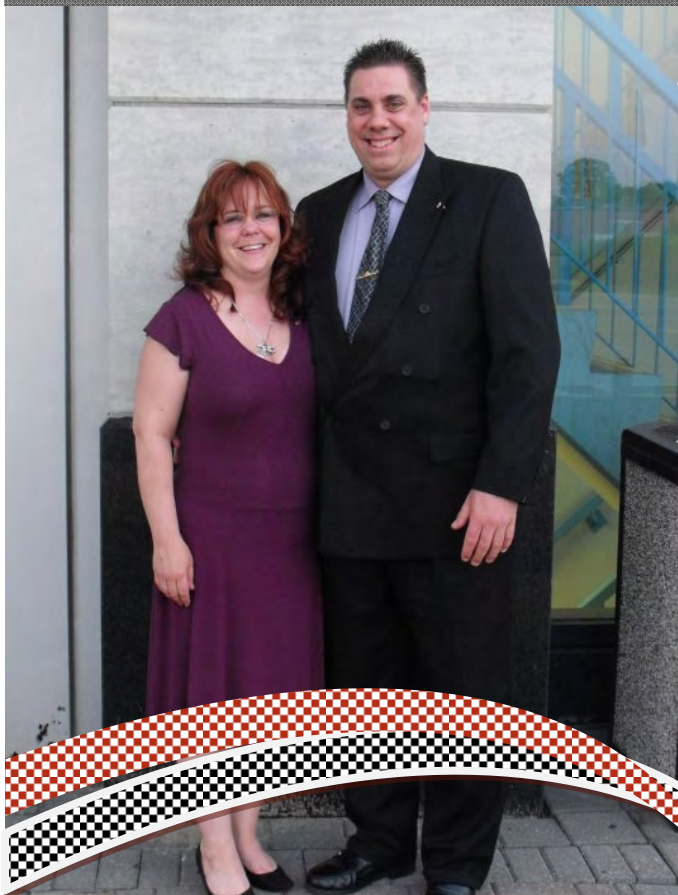




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DISTRICT 1



WELCOME NEW CLUBS

In 2010-11, District welcomed its newest Clubs, the Kin Club of Woolwich, chartered in June of 2010 and celebrated Charter Night in October, and the Kinette Club of Centre Wellington, who chartered in March of 2011 and celebrated their Charter Night one month later in April.

Congratulations to our new Clubs and their Sponsor Clubs – welcome to District One. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours and can't wait to see the great things you're going to accomplish.

D1 Racing Is REV'd Up

On July 1st, 2011, District One started its engines. The practice laps are complete, the starting grid was ready and the green flag waved as D1 Racing dropped the hammer, flying off on a new year.

D1 Racing has big dreams for this District and they're going to run them down until they are realized. These dreams – or you can consider them goals, missions, finish lines – include positive membership growth, massive funds raised for Cystic Fibrosis, a streamlined, efficient and cost-effective District operations, and strong, consistent communication between District, the Clubs and the Members.

Governors Dan & Colleen, Vice Governors Marty & Terri and the rest of the D1 Racing Team – Dave, Tanya, Deedee & Dwayne – are accelerating full speed ahead with their area's program goals. Whatever the finish line looks like at the end, you can rest assured that D1 Racing will be firing on all cylinders to make the 2011-12 Kin year one to smile about, and remember in many years to come.

D1 RACING – BUILT FOR DISTRICT 1

Kinship One takes a look under the hood of this year's District Executive

Governors Dan Strugar & Colleen Wake

Members of the St. Marys Kinsmen and London Kinettes, respectively, Dan and Colleen are no strangers to District Council. Having served in various roles within their Club, Zone and District, these two experienced yet passionate members have seized their time to step up to the plate. Their first task? Choosing the right crew that will not only get the job done, but also exceed expectations at every turn.

Membership Director Marty Makins

Hamilton Kinsmen Marty is no stranger to positions involving membership. Having served at the Club, Zone and District levels, Marty is fulfilling a second term as District 1's Membership Director. Marty is looking forward to seeing positive numbers, renewed focus on fellowship and a great connection between members and this great Association we call Kin.

Treasurer & Risk Manager Terri Iredale

We're really not sure of the last time St. Marys Kinette Terri wasn't on a District Council. Multiple-time Deputy Governor and Past District Officer Terri is a numbers and risk watch-dog but also a great resource in many other areas. When it comes to pin-point financial accuracy and assessing and managing risk in Kin, Terri is your go-to Kin.

CF/Service Directors DeeDee Norris & Dwayne Loughlean

Preston Kinsmen Dwayne and Preston Kinette DeeDee are two normal-sized Kin with abnormally-large hearts. DeeDee & Dwayne are determined to reach – and surpass – the District One Cystic Fibrosis fundraising target while also giving Service

work its deserved share of attention. Dwayne & DeeDee will also be focusing on CF awareness and ensuring the work that D1 Kinsmen and Kinettes do are better recognized – and they'll both do it with their million-watt smiles. Warning: they're "huggers".

Secretary Tanya Hartung

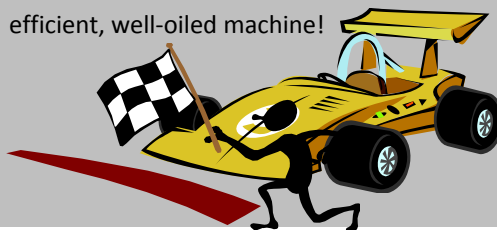
While it's been three years since Tanya has been seated at the District Council table, she has been busy in Kin. Working behind closed doors for various Kin projects as well as being heavily involved in her Club with projects such as securing Trillium Grants, Palmerston Kinette Tanya is ready to return to the table with her superior administrative and organization skills. The District can look forward to seeing frequent, consistent and creatively-presented communication this year.

Coordinator Dave Proudlove

When it was time to consider candidates for the position of District Coordinator, it was a reach into the "Been there, done that" bucket. They were looking for experience, especially experience fulfilling the position of Governor. They also wanted someone who was laid-back, who knew the "game", and could get things done without much fuss. Their perfect choice was St. Marys Kinsmen Dave Proudfoot.

Power, Passion & Experience

The D1 Racing Engine – our District Executive – has all the components of a fast, efficient, well-oiled machine!



