



JANUARY 2016

What's New

Targeting 30 million Cub Scouts in 2023

WOSM Secretary General, through WSB Circular No.1/2016, calls for celebrating Cub Scouting this year:

"In 1916, our Founder created the Wolf Cub programme for young people aged between seven and 11 years. Within its first year, 30 000 young people joined this programme. Today, it is widely known as the Cub Scout programme and has over 13 million members across the world.

This year, we will celebrate 100 years of Cub Scouting. This is an opportunity for the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) to drive innovation in Scouting, grow membership and strengthen the profile of Scouting, in line with Vision 2023.

We believe that the celebration will mostly be carried out by the National Scout Organizations (NSOs) as the Cub section is an important part of most NSOs' growth strategies. To grow to having 100 million young people in the Movement, we need at least 30 million Cub Scouts! This calls for close collaboration at all levels – world, regional, national and local.

At the world-level, WOSM will support and collaborate with NSOs to highlight Cub Scouting and the centenary celebrations through various activities, focusing on adventure, international dimension, service and friendship that will be developed, planned and rolled out throughout the year."

Bangladesh and Brunei Darussalam early highlight on Cub Scouting

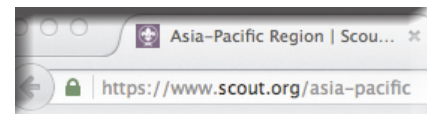
Bangladesh. Starting the year in Bangladesh is the Centenary Celebration of Cub Scouting. Honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina inaugurated the 8th National Cub Camporee, the first mega event with Cub Scouts taking center stage.

Brunei Darussalam. Cub Scout Leaders in Brunei Darussalam have taken the initiative to promote their major Cub Scout activity. Over 60 Cub Scout leaders gathered at the Brunei Darussalam Scouts Association (PPNBD) Headquarters for a special meeting to discuss annual planning and integrated training activities for Cub Scouts for the year, as well as the addition of new scout members (Abdul Hakiim Yakof, Borneo Bulletin).

To mark the 100th anniversary of Cub Scouting, the 4th Brunei Darussalam Cuboree will be organized from March 18-23 at the National Scout Training and Activity Centre in Jalan Gadong, expecting the participation of 500 Cub Scouts in Brunei Darussalam and from some ASEAN member countries.



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2016 events

MoP Training – Maharashtra

2-6 January
India

National Strategic Planning Workshop

24-29 January
Myanmar

Global Support Assessment Tool (GSAT)

30-31 January
New Zealand

Youth Programme Workshop

31 Jan - 5 February
Myanmar

MoP ROC Meeting

15-18 February
Malaysia

National Trainer's Conference

19-21 February
Pangasinan
Philippines

APR Plan 2015-2018

The final version of APR Plan 2015-2018 has been released to NSOs and regional members as adopted by the 25th APR Scout Conference, incorporating recommendations from the conference breakout group and the 8th APR Youth Forum held in November 2015 in Korea.

The APR Plan is a primary working tool for the Regional Scout Committee, APR Sub-Committees, and the Asia-Pacific Support Centre to achieve the region's strategic targets for triennium 2015-2018. It may also be used as a reference document to guide National Scout Organizations in developing or reviewing their national strategic plans.

Printed copies of this plan will be distributed to all Regional Scout Committee and Sub-Committee members at the April meetings in Jakarta.

Regional leaders honoured with Australia Awards

The Australia Day Honours announced that Paul Parkinson OAM, Regional Chairman, is awarded the Medal of the Order (Queensland) and Reg Williams AM (South Australia), member of APR Monitoring Task Force, with the Member of the Order.

The General Division of the Order of Australia has four levels:

Companion of the Order (AC)

Officer of the Order (AO)

Member of the Order (AM)

Medal of the Order (OAM)

Congratulations Paul and Reg on behalf of the World Organization of the Scout Movement Asia Pacific Region.

