

JINN Daily

Cataract Scout Park

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When Scouts Take Over The World - and Comedy Night!

Scouts stood ankle deep in the mud to be entertained by a fantastic line up of comedians. Six comedians with a range of Scouting experience, took their turns to make our Scouts, laugh, cry and snort, in what Rebecca Wright (D721) described as "the best night so far". Emcee David Williams warmed up the audience with his own experience of learning to snowboard and "becoming one with the tree". As a Scout himself, he's disappointed he didn't get to experience the "rock vibe" that AJ2016 has, which his own Jamboree was lacking.



First up were James and Benjamin Stevenson from the The Stevenson Experience. They had the crowd laughing non-stop with their range of musical numbers about their lives as brothers and the

reasons why their past relationships didn't work out, including thinking of dating a horse because at least then it would be a stable relationship. The duo were Scouts when they were younger and were lucky enough to go to two Jamborees, one being right here at Cataract Park. James said his favourite activities at Cataract were the city tour where they were able to paddle around the harbour in inflatable boats and Challenge Valley. He said he has tried a few obstacle courses but Cataract's course is the best and he's disappointed he wasn't able to give it ago today. The duo started out in comedy after winning a student competition at the Melbourne Comedy Festival two years running and have become full time comedians, even starting the Canberra Comedy Festival. Their dad, and AJ2016 ACT Contingent Leader, Peter Stevenson, was side of stage and thrilled to see how well they did and what a ball the audience was having.

Like a lot of Scouts, Nikki Britton (aka Grandma), was experiencing Jamboree for the first time, and was blown away by the experience. Grandma entered the stage on a mission to find her cat, Jessica Meowboy. In the process she had Scouts up to help her, hoping balloon dogs would draw her precious cat out and disapproving volunteers that didn't have a joke ready, "I thought Scouts were meant to be prepared?" She had everyone whipping and nae nae-ing their way through the night and was ecstatic to find Jessica Meowboy on the back of her dress. She explained, "She must have passed out when I farted on her earlier." When asked how the Scouts should keep their spirits up through this terrible weather she proceeded to sing, "The sun will come out tomorrow! Or Friday..." and thought they were genius for making their own mud slides in the Mall.

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What's On in the Arenas – Thursday, January 7, 2016

Main Arena – 7:30pm

Tonight in the Main Arena, four alternative Rock Bands from all over Australia will put on an epic performance for you. The night hosts Dead Letter Circus, Tired Lion, The Ruckus and Hands Like Houses.

Mini Arena – 7:30pm

Tonight's movie is one for all you gamers out there – Pixels. It tells the story of a bunch of arcade gamers from the 80's who are asked to help save the world from invading aliens who attack-Pacman, Donkey Kong and Space Invaders style. It features some really cool special effects matched with the awesome sounds of Queen and Cheap Trick.



Rossimus Maximus

Far deep into Sydney to see that great sight went Rossimus Maximus full of delight. Patrol Leader Luke pushed his strong legion forward. (With so much to do they could never be bored).

As Peanut and Tristan and Ethan and Max thought that Sydney was such a cool place to relax, with chatter of voices and stamping of feet the boys and the girls ventured through park and street.

Meanwhile Emperor Dibley; (the impromptu Caesar), was a challenging boss as all tried hard to please her with comedy skits and some pranks that were naughty; although targeted humour may not be her forte.



So the jokes and the banter were exiled from sight – sent to the arena – and that very night, way out in the audience hankering for more was Rossimus Maximus, from Troop 724.

Calling all Lone Scouts!

We would like to invite you to a gathering of Lone Scouts and Lones Leaders – past and present – at the International Centre, this Super Saturday (January 9) from 2:00pm until 3:00pm.

This opportunity is a time to renew old friendships and create new ones with Lones from around the country. So if you are – or once were – a Lone Scout or Lones Leader, come along and say hi!



Holding your Scouts Own at AJ2016

So far this Jamboree you have been told that this will be one of the best experiences you will have in your life, it is a journey and a time to get out of your comfort zone. But what does this all really mean?

Each time you put yourself out there and do something scary, get through another wet day or talk to another Scout you don't know, you will find yourself on the other side saying – hey, I got through that and I'm okay!

