



**SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
MINUTES FOR THE 484TH MEETING OF THE
VICTORIAN ROVER COUNCIL
HELD AT VICTORIAN ROVER CENTRE
WEDNESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER 2021, AT 7:30PM**

1 Welcome	
1.1	Flag Break Kieron Younger
1.2	Attendance & Apologies Maddy Packer Apologies – Gemma Park, Tiff Thomas, Matthew Barnes
1.3	Acknowledgement of Country Scouts Victoria acknowledges the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of this land. We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands on which this event takes place. We pay our respects to ancestors and Elders, past and present. We are committed to honouring Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas and their rich contribution to society.
1.4	Conflict of Interest – N/A
2 Congratulations, Guest Speakers, Presentations and Formal Thanks	
2.1	Good on Ya Mate – Council acknowledges and thanks the exceptional contributions to Roving over the past month.
2.2	Guest Speakers –
3 Items for Consent	
3.1	Minutes of the previous VRC Meeting Kieron Younger Motioned: Bays Seconded: Mt Dandenong
3.2	Correspondence Maddy Packer Nil.
3.3	VRC Financial Report Jody Freeman Nil.
3.4	Decisions of the VRC Chair to be ratified Kieron Younger
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Mudbash 2022 Chair – NOTE: This will be an out of session vote That XXXX will be ratified as Mudbash 2022 Chair. Motioned: Seconded: b) NRC Delegate That Gemma Park will be ratified as the NRC Delegate 2021/22. Motioned: South West Seconded: Bays c) Trailer Locks That \$150 is put towards spent on trailer locks. Motioned: Gippsland Seconded: Plenty Valley d) Christmas Party Deposit That \$1000 is put towards the Christmas Party deposit.

Motioned: Mt Dandenong	
Seconded: Bays	
3.5	Nominations for the Baden-Powell Scout Award Regions
Emily Craw, <i>Raisbeck</i> – Melbourne Region	

4 Office Bearers Reports	
4.1	Chair Kieron Younger
<p>To the park and Beyond. Over the last few weeks, myself, SC Peter, and assistant Chair Matty have been out and about. Peter and I attended The Police Scouters AGM, while we were there had the opportunity to tour Mafeking rover park with Charmaine Beggs. It was great to see the progress that's being made with the new Patrol based structure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Safety OH&S – Front door lights to prevent trips and falls ◆ Online reporting form <p><u>Rover Dinner:</u> A huge congratulations to Hamish & Wil and your region on a successful delivery of Rover Dinner. From DCC Youth, Matt Ellis - "It was the best Rover Dinner I have been too", from SC Gilwell park, Russel Bradd - "One of the best Rover Dinners I have been too and I have been to a lot of rover dinners"</p> <p>Many thanks to the Supporters of Rover dinner: CVP, Baden Powell lodge UGLV 448, SLT, and it's great to have Girl Guides Vic there too.</p> <p>But wait there's more, last Thursdays we hosted ARAP party. Thanks to Lily and Kathryn for helping present the Rover report. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EKAkk9pUH-o&t=223s.</p> <p>The last week myself and Matty went on a road trip to see Rovers leading the Training courses at Gilwell, checked out Scout Moot, and then travelled to Mafeking rover park to witness Round one of the RSM championship.</p> <p>Email at: chairman@vicrovers.com.au</p>	
4.2	Deputy Chair Hamish Beshara
<p>With the lifting of COVID restrictions, it's great to hear our Regions reporting that face-to-face scouting is back. There are several end-of-year events being planned by Region Teams, as well as the Rover Christmas Party, which was announced at Rover Dinner earlier this month. There is no shortage of celebratory events before Christmas, so I encourage everyone to get their Units to squeeze these events into their calendars to end the year on a high note.</p> <p>The conversation between South West and Murray Midlands Rovers regarding the amalgamation of Western Region into South West Rover Region has progressed in the past month. Stakeholder consultation has finished, and voting will commence next month to decide whether these two Regions would like to take their proposal to VRC in 2022. More detail in the South West Region Report.</p> <p>Email at: deputy.chair@vicrovers.com.au</p>	
4.3	Assistant Chair Matthew Barnes
<p>No report submitted.</p> <p>Email at: assistant.chair@vicrovers.com.au</p>	
4.4	Membership Development Adam Kaplan
<p>Bay Park Bash (a replacement camp for Victorian Gathering) is under 2 weeks away. 500+ venturers are expected</p>	

to be attending the first state-wide camp for 21 months. I'm putting together a bit of a Rover expo to showcase what rovers are all about. If you are able to assist, either by physically attending or by providing something to be displayed, it will be very much appreciated - please get in contact with myself or Kieron.

Together with the State Venturer Council, we are looking at organising a strategy day to really solidify our collective strategies regarding the transition from venturers to rovers. This would run in early 2022 and hopefully have representation from every region and also venturers, so the transition can be as smooth and inclusive for as many 18-year-olds as possible.

Email at:
membership.development@vicrovers.com.au

4.5 Program **William Weber**

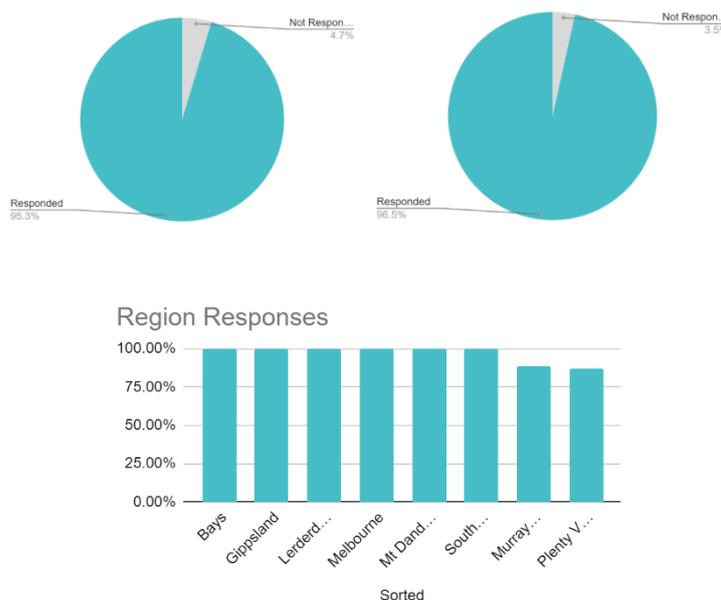
So, this month I've been continuing to collect dates for the 2022 Calendar! I'm hoping to have it all wrapped up and ready before the first weekend of December so please if you haven't emailed me with your event dates please do so ASAP! Thanks!

