

Bullcreek Leeming Scout Group



Kestrel Cub Pack's Guide for New Cubs

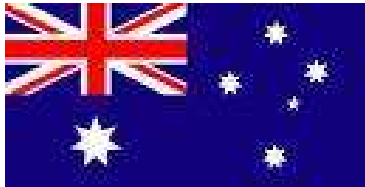
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THE CUB SCOUT PROMISE

*On My honour
I promise that I will do my best
To do my duty to my God, and
To the Queen of Australia
To help other people and
To live by the Cub Scout Law.*



THE CUB SCOUT LAW

*Cub Scouts are loyal and obedient.
Cub Scouts do not give into themselves.*



OUR MOTTO

Be Prepared!

THE GRAND HOWL

In the Jungle, on the night of the full moon, all the wolves in the pack would creep into a circle around the Council Rock. In the middle, on a rock, crouched their leader, Akela. The wolves would throw up their heads and howl their welcome.



This was how they acknowledged Akela was their leader.

At the opening and closing of each meeting, the Cub Scouts do the Grand Howl.

Akela and your leaders will teach you how to howl,

☺ 'AH-KAY-LA we'll do our BEST'

and a Sixer will then say

☺ 'Cubs do your best'

and you will all reply with

☺ 'We will do our best'.

This is an act of respect for your leaders, it is not a time to fidget and fool around, it is an important part of cubbing ceremonies.

A CUB SCOUT PRAYER

Help us O Lord, to serve thee day by day,
to do our duty, and to enjoy
our play,
to keep our Cub Scout Promise,
and to rest,
Happy that we have tried to
DO OUR BEST!

Amen



THE SALUTE

The Cub Scout Salute, is made with the first three fingers of the right hand.

We salute our Australian Flag as a sign of respect.

THE SIGN

The Scout Sign is made with the three fingers of your right hand but only at shoulder height. The Sign is used when you make your promise.

HOW CUBBING BEGAN

Once there was a child just like you, who had four brothers. At weekends and holidays they would sleep in a tent, go camping, sail boats and enjoy the outdoor life. When this child became a

man he joined the Army, and eventually became a Major General. His name was Robert Baden-Powell. He was a great hero in Africa where he saved the town of Mafeking from an attack which lasted 217 days. He had so few soldiers with him that he had to use boys to help with first aid, and to carry messages and to do lots of other important jobs. He wrote a book about it.



When Baden Powell returned to England he found boys reading his book. So he took some of them on a camp to Brownsea Island. He wrote them a book called 'Scouting for Boys'. There were lots of other boys who wanted to be Scouts, too, but they were too young. So, Baden Powell started a new section for them called Wolf Cubs - using ideas he got from 'The Jungle Book', by Rudyard Kipling. Lord Baden Powell of Gilwell died in 1941.

Each year on his birthday, 22nd Feb. 1857 we celebrate 'World Scout Day', we remember how he started Scouting and Cubbing for millions of boys and girls in over 100 countries around the world.

THE FIRST JUNGLE STORY

It was a warm summer night when Tabaqui, the jackal, the mean, sly, mischief maker, crept to the cave of Mother and Father wolf. 'Shere Khan, the big one, has shifted his hunting grounds. He will hunt among these hills', he told them.

Father Wolf was upset, because Shere Khan, the tiger, killed cattle and angered the villagers, bringing trouble to the jungle. But as they listened, they heard the angry snarly whine of the tiger,

'He is hunting man!' said Mother Wolf.

'Listen! something is coming!' Father Wolf crouched - then halted in mid-spring. 'Man!' he snapped. 'A man's cub, look!' His jaws closed gently over the little boy's back and he carried him into the cave and placed him amongst the other cubs.

Then a dark shadow crossed the doorway.

'The man cub is mine, give him to me!' Shere Khan's roar filled the cave. But Mother and Father wolf were not to be ordered around by somebody not from the Pack. So Shere Khan slunk away.

'I will call him Mowgli (the frog),' said Raksha, the Mother wolf. 'because his skin is smooth and without hair like the frog's'.

So Mowgli stayed with Raksha and Father Wolf and their own four cubs. When they were old enough to run a little,



they set off on the night of the full moon, through the jungle to the Council Circle where the wolves looked over the young cubs.

Then Shere Khan roared from the trees. 'What have the free people to do with a man cub in the Pack?'

Akela, the Pack Leader reminded the Wolves that if there was an argument about a cub, two people would have to speak for him. So Baloo, the brown bear, stood up and said 'I will speak for the man cub'.

Then a black shadow dropped from the trees. It was the mighty hunter, Bagheera, the panther. 'I have a bull newly killed, to pay for the man cub's life' he said.

And that is how Mowgli was accepted as a member of the



Pack, at the price of a bull and on Baloo's good word.

He learned the Laws of the Jungle from old Baloo and how to creep and stalk and hunt from Bagheera.

Now you know where those funny names come from and which animals they represent.



INVESTITURE REQUIREMENTS

- Know and understand the meaning of the Cub Scout Law and Promise
- Know and understand the motto "Be Prepared"
- Know and understand the, Salute, the Scout Sign, the Hand Shake
- Know and understand the Opening and Closing Ceremony
- Have read this booklet and can explain how Scouting began and listen to the first Jungle Story.



THE CUB SCOUT UNIFORM

Once you have completed about 4-6 visits and decided you would like to join, then you need to buy a uniform. The uniform is available from Scout Headquarters, 581 Murray Street, West Perth, and costs about \$40. The uniform is a button-up blue shirt with yellow sleeves for cubs. The shirt is worn with dark blue/black pants or shorts. You will also need to buy a woggle. Scout uniform hats are encouraged but optional. Your child must wear closed in shoes to every meeting, dark colours preferred. You will need to invite your family and bring a camera. When you are invested we give you your badges and a scarf. You will also receive a group t-shirt, for messy events.