



26th Australian Jamboree
Maryborough
Queensland
6 - 15 January 2025



CONTINGENT INFORMATION – WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ELIGIBILITY

All applicants are reminded that attendance at a Jamboree is a privilege, not a right, and that behaviour standards will be monitored prior to the event before final approval is granted for attendance.

Scout	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be a current registered Youth Member at the time of application and through until at least 15 January 2025.• Must not have had their 15th birthday as of 6 January 2025 ie. Date of Birth after 6 January 2010.• Must have met the requirements, before 1 December 2024: Program Essentials Milestone 1, as well as Outdoor Adventure Skills Stage 3 in Bushcraft, Bushwalking, and Camping.• Must have completed 10 nights camping under canvas with the Unit or Patrol at a Scout camp. Three of those nights must be consecutive and camping with family or school is not considered within the ten nights.• Must have approval from the Unit Council.• Must have consent from their parents/guardians.• Must be considered by their parents/guardians and Unit Council to be of both sufficient maturity and good behaviour to successfully participate in the event.• Be approved by their Contingent Leader in line with their Branch policy.
Venturer Scout (Program participant)	<p>An eligible Venturer Scout choosing this category will be assigned to a Unit and a Patrol comprising of Scouts. They will engage as a Scout in all activities and responsibilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be a current registered Youth Member at the time of application and through until at least 15 January 2025.• Must not have had their 17th birthday as of 6 January 2025 ie. Date of Birth after 6 January 2008.• Have approval of their Unit Council and Group Leader• Must have met the requirements, before 1st December 2024: Program Essentials Introduction to Section for Venturer Scouts, as well as Outdoor Adventure Skills Stage 3 in each of Bushcraft, Bushwalking, and Camping.
Venturer Scout (Service Leader roles)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have a desire to provide service to Scouts.• Must have had their 16th birthday as of 6 January 2025 i.e. date of birth before 06 January 2008.• Must be a current registered Youth Member at the time of application and through until at least 15 January 2025.• Must have met the requirements, before 1 December 2024: Program Essentials Milestone 1, as well as Outdoor Adventure Skills Stage 3 in Bushcraft, Bushwalking, and Camping.• Be recommended by the Unit Council and Venturer Scout Leader as being of excellent character, a good role model to Scouts and has the skills and abilities to undertake the activity (or other tasks) nominated on the application form.• Be approved by their Contingent Leader in line with their Branch policy.• Must have consent from their parents/guardians.
Rover Scout	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be a current registered Youth Member at the time of application and through until at least 15 January 2025.• Be 18 years of age before the opening day of the Jamboree and must be not older than 26 years as of 15 January 2025.• Hold a current Blue Card (or Exemption) issued or linked as a volunteer with Scouts Queensland.• Compulsory on demand modules Child Safe Scouting and WHS for Scouting are current.• Be recommended by their Unit Council as being of excellent character, a good role model to younger Youth Members, and have the skills and abilities to undertake the activity (or other tasks) nominated on the application form.• Be approved by their Contingent Leader in line with their Branch policy.• Be ready to cope with the physical requirements of the event.
Leader	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must hold a Certificate of Proficiency prior to and through until at least 15 January 2025.• Hold a current Blue Card (or Exemption) issued or linked as a volunteer with Scouts Queensland.• Compulsory on demand modules Child Safe Scouting and WHS for Scouting are current.• Be recommended by their Formation Leader.• Be approved by their Contingent Leader in line with their Branch policy.• Be ready to cope with the physical requirements of the event.
Other Adult	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be a current registered Adult Member (e.g. Office Holders, Fellowship) with a Certificate of Adult Membership at the time of application and through until at least 15 January 2025.• Hold a current Blue Card (or Exemption) issued or linked as a volunteer with Scouts Queensland.• Compulsory on demand modules Child Safe Scouting and WHS for Scouting are current.• Be recommended by their Team Leader and• Be approved by their Contingent Leader in line with their Branch policy.• Be ready to cope with the physical requirements of the event.



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On behalf of the entire Contingent Support Team, we'd like to welcome you and your family to the Western Australian Contingent for AJ2025. Except for a lucky few, the Jamboree is a once in a lifetime event. You'll get to experience the best Scouting has to offer, from the coolest activities you can imagine to endless opportunities to meet new people from around Australia and the world – the very best way to take it to the next level.