Your Jamboree journey is a personal milestone in your life that will affect you in a long lasting, positive way. The Scouts Own will be a time for you to think and

process what AJ2016 means for you. Your Troop Leader will help you in running a Scouts Own as the 'Duty to God' part of your Jamboree. What you do for your Scouts Own is up to your Troop or Patrol. Your leaders are there to assist and guide you with ideas, which are appropriate to the members of your Troop. How about a song, prayer, poem or reflection? Take the time to stop and smell the roses. There are scheduled services for religious faiths, which have been published in JNN Daily Edition two, that will be held at the Cataract Scout Camp Chapel (indicated by the cross near J on the AJ2016 map). A Leader resource is available in both hard copy at the JNN building or online at aj2016.com.au/roc. This lists ideas for format, songs, stories and other elements that can be used to construct a Scouts Own.



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Melbourne comedian, Michael Connell, gave an unforgettable harmonica performance. Giving the Scouts a lesson in harmonica history, saying they were invented by the Germans who were the world's original beatboxers. The Germans thought they needed an instrument that could perform "Polka und Waltzes und Funky Towns" and then proceeded to play Funky Town and Salt and Pepper on the harmonica.

The headline act was Sammy J, whose set of hilarious and absurd songs about nerds, grammar and true Australians blew the crowd away. Eloise Bentley (D721) loved how he "made everyday ideas silly". But stealing the show was The Scout Song, which explains how "when the world comes to an end, that's when the Scouts will take over the world" with their practical skills and campcraft. He even customized the song for AJ2016, "Can you turn up to Jamboree and have three days of rain and still have fun? NO! But a Scout can!" Georgia Gould (D721) agrees with Sammy J saying "we're gonna take over the world". After the show, Sammy J was generous enough to spend time with his unofficial Scout fan club and was in awe of the group singing his own lyrics back to him. He stepped back, overjoyed, to say, "This is awesome!" Miles Nathan (D730) sang so loud he lost his voice. The Entertainment Team even managed to peg Sammy J's jacket while taking a group pic.

Despite the continuing weather frustrations the event went off without a hitch and provided the Scouts with a night of well-earned laughs.

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Birthdays List - January 7

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| Brett Kallin, C428 | Nathan Butterworth, A129 |
| Peter Pulbrook, F8Q1 | Max Goldsmith, A101 |
| David Stewart, C446 | Kailan Birkett, C445 |
| Antonio Zappia, C420 | Claire Houltram, D722 |
| Laurence Clarke, A201 | Isabella Carey, C410 |
| Aidan Silver, A111 | Thomas Hayes, C408 |
| Blake Carruthers, C432 | Isabelle Hayes, C408 |
| Logan Mott, D631 | Nicholas Gardner-Trott, C537 |
| Mitchell Rowling, A103 | Sophie Kraayenbrink, A225 |
| William Skeens, A130 | Russell Flower, C428 |
| Taylor Moore, C439 | Samuel Heaslip, D708 |
| Thomas James, D731 | Ava Cadden, A201 |
| Sarah Archard, F919 | Sandesh Jayasinghe, C524 |
| Kaden Dale, A214 | Gil Kusy, D706 |
| Leah Fisher, F937 | Peter Howard, D640 |
| Jonty Hynes-McGhie, D606 | Nicolas Cage |

Police to Meet You

The Police want you to have fun!

Have you spotted any police officers walking around Jamboree?

They are part of the NSW Police Force Youth Command, whose role is to prevent and reduce youth crime. Maybe you've seen them before, at your school or Police Citizens Youth Club (PCYC)? They work with kids aged 10 to 18, performing duties like encouraging youth to stay in school, taking them to job interviews and playing sport with them.

JNN Daily intercepted Sergeant Mick Ward and Senior-Constable Mark Stead as they walked around site, accepting high-fives from Scouts.

"Organisations like Scouts are fantastic in the way they engage kids in fun activities, out of potentially troublesome environments," said Sergeant Mick Ward. "We're not expecting trouble. We're here in more of a public relations role, to let people know there are police who work with youth."

Two police will be on site each day until January 14, doing three full days in this role. This is Sergeant Ward and Senior-Constable Stead's first Jamboree and they're having heaps of fun. A Scout even challenged Senior-Constable Stead to a sprint yesterday!

They invite you to come and say hello, either as they walk around or in their building near the Fire Station.

