



## Area Forum



March 22, 2007

### Lion's Club, Smiths falls

**Present:** Stan Lasenba, Area Commissioner, Jean Lasenba, Finance; Roger Nuttall, DAC Program; Ken Richardson, APM; Debra Hull, 2<sup>nd</sup> Smiths Falls, Brian Billings, Scout Trees, Chris Tyler, John Stalker, Carleton Place, Veal Venables, 4<sup>th</sup> Perth, Gen Stalker, Valley Highlands Youth Rep; Elizabeth Docker, Carleton Place, Paul Kehoe, 1<sup>st</sup> Drummond and Bill Lawrence 2<sup>nd</sup> Almonte.

**Regrets:** Michelle Niefer

#### Agenda Items:

i: O'Canada

ii: Prayer

iii: Minutes: Errors/omissions: In attendance, Perth should be 4<sup>th</sup> and not 1<sup>st</sup>.

Youth Rep is Jen Stalker, (sorry she could not be here.

Camp report was cubs were at camp for area event.

Crests have been ordered.

Remove from list: Kim Comstock – Awards; Alyssa Comstock – youth rep; Dianna Nuttall – fundraising.

iv: Business arising from minutes: none

- Motion to accept the minutes: Ken Richardson; 2<sup>nd</sup> John Stalker; Motion to accept; carried
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**Stan Lasenba**, Area Commissioner: [Lasenba@sympatico.ca](mailto:Lasenba@sympatico.ca)

- I was privileged to attend many banquets during Scout/Guide week and presented a Woodbadge 1 Woggle to Deb Hall and the order of the Caribou award to Elizabeth Docker. I also attended the memorabilia display in Almont and although not a great turnout it was a great display. Other than that the past month has been very quiet for me on the Scouting front as I was involved with the City of Ottawa Curling Bonspiel. Major items were meeting with various people for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary projects. I was unable to attend the last council meeting and therefore do not have a report on that meeting.
- 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Ron Lyon and myself attended the Lombardy Fair Board Meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup>. We presented some ideas to them at that meeting and they will discuss them fully at their meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Some ideas that were exchanged included Badgers Club on Saturday, a birthday party on Sunday, and something on Monday. A discussion on what other ideas that we could be involved in. These included a Scouts Own on Sunday, all people in uniform admitted free on Sunday, People dressed as Baden-Powell and his wife to take part in all ceremonies and also stroll the grounds. They are very anxious for us to do most items and are very supportive of our plans.

#### DAC Reports:

i: Youth – Jen Stalker -

- Gen Stalker has taken over as youth Rep
- She is getting used to her position and observing
- Stan advised she should plan to attend as many as possible area events to be able to report back.
- Stan will get shoulder flashers.

**ii: Program - Roger Nuttall – [rsnuttal@storm.ca](mailto:rsnuttal@storm.ca)**

**Beaver Burr:** We had 62 youth and 31 Leaders and adults attend the Beaver Burr. Most of the activities went well. The most popular seemed to be the Beaver Buggies, throwing tennis balls with a large slingshot and the pin on button craft. The science demonstration at the end of the day had some problems. The science was interesting but the chap doing the demonstrations obviously wasn't used to working with 5-7 year olds and took far to long in his delivery, to the point of having the Beavers loose interest in what he was doing and become noisy. It would have worked fine if the same science was presented in 20 minutes instead of 60 minutes.

I was very pleased with help of so many Beaver Leaders coming together to make this a fun and memorable event for the Beavers. I want to thank them all and in particular I want to thank Sharon DeKart for arranging for the food and the use of Drummond School.

Due to the high turnout we had a profit of \$42.20.

**Reminders:**

- Kub Kars (Cubs) - County Mall, Smiths Falls, March 24, 2007, 12 noon to 4:00 pm.
- 18-Wheelers (Scouts) - County Mall, Smiths Falls, March 24, 2007, 9:30 to 12 noon
- Rocket Kars (Venturers) - County Mall parking lot, Smiths Falls, March 24, 2007, 11:00 to 12:30
- There is a registration fee of \$1.50 for each participant. All participants will receive a participant button.

Nitevent (Scouts) May 4 - 5, 2007,

CJ07 Pre-Camp (Scouts, Venturers, and Offers of Service) May 11 - 13, at Apple Hill Camp

Beaveree (Beavers) May 12, 2007

Camporee (Scouts) May 25 - 27, 2007, at Whispering Pines

Impeeza (Cubs) June 1-3, 2007 at Whispering Pines

Council Cub Camp (Cubs) June 8 -10, at Apple Hill Camp

Basic Canoe Course (Venturers, Rovers and Leaders) June 16 -17, 2007, Whispering Pines

Boat Rescue Award Course (Venturers, Rovers and Leaders) June 23 - 24, 2007, Whispering Pines

**iii: Camp Warden – Ken Richardson – [wraith@ca.inter.net](mailto:wraith@ca.inter.net)**

- Mishap involving a lady riding horse outside of the camp area while 2nd Kanata was using the camp.