Email at:
program@vicrovers.com.au

4.6 Program Transition Officer **Harrison Feldman**

Responses

I'll be frank, this past month not much has happened in terms of state-wide transition. We now only have 3 units still awaiting responses.



Pathways, Badges and Terrain

The pathways status and badge status still hasn't changed yet. Those working on the old system are likely not going to change over until they've reached their BP or the deadline, so these results are not unexpected. I am guessing there is now a significant amount of badges that have been bought that I simply do not have the data of yet.

Pathways Status



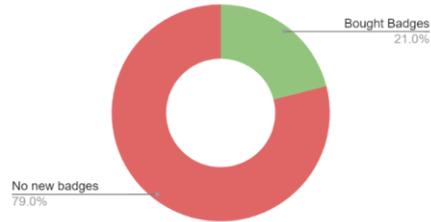
Pathways Status



Badge Status



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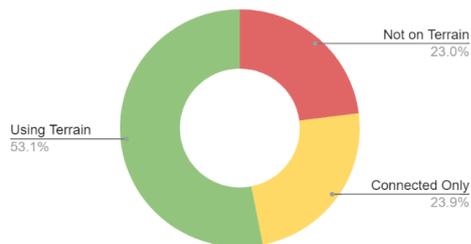


As the months progress, I believe all units are getting the message that they should be at least attempting to work with Terrain. We are getting to the end of the year and communication will naturally be winding down as everyone goes on holidays. Nevertheless, I still encourage units to reach out for help/workshops if they need it.

Terrain Status



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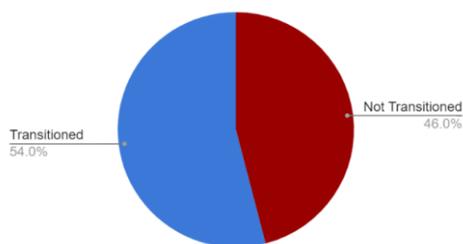


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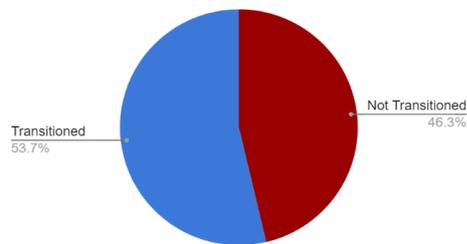
Total transition % has gone down 0.3% due to the one new response since last month. This is our most important long-term number. Once again, the formula for this number is

$$Transition \% = \frac{4 * \%member\ using\ pathways}{10} + \frac{5 * (1\ if\ using\ (or\ tried\ using)\ Terrain)}{10} + \frac{1 * (1\ if\ bought\ new\ badges)}{10}$$

% Transitioned

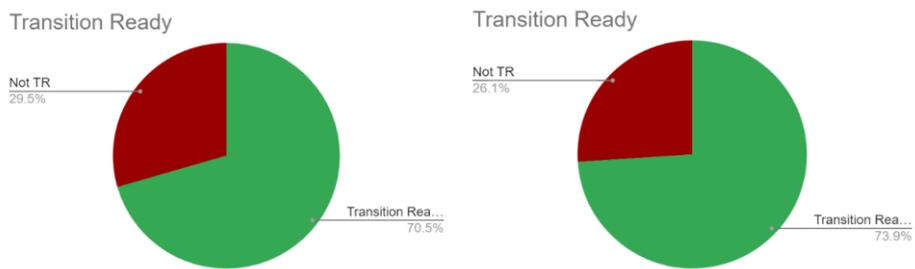


% Transitioned

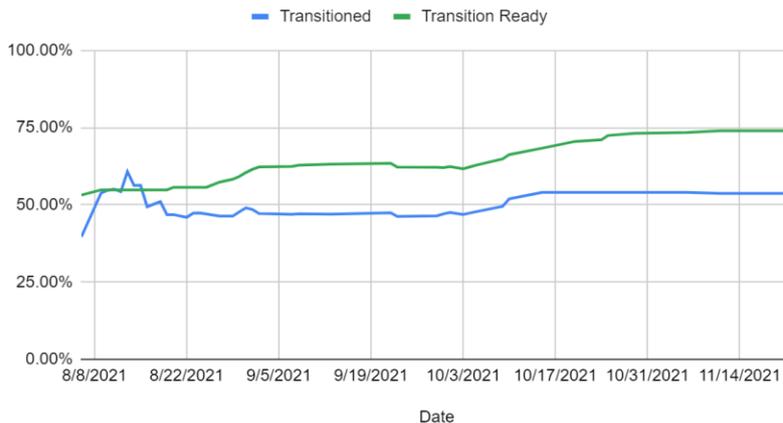


Transition ready % has also gone up 3.4% to 73.9%. This is our most important short-term number and tells us how prepared the state is for using the new system.

$$Transition\ ready = \frac{\geq 1\ member\ understands\ the\ AP + can\ use\ Terrain + had\ (or\ didn't\ need)\ a\ workshop}{3}$$



