



# Branch Scout Council

## Scouts ACT

### Meeting Minutes

Monday 6 May 2024, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Lake Tuggeranong Scout Hall, Greenway

#### Present

- Elin, Vice Chair (Garran)
- Hamish, Secretary (Les Explorateurs)
- Charlotte, Executive (Mt Taylor)
- Alex, LBGSS Tasman
- Matthew, Diamantina
- Jack, Mulga
- Tobias, Mulga
- Santiago, Mulga
- Jay Reid, BC Youth Empowerment
- Cathy Dickson, SL Mt Mugga
- Brent Juratowitch, Chief Commissioner

#### Welcome and introductions:

- Welcomed everyone and gave an Acknowledgement of Country
  - We are grateful to do our Scouting in this Ngunnawal and Ngambri country; we commit to use its resources wisely, treat the land with respect, and develop our understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures
  - We also acknowledge any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander members who are part of Scouts ACT today
- Everyone introduced themselves
- Any apologies for tonight?
  - Luke, Chair (LTSS Orion)
  - Jay is dialling in from home with COVID
- We still have room for two more Executive Members to join the BSC team
  - You will come to meetings, plan events, be representatives of Scouts ACT
  - Especially looking for people with an interest in social media and planning activities
  - If anyone is interested we will do elections at the end of the night
- Introduced Brent who officially invested the new executive team
  - Brent explained why we are invested in the branch after we had already invested in our scout group.

#### BSC announcements:

- We launched our Instagram in March: [Instagram.com/actscoutcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/actscoutcouncil)
- Follow for updates, activities, camps, fun activities.

- Units can send content to the BSC email [bsc@scoutsact.com.au](mailto:bsc@scoutsact.com.au)

### **GG's Camp:**

- At the start of our discussions about the GGs camp, we learned about the different parties that went and their connections with scouting.
- We discussed what was good and bad about the food and catering at GGs, and most people there agreed that the food was good. However, the amount catered to everyone was way too much for people to eat, and they catered for absent people.
- Liked the Q Store approach with pre-made sandwiches however it created a lot of rubbish.
- Showers flooded a lot
- We also agreed that the planning for the GGs camp was well done and well thought out, but there was a bit here and there to improve on next time.
- We also discussed the activities' suitability and the wide range of them so that everyone could have fun.
- Loved the variety of the activities, activities were nice and close and incorporated the GG grounds and local area.
- Some challenges getting preferences and making sure activities were not repeated, some had to do activities twice. Tried to give other states the opportunity for visits like War Memorial.

### **Wide Games Night:**

- Wednesday 19 June at the Branch Office in Garran
- Decided on a 6:30pm start time and 8:30PM finish
- Leaders get together inside while Scouts play outside
- The activities that we thought were best for the wide games night were spotlight capture the flag and cops and robbers
- Air Scout, Les Explorateurs, Diamantina and Mulga are interested, people said that they may be able to get Amaroo and LBG (Trident and Tasman)
- BSC to plan a safety chat, ask Scouts to bring head torches

### **AJ2025:**

- Applications have now closed, about 300 from ACT including 190 Scouts
- To get ready for the Jamboree, people are more focused on the nights than badges because there are a lot of new scouts who need their ten nights under canvas and three consecutive nights as well.
- However, from the looks of it, there is still badge work to be done in all the groups.

### **Any other business:**

- We got Dominos, and the pizza we got was Meatlovers, a form of chicken pizza, a cheese pizza and a cheese and tomato pizza. Everyone liked them, and they were eaten very fast.
- Was there anyone who wanted to join the BSC executive team?
  - Jack from Mulga was elected an Executive Member of the BSC
- Charlotte is working on a guide to help Units with fundraising for AJ2025
  - We came up with more fundraiser ideas: Bunnings barbecue, Canberra faires, Canberra shows parking, Menuer, and you can buy and sell to make money, and Crepes stores.
- Survival shelter building
  - Saturday 11 May, 9am-1pm at Isaacs Pines
  - OAS Bushcraft Survival 4, 5, 6
  - Cost: \$10
  - For further information contact: [survial@scoutsact.com.au](mailto:survial@scoutsact.com.au)
- First aid courses
  - Saturday 17 August and Sunday 18 August
  - Contact the Branch Office for more details
- Leadership Course
  - 21-22 September at Camp Cottermouth
  - Contact [madison.watson-bell@scoutsact.com.au](mailto:madison.watson-bell@scoutsact.com.au)
- Does anyone have anything else to want to discuss?
  - Brent talked about the Leadership Through Adventure Fund

### **Next meeting:**

- The next BSC meeting will be **Wednesday 19 June**, at the Branch Office in Garran as part of our Wide Games Night