



NOTES and NEWS

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Your ZONE LEADER writes:

As I write this, I expect many Scouts will be doing last minute packing and panic organizing for the 2016 Campcraft Competition which kicks off on Friday, 17 September. I wish all of you competing, the best of luck, and for those who don't take home the horns, don't be despondent; think of it as a target to aim for, and a challenge to conquer next year.

Go out and enjoy yourselves, learn some new skills, polish up the old ones, make new friends and look forward to Jamboree and whatever else the term 4 may bring. Be yourselves (mostly), but most of all HAVE FUN!!

I recently attended the UNI Regional Workshop, caught up with some very inspirational people and listened to some very good presentations and debate. A big emphasis on Child health and safety, Youth with disability, Youth at the centre. You can look forward to some exciting developments coming soon.

All leaders should try and attend these workshops if they get the chance as it helps keep you in touch with what's going on within the movement, you get to mix with others of your peers, share ideas and experiences, tell stories about your groups and experience a taste of life outside your zone sphere.

LONG SERVICE RECOGNISED

On September 1st, **Brian Burnett** completed 50 years of warranted service. The opportunity was taken at the recent 1st Dargaville Group birthday gathering to present him with his '50 year Leader Service Award'.

Brian joined Scouting as a youth member of the 1st Dargaville Group and on 1/9/1966 received his first warrant as an Assistant Scout Leader, proceeding to Scout Leader on 1/1/1968. A year later after a shift to Auckland he was warranted as SL for St Barnabas Group at Mt Eden, and then in 1971 he became Assistant SL for Leamington Group at Cambridge.

On his return to Dargaville in 1972 he again became SL, a position he held for a further 17 years before undertaking the post of Group Leader in 1991 and in 1991 he was warranted as District Commissioner for Nthn Wairoa District. With the reorganisation of Scouting into Zones, Brian reverted to being GL with Dargaville Group until in 2014 he retired and serves Scouting now as an Associate Leader.

For many years Brian was a member of the National Training Team where his practical skills were put to good use in training many leaders on Wood Badge Courses.

His service to Scouts NZ was recognised with the award of the Chief Scouts Commendation in 1973, the Medal of Merit in 1981, the Silver Tiki (1987), Bar to Silver Tiki (1992) and finally the Silver Tui in 1997.

He was elected as a Life Member of Scouts NZ in 2010.

We can truly say, "WELL DONE!"

Another milestone for me was my first Gang Show for many years (last time was as a Scout!!). What an awesome production by a dedicated group of very talented leaders. A pleasure to attend and something Northland could put on if all the collective thinking caps were put on and some of the showmen I have seen in the various Groups around Northland got together and practised. It requires dedication and not a little sacrifice, but believe me, what a joy!!

On a more serious note, we still have Zone Team vacancies in the following positions:

Zone Cub Leader

Asst Zone Scout Leader

Zone Venturer Leader

Zone Treasurer

Zone Leader – as many of you will know, I can no longer commit to my position and the quality and level of service I believe the position deserves, I have resigned my position and am asking for expression of interest to be sent to me or the RDM, Steve Trim, by Friday, 30th September.

Enough rambling from me, go and enjoy your evening, plan your up coming end of term activities and look forward to the break.

To all the Campcrafters may you have enjoyable and safe camping.

Kind regards

Wayne



Captain's coming



Ice Hockey



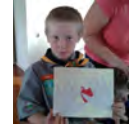
Stuck in the mud

Kea Club Visits

During term two I visited Dargaville, Hora Hora, Kamo, Hukerenui and Shackleton Kea Clubs. The Keas participated keenly in the activities planned by the wonderful Kea Leaders. I enjoyed my visits and I extend a big thank you to the Leaders and their Keas for making me feel most welcome. Ruru- Zone Kea Leader



Hora Hora Keas took part in some experiments and had fun watching the 'coke and mentos' experiment.



Dargaville Keas made bookmarks and cards to send along with some books they donated to an old folk's home.



Kamo Keas listened to a Matariki Story and made flax flowers.



Hukerenui Keas decorated alphabet letters to be sent to children in hospital so they could decorate their walls while in hospital.



Shackleton Keas visited The 'Ball Clock' after a walk at the Town Basin.

On the 5th September we visited Kerikeri Kea Club. We were made to feel most welcome and it was great to see a lively bunch of boys and girls participating and enjoying a variety of games. Thank you to the leaders and Keas for letting us be part of your fun games night.

Ruru and Tui



Leader says.....