Kerrie Ptolemy

Photo: Scouts Samantha Nicholson and Ally Rigo Troop A222 hanging out with the two Policemen.



Caption from yesterday's "Caption This"

"I'm having a bucket load of fun! Ha Ha!"
Submitted by Jeremy Cood, Troop D714



Doc's Health Tips

The Medical Centre reports no major incidents from our current weather. Yay! A few cold Scouts, a few sprains from slipping in the mud, but nothing serious.

Doc reminds everyone to stay as dry as possible, wear warm clothes and don't forget your raincoat!



Despite the mud and the rain, the spirits of the Scouts seems to be holding strong, as they flood through theCrate, eager to see what's on – or they are just desperate for a warm dry place to rest.

Over the Jamboree we have been, and will continue to

be, running small competitions so you have the chance to win free theCrate merchandise including; shirts, badges, bracelets, and some crazy light-up merch. So come on round for your chance to win.



One of our topics we have been focussing on is leadership. Who leads your Troop? Who supports you to be adventurous? The answer for most Scouts is probably their [Adult] Leaders. But it doesn't have to be this way; in fact it shouldn't be this way. Scouts, by definition, is a YOUTH LED organisation – so why aren't we? Step up in your Troops, I'm sure your Leaders would welcome the opportunity (less work for them!). We can be youth led, but it requires you guys – the youth members of our organisation – to take the pledge to lead. It's your program, so make it an adventurous and exciting one!

The major role of theCrate is showcasing the latest from the Youth Program Review (YPR). The YPR is a review of Scouts Australia, where we find out what's cool and works and what needs improving. This is especially exciting considering that this is the first review in close to 45 years. The World Organisation of the Scouting Movement (WOSM) says that we should have a review every five to seven years – clearly it's long overdue.

At theCrate we are discussing issues and potential solutions across the whole program, not just the promise and law that the YPR has become known for.

So far the response from the Scouts and Leaders has been very positive – for that theCrate thanks you. After all, this is an organisation for the youth, so remember – come along to theCrate and have your say about Scouting tomorrow.

theCrate awaits...

A Scout is cheerful

Caption This

Bring your best caption to the JNN Media Centre, near the bus bay.



VOX POPS

- Venturers

Claire McKinley

Troop B304

What is your role at AJ2016?

I rotate through all activities of the Circus.

Have you been to previous Jamborees or Ventures?

AJ2013, Venture 2015 and World Jamboree 2015.

What do you think of the frat tent? What is your favourite thing to do there?

It's really cool. It looks great and there's lots of fun activities. I like reading on the comfy bean bags.

What are you most looking forward to at AJ2016?

Helping all the Scouts through the activities and helping them to have fun.



Cameron Hayes

Troop B307



What is your role at AJ2016?

Circus. I'm floating around and specialise in diabolo and whips.

Have you been to previous Jamborees or Ventures?

AJ2010, AJ2013 and Venture 2015

What do you think of the frat tent? What is your favourite thing to do there?

It's good. We have a pinball machine, drinks and really comfy couches to lie on. My favourite activity is sleeping on the comfy couches.

What are you most looking forward to at AJ2016?

Meeting new people and hopefully drying out my tent.

James Newman

What is your role at AJ2016?

I am working at the Circus. We are assigned different things each day, like I have been working with the staffs and today I'm working at face painting. We help organise the kids to help the Leaders in turn.

Have you been to previous Jamborees or Ventures?

I was a Scout at 2013. It's better as a Vennie as it's more relaxing hanging out with people of the same age, because I was an older Scout at Maryborough. Also the showers and toilets are much nicer here.

What do you think of the frat tent? What is your favourite thing to do there?

It's really chill, and it has unlimited Wi-Fi. And it's much more like home than when I was a Scout on the Jamboree. We've been getting really good food, I'd say that's one of the best things about the camp!

What are you most looking forward to at AJ2016?

Jamberoo, because at circus we are really just monitoring. Although the camp on a whole is fantastic.

Nemo Lavery

What is your role at AJ2016?



I'm a Venturer helper, involved in all activities at the circus.

Have you been to previous Jamborees or Ventures?

I was at 2013 as a Scout. It was pretty different; I think it's better as a Venturer. It's also a lot wetter at this camp.

What do you think of the frat tent? What is your favourite thing to do there?

The frat tent is really cool, giant Jenga is my favourite.

