



VICTORIAN ROVERS





Victorian Rovers About Us

Rover Scouts, 18-25 Young Adult Section of Scouting

The **aims** of the Rover Scout Section are to:

- provide young adults with opportunities to undertake their development through the areas of personal growth, which Scouting recognises physical, intellectual, emotional, social, spiritual growth which leads to character development;
- give young adults the opportunity to discover the challenges of today's world and to develop the motivation and the skills to face them, not only within their community and their country but also at international level;
- help young adults acquire experience and skills in leadership; and
- help young adults develop their own path in life and actively plan their future.

Scouts Australia, Victorian Branch Vision:

"All Victorians enjoying Scouting"

Chief Scout of Victoria:

His Excellency the Honourable Alex Chernov AC QC

Chief Commissioner: Robert Taylor

Assistant Chief Commissioner - Youth Program: Greg McDougall

Branch Rover Council Chairman 2011/2012: Morris Orchard

Branch Commissioner - Rovers: Jody Freeman

Victorian Branch Rover Council

1st July 2011 - 30th June 2012

Victorian Branch Rover Council is the governing body of the Rover Section of Scouts Australia, Victorian Branch and is comprised of three representatives from each Region Rover Community in the branch, elected office bearers, sub-committee chairs and Commissioners for the Rover Section.

Chairman - Morris Orchard

Branch Rover Council Office Bearers

Deputy Chairman	Hayden Smith
Assistant Chairman	Matthew Conway
Minutes Secretary	Hannah Bowes
Training Officer	Brad Peters
Information Technology Officer	David King
Marketing & Journalist	Nathan Pearson / Caitlin Brideson
Communications Officer	Luke Byrnes
Environment Officer	Kira Nieuwenhuis
Adv. Activities Officer	Lachlan Preston
Resources Officer	Lisa van Meurs

Advisors and Appointed Supporters

Branch Commissioner (Rovers)	Jody Freeman
Assistant Branch Commissioner (Rovers)	Greg Davies
Assistant Branch Commissioner (Rovers)	Dean Castle
Honorary Treasurer	Simon Millar CA
Honorary Historian	Sue Tanck
Administration Officer	Vacant

Assistant Leader Trainers

Peter Gibson	Stephen Carter
Sue Tanck	Jody Freeman

Region Rover Communities

Region	Chairman	Assistant Region Commissioner - Rovers	BRC Representative
Bays	Greg Dack	Drew Lazenby	Melodie Bereson
Eastern	Justin Mercer	Peter Gibson	Mitch Kraan
Lerderberg	Alisha Clarke	Michael Whyms	Annie Phelan
Melbourne	Aidan Ritchie	Tony Nathan	Stephen Pericon
Mount Dandenong	Tamara Williams	Stephen Carter	Brad Castle
Murray Midlands	Lachlan Preston	Mark Thornton	Carolyn Smith
Plenty Valley	Luke Byrnes	James Stewart	Ross Tuddin
South West	Lillian Green	Peter Wotherspoon	Laura Wood

Subcommittees of the Branch Rover Council

Subcommittee	Chairman	Rover Advisor
Bogong Rover Chalet Management Group	Kathleen Pearce	Matt Anderson Linda Moore
Baw Baw Rover Crew (WF Waters Ski Lodge)	Phoebe Brodal-Robertson	
Mafeking Rover Park Committee of Management	Michael Quayle	Travis Barry John Rowlandson
Mudbash 2012	Andrew Cooke	Steven Rowlandson
Surfmoot 2012	Ashley "Ferret" Comer	Daniel Vriens
Rover Scout Motorsport	Cameron Adamson	Peter Gibson

Branch Events

Event	Chairman	Region Host
MARB 2011	Lisa van Meurs	Mt Dandenong
Rover Dinner 2011	Jenna Halpin	Lerderberg



Baden Powell Scout Award



The Baden Powell Scout Award (BPSA) is the highest Scouting award available to Youth in Australia. This Award is designed to challenge and test all who set out to achieve this prestigious Award. It takes into consideration the Aims of Scouting, to encourage the Physical, Intellectual, Emotional, Social and Spiritual Development of young people.

Name	Crew	Group	District	Region
Tania Atkins	Kurlls Own	Narre Warren	Casey	Bays
John Gillieron	John Gardiner	Glen Iris 1st	Boroondara	Melbourne
Jessica Krammer	Kurlls Own	Narre Warren South	Casey	Bays
Trent Stanley	Turbo	Greenhills 1st	Banyule	Plenty Valley



W.F. Waters Rover Service Award

A number of years ago, the National Rover Council introduced a National Rover Service Award that would be awarded within each Branch. The Victorian BRC decided that the most suitable person that the award would named in honour of was W.F. Waters.

W.F. (Bill) Waters was Headquarters Commissioner for Rovers for 35 years. Under his guidance and leadership, Victorian Rovers developed and built the Bogong & Baw Baw Rover Lodges, lead the way in activities (eg: Ski touring, bushwalking, etc.), ran the 7th World Moot and created the backbone of modern Roving across the Country.

With this award, we acknowledge those who have contributed to Victorian Roving over a number of years and provided outstanding service to the section.

Name	Crew	Group	District	Region
Cameron Adamson	Craigieburn	Craigieburn	Hume	Plenty Valley
Craig Bevan	Craigieburn	Craigieburn	Hume	Plenty Valley
Bradley Castle	Corhanwarrabul	Corhanwarrabul RC	City of Knox	Mt Dandenong
Jason Govan	Mallee	Mallee RC	Sunraysia	Murray Midlands
Dale Krumins	Kurlls Own	Narre Warren	Casey	Bays
Caroline Mann	Baw Baw	WF Waters Lodge	Victorian Rovers	Victorian Branch
Louise Pocock	Berembong	Keilor 5th	Moonee Valley	Lerderderg
John Taylor	Rover Advisor - Hec Sebire	Yarra Ranges	Yarra Ranges	Mt Dandenong
Jessica Watling	Sugarloaf	Eltham North	Nillumbik	Plenty Valley



Rover Wood Badge

The pinnacle of the successful completion of Advanced Training within Scouts, this certification identifies members who have put in many hours of work to develop their knowledge in the areas relevant to the section that they have recieved their woodbeads within. The use of Woodbeads to signify this certification was based on the necklace Baden Powell was awarded by the Zulu People during his time with the army.

As part of the Rover Scout Section, members are permitted to partake in the Adult Training Program and are eligible to complete their Wood Badge training.

Name	Role	Crew	District	Region
Matthew Anderson	Rover Advisor	E.J. Chittick	Whitehorse	Mt Dandenong
William Ashburner	Rover Advisor	E.J. Marshall	Sherbrooke Forest	Mt Dandenong
Tania Atkins	Rover	Kurlls Own	Casey	Bays
Rachael Boyd	Rover	Ria Warrah	Bayside	Melbourne
Dean Castle	ABC Rovers	Branch Team	VIC Branch	VIC Branch
Matthew Conway	Rover	Ogilvy	Sherbrooke Forest	Mt Dandenong
Nathan Pearson	Rover	Kulin	Ballarat	Murray Midlands
Ross Tuddin	Rover	Warringal	Nillumbik	Plenty Valley



Branch Commissioner's & Chairman's Award

Chairman's Award:

Dale Sheehan, Aruma Rover Crew, 1st Rowville Scout Group, City of Knox District, Mt Dandenong Region

Branch Commissioner's Award:

Jess Blakeley, Ogilvy Rover Crew, 1st Cockatoo Scout Group, Sherbrooke Forest District, Mt Dandenong Region



Baden Powell Lodge Service Award

Presented to a Crew within Victorian Rovers by the Baden Powell Freemason's Lodge. This award is designed to acknowledge the efforts and works of a Rover Crew specifically in the area of service as nominated by the Branch Rover Council.

For 2011/2012, Birubi Rover Crew, City of Knox District, Mt Dandenong Region.



Rover Scout Motorsport Championship 2012

1st Place - Fort Nepean Rover Crew, Mornington Peninsula District, Bays Region

2nd Place - Harrison Rover Crew, Bayside District, Melbourne Region

3rd Place - Amaroo Rover Crew, Moonee Valley District, Lerderderg Region

Clubman & Official of the Year

Clubman of the Year:

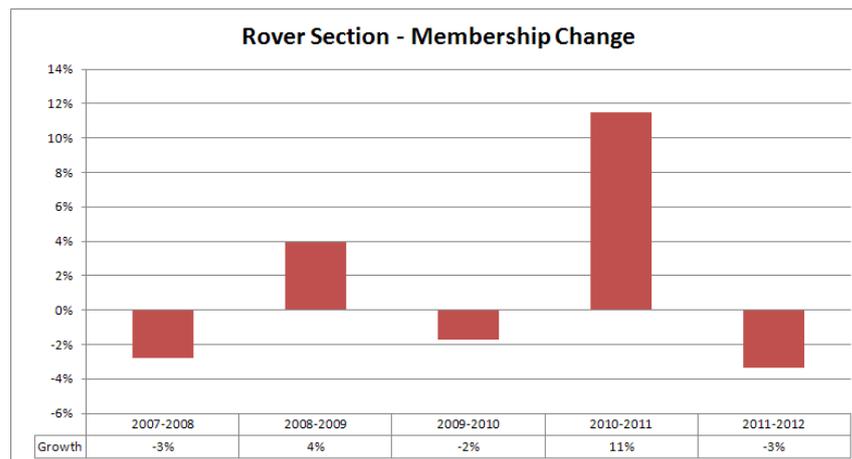
Andrew Millsom, Martin Walker Rover Crew, Strzelecki District, Eastern Region

Official of the Year:

David 'Ox' Tombs, Heathmont Rover Crew, Maroondah District, Mt Dandenong Region

Membership

Census - Year Ending June 2012



Region	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Branch Entities	37	37	38	33	43	20
Bays	120	127	136	135	144	137
Eastern	33	35	38	36	45	59
Lerderderg	80	87	93	102	99	101
Melbourne	148	131	130	130	147	160
Mt Dandenong	276	265	285	277	307	274
Murray Midlands	58	67	68	64	75	67
Plenty Valley	129	122	116	118	138	139
South West	32	37	41	36	40	46
<i>Total</i>	<i>913</i>	<i>908</i>	<i>945</i>	<i>931</i>	<i>1038</i>	<i>1033</i>

Victorian Rovers Chairman

It seems to be a given that there's no such thing as a free weekend in the Scouting calendar, and I think the same could be said for the Rover section on its own.

The Branch Rover Council (BRC) consists of Rover representatives from each Region along with BRC Office Bearers and representatives from event and property sub-committees. Their role is to steer the program and policy at a state level, while ensuring proper accountability to the membership for the management of money, property and risk. It has been a privilege to chair this body and to witness, on any given weekend, what Roving in Victoria has to offer.



People movement

We welcomed Dean Castle to the role of Assistant Branch Commissioner Rovers in late June. He joins an advisory team consisting of Jody Freeman (BC Rovers), Greg Davies (ABC Rovers) and Simon Millar (BRC Honourary Treasurer). The warmth of the welcome was greater for the fact that the BRC has sorely missed having someone in this role, and Dean comes with extensive experience in Roving and will bring his great skills to bear.

A new role was created for an Advisor to Rover Scout Motorsport which was accepted by Peter Gibson. Peter is well known as the Assistant Region Commissioner Rovers in Eastern Region and RSM will benefit greatly from his guidance.

Membership

The Rover section ended the year with a total membership of 1003. This represents the section essentially holding ground with a small loss compared to a significant membership boost the previous year. Holding ground is encouraging given the section's decline in past decades and recent resurgence, but it does not reflect the true value of the Roving program which should be experienced by more and more people.

