



Everton Park Scout Group

Established August 1956

Part of the Sir Leslie Wilson Scout District

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Welcome to Everton Park Scouts

We hope you and your family will enjoy a rewarding and valuable association with our Group. We trust that this information sheet will answer any questions you may have – If not, don't hesitate to ask!

Section meetings days and times

Located: Teralba Park, Cnr Pullen Rd and Osbourne Rd
Everton Park

Joey Scouts 5 to 8 years	Cub Scouts 8 to 11 years	Scouts 11 to 15 years	Venturer Scouts 14 to 18 years	Rover Scouts 18 to 26 years
Meeting times: Monday, 4.30 – 5.30pm Wednesday, 4.30 – 5.30pm	Meeting times: Monday, 6.00 – 7.30pm Wednesday, 6.00 – 7.30pm	Meeting time: Thursday, 7.00 – 9.00pm	Meeting time: Friday, 7.00 – 9.00pm (Meeting as part of the Sir Leslie Wilson "Ironbark" Unit)	Meeting time: Friday, 7.00 – 9.00pm (Meeting as part of the Sir Leslie Wilson "Ironbark" Unit)

Everton Park has vacancies in all sections

Fees

Fees payable to the Group are divided into three parts:

Section Fees (aka Subs) remain with the section and are used to provide consumables for each meeting. These are usually collected each term.

Group Family Fees are used to assist the Group with Leader Training, building expenses and utilities like electricity and water. These fees are collected in June/July to cover the period April to March. Typically, \$50/family/year.

Branch Fees are paid to Scouts Queensland to cover insurance and the operation of State Headquarters. These fees are collected in March for April to September and in September for October to March. Typically, \$86/6 months. Upon enrolment of new members, there is a pro-rata joining fee. Typically, \$175 to \$104 over 6 months.

Other Costs

From time to time, each section organises camps or attends major activities such as a District activity day all the way through to a National or International Jamboree. All attempts are made to minimise the costs of these events. Attendance at these events is not compulsory.

Uniforms

You will need to purchase the appropriate shirt for the section that your child is joining. All shirts are navy blue with coloured yokes and sleeve panels. The colours are:

Joeys Scouts – Tan **Cub Scouts – Yellow** **Scouts – Green** **Venturer Scouts – Maroon** **Rover Scouts – Red**

Leader's shirts are all navy blue, with a colour shoulder patch indicating the section that the Leader works with.

For information about and purchasing of Scout Uniforms, go to the online Scouts Shop: <https://scoutshop.com.au>

As part of their investiture, your child will receive several badges that need to be sewn onto their shirt. At other times, achievement or specialty badges will also be presented. There is no additional cost for these badges; they are covered by the Section or Group fees.

Parent Permission Forms (Operoo)

Each time a Unit leaves the Scout Den for an excursion, camp, or other activity, you will be asked to complete an electronic form generated by Operoo. Operoo is a program which records and manages the health records of all our members. Parents are required to maintain the currency of the information stored for their children. The form will contain information, details, and costs regarding the activity, for you to retain.

Group Communications

Communication to families in the Group is done through emailing, [@Members of Everton Park Scouts](#) Facebook Group, or TeamApp (available for Android & iPhones). Everton Park Scout Group has a Facebook page used as a publicity forum to the general community. Find us on Facebook [@Everton.Park.Scout.Group](#) or at <https://evertonpark.scoutsqld.com.au>.

Leaders

The Everton Park Scout Group is led by a dedicated team of leaders with a range and variety of Scouting and professional experience. All are volunteers and are required to complete specific training to allow them to program, organise and run activities at weekly meetings and other more extensive events. All leaders are required to obtain and maintain a Blue Card for working with children, which is issued by Blue Card Services. Leaders in Scouting also take on a Scout Name so that there are no "Mums" or "Dads" at meetings. Scout Names may be animal names, words from the language of the traditional owners of our land, or more classical Scouting names, particularly Jungle Book names for Cub Scout Leaders.