Quickie Club Dues Projects

BARTENDING:

Have Smart Serve, will travel! Tending bar for events can easily earn your Club some dollars for its general account and word will spread quickly. TIP: instead of a tip jar, place a CF donation box at the bar instead

OTHER CLUBS' EVENTS:

Sometimes, other clubs need so much help with their event, that they're willing to do a little profit sharing or hourly wage and "hire" your Club for the day.

SHOP AND SUPPORT:

Go to www.shopandsupport.ca and a whole new way of shopping will lower your dues. Whether just your Club members start shopping using the available gift cards or you go out to family, friends and businesses right before Christmas-shopping-season, doing shopping with these cards can earn your Club cash. See the website for details.

BOTTLE DRIVE:

Oktoberfest, St. Patrick's Day or even the day after Superbowl – they're all ripe for beer bottle-collecting. Advertise well in advance and offer pick-up free of charge – your Club takes back the empties and keeps the deposit

Sneak Peaks Inside Clubs

The founding Club takes Great Strides in becoming CF heroes

Over 90 years ago, the Hamilton Kinsmen Club was born. They started out for the purpose of fellowship post-war and later became a conduit for service. Fast forward almost a century, this Club still hasn't forgotten its roots.

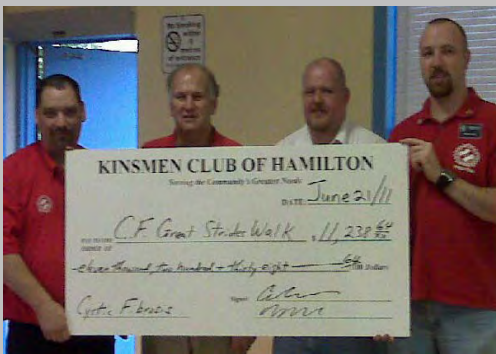
This Club of seven men is infamous for their fun meetings, hilarious fines sessions and they'll come out in full force (dressed to theme) to Zone Conference. In their community, these boys are in high demand every year at the Ancaster Fair, where they serve up sweet potato fries and an array of menu

items that result in repeat customers over the weekend.

This past year, the Kinsmen decided to try out a Great Strides project for the first time and found incredible success. Good weather and an astounding number of participants resulted in a cheque for \$11,238.64 for Cystic Fibrosis.

This spectacular first for Hamilton also puts them atop the CF donations list for District One, to date.

Congratulations, Hamilton Kinsmen!



Listowel is famous for its annual "Paddyfest", but the Listowel Kinettes are a group dedicated to serving their community all year long.

The first thing you notice about this Club is that it is rich in tradition. Meetings still consist of the traditional protocol, but these ladies don't dwell on seriousness – their fines sessions are an evening of entertainment.

The second thing you'll learn about this group of women is that they are BUSY. The Listowel Kinettes run a large number of projects from September through to June and more recently, have even organized a "Summerfest" during their traditional time off.

Although Paddyfest was mainly a Kinsmen project to start, the Kinettes have worked hard to become equal partners and now Paddyfest is brought to you by the "Listowel Family of Kin". These ladies liaise with the Kinsmen at the planning end of things, help with whatever shifts need to be filled and also run their own Paddyfest projects, such

as the Ambassador Competition and Kids' Programs.

The Club's roster ranges between 30-40 members and has had its share of obstacles to overcome being such a large Club, yet you still hear the Registrar report a 70-90% attendance at most General meetings.

It's not all about work, these Kinettes know how to have a good time. Between socials and work parties to their annual Mystery Trip, the Listowel Kinettes keep things fun.



WHO WON THAT AWARD?

In the past few years, the answer to that question could very well be... "Nobody."

It's not that there were no worthy submissions to choose from – it's that there were NO submissions period! Submissions for awards at all levels of Kin have dropped significantly and this year's Executive are determined to answer the following questions:

- Why don't Clubs submit for awards?
- Have awards become too hard or too easy to qualify for?
- Are the deadlines forgotten about or are they unreasonable?
- Do you and your Club care about our Awards Program?
- Are there too many awards, or not enough of them?
- What we as a District do, to attract more submissions?
- How can we make awards submissions more attractive to your Club?

Governors Dan and Colleen ask you to visit the District website at www.district1kin.ca.

If you have ideas or suggestions, Governors Dan and Colleen would love to hear about them! Please use the contact information provided in this edition of Kinship One or visit the website above.

The Awards are all about acknowledging and encouraging excellence in the midst of serving the community's greatest need and as we grow, learn, make friends and have fun.

Portraits of Honour Update

The Canadian Press

CALGARY It was a poignant end to a festive day Friday as Prince William and his wife, Kate, paid tribute to Canada's war dead before wrapping up their nine-day Canadian tour.

They flew Friday afternoon to Los Angeles, where they are spending a whirlwind weekend.

In a ceremony at a north-end Calgary park, the couple placed a wreath, bowed their heads and observed a few moments of silence before the Portraits of Honour mural, which depicts the faces of Canadian soldiers who died in the line of duty in Afghanistan.



William then inspected a guard of honour from Lord Strathcona's Horse of 1 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group before the couple was given a 21-gun salute.



District 1 By The Numbers

District One finished off the 2010-11 year with a -10 overall, a vast improvement over previous years. District Membership Director Marty reports the District welcomed 59 new members over that year but lost 69 others, adding that retention is the other "R" – the first being Recruitment – that Clubs sometimes forget.

For 2011-12, Marty challenges all Clubs to make retention – and therefore education, fun & fellowship – a key goal for this next year.

A key to this might be to have a written club membership plan being communicated to the club in their bulletin or even having a couple of minutes on the agenda to have their club updated as to their status of what they are hoping to achieve.

Need help creating the plan? DMD Marty is happy to walk you through it, step by step.

It's important to:

- Clearly define your goals (i.e. recruit 3 new members, increase education in the Club, have more fun)
- Create a plan on how to achieve those goals (bring-a-buddy night, host a new members' seminar, appoint a social director to organize some fun activities)
- Update the club on the progress frequently
- Celebrate success

When membership is the goal, your Club & community win!



