# CENTRAL COAST REGION Annual Report 2017-2018



## Agenda

The Agenda for the Annual Report Presentation of the Central Coast Region held on Monday, 3rd September 2018 at the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens Meeting Room, commencing at 7.30 pm.

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## Minutes of the Annual Report Presentation 24th July 2017

#### MINUTES of the Annual Report Presentation of the Central and Coastal Region

held on Monday 25th July 2016 at Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens Meeting Room, Lagoon Street, Mackay.

#### **Opening and Welcome**

The meeting opened at 7.33pm with prayer led by Jason Hazell.

Region Commissioner Dougal McWhinney welcomed all present and extended thanks Member for Mackay Julieanne Gilbert MP and Councillor Greg Williamson for their attendance.

The meeting was chaired by Central Coast Region Patron, Julieanne Gilbert who commenced the meeting by "acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet, the Yuibera people and pay our respects to Elders past and present".

#### **Present**

Region Commissioner Dougal McWhinney, Mrs Julieanne Gilbert Member for Mackay, Councillor Greg Williamson - Mayor Mackay Regional Council, Assistant Region Commissioner Nikki McWhinney, Region Leader Brendan Ross, Region Leader Mary Wallace, Treasurer Margaret Hodda, Camp Warden Bob Hodda, Region Leader Judy Johnson, Assistant Region Commissioner Jason Hazell, Rowallan Park Fellowship Member Robin Hazell, Frangipani Arts & Cultural Development Organisation Chairwoman Jeanette Morgan.

#### **Apologies**

Hon. Jim Pearce – Member for Mirani, Hon. Jason Costigan – Member for Whitsunday, John Taylor – Executive Chairman, Lynn Hodda – Assistant Region Treasurer, Lance Hodda – Rowallan Park Fellowship, Margaret Wilson – Region Leader, Peter Wilson – Region Leader, Katrina Hoare – Group Leader Banksia Scout Group, Lesley Bullemor – Group Leader Bowen Scout Group, Greg Milne – Group Leader Mackay City Central Scout Group, Suzanne Jensen – Group Leader Pioneer Valley Scout Group, Fiona Marshall – Group Leader Mount Archer Scout Group, Kaylene Williams – Group Leader Yeppoon Scout Group, Dennis Tuckerman – Rowallan Park Fellowship Member, Mr Ian Wallace – Supporter, David Morgan – Supporter, Frank Gilbert – Supporter, Bob Sim - Supporter.

**Motion:** that the apologies be accepted.

Moved: Judy Johnson Seconded: Mary Wallace Carried

#### Minutes of previous Annual Report Presentation

Copies of the minutes of the previous Annual Report Presentation held on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2016 were circulated to the meeting.

**Motion:** that the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record:

Moved: Brendan Ross Seconded: Robin Hazell Carried

**Business arising from Minutes** - Nil

#### Correspondence

Outward correspondence - Invitations to Annual Report Presentation.

Inward correspondence – Responses to invitations to Annual Report Presentation.

#### Reports

Chair of proceedings and Patron Julieanne Gilbert noted that all relevant reports are presented within the official Annual Report document.

Some presenters addressed the meeting highlighting certain aspects of their report.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Presented by Margaret Hodda.

Points noted in the report:

- The formation of the new "Central Coast Region" also brought many changes.
- Change from manual cashbook to electronic system & electronic banking effective and made the position easier.
- Moved from 2 accounts to 5 accounts.
- Introduced Debit Card accounts.
- Last financial year was 11 months & previous year was 13 months due to merge. Audit for 13 months and 11 months 11 months in the current year.
- All accounts in the black.
- Reasonably comfortable financial position.
- New cash book was setup and better processes to work with.
- Insurance paid two lots in 2016 timing means no insurance in 2017 FY will show in 17/18 year.
- Paid rates & will show next year.
- Other Funds
  - BHQ Development Fund
  - o Unsecured Loan Seeonee Park Loan

#### **Region Commissioners Report**

Presented by Region Commissioner Dougal McWhinney.

Points noted in the report:

- Membership growth is still slow but the Region still had a 4.6% increase for the 2016-2017 Scouting year.
- Another successful ScoutFest was held in August and over 100 youth members attended.
   BRAVO to Katrina Hoare and her committee for organising this event.

