

1st Merrickville Group Committee
April 23, 2009 Agenda

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- Review agenda; changes, additions, or omissions.
- Review and approve minutes from 2009-03-26.
 - Soft copy of minutes from 2009-02-26 not yet received.
- Colony report.
 - Sleepover plan review.
- Pack report.
- Troop report.
 - Need section photo!
- Venturer report.
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 - NiteVent & Rock Climbing trip plan review.
 - Operating food/drink concession at polo event on August 30th for fundraising. Planning on using both of our marquees and the area marquee.
 - Thoughts with respect to G2 licensed Venturers driving other Venturers without an adult in the vehicle? It's technically outside our jurisdiction, but if we have an opinion...
 - Date for 3rd year Scout white water pre-training?
 - Registration not yet received for Bruce Moodie (started in November).
 - Discussion concerning multiple complaints Paul Woodward has filed with John Stalker at the Valley Highlands area over Bruce's behaviour problems and subsequent safety & disciplinary actions. See separate email thread.
- Outdoor Activity Applications
 - Need to catch up on missed application forms. See separate table of activities.
 - Please bring completed application to the group committee meeting where the trip plan is reviewed.
 - At the next group committee meeting after the event, please return the form with trip plan and consent forms (if applicable) attached.
- Discipline Policy
 - Should we have some guidelines to help leaders with discipline issues?
- Plaque on cairn in Block House Park.
 - Confirmation of permission - awaiting response from Parks Canada.
 - Plaque wording ideas distributed; comments?
 - Need prime to complete wording.
- Council Surveys
 - All leaders please complete. Only the Scout one out so far, but the other sections will be coming. Council is trying to figure out how they can best help groups.
 - National Beaver survey out as well. A separate council one will be coming out too.
- Correspondence
 - Cheryl Ricketts lodged a complaint at National with respect to Austin and Cubs. John Stalker talked with both her and myself (at separate times) and is convinced that the issue should be closed; that is the report he filed.
 - One of our Scout photos (Ben cutting wood) used in the council youth forum website.
 - Request from Christine Bleackley for a donation of group crests for a Guide trip to the Dominican Republic.

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- Registration 2009/2010
 - Scouts Canada registration fee: \$115 (spring), \$130 (fall). Up \$2 (1.5%) from last year. Includes \$0.56/person to subsidise Venturer activities.
 - Proposed group fee: \$40 (based on leader registration (20) at a cost of \$1,495 (13 leaders @ \$115) and 41 non-leader families). Down \$2 from last year.
 - Spring registration deadline: Wednesday June 10th; cheque and forms must be at council by June 25th.
 - Ensure child's school listed on registration form.
 - Registration night: Thursday September 17th at the fire hall.
 - Beaver/Cub age appropriate clip art or images desired for school flyer.

Item	Spring		Fall	
	Regular Kid	Leader Kid	Regular Kid	Leader Kid
Scouts Canada	\$115	\$115	\$130	\$130
Group	\$40		\$40	
Community Centre	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
Total	\$170	\$130	\$185	\$145
Subsidised	\$57	\$43	\$62	\$48

- Training
 - Frank Vena needs to take Woodbadge I Colony. He's planning on doing it in the winter.
 - Leader Welcome presentation obtained from Chinook council; copy sent to Frank.
- Financial report.
 - \$75 cheque received from the Snowflake Festival to cover the cost of our campfire treats.
 - Expense approvals (to be carried over until we have funds available):
 - Approval to purchase one more white water helmet (\$74)? There are 13 people on the second Venturer white water course weekend.
 - Approval to purchase six whistles for paddling PFDs without (\$34)?
 - Approval to purchase replacement clearance light for canoe trailer (\$7.90)?
 - Approval to repair Scout tent (given to Peter Brebner)?
 - Cheque approvals (to be carried over until we have funds available):
 - \$463.50 to Scouts Canada for Friendfest registrations. 4 Beavers, 1 Cub, 1 Scout (subsidised).
 - \$11.30 to Sheila Cornelisse for Eager Beaver & Wolf Cub award engraving.
 - \$80 to Allan Yates for Simon & Allan Advanced Outdoor Skills course.
 - \$6 to Allan Yates for Wood Badge I Venturers course.
 - \$6 to Stew Hamill for Wood Badge I Venturers course.
 - \$6 to Robert Sargent for Wood Badge I Venturers course.
 - \$8 to Liz Collinson for Wood Badge I Troop course.
 - \$183.75 to Jim Wiggins for River Rescue course.
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- Quartermaster report.
 - Petrel appraisal.
 - Canoe repairs in progress (Esquif Canyon = White water = red, Evergreen Cottager = Flat water = yellow):
 - Canyon, Knee pads, Peter Brebner, warranty - Completed.
 - Canyon, Skids plates + reversed yoke, Trailhead, warranty.
 - Canyon, buckled side & gouges, Trailhead, 1st Greenwood to be invoiced.
 - 6 x Cottager, gel coat damage, Trailhead
 - Cottager, burst gel coat bubble alongside keel. Merrickville to pay (should be warranty, but Evergreen does not return telephone calls and Jenda Paddlesports under new management and no longer carrying Evergreen).
 - We did receive a \$115 payment from 1st Kanata for gel coat damage.
 - One Scout tent taken to Peter Brebner for repair.
 - Protective Lexan plate installed on canoe trailer above tongue running lights that keep getting broken.
 - Applying for Trillium grant for replacement/additional tents (8 for Cubs, 4 for Scouts, 4 for Venturers) and second canoe trailer (8 canoes + storage box). Suggestion is to make all tents the same, Eureka El Capitan 4; similar to current Scout tents. No planned cost to group (all in-kind labour) and no allocation of external funding (e.g. Legion).
 - Discarding copies of Leader magazine in Scout room. Anybody want them?
- Website.
 - Need photographs... Especially Beavers & Scouts, otherwise next year's slideshow will be thin from their perspective.
 - Website is now being backed up off-site to www.idrive.com.
 - Please keep Allan informed of any changes to the schedules so the website can be kept current.
- Next group committee meeting.
 - Thursday May 28th at ...

Financial Statement

- TBD.