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Importance: High
Greetings all,

A blind copy email with some updates on several items:

- **Courses in February & March 2004 - a reminder of each course and dates - some close soon - check Interchange**
- **Venturer Passport - interim version to be made available in February 2004**
- **Olympic Games 2004 - opportunity to be in Torch relay - closes 29th Feb 2004**
- **2004 Volunteer Small Equipment Grant - closes 5th March 2004**
- **Funding for Young Australians - closes 18th March 2004**
- **Cuboree 2005 - correction of dates - application form should read 4th - 8th April 2005**

Further details for each of these are now provided:

- **Venturer Courses**
 - Initiative course - Western Region - 21&22 Feb
 - Leadership - Geelong Region - 27/29 Feb
 - Leaders - Advanced - 5/8 March and 9/12 April
 - Leaders - Basic - Hoadley Region - 13/14 & 27/28 March
 - Ideals - Deep Thought - 12/14 March
 - Initiative - Yarra Valley - 20/12 March
 - Initiative - Northern - 26/28 March
 - Young leader - 28 March
 - Unit Management - Yarra Valley - 27 march
 - Unit Management - South Metro - 28 March
- **Venturer Passport**

Current edition almost out of print, and new print is a month or two away - we will mail an interim version, hard copy, to all Units for copying and use until the new stocks arrive - will be mailed with March issue of Interchange at the end of February
- **Olympic Games 2004 - opportunity to be in Torch relay - closes 29th Feb 2004**

For the first time in history, Athens 2004 will host a truly global Torch Relay taking the Olympic Flame to 34 cities around the world including all previous summer Olympic Host Cities. Coca-Cola is working hand in hand with the community to find outstanding people who have displayed the spirit of unity - those who have built bridges between individuals, communities, generations and cultures. These exceptional people will have the honour of carrying the Olympic Flame as it makes its way through Sydney and Melbourne on 4th and 5th June 2004. If you know someone who has displayed a sense of unity, either through their contribution to sport or as a tireless community or charity worker or through an act of heroism, fill out the nomination form <http://www.coca-cola.com.au/torchrelay/nominate_form.asp> on the Coca-Cola website today. Anyone in Australia can be nominated. All they need to do is get to their state capital and Coca-Cola will fly them to Sydney or Melbourne for their unique part in the Olympic Relay. Full details and nomination form can be found on www.coca-cola.com.au <<http://www.coca-cola.com.au>> or call 1800 064 649. Closes end of February so be quick!
- **2004 Volunteer Small Equipment Grant - closes 5th March 2004**

Attention all Scout Groups: VOLUNTEER SMALL EQUIPMENT GRANT - Earlier today the Department of Family and Community Services (FaCS) announced that the 2004 Volunteer Small Equipment Grant is being offered again this year. Last year 1400 organisations were given grants of up to \$5,000 for any number of different purposes. The idea of the grant is to help Australian volunteers in their work for the community. So whether that is an air conditioner for the staff room or some new gardening equipment it all goes towards the back bone of this country - our volunteers. I am sure some of you have needs that can be met by this grant - why not send in an application! Closing date is 5th MARCH. For all details and application form see www.facs.gov.au/volunteergrants <<http://www.facs.gov.au/volunteergrants>> or phone 1800 050 199

- **Funding for Young Australians - closes 18th March 2004**
Funding Available for Young Australians - Youth for Youth Investments - These grants are open to organisations that work with young people aged 12 to 25 as well as individual young people within this age range. Grants will be made for initiatives that enhance youth participation or create opportunities for the development of young people. Applications are now open and close on 18th March 2004. **Further information and application forms available on www.youngaustralians.org <<http://www.youngaustralians.org/>>**
- **Cuboree 2005 - change of dates - application form should read 4th - 8th April 2005**
The current Scout Magazine includes an application form for CUBoree 4 "GO 4 IT" to be held in 2005. Unfortunately due to problem with the final proof reading of the document and a mix up with Versions the dates as shown on the application are **WRONG. THE CORRECT DATES ARE MONDAY 4 APRIL TO FRIDAY 8 APRIL 2005**. Application Forms will still be posted to all Cubs and Groups in March, however it would be appreciated if you could let the people in your various scout networks know about the issue with the dates now. Thanks for your help and understanding.

Regards,

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