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KON TIKI 2016—JEDI KNIGHTS



Kon Tiki, the largest annual scouting event in South Africa, took place in May at Arrowe Park in Benoni. The theme was *Jedi Knights* and 1st Kengray competed against 62 other groups over what was probably the wettest weekend of the year—the famous slogan of Kon Tiki is “Kon Tiki will happen even if it DOESN'T rain...” and this was certainly true this year.



We were 6th overall, won the Raft Construction and Raft Safety Awareness

Competitions and were 4th in the Raft Pioneering Competition.



Well done to everyone who made this event as fun and successful as it was. Next year Kon Tiki goes to *LEGO LAND!*



Raft Construction	1st
Raft Safety Awareness	1st
Raft Pioneering	4th
Overall RAFT	3rd
Overall KON TIKI	6th

UPCOMING EVENTS

26th August	Kim Shield
9th–11th September	Camping Compo
10th September	First Aid Compo
15th September	JOTA / JOTI
4th November	AGM
2nd December	Carols by Campfire
10th December	Cederberg Adventure



GROUP WEBSITE



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<http://www.firstkengraybk.org.za>



SURVIVAL BASH 2016

"Survival requires us to leave our prejudices at home. It's about doing whatever it takes - and ultimately those with the biggest heart will win."

~ Bear Grylls ~

Those that went earned a number of advancement, scoutcraft and interest badges and we urge all our scouts to attend the next one in 2018.

Well done to the scouts and scouters who braved winter and put the OUT in scOUTing.



Our scouts joined a number of scouts from various other troops in the 2016 edition of 2nd Boksburg's SURVIVAL BASH—held near Pongola, KwaZulu-Natal in July.



Not only did the scouts learn survival skills during this epic adventure, they took part in numerous fun activities such as paint ball and 4x4'ing.





WINTER CAMPFIRE



One of our group's traditions is to hold a campfire in the middle of winter as close to the winter solstice (the longest night of the year) as possible. This year our campfire was held on the 17th of June and although chilly it was certainly not the coldest campfire we've ever hosted.



RADIO ASTRONOMY OBSERVATORY & DISTRICT BOOT HIKE



In a road trip that took us from Kensington to the Magaliesberg and then on to Mpumalanga and back again, we experienced the wonders of the universe at the Hartebeesthoek Radio Astronomy Observatory (HartRAD) before competing in the North Rand district Boot Hike. Although positively freezing, a great time was had by all who attended.



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