

## Financial Arrangements

**One Off Joining and Subscription Fees:** To join the Unit there is a one off fee which can be broken down as follows:

	If you are an existing member of the association (a Scout or Venturer)		If you are not a member of the Scout Association prior to joining the Unit	
Registration Fee			\$20.00	(Paid to Scouts Australia)
Insurance			\$100.00	(Paid to Scouts Australia)
Contribution to Group costs (scarf / badges etc)			\$20.00	
Uniform – Shirt	\$50.00	(unless you already have one)	\$50.00	
Uniform - Beret	\$20.00	(unless you already have one)	\$20.00	
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>		<b>\$210.00</b>	

**Term Fees:** Each school term costs \$70 to remain a member. If there is another youth member from your family in the Group the cost is \$60 per term for that person. The term fees for a third and all subsequent siblings in the group is \$50. This money is spent in the following way:

Registration Fees (paid to the Association to maintain registration)	\$35.00
Section fees (allocated to the section the youth is a member of. In this case Venturers)	\$15.00
Balance of the fee goes to the group to pay for overheads such as utilities, insurance, etc.	Balance of money collected

**Activity Costs:** There may be costs associated with activities. When this is the case there will be an A1 detailing the amounts required.

**Fundraising:** The Unit organises regular fundraising activities. Funds are allocated to Venturers on the basis of participation. These funds can be used to pay subscription fees, fund involvement in activities organised at region level or above or contribute to a major Unit activity designated by the Unit Council. A portion of all fundraising is allocated to the Unit to pay for equipment, materials and approved activities. Unspent fundraising money reverts to the Unit when a Venturer leaves.

**Payment:** Fees and some up front activity costs can be paid by cash, cheque or direct debit. Unless the money is for personal expenditure, cash or cheques need to be paid to the Unit Treasurer who will record the money and forward it to the Group Treasurer who will issue a receipt. It may be up to a week before you get a receipt.

**Paying by Cheque:** Unless otherwise requested please make out cheques payable to 1<sup>st</sup> Ermington Scouts.

**Paying by Direct Debit:** Payments can be made to Boy Scouts Association 1<sup>st</sup> Ermington Group

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Please include the youth member name as a reference, and send an email to [treasurer@ermingtonscouts.asn.au](mailto:treasurer@ermingtonscouts.asn.au) and [venturers@ermingtonscouts.asn.au](mailto:venturers@ermingtonscouts.asn.au) once the payment has been processed.

Please inform the Unit Treasurer of direct debit payments so the Unit Council does not chase unpaid fees or exclude youth members from activities for non-payment.