Preparing for a Jamboree is a long journey and you'll rely on the support of many people around you before you hop off the bus at the Jamboree site. That's why we're welcoming your family on our journey together – they will be imperative in making sure you are well supported in your Jamboree experience. Together you'll share in preparations including fundraising efforts, information events, pre-Jamboree activities, and assembling gear. All these preparations will culminate in 10 days of adventure and challenge. You'll return home transformed, with new skills and friends you'll remember forever.

Your adult Leaders, together with the Contingent Support Team, will be working hard to help you prepare in the best way possible as AJ2025 draws nearer. If you've got any questions, check out our website at www.ajwa.com.au or ask your adult Leader. We look forward to receiving your application and formally welcoming you as a member of the Western Australian Contingent!

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Tom Dowsley
Contingent Leader
Western Australia Contingent

HOW TO APPLY

Applications for the Jamboree must be completed and 'submitted' online.

- Under 18 years old (Scouts and Venturer Scouts): ensure that both parents and/or guardians (where applicable) sign the Consent page within the online application.
- Leaders, Rovers and Other Adult Members: ensure that the Agreement, Activities and Authority Consent page is signed by yourself.

All Applications must be completed, reviewed, signed and uploaded by **31 March 2024**, including having made at least the first payment.

Late applications received by the Contingent after 31 March 2024:

- May be accepted if there is room in the planned Jamboree Unit and/or arranged Contingent travel plans.
- Applicants may not be with their home Unit if Jamboree Units have already been formed and no space is available.
- Applicants cannot be guaranteed any or all the standard Contingent supplied merchandise, nor will there be a reduction in the amount payable if some items are not available.
- All applications will close on 31 August 2024.

Acknowledgement of receipt of your Application and First Payment will be by way of a **Welcome to the Western Australian Contingent Newsletter**, which will be received via email to your main, validated email address entered on your Online Application.

COST

	Participants	All others
Jamboree Fee	\$1,140	\$500
Contingent Fee	\$2,050	\$1,375
TOTAL	\$3,190	\$1,875

These Fees do not include GST. If it is subsequently deemed that GST is to be included in part or in whole, the applicable GST amount will be added to the Final Payment. You should budget for an additional fee of 10% to cover any GST if it becomes payable.

The Contingent fee has been determined based on expected costs for transport and services, including airfares. Should there be a significant change in transport costs, alternative travel arrangements will be considered to minimise the impact but fees payable by participants may need to increase. Similarly, a reduction to the final payment may be made should under-budget airfares be secured.

PAYMENTS

Your **deposit of \$150** should be made online via the payment gateway when you submit your application.

	Participant	All others	Participant with Optional Post-Tour	All others with Optional Post-Tour
Deposit on application	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150
First payment due by 31 March 2024	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750
Second payment due by 31 May 2024	\$770	\$350	\$1,200	\$750
Third payment due by 31 August 2024	\$770	\$350	\$1,200	\$750
Final payment due by 31 October 2024	\$750	\$275	\$1,110	\$695
TOTAL	\$3,190	\$1,875	\$4,410	\$3,095
	Participant Independent Travel One-way	All others Independent Travel One-way	Participant Independent Travel Return	All others Independent Travel Return
Deposit on application	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150
First payment due by 31 March 2024	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750
Second payment due by 31 May 2024	\$650	\$220	\$550	\$140
Third payment due by 31 August 2024	\$650	\$220	\$550	\$135
Final payment due by 31 October 2024	\$640	\$185	\$490	-
TOTAL	\$2,840	\$1,525	\$2,490	\$1,175

WITHDRAWALS

If after making application, you are unable to attend the Jamboree, you must advise the Contingent Leader in writing as soon as possible by emailing jamboree@scoutswa.com.au.

Withdrawals Fees will apply as follows:

Written Notification of withdrawal received by the Contingent	Withdrawal Fee
On or before 30 April 2024	\$55
1 May 2024 to 31 August 2024	\$200
1 September 2024 to 31 October 2024	\$700
On or after 1 November 2024	No Refund

The Contingent reserves the right to refuse any application, in which case a full refund will be made.

MEDICAL OBLIGATIONS

If your medical conditions change from the information provided on your initial application, prior to departure for the Jamboree, it is your obligation to advise the Contingent immediately of such change either through the online system or by written confirmation directly to the Contingent Leader by emailing jamboree@scoutswa.com.au.

Modified diets will be provided for at the Jamboree. Please include detailed notes about special dietary requirements at the time of submitting your application through the online Jamboree Application System. Don't hesitate to direct any questions to jamboree@scoutswa.com.au.

MEDIA

It should be noted that there will be extensive coverage of the Jamboree both on social media and through television and print media. As such, total privacy from all forms of media cannot be guaranteed.