There were some excellent results in Eastern Region, with a 31% boost up to 59 members. Melbourne region also added 9%, up to 160 members. There is great work being done by Region teams in energising existing Crews and grasping opportunities to start new Crews where they are needed. Ultimately however, Roving grows when enough Crews plan and deliver great programs that more people want to be involved in. This yearbook should contain evidence that we are on track.

National Rover Review

Scouts Australia conducts a national review of each Section every eight years or so in order to ensure that the youth program remains dynamic and relevant. Following extensive involvement from Rovers around the country, the Rover Review team made its recommendations late last year and we are now in implementation. Mathew McKernan from Victoria, a former BRC Chairman, is a member of the Implementation Team. You will continue to hear news about some of the changes that are occurring. For example, the section name is now formally 'Rover Scouts' for better communicating with non-Scouting people. Also, Rovers now begins at the age of 18, with linking permitted prior to the 18th birthday. A new award scheme is being developed. I am particularly looking forward to new clear guidelines for Squire Training, so we can guarantee that new members will be warmly welcomed into a Rover Crew.

Branch program

Our major events were executed brilliantly this year, with MARB, Surfmoort and Mudbash all well-supported. Surfmoort was a longer weekend this year and Mudbash celebrated its 40th anniversary making it a memorable year.

Our Rover-owned and managed properties continue to offer Crews ways to take their program to the next level. Bogong Rover Chalet's winter skiing weeks are a unique experience that every Rover should do at least once. Skiing at the WF Waters Lodge at Baw Baw is a highlight in many Crew programs. Mafeking Rover Park is great for Crew escapes and it supports the majority of the Rover motorsport program that makes Victoria the envy of other states.

The Rovers that manage the events and properties that make Victorian Rovers unique are passionate ambassadors and all Rovers should be grateful for their efforts.

Training

The swell of enthusiasm for Rover Training has been maintained over the past year. The Rover section has led the way in updating weekend training to be practical, social and fun in order to genuinely complement the eLearning. The level of interest in Rover training inspires trainers to constantly review the material and delivery for relevance. Rovers continue to be able to earn the Woodbadge in the Rover section and the Certificate IIIs and IVs available to all trainee leaders. The section should also be congratulated for providing opportunities for Rovers themselves to deliver courses under guidance from experienced trainers.

The VicRovers Induction complements the formal training, providing those in Rover Government the skills to support Crews. The course recognises that to be effective, Roving leaders need quite sophisticated facilitation and coaching skills to help Crews to help themselves.

The result is that more Crews have members adept at providing challenging and smooth-running programs.

Branch Rover Conference

This year's biannual Rover conference was the important beginning to a conversation about where Victorian Rovers should be heading over the next few years. The conference was open to all Rovers and featured discussions about the problems and aspirations of the section. These discussions should be the main input to a tangible plan of action for the Rover section.

The logistics were impressive and we are grateful to the organisers and caterers.

Thanks

The BRC Office Bearer team has been made up of passionate and effective people. They have all done magnificent work that cannot be adequately captured here. I am particularly indebted to Deputy Chairman Hayden Smith and Assistant Chairman Matthew Conway as well as to the advisory team for their considered guidance. Jody Freeman, BC Rovers, has suffered my near-constant communication with him with graceful acceptance, and the quality of his advice has not faltered for it.

Thanks also to the many supporters of Roving outside the section. We rely on the goodwill of countless people who contribute through innumerable small and large acts.

It has been gratifying to witness over a handful of years the broader Rover leadership become more willing and equipped to examine itself and iron out the creases in its program and relationships. The attitude that BRC and other Rover committees are worthwhile ways of getting involved and making a difference, as evidenced by hotly-contested elections, is continually growing. These changes are the result of the work of numerous passionate people over successive years and they should be congratulated.

I wish incoming members of the Branch Rover Council, the new Office Bearer team and the Chair Ashley Comer the best of luck, knowing that luck will play only a small part in their achievements.



Victorian Rovers

Branch Commissioner



Victorian Rovers manage a diverse and challenging set of events and assets, 2012 was no different in that we continued to grow and develop on our program, and the section enjoyed many successes throughout the year. All of our Assets continued to grow and prosper and our usual events ran successfully.

A particular highlight was the 40th anniversary of Mudbash. The 2012 Mudbash Committee did an outstanding job to celebrate the 40th birthday of our largest annual event. I was particularly pleased with the efforts to track and celebrate the historical aspects of this event, and the open day, delivered a showcase of what Rovering can deliver with fantastic weather enjoyed by the many friends, family and scouting personnel that were able to attend.

This year was the 20th Mudbash held at Victorian Rovers own property Mafeking Rover Park. Mafeking Rover Park was purchased in late 1992, to be the permanent home of Mudbash, but more than that, it offers to the section significant development opportunity to Rovers who take up the challenge of running it. It is a complex exercise running a Rover property but after 20 years of ownership we can be justly proud of the tangible development that has occurred at our property. As we celebrate the 21st anniversary of Mafeking over the next year, I encourage all rovers, Scouters and past members to get involved and celebrate our achievements.

Another highlight was the achievement of many Rovers on the performing arts side of scouting. Both those on stage and significantly those behind the scenes in back of house support roles. Gangshow and Showtime offers considerable opportunity for those that wish to get into this field in a professional sense and is highly regarded by the industry for the professional way Scouting trains and develops the skills of our teams. Well done to all those involved in the 60th anniversary of Gangshow a fantastic success.

This year our membership officially declined slightly after a stellar year in 2011. It is disappointing that more of our population do not appreciate the many opportunities and experiences that are available in the section. Our focus over the coming year needs to be on ensuring we hold our membership, but that every Rover Crew is encouraged and supported to grow. With that in mind, I hope that the BRC can agree on some strategic priorities, so we can support the Regions in supporting the Crews, and we can see some growth in our membership in 2013.

The National Rover Review, Rovering Towards 2020 was an opportunity for the section to critically assess its relevance, the program and delivery. The review made a number of recommendations to the National Operations Committee and the National Executive Committee. At the conclusion of the year under report a few key P&R recommendations were adopted by the highest council in Australian Scouting, the National Council. From that date, our section is known as the 18-25 year old Young Adult section of Scouting and officially externally known as Rover Scouts to align with the rest of the movement.

Young Adult is a subtle change, but recognises that the Rover section are Adults, and we already have established processes such as the WWC card that demonstrates this, but the addition of the word Young, recognises that Rovering is still a training 'youth section' of the movement, working to develop our members Emotional, Social, Physical, Intellectual and Spiritual Character.

During the year, we continued to move forward and made a number of appointment changes to the team that support Rovering at the Branch level.

Firstly, we created a new position of Rover Scout Motorsport Advisor. For some time now, RSM has been under the developmental eye of our Assistant Branch Commissioner - Rovers, Greg Davies, but the time was right for this committee to follow align with the other sub committees and appoint their own dedicated advisor, a position that can provide both scouting and motorsport advice to the RSM Chairman and Committee. I am pleased that after a selection process Peter Gibson agreed to take on this important role and I look forward to him providing sound guidance and support to assist RSM to achieve its objectives.

Secondly, we filled our second Assistant Branch Commissioner - Rovers role, and I am delighted that Dean Castle has taken this on. Dean brings significant experience as a Rover, having been a Region and Branch Chairman, as well as a keen interest in Motorsport, Dean will work to support the Motorsport committees, Country Rovering, Bogong and Strategic Development portfolios of the BRC. I look forward to his fresh ideas adding value to the deliberations and discussions of the BRC and subcommittees.

Thirdly, I was pleased that we were able to develop our capacity of Rover Trainers. Susan Tanck, RA of Doutragalla Rover Crew, has taken up the challenge to be a Rover trainer and Assistant Leader Trainer on the National team, which is particularly pleasing because Sue works at the coalface as an RA. Sue, together with Stephen Carter, Peter Gibson and myself means that we have four ALT's in the Rover Section in Victoria, a situation which I cannot recall has occurred before. I look forward to continuing to develop and keep contemporary and relevant the training opportunities available for the Rover Section. Our focus over the year ahead is to continue to work on all Rovers in leadership roles completing at least basic training and those in senior positions achieving their woodbadge.

Deputy Chairman, Hayden Smith, Assistant Chairman Matthew Conway and all other Branch Office Bearers, Region Executives, Sub Committees and Advisors have all put in an exceedingly large amount of time and energy to run and develop Rovers in Victoria. The section continues to prosper and it is driven by your collective efforts that we continue to achieve above and beyond.

The leadership of Victorian Rovers rests with the Chairman of Branch Rover Council. Morris Orchard fulfilled this duty for the year under report. Morris provided fresh ideas and was prepared to challenge a few things for the future benefit of Rovering. I am very grateful for Morris's courage in this role, and we will see many benefits in the future from his work. He has been a pleasure to work with, and I wish him every success in whatever he turns his hand to next.

Looking forward, highlights for the year ahead will include implementing the final pieces of the Rover review, particularly looking forward to a revitalised Rover Award scheme, WAM in Perth and the World Moot in Canada will be significant and long remembered highlights for those Rovers that are able to make the journey to these respective events. Closer to home we will celebrate the 21st anniversary of Mafeking Rover Park, and continue to offer a diverse and challenging program for all Rovers in Victoria. I look forward to the year ahead with optimism and enthusiasm that it will be another great year for the section.

Jody Freeman

Branch Commissioner - Rover Scouts

Victorian Rovers

Deputy Chairman

Over the past twelve months I commenced the crew swords register to collect all of the information about the ceremonial swords that we use in Rovers. I have also started holding informal meetings between members of the Branch Rover Council and the various sub committee chairman's to strengthen relations between the two groups and to also give the chairman's an opportunity to effectively communicate between each others sub committee.

In January, I had the opportunity to attend the National Rover Council conference in Tasmania. It was an informative experience to see how Rovers is run on a national level, and to communicate with other Branch Rover Councils on how they operate and the programs they run.

I would like to thank all of the Office Bearers from the last twelve months, and especially Ryan Beeby who filled in for me when I was in Western Australia.



Hayden Smith

Deputy Chairman, Victorian Branch Rover Council

Assistant Chairman

A year ending report always reminds me of the wonderful program I never saw "That was the season that was" it looked at the year of football that had lead up to the Grand Final, showing all the highlights and lowlights. Often we only reflect on what should have done and what we could have done better which is important yet we rarely start with the things that we did well in case people think you are blowing your own horn. I would encourage all Rovers to do this on a regular basis because if you don't blow your horn no one else will.

My year as Assistant Chairman has been full of challenges, which is why you take such a position, by far the biggest was beginning the update of the outdated Victorian Rovers Policy Book. This is a great read if you are very bored and have absolutely nothing else to do, however it is an important document that gives the policies and rules that govern Roving in Victoria. I have to thank quite a few people for their help with this, at times it was by no means a fun task and there have been some interesting discussions. Thanks have to go to Brad Peters, Ryan Beeby and Sue Tanck for their help with writing, reading and correcting the updated and new policies.

With the help of Luke Byrnes and David King we now have an almost up to date Find a Crew web page. I would encourage you all to update your crew details as often as required so that we have the best data for venturers and members of the public to look at. A big thank you to both Luke and David for their knowledge and technical guruship.

I would like to acknowledge quite a few people that have done a great job this year and if I forget anyone give me a call and feel free to let me know.

A Special thank you have to go to the Rover Training Team who have done a fantastic job with adapting to the new e-Learning for training courses. A very special thank you has to go to Sarah Austin, Steve Carter and Peter Gibson for their work adapting the Rover Training Courses.