What are most looking forward to at AJ2016?

I'm looking forward to Jamberoo - in the sun.



April Carrauthers

What is your role at AJ2016?

I'm a helper at the circus. We make sure the Scouts are having fun, whilst we have fun ourselves!

Have you been to previous Jamborees or Ventures?

I attended the World Jamboree in Japan last year. That was more structured because we were participants rather than helpers. There was also a larger variety of people, because it was a World Jamboree.

What do you think of the frat tent? What is your favourite thing to do there?

I like the frat tent because you can sit down with anyone. I also like the charging station.

What are you most looking forward to at AJ2016?

The sun to come out.



Andreas Hoffmann



What is your role at AJ2016?

I'm helping out at the circus, making sure the Scouts know what to do and are having fun.

Have you been to any other Jamborees or Ventures?

I went to the 2013 Jamboree as a Scout. They both have their benefits, as a Scout you get to do the activities, but its more relaxed as a Venturer.

What do you think of the frat tent? What is your favourite thing to do there?

We could use some more chairs, but pinball and pool are really cool.

What are you most looking forward to at AJ2016?

Just being here is fantastic.

Lachlan Hutchinson

What is your role at AJ2016?

I'm a part of the entertainment team, so I help out with backstage, security and the Australiana Village.

Have you been to any other Jamborees or Ventures?

I was at AJ2013. Coming to this AJ as a Venturer is much more relaxed, but we also get a larger amount of responsibility.

What do you think of the frat tent? What is your favourite thing to do there?

It's pretty good, and I say the best part would be playing ping pong with the Venturers from New Caledonia.

What are you most looking forward to at AJ2016?

The part that I was looking forward to the most was performing in the opening ceremony.



Find a Word

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Our Jamboree slogan is "Leap into Adventure". Find all of the ways to say "Adventure"!

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| Abenteur | Portuguese (Timor Leste) |
| Adventure | Fiji |
| Cakaca | Cantonese (Hong Kong) |
| Aventure | Indonesian |
| Eventyr | German |
| Ilakolakotalei | Norwegian |
| Mao Xian Jingli | French (New Caledonia) |
| Petualangan | English |
| Uhkaritys | French |
| Wokabut | Tamil (Sri Lanka) |

The Australiana Village Gazette

January 7, 1816 Forging Ahead

Learning new skills at the Village Blacksmith Shed is proving a popular activity, as convicts turn their hand at bending and twisting steel and acquiring valuable workplace skills that they can use for the betterment of the colony in the future.

The shed is run by head-blacksmith, John Zach (alias the Man in the Bowler Hat), and he and his team of assistants, have worked almost non-stop to help convicts make tent peg extractor / billy lifter devices.



In addition, he has been called upon to provide essential repairs to the frontier medical buggy, a locking pin for a work bench and 20 of the afore-mentioned billy lifters for the neighbouring Trade Skills Shed, plus wheel repairs for the Venturer Sub-Camp.

Photo: Some of the blacksmiths at work in the shed: (L to R) Troy Bates, John Zach, Greg Taylor and Gary McCluskey



Step Count

There were a number of submissions for the most steps in a day. You probably already know that you are walking a long way around Cataract.

Emily Parkes, from the Shed, with 20,224.

Shannon with 22,754.

20,586 from Jo Tyrrell.

Deanna Taylor did 14,731.

Darren, from Skysharks, (Troop A124) did 19,117. Cute.

Tony Meville did 21,061.

John Hornsy, from the Medical Centre, did 28,027.

Max Arens, Troop D638 did 27,408 and still had to walk back to camp!

On This Day...

We hope your camp cooking is going better than it was at Sub Camp 1 in 1986! Keep an eye on your food—you just never know when it might make a break for it!

Stuart Andrew

ANY LETTUCE MISSING FROM SUB CAMP 1?

Seen hurrying across Crabtree Drive just before dinner last night was a new Jamboree arrival (or an old resident of Cataract Scout Park).

As he hopped towards the mess the small furry figure was heard muttering "I'm late! I'm late! For a very important date!"

Have we a visitor from Alice's Wonderland, or has the Easter Bunny got his dates mixed?