Dougal expressed his thanks to the Rowallan Park works team for their untiring efforts in progressing Rowallan Park to the level it is now. To the local Rotary Clubs and community organisations for their continued support and to all members of Scouting regardless of their role, for their continued support, passion and enthusiasm for Scouting.

#### **Community Relations Report**

Presented by Region Leader Mary Wallace.

#### **Region Leader Adventurous Activities Report**

Presented by Region Leader Brendan Ross.

#### **Region Venturer Leader Report**

Presented by Region Leader Judy Johnson.

Points noted in the report:

- Thanked Pera (Banksia Scout Group Venturer Leader) for the efforts through the year.
- Thanked Brendan Ross (Region Leader Adventurous Activities) for his assistance at CCV

#### Reports from the Floor

#### Frangipani Arts & Cultural Development Organisation

Jeanette Morgan discussed the long association with Bob Hodda and the Scouting organisation in the Mackay Region. Jeanette discussed the graves at Rowallan Park Campsite and the current project to erect a monument to ensure they are remembered and well looked after. Jeanette discussed idea of erecting the monument during the activities around the 150<sup>th</sup> year since the indentured labourers in Mackay but will need to source funding for the monument. Julieanne Gilbert indicated there were Grants they could apply for and would discuss it further with Jeanette directly. Jeanette also acknowledged the work that Bob Hodda and the Scout Association had undertaken in keeping the graves maintained while still respecting the area as a sacred site.

#### **Mackay City Council**

Councillor Greg Williamson, Mayor Mackay Regional Council commented that the organisation had shown great strength and purpose. Greg reflected on the different generations and the different degrees of commitment to community and volunteering but believed that generation "Z" youth appear to be different and interested in community and the environment. Greg also said it was a credit to Scouts to have an organisation in a good position to assist the youth and the community.

Greg congratulated Scouts on the construction of the abseil tower and the new workshop and encouraged us to keep applying for grants through the council.

Following the presentation of reports Patron Julieanne Gilbert commented on the activities of the Region which she considered to have been of great benefit. Julieanne encouraged Scouts to keep putting items to the media and to remain visible. Every little thing Scouts do with the youth helps hold the community together.

**Motion:** that the reports as presented be adopted.

Moved: Jason Hazel Seconded: Mary Wallace Carried

#### **Appointment of Region Executive**

The Region Commissioner announced the following appointments for the ensuing year.

- John Taylor Chairman
- Position vacant Secretary
- Margaret Hodda Treasurer
- Lynn Hodda Assistant Treasurer
- Dougal McWhinney Region Commissioner
- Nikki McWhinney Assistant Region Commissioner Group Support (North)
- Dwayne Kersey Assistant Region Commissioner Group Support (Central)
- Jason Hazell Assistant Region Commissioner Campsites (North)
- Stephen Kydd Assistant Region Commissioner Campsites (South)

#### **Appointment of Auditor**

Motion: that Mr Michael Curtin be appointed as the Region Auditor for year 2017 – 2018.

Moved: Margaret Hodda Seconded: Brendan Ross Carried

#### **General Business**

Region Commissioner Dougal McWhinney presented service year awards to Mary Wallace (35 years), Brendan Ross (5 years) and Jason Hazell (5 years)

#### **Meeting Closed**

Chair of proceedings Patron Julieanne thanked all for attending the meeting which then concluded with prayer led by Brendan Ross.

Meeting closed at 8.33pm followed by a light supper.

## Executive Committee – Chairman's Report

We have had another successful 12 months with many worthwhile activities and ongoing projects. In our Region, we are most fortunate to have the support of so many dedicated people, businesses and numerous service clubs that help year in and year out.

Every year Rowallan Park offers more opportunities for local youth groups to make use of the everimproving facilities. These ongoing improvements would not be possible without the enthusiasm and efforts of the band of workers, namely Jason Hazel and his team who keep the park looking fantastic. The fellowship also contributes enormously to continuing the progress and maintenance of the Park's facilities.

Our Region is thriving under the leadership of Dougal McWhinney, our Region Commissioner and his enthusiastic team.

Thank you to the members of the Region Executive Committee for their support and interest in keeping our Region moving forward.

This will be the last report as Chairman of the Region. Districts were created and scheduled to start at the end of this reporting year and I will be moving to Chairman of the new District Executive Committee in the Mackay area.

## John Taylor

Chairman

Central Coast Region Executive Committee





## **Region Commissioner**

We have come to the end of the first year of the new region and Groups in the region report they have had good year of Scouting, with many fun and enjoyable activities.

