchor.

**DINNER –** During the serving of dinner and sweets, Mr. John Vassallo entertained the meeting with some of his recitations.

The Secretary, Ray Cross read out apologies (refer above list) and sought resolution from the floor that apologies be accepted. Meeting endorsed resolution unanimously.

#### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:**

Copies of Minutes of previous AGM of 1<sup>st</sup> August 2009 were circulated to the meeting.

Chair sought resolution to move they be accepted. Moved by Ray Cross, Seconded by Reg Ross, Carried.

#### **BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES: NIL**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:** Nil tabled.

It was noted that in respect to this AGM, the only correspondence being the dissemination of invitations.

#### **BUSINESS FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE:** Nil

**REPORTS:** Chair noted that various reports had been presented within the official AGM Annual Report document disseminated to those present.

**Executive Committee Chairman Report:** Secretary Ray Cross reported on behalf of Chairman John Taylor who was overseas at the time of the meeting. John conveyed in phone conversation to the secretary that he wished all members of the organization the best for the coming year and thanked them for their support during the last year.

**Region Commissioner Report:** RC Lance Hodda – as reported in the Annual Report

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Reg Ross referred to the financial statement in the Annual report and pointed out that income at Rowallan Park is a continual source of concern to the Executive and financial viability is difficult to maintain.

Reg thanked the auditor, Michael Curtin, for his service in certifying the financial reports.

Cr Greg Thomson moved that all reports be adopted, seconded by Cr George Christensen, Carried.

**Comments from the floor:** Cr George Christensen praised the efforts of all those involved in the organisation and indicated that there is a level of commitment to Scouting from the MRC within the constraint of grants that are available.

#### **APPOINTMENTS:**

##### **Region Executive:**

- Chairman – Mr John Taylor
- Treasurer – Mr Reg Ross
- Secretary – Mr Ray Cross
- Members:
  - RC Lance Hodda
  - ARC Brian Harvey
  - RA Harry Roestenburg
  - ARC Bob Hodda
  - ARC Margaret Hodda

**Auditor:** Treasurer, Reg Ross advised the meeting that Mr. Michael Curtin had carried out the audit for the Region for the past six years is well qualified to do so and that he has agreed to continue that role. Reg moved that Mr. Michael Curtin be appointed as the Region auditor for the year 2010-11. This was passed by the meeting unanimously.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS: Nil**

**MEETING CLOSED:** Region Commissioner Lance Hodda moved a vote of thanks to everyone who had supported and participated through the year. There being no further business for discussion, the meeting closed at 9.30pm.

## **Executive Chairman's Report**

*I would like to begin my report by expressing my sincere thanks on behalf of myself and the other members of the Executive Committee to Ray Cross. Ray has tendered his resignation after 5 years of invaluable contribution as secretary of the Executive Committee. His expertise and knowledge will be very hard to replace and we will miss his participation greatly. We wish him well and hope he enjoys the extra spare time.*

*Our Region Commissioner, Lance Hodda has also resigned his position after 3 years and we thank him for his dedication. Thanks to Brian Harvey for acting in the position vacated by Lance.*

*My thanks go to the contribution of my fellow members of the Executive Committee and I hope that you will continue to show the dedication you have in the past.*

*It is also very sad to say goodbye to Bonnie and Barry Spratt who as caretakers of Rowallan Park for many years, have been the backbone of the day to day running of the park. Without their dedicated hard work and particularly Barry's earthmoving skills, Rowallan Park would not show the improvements that it has today. Bonnie's fundraising efforts for the Park have resulted in many "extras" to add to the value of the Park's facilities. We wish them well in their future and their efforts will be greatly missed.*

*The departure of the full time caretaker is of some concern to the non-uniform members of the Executive committee. We are concerned because without a caretaker presence, the security and running of the park could be at risk.*

*Once again Rowallan Park has been fortunate to be the benefactor of the generosity of many of the local services clubs with the receipt of cash donations which contribute enormously to the ongoing expenses of running the Park.*

