**Troop 130 Committee Meeting**

**December 2, 2021**

Crissy Mitchell Ken Demars Paul Boothroyd David Schwind

Patty Crossland Doug Cloutier John Sullivan Garry Jackson

Prabakaran Subramanian

**Treasurer’s Report: Mike Holm**

* Crissy provided the updates from Mike Holm as he could not make it to the meeting.
* Bought trailer for $3,100
* Rechartering fee paid $3,800 for 22 scouts and 24 adults
* We are still waiting for final numbers on the bottle and can recycling.

**Advancement: Ken Demars**

* Discussed ideas about more teaching and progress toward the merit badge requirements in meetings. Since many of the scouts are above first-class rank, the learning is more specific to each scout, and it makes it difficult to run a common schedule for all.
* Life to Eagle seminar on Zoom 12/13. Ken DeMars will provide link to meeting.

**Past Activities / Events: Crissy Mitchell**

* Nov 5 - 7 - Rod and Gun Club Overnight - There was no archery but it was a fun trip with 8 scouts and 6 adults participating. Pack 130 Cubmaster Marc Cryan came with 4 Cub Scouts on Saturday. There was a kick ball game, campfire program and the scouts showed off the trailer to engage the cub scouts. Overall, a successful event.
* Nov 11 - Veterans Day ceremony, Memorial Park - 10 scouts and 11 adults attended and 2 scouts were in the bands. Matteo read the opening prayer. Scouts shook hands with veterans to thank them for their service at the end.

**Upcoming Trips: Crissy Mitchell**

* Dec 5 - Christmas Parade, Downtown Maynard - 1 PM arrival in Class A uniform with a backpack. Decorate backpack with Gingerbread theme. 1 scout will do color guard. The parade will follow the same route as we do for all normally. Bring a donation for the food pantry.
* December 18 - Wreaths across America at 12:00 PM at St. Bridget's cemetery. Scouts must wear Class A uniform with a neckerchief.
* Dec 19 - Hike at Battle Road, Minute Man National Park, Concord - 10:00 AM. Plan is to start from the visitor center and go to Meriam's corner and return. It may take about 4 hours. Webelos 2 scouts are invited to join. Route is 10 miles round trip, may need to shorten.
* Dec 21 - Christmas Party - Yankee swap ($10 - $15). Ugly sweater or uniform worn.
* College of Eagles to reconvene for Honor Scouter voting. Honor Scout chosen by adults
* Jan 8 - Snow tubing at Nashoba Valley. Ticket cost is $37 per person and $12 for helmet rental. Troop will consider paying $10 towards the ticket price. Scouts are encouraged to invite friends.
* Feb 4-6 - Resolute Freeze out / SERE activity. Scouts age 14 - 17 can attend the SERE program. Regular Freeze-out = Scout $25 + Adult $15, SERE = Scout $30 + Adults $20. Registration closes 1/21. Cook our own food and menu planning. SERE provides MREs, hat and patch.
* Feb 13 - Troop Banquet, same day as Superbowl. Kim Hillstrom is planning.
* March Dates TBD - Swimming and Pizza. John is checking with swimming pools in Sudbury/Concord. Details will be announced.
* We will resume tent camping from April onwards.
* May 22 - Troop 130 40 Years in Scouting banquet will be in April and will be coordinated by Chris Thorp. Past and present Scoutmasters, committee chairs and Eagle Scouts to be invited in this event. This provides another speaking opportunity for scouts looking to complete Communication merit badge requirements.
* June 3-4 - Relay for Life Overnight, Alumni Field – plans to move forward. Stay tuned.

**Quartermaster Update: Doug Cloutier**

* Trailer - New 5 X 8 trailer was bought, and it has a drop down in the back. The following items are required for the new trailer:
  + Coat and grip on the wall
  + Spare tire
  + Chain and heavy-duty locks
  + Jack
  + Battery powered lights
  + Tarp is required for the old trailer so rain and snow will not get inside
* Camping Gear - List items required for camping
  + Fire sticks / lighters
  + Propane cans
  + Appliance kit
  + Consider buying a tent or two per year so that we keep “current” and differences in tents are not too extreme

**Miscellaneous Business**

* Discussed changing troop meeting time from 6:00 PM - 07:30 PM to 06:30 PM - 08:00 PM. Chris will send a survey to get votes from scouts and parents and will decide based on the outcome.

Next Troop Committee meeting January 6