During the year many Promise Challenge Awards (Joey Scouts), Grey Wolf awards (Cub Scouts), Australian Scout Medallions (Scouts) and Queen Scout Awards (Venturer Scouts) were achieved in the region. These are the highest awards in each of the sections and take considerable effort to achieve. Congratulations to all the recipients as well as to the leaders and parents that assisted the youth members along the way. I look forward to attending more in the coming year.

Unfortunately, as of 31 March 2018, youth membership in Central Coast Region finished 2.2% down compared with the beginning of the Scouting year (01 April 2017). The northern region (Bowen to Mackay) experienced a 4.1% growth in youth numbers. The central region (Rockhampton-Yeppoon-Gracemere-Biloela) experience a 9.5% drop in youth numbers and the southern region (Gladstone-Calliope-Boyne Tannum) also experienced a 0.5% decrease. Adult leadership numbers are stable but again training of leaders locally in a timely manner is still causing issues.

The youth and adult membership in the region as at 31 March 20187 were as follows:

•	Joey Scouts	58
•	Cub Scouts	221
•	Scouts	217
•	Venturer Scouts	61
•	Rover Scouts	20
•	Fellowship	30
•	Adult Support	55
•	Leaders	106
•	Region	10

In June the new abseil tower at Rowallan Park was officially opened. The ribbon was cut by Councillor Greg Williamson, Mayor Mackay Regional Council after which Greg, Julieanne and myself abseiled down the tower. It has had many youth and leaders over it since the opening and making the abseil tower a huge asset for Rowallan Park. Thanks again to Mackay Regional Council for awarding Scouts QLD the grant to assist with building the tower.

In August we held another successful ScoutFest. There was well over 100 youth members in attendance doing activities from Rope Adventures, Bike Rides, Aqua Activities etc. A big BRAVO must go to Katrina Hoare (ScoutFest Committee Chairperson) and her committee for organising another successful event.

In November, after discussion with the QLD Chief Commissioner, it was decided to reintroduce Districts into the region to give groups ownership of "their patch". Discussions were held, and it was decided the existing "Areas/Zones" would become the new "Districts". It was announced to the region in November and three new District Commissioners were officially appointed on 01 January 2018.

The three new DCs then proceeded to decide on names for their District. The three new District names were announced at the beginning of March 2018:

- Hibiscus Coast District (Bowen to St Lawrence) DC Katrina Hoare
- Capricorn District (St Lawrence to Raglan) DC Scott Neill
- Port Curtis District (Raglan to Miriam Vale including Biloela) DC Jeff Wilkinson

The new Districts officially started on 01 April 2018 and I look forward to working with the new DCs in growing the new Districts. Exciting times ahead.

## **Region Commissioner**

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In January as part of the move to District, it was decided to move the three Region campsites (Rowallan Park, Seeonee Park and Lake Awoonga) to stand alone formations and become part of the relevant District. Campsite Committee rules were developed and were adopted at the first meeting of the new formations. Camp Illawong was excluded from this process as the campsite is attached to and controlled by Biloela Scout Group.

Current Scout Groups within the Region:

#### **Hibiscus Coast District (DC Katrina Hoare)**

•	Banksia Scout Group	Leader in Charge Katrina Hoare
•	Bowen Scout Group	Group Leader Lesley Bullemor
•	Mackay City Central Scout Group	Group Leader Greg Milne
•	Pioneer Valley Scout Group	Group Leader Sue Jensen
•	Sarina Scout Group	Leader in Charge Nikki McWhinney
•	Rowallan Park Campsite	Rowallan Park Campsite Committee

#### **Capricorn District (DC Scott Neill)**

•	Gracemere Scout Group	Leader in Charge Scott Neill
•	Mount Archer Scout Group	Group Leader Lance Watson
•	Warripari Scout Group	Group Leader Gary Murray
•	Yeppoon Scout Group	Group Leader Kaylene Williams
•	Seeonee Park Campsite	Seeonee Park Campsite Committee

#### **Port Curtis District (DC Jeff Wilkinson)**

•	Biloela Scout Group	. Group Leader Geoff Price
•	Boyne Tannum Scout Group	. Group Leader Mark Hodge
•	Calliope Scout Group	. Group Leader Sally Brierley
•	Dolphin Sea Scout Group	. Group Leader Quentin Redshaw
•	Kareeba Scout Group	. Group Leader Peter Vaissiere
•	Lake Awoonga Campsite	. Lake Awoonga Campsite Committee

The Region Team currently consists of the following members:

• Assistant Region Commissioner – Nikki McWhinney

The Region Executive Committee consists of the following members:

•	Dougal McWhinney.	Region Commissioner
•	TBA	Chairman
•	TBA	Treasurer
•	TBA	Secretary

Once again, I would like to thank the local Rotary Clubs and other community organisations for their valued assistance to Scouting in the region and look forward to continuing to work with you in the development of our youth.