The Marketing Guys, Nathan and Caitlin for their work promoting Rovers to the other sections and outside communities. The work these two have put in to help with Venturer promotion over the last year has been great and we are now seeing the results of this hard work with retention from Venturers to Rovers. Nathan especially has been full of good ideas on how to improve the way we work with Venturers. I would like to thank all Rovers who have done activities with other sections, especially those who helped with VG and Hoadley Hide, everyone involved should be proud of what was achieved.

A last few thank yous and I'm done; to those who sit around the BRC table, it has been a year of change and I look forward to see how it continues, to the BRC Office Bearers it has been a pleasure working with you. The Rover Training Team you are a great group of people and do a wonderful job, I can't speak highly enough of the training that we offer in Rovers. Ryan Beeby for the time we have spent working together, Sarah Austin who has always been a source of comic relief. My old RA Janet Granger-Wilcox who always encouraged me to try new things and challenge myself, as well as being the best sounding board for ideas. Jody and Greg for their support and encouragement. Morris who has worked tirelessly to improve Rovers in Victoria he has done a wonderful job in what is more often than not a thankless role. Lastly my crew who has put up with me over the last year and has kept me accountable and in touch with Rovers.

My last thoughts are to encourage every Rover to put yourself outside your comfort zone and do something new because the rewards are amazing.

Matthew Conway

Assistant Chairman 2011/2012





Victorian Rovers Financial Statements

THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
VICTORIAN BRANCH ROVER COUNCIL
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2012

	2012 \$	2011 \$
EQUITY		
Retained Earnings	1,149,923	1,071,553
BRANCH CONSOLIDATED EQUITY	<u>1,149,923</u>	<u>1,071,553</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
ASSETS		
Cash at Bank	461,462	362,267
Debtors	27,676	6,996
Prepayments	27,767	22,328
Stock at deemed cost	6,130	8,271
Advances Other	6,362	3,321
Victorian Branch Grant	14,059	13,464
	<u>543,456</u>	<u>416,647</u>
Fixed Assets		
Land at Cost	185,000	185,000
Buildings	646,262	635,870
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(169,722)	(142,363)
	<u>476,540</u>	<u>493,507</u>
Plant & Equipment	273,120	265,121
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(216,938)	(203,645)
	<u>56,182</u>	<u>61,476</u>
Total Fixed Assets	<u>717,722</u>	<u>739,983</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,261,179</u>	<u>1,156,630</u>
LIABILITIES		
Creditors	26,970	872
Amounts received in advance	84,286	84,205
	<u>111,256</u>	<u>85,077</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>1,149,923</u>	<u>1,071,553</u>

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

	2012 \$	2011 \$
INCOME		
Member activities received	494,613	346,924
Less in advance	(84,286)	(84,205)
	410,327	262,719
Sundry Income	3,816	4,319
Interest	13,715	13,637
	<u>427,858</u>	<u>280,674</u>
LESS OVERHEADS INCLUDING DEPRECIATION	<u>380,864</u>	<u>252,575</u>
OPERATING PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	46,994	28,100
BRANCH CONSOLIDATED BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	1,071,553	1,043,453
UNDERSTATED RETAINED EARNINGS PRIOR YEAR	31,376	-
BRANCH CONSOLIDATED BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD	<u>1,149,923</u>	<u>1,071,553</u>

*Please refer to notes on following page

Victorian Rovers Treasurer

Treasurer's Report for the year ended 30 June 2012

The financial statements of the Branch Rover Council consist of ten operating entities. Three of these entities are associated with real property managed on behalf of the Branch Rover Council by management subcommittees:



1. Bogong Chalet Management Group operate the ski chalet at Mount Bogong;
2. WF Waters Ski Lodge is situated at Mount Baw Baw and controlled by The Baw Baw Rover Crew, and
3. The Mafeking Rover Park Committee of Management administer campsite operations of Mafeking Rover Park located in Caveat, Victoria.

The Branch Rover Council has reported a turnover of \$427,858 for the year ended 30 June 2012 and a net surplus of \$46,994. As of 30 June 2012, cash assets equate to \$461,462 and total assets are \$1,261,179.

Breakdown of assets (at cost) and income between Branch Rover Council sub-committees for the year ended 30 June 2012

Branch Rover Council Sub-committee	Total Assets (\$ at cost) As at 30 June 2012	Turnover \$ for the year ended 30 June 2012
Branch Rover Council	105,320	24,927
Bogong Chalet Management Group	380,248	86,702
Baw Baw Rover Crew	231,175	88,758
Mafeking Rover Park	461,597	57,618
Rover Scout Motorsport	7,004	14,746
Rover Scout Mudbash	74,247	90,671
Rover Scout Surfmoat	1,588	64,436
	<hr/> \$1,261,179	<hr/> \$427,858

The assets of the BRC, namely Mafeking Rover Park, Bogong Rover Chalet and the WF Waters Lodge at Mt Baw Baw continue to be well managed by their respective subcommittees. All three have supported the development and management of Roving at a Branch level considerably during the year.

All our assets have unique and interesting activities and opportunities to sell to both Rovers and Scouting generally, and we must continue to promote strongly to ensure new members are discovering the benefits.

My thanks to the team of Treasurers managing the Rover section in Victoria. Activity committees elect a Rover as Treasurer and Rovers take on the challenge of managing complex and time consuming financial management tasks. Furthermore, thank you to Mark Barraclough, Will Gielewski and Jody Freeman for investing their time and supporting our Asset committees.

The range of treasurer activities encompasses co-ordination of event gate sales, ticketing, budgeting, insurance, banking, record keeping, accounting and reporting. I commend and thank the Rovers that took on this demanding and challenging role during the year.

Note 1 - In reference to Statements on page prior

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared for the members of Victorian Branch Rover Council, Scouts Australia.

The members of the Victorian Branch Rover Council are of the opinion that the entity is not a reporting entity as defined.

This report has been prepared for the twelve months ended 30 June 2012. Prior period comparative results are for the twelve months ended 30 June 2011.

Consistent accounting policies have been adopted for the current and comparative period. They comply with all appropriate accounting standards using the accruals and going concern basis of accounting, and are in accordance with Group Accounting Policy of The Scout Association of Australia, Victorian Branch.

Historical cost records have been used except where stated otherwise. Under the rules of mutuality, the entity is exempt from income tax under Division 50 on member activities.

In the opinion of the members of the Victorian Branch Rover Council, the financial statements of the consolidated Branch Rover Council are in accordance with applicable accounting standards consistently applied for a special purpose report.

(i) giving a true and fair view of the Branch Rover Council's financial position as at 30th June 2012 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.

(ii) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Branch Rover Council will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Signed on behalf of Victorian Branch Rover Council.

Simon Robert Millar C.A.
Honorary Treasurer, Victorian Branch Rover Council
Melbourne
15th September 2012





Victorian Rovers Training

This year in training, I have focused on building on the Rover Training Team's support structure. We have seen two new "Three-Beaded" Assistant Leader Trainers - Sue Tanck (RA -Doutagalla RC) and Jody Freeman (BC - Rovers) and one new Personal Leader Advisor - Matt Conway (Ogilvy RC) appointed. This brings us to a total of four Assistant Leader Trainers and eight PLAs - two of which are Rovers, bringing Rover Training into a stronger position than ever before!

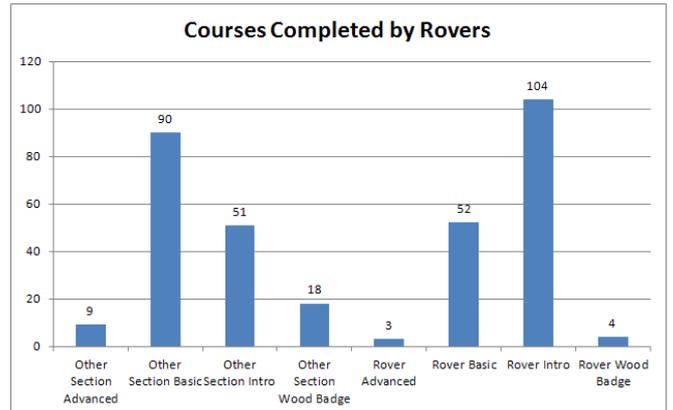
Training Mentors and PLAs were the big theme at the February Training Team Conference, which I was invited to attend. Following this we have worked out a process for the pairing of Rovers and Mentors with the Branch Training Council and started to roll the process out through the Regions. Going forward, Rovers will be assisted in their Basic training by a Mentor and by a qualified Personal Leader Advisor (PLA) at the Advanced level. You can think of these positions as "training Sponsors". The Extranet will be amended so that these Mentoring relationships can be tracked and we can make sure that no one is falling through the gaps. We have also laid groundwork for the first Rover PLA Course to run at the start of August.

Members of the Rover Training Team continue to work on the Training of Trainers program and Certificate IV in Training and Assessment, which will help us to improve delivery of our content in the future.

The Scouts eLearning project has really taken off in the past 12 months, with the Ballarat Basic course running a pilot of how our training will look in the future. We are also working on mapping the Advanced course to a similar structure, which will hopefully cut down on how long it takes for Rovers and RAs to complete their training. An interesting side-effect of eLearning is how many Leaders, Adult Helpers and Commissioners have completed Rover eLearning modules. Hopefully this will continue and lead to a greater understanding of our Section in the wider Movement.

Thanks go to our Course Leaders over the past year, Stephen Carter, Peter Gibson, John Ravenhall, Matt Conway and Nathan Pearson, as well as their teams, without whom I would be a very busy person indeed; Sarah Austin, who put in a lot of hard work to develop a new "eLearning" Rover Basic course from scratch; Joan Bradd and Dougal Mayor, Branch Commissioner and Assistant Chief Commissioner for Adult Training and Development respectively and the rest of the Branch Training Council for welcoming and working with me over the past year; the members of the Branch Rover Council and Region Execs who have been working hard to promote Training; our PLAs and Mentors; and lastly, all of the Rovers and RAs who have stepped up and completed training courses over the year, I'm sure that your Crews are already seeing the benefits.

Brad Peters
Training Officer
Victorian Branch Rover Council



Marketing

In the 2011/12 BRC election term the Caitlin and Myself separated the Marketing Officer and Journalist roles, this was to ensure that each of us could manage our respective portfolio more efficiently. Over the last 12 months I have represented the Rover section at a number of functions including District Venturer Leaders Day, District Cub Leaders Day & Leader of Adult Advance training course. At the District Venture Leaders day and Leader of Adult training day I spoke about the Rover section in a general sense discussing with the participants the rover program, our events and assets and how Rovers are part of the group family and how to involve them. During the District Cub Leaders day I promoted the "I Want to be a Rover" Program with the district Cub Leaders discussing the programs aims and objectives as well as running an activity that formed part of the program.

In December 2011 at the Venturer section event Vic Gathering Victorian Rovers ran a highly successful RoverScope with activities that came from all assets and events, this involvement made a significant difference to the success of the activity.

RoverScope was well received by the Venturer Scouts, Leaders and Organising committee that visited the area. The strength of the activity was the planning and the time that was put into it by the many people that ran it over the weekend the following people crew and team deserve special mention for their work on the weekend. This activity would have not been possible without the many hours of work by numerous Rovers Scouts, Subcommittees and Supporters. One of the best things about RoverScope was its program was fun, interactive and it gave Venturers, Rovers, our assets and events an opportunity to engage with the Venturer Scouts. We have improvements for next year with the inclusion of more committees for our assets and events to be present and to have the area fully operational from 6pm Friday till 12pm Sunday.

