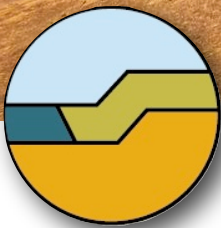




Mount Lawley Senior High School Bush Ranger Cadets



Application Package 2012



Feeding the Banded Hair Wallabies at Project Eden, Francois Peron National Park (2010).

Thanks for your interest in joining our Bush Ranger Cadet Unit. Be assured, we have plenty of opportunities for you this year, as well as lots of new people to get to know!

Bush Rangers Western Australia

This package will outline the various activities we have been, and will be, undertaking this year. We hope that it provides answers to many of the questions you might have.

Further information is also available on our intranet website at <https://streaming.lawley.wa.edu.au/cadets> (details about how to access this further on).

If you have any questions, please speak to Andrew the Chaplain on 0419 048 310 or chaplain@lawley.wa.edu.au



Training is Mondays after school from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. Meet outside Student Services.



Dates for Camps & Activities

Our planned dates will be distributed at the beginning of the year.





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Planning for a New Year

The program is run, and funded, under the State Government's Cadets WA program, and heavily resourced and supported by the Department of Environment & Conservation (DEC).

Cadets meet weekly, learning a variety of skills, developing independence and leadership qualities, learning about conservation and the role that DEC plays in looking after the wealth of flora, fauna and land under its protection.

The cadets then have opportunity to apply their skills and knowledge through community service and conservation activities, as well as a series of 'in the field' experiences, camps and expeditions.

The cadets work together in small and large groups, with Senior Cadets given responsibility for a variety of projects, as well as the management of the rest of the cadet group. They have a say in selecting the activities the Unit undertakes, and feed back regularly to the Instructors.



Meeting some of the local wildlife in Shark Bay (2010).

Monday Training



We meet every Monday after school between 3:10 and 5:00pm. The Cadets meet outside the Student Services building and then move to various areas around the school for our activities.

Training will involve a series of sessions, with cadets needing to participate in certain sessions to be eligible for promotions and camp experiences. The topics include: Working Safely in Natural Environments, Bushcraft and Survival, First Aid, Leadership, Personal Growth, Conservation, Winning Back Wildlife, as well as the Interpretation of the Natural Environment.

The cadets will also select, plan and participate in a Practical Conservation Project as a part of these Monday sessions. This project may be at school, or require them to undertake excursion trips to a variety of locations.



"It's fun, it's free, and you're helping the environment"

"A fun, enjoyable experience that everyone should take up."

"Cadets has been a great experience for me so far. I've tried things that I would never have done before."



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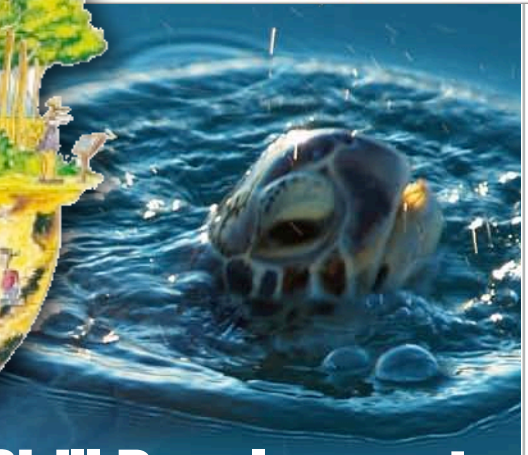


Camps

The Unit has undertaken an extensive and rewarding camping program over the years, with trips to Karijini National Park, Cape Range National Park (near Exmouth and the Ningaloo Reef), Francois Peron National Park in Shark Bay, the Leeuwin-Naturaliste National Park near Margaret River, along with the Stirling Ranges, Pemberton, the Avon Valley, Wellington Dam, Walpole and Rottneest.

During these experiences, they have undertaken activities, which include weed reduction, beach clean-up, improving walking track drainage, National Park maintenance, and fauna surveys. These experiences are usually conducted with the DEC Rangers and staff in the various locations we visit, and provide a number of challenging and exciting activities only available through the program.

