



## Western Australian Contingent

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## NEWSLETTER No 2

This is your 2nd AJ2010 Newsletter, which serves to update you with the most current news relating to AJ2010.

Our Contingent at the present time will be made up of 24 Troops which is about 1008 people living on the Troop Lines and 86 support Leaders/adult helpers onsite.

### **NEWSLETTER INFORMATION UPDATE**

By now you should have received and thoroughly read your 1st Newsletter. If you have not, then I strongly urge you to do just that, as the **1<sup>st</sup> Newsletter is very important!** It contains a lot of information you **need** to know and understand!

In the 1st Newsletter, I described to you what you need to take with you to make your life at AJ2010 as comfortable as possible. You might like to adjust this list to suit yourself, but if you do, **ensure** you talk it over with your Jamboree Troop Leader, as they will be the most experienced person to take advice from.

Should you have not received your 1<sup>st</sup> Newsletter, or if you have misplaced it, please contact Sheridan (Sonar) on **0419 926 054**.

Your next Newsletter will be emailed out around November, which should have all the final details that you will need to know.

### **JAMBOREE FEES**

By now all payments should have been made relating to your third payment to the WA Contingent. Should this not be the case then payments should be sent as a matter of urgency. Non-financial members will not be able to attend AJ2010.

### **CAMPING GEAR**

The WA Scout Headquarters will supply all your camping gear and the gear we will be using will be of good quality, so ensure that you take care of it. This gear will be needed for future Jamborees, before it can be replaced.

The Quartermaster's Team for this Jamboree is headed up by Ashley Lindorff (Rowdy). Ashley will soon require help from all Leaders to assist him and his team in preparing our Jamboree gear.

Leaders please contact Ashley from **NOW**, on 0407 994 274 to advise when you will be available to assist. Our equipment is located at the Melville Scout Hall, Waddell Rd., (access can be obtained from Stock Rd., as well)

At AJ2010, we will all have to work hard, but no one will work harder before AJ2010 than the Quartermaster's Team!

An advance party of around 40 Leaders, (at least one from each Jamboree Troop) will travel to Cataract Park departing around the 28th December 2009, to prepare our sites before the Contingent arrives. A rear party of similar size will also be required after AJ2010 to assist in packing up, leaving Cataract Park about 17th January 2010. Expressions of Interest to be in the Advance or Rear party will be taken at the Line Leaders briefing weekend 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2009..

## **HEALTH**

The Jamboree organisation in NSW will take care of health, so what you need to do if you are hurt or unwell is go to a Leader, and they will know exactly what to do.

For Mums and Dads who may be worried, there will be first aid available in each Jamboree Troop and a First Aid Post in every Sub Camp.

There will be an AJ2010 hospital on site complete with doctors, nurses, pharmacists and even a dentist. Should a Scout require hospitalisation then this will be done at the discretion of the doctors on site. If it is necessary to transfer a Scout to one of these hospitals and if the problem is likely to exclude a Scout from the remainder of AJ2010, then the Scout will be flown home under close adult supervision. We will consult with the parents in each instance prior to any booking being made.

I will remain in touch with parents on matters of injury or sickness that require hospitalisation, from the moment that I have been made aware of any situation (but not until I have a diagnosis as well), to the time of the final outcome. All contacts in regard to this subject must be referred through me and **not** your Scout's Troop Leaders.

## **UNIFORMS**

For those who will be travelling with the Contingent, you will be required to wear full uniform to and from the Jamboree.

For those travelling independently, you will also need to be in full uniform to gain entry on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2010.

You will be required to wear uniform to the Opening and Closing Ceremony. All other offsite activities will see you wearing your AJ2010 t/shirt, with Scout shorts, scarf and hat.

**One full uniform is essential and should be in good order and condition.**

The Scout uniform consists of: -

Scout shirt with ONLY the correct badges on it.

Scout shorts - Scout style ONLY or –

Scout trousers - Scout style ONLY - **similar army style trousers are NOT acceptable.**

For girls and female Leaders, skirts or culottes may be worn in lieu of shorts or trousers provided they are Scout design.

