



Area Forum



November 16, 2006 7 p.m.

Lion's Club, Smiths falls

Present: Stan Lasenba, Area Commissioner; Jean Lasenba, Finance; Roger Nuttall, DAC Program; Dianna Nuttall, Fundraising; Ken Richardson, APM; Debra Hull, Smiths Falls, John Stalker, Venturers; Paul Kehoe, 1st Drummond; Jean Trant-Lambert, 1st Beckwith; Elizabeth Docker, Carleton Place; Joan Smith, Smiths Falls, Bill Lawrence, 2nd Almonte.

Regrets: Our thoughts are with Michelle as she deals with a family illness. As well as Chris and Jill as they recover in hospital.

Previous Minutes: errors and omissions. Financial report in last minutes should have read \$19045 not \$1945

Motion to accept the minutes Ken Richards second Roger Nuttall

Agenda Items:

Oh Canada
Prayer

Stan Lasenba, Area Commissioner: Lasenba@sympatico.ca

- kits are now available to be purchased by all groups for a cost of \$208 each
- PPre CJ camp budget report has been given out for \$25 cost break down Stan has it if you want more info
- Registration Refund procedure now set up Cat #1 full refund no meetings attended
Cat #2 1-month program partial refund
Cat #3 no refund over 1 month of programming attended appeal available for special circumstances
- Senator's 50/50 interest has been shown
- Membership - Membership is down from last year but it has been brought to areas attention that the list on the web site is not accurate Drummond is at 106% way to go!!

DAC Reports:

i: Fundraising - Diana Nuttall - rnd@perth.igs

ii: Program - Roger Nuttall - rnd@perth.igs

iii: **Camp Warden** – Ken Richardson – wraith@ca.inter.net

- Camp has been closed up for winter toilet paper is in shed.
- Camp Zero prep day Ken has ask that everyone park behind the house Ken will not be home that day or call him to set up alternate dates

iv: Scout Trees - Brian Billings - brian_billings@carleton.ca

vi: **Training:**

- Training poor turn out only 3 leaders so it was postponed till Jan 19 and 20th those who attended the last one only have to attend on Saturday this time
- Gateway is now up the groups to set up there day and arrange with Stan

- For those who help others Basic part 1 Feb 2-4 scout head quarters no charge pre register Elizabeth Docker is interested in attending.
- Feb 9-11 Commissioners Training Opemikon

Financial: Jean Lasenba - lasenba@sympatico.ca

- 2 bills were sent to scouts Canada in Ottawa, as of Tuesday Tackaberry's have still not been paid!
- Only 5 financial reports submitted please hand them in ASAP

GROUP REPORTS:
2nd Almonte REPORT

Ref: Group Committee Meeting 12 Nov 06

1. **EVENTS TO DATE:**

- All Sections participated in the Remembrance Day Parade in Almonte on 11 Nov 06.
- Beavers had their Halloween Party and Investiture Night on 24 Oct 06
- Cubs went to Camp Fortune Ariel park on 4 Nov 06.
- Scouts had their Fall Camp near Maberly (Scouter Tom has a friend with a cabin out there), and they went to LaserQuest for an evening of fun.
- Venturers did the Haunted House room at the Mississippi School near Carleton Place the weekend before Halloween and a 30km bike ride in Ottawa on 5 Nov.

2. **FUTURE EVENTS:**

- Beavers are making decorations for the Santa Claus Parade float, and are working on a play to present to the parents during their Christmas party on 5 Dec.
- Cubs are planning outings to LazerQuest and the Wave Pool during Nov / Dec., and have planned a Ceramic painting night on 4 Dec.
- Scouts have planned Hobby and Craft night, board game nights and outdoor hikes at Gemmill Park.
- Venturers have plans to visit the Diefenbunker, skate on the Canal, check out a climbing wall in Arnprior and visit the Ottawa Jail.
- All Sections will be participating in Light up the Night on 01 Dec, then the Santa Claus Parade on 03 Dec 06.

3. **MAIN EFFORTS:**

- Scouts and Venturer's are working on getting registrations done for CJ07.

4. **ISSUES:**

- We are having a problem getting training for our Leaders. This isn't an Area fault other than timeframe of notice. We just don't get enough notice to get the Leaders notified of Gateways. A problem we have is getting enough Leaders on a single night to hold training ourselves.

5. **COMMENTS:**

- Tickets are now available for the 100 Years of Scouting Banquet in Almonte on 25 Feb 2007. Cost is \$20.00 for an adult meal, \$10.00 for a youths meal.
 Schedule for the day: Set-up from 7:00 – 10:00am, 10:00am – 3:30pm Scout Display open to the Public (it will stay up until the banquet is over). 4:00pm will be the Scouts Own, with the Banquet following.

Yours in Scouting,

Bill Lawrence, Group Commissioner

1st Beckwith REPORT

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

1. EVENTS TO DATE:
 - a. A representation from each section turned out in the rain for Remembrance Day.
 - b. Group skating party at Stewart Recreation in Pakenham following ceremonies.
 - c. Popcorn fundraising was successfully done by the Cubs and Scouts.
2. FUTURE EVENTS:
 - a. Beaver investiture and tail ceremony Nov 20th. Also Scouter Steve will receive his WBI woggle for colony.
 - b. Taking part in the Christmas parade in Carleton Place.
 - c. Joint campfire at Scouter Steve's in mid December.
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:
The news of Scouter Jill's (Magnan) sudden stroke has saddened us. It is nice to hear of her continuous recovery.
5. COMMENTS.

