





The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award and Bushwalking NSW











SOME BASICS



- Available to all
- Individual challenge
- Voluntary
- Self-paced and flexible
 - program designed by you for you
- Balanced
 - develops you in all directions

- Highly achievable
 - with perseverance
- Personal achievement
 - self motivation
- Global
 - A truly international Award

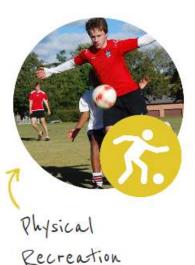






WHAT'S INVOLVED?











Residential Project (Gold only)

The Residential Project, completed only at Gold level, aims to broaden participants' horizons through involvement with others in a residential setting. Read More













Physical Recreation



Skill



Adventurous Journey



Residential Project

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14+years

3 months

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2 days/1 night

(1 x practice journey & 1 x qualifying journey)

N/A

Gold Level only

Averaging at least 1 hour per week. Plus additional 3 months for a Major Section-either Service, Skill or Physical Recreation *

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15+ years

6 months

6 months

6 months

(1 x practice journey & 1 x qualifying journey)

3 days/2 nights

N/A

Gold Level only

Averaging at least 1 hour per week. Plus additional 6 months of a Major Section if Bronze Award not completed.*

GOLD

16+ years

12 months

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12 months

4 days/3 nights

5 days/4nights

(1 x practice journey & 1 x qualifying journey)

Averaging at least 1 hour per week. Plus additional 6 months of a Major Section if Silver Award not completed.*





ASSESSORS

- suitably skilled, qualified and/or experienced adults (who are approved by the Award Unit)
- assist Participants to set suitable goals
- help Participants to develop a program, stay focused and encourage/recognise improvement (mentoring)
- record positive comments and give final signoff

Assessors should *not* be family members







ADVENTUROUS JOURNEYS (AJs)

Encouraging a sense of adventure and discovery whilst undertaking a journey in a group

Expeditions:

- bushwalking
- canoeing
- cycling

Explorations:

- Flora/fauna studies
- historical/geographical surveys













AJ COMPONENTS

Preparation and Training



Practice Journey(s)



Qualifying Journey

Ensures Participants are competent in the necessary skills to safely undertake their practice journey

Prepares the team for their independent qualifying journey

Independent team journey



- Participants must discuss and get approval from their Award Leader prior to undertaking each Adventurous Journey
- The Award Unit approve the Supervisor for each Journey





ADVENTUROUS JOURNEYS

Preparation and Training:

- understanding of the Adventurous Journey
- first aid and emergency procedures
- safety and safe practice
- route planning and navigation
- campcraft / accommodation
- team building and leadership training
- preparation of food and cooking
- environmental care
- necessary equipment
- technical skills in the mode of travel
- observation and recording skills









Bushwalking NSW 2019 theme: "Young People in Clubs"

Opportunites

- Bushwalking NSW becoming an Award Unit?
- Local Bushwalking Clubs working with Local Award Units?
- Supervisor/Assessors?
- Volunteering options?
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