

BRINGING YOU THE LATEST NEWS

## SITE'S PACKED FOR ONE PROGRAM DAY!

WHEN Eliza Lockhart joined Joeys, she was so shy that she couldn't be invested in front of other Cubs.

But yesterday, Eliza, 11, spoke in front of 2500 people to give OneCamp's Acknowledgment to Country.

And personal growth like that is the story of Scouting.

Yesterday's One Program Day was a celebration of achievement for all the Rovers, Venturers, Scouts, Cubs and Joeys who've worked through their own challenges as part of OneCamp.

The vibe and joy of the day was infectious for leaders and adult volunteers who are tired beyond tired, yet somehow dig deeper with a commitment to empowering and enriching children, and who have a sense of deep responsibility for the Scouts entrusted in their care. And it was the peak of the final mountain for the organisers who have spent two years organising this Australia-first camp.



One Program day was all about fun...and teddy bears, according to this group of youth.

Program Director of OneCamp, Megan, 20, from Esperance Scout Group said yesterday was an amazing experience in seeing their planning come to life and everyone having fun.

"It was surreal to be there in the moment after talking about it and planning and organising and all the emails," she said.

"To enjoy it with my Scout members and to see the fun they were having was pretty special."

Etienne, 14, of Floreat Scout Group in Orion the Hunter, said Market Day was "pretty

cool because we go around the (market) sites to see other people and our friends in other Units." He thought adding Cubs and Joeys to OneCamp created an even bigger atmosphere. "It's cool," he said. "I have seen lots of Venturers helping Joeys".

Logan, 12, from Baldivis Scout Group in The Milky Way said "we've been working hard at having fun for eight days straight and today is like a break because it's a nice relaxing day."

## GLITTER

MARKET Day brings out Scout ingenuity in finding something to sell and painted glitter rocks were no exception. Pictured are Michael (Northam), Edwin (Northam) Nichola (Kalamunda), Braylin (Northam), Shane (Northam) Isabella (Bateman Winthrop) and Thomas (Northam).





# TAKES OUT TOP SPOT

WHEN Jack plays the didgeridoo, nothing else matters.

"I feel a sense of ease and my stage-fright goes away. I have massive stage fright," Jack, said.

"I'm happy to be Indigenous Australian, with Scottish, Irish and English in me, and I'm connected to culture and land."

Jack has been playing didgeridoo since he was six or seven years old, after a neighbour's friend heard him playing and offered to give him lessons.

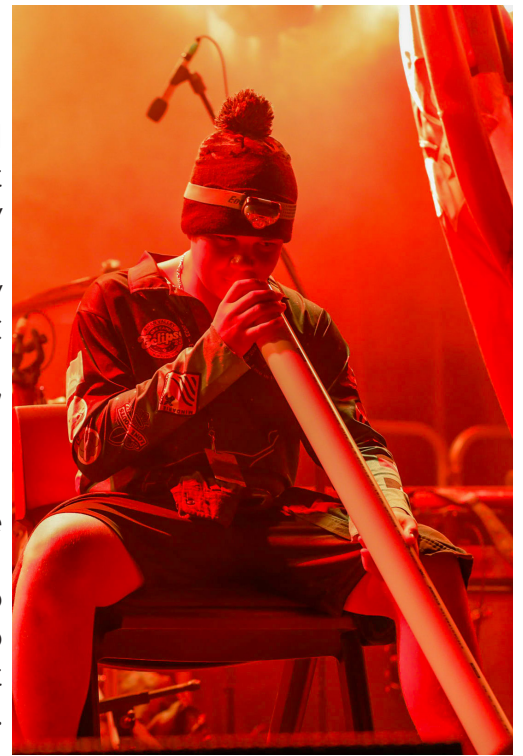
He desperately wanted to enter OneCamp's Got Talent but couldn't find any didgeridoos on site.

Clinton (Rossmoyne Shelley Scout Group) at the EOC "gave me the idea of using gaffa tape with cardboard," Jack said.

"I do not know how I managed to win with a piece of cardboard.

"I'm surprised I managed to use classic engineering to make a didgeridoo that got me through to the semi-finals.

"I want to thank my teacher Tony Turner."



OneCamp's talent quest winner Jack 13, of Geraldton Scout Group, plays didgeridoo at the OneCamp Eclipse 23 closing ceremony.

## WELFARE WHEELS NEW TO SCOUTING: THE ROGERS FAMILY



HEALTH and Wellbeing team's Sarah and Ray (Croc) were happy and colourful on Market Day.

Their decorations had some contestants though, with the Program Teams cart.

### FUN FACT OF THE DAY

The Total Solar Eclipse in Exmouth will last a total of 58 seconds.