Victorian Rovers took an opportunity to promote themselves at the Venture in Tasmania in January with a display at the WildDayz. RoverScope this was manned by a number of rovers from across Australia and was well received by the Tasmanian BRC with Victoria being the only interstate BRC to promote themselves at the event to the nation.

I want to be a Rover Program was re-launched on 24th of April after a successful campaign in 2007. The program underwent a number of changes including new programs, an online management system, and a basic step by step process. The program's reach was expanded to Joey Scouts and Cub Scouts and its very own website for constant updates and refreshing new ideas. Although the program has been very slow off the mark in so far the rover section has handed out over 300 I want to be a rover Woggles since its launch. There will be a strong push into the three sections that the program is available into the next BRC term.

The Annual Hoadley Hide saw rover crews from across Victoria run a number of stunts for the Venturers to participate in; this was an opportunity for crews to promote themselves at a grass roots level. For the most part it was achieved with success by those in attendance even with a lower than expected Venturer number in attendance. Many crews took the opportunity to go camping and spend a weekend meeting Venturers, that they might not have the opportunity to elsewhere. One thing that disappointed me this at this event was that while many crews ran good stunts with a lot of thought and effort they tended to miss the mark with promoting themselves to the venturer's as well as they could have.

While the last 12 months have been a challenge they have been a rewarding one. I have learnt a lot about both marketing and about myself. If anything the report that follows is an example of the 12 months of learning I have been through and I believe that if implemented to its full extent we can have a bigger and even better Rover Scout section.

Nathan Pearson
Marketing Officer
Victorian Branch Rover Council

Region Rover Communities

Bays

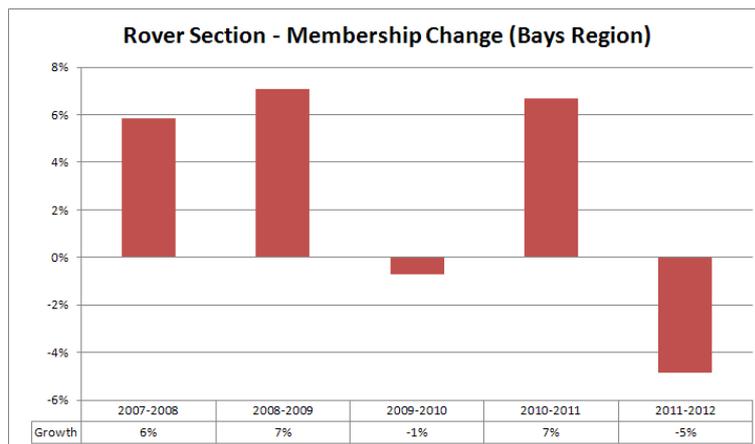


Region Chairman: Greg Dack

My major focus this year was working to improve the information we have about existing Rover Crews and to ensure that details on the VicRovers website are current. It was a pleasure to see many Bays Rovers continuing their involvement in various committees and helping to serve both Rovering and Scouting throughout the State. Census results show a slight decrease in membership, although still ahead in the long term sense and that crew interaction with local Venturer Units will allow future growth. Thankyou to everyone who helped support my reign of terror this last year, I wish for the continued success of Rovering in the Bays Region.

Membership:

With the focus on maintaining and growing contact with the many Rover Crews in the Bays Region, we were delighted to reconnect with United RC



Region Gatherings:

Thankyou crews that hosted the meeting. 4 out of the 12 gatherings were away from the normal home of Bentleigh Scout Centre.

Gatherings

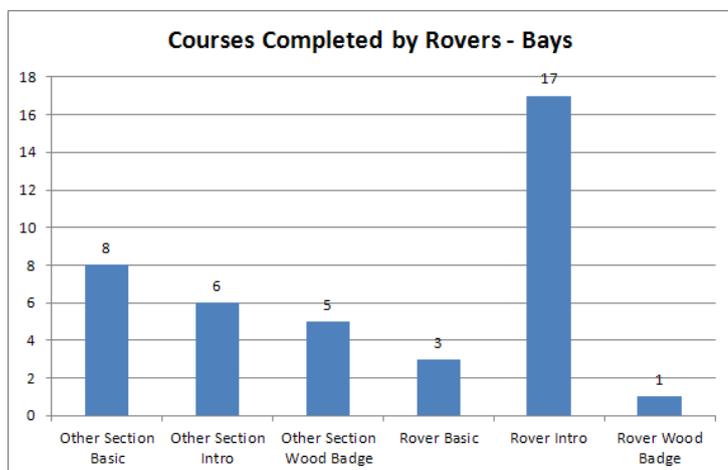
Bays members participated in the 50th Anniversary of Puffing Billy Railway re-opening celebrations. Many Rovers provided service for activities at Cumboree 2011.

Baden Powell Scout Awards:

Two Bays Rovers successfully completed all requirements for the highest award in Rovering, The Baden Powell Scout Award; Tania Atkins and Jessica Kramer of Kurll's Own Rover Crew.

W.F. Waters Awards:

Dale Krumins, thank you for your outstanding and continued service to the Rover Scout Section! Well done!.



Region Events & Service:

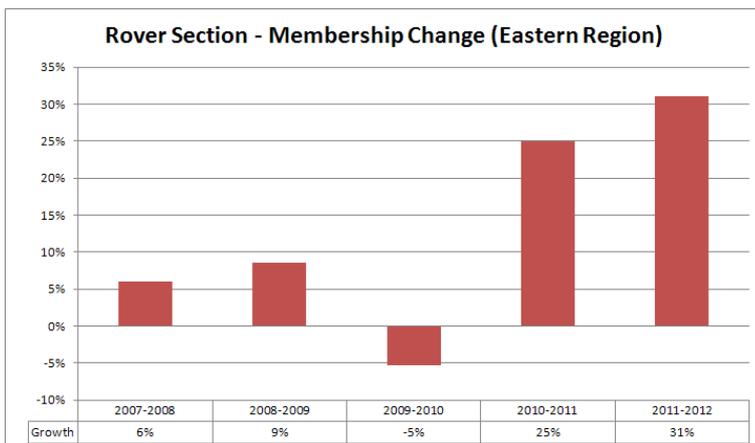
A fantastic effort went into Bays Region Rovers hosting the 2012 Metropolitan Area Rover Ball (MARB) "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly", which was a very successful evening proving it's viability for the future. Congratulations go to Dale Krumins and his MARB 2012 Committee for work done over this last year.

Training:

Thankful for a strong involvement at the Biannual Rover Conference this year, with 6 Rover Scouts chosen to represent the Region.



Region Chairman: Justin Mercer



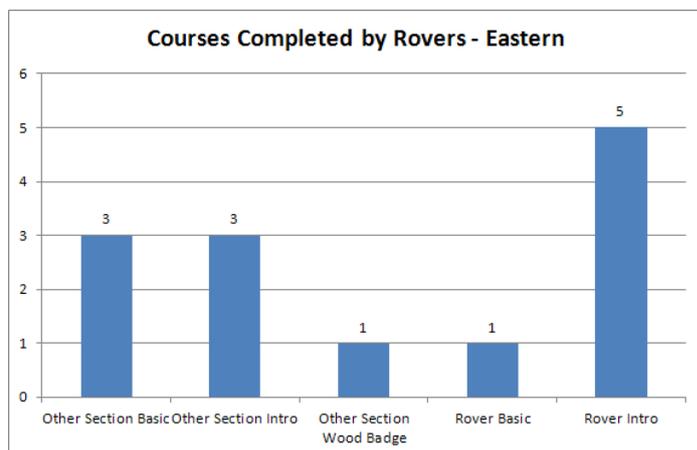
Wow, what a journey it has been. This year has certainly been an interesting one for me. I have had quite the experience being Eastern Region Chair. Whilst I have had my good and bad moments after reflecting on my journey this past year I think I have developed some skills which, after all is what Scouting and most importantly Rover Government is all about.

I'd like to thank all of you who supported me these 12 months, most of all Mitchell who was always willing to lend a hand if I was struggling with my life outside of Scouting and Peter who never seemed to tire of being patient with me despite my elusiveness.

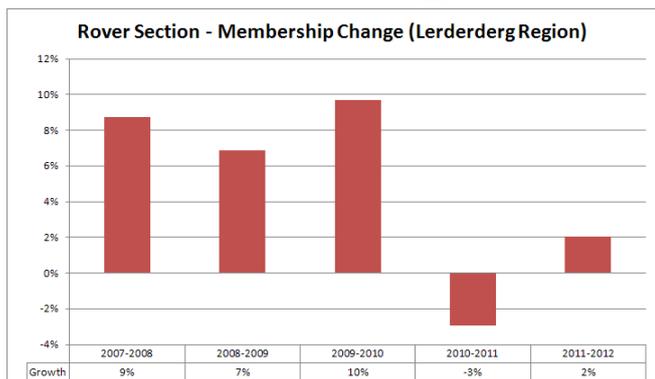
I would also like to congratulate all our Rover Crews for attending major, region and district run events throughout the year, it has been brilliant to hear all the positive remarks about Roving in our region. You have all been dedicated to service and strengthening your own crews and once again our region has seen a huge growth. Not to mention our region running CARB this year, which I know will be a huge success. I just know that next year will be just as good!

I would also like to thank all my other exec members who helped me and the region along the way, Jami first of all for stepping in and being our secretary, without one, no doubt Mitch and I would have lost our minds. Mel for once again standing on region exec and for those first few meetings doing minutes for me.

Thank you all for giving me this opportunity. I would encourage you all to try for region positions in the future as not only do you find out more about your region, you find out about your own skills and the skills of others. You also find areas that you can improve on in your own personal life and without this opportunity I would have never have noticed some of my own faults.



Region Rover Communities Lerderderg



Region Chairman: Alisha Clarke

Region Workshops:

We ran a number of workshops within the Region Community over the past twelve months. These included implementation plans for Quality Crew Guidelines, Australian National Moot Feedback and information on opportunities for Rovers overseas in community volunteer programs.

Region Activities:

Our Annual Christmas BBQ made a return, this year on Williamstown Beach, (It is a bit on the chilly side). We also had a fun Sunday afternoon at the Venturer/Rover Netball Game and BBQ, where crews got to together and with Venturers for some healthy competition.

Our Retro Night at AMF Bowling night saw crews mingle with new people and even a few strikes.

W.F. Waters Awardees

Congratulations to Louise Pocock for being awarded the W.F Waters award. Your service to Rovers over the last 6 years has been outstanding and inspirational. On behalf of all



Rovers, I thank you for always lending a hand and all your future service.

Region Gatherings:

This year saw monthly gathering with a twist. We have Outings, such as bowling, Theme nights with costumes and the Award winning coasters. We stepped further out of the box when it came to workshops this year. We discussed Squire Training, while making Valentine Day Cards, had one gathering in the car park while discussion Training and wearing bird hats. We also had an Adventure Activities workshop and I don't think anyone will forget the Mad May Car special gathering.

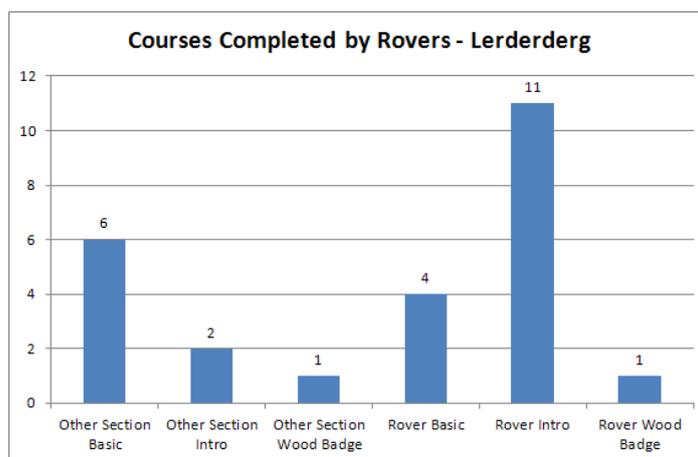
Membership:

The region this year saw an official 1% growth in membership, although if we can get Rovers to reregister on time we would have seen a 4%. Membership and retention was a big focus and will continue to be in the next year.

