

**Meeting at Corbin's**

**January 27, 2016**

**Members in attendance: 20**

**President Scott Kolberg** called the meeting to order

**Secretary Tim Feldmann** read the minutes from the December meeting at Bummy's Haus and was approved.

**Vice President Kevin Kirsch**- Four New Memberships to be voted in-Kurt Minarik, James & Barbera Horneck, Jason & Anna Marie Bramstedt, and Travis Ardell. Motion was made to accept new memberships; 1<sup>st</sup> Nancy Sixel and 2<sup>nd</sup> Justin Boedecker, Motion approved and Welcome. That puts our current membership at 134 paid Family memberships.

**Treasurer Annie Heim** read treasurer's report and was approved.

**From the Trailmaster's Desk; Larry Rietbrock,**

As I am writing this; part of the Howards Grove trail system is open. The trails are in pretty good condition. When we have a year when snow conditions only allow us to open certain sections of the county, like this year; please check the Sheboygan county snow hotline at [920-892-7455](tel:920-892-7455) or the Northern Kettle moraine web site at [www.nkmsnow.com](http://www.nkmsnow.com) for up to date trail conditions. You need to know where you're riding and if the trails are open or closed in that section. Riding on closed trails is trespassing and you can be fined \$250.

**Youth club....**Any youth between the ages of 12 and 17 looking to join the youth club should call Jamie Kolberg [920-946-5823](tel:920-946-5823) or Larry Rietbrock [920-645-5771](tel:920-645-5771). These young people are the future of snowmobiling; so let's get them involved early so they can be the club leaders of the future.

I hope to see everybody at the club brat fry Feb 13<sup>th</sup> at Bummy's Haus. Come meet our current 2015-16 AWSC Miss Snowflake Callie Brice from Manitowoc County. She will be there in the afternoon helping with raffles and meeting everyone. Please stop in and say "Hi" to this young lady. You will be surprised at her knowledge of snowmobiling and how to run a club. At age 21, she is the current club president for the Lakeshore club in Manitowoc County.

### **Old Business**

**Club Brat Fry...**As everyone is probably aware the Brat Fry is only two weeks away; February 13<sup>th</sup> at Bummy's. We still have some work shifts available throughout the day; which you will find on the sign up sheet sent along with this newsletter. As stated in other years; even if you can't work a complete shift, please let me know if there is somewhere you could help out. There are always things to be done the day of the fry. You will find more information on the brat fry on the next page (not sent to Landowners), please come and help support the club or volunteer some of your time to work. Anyone that has Brat Fry Donations or Raffles; make sure to get them to Kevin Kirsch as soon as possible.

**Club Scholarship...**The club will again be giving away a \$300 Scholarship this year. Applicant must be a graduating High School this coming year and be a club member. Contact Nancy Sixel (565-2318) for essay information, deadline for entries is March 1, 2016.

**Club Trip...**This year's club ride will be held at Richard's in Dunbar and will be held February 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 2016. There is a block of 12 rooms reserved under our clubs name.

If you are interested in going, please call 1-715-324-5444 to reserve your room; just mention the Howards Grove Snowmobile Club. The prices per night are..1 person \$50, 2 people \$70, 3 people \$80, and 4 people \$90 per room. If you have any other questions; please contact Larry Rietbrock.

**Website and Facebook...**The club website is up and running with the exception of our PayPal account. We are having some issues setting up our account with them because of personal information needed which we don't have; since we are an organization. We are working on this and will follow up when we have some updates. Meanwhile, make sure to "Like" us on Facebook; this is a great way to find out what is going on with the club.

### **New Business**

**Groomer Show...**The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Groomer Show will be held February 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> in St. Germain at Arrowhead Groomers. This show has proven to be a great asset to any club who is in the market for new grooming equipment. Test drives are available for many of the units throughout the two day show. If anyone has any questions or would like more information on this; please contact Larry Rietbrock.

**Snowmobile Crossing Signs...**Discussion was brought up about possibly installing snowmobile crossing signs on Highway 42 and County road MM by John Born's house where we just changed the trail. The concern is that the snow banks can get quite high and that area can be tricky to navigate across. We want to make sure safety is our first priority; so Larry is going to send in a request to the State to have the signs installed. This process can take a while; so please be cautious when driving through that area.

**Landowner's Dinner...**This years Landowners Dinner will be held April 2<sup>nd</sup> at Klemme's Wagon Wheel in Howards Grove. If you are a Landowner; you will receive a postcard in the mail sometime in March with all the details of the event. If you are a club member; we will have more information in the February-March Newsletter.

**Address Changes...**Please make sure that if you move or change e-mail addresses to forward that new address to Scott or Tim. This just makes getting newsletters and any other information that is needed out in timely manner. Your help with this is greatly appreciated. If you are not currently on the e-mail list and would like to be; send your name and e-mail to tfeldmann23@gmail.com and I will get you signed up.

**Next Meeting will be February 24<sup>th</sup> at Laack's Hall at 7:30**

**Raffle Winner: Ron Mihm, was not in attendance; Rollover**

**Meeting Adjourned: 1<sup>st</sup> Charlene Dewey and 2<sup>nd</sup> Duane Gumm**

**Item for Sale:** 1999 Polaris 500 XC with 9,000 Miles; asking \$1,050; Contact Ron Mihm with any questions (565-2657).

**Club Building Address: W2515 County Road MM, Cleveland, WI 53015**

### **Extra Brat Fry Info**

On the back of this sheet is the sign up for the brat fry. There are still a plenty of spots open for members to sign up. For the most part the shifts are only 2-3 hours long, and the time goes really quick. The more help that we have, the smoother the day goes. Also, please look over the sheet as a reminder if you had signed up earlier this year to help. Anyone that can make cookies, brownies, bars, or anything else for the bake sale, would be greatly appreciated. All help would be appreciated; if for some reason you had signed up to work and now can't, please contact Tim (980-4358) as soon as possible. Remember, this is our main fundraiser; so the more help we have, the smoother the day goes.