

December 2015 Aquatics Committee Meeting

Meeting Details: 16 December, 7:00 pm, American Legion in Fairfax (3939 Oak St, Fairfax, VA 22030)

Attendees: Jason Wesbrock, Mike Meenehan, Carol Cass, Norman Laythe, Noah Laythe, Tom Ballew, Julia Farr, and Shirley Couteau.

- Welcome and Introductions-(Jason)
- September Committee Meeting Minutes-(Jason)

Recent Events:

- 19 September: CPR/AED Pro and First Aid Training; CWBS-(Mike) 6 participants this time; need to increase advertising for next year.
- 3 October: PCS; CWBS-(Jason) Did the classroom portion; weather prevented the water portion. Had 11 participants, some re-certifying. Rescheduled the water portion for 12 October, 6 participants completed the course, and the other 5 will attempt to make the 30 April 2016 course.
- 14 November: SWR/PCS; CWBS-(Jason)...Canceled due to no participants
- 21 November: Pow Wow, SSD/SA-(Jason and Mike) 6 participants took the classes between the morning and afternoon session; Mike ran the presentation on the midway.

Upcoming Events:

- 27 February: University of Scouting-Tom Ryan will teach SSD and SA; Mike will run the presentation on the midway.
- 14 March: Aquatics Committee Meeting; NCAC Office-(Jason) This will be at the Council office.
- 26 March: PCS/SWR Classroom Only; Hylton Training Center-(Jason)
- 30 April: Paddle Craft Safety; Hylton Training Center and Silver Lake-(Jason)
- 22 May: BSA/ARC LG Orientation; location Sea Dragon Aquatic Center, 9446 Taney Road; Manassas, VA-(Mike)
- 11-12 Jun: BSA ARC LG; Snyder pool-(Mike)
- 12 June: Pre-Camp Swim Checks; Snyder pool-(Jason, Mike, others???)
- 13 June: Aquatics Committee Meeting; Snyder Pool-(Jason)
- 18 June: Swimming and Water Rescue; Hylton Training Center and Snyder Pool-(Jason)
- 18-19 June: BSA/ARC Lifeguard; Snyder pool-(Mike)
- 19 June: SCUBA BSA; Snyder pool-(Mike)

Points of Discussion:

- 2015 Goshen Aquatics Overview-For the second year, we have taken the grid sheets for all aquatic activities and turned them into colorful charts, attempting to see trends in our aquatics program at camp. Participation numbers and completions were up across the camps over 2014.
- 2016 Calendar (Jason)-The calendar is in the process of being developed. [Note: The calendar is finalized, and can be found on the council website.
- OA Conclave, GSR, 20-22 May (Jason)-The planning committee has asked to have canoes, kayaks, stand up paddle boards, and the waterfront open for the conclave. Jason will be there as an Aquatics Director to open the waterfront, but could definitely use [adult and youth support to run the waterfront](#). Christian Wesbrock is the lead on the planning committee for the aquatics program, and Jason is his advisor.
- Website Transition-(Carol or Norman)-in the process of building and reviewing the new site. [NOTE: The new site is up and running.]

- Aquatics Task Force Newsletter-Mike highlighted topics from ATF Newsletter.
- Den Leader Guides-with the change to the Cub Scout program, BSA has published new guidebooks for Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and WEBELOS. Each program now has aquatic adventures that are age appropriate and build on skills learned the previous year. Of note, the new program necessitated changes in Safety Afloat. **Cubs are now allowed in canoes on flat water, and non-swimmers can now paddle canoes.** The online training and the training disc have not been updated to reflect these changes.
- Model Aquatics Health Code (Jason or Mike)-There is a move to regulate Aquatics codes to make them more standard across the country. As states sign on to this, supervision and training for Lifeguards will have more specific guidelines to included annual training requirements and in-service training requirements.

Scout Professional Minute (Shirley)

Next Aquatic Committee Meeting (14 March 2016) NCAC Office