



DICK & PIP SMITH  
LEADERSHIP THROUGH ADVENTURE FUND



## GUIDE TO COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FORM

Please read carefully the [Guidelines](#) which have been prepared to assist you complete this Application. The purpose of this Fund is to support youth members develop their leadership skills through their undertaking responsible risk-taking adventures. Receiving support from LTAF requires all activities to be approved within your Branch. This includes proposed international adventures.

More information about completing this Application is available from:

<https://scouts.com.au/blog/2023/10/06/leadership-through-adventure-fund->

1. **Your name/s:** Jay Cando
2. **Contact email address:** jcandoo@scoutmail.com.au
3. **I am a current youth member of Scouts Australia and am a Scout at** Sunnyside **Scout Group in** Tasmania\_ **(Branch/ State, Territory)**
4. **I/we are under 18 years of age and have parent/guardian support to submit this application.**  
 Yes  No  Rover, over 18
5. **Name of Group Leader Name, email address and phone number:**  
Hez Helpful, [gl.sunshine@scoutstassy.com.au](mailto:gl.sunshine@scoutstassy.com.au); 04000999777
6. **This application is for** (delete the one which isn't applicable) ~~an individual or patrol~~
7. **Give your Adventure/ Training a short title:** North to the Larapinta
8. **When is it planned:** July 2025
9. **How many youth members involved:** 6
10. **How many adult Scout Leaders accompanying you on the adventure?** 2

11. **Describe your planned Adventure:/Training** (include: who, what, where, how and why-about 500 words)  
Who: A patrol of 6 Scouts aged 14 years old from Sunshine and 1<sup>st</sup> Rose Bay Scout Groups in Tasmania. We will be supported by 2 Adult Leaders and will not use LTAF for these supporters.

What: Trekking Sections 1 and 2 of the Larapinta Trail in the West MacDonnell Ranges in the Northern Territory. We would do this over 3 nights and 4 days, but we would be away for 6 nights including travel and sightseeing. The trip itinerary would be:

Monday 21 April – Fly Sydney to Alice Springs, then shop & final preparations  
Tuesday 22 April – Hike Day 1

Wednesday 23 April – Hike Day 2

Thursday 24 April – Hike Day 3

Friday 25 April – Hike Day 4, celebrate Anzac

Saturday 26 April – Local Sightseeing, Hike Review and activity with Alice Springs Scouts (we will need to organise this)

Sunday 27 April – Fly Alice Springs to Hobart and then car to home

The hike itinerary is

Section 1 – Day 1 - Alice Springs Telegraph Station to Wallaby Gap – 13.9km / 5 hours

Section 1 – Day 2 – Wallaby Gap to Simpsons Gap – 10.8km / 4 hours

Total is 9 hours of walking and 24.7km

Section 2 – Day 3 – Simpsons Gap to Mulga Camp – 18.9km / 5 hours

Section 2 – Day 4 – Mulga Camp to Jay Creek – 9.8km / 3.5 hours

Total is 8 hours and 26.2km

The total hike is about 50 kilometres and 18 hours.

Where: The Larapinta Trail is in Central Australia and runs 230km from Alice Springs along the West Macdonnell Ranges. The trail has 12 sections and this hike would include 2 sections, 1 and 2. We would set off from Alice Springs Telegraph Station and stay each night at a designated camp site.

How: We will need to fly to Alice Springs to start the trail. Our itinerary includes a night in Alice Springs before the hike, to have our final preparations and buy any extra food we might need. We will then take a hire car or bus (depending on cost) to the Alice Springs Telegraph Station and start our walk. We will have 6 Scouts and at least 2 leaders in our walking group. The 2 leaders might check in with us each morning and night if we have service, or at our campsites but will not be walking or camping with us. We will have to work this out.

Why: I want to do something more than a local hike for my ASA and I think the Larapinta Trail will be challenging and achievable. I have earned the Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation and I have done a 38km 3 day / 2 night hike in the Blue Mountains and I feel I am almost ready to lead this hike on the Larapinta Trail. I was inspired to do this hike for my ASA because I visited the West MacDonnell Ranges in 2022 and talked to groups of hikers who were doing the whole trail and it really interested me. I would one day like to do the whole trail.

**12. How does your proposed adventure or training relate to your Outdoor Adventure Skills? (provide specific details-stages and areas)**

The Larapinta Hike will be my ASA Adventurous Journey. It will be one of the last activities I will need to do to complete my ASA. The Larapinta hike is linked to OAS Bushwalking, Camping and Bushcraft, stage 4 and 5 and will contribute to our hiking kilometres. Patrol members will be able to use the hike and our practice hikes towards their Level 4 Bushwalking and above.

**13. What is the estimated total cost of your adventure? \$17,420**

**14. How much financial support are you requesting from the fund? \$8,700**

15. If seeking more than \$4000, please complete a simple budget. It should include all aspects of your proposed adventure/training.

INCOME	EXPENDITURE
<b>Contributions by participants</b> 8 x \$450 \$ 3,600	<b>Travel</b> Flights- Hobart to Alice Springs return \$1200x 8 \$9,600
<b>Donations, sponsors</b> Rotary assistance \$ 500 Group assistance \$1000 \$ 1,500	<b>Accommodation and Fees</b> Camp Fees \$30x 8 = \$ 240 Trail Fees \$75x 8= \$600 Alice Springs 3 nights x 8= \$960 \$ 1,800
<b>Fund raising – details</b> \$ 3,220 2 Bunnings Sausage Sizzles \$2000 Venturer and Scout Trivia Night \$ 620 Halloween Night \$600	<b>Training</b> Wilderness First Aid x 6 \$ 800
<b>In-kind support</b> \$ 400 a. Navigation gear, phone	<b>Food</b> \$300 x 8 people \$ 2,400
LTAf \$8,700	<b>Hire</b> of equipment – 2 vehicles \$ 2,500
	<b>Other-</b> Insurance \$40 x 8 \$ 320
<b>TOTAL # \$ 17,420</b>	<b>TOTAL # \$17,420</b>

# These two amounts must be the same

16. Provide two examples of how your adventure will support you to engage in responsible risk-taking  
 Considering how we deal with COVID while away from home; dealing with a physical injury while on isolated part of trail

17. How will you share the story of your Adventure?

We will upload photos of each day of our adventure to social media including the Group and Region Facebook sites, encouraging all to see what we are doing. We will make a diary of our travels to share with other Scouts, and also do presentations e.g. Rotary who assisted us. We will share our adventure on our website.

18. Share more information; Is there anything else that the LTAf need to know about you, your patrol/unit and/or your Adventure, to assist with the decision-making process? This might include, but not be limited to, whether you are from a regional, remote or rural area or from a family with demonstrated need? If yes, please provide details here: (max 250 words)

At this stage it looks like the 6 patrol members will be from 2 Groups, as we are really keen about this. Both the Unit Councils are supporting this activity. One of our patrol has severe vision loss and we are experienced in walking with him.

19. Application contact details: Mary Candoo (Mum) 0420 230 070  
 (email, phone – can be an adult leader)

20. Date application completed: 24 April 2024

Making an early submission means more assistance can be provided to assist with your application process. Shortlisted applicants may be asked to provide additional details about the proposed Adventure. This may include additional written information, including a Risk Management Plan and more detailed budget. Completed applications to be emailed to [LTAf@scouts.com.au](mailto:LTAf@scouts.com.au) at any time. Applications close on 15 January, 15 April, 15 July and 15 October each year.

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