Portraits of Portraits



How To Recruit a Past Governor Into Kin

Really the only ingredients you need are an enthusiastic newbie Kin member and a sneaky, mischievous Past Governor, and that is exactly what is cooked up. Just ask District Secretary Tanya, who, upon working long hours with a complete stranger at the 2005 International Plowing Match, promptly tried recruiting him into Kin.

It wasn't until she ventured to St. Marys a year later as part of a future District Team did she realize the person she was trying to recruit was none other than Past Governor and current District Coordinator, Dave Proudlove.

It was an experience neither allows the other to forget. ☺

HEY!!! WE NEED HELP!!!

If your Club is running an event or project and you need some help, let your District Governors, CF/Service Directors or any member of the District Executive know. We can schedule our attendance and assistance or promote your need for more hands across the District.

We'd also be happy to promote your event and provide your Club and its event with any support we can give.

This is what Kin is all about, after all!

Messages From The Governors - Dan & Colleen

Fellow Kin Welcome

Welcome to a new Kin Year, a new attitude, a new vision and a District that is going to return to being the premier District in this Association!

This is your year fellow Kin; a year in which we all must come together as one and celebrate the camaraderie of our fellow Kin. We must make a huge effort to:

- respect each other's opinions and values
- bring solutions to the table rather than just complaints
- be quick to forgive
- support your Club, Zone, District and National leaders
- recognize that we are all in this together.

We come to Kin for various reasons but we seem to forget that we stay because we all believe in what we do and what Kin is. We see the difference Kin makes in each and every one of our communities!

For too long we have allowed discussions to become personal and hold grudges. In doing so, we've been bringing dissension into our clubs and into communities. It is time for that to end. A decision must be made that requires each and every member of this District to look within and ask; "Do I want to be part of the problem or part of the solution?"

We promised you right from the start that we would do everything in our power to move this District forward. I can tell you that my love for this District and all of you, and all that we stand for is embedded in my heart and soul.

Dale Carnegie wrote, "Any fool can criticize, condemn, and complain but it takes character and self control to be understanding and forgiving." Let us begin to show some character, understanding, and forgiveness then watch as something beautiful comes from it. I thank all of you for being part of the greatest Association I know and am proud to be part of with you.

Yours in Kin, Dan



Hi Fellow Kin!

There are so many things that make District 1 amazing, all of which will serve to drive us to be the premier service organization in this country.

- Passion for our communities, KIN, and the projects we do
- Dedication to each other
- Endless energy that drives that passion and dedication

To make District 1 Kin even better we need to remember one simple word: REV!

RESPECT.

- Respect for the members in our clubs
- Respect leaders from Club to National
- Respect for the communities we serve

Let's EDUCATE ourselves fellow KIN.

- Get current on changes and learn continuously
- Partner newer & seasoned members to learn everything KIN can offer.
- Develop skills such as public speaking and best business practices

Let's have a clear and positive VISION.

- Seek out & engage youth to our clubs
- Develop new strategies to attract them
- Look for green initiatives for projects and as recruitment tools

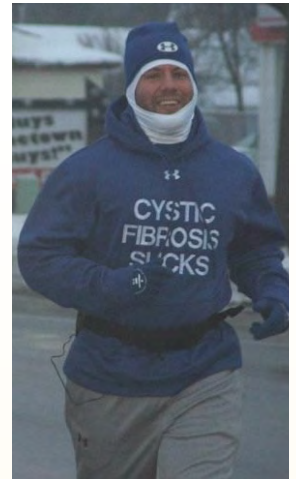
Three of the most important things that KIN has brought to my life are;

- The ability to and comfort of speaking in front of a large group of people
- An outlet to share with my family, to be able to teach my children about giving back and why that is important
- Treasured, close friendships that I would surely be at a loss without. I hope you know who you are.

For me, the role of Governor is one of service, of doing everything I can to make sure that the district is energized and has what it needs to flourish.

I'd like everyone to take a few moments to look back and think, what made you want to be a part of kin in the first place? Sometimes we lose sight of why we are here and why we do what we do. Taking those few minutes every now and again can really rejuvenate our KIN spirit and bring the day to day tasks back into clearer focus.

Yours in Kin, Colleen



Listowel Kinsmen Chris Kurz was at it again, accomplishing another body-punishing run to raise funds and awareness for Cystic Fibrosis.

December 30 & 31 of 2010 found Chris running from Listowel to Stratford and back, covering two Zones and 110km.

Celebration took place in Listowel upon Chris' return, featuring a 3-Club effort to pull together this run, the food and the dance. At National Kinvention 2011 in Regina, it was "Krazy For a Cure" that took home the Bill Skelly Award for District One.

Congratulations, Chris "Kurzy" Kurz and the Kinsmen Club of Listowel for this well-deserved achievement.



Risk Management Done Well Is Risk Management Done By Everyone!

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

- Are you measuring Risk?
- Does your club have a Risk Manager?
- Are you taking all necessary precautions to keep your club members and the public safe at your events?



Certainly hope you answered YES to all of the above

REMINDERS:

- **Insurance Reporting Forms** will be mailed out beginning of October and are due back to Kin headquarters by **November 15/11**. Fax, Email, Mail or file these papers online.
- **Special Risk Accident Benefit Plan forms** will be mailed out beginning of October and are due back **November 15/11**. It's \$1.80 / member for an insurance package for your members.... Sign up your club... Be Covered!
- **Schedule 546** (Incorporation Paperwork) and your **T2 return forms**.. Due by December 31/11 to Revenue Canada. Don't be a procrastinator. Get it done now!

Use the Resources available to you:

Melanie Nieson, Risk Management Coordinator, Kin Canada 1-800-742-5546 ext 208

Terri Iredale – District Risk Manager 1-519-284-0735



ELECTIONS: Vice Governor(s)

At Boot Camp 2011, the membership of the District congratulated Marty Makins and Terri Iredale and their Kin-Do Crew on their acclamation as the 2011-12 Vice Governors' team. Marty Makins of the Hamilton Kinsmen and Terri Iredale of the St. Marys Kinettes are looking forward to their year of learning from the Governors and listening to the membership. Congratulations, Marty & Terri!



