

Boy Scout Troop 768

A Newsletter for Scouts & Parents

Ramona, CA

March 2014

Newsletter/Committee Meeting Minutes

From the Scout Master

Welcome Everyone,

The boys had a great time at Mataguay. The Navy command and training was awesome. Thank you.

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: March Activities

Sat. thru Sat. Mar. 1-15	---	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.	Troop Meeting
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	7:00-8 p.m. 7:30-8 p.m.	Troop Meeting PLC
Mon. Mar. 31	7:00 p.m.	Troop Meeting

April Activities

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

May Activities

	TBD	Scout-O-Rama
Sat. May 3	TBD	Mataguay – Shooting Sports Day
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	Ramona Main Street Parade
Mon. May 19	7:00-8 p.m. 7:30-8 p.m.	Troop Meeting PLC
		Memorial Day weekend
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

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

Committee Chair's Corner

Hi Everyone,

On March 6, 2014, we held our committee meeting at the VFW. In attendance were Rose Crawford, Bob Richardson, Michelle Scott, Ron Underwood, Greg Hietala, Crystal Leon, Steve Shellhammer, and Carol Shellhammer.

It was reported that SERE camp was great. The boys had a great time. One thing that needed to be looked into for future reference is travel seating to and from activities. We have to make sure we have enough seating both ways. Additionally, we want to thank the Command/Personnel for an outstanding Navy Survival Training weekend.

Steve Shellhammer reported that there are 7 Scouts and 2 Adults signed up for Summer Camp so far. Everyone has made their payment for Summer Camp. We do need to

obtain an electronic copy of the Troop Roster to have current email and address contact information. We have not heard about the Camperships for scouts as of yet. Any adult attending Summer Camp must be registered for Summer Camp and have completed the on-line Youth Protection Training.

Steve Shellhammer will be looking at the summer camp merit badges and contacting you soon to sign up.

Bob Richardson is looking into CPR training.

Due to the fact we are attending Emerald Bay Summer Camp this year with all of their water activities as well as our White Water Rafting Trip scheduled later this year, Bob Richardson is going to look into scheduling a Swim Test and Swim Merit Badge night sometime in March at the RHS pool. Bob Richardson and Tracy Rolling have volunteered to look into becoming Swim Merit Badge Counselors for these events.

The committee determined that in addition to the regular troop meetings we will be also holding the PLC meeting on the fourth (4th) Monday of each month from 7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Scout Hut.

It was also brought up that we create a new position for Eric Hietala as Scout Webmaster. This position would work with our Troop Webmaster in creating information and documents regarding upcoming events to be posted on our website.

Treasurer's Report

Eda Baldauf was unable to attend this meeting, therefore, no Treasurer's report was given. However, it was mentioned that we do have money in our Scout account to cover some of our upcoming trip expenses.

Scouting for Food **March 1-15, 2014**

On March 1-15, 2014, we will be having our Scouting for Food. Crystal Leon is the Lead for this activity. She is in the process of having the scouts pass out flyers to collect food for the Ramona Food Pantry. There are various locations, such as, Mt. Woodson and Ramona where the scouts will be handing out flyers and collecting food.

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. This hike is where they break into two groups and hike 6 miles which 1 mile is with equipment. The fee is \$2.00 per scout and they will receive a patch. Please eat before you come, bring a sack lunch for the day, a snack, and a backpack style dinner and breakfast for the evening and next day.

Court of Honor - Dessert Potluck **March 17, 2014**

On Monday, March 17, 2014, we will be having our Court of Honor Dessert Potluck. Michelle Scott is our hospitality host for this activity.

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 Shelper are the Leads for this trip. Don Scott and Ron Underwood will be scouting out the path for this trip. It should be an exciting time for the scouts.

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 has tickets to this activity if you are interested in attending.

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. The place is up near Camp Whitsett will do all the merit badge requirements for you. Bob Richardson will be calling to see about the water level for the rafting. Additionally, Bob will also look into setting up a swim test for this activity.

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 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. More information will be provided at a later date.

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. More information will be provided at a later date.

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. 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 recover 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.

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, April 3, 2014 at 7:00 PM
at the VFW

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