Training:

Annie Phelan ventured out to Pax Hill to join Murray Midlands Region in April to complete her Basic Training.

Louise Pocock is all booked out, with plans to complete her Advanced Training at Treetops in the second half of the year.



It has been an exciting year and it has been a pleasure to have worked with such a great group of people. We have had our ups and downs, achieve some goals and miss some others but anyone should be proud for what we have accomplished. Thank you for your hard work and commitment. To the new executive and all Lerderderg Rovers; we make things happen, let's make sure no one forgets that!

I am proud to be a part of such an involved Region.

After the last round of AGM's, we can be proud our Region has produced 2 current Major Event Chairmen's (Surfmoot and Mudbash) and the current Mafeking Rover Park Chairman.



Region Rover Communities Melbourne



Region Chairman: Aidan Ritchie

Membership:

Numbers in Melbourne Region were up this year. We have grown by almost 9% to 160 Rovers. I would like to thank both the Region Team and Crews for the effort they've put in this year to increase crew size and retain Venturers to Rovers. The Region has also started up a new Crew in Carlton that has helped our numbers.



Training:

We have had an increase Rovers attempting e-Learning this year, with many rovers completing at least some modules, if not completing all. This has led to a number of Rovers enrolling for Basic Sectionals, and we have even had some Rovers start their Advanced Training. We have also run a Face-to-Face Intro to Rovers Course.

Gatherings:

This year Melbourne Region saw an increase in the amount of Rovers, Rover Advisors and Crews turning up to our Region Gatherings. Some highlights from the year include:

- A Joint Gathering with South West Region in March in Colac
- Ending the year with a game of Lawn Bowls
- Region Gathering in Brighton

Activities:

We have been able to organise a couple activities this year for the Region. Some of these include:

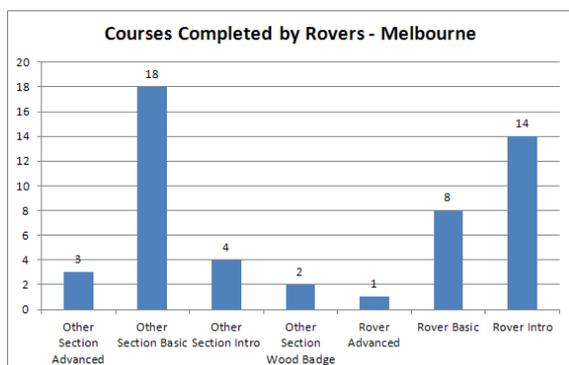
- Region Scavenger Hunts
- Increase in Inter-Crew nights, not just between local Crews, but with Crews from across the Region
- Started to organise a Region Moot, that will take place soon

BP Awardees:

Melbourne Region would like to congratulate John Gillieron from John Gardiner Rover Crew for completing his Baden Powell Scout Award



I would like to thank all those who have help out the year. Not just those on the Leadership Team, but also the other Rovers, Advisors and Leaders who have assisted in improving the Region. We have been able to start up a New Crew, and start the planning for a few more, increase attendance at Gatherings and also increase the numbers of Rovers doing training. I wish all the best to the new Leadership Team and the new Chairman, Huck.



Region Rover Communities

Mt Dandenong



Region Chairman: Tamara Williams



Region Gatherings and Workshops:

Region Gatherings were again well attended this year, with the majority of our 27 crews attending at least quarterly. Freshening up our gatherings by introducing monthly themes, providing supper and shifting the focus of the meeting to the workshops ensured attendees were provided not only with beneficial networking experiences but also an enjoyable night out. Continuing on with the community gathering format introduced in the 2011-2012 term, our monthly meetings in Mt Dandenong Rover Community this year took on a specific workshop focus each month. Some of these topics included Squire Training, the BP Award, general first aid skills and a guest speaker from the SES. The workshops were aimed at benefiting both individuals in attendance, as well as their crews. Workshops were also used this year to provide constructive feedback to our major Branch events and assets, for future improvements and developments.



Region Activities and Branch Events:

While the last 12 months have flown by, Rovers in Mt Dandenong have been extremely active and have achieved great things. Most notably, the Region Executive ran the first ever Mt Dandenong Region Moot this year at Bay Park in Mt Martha back in March. Blessed with perfect summer weather, the 70+ attendees enjoyed a weekend jam packed with activities at both the beach and Scout Park.

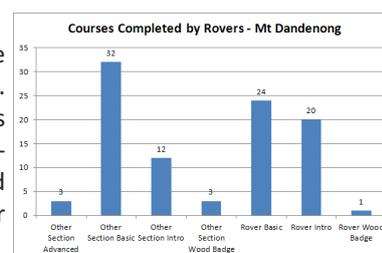
Our annual fundraiser and Region Rover-Venturer night was held again at Playzone, with a fantastic turn out of both Mt Dandenong Roves and Venturers. Always an enjoyable night, it was great to see Roves out in force not only rediscovering the big kid within them, but also using the evening as a recruiting and networking night.

This year a Coffee Club (with real coffee!) was established to discuss the BPSA. Rovers in the Region interested in finding out more of the award and a means of offering support and advice for those already completing the award, the monthly meetings have been well attended thus far.

All Branch Rover Council Events were well attended this year, with most crews represented at Surfmoort, Mudbash and Marb. It was great to see a number of our crews getting buggies up and running for the 40th Anniversary of Mudbash, many of them first time racers. Quite a few Mt Dandenong Crews also enjoyed a winter weekend away at the Baw Baw Rover Chalet.

Training:

A key goal of the 2011-2012 executive starting out was to significantly increase the percentage of Region Rovers trained to the Basic Rover Sectional Techniques level. To achieve this, the Mt Dandenong executive visited crews promoting the various Basic Training courses over the last 12 months and ran our own course at the Warburton Rover Chalet in July. To date, over 30 Mt Dandenong Roves have completed their training this year which will no doubt lead to improvements in not only their personal Roving experiences, but also their crews achievements.



BPSA and Branch Awards:

While unfortunately Mt Dandenong have no Baden Powell Scout Awardees this year, there are a number of our Rovers only months away from completion. Mt Dandenong Rovers have been well acknowledged this year for their service efforts, with Brad Castle (Corhanwarabul RC) and John Taylor (RA – Hec Sebire RC) awarded the W.F Waters Award, Dale Sheehan awarded the BRC Chairman's Award and Jess Blakeley for the Branch Commissioners Award. All worthy recipients, I extend a huge congratulations to you for your extraordinary service to Roving and the wider community.

Region Leadership Team:

The Region elected a very strong team in August 2011 who have all carried out their various roles with great enthusiasm and determination. A huge thank you to the following for all their efforts and support over the last 12 months:

- Deputy Chair: Tamara Myors
- Treasurer: Tamalane White
- Secretary: Shelley Hafkensheid
- BRC Representative: Brad Castle
- Development Officers: Daniel Ingamells and Dale Sheehan.
- ARC: Stephen Carter





Region Rover Communities Murray Midlands



Region Chairman: Lachlan Preston

Membership:

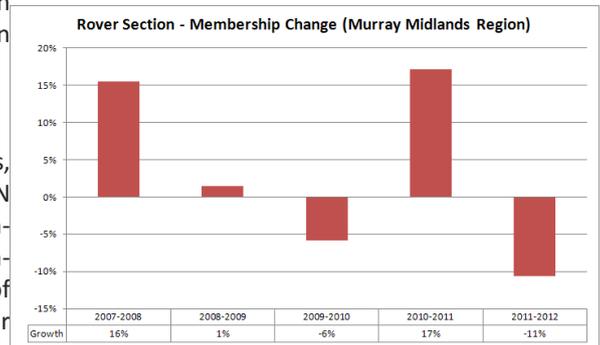
Murray Midlands Rover Community had a slight decrease in membership in the past 12 months, in part due to the closing of Shepp Rover Crew. We have also opened a new Crew in Wodonga and are looking at aiding new Crews in several areas across the region in the coming year, so expect this to be a temporary decline. Almost all of our Crews are young, so we envisage strong growth going forward.

Training:

We had a strong training attendance in our Region in the second half of the year, as we started working towards our goal of having 80% of our members trained to a Basic Sectional Techniques. Enthusiasm for training across the Region grew following on from the training course held in our Region in April, and we have several Crews planning to attend training in the early part of the coming year.

Gatherings:

This year marked a big leap for in Gathering for Murray Midlands, transferring to Skype voice gatherings from the previous MSN chat. This has enabled far greater discussion and for presentations on a range of topics to held, helping to get more information to our Crews. A highlight was having the representatives of 7 Rover events and activities present to the gathering about their experiences being part of that team.



Community Activities:

We did not run a community moot, but had Crews involved in running a range of activities throughout the year. Mallee & Marcus Blount Rovers were involved in the running of Mallee Mud Kamp for 300 Scouts and the Sunraysia Gang Show production. Rovers from Bundara Rover Crew were thoroughly involved in the Albury Gang Show, whilst Rovers from Bevan Trimble played a key part in the Bendigo production of the Whitehorse Showtime. Golden South and Kulin have both been very active promotional activities in Ballarat, and Kulin should be congratulated for taking out the Best Stunt Award at Hoadley hide.

BP Awardees:

We did not have any BP Awardees for this year; however we have got quite a few members starting to take up the challenge, so hopefully we will have some coming through very soon.

WF Waters Awardees:

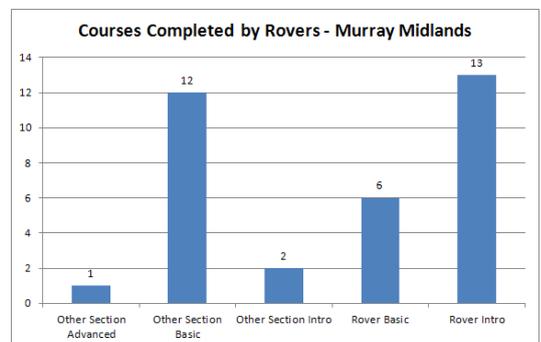
Jason Govan was recognised with a WF Waters award for his service to the Region, including being a Region Chair, Mud-bash, Surfmoort, Mallee Mud Kamp, Sunraysia Gang Show and more. Congratulations Gov

2011/2012 Community Leadership Team:

- Chairman: Lachlan Preston
- Deputy Chair: Hannah Bowes
- Secretary/Treasurer: Brayden Mooney
- Training Officer: Nathan Pearson
- Development Officer: Carolyn Smith
- ARC Rovers: Mark 'Barney' Thornton

Murray Midlands comprises the following Regions and Crews

- Western: Golden South & Kulin
- North West: Mallee, Marcus Blount & Bevan Trimble
- Northern: Ballantrae, Bundara & Tom Mitchell (new!)



On a personal note I would like to thank both Hannah and Nathan especially for their work throughout the year. I would particularly like to acknowledge the effort Nathan put in to have a Basic Rover Sectional run in the Region and it is definitely due to his efforts that it was such a success. This will stand us in good stead working towards our goals for the coming year.

