



Pre-Journey Information

Outline information pre-camp

Journey Name	Somerset to Orange Grove 1
Journey Type	Bronze Qualifying
Mode(s) of Travel	Bushwalking/Hiking
Dates	Start - Monday, 10 July 2017 Finish - Friday, 14 July 2017
Location details	Camp Somerset is located on the Colo River, which is a 25 minute drive from Windsor. Camp Somerset's base camp is located on a 360 acre riverfront property. Stretching over 40km of the Valley, holding 14 campsites located on private land as well as
Journey goal/purpose	The purpose of this journey was to learn new things about navigation, including route-planning and being able to read maps. I also aimed to learn new things about hiking and camping, including how to set up my own tent and gain knowledge about the expedition that would assist me in my qualifying journey.
Assessor	Somerset Outdoor Learning
Supervisor	Somerset Group Leader
Journey group members	Hannah, Jayda, Paige, Anais, Paquita, Anna, Hannah, Maggie, Sophie, Ava, Elise, Emily

Map/Route Plans

- include map name, route - start/finish points, route summary, meal stops, check points, group progress throughout camp, environmental features and points of interest



Somerset		Duke of Edinburgh International Award		Route Planning Sheet	
Day	Time	Activity	Notes	Day	Time
10	08:00	Start			
10	09:00	Walk			
10	10:00	Rest			
10	11:00	Walk			
10	12:00	Lunch			
10	13:00	Walk			
10	14:00	Rest			
10	15:00	Walk			
10	16:00	Rest			
10	17:00	End			

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Daily Recount and Reflection

Observations, highlights, what you learnt, challenges, advice you would offer someone who is going on this journey, memorable events/things you encountered, feelings about the trip, what you and the group learnt and what you didn't enjoy.

Day 1	<p>When arrived at campsite, bags were weighed and route planning took place. Then set out on journey. About 1km into walk we spotted a lizard sunning himself on a rock. The first hill climbed was really quite difficult. It was humid and the hill was rocky so it was slow going but we made it - our group was really proud of each other and it was a good feeling.</p> <p>After an exhausting walk in the heat, it was a welcome change to eat a delicious lunch, bond with other team members while we reenergised, it was a few kilometres before our next rest point.</p> <p>There were a few scratches on my legs after this first day. There was a healthy competition with another group going the same place we were – we beat the group to the campsite which was funny and exciting.</p>
Day 2	<p>On the second day, we began the journey early and went up a fairly steep hill. It was a really bushy section and there were a lot of pointy leaves. The other group left much later than we did so we didn't see them until the end of the journey. Our group was much closer as friends than the day before and we supported each other really well and played word games as we walked. There was room to walk much slower and take more breaks as the time pressure wasn't as intense as the day before.</p>

Reflection

The Bronze Duke of Ed Qualifying hike was a memorable experience that greatly helped me gain useful knowledge for future hikes. I enjoyed learning about the navigation aspects of the hike including how to tell the time by looking at the sun and how to tell which way is north.

I also enjoyed learning useful tips about camping and hiking which I applied on my hikes. I learnt how to set up a tent, light a fire and useful tips about first aid. On the duke of Ed qualifying hike one of my favourite things we did was making fires along the way. One of the most challenging aspects of this hike was learning how to read the map as I had trouble orientating where we were and what we were walking up. I also found it quite challenging to tell what was on the map including a spur, mountain ridge and gully etc. Overall, I believe I learnt a lot of useful knowledge and information on my Bronze Duke of Ed Qualifying journey.

Equipment, Clothing and Food List/Meal Plans

Include comments on equipment taken which was inappropriate or not needed; and equipment not taken but which would have been helpful; details of any repairs or maintenance required.

Meal	Day 1	Day 2
Breakfast	Rice Bubbles & Fruit Cup	Porridge & Hot Chocolate
Lunch	Tuna and Cucumber Wrap	Vita Weets with cheese and snow peas
Dinner	Freeze dried Honey Soy Chicken & Rice	N/A
Snacks	Mini M&M's - Apple - Sultanas - Sakata Crackers - Muesli Bars	
Emergency Food	Freeze dried Fettuccine pasta	

Food Review

There was adequate amount of food brought with lots of variety. I would have eaten a more substantial amount during breakfast as I was hungry before lunch came around; thankfully I had snacks to keep me going throughout the hike.

Clothing And Equipment List

Hiking Pants – could zipoff for shorts - **2x shirts** - **3x underwear** - 3 pairs **socks** (one warm for night) – **Shoes**
Hat, Rain jacket, **Sunscreen**, insect repellent, **Toiletries**, jumper, **Sleeping bag**, Foam Mat,
2x Drink bottles, Tent, **Spoon and cup**, Band-aids, **Torch**

Clothing Review

Amount of clothing was more than adequate for the journey - didn't need spare shoes or shirts. More warmth needed at night (left only jumper behind). Clothing and footwear was suitable and practical.

Supporting Evidence

Leaflets, clippings, sketches, photos, entry permits, and video. Submission/presentation of an appropriate Qualifying Journey report is the final requirement of the Adventurous Journey Section.



(L-R) November, Will, Lily, Callie, Lucinda, Lorna, Sophie
(Amy taking photo, Laura behind Amy)



A horse from Cobbs campsite (above).
The tents set up at Ropes Paddock (below).



My view while we were canoeing of Molly in the front (above).
The view from a rocky outlook that we took a break at on the last day, halfway on our hike (below).

Additional Information and Templates

Once your AJ Report has been completed, please save as a single PDF; upload to your Online Record Book Library with a descriptive name. Eg: Billy_Bloggs_Qualifying_AJ_Report

**Below are templates to be used for each submitted AJ Report -
A minimum length is expected for the following:**

2 full pages for Bronze

3 full pages for Silver

4 full pages for Gold