

STATE SCOUT YOUTH COUNCIL NOVEMBER 21 - 22 2009 GLENFIELD SCOUT CAMP

1. Welcome

Phil Crutchley welcomed all members to this meeting of the State Scout Youth Council. Gail Paddison (Fluff) also welcomed members and encouraged them to ensure they used their voices to represent the views of the scouts of their regions, as well as their own views.

Attendance: Brendon Kingdom (Chair), Anne-Marie Van Duin (Secretary), Alan Blunt (Vice Chair), Jarrod Allan (GWS), Elise Mackie (GWS), Jessica Henry (GWS), Nick Best (Hume), Amilee Katon (Hume), James Cleave (Hume), Josh Chate (SC&T), Scott McNally (SC&T), Georgie Donn (H&C), Connor Hayes (H&C), Daniel Provost (H&C), Charlie Loughlin (SN), Andrew Middleton (SN), Tylanda Murray (TGW), Codey Swadling (TGW), Stacey Tannous (SM), Shaunna Waddups (SM), and Ashleigh Warner (NW).

Apologies: Dominic Canturi (SM), Andrew Barr (NW), Scott Siddons (NW),

Mentors: Spencer Jarrett, Andrew Whiteman, Rhiannon Turner, Tegan Cree, Michael Pratt, Ray Read, Mike Barnes, Phil Crutchley, and David Spear. Also a flying visit from Robin Garrat RCS GWS.

Facilitator: Gail Paddison (Fluff)

2. Recommendations from SSYC 2008 to the State Mindari.

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
2.1	Scout Youth Council roll out and start up kit	Supported Start up kit produced Now in roll out
2.2	PL camps in the run up to AJ2010	Supported Due to lack of time, held over for next Jamboree. Please note that Sydney North is running PL training for this Jamboree.
2.3	Running of a 14 year old Camp	Supported C14 camp offered in May 2009 – not run due to lack

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		of numbers. 2 dates set for 2010. See Item 5.
2.4	State Rally Theme – Board Game Battles	Supported and successfully run. 2009 State Rally largest ever with 987 scouts in attendance!
2.5	Regional ‘Get Out’ Badge	Supported. Region SYC’s to set criteria and design badges – to date no response from Regions. See Item 10.
2.6	Web based Calendar of events	Supported. Completed. See www.patroltent.com for State-wide Calendar of events.
2.7	Joti Style Chat rooms available year round	Supported Under investigation.

3. Region Reports

Regional representatives presented issues from their regions as follows:

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
3.1	North Coast	NO Representatives See Recommendation 4
3.2	North West Well Supported by RC(S) Have held 3 Regional SYC meetings so far. Most issues have been addressed within their region. One issue For State – pocket on uniform needs to be larger to accommodate passbook.	On further discussion all agreed that most of the larger shirts do fit the passbook, it is only the small sized shirts with appropriate sized pocket for shirt that doesn’t fit passbook. No further action required.
3.3	The Golden West First Region SYC at their Pre Jam camp in November. A number of issues for TGW RC(S) to follow up. Issues for State Local and Regional Image needs attention, Scouts want Epauettes back on Uniform shirt,	For Further Discussion. See Recommendation 1 See Recommendation 2

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	Links on www.patroltent.com for games and leadership activities PL's can use at troop nights and on camp.	See Recommendation 5
3.4	Riverina No SYC's run. No RCS at present.	See Recommendation 4
3.5	South Coast and Tablelands No SYC's run.	See Recommendation 4
3.6	South Metropolitan Issues for State Scouts from SM believe there is a need for formal pants to go with the uniform. 100 Good Turns should run every year.	Further discussion did not result in any recommendation.
3.7	Greater Western Sydney RC(S) actively supporting SYC. Issues for State 3 nights under canvas for Jamboree an issue if your region only runs one of these camps it can be hard to gain this requirement.	Issue diverted back to GWS Region.
3.8	Sydney North Scouts voiced concern that their RC(S) is not listening to the voices and opinions of the region's Scouts.	See Recommendation 4s For further discussion at State Mindari. Issue also needs to go back to Region SYC.
3.9	Hunter and Coastal Issue for State The Scout Passbook needs to have bookmarks.	For further discussion.
3.10	Hume RC(S) actively encouraging SYC. Issues for State Scouts need support and encouragement to stand and be proud to be a Scout. Peer pressure and poor image at school is causing many to not attend, and makes it hard to recruit. More Promotion at Local and regional level of what Scouting is truly.	This issue to be taken by Fluff to Member Support and State Mindari for discussion. See Recommendation 1.
3.11	All Regions – Other issues arising from Council Members Scout Field Book needs updating	

