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Founders Day 2018

22 February marks Founder's Day, the day Scouts across the world takes a moment to both reflect of Scouting's rich history and, in Australia, to celebrate a youth movement that has been going strong for 110 years.

The day originated as a celebration of the birthday of the founder of Scouting, Lord Baden Powel (this year would mark his 161st birthday), but has grown into a celebration of what it fundamentally means to be a Scout. To always do your best and to try to put happiness into the lives of others.

In a world of tweets, YouTube videos and screens, Scouting provides an alternative. Scouts get to be kids, to get outside, go camping and learn to look after themselves, all while having a whole lot of fun and gaining skills for life.

Scouting teaches the very fundamental character qualities that prepare a young person to be an active and engaged member of the world.

Young people across the five sections (Joeys, Cubs, Scouts, Ventures and Rovers) can challenge themselves in a never ending list of ways through the Scouting program.

Scouts Australia focuses on a Youth Leading, Adult Supporting environment with more independence and responsibility given to Youth members as they progress.

Scouts has a lot to celebrate as 2018 marks 110 years of Scouting's strong presence in Australia, and 100 years of Rovers, the youth section for 18-26 year olds.

Scout Groups across the country will celebrate with BBQ's, open days, adventurous activities and most importantly, a whole lot of fun.



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