



Australian Contingent
12th New Zealand Venture
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«First_Name» «Last_Name»
«Address»
«Town» «State» «Postcode»

26 April 2012

Dear «First_Name»,

I would like to formally welcome you to the Australian Contingent - Venture South, the 12th New Zealand Venture. You have secured a place on the Venture «Pre_and_the_pre_tourour».

Enclosed you will find a newsletter with helpful information, please read it and also have your parents read this information also.

Enclosed is also an additional consent form required by New Zealand. Please return this form to us asap.

Your Unique ID Number:

Each member of the contingent has been assigned a unique ID, yours is NZV«ID_Number»

When making payments, please ensure you use this ID number so that we can match them up correctly. It's important that you make your payments on time. If you are having trouble making payment please contact me to discuss.

Please keep checking your email as we will continue to send updates from time to time. Our website will also be updated regularly with more information, and you can follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/nzv2013

Once again, welcome aboard. If you have any questions please let me know.

Yours in Scouting,

Gary Steinhardt
Contingent Leader

Be Prepared...
for new adventure!



Australian Contingent to 12th New Zealand Venture Venture South – Riverton Southland



Newsletter No 1 – April/May 2012

Welcome

As a member of the Australian Contingent you will not only be a representative of Scouts Australia, but an ambassador for Australia. I am sure that you realize what a great opportunity and responsibility this is. You will receive several more bulletins before we leave for New Zealand and we ask that you read all information in full and complete any items required promptly.

Passports

To travel to New Zealand with the Contingent you will need a current passport with an expiry date of no earlier than 16 April 2013. If you do not currently have a passport or it expires before or during the Venture you need to make arrangements now to apply for or to renew your passport. You can pickup a passport application form at any Australia Post outlet or find more information online at www.passports.gov.au

Passports can take some time to arrange, so we would recommend you follow this up asap. Once you have your passport details, please ensure they are updated online at signup.nzv2013.com. If you are having problems updating it online, please email the details to admin.nzv2013@scouts.com.au

Registration with New Zealand

By registering with the Australian Contingent you do not need to complete the NZ online registration, we will do this on your behalf. Please do not try to register on their system as it will end up creating duplicate entries.

You are required to complete and sign the NZ agreement and indemnity form. A copy of this form is enclosed with the newsletter. Please have your parents complete this and return the form to:

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Closer to the event you may need to log into the NZ registration system to choose your phase 2 activities etc. If this is the case we will provide you with the details in a later newsletter.

All forms and payments must be sent to the **Australian Contingent**, NOT to the NZ organising Committee

Payment Schedule

It's important that you make payments on time and by the due date. You may also make payments in advance if you like. If you are having difficulties making payment, you should discuss this with the Contingent Leader.

Due Date	Amount	Details
On Application	\$300	You should have paid this already!
30 April 2012	\$500	All members
30 May 2012	\$500	Pre Tour members only
30 June 2012	\$500	All members
30 July 2012	\$500	All members
30 August 2012	\$500	All members
30 September	\$500	Pre Tour members only
30 October	TBA	Any remaining balance, expedition, travel & merchandise fees

Payment can be made by Cheque, EFT or Credit Card. Credit cards attract a 1% surcharge.

Our preferred payment method is cheque.

(Please turn over)

Making Payment

Cheques (our preferred method):

Please post cheques with your name and NZV ID number written on the back to:

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Electronic Transfer:

You can make payment by EFT to our account. If you use this method you MUST email us at admin.nzv2013@scouts.com.au each time you make a payment to advise us. Our bank details are:

BSB: 032090
Account: 327635
Name: The Scout Association of Australia – Overseas Contingent Account
Reference: **NZV«ID_Number» «First_Name» «Last_Name»** – please use this as your reference for

payments

Credit Card:

You can download a credit card payment slip from our website at www.nzv2013.com/pdf/ccform.pdf
Once you have completed the form, please fax it to 03 9014 8271. All credit card transactions will have a 1% surcharge added.

Refund Policy:

If you need to withdraw your application at any point, the following refund policy will apply:

Between 1 May and 30 June 2012 – Refund less \$50 administration fee
Between 1 July and 31 August – Refund less \$1200 unless you can provide a substitute
Between 1 September and 31 October – Refund less \$2000 unless you can provide a substitute
After 1 November 2012 – no refund possible.

If you need to withdraw your application, you must advise us in writing (not email).

Briefing Day Dates

The Australian Contingent will be conducting a number of briefing days. It is essential that you attend one of the briefing days as we will provide important information about the trip, provide an opportunity for you to meet some of the Contingent team and to hand out your merchandise. Please put these dates in your calendar.

Location	Date	Approx Time
Brisbane	10 November 2012	10am
Canberra	10 November 2012	7pm
Hobart	11 November 2012	1pm
Perth	17 November 2012	11am
Adelaide	18 November 2012	11am
Melbourne	24 November 2012	To be confirmed
Sydney	25 November 2012	10am
Darwin	8 December 2012	To be confirmed
Alice Springs	9 December 2012	To be confirmed

Further information regarding the exact address for each briefing will be provided in later newsletters.