ELECTIONS: National Director

We had a fantastic election campaign for the role of National Director, with incumbent Arlene Gray from the Oakville Kinettes and Brad Bedford of the St. Thomas Kinsmen both running for the position.

The membership was treated to a respectful, professional, exciting campaign process and we are very proud of both candidates for the way they conducted themselves.

Congratulations to Brad Bedford on his election as National Director for District 1. Sincere gratitude and appreciation is extended to Past National Director Arlene for her tireless efforts and amazing work with the National Board.

Meetings Can Be A Club Make-or-Break-er

Q: Our meetings seem to keep getting longer and turnout to them has dropped. How can we make meetings a plus instead of a minus?

DMD Marty:

There are two areas of meetings that always need to be focused on in order to get members to attend: Length and Enjoyment. The more business you can deal with at your Executive meeting and the more items you can put into your bulletin, the shorter your meeting will be. Keep things moving, allow opportunity for discussion but limit it in terms of number of speakers and how long they have the floor to speak.

Make the meetings FUN. Go all-out with your fines session, have meeting themes, introduce a meal or instead of a meal have snacks. Do funky activities or have social time after you adjourn. Take your club visiting – do whatever it takes to keep the meetings short and fun and you'll soon have record meeting attendance.

Don't Go Out There!

Why are members content living under house arrest?



Think about it. What would your life be like if you never, ever left the house? For some, the initial thought might be a positive one, but if you look closer, those people would quickly realize that missing out on life outside the home just wouldn't work.

There would be:

- no employment and therefore no income;
- no friends and family would be a distant memory.
- No spouse unless it's a mail-order-bride.
- and since you never return the favour, no one will come to visit you.

Seems like a miserable existence, right? Of course it does, yet Kin members and Clubs actually CHOOSE that life in Kin. For various reasons members don't venture in Kin beyond the Club. There exist entire Clubs that are almost a separate entity, save for dues, reporting and insurance.

Now, how did we know what we were missing out on when we examined living under house arrest? Simple – because we have left the house ourselves and know at least a little bit of “what's out there”. We have or have had jobs, relationships, friends, experiences, events, we've gone visiting, had children and maybe, just maybe... we had some fun, too.

There is widespread agreement amongst Kin that it is extremely rare for a member to go beyond the Club, hate what they see and retreat back to their Club forever. Why?

Again, simple – what exists outside your Club are things that keep outer-Club-Kin coming back for more:

- There are Kin members whose highest level of enjoyment is at the Zone, District or National level.
- There are Kin who have been to 30 or 40 Conventions in a row.
- There are Kin who have been Deputy Governor or a District or National Officer multiple times.
- There are many Kin whose closest

friends in their entire lives, are in Kin but do not belong to their own Club.

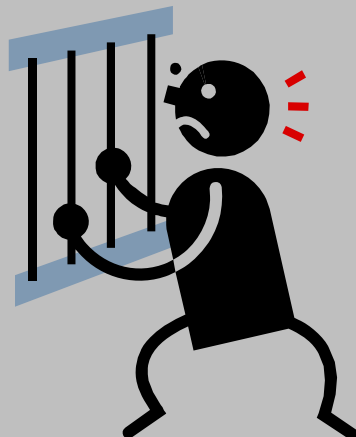
The excuses for being under Club house arrest are numerous:

- “I signed up to help my community and that's it”.
- “I don't want to be involved in all that stuff.”
- Not to mention the Kin members that are never actually told there IS life outside the Club.

Your past and present Zone and District leaders will tell you that the most frustrating thing in Kin is failing to convince fellow Kin that they belong to an Association, not just a Club; that their Zone, District and Country are simply larger communities that we all belong to; or that the fun to be had at Conventions and Conferences is well worth the scary step outside the Club door.

There is nothing stopping any members of Kin from enjoying life outside the Club. In fact, if you're like many members who have ventured that way, you'll find that your best experiences and closest friends are waiting for you outside those Club room doors.

As for your Club, you'll be shocked at the benefits your Club – and community – will reap when you come back with the knowledge that there exists a world beyond the Club... and it's called KIN.



Chartering The Nation

District One has Charter Fever and we're not looking for a cure. Within the past few years, we've seen the Cambridge-North Dumfries Kinsmen, Woolwich Kin and Centre Wellington Kinette Clubs spring up and become valuable additions to the Kin Family.

We're currently working on the Woodstock Kin Club, along with three more serious contenders for charters this year and a handful more in the early stages of investigation.

Clearly, District One is ripe for charters and our communities are benefitting with each and every one we add.

Our neighbor to the north-east, District 6 just chartered the Russell Kin Club on October 1st. Congratulations!

Chartering is a quick and sure-fire way to get your Club REV'd up. Take a look at your Zone's map; where are the holes? Which communities don't have Kin working to serve their needs? Which communities only have a Kinsmen or Kinette Club and could use a sibling?

The National Charter & Expansion Committee is here to assist you and answer all your questions. Chartering is most definitely a commitment, but it's also very rewarding and a lot simpler than it sounds.

So District 1, grab our map and help us Charter The Nation!

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Meet the Deputy Governors

Rather than read endless reports, we'll give you the opportunity to put a face to the name. Once these dedicated DGs have finished their first round of visitations, we'll feature Zone Reports in (the next issue of) Kinship One.

Zone A – Melissa Suggitt & Chris Kekes



Zone H – Tony Van Kempen



Zone B – Tyler Struyk



Zone F – Graham Johnson & Tiffanv Allan



Zone D – Tracy Spalding



Zone C – Monika McKean (& Jayson Cox)



Zone G – Bruce Moulton



Zone K – Dave Van Beers & Sue Clarke



Zone J – Karen Coutts & Mark Ballagh



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It's Club Budget Time - How Exciting!

