

# NEWSLETTER

Newsletter 4  
December Edition



# For your immediate action!

We know you're all busy, so we've created your very own TO DO list to make sure you have everything ticked off. Print it out and stick it on the fridge or in a place where you can see it easily.

Tick Once  
Complete

1

**Check out your movie time!**

Grab the choc-top and your mates, we're going to the movie. What time are you heading out?

2

**Print this Newsletter out and show it to your family!**

Don't miss the little details.

3

**Read this Newsletter carefully.**

It's quite long and has lots of new and updated information.

4

**The New Zealand Traveller Declaration**

The incoming traveller declaration process has changed! Please ensure you have read the updated process on page 6.

5

**Contingent Hotline**

Put the contingent hotline into your phone!

6

**Check your medical details are accurate on OLEMS**

It is important that the medical information provided on OLEMS is correct. Please check this information, and email us if anything has changed.

7

**Additional Gear Requirements**

The Lake Karapiro activity requires additional gear, please read this information carefully! See pages 10 & 11 for the latest gear list.

# Contingent Leader's Welcome

It's almost time to pack our bags for New Zealand. Our adventure is just weeks' away! This is our final newsletter with some important information for everyone.

There is one key change to the information delivered at Orientation Days. On advice from New Zealand Customs Service, all Contingent members must now complete the online New Zealand Traveller Declaration, rather than the physical form that is traditionally distributed on the aircraft. The online form can be completed up to 24 hours prior to your flight. Further instructions are on pages 5 & 6.

Lake Karapiro is the venue of our offsite water activity base, known as WATBOAPADFLY. We have been advised that there has been an outbreak of the Freshwater Gold Clam at Lake Karapiro, which is a pest species the New Zealand Ministry of Primary Industries is attempting to control. It doesn't pose any threat to people, but the Jamboree needs to avoid spreading the pest further throughout New Zealand, so there are some precautions we must take. Further information on page 8.

At this point of our journey, I'd like to thank every adult volunteer who is part of the Australian Contingent. Every adult volunteer in our Contingent has a critical role to play to ensure the overall success of our adventure. Thank you for what you have done and what you will do to support our Contingent.

## International Night

Are you interested or good at singing and/or dancing?

One of the most exciting nights at the Jamboree is International Night! This is when all the various Contingents prepare a short cultural performance to share with the rest of the Jamboree! Our Youth Patrol has decided that for the Australian Contingent our performance will be the song "Give Me a Home Among the Gumtrees" with the actions that go along!

If you are interested in being part of this awesome opportunity, please fill out the [online form](#) as soon as possible and we will be in contact!

If you have any questions, please reach out by emailing [nzj2024@scouts.com.au](mailto:nzj2024@scouts.com.au).

Wishing everyone a joyous festive season!

**Tom Dowsley**  
Australian Contingent Leader

# Program

## Auckland Movie Night

While we are staying in Auckland we will be heading out on the town one night to the movies each patrol has been given a screening time and a movie.



Screening Time	Patrols
7:00PM	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13
7:30PM	14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 68, 69, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78



Screening Time	Patrols
7:00PM	V1, V2, V3, V4, V6, V7, V8, V9, 52, 58, 67, 70

## Stopover Activities

On our trip to the Jamboree site on 30 December 2023, Contingent members will stop for around two hours at one activity. Find your Patrol number below to see where you're headed with your Patrol.

Activity	Patrols
Museum of Transport and Technology (MOTAT)	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 43, 44, 47
Sealife	23, 24, 41, 46, 63, 78
Auckland Zoo	22, 26, 42, 45, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, V1, V2, V3, V4, V6
Maritime Museum	5, V7, V8, V9

# Health and Wellbeing Checklist

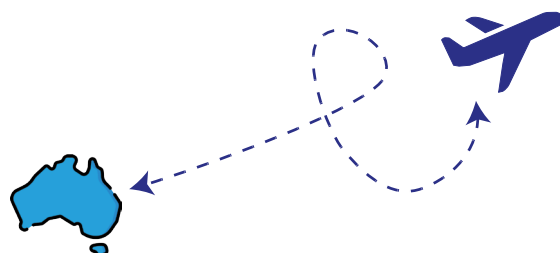
## BEFORE JAMBOREE

- Update any medical or dietary requirements in OLEMS, also email [nzj2024@scouts.com.au](mailto:nzj2024@scouts.com.au)
- Ensure you have enough of your medications for the duration of the trip.
- Pack Medications (prescription medication, asthma medication, epi pens etc.) in your carry on.
- SLEEP! In the days leading up to departure, REST UP! you'll need your energy.
- Stay Hydrated!
- Put your bag tags on.



## DURING TRAVEL

- Stay Hydrated!
- Wash your hands often!
- Get up and move around as needed!
- Stay with your travel team, they're your support!



## DURING THE JAMBOREE

- Stay Hydrated!
- Eat Well
- Continue to get good nights sleep!
- Keep up the good hygiene - wash those hands, change your clothes and have showers!
- Slip, Slop, Slap! - Ensure you're wearing hats and reapplying sunscreen regularly.
- Look after each other (and your leaders!)
- HAVE FUN!