Scout belt.

Shoes to be black or brown - **Joggers are acceptable** but they **must be all black or brown.**

Socks - long blue socks when wearing shorts or short blue socks for long trousers.

Girls and female Leaders may wear stockings. To be appropriate uniform colours.

Hat – AJ2010 issued hat is all that is required.

Jamboree scarf - neatly rolled – (this scarf will be provided later.)  
Woggle - a gum nut woggle will be provided later.

## **FOOTWEAR**

Comfortable footwear at AJ2010 is a must, if not vital! Please ensure that your footwear will last the duration of AJ2010. **VITALLY IMPORTANT** ... make sure if they are new shoes, then ensure that you have worn them in before the Jamboree! Don't bring expensive Reeboks etc.

In the past, many Scouts have been forced to acquire replacement footwear at Jamborees because their own have not been able to withstand the rigours of a Jamboree.

You are reminded that thongs and open sandals are **NOT permitted** except when you are **in** the shower block. Shoes to be worn to and from shower block.

## **TRANSPORT**

The Western Australian Contingent will be travelling by a number of normal Qantas flights. It is anticipated that all the flights will **depart** on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2010 and continue into the 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Your departure times will be advised to you by your Jamboree Troop Leader, but be prepared to depart on the 2<sup>nd</sup> or the 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2010.

The Contingent will be returning from Sydney on 15th January 2010.

## **INDEPENDENT TRAVEL**

Those Scout members who are travelling independently should now have been in contact with me about their travel plans. All are reminded that Scouts may only travel independently providing they are travelling with their immediate family or family member. A complete itinerary is required in writing of your times of arrival and departure. If you have not sent your itinerary, then please treat this with a matter of urgency. We need to know as part of our duty of care to your Scout.

Any other form of travelling independently, (I.E. a Scout wishing to travel either with a Leader, who is going independently or by themselves without one of their immediate parents) will **not** be considered as an option. Your assistance in this matter will be appreciated.

**Arrival time** for the independent travelers (possibly 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan) will be announced in the next newsletter or by individual letter to each independent traveller. A member of the Contingent Team will meet you, when you arrive at the pre arranged time, so you may gain access to the site.

## **PRE - JAMBOREE MEETING AND CAMP FOR SCOUTS**

Following the Leader briefing weekend 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August, your Jamboree Troop Leader will be in touch with you to arrange a meeting and probably a pre-AJ2010 camp. So you and your parents are fully prepared for AJ2010 it is essential that you should try to attend these activities.

## **ACTIVITIES AT AJ2007**

### **For the Scouts...**

At AJ2010 there should be no shortfall of activities.

During AJ2010 each Scout should participate in the following activities: -

### **OFFSITE**

- Jambaroo (Theme Park)
- City Tour
- Water Activities at Sydney Harbour
- Endurance 2010

### **ONSITE**

- Join the circus
- Brownsea
- Chill out Activities
- Market Day
- Entertainment
- Radio Station
- Adventurous
- World Skill Australia
- Heaps of Night Life

### **And lots more**

And for the Leaders

- Organised Tours
- Self Guided Tours
- And more!
- Gilwell reunion

### **BADGE SWAPPING**

Swapping badges is one of the most popular past times at any Jamboree and this one will be no exception I can assure you!

What better way to meet other Scouts from all over Australia and even Overseas!

Scouts swap with Scouts and Leaders must swap with Leaders only and not Scouts.

You will be receiving a "Swap Kit" from the Contingent, which will contain badges to get you started. It is a good idea if you start gathering more badges to swap. The best badges to swap are always the District and Contingent badges.

Further badges (including District/Contingent badges) may be available for purchase at AJ2010 from WA Contingent HQ's or from your Cont. Liaison Officer who will visit you daily on your Troop site.

