



**Scouts**  
QUEENSLAND

# Parent Information Pack 2022

## Join the Adventure!

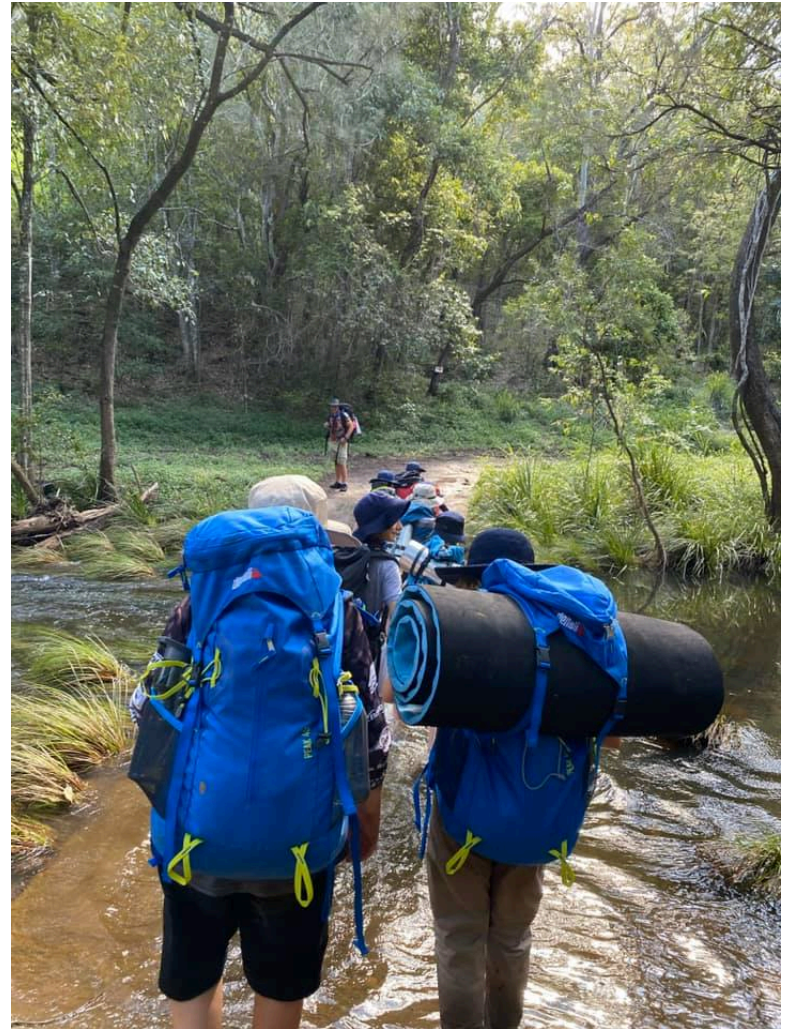
From 5 - 25 years

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# Our Purpose



“The Purpose of the Scout Movement is to contribute to the development of young people in achieving their full **physical, intellectual, emotional, social** and **spiritual potentials** as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities”.



# Scouting caters to youth of all ages

Joey Scouts	5 - 8 years
Cub Scouts	8 - 11 years
Scouts	11 - 14 years
Venturer Scouts	14 - 18 years
Rover Scouts	18 - 25 years



# Why Join Scouts?



Character

Resilience

Leadership

Respect

Confidence

Friendship

New Hobbies

The Outdoors

Training



# Parent Testimonials



**Joey  
Scouts**

I had six-year-old boy/girl twins who were very shy when they joined Joey Scouts. During their time in the section, they gained confidence like I had never seen in them before. With the fun and friendly approach of the leaders, along with an exciting and appropriately challenging program, they became increasingly engaged and soon didn't miss me at all!

-Kate



**Cub  
Scouts**

My son has thrived since joining Cubs two years ago. He has moved dens once and was welcomed at his new den very enthusiastically. He was able to participate in Cuboree 2016 and had the time of his life even getting to see some of his old den friends.

-Michelle



**Scouts**

I have 13-year-old twins in Scouts, and they love it! Best thing they do! They learn so many practical, life skills as well as leadership, teamwork and co-operation all in a fun and supportive environment. Thank you scouts and the wonderful leaders!

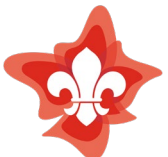
-Catherine



**Venturer  
Scouts**

My son and daughter joined Venturers when they turned 15 respectively. They've had amazing hikes, camps and social experiences that have shaped them into responsible and adventurous young people. They've also been supported by a wonderful network of volunteer leaders who have encouraged them every step of the way.

-Krista



**Rover  
Scouts**

Having been in Rover Scouts the past two-and-a-bit years, I have had the opportunity to develop my event management skills working on various event committees, get formal Leadership training and to solidify lifelong friendships that I forged across my time in Scouting.

-Anita

# Scouting in Queensland



- Youth Leading Adult Supporting - Youth Members are supported by trained volunteer Adult Leaders as they become increasingly involved in the management of their Scouting.
- The Youth Program is designed for each Section with an achievement pathway that encourages personal progression.
- Each Scout Group is managed by their own volunteer committee, all under the umbrella of Scouts Queensland.



Active since 1908

230+ Scout Groups

10,000+ boys and girls

50 million members globally



# Supporting your child in Scouts



- Putting your child through Scouting is a shared responsibility - shared between the volunteer Leaders and the parents. Be prepared to get involved within the Scout Group to support the delivery of the Youth Program.
- Parent support roles are tailored to suit skill sets and time availability and a great way to have fun and to build lasting friendships. Why not consider becoming a Leader - training provided, learn new skills, including community recognised VET qualifications, have fun, and contribute to the future of young people.



