

Scouts Canada - Valley Highlands

Minutes for August 21, 2003 at St. James Anglican Church, Perth

Present: Valerie Venalee, Perth; Trudy Niddrie, Perth; Roger Nuttall, DAC Training; Gary Thomson, 1st Elmsley; Diana Nuttall, DAC Group, Jean Trant-Lambert, 1st Beckwith; Joan Smith, 2nd Smiths Falls, Crystal Neil, 1st Drummond, Annette Thompson, 1st Montague, Allan Yates, 1st Merrickville Chair; Sandy Thomson, 4th Perth chair; Andrew Wise, 1st Drummond, Stan Lasenba, Area Property Chair; Jean Lasenba, Area Treasurer; Eric Hempell, 1st Drummond past chair; Charles Gale, DAC Program and Michelle Niefer, AC.

Regrets: Byron Hammersley, 2nd & 3rd CP Chair, Brian Billings, Scout Trees.

Meeting convened at 7:10pm, Michelle Niefer presiding.

Annette Thompson and Stan Lasenba seconded the meeting.

Half the groups for the area attended this meeting and started with O'Canada and a prayer. Quorum meeting was in effect.

Minutes of the Previous meeting were accepted.

Duty of Care is now found in the Leaders Handbooks & Internet. B.P. & P. is now obsolete. All Rules and Regulations can be found on the Internet.

Needing: Secretary & Main Communicator for the area. Anyone wishing to fill these positions or get more information let Michelle Niefer know. (2578-1333)

Outdoor Skills will be held at Whispering Pines on Sept. 27/28, 2003.

Gateway training course for all Adult Scout members will be made available.

Contact Roger Nuttall for info see attachment

Registration Fees \$99.00. If each group wishes to add a small stipend to the amount for their use, it is up to that group. Forms are available on the MMS site. For parents with lower income, they can arrange with the group to make two payments, but all payments must be in with registrations to HQ.

Clarification with HQ: This arrangement is to be made at the group level, however, the group can collect two cheques, one being post-dated, and cash them. When registering the whole group, a cheque for the full amount is to be submitted. It would best to have one cheque payable immediately and the second a month later. If a youth drops out, full payment is still required unless the youth drops out in the first couple of weeks.

Paperwork - Original registration and PRCs - all final reports go to Diana by October /2003. All registrations must be in Headquarters by October 31st. A date will be set for all to meet and drop off the paperwork to Diana.

Clarification: HQ must have the original forms with the parent/volunteer original signature. If the group wishes to keep a copy, they may do so. If a group wishes to keep an original copy then a second one must be signed by the parent/volunteer.
Info contact Diana Nuttall. Diana will be attending a meeting for the 1st week of September with any new changes to the MMS.

Location for area meetings was placed back on the table. A discussion was held with the option to rotate the meetings around the area. There were no takers. As Kim Comstock offered, she has booked their meeting hall for the upcoming year.

Next meeting will be held on Sept. 18 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Smith Falls down from Burger King and Tim Horton's.

It was asked that in future a map of the area be sent to all groups when setting up an event/meeting.

Calendar - events and training dates see attachment.

Note Updates: Greenwing-Morrison Ducks Unlimited (Kingston, Ontario)
April 1/8/22,2004 Canoe Tripping Thursday nights - theory
June 19,2004 on water canoe basic - Whispering Pines
June 26/27, 2004 Boat Rescue
July 10/11, 2004 Tripping on the Mississippi

Scouts Trees report on all monies income. 30% returns to Region (Brotherhood Fund & Region share) May 1/03. \$275.00 expenses for the area to be divided among the groups.

For the year 2004, the amount has been reduced to 15% total and all to go to the Brotherhood Fund.

Popcorn for upcoming season report any new ideas or problems contact: Allan Yates 269-3074 or allan@yates.ca

Hot Chocolate information located on the MMS and web site. Information packages have been sent to the Group Chairs/parents.

Lombardy Fair Booth: Stan and Jean and all who participated did a wonderful job at the Lombardy Fair booth as they sold sausages & buns, and breakfast. Total outcome \$2743.35, funds return to the Whispering Pines camp. The lawn mower has broken down and Stan needs help on parts or a replacement. If anyone can help, give Stan a call
Historic information sign needs to be added to tell story of Scouts in our area.

Lions member asking us to stay open longer hours in the future, give your feedback to Stan.
Renovations to the booth appearance, any volunteers or donations of materials most appreciated
contact Stan Lasenba

Area Team

DAC Group – Diana Nuttall
DAC Youth -Angela Britton
 Brock Menzies
DAC Program - Charles Gale
 DAAC Beaver – Joan Smith
 Cyndy Courtland
 DAAC Cubs- Jean Trant-Lambart
 Gary Thomson
 DAAC Scouts- Ken Richardson
 Allan Sinfield
 DAAC Ventures/Rovers - Barry Trafford
Registrar: Diana Nuttall
Treasurer: Jean Lasenba
Scout Trees: Brian Billings
Camp Committee- Stan Lasenba
 Gary Thomson
 Peter Joynt
 John Stalker
 Brain Billings
 Byron Hammersley

Call upon if you need assistance or assurance on information.

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 p.m.

Recording Secretary (one time only): Valerie Venalee, 4th Perth