LEADER ROLES

Leaders need to nominate preferences for Jamboree roles. We'll endeavour to match you to your preferences but please recognise that this won't always be possible. All role allocations will be completed by the Contingent Support Team in conjunction with the Jamboree Executive Committee.

ALL PARTICIPANTS - RESPONSIBILITY

- The Contingent Support Team with the Jamboree Executive Committee reserves the right to send a participant home at own expense if there is a significant breach of behaviour expectations or genuine under-preparedness for event.
- In the unlikely event the Jamboree is cancelled there is no right to refund.
- To make sure you get the most out of the Jamboree make sure you are prepared by:
- Scouts:
 - Be able to pack your own bags (you need to know what you have and where it is)
 - Be able to manage your personal hygiene, including washing your clothes by hand
 - Have learnt good camping skills through achievement of Pioneer Campcraft prior to the Jamboree.
 - Have basic kitchen skills - washing up, food preparation, cooking meals, etc.
 - Note that contact with Mum and Dad will not be possible every day as you are going to be too busy having FUN
- For all Participants:
 - Can work as part of a team
 - Be prepared to have fun
 - Keep medical & contact details up to date in the application system
 - Bring your medication!
 - Be able to cope with the physical requirements of the event

TRANSPORT

- Travel arrangements will be co-ordinated by the Western Australia Contingent and advised closer to the event.
- Please allow a day on either side of the official Jamboree dates for travel. Most members of the Contingent will depart Western Australia on 5 January 2025 and return on 16 January 2025.

INDEPENDENT TRAVEL

- Independent Travel for youth members in the Contingent will only be considered in extenuating circumstances.
- Line Leaders must travel with their respective Jamboree Unit.
- Independent Travel for non-Unit based Contingent members will only be considered in extenuating circumstances.
- Decisions on Independent Travel requests may not be made until after Unit allocations (expected to be in June 2024).
- The drop-off time for Independent Travellers will be 10:00am on 6 January 2025.
- The pick-up time for Independent Travellers will be 9:00am on 16 January 2025.
- The drop-off and pick-up location for Independent Travellers will be Corner Alice Street and Aldridge Street, Maryborough.

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE TOTAL FEE

- Eleven days to create "Your Quest Your Way" meeting new friends and participating in activities, both on-site and off-site.
- All meals and accommodation for the duration of the Jamboree.
- Meals, accommodation, and activities for the Pre-Jamboree Camp on 21-23 September 2024.
- Personal travel insurance to cover personal equipment loss or damage.
- Transport of camping equipment between Western Australia and the Jamboree site.
- Welfare support for the duration of the Jamboree.
- Return travel to the Jamboree site from an airport in Western Australia. Some regional travel to Perth Airport for the onward flight to Brisbane may be via road coach.
- Jamboree merchandise: shirt, hat, scarf, badge.
- Contingent merchandise: shirt, travel bag, Western Australia state scarf, Contingent badge, unit badges, drink bottle.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- Limited funds from the Lord Baden-Powell Society and Scouts WA will be made available to selected eligible Contingent members. Details regarding the financial support, including the application process, will be available online at www.ajwa.com.au in due course.

POST-TOUR

- The Western Australian Contingent is offering an optional Post-Tour on the Gold Coast following the Jamboree. The Post-Tour will operate from 16 January till 21 January 2025 (five nights).
- The Post-Tour will include a range of activities to choose from, such as Gold Coast theme parks, Brisbane city adventure, North Stradbroke Island experience, Springbrook and Lamington National Parks, Tree-Top Challenge Gold Coast, Ripley's Believe It or Not!, Australia Zoo, and much more! Additional information regarding the optional Post-Tour is available at www.ajwa.com.au.
- The optional Post-Tour is an additional \$1,220. This fee includes all activities, catering, transport, and dormitory accommodation.
- A total of 170 places are available on the Post-Tour. These places will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis (except for adult members, as outlined below).
- Youth members please note: if you select 'Yes' to attend the Post-Tour in your online application, and your overall application to attend AJ2025 as a member of the Western Australian Contingent is approved, then your place on the Post-Tour is automatically confirmed.
- Adult members please note: our optional Post-Tour is a youth-focused activity. For adult members, selecting 'Yes' to attend the Post-Tour in your online application indicates your interest in attending the Post-Tour; however, your Post-Tour place is not confirmed until advised by the Contingent Support Team. Should the number of adult applicants exceed the number of adults required to safely operate the Post-Tour, a selection process will be undertaken to select adult members for the Post-Tour.