



## MINUTES OF 1<sup>ST</sup> BOLTON SCOUT GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING

February 1<sup>st</sup> 2017

### Present:

Andrew Soward, Group Commissioner	Sandra Hautot, Group Secretary
Andy Dunn, Troop	Julie Dunn, Pack (Monday)
Heather Munich, Colony (Monday)	Virginia East, Troop, STEM Advisor
Bruce Mason, Treasurer	Matthew Dunn, Company
George Court, Pack (Thurs), Quartermaster	Erma Quintal, Registrar
Karen Matson, Duke of Edinburgh Advisor	

### 1. Minutes of January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

The Minutes were approved by Andy.

2. Agenda – approved
3. Group Commissioner's Update – attended an Area Meeting
4. GYC Update

Matthew noted that now we are in the winter cycle, he needs to organise section visits.

### 5. Section Reports on Planning

*Colony* – they are planned through to May. Monday Colony has been 'wild' (with personalities) but is doing OK.

*Pack* – they had a small but useful planning meeting. Past activities included review of Winter Group Camp, the youth have planned a pyjama party and other meetings. They visited Dairy Queen where they made personalised sundaes. Future activities include a visit to Dan Kolb's farm where they will be focussing on the technology side of farming (Feb 27).

*Troop* – their goal is to have the winter cycle as all youth planned activities. They currently have 5 projects with 5 teams – movie making being one of the projects. They will show their completed movies next week. They enjoyed a 1<sup>st</sup> Aid evening with Brad Archdekin last week. Future activities include leather craft, international food night, winter outdoors activity/winter hike and have another 5 projects in the wings.

*Company* – they have had no meetings for 2 weeks due to exams, they have planned some moots and reviewed Winter Group Camp and hope to go to a movie in February and work on the Canadian Path badge.

Crew – Crew – there was an ‘e-sighting’!

*Duke of Edinburgh* – need a push!

Bolton United Church has a community garden and would welcome youth groups in the spring if they wish to have a plot for planting and to look after for the season.

6. Rotary

Hal Gregory and Douglas Fleck have been invited to the banquet

7. Group Secretary – nothing to report

8. Quartermaster

During January there were 5 different events with 72 youth, 62 adults using 166 pieces of equipment. We now have 5 new black totes. George went to the Scout Shop and spent \$200.71 (with Scout Shop gift vouchers) on 20 x Beaver Buggies, 1 x finial and some Scouts Canada books. The repaired tents are ready. Paul Livingston (farm) is working on his work shop and have advised that we can put our tents in this warmer area soon. Scout Shop have ordered flag bags - \$31.99 per bag. It was agreed that we will purchase 3.

9. Fundraising

Scrapbook event on March 25 organised by the CJ fund-raising team.

10. Registrar – interest from a possible Scout.

11. Marketing

Bring-a-Friend was discussed. Erma has some cards. It was decided that each section should aim to hold a Bring-a-Friend evening before Swim-up.

12. Yellow Briar

Highlights from the meeting are as follows:

- There is an ScoutSafe app coming out soon.
- AYN – there will be a meeting
- First Aid Course – will be run by the Life Saving Society” \$90 per head Feb 18-19, Weston area. See area web site for details and registration.
- FOCUS – March 31-Apr 02, Camp Manitou. See web site for details.
- Canadian Path Wood Badge II – information on council web site
- Laserquest Lockdown – Feb 3 – need youth to help with this event
- Kub Kar Construction Clinic – Sat Feb 4
- Raptor 905 – Feb 11 – details on web site

- Bolton Kub Kar event – Sat Feb 25
- Brampton Beast – Feb 26 \$16
- Area Kub Kar event – Sat March 4
- Earthhour event – March 25
- HSR – July 29-Aug 05 \$350

### 13. Event Discussion

*Group Winter Camp –6,7,8 Jan 2017 at Everton Scout Camp – Pokemon Snow theme.*

Each section had done a review. Details are as follows:

Colony – needed indoor toilet facilities, cabin was too far away.

Pack – didn't like the outdoor kybos, menu was too simple, wanted more cub activities rather than activities with the Beavers, liked the Pokemon ball game and tobogganing.

Troop – it was similar to other winter camps, they liked the campfire and being part of the group, the schedule was tight (a rush to get to events), needed a different method of water distribution, unloading of the trailer was difficult to do in the dark, they liked the Adirondacks.

Company – no complaints about the camp, they reviewed the weekend under the SPICES heading. They noted that they bought too much food, forgot oven mitts and a grease bucket and didn't look at the duty roster.

Other comments – we should have done a site inspection, there were heating concerns - could have done with some Eco fans as the Carbon Monoxide alarms were going off in the Beaver area – so the windows had to be opened, which meant the area was then cold. It was suggested that this concern should be brought up with the Ranger Kevin Donovan (Andrew will contact). It was felt that we could do a winter camp every 3-4 years – but would not go back to camp at Everton in the winter.

*Banquet February 25 - moving along. Guests have been sent invitations.*

*Bolton Kub Kars – Andy reported that they need people to come out. There will be a nominal charge to attend. Will the Company man the food booth? Repairs to the track are almost complete and a video is going to be made on how to set up and take down the track and posted on Youtube – hopefully avoiding unnecessary repairs in the future. Beaver Buggy crests will be purchased – and the Beavers will be able to run their buggies on the big track. Andrew will contact Amy to see if she is willing to run some Beaver activities.*

### 14. Treasurer's Report

Bruce reported that Amy has renewed the Scout Tracker licence fee – this is the standard licence for 4 sections. We may need to purchase another one. More popcorn money has been deposited. Lynn Lubitz has completed the audit of the books and has given 6 recommendations which Andrew read out (need to accrue interest for GICs, voucher liability, e-statements). Thank you to Lynn for doing this. Bruce still requires tax information from sections (other than Troop) as soon as possible.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm

Next meeting – March 1, 2017