

WORKING RULES OF THE YOUTH SPORTS COMMITTEE

The Nationale Youth Sports committee consists of three (3) Sous Directeurs of Youth Sports and the Secretary/Treasurer. Your responsibility is to assist all Grand and Locale Directeurs during the year in all matters relating to Youth Sports. It shall be your responsibility to formulate policy and to carry out the objective of the program.

It is important that communication be established as early in the year as possible. It will require a great effort on the part of all on the committee to spread the word about our program and this does include the La Grande Cabanes. The Secretary/Treasurer will keep the Nationale Youth Sports committee informed of inventory on hand and on consignment and of income per Grand Voiture and other sources every other month. The Nationale committee will communicate with the Grand Directeurs every month and encourage them to use the program.

The purpose of the committee is to assist Youth Sports in amateur sports programs for youth of the ages 7 through 20 years of age. The Youth Sports committee will help all regardless of race and creed to enhance the physical, mental and moral development of these young athletes and to promote good sportsmanship and good citizenship.

The Youth Sports committee will work with Youth Sports programs such as softball, soccer, bowling, baseball, football, basketball, table tennis, volleyball, gymnastics, tramp and tumbling, weightlifting, hockey, martial arts, wrestling, swimming, track and field events, Special Olympics and any other Youth Sport that is an individual event or team effort. At Promenade Nationale 2017 during the Youth Sports meeting "Team Aerobic Dance" and "Equestrian Activities" were voted upon and passed by all present to add these two events for financial reimbursement. Youth Sports activities are growing with the times and "new sports" continue to arise.

Financial assistance is available to help with Youth Sports from the Nationale Committee. Applications for grants from the Nationale Youth Sports committee may be made for the purpose of providing financial assistance to a deserving and needy youth athlete or team to participate in sports. Applications must be made on forms supplied by the Nationale Committee. The Voiture Locale and Grand Voiture must approve the request and forward it to the Nationale Youth Sports Directeur. The Locale or Grand Voiture must put up matching funds to be eligible for assistance, unless they can demonstrate they don't have funds. **We suggest that requests for reimbursement not total in excess of \$200.00 per each Locale Voiture and not more than a total of \$1,000.00 per Grand Voiture during the year.** This can be modified in the future after a history has been established. Consideration will be given to emergency claims.

Our source of income shall be from the sale of pins and from other such ideas that the committee might approve. We will continue to ask Grand Voitures, Locales and Cabanes to contribute to the program to help make it possible for this committee to make grants. Pins should be designed so as to be sold to anyone. Distribution of these items must be accounted for before each Promenade Nationale.

The Youth Sports pins sell for \$3.00 each and the \$3.00 is to be returned to the Nationale Committee to help provide assistance to Youth Sports grants and fund request.

The Secretary/Treasurer shall establish a Capitol Account (federal insured) in the amount of \$20,000.00 and a checking account in the amount of \$10,000.00 for an operating account. All profits from the sale of pins and booster cards shall be divided as follows; 50 percent to the operating account and 50 percent to the capitol account. This is subject to change at the annual meeting of the Youth Sports Committee and approval of the delegates at the Promenade Nationale.

Each Voiture Locale will gather the information for its report from the Voyageurs Militaire and compile that information into one report. The report is then sent to the Grand Voiture Directeur of Youth Sports. The Grand Voiture Directeur compiles all the information and sends their report to the Nationale Directeur of Youth Sports. Four Nationale awards and other awards that might be established will be awarded each year at Promenade Nationale and they are as follows;

The **Donald E. “Bucky” Harris Trophy – Chef de Chemin de Fer 1980** – Youth Sports Award to the Grand Voiture with a membership in excess of 500 and less than 1,000 having the greatest participation in the Youth Sports program as of the year just ended.

The **E. A. “Andy” Buctha Trophy – Chef de Chemin de Fre 1981** – Youth Sports Award to the Grand Voiture in excess of 1,000 members having the greatest participation in the Youth Sports program as of the year just ended.

The **Michael S. Wood Trophy – Chef de Chemin de Fer 2015** – Youth Sports Award to the Grand Voiture with a membership not exceeding 500 members having the greatest participation in the Youth Sports program as of the year just ended.

The **A. C. “Scottie” Scott Trophy – Chef de Chemin de Fer 1983** – Youth Sports Award to the Voiture Locale demonstrating the greatest participation in the Youth Sports program as of the year just ended.

Nationale Youth Sports Committee
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