*Port of Mackay Rotary Club made Rowallan Park one of their projects this year and as a result, Rowallan Park is brighter than ever. There are perimeter lights around the activity shed and flood lighting for the parade ground, as a result of a working bee of electricians and members of the club. Thanks to Geoff Catto of Geoff Catto Electrical who negotiated all materials free of charge from CNW Electrical and Data Supplies. The scouting movement greatly appreciates this generosity on the part of CNW.*

*Hopefully the coming year will be a successful one for Rowallan Park with many people making use of the improving facilities the park has to offer.*

*John Taylor*

Chairperson  
Central and Coastal Region Executive Committee

**Acting Region Commissioner Report &  
Assistant Region Commissioner – Group Support**

*I have pleasure in presenting an overview of the Group situation in the Central and Coastal region for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011.*

*Scouting is full of exciting challenges, both for Youth members and Leaders, and the year under review has been no exception. Groups have held many fun filled and learning experiences. There have been many challenges to the Leaders who are responsible for ensuring a quality program with challenging and fun activities which are also attractive to the Youth members.*

*Membership has fluctuated in some Groups. This is mainly because it appears to be coming more difficult to recruit more Leaders. Fewer people are prepared to commit to a Leadership role, and unfortunately this means young people are being denied the opportunity to experience Scouting. In some instances we are relying on parents to provide assistance to Leaders. It's a pity more of these parents did not decide to put on a uniform and become trained Leaders.*

*Proserpine Scout Group has closed due to Leaders resigning and no one else being prepared to take on these rolls.*

*Bowen Scout section has also ceased to function because no one has come forward to become a Scout Leader. The Group Leader has been running this Section for some considerable time and it just became too much for her. She has informed me that since holding another meeting with parents it looks like she may now have someone prepared to become Leader of this Section.*

*It is not all doom and gloom however. I have been present at several Joey Scout, Cub Scout Grey Wolf, Scout medallion and Venturer Queen's Scout and Leader Award presentations. I sincerely congratulate all those recipients who received well earned recognition for their efforts in Scouting.*

*There are now plenty of opportunities to apply for grants, and it is pleasing to see some Groups taking the opportunity to make improvements to their Dens, or purchasing much needed equipment. Queensland Branch office employs a fulltime Grants Officer to attend to applications and submissions, so there is no reason not to apply for as many grants as possible.*

*Some Groups in the Region still have not achieved Charter status, but it is a work in progress situation, and when we think we have all the boxes ticked, something seems to go wrong. I will be trying very hard to achieve 100% of our Groups becoming chartered this year.*

*I express sincere thanks to the Group Leaders and their teams, for their dedication and support. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.*

*Brian Harvey.*

*Acting Region Commissioner & Group Support.*

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## Community Relations Report

Even though the 2010-2011 Scouting Year was somewhat hampered by the constant rain from September to March there were still plenty of activities worthy of publicity in the Newspapers.

The notable achievements by youth members:- Josh Brzozowski's Queens Scout Award, Yasmin Bishop, Rianne Boyce, Natalie Bryiell and Daniel Andrews all from Banksia Group achieved the Grey Wolf Award, as did Ella Wright from Mackay City Central Group. All achievements were reported in the Daily Mercury. The Adult Leadership Award presentation was also published in the Daily Mercury.

The Region Scout Camp and Operation Rainbow Bird were reported in the Midweek and the report on the 53<sup>rd</sup> Jamboree on the Air and 14<sup>th</sup> Jamboree on the Internet and Aquatastics were published in the Daily Mercury.

Encompass published Josh Brzozowski's Queens Scout Award, the Banksia 4's Grey Wolf Award and the Operation Rainbow Bird Camp "Whitsunday Great Walk."

Three Central and Coastal Region Newsletters were published for the 2010-2011 scouting year. Thanks to those who regularly contribute.

I would like to move the adoption of my Community Relations Report.