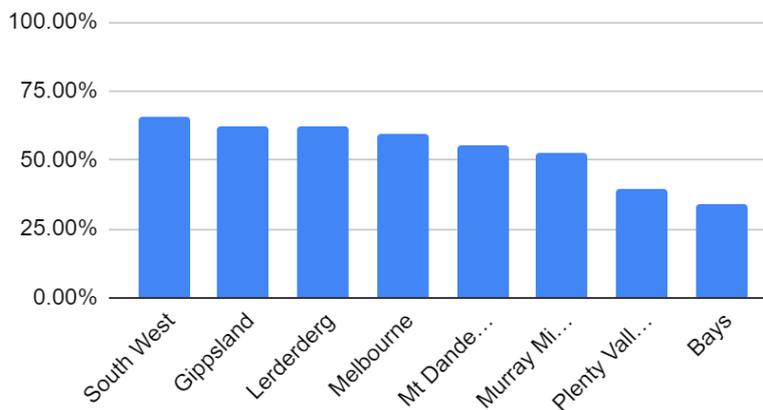
Transitioned and Transition Ready



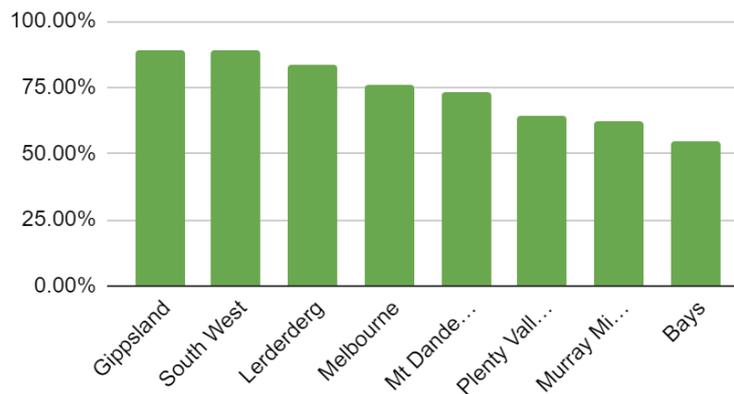
Region Rankings

As always, us rovers love a bit of competition. Here are the current rankings of the regions. I will stress that each region has its own difficulties, and these results are not indicative of one region being 'better' than another. Not much has happened in the past month but here are the numbers anyway:

Regions Transition %

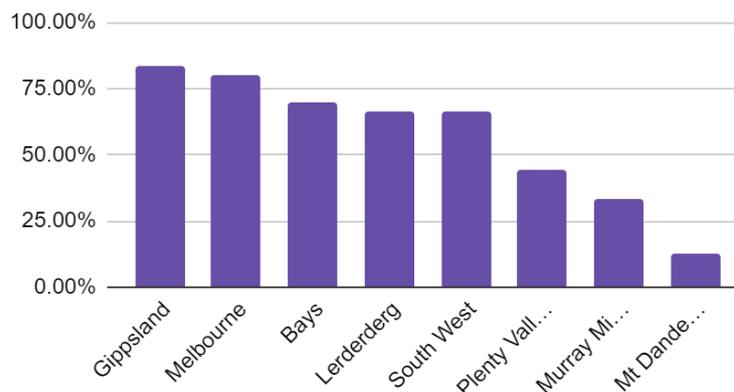


Transition Ready



Once again, this months ‘Harrison’s Good Books’ look at the percentage of units that have responded to any of my communications. Personally, I hold no grudges, but in order to improve a units ranking I do need to be able to communicate with the region so I can represent the region with the most up to date data.

Harrisons Good Books



Email at:
program.transition@vicrovers.com.au

4.7 Training

Catherine Marley

Our November course ran last weekend. I’d firstly like to thank the Rover Training Support Team for all of their hard work. This was our first face-to-face Essentials course and our first Leadership course since we changed curriculums in June so it was a great effort to prepare everything.

The Essentials course ran with 28 participants across five patrols. The course was entirely presented by Rovers, supported by Jody.

The Leadership course ran with 16 participants across three patrols and was presented by our under-30s team supported by Regi.

The Rover Training Support Team are also working on individual training sessions to run at a region level to supplement the training courses. These will fill any gaps left by the curriculum change and be available upon request. I’m looking to launch these at the next VRC meeting.

Email at:
training@vicrovers.com.au

4.8 BPSA**Andrew Strachan**

The BPSA training session last week was a big success, I believe all regions now have BPSA trained rovers able to approve proposals and run reflection panels. If you need more BPSA team members in your region let me know, there will be more training sessions next year.

Email at:

bpsa@vicrovers.com.au

4.9 NRC**Gemma Park**

We have now become Financial Members again, with a payment plan. This allows us to access the Rover Development Fund, not to mention have a vote at the table. This gives us a great position to create change leading up to conference. I had a chat with the region chairs about our plan to create change and advocate lowering the NRC Levy and supporting the NRC with our Financial team if called upon.

Rover Levy:

If any Rover has a problem with the proposed new funding model, they should directly contact myself or Peter ASAP. We are already speaking with the SLT about the new Rover Membership Levey.

Vaccinations:

Look over the FAQ is you're unsure on what is required of all of us over the age of

16. <https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/covid-19-lockdown-faq/vaccination/>. The public health directions are clear about the requirements for individual workers (including volunteers) and organisations including Scouts Victoria. The link to these can be found below: <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/202110/covid-19-mandatory-vaccination-%28workers%29-directions.pdf>

We are dealing with a legislated requirement here and the fines associated with the failure to comply with these directions can be between \$10-20k for individuals and \$100k for organisations and we don't wish to subject anyone to these sorts of infringements. If you have not completed your e-form we must treat you as being unvaccinated and you will not be able to participate face-to-face Scouting.

Vaccinations are not being considered a mandatory requirement for membership of Scouts Victoria; it is only *Victorian Rover Council Minutes 483rd VRC Meeting – Wednesday 27th October 2021 - Page 3 of 16* being required for those that want to participate face-to face over the coming months. The option is still open for you to continue to participate online or remotely until the directions change. If you haven't received your Operoo form or need support completing it, please email ourduty@scoutsvictoria.com.au. Can't wait to see you all FTF soon.

Expression of interest for NRC Conference observers will be out soon and an out of session vote with region chairs will happen soon

Email at:

nrc.delegate@vicrovers.com.au

4.10 Finance**Cameron Phillips**

No report submitted.

