

# 1st Ermington Scout Group

Greater Western Sydney Region



## Membership and Parental Responsibilities

Thank you for the opportunity of allowing your youth to continue being a part of our Group. We will continue to aim at contributing to their development and life skills provided through training, experiences and guidance from our valued Leaders.

Our Group is completely operated by volunteers. Our Leaders, Adult Helpers and Committee Members are not paid for the work that they undertake for our Group, which is often on top of their existing professional occupations. They do this to support the Group, contribute to our Youth and for their own personal satisfaction. All of this extra work does not just magically happen and as Parents we must do our utmost best to support them in these roles.

Scouting is a self-help community organisation, and the success of any Group can be attributed to a high level of family support. This document is a reminder of your responsibilities and how you can help to provide that support.

### Your Responsibilities

As a Parent of a member of the Group you are required to:

- serve on a Parent Helper roster at Section meetings (as required)
- ensure that your member is dropped off and picked up on time for meetings and activities
- ensure that Joey and Cub members are physically escorted into and out from the hall – for safety reasons please do not drop them off at or outside the gate
- provide assistance (where required) to your child/youth and encourage Award progression
- assist the Leaders by becoming a regular Parent Helper - this may include regular assistance at weekly meetings, weekend outings, hikes and camps etc.
- pay fees on time
- assist with fundraising – such as Bunnings BBQs and the Fertiliser Drive
- assist the Committee by volunteering your skills at Working Bees
- attend the Group Annual Presentation Night – a parent/guardian from each family must attend this meeting

**take on a Committee position – Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee etc.**

OR

**undertake training to become a Leader – come join the fun – our Leaders are mostly just parents – that have allocated time in their busy lives to ensure that we can offer the youth members a great Scouting experience**

### Group Fundraising

Our major regular fundraising activity is the Bunnings BBQ at Lidcombe/Rydalmere. This fundraising activity is vital to the success of our Group. It provides funds for major building works for our hall, activities equipment, and major event funding.

The annual Fertiliser Drive - normally held on the 4th Sunday in August is our other major fundraising activity.

***All non-Leader families are expected to assist with Group fundraising.***

## Group Support Committee Meetings

The Group Support Committee consists of parents and community members that work with the Group Leader to ensure the Group has sufficient resources and policies in place to effectively run the youth program. All Parents are welcome at Committee meetings and can provide valuable feedback or suggestions. The Group Committee generally meets on the 1st Monday of the month at the Scout hall from 7.45pm. We appreciate your assistance in the management of our Scout Group.

**Here at 1st Ermington we provide your child with a fabulous Scouting experience. All of this happens because of the support of the family. We look forward to working together with your family to ensure the best Scouting experience for your child.**

### Leader in Charge

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### Section Leaders

Sandy Knox	Joey Scout Leader
Stuart Bragg	Cub Scout Leader
Diane Higgins	Scout Leader
Ann McCredden	Venturer Scout Leader

### Committee Positions

Steven Spagnolo	Chairperson
Paul Grundy	Vice Chairperson
Jason Huggett	Secretary
Michael Majoor	Treasurer
Michael Majoor - <i>volunteer welcome</i>	Hall Hire
Gavin Marsh	Trustee 1
Henry Cheng	Trustee 2
Margaret Kelly/Steven Spagnolo - <i>volunteer welcome</i>	BBQ Purchaser
Margaret Kelly/Steven Spagnolo - <i>volunteer welcome</i>	BBQ Coordinator
Vacant – <i>volunteer required</i>	Quartermaster
Keith McCredden	Grant Writer
Bruce Knox	Webmaster
Vacant – <i>volunteer required</i>	PR/Development
Vacant – <i>volunteer welcome</i>	General Member
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### Adult Helpers

Mark Richard	Lawnmowing/Groundskeeper 1
Vacant – <i>volunteer welcome</i>	Lawnmowing/Groundskeeper 2
Vacant – <i>volunteer required</i>	Cleaner (Kitchen/Refrigerators)
Vacant – <i>volunteer required</i>	Cleaner (Bathrooms)
Vacant – <i>volunteer required</i>	Cleaner (Hall)