



EOGR

Eastern Ontario Gilwell Reunion

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Organizing Committee Meeting 1 – October 23, 2008

Attending

Glenda Farstad
Don Judd
David Hamilton
Steve Redshaw
Bob Williamson

Regrets

Robert Gemmell
Bill Gibson

Meeting Opened at: 7:05
Chaired by: Glenda Farstad

Notes from Meeting

Meeting Notice Distribution: Distribution went out to all committee members via email, but needs to be extended to Wib Cowan via hardcopy and to other interested parties.

Feed back from the Reunion: No negative comments were received, it was suggested that an event schedule should be distributed to help better organize the event. (See Reference section at end of minutes for proposed schedule)

Theme for 47th Reunion: The Committee gave approval to the “90 years of Woodbadge” theme, with an event sub theme of : “Earn your ticket” , moved by Bob Williamson that theme be accepted. Also accepted was the idea of an active Friday night scheduling option, including tent camping. Bob suggested also having a parallel less active program with a new trophy in memory of the Saints. The trophy could be made by Bob and would be presented to the winner of a series of Card Games on Friday night in the hall. Card games could include Cribbage, Euchre nd Wizard. Bob will build out the idea with more detail.

Finances: David went through the financial report. Based on what he had on hand at the time there was a loss of \$5 overall, however that did not take into account money received at the meeting of existing assets (T-Shirts). Glenda will provide number of shirts still on hand as well as it was noted that we are out of large sized shirts and will need to restock before the next reunion..

Potential Project: Bob reminded the group that during the planning session for the 46th Reunion the idea of plaques explaining the details behind the names of the buildings at Opemikon was discussed as a potential EOGR subsidized project. Bob noted the need for people to help in the research, Arnold Smith is possible addition to committee to do this, and more assistance would be required. The question was raised as to if the committee wish to subsidize, Bob was directed to keep working on defining the project until an approximate cost was determined and at that time a decision could be made.

Meeting Night: The meeting night was discussed, Thursday night is bad for Stan, Wednesday night at Scout Headquarters is booked so the room would not be available, Options as to other potential meeting places was discussed, Bob Williamson and David Hamilton both have potential facilities in their building, they are to check and see if use by external groups is permitted. If not Wednesday night at Tim Horton's is a possibility or alternating Wednesday and Thursday nights to allow members to attend meetings.

Trophys: Glenda noted Marilyn has agreed hat the Christie Cup Trophy can stay at Opemikon, Don is to get it engraved.

Steve is to bring Jubilee Jug to next meeting so Don can get that cup engraved.

Glenda to bring the blanket and walking stick to next meeting

Pricing on Reunion: A discussion on pricing of the reunion took place to address the concern that we were potentially at or less than break even. It was suggested that we increase the base program price from \$30 to \$35 and leave other pricing the same. This was note completely settled at the meeting.

Date of Reunion: The date of the reunion (September 19, 20, 21, 2009) was discussed. Bill Gibson had sent an email to remind the group that Rosh Hashanah / Feast of Trumpets / Jewish New Year was September 19, 2009 and such may be a conflict for some members. The committee discussed and as we had already committed to the weekend, and other dates would take us into conflict with standard program decided to proceed with the present plan.

Pamphlet: Steve has updated the pamphlet for the 47th, but will make changes on the pricing before distributing.

Next Meeting: November 26, 2008 Next meeting Wednesdays
19:45

Meeting Closed at: **7:30**

Reference

Proposed Schedule 2009 Reunion

Friday- Two Options

6:30 pm	Active Option – Tent Setup at the Attic, meet & Greet
7:30 pm	Active Option - Hike to Venturer Cabin & Campfire
7:30 pm	Relax Option – Card Games in Calow Hall (Angel Trophy)
9:00 pm	Mug-up

Saturday

8:00 am	Breakfast
9:30 am	Opening Ceremony in front of Callow Hall
11:00 am	Program - Jubilee Jug, Christie Cup, Theme Activities, a Service activity, ,and discussion groups
11:30 am	Lunch
12:30 pm	Program continued
4:00 pm	Reunion Photograph
4:20 pm	Annual General Meeting
5:30 pm	EOGR Banquet
7:30 pm	Campfire & Scouts Own
8:45	Scouts Own
9:00 pm	Mug Up & EOGR Auction

Sunday

8:00 am	Breakfast
10:30 am	Pack Up
11:30 am	Depart From Camp

Theme: September 19, 2009 - EOGR 47 - Back to Gilwell - "90 years of Woodbadge"

Events - Organized around the "Earning your Ticket" - **Ticket** - The phrase 'working your ticket' comes from a story attributed to Baden-Powell: Upon completion of a British soldier's service in India, he had to pay the cost of his ticket home. The most affordable way for a soldier to return was to engineer a progression of assignments that were successively closer to home.

Part of the transformative power of the Wood Badge experience is the effective use of metaphor and tradition to reach both heart and mind. In most Scout associations, "working your ticket" is the culmination of Wood Badge training. Participants apply themselves and their new knowledge and skills to the completion of items designed to strengthen the individual's leadership and the home unit's organizational resilience in a project or "ticket". The ticket consists of specific goals that must be accomplished within a specified time, often 18 months due to the large amount of work involved. Effective tickets require much planning

and are approved by the Wood Badge course staff before the course phase ends. Upon completion of the ticket, a participant is said to have earned his way back to Gilwell. [\[9\]](#)

Theme Song for 47th Reunion - **Back to Gilwell** - sung with gusto! I used to be a Beaver, And a good ol' Beaver too, But now I've finished Beavering, I don't know what to do, I'm growing old and feeble, And I can Beaver no more, So Im going to work my ticket if I can. CHORUS: Back to Gilwell, happy land, I'm going to work my ticket if I can. Continued through other Sections.