



4th Williamstown Sea Scouts

P.O. Box 5, Williamstown VIC 3016



Williamstown Sea Scouts is a large group split into four sections, consisting of approximately 35 cubs, 24 scouts, 10 Venturers (14-17 years) and 12 Rovers (18-26). Our program is much the same as that run by other Scout groups, however being Sea Scouts we spend more time on and in the water. Our activities include crafts, basic camping skills, excursions as well as activities such as fishing, rollerblading, swimming and plenty of games. The older children go on hikes and other age appropriate adventurous pursuits. We go on camps either as a single group, or with other Scout groups.

We recognize that children want to have a lot of fun, however, this is a not just a youth club where children come to muck around with friends for a couple of hours a week. This is an organisation with a long tradition of teaching lessons about leadership, community service, self confidence and motivation, and the best way to do this is through games and other activities.

It is important that youth members and their carers be committed to regular participation in their section's activities. Casual attendance makes it difficult for members to feel a part of the group, and for the leaders to organise activities and assist the children in earning badges which is the visible reward for their achievements. All levels of Scouting are required to wear a uniform which includes for the Cubs a shirt, shorts, polar fleece jacket, cap, and Scout scarf, for other sections a shirt and scarf along with dark neat trousers and shoes. The Scout items can be purchased from Snowgum - either in store or online.

Some of our parents are qualified sailing & canoeing instructors. They, along with the section leaders, manage the sailing program which includes sail days on the first Sunday of each month, and Cub evening meetings during the daylight saving months. Children and their parents are encouraged to come for a sail or (subject to licensing qualifications), take out the power boats.

When Cubs are on the water they spend most of their time in canoes and kayaks. We have two yachts where adults take up to six cubs at a time to introduce them to sailing, and the children take turns being the skipper and crewing. Small sailing boats are available for individual/partner sailing for the Cubs who become very proficient sailors. Scouts and Venturers are encouraged to be more independent, however designated safety limits still apply.

Meetings:	Cubs	Each Thursday 7.00-8:30 pm
	Scouts	Each Tuesday 7.00-9.00 pm
	Venturers	Each Monday 7.00-9.00 pm
	Rovers	Each Wednesday

Please Note Some of our Sections have waiting lists.

Annual Fees These change from year to year and each section has a different fee structure.

Fundraising: We have 10-12 events a year such as sausage sizzles and Christmas tree sales. For families who participate in *two sessions a year* (a session being a morning or an afternoon), the levy is waived. The cost of maintaining boats and camping gear is expensive so fundraising is very important. Parents are encouraged to become involved, and a percentage of a child's Group fees may be waived relevant to parents' involvement with fundraising and other activities.

For all details in joining our Scout Group. Please give our Group Scout Leader a phone call and his details are below.

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