— PR Department



Sudoku

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Cataract

26° Mostly Sunny

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32° Thunderstorm

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27° Partly Cloudy

Colombo

33° Thunderstorm

Noumea

32° Partly Cloudy

Timbuktu

32° Partly Cloudy



Sydney City Limits

After being dropped off at the soggy Botanical Gardens with spectacular views of the harbour (despite the grey skies), the Scouts, all in their best garbage bags and plastic ponchos, headed off following a map of iconic city sights along the Sydney Foreshore.

The first stop on the tour was the Sydney Opera House. Tahlia Schneider, who had never visited Sydney before and couldn't wait to see the Opera House, was in absolute awe as it began to emerge from behind the trees. She said it was "absolutely amazing". On any other day Scouts would have been covering the steps of the Opera House but, given the miserable, wet weather, very few left the shelter of the underpass to venture up to the top of the landmark.

The Scouts third stop was Circular Quay, where they boarded a ferry to Manly Beach. With ferries full to the brim, the Scouts headed out past the harbour heads via some very choppy water. While the majority of the Scouts were having an amazing time on the deck of the boat getting splashed, the huge swells had some people losing their lunches. After arriving in Manly the Scouts were quick to discover the lolly shop, where many of them spent some pocket money. Other popular purchases of the day were umbrellas, plastic ponchos and \$10 Manly hoodies that found their way onto the backs of Scouts before they reboarded the ferry. While waiting for the ferry, Gabby Milne said the "only leaping we've been doing is leaping over puddles."

After heading back to the city the Scouts then got to go to the Sydney Observatory before walking back along the water front to the Sydney Harbour Bridge and The Rocks. It was at this point that the rain really started to pick up and the Scouts were found huddled in doorways to take a break from the elements before making the final leg of their tour.

Barangaroo Reserve is a newly developed park full of beautiful sandstone retaining walls and gum trees right on the water front. But unfortunately, due to the large number of newly planted trees, there was little shelter to escape the rain on this exposed point. So the Scouts began to congregate inside the hill under the reserve where staff were getting the space ready for the Sydney Festival. After a short wait Scouts reboarded the bus and took the opportunity to relax before arriving back at camp for another night of activities.

All the Scouts agreed it was a memorable day, despite the weather. Chloe Harris put it best when she said, "Only true Scouts know how to have fun in wet weather", while Jeremiah Muller just loved "being with a bunch of friends and having a great day with them."

Hopefully the Scouts who are going to visit this activity later in the week will have better luck with weather but either way, it was a great day that was enjoyed by all, rain or shine.

Emily Kerton



Cute and Cuddly at Symbio

The free hug phenomenon of the Jamboree was rife once Imogen the Koala was carried over to eager Scouts at the edge of her enclosure. Swapping water activities for animal encounters, yesterday afternoon Scouts had the opportunity to visit Symbio Wildlife Park, only a 20 minute bus ride from Cataract.

"I don't want to lose my fingers; can you come out and grab him for me?" Scouts jumped at the keepers jest, enthused by the offer to touch an alligator. Cooper, from A129, was lucky enough to be called from the audience. He played the part of tree perfectly. Donned in an AJ2016 camo hat, the keeper draped a Boa Constrictor over a controlled Cooper. "That's crazy, it's massive!" he told his friends, who were hanging on his every word. Hi fives all around for Cooper, who had faced a self-confessed fear of snakes.

Darcy, from A227, was amazed by the albino echidna. "It's so cute!" she gushed. Scouts were lucky enough to arrive at feeding time, so not only could they admire how adorable the small bundles of spikes were, but gawk at their curiously long tongue!

The iconic kangaroos and koalas were also out and about, despite the weather. Scouts from WA's 10th Troop were able to get up close and personal to joeys and their mothers. The koalas were equally as friendly, as Lily found out. Picked from her Patrol, Lily had the opportunity to pat Imogen by herself, as well as pose for a photo. The kind keeper also allowed the other members of Lily's Patrol pat the koala. "She is so soft!" various Scouts commented after their turn. Listening in, it wouldn't come as a surprise if Imogen came back to Cataract in the arms of a smitten Scout.

"Are we going to save our native animals?" queried the Symbio presenter. She was met with a resounding "YES!" as Scouts remained true to the law. A Scout cares for the environment, a love that became obvious upon a surprise visit to Symbio Wildlife Park.

