

NEWSLETTER 4

June 2017



AUSTRALIA INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONER

This year will see the largest ever Australian Contingent travel to a World Scout Moot. This is a great achievement!

Having recently attended one of the O-Days, I was impressed by the enthusiasm and excitement building towards this amazing experience. I would especially like to congratulate Kusi and his entire Contingent Management Team on their excellent preparations for this event. Without their dedication, such a record attendance would not be possible, and I applaud their efforts in making this Moot a reality for so many people.

International travel and Scouting are my two greatest passions, and I am assured that every member of the Australian Contingent will have the opportunity to share these highlights on their journey to Iceland. As the second largest Contingent at this year's event, Australia will be a strong presence in Iceland and I have confidence that every Contingent member will represent Australia as great ambassadors for our country.

The World Scout Moot will be an unforgettable experience. Be sure to meet new people, try new activities, and step out of your comfort zone. Iceland is a country of beautiful landscapes and rich in culture. Enjoy every experience and remember to advertise your journey when you return to Australia so that other Scouting members may be inspired for their own International Scouting adventure in the future.

I look forward to visiting Úlfjótstvatn Scout Centre to meet with each of you in Iceland and join the excitement of the Moot.

Until then, safe travels!

Aaron Wardle
International Commissioner of Australia

CONTINGENT LEADERS DEPARTURE WORDS

Hi everyone,

It's the final countdown. Many of you are about to leave the country soon, and some of you have already left! We hope everyone has an amazing time setting off on your adventures abroad. This newsletter contains some final pieces of information for the Moot (and some important reminders) - hopefully they will help you with your last minute preparations!

When you get on your flight to Iceland, take a moment to reflect on what you're about to undertake. For some of you this may be your first time overseas. Many of you may never have participated in a World Moot before, and I bet many of you haven't been to Iceland. This trip is going to be something special and we hope all of you make the most of each and every opportunity.

Stay safe and we'll see you in Norway (for the Pre Tour) or Iceland (for everyone else)!

Cheers,
Kusi and Brad

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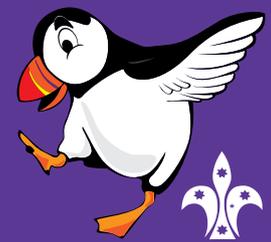
Contingent Hotline is to be used for times you need to get in touch with the Contingent and will be manned 24/7. If no one picks up, leave a message and someone will call you back as soon as they can. This phone number will also be on all you Contingent ID Badges and Bag Tags.



Bogstad Camp & Turistscenter, Oslo
Ankerveien 117, 0766 Oslo, Norway

Meet at 6 pm on the day your tour starts

- Bus A: 6th July
- Bus B: 8th July
- Bus C: 10th July
- Bus D: 12th July



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MEETING POINT: THE MOOT

Participants accommodation and meeting point in Reykjavik have finally been released!!

- Pre Tour bus A, B, C (MAPS LINK)

Hagaskóli, Address: Fornahaga 1, 107 Reykjavík

- Non Pre Tour participants + Pre Tour bus D (MAPS LINK)

Breiðagerðisskóli, Address: Breiðagerði 20, 108 Reykjavík

For anyone planning to get a FlyBus+ (<https://www.re.is/flybus/>) from the airport to the Scout Accommodation and wanting to book it online before you go to Iceland. If you have already booked this location you will need to email main@re.is with your booking number and let them know the drop off location. If you are unable to email them you can visit the Reykjavik Excursion service desk at the KEF airport when you arrive, but note there may be delays if doing this.

(If you are on Pre Tour your transfers have been booked)



IST: THE MOOT

IST will need to meet at 5pm on the 22nd at Laugardalshöll Sports Center. If you are coming straight from the airport, the Flybus will take you to Laugardalshöll if you book the drop off in advance. Iceland are working on getting the sports center and the school on the list of destinations. But if you are unable to find it there, the "Reykjavik Lights Hotel - Suðurlandsbraut 12" is about 10 min walk from Laugardalshöll Sports Center

IST Update

Expected to have Patrol Allocations out soon, Delshard will email you as soon as he has them.

Don't forget to do your safe from harm before you leave Australia.



DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Participants (non Post Tour)

- Breakfast is included on the morning of August 3rd
- You are free to leave whenever you need to catch your flight – you do not need to check out
- Everyone must leave by 12pm
- Flybus can pick you up from the accommodation

IST

- IST will be staying to help pack up the site
- You will be returned to Reykjavik after breakfast on the 4th
- If you have an early flight you may have to find your own way to the airport

Post Tour

- Breakfast is included on the morning of August 12
- You are free to leave whenever you need to catch your train or flight. You do not need to check out on the 12th August
- Everyone must leave site by 12pm
- Your train ticket will be valid for travel back to any airport or the Swiss border.

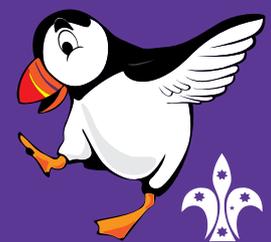
10 things to remember to pack!

- Official Scout / Guide uniform & international scarf
- Passport
- Money
- Rain Gear
- Gear to keep you warm
- Appropriate footwear
- Aussie Day gear
- Enough prescriptions / general medical items to cover you for your time away
- Eye mask – You will want to sleep before the sun does
- A great attitude!

For more detailed packing lists, check out:

Newsletter 2 - http://www.wsm2017.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Newsletter_2_NOV_2016_WSM2017_V3.pdf

Newsletter 3 - http://www.wsm2017.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Newsletter_3_APR_2017_WSM2017_V3.pdf



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INTERNATIONAL DAY

Got your Aussie boardies? (Maybe with some thermals underneath)
Got your Aussie tattoos? (we'll know who has and hasn't had a shower soon after)
Got your cork hat? (Don't really know what the flies are like over there)
What about a token inflatable Aussie animal or onesie to throw on? (Think about the warmth running around in one of those bad boys).
Whatever you think is appropriately Australia, don't forget to throw it in so that everywhere you look on International Day you can very easily identify our Contingent. Remember to do us proud and show respect.



DA FUN STUFF

Check out this video on how to tie a friendship knot in your international scarf. It's also a great ice breaker to get to know other participants!

<https://youtu.be/T6WPKZG7V0c>

Don't forget to tag your posts on social media using the Australian Contingent hashtag #wsm2017 and who knows, maybe you can become internet famous!



TRAVEL TIPS

- Give yourself plenty of time to get to the airport for check in. You can't control the traffic, delays or how long lines are so don't leave it up to chance.
- While you're at it, keep an eye on the time. It would be pretty embarrassing if you missed your flight while you were in the airport!
- Bring entertainment for the plane – while a lot of airlines have great entertainment systems these days, not all have your exact taste in movie and sometimes they malfunction, so it's best to bring a back up!
- Make sure you know your luggage allowance on all your flights and pack appropriately to that, excessive luggage charges at the airport can best very costly!
- Did we mention bring your passport?
- Finally make sure you register yourself on smart traveller. Check your emails for more info!!

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