# 5TH/6TH CENTRAL MOORABBIN SCOUT GROUP

2014-2015 Annual Report



### 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Central Moorabbin Scout Group

#### **Group Leader's Report 2014/15**

2015 has been a very active year for our Scout Group. Well developed & well run programs across all Sections have ensured full, busy programs that continue to attract youth from our wider community in good numbers.

Each Section's report will provide more detail about the year so far. Across all Youth Sections in 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Central Moorabbin Group the range of participatory events is huge. Events such as a combined Group Beach Camp, Ski Camp, Sleep Overs, Coastal Hiking, Swim, Circus & Showtime Nights, The Fantastic Race weekend, Mental Health Awareness Night are but a tiny sample. Blend that with the more traditional Scouting based skills such as knots & other badge work etc & you see elements of the programming framework for all Youth Sections that contribute to great Scouting outcomes for the kids.

Our new Venturer Unit has flourished in 2015. The growth in the unit has seen Venturer Leaders, Harry & Ian be joined by Kevin as the Unit has become one of the largest in the district. The Group is now seeing the benefits of having Venturer Section & we hope to have the Group's own Rover Crew (18-26 year olds) for our Venturers to move on to in the not too distant future, giving 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Central Moorabbin the full compliment of 5 Scouting Youth Sections from Joeys through to Rovers.

Census this year showed an increase in youth numbers by an overall 5% as 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Central Moorabbin continues to be amongst the largest groups in the Glen Eira Stonnington Scouting District. We currently have 126 Youths registered with the Group.

Such a large, active Group means that our Group Committee, who do a fantastic administrative job, our Youth Section leaders & our Adult Helpers are kept very busy. These wonderful volunteers need extra support from the Group's families as there are a number of rolls not yet filled. We welcome interest & support from our community of families to fill these positions. Please speak to a leader or committee member if you think you may be able to help.

In particular the committee is essential for our Group to prosper and their role is to manage the facilities & equipment, manage the Groups finances and to assist in recruiting youth and Leaders.

The year ahead has a few challenges for our Group:-

Maintaining large Youth numbers across all Sections, especially increasing both the Joey & Cub Scout Sections.

Continuing our strong financial position, applying for available grants, 2015 is a pre-Jamboree year which means budgeting is required to support Leaders attending the Jamboree.

Ensuring there are sufficient trained leaders in all Sections.

Start a Rover Crew; the current group of older Venturers are already looking for a Rover Crew to join in the near future.

I would like to thank our fantastic team of Leaders, Committee Members & Adult Helpers for their hard work and dedication to our Scout Group and its youth members throughout the year. As volunteers, the free time you continue to give to the Scout Group is greatly appreciated.

Yours in Scouting, Warrick Alldridge, Acting Group Leader.

### **President Report 2015**

Welcome members, families and friends

It has been a very enjoyable first year in this role and it is great to see our Troop continue to build on previous successful years. With the departure of both the President and Group Leader and their wealth of experience there has been gaps to fill. Firstly a big thanks to Warrick Allridge for stepping up as acting Group Leader while we search to find a replacement for Dale. Warrick like all section and assistant leaders give up a lot of their time dedicated to providing interesting and fun programs week in week out.

I would also like to thank all the committee members for their input and volunteering their time to assist and organize the many operating functions that keep our Scout Group ticking over. We always are in need of extra help whether on the committee or other tasks that may arise from time to time. If this idea appeals to you but you cannot commit too much time, every bit helps. Please let me or one of the leaders know if you can assist in some way in the coming year.

One of the people that did put up his hand at last year's ARAP was Rob Kennedy. His knowledge and background in the building industry has been invaluable in advising us and dealing with council on an array of issues regarding the development of King George Hall. I am pleased to report the council has approved the funds to make this happen and after the tender process we expect work to commence in 2016.

Congratulations to all members that have achieved awards and badges during the year and thanks to their parents for helping them attend whether it be here or on one of the camps that were scheduled through the year.