Emily Tyrrell



Meet the Norwegian Contingent

At the top of the Gibb River sits site A224. Troop A224 are host to the 11 Scouts and two Leaders from Norway, who have travelled 17,000 kilometres to be here. With most of Norway under snow during winter, the brief digression from the regular Australian Summer has not presented any challenge to them, reports Contingent member Solveig. She even went so far as to say that the best part about Australia was our "warm weather and sunshine" (although she may have been referring to the two days she spent on the beach prior to arriving at Cataract). Solveig also commented that Scouting in Norway involves a lot more fires, multi-tool skills, and snow activities (we wonder why!).

Solveig mentioned that the contingent was all pining for Norwegian chocolate and Brown Cheese, and if you ever visit Norway, recommend that you visit the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights).

Stuart Andrew



Meet a Fijian

Meet Louisa (D725), from Suva, Fiji. Louisa, along with 16 other Fijian Scouts, made the four-hour overseas journey to Cataract Park for AJ2016. JNN Daily caught up with her in some downtime on her campsite to talk to her about her Scouting.

This is Louisa's first time to Australia, and she commented that the biggest difference between Scouting in Fiji and Scouting in Australia was that back home her Scouts don't go on outdoor camps. Talk about a different kind of Scouting! She was also quite surprised with the weather at Cataract (mind you, I don't think anybody on site was expecting the weather to be quite like this).

So far her favourite part about Australia has been the day trip to Sydney. When asked about her favourite thing about home was "the people and the weather" (Fiji had a forecast top of 31°C today). If you ever visit Fiji, be sure to drop into Suva to say hi to Louisa and to check out her recommended attraction: the museum.



Stuart Andrew (image credit Bianca W)

Knights of Cataract Park

Scouts in the Mall were transported back to the middle ages after the Mini Arena was concurred by the Danelaw Medieval Society. A large crowd gathered as the performers pulled on their armour and picked up their swords. The performers then re-enacted medieval battles using replica swords and armour from a range of eras. During each battle, members of the society explained how the weapons were used and the effectiveness of the different forms of armour.

The performers did a great job engaging and interacting with the Scouts, so much so that Eric Johnston-Platt (D718) "liked the show so much, [he] watched it twice!" All of the Scouts in the medieval crowd thought it was awesome and really exciting. The Scouts especially enjoyed watching a few of their own being invited up on the stage to try on a 20kg chainmail shirt and struggle as they jogged around the stage. This gave the Scouts an idea of what it would be like



during medieval times to have to wear this style of protection into battle. After the show, all of the Scouts were given the chance to climb up on the stage to try on the armour and hold the heavy swords.

There are 15 members in the society who train two hours a week. They regularly perform for a range of community events, including school fetes and even medieval themed weddings. Their youngest member, Jake Metcalfe, is only 12-years-old and began re-enacting when he was only six. He was introduced to re-enactments by his dad, Kirk. Kirk has been a member of the society for 31 years and first became involved after a visit to his Scout Troop by a re-enactment group.

The Scouts all thoroughly enjoyed their trip back in time and maybe even learnt a few things about medieval history in the process.

Emily Kerton

Reassuring Rampage

Mud. Teamwork. Zombies. Let's do this!

Troops are doing this course blindfolded. Literally. Rampage is the Zombie themed maze base found just past the Venturer Sub camp on Moore Road. It begins with half of the Patrol navigating a maze while blind, leading to the rest of the zombie infested course.

The aim is to transport the Zombies hand across the tyre swings, and Claire's Patrol, from D722, braved the threat of slippery apparatus. Claire's Patrol praised their Patrol Leader, saying that she is the reason they worked so well as a team. "She really helps everyone, and she always listens," said Harry. "She can be firm, but that's a good thing. Without her we'd probably be wandering around, not knowing where we were." Great leadership proves a catalyst for fantastic teamwork. This is not only important for Over the Fence, where Scouts work together on an 'if you slip, you're out' basis, but for everyone throughout the Jamboree.

Chicken wire finds the Scouts climbing under a fence. Seems easy, right? It is positioned above a slippery, horizontal pole, on which you have to flip upside down in order to evade the fence. A perilous mud meets you below. D772 protected each other from the grit and dirt by standing beneath each other in case of a fall.

Your own personal cheer squad awaits you on the other side of the wall. Using ropes, Scouts haul themselves up and over, thanks to the encouragement of their Patrol. "Is their paperwork if I die?" questioned Tom, before conquering the wall. Rather than the threat of paperwork, the reassurance of fellow members of D772 saw success.

