



## London District Science Olympics

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 7 April 2004

Present: Terry Brown, John Budge, Perry Caskanette, Nicole Hunter, Mike Katchabaw, Roger Kennedy, Al McIntyre, Richard Tamminga, Frank Tancredi, Paul Theriault, Herm Vanderheyden, Patrick Whippey.

Regrets: Jon McGoey; Elizabeth Heinicke

We reviewed the events.

**Amazing Rodents:** Up to three animals per school, each allowed three trials.

**And this little Pig:** System for special study: Endocrine System. There was some concern that this system will disadvantage students in grade 11. Terry will discuss this with Elizabeth Heinicke.

**Robot Event** Six Lego Dacta kits have been ordered..Lego Mindstorms Robotics Invention System. The online Spectrum catalog shows the 2.0 version of the kit. A newer print catalog shows what is version 2.5 of the kit, now called the Lego Team Challenge Robolab kits.

Spectrum Educational Supplies:

150 Pony Dr,  
Newmarket, ON, L3Y 7B6

(905) 898-0031 [www.spectrum.com](http://www.spectrum.com). They cost about \$300 each.

The event will involve programming a robot to perform a task. The event will be open to all students, in teams of six. We will run two 1.5 hour sessions, so we can accommodate up to 12 teams. We thank the London & District Science Fair for funding the robot kits.

**Compound Boggle** No Change

**Dante's Peek** No Change

**Fermi Questions** No Change

**London Bridge** No Change. Please read the rules - some students last year did not do so, and their bridges did not fit the new testing device.

**Mathematics Triathlon** No Change

**Mystery Solutions** May or may not run this year due to conflicts in Chemistry. More info to follow.

**Pentathlon 9 Biology** New Coordinator needed. John Budge will approach a colleague. For plan B - contact Roger Kennedy; Plan C - Patrick Whippey.

**Pentathlon 9**

**Cryptic Crossword** We need a new coordinator. I think someone agreed to find a new coordinator, but I did not note who! Please contact Patrick Whippey.  
Thanks

**Rube Goldberg** Need the Final Event.