

Criterion A: Initial Investigation

Interviews were conducted using WhatsApp, between 17th March and 30th March 2020, with Annedith Schneider and Jeff Braithwaite who are Scoutmasters for Troop 1453. My client for this project is Jeff Braithwaite.

Their boy-scout troop does not have a centralized method of having information organized that contains objects such as event dates, duty rosters, location of equipment database, method of recruitment, and ways to share photos.

Previous solutions included a Facebook page, but it failed as it was left abandoned. They've used WhatsApp groups to share information but they deemed it unorganized. Scoutbook was used to track events happening, but it frequently had server shutdowns and maintenance.

Possible IT solutions agreed upon between me and the scoutmasters are creating a website while considering their concern of sustainability - after I finish the project how will I hand over ownership of the website to let someone else create changes, update and keep it running with.

The client's main concerns are privacy and sustainability. The Facebook page was left abandoned after a while, as younger kids do not want their pictures shared online, the storage of the pictures should be done within a secure environment, such as by utilizing some login permission.

Must-Have Features: Calendar & Planner for the events, place to store duty rosters, tracking of materials & equipment, a method to share photos and information, while keeping it secure by having a secure login and making the items visible only to the members. Sign-up sheets for recruits (forms), information to promote the troop.

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