*Mary Wallace*

Region Leader - Community Relations

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## Rowallan Park Campsite and Activity Centre

Financially this year has been extremely challenging to say the least. Unfortunately bookings were well below average and cancellations were above average due to the heavy rainfall received over an extended period. The road into the park bears testament to the amount of rain received.

It was for financial reasons that a decision was made to no longer have a caretaker on site and the current caretakers dwelling will be rented at a commercial rate. This hopefully will relieve some of the financial burden that the camp has placed on the Region Executive. I would like to thank Barry and Bonnie Spratt for their years of service and dedication to Scouts in Mackay and in particular to Rowallan Park. Their achievements will remain a legacy to the Youth Members of Mackay.

Camp Eagle continues its development of their site. A colourbond shed has been constructed to house basic cooking equipment. A slab is planned to be constructed in May as a permanent area for the erection of a Marquee. Their camps appear to be growing in participants and it is pleasing to see youth members enjoy the surroundings at Rowallan Park.

The Mackay Mountain Bike Club continues to maintain and develop tracks for riding. It was pleasing to witness a weekend carnival hosted by the local club. Riders travelled from north and south and were impressed with the riding tracks and facilities. Hopefully this annual event will continue to grow in size.

The Rowallan Park Fellowship continued fundraising during the year and their support is very much appreciated. Due to member resignations the fellowship remains as a small core of people and over time recruitment should see the numbers increase so that the Fellowship's invaluable support can continue.

I am sure I have missed out on some information but the best way to find out is to come and enjoy our Park and all it has to offer.

*Harry Roostenburg*

Assistant Region Commissioner

Campsite and Community Partnerships

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## Cub Scout Section Report

*The past year has been a successful year in the Cub Scout Section throughout the Region and it has been great to work with the Leaders within the Region.*

*The support and enthusiasm that comes from the Leaders is fantastic. These Leaders want the Cub Scouts to experience Scouting at its best. I do receive information from Leaders that their Cub Scouts are achieving well in their badge work and have been recipients of the Grey Wolf Award.*

*I have been invited to presentations within the Region of the Grey Wolf Award. This is the highest award a Cub Scout can achieve in the Pack and it is a pleasure to be present and see a child/children receive the award.*

*In the Central and Coastal Region there have been two Cub Scout Leadership Courses held. The attendance from Packs within the Region was of a high number. The Leader participation was excellent which enabled the program to run smoothly and the Cub Scouts were able to enjoy the activities being held on the day. These courses are designed to develop leadership skills in the Cub Scouts which enables them to assist the Leader in the Pack. The role of a Sixer or Second in the Pack is of great importance and by attending a Leadership Course it then helps develop a child more fully in their role. The Cub Scouts use the new skills in the Pack and it is mandatory to complete a series of activities to receive their Promise and Law Challenge and the Cub Scout Leadership Badge. This is then worn on their uniform.*

*A big event on the 2010 calendar for Cub Scouts was the Cuboree which was held in Stanthorpe last September. It was a fantastic experience for all the Cub Scouts who attended. The rain did not deter them from having a fun filled, exciting time. It was also great to see Leaders from the Region who attended with Cub Scouts from their Packs. The experience for myself was a challenge but very rewarding and the importance of the Cuboree was to ensure the Cub Scouts were safe and having an exciting, fun filled time. I look forward to attending the next Cuboree.*

*The coming events on the calendar for Cub Scouts are the Region Camp at the end of July and the Cub Scout Leadership Course to be held later in the year.*

*I look forward to the next twelve months and the friendship, fun, enjoyment and challenges which I shall experience along the way.*

*Julie Thompson*

*'Rikki' - Region Leader - Cub Scouts*

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### **Region Scout Report**

*Report on the Scout Section in the Central and Coastal Region for 2010 to 2011.*

*Scout numbers have declined slightly over the period, mainly in the Sarina area. The main reason is the Leader being on the roster working system, not the old 8 to 5, making it hard to have a good program system.*

*Moranbah is expanding and Banksia and Mackay City Central Troops are going well.*