Over 10,000 Scouts join Australia Jamboree 2016

On Sunday 3 January 2016, over 10,000 Scouts and leaders from around the world gathered at Cataract Scout Park as Scouts cheered the countdown to 7pm when two Melbourne Rovers and gang show veterans landed their helicopter and raced to the main arena to kick off the opening ceremony of the 24th Australian Jamboree.

Camp Chief Doug Menzies and Governor of New South Wales, His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), gave their speeches and challenged the Scouts to step outside their comfort zones, make new friends, try new things and, above all, have fun.

The celebration kicked off with an impressive fireworks display. For ten days, Scouts enjoyed the adventure of finishing the dozen of activities like race, giant swing and water slides. It also featured the endurance events, talent shows, cooking classes and joy rides.

Leadership changes in Scout Association of Hong Kong

Mr NG Ah-ming, new Chief Commissioner of Hong Kong, has been actively participating in the Scout Movement since 1972, and had taken part in different important roles in the association headquarters, region and district levels, and is a Leader Trainer. He was a member of APR Adult Support Sub-Committee and APR Specialists Panel.

Mr HO Yan-man Hubert, new International Commissioner of Hong Kong, has been active since 1979. He worked closely with Mr Alexander Wong, former International Commissioner of Hong Kong, for many

Visit to Gerakan Pramuka

20-21 February

Indonesia

Visit to Fiji, Kiribati, Vanuatu and Polynesia

25 February - 4 March

Visayas BSP Executives Conference

1-3 March

Philippines

BSP Eastern Visayas Key 3 Conference

3 March

Tacloban, Philippines

National Youth Forum for the Visayas

4-6 March

Tacloban, Philippines

Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Training

6-10 March

Ligao City, Philippines

APR MoP NSO Coordinators Gathering

21-25 March

India

Regional Scout Committee Members' Orientation

8 April

Indonesia

RSC Meeting – Indonesia

09-10 April

APR Sub-Committees orientation

11 April

Indonesia

years and is ready to establish relationship with Scouts worldwide. Hubert is now serving in the APR Scouting Profile Sub-committee. He is a BP Fellow of World Scout Foundation and a Bronze Palm member of APR Scout Foundation.

What's Ongoing

Myanmar Strategy

Myanmar Scouts is currently holding a six-day National Strategic Planning Workshop at Yangon. The workshop, dubbed as 'National Strategic Planning Workshop for Myanmar Scouts' is running from 24 to 29 January 2016.

The workshop is part of the roadmap for the institutional development of Myanmar Scouts, starting with designing a development strategy and action plan.

Participants are mainly Scout leaders representing the six regions of Myanmar. Some are old-time Scouts renewing their interest in Scouting while many are new and eager to learn.

On the second day of the workshop, participants had a brainstorming session to envision Scouting in Myanmar beyond the horizon. They see that by 2025, Scouts Myanmar is an active member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), with 100,000 members, providing quality Scouting, and a well-managed organization.

Dr. Myint Thein, Minister of Social Affairs and the Advisor to H.E. President of Myanmar, inaugurated the workshop, in the presence of Mr. U Tin Nyo, Chief Commissioner of Myanmar Scouts and other Scout leaders.

The team conducting the workshop are Neville Tomkins, International Commissioner of Scouts Australia; supported by Prassanna Shrivastava, Director for Development Support and Finance, and Uzair Kamal, Development Support Manager from the Asia Pacific Support Centre of the World Scout Bureau.

Myanmar Scouts Youth Program Workshop

Right after the Strategic Planning Workshop, APR is organizing another Youth Programme Workshop to support Myanmar's growing youth membership, now approximately 30,000.

A visit by WOSM team – Regional Director Jose Rizal Pangilinan and Global Director Goran Hagerdal – will be an overall assessment of Myanmar Scouts' potential and development. They will present a token of appreciation to Myanmar President and Chief Scout U Thein Sein, for his pivotal role in inspiring, influencing and supporting the revival of Scouting in Myanmar.