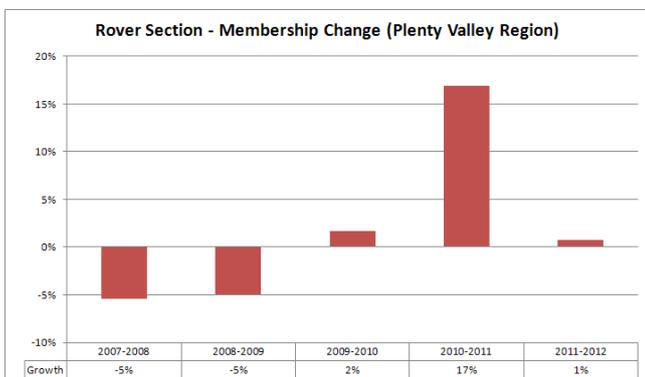
I would also thank all the Crew Leaders for the often thankless hard work that each and every one of them has put in throughout the year.

Region Rover Communities Plenty Valley



Region Chairman: Luke Byrnes

Plenty Valley Region Rover Community has stepped up from the foundations of a new Region structure, and has begun to take on the shape of a Rover Community full of potential to grow and develop the Rover section in Northern Melbourne. Stretching from Sunbury to Diamond Creek, Brunswick to Seymour, Plenty Valley Region Rover Community is the home to approximately 150 Rovers within 12 Rover Crews. Two of these Crews have been re-formed this year, so a very big welcome to Handfield Rover Crew of Nillumbik Whittlesea District, and Kingsford Smith Rover Crew of Moreland District, both of which have a solid membership, and nothing but potential!



With so many new Rovers, we've successfully run an Intro Course, and had many other Rovers complete online training in preparation for both Basic and Advanced Training Courses. Special mention goes to Ross Tuddin – congratulations on completing your Wood Beads earlier this year.

With so much potential for growth and development, it only seemed natural that we give more focus to training and to making our training program as accessible to Rovers as possible – so we made it free. By installing a rebate system for both Basic (paid by PVRRRC), and Advanced courses (paid by PVR), Rovers are no longer obstructed to join a course, with only time and red tape restricting attendance! An achievement by any standards, needless to say!

While our meeting attendance left much to be desired, a dedicated Leadership Team branched out and ensured that even if we weren't able to see everyone on a monthly basis, we still had a finger on the pulse of each Crew in the Region, and were able to assist any Crews who were struggling or had issues that they needed to work through with the assistance of a Region Representative. Many thanks to each member of the Team who worked hard and reaped the rewards through both gaining personal experience and a sense of achievement and a wealth of hands on knowledge.

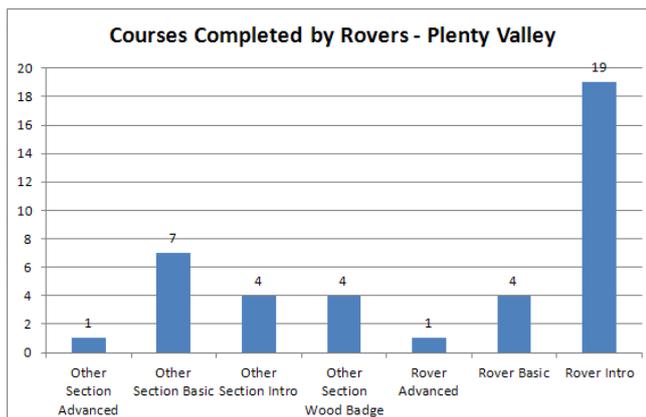
A very special congratulations is also extended to Trent Stanley of Turbo Rover Crew (no nepotism, I swear!), who was the first Rover (with many to follow) to achieve his Baden-Powell Scout Award in Plenty Valley Region. In addition, congratulations to Cameron Adamson, Craig Bevan, and Jessica Watling on receiving their W.F. Waters Rover Service Awards. Your efforts have been invaluable to Victorian Roving, and we wish you all the best with all of your future undertakings – you have certainly proved that you all have what it takes to be successful in anything you set out to achieve.

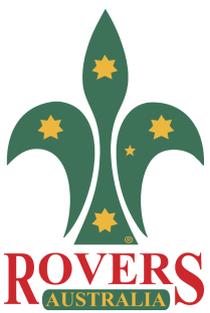
Thank you to the Crews of the Region – this year has been a tremendous learning experience for me, and I feel that I have not just gained knowledge and experience, but have been fulfilled with a sense of achievement through personal growth, of both myself and those around me. In other words, I think I've aged 5 years, but a glorious year it has been.

A special thanks goes to Ross Tuddin – very few of our endeavours would have reached success this year if it weren't for Ross's dedication and extensive efforts – well done, and I wish you all the best with the rest of your term as Chairman 2012-2013.

Finally, congratulations to Andrew Clark and his team on executing Rover dinner with poise and excellence – it is nice to see the Region on display in all its glory!

Keep up the good work everyone – take a look around, and pat each other on the back when you're passing out congratulations. There are many people on the pedestal tonight, but the truth is that everyone in this room this evening words endless hours for the purpose of bettering Victorian Roving, and bettering ourselves. I think that's a job well done.









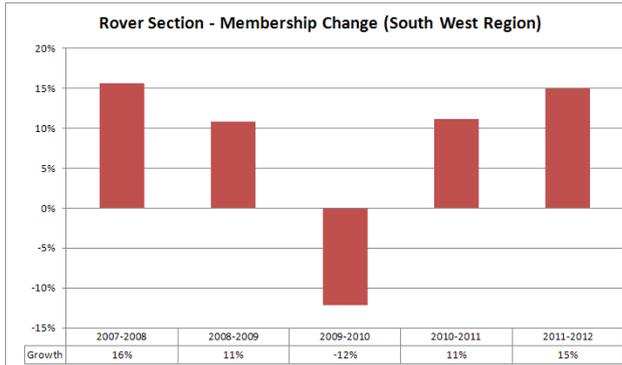
Region Rover Communities South West



Region Chairman: Lillian Green

During the past year in South West Rover Community we've had a great time and achieve some pretty fun things.

We ran an Introduction to Rovers course in March which was attended by 11 people, this may seem like a small number but that is 1/4 of the region were at the event! Training is a national goal and it is great to see several people within the region having a go at this.



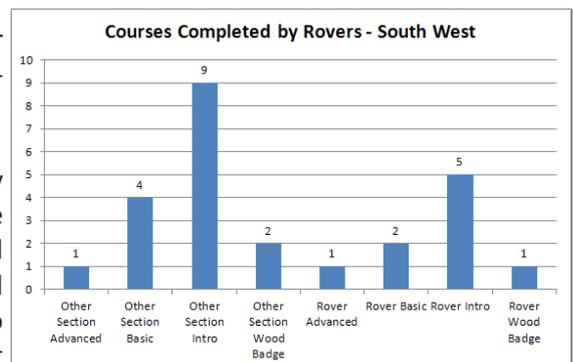
As we all know, Surfmoort was held at Eumeralla Scout Camp again this year, and I'm very proud to acknowledge the effort put in by members within south west who assisted with the running of the event: Lil, Nicky, and Laura were on the committee, and for the weekend Alex stepped up and took on the "Region Chair" position, Ben organized catering and Pete donated several hay bales. We're really lucky to have an event like Surfmoort in our backyard and it was great to see so many South Westies enjoying the weekend!

We have forged an new and exciting friendship with Melbourne region. This has stemmed from a combined weekend away we hosted at Patanga Park. Melbourne region are keen to do it again next year and have already begun promoting it to their crews. It will be one of the early tasks of the incoming region team to begin to negotiate planning for this weekend in march. Friendships like these are what makes Rovering special.

Nathan, Caitie and Lil crossed the ditch for New Zealand Moot over Easter weekend. A great time was had by all!

Lil has been appointed Australian Contingent Leader for 2013 Moot and is busy working on budgets, forms and planning an epic post tour!

Again this year we camped together at mudbash. It's really cool to see everyone hanging out at the campfire in our little tent town, cooking and eating together. I love that we can all come together for a weekend and know that everyone will put in and help each other out and have a great time! I'd also like to congratulate Boss Hurst and Maverick for their great racing - they all had fun driving the boy, and we're really keen to see Patanga and possibly Mahogany get a car up hopefully in time for next year!



We are pleased to announce we have secured CARB for next year also. This will be a fantastic task for the region. Furthermore, please note in your diaries November 24th, as we would be silly not to check out the best country rover event going that is carb!

I will take this moment to congratulate Nathan Delaney on becoming Region Chair for the next year, also congratulations and best wishes to the new team: Lillian Green (Secretary/Vice Chair), Nicky Strachan (Treasurer), Alex Pandick, Jonathan Graham and Ben Cardinal (Project Officers).

Last but not least I would like to thank the outgoing executive team for all of their hardworking and dedication to the region in the past year. You guys were a pleasure to work with, and great fun. Cheers guys :-)

Metropolitan Area Rover Ball



In July 2011, Mt Dandenong Region Rover Community welcomed Victorian and interstate Rovers 'Welcome to the Carnivale' for one of the biggest nights on the Rover calendar - The Metropolitan Area Rover Ball, MARB! Melrose Reception Centre in Tullamarine was again a fantastic venue for the occasion and after 12 months of planning and one hectic day setting up decorations and building stages the night went off without a hitch and was enjoyed by all.



We were all amazed at the amount of effort all attendees went to this year for their costumes, no doubt spending much money, time and effort selecting suitable sequins, feathers, hats and suits. There was again a lot of skin on display this year, some cross dressing, a lot of body paint and incredibly high heels. Congratulations to everyone for embracing this years creative and colourful theme – 'Welcome to the Carnivale!' It was fantastic to see and hear everyone behaving like all good Rovers do; incredibly loud and incredibly colourful!

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Awards

- Best Dressed Crew EJ Chittick
- Best Dressed Girls Jess Fotheringham
- Best Dressed Boys "The Amaroo Boys"

Thanks must also go to Stagepass for their wonderful support in the lead up to and on the night, the Melrose Reception Centre for welcoming us back for another year and also to Mudbash, Surf-moot, Mafeking Committee of Management and the Bogong Rover Chalet for their donations of tickets and weekends for our best dressed winners. Lastly, a big thank you to everyone who came and made the night a fantastic night for all.



Mudbash



This year Mudbash celebrated its 40th Anniversary, and after months of planning and much time and effort put in by the Committee, we managed to pull off a very successful and enjoyable event for all.

I would first like to thank everyone for making Mudbash the Premier Rover event yet again. From the Mudbash Committee, other sub-committees who assisted us,

along with all the Rovers who attended our working bees ---- YOU made Mudbash 2012 what it was.

Rovers Overall

- The Mistress
- Fort Nepean Rover Crew

Non-Rovers Overall

- Black Sheep Racing
- New Zealand Rovers

With many special events organised for the 40th Anniversary celebration, a highlight for all was definitely seeing all the past Chairmans reunited and racing again! What a blast from the past it was to have so many of Mudbash's favourite buggy's making it back to the Park for the special occasion! The 'Mudbash Museum' was a popular addition this year, with hundreds of people enjoying past Mudbash promotional videos, browsing at photos of all the buggies and also looking at 40 years of Mudbash merchandise including trophies, port, buggy bonnets and clothing.

This year our onsite activities team worked hard to entertain our non-racing Rovers, introducing more Saturday activities including the static car pull and dash for cash. I hope we can build on this in the coming years to ensure ALL Rovers can get the most out of the event as possible. Open Day activities were bigger and better than ever with the hot laps, abseiling and face-painting extremely popular throughout the day. Thank you to the committee and volunteers who made Open Day an extremely successful day.