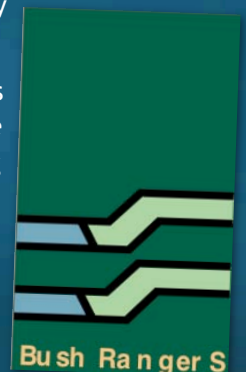
We want our cadets to experience the depth, breadth and beauty of Western Australia's natural environment, to learn the processes of remote camping and minimum impact processes, and to learn how to work well as an individual and as a team.



Skill Development

There are several skills that we see as an important part of the development of our cadets, and they form the backbone of our Monday training program.

Leadership development is something we actively pursue with our senior cadets, providing them with opportunity to lead and feedback through a mentoring process. Campcraft, safety, navigation and first aid are also important aspects of our training.



Practical Conservation & Community Service

The cadets will be involved in a number of Practical Conservation Projects over the year. Some of these will take place during our camping experiences, and others during our weekly training. The cadets have, and will have, opportunity to select the projects they are involved in, and need to demonstrate an involvement in that project to be eligible for promotion.

Projects have included seed collection, dune restoration, tree and sedge planting, weed reduction in National Parks and the Marine Community Monitoring Program, which involves flora and fauna surveys and beach monitoring activities.

The cadets will also participate in a variety of community service opportunities, usually connected with a conservation focus. In the past these have included 'Earth Day @ ECU', where the cadets assisted the staff at Edith Cowan University and the various service providers to run a day of activities for several hundred primary school students. We are involved in a similar program for World Environment Day, and have helped to run the Landcare Exhibit at the Perth Royal Show, planted trees in a number of locations, and worked with DEC staff to improve facilities at Monkey Mia, as well as other National Parks.

We have also partnered with the local Inglewood Triangle Bushland Support Group, undertaking restoration and survey work in a pocket of remnant bushland close to the school.



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Our Instructors

Our Unit Leader is Andrew Paul, the School Chaplain, who has been involved with the Unit since its inception at Mount Lawley in 1998. He has an extensive experience in running camps and outdoor activities and skills in a variety of instructional areas, as well as first aid and water-based safety and has a Graduate Diploma in Applied Science (Outdoor Pursuits).

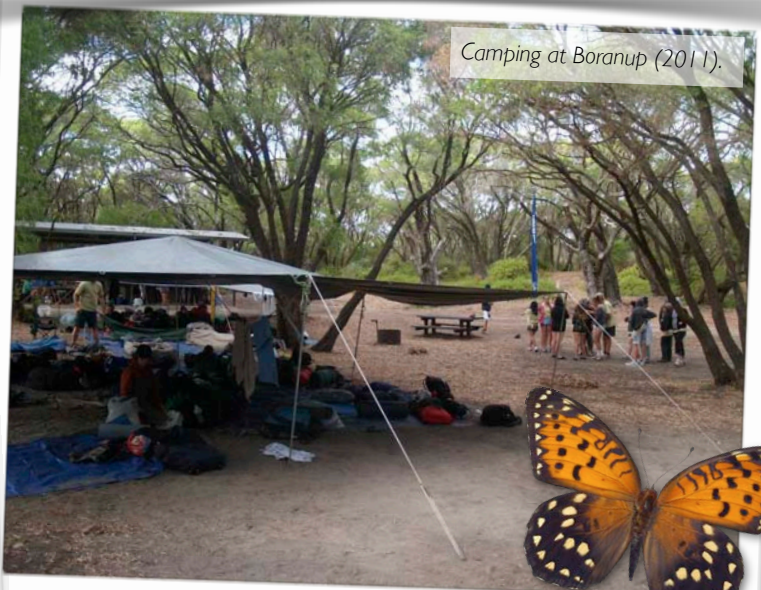
The other instructors are made up of a variety of staff from Mount Lawley SHS as well as the local community.

The staff come from both the Middle and Senior Schools, some of whom have been involved for several years.