EIGHT months ago, friends with people sleeping away from the Scout group in home in a tent for 8 days, and kayaking a river seemed pipe dreams for Noah, 11, who hadn't yet joined Scouts.

But at the end of OneCamp, Noah, from Padbury Scout Group said "I have done things I didn't think I could."

"I have been a lot more independent and have cooked a lot more of my food rather than for me.

"And having to sort everything myself has been another thing because sometimes I rely on my parents to help me be organised.

His mini-expedition to Gingin observatory was a highlight.

"We got to look at star clusters and supernovas" and "learned how to safely watch the eclipse". At OneCamp he made

new friends through other Scouting friends. "I plan to get their details," he said.

Noah's mum, Amanda, felt emotional when she said: "I cannot put into words how much he has grown."

"It's increased his independence, his self-confidence, he really is a different kid," she said.

"The energy is infections. Coming (for One Program Day) ... it just feels like a real sense of family, and everyone is so inclusive – there's something for everybody."





## CALLING ALL JOEYS AND CUBS

Your program has changed! If your Outdoor Adventure Skill area is The Field or The Mountain, or you are scheduled for Special Interest Area Zone or Challenge Area head to the oval for a Program Party!!

You will now have the opportunity to move between these activities for even more fun. When you arrive on the oval tomorrow please head straight to check in!

If you're heading to The River, your activities remain the same and you'll have an awesome time

## BRING IT TO A CLOSE



THE Chief Commissioner had to take a quick selfie after his closing speech.

## BIG BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

ONE Program Day was just a big birthday party for those lucky enough to have birthdays yesterday. Emma, one of the OneCamp Program Directors, celebrated her birthday in style yesterday, when members of the Event Team surprised her with a very decorated hat and sash. Members of the program team went all out as a way of thanking her for all the hard work she put in before, and during, the event. By the end of the day Emma had definitely had enough of all of the attention, and the countless times someone had sung Happy Birthday to her.

## THE WEATHER TODAY



Today's weather will be a warm and sunny day with a high of 26° and a low of 13°

Perfect weather for us to pack up out campsite.

## TIME TO BeReal



A group quickly stop to post their BeReal.

IS there ever a more perfect time for BeReal to go off? How about in the middle of One Program Day. That's what happened yesterday, during the market stalls. Many people on the oval stopped to capture their BeReal within the two-minute time frame. Once everyone was done, they returned to their normal activities and hundreds of near identical BeReal's were posted. One leader said, "I was off site at the time, so my BeReal was just me at Bunnings. But I was soon seeing posts from everyone back on site."



**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

**Braxton Penstone  
Heather Pate  
Mara Taylor  
Oskar Slotte**



# THE CHAZ

## (The Challenge Area Zone)

IN the Challenge Zone, Carlisle Scout Group Joeys from the Seven Sisters, Georgia, 7, lays on the ground after being bitten by (right) Elijah, 6, The T-Rex. Asher, 7, was the first aider, helped by Beechboro West Swan Scout Group Joey leader Kylie (Quokka). Georgia the starfish said being bandaged felt weird because it had never happened before, and she was having too much fun and did not want to think about going home.



Helping a Scout who was bitten by a T-Rex.

## NEW JOEYS

ONE Program Day was a great way to recruit more Scouts, and Lucas, 4, has Joeys firmly set in his sights. "I like this place...the snow is the most fun," he said. He is pictured with his mum Carla Del Bove Barbosa, who works for Scouts WA in the Head Office, and has been helping on-site. It was great having Lucas in with us, especially hearing about the big dinosaur that he owns.



## YOUR GUIDE TO ENTERTAINMENT

NOW that OneCamp has finished, we have no more entertainment to offer you. Ryan, our entertainment lead has done his job, and provided us with laughs, amazement, and good times for the last eight days. Now its time to entertain yourselves, laugh on the bus ride home, make sure to stay in contact with your new friends, and treasure the memories you have made here at OneCamp '23.

### HEARD IT ON THE LINE

"I'VE walked more than 100kms this week and I'm working in only The Challenge zone!" in addition - "I've closed my (exercise) rings twice", and "I've walked 10,000 steps and it's not even lunch time."

A Joey leader: "The longer we take doing boring stuff, the less time we have for fun stuff".

"No Running! You can't run through a campground. You can only "ran" because it's past tents"

## THATS A WRAP

WELL, this is it, the final edition of The Daily Comet. After 9 issue we have come to the end of an amazing journey. The team at the news desk would like to thank all of you for all the amazing stories you have provided us, allowing this newsletter to be filled with all the latest news from across the OneCamp site and beyond. We have loved hearing your story, and you letting us share it with everyone. From the activities you have been up to, the friends you've made, the funny things that have happened across the site, and everything the event has had to offer, we have been there with you all along. We will miss you, but we sure we will make a return at your next event. **Peace out Cub Scout!**