

1<sup>st</sup> Merrickville Group Committee Meeting  
January 24, 2008  
Minutes

**Present:** Allan Yates, Robert Sargent, Stu Hamill, Jim Wiggins, Alex Beelich, Sheila Cornelisse, Liz Collinson, Keith Skelhorne

Meeting started at 7:15 p.m.

Reviewed Agenda/Agenda approved by Committee

Previous Minutes approved and passed by Committee

**Colony Report (Sheila)**

- \$ 138.16 in the black
- 1 piñata that Sheila had to break open as kids couldn't
- Seal soccer game & played with playdoo
- Highland games Mac played the pipes
- Pillow throw as sheep toss
- February Chinese New Year "Rat"
- Acts of kindness have to decide
- 21<sup>st</sup> February BP Birthday
- 24<sup>th</sup> February Church Parade (want more information)
- Beaver Burr-Perth?? Need the paper work
- Youth going by self to help out as Keeo
- 4-6 Cubs to make a ceremony for the Keeo's

**Pack Report (Jim)**

- Liz to donate house for sleepover Cubs see notes on handout
- 2 meetings of Morse code, some said boring so they are looking for a more fun way to do it
- Liz finance report
- all cub leaders do badge testing (design skeeter badge for pack specialty??)
- John Ford to go to Scouts? When?
- Keith to check to see if he has Kim neckers (yellow) wand for 3<sup>rd</sup> year Keeo working on it

**Troup Report (Alex)**

- Dec minutes 15 Scouts 1 from Smiths Falls
- Follow up for the library brick # \$
- Troop help organize Thinking Day Activities with Pathfinders will discuss
- \$ 673.30 to be given to Stu for cheese/bottle drive/dues to keep cost down for Algonquin leaving June 28 for 7 days
- Winter camp coming in February or March

**Venture Report (Allan)**

- Fundraising should go past council to be approved
- International forms signed by Scouts Canada and returned to Allan, waiting for paper work from parents

- Collect paper work from youth 1 week before leaving \* liability insurance on vehicle for the vehicles going to states \* suggested taking 2 way radios
- Camp plan approved
- Need beer barrels for camp gear July 12-16/08
- Allan sent email to Chris and Stan for Ventures to help out at NiteVent
- Spring bottle drive joint with Scouts and Ventures
- Planning to build Climbing wall for banquet, want to use theatre night's scaffolding to build it. \*Mike has a problem using the light pipes inside the Community Centre; he wants to make a free standing wall. No problem making smaller scale version.
- What linking activities do Ventures have for 3<sup>rd</sup> year Scouts
- Rock Climbing trip to Montreal???
- White water training???

### **Financial Report**

- Check for \$ 167.38 to Allan
- Subsidy for Cubs overdraft and bill flag mount leaves us with \$ 1230.00 without in Trust
- Pay occupation of \$ 720.00 to village
- Leaves us \$ 510.00
- Approval \$ 500.00 in advance for crest \* \$ 1000.00 not in yet
- \$ 1105.13 to Allan
- \$ 110.00 to Scouts Canada
- Money coming in: \$ 90.18 Christmas lights, Allan's parents \$200.00, Solstar \$ 450.00, Voyager Council \$ 200.00, Email retention \$ 1001.66, Legion \$ 500.00

### **Remembrance Day Parade**

- Very good bit of panic with food and setup

### **Christmas Parade**

- Poor turn out need more involvement
- Banners how many???
- Start to plan in September

### **Merrickville**

- Largest group in Valley Highland

### **Flower Bed**

- Mike to check into flower bed

### **February 24, 2008**

- Theme is Water
- Scouts World Conservation badge-Water
- Choir
- Slide show on loop
- Scouting and Guiding
- Display on wall for the Community to see as everyone to arrive by 10:30 and service to start at 11:00

- After service activities at Community Centre for leaders and youth bring bag lunch no nuts
- See email from Christine
- Darlene to make cake

### **Thinking Day Banquet**

- Scouts making paddles showing slides and youth to talk 5-10 minutes
- Cubs undecided (skits)
- Beavers undecided
- Short banquet, kid focused and keep spreads

### **Equipment**

- If request tell them no
- Do not want to rent out any more except for Rideau Round Table NO Scout groups
- Special rentals only (Area)
- Mike to send copy of Equipment list to Allan

### **100 year 100 Tent Anniversary**

- \$1000.00 in trust for Scouts for plan for 100 tents
- Next meeting at Jim's at 1930 229 Alice St.
- \$ 10.00 per head for the camp
- Time table for events need 6 activities
- 248 youth in all our Area
- Village rental Community Center and Field - FREE
- Golden Helmets on the weekend
- Training Jim Pack

### **Policies**

- Policy for families with 2 youths, change policy or rule out the 1/3 at Venture age pay full.
- Scrap 2<sup>nd</sup> youth at 1/3, all section, registration to stay the same
- Scrap \$ 91.67 the Ventures will have to cover.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Aide**

- Instructor for 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Red Cross or St John's standard for approximately \$ 35.00
- 7-9 Ventures and how many Scouts????

Next Group Meeting: Keep Thursday February 21, 2008 at Jim's house at 1900 hrs