## **Region Commissioner**

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I would like to convey my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Region Executive Committee, Region Management Team, Region Leaders, Group Leaders, Section Leaders, supporters, parents and community organisations for your support and contribution to Scouting. With your continued support, passion and enthusiasm for Scouting in the region, I am certain we will assist the youth achieve their goals and succeed to become the Leaders of tomorrow.

Yours in Scouting,

## **Dougal McWhinney**

Region Commissioner (Central Coast Region)







## Assistant Region Commissioner - Campsites (North)

#### ROWALLAN PARK CAMPSITE AND ACTIVITY CENTRE REPORT

I'll try and keep this short and sweet. Another year gone, where does the time go?

We had a few grants through the year that were ongoing from previous one as well as new ones. \$5,000 towards the repairs of the road in after cyclone Marcia, (sports disaster), we missed out on the \$150,000 grant as road was classified as "unknown ownership", \$50,000 for a new workshop, (Mackay Regional Council), \$3,500 to fix cyclone damage to one of the ablution blocks, (Westpac Disaster), \$1,500 new pump, (Mackay Regional Council), \$30,000 for a new Kubota Tractor with bucket and digger, (GCBF), \$7,000 for archery equipment, (Sports). Bunnings also donated buckets, hoses, brooms, storage containers etc. for use at Rowallan Park.

The abseil tower was completed and opened in June, and Mackay Rotary club donated a shade sail and two aluminium picnic tables at the set-up area. They will have a project to complete landscaping and plants once Scouts completes the design. Contact us if anyone is interested in and has the knowledge to assist with design. Mackay Rotary held a meeting at Rowallan Park once the sail was installed and some of the Rotarians tried the abseil tower. Quite a few had a go at abseiling and enjoyed themselves. They also supplied a BBQ dinner for their members and Scout Leaders that attended.

The park had a few major events throughout the year as well as the usual groups that utilise the facilities (schools, cadets, churches, and scout groups). Obstacle Hell held an event during the year and were impressed with the park and have scheduled to hold the event here annually. TimberFest music festival was held in September and went well considering it was the same evening as the Elton John concert held in Mackay. Mackay and District (MAD) Mountain Bike Club held the State Titles at Rowallan Park (with biggest mountain bike event in QLD – outdoing Brisbane). Camp Eagle has also been running various Youth Program camps with lots of success.

Rowallan Park Campsite has been well looked after by the Fellowship Works Team who have worked extremely hard at maintaining the buildings, machinery, water pipes, mowing, and general wear and tear. The effort is greatly appreciated and the feedback on how well the park looks makes me proud (I always tell people about our GREAT works team). Thanks for everything you all do!

This year the Fellowship only had one go at Waverly Creek as the cyclone stopped the mid-year one, but we still had Boxing day week. From my one day of helping, it looked like a great few days. It will be held again this year and we could use more volunteers to help over the 4 days. Power is available for vans etc.

Origin Energy installed a 5kW solar system on the roof of the activity shed. The park receives a reduction in what we pay per kW due to the plan and Origin Energy maintains the system.

That's all from me for, thanks for having me as ARC Campsites (North) and I've enjoyed my time working with the Fellowship. I'm looking forward to the new role of Assistant District Commissioner (Campsites) for the new District that will start next year.

Yours in Scouting

## Jason Hazell

Assistant Region Commissioner (Campsites North)

## Lake Awoonga Campsite

#### LAKE AWOONGA CAMPSITE REPORT

The Lake Awoonga Campsite Foundation was officially formed on 15th November 2017 with the following executive positions:

Chairman: Ross LeachSecretary: Kathryn RobertsTreasure: Darlene Lara

The Campsite Management Committee consists of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and one (1) representative from each of the Scout Groups in the District in which the Scout Campsite is located.

The Campsite Management Committee is responsible for the overall operation of the Scout Campsite in accordance with the Campsite Management Committee Rules.

