

45<sup>th</sup> Mount Argus Scout Group  
Training Resources – Scout Merit Badges

## Hike Leader Badge Requirements

- 1) Organise & **lead** 3 day hikes each of which should be at least 10km. At least one hike should be in the hills and another should have an emphasis on training the scouts in your patrol in first aid, observation, nature study or another useful skill.
- 2) Organise your team's participation in an overnight hike or expedition – this could be a Mountain Pursuit Challenge, A County Mountain Challenge or A troop based overnight expedition.
- 3) Discuss weather and temperatures in mountain areas and understand how to interpret weather forecasts.
- 4) Outline in detail the correct procedures in the event of:
  - i) Hiking in bad visibility or weather
  - ii) Becoming lost.
  - iii) Crossing steep ground or crossing a river.
  - iv) An accident or injury
  - v) Having to spend a night on the hills.
- 5) Show an understanding of the importance of group awareness when leading a group. Explain what the hike leader should do to ensure that the group has a safe and enjoyable hike.