



NEWSLETTER

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Knight Owls Snowmobile Meeting 12/5/2022 - Groomer Shed, W5041 Hoovie Road, Tomahawk, WI

Call to order at 7:01 PM by President Stu Lemke

Business member count was taken by Vice President Jason Davis; five (5) in attendance.

Minutes of the last meeting (11/7/2022) were read. Correction required of Lori Rogney name spelling. Nancy Swan made a motion to accept the corrected minutes. Jason Davis provided a second, and the minutes were accepted.

Treasurer Report for December was presented by Treasurer Nancy Swan.

New members Kevin Tessmann, Matt Voermans, Jerry and Jeanne Otterholt, Max Kubisiak, and Andrew Johnson were welcomed.

Trail Report was given by Tim DeBels. Trails are closed. We're all set with landowners. Directional signs for the Business Sponsors have been received. Trails are brushed sufficiently for the season start, but we also expect to add another day of trail brushing after

the swamps have frozen. We're expecting to use brush hogs on skid steers and people to follow along for clean-up. Tank Jonas added that more directional signs for Lake Alice are needed. Will try to get "good used signs" at a reduced rate. He estimated they use up to 150 per year due to damage and loss. All are again cautioned and reminded to "stay-on-the-trails" The Club continues to need groomer operators; please contact Gary for instruction and practice. Trail section maintenance owners are also needed.

Old business

Spring HOOT! Fundraiser. The committee met just prior to the meeting and has settled on April 22nd, 2023 for the date, with the event to be held at Inshalla Country Club, Tomahawk. Frank Drake

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

Community Fun Ride. A route has been selected and pre-prepared food for participants is being arranged to accommodate quick order receipt and purchase by riders. Tim and

Tammy would like to receive donations of Knight Owls Logo Clothing and other items suitable for raffle. Consider making a monetary donation to provide those items. January 21st @ 11:00 am will be the start time. Please check the route and other details on the Knight Owls website. Tim and Tammy Blackwell.

Trail Map boxes will be placed by Tim Debels. The new maps / sponsor listings are all but complete. Gary Hilgendorf and Tim Debels

Online membership payment. Information gathering. Joan Hilgendorf

Community Friendly Status application is working. Lori Rogney

Investigate cost / feasibility of our website incorporating "ticker-tape ads" for our business members, which would run in a page area as each page is being viewed. 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. Application Submitted. Melody Chambers

Copy machine purchase. Gary Hilgendorf

Northwoods Passage Raffle purchase. Nancy Swan

New Business:

Landowner Christmas cards. Pete Renn suggested cards be sent to landowners as a further expression of our Member's gratitude

for their participation in the success of our club. Given the timing, it's not clear if it can be completed this year, but we're working toward making it happen!

The "STAY ON THE TRAILS" promotion is taking a different tack from last year's billboard, since that approach didn't produce the "views" needed to be effective. After hearing from Andy King of Northwoods Riders, and several minutes of discussion, Tank Jonas made a motion to join the other Clubs (Northwoods Passage and Northwoods Riders) in producing several radio ads, and providing an equal share of the \$2700 total cost of the project. Jason Davis provided a second, and the motion received unanimous approval. Tank also agreed to provide Trail Reports to the stations.

50-50 Raffle was won by Bob Leonhard.

Adjournment was at 7:41 following a motion by Tank Jonas, a second by Andy King, and unanimous approval.

Carl Gray, Secretary.

Draft minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

Upcoming Knight Owls Important Dates

January 2 – Meeting at the Groomer Shed
January 19 & 20 – Badger State Torch Ride
January 21 – 1st Community Fun Ride
February 4 - Gun Raffle - Bottom's Up
February 6 - Meeting at the Groomer Shed
February 18 - \$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

February 4 – Trailside Cookout - Club Garage
February 5 – Club Breakfast - Location TBD

Upcoming Northwoods Passage Events

January 8 - Big Cash Raffle - Bootleggers
February 11 – Sled Raffle
March 11 – Winter Celebration

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

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 www.sanmar.com 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.

Thankful For Our Landowners

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!



Spring Hoot

The Knight Owls Spring Hoot fundraiser will be held on April 22nd at Inshalla Country Club. Watch for updates and ticket information to come in early 2023.

There will be a planning meeting at 5:15 on January 2nd prior to the general meeting at the Groomer Shed. Anyone wishing to join the planning committee is welcome to attend.

Agenda

NEXT - Knight Owls Snowmobile Club Meeting

Monday, January 2, 2022

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

- Spring HOOT! Fundraiser. Frank Drake and Committee

- Antique snowmobiles and swap-meet Pete Renn

- Community Fun Ride. Tim and Tammy Blackwell.

- Trail Maps. Awaiting distribution - Gary Hilgendorf and Tim Debels

- Community Friendly Status. Paperwork submitted. Lori Rogeny

- Website update On-line membership; Adding "running ads" for our business members. Joan Hilgendorf

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

- Gun Raffle Ray Zweck Raffles Nancy Swan

- Badger State Torch Run. Gary Hilgendorf

- ISMA Grant

- Landowner Christmas Cards

- Radio promotion 'Stay on the trails' Tank Jonas

New Business:

Next 'after meeting' snacks Volunteer

50-50 Raffle

Adjournment

Trail Work

We need members to help go through and clear ALL the trails. Some are barely passable due to trees down or hanging over the trail after recent storms. The groomer can't get through until the trail is cleared.

A HUGE thank you to those that have gone out and worked on the trails already.

Any help is greatly appreciated.



Merry Christmas to All!

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 www.awsc.org 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 can take up to 21 days for delivery via US mail

Plan ahead and purchase Trail Passes now!