



## NEWSLETTER

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### **Knight Owls Snowmobile Meeting**

**Tuesday February 5, 2024 - Groomer Shed,  
W5041 Hoovie Road, Tomahawk, WI 54487  
7:00 p.m.**

**Call to order** at 7:00 PM by President Stu Lemke

The meeting was paused for a moment of silence to mark the recent passing of Pete Renn, a long time and active member of the Club.

**Business member** count was seven (7) in attendance.

**New Members** Chad Grube

**Minutes** of the last meeting (1/2/2023) were read and approved following a motion by Joan Hilgendorf, and a second from Nancy Swan.

**Treasurer Report** for January was presented by Treasurer Nancy Swan.

**Trail Report** was presented by Gary Hilgendorf. Trails remain closed. Check our website when we start to get snow. On the chance of snow coming later (90 days after fog, according to some old-timers), the possibility of opening trails which do not cross

water, was discussed. Also, an overlooked fundraiser is our trail brushing and other maintenance, so add that to your list for “helping make the fun happen”. Becoming part of that needed volunteer base is as easy as providing your name and cell number to Gary (contact info in the masthead).

### **Old business**

**Spring HOOT! Fundraiser.** April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at Inshalla Country Club, Tomahawk. The doors will open at 4:00 pm and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. Tickets are available via the form being sent to all members. In addition, volunteers are needed to with the various raffles and registration. Please get those forms back as soon as possible. Event posters are out and others available. Planning is going well. Nancy Swan

**Radio Ads:** STAY BETWEEN THE BLAZERS ads will begin when season opens. Listen on WJQQ 92.5 FM or 810 AM.

**Community fun ride** date has moved to 2/24/2024, and depending on conditions, may shift to road legal vehicles. A POKER RUN, possibly 50-50 raffles, or other forms of fun

may be included. Northwoods Riders is providing a basket to raffle. The route is still in planning but groups will leave from Bottoms Up Bar @ 11:00 am. Get last minute information from our website, Facebook, local radio, and the email blasts from Melody. Tim and Tammy Blackwell

\$100 Raffle supporting trail funding @ Nutzee's February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Tickets are SOLD OUT, and organizers are looking forward to a great event. Kevin LaMarche

Gun Raffle @ Nutzee's, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. Ticket sales have slowed somewhat but the event is "in the black". Contact our business members or Nancy Swan for tickets. Ray Zweck

2X4 Ad space at Nutzie's. Eight (8) ad spots are available. July to July display. Contact Tim DeBels (masthead info)

Lack of snow. Please support the Club in any way you can. Buy tickets. Volunteer time.

Splash Fundraiser. Bob Leonhard took the plunge but was unavailable for update.

### New Business

Andy King took the floor to state his disappointment with Club Officers when, in his perception, a proper welcome was not afforded the 'Ride with the Cup Crew' during a stop at the groomer barn. His words reminded everyone that officers have duties beyond a title.

Nancy Swan read a Thank You note from Miss Snow Flake, Brianna Crotteau, regarding her stop at the groomer barn, with the 'Ride with the Cup Crew'.

A Meat Raffle Fundraiser was proposed as new event to be hosted by Dereck's Town and County, 4/13/24. Details to follow. Tim Blackwell.

Hooligan's Snowmobile Club sought a donation toward providing a "youth" basket for the silent auction at the AWSC Spring Convention in Elkhart Lake. Nancy Swan made a motion to

provide Knight Owls clothing, and Kevin LaMarche provided a second. All approved.

The AWSC Convention in Elkhart Lake is scheduled for 3/22-24/2024. See the AWSC Website for details. There also may be a bus ride available to Convention goers, around the Elkhart Lake Race Track!

The Club is seeking a KNIGHT OWLS NEWSLETTER Editor! Melody Chambers has decided to retire after nine years without a raise! She uses Google Docs and Word to produce the Newsletter, converts it to a PDF for email to most members, but also sends a few paper copies. Our many thanks to Melody for the great job she's done, and her always sunny disposition. This position can be fulfilled by working remotely.

Nancy Swan announced that Rock Falls Snowmobile Club had donated \$2500 to Knight Owls. It was noted that we normally provide trail grooming service to Rock Falls.

Nancy Swan thanked the Northwoods Riders Snowmobile Club for their recent Trail Cookout to honor landowners from both Northwoods and Knight Owls areas.

Next Meeting is 3/4/2024.

50-50 Raffle was won by Carl Gray.

Adjournment was at 7:51 pm following a motion by Joan Hilgendorf, a second by Will Duckett, and unanimous approval.

Carl Gray, Secretary.

***Draft minutes will be approved at the next meeting.***

### Upcoming Knight Owls Important Dates

**March 2** - Gun Raffle 3:00 pm at Nut-Zee's

**March 4** - Meeting at the Groomer Shed

**April 1** - Meeting at the Groomer Shed

**April 13** - Meat Raffle - Derek's Town & Country - TBD

**April 20** - Spring Hoot - 4:00 pm at Inshalla CC

### Upcoming Northwoods Passage Events

**March 9** - Winter Celebration

## Congratulations!

### The winners of the Knight Owls Snowmobile Clubs Trail Fund Raffle.

- 1st Prize-Northwoods Passage
- 2nd - Bob & Carrie Calhoun
- 3rd - Corey & Gina Schultz
- 4th - Pat Cook
- 5th Terry Hoffman
- 6th - Tom Wulf
- 7th - Scott & Sue Martinson
- 8th - Jessie Dahl
- 9th - Paul Werner
- 10th - Jason Kahle
- 11th - Tracy Oestreich
- 12th - Mike LaPorte
- 13th - Jenna Podgorski
- 14th - Saydee Juedes
- 15th - Lynn Stocksick

And to all those who were not winners this year, better luck 🍀 next time and thank you for your support!

**Members were mailed a letter for sponsorship opportunities and the form to purchase your Spring Hoot tickets. Be sure to get these sent in as soon as possible as space is limited.**

**Please remember to support the club by purchasing tickets for upcoming fundraisers. We need your support now more than ever!**

Check the website for  
Announcements and Updates!  
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## Agenda

### NEXT Knight Owls Snowmobile Club Meeting

**Monday, March 4, 2024**

**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

- Community fun ride February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Update. Tim and Tammy Blackwell
- \$100 Raffle Ticket supporting trail maintenance February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 update Nutzee's
- Radio promotion STAY BETWEEN THE BLAZES update as necessary. Mark McDonald
- Gun Raffle March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. Update. Ray Zweck
- Spring HOOT! Fundraiser 4/20/2024 update. Nancy Swan and committee
- Adding business signs at the STAY BETWEEN THE BLAZES trail head. Update. Tim DeBels
- Splash! Update. Bob Leonhard, Nancy Swan
- Donations and ticket sales. Nancy Swan
- Meat Raffle at Dereck's Town and Country. Tim Blackwell
- Seeking a person to take over publication and distribution of the Club Newsletter.
- First call for nominations of Officer and Director positions for the elections to be held at the April Annual Meeting. Per the Bylaws; even years; elections will be held for President, Secretary, two regular Directors (Gary Hilgendorf and Tim DeBels), and one business Director (Tom Wulf).

#### New Business:

#### 50-50 Raffle

Next meeting Monday, April 1, 2024

#### Adjournment