The other area that continues to need all our support is fund raising. Thanks to everyone that helped during the year and I look forward too more parents assisting in the coming year. These activities provide funds to continually update or buy new equipment and keep our fees down.

I am looking forward to another successful year.

Yours in Scouting

Rod Ward President  $5^{th}$   $6^{th}$  Central Moorabbin Scout Group

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT OF 5th/6th CENTRAL MOORABBIN SCOUT GROUP

I have audited the accounts of the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Central Moorabbin Scout Group being the Balance Sheet as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015, and the Income Statement for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015. The Committee of Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial reports and the information contained therein.

While the audit was not conducted in accordance to the Australian Auditing Standards, the procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the accounts. In my opinion, subject to the above qualifications, the financial statements present fairly the financial the position of the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Central Moorabbin Scout Group for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

Graeme/Wickenden Honorary Auditor

Dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2015

### 5th/6th Central Moorabbin Scout Group

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Balance Sheet	30/06/15	30/06/14
Assets		
CBA Cheque Account	\$8,226.35	\$36,945.42
CBA Online Saver	\$28.53	\$27,066.11
Westpac Solutions	\$25,523.22	\$24,170.45
Westpac Online Saver	\$12,981.71	\$50.25
Westpac Bonus Saver	\$45,530.41	\$50.00
Total Assets	\$92,290.22	\$88,282.23
Liabilities		
Group Fees in Advance	\$10,343.00	\$7,988.50
Registration Fees Payable	\$12,984.00	\$15,217.50
Total Liabilities	\$23,327.00	\$23,206.00
Net Assets	\$68,963.22	\$65,076.23
Equity		
Retained Earnings	\$65,076.23	\$53,443.09
Current Earnings	\$3,886.99	\$11,633.14
Total Equity	\$68,963.22	\$65,076.23

I certify that the above is a true and fair view of the Financial Position as at 30 June 2015

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Jenny Rogers - Treasurer

Audited & Accepted as Correct:

Graeme Wickenden - Auditor

Date 23/8/2015.

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Income & Expenditure for Year Ended:	30/06/15	30/06/14
Income		
Group Fees	\$12,513.00	\$13,367.00
Scarf	\$800.00	\$450.00
Hall Hire - 5th Hall - Halley Park	\$7,327.50	\$6,472.75
Hall Hire - 6th Hall - King George	\$4,201.00	\$2,955.00
Fundraising	\$49.70	\$776.00
Interest	\$724.63	\$758.22
Change in Investment Value	\$0.00	\$756.63
Total Income	\$25,615.83	\$25,535.60
Expenses		
Badges etc	\$1,490.74	\$1,149.80
Bank Charges	\$8.75	\$0.75
Camps & Activities	\$1,225.98	\$0.00
Electricity & Water - 5th Hall	\$1,875.02	\$1,260.99
Electricity & Water - 6th Hall	\$1,537.40	(\$2,045.77)
Equipment	\$5,088.63	\$4,259.66
Insurance, Fire, Rent - 5th	\$1,850.91	\$1,924.93
Insurance, Fire, Rent - 6th	\$281.35	\$381.62
Leader Expenses	\$2,544.85	\$2,622.85
Postage & Admin Expenses	\$1,258.73	\$1,264.38
Promotional & AGM Expenses	\$1,203.63	\$454.53
Repairs & Maintenance	\$674.50	\$340.94
Scarf Costs	\$1,211.25	\$0.00
Section Expenses - Joeys	\$43.04	\$338.57
Section Expenses - Cubs	\$768.57	\$547.34
Section Expenses - Scouts	\$665.49	\$41.82
Section Expenses - Venturers	\$0.00	\$1,360.05
Total Expenses	\$21,728.84	\$13,902.46
Net Profit/(Loss)	\$3,886.99	\$11,633.14

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### Treasurer's Report - 2014/2015

Our bank and investment accounts are showing a healthy combined balance of \$92,290.22 which allows us to continue to fund the group's activities and to save for future expenditure.

The Net Surplus (Profit) for the year was \$3,886.99.

