



1st Bayview Sea Scouts

NEWSLETTER

CUBS, SCOUTS & VENTURERS

October 2009

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope you all had a great school holiday break. Our Cubs & Scouts enjoyed some great camps at Cataract Scout Park, Ingleside, Sugee Bag & Narrabeen during the holidays.

CUBs news

Starboard Pack (Monday night)

Bayview Starboard Pack had a fantastic time at Region Camp on 3-5 October 2009 at Cataract Scout Park, which is a 160 hectare bush camping area 70 km south of Sydney. This is also the site of the next Australian Jamboree which our Scouts will be attending in January 2010.



With the coldest October days in a decade and wettest days in 2 months, you might think the camp was a disaster - but far from it! They had an absolute blast. Mother Nature cooperated exactly when they needed her, during critical times of setting up and pack down of camp and also during highlights such as Challenge Valley and Campfire.

There were 28 Cubs in our Sub camp and a total of approximately 600 people at the camp site.

They participated in an amazing series of activities such as orienteering through the bush, various games, made electronic circuits and other crafts, etc. One of the highlights of this camp was Challenge Valley - basically army style obstacle course from rope climbing, suspended ladders, water holes and mud pits.

Port Pack (Tuesday night)

Bayview Port Pack Cubs participated in a fun camp at Ingleside 13-15 October. Everyone had a great time with outdoor activities, commando rope courses, badge/craft work & campfires...and much more....including a carpet snake that visited leader Jill (almost on her head!!!)

GREY WOLF AWARD

Congratulations to Oscar Bruck who has achieved the Grey Wolf Award. Oscar organised a Grey Wolf Hike to Wondabyne, a train station that has no access by road.



"Oscar worked really hard to make sure he paced himself to complete all required tasks for his Grey Wolf Award within the time frame allowed. This is the highest award in Cub Scouts and Oscar must be proud of his achievements which he can now display and take on new challenges in our Scout Troop" said Akela George.

SCOUTS news

SUGEE BAG CAMP 3 – 5 October:

Scouts enjoyed a fun-filled camp at Sugee Bag Creek (even with the leeches!!!)



52nd Jamboree On The Air / 13th Jamboree On The Internet – Narrabeen 16-18 October. Last weekend the Jamboree of the Air (JOTA) and Jamboree on the Internet (JOTI) was held at Narrabeen Lakes. It's the biggest activity in Scouting, with over 500,000 participants. Sydney North Region Scouts and Girl Guides hold a combined JOTA/JOTI Camp where they use Amateur Radio and Computers to communicate with other Scouts and Guides round the world.



FUNDRAISING UPDATE

\$500 petrol voucher raffle

We would like to extend our thanks to all the support for selling raffle tickets for the \$500 petrol voucher. We are awaiting the final tickets/cash to be returned and then we will be finalising the draw Friday 23rd October. A special thank you to the Smyth family who organised the donation from LJ Hooker, Mona Vale.

SPRING Fertiliser fundraiser

The inaugural Spring Fertiliser Fundraiser was held in September this year & raised over \$2350!!! A special thanks to Emma Burgess for co-ordinating this event & the scouts/parents who distributed flyers to promote the event, and helped with the delivery of products to our local community. We received great feedback from our local community – especially the Scotland Island families who got their garden products delivered by boat! This will be an annual event held every September for 1st Bayview Seascouts & we extend special thanks to our sponsor Ray White Bayview.

Woolworths Raffle & Sausage sizzle

Special thanks to Jo Nell, Mark Hodgson & Leanne Blackmore who assisted with the organisation of the Cubs Sausage sizzle held at Woolworths Mona Vale 22nd August. We raised \$1600 which has been used for new tent equipment for our cubs.

Volunteer Rewards Grant

We have submitted a grant request to the Australian Government requesting a grant for \$5000 to have funds used for data projector/screen for our training purposes. The applications are reviewed over the next few months and we will keep you updated with the outcome.

Ho! Ho! Ho!

The final Fundraising event for 2009 will be our Annual Xmas Tree sales which will be held on 1 day only this year – Saturday 12th December.

GROUP FAMILY PICNIC DAY 6 Dec

Family Xmas picnic social day. Use our water craft (wind surfers, canoes, sailing) BYO everything

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

GROUP LEADER is needed – please discuss with your Cub/Scout leader regarding this position.

CUBS Section:

Starboard Pack:

- Admin support for Akela George

SUB COMMITTEE

Our Sub Committee who is liaising closely with Pittwater Council regarding our expansion plans for storage/deck is looking for the following volunteers:

- Builders
- Draughtspersons

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

We need a new team of parents to help our Fundraising activities for 2010. Our team have worked very hard indeed this year, and we need some "new" people to join us. We have prepared a complete Fundraising Operating Manual which makes the job easier! It is important that we have Fundraising Committee representatives from all groups (i.e. Cubs, Scouts & Venturers). We meet once a month and would welcome some new people to join. Please contact Sue Jogeever (sjogeever@optusnet.com.au) for further information.

DIARY DATES

Sat 6 December – Family Picnic Day

Sat 12 December XMAS TREE

New Years Eve – Scout Hall (BYO)