Scouts of the World Program 2015 Version

Source: WSB Circular No. 1/2016

The Scouts of the World Award (SW Award) has been successful for over 10 years, and the 2015 version of the SW Award Programme Guidelines and NSO Implementation Manual is relaunched.

APR Sub-Committees meeting

12 April
Indonesia

World Scout Seminar on Environment Education

18-21 May
Czech Republic

Senior Management Team Meeting

29 May - 4 June
Kuala Lumpur

APR Management meeting

15-17 June
Philippines

APR Staff Outing / APR Staff Dev't Workshop

18-22 June

YP Development Workshop for Young People with Special Needs

26-29 June
Mongolia

3rd Prep meeting for 31st APR Scout Jamboree

30 June
Mongolia

2nd Int'l Jamboree (Pre-Jamb for 31st APR Scout Jamboree)

25 July - 1 August
Mongolia

HoC meeting for 31st APR Scout Jamboree

29-30 July
Mongolia

As part of the relaunch, the World Scout Bureau staff, together with the Youth for Change Working Group (2011-2014 triennium), and the SW Award Unit (2014-2017 triennium) undertook several initiatives to refresh the programme. These include:

- updating the SW Award Programme Guidelines which contains information for young people aged between 15 and 26 years who are planning to complete their SW Award.
- developing the NSO Implementation Manual which contains detailed information that NSOs can use to implement the SW Award fully. It goes hand-in-hand with a set of Activity Sheet Handouts (English only) which is available on the SW Award Service page in the Intranet section of scout.org, with thanks to The Singapore Scout Association for its contribution to the production of this manual.
- updating the Contact List of the SW Award National Coordinators which now contains details of a network that provides useful support for NSOs. The list is available on the SW Award Service page in the Intranet section of scout.org.

A copy of each of these two publications will be sent in printed versions to all NSOs. If NSOs would like more copies, it is best to print them locally. Digital versions are available online on scout.org, or contact Mr Victor Ortega (vortega@scout.org) for obtaining the high definition printing files.

Should you have any questions, please email educationalmethods@scout.org.

Scouts Go Solar

Source: WSB Circular No. 3/2016

The Scouts go Solar (SgS) is a global environmental project by the World Organization of the Scout Movement, Greenpeace, and Solafrica. Solafrica is a Swiss non-governmental organisation that works in close collaboration with the Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC) in Switzerland. The project aims to raise awareness on climate change and sustainability solutions among Scouts and provides age-appropriate learning-by-doing activities on renewable energy technology, particularly solar energy.

The partnership, which started in July 2013, resulted in pilot projects with two National Scout Organizations (NSOs) in 2014. The first pilot project was launched in Manila in collaboration with the Boy Scouts of the Philippines and the second pilot project was launched in Islamabad in collaboration with the Pakistan Boy Scouts Association. Subsequently, training courses for Scout leaders and workshops for Scouts were introduced to Scout groups in Brazil, Côte d'Ivoire, Indonesia, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Mexico, Namibia, Pakistan, Peru and the Philippines.

Solar Badge and Solar Energy Handbook

The objectives of the Scouts go Solar project were to launch the Solar Badge and the Solar Energy Handbook. The soft launch of the Solar Badge and the Solar Energy handbook took place at the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan in August 2015. Both were officially launched on 16 September 2015 during the Asia-Pacific Region Environmental Education in Scouting Workshop in Islamabad, Pakistan.

The Solar Energy Handbook is intended to help Scouts and other youth leaders to organise and run their own solar energy activities with children and young people. It can be downloaded at solafrica.ch/scout-badge or request for a printed version by emailing scoutsgosolar@solafrica.ch.