• CCAMP REPORT

Sep 1-3	2nd Smiths Falls	4 adults	10 youth	44 camping days
Sep 22-24	Carleton Place	25 adults	40 youth	185 camp days
Oct 6-8	1st Stittsville	1 adult	1 youth	6 camp days
Oct 6	Valley Highlands	4 adult	5 youth	9 camp days
Oct 20-22	2nd Orleans	5	15 youth	132 camp days
Oct 20-22	Valley Highlands	14 adults	30 youth	88 camp days
Feb 3	Valley Highlands	18	34	54
Feb 17-18	1st Kanata Vent			

• **Valley Highlands equipment inventory report located at:**

**Roger Nuttall's:** 2 Canoes; 7 PFD youth; 1 adult PFD; 2 paddles (1 usable); 2 Throw ropes

**John Stalkers:** 8 paddles; 6 Throw bags

**Camp / Lasenba:** 2 unserviceable lawn mowers

**Ken Richardson's:** Tent 40x20

**Lasenba's:** Flags 1 Canadian; 1 beaver; 1 cub; 1 scout; 1 rover; 1 venture

**Scout Hut – Lombardy:** 3 refrigerators; 2 toasters; 1 microwave; 2 coffee pots

1 pop cooler on loan from Merrickville Legion

**1st Merrickville:** Cub Car Track

- Working on 5 year plan
- **Working on map for Whispering pines.**

**iv: Awards:**

Brian Billings Received order of the Caribou Congratulations

Ken Richardson 100th Anniversary Commemorative award  
Brian Billings 100th Anniversary Commemorative Award  
Roger Nuttall received his a month ago

**v: Scout Trees - Brian Billings - [brian\\_billings@carleton.ca](mailto:brian_billings@carleton.ca)**

**INVOICES/DONATIONS:**

- Submitted invoice in the amount of \$555.01 from Rideau Valley Conservation Authority (RVCA) for 1,000 Tamarack seedlings to be planted at the Drummond/North Elmsley (D/NE) landfill site.
  - o Motion made for payment and approved/carried. Jean issued a cheque to RVCA and returned to Brian for payment.
- Submitted cheque in the amount of \$700.00 received from D/NE as a donation to cover cost of Tamarack seedlings - balance to be used to off-set other costs of plant (kits, badges, etc.)
- Fundraising efforts reduced this year because property owner purchasing trees...
  - o Only expecting \$250.00 in donations from Albany International (\$150) and Centennial Truss (\$100).

**SCOUTREES KITS:**

- Distributed kits to Smiths Falls (54) - only 125 kits ordered. If other groups would like some kits, please contact Brian for same at [brian\\_billings@carleton.ca](mailto:brian_billings@carleton.ca). 85% of all funds raised by groups using Scoutrees as a fundraiser stays with the group - 15% is forwarded to the Brotherhood Fund.
  - o Posters also available from Brian for local promotion.
- 2007 Scoutrees Crest commemorates the 100<sup>th</sup> Year of Scouting - very nice crests this year.

**PLANTING DATES:**

- Due to two (2) planting sites this year, we are looking at two separate dates - one (1) date for each plant site:
  - o planting 4,000 seedlings on May 5<sup>th</sup> at Art Brooks Farm on Tennyson Road - maps and directions will be circulated at the April Area Meeting.
  - o planting 1,000 seedlings on May 12<sup>th</sup> at the D/NE Landfill Site.
- Need youth on both dates and would suggest that those unable to make it out on May 5<sup>th</sup> to come on May 12<sup>th</sup>...D/NE Councillors will be out to see planting activity on May 12<sup>th</sup> and need youth to plant and for photo-ops for local papers. Please contact Brian by e-mail at [brian\\_billings@carleton.ca](mailto:brian_billings@carleton.ca) to advise when your group will be planting and numbers planning to attend (either May 5<sup>th</sup> or May 12<sup>th</sup>).

**REFRESHMENTS:**

- Hoping to have Tim Horton's support/sponsorship again this year for coffee, water, and Timbits at both venues (will confirm for April Area Meeting).
- Requested assistance with kitchen and hot dogs, drinks, and cookies for youth at the Art Brook's Farm plant on May 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - o Area will provide support to cook hotdogs and will fund food purchases for May 5<sup>th</sup> plant.
  - o No food service planned for May 12<sup>th</sup> plant as only 1,000 seedlings being planted but will look to have Tim Horton's coffee, drinks, and Timbits available.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brian E.L. Billings

**vi: Financial: Jean Lasenba - [lasenba@sympatico.ca](mailto:lasenba@sympatico.ca)**

- Statement for 6 months ending Feb. 2007
  - \$20679 opening balance
  - \$21321 as of Feb./07
- Bills
  - \$746.69 total
  - Stan training
  - 2nd SF beaver burr badges
  - Joan Smith photocopies for awards books

Refreshments for area meetings  
Joan Smith For training  
Rideau Valley Conservation for trees  
Motion to pay Elizabeth Docker Second Roger Nuttall all in favor motion passed

**GROUP REPORTS:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Almonte:** No report submitted.

**1<sup>st</sup> Beckwith REPORT**

Reference: Group Committee Meeting held last Tuesday of month at Beckwith School.