Early this year Stephen Withoos was appointed as Maintenance Coordinator for the Campsite.

4 official meetings have been held since November to March.

#### **Camp Ground usage**

There are no records available for camp ground usage. From the camp fees that were banked there were 155 nights camped. A booking system has been established using Google calendar. A camp usage form is also being introduced to help track usage numbers. The usage figures are required to be recorded as part of the lease with the Water board and for applying for grants.

#### **Operating Budget**

An operating budget has been drafted. Total Budgeted expenditure is \$2,784. High ticked items are the Insurance and Generator fuel. We need 464 people to camp 1 night to generate enough income to cover the budget.

#### 5 Year plan

A 5-year plan has been developed for improvements to the campsite. These improvements will require grant monies.

#### **Fundraising**

On Friday 15th December 2017 we had a sausage sizzle at Bunnings where we sold 360 sausages and 121 drinks making a profit of \$813.55

On Saturday 24th February 2018 we back filled trenches at the Historical Village who gave a donation of \$1,000 Thanks to all who helped with the fundraising

#### **Grants**

We currently have an application with the NRG Community Fund for monies to purchase a Flail mower to pull behind our tractor.

#### **Campsite Improvements**

2 working bees have been held between November and March. Thank you to all who attended.

Gladstone Engineering Alliance Trainees removed the rotten timber decking and supports between the 2 buildings and gutters from around the buildings.

## Lake Awoonga Campsite

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The main gate was repaired. White ants had eaten out the timber posts which unfortunately meant the cross-brace pole had to come down.

The electrical cabling on the campsite did not comply with Australian Standards. New cabling was run, and the campsite is now compliant. Thanks to Brett Neucom, Jason Robbins and Craig Watson

The 2 Flag poles were repainted, and ropes pulleys and clips replaced.

The Gas Hot water system on the shower block had to be replaced as It could not be repaired. A grant was applied for through Santos which was unsuccessful. As hot water to the showers is a priority the committee decided to spend the money raised at the Bunnings Sausage sizzle to fund the purchase of the new Gas Hot Water system. Thanks to Lindsay Norris and Liam Cathcart. Note the invoice for the new system and pipe fittings is yet to be received.

#### **Camp Ground Lease**

Hopefully the lease with the Water Board will be renewed as it is set to expire at the end of June 2018.

#### In closing

Thank you to all the people that helped with fundraising and at working bees through the period.

Thank you to the committee for your attendance at meetings to make a quorum so that the meeting could proceed.

Special Thank you to Tim Evans for coordinating keys for groups requiring access and to Suzanne Neucom for the writing of the grant applications and Jeff Wilkinson for all your work over the previous years.

Yours in Scouting

## Ross Leach

#### Chairman

Lake Awoonga Campsite Executive Committee



## Assistant Region Commissioner - Group Support (Central)

The 2017/2018 Year has been another big year with several changes. Unfortunately, due to family health issues my Role of ARC Group Support was not as productive as it should have been. Despite this several RTMs were held during 2017, more in the Central Region than the south due to inability to coordinate mutually agreeable times.

The year started with Group Annual Report Presentations to which I attended several of them including Dolphin, Mt Archer and Biloela.

Several Group and Regional activities occurred such as Capricorn Totem (the Central and Southern Area's Scout Competition Camp) and JOTA (Seeonee Park, Lake Awoonga and Camp Illawong).

Group and section numbers have continued to fluctuate with some increasing and some decreasing.

Seeonee Park, Lake Awoonga and Camp Illawong have all continued to improve at varying rates.

Several of the GL and Sectional Leader Roles have been made vacant some of which are filled, and others such Gracemere GL are still looking to be filled. The provision of leaders will continue to be a concern going forwards.

With the continued demands on time for caving and family my role changed to Region Leader Adventurous Activities at the start of 2018.

Yours in Scouting

## **Dwayne Kersey**

Assistant Region Commissioner – Group Support (Central)



## **Region Leader –** *Venturer Scouts*

This year has been a great one for the Regions Venturers with the Australian Venturer holding their caving expedition at the Capricorn caves and several of our youth members assisting Dwayne Kersey run the activity (it shows the abilities of some of our talented young people).

We also have several working towards their Cert 2, one youth member working on his Cert 3 in Outdoor Recreation and several received their Cert 2 in Business, which is an excellent indictment of the opportunities we can offer our youth members.

We have also held Queens Scout Presentations for Brett, Riley, Tristan, Conrad, Lloyd, and Kiana.

