

Scouts in Action Month 2022
'The Great Australian Scout Cook Off'
Cub Scout Program – Fire/Fuel/Cook
1st Ermington Venturer Scout Unit (New South Wales)



Time	Min	Activity	Detail	Lead	Assist	Adult Support	Resources	Achievement Pathways
0.00	5	Opening Activity	See attached notes				Australian Flag	
0.05	30	Activity	Fire Lighting Challenge				Fire drums, kindling, newspaper, matches, axe, small billy, mugs, spoons, drink ingredients	
0.35	10	Activity	Fire Master Quiz				Quiz questions, quiz answers, scoring sheet, pens, table, chairs, bell Pantry items – see below ingredients for the desserts	
1.15	40	Activity	Cook a Dessert (includes eating and clean up)				Various dessert items – oranges, chocolate cake, bananas, marshmallows, chocolate, apples, brown sugar, sultanas etc Wash basins/sink, dishwashing liquid and cloths, tea towels	
1.25	5	Closing Activity	See attached notes				Australian Scout Flag	
1.30		Home						

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Opening Activity	
Resources	Australian Flag
Notes on Opening Activities	There should be an Opening and Closing Activity associated with the meeting whether at the den or on camp or away from the den. Wherever possible the Opening and Closing activities of each youth meeting should be led by youth members who have been trained for these roles. Ideally every youth member should be progressively involved in taking an assisting or leading role in an Opening or Closing Activity once a semester. Refer – pr.scouts.com.au – A Guide to Ceremonies in Australian Scouting
Activity	Fire Lighting Challenge
Resources	Fire drums, kindling, newspaper, matches, axe, small billy, mugs, spoons, drink ingredients
Method	Divide the Unit into two teams or individuals can complete this challenge depending on the Unit size Each team/Venturer is to race to be the first to light their fire and make a hot drink – cup of tea, coffee, shot chocolate, soup etc All the materials for this activity will be available for the Venturers but they may need to complete challenges or answer questions to 'earn' the materials – sit ups, star jumps, recite the Scout Laws or Promise (their choice of Promise), tie a knot Make it fun but challenging at the same time 3 points to the team that wins One member from each team should tend the fire (not left unattended) as the coals will be needed for the dessert challenge)
Activity	Fire Master Quiz
Resources	Quiz questions, quiz answers (see below), scoring sheet, pens, tables (2), chairs, bell Pantry items – see below ingredients for the desserts
Method	In the same teams as the fire lighting challenge have them at one end of the hall or if outside a small distance away from a table and chairs with the bell on the table and pantry items for making desserts (next activity) on another table Questions are read out. The first person to run up and ring the bell gets to answer the question. Questions are based on fires and fire safety (see attached question bank with answers) Award a point for the correct answer and take a point off for an incorrect answer. Team first to three points wins and get to go to the 'pantry' to select the ingredients for their dessert they will cook in the next activity.

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Activity	Cook a Dessert
Resources	Various dessert items – oranges, chocolate cake, bananas, marshmallows, chocolate, apples, brown sugar, sultanas etc, foil Wash basins/sink, dishwashing liquid and cloths, tea towels
Method	Teams or individuals to cook a dessert on their fires to share or just to eat Various dessert items – chocolate cake in an orange, chocolate, marshmallows in a banana, S'mores, bakes apple etc Activity to include eating and cleaning up
Closing Activity	
Resources	Australian Flag, badges that may be available for presenting, any notices that need to be handed out

Fire Master Quiz Questions and Answers

1	What are the three elements of fire?	Oxygen, heat & fuel
2	Which of the three elements do you take away for a fire not to be able to burn?	Any of the three elements – oxygen, heat and fuel
3	Name one danger of fire	Being burnt, causing a house fire, causing a bush fire, overcome by smoke or any other plausible answer
4	What is the minimum safety item to have when lighting a fire	Water or sand to smother the fire
5	What is a fire extinguisher that is all red used for?	Wood or plastic
6	What does PASS stand for when using a fire extinguisher	P ull the pin, A im it at the fire, S queeze the handle, S weep from side to side