



Achieving the Grey Wolf Award @home

Option 1 - Old Award Scheme (valid to 31 Dec 2021 only)

Gold Boomerang or Milestone 3

Here is a great opportunity to be creative and put youth leading, adult supporting Scouting into practice.

- At Unit Council, discuss alternatives for the Gold Boomerang elements that need to be completed. It is important that these activities are fun, appropriately challenging and in the spirit of Scouting.
- For the components which are teaching/leading others, the Cub Scout could do some research on how they would do it and prepare a plan for submission to Unit Council, i.e., research on how to build a gadget using knots and design a training plan on how they would teach it to a younger Cub Scout.
- If they are lucky enough to have a sibling at home, they could video teaching them or the Cub Scout could request a time in the next virtual Cub Scout meeting to demonstrate the skill and teach everyone online.
- Outdoor Cooking could be completed by using video or photo evidence of the meal cooked at home with their parents.
- Activities that are to lead discussions, on topics such as bullying, or safety could be done virtually.
- Participates, Assists and Leads for Milestones can be achieved with online Scouting.

Outdoor Activities

The 12-month period for the Outdoor Activities is extended out to the previous 18 months. This will remain in place through to end **December 2021**.

Hike/Day Walk

Cub Scouts are to complete the Grey Wolf Hike/Day Walk plan document as evidence of their ability to plan and organise a hike. This can be downloaded from the Scouts Victoria website under Grey Wolf Award in the Cub Section: <https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/media/4729/grey-wolf-hike-plan-aug20.pdf>

It would be a good idea for the Cub Scout to review the Plan and map with their Leader to ensure all the elements are covered prior to presenting it at Unit Council. This can be done via email. The Plan together with map attachments are to be presented to the Unit Council and Leaders as part of the final approval stage for the Grey Wolf application.

Wherever possible the hike should be undertaken, and the names of attendees included on the application form. If, due to COVID restrictions, the Cub Scout doesn't actually do the hike that is still accepted at this stage, but the Leaders and the Unit Council must be satisfied with the planning and agree that it was not possible to complete the hike.

Achievement Badges and Special Interest Badges

These elements are completed on an individual basis and can be done at home.

Personal Reflection

The Personal Reflection should occur with an adult Leader and other Cub Scouts. The reflection could be documented or could just be telling a story about their experiences. This could be done online.



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Option 2 - Achievement Pathways

Milestone 3

Participates, Assists and Leads can be achieved with online Scouting.

Outdoor Adventure Skills

The 12-month period for the Outdoor Activities is no longer relevant. During their time as a Cub Scout the Cub will need to achieve Bushcraft Stage 3, Bushwalking Stage 3, Camping Stage 3, with a total of at least 8 Stage progressions (which can include advancement of Core stages).

The Cub Scout may work with the Unit Council and Leaders to come up with ideas for demonstrating or using skills to support the **Do>** part of the Stages.

Special Interest Areas

During their time as a Cub Scout the Cub will complete 6 projects across two of the six areas. Special Interest Areas can be completed individually, in Project Patrols or as a Unit. This means they can be done at home with support and agreement from an adult leader/mentor.

Adventurous Journey

Cub Scouts are to plan and lead an adventurous journey of 4 hours duration. Cub Scouts are to complete the Grey Wolf Hike/Day Walk plan document as evidence of their ability to plan and organise a hike. This can be downloaded from the Scouts Victoria website under Grey Wolf Award in the Cub Section:

https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/media/3907/grey-wolf-hike-plan_jan20.pdf

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Wherever possible the hike should be undertaken. If, due to COVID restrictions, the Cub Scout doesn't actually do the hike that remains acceptable at this stage, but the Leaders and the Unit Council must be satisfied with the planning and agree that it was not possible to complete the hike.

Leadership Course (Unit Management or Personal Development)

There is considerable value in having the Leadership/Unit Management course run as a face-to-face activity. If due to extended COVID restrictions a face-to-face course is not possible, an online course will be accepted.

Personal Reflection

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Common Across Both Options (Old Scheme & Achievement Pathways)

Unit Council

Can happen via Zoom or similar.

Approval of Award

The Grey Wolf Award application form, either the Old Scheme (to 31 Dec 2021) or Achievement Pathways (from now on) will be accepted with the name and signature of one of the youth Unit Council members present at the meeting, plus the endorsement of a Cub Scout Leader (please include name).

The following is to be sent to Youth Awards:

The Grey Wolf Award Application, a copy of the Hike/Day Walk Plan, map and if the hike was not completed, a note saying that the hike was unable to proceed due to the restrictions that have arisen because of COVID-19.

The Grey Wolf badge and certificate will continue to be sent to the Cub Scout Leader so they can best manage presentation of the award.

Nikki Coffey – State Commissioner Cub Scouts and State Cub Scout Council. June 4th, 2021