Income is virtually the same as the previous year with the number of registered kids increasing from 105 at 30 Jun 2014 to a total of 115 at 30 Jun 2015.

Overall, expenses are 56% higher than last year, mainly due to the following:

Camps & Activities - this year's figures include final Cuboree payments from the previous financial year and partial funding of a whole group camp in Feb.

Electricity & Water - is higher this year as the previous year's figures were reduced by refunds from AGL and reimbursements from South East Water.

Equipment - the major expense this year was new tents that were purchased and used for Cuboree.

Scarf Costs - purchase of a new length of material.

# 2015 ARAP REPORT FOR 5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> CENTRAL MOORABBIN SCOUT GROUP.

### 01/07/2014 - 30/06/2015.

Over the past 12 months, our Joey Scouts have had a lot of fun and learning experiences, being involved in activities where they have enjoyed every minute of it.

By term 4 2014 we were hosting 1<sup>st</sup> McKinnon Joeys Scouts and by term 1 2015 we were hosting 1<sup>st</sup> Bentleigh Joey Scouts as well.

We have had combined nights with cubs and one of the activities was our infirmess Halloween Night where we all get dressed up in our bestest scariest costumes and have fun for the night.

Our programs over the 12 months the Joey's have enjoyed immensely and the topics have been fun and interesting; MasterChef, Football, Melbourne Cup, Endangered Animals to name a few. We even had a basic first aid night with one of our parents who is a nurse came in to teach the Joey's a thing or too.

The Joey's have earned badges like the Buddy, Environment and Adventure Badges. With these badges they can be combined with certain activities that the Joey's have been doing. For instance, the Joey's went to a District Environment Day at Braeside Park and they earned their Adventure Badge and the Buddy Badge as well. Some of the Joey's even went to sleepover held by our District Joey Leader.

The Joey's raised money and celebrated World Scout Day.

During the 12 months, we had 1 Joey complete their Promise Challenge Badge which is a big achievement for a young age.

A big thank you to our Venturers, Lachlan, Ryan, Rhys and Jono for the time they have spent with the joey's helping them out. Another big thank you to Melissa, Caroline and Gayle for all their time and effort. I could never be able to do it alone without all their support.

Thank you for all your support and to anyone else that I haven't mentioned.

Yours in Scouting,

Possum, Melissa, Quokka, Lachlan, Ryan, Jono and Rhys.

# 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Central Moorabbin Cub Pack Annual Section Report July 2014- June 2015

### Term 3 2014

This term we focus on Cuboree 8 which is held on the second week of the September School holidays at Gilwell Park Gembrook. This Cuboree had about 3000 Cubs, Ventures, Rovers, Leaders and Parent helpers. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> had about 15 Cubs attend.

Boomerang work we focus on safety, Law & Promise & Healthy. Father's day activity was a join night with Joeys was a trip to Clip & Climb in Richmond.

### Term 4 2014

We held our annual Halloween night with Joey's which a great success is always. Seconders had the opportunity in programming & running a night while the leaders played the role of a seconder. Natalie & Rod Cumming (Scout Parents) organised our science night the cubs rally enjoyed the night. Last night of the year was a BBQ & Waterside at the park.

### Term 1 2015

The year started off with our 2<sup>nd</sup> Group camp at Anglesea. This year we had every youth section at camp which is an unreal effort. We had a night of spear fishing at Brighton Beach which no one caught any fish but all the cubs had a great time.

Held a join night with 1<sup>st</sup> Central Moorabbin at our hall and then a week later they hosted us for the night.

### Term 2 2015

Our Boomerang focus was on knots, handcraft making key rings & kites. We held a sleepover the theme was cooking damper over the fire. District activities this term was a camp held at Bay Park & JOTT along Gardiners Creek trail.