SWA Discovery Workshop

25-30 September
Maasin City, Philippines

RSC meeting

October

21st New Zealand Jamboree

29 December - 7 January
New Zealand

OTHER INTERNATIONAL EVENTS IN 2016

(worldwide and all regions)

24th Australian Jamboree (AJ2016)

3-13 January 2016
Australia

Founder's Day

22 February, Worldwide

Africa Day

13 March

World Scout Seminar on Environment Education

18-21 May 2016
Czech Republic

22nd European Scout Conference

17-21 June 2016
Norway

8th General Assembly of World Scout Parliamentary Union

3-5 August 2016
Sweden

5th World Scout Interreligious Symposium

September

How your NSO can contribute

Solar Ambassadors have implemented or have started to implement several Solar Scouts projects around the world. However, there is much to be done and NSOs can contribute by:

- Introducing the Solar Badge, linking it with the World Scout Environment Badge and educating your Scouts on the importance of renewable energy.
- Distributing the Solar Energy Handbook flyer (please refer to the attachment) to your local Scout Groups.
- Training Scout leaders from your NSO for the role of Solar Ambassadors. The training courses for Solar Ambassadors is expected to continue, so if you are interested, please email scoutsgosolar@solafrica.ch.

What's Upcoming

Regional Scout Committee and Sub-Committee Orientation and Meeting in April

Gerakan Pramuka Indonesia is hosting back to back meetings of the Regional Scout Committee and Sub-Committees from 8 to 12 April 2016 in Jakarta. A total of 75 people who are serving in the Regional Committee, sub-committees and task force have been invited to attend.

Dates

- 8 – 9 April: RSC and Sub-Committee Chairmen orientation
9 – 10 April: RSC Meeting
11 April: APR Sub-Committee Orientation
12 April: APR Sub-Committee Meetings

Venue and Accommodation

Hotel Borobudur Jakarta is a five star diamond hotel situated at the center of Jakarta. The hotel is near the Presidential Palace, shopping malls and business district, only 35 minutes away from Soekarno-Hatta International Airport.

Hotel Borobudur Jakarta (<http://hotelborobudur.com/>)
Email: welcome@hotelborobudur.com

Topics for the Orientation

Two and a half days of orientation for the RSC will cover the region's history, APR Vision 2020 and Strategy, Roles and Responsibilities of RSC Members, World/APR Flagship Programmes, and the APR Support Centre.

Deadline Reminder: 14th APR Scout Photo Contest 2016

A friendly reminder to all NSOs that deadline of submission of entries is 29 February 2016. For details, please download Regional Circular no.32-2015 at <https://www.scout.org/node/94/about/51780#aboutcontent>

International Day of Peace

21 September
Worldwide

3rd Eurasia Scout Youth Forum

4-5 October 2016, Armenia

6th Eurasia Scout Conference

6-8 October 2016, Armenia

-59th Jamboree on the Air

-20th Jamboree on the Internet

15-16 October 2016
Worldwide

5th Interamerican Scout Youth Forum

24-25 October 2016
United States

26th Interamerican Regional Scout Conference

26-29 October 2016
United States

3rd Arab Scout Youth Forum

1-5 November 2016
Oman

28th Arab Scout Conference

5-10 November 2016
Oman

10th Indonesia Jamboree

"Cool. Fun and Happy" is the theme of Indonesia's upcoming 10th National Scout Jamboree on 14-21 August 2016.

Cibubur Scout Camp in Jakarta will house an estimated of 25,000 Scouts and leaders from 34 provinces of Indonesia and around 1,000 overseas Scouts. Exciting challenges in land and water activities await the participants.

For registration and inquiries, contact International Commissioner Mr Ahmad Rusdi of Gerakan Pramuka Indonesia.

Email: kwarnas@centrin.net.id

II Interamerican Scout Camporee & XV Interamerican Scout Jamboree

27 December 2016 -
2 January 2017
Ecuador

21st New Zealand Jamboree

29 December 2016 -
7 January 2017
New Zealand

2016 APR CIRCULARS

Circular No. 1, series of 2016

Habitat for Humanity International, Inc. and WOSM Partnership

Circular No. 2, series of 2016

APR Plan 2015-2018

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