BIVOUAC 2010

DATES
Sunday 17th October to Tuesday 19th October 2010.

LOCATION
Top Valley Station. Parkes.

ASSEMBLY

1. A small advance party will load equipment on Saturday 16th October and move to the Top Valley area to establish camp. They will be selected from Headquarters Company and will remain at the site until the main body arrives.

2. The A & B Company will assemble at 0700 hrs for 0730 DEPARTURE. The cadets will line up in the DPA car park. They will be marked off on the roll and board the buses immediately this is complete. C & D Company will assemble at 0800hrs for 0830 hrs DEPARTURE. A full kit inspection will be conducted on site prior to departure to ensure all cadets have the correct equipment.

3. All cadets will be issued with their packs from the Q store Monday 20th and Wednesday 22nd September during cadets. (Boarders make sure any necessary equipment is brought from home during the break.) Any advance party cadets or those with alternative arrangements need to see Mr Yeo or Mrs Vernon to arrange pack issue. ALL PACKS will be numbered and the number placed on the Q Record. CADETS WILL NOT SWAP PACKS UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. Any cadet with a medical reason for not carrying their pack must have their labelled complete pack at the Q store by Friday lunch 15th October.

On return, ALL CADETS will move straight to the Gymnasium where they will empty their packs and return all equipment. Packs will be bound and field equipment returned before dismissal.

4. All gear will fit into the backpack. ALL Year 7’s (C & D Company) will be issued with green packs which they MUST take – no other packs will be allowed. Sleeping bags must be appropriate and rated to -5 and are to be packed into the pack. NO DOONAS!! Sleeping roll (1.5cm thick) can be strapped to the outside. The emphasis is on TRAVELLING LIGHT. Take the minimum as we are only camping two nights. There will be no stand-down so no civilian clothing will be required other than that needed for activities. (C & D Coy only) Under no circumstances are cadets to wear singlets of ANY colour. Cadets are allowed to wear DPCU Tshirts under their shirts ONLY – no other colours are appropriate. There will be NO coloured headbands, DPCU are available and
earrings (other than small studs) and jewellery of any kind are not acceptable. Mobile phones and personal music devices are also unacceptable.

5. A & B Company will be trekking to and from designated night locations to reinforce navigational skills. Rank will need to bring pencil, pen and small notebook.

6. C & D Company will be based at Top Valley dam and at Waterfall, trekking to each activity.

RETURN

The Unit will return to the Wolaroi site Tuesday 19th October and have a walk through lunch. ALL CADETS will go immediately to the Gymnasium to return equipment and then move to lunch. After Parade and return of gear to the Q Store Cadets will be dismissed. Cadets will not be dismissed until all equipment and post activity administration is completed. There will be NO dismissal parade.

SUPERVISION

Cadets will be supervised by Officers of Cadets and members of Staff.

MEDICAL

Medical forms must be completed and updated prior to leaving for camp. All students MUST comply with this mandatory requirement. Any variation to current medical forms MUST be notified in writing and given to Mrs Young before camp. Senior Medical Officer on camp is TBA. Any cadet who requires medication on a regular basis will need to report to the doctor soon after arrival at camp. Students who return from Camp with a medical condition arising at Camp MUST report to the staff member on duty AND to Sister at Sick bay on return to school in accordance with the AAC Policy Manual.

DISCIPLINE

Normal school rules will apply throughout the camp. Zero tolerance policy will be enforced.

REQUIREMENTS

a. All cadets will wear full cadet uniform (DPCU) to roll mark, including bush hat and DPCU T-shirt.
b. The following kit list applies to all cadets: (Note differences for A/B & C/D Coy)
- change of underwear and woollen socks
- necessary toiletries
- sunburn cream and insect repellant
- DPCU jumper
- swimming costume (C/D Coy)
- suitable clothing for water activities (Tshirt, shorts, old joggers, towel) C/D Coy
- issued raincoat.
- sleeping bag
- knife, fork and spoon set (labelled) cups canteen, plate & tea towel in a mess bag. Small torch and batteries
8 tent pegs and 5metres of cord – vital equipment as ALL accommodation is under hootchies.
3 green garbage bags
Notebook, pen, pencil, eraser (A & B Company see earlier requirement)

FOOD
In accordance with the new ARMY RATIONS POLICY high quality nutritional rations will be provided. Mrs Windsor is to be notified of any dietary allergies or intolerances prior to camp. Vegetarians are to notify her also.
Additional foodstuffs are not to be brought to camp and will be confiscated on kit inspection.

BIVOUAC is designed to give practical experience in a range of skills and training objectives. Skills learnt here prepare the cadets for Annual Camp. The Platoon Commanders have a full camp instruction and can brief their cadets accordingly. Complete involvement by the cadets will ensure a successful camp. The Cadet Staff look forward to a rewarding experience.

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