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	<p>Public Image is not a true image.</p> <p>Need more school visits to showcase scouting.</p> <p>Advertising should include famous celebrities to show scouting in a good light.</p> <p>Use of www.patroltent.com for better information about badges (Target badges and journeys) There should be more State SYC camps Bring a friend camps</p> <p>Need links or information on www.patroltent.com for menus and foods for scouts to use on all types of camps from lightweight hikes to troop camps.</p> <p>There needs to be links on www.patroltent.com so scouts can contact their State Commissioners</p> <p>There needs to be support programs to help keep Scouts in scouting</p> <p>There should be a prize for creative Advertising of Scouting</p> <p>Scouts wanted links on Patroltent for major camps/activities in other states</p>	<p>See Recommendation 1</p> <p>See recommendation 6 and 10</p> <p>See Recommendation 7</p> <p>Fluff to discuss with Member Support and the State Mindari</p> <p>See Recommendation 11.</p> <p>See Recommendation 9.</p>
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4. Start Up Kit Review

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
4.1	<p>Intro letter Agenda Minutes format PowerPoint Presentation Promotional Leaflet</p> <p>Baggy encouraged all council members to go look at the tools and start using from</p>	<p>Discussion lead by Baggy. All items are on www.patroltent.com for downloading and use by scouts and leaders.</p> <p>A working group needs to be formed to review these</p>

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	<p>troop level, then push for District SYC's to be organised. Scouts to work with their mentors to get the ball rolling.</p> <p>Issues that arise at SYC's in Districts need to go to the District Mindari, Issues from Region SYC's need to go to Region Mindari. If you are not getting appropriate and timely feedback take the issue up a level...i.e. District up to Region, Region up to state.</p>	documents to ensure they are useful. Still to be organised.
4.2	GWS council members voiced concern that Holroyd District Commissioner not supportive of SYC	GWS RC(S) to be asked to follow up. GWS SSSYC council members to push for Holroyd District representatives at Region SYC level.
4.3	Troop Council Training Session At the suggestion of Baggy – the session on Running a Troop Council from the new Basic Scout Leadership Course was run for all members of the Council.	

5. C14 Review

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
5.1	<p>Camp for 14 year old scouts to network and socialise prior to going up to Venturers. Huge support from Mindari</p> <p>Dates for 2010 – July 16 – 18 Glenrock Scout Camp.</p>	<p>Glenrock May 23rd-24th 2009</p> <p>Did not run due to lack of numbers.</p> <p>Endorsed by SSSYC.</p> <p>Please promote through your regions.</p> <p>Information will be on www.patroltent.com</p>

6. Advanced Scout Leadership Course

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
6.1	As requested by 2008 SSSYC, two Advanced Scout Leadership courses (Sydney and Coffs Harbour) have now been run very	See www.patroltent.com for application details. Numbers on each course

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	<p>successfully – details and feedback are on www.patroltent.com.</p> <p>Two Courses have been set for 2010. March 27/28 and September 15/16</p>	<p>are very limited.</p> <p>All to promote.</p>
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7. State Rally 2010 Theme

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
7.1	<p>After huge Brainstorm, all suggestions were grouped according to category: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Under the Sea 2. Disney, Cartoons, Hollywood, Superheroes 3. Medieval, Myth mania 4. Rock and roll, Musicals 5. Western Carnivals, Random 6. High flying Gymnastics 	<p>Voting on the theme resulted in Disney, Cartoons, Hollywood and Superheroes with the theme name “Awesome and Animated”</p> <p>See Recommendation 12.</p>

8. Scout Youth Council Roles and Responsibilities Lead by Alan Blunt

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
8.1	Chairperson's Role and responsibilities	<p>Chair all SSYC Meetings</p> <p>Work directly with State Mindari Executive, Communicate, ideas, assist and organise events, represent the state scout youth, promotion of syc/scouts, represent state scout youth on formal occasions.</p>
8.2	Vice Chair	<p>Similar to chairperson, Vice Chair stands in when directed by Chair, or Chair is unavailable.</p>
8.3	Secretary	<p>Minutes, agendas, managing contact lists, managing information flow, providing support for region secretaries, Keep Minutes from all Region's</p>