1. EVENTS TO DATE:  
All sections continuing to provide a well-rounded program for the youth.
2. FUTURE EVENTS:  
Other than the regular outings and camps nothing special is planned.
3. MAIN EFFORTS:  
Continuing with programming for all youth. Fundraising efforts being done by all sections with a major effort put on by the Scouts in hopes to get to CJ or other major camp this year.
4. ISSUES:  
Beckwith will need a new Group Commissioner. The Group Administrator will most likely not be returning as well. Also the Beavers will be in need of two leaders next year. One leader is defiantly leaving and the other is considering it.

Yours in Scouting,

Jean Trant-Lambert  
Group Commissioner

**Carleton Place:** No report submitted

**1<sup>st</sup> Drummond:**

Attended their first Church Service  
active in bring a Friend  
Concerns- Cost to high for late registration many are interested but most will join in the fall when cost is more feasible  
Planning camps

**1<sup>st</sup> Elmsley:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Merrickville:**

Had annual banquet  
Ottawa Citizen attended a meeting  
Troop did a winter camp  
Cub's winter camped  
Beavers attended beaver Burr  
Western night  
Pitch in Canada  
Jamboree on the Trail  
Swim up in May  
Working on a canoe trip  
Canoes will be arriving soon and will be available to groups in the area to use  
Contact Merrickville to reserve your time

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Perth:**

##### **4th Perth**

Feb 24 cub and scout combined to attend to big brothers bowl-a-thon \$669 for Big Brothers was raised they have had there cub car and beaver buggy rally  
May 11 fundraising BBQ Perth Mews Mall  
Flag was presented in town during scout guide week.  
all areas are doing well.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Portland:**

##### **2<sup>nd</sup> Smiths Falls:**

Beavers had OPP attend there meeting  
had a grandfathers night and built tool boxes  
Camp fire night coming up  
Cubs have been working on their cub cars  
Spent a lot of there winter months trying winter sports and activities  
Have outdoor meeting planned  
Scouts have worked on there trucks  
outdoors nights planned  
Did a winter camp at Ken's  
All sections attended a Bears hockey night to celebrate scout guide week.

##### **Venture**

meeting putting together rocket cars and one rocket truck  
RSVP 4-5 May  
White water and canoeing training coming up

**Old Business:** none

##### **New Business:**

Roger Not sure if track that Elmsley is bringing Saturday has and extension for the 18 wheelers

Carleton Place has offered theirs Roger will arrange Friday

##### **100th Anniversary news**

Ron and Stan attended Lombardy fair board meeting

##### **Possible items in display at Lombardy fair**

Badgers club

Sunday Birthday Party

Church Service on Sunday with the possibility of a Scouts Own ceremony

Scouts showing up in uniform get in free

Someone dressed up as Baden Powel and Lady Baden Powel to circulate around fair grounds

Stan has a call into Guild to come and help out with activities

May 22 is Rideau Canal opening with there 175th anniversary

Would like scouting to put on a display for the day, as the grade 7 students from the area will be attending.

Display is still up at the Heritage House Museum

Almonte's 100th anniversary display in Almonte was exceptional

Button Machine - We have borrowed one lately and the buttons seem to be going well

Motion to purchase a button machine plus an extra 2000 buttons; Paul Kehoe; 2nd Brian Billing

All in favor - motion carried

**CJ07:** Deb Hull has been talking to Area regards to the busing to CJ. At a cost of \$30 per person busing is available from the scout office in Ottawa  
2nd Smiths Falls would like to take advantage of this offer Ottawa would like to have approx. 30 to go on the bus from this area to make it worth there while to have one come up here if anyone has a troop interested in joining them on the bus please contact her. (debgraydonhull@sympatico.ca) Other wise info can be found on the Regional web site if you have enough to fill a bus on your own. Reminder Pre CJ registration is due by March 31/07 this camp is mandatory and costs \$25 per person.

Stan would like each group to approach their local legion to see if they could attend Remembrance Day ceremony and possibly Do Flanders Fields or some other active roll.

Minutes recorded: Debra Hull

Minutes Read at Area Forum and motion to accept on: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
Stan Lasenba, Area Commissioner Date