

Northern Lights Snowmobile Club
Monday, January 22, 2024 at Lindy's Hideaway
5:00 pm Bonfire and Snow Dance
6:30 pm Membership Meeting

Meeting was called to order by President Sue Frank.

Sue welcomed members and introduced guests. Sign in - 50/50 tickets passed about. – Thank you to Sherry and staff for bonfire and sponsoring us tonight. Thank you Jim N. for the music. Trivia: Guess the date the trails are going to open-We have surpassed your guesses from 9/25/23. Latest date guessed was David Bacon on 1/13/24 and won a hat. You can win a sweatshirt.

New board members were introduced Kevin Meyer and Pete Gramoll

Secretary report: John and Nancy Zabel.

November 27, 2023 meeting minutes available on website. Motion by Joyce N. and seconded by Blake. All approved.

Treasurer's report: Gary K. discussed and Joyce N. made motion to approve and Kerry R. seconded. Motion passed.

Membership and Sponsor Report: Joyce N Joyce – encourage all to invite a friend to join/sponsor. As of now, 443 members, 37 sponsors. 17 landowners. Total 497, 22 less than 2023.

Fundraising report: Sue F. reported squares left from Christmas party: Edge of Dells, Pool Cue, Pontoon rental. Raffle ticket baskets remain at Black Forest, Lindys, Brew Station, and Hile's Trailhead Pub. Guess snowflakes-Lindy's. GTR Tickets at many businesses incl. Lindy's. Also, encouraged everyone to guess the snowflakes hanging from the ceiling at Lindy's.

TLBRT: Scott S. Made note of events coming up. Also encourage members to patronize bars and restaurants due to lack of snow.

Expiring Board positions-voting 3/18/24 meeting: VP & Treasurer - Anyone interested? Kerry R. and Gary and Brenda K. agreed to continue on another two years.

Activities / Events:

Overnight Ride: Dave W. Discussed the snow conditions to Iron River. On 1/30 Dave W. will be making decision to cancel and set up a schedule to meet at local establishments. Cancellation must be made by each individual 48 hours prior to reservation. Schedule will be sent out and posted.

Weenie Roast: John Z. reported Feb 18 is the date. 11-2pm at shelter Valley. Food donation of \$500 was given by Paul DeLeers. Northwoods port-a potty also donated the use of a port-a potty. Discussion on what happens if we need to cancel this event. Dave W will get it out on the Internet.

Christmas Party – Thank you to everyone who attended and all of the volunteers. 95 in attendance-a huge spread and variety of delicious food. \$3,000 was raised.

Groom to Ride: Sue F. Encourage members to sign up to sell tickets. As of now \$1900. has been made on the sales.

Clothing order – Joyce N. Passed out an order form for the clothing, and several shirts were modeled by members. Well received.

Miss Snowflake: Jim N suggested we invite her to an event. Jim will check this out.

Weekly rides: it was encouraged that the trail leaders would arrange a lunch in the area to support local businesses until the trails do open. Kim B. will schedule luncheons for the ladies ride on Thursdays and Dave W would submit pictures on our webpage.

Upcoming events:

- a. Chicken soup Cluck Off 1/27/24 Lindys 2-5 pm
- b. Vintage Ride 2/3/24 –Spiritview start-TOL finish-cards are out
- c. NLSC Spaghetti Dinner Pike's Pine Isle 2/4/24 4-8 pm \$14
- d. NLSC Overnight Ride Iron River MI 2/6-2/9/24
- e. TL-BRT gun & meat raffle 2/10/24 Spiritview 5-8 pm
- f. Poker Run-2/15-2/17/24 party at 32 South
- g. TL Shoot out Snowmobile drag races Spirit lake 2/16-2/17/24
- h. Weenie Roast (Baily Lake Horse Trail entrance) 2/18/24 11-2
- i. Junker Sled 2/24/24 snowmobile park 10 am
- j. NLSC meeting 2/26/24 Headwaters Hiles – let's hope we can ride to it
- k. NLSC meeting Pike's Pine Isle 3/18/24 (one week early)
- l. GTR ticket drawing with band and party 4/6/24 at WCDC 5 pm
- m. Three Lakes Tavern League \$100 cash raffle ticket drawing 4/28/24 TOL
- n. 5/22/24 Landowner appreciation Sorge's Daybreak Diner
- o. WATCH Facebook, emails-newsletters and website

50/50 Raffle Drawing: Tim Roberts won \$185 and donated back to the club.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

John and Nancy Zabel
Co-Secretary