



Waylen Bay Ventures Newsletter



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Fundraising

Last year, we did a few different fundraising events. Four of the Venturers had a great time at the Labour party fundraising Bollywood night. We had to help set up and serve food to everyone.

All the Venturers also helped deliver trees in the Attadale area for the Rotary club. This raised a lot of money for the unit.

Movie Night

As our end of year activity we had a movie night with Venturers from other groups.

Movie night was on the 14th of December and everyone had a great time. Not to mention the fact that no one got to sleep until 5am this morning, everyone had fun and we managed to watch about 5 movies along with some funny videos and also funny pictures. We all got around 1 hours sleep but that didn't stop us from still having a great time in the morning. Sadly we didn't take any pictures. "But who needs pictures of people watching movies? Quote: Ollie.

Christmas Breakfast

Waylen Bay had their annual Christmas Breakfast down by the river recently. Everyone had a great time at the breakfast and it was very enjoyable. There were sausages, burgers, hash browns, tomatoes, salad and lots of other stuff including champagne. Santa also made his annual appearance and gave all the kids a present.

Well done to Ollie and Paris who received there Australian Scout Medallion



Bikers Breakfast

We had the annual Bikers Breakfast recently to fundraise for the 1st Waylen Bay Group. We served breakfast to a crowd of over five thousand bikers who were on a charity run to Joondalup to give less fortunate children Christmas presents. As Waylen Bay are the only group allowed to cook breakfast for the Bikers, they loved it and everyone had a great time although the group didn't raise as much as in previous years due to poor weather keeping some of the bikers away. Thanks to everyone who helped out.



Como Regatta

A few of the Venturers competed in the Como regatta. We took the Gordon Johnson over and competed well in it. Daniel Lucas also crewed on a 505 which took out the Venture sailing award. We also dominated the rowing, coming in 1st place. Waylen Bay as a group did not perform all that well this year although we won the Accorn award

Rowing Challenge

The Venturers attempted the infamous rowing challenge across the Swan River from Applecross Jetty to Nedlands. The record is 14 minutes while the Venturers made the crossing in 17 minutes. They slept over at the hall the night before and after little sleep, they got up early while the wind was still light. The Ventures plan to have another go at the record in the near future.

Green Machine

In Term 3, some of the Ventures repaired the Green Machine. It is now running at about 90% with some minor repairs still need to be carried out. The trailer has also been repaired and painted. The Green Machine was displayed at the Royal Show at the Scout display. We are looking for somewhere to take the Green Machine to have a go at driving it.



Richard Magnus and Daniel Posing for a photo

Venturer Leadership Course

The Venturer Leadership Course was held in December where Matt and Richard learnt a whole lot more skills to improve on from those that they had learnt at the Venturer Unit Management Course. They had a great time doing all the activities, especially the activity at the end which included many different scenarios and a lot of fun.



Unit Management Course

In November, Ollie, Matt, Richard and Magnus went to the Unit management course held at the Venture den. They all had a lot of fun and learnt new ways to better manage the Unit. In the evening, they went down to the river and enjoyed some water activities. After not getting much sleep that night, they went to McDonalds for breakfast. Overall, the Venturers had a great weekend, meeting other Venturers and learning a thing or two along the way.



Unit Elections

Unit elections for 2008 were held recently at the annual Christmas party. These positions will be held for the first 6 months of 2008. The positions up for election where; Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary.

Chairman: Matt
Vice Chairman: Richard
Treasurer: Ollie
Secretary: Magnus

Thanks to the out going Unit council for the work they did last year.

World Jamboree

By Magnus

In July/August I had the pleasure of attending the 21st World Scout Jamboree in England. After jetting off to Singapore, the West Australians met up with the rest of the Australian Contingent before boarding the flight to London. In London, we stayed at the Queen Mary University for four days. During these four days we got to visit famous sites such as Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, The London Eye, meet our patrol and do some shopping before heading out to the Jamboree site in Chelmsford, Essex. When we arrived we were greeted by scouts from many different nations all wanting to meet the Australians and trade badges. At the Jamboree, there were many different activities. Some of these included going to Gilwell Park (the home of scouting), water activities and concerts. The highlight of the Jamboree was the Sunrise ceremony. It was amazing being with 40 000 other scouts, all taking the promise at the same time. After the Jamboree we went to Ireland and stayed with scouting families. We got to explore around Dublin and its surrounding areas. We even got to taste Guinness at the Guinness Factory. Overall, I met many different people and had a great time.



Achievements

Well done to Richard Pilgrim for being selected to go to the Brownsea Island re-enactment camp on Herring Island Earlier this year. To get accepted, Richard had to make a presentation and be selected from Coastal Plains District.



Events in the Future

1st Meeting at Den-8th February

Swanabout- 16/17th February

BVC- 12th February

Hike-7/8th March

Master Mariners- 3rd/4th April

Rottneest Invasion- More Info soon

Unearth Perth- 31st May-2nd June

Camp West 28th Sept- 4th Oct

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