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		SYC and any other correspondence.
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9. Scout Youth Council Rollout Working Groups with Mentors

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
9.1	Council members divided into regions and worked with Mentors to create a strategy and timeline to roll SYC out in their regions. Issues for discussion were communication channels, contact lists, knowing your districts and region boundaries, how to organise, setting dates, using www.patroltent.com and the regional websites to promote and spread information.	Mentors and Regional representatives to work together rolling out SYC in regions with assistance from their RC(S). See Recommendation 4.
9.2	Suggestions and topics discussed from 9.1 Hold District/Region SYC's at AJ2010 Hold District/Region SYC's at Jamborette if your region has one SYC is a youth forum, the attending leader does not speak unless asked. Communication channels – www.patroltent.com , regional websites, district websites, newsletters, troop councils - can use all to list dates for upcoming meetings, minutes, events - can use sms, email, ring around to ensure members can attend - can contact other regions/ districts SYC for support or info - can hold SYC specific camps - ensure minutes go to your district SL and RCS so that they go to the relevant Mindari as well as to SSSC secretary and Fluff. - the structure of your meetings depends on you. It can be formal or informal – and can be held together with all sorts of activities. - can use JOTA/JOTI for SYC - topics for discussion can come from your district SL and from your RCS. - USE MENTORS to help organise and run meetings (dates/venues, security)	

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10. Regional Get Out Scheme Badges

Workshop lead by Baggy

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
10.1	<p>SSYC recommendation from 2008 was a regional badge, designed by the scouts of that region, with the criteria set by the scouts of the region. As no work had been done to date, Council separated into working groups with their mentors to discuss and formulate badge objectives, criteria, activities and badge design.</p> <p>Overview of Discussions: -</p> <p>Badge Objective Ideas:</p> <p>Visit a Region other than your own and complete the Region activities listed below. Provide photographic evidence of your visit. Report back to your Troop Council. Send a postcard to your RC(S) Experience the Region at its best. Shake hands with at least three Scouts from the Region. Camp at one of the Region Campsites Visit one of the local tourist attractions. Must be a Scout Must travel with a Troop Must travel with a Patrol Country based Troops to visit a City attraction and vice versa. Overnight camp in the Region See and experience the history and heritage of the Region</p> <p>Badge Criteria Suggestions:</p> <p>Have the Scout Craft Badge Completed within the State Scout Policies and Procedures Must be completed within the Region</p> <p>Activities:</p> <p>Riverina Region Visit and learn about the Snowy Mountains Hydro Scheme Help Shear a sheep Visit the Dog on the Tucker Box</p>	<p>Baggy/Fluff/ All RC(S).To be verified in Regions and ratified at State Mindari in February 2010 and immediately commence circulation.</p>

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	<p>Do a walk along the Hume and Hovel Trail Attend the Truck Drivers Memorial at Holbrooke</p> <p>Hunter and Coastal: Visit a beach and do some activities there. Must travel by public transport and stay in the Region for a minimum of 24 hours</p> <p>Hume Visit a Region Tourist attraction of festival; e.g.</p> <p>Bradman Museum (Bowral)</p> <p>Thirlmere Railway</p> <p>One of the wineries</p> <p>Fishers Ghost Festival (Campbelltown) Illawarra Fly (Robertson – home of the big potato)</p> <p>Golden West Take part in: Gold panning Grape picking Skiing Visit a dairy farm</p> <p>South Coast and Tablelands Go to the beach and learn about hand gliding. Take some photos. Learn about the history of the steel works Go to the cheese factory at Bega.</p> <p>North West Go fossicking Visit the Golden Guitar and wax museum (Tamworth) Go gold panning Visit the standing stone and try to pull the sword out (Glen Innes) Visit the cotton factory and watch the movie (Narrabri)</p>	
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	<p>Take a hot spring bath (Moree)</p> <p>Greater Western Sydney Visit the 3 sisters and ride the scenic railway (Katoomba). Walk the Golden Staircase. Take a stroll around Parramatta Park (Parramatta) Ride the zig-zag railway (Mt Victoria) Visit the Air Force and see a jet plane (Richmond) Take to the water on the Hawkesbury River Try a white water activity at the National White Water Centre (Penrith)</p> <p>South Metropolitan Sydney Visit the National Park and spend 3 hours hiking and 2 hours relaxing Go on a bike ride or walk along cooks River Visit Captain Cooks Landing spot (Kurnell)</p> <p>Sydney North Visit Middle Head and map the guns, towers and walls. Visit the Sydney Harbour Bridge pylon and walk the Bridge to South Met</p>	
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11. Issues for Discussion from State Mindari