### **PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE**

The Scout Association covers both youth and adult members for personal accidents anywhere in Australia during an authorised Scouting event. This means that all members of the WA Contingent will be covered during AJ2010 and while travelling with the WA Contingent. You will **not be covered** during any **independent travel**, neither does it cover any **personal costing** in relation to parents/spouses who need to **travel to, or stay in**, NSW in the event of any convalescence of any Scout or Leader.

**Personal luggage** is **not** covered and should you require insuring any of your gear, then you should do this at your cost. This should reinforce our suggestion of, "don't bring anything that you cannot afford to lose!"

## **POCKET MONEY**

As mentioned in Newsletter No 1, your pocket money is limited to a maximum of \$100.00 for AJ2010 and should be paid to the WA Contingent before 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 2009. Attached is a form for this purpose. Pocket money will be made available to Scouts every day on request and the balance of any unused funds will be returned on the last day of the Jamboree. Avoid using ATM's at AJ2010 as the queues will be very long and may cost you an activity.

## **TELEPHONES**

There will be telephones available on site and we request that each member use a phone card or 1800 home phone number in preference to trying to obtain the correct necessary coinage.

You can expect long queues at certain times of the day. If you are home sick tell your Leaders (let them help)...save the phone call...it will be hard for mum and dad to help from Perth!

**NOTE!** **Mobile phones are discouraged**, as the service will not be reliable and the WA Contingent will not be responsible for loss of any mobile phone that a Scout (or Leader) may bring to AJ2010. The charging of batteries will be another problem, as power will not be available on the Troop Line sites and Contingent HQ's will only have a limited amount of supply, so we **cannot** assist you in this area.

Mobile phones with cameras – the camera cannot be used on the AJ2010 site as there are a number of sensitive privacy issues, especially concerning the ablution areas and tents where Members may be showering or changing.

If parents need to contact us, there will be a contact number to reach WA Contingent headquarters, given in the last newsletter.

## **VISITORS – (MOST IMPORTANT)**

Unlike past Jamborees, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Australian Jamboree **will not be open** to the public and as a result all persons wishing to visit must apply to enter the site. **All Scouters** who plan to wear their uniform must apply no later than 48 hours prior to their visit.

**All non Scouters** must **apply 5 days prior** to allow for the compulsory clearances to be obtained. Failure to apply will mean access will be denied. It is also important to note that all visitors must be off the site by 6pm unless prior approval to remain has been granted by the Jamboree Organising Committee.

The laws in NSW pertaining to youth protection are quite strict and need to be adhered to by all visiting State Contingents. Parents and Leaders need to understand that the above is a minimum requirement and I ask that you do NOT turn up to the site unless you have made arrangements to visit.

You may apply through the Western Australian Contingent and we will pass your itinerary along to the Jamboree Organising Committee on your behalf to expedite the ease of you visiting the site and your Scouts.

## **TROOP SLEEPING ARRANGEMENTS**

As per standard Scout policy, any Troop with a mixed Patrol will ensure that boys sleep separately to girls. There will be **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

## **LEADERS BRIEFING WEEKEND**

**The Leaders briefing weekend will be August 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>** as per Newsletter No. 1.

The meeting is to be held at Manjedal Scout Centre in the Activity Centre, starting Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Aug, at 8.30am for registration.

This would be a good time to bring along a copy of your “Working with Children” card if you have just registered.

Line Leaders will need to attend for the whole weekend. You will need to advise Sheridan Bunney of your intentions for catering and accommodation purposes.

If staying overnight you will need to bring your own sleeping bags and mattress/bed as we only have the Leader Training area available to us and bunks are limited. A seat may not go astray either!

Service & Activity Leaders should attend on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> from 8.30 AM.

Arrival/departure will be in uniform...we will change around morning tea.

A form for the Leaders is in this Newsletter. **Send this form back to Sheridan Bunney on time, otherwise you will NOT be catered for.**

**“ALL LEADERS ARE TO ATTEND THIS WEEKEND TO  
BE PREPARED FOR AJ2010”.**

***Vern Casey***

**Contingent Leader**

Western Australian Contingent AJ 2010

31<sup>st</sup> July 2010