The Maze is one of many places at Jamboree where the strength of friendships formed in Scouting is put to the test, and passes with flying colours.

Emily Tyrrell



Mad Entertainment

As the skies cleared, the Mall jumped on Wednesday night with entertainment for everyone. Lines snaked out of the Internet Café, rivalled in length by those for the payphones and hot chips. JNNFM pumped out the dance tunes in their tent. An enthusiastic crowd cheered on their teams watching the cricket on the big screen.

At the Mini Arena, 20-year-old, husky-voiced, indie singer Miss Mikayla played her original compositions to a small but enthusiastic crowd. Numbers quickly grew, drawn in by the live music as she played her acoustic guitar and keyboard. Following Miss Mikayla were five piece cover band, Mad, who quickly lived up to their name, starting with Beyonce's If I Were a Boy. While the crowd numbers swelled, they moved on to covers like Land Down Under, All About that Bass, and Love Shack.

Can't wait for another awesome line-up in the arenas tomorrow night!

Kerrie Ptolemy



Cataract, 1816

Have you heard the clang of metal, the bang of cannon fire and the screams of Scout convicts being whipped? It's probably coming from the Australiana Village.

In a small corner of Cataract, Scouts are transported back in time to Colonial Australia. They're finding out life in Sydney was very different 200 years ago.

"It's really cool. There's lots of stuff to do," said Sophie McDowall (C437).

A big drawcard is the court session re-

enactment. "I liked the court case at the start," Kelly Gallagher (C437) told JNN Daily. Why not put your Leader on trial in the mock court? Or put them in the stocks and have them whipped? The whipping was Lara O'Callaghan's (C437) favourite part.

Ever fancied yourself as a blacksmith? Scouts lined up around the blacksmith's shed (possibly the warmest spot on Jamboree on Wednesday) for the chance to make an 1816 multi-tool. Suitable for lifting billies off the fire, pulling pegs, scratching your back, and much, much more. The possibilities are limited only by your imagination!

With help from the blacksmith, Adelaide Wynne-Jenkins (D738) made her own multi-tool to take home – twisting and hammering the hot metal on the anvil to shape it into the correct shape. "It was a bit hard when the hammer got heavy but it was good fun," she said.

Other Scouts were busy mastering the old-fashioned games like ball in the cup and spinning tops. With determined expressions, the smiles when they succeeded lit up their face.

In Miss Prim's School for Wayward Girls and Boys, Scouts are drilled in their school basics. Taking notes on slates with chalk was challenging enough, but learning how many pence to a

shilling, and shilling to a pound made many Scouts thankful for the modern day currency.

Scouts were also able to write their name using pen and ink, or take photos using the cut-outs of convicts, colonial girls or soldiers.

In another small building, Scouts lined up to make their own candle. Starting with a wick, they dipped alternatively into containers of hot wax, then cold water. The more times they dipped, the bigger their candle got.

Sunny weather will see gold-panning added to the list of activities.

Swing past in your free time and travel back to the past (TARDIS not included).

Kerrie Ptolemy



I Know About Swapular

The first buses were barely through the front gate when eager Scouts had their ziplock bags out. Running between campsites and ducking under guy ropes the familiar salutation of "Excuse



me, have you got any badges to swap?" quickly drowned out any local birdcalls.

Scouts could be seen huddling in groups of three or four, discussing bartering strategy and debating the quality of their trades. Perhaps the road between the Daintree and Great Barrier Reef Sub camps would be better named Wall Street?

Trading badges is an amazing opportunity to learn about and listen to other Scouts. Remember that each badge has a story and be sure to learn the tale of each new badge acquired. Think about how everything that happened here at AJ2016 is contained in our Camp Badge!

Please also follow the Scout Law when trading: be respectful, considerate, and also be fair. One badge for one badge is a good rule to follow, and only Contingent HQs may sell badges on site. Trading badges is not a competition so much as it is an act of Scouting friendship, and you will surely remember many fond memories as you sew your badges onto your blanket when you get back home.



Stuart Andrew

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THE VICCON DAILY

THE STILL REALLY WET ISSUE..

IS IT STILL RAINING?