Email at:

finance@vicrovers.com.au

4.11 Secretary**Maddy Packer**

Nothing much to report this month. As always, please aim to have your reports in on time to make my life a little easier.

All reports **not** provided will not be typed up in their entirety; only key points will be listed. If you have a general business item to present, please ensure you send through a short summary to me.

Email at: secretary@vicrovers.com.au	
4.12 Resources	Sunny Aguilar
<p>Not a lot to report this month.</p> <p>Just finalising a plan for this next year and future. Restocked the fridge for selling soft drinks. So, if you ever want a coke, lemonade or solo can, just chuck a \$2 in the black container in the fridge and grab one. I've started to re-organise the library. And will get someone to look at the pipes at the back of the hall.</p> <p>The sign has now been changed.</p> <p>Email at: resources@vicrovers.com.au</p>	
4.13 Strategic Planning	VACANT
Email at: strategicplan@vicrovers.com.au	
4.14 Marketing & Communications	Rachael Osborne
<p>Over the last month our main focus has obviously been the Vax Challenge posts, however I've begun sharing what Rover Units are getting up to, and plan to post heaps more. Our social media is a bit up and down currently, with Facebook reach down but new page likes are up, and Instagram reach is up, however our new profile visits are down. We are planning to do several posts over December for the 12 Days of Rover Christmas; however, we still need some ideas for some of the days! Please feel free to send any ideas through, if you have accompanying pictures, that would be ideal, however for most things I can probably source images myself. Secret Soup is going strong, we've got a leader board with a few different people who've been finding them each week, remember to find all 3 soups (and the caterpillar) in the newsletter every Thursday and email me at secret.soup@vicrovers.com.au to get your points!!</p> <p>Email at: communications@vicrovers.com.au</p>	
4.15 Visual Communications	Rachael Osborne
<p>Honestly, I've just been kind of vibing, doing the vax challenge graphics and not a huge amount else at the moment. Please remember that if you want something made, an email is the only way I will remember about it!! I can and will forget about your FB message or Snapchat.</p> <p>Email at: visualcommunications@vicrovers.com.au.</p>	
4.16 IT	Michael Watts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ I will sort out the issue with the camera ASAP ◆ The calendar form is still active, please keep using this or emailing event dates to include in the calendar <p>You can contact the IT Team at it@vicrovers.com.au, and the online store team at store@vicrovers.com.au. Please reach out if there is anything we can assist with.</p>	
4.17 Commissioner Group	Peter Wotherspoon, Regi Caesar, Stephen Carter
Unit Service Award	
<p>Each year, the Baden-Powell Lodge make a presentation to the Unit which has achieved the most service during the previous year. Whilst lockdowns and other restrictions have reduced the opportunities to undertake service, I am sure that Units have still achieved much in this area.</p>	

Further details regarding the award, the applicable criteria and nomination form are on the website. Nominations close with Peter on 30 November.

W.F. Waters Award

Although we have presented both last year's and this year's awards at Rover Dinner, it is appropriate to start thinking of those members of the Rover community, and others, who could be considered for this award for their service to Rovering. Nominations are likely to close in February next year, but it is not too early to commence the process. Further details regarding eligibility criteria and the relevant form are on the website.

KISC 100

An Australian contingent will celebrate the centenary of the Kandersteg International Scout Centre (KISC) with a visit in 2023. This is a great opportunity to visit this wonderful venue and join with others in a variety of activities at Kandersteg. There is a Facebook page and a promotional YouTube video which provide further details and answers to some FAQs. Applications to join the contingent opened on 1 November and will be limited to approximately 200.

Rover Dinner

It was wonderful to see so many people joining together in a night of celebration for those who received awards and Wood Badges. The opportunity to see friends and socialise was welcomed by all after so long with events cancelled. Thanks to the team from Lerderderg Region, and others, involved in running this successful night. Thanks, too, to CVP for arranging to "livestream" the event to those unable to join us on the night, particularly the families of awardees who live interstate.

ARAP

The State ARAP was held last Thursday with a number gathering at the Rover Centre to watch the activity. The Rover Section was showcased by Kieron, Lily Twyford and Kathryn Crisp who spoke about the Section, Surfmoor and the Mental Health team respectively. The night also included some cameo performances from other Rovers. Well done to all who participated.

Finances

Rover finances have been a topic of conversation recently, particularly given the arrangements regarding the levy payable to the National Rover Council (NRC). A paper outlining options for funding has been prepared and will form the basis of discussions between Kieron and Peter with members of the State Leadership Team.

VICJAM

There are still opportunities for Rovers to participate in, and assist at, VICJAM. The presentation from the Deputy Chief Commissioner, Matt Ellis, and the State Commissioner, Jesse Carter, at last month's VRC meeting outlined areas where support would be appreciated. These details are in the Newsletter. A further opportunity has arisen with the running of a "Top Gear" style expedition for Venturers. VICJAM is looking for 10, or more, Rovers to assist with this expedition, particularly Rovers who are able to drive vehicles. Special fees apply for those running expeditions off-site. Catering will be supplied. Please contact Peter for more information.

BPSA – Government House

Presentations of BPSAs are scheduled to take place at Government House on Saturday 19 February 2022. The closing date for inclusion in this presentation is 30 November 2021.

Police Scouters

Kieron, Charmaine and Peter attended the Police Scouters ARAP at Mafeking earlier this month. We have also been contacted by the Police Scouters to enter into an agreement which recognises their status as tenants at Mafeking and their obligations in regard to maintenance, insurance, building development, etc.

