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PREMIER MARK MCGOWAN BECOMES WA'S NEWEST SCOUT

Premier Mark McGowan can now add another glowing reference to his growing list of achievements. He recently joined renowned adventurer Bear Grylls and a number of prominent world leaders to become a member of the Scouting Movement.

Now with over 50 million members, the Scouts is a worldwide youth movement that supports young people to become constructive citizens. Scouts WA boasts over 7,600 members, giving boys and girls from ages 6 to 25 the opportunity to try new things, overcome challenges and make lifelong friends.

Thanks to his tireless efforts in keeping our local communities safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, Mr McGowan has won the respect and admiration of people of all ages across WA – including many Scouts.

During the February lockdown, Scouts from Rockingham Scout Group wrote to Mr McGowan to thank him for doing such a good job and to ask if he would consider becoming a Scout. With his hard work and dedication reflecting many of the Scouts' values, Mr McGowan is a truly inspirational leader.

Following his acceptance, Mr McGowan was officially invested by two young Rockingham Scout Group Cub Scouts to become an honorary member.

“The skills you learn at Scouts, like trying your best, courage and doing the right thing, helps to make you a good person. If you hold these lessons close to your heart, they can take you a long way. Thank you for making me a Scout – it’s a very special honour,” said Mr McGowan.

As Chief Ambassador of World Scouting, Bear Grylls sent a letter of congratulations to both Mr McGowan and Rockingham Scout Group Leaders. With such powerful ambassadors helping to lead the way, it’s an exciting time for Scouts WA.

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