Kea and Cub Hobby Show

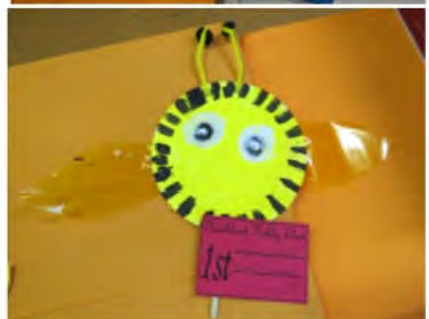
We had another successful Hobby Show on Saturday 20th August. Thank you to the Keas, Cubs and their leaders from Shackleton, Hora Hora, Kamo and Dargaville who supported us. Our judges were very impressed with the high quality of the exhibits. This year it was an extremely close individual competition with only one point separating first and second place for both the overall Kea and Cub sections.



Overall Winning Kea Club -
Shackleton Keas



Overall Winning
Kea - Mitchell
Dalton from
Shackleton Keas.



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Overall Winning Cub - Cooper-Lee
Gilligan from Dargaville Cubs. His
award was accepted by his
Grandmother.



Overall Winning
Cub Pack -
Dargaville Cubs





SHACKLETON SEA SCOUTS

Shackleton Sea Scouts got on board with the Wetland Project at Onerahi on 18 & 19 July clearing the undergrowth and helping out the community.—

Term 3 2016



Our Scouts got out and about wearing their scarves on National Scarf Day, badge work, families got involved with bagging and phone book deliveries, sailing and rowing training began in preparation of the start of Regattas (the 1st being the Waikato Regatta at the start of September) and our Group -Scout Visit at Horahora.



Shackleton Sea Scout Cubs



Term 3 has been another busy month for Shackleton Cubs. We took part in a WDC planting day at the Balmoral Reserve in Tikipunga, helping to plant around two thousand trees along the river bank. We got pretty muddy, but it was hard to get some Cubs to leave at the end of the day!



We also visited the Salvation Army on Aubery Street as a part of our commitment to helping out in the community. The Cubs, along with our Keas and Scouts, collected food to donate to their food bank, and this was our opportunity to pass our donations to them. We learnt about the services that they provide to the community, and got busy stocking shelves, building food packages, and sorting donations. It was great to see our Cubs working so hard to support such an important community service that so many people rely on.



Friday 5th August was National Scarf Day, and our Cubs were challenged to wear their scarves to school, and have a photo taken at school. One of our leaders wore his uniform to work for the day, but here are some of the photos of Shackleton Cubs wearing their scarves to school and around town.





Kea Mini Olympics

On Wednesday 10th August Shackleton and Hora Hora Keas joined together for a fun Kea Mini Olympics. The Keas participated in Olympic themed relays, threw the bean bag shotput onto a target, played team balloon volleyball and did a sailing race. At the end we had a medal ceremony and listened to the New Zealand national anthem.



Sailing



Balloon Volleyball



Medal Ceremony



Northland Zone Regatta Badge Design Competition



Calling all arty Scouts and Venturers.

It's time for a new badge for Northland Zone Sea Scout Regatta.

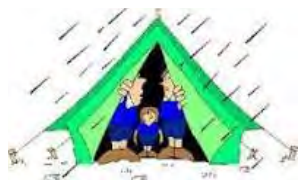
Put your art skills to good use and design us a new badge.

What you need to know:

- Competition open to all invested New Zealand Scouts and Venturers
- Badge Requirements:
 - Must contain the words: Kai Iwi Lakes, Northland Zone Regatta 2017
 - Maximum of 10 colours – one colour must be 'Northland' blue (light blue, refer to the previous year's badge above)
 - Any shape
 - Maximum size of no more than 6cm in any direction
- Competition closes Wednesday 30th November
 - Email your design with your name, age, section and Scout Group to clairemcsk@gmail.com
 - Winner notified by Saturday 10th December

For more information, contact Claire McSkimming
clairemcsk@gmail.com or 021 858 606

CAMPCRAFT 2016 The weather won!!



Due to bad weather and a sodden campground it was agreed to postpone Campcraft.

Watch out to see if a new date is chosen.

Thanks to all who made the effort to compete.

APOLOGIES



I have been in hospital for a few days while they drained the fluid that had gathered around my lung and now I have to go back so that they can administer medication in an effort to beat the cancer that they tell me is there.

You can appreciate that I may not be operating anywhere near 100% and mistakes are likely to be found in this issue (more than usual even) so please forgive.

.... Des O

JAMBOREE SPECIAL LAST CHANCE!!!

A special offer of Zone Badges for the purpose of providing Jamboree swaps will be sold to Groups or individuals at the special price of \$1 each (payment with the order).



Note that badges for normal Group use remain at \$1.50 each.

Shirley Olney
(Zone Badge Secretary)



LEADER SERVICE AWARD (50 Years)

Brian Burnett Associate

(10 Years)

Paulette Kellner Mid-Northern

NORTHLAND CERTIFICATE (2 Years)

Christopher Reid Kaiwaka-Mangawhai

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