



North Coast Region

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Term 4 2026



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REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN!

Early bird pricing is on now

The 8th NSW Cuboree: five days of adventure for thousands of Cub Scouts

15–19 APRIL 2027

CATARACT ACTIVITY CENTRE

EARLY BIRD PRICES

Ends midnight, 30 November 2026

CUB SCOUTS

\$650

\$150 deposit · \$675 after 30 Nov

YSLs, LEADERS, HELPERS AND CARERS

\$350

\$100 deposit · \$375 after 30 Nov

Register early and save \$25. Regular pricing runs 1 Dec to 31 Jan.

Register now on ScoutEvent

Talk to your Group Leader, then register online.

events.nsw.scouts.com.au/event/3706



Scan to register

Early bird applies to all categories except Day Worker. More info and pricing: cuboree.nsw.scouts.com.au

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Cubtopia · 8th NSW Cuboree 2027 · A Scouts NSW event

Events & Activities

What's on..



Coming up in North Coast Region

Plenty on the calendar over the next few months. Register through the Scouts NSW events platform.

Now to November

- RASOREE, Region All Sections Camp: 16 to 18 Oct. Registrations are closed, so enjoy it if you're going.
- White Water (Canoe/Kayak) Training, overnight: 23 to 25 Oct. Limited spaces, register by 19 Oct.
- Orama Region Youth Council Day: Sat 7 Nov. Register by 1 Nov.
- Camp WildCard: Scouts Unleashed: 13 to 15 Nov. Register by 26 Oct.

Further ahead

- Northern Rivers Youth Council Day: Sat 5 Dec. Register by 29 Nov.
- Wilderness First Aid Course: 5 to 7 Feb 2027. Register by 15 Jan.
- North Coast Pre-Cuboree Camp: 12 to 14 Mar 2027. Registrations open 1 Jan.
- NCR Region Rally: 4 to 6 Jun 2027. Registrations open 1 Apr.

Full details and registration: events.nsw.scouts.com.au/region/nc



Achievements

Congratulations..



A big congratulations to everyone recognised this term. Each of these awards takes a lot of time, effort and persistence.

Wood Badges

Well done to Rob Armstrong (Sawtell) and Kim Thomson (Nambuca Valley) on completing their Wood Badge training. It's a big commitment on top of running a Unit, and our youth members will be better off for it.

Australian Scout Award

Congratulations to Eva (Coffs Harbour) on earning the Australian Scout Award, the highest award in the Scout Section. That means a lot of hikes, projects and leadership along the way.

King's Scout Awards

Six Venturers have reached the top of their section: Hayden and Sasha (Grafton), Syrus (Bellingen), Olivia (Sawtell), Kate (Ballina) and Fynn (Kyogle). Grafton gets two this time, so well done to their Venturer Unit.

The King's Scout Award takes years of work, and it's great to see so many from across the Region getting there.

If you see any of these people around, give them a well-deserved pat on the back. 🌟



Joeys & Cubs

Discover adventure to create the path..



A huge congratulations to all the Joey Scouts and Cub Scouts who have recently achieved their Peak Awards. What an amazing achievement and something to be very proud of! 🎉

Now it's time to start thinking about your next big adventure...

Cubtopia - the 8th NSW Cuboree will be held from 15 to 19 April 2027 at Cataract Activity Centre and will bring together Cub Scouts from across NSW for five days of camping, exciting activities, new friends and unforgettable adventures.

Registrations will be opening soon. To find out more, check eligibility requirements and register your interest, visit the Cubtopia website [Cubtopia - 8th NSW Cuboree 2027](#)

North Coast Cubs: If you're planning to attend **Cubtopia**, please save the date for our North Coast Pre Cuboree Camp from 12 to 14 March 2027. Attendance at the pre camp will be required for North Coast participants and will help prepare Cubs, Leaders and families for the Cuboree experience.

And if you're coming to RASOREE, make sure you stop and say hi. I'd love to hear about all your Scouting adventures and your plans for Cubtopia!

Happy Scouting,
Koala 🐨



Scouts

Explore the unknown..



Hi everyone,

I hope everyone is ready for a great Term 4!

As we head into another busy term, I'd like to take a moment to thank all our Scout Leaders and adult supporters for the time, effort and commitment you put into Scouting.

Our Scouts get the opportunity to take part in camps, activities, adventures and new experiences because of the support of our volunteers. Whether you're helping at a weekly meeting, organising an activity, driving youth to an event, assisting at camps or simply lending a hand when needed — thank you! Your contribution makes a real difference.

 **Congratulations!**

A big congratulations to Eva from Coffs Harbour on achieving your Australian Scout Award (ASA)!

I'd also like to congratulate all those Scouts who completed their Adventurous Journeys or Peak Award requirements last term but are still waiting for their final approval or to receive their award.

Completing these achievements takes commitment, effort and perseverance, and you should all be very proud of what you have accomplished.

Congratulations to you all and well done! 🙌🌸



Scouts

Explore the unknown..



