

Nicomekl Area Scouters Club  
Cub Scout Section Meeting  
20 June 2014

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Attended by: Edward Brierley (1<sup>st</sup> Fort Langley/AAC Cub Scouts), Keith Tunke (10<sup>th</sup> Langley), Allan Baker (1<sup>st</sup> Brookwood), James Krebs (2<sup>nd</sup> Brookwood), Leia Paddon (3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverdale), Lee Woldanski (3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverdale), Glenn Vernon (21<sup>st</sup> South Surrey)

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Next year

Ed noted that Glenn Vernon will be stepping down at the end of this Scouting year as Assistant Area Commissioner for Cub Scouts (AAC) for our Area to spend more time in his own Group and Brent Vernon will be attending Kwantlen starting in September & will not have the time to visit the Cub Packs as the Assistant Area Youth Commissioner for Cub Scouts (AAYC). Ed noted that this is his 3<sup>rd</sup> year as Assistant Area Commissioner for Cub Scouts (AAC) in our Area. Currently, the Area is looking for an Assistant Area Commissioner Cub Scouts that would be mentored by Ed.

Program Revitalization

Ed is a mentor for the program implementation. He will be mentoring 1<sup>st</sup> Fort Langley through the Pilot project. Nationally, it will be tested from Beaver Scouts through Rover Scouts.

Special thanks to all those Packs who participated in the STEM pilot project. Your support and feedback was greatly appreciated.

Waivers (**\*\*\*UPDATED INFO FROM PREVIOUS MEETING\*\*\***):

It was mentioned that the Ops Centre in Vancouver prohibited a Pack from Snowshoeing, due to a waiver on the back of the ticket. Ed has checked with National Council and it has been stated that, for any waiver, whether you sign or not, you must contact the Ops Centre, and have them clarify the waiver. You should give them 3-4 weeks to do so. If Scouts Canada does not accept the waiver, they may attempt to have the organization sign the Indemnification Agreement. Allow time for this to be done. Any Groups attending an event with a waiver (even a ticketed one) without confirming with the Ops Centre, could be in contradiction to BP&P, and could find themselves in legal trouble if something happened.

As to waivers in regards to parades, the Ops Centre is extremely sorry about what happened with the Cloverdale Christmas Parade. They thought the information had been sent out to everyone. Yes, a waiver, and/or insurance is needed for such an event, and given time, it might be issued. Allow time for such requests to be processed. As for those Groups that attended without a waiver, they were in contradiction to BP&P, and could have found themselves in legal trouble if something happened.

Ed has requested that more education and clarification on waivers should be presented at training and Scouters' Clubs.

Calendar for Next Year:

- Surrey Amateur Radio Club's Field Day on June 28<sup>th</sup>
- Peace Run at Peace Arch Park on June 30<sup>th</sup>

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- The Perseid Meteor Showers peak on Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. A great Pack or Family Event is the Aldergrove Meteor Shower and Walk at the Aldergrove Bowl of Aldergrove Regional Park (formerly Aldergrove Lake Regional Park). 550 LeFeuvre Rd. Abbotsford. Astronomy event with lots of activities and entertainment, free hot beverages, crafts and camping. All this for just \$2 per person (cash only, collected at the event entrance). Clear skies permitting, see the start of the Perseid Meteor Shower and watch for falling stars! Meet astronomers from the Royal Astronomical Society and Pacific Telescopes; look through large telescopes; join Science World staff for a fun astro-phenomenal activity; enjoy a mystical 1.2 km lantern walk; take in an astronomical slide show; sing in a folk song sing-along; have your face painted and make a wish upon a wishing star! Stay all night, if you like, camping is available for event attendees only. Camp set-up is from 5 to 8 pm. While there is lots of space for tents, space for RV's & campers is limited. There is no entry to camping area after 11 pm, and all campers must pack up and leave the camping area by 10 am Sunday morning. More info at: <http://www.metrovancouver.org/region/calendar/Lists/Calendar/DispForm.aspx?ID=4082>
- **CubStart Camp is booked for Camp McLean on September 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>. A planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, at the Cloverdale McDonalds (17960 56 Ave) on #10 Highway, 6:30 pm. All Packs planning on attending must send a representative. Numbers and money will be due at Scouters' Club on September 18<sup>th</sup>. We will need a cook and Camp Chief.**
- Jamboree on the Internet/Air is scheduled for October 17-19, 2014. More info at [www.joti.org](http://www.joti.org)
- The Area FLEX training has been cancelled, in order to support the Council FLEX Training. The Council FLEX training is scheduled for November 28<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>, and February 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Santa Breakfast is scheduled for Camp McLean on December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Area Swim night is scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Area Campfires are scheduled for March 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- Area Kub Kar Rally is scheduled for April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- UBC Nite Hike is scheduled for April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- Cuboree is on the Council calendar as April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- Area Jungle Day Camp is scheduled for May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Ed will organize this event.
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Congratulations:

Congratulations to 3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverdale for placing 8<sup>th</sup> overall (1<sup>st</sup> when corrected for age) and 1<sup>st</sup> Fort Langley placing 28<sup>th</sup> overall (8<sup>th</sup> when corrected for age) at the UBC Nite Hike (out of 100 Groups)! They were the top Cub Packs at the hike!

Website to check:

Nicomekl Scouts [www.nicomeklscouting.ca](http://www.nicomeklscouting.ca)  
Fraser Valley Council <http://fra.scouts.ca/>  
Scouts Canada [www.scouts.ca](http://www.scouts.ca)  
Volunteer Support Kit (forms, etc...) <http://www.scouts.ca/vstk/>  
Program Builder Online <http://pbo.scouts.ca/pol/login.do>  
MyScouts (registration) <https://www.myscouts.ca/>

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Scout-Badges.com (ScoutTracker) [www.scout-badges.com](http://www.scout-badges.com)  
The Canadian Path (revitalized program) <http://www.scouts.ca/canadianpath/>  
Thanks Button (recognition) <http://www.scouts.ca/thanks/>

My thanks to everyone in Nicomekl Area who have worked hard to make our program interesting and fun for the youth of our Area. It is Scouters like yourselves that make Nicomekl Area one of the best and most active Areas in the country!

Yours in Scouting,

Ed Brierley	Assistant Area Commissioner  Cub Scouts
Glenn Vernon	Assistant Area Commissioner  Cub Scouts
Brent Vernon	Assistant Area Youth Commissioner  Cub Scouts

