

## **SCAR Planning/Reviewing Meeting**

**Started: 7:30 Attendance: Joanne, Doris, Laura, Lorianne, Greg, Dwayne, Dallas**

Floral School was great for flexibility with rain; we could have cooked under the roof over the picnic tables and set up the food there

Food setup – best to have things on tables so can approach from both sides

- Not enough salads to go around, not much chips; lots of desserts
- not everyone brought food; need to change wording or simplify event page (maybe remind people before event to bring something)
- Had burgers and hotdogs left over; not quite enough buns (could have used one more package of hamburger buns – we purchased 36 hotdogs, 80 hamburgers; 72 hamburger buns, 36 hotdog buns)

Registration – lots of people showed up at once, so were lined up in the rain; lots of people bottlenecked there. Maybe have 50/50 tickets there.

Lots of newer attendees; most out-of-town attendees ever (we had plugged event on a lot of facebook groups);

Will attends: 50 Attended: 48 For 50 will attends, expect about double people for barbecue.

Date/Time: always someone unhappy with date; time of day was discussed; attendance generally better if choose the weekend after the May long weekend

Cost coverage: expenses \$371, recouped \$283 from donations and 50/50

Got 10 new members in SAGA because of SCAR (now 190 members)

Lorianne To do: remind people to log SCAR attendance for event if attended, found or hid caches; ask for good/bad feedback at our e-mail;\_thank occ/apologize for not asking ahead of time/invite him for May 26-27

## **Next Year is the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Ideas**

How can we encourage more people to hide?

Should we do SAGA hides?

Do an event, pass out caches to hide – educate about how to hide a cache, create caches; February-March 2017

Link to how to hide a cache from geocaching.com in March

If we pick a date now, we can advertise in tourism May 26-27 Floral available/booked

SCAR 10 year geocoin? Pricy; would need to start planning in fall

Door prizes – many places require beginning of the year submissions

Signal costume?

Ask for geocaching.com to do a souvenir; could we make our own

Invite OCC!

SAGA Hall of Fame caches – in recognition of people who hid the most, found the most, people who have attended them all, hidden caches for them all; Could do a wall of fame poster, recognize Saskgirl and Novy for starting, Bennykidd for hosting – history of SCAR write up at event, history of SCAR write up; do a cache for every year puzzle/traditional /earthcache/multi cache

Hide pre-SCAR caches to remind people about the date

Ask for volunteers to help out?

Can we advertise this at the Cold Lake mega? Could do cards up to place in caches in Cold Lake.

Approach Regina cachers to attend; attend more of their events for closer association with them

Add SCAR info to greeting letter for new cachers about SCAR

In fall, start working on getting absent caches eliminated to open up areas (maybe not officially as SAGA, because we are not the cache police)

Show people areas where there are possible places to hide caches

Incentive to hide caches (e.g. extra raffle ticket if hide 10 caches)

Prize for kids hiding caches – not done this year

Thursday night event as a chance to work on puzzles, celebrate caches getting published

Take advantage of other features at Floral (ball diamond, field)

SCAR countdown on website

Look at big event sponsor

Could do up a logo for a Café Press; or order through a local business for t-shirts

10-year quilt for raffle for logbook; look for donations of jeans in the fall

Next meeting September: Mon. Sept. 12/16

Adjourned: 9:45pm