



Joey Scout Badges

The Environment Challenge

As an integral part of its overall program the Scout Association aims to assist all its members to:

1. Develop an appreciation and respect for the natural environment.
2. Gain knowledge of Australian plants, animals and basic ecological principles (especially as they relate to conservation practises).
3. Develop a sense of responsibility in behaviour and action.

Environmental activities are directed at the Mob rather than the individual Joey Scout. The Project will take the form of four Challenges to be done by the Mob. Four simple environmental tasks need to be completed which reflect nature and outdoors.

1. Do one of the following:
 - Clean up a local park.
 - Visit a Wildlife Area or have a Wildlife Officer visit.
 - Observe some wildlife at the local park.
 - Visit a Botanic Garden and find some native animals and plants.
2. Do one of the following:
 - Make a bird feeder and hang it safely in a tree at home.
 - Find a tree as tall as yourself. Draw what lives in it.
 - Use a PET bottle to make a terrarium or pot pourri container.
 - Make a collage of different shaped and sized leaves.
3. Do one of the following:
 - Make a list of animals that have pouches.
 - Make a list of the birds that visit your garden or park for one week. List as native or introduced.
 - Plant some native trees or shrubs at a suitable venue.
 - Discuss with the Joey Scouts what you would do if you found sick, orphaned or injured wildlife.
4. Do one of the following:
 - Make a container and start collecting aluminium cans.
 - Learn what garbage to recycle. Make containers to recycle household garbage.
 - Find out where the water in the street goes.
 - Discuss with the Joey Scouts about the care of our planet.