*Another problem is the monthly Leaders meetings are no longer held and we do not have contact with the Leaders.*

*The Region Scout Camp was looked after by Dougal, Lance and Brian as Judy and I were on a Pacific Cruise.*

*The Scout Leadership Course was held at Rowallan Park and was carried out with more hands on activities rather than all paper work. It worked very well.*

*Rainbow Bird Hike was held in the Conway National Park and was attended by 21 Leaders and Scouts. Very few areas were available because of the weather.*

*Over the year I have attended some of the Groups and I am pleased with their activities.*



*Judy and I have opened Waverley Creek Driver Reviver Stop on the Easter Weekend as we have done for about 20 years. We also manned the site with Bob and Margaret from 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> December.*

*The Scouts provided damper at Australia Day celebrations for the third year but were unable to provide tea this year. Twenty dampers were gone in one and a half hours.*

*I put up Sarina Group's rope bridge in the Mackay Regional Council precinct on Thanksgiving Day. Kids never stop going over it for the whole time it is up. It gives us a chance to hand out Scouting information as we do on Australia Day.*

*We need more Leaders in Scouting and have them do their training so those who work on rosters may be able to slot in when they are off work.*

*Tim Johnson*

*'Taipan' - Region Leader - Scouts*

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### **Venturer Scout Report**

*The year has presented challenges and celebrations. We have celebrated with one Queen's Scout Award several Venturer Awards and innumerable individual tapes.*

*The Region also hosted two Region events being Echidna Camp in August and the Central and Coastal Venture in November. Echidna is run to include the Initiative Tape requirements challenging the Venturers to use their initiative, not just follow directions. They have to overcome obstacles using any method they want. This can be interesting when it comes to crossing a creek in the middle of the night without getting you or your equipment wet, add in limited supplies to create your solution and it ends in laughs for the Leaders and a sense of achievement for the successful Venturer.*

*The second Region event was the CC Venture which is in its 4th year. This is a weekend of water activities and fun on Kinchant Dam. This year the older Scouts were invited to encourage progression to Venturers. The Venturers enjoyed two days of rain and wet ground but it didn't diminish the fun had on the dam with all of the water activities well supported. The Rovers proved invaluable support for both of the events with supplying man power and activity support.*

*The Venturers have had regular joint meetings and participated in a variety of activities from bowling to a road safety presentation. They have participated in Jota-Joti and travelled to Rockhampton for Roventure. In June four Venturers and two Leaders travelled to the Gold Coast to Q Venture where they took part in an expedition and several days of well planned activities. The expedition covered a 5 star luxury resort to theme parks to fishing the island in well equipped fishing boats to riding the range at Cunningham's Gap. This was followed by a couple of days in Brisbane Go Karting and visiting the sights.*

*The Section is undergoing challenges of recruiting and retaining members which is no more or less difficult than that of other sections. The solution may just be that we will have to use our initiative to encourage more youth members to take up the challenge and have fun.*

*Judy Johnson*

*Region Leader – Venturer Scouts*

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## Rover Report

*Well another year down but where has it gone, it seems just last month we had the AGM but as they say time flies when you are having fun and I can guarantee we have been having fun in the Rover Section.*

*We have been kept busy with our usual but always different CQ Events 4 times a year that has been sending us around the Central Queensland area but we also had a major event in Adelaide which was our National Rover Moot, like the scouts Jamboree. 3 of the crew attended this event which I know all had a blast on the 14 day experience of a life time. Some of the activities ranged from beach bums right through to caving and Great South East Adventure Tour. The excitement of the event started with everyone getting evacuated off site and sent to Glenelg because of a Severe Fire Warning, it was all rather different experience as all the Queenslanders came from Flooding and ended up with the other Extreme Bushfires.*

*We have been continually been trying to recruit new members as we have got some a small amount of positive response which we hope to increase, as in the next year we will be losing 3 experienced members, Tamara, Michael (Stip), and myself. It will be a interesting time for the Mackay Crew as they are looking forward to linking of several venturers.*

