



Sydney North Region August Business Meeting Agenda

For meeting held on the 10th of August, 2025 at 2nd Gordon Scout Hall, 32C Rosedale Road, Gordon.

1 Opening

1.1 Attendance

Asquith Caleb Eveniss, Robert Leverton, Luke Leverton, Evan Whitehead	Epping Aimee Sava (PR), Ian Howsam
Forest Iain MacKinnon (RA), Jacob Clements	Gordon Ethan McGregor, Alex Duck
Kananga Harley Bryant (SRC Delegate), Sam Marinovich (Training), Nathan Butler (Treasurer), Hunter Jackson	Kissing Point Tom Bury (SRC Delegate), Oscar Lewis
MCMK Joel Tjoa (Region Events), Andre Lamb, Libby Dorshriffer, Sarah Kelly	Normanhurst Tamara Dudfield (Chair), Blade Puckeridge, Sam Kalnins, Nathan Carey
Platabeen Colin Turner (RA)	Turramurra Sittath Patrick Kasemrungchaikit
Yaralla Lily-rose Kratzwest	RC-R Elyse Versace
Special Guests Jay Edwards (State Commissioner – Future Leaders), Nick Buchner	

1.2 Apologies

Josephine Butler (Secretary)

Emily Marsden (Assistant Chair)

Henry Marsden (Outdoor Activities)

Aidan Brisebois (Merchandise)

Siobhan Wilde (Service)

Ashley Webster (VLO/YLO)

1.3 Meeting Opened

19:06



2 Previous Minutes (SNRRC Annual General Meeting)

2.1 Acceptance of Previous Minutes: Accepted

2.2 Business Arising

3 Safety Items

3.1 Work Health and Safety: Please be careful of the ladder and heshing that's drying.

3.2 Child Safety Concerns: Nil

4 Executive Reports

4.1 Chair - Tamara Dudfield

Best Activity – MCMK --> Muder Myster Night

Best Service – Epping --> Sewing Fabric Hearts for Royal North Shore Hospital to the maternity ward to keep scents when mother and babies are separated

Best Attendance at June RRC – Forest

These last two months have been relatively quiet with a large amount of our region heading off to World Moot in Portugal. It has been so exciting to look at all the photos and adventures everyone had, and I can't wait to hear about all the stories.

We also had Anto finish his LTAF journey where he cycled over 600km along the Western Front to explore battlefields and commemorate those who fought in the Great War. Congratulations to Anto for completing this incredible mission!

During these past two months, Emily, Sam and I have been making our way through the units checking in to see if we could help in anyway. These check-ins have created great insight into each of the units and good discussion for all members. I believe we only have about two units to go but will be waiting until they return from their overseas travel before completing them.

On August 1st, special awards were announced. We had many SNR members receive a rover recognition award, so congratulations to Harley, Aaron, Sam, Emily and Aimee. You guys are very deserving of this award! Congratulations goes to Epping and Forest for receiving a quality roving award. Although not technically in Sydney North anymore, but a special mention to Nick Bassett who was awarded a Stan Bales Rover Service award for his outstanding commitment to both SNR and TGW. Harley, Emmie and Emily were also all recognised with a meritorious service award which is awarded to young adult's members for praiseworthy service to scouts Australia for a period of 6-8 years. A massive congratulations and once again a well-deserved recognition for all your hard work.



We also completed two weekends of service at Camp Kuring-gai where we were moving logs and clearing space to help increase camping capacity. Charles and the team at Camp K were very grateful for our help and wanted me to pass on their thanks to all rovers involved in this.

I am looking forward to the next few months!

4.2 Assistant – Emily Marsden

Nothing to report

4.3 Secretary – Josephine Butler

Nothing to report

4.4 Treasurer – Nathan Butler

See cash book report

4.5 PR – Aimee Savva

Raise in engagement on social media. Will aim to get something out soon in regards to World Moot.

4.6 Merch – Aidan Brisebois

I hope that everything is going well while I am away.

