



Minutes
Lehigh Valley Snow Riders
February 24, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Carol Spafford 7:10 pm.

Reading of the Minutes

- Wendy Warren read the minutes from the January meeting.

Treasurer's Report

- Chris Livermore gave the Treasurer's report. Motion to approve the minutes and Treasurer's report was made by Patty Hoiles, seconded by Matt Schaertl, all in favor.

Old Business

- The Winter Carnival at Budd Park in Shortsville was cancelled due to lack of snow.
- The SnowCross event at the Canandaigua Speedway was also cancelled.
- NYSSA Forum is in Lake Placid April 29 - May 1, 2016. Early registration is \$50, goes up to \$80, so now is the time to sign up if interested.
- Check for Club updates on our website and FaceBook page.
- Please help us sell tickets - We're selling tickets for the Super Raffle (see Roger Spafford for tickets). The drawing for the Super Raffle will be at the NYSSA Forum. We are also selling Cash Raffle tickets (see Patty Hoiles for tickets). The drawing for the Cash Raffle will be this Saturday at the Poker Run.
- Poker Run is scheduled for this Saturday, February 27th from 11:00 - 5:00 - Snow or no, it's a go! Start at the Shortsville American Legion at 11:00 to pick up your game card (\$10) with instructions and a list of participating businesses on our trail system. Stop at the different businesses and collect poker chips. Participating businesses are: Brothers Still & Grill, Everson's Store/Gas Station, Shananigan's, the Office, Eddie O'Brien's in Farmington, and Buffalo Bills Rest (opening an hour early for us at 3pm). Meet back at the American Legion no later than 5 pm to trade in your poker chips for playing cards. You can buy additional cards for \$5 each. Two prizes will be awarded - 1st prize will be 25% of the earnings, 2nd place will be 15% of the earnings. We will advertise in the Merchandiser. Carol will bring the apparel to sell. She also bought poker chips to be given to the participating businesses. Joe Grey will put the Poker Run on FaceBook.

Trail Report

- Trails are closed due to lack of snow. Please post on website and FaceBook.
- Club members had a work day to install the railings on the new bridge behind The Merchandiser. They were able to use much of the old railings but needed more lumber to do the top railings.
- Zimmerman on Depew Rd complained, people are not staying on the trail. Discussed the area in question. Officer Peck volunteered to stop and talk to Zimmerman's to let them know they have the support of local officials. He may put up caution tape around the area if we get more snow.

- We've had several comments that our trails are signed better this year than they've ever been. Great job to all who help sign and maintain our trails!

New Business

- Officer Peck (585-489-6296) attended our meeting. He went out last Tuesday approx 7 pm, there was not much traffic. He went out again last Thursday. He stopped 8 sleds and wrote 3 tickets - one for uninsured and two for unregistered. The minimum fine for unregistered sled is \$200 + surcharge. He has been to 3 different clubs meetings and said we have the highest attendance.
- Officer Peck would like a list of our groomers in case of snow emergency.
- Discussed how some farmers on the new Gorham/Penn Yan trail are putting obstacles in areas where sleds should not be. Please stay on the trails for your own safety.
- New York snowmobile registrations are down 50,000 compared to last year.
- Credit card processing fees - NYSSA is proposing to charge the member the 3% credit card processing fee. Will be voted on at the NYSSA meeting in Lake Placid.
- Landowner Dinner - discussed whether to have the landowner dinner this year since funds are low. We could invite them to one of our chicken BBQs for a free dinner. Would limit to 2 dinners. Possible locations - Shananigan's or the Community Bank in Cdga on the corner of Route 5 & 20 and Route 332. Will discuss further and pick a date at the March meeting.
- New officer nominations will be at the March meeting, elections will be at the April meeting.
- Scholarship awards - decided to reduce the amount we give from \$500 down to \$250 for the 2 awards we give - Midlakes and Red Jacket.
- Joe Grey who updates our website discussed his concerns with lack of support when he has questions about the website and also concerns with their level of protection from hackers. He has looked into Go Daddy. Their fees for hosting and domain name registration would be a little higher but we would be better protected and would get better support. Our current hosting runs out in September. Decided to go with Go Daddy at that time.
- Stone's Customer Appreciation event is this Saturday at Brantling Ski Resort.

Next Meeting

- A motion was made by Dale Dunce 8:25 to close the meeting, seconded by Patty Hoiles, all in favor.
- The next meeting is Wednesday, March 30th at Buffalo Bills Restaurant at 7:00 pm.