

THE ROSS HOHNEN MEMORIAL INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

2019 APPLICATION FORM

**Final applications to be received by 3 May 2019
at Branch Office or to Lizz Affleck at accyd@scoutsact.com.au**

BACKGROUND

The Ross Hohnen Memorial International Scholarship recognises the life and contribution to Scouting both in the ACT and across Australia of Ross Hohnen. Ross joined the Movement in 1925 as a Cub. He progressed into Scouts, became a King's Scout, a District Cub Master and subsequently Assistant Headquarters Commissioner for Cubs. From 1957 to 1962 he was President of South Canberra District, then until 1969 he was Area Commissioner for Canberra Monaro Area. He became Area President in 1979 until being appointed President of the new Australian Capital Territory Branch in 1981, a position that he held until 1989. In 1985 he was integral to establishing The Arthur Shakespeare Foundation for Scouting to help support Scouting in the ACT, and was appointed Honorary Secretary to the Foundation for a period of nine years. He also remained an Honorary Commissioner until 1996. In the period 1971 to 1976, Ross was the International Commissioner for the Scout Association of Australia and served on the Asia-Pacific Region Committee from 1972 to 1978, including two years as Chairman. During this time he was the motivating force encouraging wider participation by Australian youth members and Leaders in international Scouting events. He received national recognition through the award of Officer of the Order of the British Empire in 1967, and Member of the Order of Australia in 1987, additionally Ross was also the first Canberran of the Year, in 1977. Ross was the recipient of numerous Scouting awards, culminating in the Silver Kangaroo in 1985 and the President's Citation in 1997.

AIM

This scholarship is designed to assist a Rover or a Young Leader (18-30) from the ACT Branch to attend a major international Scouting event, thereby giving form to Ross Hohnen's vision that the true spirit of Scouting was to be found in the International Brotherhood.

BENEFITS TO THE RECIPIENT

It is anticipated that benefits to the recipient will predominantly involve exposure to a wider range of Scouting activities and programs, and the ways and means of delivering those programs, than would normally be available in Australia.

BENEFITS TO THE MOVEMENT

On their return home, it is expected that the recipient would be able to incorporate new methods and experiences gained whilst overseas to their usual Scouting role.

ELIGIBILITY

The scholarship is available to an ACT Branch Rover Scout or a Young Leader (18-30 years old), and will take the form of an annual grant of up to \$A3000 (to a maximum of 80% of the total cost), funds permitting. Previous recipients of the Jack Deeble Scholarship are not eligible to apply for the Ross Hohnen Scholarship. The Scholarship is currently available annually, although this may vary in the future, depending on funds availability. Please note: Youth Helpers are not eligible for the Ross Hohnen Scholarship but may be eligible for the Jack Deeble Scholarship.

METHOD OF APPLICATION

Applications, endorsed by the applicable Crew Leader or other Scouting Manager, will need to be **submitted to the Branch Office or to accyd@scoutsact.com.au by 3 May 2019**. Applications will need to identify the activity, dates, the locality and the cost, and will need to address the selection criteria. Details of two referees in addition to your Crew Leader / Scouting Manager will also need to be included. All applications must also include the applicants name, address and contact details including a phone number so that the Selection Committee can contact them easily to arrange interviews if required.

METHOD OF SELECTION

Selection will be made by the Chief Commissioner or the Assistant Chief Commissioner following advice from an interview panel. As part of the selection process, the panel will check with nominated referees.

COSTS TO BE MET BY THE SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship will meet costs up to a maximum of \$A3000 (to a maximum of 80% of the total cost). This could contribute to the costs of travel, activity fees, departure taxes, transfer fees, accommodation or a combination of any or all of these.

COSTS TO BE MET BY THE RECIPIENT

The recipient will need to meet any costs in excess of the \$A3000 (to a maximum of 80% of the total cost) allocated for the scholarship, or the value of the scholarship actually granted.