*So I would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all that make scouting possible in this region as I have myself enjoyed being part of for the last 17 years and I look forward to being able continue to work with scouting in the region.*

*Yours in Scouting*

*Brendan Ross*

*Mackay City Central Crew Leader*

*Central and Coastal Regional Rep*

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## Region Events Report

*To say 2010 was a quiet one would be an understatement.*

*The only Region event held was Aquatastic in November. Once again thanks to the generosity of Calen College. Being so late in the year we added a festive theme to the day, with the Region Leaders donning Christmas hats. Mackay City Central, obviously helped by their very enthusiastic Joey Scout Mob, won the Golden Snorkel, an award given to the Group displaying the best team spirit. The event was well supported by the Mackay and Sarina Groups and it was great to see the Banksia Venturer Unit well represented. Again, our elves Tim and Judy provided great sustenance with their sausage sizzle and drinks.*

*As ever, thank you to my fellow Leaders for all their continued and dedicated support.*

*Jane Mumford*

*Region Leader – Region Events*

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## Training Development Report

*Leader numbers attending training courses in the Region have not gained momentum on the previous year and this presents reason for concern.*

*Training Course attendance records provide the following results for the year under review, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011.*

*Skills Training 1: 1 Cub Scout Leader, 2 Scout Leaders*

*Skills Training 2: 2 Cub Scout Leaders, 1 Leader of Adults*

There have been some workbook completions during the year also.

Three Leaders travelled to Rockhampton and two to Townsville to meet training commitments on dates better suited to their personal schedules.

Courses have been taken to locations other than Rowallan Park when this has made it possible for a Leader or Leaders to receive training that would not have otherwise been possible. I believe this may be necessary in the future if we are to see an increase in the number of trained Leaders in the Region.

Congratulations to Group Leader Kathy Ball on completing the five stages of the formal Leader training program to Wood Badge standard. Well done Kathy.

A Venturer Scout Leadership Course was held in April 2010 with six Venturer Scouts in attendance. Branch Commissioner Venturer Scouts, Phil McNicol came to Mackay to run the course. The course lives up to its name in providing opportunities for personal development and leadership skills and is a requirement of the Queen's Scout Award.

My decision to retire from the National Training Team became effective on 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2011. I am privileged to have held the appointment of Assistant Leader Trainer for 18 years during which time I had many wonderful experiences, challenges aplenty and met some truly inspirational people. I have reached a time in my life when priorities change and it is important to me to be able to spend more time with family and friends and take advantage of travel opportunities. There were many occasions when family and friends came second to Scouting because a training course was scheduled for which I was responsible. The support and understanding of my family during this time has been tremendous. It is disappointing to me that we don't have other Training Team appointments in our Region, with recommendations never coming to fruition. Maybe that will change.

I take this opportunity to thank Robert Thurlby from the Training Department at Queensland Scout Centre for his willing support and assistance in my times of need. I am truly grateful.

I wish to thank those of you who have given your support on training courses by sharing your individual skills and experiences. Your assistance is not only appreciated by myself but also the new Leaders attending the courses.

Through my current Region role I look forward to continuing the work of our Region Team and as a Team, we can make a difference in the lives of young people.

*Margaret Hodda*

Assistant Region Commissioner – Training Development

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## **Information Technology**

### **Region & Group Websites**

Over the last 12 months I finished upgrading the Region Website and all the Group Websites to a standard look and navigation. The Region and Group websites are used to promote Scouting by presenting information on the various sections, times the various sections meet, advertising upcoming events as well as to display photos and stories from past events. In the coming months I am hoping to create a secure portal for the Region to allow better access to information (meeting minutes, forms etc) at a single point.

### **Facebook**

Facebook is an area of the Web that is exploding in use. Currently the Region and all the Groups have Facebook pages and some Groups are using this medium. I believe with a bit more promotion the social network pages could reach more people and promote Scouts on a greater basis than a web page itself. Time will tell what happens in this area.

