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Flying the Flag for 100 years

2nd Bendigo Cubs and Scouts are celebrating 100 years of scouting in a uniquely Bendigonian way - on a vintage tram.

They have teamed up with the Tramways Museum and will fly scout and Australian flags from a tram, all along its route on Sunday 12th August.

Scouts all over the world are celebrating the centenary of scouting this year. Jamborees, internet hook-ups, festivals and special projects are happening across the globe in honour of founder Robert Baden-Powell's first ever camp.

"It may sound a bit corny, but scouting is all about what's good in people." 2nd Bendigo adult leader Alistair Killick said.

"Scouting's about fun, it's about doing things, it's about reliance, it's about co-operation and initiative."

"The tram adventure is just about fun." he admitted.

The tram departs Central Deborah Gold Mine at 11:54 on Sunday 12th August, and will travel to Pall Mall and all the way to the museum and newly restored Joss House, then return to Central Deborah.

Flying the Flag is a national initiative, inviting scouts to fly their colours in unusual places and ways. 2nd Bendigo hopes to win some recognition for scouting - and maybe first prize!

Scouting offers adventures and activities to anyone aged 6-26, in locations across Bendigo and the world. For more information go to www.vicscouts.asn.au or call 1800 SCOUTS.