4.7 Social Activities – Joel Tjoa

The chosen sport as voted in by SNR members on the Facebook page is Athletics Carnival. I am in the process of searching for ovals that have the specific athletics field and a sandpit. Bannockburn oval was a choice but they are only available for the two Saturdays before the 19th. Have also sent email to councils for assistance. - Have also started to look for places to host the CRAP Region dinner.

4.8 Outdoor Activities – Henry Marsden

Currently there are no major updates from an adventurous activity's standpoint. I am working on bringing TP core signoffs to unit leaders, but it will take time to organize the guide support to sign people off. For people who have their Guide signed off there is a guide conference weekend on the 25th of October. If you have any questions regarding adventurous activities please contact me.

4.9 Training – Sam Marinovich

We ran the Rover Skills Workshop. Thank you to Forest, Normo and Kisso for attending, and to our presenters for their insight. I hope all who went gained something new from the evening. We will be running another workshop in November. If you would like it as your unit's "night" or have a certain preference for night for Unit, please let me know. I want to be able to accommodate to your unit's benefits so we can enable more rovers to attend.



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Congrats to the 95% of everyone who completed their new modules on time. If you have not, your Unit Leader should have contacted you about being suspended and getting on top of that. A reminder that this is our new norm going forward – All new rovers will need to complete all 3 modules (WHS, Child safe, Code of Conduct), and they will need to be redone every 2 years.

Our next round of Courses registrations close next Friday (15th Aug). This is all courses - Scouting Essentials, Management, Adventure and Leadership, and will be on the 13-14 September at the Baden Powell Activity Centre. This may be the MMT weekend, however if you are looking to be Unit Leader in 2026, there is only 3 more Scouting Essentials, and 1 more Scouting Management course left this year that you can attend (unless if you like to road trip).

If you've got any questions, please feel free to reach out 😊

4.10 Service – Siobhan Wilde

Just wanted to say thank you to everyone who helped out for the Camp K service over the last two months. Once I am back from World Moot I'll be looking more into different types of smaller service projects because I have a lot of inspiration for different types of service ideas from my involvement with the World Scout Moot

4.11 VLO/YLO – Ashley Webster

Nothing to report

4.12 SRC Delegates

SRC Meeting is being held next weekend. We will send out meeting notes to Unit Leaders once the meeting is completed.

4.13 Regional Commissioner – Rovers – Elyse Versace

I can't believe its been another two amazing months of watching some incredible Roving already. Time really flies when you're having fun! (or stressing about uni...).

Happy World Scout Day for last week! Congratulations to all those who received Adult Recognition Awards including:

- Colin Turner (Platabeen Rover Adviser) - Silver Emu
- David Bury (1st Asquith Rover Adviser) - Silver Wattle
- Emily Marsden - (Forest Rovers) - Special Service Award
- Harley Bryant - (Kananga Rovers) - Special Service Award

Congratulations as well to those who received Rover Recognition Awards

- Harley Bryant (Kananga Rovers)



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- Aaron Kew (Forest Rovers)
- Sam Marinovich (Kananga Rovers)
- Emily Marsden (Forest Rovers)
- Aimee Savva (Epping Rovers)

And a massive congratulations as well to Epping and Forest Rovers for receiving the Quality Rovering Award!

Sadly, we didn't have any Rovers receive the Stan Bales Rover Service Award this year but I know we have some amazing Rovers in our Region who are more than deserving, so when nominations open again, I really encourage you to put one in for that Rover who has consistently gone above and beyond to support Rovering for at least 5 years.

Thank you to those who have been posting about your adventures overseas and at the World Moot in Portugal. I have enjoyed living vicariously through you so keep posting! For those still in Australia, it has also been great to see what you have been up to over the last couple of months with some amazing photos from ski trips showing me what I'm missing out on stuck in a lecture theatre!

While you have been doing some amazing adventures and activities together, please make sure you are also making time to meet with your Venturers to build those critical relationships so at the end of this year when they finish their HSC, they can't wait to join you in Rovers on all of your amazing adventures!

