

CUBOREE 2026
GILWELL PARK, VICTORIA



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WHAT IS A CUBOREE?

- The biggest Cub Scout event in Australia, run by Scouts Victoria
- Held every three years at Gilwell Park (Gembrook)
- Held on the second week of the September school holidays

Monday 28 September – Friday 2 October 2026

- This will be Victoria's 12th Cuboree
- Previous Cuborees have had:
 - Over 3,000 Cubs
 - Over 1,000 Leaders, Venturers, Rovers and adults

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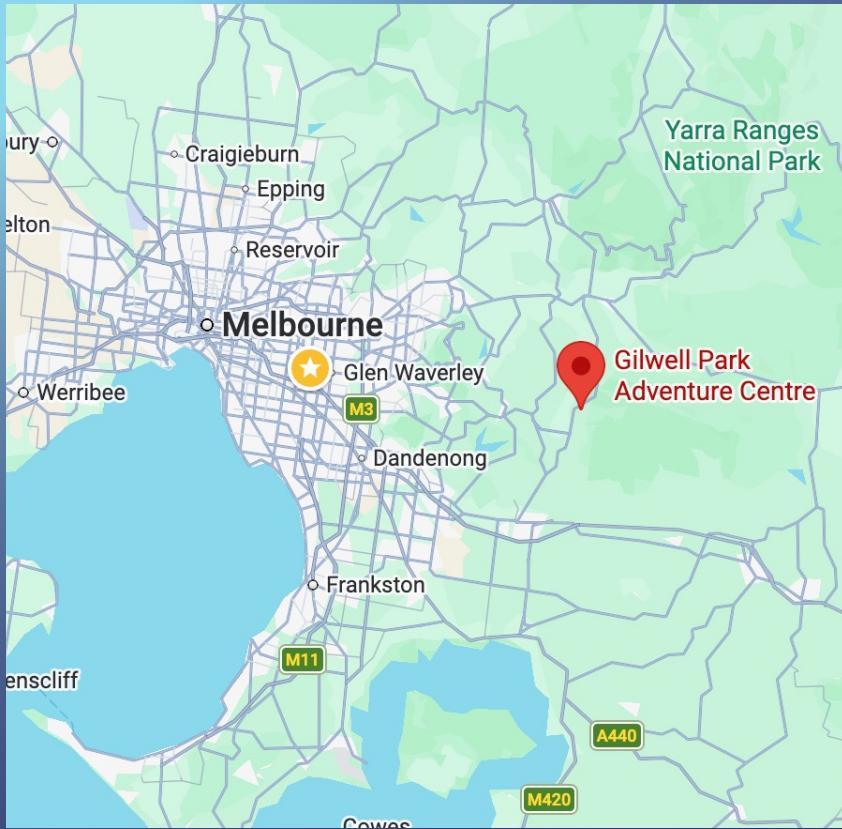
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WHAT MAKES CUBOREE SPECIAL?

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Being away from
home for a five-day
adventure at Scouts
Victoria's biggest
campsite (Gilwell
Park), supported by
their Leaders



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Enjoying three full days of activities, even bigger than a District or Region Camp! The resources of Scouts Victoria and the imagination of the activity teams make for magic experiences



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CUBS DEVELOP LIFE SKILLS

Environment - Being in the bush, camping in a tent, experiencing nature

Social – Working in small teams, sharing routines with others, contributing to camp

Resilience – Enjoying the MUD (if they want to), being away from home, challenging themselves



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A CUBOREE CAMPING UNIT

- Up to 36 Cub Scouts (in 6 Patrols)
- 6 Line Leaders (1 per Patrol)
- 1 Unit Akela
- 2-3 Cooks
- Carer(s) (if needed)
- All the tents, camping kitchen, dining shelter, food storage and other equipment needed to support 45 people for 5 days and 4 nights in a bush camping setting

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WEEKEND BEFORE

- Parents help move gear from their Groups/Districts to Gilwell Park
- Setting up tents, marquees, eating shelter, camp kitchen, gateway
- Each Unit has an allocated site, usually in amongst nature!
- This is a role for the parents, not just the leaders who will be with the Cubs for the next 5 days



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MONDAY



- Getting on the bus at allocated pick-up spots
- A long drive to Gilwell Park!
- Unloading near your campsite
- Setting up beds
- Settling in



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TUESDAY - THURSDAY

- Three days of activities
- Two rotations per day between “bases”
- Each base caters for around 500-600 Cubs at a time
- Lots of Service Leaders (Venturers, Rovers, Leaders, Parents) helping to run these
- Line Leaders supervising their small group of Cubs
- Night-time entertainment (comedy, music, Cubs Got Talent show, disco)



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FRIDAY



- Packing up contents of tents
- Possibly packing up some of the tents and other gear
- Load on to the bus, and home!

