

## MANUKAU ZONE SCOUT SANDFORD COURSE 2012

Twenty four Patrol Leaders and Assistant Patrol Leaders and four Scout Leaders attended the Manukau Zone Sandford Leadership Course held at Te Puru Scout Hall near Beachlands on the weekend of the 23rd to 25th November. The course was led by Manukau Zone Training Leader Anne-Marie Wilkins, and the team were Zone Scout Leader Merv Hotter, Zone Leader Brian Usher, Group Leader Ben Everts and Zone Venturer Leader Bruce Pearce.

The course covered the following topics:

- Communicating clearly.
- Understanding leadership.
- Interactive practice sessions involving leading a team on various challenging activities.
- Being a team member.
- Planning activities and events.
- Teaching and instructing new skills to patrol members.

The Scouts erected their campsite on the Omana Farm Park about 15 minutes walk away from the course venue.

On Saturday night they planned and held a campfire and invited a Pacific Island family who were camping nearby. The family enjoyed themselves so much that they said they were going to join the Scout Troop in their neighbourhood when they got home.

