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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF SANJAMB 2017

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DISCO FEVER?

We might have been wary to start out with - a bunch of dark figures that stood in the mud while music played dully in the corner.

But on close inspection, those dark figures were our friends, the mud wasn't half as bad as previously thought, and the music was a lot more lively up close.

As it turns out, Scouts can flourish in almost any situation.

Regardless of the nerdy, awkward Scout stereotype, we all enjoyed a very social evening.

Chatting in groups that transcended red and blue, we continued to make friends from all across South Africa, very true the SANJAMB spirit. We hear that even the Air Scouts were spoken to!

Not long after, the disco spread out and the new prime social areas became the amphitheatre, the volleyball court and the medic tent.

So perhaps, our original opinions of the disco were that it would be less than stellar ... but it turns out it was more alive than the bugs in our showers!

FUN FACT: the reason the music cut out? A highly intelligent Scout tripped over the cords and wires necessary for the DJ. It was most probably a Sea Scout ... they're not used to walking on solid earth.

~ By Patrol 69



That d*** bugle!

Every morning and every evening, the crisp notes flow through camp, raising Scouts from the dead of sleep - much to our annoyance.

Yet, this is a sign of a new day at SANJAMB, with bases to cover and friends to make.

As much as we all wake up cursing, there is a certain authenticity about it - and who can

complain! The bugler is the captain in an army band, and holds several platinum awards in the gospel music industry.

So to all you complainers, shut up! It's an honour to have him.

By Patrol 19, Troop 5

With special thanks to Alban Pietersen, for risking his life to bugle the camp awake on a daily basis!



BIRTHDAYS



Happy birthday to the following people:

Richard Shearer: Activity Support Staff

Donne Aucamp: Guide/Ranger

Wesley Campbell: Scout

Chloe Botha: Scout

Tamzen Richardson: Assistant Troop Scouter

WHATS ON TONIGHT

Scouts Own: 17h30 - Main Parade Ground

Movie Night: for half of SubCamp Blue, in Sub-Camp Red

Backwoods: for half of SubCamp Blue

Troop Meetings: for SubCamp Red

FOOD FACT OF THE DAY

100L of cooking oil, 300kg of sugar and 1000L of milk will be consumed at SANJAMB 2017.

Camp through a Scouter's Eyes

Often at Scouting Events, we only see the Scouts' point of view, but have you ever considered the management point of view? We caught up with Cobra to find out...

SO HOW DID YOU BECOME A SUB-CAMP CHIEF?

I got a call from David Stanton, asking me if I wanted to be a sub camp chief. I asked him what I would have to do. He said: "Everything." I accepted the position.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO A SCOUT AT SANJAMB TO MAKE THE BEST OF THEIR EXPERIENCE?

Be open and try everything, even if you are scared. You won't know if you don't like it, until you try it.

WHAT IS THE MOST STRESSFUL PART OF SANJAMB FOR YOU?

Making sure that everyone is where they are meant to be, and most importantly, having fun!

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE ASPECT OF SANJAMB?

When we fall in, in the morning and I see everyone happy and smiling. It is my favourite part.

IF YOU COULD CHANGE ANYTHING ABOUT SANJAMB, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

There is nothing I would change. I mean, there are little hiccups such as the bus situation, but those are the situations that you cannot plan for so overall there is nothing I would change.

HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH THOSE ISSUES?

Firstly, you must assess the situation, calm down and make a plan to deal with the issue... and above all, do not panic!

~ Troop 13, Patrol 52

COOL CUBS MAKING FRIENDSHIP SUCKERS!



SCOUTS BY PROVINCE

Our attendees are from all over South Africa!

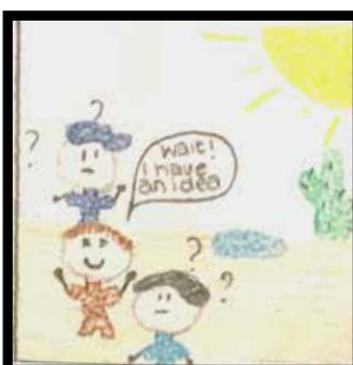
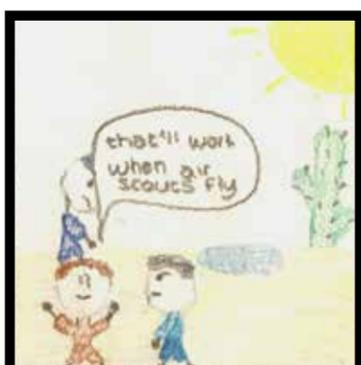
321	Gauteng
194	Western Cape
73	KwaZulu Natal
18	Northwest
12	Eastern Cape North
9	Eastern Cape South
7	Free State
5	Mpumalanga
2	Limpopo

DID YOU KNOW?

- The first World Scout Jamboree in 1920 was attended by 8,000 Scouts from 34 countries as well as an alligator from Florida, a baby crocodile from Jamaica, a lioness cub from Zimbabwe, monkeys from South Africa, a baby elephant and a camel.
- Baden-Powell's Scouting for Boys has sold 150 million copies since 1908, making it the fourth bestselling book of all time after The Bible, The Koran and Chairman Mao's Little Red Book.
- David Bowie's first public musical performance was at a Scout camp on the Isle of Wight in 1958. David accompanied his friend George Underwood on the ukulele, while George played washboard bass and sang.
- There are only five countries in the world that do not have Scouting – China, Cuba, Laos, North Korea, and Andorra.
- The current and youngest ever Chief Scout, Bear Grylls, was one of the youngest people ever to climb to the summit of Mount Everest at the tender age of 23.
- John Lennon and Paul McCartney of the Beatles went to Cubs together.
- Sea Scouts helped evacuate Dunkirk during World War II.

Scouts vs Puddle

by Patrol 69





Congratulations to Joe of Patrol 8, "The Freys", for building the longest Da Vinci bridge at SANJAMB to date!

TOP SCORERS OF THE DAY

ARCHERY	
1	Daniel Simon
2	Peter
3	Jake

RIFLE RANGE	
1	136 - Patrol 47
2	127 - Patrol 43
3	118 - Patrol 21

SPECIAL MENTION: SHARPSHOOTER OF THE DAY

Tarryn Nitch of Patrol 1
12 bullseyes in a row on the
rifle range

"SEXY MUD BEASTS!"



SEEN AROUND