Currently there are Venturer Scout units in the following Groups (8 in total):

Banksia Scout Group, Bowen Scout Group, Mackay City Central Scout Group, Yeppoon Scout Group, Warripari Scout Group, Calliope Scout Group, Dolphin Sea Scout Scout Group and Boyne Tannum Scout Group.

All Units are working towards their set goals.

The region has hosted 4 Region Venturer events with members form all areas attending. The region has also run two leadership courses, two Unit Management courses, as well as Environment course.

This year was also the 10<sup>th</sup> year of Central Coast Venture camp and a special commemorative shirt was produced which the youth loved.

Going forward with the reintroduction of Districts early next year, the Venturer Scouts are still looking at running the four Region events yearly and distributing them amongst the three Districts to fairly distribute the travel requirements.

Venturers regularly participate in various Venturer Scout councils at Unit, Region and Branch levels with the election of the region representatives in February at the Region venturer camp. The current Chair is from the combined Venturer Scout Unit, Mackay Venturer Unit (made up of the Banksia Scout Group Venturer Unit and Mackay City Central Scout Group Venturer Unit). The Secretary is from Kareeba Scout Group Venturer Unit and Warripari Scout Group Venturer Unit also has a regular representative. However, the actual groups sending representatives to the meetings seems to be hit and miss.

This year the Branch Venturer council has changed the way they meet with the youth members holding the executive positions and the leaders moving to a mentoring role. The Branch Venturer Scout Council Region representatives (one youth Member and one Leader), have been reporting back to the Region council with the changes and pertinent information including the new Expedition guidelines and the upcoming changes from the youth program review (The Adventure Begins). The Current BVSC Chair is Matt Vella from the combined Mackay Venturer Unit.

The future of the Venturer Scouts in the region looks to be bright with Scouts looking to link to the various units in the region. The challenges are as always to get enough Adults in place to support the youth members.

Yours in Scouting

## **Judy Johnson**

Region Leader (Venturer Scouts)

## **Region Leader –** *Community Relations*

The 2017-2018 Scouting Year has been another exciting one.

I have published four Central Coast Region Newsletters, with plenty of news items from the Northern Zone and some regular contributors from the other two Zones. Items that I received were also condensed and sent to Scout's Life which is the Queensland Branch Newsletter.

On the local scene very, few news items have been published since the Mackay Midweek ceased to be published.

The Opening of the Abseiling Tower, Scout Fest and some youth member presentations were published. A Cub Scout from Pioneer Valley Group was very excited to have his photo on the Front Page of the Midweek which was taken at ScoutFest.

I try to attend as many activities that I am invited to, as it is much easier to write a story when you go to the activity rather than trying to write a report from information given.

Yours in Scouting



## Region Leader - Adventurous Activities (North)

Well there goes another year of Scouts, we have been kept busy with a range of activities in the Region, I have been more so in the northern area, but it's been great.

We have had the opportunity to run a range of activities under the new Terra Firma, Vertical and Paddling Pursuits. I am very keen to see the interaction within the new structure that will be launched at AJ2019.

As I have mentioned in my last report we were given the opportunity to get a grant for an abseil tower, which was opened by Mayor Greg Williamson and Julieann Gilbert. On the same weekend we were able to run a Level 1 Abseil course to get everyone up to speed to run and be involved with the great new tower. We have since had many events utilising the tower from open days like ScoutFest thru to Rotary having a go as an appreciation of our thanks in their support for the tower, and getting the Rovers involved in an extreme game of Nought and Crosses on the tower.

We had the Joeys doing a basic low ropes course in the local park near the Banksia Scout Group den right thru to a more complex low ropes course and Rope Bridge for Group Care, this was a smaller scale event. We continued with many hours planning for ScoutFest (the open day activity for the northern area of the region) and it went off very well with a range of activities from Abseiling, Mobile Rock wall, Canoeing and Raft Building and many other great activities for the public and youth.

We have also been able to get a few people accredited in the Scouts Qld Rock Wall that travels around Queensland, a few leaders and myself ventured down to Gladstone for a weekend to get skilled up in the setting up and running of the Rock Wall.

We have also been getting on the water with Powerboats and canoes for the annual Central Coast Venture, it is always a great weekend getting the Venturers out on the water at Kinchant dam, either behind a boat on a ski tube or knee board or just having a paddle in a canoe. We also had a level 1 Kayak Course held out at Kinchant Dam getting some of the leaders and youth skilled up on the water.

