

Missed Report from Bob. So sorry!

## Membership Report

Are you part of the solution or .....

Membership is the life blood of our clubs and our organization, and yet, each year our clubs, our district and our organization are shrinking. This means **fewer programs for the kids.**

What are you doing to bring new members into your club? Do you realize, that if each Optimist were to sponsor 1 new member, we would never have a membership problem?

**N.O.W. meetings do work!** I have been invited to a number of N.O.W. meetings as a guest speaker this year and each meeting (except 1) has resulted in new members joining the club. Norwich signed 10 new members, Mannheim 5, Kitchener West 4, Downie 3, Tillsonburg 2, Normanby 2 and St. Jacobs 1.

What are you doing to keep your club and the services you provide the kids alive? Are you are part of the solution - bringing in new members, or part of the problem - leaving it up to everyone else to do?

People want to help kids. But they have to be asked. If you need help, just give me a call. You bring in the guests (potential new members) and I will be happy to talk to them.

**Need an incentive?** Every Optimist who sponsors 4 new members into their club between February 22, 2010 and September 30, 2010 will receive free O.I. dues for the 2010/2011 Optimist year. Plus we will have a District prize awarded to the Optimist who sponsors the most new members this year and a draw that every sponsor participates in.

**Let's do it for the kids.** They need our help.

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