Adventurous Journeys

Best of luck to all the Scouts heading off on their Adventurous Journeys over the coming months. It's a great chance to challenge yourselves, build new skills and make some memories. I look forward to hearing all about it when you're back! 🌟

Camp WildCard: Scouts Unleashed

This Scout Section event has moved from its original 13 February date. A couple of extra groups can come along:

 **Cubs:** if you're 11, or turn 11 by the time registrations close, you're welcome to join in.

 **Venturers:** if you were a Scout on 13 February, you can still attend even though you've moved up.

👉 Find out more on [Camp WildCard: Scouts Unleashed | Scout Event](#), and keep an eye on Scout Event for other upcoming activities.

I'm looking forward to seeing our Scouts get involved and make the most of Term 4. Thanks again to all our Leaders and adult supporters. Scouting couldn't happen without you.

Yours in Scouting,
Nigel Fellows



Venturer Scouts

Look wide..



Venturers have been out and about making the most of the cooler — and finally drier — weather. It's been a busy and exciting period, with plenty of action across the region:

- State Rally saw our Venturers running bases, meeting new faces, and connecting with youth from right across NSW.
- Operation Adventure was a standout favourite, pushing Venturers to test their skills and step well outside their comfort zones — especially when “camping” meant sleeping under sticks and a length of rope.
- Drop Bearskin brought out everyone's competitive streak, with local teams (and even one from Queensland) battling it out. It's perfect preparation for Dragonskin next year, as was the recent Lightweight Hike, where Venturers sharpened both their hiking and off track navigation skills.



Venturer Scouts

Look wide..



Many of our Venturers are powering towards their King Scout Award, with Kate and Fynn's joint Adventurous Journey — a mix of hiking and canoeing — and a large group completing the latest Personal Development course.

And now, for the biggest highlight of all.

The river of King Scout Awards has truly begun to flow. We are incredibly proud to celebrate a wave of outstanding youth who have independently completed every requirement for this prestigious achievement.

Congratulations to Hayden, Sasha, Syrus, Olivia, Kate, and Fynn. Your determination, resilience, and commitment have been extraordinary. You've pushed through challenges, stayed focused, and shown exactly what Venturers are capable of.

Bravo — and well deserved.



Improvements

to the Achievement Pathways..



Five improvements to the Achievement Pathways went live on 23 September. They're small, targeted changes to make the program easier to deliver, shaped by feedback from around 4,500 youth members and volunteers. It's not a new program, and what your Unit does each week stays the same.

Intro to Scouting and Intro to Section have less content, and Units can choose how to deliver them.

Milestones no longer have assists. They now count as leads, with lead numbers increased slightly.

Special Interest Areas now have set project options (or members can still choose their own), and two Unit Council members can approve projects.

OAS I-Statements have simpler wording. The requirements haven't changed.

OAS Stages 7, 8 and 9 now count as two progressions each towards Peak Awards.

Some changes are already in Terrain, with the rest due by Term 1, 2027. For the full details, transition resources and upcoming information sessions, visit scouts.com.au/what-we-do/youth-program/improvements.



Training & Development

What comes next..



Thank you to everyone who completes their mandatory modules when then notifications come through. This helps keep you, your group and Scouts compliant with all our needs.

As we come to the end of the year, training courses are still running. See the NSW calendar <https://events.nsw.scouts.com.au/region/training> , or the QLD calendar <https://member.scoutsqld.com.au/members-calendar/> for dates and more information. If you register for a QLD course you need to register as an interstate group and ensure all your pre requisites are completed.

This year we have seen the most Woodbadges awarded on the North Coast in many years. Congratulations to all those who have completed this training, the project and on the job phases. For those that are considering this training, course dates for 2027 will be made available soon. There is also a possibility for a course to be run with the North West in 2027. Keep an eye out for an expression of interest coming out in the future.

North Coast Leaders camp is currently been planned with further information coming soon. Save the date for Friday 26th February to Sunday 28th.

I look forward to working with you all in 2027.

Tara Chapman



Adventurous Activities

Navigate..



Gear up for your next adventure

Region activity equipment is ready to hire for your next camp, hike or Unit night. The pool includes mountain bikes, kayaks, canoes, archery, abseiling and flying fox gear, and AV equipment.

How it works

1. Sign in to the Members area and open the equipment booking page:
ncrscouts.com.au/members/equipment
2. Choose your dates and what you need, then submit your request.
3. The Region equipment team checks availability and emails you once it's approved.
4. They'll also arrange collection and return times with you.

Gear needs to come back clean and in the condition you collected it, and any loss, damage or cleaning is charged on top. Hires for non-Scout activities need Region Team approval.

Shoutout: the **Garmin inReach Mini 2**. Heading somewhere the mobile signal gives up? Hire one for \$50 per event (covers up to three days) and stay connected anywhere, with two-way satellite messaging, tracking and an SOS button in your pocket. It's a handy backup for hikes and remote journeys, but it doesn't replace your activity plan and risk assessment.

Stock is limited, so book early. More at
<https://ncrscouts.com.au/members/equipment> (leader login)