# Operations

## Flights

You can view your flights on the 'travel details' tab of the online application system (OLEMS). We recommend you take a printed or digital copy of this with you – perhaps store it safely with your passport. You may also like to leave a printed copy with your family, so they are aware of your travel movements.

## Bus pick-up arrival times

If you are departing from Canberra onboard a bus to Sydney Airport, please ensure you arrive at the bus pick-up point at least 30 minutes prior to the bus departure time.

## Airport arrival times

It is extremely important you check your flight times on OLEMS the day before your flight! Since booking our flights there have been multiple changes in departure times, some of them significant. If you are relying on the original flight times you will miss your flight.



Check in with your Travel Team Captain **two hours** prior to the departure time listed on your itinerary.



Check in with your Travel Team Captain **three hours** prior to the departure time listed on your itinerary.

On the day of departure your Travel Team Captain will be near the check-in area of the relevant airline to assist you with a smooth check-in process. Please do not line up to check in with the airline until directed by your flight leader. Remember some cities have separate international and domestic airports so make sure you go to the right one. You will not receive your e-ticket before leaving. All you will need to check in at the airport is your passport.

A very small number of people won't have a flight leader on their first leg due to small numbers of participants from your location. You will be contacted by email shortly to discuss travel arrangements in more detail. All youth members traveling without a flight leader will be met by an adult on arrival.

## Missed Planes and Transport Issues

If you are late for your bus or plane, they will not wait for you. This will be a huge inconvenience for us and at a huge cost to you!

If you do miss your flight or have any other major issues, contact the Contingent Hotline on:

**+64 21 086 32936**

Rebooked flights will be at your cost, and it may be difficult to reunite you with the Contingent.

## New Zealand Traveller Declaration

On updated advice from the New Zealand Customs Service, our Contingent will need to complete the online New Zealand Traveller Declaration form. Please note this is a change from what was communicated at the Orientation Days.

All travellers to New Zealand must complete a New Zealand Traveller Declaration before reaching passport control in New Zealand. For Contingent members under 18 years of age, a parent/guardian must complete the online New Zealand Traveller Declaration. The form can be completed up to 24 hours prior to your flight departure time.

On arrival at your departure location, you will be required to inform your Travel Team Captain that you have completed your online form. The form can be completed by parents/guardians online using a mobile device at the airport if necessary.

The New Zealand Traveller Declaration can be accessed via the New Zealand Travel Declaration portal.

Key information from the New Zealand Customs Service regarding the New Zealand Traveller Declaration is:

- Everyone entering New Zealand needs to submit a declaration.
- It is free and takes about 10 minutes.
- You can do it on the NZTD app or online form, using your phone or computer.
- The earliest you can submit your declaration is 24 hours before you start your trip to New Zealand. It needs to be submitted by the time you reach passport control in New Zealand.
- Someone you trust can help you fill it in or do it on your behalf (with your permission).
- A declaration needs to be completed for each traveller.
- Your digital declaration is linked to your passport and is checked when you arrive at the eGate or by a border officer. There is no QR code issued and you don't need to print anything out.

You will need to provide the following information to complete the New Zealand Traveller Declaration:

- Your passport, flight details and contact details including where you will be based in New Zealand. For this question, use the address of the Jamboree site, which is 125 Mystery Creek Road, Ōhaupō 3881, New Zealand.
- Your immigration status (if required).
- Details about your trip, including your recent travel history.
- Items you are bringing into New Zealand.

## Contingent Hotline

We now have established our Contingent Hotline Number. The hotline will be monitored 24/7 from 27 December 2023 until 14 January 2024.

**The number is +64 2108 632 936.**

It will not be possible to speak directly with Contingent members during the Jamboree. The Contingent Management Team will do their best to pass any urgent messages to the Contingent member concerned as soon as possible.

Contact from home to the Contingent Hotline should only be done in urgent situations. Non-urgent matters can be directed to [nzj2024@scouts.com.au](mailto:nzj2024@scouts.com.au).

## Communication

WhatsApp groups are in the process of being created for in-country communication with adult members of the Contingent. We will use the phone number listed as your primary number in the online application system. If you need to update your number (for example, if you get a New Zealand sim card), you can do so in Auckland.

## Uniform

Contingent members are required to wear Scout Uniform when travelling to and from the New Zealand:

- Australian Scout Shirt (for your relevant section) - including Australian Contingent NZJ2023 Name Bar, (which is to be worn on your pocket opening or scarf) and the Contingent Badge (sewn on the right-hand side of your shirt) - please remove all other event badges.
- Beige or Stone Coloured Pants or Skirt in line with the Scouts Australia National Uniform Policy
- Scout Belt (optional)
- Suitable Shoes for Uniform
- Australian Scarf with Friendship Knot

NOTE: You will also be required to wear Scout Uniform during the opening ceremony. You are representing Scouts Australia, so ensure you leave the public with a good impression.

## Connection Day

The 23rd New Zealand Jamboree is holding Connection Day (Open Day) on Monday 1 January 2024. Mystery Creek Events Centre, 125 Mystery Creek Road, Ōhaupō 3881, New Zealand.