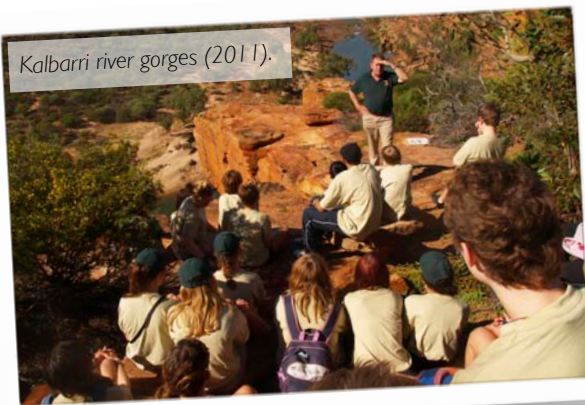
Local youth workers and past cadets (who have graduated from the school) also help to make up our Instructor base.



Indigenous education. (2011).



Camping at Boranup (2011).



Kalbarri river gorges (2011).

Accessing Information Online

As we mentioned earlier, there is a large amount of information that can be accessed on the school's intranet. Students will be shown how to access their school computer accounts during their classes at the beginning of the year, and can use their Login ID and Password to access the intranet from a school computer or even from home. You can go straight to the cadets web page, or follow the links from the 'For Students' section of the website.

<https://streaming.lawley.wa.edu.au/cadets>

The intranet website is an important tool for the cadets, as along with photos and write ups of our activities, it is the place the cadets need to go to access their Camp Application and Excursion forms and details throughout the year. The intranet website is our main form of communication with the cadets during the year, and links to a blog we use during camps.

The **school email list** also has a segment for Bush Ranger Cadets. We encourage all Cadet families to join. Follow the links from the school's homepage: www.lawley.wa.edu.au/email



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How to Apply in 2012 ...

This package includes the application forms that need to be filled in and returned in order to become a member of the Mount Lawley Senior High School Bush Ranger Cadet Unit. Please follow the following steps to submit your application:

1. Please remember, new Cadets are committing to join, and participate, in the Unit for at least one semester (half year). If you decide to leave the Unit, we ask you do it after this initial period.
2. Fill in all of the enclosed forms fully, and remember the parent/guardian signatures that are required (including those from a witness).
3. Detach the information pages and keep them for your own reference.
4. Return your Application Forms to the Chaplain's Office in the Student Services building (next to the library). If the Chaplain is not there, please leave it in the Chaplain's pigeonhole in the Student Services building.
5. As there are a limited number of places available, and great interest in the program, a selection process *may* take place, involving the Cadet Instructors and other school staff to determine who will be invited to join the Unit. Students may then be interviewed (this may just be a brief chat) by one of the instructors. The purpose of

- this discussion is to try and determine the prospective cadet's level of enthusiasm for the program and to clarify any questions they may have.
7. Our first session for new Cadets will be in week 3 of Term 1, (or week 2 of Term 3 if you are joining us in Semester 2). The dates will be published on a notice outside Andrew the Chaplain's office. All new Cadets should expect to attend this first session. If you have any questions, please speak to Andrew the Chaplain.

Enrolment Application Form

Note: Enrolment in the Bush Rangers signifies a voluntary agreement to accept the rules of the organisation and to abide by the Bush Rangers Code of Conduct.

To be Completed by Applicant

Surname	Given Names
Date of Birth	Gender
Home Address	
	P'code
Postal Address (if different)	
	P'code
Contact Telephone Number (Day)	
Contact Telephone Number (Night)	
Mobile Phone Number	
Name of Parent / Guardian	
Relationship to You	
I apply to be enrolled in the Bush Rangers. I undertake to attend training sessions regularly, to safeguard and care for any Bush Rangers clothing or equipment issued to me, and to return it on completion or termination of membership. I agree to conduct myself at all times in such a manner as to reflect credit upon the Bush Rangers.	
Signature of Applicant	
Date	



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Parental Consent Form

To be Completed by Applicant's Parent/Guardian

I hereby give permission for my son/daughter/ward	
Surname	Given Names
of the Mount Lawley Senior High School Unit, CALM Bush Rangers, to undertake Ranger activities from the date of this agreement until such time as the cessation of membership, including those camps and other outdoor activities as may from time to time be scheduled. To the best of my knowledge, he/she is in good health unless otherwise indicated on his/her application form. I understand that, should an accident or medical emergency arise as a result of a CALM Bush Rangers activity, every effort will be made to contact his/her next of kin. Notwithstanding this, I give my permission for any medical or operative treatment considered necessary by a qualified medical practitioner attending him/her, including the administration of injections, anaesthetics and blood transfusions.	
Signature of Parent / Guardian	
Date	
Address	
	P'code
Phone	

Signature of Witness	
Date	
Address	

Medical Conditions

To be Completed by Applicant's Parent/Guardian

Medical conditions do not affect membership.