### **JOTA/JOTI**

The 53<sup>rd</sup> Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) and the 14<sup>th</sup> Jamboree On The Internet (JOTI) was held on the 16-17 October. The Region event (held at Rowallan Park) had around 60 youth members and Leaders attend.

*JOTA had 2 radios in operation as well as Echolink. JOTA was only operating on Saturday. Due to very noisy conditions on the day we only had a few contacts (mostly in Australia).*

*JOTI had around 10 PCs in operation using Internet Chat Relay (ICR) to communicate to other Scouts/Guides/Leaders. It started slowly on Saturday and we were only getting a few contacts in Australia. However by Saturday afternoon, JOTI was starting to liven up and was on fire late Saturday evening early Sunday. During the weekend a couple of Scouts exchanged e-mail addresses to start pen pal contacts as part of the World Scouting proficiency badge.*

*Overall we made around 133 contacts across 30 countries (not as good as last year but hope to improve this number next year).*

*Across the weekend the World JOTA-JOTI organisers had a bingo game running called "JAMPUZ". You had to collect the JID codes from the contacts and the last 2 numbers were used as numbers for the bingo card. We had 5 pairs of numbers but not enough to make bingo (needed 6 numbers).*

*Thanks to all that assisted with the setup, running and deconstruction of the JOTA and JOTI bases. I encourage you to have a look at the photos on the Region website and I look forward to JOTA/JOTI in 2011.*

### **Region & Group IT Equipment**

*A review of all the Region and Group IT equipment will be completed again over the coming months to ensure all equipment is operational and meets the requirements for the use of each piece of equipment.*

*It has been an interesting year and I look forward to working with everyone throughout the coming year.*

*Dougal McWhinney*

*Region Leader – Information Technology*

**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**

Financial Statements  
For the year ended 31 March 2011

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## Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region

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**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**  
**Committee's Report**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2011**

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Your committee members submit the financial accounts of the Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region for the financial year ended 31 March 2011.

### **Committee Members**

The names of committee Members at the date of this report are:

John Taylor  
 Reg Ross  
 Ray Cross  
 Bob Hodda  
 Margaret Hodda  
 Harry Roestenburg  
 Brian Harvey

### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were: Scout Association.

### **Significant Changes**

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

### **Operating Result**

The deficit from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to

Year ended	Year ended
31 March 2011	PrevYearEnd
\$	\$
(21,567.31)	(7,519.12)

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on :

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 John Taylor

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 Reg Ross

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**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**  
**Statement by Members of Committee**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2011**

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The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Committee the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position, and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region as at 31 March 2011 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

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John Taylor  
President

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Reg Ross  
Treasurer

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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**  
**Income and Expenditure Statement**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2011**

	2011 \$	2010 \$
<b>Income</b>		
Affiliation Fees	530.00	1,470.00
Badge Sales	440.60	2,026.80
Disb from Seaforth Scout Group Closure	2,553.53	
Donations	8,121.10	9,385.05
Grants Received		5,000.00
<b>Interest received</b>		
- N.A.B. Cheque Account	85.54	125.08
- Training Admin A/c	94.02	124.43
- B.H.Q. Development Fund	1,955.66	1,308.84
	2,135.22	1,558.35
<b>Rowallan Park Income</b>		
- Camping Other	2,540.00	2,230.00
- General Park Use Various	1,622.00	
- Lodge Other	2,321.00	
- Mountain Bike Club	1,905.00	
- Other Rents	1,350.00	1,250.00
- Scout Camping	992.00	4,490.00
- Scout Lodge	1,340.00	5,795.00
- Telephone	96.00	358.00
	12,166.00	14,123.00
<b>Training Administration Income</b>		
- Region Events	330.00	3,536.90
- Training	1,943.45	3,243.70
- Sundries		118.04
	2,273.45	6,898.64
Total income	28,219.90	40,461.84

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**  
**Income and Expenditure Statement**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2011**