WEEDY IS HAVING SOME GREAT ADVENTURES



The Victorian invasion of Sydney is well under way. While the advance party has made good progress, we have decided that the weather is better in Melbourne and a retreat is planned for the 13th of January at approximately 10pm.



Yes it is still wet, yes there is mud everywhere, yes we no longer have any dry and clean socks, yes our tents are flooded and our beds are now water beds, but we are still having the time of our lives and so is Weedy. Here he is on the right having a nap with one of our tired scouts, looks mighty comfortable!! Below he is joining scouts at the water activities.



FAST FACT:

In the last 3 days we have had 70.6mm of rainfall. The average total for the whole of January between 2007 and 2012 was 58.3mm of rain. The wettest January was in 2012 with 103.6mm of rain. Let's hope that stays the wettest January!!

VIC VENTURERS LUCKY PRIZE WINNERS: WEDNESDAY, JAN 6TH

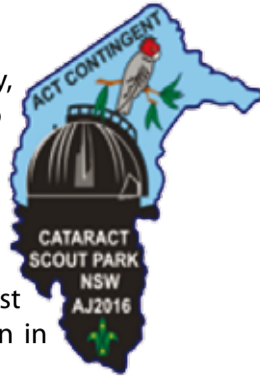
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| 1. | Caitlin Aitken | C405 |
| 2. | Zac Cattriss | D604 |
| 3. | Nathaniel West | D625 |
| 4. | Tom Sibley | A219 |
| 5. | Hugh Merrilles | C413 |
| 6. | Madelaine Neaves | D604 |

TODAYS BERWICK FORECAST

Partly cloudy, with a top of 26°. Winds south - southwesterly at 23 km/h.

ACT Contingent

Okay, we were a bit optimistic about the sunshine yesterday, so no more comments about the weather! Thank you to those who have dropped in and added a piece to the ACT Contingent puzzle. It is not an easy puzzle and the challenge will be to have it completed by the end of the Jamboree.



We have been busy today selling the highly prized, most wanted ACT contingent badge. Don't forget to come on in and buy a badge, contingent shirt or Corborree Frog.

Where in Cataract?

The winner of the Where in Cataract? Photo competition for Wednesday, January 6 is Alexander Sitkowski from D735, who correctly identified the photo as being on the wall of the JNN media centre at J8 or K8. Alexander please come and collect your prize from the ACT Contingent.

The photo for Thursday, January 7 is to the right:

If you know the location come and submit your entry at the ACT contingent.



Cornelius the Corroboree Frog

Cornelius, aka CCF, was pleased to hear you had all been enjoying Jamboree, despite the rain, with your favourite activities so far being Jambaroo and Challenge Valley (what's a bit more mud anyway?). After all that mud and water, a hot shower came in a close third as your favourite Jamboree activity so far.

Cornelius would like to know: "What is your top tip for drying out your wet stuff?" (For inspiration check out D647s approach to drying socks below). Come and visit the ACT Contingent and add your idea to CCF.

Out and about with the ACT Troops

D631 had fun at Challenge Valley all returning wet, cold, and tired, but still smiling.

Half of A115 toured Sydney with Indi as activity leader. A115 Duty patrol took the initiative to gather more mulch to quell the pending flood.

D718 emptied the Vic contingent store of their fleecy lined waterproof jackets, in an attempt to be warm and dry!

D647 cooked smoked socks for dinner, with foil on top of the BBQ to allow socks to dry.

Some of C540 had fun at The Shed making LED torches and possum boxes. This activity base has been popular having the advantage of being located in a shed out of the rain and mud.



Another day at AJ2016 done!

And the question on a lot of the contingents minds is WHEN IS THIS RAIN GOING TO END? Bets are on and the weather forecast is looking promising for sunny AJ2016 days ahead. We are hoping you have all called your parents and asked them to send some sun from home, just in case.

Although it feels like a cold shower when walking out of your tent in the morning, it's important to shower and stay hygienic. If you're looking for a warm haven, feel free to stop into the Queensland Contingent Headquarters to enjoy the warm tropical conditions under the marquee.



Whilst down here you may even see some Cassowaries for sale. Pick one up and let him join in on your AJ2016 adventures, they have already been on a few.

Have you gone around and checked out the other Queensland Contingent campsites? Here is a look at what Sub Camp C "The Great Barrier Reef" has to offer.



Let the adventure continue tomorrow.