Emails:

Pete: sc.rovers@vicrovers.com.au

Regi: regi.caesar@vicrovers.com.au

Stephen: stephen.carter@vicrovers.com.au

5 Sub-Committee Reporting	
5.1 Mafeking Rover Park	Charmaine Beggs
No report submitted.	
5.2 Surfmoort	Megan Rogers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The committee has had an eventful passed couple weeks ◆ We did a site visit on 13th Nov – we are taking into consideration the feedback from Surfmoort 2021 on location of the stage ◆ At Rover Dinner we were able to sell raffle tickets for our charity, Check Point. So far we have raised around \$300 and looking forward to raising more for this organisation that promotes gamers mental health ◆ Pre-sale tickets are open until 9th January ◆ After this, more expensive tickets will be open until 16th January ◆ Must be double vaccinated to attend 	
5.3 Mudbash	
<p>We are still look for the following committee members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Vice Chairman ◆ Assistant Treasurer ◆ Welfare Officer ◆ Public Relations Assistant x 2 ◆ Activities Assistant x 3 ◆ Power and Communications Manager ◆ Power and Communications Assistant x2 ◆ IT Manager ◆ Sites and Services Manager ◆ Sites and Services Assistant x 2 <p>If you are keen, please reach out.</p> <p>We have a working bee this weekend at Mafeking to complete that final stage for the main arena. Please come along and join in the fun. Lunch will be provided on the Saturday. All the info can be found here https://fb.me/e/VDYow2YG</p> <p>Tonight, will also present our budget (page 4 of minute attachment)</p> <p>If all feedback could please be provided by the 13th of December to ensure any amendments can be made before voting.</p> <p>Feedback or questions please email to chair@mudbash.com.</p>	
5.4 Rover Scout Motorsport (RSM)	Mitchell Hanger

This month we were finally able to run an event!!

Yeah the boys racing ran an awesome event up at Mafeking this past weekend with 17 cars and 67 drivers it was awesome to see everyone back out enjoying racing again.

Please inform your regions that at our next RSM meeting on December 2nd, we will be holding a trophy presentation for the final two events as well as the overall winners from the previous season.

BBQ and soft drinks will be provided.

You can find details for this event on the RSM Facebook page.

5.5 Bogong Rover Chalet

Jesse Lang

It's been a quiet month for the Chalet. With the easing of restrictions, some members from our committee were able to get up to the Chalet for a general inspection and tidy, which was great to see. In the meantime, we're looking forward to Bay Park Bash where hopefully we'll have some Chalet promotion.

5.6 W.F. Waters Lodge

Todd Henderson

With restrictions easing there is a huge amount of optimism growing that the days of the lodge remaining empty will soon become a distant memory. Baw Baw is running a working bee in early December with details to be found below.

Dates: 3rd-5th December 2021

Location: WF Waters Lodge, Mt Baw Baw.

This is a fully catered weekend with accommodation included, and if a free/catered weekend on the mountain isn't enough, there is also another small incentive for rovers to make their way up this working bee.

If 3 or more rover unit members are in attendance for the Saturday and Sunday, your rover unit will be given the opportunity to pre-book for the 2022 winter season, ahead of normal booking openings on the Surfmoort weekend.

There will be plenty of work for those qualified in various trades down to those who are happy to help where they can.

Please RSVP to Ben Cunningham, bawbawbookings@hotmail.com by 30th November along with any dietary requirements to allow us to cater appropriately.

5.7 MARB

Madeline Ancill/Breanne Simmons

No report submitted.

MARB 2021

- ◆ Not much to report
- ◆ Still working out date
- ◆ Please hold off on contacting until then

MARB 2022

- ◆ Secured date and venue which will be released soon
- ◆ Still looking for Entertainment and PR & Marketing – if interested please email

5.8 Rover Dinner

Lerderberg

It's a wrap! Rover Dinner was an excellent evening, and I'm happy to report that there were no issues on the night. Congratulations to all award recipients, it was lovely to see you all on stage celebrating your achievements.

We are still finalising the finances for the evening but can confidently say that the event did not lose money. We estimate there will be less than \$500 in surplus from the event, which means that every dollar from ticket sales has contributed to the success of the evening. Finances will be reported at the next VRC meeting.

Thank you to all the Rovers and adult support who contributed to the evening's success, including the Rover Dinner Committee, Commissioner's Group, A/V Team, Police Scouters, and the catering staff. I am looking forward

to attending next year's Rover Dinner, which I hope can be grander given that COVID restrictions are now allowing for bigger events again.

5.9 Yearbook

Catherine Marley

This is the final yearbook report from me this year. It was great to see the final products at Rover Dinner. The remaining yearbooks are in the VRC library, feel free to grab some to bring back to your regions. The digital release will be available on the website soon.

6 Region Reporting

6.1 Bays

Rachael Osborne

Bays had a meeting in person!!!! Was so fun!!! We had biscuits!!

We've been continuing to try and figure out where our uncrewed rovers belong, with more success than the mass email we went out a few months ago. We also have a couple people ready for BP interviews to be organised soon!

Overall, the region is in good spirits now that we're back in person, and we're very excited to find out what our prize is for winning the Vax Challenge 🤔

6.2 Gippsland

Justin Porter

This month we held our first face to face meeting with a really good turnout. We have identified issues with rover units not having people coming back from online so I am going to sit down with all the unit chairs and come up with a plan. If you guys have had the same issues can you please send me some ideas.

6.3 Lerderderg

Wil Sumbler

Lerderderg has had an eventful month this month. Rover Dinner ran very successfully, which was great. A huge thanks to the committee who put in a lot of hard work and an even bigger thanks to Hamish for really running the show. Not sure we would have been nearly as successful without you! It was amazing to see everyone who was able to attend that night. Hope you enjoyed yourselves!

Units are back to running in person nights, I was lucky enough to attend Port Phillips most recent night. It was great to hear the turnout was strong, potentially better than before this recent lockdown.

We're looking forward to having our region break-up next month as well, we're yet to smooth the details, but hoping it's a happy ending to a very chaotic year.

6.4 Melbourne

Tiffanie Thomas

It's good to be back in person!!

Melbourne finally got to have an in person meeting this month which was fantastic. We also gained a new member to our team.

Our Christmas party is on the 10th of December at the boat shed, this will be both ventures and rovers so will hopefully be a great night!

We also had a BP interview for Emily which was great to hear all about what she did.

FUN FACTS:

- ◆ There are 2 credit cards for every person in America
- ◆ Guinness Book of Records holds record for being book most stolen from libraries

6.5 Mt Dandenong

Gemma Park

Apologies for not being able to make it tonight - I'm at work.