The following information is only required to ensure that Rangers are not expected to undertake tasks that are not consistent with their current state of health.

Please tick one of the following:

I do not know of any medical conditions of which the Unit Administration should be informed regarding the applicant's participation in Bush Rangers.

The applicant has the following medical condition(s) which may affect their participation in some Bush Rangers activities:

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I the Parent/Guardian of the above applicant do hereby give my permission for him/her to take part in Bush Rangers activities.

Signature of Parent / Guardian	
Date	

Application Approved:

Signature of Unit Leader	
Date	
Printed name of Unit Leader	



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Medical Form

To be Completed by Applicant's Parent/Guardian

Ranger's Surname	
Ranger's First Name	
This form is to be completed by a parent or guardian of any Ranger attending a unit of the CALM Bush Rangers. The information contained herein may be required by a Medical Practitioner in the event of the Ranger requiring treatment. The information given is not intended to stop the Ranger attending a unit. It is important for the well being of the Ranger that this form be completed fully, accurately and updated as required.	
Date of Birth	
Medicare Number	_____
Name of Parent or Guardian	
Address	
Postcode	
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
Mobile Phone	
Family Doctor	
Doctor's Phone Number	
Are you in a Medical Fund? Name of Fund. Number.	
Does your child suffer from any of the problems listed below? If so please provide details:	
Heart Problems	Yes/No
Respiratory Problems	Yes/No
(i) Asthma	
(ii) Other	Yes/No
Allergies:	Yes/No
(i) Food	
(ii) Drugs	Yes/No
(iii) Ointments	Yes/No
(iv) Other	Yes/No
Sugar Diabetes:	Yes/No
Blood Pressure:	Yes/No
Recent Operation:	Yes/No
Epilepsy:	Yes/No
Recent Illness	Yes/No
Phobias	Yes/No

Bed Wetting	Yes/No
Travel Sickness	Yes/No
Others (please list)	Yes/No

Medicines

Details of medication required (frequency, dosage etc) are to be sent to the Unit Leader in writing. Please ensure that any medication required is located with the Ranger at all times while participating in CALM Bush Ranger activities.

Date of last Tetanus injection	
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Authorisation

I hereby authorise the Unit Leader or his/her representative to obtain such medical attention as may be deemed necessary and I understand that I am responsible for any costs incurred.

I further authorise the Unit Leader or his/her representative to consent, where it is impracticable to communicate with me, to my child receiving such medical treatment, from a qualified practitioner, including the administration of anaesthetic, performance of surgical treatment and blood transfusion, if necessary.

Signature of Parent / Guardian	
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Date	
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Uniform Return Agreement

To be Completed by Applicant's Parent/Guardian

Full name of Parent / Guardian	
I acknowledge that all items of uniform and equipment issued to and received by them, remain the property of the CALM Bush Rangers and must be returned by them on cessation of membership.	
I further understand that retention of the uniform or any part thereof, or any item on issue, without authority, renders such persons liable to action for the recovery of the cost of the held uniform or items not returned.	
Signed by the Above Named	
Date	
In the presence of:	
Signature of Witness	
Date	
Printed Name of Witness	

The following is a record of the uniform items you have been issued with.

Not all cadets will receive all items, and some items are only issued at certain times (eg. second or third year, etc.)

Instructor Use Only:

Item	Issued	Returned
Cap		
Broad Brimmed Hat		
T-Shirt		
Collared Shirt		
Badge		
Shorts		
Long Pants		
Long-sleeve Shirt		
Jumper		
Bomber Jacket		
Boots		

To be Completed by Applicant

Full Name of Cadet	
I agree to look after and care for the Uniform provided to me as a member of the Cadet Unit. I understand that I need to wear it to all cadet activities, and understand that if I do not wear it, or do not care for it appropriately, I may not be allowed to attend certain camps or excursions.	
Signature of Cadet	
Date	