



**18<sup>th</sup> of April, 2016 – Victor (Vic) Mack Sparkes**

It is with deep regret Hunter & Coastal Region advise of the calling to higher service today of Hon Commissioner (HC Region) Victor (Vic) Mack Sparkes. Vic was a leader for 50 years. Of particular note were his tenures as AAC Venturers from 1973 to 1978 and Area Commissioner 1978 to 1988. Scouting in the Newcastle Hunter Area experienced significant growth at the time of these appointments.

Vic was chiefly responsible for the construction of Sub Camp 6 at Cataract Scout Park. He also held major responsibilities at Cataract for the 1988 World Jamboree. He was a very strong, committed and determined man who lead by fine example and inspired those around him. He was an active member of the Glenrock BP Guild until the time of his passing.

The relatives and friends of Vic are warmly invited to attend a Celebration of his Life to be held in The New Belmont Chapel, 444 Pacific Hwy, Belmont (parking via Henry St.), Wednesday, 20/4/2016, Service commencing at 12.30PM. In lieu of flowers donations to Alzheimers Research may be made at the Service.

Scout Members are requested to wear full and correct Scout uniform and decorations.

Hunter and Coastal Region Members salute Vic Sparkes - a true Champion. He will be sadly missed by all.