Another steady month at Mt Dandenong with all the units getting back to face-to-face. Our last monthly gathering was reasonably well attended with 15 members in person braving a cold and rainy Wednesday night, and a few more tuning in from the comfort of their living room. Our units report that they have all switched back to meeting in person and not really utilising zoom anymore. Most units have run/about to run a programming night. We had

a few units who had stopped delivering a program (rather just a social space) over lockdown but all are running activities again.

The unit profiles I am creating to advertise our active units to linking venturers became a bigger task than originally planned as I tried to highlight the uniqueness of each unit, however the content is now finished and I'll be formatting it in line with our branding styles and distributing to "uncrewed" members and district venturer leaders in our region.

We had a group of our rovers go to Rover Dinner, and we would like to congratulate Lerderberg on a very well-presented evening. Food was fab, program ran smoothly and venue was great (and as usual you can cue our grumbling that it's so far from home haha). Thanks for hosting

6.6 Murray Midlands

Travis Elliot

Murray Midlands has been running a mostly regular programme throughout the region and is undergoing a significant redesign and modernisation of our admin stuff - everything from our constitution to dividing and rezoning the region. Much of this is expected to be ongoing for some time. We've now got a number of people BPSA trained so we can conduct our own interviews. Murray Midlands is excited to get involved at state events again, starting off with BTRC and Ballantrae attending Rover Dinner, and attending northern region venturer masquerade ball to continue to foster that linking scheme.

6.7 Plenty Valley

Nathan Box

Our units have jumped straight back into face-to-face Rovering, with exciting activities such as Halloween parties and car hide and seek.

We've pencilled in a date for our mini-RoVenture event, 12th of Feb, which is a fortnight after Surfmoort and a fortnight before AG.

Next month we'll be celebrating the end of the year with a barbecue in the park adjacent to our region hall.

6.8 South West

Lily Twyford

Congratulations to Jesse and Kendra from our region on a successful running of Scout Moot. Hope this continues on.

There have been talk about changing up the Country Regions to help with discrepancies in numbers. This will be between South West, Gippsland, and Murray Midlands. More information to come in the coming months.

This past month we had a very exciting region event - Halloween Murder Mystery! It was held online, which meant we were able to have people from everywhere attend - from Canberra to Warrnambool!

Our units are getting in touch with and having combined nights with the venturers now that things have opened up a bit more, which is excellent to see.

Otherwise, we are planning our Christmas break up and an executive strategic planning meeting, and importantly enjoying being able to see each other!

7 Other Reports

7.1 MPAC Report

The MPAC project Patrol did not meet this month due to conflicting schedules. Nothing has changed since the October report.

8 Interstate, National and International Events and Contingents

8.1 Apple Isle Moot - Tasmania

Lily Twyford

Hello, please check us out on Facebook and Instagram - 'Victorian Contingent to AIM 2023' <https://www.facebook.com/VicconAIM2023> & @vicconaim2023 <https://www.instagram.com/vicconaim2023/?hl=en>

This past month we had our first meeting (and it was in person holy moly) and we have set things in motion to get the contingency fee ready ASAP!

It's going to be a great one, so keep your eyes peeled as we sort out further information!

9 Voting Items

9.1 W F Waters Budget

W F Waters

The budget and cover letter can be found on page 4 of the minute attachments.

Motioned: Bays

Seconded: Mt Dandenong

Passed.

Please send any comments or questions to Todd Henderson

chair@bawbawrovers.com

10 Items for the Information of the Victorian Rover Council

10.1 Requirements for Child Safety and WHS Modules for All Adults in Scouting

Please periodically remind the Rovers in your Regions, Subcommittees and Units that these modules may have expired without their knowledge, and that they need to re-complete them when this occurs.

11 Tabled Items

11.1 Mudbash Budget

Mudbash

The budget and cover letter can be found on page 6 of the minute attachments.

Please send any comments or questions to the Mudbash Chair

chair@mudbash.com

12 Standing Items

12.1 Unit Names and Scarves

Regions

- ◆ New Unit – Ballam Park Rover Unit has been approved by Bays Region to be formed as a new unit.

12.2 Workplace Health & Safety Items

If you are using the VRC please ensure you check-in using the QR code on the front door, use sanitiser frequently and wash down all frequently touched surfaces before departure.

12.3 WWCC/e-Learning Reminders

Details of members with outstanding membership requirements are sent to Unit Leaders and Region Teams every month. Please ensure these are actioned in a timely manner.

If you'd like an ad-hoc report please contact Jeff

12.4 Operoo

Any event you run should be registered with Operoo. Contact the State Operoo team @ Operoo@vicscouts.asn.au to inform them of your event, they will help you with the process around that

12.5 ScOUT & ABOUT

Register you event through the link here. Anything from Working Bees to weekend camps.

<https://myrecord.scoutsvictoria.com.au/memberportal/scouting-activity/vic>

12.6 Terrain

More to come.

12.7 Active Rover Policy

You can find a summary sheet and optional approval form for this policy at

<https://www.vicrovers.com.au/resources/policies>

13 General Business**13.1 Other Business****Rover Christmas Party**

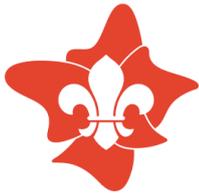
- ◆ Wednesday 22nd December
- ◆ \$10 entry
- ◆ Location: Red Eye Bar
- ◆ <https://fb.me/e/17fqzEHlj>
- ◆ Tickets will also be available at the door, but only 175 spots, so best to buy online

Closing Parade: Flag Down & Rover Prayer

Meeting Closed at: 09:15 pm

**VRC MINUTE APPENDIX
NOVEMBER MEETING
24.11.21**

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Mudbash 2022 Cover Letter & Budget.....	6	11.1	Tabled Item



**Rover
Scouts**

**VRC ATTENDANCE
484TH MEETING OF THE VRC
HELD VIA ZOOM
WEDNESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER 2021, AT 7:30pm**

Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (✗)
Office Bearers	Chair	Kieron Younger	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Hamish Beshara	✓	
	Assistant Chair	Matthew Barnes		✗
	Membership Development	Adam Kaplan	✓	
	Program	William Weber	✓	
	Our Program	Harrison Feldman	✓	
	Training	Catherine Marley		✗
	BPSA	Andrew Strachan	✓	
	NRC Delegate	N/A		✗
	Secretary	Maddy Packer	✓	
	Resources	Sunny Aguilar	✓	
	Strategic Planning	N/A		✗
	PR and Marketing	Rachael Osborne	✓	
	Visual Communications	Rachael Osborne	✓	
	IT	Michael Watts	✓	
	Finance	Cameron Phillips		✗
	SC Rover Support	Peter Wotherspoon	✓	
	ASC Rover Support	Regi Caesar	✓	
ASC Rover Support	Stephen Carter	✓		
Honorary Treasurer	Jody Freeman		✗	
Bays	Chair	Rachael Osborne	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Molly Hastings	✓	
	VRC Rep			
	Region RC	Drew Lazenby		✗
Gippsland	Chair	Justin Porter	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Zoe Cooper	✓	
	VRC Rep	Bailey Stone		✗
	Region RC	John Ernst	✓	
Lerderberg	Chair	Wil Sumbler	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Maddy Packer	✓	
	VRC Rep	Cohen Rose	✓	
	Region RC	Scotty Harrison	✓	

Committee	Role	Name	Present (✓)	Apology (✗)
Melbourne	Chair	Tiffanie Thomas		✗
	Deputy Chair	Megan Heaney		✗
	VRC Rep	Lili		✗
	Region RC	Greg Davies	✓	
Mt Dandenong	Chair	Gemma Park		✗
	Deputy Chair	Izaak Kitching	✓	
	VRC Rep	Megan Rogers	✓	
	Region RC	Maria Armstrong		✗
Murray Midlands	Chair	Travis Elliot		✗
	Deputy Chair			
	VRC Rep	Michael Hardwicke	✓	
	Region RC	Mark "Barney" Thornton	✓	
Plenty Valley	Chair	Nathan Box	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Cam Cerda		✗
	VRC Rep	Catherine Marley	✓	
	Region RC	Jeff McIlvain	✓	
South West	Chair	Lily Twyford	✓	
	Deputy Chair	Bonni McLaren		✗
	VRC Rep			
	Region RC	Lillian Miller (Asst.)		✗
Mafeking	Chair	Charmaine Beggs		✗
Surfmoot	Chair	Megan Rogers	✓	
Mudbash	Chair			✗
RSM	Chair	Mitchell Hanger		✗
Bogong	Chair	Jesse Lang	✓	
W.F. Waters	Chair	Todd Henderson	✓	
MARB	Chair	Maddy Ancill/Breanne Simmons	✓	
Rover Dinner	Chair	Lerderderg Region	✓	
Apple Isle – Vic Con	Leader	Lily Twyford	✓	
Yearbook	Chair	Catherine Marley	✓	
Guests	D&I Patrol Leader	Dylan Hannon	✓	

W F Waters 2022-2023 Budget

W F Waters Budget											
	2023 budget			Variance	2021 Actuals		2021 Budget		2020 Actuals		
Income											
Tickets	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Winter Weekend - Rover	\$130.00	198	\$ 25,740.00	61%	\$ 10,010.00		\$ 25,020.00		\$		22,160.00
Winter Weekend - Open	\$140.00	36	\$ 5,040.00	100%	\$ -		\$ 5,040.00		\$ 6,020.00		\$ 6,020.00
Winter Weekend - Venturer	\$100.00	90	\$ 9,000.00	90%	\$ 900.00		\$ 8,550.00				\$ 7,631.50
Midweek - Scouting	\$ 39.00	576	\$ 22,464.00	52%	\$ 10,780.00		\$ 22,464.00				\$ 16,021.00
Midweek - non Scouting	\$ 44.00	144	\$ 6,336.00	46%	\$ 3,410.00		\$ 6,336.00				\$ 9,218.00
Weekend - non Scouting/Scouting	\$120.00	36	\$ 4,320.00		\$ 5,000.00		\$ 4,320.00				\$ 13,273.40
Alpine bookings					\$ -		\$ 13,000.00				\$ 15,758.40
AirBnB			\$ 12,000.00		\$ 17,309.31		\$ -				\$ 3,384.28
Summer - non scouting	\$ 20.00	150	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 5,600.00		\$ 4,000.00				\$ -
Summer - Scouting	\$ 15.00	200	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 312.00		\$ 3,000.00				\$ 2,738.00
Total		1044	\$ 90,900.00		0	\$ 53,321.31	0	\$ 91,730.00		0	\$ 96,204.58
General Store	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Net ski hire Income			\$ 2,000.00	100%			\$ 3,000.00				\$ 777.00
Interest Received			\$ 500.00	-115%	\$ 1,075.21		\$ 700.00				\$ 2,169.36
Sundry Income			\$ 500.00		\$ 24,263.27		\$ 500.00				\$ 690.00
Total		0	\$ 3,000.00		0	\$ 25,338.48	0	\$ 4,200.00		0	\$ 3,636.36
Committee payments	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Committee Merchandise											
Committee catering											
Total		0	\$ -		0	\$ -	0	\$ -		0	\$ -
Total Income			\$ 93,900.00			\$ 78,659.79		\$ 95,930.00			\$ 99,840.94
Expenses											
Administration	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Administration			\$ 900.00		\$ 900.00		\$ 900.00				\$ 1,382.73
Advertising					\$ -		\$ 1,000.00				\$ -
Subscriptions			\$ 150.00		\$ -		\$ 150.00				\$ 150.00
Sundry Expenses			\$ 250.00		\$ 1,190.00		\$ 250.00				\$ 171.27
Total		0	\$ 1,300.00		0	\$ 2,090.00	0	\$ 2,300.00		0	\$ 1,704.00
Treasurer	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Depreciation			\$ 8,000.00		\$ 7,973.78		\$ 8,500.00				\$ 10,027.89
Bank Charges			\$ 50.00		\$ -		\$ 50.00				\$ -
Health Act & Food Safety			\$ 300.00		\$ 193.80		\$ 310.00				\$ 480.00
Insurance - Building & Contents			\$ 17,000.00		\$ 16,432.19		\$ 15,500.00				\$ 15,357.19
fire services levy			\$ 500.00		\$ 475.60		\$ 380.00				\$ 332.20
refunds					\$ 15,840.00		\$ -				\$ 2,366.00
Appropriations			\$ 6,000.00		\$ -		\$ 6,000.00				\$ 6,000.00
Total		0	\$ 31,850.00		0	\$ 40,915.37	0	\$ 30,740.00		0	\$ 34,563.28
Activities	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Ski Hire			\$ 2,000.00		\$ -		\$ 2,000.00				\$ 4,517.45
Total		0	\$ 2,000.00		0	\$ -	0	\$ 2,000.00		0	\$ 4,517.45
Works and Services	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Repairs & Maintenance - Building			\$ 1,000.00		\$ 703.21		\$ 2,000.00				\$ 853.92
Total		0	\$ 1,000.00		0	\$ 703.21	0	\$ 2,000.00		0	\$ 853.92
Power and Comms	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Electricity			\$ 5,000.00		\$ 2,857.34		\$ 7,000.00				\$ 5,504.98
Fire Wood			\$ 1,800.00		\$ 1,156.87		\$ 1,800.00				\$ 2,047.42
Gas			\$ 5,000.00		\$ 1,870.67		\$ 5,200.00				\$ 4,195.28
telephone			\$ 540.00		\$ 534.60		\$ 436.36				\$ 534.60
Total		0	\$ 12,340.00		0	\$ 6,419.48	0	\$ 14,436.36		0	\$ 12,282.28
General Store	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Non-Perishables & Consumables			\$ 2,000.00		\$ 942.28		\$ 2,000.00				\$ 613.70
Winter Perishables			\$ 6,500.00		\$ 755.29		\$ 6,500.00				\$ 5,152.67
consumables			\$ 300.00		\$ 250.89		\$ -				\$ 412.00
Total		0	\$ 8,800.00		0	\$ 1,948.46	0	\$ 8,500.00		0	\$ 6,178.37
Venue	\$	Qty	Total	%	\$ Qty	Total	\$ Qty	Total	\$	Qty	Total
Site Rental & Community Service Charge			\$ 25,000.00		\$ 27,563.42		\$ 34,000.00				\$ 33,760.74