Importantly, it is my great pleasure to announce that 2012 was yet another profitable year for Mudbash, showing that we are still on track to being a self-reliant event!



2012 was another great year working alongside the Mafeking Committee of Management to improve our Rover Park. Pre-working bees ran smoothly and were extremely productive with many small projects finally finished off. With these jobs now completed, in the following 12 months we can shift our efforts to some of the more major projects Mafeking have planned, including the proposed Toilet Block. A special thank you goes to Michael Quayle and his committee for their help over the last 12 months.

I would like to again thank the 2012 Mudbash Committee - we couldn't have done it without you! Best of luck to the 2013 Committee and I look forward to working with you as the immediate past Chair for the 20th Mudbash at Mafeking Rover Park!

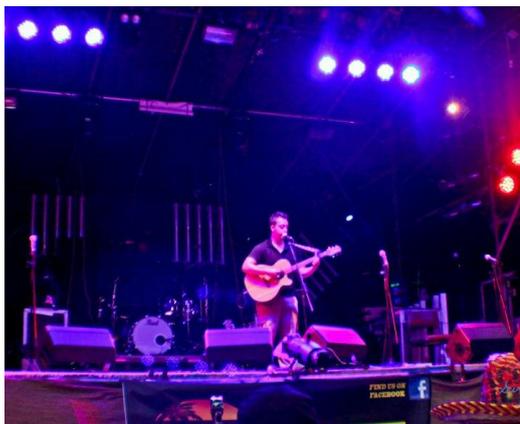


Andrew Cooke
Chairman
Mudbash 2012

Event Attendance Statistics

Vehicle Entries:	~40
Presold Tickets:	494
Gate Tickets:	239
Day Tickets:	685
Total Campers:	733

Surfmoot



Well, we did it. There were those who had their doubts and reservations, but we made t@ What started as an insult, the word "Muppet" was given new life in 2011, and we ran with it.

After almost a year, after many grand ideas, a few plan B's (some plan C's) and the usual backstage antics, we finally released the Greatest Show this Summer has to offer – Surfmoot 2012:: Muppetmoot, brought to you by the biggest Muppet of them all – Ashley "Ferret" Comer.

This year, Surfmoot was all about the Muppets from Jim Henson's The Muppet Show, with our own Rover twist. Everything was bigger, better, and more muppety than ever before! While you were off sitting back, lying down, catching up and generally enjoying the event, the Committee Muppets put in a massive effort to make sure that without a doubt, you enjoy our show! It is safe to say that without

the assistance of this ragamuffin group of dedicated individuals, Muppets in their own right, this event would not have been the success it was. Thank you!

Surfmoot Committee is the best all year round Roving experience. It's not all about the event, but the journey we take to get there. The friendships built, the good times had, and the bad times diverted because of some pretty awesome people working toward a common goal. I challenge every Rover to consider taking up the experience of what it truly means to run an event like Surfmoot. Every year, some old farts leave, and young blood is required. Even if you 're just looking to stay out of trouble on the weekend (or looking to find new ways to get into strife), step up and ask the 2013 committee if they need a hand, and jump in the deep end at Surfmoot 2013th M*A*S*H and give this next event's team a hand – they don't bite (hard), and any Muppet injuries will surely be cleaned up by the best Doctors and Nurses at the Surfmoot 2013th M*A*S*H!

In my many years on the Surfmoot Committee, I have seen much success and a lot of growth within individuals – even myself! This year has been no exception. And without YOUR participation, my fellow Rover Muppets, we would have had a pretty boring weekend, so thanks to everyone who attended Surfmoot 2012: Muppetmoot, and we hope you had as much fun being there as we did running it!

I can only hope that after mixing things up, doing a couple of things differently, and trying to make the weekend a little more exciting without compromising too much of what we all love about Surfmoot, that we all enjoyed a relaxing weekend with our closest of Rover friends.

Thank you all for having fun, making trouble as Ferret would, relaxing, taking all of Surfmoot 2012: Muppetmoot in, and we'll see you all next year at Surfmoot 2013th M*A*S*H. They are my instructions, and the Chairman's decision is final!

Yours in Roving,
Ashley "Ferret" Comer
Chairman
Surfmoot 2012: Muppetmoot



Event Attendance Statistics

Presold Tickets:	446
Gate Tickets:	127
Total Campers:	660





Rover Scout Motorsport

This year saw RSM take a few large steps forward. One of the major steps was the appointment of Peter Gibson as Rover Advisor. With an RA hopefully RSM will be able to follow on from year to year instead of having to start fresh each year when a new Chairperson takes over. This year we also started a partnership with the V8 Supercar Championship at Sandown. This partnership is, and will be a brilliant thing to be a part of, for Victorian Rovers.

As a Committee we finally started to get RSM out there within the Rover Community and the whole of scouting in general with us running JDP cars at Venturer activities and also running displays at different scouting activities across Victoria. RSM also started getting more crews to build new cars and also guiding them on obtaining permits to run test and tunes on their properties, instead of just driving their cars on their properties so that they are covered by C.A.M.S. and Scouts Insurance. We also started scrutineering days before events and this should make scrutineering quicker and simpler at events, hopefully stopping scrutineers having to turn back cars at events due to them not complying with regulations. This season saw us only run three events with Winter Challenge, Lead Foot and Mudbash at Mafeking. Due to Ballan Council not allowing Motor sports events in there zones we had to cancel two events. Even though we only have three events on our calendar RSM was still very busy doing other events such as:

- Sandblast Contingent
- VG Display
- AG JDP/Hot Laps
- Sandown 500 Display
- Rally Vic officiating
- Sandown V8 Test Day advertising & fundraising
- Increasing the RSM brand internally and externally
- Formed tentative partnership with V8 Supercars at Sandown
- Increased conversation between interstate RSM clubs
- Attended the Branch Strategic Weekend away
- Purchase/Donation of new JDP cars
- Received a grant for the purchase of a First Aid Kit and 3 tents for Start/Finish gates
- We had members go and learn how the F1 Committee organise their event at Albert Park
- Adult hot laps at Mudbash



Rover Scout Motorsport is going places but some suggest that we might need to give the website an overhaul by making it easier for Rovers to find out about racing events that are coming up, how to build a buggy, how to run an event and how to run a JDP. Junior Development Programmes are going to be our best way to get Venturers keen to join rovers when it comes time; however we need to keep updating our cars and also keep the ones that we have in good working order. Most of all we need to get

more Rovers interested in running events and being involved with RSM instead of relying on Former Rovers or Rover parents.

As you can see the RSM Committee is always busy and most of us enjoy doing it. (Racing that is!) but I would like to say a huge thanks to the whole RSM committee of the 2011- 2012 Season for everything that you have done to help me and help Victorian Rovers in living there dream of becoming the next Craig Lowndes.

I would like to say a big thank you to Caity, even though I received a lot of phone calls, messages and of course emails (until she worked out I am not the best for replying to emails). She was always able to help me out by explaining to me what was going on, why were we doing different things this way (the C.A.M.S. way, not the scout's way) and always keeping me on my toes. I wish Caity all the best of luck in her term as Chairman in the ensuing year.

Finally thank you to everyone that has helped out in any form during the last 12 months. There is quite of few people that have helped me and hopefully next season will see more Rovers helping out at events just remember RSM isn't just racing it also about driver training and education.



Cameron Adamson, RSM Chairman 2011-2012

Bogong Rover Chalet



This year we had an early start to the snow season with snow dusting the chalet on food weekend. It has been a bumper season with regular snow falls with a large amount of base material. It was definitely a good season to be at the snow. Prior to the snow season a group of Parks volunteers restored Wallace's hut, it looks great! We had someone come and talk about the restoration at our Ski Expo which was very interesting and a sight to see. Our lease with parks is coming up for renewal soon so we have formed a small lease committee to secure the Rover Chalet's future.



This year we had a total of 197 bookings for winter parties, which is higher than last year's attendance. Within these bookings we had disappointing number of 6 Victorian Rovers attend weeks but great turn outs for all Venturer weeks. Unfortunately, we did not get numbers to open weeks 4, 11 or 12. As with last year our aim was to increase the numbers of Victorian Rovers attending ski weeks at the chalet. We attempted to run 'Mountain Games' at the beginning of the year and also began an annual event called 'Ski Moot' which has been promoted to Victorian Rovers at all major events. Unfortunately both events fell through with very limited interest in mountain games and only 7 applications for Ski Moot with only 2 new applicants (min of 10 needed). Week 3 had a week of 31 South Australian Rovers in attendance.



This summer we replaced the open fireplace in the dining room with a new coonara. It is a great addition that is much more efficient in wood usage and produces much more heat. We also got a new BBQ and fire door into the wood shed. We are looking into the purchase of a new generator to replace the current kaboda and how to avoid the carbonation of Ned (the drying room heater).



Overall we have had a good season of snow and consistent numbers. We will still keep endeavouring to increase numbers of rovers, next year we will run a Ski Moot and particularly advertise to current Vic rovers. But most importantly we need people to promote via word of mouth.

Thank you to all member of the Alpine and Bogong Rover Crews who attended a ski week, the chalet wouldn't be here without you. Also huge thanks to the management committee and everyone who has helped out this year in the running and maintenance of the chalet. We hope to see many more Victorian Rovers in attendance in the next snow season.

Yours in scouting,
Kathleen Pearce
BCMG Chairman



W.F. Waters Ski Lodge



2012 was an active year for the Baw Baw Rover Crew and the WF Waters Chalet. The snow season started early, in May, which made the working bee and transporting the food into the lodge an interesting experience. This year we implemented a new bookings policy, as well as forming a new Business Planning Committee to update the now expired Business plan.

Baw Baw Rover Crew's main priority for 2012 has been to promote the Baw Baw Rover Crew and gain new members. We promoted heavily at events such as Mudbash and Surfmoor. We have had some interest over the year with one new member being welcomed at the October AGM, with the hope that more will follow in 2013.

Despite the crew's best efforts to promote the new "Summer Parties"/Working Bees, we had a drop in attendance. We can only assume at this stage that this was due to a lack of communication, and we will keep the Summer Parties program for another year's trial. Bookings were rather similar to 2011 numbers. We hosted one additional open weekend in comparison to the previous year and summer bookings were unusually low which we will be focusing on promoting in 2012-2013.



At the working bees, the major works included cladding under the lodge to fireproof and secure the firewood, and installing new gas heaters. In the coming two years the crew is planning to re-roof and re-clad the lodge. The Capital Works Committee is considering having a more energy efficient lighting system, and double glazing the windows, and possibly creating an upstairs extension to fit more beds and a bigger bathroom.

I thank all the winter participants for making the winter warden weekends so enjoyable, and I also thank my wonderful committee for all their hard work in 2012. It is their time and efforts that makes W.F Waters Rover Lodge the best accommodation on Mt Baw Baw. I would also like to congratulate Caroline Mann on behalf of the Baw Baw Rover Crew for deservedly receiving the W.F Waters Award. I hope to see you all at the lodge in 2013.



Yours in Roving,

Phoebe Brodal-Robertson
Baw Baw Rover Crew – Crew Leader
W.F Waters Rover Ski Lodge – Chairperson



Mafeking Rover Park



This previous year has been a very productive and busy year for Mafeking Rover Park and the committee of management. As a committee we have achieved a very pleasing amount which is something that I am very proud of, in my second and final year of being Chairman.

Apart from all the general cleaning that needs to be done every month or so we underwent some bigger tasks to better The Park. The most notable one is the new shed, which is just a few months away from completion, which will be a very good addition to Mafeking. The second one that should be noted is the training centre, which we hope to have ready to use by the end

of 2012.

