

Boy Scout Troop 768

A Newsletter for Scouts & Parents

Ramona, CA

January 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:

January Activities

Mon. Jan. 6	6:30 p.m.	Scout Master Conf./Board of Review Class A Uniform
Thurs. Jan. 9	7:00 p.m.	Committee Meeting @ VFW
Sat. - Sun. Jan. 11-12	TBA	Biking/Camping Trip Santee Lakes
Mon. Jan. 13	6:30 p.m.	Troop Meeting
Mon. Jan. 20	---	NO Troop Meeting
Mon. Jan. 27	6:30 p.m.	PLC

February Activities

Sat. Feb 1	1:00 p.m.	Matt Shellhammer's Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremony @ Ramona Public Library
Sun. Feb. 2	---	Scout Sunday
Mon. Feb. 3	6:30 p.m.	Scout Master Conf./Board of Review Class A Uniform
Thurs. Feb. 6	7:00 p.m.	Committee Meeting @ VFW
Sat. Feb. 8	TBA	Ski/Snowboarding Day Trip
Mon. Feb. 10	6:30 p.m.	Troop Meeting
Fri. - Mon. Feb. 14 - 17	TBA	Death Valley Trip
Mon. Feb. 24	6:30 p.m.	PLC
?	TBA	Grunion Run

March Activities

Sat. thru Sat. Mar. 1-8	---	Scouting for Food
Mon. Mar. 3	7:00 p.m.	SM Conf/BR Class A Uniform @ Scout Hut
Thurs. Mar. 6	7:00 p.m.	Committee Meeting @ VFW
Sat. Mar. 8	TBA	Mataguay – Intro to Backpacking Training Trip
Mon. Mar. 10	7:00 p.m.	PLC
Mon. Mar. 17	7:00 p.m.	Court of Honor/Dessert Potluck/Uniform Inspection
Sat.-Sun. Mar. 22-23	TBA	Corrizo Gorge Backpacking Trip
Mon. Mar. 24	7:00 p.m.	Troop Meeting
Mon. Mar. 31	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 January 9, 2014, we held our committee meeting at the VFW. In attendance were Doug Crawford, Rose Crawford, Bob Richardson, Don Scott, Michelle Scout, Greg Hietala, Ron Underwood, Leland Rolling, Tracy Rolling, Steve Shellhammer, and Carol Shellhammer.

We have completed our Recharter. Unfortunately, we had to drop five adults from our recharter due to the fact that as an Adult you must complete the Youth Protection Training (YPT) prior to rechartering. If you are an adult actively participating in the troop, you can go online and take the Youth Protection Training (YPT) and sign up so we have the necessary adults trained for our outings. Steve Shellhammer will be talking to Bill Modeen regarding scheduling our CPR training.

We now have 15 returning scouts and 2 new scouts from our Open House bringing us to a number of 17 scouts in our troop. If anyone knows of any boys that would like to join the troop, please contact us. Remember you don't have to be a Cub Scout in order to join Boy Scouts. Additionally, we understand that there are many activities in a child's life, however, the experience is what's it's all about and our troop is very flexible regarding other commitments. Boy Scouts learn so much about life experiences while having fun and making new friends.

In addition to our Recharter, we have successfully made the move to the VFW/Scout Hut which is working well.

The Mud Caves Camping Trip was great! The scouts had a blast and it was a lot of fun.

The VFW Gift Wrapping and Delivery was very successful and made a lot of families happy. It was great for the scouts to participate in this community service activity.

Treasurer's Report

Eda Baldauf was unable to attend this meeting, therefore, Doug Crawford gave the report. All is going well. We now have more money in our account, therefore, we should be able to use some for our upcoming trips.

Matt Shellhammer's Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremony – Feb. 1, 2014

On Saturday, Feb. 1, 2014 at 1:00 p.m., Matt Shellhammer will be having his Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremony at Ramona Public Library located at 1275 Main Street, Ramona, CA 92065.

Scout Sunday – Feb. 2, 2014

On Sunday, Feb. 2, 2014, it is Scout Sunday. Every scout is encouraged to recognize this day.

Ski/Snowboard Day Trip Feb. 8, 2014

On Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014, we will be having our Ski/Snowboard trip. Bob Richardson and Leland Rolling are the Leads for this trip. However, if there is not much snow be have provided a backup plan.

Backup Plan: Saddle Junction – Palm Springs Tram.

Death Valley Backpacking Trip Feb. 14 thru 17, 2014

On Friday, Feb. 14 thru 17, 2014, we will be having our Death Valley Backpacking Trip. Ron Underwood is the Lead Person for this trip. More information will be provided at a later date.

Grunion Run Feb. (TBA) 2014

Sometime in February 2014, we will be having our Grunion Run activity. Bob Richardson is the Lead Person for this activity. More information will be provided at a later date.

Mataguay – Introduction to Backpacking/Training March 8, 2014

On March 8, 2014, we will be having our Mataguay – Introduction To Backpacking/Training. Greg Hietala and Don Scott are the Leads for this activity. More information will be provided at a later date.

Corrizo Gorge Backpacking Trip March 22 thru 23, 2014

On Saturday and Sunday, March 22-23, 2014, we will be having our Corrizo Gorge Backpacking trip. Don Scott and Larry Shepler are the Leads for this trip. More information will be provided at a later date.

White Water Rafting Trip April 26, 2014

On Saturday, April 26, 2014, we will be having our White Water Rafting Trip. Bob Richardson and Ron Underwood are the Leads for this trip. More information will be provided at a later date.

Scout-O-Rama May (TBA), 2014

On Saturday, May (TBA), 2014 @ 8:00 a.m. thru 2:00 p.m. at the K-Mart Parking lot we will be having Scout-O-Rama. This is an activity to recruit new scouts to our troop. Larry Shepler is the Lead Person for this activity. It should be a fun experience for both the scouts and possible new recruits. We will need to show off our great troop, our skills/activities and recruit new scouts.

Mataguay – Shooting Sports Day
May (TBA) , 2014

On Saturday, May (TBA) , 2014, we will be having our Mataguay – Shooting Sports Day. Ron Underwood is the Lead Person for this activity. More information will be provided at a later date.

Ramona Main Street Parade
May (TBA) , 2014

On Saturday, May (TBA) , 2014, we will be having the Ramona Main Street Parade. Don Scott is the Lead Person for this activity. More information will be provided at a later date.

Memorial Day Activities
May 23 thru 28 , 2014

On May 23-28, 2014, we will be having our Memorial Day Activities. Bob Richardson is the Lead Person for this activity. More information will be provided at a later date.

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. More information will be provided at a later date.

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 4th of July activity. John Callan 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.

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.

If you are interested in signing-up your scout and/or yourself for summer camp, you can email me or see me at one of the Monday night meetings.

The cost of Camp Emerald Bay Summer Camp is as follows: Scouts: \$599/ Adults: \$399. However, like at Camp Whitsett there are camperships available if funding is an issue.” Just let me know and we can submit it for approval.

Steve Shellhammer has booked and Eda Baldauf placed a deposit for Emerald Bay as our next Summer Camp site. 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, February 6, 2014 at 7:00 PM
at the VFW

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