

Sea Scouting at New Lynn



Tayla bailing out water from the boat after broaching and capsizing just off Rangitoto.

WOWEEE – How much fun is Sea Scouts!!!!!!!!!!!!

Question - What do sea scouts get to do that regular scouts don't??

Answer – WATER – and lots of it. They do most everything that regular scouts do but with the addition of a lot of water activities.

Check out the January issue (19) of KM to catch up with some of the New Lynn crew at the huge 2010 scouting jamboree – what a great and funny, bunch they were.



Milan, Jocelyn and Brandon building their tower.

Sea Scout Summer Fun started with a play around in boats at the Auckland Anniversary Day Regatta. Having watched the tug boats finish their race (it was an impressive sight), the kids sailed to Rangitoto Island and back from Narrow Neck Beach.

With 30 knots of wind it made for a lively sail and some impressive capsizes!!!

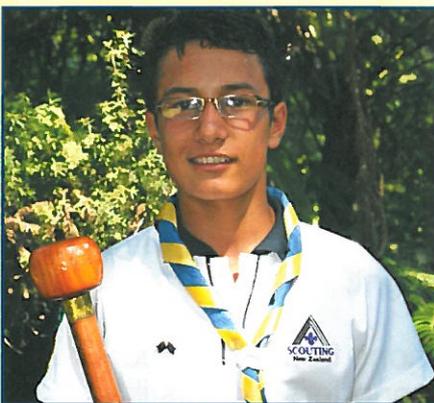
And that was just the start! Following that there was the Zones Annual Founders Weekend Camp held every year to celebrate scouting's founding father, Lord Baden Powell.

Hundreds of scouts attended that camp where we indulged in MORE mud sliding, tug of war competition (not showing off but, we won both events), we built a tower by way of 'pioneering' (lashing spars together) - and it stayed up!

Milan (he was in the jamboree article too), was awarded 'Top All Round Scout' which is pretty massive; a huge achievement.

Milan was also part of the only team able to complete all 5 orienteering challenges in the 1.5hrs time frame and covering nearly 6 km.

We might be the 'sea' scouts but we proved we have it on the land as well.



Milan with the 'Top All Round Scout' award.

Coming up for the New Lynn Sea Scouts

- Regatta at Kai Iwi Lakes in Northland which will include, camping, seamanship, sailing, rowing, canoeing and iron man. The event also doubles as a Group Family Camp.
- Auckland Regatta (the largest weekend regatta in the country)
- Easter South Island regatta which the seniors will fly down to. Being the school hols and a great opportunity to see some of the beautiful South Island, the group will extend their stay past the event, hire a mini-van and tiki tour the west coast.
- ANZAC is a time when we remember how lucky we are to have the lifestyle we do and we take seriously our chance to honour those who ensured our freedom. The group usually parades at both the New Lynn and Titirangi RSAs in recognition of the support that it receives from them both.

