

**Northern Lights Snowmobile Club**  
**January 27, 2020**

Meeting was called to order by President Jay Schuette at 7:05 pm. Other members present were, Reg and Karen Videgar, Joyce and Jim Nykolayko, Sue Frank, Ginny and Bill Gerlach, Joseph and Fay Maschke, Dave and Pat Wheeler, Steve Swendson, Kylee Swendson, Bonnie Lamb, Morse and Debby Hintz, Paul and Carol Steinhauer, Jerry and Kathy Gilbertson, Ken and Carol Zator, John Ibach, Mark Wallesverd, Jackie Kuehn, Charles Brady, Dean and Karla Lederhaus, Ron Friedle, Karl and Chris Gaffron, David and Cindy Bacon, Larry and Betty Roth, Rick Gensler, John and Sue Younker & guest, Pete and Mary Gramoll, John and Nancy Zabel, Eric and Jackie Wick, Rick Lutes, Bill Anderson.

Jim welcomed all in attendance and thanked Bill and Andra for the use of Tavern on the Loop for hosting the meeting and meal.

**MINUTES** – Jay stated that the minutes from the November meeting can be found on the NLSC website.

**TREASURERS REPORT** - Joyce Nykolayko reported that since last meeting \$4600 in membership; \$1500 in donations; \$120 50/50 raffle, Groom to Ride sales were \$1845; Christmas party was \$4835. Payout for AWSC dues \$1896; \$200 was donated to the Military Ride; There were miscellaneous fees and mileage. Bank balance as of today \$16,728.94. Joyce noted that the club has not given any money to Trails yet – need to do so. Joyce recommended giving \$8500 which would leave plenty of money for Weenie roast, overnight ride and mentioned that we must have enough to pay them for Groom to Ride tickets first and then they give us money back. A motion to donate \$8500 to trails was made, seconded and passed.

**OVERNIGHT RIDE** – Joe Maschke provided an update on the overnight ride. Riders will meet on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM on Maple Lake. All available rooms have been booked. There may possibly be one cancellation, but no one is on his reservation wait list. Joe has received calls from individuals who would like to bring more luggage than can be carried on their sled. Joe asked if anyone will be driving and have room to transport luggage. Someone mentioned that Rosie Obukowicz will be driving and should have room. If you would like to take advantage of this, give name and number to Joe or Jay and they will work out details with Rosie. Riders should plan to have luggage delivered to her the day before and she will transport to Mercer.

**PRE-RIDE** - The “pre-ride” will leave tomorrow, Tuesday morning at 8:00am from the Shell station. There are 7 or 8 individuals going on this ride to do preliminary scouting for where to go, good food, entertainment, etc. The route to Mercer will be around 75 miles.

**WEENIE ROAST** – February 16<sup>th</sup> at Baily Lake Horse Trail Park from 11 AM – 2 PM

**CLUB QUEEN** – Jay Trails mentioned that Trails is sponsoring a club queen and would like to join with our club to sponsor the queen and provide a \$500 scholarship. We will need 2 volunteers from NLSC very shortly to form a committee with Trails to elect the queen. Jay would like the group to think about this for the February meeting. The queen will attend sponsored events such as 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and other events. The volunteers will help set up rules and application process for selection. No one offered to volunteer at this meeting. There was

discussion about calling the position an “Ambassador” rather than queen and noted that a male might also like to hold this position – can’t discriminate.

**GROOM TO RIDE REPORT** – Jim Nykolayko stated that \$3300 in tickets have been sold to date which is a little ahead of last year. Volunteers for ticket sales at Trakside on 2/14 are needed for morning and/or afternoon shift. If you can fill in for four hours or so please contact Jim.

**MILITARY RIDE** – Jim Nykolayko volunteered to help on the Military Ride and ended up guiding a group. Colonel Hamilton retired and the ride was going to be cancelled. Dick Decker and Todd Achterberg (sp?) threw the ride together at the last minute. There were 45 military guys who joined the group who rode from the Derby track to Pitlik’s and then to Bonnie’s for lunch, and then rode the Kimball back to the Derby track for a great dinner. Jim was nominated and received the “Toilet Seat” award after making a wrong turn on the trails. He was honored to receive the award as that meant that everyone had a safe trip and great time. Next year the ride will be expanded, and we will be sure to get the word out for participation.

**KAOS REPORT** – Kylee Swendson provided the update for “Kids and Adults On Sleds”, aka KAOS. Meeting 2/7 for the KAOS ride in Lakewood. She will have more to share after that. KAOS is a youth organization that attends county and local snowmobile meetings. This summer on June, 6 representatives will be going to Canada to attend the International Snowmobile Conference to make presentations. Kylee is the only representative for Oneida County. KAOS can have 2 representatives per county with additional co-representatives. In total KAOS has 17 representatives.

**TRAILS REPORT** – Scott Swendson has nothing new to report. Jay indicated that the lakes have a lot of slush. Some will not open at all this year and offered a general warning for all to use caution.

**NEXT MEETING** – February 24<sup>th</sup> at Bonnie’s Lakeside at 7:00 PM

**OPEN ITEMS** –

- Reminders: Be sure to sign in and purchase 50/50 raffle tickets
- Next week Wednesday spirited ride – regular leaders will be on club ride. You can still show up and lead ride on your own to wherever you want to go
- Jay will lead the Friday ride this week as well as the Friday after the club ride

50/50 raffle was drawn

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ginny Gerlach, co- secretary