

# **Message from the Governor General**



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I regret that I am not able to participate in the official opening of the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Sikh Youth Camp at Myuna Bay because of previous commitments.

I congratulate the Waheguru Simran Society and the Sydney Punjabi Society for organising this wonderful occasion for young members of the Sikh community. There are so many rewards to be gained – in the opportunities to network with members of the community, in upholding traditional values and ideals, in developing leadership and communication skills, in establishing new friendships, and in fostering good citizenship.

And of course, the camp will be fun for families. I note there are plenty of outdoor activities including raft building, canoeing, archery, swimming, soccer, cricket and netball.

The annual camp program would not be possible without the work of many volunteers, parents and leaders who work behind the scenes to make the event such a success. Congratulations to all of you for your generous contributions.

My wife, Marlena joins me in wishing you all every success and happiness during the annual camp and throughout 2005.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Jeffery".

(Michael Jeffery)