Well it is that time of year when \$ is the HOT topic for all clubs

These are the points your club should be at for September:

- District Dues were paid (they were due June 30th/11)
- Membership Roster on file with Kin Headquarters is accurate and back to Headquarters by September 25th/11
- National Dues billing (based on September 25th membership stats) will be mailed out beginning of October
- Audited Financial statements & Club Budgets due October 31st/11 to Deputy Governor and District Treasurer
- National Dues are due back by November 15/11

**** Second notices have been mailed out to any Club that had not paid their District Dues by August 16/11 ****

Any questions, problems or concerns as always, I'm just a phone call away,

Yours in Kin

Terri Iredale, District Treasurer
519-298-0735



DISTRICT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>2008/2009 Actual</u>	<u>2010/11 Budget</u>	<u>2010/2011 Actual</u>	<u>Compared to Budget</u>
Membership Dues	51,388	50784.00	50,503.00	\$ (281.00)
2009 Dues			423.80	\$ 423.80
Convention Assessment	9,700	10300.00	9,900.00	\$ (400.00)
House Rules	485	515.00	495.00	\$ (20.00)
Kinship One Advertising	-	0.00	950.00	\$ 950.00
Kinship One Postal Grant	-	0.00	-	\$ -
Interest	-	200.00	672.78	\$ 472.78
Website Advertising	500	0.00	100.00	\$ 100.00
District Leadership Seminar	2,000	2000.00	2,000.00	\$ -
FLC Fine Pot			111.00	\$ 111.00
TOTAL REVENUE	64,073	63799.00	65,155.58	\$ 1,356.58
<u>Expenses</u>				
Convention Assessments	9,700	10300.00	10,000.00	\$ (300.00)
Conv. Assess. For Host Club	-	0.00	-	\$ -
FLC Fine Pot-Portraits of Honour			111.00	\$ 111.00
Purchase of Laptop Computer		0.00	0.00	\$ -
	9,700	10300.00	10111.00	\$ (189.00)
DISTRICT OPERATIONS				
Executive/Council Meetings	7,828	5000.00	4,618.57	\$ (381.43)
Vice Governor Team	2,500	2500.00	2,500.00	\$ -
Deputy Governor Allotments	3,900	4500.00	4,350.00	\$ (150.00)
National Association Director	204	200.00	35.20	\$ (164.80)
District Membership Director	350	750.00	493.30	\$ (256.70)
Zone Membership Directors		0.00	-	\$ -
Membership Programs	1,091	1000.00	566.49	\$ (433.51)
District Planner	507	800.00	544.14	\$ (255.86)
Governor's Honorarium	1,500	1500.00	1,500.00	\$ -
National President's Tour			-	\$ -
Mileage - Executive	6,614	5000.00	4,474.55	\$ (525.45)
Mileage - Deputy Governors	3,097	3500.00	3,099.82	\$ (400.18)
	27,590	24750.00	22182.07	\$ (2,567.93)
CONVENTIONS				
Fall Leadership Conference	9,807	7500.00	8,047.14	\$ 547.14
FLC National Board Dinner		0.00	-	\$ -
District Convention	10,447	10000.00	9,449.13	\$ (550.87)
National Convention		0.00	-	\$ -
	20,254	17500.00	17496.27	\$ (3.73)
OTHER OPERATIONS				
District Leadership Seminar	3,634	3000.00	3,173.31	\$ 173.31
Club Leadership Seminar	82	250.00	1,106.86	\$ 856.86
Governor's Mini Meeting		0.00	-	\$ -
	3,716	3250.00	4280.17	\$ 1,030.17
KINSHIP ONE				
Kinship One Publications	-	1000.00	1,961.18	\$ 961.18
Postal Grant expense		0.00	-	\$ -
	-	1000.00	1961.18	\$ 961.18
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION				
Stationery/Secretarial/Printing	993	1000.00	1,159.11	\$ 159.11
Postage	998	1200.00	746.23	\$ (453.77)
Telephone	212	250.00	94.56	\$ (155.44)
Kin Sales/Tributes	831	1800.00	1,988.69	\$ 188.69
Awards	1,801	1700.00	1,602.26	\$ (97.74)
House Rules	358	500.00	291.54	\$ (208.46)
Professional	-		-	\$ -
Banking Service Fees	167	250.00	335.70	\$ 85.70
Team Bar			-	\$ -
Miscellaneous	1,154	299.00	14.54	\$ (284.46)
	6,514	6999.00	6232.63	\$ (766.37)
TOTAL EXPENSES	67,773	63799.00	62,263.32	\$ (1,535.68)
NET INCOME	(3,701)	0.00	2892.26	\$ 2,892.26

Charter Fund

Opening Balance	\$ 3,629.00
Woolwich	\$ (500.00)
Fergus	\$ (500.00)
Dues from new clubs	\$ 382.00
End Balance	<u>\$ 3,011.00</u>

NVP Fund

Opening Balance	\$ 3,800.14
Dep Fines Spring Convention	\$ -
Paid - Gord Trecardin	\$ (1,900.00)
End Balance	<u>\$ 1,900.14</u>

Membership Fund

Opening Balance	\$ 5,000.00
End Balance	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>

Current TOTAL all Reserved Funds\$ 9,911.14

Unrestricted Surplus	\$ 31,883.93
Add Interest	\$ -
Less Opening Balance Reserved Funds	\$ -
Surplus	<u>\$ 31,883.93</u>
Advance to 11-12 Team	\$ (5,000.00)
Advance to 10-11 Team	\$ -
10-11 team repaid advance	\$ 5,000.00
Net Income	\$ 2,892.26
Unrestricted Surplus Balance	<u>\$ 34,776.19</u>
TOTAL all Reserved Funds	<u>\$ 9,911.14</u>
Bank Balance	<u>\$ 44,687.33</u>

August 15, 2011

To: District One Executive

Re: June 2011 District Financial Statements

I have analyzed the attached financial statements for the District One operating account and surplus accounts for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 along with supporting documentation and have found nothing that would indicate to me that these statements do not fairly represent the activities of the bank account for period noted.



Roger Bruns C.A.