Thank you to all those who completed your Mandatory Adult Code of Conduct eLearning Modules by the 1st of August due date. We have had a few Rovers who haven't completed their module yet. As the due date has now passed, please make sure you complete this module ASAP as you aren't allowed to attend any Scouting Events, including weekly meeting nights, until it is done. If it is outstanding, you would have received emails from Scouts Australia +/- Scouts NSW in the last week and Unit Leaders, you would have received an email from Scouts Australia +/- NSW AND me so if you're a Unit Leader and you haven't received at least an email from me, it means you're all good and all of your members have done their eLearning.

Finally, there are some exciting opportunities coming up that I would love to see Rovers take advantage of. The role of Deputy Region Commissioner - Admin is currently being advertised and it would be great to see one of our amazing Rovers helping to lead the Sydney North Region Team. There are also roles available to be part of the Australian Contingent Management Team for the National Scout Jamboree in Japan so if you are interested in any of those things or you have any questions, please reach out to me!



That's all from me! As always, if you have any questions or there is anything you need I am only an email away!

Yours in Rovering,
Elyse Versace.
Regional Commissioner - Rovers
Sydney North Region.

5 General Business

5.1 Reimbursements

5.1.1 BBQ – Asquith

- \$50.20
- Motion put forward to reimburse Asquith \$50.20.
- Motion passed unanimously

5.1.2 Chocolates

- \$12 automatically approved

5.2 Jay Edwards – State Commissioner for Future Leaders

- Youth Leader Development Program: State are reassessing the YLDP and what training means for Rovers.
- Feedback has been provided, and noted that Scouting Essentials and Adventure are not as effective for Rovers. State has taken on this feedback and has given this to National.
- A new Scouting Essentials Course has been made for Rovers, and to be assessed on a case-by-case bases.
- Our first run of the new course should hopefully be in September. Please look out for more communication from the State Training Team.
- For Scouting Adventure, Units are doing enough to RPL some things. Advice: take enough photos so that State can look at them and possibly approve them.

5.3 Nick Buchner – Warawara Announcement

- NOW OPEN for 2026.
- Applications don't close until February RRC.
- The award gives you \$5,000 to have an adventure.
- Could be as a group or individual. Could be in Australia or Overseas.
- Visit the SNR website to find more information.
- Official winner will be announced at AGM in 2026.



5.4 Nick Buchner- Thanks

- Thank you for coming to my booting, it was lovely to see you all there.

5.5 Dragon Skin

- Next meeting is on 11th September, Barra Brui at 7pm
- Still an opening for PR and Admin if people are interested reach out to Naomi Butler or Liam Painter
- Overall theme is Imaginarium
- Fairytale (Shrek and everyone in fairy tale costumes)
- Games/Boardgames (Cluedo and each base is a different room)

5.6 Development Fund Document

- The document will be sent out to Units to review, before bringing it back to next RRC

5.7 MCMK Discussion

- 31st of October (proposed date, TBC), MCMK will be running a games show type trivia night. More information will be out soon about this.

5.8 Kalang Kup

- Kalang Kup date is still TBC, but the sport will be a good ol' athletics carnival.
- Motion put forward of a budget of up to \$300 to spend for the event.
- Motion passed unanimously