This year we have been able to present Shaun Heenan the Grey Wolf Award. The Grey Wolf Award is the highest Award a Cub can achieve. This takes a lot of hard work and dedication to complete. All Cubs need to complete the following to earn their Grey Wolf Award: Gold Boomerang, 4 level's 2 achievement badges, attend 4 outdoor activities, one of these activities they need to organise a hike that includes planning this from start to finish, special interest badge, develop a resource kit for the pack to use. I commend Shaun on his achievement, as well as his contribution he made to our pack while a cub. I hope this will inspire other cubs to strive for this award.

This year we have seen a large amount of badges being signed off and awarded with about every cubs working hard and enthusiastically to progress in their Boomerang levels and gain more achievement badges. We all encourage every cub to keep up the great work, and keep striving to achieve more badges.

I would like to make a special welcome to Graeme (Baloo) who has join us as a Cub leader great to have you on board.

Thank you to Andrew, Leigh & Graeme for all their support over the last year & this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to let everyone know that Leigh has decided to finish at the end of the year. Leigh has been involved with this group for 18 years which includes as a Cub, Scout and then taking on the roll as a Leader. Good luck to Leigh in his next adventure as a SES volunteer.

Yours in Scouting

Caroline Jones

Cub Leader



## 5th/6th Central Moorabbin Scout Troop **Annual Section Report** July 2014 - June 2015

We kicked off Term 3 2014 with our annual Ski camp in July to Mount Baw Baw, we had a group of 32 Scouts, Venturers and adults staying at the Mount Baw Baw Ski Club. Fortunately the snow was great and all the Scouts had an amazing time hitting the slopes, even getting to go night skiing. In July we also participated in the GES District swimming carnival and won overall, with our Scouts winning a significant number of races.

In August we had 40 Scouts participate in the GES Fantastic Race. which is run by our Troop for 250+ Scouts from all other the state. The race took them around the city, to St Kilda, Albert Park, Fitzroy, East Melbourne, Carlton, Melbourne Uni and Southbank. The Scouts spent the night sleeping in a large school hall in Sydenham and on Sunday went to the Werribee Zoo. One of our Patrols won the race and scored a ride in a stretch hummer to the zoo, they also got exclusive access to the winners area at the overnight venue.



In Term 4 we had a camp at Rowallan Scout camp and also participated in the District Billy Cart Derby, where according to some we races 'boats' rather than billy carts. In early November a group of Scouts went to Wilsons Prom to complete their Adventurer Hike. At the end of the Term we went to Gilweroo at Bay Park, Mount Martha.

We finished the year with a beach night, which for the first time in a few years return it's traditional location at Half Moon Bay after being forced away thanks to the weather many times in the past. This night was also a farewell to Michael Ooi as one of our Leaders, Michael had been an amazing leader with us for over six years and we continue to be very grateful for this assistance during that time.

In mid January the Troop Council had a weekend away where we started planning the 2015 year program as well as working on a number of significant improvement to our programming methods, The members of our Troop Council continue to play a leading role in the Troop, planning and organising each and every event that we do.



Term one 2015 started with our second annual group camp at Anglesea. In March a group of Scouts went to Wilsons Prom to complete their Adventurer Hike. During this term we also played bubble soccer, built hovercrafts and went scuba driving. At the end of term 1 we had four patrols compete in the Annual Stradbroke Cup at Bay Park Scout Camp in Mount Martha. On ANZAC day we more than filled a 56 seater coach with Scouts and Venturers, attending the Dawn Service at the Shrine of Remembrance. Followed by breakfast at the Bentleigh RSL. We make a special note of thanks to

the Bentleigh RSL for transporting us and feeding all those hungry mouths.

During term two a number of Scouts attended a Scout Leadership course at Caringal Scout Camp, we also run a 'Capture the flag' Camp which involved a 24 hour game of capture the flag. We also had an abseiling camp in early May where the Scouts explored Ballarat and went abseiling in the You Yangs. The term also saw a Patrol build a billy cart which this time that didn't look like a boat to participate in the district derby for 2015, they did amazingly well and scored the first prize overall. During term two we also made hot air balloons, did emergency visits, went to kids space and had a murder mystery night.

