

National Tree Day and the Regent Honey Eater project



July 27-28 was a big weekend for Scouts contributing to the environment through tree planting.

For National Tree Day many Groups were out planting trees in their local area with lots of their youth members. These included 1st Stratford, 1st Trafalgar, 1st Traralgon, 1st Glengarry, Caroline Springs, 2nd Springvale, and Norlane West.



1st Chelsea Heights.



1st Glengarry.

Meanwhile others - like 1st Kialla - were doing their bit for Regent Honey Eaters in the Lurg area of northern Victoria. Well done to all!



Lanni from 1st Croydon Hills.



1st Caroline Springs.



Kingston District.



Kingston District.



Newborough planting day.



Regent Honey Eater.



Congratulations to the 35 Scouts from across Victoria who participated in the Regent Honey Eater 2019 event on the July 27-28!

This event aims to help the Regent Honey Eater program to plant biodiverse habitat for the organisation name-sake bird, a critically endangered native species in the Lurg region. Over the weekend we successfully planted over 500 trees and shrubs covering 20 hectares, learned about the history of the area, and completed a wide variety of Scout and Venturer badgework.

It was great fun to get out into the countryside and work with such a motivated and organised group of Scouts! In particular I would like to congratulate 1st Kialla Scouts for organising nearly their entire Scout Group to attend!

We look forward to an even more successful event in 2020.

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On July 28 1st Newborough, 1st Moe, 1st Trafalgar and the Capstaff Rover Crew participated in a community tree planting day in Newborough. We were first tasked with simply planting the trees below the mulch. Then the Scouts were asked to remove the old guards from the saplings planted last season, and to retrieve the bamboo poles used to secure them. These will be reused for planting more trees.

Scott Mackie, Capstaff Rover Crew, 1st Newborough



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