Scaled Summary														
2026 Budget														
Income	\$	Qty	Total	Qty	Total	Qty	Total	Qty	Total					
Presold tickets	\$	95.00	500	\$	47,500.00	475	\$	45,125.00	450	\$	42,750.00	425	\$	40,375.00
New Rover Tickets	\$	45.00	20	\$	900.00	15	\$	675.00	10	\$	450.00	5	\$	225.00
Service Tickets	\$	50.00	35	\$	1,750.00	30	\$	1,500.00	30	\$	1,500.00	25	\$	1,250.00
Committee Tickets	\$	55.00	20	\$	1,100.00	20	\$	1,100.00	20	\$	1,100.00	20	\$	1,100.00
General Store			\$	3,000.00		\$	3,000.00		\$	3,000.00		\$	3,000.00	
Committee payments			\$	-		\$	-		\$	-		\$	-	
Total Tickets Sales			575	\$ 54,250.00	540	\$ 51,400.00	510	\$ 48,800.00	475	\$ 45,950.00				
Expenses	\$	Qty	Total	Qty	Total	Qty	Total	Qty	Total					
Administration			\$	1,300.00		\$	1,300.00		\$	1,300.00		\$	1,300.00	
Entertainment			#REF!		#REF!		#REF!		#REF!					
Treasurer			\$	31,850.00		\$	31,850.00		\$	31,850.00		\$	31,850.00	
Activities			\$	2,000.00		\$	2,000.00		\$	2,000.00		\$	2,000.00	
Works and servises			\$	1,000.00		\$	1,000.00		\$	1,000.00		\$	1,000.00	
Power and Comms			\$	12,340.00		\$	12,340.00		\$	12,340.00		\$	12,340.00	
General Store			\$	8,800.00		\$	8,800.00		\$	8,800.00		\$	8,800.00	
Venue			\$	25,000.00		\$	25,000.00		\$	25,000.00		\$	25,000.00	
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MUDBASH 2021 BUDGET

Budget Breakdown

Income

Mudbash ticket price is set at \$70 presold (inclusive of square processing fee) and \$90 at the gate. Service tickets are included at the reduced cost of \$30, this acknowledges the committee's voluntary nature and provides incentive to participate. Or 'work' for your dinner.

There is also income included to be received from merchandise before and at the event, this has been left broad to give the merchandising team to cater to the needs of the event based on forthcoming data, as the event has not run 2 years in a row the committee would like to retain flexibility as required.

Sponsorship income has remained in the budget, if this is not received the event will still be able to run as this income stream is only 1.75% of total income. And more of a bonus rather than a necessity.

Driver fees are as per previous years, continuing the existing strategy of late fees to promote a more organised event and gaining early commitment from Rover units.

Expenditure

Mudbash will need to purchase a few items this year that will be used over successive years including toilet paper, wristbands and admin supplies.

Due to COVID impacts, entertainment budget has increased due to the expected price surge from suppliers and entertainment acts.

Closing Statement

With in-person Mudbash being cancelled in 2020 and 2021, the actuals for the presented budget are taken from the 2019 event. Limited changes have been made to the budget that was tabled for the 2020 event.

Since 2021 event was cancelled due to lockdowns not being lifted in time this event was also unable to run, as not much as changed since, the 2021 approved budget and 2022 budget should be near identical. Minor tweaks to be noted are the introduction of a Canva fee for marketing purposes, and a slight change to the event permit fee. We have also increased the activities budget as we would like to have more activities for everyone to enjoy of 50th Mudbash.

If you have any feedback please email chair@mudbash.com.au

