

# Boy Scout Troop 768

A Newsletter for Scouts & Parents

Ramona, CA

April 2014

## Newsletter/Committee Meeting Minutes

### From the Scout Master

Welcome Everyone,

Be sure to watch for our upcoming events which should be really fun and a great experience for the boys. All these events will help to foster a greater independence and connection to all boy scouts and parents. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Doug Crawford, Scoutmaster

### Calendars: April Activities

Thurs. Apr. 3	7:00 p.m.	Committee Meeting @ VFW
Mon. Apr. 7	7:00 p.m. at RHS ROTC Rm. B55	Scout Master Conf./Board of Review Class A Uniform
Mon. Apr. 14	---	<b>NO Troop Mtg. - EASTER</b>
Mon. Apr. 21	7:00 p.m. RHS B55	Troop Meeting
Sat. Apr. 26	9am-3:30pm	<b>Scout Fair</b>
Sat. Apr. 26	TBA	<b>CANCELLED - White Water Rafting Day Trip</b>
Mon. Apr. 28	7:30-8 p.m. RHS B55	PLC Only No Troop Meeting

### May Activities

	TBD	<b>Scout-O-Rama</b>
Sat. May 3	TBD	<b>Matagauy – Shooting Sports Day</b>
Mon. May 5	7:00 p.m.	Scout Master Conf./Board of Review Class A Uniform
Thurs. May 8	7:00 p.m.	Committee Meeting @ VFW
Mon. May 12	7:00 p.m.	Troop Meeting
Sat. May 17	TBA	<b>Ramona Main Street Parade</b>
Mon. May 19	7:00-8 p.m. 7:30-8 p.m.	Troop Meeting and PLC
		<b>Memorial Day weekend</b>
Fri. May 23	4:00 p.m.	Put out poppies at Cemetery
Mon. May 26	9:00 a.m.	Ceremony @ cemetery Full Class A Uniform
Mon. May 26	TBA	BBQ @ VFW
Wed. May 28	4:30 p.m.	Put away flags & poppies

### June Activities

Mon. June 2	7:00 p.m.	SM Conf/BR Class A Uniform @ Scout Hut
Wed. June 4	---	<b>Last Day of School</b>
Thurs. June 5	7:00 p.m.	Committee Meeting @ VFW
Sat. June 7	TBA	<b>Fiesta Island Day Trip</b>
Mon. June 9	7:00 p.m.	<b>Court of Honor-Root Beer Floats</b>
Mon.-Fri. June 16-20	TBA	<b>District Cub Scout Day Camp</b>
Mon. June 16	---	<b>No Troop meeting</b>
Mon. June 23	7:30-8 p.m.	PLC Only
Mon. June 30	7:00 p.m.	Troop Meeting

**Please Note: The Newsletter Calendars are the most up-to-date current calendars when planning your schedules.**

### Committee Chair's Corner

Hi Everyone,

On April 3, 2014, we held our committee meeting at the VFW. In attendance were Rose Crawford, Larry Shelper, Bob Richardson, Ron Underwood, Greg Hietala, Don Scott, Michelle Scott, Crystal Leon, Steve Shellhammer, and Carol Shellhammer.

**NOTE: The Scout Hut is temporarily closed due to needed safety repairs. Scout Meetings will be held at Ramona High School in the ROTC Room # B 55 until further notice. Please park in the RHS student parking lot in front of Automotive building. Walk on the right side of the building thru the gate between Automotive and Band room. The Room is the second door on the left of the Automotive Building.**

On Monday, April 7, 2014, we will be starting the Farm Mechanics Merit Badge at our troop meeting. Please ask Larry Shelper for the blue card for this merit badge. Greg Hietala is the lead for this activity.

The Mataquay Shooting Sports Day is still on. Sign up will be on Monday, April 7, 2014 during the Scout Meeting. There are only 153 spots left. The fee is \$25.00 per scout and \$35.00 per adult. Ron Underwood is the lead person for this activity so please sign up with him on Monday if your interested in attending.

The Scout Fair is scheduled April 26, 2014 and scouts need to sign up now online for any merit badges they want to obtain at this event.

Larry Shelper is registering new scouts and acquired some signatures to complete the registration process.

We did not receive much food for the Scouting for Food activity but want to thank those who participated in this activity.

Greg Hietala reported that the Mataquay Introduction to Backpacking went really well.

The Court of Honor Potluck meeting was great, however, we need to bring the Clothes Pin Advancement Ladder to the next meeting for those boys that advanced to move their clothes pin up on the ladder. Additionally, we need to make new Clothes Pins for the new boys in the troop.

Don Scott reported that the Corrizo Gorge Backpacking trip was real good. It was hard but the boys did a great job. Please get your pictures to Donald Scott and he will transfer them to a movie to give to Steve Shellhammer to place on the website for viewing.

Steve Shellhammer reported that he has signed up all the boys attending summer camp for their merit badges.

Bob Richardson is looking into CPR training and now that we are going to have the Troop Meetings at the high school possibly look into scheduling a Swim Test and Swim Merit Badge night sometime during our meeting at the RHS pool.

The White Water Rafting Trip has been canceled due to the lack of water in the Kern River.