6 Presentations

Asquith

Turramurra



7 Event Promotion

7.1 GWS Moot 'Lord of the Moots' 22nd-24th of August 2025

<https://www.facebook.com/share/14F3NZTJ8Pb/>

7.2 MMT 13th-14th of September 2025

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1369115820754808/>

7.3 NSW Rover Ball 20th September 2025 <https://www.facebook.com/share/16xrg2cjh3/>

7.4 NSW State Moot 'Jims Moot' October Long weekend 2025

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1DEtsXFezD/>

7.5 Kalang Kup 5th October 2025 <https://www.facebook.com/share/14Gj3E8gMUu/>

7.6 Harbour Cruise 10th October 2025, <https://facebook.com/events/s/turramurra-rovers-presents-har/1229038941912327/>

7.7 South Met Roventure 14th –16th November 2025

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1AFprU5jFT/>

7.8 Hume Region – Moot Vegas 28th-30th November 2025

<https://www.facebook.com/share/16nmngFTzH/>

7.9 Claus for a Cause 5th December 2025

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1HSCTYt9zN/>

7.10 Mootamia 6th-8th February 2026 <https://www.facebook.com/share/1HyqdiBgYE/>

8 Closing

8.1 Barra Brui Service

August: Gordon

September: Epping

October: Platabeen

8.2 BBQ at next RRC

MCMK

8.3 Presentation/s at next RRC

Kananga

Yaralla



Platabean

9 Actions

9.1 Last Meetings Actions

Item	Responsible	Due
Update Charles with dates	Siobhan Wilde	Complete

9.2 New Actions

Item	Responsible	Due
Unit leaders to present Development Fund documentation to all units to discuss and bring back to next RRC	Unit Leaders	12 th October 2025

Meeting closed at 20:31

Minutes prepared by:

Tom Bury

Minutes approved by:

Tamara Dudfield

Minutes distribution date:

24/08/2025

Next meeting October RRC (12th October, 2025)



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9.3 Appendix A – SNR Cash Book



Treasurer's Monthly Report for July 2025

Committee and Section Funds Operating Balances

Summary of Investments

Summary of Loans

Bank Reconciliation

Date: _____

Bank Statement Balance

Dated:



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Formation: Sydney North Rovers

Treasurer's Monthly Report for July 2024

Committee and Section Funds Operating Balances

	General Funds	Special Funds	Joey Mob	Cub Pack	Scout Troop	Venturer Unit	Total Funds
Balance B/Fwd	21850.74	3012.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24863.20
Add Receipts CB3	48.90	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48.90
	21899.64	3012.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24912.10
Less Payments CB4	8.40	594.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	602.40
Closing Balance	21891.24	2418.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24309.70

Summary of Investments

	Month	YTD
Balance B/Fwd	0.00	0.00
Add:		
Additional Investment - CB4	0.00	0.00
Interest capitalised	0.00	0.00
Less:		
Redeemed - CB3	0.00	0.00
Closing Balance	0.00	0.00

Summary of Loans

	Month	YTD
Balance B/Fwd	0.00	0.00
Add:		
Additional Borrowing - CB3	0.00	0.00
Interest capitalised	0.00	0.00
Less:		
Repayment - CB4	0.00	0.00
Closing Balance	0.00	0.00

Bank Reconciliation

	Total
Cash Book Balance B/Fwd	24863.20
Add: Receipts for month as per CB3	48.90
Less: Payments for month as per CB4	602.40
Closing Cash Book Balance	24309.70
Add: Unpresented Cheques	
Chq No. Payee	Amount
	0.00
Less: Outstanding Deposits	
Date	Amount
	0.00
Bank Statement Balance	24309.70

Signed: _____
Treasurer

Date:

Bank Statement Balance _____

Dated:



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9.4 Appendix B – Unit Reports

Unit	Number of current members	Number of new members, off the street	Number of new members, from scouting	Number of booted members	Number of resigned members	Five exciting activities	Service activities	Building relations activities	Two stars (highlights)	One wish (something to improve on)	Anything else you would like the tell the RRC Exec Team?
Epping	24	1	1	0	5	Science night with some homemade science experiments, Fire night with our vennie feeder groups, Some of us participated in Abbotsford Mini MMT, Stop motion making night and Service night	Designated some nights to sew little fabric hearts for the Royal North Shore Hospital to maternity ward to keep scents when mother and babies are separated.	Fire night with venturer groups, attended Epping's 100th year hall anniversary with wider Epping Scout Group	1. Nice to see those with roles in our unit maturing into the responsibilities of these roles, 2. Being able to have the new SNR unit (Moocooburra) join some of our nights under our sponsorship.	To increase the amount of training undertaking by our unit members (adventurous, scouting essentials/management)	N/A
Kananga	7	0	2	0	1	Scavenger hunt, cardines as a joint night, programming (we finished 10mins early and had 0 arguments), make a fish bag night, HGS troop visit	Visited 3 scout group community nights	Cardines w/ Normo	Successful programming, establishing a fund for members to get half their fee reimbursed for registering	Communication	N/A
MCMK	7	0	0	1	0	Teppenyaki with Epping, Rover night at HGS, Murder Mystery Night, that's about it, we took a break	N/A	Built mini rockets with MCMK Vennies	Did 8 shows at HGS, officially invested Bee to our crew	It would be nice to get 1-2 new members	N/A