A special thanks to Mee Chee for her continued support once again as the co-ordinator for our annual fundraising events, these are coming around again so please make sure you get along a help out

and raise valuable funds for our Troop to enable us to run such a dynamic and exciting program.





Special thanks also to Mal and Kerri Guy for their amazing efforts each and every time a camp comes around, Kerri does a fantastic job arrange the distribution of health forms and Mal continues to make sure that each Scout has a seat in a car to get to and from camp. Thanks also to the many parents who help the Troop in so many different ways.

A note of congratulations to our Scouts who received their Australia Scout Medallion during the 2014-2015 year, well done to Ella Clough, Tara Begg, Matt Willaton, Lachlan Cumming, Caitlyn Oakley & Cooper

Swinnerton. The ASM is the pinnacle award in the Scout section and takes a huge amount of effort to achieve, i'm certain there will be many more of our Scouts who will achieved the award in the next 12 months.

We have an amazing group of adult leaders that support the Troop Council to deliver our program, Damien, Dillon, Jay, Eleri and Warrick all do a fantastic job and their dedication to the Troop is outstanding. Our current Patrol Leaders also continue to do an amazing job running the Troop, putting in a huge amount of effort to plan and run all of our activities and camps. It's important to remember that the Troop is run by our youth members, specifically the Troop Council, they develop the program and work hard to deliver it, our adult leaders are there to provide the support had enables them to do this.



It's been an amazing 12 months and we are looking forward to another 12 months of fun and it's sure to be adventurous!

Yours in Scouting Aden Gartly, Brendan Guy & Peter Fowler Troop Leaders & Scout Leader 5th/6th Central Moorabbin Scout Troop





### 5th 6th Central Moorabbin Venturers - ARAP Report

### Tuesday 15/09/15

Co Unit Chairs Sienna Currie & Claire Cheeseman

Probationary Venturer leader Kevin Berry

Assistant Venturer Leaders Ian Morgan & Harry Kinsella

We have enjoyed a terrific year in Venturers over the last twelve months. The Venturers have really taken control of the programme and have successfully driven the planning and execution. Credit must go to the two Unit councils that have continued to improve with their management of the Unit. There are areas we would like to improve, however the parents of all the Venturers should be proud of the way they have conducted themselves as part of a great Unit and the broader 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Venturer Group.

### By The Numbers

- 44 x Venturers
  - o Unit numbers up over 10%
  - o 77% from 5<sup>th</sup> /6<sup>th</sup> Central Moorabbin Scout Group
  - o 13% from 1<sup>st</sup> McKinnon Scout Group
  - o 7% from 1st Central Bentleigh Scout Group
- Attendance average around 30 venturers each Thursday night.

### The Highlights

- First Tram Bingo night run
- Vic Gathering District event at Elmore
- Venture South Australia 2 x members attended
- Group camp Anglesea, January 2015
- Melbourne Comedy Festival Night
- ANZAC dawn Service
- Anything Goes District event in Warragul



- Hosted District BBQ
- Stradbroke Cup
- Unit Management Course
- Environment Course
- Fantastic Race scout event
- Armstrong 500 District competitive hike we had 3 teams represent the Unit, a total of 13 participants.

We would like to thanks everyone involved in making the new Unit happen, with special mention to two groups. Firstly the venturers themselves, who have been sensational in taking on their responsibility to help start the unit. We have had Venturers come from many different groups and back grounds and they have always been made that they are part of the unit very early in their experience and that is the key to venturer retention.

Secondly the parents of the venturers have been terrific in their support of the Unit. As we have developed we have made experimented with what works best and the feedback and assistance from the parents has been very helpful.

As the kids move from scouts to venturers, they transition into a section of scouting that requires them to be much more independent. They are asked to collectively choose and run the units programme, with over sight from the leaders. This can be challenging, however we need them to have a go and be prepared to make mistakes, that's how we all learn...and it is often fun.

After an exciting start, we look forward to another year of Venturing.

Kind regards

Kevin, Ian & Harry