Cambridge Ontario
August 15, 2011

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NOT-SO-NEW FACES

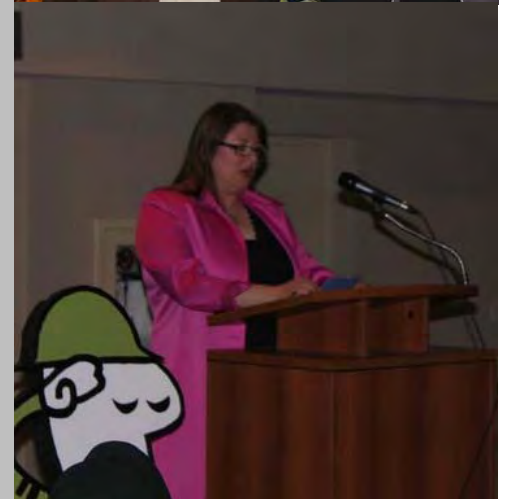
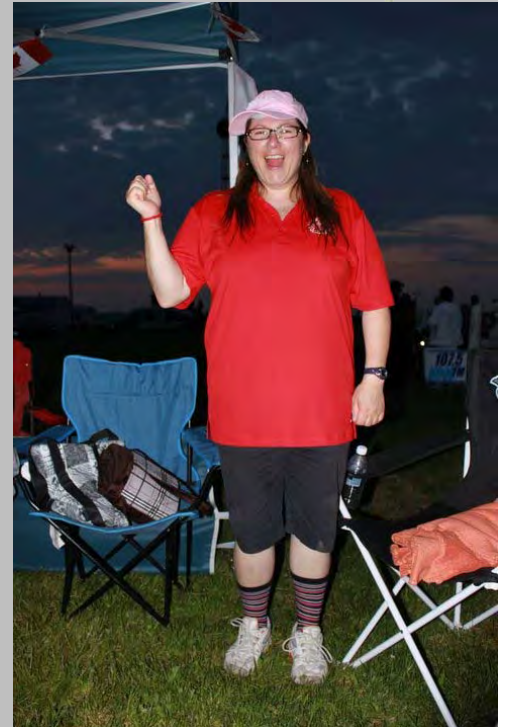


NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: April McLean

A peak at the Collingwood Kinette they call "Apes"

Since joining our club in January of 2010, April has jumped into Kin full force. She has participated in almost every event that we have held. She worked at her first ever Zone Conference in March of 2010 as Fines Mistress .. and what did she know of doing that?? NOTHING .. so she asked and did a fabulous job. She then worked at her first ever FLC in November of 2010 since once again our club was hosting. Never questioning the commitment, she was there and did a fab job of helping to run the Hospitality Suite. Sure does help that we like to put April in charge of enthusiasm, cause she's oozing it. So what was the next step? Well, since she had difficulty speaking to a group, why not participate in the Speak Off competition. In doing so, she won at Zone and went on to perform at Spring Convention in Preston. This year, April has moved up to Secretary on the club executive (she was Registrar year one), is striving to complete her Maple Leaf of Distinction, and is just itching to do more growing, learning, making friends and having fun. We wish every club could have a clone of her .. she's good for the soul.

~Life Member Monika McKean





“No One Told Me”

Communication is the single greatest asset when it's direct & effective; and the single greatest liability when it's non-existent or misdirected. In this Association, that couldn't be more true; but what can be done about it?

NO NEWS IS NEWS NOT GETTING USED

If you or your Club hasn't heard anything from Zone, District or National in awhile, more than likely there is a problem in the communication chain. If you haven't received Kin communication lately, please let someone know! Most communication breakdowns go unreported – and therefore unnoticed by the communication providers.

WEBSITES – OPEN 24 HRS/7 DAYS A WEEK

www.district1kin.ca and www.kincanada.ca are the two most-used web resources for District One. Set them as your “Favourites” and visit them often. If you are a member of the Executive – especially Bulletin Editor – this is one-stop communication shopping for all things Kin.

FACEBOOK IS ON FIRE

If you're not on Facebook, you are missing out on an information highway with no speed limit. Facebook has become the internet's social Autobahn, with up-to-the-second updates on what's happening in your friends' lives. It's also become a handy tool for Clubs when promoting projects, recruiting members, sharing photos & videos or providing frequent, live updates during events. District 1 Kin also has a page – find it, join it, say hello!

WHO'S THE GUEST?

Chances are, it's not a “guest”, it's your Deputy Governor. Far too many times a “DG” will visit and as soon as they start talking, members' attention drifts. Sit up and pay attention – your DG is giving you the news you'll soon think hasn't been shared with you or your Club.

TWO-WAY STREET

Communication is a 2-way street. If the sender is sending but the recipient isn't receiving, it's up to both to find out why, then resolve the issue.



Kinette within one point of winning speaking competition

A Walkerton Kinette competing at Kin Canada's National Public Speaking competition came within one point of winning it all.

Karen Coutts actually would have won had the rules been the same as in previous years - with a winner each for a Kinsmen and Kinette. But effective at this year's national convention, the organization decided to present only one overall Kin award.

"It makes sense," said Coutts who was attending her first national convention, held Aug. 24 to 27 in Regina. "There are Kinsmen and Kinette clubs but also Kin clubs (with both sexes) so the national board wanted to start awarding Kin awards."

Coutts' speech was on 4-H clubs. "I spoke about the benefits of joining a community organization where you learn such things as public speaking, leadership, and how to run meetings. I was lucky to have learned how to do that at a younger age."

Coutts was the last of 13 speakers and although she was disappointed with the attendance for the public speaking competition where only about 100-150 were present of the 250 delegates registered - "I spoke before more people at the District level," Coutts said it was still "an amazing experience." She said her speech begins with the 4-H pledge with a hand raised. "When I looked out into the audience half of the people had their hand up or were smiling and saying the words with me."

One of the highlights for her was "the great response from people during the speech and after."

"To get the comments we did and then see how close to the top we [herself and District 1 Kinsmen speaker Tyler Galick of Chatham] were was just icing on the cake," she said.

A six-year member of the Walkerton Kinette club, Coutts has long been an active member of the organization, serving as club president in 2008-09 and as Zone Deputy-Governor last year and this coming year. Then she'll serve on the District Executive and has her sights set on getting on the National Board after that.

"I've always believed that life is not a spectator sport," she said. "I don't have a problem stepping forward, if I have the time."

She's long been an advocate of participating in events outside of the club level. "You get to meet so many people, see what they're working on."



She's already planning on attending next year's national convention in Peterborough, but not as a public speaker competitor. "I'll take a couple of years off, and I want to focus on encouraging others to compete in it, it's a great experience."

For now though, Coutts has her sights set on helping her clubs in Zone J. "We have a lot of great clubs in this area and they're doing great things for their communities," she said. "It's going to be another great year in Kin."

