

# Clevedon Scouts Out and About...

## KEA DAY 2002

the official newspaper of  
the ...

Clevedon Scout Group

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Hundreds of Keas from all over the Auckland Region including Keas and their families from our own Cherokee and Piper Kea Clubs, attended the National Kea Day 2002.

Held at the Motu Moana Scout Outdoor Centre, in October, the theme was Medieval.

Firing Catapults at a target, wrestling with cushions on a slippery pole, balancing across a rope bridge, water throws and dressing up in period dress were just a few of the many activities on offer during Kea Day for our 6 and 7 year olds.



Merry Christmas and a Safe  
and Happy New Year to all the  
Clevedon Community from the  
Clevedon Scout Group!

### Cubs Get Out!

The Clevedon Cub Pack were out at Waharau Regional Park last weekend for their first canvas camp of the season and for the majority of the Cubs, it was their first ever camp.

Bishop reported that the weekend was a learning experience for the Cubs.

17 Cubs attended the Camp and the leadership team was supported by leaders from 1<sup>st</sup> Papakura and Selwyn Scout Groups.

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## PATROL CAMPING

During Labour Weekend, when most of New Zealand was huddled away staying dry and warm, the Clevedon Scout Troop were working hard in their Patrols at a very successful 'Back to Basics' camp.

The 13 year old Patrol Leaders had a lot to prepare for their first Patrol Based Camp; activity permits, menus, food and equipment lists, not to mention their Patrol Members!

The on-looking Scout Leaders knew it would be tough for the Scouts, when, on Friday evening, the heavens opened

whilst the tents were being erected and some of the team work came into question. As the rain got heavier, firewood got wetter, bellies became hungrier and camping areas became muddier. Yet by Sunday evening the Patrols, now well developed teams of happy campers, were fed, warm, happy and enjoying their camp. At the campfire, songs, laughter and fun abounded, and Liam Morrison reaffirmed his promise to Scouting as he was invested into the Troop. Well done to Conor Morrison, Matthew James, Nathan O'Neill and their patrols for a very successful camp!

### Let us know if you are coming along in 2003....

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**Keas:**  
Tuesday 5.15—6.15 p.m.  
Tuesday 5.30— 6.30 p.m.  
6—7 year olds

**Cubs :**  
Tuesday  
6.30 p.m. – 8.00 p.m.  
8 - 10 ½ year olds

**Scouts :**  
Tuesday  
6.45 p.m. – 8.45 p.m.  
10 ½ - 14 ½ year olds

**Venturers :**  
Tuesday  
6.30 p.m. – till finished  
14 ½ - 18 ½ year olds

# Group Leaders Comment



Anyone who has been involved in this Scout Group before 2002 will have looked at this Scouting family at some point over the last

11 months and concluded that significant change has occurred. I can assure you that the changes have not come about by chance. In January 2002 whilst most of our Group were still holidaying our Group Council held a strategic planning meeting and our new directional foundations were laid. Each section; Cubs, Scouts, Venturers and Committee laid a plan for the year and once pooled together to formulate the Group Plan we surprisingly found that many of our key targets were valid across the Group as a whole. Of course it was at this point that we planned for the introduction of a Kea Club to our Scout Group which as you all know turned into two Kea Clubs.

Communication, promotion and celebration of our Group has reached an all time high. The Clevedon Scouts Out and About is a most valuable publication, used here in the Clevedon Round-Up and also as publicity for many other sectors of our promotion in the Community, Business and Scouting. In-School recruiting has

strengthened our relationship with the Ardmore and Clevedon Primary Schools. These promotions together with our Term Newsletters to Parents, exposure in other local press and in Scouting publications have demonstrated the strength and best practise of our Group. I find it most difficult to select highlights for 2002 for our Group when there have been so many wonderful and varied activities that this Group has experienced in the space of a year. However, here are just a few of the key reasons to celebrate our Scout Group:

- Growth in membership from 27 youth and 5 leaders in 2001 to 71 youth and 10 leaders at close 2002
- Attendance at NZ Jamboree 7 Scouts, 4 Leaders, 1 Venturer
- Attendance at St Georges Day Queen's Scout Parade, UK by Bryan Lawrence
- Opening of the Piper and Cherokee Kea Clubs and their successful recruiting campaigns
- Attendance by 4 leaders to Stage III Training
- Participation by Youth and Leaders in the Regional "Sandford" Youth Leader Training Courses
- Planning for and attendance at a most successful District Cub Camp
- Grants received from Lion Foundation, Pub Charities Trust, Paul Newman Trust, Farmers Trust, New Zealand Community Trust, NZ Post
- Donations received from Stevensons, Canon Business Systems,

Lionesses, Cerebos Greggs, Aviation Security, Rotary, AIAL

- Scholarship awarded to Hayden McAllister to attend the Walsh Memorial Scout Flying School.
- Attendance at National Kea Day celebrations by our Kea Clubs
- Successful bi-section Tramp to Rangitoto with Scouts and Venturers
- Committee Fundraising of \$28,000 for the Group; its activities and its new equipment.

I thank wholeheartedly the leaders of our Group; Tely Graeme Olney, Ambo Tony Francis, Bishop Bryan Lawrence, Raksha Lynne Brannagan, Tui Linda Roberts, Lil Blue Mary Brady, Pipi Vicki King, Magoo Brent McKee, Possum Rhonda Parsens. Their efforts without exception in each of the sections have made a huge contribution to this Group and the development of its youth. The Committee and in particular it's Executive Jo McAllister, Bill Morrison and Jay Styles, I thank for their continued support to our activities.

We have come a long way in a very short time and it is my belief that by focussing our efforts on our areas for improvement and development we have moved the direction of our Group significantly to a new era for the Youth of our Community.

**Sez Corney**  
**Group Leader**

