



# Scouts in ACTION

Australian Capital Territory Branch

October 2011

## ACT contingent logo to the 23rd Australian Scout Jamboree (AJ2013)

Congratulations to Jenny Major from the Erindale Rover Crew who designed the logo based on concepts discussed at earlier Contingent Team Meetings in 2011.



The Carillon is one of Canberra's recognisable but lesser known public buildings and sits on Aspen Island in Lake Burley Griffin. The Carillon was inaugurated on 27 April 1970 by Queen Elizabeth II and was a gift from the British Government to commemorate Canberra's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Royal Bluebell (*Wahlenbergia gloriosa*) became Canberra's Floral Emblem on 26 May 1982. The species *Wahlenbergia gloriosa* is restricted to the high mountain forests and woodlands of the ACT above about 1,300 metres. *Wahlenbergia gloriosa* has been known in cultivation for many years. It is a frost hardy ground cover flowering in Canberra from late October till February.

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## From the Chief



Recently, we have acknowledged through our Adult Recognition Awards the great volunteer service done by our adult leaders and supporters. I would like to say thank you also to some other "unsung heroes" of our Branch – the members of our Branch Executive Sub Committees.

The ACT Branch Executive Committee (our Board of Directors) meets monthly and our members are supported by sub committees that provide the BEC with information, advice and assistance on a wide range of Scouting issues. Our **Property Sub Committee** members for example have been busy with making sure all Group hall users are aware of the implications of the recent hall asbestos reports. They are also willing to help you with maintenance, leasing and insurance advice. Our **Appointments Sub Committee** members make sure all Leader and Adult Supporter appointments, transfers and registrations are completed and ready for BEC approval each month. **The Finance Sub Committee** regularly informs the BEC on our budget situation and the **Cottermouth Sub Committee** reports on how our campsite is trading and what it needs to operate for both Scouting and non-Scouting users. Last, but not least, the **Human Endeavour Recognition Committee (HERC)** members are charged with the responsibility of assisting with the yearly Adult Recognition Awards. They are also keen to assist you in nominating candidates for a range of other volunteer awards too.

To all the members of our Sub Committees, please accept thanks and acknowledgement for the very valuable (and sometimes the very unseen) work that you do to help keep our Branch members safe, financial, accredited and valued.



## Erindale Scout Group turns 30

Erindale Scout Group is turning 30 years old and everyone is invited to help them celebrate. Take part in crate stacking, get your aim right for the dunking machine and enjoy a great sausage sizzle!

Date: 29<sup>th</sup> October

Time: 10am to 3pm

Location: Erindale Scout Hall, Findlay Place, Castleton Crescent, Gowrie

Erindale Scout Group will also be having a Spit Roast in the evening commencing at 6pm and costs \$25.00 a head. For more details contact Rosemary rhay7337@bigpond.net.au



**Date: 29/10/11**  
**Saturday 29th October**  
**Time: 10 till 3**

For more information email Group Leader Rosemary Hayes :  
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## 2011 National Volunteer Awards

2011 marks the 10th anniversary of the United Nations International Year of Volunteers (IYV+10). To mark this special year and to recognise those volunteers who make an outstanding contribution to their local community, each Member of Parliament (MP) is invited to participate in a nation-wide local awards campaign in their electorate.

The categories are:

1. MP's Volunteer of the Year
2. Junior Volunteer Award (17 and under)
3. Young Volunteer Award (18-25)
4. Education Award
5. Environment Award
6. Long-term Commitment to Community Service Award
7. Business Volunteer Award
8. Innovation in Volunteering Award (for an organisation or individual)
9. New Organisation Award
10. Emergency Management Volunteer Award

For more information check out the website [www.notforprofit.gov.au](http://www.notforprofit.gov.au)



## Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

RYLA is for young people aged 18 to 25 years, who show potential for leadership in their community or workplace. The program has long been designed for young people who either display potential for leadership or are currently developing leadership skills and experience. The program includes workshops, seminars and presentations from leading presenters. The program has three principal components; Understanding yourself, Working in your community and Leadership in the wider world. RYLA 2012 will be held at Greenhills Camp and Conference Centre in Cotter, ACT, from Sunday 15 January to Friday 20 January 2012. Interested nominees are invited to contact Ross on 0401 101 913 or check past Scouts IT messages.

## Children's week 22 OCTOBER - 30 OCTOBER 2011

Children's Week focuses attention on the theme of "A Caring World Shares" with due regard to the rights, needs and accomplishments of children, within the context of the family, the community and the world. To be involved your group can organise an activity and celebrate children and childhood - to highlight their needs, rights, abilities, achievements. for more information check out the website [www.actchildrensweek.com.au](http://www.actchildrensweek.com.au)



## Your group or event in the next "Scouts in ACTION"

Would you like your group / event to be in the next issue of Scouts in ACTION? Its so simple, contact Tyron at Branch Office on (02) 6282 5211 or email [development.officer@act.scouts.asn.au](mailto:development.officer@act.scouts.asn.au) and we will add your story to the next newsletter.