(Excerpted from an article published in the Walkerton Herald-Times, September 7). Written by editor (former Kinsman and two-time National Speak-off competitor) John McPhee



**Karen Coutts
and Tyler Galick
both
represented
District 1 at
National
Kinvention,
coming within 1
and 2 points,
respectively, of
first place.**

**Congratulations
Karen & Tyler!**

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Upcoming Events In District 1

OCTOBER 1

The **Palmerston & District Kinette Club** are paying tribute to one of their own, Lisa Mitton, who passed away this summer after a lifelong battle with Cystic Fibrosis. On October 1, the Kinettes present the 1st Annual Lisa Mitton Memorial Car & Bike Poker Hike. Details, including registration, are available on www.kincanada.ca

The **Cambridge-North Dumfries Kinsmen** are hosting the Perc Dawson Tournament at Grand Valley Golf & Country Club. Contact any member of the Club for details. Details also available on Facebook.

OCTOBER 7

The **Walkerton Kinettes** are hosting the Lulu's Band event at the Cargill Community Centre on October 7th. The event is from 9pm to 1am, tickets are only \$15/ea. Email walkinette@gmail.com for details and tickets.

OCTOBER 29

The **Kinette Club of Collingwood** has decided to run a second Diva on a Dime event. What a perfect time of year to get your dresses for the Holiday season!

Please donate any dresses, formal wear, and accessories that you may have and no longer wear or use. Donations can be dropped off at Dadswell Denture Clinic on Pine St.

If you have any questions please leave a message on the Facebook event or call at 705-441-5086.

DECEMBER 10

The "Portraits of Honour Welcome Home Gala" will be held on December 10th from 11am-2pm at the Fleet Services Building, 100 Maple Grove Rd in Kitchener, ON. The **Kinsmen Club of Cambridge (Preston)** will have more details as the date approaches. Stay tuned to Facebook and the District website for updates.

KINSHIP ONE EDITORS

We are pleased to present to you the all-new Kinship One.

Based on feedback we received, we've made sure Kinship One:

- Has more photos
- Has less "reports"
- Features Clubs
- Puts a spotlight on new members
- Includes Project Ideas
- Covers clubs and areas we haven't seen much of in the past
- Has articles and reports that are short and to-the-point

Fellow Kin, you've spoken and we listened! Now we want more feedback!

What we need from you:

- Project highlights & photos
- New member profiles
- Club history/bio & success stories
- Your thoughts, ideas, feedback and suggestions on this "new" Kinship One

We'll keep listening – we're here to serve you!

Colleen Wake & Tanya Hartung
Kinship One Editors 2011-12

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NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: Katie Neu

Recruiting an 18-year old co-founder of Bullying Canada



It's not often that a Club recruits a young member that already has such a vast volunteer profile. When the Palmerston Kinettes (via sponsor Tina Glanville) voted Katie Neu into our club (first as an 18-year old honorary then full member at 19), we weren't sure what we were getting into! Fast forward a year, and Katie has proven to be a dedicated, passionate, animated member of the Club.



WHERE ARE THE YOUNG VOLUNTEERS?

Here are some organizations designed for youth – how can your Club make a connection to transition them to Kin when they become adults?

- 4-H Ontario
- Youth Challenge International
- Youth Science Ontario
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada
- Canadian Youth Assembly
- Canadian Youth Business Foundation
- Global Youth Network
- Junior Achievement of Canada
- Junior Farmer's Association of Ontario
- Katimavik
- Youth Action Councils

Katie co-founded Bullying Canada and has travelled the country ever since, speaking to various schools and lobbying groups about bullying. No stranger to speaking, in the Club Katie grabbed ahold of our fines session like it was second nature. Not a meeting goes by without a fine from Katie.

Even more important, Katie has worked almost every project we've held, attended District Convention and Kin Camp and has really taken advantage of the opportunities presented to her.



Recently, our Club has congratulated her on her acquisition of the "Executive Director" title for Bullying Canada (now a registered charity) and backed up that support with a \$300 donation to the organization. Katie is making a difference in our community in more ways than Kin.



Brantford Kinsmen's Car Show – A Classic Project

The 38-year old Car Show & Swap Meet Increases In Value Year After Year

Every year, the Brantford Kinsmen gear up for one of the largest Car Shows in Southern Canada, their Annual Car Show & Swap Meet. There are many things to do and they always hope that the weatherman gives them a beautiful shiny day, because they just love to see all of those spectators and those beautiful shiny rides.

The Kinsmen Club of Brantford holds the event on the third Sunday in September. This year's show was on September 18, 2011 and it was a resounding success – both in terms of weather and attendance! Through events like this, they raise greatly needed funds to support CYSTIC FIBROSIS and many community causes. The Club is constantly praised yearly by the spectators and participants on their show. And, they look forward to seeing everyone and those sweet rides each and every year.



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Tilbury Kinsmen's Puddle Gives No Merc-er-y

Tilbury's big summer event returns to capture the attention – and participation – of Rick Mercer

The fact that snowmobiles are driven in the summer does not help Canada's insistence that we actually DO have warm weather. However, the "puddle jump" events have become an exciting and well-attended spectacle, especially in Tilbury. Although the event is returning after a long hiatus, this year they had a celebrity puddle-jumper as Rick Mercer filmed a segment there for the Rick Mercer Report show on CBC.

"I just had to come here and try my hand at driving a snowmobile across a pond," he said. "Where else in Canada do they do this? It's fantastic!"

Mercer first learned about the sport in Tilbury on YouTube. He said he had to come and see it and experience it for himself. Mercer's first attempt was a success. He managed to drive a snowmobile across a pond without sinking to the bottom. But a later attempt resulted in man and machine sinking under water.

The event raised close to \$10,000 for Cystic Fibrosis and the Tilbury Kinsmen Club. The event had been shelved due to organizational demands, but the Tilbury Kinsmen stepped up to help bring it back. Next year's event looks to be even bigger, so mark your calendars for September 2012.



