

PAUL BUNYAN RIDERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

March, 2017 Newsletter

Dear Paul Bunyan Member,

Our February 14, 2017, meeting was called to order by President Dave Thomson with 25 members present at Firelite Lounge. A motion was made by Pam Butler and seconded by Kurt Butler, to accept the secretary's report of the last meeting as emailed or printed in the last newsletter. M/C.

The treasurer's report was given by Mary Kay Thomson and a motion was made by Jim Juran, and seconded by Walt Larson, to accept the report as given. M/C.

Trail report was given by Dave Thomson.

• Last Saturday was a busy day for the trails in the area. There were 40 trailers parked in Lakewood just between the Trailhead and Krist Station parking lot in Lakewood. The trails were groomed Friday, Saturday, Sunday and finished up Monday. We are now going to hold off on grooming until we get more snow. The trails are in good shape right now but this weekend predictions are for temperatures in the 50's.

AWSC Director Report by Kurt Butler:

- Annual Convention is March 24-26 in Milwaukee at the Potawatomi Hotel & Casino.
- There have been 11 snowmobile fatalities so far this year. Usually speed and alcohol are contributing factors.

AWSC Youth Program Report by Pam Butler:

• **KAOS Report:** (Kids and adults on sleds) There were 16 youths and 6 adult chaperones at camp Nana Bo Sho on Waubee Lake last weekend. They were happy they got to ride 170 miles one day and 180 miles the next day.

Old Business: None New Business:

- Nominating Committee: If you are interested in running for any office or Board Member position, please contact Jim Wisneski at 920-562-7872; Tom Mulroy at 920-901-7990 or Brian Fitzpatrick at 715-340-6262, BEFORE the next meeting on March 21, 2017. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor prior to the vote.
- We will hold a **Board Meeting** to discuss Club purchases to cover needs or update equipment. The equipment all ran fine, with the exception of some electrical issues with the lights on the newest Tucker. We would like to replace our Yr. 2001, 8ft. Drag. We will be posting it for sale at the Convention to see if we get any interest in it. The intent is to get another 10 ft. folding drag. A larger drag gets more reimbursement over that of a smaller drag. There is talk of increases per mile on grooming reimbursement. There have been no increases given for many years even though costs increase.
- Snow Fun Day: We will end up making about the same as last year. Poker Run book participation improved under the new format. Our Big Ticket Raffle sales were good. Thanks to people at the head table for pushing those tickets as people entered. We lost about 45 minutes in the beginning of the day on the meat raffle due to crowd size. The basket raffle ticket sales were good. We made \$435 on the Packer Football this year. Fishing Tournament participation was down. Next year's date is set for Saturday, January 27, 2018, at Waubee Lake Lodge.
- Brat Fry sign up sheet was passed around. Brat Fry dates are Saturday, July 8, 2017 and Friday, July 28, 2017. We are still looking for people for the July 8, cook out. We only have one volunteer for that day so far. If you were not at the meeting but could work on July 8th, please call or email Diane at 715-340-8824 or paulbunyanriders@gmail.com.

The Door Prize donated by Firelite was won by Mary Schroeder. Thanks to Firelite for hosting the meeting.

The 50/50 raffle of \$47 was won by Mark Biese. A motion to adjourn, was made by Pam Butler and seconded by Bob Goble. M/C.

Next meeting with Elections will be on March 21, 2017 at 7:00 pm. at Halfway Bar in Mountain.

Respectfully Submitted, Diane Fitzpatrick, Secretary

SNOW FUN DAY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

We would like to thank the following Booster/Businesses for their donation of food: Mulligan's - Mountain, and Maiden Lake Supper Club - Mountain,

We would like to thank Russ and the Waubee Lake Lodge staff for all their assistance before and after the Snow Fun Day event.

We would like to thank the following members who donated raffle items or baskets for our basket raffles: Rick & Barb Fisher, MJ & Trina Dinkleman, Dennis & Julie Pommering, Tom & Gloria Mulroy, James & Lauri Struck, Tom & Mary Schroeder.

Thank you to all the businesses who donated items to the Bushel of Booze.

A BIG THANK YOU to all the members who came and worked their assigned shifts and then stayed to work some more. We can't do this without help and those who helped came through **BIG TIME** again this year. Thanks to all the members who sold meat raffle tickets, handled the Fishing Derby, ran the Poker Run, helped sell tickets at one of the two raffle tables, worked the food table, or who worked all day at the head table. You all have been entered, based upon participation, in the Volunteer Reward Program Drawing.

To our other members, none of it is hard but we need **live bodies**, so please think about helping out next year.

All of the prizes have been awarded so **Congratulations to all the winners** of the Meat Raffle, Fish–A–Ree, Poker Run, the Basket Raffle Prizes, Bushel of Booze, and the Big Ticket Raffle. We thank everyone who came that day to support the club, have some fun and support our trails.

SAVE THIS DATE:

Next year's Snow Fun Day will be Saturday, January 27, 2018, at Waubee Lake Lodge so mark your calendars.