

## Youth Leadership - Troop Council

Youth Leadership - Water Safety – 30 Jan 16  
1st/14th Brighton - Sea Scouts

### SCRUFFIES NEWS

**“Chief Water Safety Dog - declares ‘This is the WATER TERM’ and calls an emergency water safety drill at Karkarook**



*“Scruffie the Adventure Dog, Water dragon hunter, (AKA Chief Water Marshall, Lifesaving dog, Guard dog, Stand up Paddle board instructor)”*

After checking the weather (and with the Section leader Tony Cipriano), Scruffie the Adventure Dog has decided that this TERM is the WATER TERM. He swiftly put together a Program of activities to ensure all the Youth leaders were ready to do this safely and get the group knowledge up to his high standards. (That dog! Is there anything he can't put his paw to!! Editor note)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 16 Scout youth leadership</li><li>• 1 Water safety Dog</li><li>• 2 Swimming Platforms</li><li>• 18 Stand Up Paddle Boards</li><li>• 1 massive watermelon</li><li>• Many excellent prizes</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4 Scout leaders</li><li>• Innovation</li><li>• 20 Pizza's</li><li>• 4 Guest Venturers</li><li>• 5 Venturer leaders</li><li>• No Moaning</li></ul> |
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#### SCOUT SKILLS

1. Correct attire for water activities
2. Safe entry to the water
3. Safe Swim, Float, - treading and resting
4. Rescue: Reach and Tow rescues

#### LEADERSHIP SKILLS

- **Participation:** Get comfortable with water & equipment. (get personally competent)
- **Planning:** Thinking & Planning based on Skills learned
- **Skills transfer:** Ensure Team has skills for Thursday Program and rest of term program

#### Notable Mentions

- Noah, Ryan and Charlton for winning the Rescue challenge (with only a little cheating)
- Clara, Sophie R and Sophie T for Actually planning the rescue - excellent Skills work
- Chantal & Juliette for innovation (&enthusiasm)

#### Thanks

- The Green cow – for being so steady on the water
- Steve Lomas – the Chief Buoy on the water
- The Venturers for letting us share the paddle boards
- Tony C - For arranging all the pizza and equipment



Bringing out the platforms...

*This is NOT a good demonstration of the safety position - the ‘Huddle’ – it’s a mothers meeting...*

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A paddle board Journey around the lake – just in time before the skies opened..



Scruffie explains to a long standing youth leader - that being safe in the water doesn't mean you need to wear 15 PFDs all at once "

Scruffie monitors and directs activities on the water ....from the Directors chair ....on shore.....(hmm Suspicious - was he guarding the watermelon – editors note)



Not just pizza and chips at leadership...

Scruffie says he missed Rosie, Ethan, Nolan, Patch and Tomas and hopes they are well. He says he is happy to help them with a catch up next Thursday night...