## 1<sup>st</sup> Merrickville Group Committee December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2003 - Agenda

- Review agenda.
- Review minutes from last meeting.
- Registration
  - o 27 Beavers, 29 Cubs, and 17 Scouts.
  - 51% of the youth are new to us this year. Recent additions have been due to word of mouth and Phoenix articles.
  - o Cubs and Scouts have been closed to new registrations.
- Discussion of specific youth at group committee meetings.
  - o Names should only be used if specifically necessary for the discussion.
- Colony Report.
- Pack Report.
- Troop Report.
- Financial Report.
  - o Received \$306.12 + \$200 back from area for ScoutTrees 2002.
  - Obtained 15 \$10 coupons for registration will save us \$150.
  - o Approve popcorn cheque to Allan for \$549.95.
  - o Approve photo processing soapbox cheque to Dan Black for \$92.81.
  - o Approve Valley Highlands crests cheque to Allan for \$62.50.
  - Soapbox funds still trapped at region. Area people have been lashing into region over this as well.
  - o George is still working at retrieving the remaining sponsorship funds.
- Area meeting news.
  - o Crest design competition open for regional Cub camp in June.
  - o Commissioner's awards available.
  - o Hot Chocolate is available again. I have heard that new stickers are coming out for the coupon, but I haven't received the details.
  - o David Wray at region willing to help with publicity.
- Schedule gateway course in Merrickville for Kevin, Sarah, Steve, Elizabeth, Tammy, Richard
- Remembrance Day Review.
- Scout Trees
  - o Stew has arranged a planting of 200 trees
  - The area is trying hard to get sponsorships to cover the complete cost of ScoutTrees again.
  - o Participate in ScoutTrees as well, but make the pledges optional?
- Church Parade.
  - o February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Anglican Church.
- Popcorn fundraising.
  - o Total sales of \$815, profit of \$271.10.
  - o Beavers (5) raised \$71.59, Cubs (2) \$60.49, Scouts (4) \$139.02
  - o Crests and ScoutBucks have not arrived yet. A letter to the parents will accompany them to explain how ScoutBucks can be used and covering donation back to the group.
  - o Last year had \$1,852 in sales and profit of \$519 with 19 youth participating.
  - o Review.
- Next Newsletter?
- Canoe association is storing their canoes in our trailers. We have sent them a legal liability release form to sign. In return we get free use of their facilities and equipment.
- Next group committee meeting Thursday January 22<sup>nd</sup>.