



WELCOME MESSAGE

To the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

In our capacities as the Governor of Tasmania and the Patron of Girl Guides Tasmania it is a great pleasure for us to welcome you all to the Australian International Girl Guide Jamboree, fanTAS tic, at Quercus Park, Tasmania on 6 January 2013.

Throughout the week-long program you will have many opportunities to have fun undertaking activities and developing your skills as you enjoy our beautiful State.

We are proud to be associated with the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) and its history of changing the lives of girls and young women through its projects and activities in local communities.

We know that throughout the world, WAGGGS member organisations are working on the eight United Nations' Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) that aim to combat extreme poverty across the world, a goal to which we are also committed. We are pleased to know that during this jamboree you are working towards achieving the UN Millennium Development Goal 7 - Ensure Environmental Sustainability - and the WAGGGS message that girls worldwide say: 'We can save the Planet.'

During this next week of fun, adventure and challenges we know that you will be reminded of ways in which you can ensure environmental sustainability. While in our State, we encourage you to begin making choices for the future of the environment.

We also urge you to take what you learn during this jamboree and effect change for yourself, your Girl Guide and Girl Scout sisters, your family and your community.

Enjoy making friends and having fun.

**THE HONOURABLE PETER UNDERWOOD AC
GOVERNOR OF TASMANIA**

**MRS FRANCES UNDERWOOD
PATRON, GIRL GUIDES TASMANIA**