I would like to take this time to thank all the leaders for helping get this year off to such a great start. Every section seems to be up and running at full speed with lots of enthusiasm from both leaders and youth. You are all very valued and appreciated.
A big thanks to Barb Brydges for all the registration work. I know that it is a tedious time consuming job with lots of running around and reminders for both forms and money.

Yours in Scouting, Jean Trant-Lambert

Carleton Place - Thursday Nov 16/06 Carleton place group report

Remembrance Day

Remembrance day service at Cenotaph: about 45 youth and adults
Followed by a chili luncheon with leaders parents and youth
Guest Stan Lasenba who presented awards to several Scouters
St James Church Parade 22 youth and adults
All youth who participated received a Scout Remembrance Day Crest

AWARDS

Cynthia Courtland - Medal of Good Service to Scouting
Elizabeth Docker - medal of Good Service to scouting
Sean Williams - Certificate of Commendation
Nick Rubble - Chief Scout Award

Fundraising

Successful events include Scout Popcorn Norcard and Lamontagne

WEb Site

our website has been updated recently - check us out at www.carletonplacescouting.org
we would like a link to Valley Highlands web site

Up coming events

- white tail sleep over
- Cub Christmas craft sale Nov 25/06 9am - 4pm Price Chopper
- Santa Claus parade Nov25/06 5pm

Elizabeth Docker, Group Commissioner

1st Merrickville Report for Area Meeting November 16, 2006

Events To Date

- Good Remembrance Day participation from all sections. Beavers each made small crosses that they presented and installed during the ceremony.
- Beavers had a fright night for Halloween and a marshmallow golf tournament.
- Cubs each received signaling mirrors, and practiced heliographing an aeroplane. Dissection and discussion of first aid and survival kits.
- Cubs made Guys and had a Guy Fawkes bonfire night. Also had a fire department visit complete with obstacle course and fire hose work.
- Scouts did an evening hike along local roads.
- Scouts are working on plans for participation in CJ07.
- Registration to date is 19 Beavers, 25 Cubs, and 16 Scouts, for a total of 60 kids and 15 adults (two new Beaver leaders on board). 70% retention refund cheque received from council; still awaiting refund of registration subsidies.

Future Events

- Beavers will be having a hayride at Big Sky Ranch and making ice cream another evening.
- Beavers will be having a joke night, a knot night, a Christmas party, and a lotto fun night.
- Cubs will be doing knots, orienteering, campfire songs, tracking signs, pioneering catapults, making ice cream, and practicing first aid.
- Cubs planning a family swim evening at the Perth pool on the last week of December.
- Scouts doing an overnight hike in conjunction with the Merrickville Pathfinders in Limerick Forest.
- Scouts will be designing and constructing a float for the Merrickville Christmas parade.
- Scouts will be practicing shelter building and having a first aid evening.

Miscellaneous

- Corrections sent regarding September area minutes have not yet been incorporated into the official version.
- Area bank balance in October area minutes showed a \$17,100 discrepancy versus that shown in September minutes.
- Why was the PL camp canceled when only one area leader was ill? Is this not a disservice to the Scouts and troops that had committed to participate? Interestingly, the leader became ill the weekend before, a reminder notice for the camp was issued on the Thursday, and the cancellation notice issued on the Saturday of the camp.
- Service Scouter list not yet published, nor any information on their visits to date.
- Area Gateway course syllabus not yet published.
- Area equipment inventory not yet published.

Issues

- No financial statements published by the area for many years. We have a serious fiduciary problem.
- Many area event reports and financial statements not yet submitted for 2005/2006.

Michelle,

Just a note to correct the Troop's portion of Merrickville's report.

The troop did participate in a hike **but not along the local roads.**

Local trails outside of Merrickville are ideal for night hiking through Limerick Forest.

Please note this correction.

Thank you

Alex Beelich 1st Merrickville (Troop Scouter)

Perth

EVENTS TO DATE

Cubs have started to paint lair curtains and are doing a great job. New Cubs are working on the Promise and Law in preparation for Investiture.

Scouts continue with their regular programs, working on badges and generally having fun.

Both Sections participated in a clean up at OMYA on Saturday, November 4th. They were shown a slide presentation on how the company protects the environment.

We have participated in the Scout Popcorn program again.

FUTURE EVENTS

Cubs and Scouts will participate in the Remembrance Day Parade. The Group lays a wreath at the cenotaph.

A presentation will be made to the parish priest who is leaving at the end of the year.

Plans have begun for a special reunion event to celebrate our centennial in February.

ISSUES AND CONCERNS

We are still exploring ways to attract new members and have Bring A Friend nights in the offing.

Our Group Committee continues to provide great support to our leaders.

Arnel W. Pattemore, Group Commissioner

Old Business: Almonte



Celebrating 100 Years of Scouting

As we approach 2007, 100's of thousands of Youth and Scouter's, past and present, from around the world, will be taking part in special activities marking the 100th Anniversary of Scouting.

Come and join us as we celebrate 100 years of Scouting. There will be artifacts dating back to the early years of Scouting. We will of course have a lot of more recent (past 50 years or so) things on display to do with Scouting so you can see how things have changed over the years.

This will be a full day event, with the Display portion being open to the Public from 10:00am to 3:30pm. After 3:30, the event will be for Scouting Youth, Scouters and their families, past and present. The Displays will remain up, and there will be a Scouts Own Service at 4:00pm, followed by the Traditional BP Dinner.

Date: 25 February 2007
Location: Almonte Civitan Hall
500 Almonte Street, Almonte, On
Timings: 10:00am – 3:30pm Displays open to the Public
3:30pm – Displays open to Scouting families
4:00pm – Scouts Own Service
4:30pm – BP Dinner