Television personality Rick Mercer of the Rick Mercer Report appears to be having second thoughts about driving a snowmobile across a pond in Tilbury, On. Saturday August 20, 2011. Mercer was filming it as part of a segment for the 2011-2012 season that will begin in late September. – *Chatham Daily News*



Vice Governors' Message

Marty & Terri welcome you to a Kin-do year

Welcome to September and all that this month means:

- The Kids are back to school
- Summer is drawing to a close
- "reKINDling" of club meetings; projects and socials
- Fall Leadership Conference is just around the corner



We would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your support, comments and concerns you have expressed to us since "Bootcamp" weekend. We appreciate hearing from you and we hope that this open communication continues.

We have had a fantastic journey so far in our Term as Vice Governor's:

- REV' in you up this year with the D1 Racing Team
- Visiting and Volunteering at club projects, fundraisers and socials throughout the District
- Receiving those invitations and announcements of your projects and special events

We the KIN-DO Crew have been actively meeting; planning and preparing to succeed the D1 Racing Team. Thank you once again for your support and please remember "WE ARE ALL KIN" and we are just a phone call or email away if you need a hand or would welcome a visit!

Yours in KIN

Vice Governors Marty & Terri

KIN-DO Crew

Woolwich Kin Simply "Amazing"

District 1's newest Kin Club sizzles with a \$45,000 fundraiser

This summer we held the Family Fun Weekend and the 1st annual Grand River Amazing Race. The race was a huge success raising over \$22,000 for Womens Crisis Services of Waterloo Region (Anselma house). What an amazing outcome for the 1st annual Grand River Amazing Race.

Our winners and top fundraisers were the Winmar Restoration Girls Gone Wild! For their fundraising efforts they were awarded the grand prize which was, use of a luxury trailer and hot/cool tub for the entire weekend. The same team actually went on to have the fastest time in the race and also get their names on the Grand River Amazing Race Cup!!!

We would like to thank all the Grand River Amazing Race teams for raising money for Womens Crisis Services of Waterloo Region. We would like to give special thanks to our sponsors as well as all the volunteers including many from Kin Canada and our own fellow club Members.

Finally we would like to give a very special thanks to the West Montrose Family Camp for hosting the event. The event was a major success because of all their support!!!!

The Woolwich Kin Club raised approximately \$45,000 from the various aspects of the Family Fun Weekend. Beyond the dollars, this event proved to be a highlight for the crowd of Kin members that attended. Many camped all weekend and had a fabulous time, some even dubbing it the "Kin Kamp Warm-up". No doubt Family Fun Weekend 2012 will see the campground bursting with Kin members, Kin Kids and good ole family fun.

For details, visit their website at www.woolwichkin.com



DISTRICT CONVENTION 2011 - FINANCIALS

Financial Statements From "Boot Camp 2011" District Convention

2011 Kin Boot Camp

Final Report – May 2011

Income

Nearest \$\$

Registrations/Meals		23065
Advance Dist 1		5000
Vendors	Kewel Jewels	50
	Massage	50
Hospitality Suites	Sales	2138
Brochure Advertising	TD	110
	Vivid	15
	London	150
	Stew Allan	25
	Pioneer Trans	25
	Cambridge Tap Die	25
	Coutts	110
	Vice Governors	55
District meal Friday		360

sub 31178

Expenses

Hotel	Services	19784
	HST	2809
	Gratuity	2327
Rebates		2150
Kinnettes Meal Friday		250
Printing		388
Travel/Promo		28
AV Equip		541
Handsome Gary		600
Ad District 1		500
LCBO/Licenses		1480
Decorations		67

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Net Profit 254

PAUL BERRY, CFP



DUCT TAPE FOREVER

FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
2011

On November 11th, the Kin folk will trot on down to the Cambridge Hotel & Conference Centre where the Possum Lodge Players (aka Mount Forest Kin) will set you up real nice with some lodging and entertainment.

Registration, if you're one of them eatin' types, is \$99.00

Since we're all simple folk, we made \$99.00 the room rate, too.

Friday night's hoss-pa-talitee sweet will be a jaw-droppin' affair you won't want to miss. We're also going to celebrate the many uses and abuses of God's gift to the handyman, duct tape. Remember, if the women don't find you handsome, they should at least find you handy. On Saturday we're going to take care of some Possum Lodge business and then we'll be venturing into some Education. I'm not sure what that is, but it sounds like a great vacation for you and Ed, whoever Ed is...

You ever see one of these? It's called a GPS, which stands for - well, who cares? Point is, this thing uses satellites to tell you where you are, which means that every man can have a five-hundred-dollar reason not to ask for directions. But just in case one of them women folk is doing the nag-igating, you can find us at 700 Hespeler Road, Cambridge, Ontario, November 11th - 13th.

Speakin' of nagging, I'm being told that the rooms are guaranteed until October 17th. I guess they turn into something else after that, who knows. But to guarantee it'll stay a room, book it by October 17th and get your registration in as soon as possumable. Harold tells me you can see the hotel at www.cambridgehotel.ca.

This year we're doing it a little different, so leave your ball gowns and velvet suits at home, because the Saturday night is a "dress up for the fishing lodge" and "duct tape" dress theme. So get out your flannel, your duct tape and your suspenders!



*"Be generous
with the duct
tape, you
know; spare
the duct tape,
spoil the job."*



HELPING GODERICH

It is with great pleasure that we officially announce, the release of \$10,000.00 from the Kin Canada National Disaster Fund to the Community of Goderich, to assist in helping the residents of "Canada's Prettiest Town"

We would also like to thank E.D. Ric for his absolute full support in this tragedy. After we arrived on Tuesday we approached E.D. Ric that afternoon with this request and his answer was simple & straightforward, "I have been waiting for the two of you, and yes absolutely 100% I am happy to help in any way I can. Consider the money side a done deal and if we can help in any other way, let us know"

That was it, done deal.

~ GOVERNORS
DAN & COLLEEN

Nov 11th - 13th, 2011



Duct Tape Forever

Hosted by the "Possum Lodge Players" (aka Mount Forest Kin Club)



Yep, It's the Fall Leadership Convention of District 1 Kin, Yahoo!

Who da heck are you??

Name: _____

Club: Kinsmen / Kinette / Kin _____

Address: _____

Yer Got A Phone? _____

Email (optional) _____

Tell me; is this your first convention?

Yep _____ Nope _____

Inqueiries?

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