

## **11.2 CANBERRA GANG SHOW**

### **INTRODUCTION**

1. Canberra Gang Show contributes, through performing arts, to the youth member training activities in accordance with the Aims, Principles and Methods of the Association. Specifically, it aims to provide opportunities for youth development through training and participation in all facets of theatre.

### **CANBERRA GANG SHOW AS A SCOUTING ACTIVITY**

2. Canberra Gang Show enables young people to develop confidence, teamwork, self-discipline, personal organization and theatrical skills. It offers an outlet for the creativity of youth members and provides a public showcase for Scouting.
3. As a major activity of the ACT Branch, Canberra Gang Show shall clearly be identified and promoted as a Scouting activity. Members of Girl Guides Australia are invited to participate in all facets of Canberra Gang Show.

### **BRANCH COMMISSIONER, GANG SHOW**

4. The Chief Commissioner, through the normal adult appointments process, shall appoint the Branch Commissioner Gang Show. The Branch Commissioner is the overall manager of the Canberra Gang Show.
5. The Branch Commissioner supervises and controls the finances, creation and public presentation of the Show, appoints the Director and has ultimate responsibility for all aspects of the Show. The Branch Commissioner is accountable to the Chief Commissioner, through the Assistant Chief Commissioner appointed to oversee Canberra Gang Show.

### **DIRECTOR**

6. As Canberra Gang Show contributes to the development of young people and as part of Scouts ACT commitment to 'Youth leading and Adult supporting', it is expected that the Director, members of the Production Team and other appropriate positions, shall be filled by young people under the age of 30 years. The Branch Commissioner, in consultation with the Assistant Chief Commissioner, may vary this age requirement.

### **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

7. A budget for Canberra Gang Show must be prepared and submitted to the Branch Executive Committee (BEC) for approval in accordance with ACT Branch Policies and Procedures. While it is possible to make a profit from the Show, this is not the primary aim. The Canberra Gang Show budget should plan to avoid a loss and provide for a suitable contingency amount.
8. The accounts in any given year will be permitted to run in surplus or deficit provided the reason for this state is justified to the BEC when the budget is submitted for approval. Gang Show surpluses when generated must be retained to be applied for a purpose for which approval by the BEC has been granted. Such provisions are intended to enable Canberra Gang Show to acquire and maintain expensive equipment to meet the ongoing nature of the activity and to maintain Aranda and Curtin Scout Halls.

9. The Branch Commissioner shall develop an overall Risk Management Plan for approval by the Assistant Chief Commissioner. Section Heads (Production Director, Technical Director, Business Manager and ~~Personnel~~-Welfare Manager) are to prepare detailed plans for their area of responsibility.

#### **ADULT PARTICIPATION**

10. All adults who take a role in the Show must apply and pay the appropriate Gang Show registration fee and hold an ACT Government Working with Vulnerable People Card.

#### **CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S DIRECTIVE**

11. There shall be a Chief Commissioner's Directive which shall provide direction for the good management and production of Canberra Gang Show.

12. Matters within the Directive may include, but should not be limited to:

- a. appointment of the Executive Director/Producer if one is appointed.;
- b. appointment of the Director;
- c. appointment of members of the Management Team;
- d. management structure;
- e. financial management;
- f. participation;
- g. program material and production values; and
- h. protection of young people.

#### **AUTHORITY**

13. This policy or amended policy was approved by the Branch Executive Committee on 20 January 1982, 12 December 1990, 26 June 1996, 28 May 1997, 23 May 2007, 22 September 2016, 16 February 2017, 22 February 2018, 28 June 2018 and 23 January 2020.