Mudbash this year was a huge success once again. The Mafeking committee, lead by our Canteen Officer, Jessica Watling ran the canteen with great return and nothing but praise for the way it was run and the quality of food. This is something that we hope to continue for many years to come as it provides us with a great source of revenue. Apart from the Canteen, Mafeking had a number of members on the Mudbash committee that worked tirelessly the whole weekend with their roles on that committee. I believe it is a great thing the way Mafeking and Mudbash work together in pulling off a great event. The effort of all committee members does not go unnoticed.



Mafeking runs two events annually, Mafeking Masters and Mafeking Open Day. Mafeking Masters had a healthy 60 people attend and was a fun weekend of golf and friends. The Open Day was down on numbers this year, something we need to look into, but everyone who attended had great things to say about the way The Park was looking and what Mafeking had to offer.



The working bees were well attended for the most part, with the regulars and some new faces working hard to keep Mafeking looking amazing. Along with Mudbash we are looking into a way to get new faces to the working bees and find a new group of rovers to love The Park as much as the current group do.

I would personally like to thank all involved in Mafeking Rover Park, especially over the past two years, you have made my journey as Chairman an enjoyable one. With such strong, committed people it has made my job an easy one.



Yours in Roving,
Michael Quayle.





International Events

New Zealand Moot



Thursday 5 April 2012 marked the beginning of the 70th Annual New Zealand Rover Moot in Kaikohe, North Island, New Zealand. 24 rovers in total, two from the Australian Capital Territory, one from New South Wales, three from Queensland, 17 from Victoria and one from Western Australia made up the Australian contingent. Friday's service activity was helping a small school complete roughly a year's worth of working bee activities in the space of about five hours. I am pleased to report that everyone did their share and possibly picked up the beginnings of a new skill. We are told we (the 130 strong moot) completed a year's worth of working bee projects

in the space of a few hours. Day tours on the Saturday were a great success also owing to the fact that most Australians were placed on their first tour of preference. Tours ranged from tall ship sailing to sky diving and everything in between.

Throughout the moot, the Australians showed prowess in the activities. On Friday afternoon, the boys and girls tug-of-war teams put in a great job for the country winning and coming second respectively. Sunday at moot is activities day where we also did well in the cross-country race with David Langron winning second place in the individual boys cross country and helping the boys team come third place. The girls team also did well in the cross country, coming in second. We also had an Australian, Lillian Green, in the team who won the shooting trophy and two Australians, Sarah Prossor and Mark Benham in the second placed team. This year's Shooting Trophy round robin activities ranged from paintball shooting and catapult construction to a photo scavenger hunt and eating chocolate fish without the use of hands. While the teams were roughly allocated by crew, each team included at least one Australian.



At the conclusion of moot, 11 contingent members continued on with the post moot tour. This year the tour visited Kerikeri in the Bay of Islands, Rotorua and Auckland with the assistance of a van and luggage trailer hired for us through the moot itself. The accommodation for the tour included Kerikeri scout hall, Rotorua scout hall and Nomads Auckland City Hostel. Hall accommodation was organised with the assistance of our kiwi hosts and direct communication with the Group Councils running the halls. A special mention needs to be made to the Rotorua Scout Group for hosting us after only a few days of being broken into for the umpteenth time. The post moot contingent also deserves a special mention here after an impromptu collection from the group raised NZ\$200+ for the hall. In addition to exploring new places, post mooters enjoyed activities including parasailing, swimming with the dolphins, zorbing, bungee jumping, luge and jet boating.

The moot and post moot were great successes with many friendships made and new opportunities experienced. The New Zealand MOC always do a fantastic job and this year was no different. Thanks to the Australian contingent team, the Australian contingent, the MOC and Rovers New Zealand for a brilliant moot.

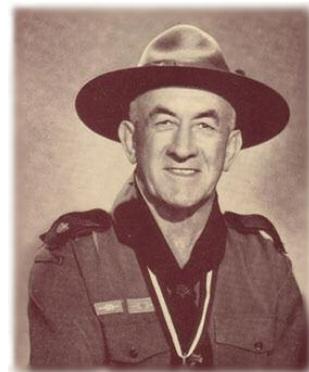
Lisa Picking
Contingent Leader
Australian Contingent
Windback Moot NZ 2012



W.F. Waters Rover Service Award Honour Roll



- 1982
Rob Brain
Ivan Fox
Harold Gardiner
Terry Lambert
Lindsay de Marchi
Mick Scarff
- 1983
Rex Brown
Hugh Grayson
Alan Parkin
Harry Stephenson
Max Strode
- 1985
John Ackerly
Steve Burton
John Clark
Rob Motton
Joy Oldridge
Bruce Wood
- 1986
Mark Binks
David Brace
Greg Davies
Ron Griffiths
Ian Sharpe
Neil Westaway
- 1987
Gary Bourton
Laurie Browell
Brian Downing
Pauline Jennings
Trevor Kinsey
- 1988
Jeff Gardner
Rob Johnson
Richard Kings
Ian Talbett
- 1989
Sue Brain
Chester Irving
Graham Ryan
Greg Storer
- 1990
Syd Bysouth
Peter Chaplin
Tony Coleman
Rodney Francis
Jeff Graham
Janet Granger
Neville Kendall
Ray Nevill
Josie Peterson
Terry Prentice
Kath Scarff
- 1991
Stephen Carter
Michael Crawley
Bruce Durant
Brett Lewis
Bryan O'Reilly
Gaile Reid
Sue Tanck
William Wells
- 1992
Craig Bacon
Julie Chaplin
Jon Franklin
Ian Grenda
- John Henderson
Trevor Krohn
Anthony Paine
John Parr
Bruce Paterson
Vaya Raftopolous
Peter Runting
Dianna Simpson
David Smith
Deidre Toal
Greg Wanless
Trevor Yann
- 1993
Margaret Bysouth
Andrew Gallagher
Brian Harris
Kathy McGrath
Geoff Mcleod
Sue Laughton
Marie Prentice
- 1994
Wayne Kleeman
Roy Paton
Jodie Patterson
Pauline Phillips
Jack Porter
Peter Rashleigh
Amber Shears
Doug Smith
Daniel Tyrell
Catherine White
- 1995
Brad Crabtree
Chris Epskamp
Stephen Harry
Michael Hosemans
Shane Lockwood
Duncan McColl
Michael McGrath
Richard Neil
- 1996
Iain Donaldson
Richard Epskamp
Carolyn Hand
Paul Little
- 1997
Ken Faulks
Tim Mepstead
Jason Ward
- 1998
Craig Bergin
Doug Cartwright
Chris Crennan
Gavin Thomas
- 1999
Matt Anderson
Chris Cole
Jason de Voogd
Murray Duncan
Kylie Durant
Tim Fryer
Robert Hill
Travis Newing
Lachlan Shield
- 2000
Travis Barry
Chris Eagle
Rob Galea
Caroline Overbeek
- Alston Park
John Ravenhall
Paul Robertson
Colin Sharp
Ian Stackhouse
Jason Troy
Craig Whan
- 2001
Bruce Day
Cheryl Edward
Jody Freeman
Elizabeth Haines
Steve Joiner
James McEwan
Andrew Nyilas
Mathew Okely
Mark Perkins
Keith Smithers
Andrew Stuckey
- 2002
Jeremy Leeson
Maria Murray
Andrew Sanderson
Michael Simpson
Mark Thornton
Les Wiebenga
- 2003
Michael Anton
Catherine Brumby
Daniel Crennan
Luke Francis
Letitia Okely
Felicity Pleasants
Scott Rosicka
Megan Shields
Jacki Whan
Michael Whymys
Narelle Williams
- 2004
Donna Anderson
Michael Connor
Cameron Cook
Fiona Dean
Elizabeth Golec
Colin Jones
Kristopher Lawrence
Lee Prior
Ros Pruden
Peter Rossborough
Michael Spencer
- 2005
Rodney Abson
Christopher Allan
Benjamin Eriksson
Joshua Hutton
Adrian Irving
Linda Moore
Lucas Moore
Adrian Rietwyk
Raymond White
Daniel Wilson
Chris Young
- 2006
Daniel Angus
Mandy Bannon
Graeme Bryar
Gary Howard
Simon Millar
James Stewart
- 2007
William Gielewski
Giff Hatfield
Raymond Lubansky
Patrick McCormick
- 2008
Stuart Bailey
Lillian Beard
Aaron Guild
David Lyons
Jack Maver
Richard McCoy
Theresa Prior
Stephen Rahill
Sarah Wotherspoon
- 2009
Christopher Anderson
Sarah Austin
Dean Castle
Elizabeth Davison
Peter Gibson
Elizabeth Hardy
Belinda Henderson
Travis Parkes
- 2010
Robert Chakir
Mathew McKernan
Paul Teys
Stephen Vines
- 2011
Pip Gray
Glenn Gregoire
Chris Gunther
Brod Helmers
Drew Lazenby
Shaun McIlvain
Kyle Nash
Travis Rigoni
Steven Rowlandson
Nathan Simpson
Bianca Vincent





Victorian Rovers Service



As part of the program, the Rover Scout Section participates in a wide range of activities - one of which is that of Service. Below is a small selection of photos pertaining to Rover Scouts hard at work completing service activities.



Victorian Rovers - Yearbook Editor's Report

This is my third year editing the Rover Yearbook, it is a job that doesn't really get any easier, you just get used to it. The 1st year was a learning curve, while the 2nd year was a year for change. This year we had a formula set out that worked well, it was just a matter of implementing it. It can sometimes be an arduous and time consuming task. This year I was very impressed with the timely manner the majority of reports from regions and sub committee's were submitted, which allowed time for proof reading. This year I took a majority of the photos myself which made the job of collating photos easier but also meant I was limited with photos, which is something myself and the Marketing team are looking at improving so that all types of Rover can be included in the photos next year.

I would like to thank the numerous other people I 'stole' photos off, Morris Orchard and Jody Freeman for their hard work in making sure everything was together and proofing the drafts. Thank-you to Craig Bevan for his efforts in designing the cover along with everyone providing content along the way. But the biggest thanks must go to Mathew McKernan for doing the layout and type setting for the entire Yearbook. I would also like to acknowledge Ralph and Cam from Adamson Printing for the timely printing of this publication.

If you would like to help with next year's Yearbook or have any feedback, please email me on brc.journalist@vic-scouts.asn.au. In addition to that if you have photos that you would like included in the Yearbook or any other Rover publication please email them to photos@vicrovers.com with the title of photos and who took the photos.

Yours in Roving,
Caitlin Brideson
BRC Journalist - Yearbook Editor

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Surfmoot 2013	Alisha Clarke	Daniel Vriens
Rover Scout Motorsport	Caitlin Hards	Peter Gibson

Branch Events & Contingents

Event	Chairman	Region Host
MARB 2012	Dale Krumins	Bays
Rover Dinner 2012	Andrew Clark	Plenty Valley
WAM Contingent	Nicole Ryan	



Scout Promise

On my honour

I promise that i will do my best
To do my duty to my God, and
To the Queen of Australia
To help other people, and
To live by the Scout Law

Rover Prayer

By the spirits of the just
Made perfect in their suffering
Teach us in our turn, O Lord,
To serve Thee as we ought
To give and not to count the cost
To fight and not to heed the wounds
To toil and not to seek for rest
To labour and not to seek any reward
Save that knowing that we do Thy will.
Amen.

Scout Law

A Scout is trustworthy
A Scout is loyal
A Scout is helpful
A Scout is friendly
A Scout is cheerful
A Scout is considerate
A Scout is thrifty
A Scout is courageous
A Scout is respectful
A Scout cares for the environment



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