

## NEWSLETTER

## January 2023

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#### **Knight Owls Snowmobile Meeting** 1/2/2023 - Groomer Shed, W5041 Hoovie Road, Tomahawk, WI

Call to order at 7:02 PM by President Stu Lemke

Business member count was taken by Vice President Jason Davis; Six (6) in attendance.

Minutes of the last meeting (12/5/2022) were read. Corrections of ownership were made for two projects and Jason Davis made a motion to accept the corrected minutes. Gary Hilgendorf provided a second, and the minutes were accepted.

<u>Treasurer Report</u> for January was presented by Treasurer Nancy Swan.

New members Don Ziemanski and Mark Heath were welcomed.

**<u>Trail Report</u>** was given by Gary Hilgendorf. Check the current trail report on the website. Trails are mostly open, but the fallen and tangled trees from the storm two weeks prior to Christmas continue to block some areas. For example the 15 trail north of Gleason remains

blocked as does the 17 trail south of Tomahawk to Merrill. Others west of Tomahawk are being worked to get them open.

Gary estimated about 400 hours of labor opened the Harrison Hills trails and Tomahawk area. Much more to do and with much of our work force going back to regular jobs following the holidays, progress may slow. IF A TRAIL HASN'T HAD A GROOMER OVER IT, DON'T USE IT. It's either blocked by trees or there's a safety issue. We had another irate landowner when a rider used an ungroomed trail and went outside the blaze markers to avoid downed trees. Diplomacy and physically blocking that trail persuaded the landowner to allow us to continue having that trail. STAY BETWEEN THE MARKERS.

Trail section maintenance owners continue to be needed all year to brush them high and wide for groomer clearance, and don't forget the tall-leaners.

For Lake Alice, Tank Jonas added that they've run short of directional signs for the moment, but added that he would run a fund-raiser for signs this summer. Meanwhile, slow down,

watch for ice berms and the fishermen. In appreciation of all the work clearing trails, Nutzie's will host an appreciation dinner for all the volunteers. As a reminder, all who do trail work are reminded to provide a written list of dates, hours, trail number / name, and equipment used (snowmobiles, ATV's, chainsaws, etc.) to the Trail Boss in a timely manner, so that the Club can apply for payment.

#### **Old business**

Spring HOOT! Fundraiser. Committee again met prior to the meeting. April 22<sup>nd</sup>,2023 is the date, Inshalla Country Club, Tomahawk. Tickets and posters will be out prior to next meeting. Nancy Swan is ticket coordinator. Frank Drake

Antique snowmobiles and swap-meet event continues to be pursued but remains in the "information gathering stage." Pete Renn

Community Fun Ride. Melody Chambers will provide a route and events listing via Email for the January 21<sup>st</sup> community fun ride, leaving River's Edge @ 11:00AM. Tim and Tammy Blackwell.

<u>Trail Map</u> boxes have been placed. closed Tim Debels

Online membership payment. Information gathering. Nancy Swan

<u>Community Friendly Status</u> application submitted. Lori Rogney

Web page business sponsor ads. Joan Hilgendorf

Gun Raffle scheduled for 2/4/2023 at 5pm, at Bottoms Up Bar on County A. Guns have been at various bars for about three weeks. Tickets for the guns are 3 for \$20, and seem to be going well. Bucket raffles, 50/50 drawings, and money boards will be added to increase revenue from the event. Guns are Savage Axis 2XP 6.5 Creedmoor; Mossberg Patriot 30-06 with a Vortex scope; Tri-Star Raptor Silver 20 ga.; Ruger Security 9MM pistol;

Tri-Star Cobra Camo 12 ga. Ray Zweck (guns) Nancy Swan (raffles)

\$100 Ticket Raffle. Surewood Forest will again host on 2/18/2023. The menu will be similar to past events. Our thanks to Donna Napierala. This event includes many and varied bucket raffles.

STAR Foundation Grant. Nancy Swan

<u>Copy machine</u> purchased. Closed Gary Hilgendorf

Northwoods Riders Raffle ticket purchase. Nancy Swan We used the 50/50 raffle to draw a Club representative to attend the raffle dinner.

Landowner Christmas cards. Working

Radio Ads: STAY ON TRAILS ads are running and the Club sponsorship is rotating. Tank Jonas

#### **New Business**

Two Groomer Operators have applied for training. Gary is so happy!

50-50 Raffle was won by Nancy Swan.

<u>Adjournment</u> was at 7:51 following a motion by Nick Rosenmeier, a second by Nancy Swan, and unanimous approval.

Carl Gray, Secretary.

