

BRINGING YOU THE LATEST NEWS

JOEYS ARRIVE

SCOUTS WA yesterday made Australian history with the much-anticipated arrival of Joey Scouts at OneCamp Eclipse 23. With Joeys, Cubs, Scouts, Venturers and Rovers all camping together, the earth, sun, moon, and stars metaphorically aligned. Cody, 6, a Joey from the Gingin Scout Group in Southern Cross village, said he liked the "special play centre with VR" (Special Interest Area Zone). He was nervous about "talking to other people because there's 800 new people for

me to talk to!" Baylie, 7 from Kalamunda Scout Group said he was "nervous because mum and dad aren't here", but doing archery today made him feel like a warrior. When Salter Point Sea Scout Joeys arrived at Seven Sister's village. They said they felt "happy" although Josh, 7, felt "a little weird inside because this is my first OneCamp". Emi, 7, said she was excited about "all the activities" while Jake 8 was "nervous about all the activities."



Cody, 6, and Baylie, 7, wash hands before entering their campsite.

WITH hundreds of Cubs, Scouts and Venturers racing the clock to finish the Amazing Race in Perth, videographer Darren Everett was doing his own amazing race. He was scouring the CBD to find ever-moving youth for filming. "I couldn't find anyone then I saw a ribs and steak restaurant. I was so tempted to go in and have a good steak," said Darren (Bear) the Visual Productions Team and also from Hampton Park Scout Group.

ARE YOU ON THE YOUTUBE?



Videographer extraordinaire – Darren (Bear), hard at work.

Each day Darren films and edits to post a video of OneCamp shenanigans to Youtube. The address is @scoutswa. "And the full stop at the end of that address is vital," he added. His aim is to create a lasting

memory of this Australia-first event, and to get as many faces in the footage as he can. A filming highlight for Darren has been a group of Venturers recounting their story of being in Broome during Cyclone Isla.

"It was so good hearing them tell their story about how they built stronger friendships through that difficult situation," he said.

THE CRIME NEVER PAYS

A group of clever Cubs have creamed some Scouts in a lesson of “crime never pays”.

In a nutshell, Special Interest Area’s “Squirrel” (the teddy mascot) went missing several days ago and overnight Sunday a ransom note was delivered to The Lab team.

The note demanded three tubs of vanilla ice-cream by 8pm Tuesday.

The Lab requested captors provide proof of life for Squirrel, and a video was subsequently shared.

At 5pm yesterday evening, “Squirrel” was handed over, via Health and Wellbeing, for a medical check, and then the captors were given three tubs of vanilla ice-cream.

But the captors were foiled by Cubs giving them a fake ice-cream concoction that consisted of pavlova, milk and bread.

One Cub, who shall remain anonymous, said “I feel very happy, proud and excited that we managed to fool them.”

AND IN OTHER ALMOST POLICE NEWS.

A cucumber-napping has occurred at the Seven Sister’s Village.

With fears that “cucumber” may be in a pickle, Lisa (Grey) from Salter Point Sea Scouts offered a reward for anyone

that can slice through and give information about the missing mascot. Meanwhile her Scout group delivered hay to their rivals and potential suspects of Ellenbrook, Butler and Waneroo Scout groups.

The Daily Comet has received an anonymous letter from someone in Village 1, giving thanks for an unexpected delivery of hay – “it made our amazing gateway even better”, the letter said.



The “ice-cream” that cubs made to thwart the ransom demanding Scouts.

THE HUB SHOP

AHEAD of One Program Day today, The Hub Shop will be moving to the activity space near the end of the Flying Fox. This will also be the last day that the shop will be open, so make sure you get all of your last-minute Merchandise purchases.

Don’t forget the limited edition badge sets will be available. These badge sets also include the highly sought after Chief Commissioner, Design Squad, and Heritage Center badges. The only other way to get these badges to find them and ask if its the right person your are speaking with.

BIGGEST MARKET DAY IN DECADES

FROM dunking the leaders, he said.

to honkey-nut woggles and para-chord bracelets, today’s Market Day will be the biggest in WA since 1995.

“Market Day is definitely a buzz,” says program lead, Rover and Scout leader Brent 21, who is from North Beach Scout Group.

“Everyone’s on the move but it’s not like you have to be anywhere by a certain time,”

“It brings everyone out of their Units. It’s exciting,” he said.

Each Unit sets up a stall on the oval and Scouts buy and sell wares using OneCamp money. One highlight of the day is seeing Scout creativity while another is Scouts all mixing together and seeing friends they may not have had time to catch up with.

