

THE JACK DEEBLE MEMORIAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP

2017 APPLICATION FORM
Final applications to be received by 20th April 2017
at Branch Office or to accyd@scoutsact.com.au

BACKGROUND

The Jack Deeble Memorial Scholarship recognises the life and contribution to Scouting in the ACT of Jack Deeble. Jack started his Scouting career in 1934 as a Cub with 1st Victoria Sea Scouts. After serving with the RAN during the 2nd World War, he returned to the Troop, subsequently becoming a King's Scout and a Rover before being appointed a Scout Master in 1947. After moving to Canberra in 1955, he was appointed Scout Master at 4th Canberra before becoming District Commissioner Canberra South from 1958 to 1961. From 1961 to 1969 Jack filled the roles of Rover Leader, Assistant Area Commissioner (Training) and District Commissioner Woden Valley as well as Group Scout Master and Senior Scout Master, Lake Burley Griffin Sea Scout Group which he had played a leading part in establishing, and in 1969 he was appointed Area Commissioner of then Canberra Monaro Area. In 1977 he resigned his appointment as Area Commissioner, becoming an Honorary Commissioner and in 1978, accepted the appointment of Area Chairman. He was one of the architects in the development of the ACT Branch, and in 1981 when the Branch was established, he became the inaugural chairman, a position he held for 6 years. This appointment also entailed being a member of the National Executive Committee. In 1995, he acted as interim National Secretary for several months, and for several years was the ACT Branch Secretary, in an honorary capacity. In addition to all the foregoing, Jack was a trainer of Scout Leaders, whom he inspired to a greater commitment than they envisaged. Through his commitment to the growth of young people and the nature of his unswerving belief in the benefits of Scouting in their lives he not only imparted knowledge and skills but, importantly, he influenced the formation of the appropriate attitudes among new Leaders to strengthen their belief in Scouting. Jack was the recipient of numerous Scouting awards, culminating in the award of the Silver Kangaroo in 1987.

AIM

This scholarship is designed to assist a Scout or Venturer, or a number of Scouts or Venturers, to attend an International Scouting event or a unique National Scouting event, in order to provide tangible recognition of Jack Deeble's commitment to the growth of young people and the nature of his unswerving belief in the benefits of Scouting in their lives.

BENEFITS TO THE RECIPIENT

It is anticipated that benefits to the recipient will predominantly involve exposure to a wider range of Scouting activities, programs and methods than would normally be available in their home Troop or Unit. In addition, it is anticipated that exposure to other youth members would have significant benefits, particularly in their usual Scouting activities.

BENEFITS TO THE MOVEMENT

Benefits to the Movement are identified as both the development of young people, and the enhanced retention rates likely from the scholarship. On their return to their Troop or Unit, it is expected that the recipient would be able to incorporate new or different experiences into their usual Scouting activities.

ELIGIBILITY

The scholarship is available to an ACT Branch Scout or Venturer, or a number of Scouts or Venturers (submitting a single group application form), and will take the form of an annual grant of up to \$A2,500, funds permitting.

METHOD OF APPLICATION

Applications, endorsed by the applicable Group Leader, will need to be submitted to the Branch Office or to **accyd@scoutsact.com.au by 20th April 2017**.

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 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.

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 A\$2,500. 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 SA2,500 allocated for the scholarship, or the value of the scholarship actually granted.

POST-SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS

A written report on the event or activity will be required. It is also expected that the recipients would, on their return, give a presentation to the Chief Commissioner's Advisory Group and The Arthur Shakespeare Foundation on what they had seen and done, and what benefits they had received or identified from the scholarship.

Application Checklist

- Contact details correct
- Event information correct
- All 5 selection criteria completed
- Endorsed by Group Leader
- 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.
- 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

Scout

Venturer Scout

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 1500 characters 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 Jack Deeble is important to Scouting?

GROUP LEADER ENDORSMENT

Name

Do you endorse
this application?

Please write any
other comments
here

NOTE FOR GROUP LEADERS

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. If you do not personally know the applicant please talk to their Leader before filling this section out.

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

If there is a conflict of interest please select an appropriate alternative and state that this is the reason the Group Leader is not the one filling out the endorsement.

REFEREE ONE

Name

Position

Contact Number

Contact Email

Referees Report -
please limit to
2000 characters

REFEREE TWO

Name

Position

Contact Number

Contact Email

Referees Report -

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