Don Scott will be providing more information at a later date regarding a Ham Radio Class for the scouts.

Don Scott will attend the meetings and handle the signing up for the Ramona Main Street Parade. We are going to use the Pearl Harbor Survivor Float in the Parade.

As far as the Scout-O-Rama is concerned, we are unsure as to the District's plans at this point.

On March 29, 2014, we had a number of scouts performing community service hours by cleaning our Scout Hut. We want to thank each scout that participated in this activity.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Eda Baldauf was unable to attend this meeting, therefore, no Treasurer's report was given.

### **Scout Fair April 26 , 2014**

On Saturday, April 26, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. the San Diego Imperial Council will be presenting the Scout Fair at Qualcomm Stadium. Crystal Leon and Tracy Rolling have tickets to this activity if you are interested in attending. Scouts need to go online to sign up for Merit Badges at this event as soon as possible if they are planning on attending this activity.

### **White Water Rafting Trip April 26, 2014**

Unfortunately, this trip had to be canceled due to the lack of water in the Kern River at this time.

### **Scout-O-Rama May (TBA) , 2014**

The District is recommending the Scout-O-Rama be held at a different day and time. We are unsure at this point of the plans and will let you know as soon as we get confirmation of the schedule. This is an activity to recruit new scouts to our troop. It's where we will need to show off our great troop, our skills/activities and recruit new scouts. Larry Shepler is the Lead Person for this activity.

### **Mataguay – Shooting Sports Day May 3, 2014**

On Saturday, May 3, 2014, we will be having our Mataguay – Shooting Sports Day. Ron Underwood is the Lead Person for this activity. He will be signing up scouts at Monday's meeting on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014 along with collecting money. There are only 153 spots left. The fee is \$25.00 per scout and \$35.00 per adult. Please sign up with Ron Underwood on Monday if your interested in attending.

**Ramona Main Street Parade**  
**May 17, 2014**

On Saturday, May 17, 2014, we will be having the Ramona Main Street Parade. Don Scott is the Lead Person for this activity. Don Scott will attend the meetings and handle the signing up for the Ramona Main Street Parade. We are going to use the Pearl Harbor Survivor Float in the Parade.

**Memorial Day Activities**  
**May 23 thru 28, 2014**

On Friday, May 23-28, 2014, we will be having our Memorial Day Services. Bob Richardson is the Lead Person for this activity. We have lots of activities for this weekend to honor our servicemen. On Friday, May 23 at 4:00 p.m., we are placing poppies and flags at the grave sites at the cemetery. On Monday, May 26 at 9:00 a.m. there will be a ceremony at the cemetery. There will be a VFW Picnic where the scouts can earn some service hours by emptying trash, being kind to everyone, being on their best behavior and picking up. Scouts are to wear their full Class A uniforms to the ceremonies. On Wednesday, May 28 at 4:30 p.m. we will put away the flags and poppies.

**Fiesta Island Day Trip**  
**June 7, 2014**

On Saturday, June 7, 2014, we will be having our Fiesta Island Day trip. Don Scott and Bob Richardson are the Leads for this trip. Don Scott will be reserving kayaks for the trip. More information will be provided at a later date.

**District Cub Scout Day Camp**  
**June 16-20, 2014**

On Monday thru Friday, June 16-20, 2014, there will be a District Cub Scout Day Camp. This is an opportunity for our boy scouts to earn service hours by working and helping out at this summer camp.

**Coronado Parade with Troop 679**  
**July 4, 2014**

On Friday, July 4, 2014, we will be having the Coronado Parade with Troop 679. Bob Richardson is the Lead Person for this activity. More information will be provided at a later date.

**4th of July Activities – July 4, 2014**

It was brought up that we would like to use the Obstacle Course we used at Webelos Woods at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July activity. Larry Shepler will check with the Easterlings to see if they still have the Obstacle Course. We either need to recovered it or we need to make another tunnel for that community event. The kids love it and it can also bring in funds for the troop.

**Camp Emerald Bay Summer Camp**  
**July 27 thru August 2, 2014**

On Sunday thru Saturday, July 27 thru August 2, 2014, we are going to Camp Emerald Bay for Summer Camp. Summer Camp is a great way to obtain many of the merit badge's needed to further your path to becoming an Eagle Scout. Steve Shellhammer is the lead person for this activity. At present there are 7 Scouts and 2 Adults signed up to attend Summer Camp. The scouts are now signed up for their merit badges for this camp.

Steve's email:

“Information about the camp can be found on their web site. <http://www.campemeraldbay.org/emerald-bay/boy-scout-camp>

It is a great summer camp and if you have not had the opportunity to go before I encourage you to go. We will not go to this camp again for at least three years so this is a great opportunity to attend Camp Emerald Bay.

More information will be coming at a later date.

**Beach Camping Trip**  
**August 23 thru 24, 2014**

On Saturday and Sunday, August 23 thru 24, 2014, we will be having our Beach Camping Trip. Greg Hietala and Bob Richardson are the Lead Persons for this activity. More information will be provided at a later date.

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 7:00 PM**  
**at the VFW**

## 2013-2014 Committee Members

Doug Crawford	Scoutmaster	<a href="mailto:crawford5@yahoo.com">crawford5@yahoo.com</a>
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