HEARD IT ON THE LINE

“I’M still tired from yesterday’s tired and I’ve already used up tomorrow’s tired,”- a leader after having completed the Amazing Race.

At 3pm today, watch for the extravagantly decorated golf carts. The Health and Welfare Team have issued a challenge for the inaugural OneCamp cart decoration procession.

DELIGHTFUL DWELLINGUP

CUBS, Scouts, Venturers and Rovers cheer from the Dwaarlindjirraap Bridge during their Dwellingup mini-expedition. The Scouts went bushwalking, swimming in the Murray River and swinging through the trees at treetops adventure. The Daily Comet overheard Melissa, (Raksha) from Hampton Park Scout Group and The Southern Cross village say she felt recharged after bushwalking with the youth and being out with the trees.



THE WEATHER TODAY



Today's weather will be sunny with a high of 24° and a low of 12°

A perfect day for One Program Day

HOW MANY!?

ABOUT 2,160 chooks have been hard at work for a whole week, laying eggs for OneCamp.

Scouts and leaders are chewing their way through 10,800 eggs, and a layer will produce an average of five to six eggs per week.

Meanwhile 85 Holstein-Freisan cows have given their day's worth (35 litres) of milk, to OneCamp, for its Scouts and leaders to drink 12 thousand cups of milk – how many litres is that?

Other fun food stats for OneCamp.

- 25 thousand pieces of fruit.
- 22 thousand, eight hundred slices of bread.
- Three and a half thousand carrots.
- 700 kilos of bacon.
- 500 kilos of mince
- 800 kilos of potatoes
- 700 lettuces

Meanwhile, the Scout Law has applied to catering. Catering Director, Aeryn Telfer, 18, from Pelican Point Sea Scouts, has had to “use resources wisely”, “learn from his experiences”, and “face challenges with courage” with food supplies coming to camp late, food trucks getting lost, more food ordered than needed (ice creams) and some food items not arriving.

But despite the challenges, Aeryn says “I would do it again”.

FUN FACT OF THE DAY

90% of Australians live on the coast.

CARDBOARD DIDGERIDOO

ALLJack, from Unit 102, has wanted to do was play the Didgeridoo in OneCamp's Got Talent. He spent most of Monday asking everyone he could to see if they had the stuff, he needed for fashion himself a didgeridoo. Unfortunately, no one was able to help. Eventually Jack was able to source a cardboard tube and made a mouthpiece out of a role of tape. Then he was ready to play for OneCamp's Got Talent. After his performance, Jack found the event team and gave them a show of what he had created.



HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

Lucy Johnston
Wade Ninness
Lexx Walravens
Emma Groeneweg
Johnathan Jonker

STAGE 1 ALPINE IN PERTH

ETHAN, 11, from Duncraig Scout Group in Orion the Hunter village says OneCamp tobogganing is “challenging”.

“You have to go as far as you can and not fall off.”

Imogen, 11, from Floreat Scouts agreed: “You are scared at first but when you keep going you get thrilled from the experience.”

Program Lead and Rover, Parker, said all the activities at The Mountain are part of the “Do’s” from the Alpine and Vertical Skill Areas, and he could sign off activities or leaders and Scouts could get photos to tick them off. This applies for all Outdoor Adventure Area zones.

Paddling activities can be done at The River, aquatics activities can be achieved at The Pool and pioneering and campcraft activities are happening at The Field.



HAPPY UNBIRTHDAY

MACAYLA from The Milky Way village has celebrated her un-birthday for OneCamp’s duration.

The joke started when Venturer friends told their leaders it was “Macayla’s birthday” to access fast food as part of the celebration.

From there, they told anyone who’d listen that it was “Macayla’s birthday”, usually to hear a sudden eruption of the Happy Birthday song, from innocent bystanders - even from airplane passengers.

Her un-birthday culminated with a surprise party and un-birthday cake courtesy of the OneCamp team.



YOUR GUIDE TO ENTERTAINMENT

TONIGHT’S entertainment will all be a big celebration for the end of One Program Day and the closing celebrations. Join us for the closing of OneCamp 2023.

BIGGEST TENT AWARD

THE Daily Comet’s biggest tent award goes to several leaders from the Seven Sisters village.

The leaders became squatters in a huge green army tent that was originally planned as a food distribution centre before plans changed.

Seven Sisters locals called the tent the “Taj Mahal” but yesterday it was removed, enabling locals to better enjoy the river views. The leaders who occupied the “Taj” have now downsized into smaller tents.



FOUND PANDA

THANK you Oliver from unit 407 for your work in helping to find ‘Cuddly’ the Panda.

He has now been returned to his best friend Lachlan, and they can both now enjoy the rest of OneCamp together.