

NSW Contingent Newsletter



About our Logo:

- An abstract top view of the NSW State Flower, the Waratah.
- Suggests the excitement of a group coming together and celebration.
- Has links to Aboriginal culture

Welcome to the NSW Contingent to AJ2016!

Welcome to the New South Wales Contingent to AJ2016! The receipt of this Newsletter directly from the Contingent indicates that we have received your application along with your initial payment.

During the lead up to the Jamboree we will be sending you two further Newsletters, one in August and the other in November. Each of these bulletins will contain relevant information to help you prepare for the Jamboree.

If you have any questions about your preparations for the Jamboree, please refer to our Contingent Website or contact your Region Liaison Leader.

Please keep our Newsletters handy as a good reference.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Jamboree!

Randall
NSW Contingent Leader

Some facts:

Location: Cataract Scout Park, Appin, NSW – 16km south of Campbelltown and 35km north west of Wollongong.

NSW Contingent: There are over 2,500 Scouts and just under 1,000 Venturers, Rovers and Leaders from NSW.

Over All: The organisers are planning on over 12,000 people from all over Australia, our near neighbouring counties and even from the other side of the world!

Planning: There have been over 100 Leaders in NSW have been putting together plans for AJ2016 for nearly three years to make this the best Jamboree yet!...*Thank you!*

External Support: NSW RFS, Police, St Johns and the local Shire Councils are major contributors to the running of AJ2016.

Getting to AJ2016:

As you can imagine, getting everyone on-site from all over the country is a huge task! The NSW Contingent will be bringing in 75 coaches from around the State over a two hour period on the 2nd of January.

Your Jamboree Troop Leader will advise you of your coach pickup time and place later in the year.

The homeward journey is exactly the same process, but in reverse!

All Scouts and Leaders staying in Troop Lines are *required* to travel to and from the Jamboree in the Jamboree Troop Coach.

Service Leaders who are travelling independently and arriving on the 2nd or 3rd of January will be advised of arrival times at a later date.





The Theme for AJ2016: Leap into Adventure

AJ2016 at Cataract Scout Park will have something for everyone with heaps of fabulous, fun and challenging activities to allow you to **Leap into Adventure**. The Program Team is working through the huge challenge of fitting everything in. So, *get ready for the time of your life!*

The Entertainment Team will start us off with a huge opening ceremony in the main arena. Then they will keep us entertained with a variety of entertainment such as Gang Show, comedy shows, Jamboree Idol, dance parties, themed evenings and more.

In the Mall there will be a Mini-Arena stage with heaps of entertainment, plus our own onsite JNN FM Radio Station, and JNN TV

station, where you can learn how to create videos with your patrol.

While onsite, you will be able to get down and dirty in Challenge Valley, improve your abseil and rock-climbing skills, explore Cataract Park's bush setting, cool off on the water slide, leap into adventure on the flying fox and much, much more.

If that's not adventure enough, travel off-site to explore Sydney and surrounds in an interactive tour, experience all the fun of water activities in an off-site location and spend another day visiting a fun park.

More details about the program will be revealed over the coming months but for now we can say that it's going to be action-packed!



Personal Information:

Your application to join the NSW Contingent contains a lot of information about your individual needs, and contact details. Between now and the Jamboree we need you to keep this information up-to-date.

The following is a list of *vital* information we do need you to focus on and keep up-to-date at all times please:

- **Next of Kin** names and contact information
- **Medical** details, especially as they change

Medical services are available within the Jamboree Medical Referral Centre. More serious medical needs will be referred to a local hospital.

If you normally take a medication at home – *you need to continue to take the medication while at AJ2016!* A Jamboree is not the best place to have a medication holiday!

Follow this link and sign on to your application to review and update your personal information:

AJ2016.patroltent.com

Your application number is our key reference and needs to be included with any email or correspondence with the NSW Contingent.

Over the coming weeks various pieces of information will become 'locked'. This means that, for example, the T-Shirts have been ordered based on your supplied information, etc.



Key Dates you need to know:

- June 30th : 2nd Payment deadline
- August 31st : 3rd Payment deadline
- November 22nd : Troop gear delivery, bulk merchandise pickup
- November – late : pre-ordered merchandise will be available in your Region
- January 1st / 2nd : Depart for AJ2016
- January 2nd : Arrive at AJ2016
- January 9th / Super Saturday
 - Market Day
 - Future Scout Day
 - Visitors Day
- January 14th : Depart AJ2016 for home

Souvenirs / Merchandise:

All members of the NSW Contingent (*with some Leader exceptions*) will be provided with the following as part of joining the NSW Contingent:

- NSW 90 Litre Travel Bag – all your gear must fit in this bag
- NSW Contingent Day Pack – for daily use: lunch, drinks, medications...
- NSW Contingent T-Shirt – you can order more (*keep reading*)
- NSW Neck Chief – to keep you cool on the hot days
- Contingent Badges
- Troop Badges – if you are in a Jamboree Troop
- Service Leader Badges – if you are not in a Jamboree Troop

All Members of the NSW Contingent can optionally order the following:

- Additional Contingent Polo Shirts – *two* styles to choose from!
- Sleeveless Vest
- Rugby Top
- Spray Jacket



You can find additional information on our website, including an order form: merchandise.patroltent.com

Orders close at the end of June, 2015.

A selected range of souvenirs will be available from the NSW Contingent Shop. A small amount of cash to splash might be the go here – but you will need to be quick...!

All members of the NSW Contingent also receive an AJ2016 T-Shirt.

Further Information:

- Contingent Website : AJ2016.patroltent.com
- Contingent Merchandise : merchandise.patroltent.com
- NSW Region Liaison Leader Contacts : [Click Here](#)
- Jamboree Application System : applications.aj2016.com.au

2nd and 3rd Payments

The NSW Contingent are in the final stages of setting up an electronic card payment gateway to enable all members of the Contingent to make their 2nd and 3rd payments electronically via the AJ2016 Application System.

Members of the NSW Contingent will receive details regarding how to do this with their 2nd and 3rd Invoices.

Note: not all card types will be available via the electronic card payment gateway.



Dear Mum and Dad, hope you're good



cause I'm havin the best time!