

# Clevedon Scouts Out and About... National Cub Day

The 2003 New Zealand Cub Day was shared with all the Cub Packs of the Auckland Scout Region. 21 attended from our Group including Cub Scouts, Leaders, Parents and Venturer Scouts. The promise of a day of fun was realized with a theme of the America's Cup. Each District ran events for the Cub Scouts to try including Grinding Competitions, Mazes, Water Cannons, Boat Making and Giant Board Games based on Visual Spectator. Each Pack was asked to decorate and bring to Cub Day a black piece of cardboard (1m x 1m) which was used to

make a giant replica of NZL82. This made an amazing spectacle. First place for the Black Boat Square was awarded to the Clevedon Cub Pack as well as the Best Cub Pack of the Day Trophy which was given for behaviour, can-do attitude and 100% participation. It was a proud day for the Clevedon Cub Pack and its supporters. A BIG THANK YOU to Bryan Lawrence (Bishop) and Lynne Brannagan (Raksha), Graeme Olney (Tely), Steve Ross, Dave Butchers, Jason Amos and the Venturers who supported our Group with their efforts on Cub Day.



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## Fishing for Dollars

16 March saw the Group Committee, leaders, parents and the more senior youth members really involved in the activities at the Clevedon Pub Fishing Club's Annual Fishing Competition. As well as monitoring the security and car-parking, distributing the fish during the auction and collecting the money, the Scout Group cooked up a barbecue storm. It was a fun day for the Group that raised money for both the Maraetai Sea Rescue and Clevedon Scout Group. When you can work, fundraise, and have fun, all at the same time, there is a huge sense of achievement in the reward at the end.

Thank you to the Clevedon Pub Fishing Club Committee for their generosity and kindness in selecting our Group to be one of 2003's recipients.

## Keas & the Vollies

Clevedon Volunteer Fire Brigade hosted our Group once more, for two sessions during March. The Kea Clubs visited the Fire Station and again our Group was treated to a wonderful display of fire fighting equipment and personnel. The trip was good fun and the Keas had a chance to use the fire hoses and clamber all over the fire-truck.

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# Join us in 2003....

**Phone  
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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

## Young Person Coach & Instructor In Our Midst

Bishop was fortunate in being able to attend a Trial Coach and Instructors course for Young People at the beginning of March.

This weekend course is designed to advance the development of young leaders. It offers time management skill, mentoring techniques, ways of teaching of practical skills, how to recognize the qualities/skills that an ideal Coach/Mentor would have and the use of media in recruitment and retention of Leaders in Scouting.

18 young people attended from all over New Zealand; Venturer Scouts Rover Scouts, Young Leaders and the Young at Heart. All of the participants had different skill levels and different mindscapes of how to reach the same goal.

With the focus on the development of a stronger Scouting New Zealand, the group were able to overcome most of the challenges put in front of them.

"I can say without a doubt that I was put well out of my comfort zone on several occasions during the two day course", said Bishop on his return. "I only hope that with the new skills I have learnt, I can help to make a positive difference to Scouting and in the life of another young person".

## ...and stuff

When you ask a Cub Scout "what did you do at Cubs tonight" they are almost likely to answer "we played games...and stuff".

It's the "...and stuff" that makes Scouting what it is – the progressive youth programme from age 6 to 18. A programme of learning through fun, working in small groups, planning their own activities, gaining life skills, experiencing new activities and cultures, developing friendships and risk management.

At age 6 the Kea activities are all about sharing fun, and learning to care about others. At age 18 you are planning your own fun to share with others that you care about.

Bearing all of these things in mind, at this years Group strategic planning meeting the leaders formulated this Mission Statement for the direction of our Group:

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provide youth, adults and  
our community  
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## VISITING THE AIR FORCE

As part of a Defence theme, the Clevedon Scout Troop consisting of 8 Scouts, 2 Leaders, 1 Parent and 1 plane-enthusiast Grandfather went to the Whenuapai Air Force Base.

At the base, joined by the Kaukapakapa Scout Troop, they were given a tour of 40th Squadron, including a chance to climb all over a C-130 Hercules and the 727 VIP aircraft. Scouts were given an informative talk on the various parts of the aircraft and most seemed very interested in the cockpit. The troop extends it's thanks to Warrant Officer Alex Wariner for arranging the visit. Their next expedition is to the Devonport Naval Base where they hope to have a look around a Frigate.

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