We have also been able to widen our skills in the northern part of the Region with being able to get a Level 1 Archery course in Mackay, I can confirm no wildlife were injured in the accreditation of our leaders or youth, just a few sore arms from the bow string when not using the correct technique.

I look forward to another year of Adventurous activities with my team of skilled leaders and youth, so let's put the OUT in Scout.

Yours in Scouting

### **Brendan Ross**

Region Leader (Adventurous Activities)

## Region Leader - Adventurous Activities (South)

With the continued demands on time for caving and family my role changed to Adventurous Activities Leader at the start of 2018.

Provision of caving activities continued over the 2017 and 2018 with groups from Calliope, Banksia, Yeppoon, Mt Archer, Gracemere, Chinchilla, Harvey Bay, Mackay Venturers and even an Expedition for AV2018. In early 2018 with the assistance of QLD Branch and AV, Phil Harrison RPL myself for Instructor in Caving.

Fees for caving are being charged which is currently adequately covering consumables, replacement of equipment and increasing some equipment levels such as helmets, lights and basic abseiling equipment. This has been boosted by the donation of some equipment from external sources. Several grants are being explored to purchase some larger items such emergency equipment, stretchers and possibly an enclosed trailer for storage and transport of equipment (all still under review and discussion).

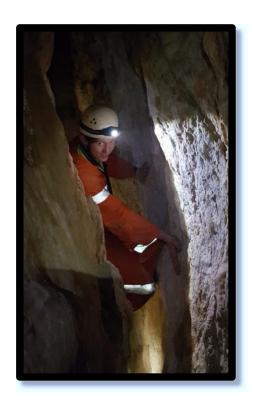
My focus for 2018/2019 will be to continue to provide caving activities for Regional Groups and Groups outside of the Region. There is also a focus on upskilling other leaders in Caving as well as provision of training for youth members. This is a slow process as many the assessment guides are yet to be written.

Yours in Scouting

## **Dwayne Kersey**

Region Leader (Adventurous Activities)





## Central Coast Region

# Financial Statements

for the year ended

31 March 2018

## Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2018

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## Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Committee's Report

For the year ended 31 March 2018

Your committee members submit the financial accounts of the Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region for the financial year ended 31 March 2018.

#### **Committee Members**

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

John Taylor Margaret Hodda Lynn Hodda Bob Bodda Dougal McWhinney Nikki McWhinney Dwayne Kersey Stephen Kydd Jason Hazel

#### **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 profit from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to

Year ended Year ended
31 March 2018 PrevYearEnd
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37,095.39 31,803.93

16th July 2018

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

John Taylor

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## Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Committee's Report

For the year ended 31 March 2018

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#### Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Statement by Members of Committee

For the year ended 31 March 2018

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:

- Presents fairly the financial position of Scout Association of Australia QLD Branch Central Coast Region as at 31 March 2018 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:

John Taylor President

Margaret Bodda

Treasurer

# Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Income and Expenditure Statement For the year ended 31 March 2018

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Income		
Affiliation Fees	2,646.00	1,750.50
Badge Sales	876.00	762.40
Donations / Fundraising	710.00	1,964.40
Region Activities	2,049.93	1,235.20
Grants Received	34,155.06	
Sundry Income		291.82
Training Income	2,648.00	1,654.79
Interest received		
- Rowallan Park Account	25.18	17.50
- General A/c	4.15	4.54
- B.H.Q. Development Fund	26.82	35.21
- Seeonee Park Account		10.42
- Debit Card Account	0.45	0.30
- Lake A\Voonga Account		0.87
	56.60	68.84
Rowallan Park Income		
- Absailing Income	2,915.00	500.00
- Cottage Rental	11,948.00	12,204.79
- Donations received	6,950.00	1,688.63
- General Park Use Camp Eagle	2,334.50	579.00
- Mountain Bike Club	7,639.00	6,227.20
- Other Rents / Camp Site Fees	14,969.80	9,008.50
- Scout use	6,348.00	3,982.00
	53,104.30	34, 190.12
Seeonee Park Income		
- Camping Fees		22,621.27
- Caving		2,450.40
- Training		306.00
		25,377.67
Lake Awoonga Income		
- Camping Fees		2,307.17
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# Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Income and Expenditure Statement For the year ended 31 March 2018