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						over Gangshow since almost all our members are involved					
Turrumurra	7	0	0	0	0	Girl Guides Joint, Car-dines, Bowling, Bushdance, First Aid	Camp K	Girl guides Joint Night, Olave Ball attendance	2 new prospective members, 2 members going to World Scout Moot	Better organisation	N/A
Yaralla	6	0	0	0	0	Board game night, our last fundraising market day, trivia, Mudbash	Camp Ku-Ring Gai service weekend, Scout Personal Development Course assisting	Scout Personal Development course with Yaralla and Epping Scouts	1/2 of our Unit is at World Moot. Also receiving the donation from Rotary Concord after the last few months with us doing fundraising to help support us attending	I hope that attendance for our unit is going well while we are at moot.	N/A
Forest	21	0	3	1	0	Axe Throwing, Casino Night, Holey Moley, Sailing and World Moot!	Region Service Project	4WD Camp with Moocooburra	Attendance at events, send offs for two members leaving	N/A	N/A
Platabeen	14	0	0	0	0	Most of the unit are overseas	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asquith	8	0	9	0	0	Clean up bingo, wide game, DnD, gang show rover night, movie making night with vannies	Garbage clean up/gardening around Asquith, 2 members at camp k service	Nights with vannies	First ever Asquith rovers in gang show, planning for ski weekend	More vennie nights	N/A
Gordon	24	0	0	0	0	Beginner mountaineering weekend, beginner cross country ski weekend, bogong rover chalet, murder	helping at camp kurringai	Aerial soccer	mountaineering weekend, and cross country ski weekend	Tuesday night activities	N/A



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						mystery night, and bouldering					
Kissing Point	19	0	1	1	0	gnoming, gangshow rover night, tbh most of our members at world moot so not much has happened	blood donations	pancake art with west pymble vennies and campfire night with 2T	gnoming and gangshow rover night	getting out and doing more adventurous activities	N/A
Normanhurst	22	2	2	1	0	Alyssa Eden's King Scout presentation, Seeing our members perform at gangshow (and winning 2 prizes on rover night), 2 successful fundraisers for newly formed mudbash/rally car	Camp K, Painting scout group dens	Joint night with kananga, been to a couple of vennie nights to encourage linking to Rovers and establishing a good relationship with the unit	Acquired mudbash car for newly formed mudbash patrol, Setting up some exciting initiatives, Ski trip planned in a few weeks.	we are working toward a formal "intro to section/Norm o" for new members as well as being proactive about recognising achievements through badgework	N/A

9.5 Appendix C – Development Fund Documentation

Development Fund

Last edited: August 2025

- Purpose
- The Development Fund has been designed to hold the funds from Rover Units in Sydney North Region that have gone into Recess with the intention of returning these funds to that Unit should they restart within five (5) years of being placed into Recess
- After this time, if the Unit has not restarted, these funds become the property of the Sydney North Region Rover Council (SNRRC)
- It can also be used to provide financial assistance to any Rover Unit in Sydney North Region including to Rover Units starting up in our Region
- For the purpose of providing financial assistance to a new Rover Unit in our Region
- The money is to come from the SNRRC Development Fund
- The financial assistance provided will be supplied as a one-time grant for a new Rover Unit of \$2,500 to assist in their establishment
- The new Rover Unit does not need to pay the SNRRC back for this grant
- Suggestions for use of this grant
- Ceremonial gear
- Badges
- Scarves
- Qualifications for training (outdoor qualifications and leadership training)
- Assistance for an initial fundraising opportunity
- Expectations from SNRRC
- The grant is to be deposited into the new Rover Unit's bank account once it has been set up
- New Unit to document spending of the grant money and report back to SNRRC following one year of being open
- Minimum of one fundraising event to be run within the first year of the new Unit opening to ensure continued financial stability