



Welcome to the Atwell Scout Group



This information is correct as at 1 July 2025.

Thank you for your recent enquiry with regards to the Atwell Scout Group. Both girls and boys are involved within the Scouting Movement.

At Atwell Scout Group we currently run the following sections during school terms:

Cub Scouts	Scouts	Venturer Scouts
Aged 8 to 10 years Wednesday night* 6.00 to 7.30pm	Aged 11 to 14 years Monday night* 6.30 to 8.30pm	Aged 15 to 18 years Monday night* 6.30 to 8.30pm

** this is the main meeting night for the section – however activities & camps will also be held on weekends and may occasionally be held on other weeknights.*

Our group was established in 2004 and is located in the Scouting district of Beeliar.

We welcome new members, both youth and adults.

At present our group has a good balance of boys and girls as active members.

Our Scouting sections operate under the guidance of a trained leader(s) and parent helpers.



Scouting can be a great adventure. Our members get to experience a diverse range of activities, adventures and challenges.

Through this they develop a range of skills, including bush craft, survival, cooking & leadership - all whilst having fun and making new friends.

As well as learning and fun activities within our hall, members participate in many off-site activities and events throughout the year, including events with many other youth from around the metropolitan area or even State wide.

These include activities such as rock climbing, abseiling, canoeing, rafting, hiking, fishing and special events such as ANZAC Day vigils, Cubilee & OneCamp.

We encourage parent involvement whether helping out with an activity (including getting involved and sharing in the fun), helping with a fundraiser (such as helping at a sausage sizzle) or attending meetings of the Parent Committee.

You could also become a leader - a rewarding and very important role.

LOCATION

The Atwell Scout Group is based at:

Banjup Community Hall, 41 Oxley Rd, Banjup.

The hall is located at the southern edge of Denis de Young Reserve, an 84 hectare 'Bush Forever' site. Each section will have regular activities at the Hall during each term.

The sections will also have a number of offsite activities during each term, such as camps, hikes, ANZAC Day commemoration and other special or outdoor activities.

HOW TO JOIN



Our Group offers a free 2-week trial so your child can try scouting before any commitment is made.

Step 1

In mid 2024 Scouts WA introduced a new process to become involved in Scouts.

The first step will be to complete and submit an online Enquiry Form. This can be found at:

<https://scoutmap.my.site.com/scouts/s/enquiry-submission>

Atwell Scout Group will then email you with some information and offer a trial.

Step 2

Come along to a free trial.

Step 3

During, or before, the trial period it would be a good idea to read our information about fees, uniform, etc.

Have a browse of our website, including looking at some of the previous Term Planners for the section that your child will join (click "Sections" and then select the relevant section).

Step 4

If your child enjoyed the trial and wishes to join, inform the leader who will advise the next steps.

Investiture ceremony.

A short but important ceremony where your child:

- will make their Scout Promise;
- is welcomed as a member of Scouts; and
- is presented with their Investiture Items, which include an Activity Shirt, Scarf, Woggle, badges, etc.

Note: *There are two Scout Promises – please view them on our website, help your child to understand them & ask your child to choose which one they would like to recite at the ceremony.*

FEES

The table outlines the fees payable for your child to participate in the Atwell Scout Group. These fees are correct as at 1 January 2024. Please refer to our website for further information and to check for any changes.

Membership	\$218 annually	This fee is paid directly to Scouts WA. The fee will be invoiced to you when you have confirmed that you wish to join. <i>Sibling discount:</i> A reduced fee is payable for each sibling. <i>Note:</i> ScoutsWA review this fee each year with any increase applying from 1 April.
Term	\$70	The term fee is set at \$80 but is discounted to \$70 where it is paid by the commencement of the term. <i>Sibling discount:</i> A reduced fee is payable for each sibling.
Investiture	\$75	This fee covers the cost of your child's activity shirt, scarf, woggle, badges and Atwell name tape

Note 1: There are other fees that may be applicable throughout the year – such as fees for camps, special events, excursions, etc.

Note 2: If your child becomes a member and wishes to take a term off (perhaps due to family travel, sport commitments, etc) then a holding fee will be payable for that term.

UNIFORM

Your child will need a uniform shirt, activity polo, dark blue shorts/pants, scarf, woggle and closed shoes.

Uniform Shirt: There are two types of uniform shirt – a button up shirt and a polo shirt. Either shirt is suitable. The uniform shirt can be purchased from the Scout Shop (<https://scoutshop.com.au/>) - the online store for Scouts Australia.



Note: each section has a different colour shirt (Cubs – Yellow; Scouts – Green, etc).

ScoutsWA Head Office at 133 Scarborough Beach Rd, Mt Hawthorn have previously advised they have a range of shirts that can be tried on for size before placing your online order.

Activity Polo, Scarf and Woggle: These are provided as part of the Investiture package when your child joins our Group.



Shorts, pants: The only requirement for shorts and pants is that they are dark blue in colour.

Shoes: Closed shoes are required.

Hat: A hat will be required for outdoor activities.

Buying 2nd hand

You may also be able to source a second hand shirt, activity shirt or scarf through sources such as Facebook Marketplace, Gumtree or a local Op Shop. If doing so, please note the following:

New Scout Logo – The Scout Logo was updated a few years ago. Whilst the old logo is acceptable, your child may prefer the new logo to match their peers.



Unique items – The scarf and activity shirt are unique to the Atwell Scout Group. Please ensure that you obtain the correct items. (Note: if you obtain these items 2nd hand, email the Treasurer as this will reduce the Investiture Fee charged for your child).

SAFETY INFORMATION

Children must wear enclosed shoes at all times, wear mosquito repellent every week as they will be involved in many evening outdoor activities, and should always bring a water bottle with them as the water at the hall, whilst drinkable, may not be to their liking. They must also wear a hat for any outdoor activity.

WAITING LISTS

At times we may have a waiting list to join a section. However, we are always looking for adult leaders and if you wish to become a Leader then your child will not need to wait for acceptance to the appropriate Section. Leadership truly is a rewarding experience.



PARENT PARTICIPATION & COMMITTEE

A certain amount of Parent Participation is expected in order to keep our Group fees low. Parent help may be required from time to time at meetings or activities, fundraising activities (such as Sausage Sizzles), Busy Bees, etc.

We have an active committee which provides support to the Group in a variety of ways including organising Family Camps, our annual Christmas function, applying for Grants and organising fundraising events. We strongly encourage parents to be involved with the Parent Committee to help make scouting the best possible adventure for your child. The Committee meets twice during each term from 6.30 to 8.00pm at the Banjup Hall. Please contact the Chairperson to express your interest in attending the meetings - atwellscoutsparentgroup@gmail.com & copy in the Group Leader at the email address below.

COMMUNICATION & OTHER INFORMATION



<https://atwellscouts.wixsite.com/asg1>



<https://www.facebook.com/Atwellscouts/>

You can find a great deal of information about Scouts and our Group on our website - including fees, term planners, safety information, the Scout Promise (this is spoken by a new member when being invested in scouts), etc.

We also have a Facebook page which is used to provide reminders, share activities that have happened, provide information about upcoming activities, etc.

Most communication will be made with you via email, including information from the Section Leaders, the Group Leader, Parent Committee and the Treasurer. It is important that you provide us with an email address that you check on a regular basis.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Our contact information is listed below. If you require further information please don't hesitate to contact us.

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