	<b>2018</b> \$	<b>2017</b> \$
Transfers In - Capricorn Region		6,000.00
Total income	96,245.89	75,602.91
Expenses		
Advertising	125.00	
A.R.P Expenses	45.00	40.00
Audit foes	330.00	330.00
Badges	39.00	1,321.10
Bank Fees And Charges	20.00	
Donations / Fundraising	1,000.00	3,078.25
Membership Fees	642.52	336.00
Miscellaneous		L825.53
Post Office Box Rental	139.00	
Postage, stationery & office supplies	1,107.18	233.65
Repairs & maintenance	75.49	
Rowallan Park Expenses		
- Abseil Expenses	3,350.61	
- Electricity	2,955.69	2,479.93
- Fuel / Oil	1,310.35	1,704.67
- Gas	1,435.35	1,607.90
- Insurance	14,146.89	
- Repairs Plant	3,011.07	2,565.74
- Repairs Buildings	8,431.05	5,419.64
- Repairs - General	12,026.21	1,729.66
-Telephone	218.76	
- Rubbish Removal	3,385.72	2,237.57
	50,271.70	17,745.11
Seeonee Park Expenses		
- Catering		4,275.32
- Caving		627.00
- Electricity		3,953.10
- Gas		160.00
- Insurance	115.18	
- Interest on Loan		2,593.90
- Registration		117.40
- Repairs & Maintenance		466.30

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# Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Income and Expenditure Statement For the year ended 31 March 2018

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
- Council Rates		497.83
- Waste Removal		1,548.80
-Telcphone		389.58
	115.18	14,629.23
Lake Awoonga Expenses		
- Gas		121.51
- Insurance	30.08	
	30.08	121.51
Website Development	255.00	228.00
Training Expenses		
- Training Expenses	3.054.55	2.166.73
- Region Events	1.800.80	1.321.45
- Sundries		422.42
	4.855.35	3.910.60
Wreath & Donation in Lieu	100.00	
Total expenses	59,150.50	43,798.98
Profit from ordinary activities before income		
tax	37,095.39	31,803.93
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities		
Net profit attributable to the association	37,095.39	31,803.93
Total changes in equity of the association	37,095.39	31,803.93
Opening retained profits	(217,112.97)	(248,916.90)
Net profit attributable to the association	37,095.39	31,803.93
Closing retained profits	(180,017.58)	(217,112.97)

#### Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Detailed Statement of Financial Position as at 31 March 2018

	2018	2017 \$
Current Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash Assets		
Rowallan Park Account	21,180.95	21,966.96
General Account	5,092.26	3,756.59
BHQ Development Fund		3,381.09
Seeonee Park Account		12,202.17
Debit Card Account	500.03	500.14
Lake Awoonga Account		2,186.53
	26,773.24	43,993.48
Total Current Assets	26,773.24	43,993.48
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment		
Value ofLand (Freehold only)	135,000.00	135,000.00
Value of Buildings and fences	113.382.78	113.382.78
Value of Furniture, Equipment	2L292.91	20.981.41
Value of Plant & equipment	66,621.92	26,126.92
	336,297.61	295,491.11
Total Non-Current Assets	336,297.61	295,491.11
Total Assets	363,070.85	339,484.59
Non-Current Liabilities		
Financial Liabilities		
Unsecured:		
- Loan - Seeonee Park Camp		18,367.23
- Caving Fees held behalf Seeonee Park	879.57	
	879.57	18,367.23
Total Non-Current Liabilities	879.57	18,367.23

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## Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region

Detailed Statement of Financial Position as at 31 March 2018

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Total Liabilities	879.57	18,367.23
Net Assets	362,191.28	321,117.36

#### Members' Funds

#### Reserves

General reserve	542208.86	538.230.33
Accumulated surplus (deficit)	(180,017.58)	(217 <b>J</b> 12.97)
Total Members' Funds	362,191.28	321,117.36

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## Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Detailed Statement of Financial Position as at 31 March 2018

2018 2017 \$ \$

#### 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 - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Auditor's Report

#### Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast 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 2018.

## 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.

#### Independence

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

## Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast Region Auditor's Report

#### Qualification

As is common of organisations of this type, it is not practicable for Scout Association of Australia - QLD Branch Central Coast 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 - QLD Branch Central Coast Region has bookkeeping processes in place to adequately record the association's income and expenditure and dealings with its assets and liabilities.

Signed on: 05/07/2018

Michael P Curtin, BBus. CPA

