

# VICTORIAN VENTURERS

## SCOUTS - WHAT'S VENTURING AND WHERE DO YOU FIND THEM?

- Venturing is the next section after Scouts, and it builds on the experiences and skills that you have already enjoyed and gained in the Troop. It provides you with the opportunity to try out different activities and to have even more involvement in the planning of your Unit program.
- Check out the Victorian web page at [www.vicscouts.asn.au](http://www.vicscouts.asn.au) and use the "FIND YOUR NEAREST GROUP" button!

## Inside, for all Scouts & Venturers!

- How to find and join a local Venturer Unit;
- How to **TRY VENTURING** (TRY it, its fantastic);
- How to get recognition for your Scout activities;
- How to understand the Queen's Scout Award scheme;
- Who to contact for help with Programs & QS activities;
- Where to get resources and ideas for Programs and QS;
- What's On, Where and When - 2004/2008 events, including the 13<sup>th</sup> Oz Venture, January 2006 in Sydney!



## HAVE YOU TRIED VENTURING?

- You have to be at least 14 to join Venturers, but you can *Try Venturers* before you join!
- *Try Venturing* is a great new badge that you can earn by joining in the Unit program for 3 activities - all on 1 day, 2 or 3, and all at one Unit or two or three!
- *Interested?* Ask your Scout Leader for assistance as to how to contact the local Unit - and yes, your SL can earn the badge!

## Venturer Courses: (apply early and make it happen)

IDEALS COURSES							
9-Jul-04	11-Jul-04	Yarra Valley	"Deep Thought 2" - SNORC	Healesville	\$40	Andrew McKeon	0419 359 952
8-Oct-04	10-Oct-04	Vic.Venturer Council	Mindwarp	Eumeralla - near Anglesea	\$40	Marion Carroll	5284 1412
INITIATIVE COURSES							
17-Jul-04	18-Jul-04	Yarra Valley	Yarra Batman Zone	Yarra/DiamondCk bike trail		Peter Datson	9489 9028
14-Aug-04	15-Aug-04	South Metro	Casey District			Betsy Earl	5996 0817
21-Aug-04	22-Aug-04	Hoadley		Wombat State Forest	\$15	John Weller	5428 2623
27-Aug-04	29-Aug-04	Yarra Valley	City of Knox		\$20	Doug Waldron	9762 6137
3-Sep-04	4-Sep-04	Northern	Murray Midlands Rovers	Whroo Forest	\$15	Jackie Whan	5439 3228
4-Sep-04	5-Sep-04	Geelong		Lal Lal	\$5	Damien Quick	5248 4780
2-Oct-04	3-Oct-04	Yarra Valley	Old Scotch Rovers	Mt Disappointment	\$28	Robert Evans	0418 532 505
LEADERS - BASIC & ADVANCED							
1-Oct-04	3-Oct-04	Advanced Course	1st w/e, then 6Mon. & 1Sat.	Riddells Creek	\$300	Sandra Pretty	9206 5505
14-Aug-04	15-Aug-04	Basic Course	2nd w/end on 28&29 August	Gilwell & other (TBA)	\$50	Bentleigh S.Centre	9570 4216
30-Oct-04	2-Nov-04	Basic Course	Continuous Course	Mafeking Rover Park, Yea	\$50	Heathmont S.Centre	9879 4330
LEADERSHIP COURSE							
9-Jul-04	11-Jul-04	Eastern		Birmingham Park	\$35	Bentleigh S.Centre	9570 4216
9-Jul-04	11-Jul-04	Yarra Valley	City of Knox	The Basin	\$42	Heathmont S.Centre	9879 4330
6-Aug-04	8-Aug-04	South Metro		Mount Martha	\$50	Bentleigh S.Centre	9570 4216
17-Sep-04	19-Sep-04	Hoadley		Treetops	\$45	Essendon S.Centre	
19-Nov-04	21-Nov-04	Yarra Valley	Maroondah District	Healesville	\$45	Heathmont S.Centre	9879 4330
UNIT MANAGEMENT COURSE							
24-Jul-04	25-Jul-04	NorthWest		Swan Hill		Essendon S.Centre	
17-Sep-04	18-Sep-04	Yarra Valley	Whitehorse District	non residential		Heathmont S.Centre	9879 4330
25-Sep-04	26-Sep-04	Eastern		Bell Park	\$25	Bentleigh S.Centre	9570 4216
16-Oct-04	17-Oct-04	Northern		Wangaratta	\$25	Heathmont S.Centre	9879 4330
YOUNG LEADER COURSES							
21-Aug-04		Yarra Valley		Heathmont		Heathmont S.Centre	9879 4330
18-Sep-04		South Metro		East Bentleigh		Bentleigh S.Centre	9570 4216
16-Oct-04		Eastern		Morwell		Bentleigh S.Centre	9570 4216

**THINKING OF LINKING?** For your Scout/Venturer Link Badge, just like your Cub/Scout badge, you need to participate in 3 Unit activities, understand how Queen's Scout Award Scheme (see pages 2 & 3) and meet the Unit Council & Leaders. None of this is real hard, especially when you can use your 3 *TRY Venturing* activities for your Linking. *How easy is that?*

**JOINING & RPL** When you join Venturers you can use some of your Scout skills to qualify for your Venturing Skills badge - basic skills like pack a pack, pitch a tent, light a fire etc - all skills you picked up in Scouts. As for RPL, that is Recognition of Prior Learning - using your Scout section skills!

**Venturers:** - are you promoting Venturing, using *TRY VENTURING* and the ideas & resources listed in November 2003 Interchange (web)?

**Win a tent:** the Unit with the best recruiting method, sent to [interchange@vicscouts.asn.au](mailto:interchange@vicscouts.asn.au) by 16th July, will win a 2 person hike tent!