Departure & Return Dates

26 December 2012	Perth, Adelaide & Hobart pre tour groups depart
27 December 2012	All other states doing the pre tour depart
3 January 2012	Perth, Adelaide & Hobart non pre tour groups depart
4 January 2012	All other states non pre tour groups depart
15 January 2012	All states return home to Australia

Tents

During the registration you would remember a question about tents. In terms of purchasing a contingent tent, you have selected: «TeNot»

Taking tents into New Zealand can be difficult due to their strong quarantine laws. We would highly recommend that you purchase a contingent tent, which will be delivered directly to New Zealand and will be available for collection at the start of the pre tour or Venture.

If you don't purchase a contingent tent you will need to bring one with you. We will only allow new tents to be taken to the Venture as NZ quarantine will cause large delays checking over "used" tents. If you intend to bring a tent from home, please make sure it is new.

On arrival back into Australia you will be able to bring your tents back provided they are clean and dry. We will make facilities available for you to clean and dry your tents prior to flying back home.

There will be two tents available; both are the same price of \$149. Please select the tent style you would like on the registration system. You can log back in and change your details at signup.nzv2013.com

Snowgum Storm Shelter Tent

Capacity: 2 person

Rating: 4 season

Packaged Weight: 3.35kg

Qty Available: 200

Australian Contingent Price \$149, Retail \$349

Features:

Tri-pole construction offers greater rigidity and strength in high winds and other extreme conditions. Numerous, smaller areas of fabric for even shedding of snow and increased wind deflection. Fully seam-sealed fly and tub floor, with extra waterproofing for added protection. Twin entrances for easy access. Mesh and material YKK double zip entrance for comfort /protection adjustment. Multiple guy rope points for stability. Stowaway guy rope pockets. Storage bag doubles as a gear loft. Packed in polyester bag with draw cord closure



Snowgum Caddis Tent

Capacity: 2 person

Rating: 4 season

Packaged Weight: 3.5kg

Qty Available: 200

Australian Contingent Price \$149, Retail \$399

Features:

Fully seam-sealed fly and tub floor, with extra waterproofing for added protection. Twin entrances for easy access. Mesh and material YKK double zip entrance for comfort /protection adjustment. Twin Vestibules for convenience. Multiple guy rope points for stability. Stowaway guy rope pockets. Storage bag doubles as a gear loft. Packed in polyester bag with draw cord closure.



More Information

You can find more information at www.nzv2013.com or by contacting:

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Venture South 2013 – Consent Form

Youth members, Leaders & Staff:

Please complete this form and return it to:

Australian Contingent – Venture South
 PO Box 3401
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 Australia

Applicants Name	«First_Name» «Last_Name»	Contact Number	+61 «Phone_Number»
Unit Name	«Unit»	Registration ID	NZV«ID_Number»
Email Address	«Email»		

(This section is to completed by all participants including all Leaders and Staff)

I wish to attend Venture South, the 12th New Zealand Scout Venture. I understand the Scout Law and Promise and agree to conduct myself in accordance with them during the course of the Venture and in accordance with the rules for the Venture established by the Camp Chief. I understand and agree that failure to do so could be grounds for my dismissal from the Venture.

I confirm that the information provided in the application form, including the medical, dietary and emergency contact information, is true, correct and complete. I undertake to provide updated information to Venture Organisers should any of this information change.

Signed _____ Date _____
 (Applicant)

(Please complete the back of this sheet also!)

PARENTAL CONSENT

(This section is to be completed by the custodial parent or guardian of every participant who will be less than 18 years on age on 1/1/2013).

I/We agree to allow «First Name» «Last Name» to attend Venture South, the 12th NZ Scout Venture, and to take part in the organised programme including professionally supervised adventurous activities. I/We acknowledge that some of these activities will involve physical tasks which inherently contain risk of injury. I/We understand that those activities are carried out on a challenge by choice basis, and that the applicant may decline to participate in any one or more activity should they desire. If my/our son/daughter does elect to participate in an activity I/We voluntarily accept all consequences of their participation including any associated risk of injury. Further, in the event of injury or illness during the Venture, I/We authorise Scouts New Zealand to obtain any medical treatment as may be considered appropriate by the Association and I/We agree to reimburse any medical, hospital or other related expenses incurred by the Association.

I/We understand that my son/daughter is expected to act in accordance with the Scout Law and Promise and rules of the Association. I/We also acknowledge that should he/she depart from this standard of behaviour he/she may be returned home by the most direct means at my/our expense and that no claim can be made for uncompleted activities. I/We understand that the Venture will have both male and female youth members and that there will not be direct supervision by male and female leaders at all times. I/We understand that in accordance with the Association's policy separate sleeping accommodation for males and females will be provided unless it is impractical to do so.

I/We confirm the information provided in the application is true, correct and complete and agree to the medical information being released to suitably qualified medical practitioner where appropriate.

I/We agree that any photographs of participants taken during the course of the Venture are the property of Scouts New Zealand and may be used for publicity purposes for this and future events.

Signed _____ Date _____
(Parent(s)/Guardian)

RECOMMENDATION

(This section will be completed by the Australian Contingent)

I recommend that «First Name» «Last Name» attend Venture South, the 12th NZ Venture and certify that he/she meets the eligibility criteria.

Signed _____ Date _____
(Australian Contingent Leader or Deputy Contingent Leader)