POST-SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS

The recipient of any Scholarship will be expected to put in an appropriate further period of service following their return from the international event. A report covering the activity will need to be submitted no more than three months after the activity, and it may be appropriate that a further report be submitted after twelve months identifying how and where benefits accruing from the activity have been applied to the recipient's Section or appointment. Presentations are also expected to the Branch Operations Committee, and to The Arthur Shakespeare Foundation for Scouting on what the successful applicant has seen and done, and what benefits he/she had received or identified from the scholarship

Application Checklist

- Contact details correct
 - Event information correct
 - All 5 selection criteria completed
 - Endorsed by Crew Leader / other Scouting Manager
 - 2 referees reports completed
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ADVICE FOR APPLICATANTS

This advice has been developed to assist applicants in creating a application which meets the panels criteria and increased your chance of being successful in their application.

- All applicants will be given the opportunity to attend an interview as well as submit a written application, however, both are considered when assessing each applicant. This is aimed at ensuring fairness due to the large age range the scholarship is open to. You will only be asked to attend an interview if the application is fully filled out.
- This Scholarship is merit based not needs based, however, if the panel finds 2 or more equally meritorious candidates they may choose to consider the applicants ability to attend the event without the Scholarship depending on circumstances
- The little things matter - sometimes the smaller moments which had a big impact on you are the most important. If you are comfortable, please share them.
- If you can't fit something in the application take a note of it and bring it to the interview - you can bring it up then or expand on a example at that time. Also if you have work referenced in the applications (ie. a photobook from a previous event which you created) feel free to bring it along to show to the panel.
- Make sure you read through the referees reports as the panel may ask questions raised from them.
- If filling in by hand please ensure your writing is readable.
- Give your referees time to write your report; avoid giving them less than 72 hours.

EVENT DETAILS

- Put in information which you can. This might include your key program highlights, travel before & after or information about what makes this event different from others. We want to see why this is the event you want to attend.

SHORT RESPONSE QUESTIONS

1. This is a question which you may or may not have answered during progression in the Award Scheme. Think about your everyday activities as well as anything which stands out, these don't need to be just in Scouting. Work and family life may also be added here - this is about you as a whole person.
2. This is a personal question which you must reflect on who you are now and where you hope to be. This should be thought out to include past "international exchange is a good thing". How will this have a lasting impact on you as a person? What issue must you face to grow?
3. This is a question which will often have the majority of applicants with the same answer, thus it is a great opportunity to go above and beyond. This application is about merit and impact on Scouting in the ACT so think outside the box. However remember that you are expected to follow through on whatever you write, beyond your presentation to the Arthur Shakespeare Foundation.
4. Again this is often answered similarly - put your honest reasoning in.
5. Information has been provided at the start of the application form to create a foundation for you to grow from. Keep in mind that all applicants have this information so taking time to do some further separate research may assist you in standing out from the crowd.

APPLICANT DETAILS

Full Name

Section

Rover Scout

Leader (18-30 years)

Group

Date of Birth

Mailing address

Email address
(primary contact)

Contact phone
number

EVENT DETAILS

Name of event

Start of event

End of event

Location

Additional
information
about event

SELECTION CRITERIA - please limit your responses to 300 Words for each question.

1. How do you demonstrate your commitment to the Scout Law and Promise?
(Please give examples.)

2. What do you expect to learn from the event you wish to attend?
(How will you grow from it?)

3. How do you think that your attendance at this event will benefit Scouting, particularly in the ACT?

4. Why do you think that the post scholarship requirements and obligations are important?

5. Why do you think that the contribution of someone like Ross Hohnen is important to Scouting?

CREW LEADER / OTHER SCOUTING MANAGER ENDORSMENT

Name & Position

Do you endorse
this application?

Please write any
other comments
here

NOTE FOR CREW LEADERS & SCOUTING MANAGERS

Your comments here will be noted by the panel and are used to give an outside view of the applicant in their everyday Scouting role. Here are some questions which may help you to fill out your endorsement.

How does the applicant function in their role within the Scouting Movement?

How have they shown themselves to be a good Scout? Have they had any 'stand out moments'? Are they enthusiastic, kind, helpful, passionate?

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

This often occurs due to the nature of Crews. If the applicant is the Crew Leader your Assistant Crew Leader can fill out this section. If there are further conflicts of interest then other members of the executive followed by the Crew Adviser are acceptable.

REFEREE ONE

Name

Position

Contact Number

Contact Email

Referees Report -
please limit to
500 words

REFEREE TWO

Name

Position

Contact Number

Contact Email

Referees Report -

please limit to

500 words