# What does it cost?



There is a cost to join Scouting and across our diverse communities, with differing needs result in some variances from location to location. Scouting fees have two main components:

## Scouts Queensland

The Scouts Queensland membership fee covers provision of a range of services to our Groups, insurances as well as National and World membership of Scouting as you join more than 50 Million other Scouts across 172 countries. Current Scouts Queensland membership fees can be found in the [enrolment form](#).

The Scouts Queensland membership fee is charged on enrolment either to the individual or to the Group as requested through the membership application and then to the Scout Group for membership renewal each 6 months being 31 March and 30 September.

## Your Local Group

To meet local expenses our Groups charge a Group fee which covers such things as local maintenance, training of adult leaders, facility insurance contributions, and administrative expenses. Each Group sets their fee according to the local needs with the frequency of collection also aligned to the needs and capacity of their community.

This Group fee will also include the 6 monthly membership renewal fee. Your local Group Leader will be able to provide more specific details.

Scouts Queensland is a [FairPlay voucher](#) activity provider. Parents, Carers or Guardians can apply for a voucher from the Government valued up to \$150 for their child, which can be used towards sport and active recreation membership, registration or participation fees, limited to 1 voucher per child per calendar year.

Overnight activities, camps and major events are charged separately. Volunteering and participating in fundraising activities may provide the opportunity for these costs to be subsidised by your Scout Group.

The official Scout uniform consists of a shirt, scarf and woggle. The shirt and other Scouting items can be purchased at [www.scoutshop.com.au](http://www.scoutshop.com.au). Check with your Group on which scarf and woggle to buy.

If the cost of Scouting becomes a challenge for your family, please reach out to your local Group to see if they can assist.



# Code of Ethics



## We demonstrate **Integrity** by:

- Acting with honesty, truthfulness and fostering appropriate healthy professional relationships
- Recognising and fulfilling where possible, our obligations to our community
- Taking responsibility for our own actions and developing integrity in others
- Acting with impartiality, truthfulness and honesty.

## We demonstrate **Respect** by:

- Showing consideration to others, recognising each individual's uniqueness and diversity
- Minimising our impact on the environment and seeking to be good caretakers for future generations
- Committing to members well-being and on-going learning through the practice of positive influence, good judgement and empathy in practice.

## We demonstrate **Courage** by:

- Providing challenging, developmental opportunities to empower young people
- Being good role models in Scouting, demonstrating positive attitudes and willingness to live by the Scout Promise and Law
- Being fair and reasonable

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# The Fine Print



In consideration of The Scout Association of Australia, Queensland Branch Inc accepting my child as a Member in an activity(s) I/we agree to release, indemnify and save harmless; and at all times hereafter to keep released, indemnified and saved harmless the indemnified persons (as defined in Definition A) from and against all liability, claims, suits, demands or actions of whatsoever nature or description, including liability, claims, suits, demands or actions for negligence directly or indirectly arising out of or in relation to my/my child's attendance or conduct at, or travel to or from any Scouting Activity.

1. I/we agree to be bound by Scouts Australia Policies, Scouts Queensland Constitution By-laws and the Queensland Branch Scouting Instructions being those existing as at the time of acceptance of my child as a Member and me as a non-Member participating in a Scouting activity and thereafter as lawfully modified and amended or added to from time to time.
2. I/we acknowledge that the intent of this Indemnity is to benefit the indemnified person and agree for the purposes of Section 55 of the Property Law Act (Qld) that acceptance of my child as a Member of the Scout Association of Australia – Queensland Branch Inc or as me as a non-Member attending a Scouting activity will constitute an acceptance by all the Indemnified persons of the benefit conferred by this application for Membership activity advice.
3. I/we authorise the Scout Association of Australia – Queensland Branch Inc and all other branches of the Scout Association of Australia in the event of accident or illness to myself/my child to obtain such medical assistance or treatment as may be necessary and for this purpose to engage any doctors nursing assistance or hospital accommodation or other procedures and in such an event I agree to pay for those expenses and if necessary reimburse the Scout Association of Australia – Queensland Branch Inc or any other branch of the Scout Association of Australia for such expenses on demand.
4. I/we acknowledge that myself as a non-Member and my child may be exposed to risk of injury as a result of participating in scouting activities.
5. I/we acknowledge that I have been given an opportunity to read and consider this indemnity and have read and considered it to my satisfaction and I/we accept those terms.
6. I/we acknowledge that as a non-Member of The Scout Association of Australia, Queensland Branch Inc. I and my child as a Member may participate in activities which may be photographed or filmed for publicity and archival purposes. This enables us to raise the profile of Scouting within the community. Photographs, footage and information gathered may be used in The Scout Association of Australia, Queensland Branch Inc promotional material including but not restricted to: newsletters, annual reports, brochures, posters, videos, letters and website. The Scout Association of Australia, Queensland Branch Inc would be happy to send you copies of promotional material if requested.
7. It is acknowledged that the information contained on this form will be scanned by the Association and the Association will hold an electronic copy of this form and the information contained in it. Consent is hereby given to these actions proposed by the Association.

Definition A:- The term "Indemnified Persons" means and includes: The Scout Association of Australia, Queensland Branch Inc. (herein referred to as Scouts Queensland); Scouts Australia; all Branches of Scouts Australia; all subsidiary companies of Scouts Queensland; all subsidiary companies of Scouts Australia; every Director, Executive Officer, Officer, Employee, Leader, Member, Servant or Agent or person holding Appointments from Scouts Queensland or Scouts Australia or any Branch of Scouts Australia and any persons retained in any way by Scouts Queensland or Scouts Australia whether in official or unofficial capacity and whether a volunteer or otherwise to supervise, direct, watch over, or assist Members of Scouts Queensland or Scouts Australia thereof in Scouting Activities

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