	2011 \$	2010 \$
<b>Expenses</b>		
A.G.M Expenses	86.50	
Audit fees	330.00	330.00
Depreciation	20,886.00	24,682.00
Postage & stationery	239.95	560.75
<b>Rowallan Park Expenses</b>		
- Electricity	1,310.40	1,609.70
- Fuel / Oil	3,476.04	3,250.32
- Insurance	11,976.01	
- Fire Services - Bldg & Extng's	1,621.80	712.00
- Registration - Trailers	165.40	133.70
- Repairs	5,497.41	4,915.12
- Sundry	330.00	
- Telephone	1,386.66	1,749.49
- Rubbish Removal	1,003.50	1,709.72
	26,767.22	14,080.05
<b>Training Admin Expenses</b>		
- Joey Scouts		986.37
- Scouts	604.01	1,522.99
- Venture Scouts	160.43	
- Region Events	195.00	3,985.88
- Training	518.10	528.02
- Sundries		192.00
	1,477.54	7,215.26
Uniforms and Badges		1,112.90
Total expenses	49,787.21	47,980.96
<b>Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before income tax</b>	<b>(21,567.31)</b>	<b>(7,519.12)</b>
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities		
<b>Net profit (loss) attributable to the association</b>	<b>(21,567.31)</b>	<b>(7,519.12)</b>
<b>Total changes in equity of the association</b>	<b>(21,567.31)</b>	<b>(7,519.12)</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**  
**Income and Expenditure Statement**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2011**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Opening retained profits	(183,221.98)	(175,702.86)
Net profit (loss) attributable to the association	<u>(21,567.31)</u>	<u>(7,519.12)</u>
<b>Closing retained profits</b>	<b><u>(204,789.29)</u></b>	<b><u>(183,221.98)</u></b>

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**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Position As At 31 March 2011**

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
<b>Current Assets</b>		
<b>Cash Assets</b>		
Westpac Cheque Account	2,346.37	6,213.87
Training Admin Account	7,226.26	5,895.73
BHQ Development Fund	43,290.39	41,334.73
Central Coast Region Reserve Account	8,240.67	8,240.67
Cash on hand		100.00
	<u>61,103.69</u>	<u>61,785.00</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b><u>61,103.69</u></b>	<b><u>61,785.00</u></b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>		
<b>Property, Plant and Equipment</b>		
Value of Land (Freehold only)	135,000.00	135,000.00
Value of Buildings and fences	117,749.86	135,071.86
Value of Furniture, Equipment	8,488.13	10,819.13
Value of Plant & equipment	11,099.36	12,332.36
	<u>272,337.35</u>	<u>293,223.35</u>
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	<b><u>272,337.35</u></b>	<b><u>293,223.35</u></b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>333,441.04</u></b>	<b><u>355,008.35</u></b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b><u>333,441.04</u></b>	<b><u>355,008.35</u></b>
<b>Members' Funds</b>		
<b>Reserves</b>		
General reserve	538,230.33	538,230.33
Accumulated surplus (deficit)	<u>(204,789.29)</u>	<u>(183,221.98)</u>
<b>Total Members' Funds</b>	<b><u>333,441.04</u></b>	<b><u>355,008.35</u></b>

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**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Position As At 31 March 2011**

<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
\$	\$

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**Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies**

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 1031:      Materiality

No other Australian Accounting Standards or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values, or except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

## Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region

### Auditor's Report

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#### Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region (the association), which comprises the Statement by Members of the Committee, Income and Expenditure Statement, Balance Sheet, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes for the financial year ended 31 March 2011.

#### Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting obligations under the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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**Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region**  
**Auditor's Report**

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**Independence**

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

**Qualification**

As is common of organisations of this type, it is not practicable for Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region to maintain an effective control over donations, subscriptions and other fundraising activities until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, our audit in relation to fund raising was limited to amounts recorded.

**Verification Statement**

We have sighted the Association's financial records and the financial records show that Scout Association of Australia - Central & Coastal Region has bookkeeping processes in place to adequately record the association's income and expenditure and dealings with its assets and liabilities.

Signed on :



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Michael P Curtin, BBus. CPA

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