The site is open from 10am-4pm, with activities from 10am-2pm. Visitors do not need to pre-register and a ticket will be issued on arrival at the front gate. Food trucks will be available for the purchase of food and drinks.

## Additional Merchandise

Strictly limited stock of Australian Contingent merchandise is available for purchase from the [Scout Shop](#).

# Lake Karapiro

There has been an outbreak of Freshwater Gold Clams (a pest species) at Lake Karapiro, location of the offsite water activity. The Freshwater Gold Clam is not harmful to people and water activities at Lake Karapiro can proceed.

All clothes worn in the water at Lake Karapiro must be removed, placed in a plastic bag, and bleached upon return to the Jamboree. Jamboree organisers are currently investigating replacing bleach with another product that is environmentally friendly and far less harmful to clothing. However, this must be confirmed with the NZ Ministry of Primary Industries, including the quantity required for a treatment solution. Unfortunately, we may have to use a 10 per cent bleach solution.

Given the possible use of bleach, please consider the clothing you will wear for the Lake Karapiro activity. You may like to bring some older clothes to wear on the water – clothes you don't mind washing with bleach.

Plastic bags will be supplied to transport clothes to the Jamboree site from Lake Karapiro.

To return smoothly through Australian biosecurity, all clothes must be cleaned and dry. All Contingent members who participate in the water activities at Lake Karapiro must also declare this on the incoming passenger card 'YES' to questions 9 and 10.

## Additional gear requirements

For the Lake Karapiro activity, we have been advised that participants will not be permitted to wear cotton shirts whilst engaged in water activities.

The swimming gear required includes togs/bathers, a rash shirt (no cotton will be allowed), wet/ beach shoes or shoes to be used in the water (compulsory; no bare feet). As per advice regarding the Freshwater Gold Clam precautions, clothing worn in Lake Karapiro will need to be treated with household disinfectant (including bleach) that may result in colour change.

**Note:** Swim Gear - must cover the shoulders and midriff. Rash Shirt (as sun protection is compulsory).

## Gear list

We have broken the packing list into two sections – gear for your day bag which will be taken onboard the aircraft, and gear that will be packed into your Contingent travel bag.

Stretchers will be provided by the New Zealand Jamboree.

This is a recommended list and assumes Scouts hand wash their clothes during the Jamboree.

Clearly label all your belongings with your name, Contingent and Unit number. Lost property will only find its way back to you if it is named. For example, **K. Smith AUS 1201**

### Contingent Travel Bag (must weigh no more than 20kg)

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 sleeping bag  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pair comfortable walking shoes/boots  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 inner sheet/sleeping bag liner  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pair comfortable shoes/sneakers   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 travel pillow   | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pair closed toe water shoes   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleepwear   | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 towels (shower & water activities)  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Contingent shirts (provided by Australian Contingent)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimmers & rashie   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contingent hat (provided by Australian Contingent) & spare hat                  | <hr/>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Second Scouts Australia International Scarf (provided by Australian Contingent) | <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries bag (soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, hair brush, shaving gear etc) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 3 collared shirts (i.e. polo shirts)                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sanitary items  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 pairs of shorts   | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care Bag (lip cream, sunscreen, insect repellent)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pair long pants   | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal first aid kit  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jumper / warm clothes   | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal medication   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thermal underwear   | <input type="checkbox"/> 6-8 clothes pegs  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 6 pairs of socks   | <hr/>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of 6 sets of underwear  | <input type="checkbox"/> Dilly bag (plate, bowl, cup, cutlery)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 set of old clothes for muddy activities                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Lunch box   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight rain jacket   | <input type="checkbox"/> Bag for dirty clothes   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Swap badges/souvenirs (optional)  |  |

## Cabin Luggage (must weigh no more than 7kg)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Passport                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal medication        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jumper/Jacket                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle - empty       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Torch and spare batteries           | <input type="checkbox"/> Spending money/travel card |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile phone and charger (optional) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses/reading glasses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Power bank (optional)               | <input type="checkbox"/> Book/magazine              |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Notebook and pen           |

## Wear on the plane

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Uniform shirt with badges in the correct positions        | <input type="checkbox"/> Scouts Australia belt (optional)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contingent name badge (provided by Australian Contingent) | <input type="checkbox"/> Scouts Australia International Scarf (provided by Australian Contingent) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beige shorts/pants/skirt                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Dark plain socks   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Comfortable walking shoes/boots  |

## Lake Karapiro Activity

- ☐ Togs/Bathers/Swimmers
- ☐ Rash Vest
- ☐ Aqua Shoes/Shoes that can go into the water

Note:

- Swim Gear - must cover the shoulders and midriff.
- Rash Shirt (as sun protection is compulsory).
- No Cotton shirts to be worn

## Items provided by Australian Contingent

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wheeled travel bag (90 litres) | <input type="checkbox"/> Contingent shirts (2)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contingent name badge          | <input type="checkbox"/> Scouts Australia International Scarves (2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contingent badges (3)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Contingent bucket hat                      |

## Frequently Asked Questions

Having questions is a normal part of an experience like this, head over to our FAQ page to check us some of the questions that might be coming up regularly.