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WEEKEND Afterwards

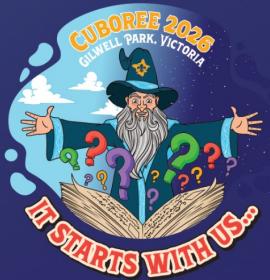


- Parents come back on-site to pack up the camping site
- This is a role for the parents; the leaders are exhausted after 5 days at camp!

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WHAT THE CUB SCOUTS EXPERIENCE



- Camping with friends – setting up beds, keeping their tent tidy
- Activities
- Meals prepared
- Helping clean up and keeping the campsite tidy
- Swapping badges
- Merchandise
- Showers
- 1 muddy day - VERY OLD CLOTHES, rinse-down facility
- Night Time Entertainment – each night a different act
- Activities are aimed at Cub ages (ages 8-11)

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WHAT'S INCLUDED



- All meals other than lunch on Monday (Cubs BYO lunch)
- Transport to and from Cuboree
- 6 activity bases over 3 days (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)
- Nightly entertainment
- Cuboree polo shirt, scarf and badge

- Scout Groups/Districts provide tents, eating shelter and kitchen

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HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Cub Scouts	\$420	\$100* deposit
All others	\$210	\$50* deposit

The deposit is paid at the time of application.

* plus Credit Card Transaction Fee on deposit

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THINGS TO KNOW

All Cubs, Line Leaders and Service Leaders will travel to and from the Cuboree site by bus. Your Cub Unit will be picked up from a location near your Group, but some Groups might need to travel a short distance to meet the bus.

Group Leaders need to approve all applications. The Leaders must be comfortable that each Cub is ready to enjoy Cuboree.

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MORE THINGS TO KNOW

We need lots of volunteers to ensure Cuboree is an amazing event for our Cubs:

- Line Leaders in the Camping Units
- Service Leaders – Leaders, Rovers, Venturers, parents
- Parents as cooks in the Camping Units
- Parents helping to set-up and pack-up the campsite on the weekends before and after Cuboree. This usually takes a few hours of your time onsite if there are sufficient helpers.

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KEY DATES



May 31

June 30

Cub Scout applications close

All other applications close

September 25 – 27

Cuboree Bump-in weekend – Parents to help!

September 28 – October 2

Cuboree!

September 30

Joey Scout Day @ Cuboree

October 3-4

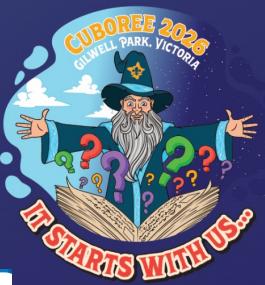
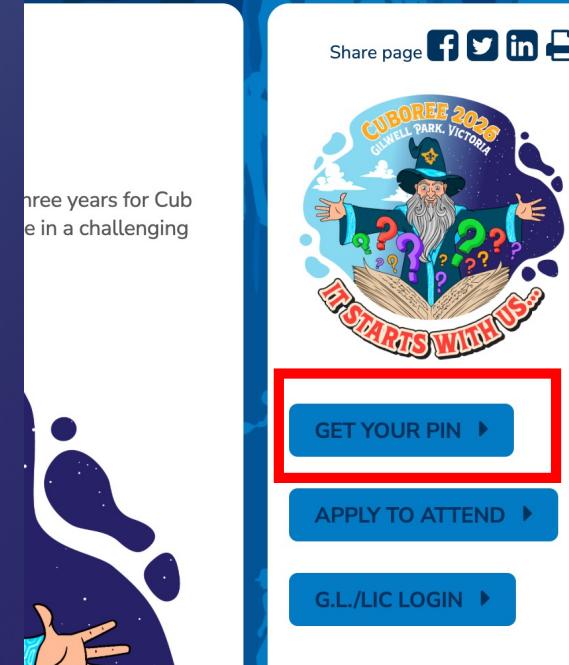
Cuboree Bump-out weekend – Parents to help!

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SIGNING UP!

- Go to **cuboree.com.au**
- Click on the “Get Your PIN” button
- Your membership record needs to be accurate to complete the application. Your Group Leader can update this if needed
- A credit card deposit is payable when you submit the application



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NEED MORE INFO?



Talk to your Leaders!

email: cuboree@scoutsvictoria.com.au

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