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
11.1	<p>Proportional representation SSYC was asked to consider the issue of proportional representation. Should regions with large numbers of scouts have more representation on SSYC than regions with fewer scouts? All members of the Council had the opportunity to voice their opinions.</p>	<p>Unanimous vote in support of 3 representatives per region regardless of population of scouts or geographical size.</p> <p>Fluff to convey decision to State Mindari.</p>
11.2	<p>Dates For SSYC for 2010</p> <p>SSYC March/April</p> <p>SSYC August at State Rally – Saturday</p>	<p>To be decided and circulated to SSYC Council</p> <p>Endorsed by SSYC</p>

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	night at Rally HQ prior to RCS Meeting	Council
	SSYC 13/14 November 2010	Location to be discussed
11.3	AJ2010 Jamboree Newsletter Title	Deferred due to lack of time.

12. Elections of 2010 State Scout Youth Council Executive.
All Positions declared Vacant and Scouts were asked to self nominate and give a short introductory speech outlining why they would be good in the position they were nominating for.

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
12.1	Election of 2010 SSSC Chairperson	Tylanda Murray (TGW) elected to this position and thanked all members for their support.
12.2	Election of 2010 SSSC Vice Chairperson	Codey Swadling (TGW) elected to this position.
12.3	Election of 2010 SSSC Secretary	Connor Hayes (H&C) elected to this position

All members of the Council congratulated the newly elected Executive and thanked outgoing members for their hard work.

13. Representatives For National Youth Forum

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
13.1	NSW representatives for National Youth Forum directed to be the SSSC Council Executive Members. (Directive from Phil Crutchley (Kanga))	Tylanda, Codey and Connor will represent NSW Scouts at the National Youth Forum at AJ2010. Kanga to send Nominations.

14. Recommendations arising from this meeting

Item No.	Issue	Decision/ Action
14.1	The State Scout Youth Council recommends that the state's advertising for scouting is more focused on our local and regional image, and works with NSW regions to make images truer.	

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14.2	The State Scout Youth Council recommends that the State Mindari pursue the issue of replacing the epaulettes back on the uniform shirts.	
14.3	The State Scout Youth Council recommends that the State Mindari pursue the issue of reinstating the white cord for the scout uniform to recognise the rank of patrol leader.	
14.4	The State Scout Youth Council demands Regional Commissioners (Scouts) act to ensure all district and regional Scout Youth Councils are up and running by the June State Mindari.	
14.5	The State Scout Youth Council recommends that www.patroltent.com include links for games and activities suitable for PL's to run on troop nights and at camps.	
14.6	The State Scout Youth Council recommends that www.patroltent.com include information on how to plan Explorer and Adventurer cord journeys.	
14.7	The State Scout Youth Council recommends that www.patroltent.com include information on all types of camp menus/food guides from lightweight hikes to troop camps.	
14.8	The State Scout Youth Council recommends all regional websites include a link to www.patroltent.com .	
14.9	The State Scout Youth Council requests the State Mindari to investigate the possibility of including other States major activities on www.patroltent.com for NSW scouts to apply and attend.	
14.10	The State Scout Youth Council requests the State Mindari include information for elective target badges on www.patroltent.com .	

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14.11	The State Scout Youth Council recommends that the State Mindari establish a creativity award for creative ways of advertising of local scouting, judged twice a year to win a prize for the winning group. Voting to be carried out on www.patroltent.com .	
14.12	The State Scout Youth Council recommends State Mindari adopts the theme "Awesome and Animated" as the 2010 state rally theme. (Disney, Hollywood, Cartoons Superheroes)	
14.13	The State Scout Youth Council recommends that the State Mindari support the addition of the new Regional Get Out badges as designed by the State Scout Youth Council 2009.	

The State Mindari Team representatives were invited to join the meeting at this point in full uniform and the 2010 State Scout Youth Council Executive were introduced to them by Fluff.

Tylanda Murray, as the new Chairperson of the State Scout Youth Council presented the Recommendations as listed above to the members of the State Mindari team and mentors.

David Spear (Baggy) responded on behalf of Phil Crutchley (State Commissioner, Scouts, NSW Branch) thanking all council members for their hard work over the two days and congratulated the new executives.

15. State Scout Youth Council November 2009 Closed.