

23rd New Zealand Jamboree

Mystery Creek Events Centre 28 December 2023 – 8 January 2024

AUSTRALIAN CONTINGENT Information Pages



ELIGIBILITY

All applicants are reminded that attendance at the 23rd New Zealand Jamboree is a privilege, not a right, and that behaviour standards will be monitored prior to the event before final approval is granted for attendance.

Scouts	• Born after 27 December 2008 (i.e. not have had your 15th birthday).
	 Be an invested Scout and have completed Outdoor Adventure Skills Camping Stage 4 prior to departure.
	• Have completed a minimum of ten (10) nights camping in a tent within Scouting, with at least three (3) of them consecutive.
	 Must be recommended as suitable to attend by your Scout Leader and Group Leader, and be approved by the Contingent Leader and your Branch Headquarters.
Venturer Scouts	• Born between 16 January 2006 and 27 December 2008 inclusive (i.e. minimum age 15 years and not have had your 18th birthday).
	• Be an invested Venturer Scout and have completed Outdoor Adventure Skills Camping Stage 4 prior to departure.
	• Have completed a minimum of ten (10) nights camping in a tent within Scouting, with at least three (3) of them consecutive.
	 Must be recommended as suitable to attend by your Venturer Scout Leader and Group Leader, and be approved by the Contingent Leader and your Branch Headquarters.
Adult	• Be a registered member of your Branch as a Rover Scout, Adult Leader or Fellowship Member.
Members	 Must be recommended as suitable to attend by your Group Leader or next appropriate level of Commissioner, and be approved by the Contingent Leader and your Branch Headquarters.
	• Adult members may be selected to meet required quotas as prescribed by the 23rd New Zealand Jamboree Organising Committee.

COVID-19 NOTICE

The safety of all Scouting members is always our highest priority!

Scouts Australia and the Contingent Management Team look forward to a successful Contingent travelling to New Zealand, however, the current coronavirus pandemic obviously has the potential to have a significant impact on this event.

In preparation for any Contingent, the Australian International Team obtains the very latest updates and advice from the Event Organising Committee, our Travel Insurer and the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Should official advice ever change in the future, the International Commissioner of Australia will make an informed determination on cancelling Contingent travel to New Zealand when necessary.

It is a condition of your Contingent application that members of Scouts Australia cannot attend the site of the 23rd New Zealand Jamboree if such a determination is issued, irrespective of whether the Jamboree continues for local members.

If the Contingent is cancelled (e.g. on medical advice or due to border restrictions), Scouts Australia will provide a refund of all recoverable amounts paid.

APPLICATIONS

Applications open on 1 November 2022 and close on 19 February 2023 at midnight Australian Western Standard Time, or until all available positions are filled. All applicants must register using the Australian Contingent's online application system, OLEMS:

https://registrations.international.scouts.com.au

An application is not considered complete until the authority is signed in your application form and your deposit has been received.

CONTINGENT INCLUSIONS

The Contingent Fee includes all meals, accommodation, activities, flights and ground transportation between the date of departure from Australia and the date of return to Australia. A merchandise pack including two shirts, travel bag, luggage tags and Australian Contingent badges is also included.

There are four fee options available to members of Scouts Australia:

Scout	Depart Australia on 28 December 2023 for two days in Auckland with the Australian Contingent
	• Travel to Mystery Creek Events Centre for the 23 rd New Zealand Jamboree
	Return to Auckland on 7 January 2024 and fly home to Australia on 8 January 2024
Scout + Post Tour	Depart Australia on 28 December 2023 for two days in Auckland with the Australian Contingent
	• Travel to Mystery Creek Events Centre for the 23 rd New Zealand Jamboree
	• Tour the New Zealand north island for seven days tackling an awesome itinerary of activities
	Return to Auckland on 13 January 2024 and fly home to Australia on 14 January 2024
Venturer Scout / Adult	Depart Australia on 28 December 2023 for two days in Auckland with the Australian Contingent
	• Travel to Mystery Creek Events Centre for the 23 rd New Zealand Jamboree
	Return to Auckland on 7 January 2024 and fly home to Australia on 8 January 2024
Venturer Scout / Adult + Post Tour	Depart Australia on 28 December 2023 for two days in Auckland with the Australian Contingent
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VENTURER ACTIVE

There is an option for Venturer Scouts aged 15 years to 16 years and four months to participate in the 'Venturer Active' program. This involves a mix of Jamboree activities and service opportunities. Contingent members who choose the 'Venturer Active' option will be charged the fee for Scout participants.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Payment	Scout	Scout + Post Tour	Venturer Scout / Adult	Venturer Scout / Adult + Post Tour	Due Date
Deposit	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	19 February 2023
2nd Payment	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$750	1 April 2023
3rd Payment	\$750	\$1,200	\$750	\$1,200	1 June 2023
4th Payment	\$750	\$1,200	\$750	\$1,200	1 August 2023
5th Payment	\$795	\$1,235	\$95	\$535	1 October 2023
TOTAL	\$3,795	\$5,135	\$3,095	\$4,435	

Submitting an application is no guarantee of acceptance to attend the 23rd New Zealand Jamboree. Payments more than one month late may result in withdrawal.

The Contingent reserves the right to refuse any application at any time, in which case a full refund will be made.

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED?

There are some additional costs you need to account for:

- obtaining a passport if you do not already have one;
- any visa costs that might be applicable based on your passport's country of issue (Australians do not need a visa);
- any spending money for souvenirs or incidental items (you will not need much); and
- any additional optional activities.

INDEPENDENT TRAVEL

There is no independent travel option available for this Contingent. All members must travel with the Contingent between Australia and New Zealand on flights arranged by the Australian Contingent.

WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Members withdrawing from the Contingent must notify the Contingent Leader in writing as soon as possible. Since many expenses must be paid well before our departure, it is not possible to provide full refunds upon withdrawal. The following table highlights the amount of any refund payable.

Notification Received	Refund Amount	
On or before 31 March 2023	Full Refund	
1 April 2023 – 31 May 2023	Amount paid less \$500	
On or after 1 June 2023	No Refund	

CANCELLATION POLICY

If the Contingent is cancelled by Scouts Australia or by Scouts Aotearoa New Zealand, this decision will be promptly communicated to all registered Contingent members. The following table highlights the amount of any refund payable.

Date of Cancellation	Refunds		
On or before 31 March 2023	Full Refund		
After 1 April 2023	Scouts Australia will refund all recovered funds.		
	Non-recoverable expenses may include travel insurance, bank charges, international exchange fees, accounting license fees and expended Contingent planning costs.		

MEDICAL OBLIGATIONS

As part of your application, you are required to disclose all medical conditions, medications, allergies, dietary requirements and mental health conditions that may impact your participation in the planned itinerary, together with any applicable Action Plans for these conditions. Failure to disclose any relevant information may result in you being withdrawn from the Contingent. Furthermore, your insurance cover may be invalidated.

Should your medical situation or conditions change, from the information you enter into your application, you will need to log back in and update this information immediately to ensure correctness and completeness.

Individuals are strongly encouraged to seek medical advice from their own medical practitioner with regard to any vaccinations and immunisations. Applicants should be aware that some airlines and some countries might require evidence of COVID-19 vaccination prior to departing Australia. Known restrictions will be advised once confirmed.

CONTINGENT CONTACT DETAILS

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