Draft minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

## **Upcoming Knight Owls Important Dates**

January 19 & 20 – Badger State Torch Ride
January 21 – 1st Community Fun Ride Leaves at 11:00am from River's Edge Bar
February 4 - Gun Raffle - 5:00 pm Bottom's Up
February 6 - Meeting at the Groomer Shed

<u>February 18</u> - \$100 Ticket Raffle Event - Surewood Forest

March 6 – Meeting at the Groomer Shed

April 22 - Spring Hoot - Inshalla CC

**April 3** - Meeting at the Groomer Shed

#### **Upcoming Northwoods Riders Events**

<u>February 4</u> – Trailside Cookout - Club Garage <u>February 5</u> – Club Breakfast - 9:00 am - Noon - Billy BobsLocation TBD

#### **Upcoming Northwoods Passage Events**

<u>January 14</u> – Slush Run - Birch Lake - Bar and Resort

<u>January 28</u> – Hooligans Radar Run - Holly"s Bar and Grill

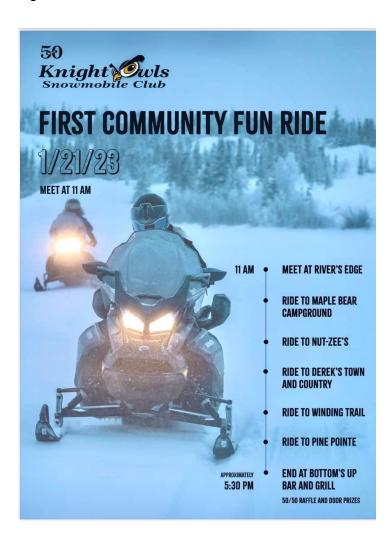
<u>February 11</u> – Sled Raffle - Somo Beach Resort

<u>February 18</u> – Maday's Fisheree on Lake Nokomis

<u>February 25</u> – Twin Bay Pizza Feed <u>March 11</u> – Winter Celebration

## **First Community Fun Ride**

Please plan to join us for this event. Sure to be a great time!



#### **Spring Hoot**

The Knight Owls Spring Hoot fundraiser will be held on April 22nd at Inshalla Country Club. See attached poster and information on this event.

There will be a planning meeting at 5:15 on February 6th prior to the general meeting at the Groomer Shed. Anyone wishing to join the planning committee is welcome to attend.

## **Knight Owls Logo Apparel**

As the Knight Owls celebrate their 50th Anniversary we are hoping to get our name and logo out with as many members as possible.

We previously sent order forms with a few items that the Knight Owls selected for printing. If you would like to browse their selection of additional items you can go to their online catalog at <a href="https://www.sanmar.com">www.sanmar.com</a> and order items from there as well.

All orders need to be made directly with Tricia at Metro Screenprinting & Embroidery. Phone number 715-365-3195.

## **STAY BETWEEN THE BLAZERS!**

Our landowners and the permissions they grant are appreciated to keep our trail system as amazing as it is.

Please respect our Landowners and remember how important they are. **STAY ON THE TRAIL!** Thanks!



#### **Agenda**

# NEXT - Knight Owls Snowmobile Club Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2023 7:00 p.m. at Groomer Shed, W5041 Hoovie Rd., Tomahawk, WI

Call to order

**Business** member count

**Minutes** of the last meeting

**Treasurer** Report

**New members** 

**Trail Report** 

Old business

<u>- Spring HOOT! Fundraiser</u>. Frank Drake and Committee

-Antique snowmobiles and swap-meet. Pete Renn

<u>-Community Fun Ride.</u> Comments. Tim and Tammy Blackwell.

-Community Friendly Status. Paperwork submitted. Lori Rogeny

-Website update Consider adding "running ads" for our business members. Joan Willendorf

-On-line membership. Nancy Swan\$100 Ticket Raffle. Donna Napierala, Nancy Swan

<u>Gun Raffle</u> Ray Zweck - Raffles Nancy Swan <u>Badger State Torch Run</u>. Comments. Gary Hilgendorf

**Landowner Christmas Cards** 

Radio promotion 'Stay on the trails' In Progress Tank Jonas

**New Business:** 

Next 'after meeting' snacks Volunteer

**50-50 Raffle** 

**Next meeting March 6th** 

**Adjournment** 

## **Membership Renewals Due July 1st**

If you know someone who hasn't renewed their membership yet please ask them to complete the membership form that can be found on our website at

www.knightowlsnowmobileclub.com

Mail all renewals to Nancy Swan.

Remember your Trail Pass through the AWSC is only \$10.00 and funds are directed to your club and the grooming of the trails you ride.

New trail passes are required annually. You can purchase trail passes online at <a href="https://www.awsc.org">www.awsc.org</a> Your AWSC membership number is required and does not change from year to year. It is not mailed to members again after they are issued the first time. You can either use the yellow card you were issued originally to find your member number, or it is also located above your name in the address box on your Wisconsin Snowmobile News magazine.

#### \$10.00 TRAIL PASSES -

- Can only be ordered through the AWSC: Purchase online, with a mail in form with a check, or call the AWSC with a Credit Card during business hours
- You can legally ride with your Trail Pass receipt
- All passes are mailed from the DNR and <u>can</u> take up to 21 days for delivery via US mail

Plan ahead and purchase Trail Passes early!

Check the website for Announcements and Updates! www.knightowlsnowmobileclub.com