The Leader Team

Group Leader "Waminda" George Rowlinson

Joey Scout Leader "Hathi" Jandy Stephens Joey Scout Leader "Kaa" Ian Anderson Joey Scout Leader "Kubbi" Laurel Evans Joey Scout Leader "Brolga" Sonja Rowlinson Support Member "Kiwi" Andrea Chun	Cub Scout Leader "Bunji" David Puxty Cub Scout Leader "Raksha" Erin Barillaro Cub Scout Leader "Bagheera" Lucas Cardoso Cub Scout Leader "Kit" Kirsten Harvey Cub Scout Leader "Nullah" Luke Thompson Support Member "No-name" Brett Walker Support Member "Elk" Tom De Spiegelaere	Scout Leader "Stingray" Kelvin Dexter Scout Leader "Raven" Natalie Page Support Member "Koko" Ram Karlapudi
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Venturer Scout Leader "Aira" Helen Lauder

Everton Park Scout Group currently has no Leaders for Rover Scouts

Venturer Scouts and Rover Scouts meet as part of the Ironbark Units, with other members from all six Groups in the District.

Parent Involvement/Assistance

The purpose of Scouting is to encourage the physical, intellectual, emotional, social, and spiritual development of young people so they can play a constructive role in society and their communities as responsible citizens. This is achieved through an active program that inspires young people to do their best and always be prepared. As parents, it is important that we set a good example by volunteering our time. You will be making a real contribution to the Group and demonstrating the importance and value of being a volunteer. The bonus is that our children get a kick out of seeing us involved as well.

A Scout Group is a cooperative, run entirely by volunteers, so each family is expected to contribute to the continuing success of the Group in a way that is best suited to the circumstances of each family. There are lots of opportunities to be involved: Group Committee membership, as a Leader or parent helper at weekly meetings, through regular working bees throughout the year, helping at camps or with fund-raising barbeques, as communication coordinators with local schools – the list is endless.

The number of youths in each section regularly fluctuates and as the numbers increase there is a need for parents to attend section meetings to maintain a better than 1 adult to 5 youth ratios, specifically in the Joey Scout and Cub Scout Sections. Please be aware of the "blue card" requirements for working with children. All parents/guardians who are not Leaders or Support Members; are required to hold a Blue Card if they assist with Scouting activities involving youth. (See QBSI-10 for details.)

Hall Hire

The Everton Park Scout Group utilises part of a B.C.C. building shared with the Everton Park Guides. Hiring of our part of the building raises some funds for the Group but more importantly makes the Group more visible to the local community and further demonstrates the Everton Park Scout Group's involvement within the local community.

Group Committee

The Everton Park Scout Group is run by volunteer Leaders, supported by a volunteer Group Committee. Parents and families are encouraged to get involved and assist the Group as much as possible. The Committee is made up of volunteer parents who undertake the administrative and managerial roles required to ensure the growth and effective running of the Group.

It is the Group Committee's role to support the Section Leaders and ensure they have the resources required to provide the best programs possible for the youth. To this end, we ask that each Section is represented on the Committee to communicate ideas and suggestions from each section to the Committee and to return requests and information back to families in the Section.

The Committee meets regularly, but for those who are unable to attend there are a lot of other opportunities to take on a more active role such as maintenance and housekeeping in and around the building. For more information, please contact the Committee Chair.

Fundraising

Fundraising plays a vital role in the Group.

Regular sausage sizzle events are one of the primary sources of funds for the Group. The funds raised are not only used to keep Group Fees low but are used to supplement the costs to attend Cuboree, Jamboree and Venture for members of the Group.

Sponsorship/In-kind assistance

The Group is open to ideas about sponsorship and donation of goods for use by the Group or as part of fundraising activities. Any parents that hear of or know of ways that the Group can raise ever needed funds are asked to bring this to the attention of the Group Committee.